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**MR. ERNEST C. MARSHALL
UNITES WITH THE
JOURNAL.**

It affords the Editor the greatest of pleasure to be able to announce that Mr. Ernest C. Marshall, Ph. G., hitherto of Boston, Mass., but now of Columbus, Ohio, has united his fortunes with those of the JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, and with this issue assumes his duties as Advertising Manager and Associate Editor.

Mr. Marshall is a native of Boston, Mass., where he has passed his whole life. At the age of fourteen he entered the drug business under the tutelage of Benjamin F. Stacey, who for many years was an active and honored member of the A. Ph. A. He is a graduate of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, has held the offices of Trustee and Vice-President of that institution, and delivered the Commencement oration in 1885. He has also been President of the Alumni Association of the College. He first joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1875, but relinquished his membership therein during his temporary disassociation with the profession while engaged in the public service and with outside interests, but again connected himself with the Association on resuming connection with the profession. He was a member of the Boston City Council for two years, a member of its School Board for three years and has been Institutions Commissioner and Penal Institutions Commissioner of the County of Suffolk, of which the city of Boston is almost the whole. He has been prominent in Association work, having been President of the Massachusetts State Pharmaceutical Association, of which he is a life member, of the Boston Druggists' Association, the Suffolk Drug Co., and the Suffolk Drug Club. He is a Past Master in Masonry and is a Knight Templar. He has had experience in newspaper work and in advertising for more than ten years. He has been the New England representative of the Journal of the N. A. R. D. for the past three years and has written "The New England Letter" for the JOURNAL OF THE A. PH. A. He is a member of the Pilgrim Publicity Club, the leading organization of advertising men in New England.

Concerning Mr. Marshall's propaganda work in Boston, the Secretary of the Boston Retail Druggists' Association, Mr. C. H.

Davis writes the Journal of the N. A. R. D. as follows:

The loss of Mr. Marshall will be long felt by our association, yet we cannot help but congratulate Mr. Marshall on the position that he has accepted, and also the *Journal of the American Pharmaceutical Association* for obtaining so able an assistant. As superintendent of the propaganda department of our association, he has won for the betterment of pharmacy the good will and support of many, many physicians, reducing greatly the percentage of proprietaries prescribed, and paving the way for his successor. It was not an easy task to win the confidence of physicians for himself and those whom he was to benefit; to throw down pharmaceuticals and place in their stead those preparations that the physician, seemingly, had about forgotten ever existed. To be sure no little credit belongs to the pharmacist in our own ranks, who made and put up for him the samples for distribution. Yet who but Mr. Marshall could have won the day for us and given us the start?

Mr. Marshall's training and experience render him a valuable acquisition to the JOURNAL, and the Editor bespeaks for him the cordial and enthusiastic support of every member of the A. Ph. A. family.



THE HOSPITAL CORPS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY.

An Urgent Appeal to Every Pharmacist in the United States.

The American Pharmaceutical Association, backed by the pharmacists of the whole United States, have a bill now before the House introduced by Representative Hughes of Georgia as Bill H. R. No. 1, and now before the Senate, introduced by Senator Bacon of Georgia as Senate Bill S. 929. These bills are identical and their text is as follows:

A BILL

To promote the efficiency of the Hospital Corps of the United States Army.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the Hospital Corps of the United States Army shall constitute the enlisted personnel of the Hospital Corps now authorized by law, and shall consist of thirty sergeants major at \$75 per month; three hundred sergeants, first class, at \$65 per month; sergeants at \$36 per month; corporals at \$24 per month; cooks at \$30 per month; privates, first class, at \$21 per month; and privates at \$16 per month, with such increase for length of service and other allowances as are or may hereafter be established by law.

As Chairman of the Committee on the Status of Pharmacists in the United States

Government Service of the National Association of Drug Clerks and also as a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association, we wish to urge every pharmacist who reads this article to sit down immediately and write a brief letter and then make copies of it and send a copy to each of the members of the Committee on Military Affairs of the House and Senate and urge that "*you will please see that the bill H. R. No. 1 and S. 929 which have been fully endorsed by the surgeon-general of the U. S. army (as you will see in his last report) is offered as an amendment and placed as a "rider" on the army appropriation bill now before Congress.*"

The members of the hospital corps of the U. S. army are now so poorly paid that many are leaving the service, as the positions in the regular army service pay better salaries, even the men who take care of the sick mules are better paid than those who take care of the sick soldiers. Any one who is in a position to know will readily assure you of the difficulty of getting men in the hospital corps, and after getting them the difficulty of keeping them there on account of the miserably poor pay.

Pharmacists are men of influence in every section, their stores are all in the towns and cities and each one is a nucleus around which clusters the leading sentiments and views of the community. The pharmacists not only of your state, but of the whole United States, are deeply interested in the matter. Every state government requires the pharmacist who practices pharmacy among the people to be examined and licensed by a state board and to be an excellent type of man. With the present miserable salaries given the Army Hospital Corps, as just stated above, it is very difficult to get good men and still more difficult to keep them under present conditions. The Hospital Corps of your state troops are, of course, also in this same bad shape. Your help in this matter will be very much appreciated, as we feel that present conditions are unjust to those in the military service, to the public, to the medical officers of the army and to the profession of pharmacy, which all true pharmacists wish to see secure the recognition which it deserves.

GEORGE F. PAYNE.

(For further information concerning the Hughes-Bacon bill see JOURNAL for June, 1913, p. 669, and January, 1914, p. 13.—*Editor.*)