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A. PH. A. PRIZE MEMBERSHIPS.

The following gentlemen have been awarded nominations to membership in the A. Ph. A. from colleges and universities because of exceptional work:

St. Louis College of Pharmacy—Julius Blanton Linn, of Canton, Mo., for general scholarship.

Baylor University, School of Pharmacy—John Morgan Fletcher, Dallas, Texas, for best general average.

University of Oklahoma—Frank Bradley, of Noble, was awarded the Browne prize, and Ralph Hron, of Guthrie, and Clarence Nicholas, of Anadarko, the Barbour prizes.

University of Tennessee—John H. Grant, Jacksboro, The Fortune-Ward Drug Co., of Memphis prize, for highest grade in Chemistry.



PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Harry S. Noel, member of the advertising staff of Eli Lilly & Company, was married June 10th, to Miss Nellie K. Covert, of Indianapolis, at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Charrtrand. Mr. and Mrs. Noel are taking an extended wedding trip East and will visit Mr. Noel's parents at Williamstown, Mass. New York City, Albany, Ithaca and perhaps several other cities will be included in their itinerary. Mr. Noel is a graduate of the Albany College of Pharmacy and for two years was connected with the Druggists' Circular and is known to many readers of the drug journals as he has been a contributor to the journals from time to time for the past five or six years.



Maurice Palais Schwartz, the Secretary of the Indiana Pharmaceutical Association, was united in marriage to Estella Cecilia Fox, daughter of Mrs. Isabella R. Fox, on Tuesday, the 26th of May last, at Indianapolis.

Council Business

COUNCIL LETTER No. 23.

PHILADELPHIA, May 26, 1914.

To the Members of the Council:

The following communication has been received from Harry B. Mason:

"I am just in receipt of the proposed programme for the 62d annual meeting—page 55 of Council Minutes. I want to protest against the way in which the two sessions of the Commercial Section have been separated by three days. I have been chairman of different sections on three or four occasions, and I have discovered that the minute you sacrifice continuity you sacrifice interest also. I was shoved in as chairman of the Commercial Section this year somewhat against my wishes, and since my appointment I have been endeavoring to get up a live, vital, interesting programme. I want, if possible, to make the Commercial Section a real asset and to this end I plead for a fair hearing.

All of which is preliminary to this motion: that the second session of the Commercial Section be held on Wednesday morning at 9:30 instead of Friday morning at 9:30, and that the first session of the Section on Pharmacopœias and Formularies be changed from Wednesday morning to Wednesday afternoon."

Motion No. 36 (Amendment of Program for Sixty-second Annual Meeting). Moved by H. B. Mason, seconded by J. W. England (1) that the second session of the Commercial Section be held on Wednesday, August 26, at 9:30 a. m., instead of Friday, August 28, at 9:30 a. m., (2) that the second session of the Conference of Pharmaceutical Faculties be held on Wednesday, August 26, at 10 a. m., and (3) that the original program as amended by above be substituted for the program given under Motion No. 35.

E. Fullerton Cook, Chairman of the Section on Pharmacopœias and Formularies, is opposed to any change in time for the first session of his Section, and if there is no objection, the time allotted for this Section will not be changed.

The following letter has been received from A. H. Clark:

"I return an affirmative vote on the proposed program for the Detroit meeting. I sincerely hope that this program will be strictly adhered to, as I believe it is a long step in the right direction. I hope also that all the changes suggested by Mr. Mason in Council Letter No. 20 will be adopted, as I

am firmly convinced that such changes will lead to much improvement over the present proposed program for the Detroit meeting. With few exceptions, the proposed changes are so obviously, to me, the proper thing that argument seems unnecessary.

"There is one point I want to mention. No matter what the program is, how it is managed by the Council, whether it be short or long, whether there be conflicting sessions or not, there is one thing that soon or late must be done. That is this: Arrange your program before the meeting, publish it, *and then stick to it* at the meeting. What demoralizes the entire meeting, creating more confusion and dissatisfaction than all else put together, is the endless string of *changes* announced by the Local Secretary at the opening of every session. About the second afternoon of the meeting no one knows what the program is. This is the thing that must be done. The other things are really of minor importance."

The following communication has been received from Francis E. Stewart:

"In response to Letter No. 20, I am commenting upon some of the suggestions made by Harry B. Mason in his letter to the Council.

"Mr. Mason's suggestions on the whole are certainly excellent, but it would seem to me that possibly suggestion No. 5 should be modified in some way, that the Association may have the advantage of discussing important suggestions made in the reports of the committees. Suppose, for example, a committee on legislation or some other important subject makes a report which should be submitted to the general meeting for discussion and action; the suggestion No. 5 made by Mr. Mason does not provide in any way for bringing such reports before the house. The suggestion of the Committee might be of the greatest importance as relating to legislation pending in Congress, affecting in a vital manner the interests of the American Pharmaceutical Association, or of the pharmaceutical profession itself. The Committee making the report might have a very different opinion of the subject than the majority of the Association. I can even imagine a condition in which the Council itself might have a different opinion than the Association. How could such a subject be brought before the general meeting for discussion?"

"In regard to Mr. Mason's suggestion No. 15, the Association would be perfectly safe to empower the general secretary to reject or reassign contributions as long as the present incumbent is retained in the secretary's chair, but it might be a very different matter if the secretary was a man of less judicial temperament and possibly biased for or against certain subjects that might be presented in papers for discussion by the Association. It would seem to me that no one person should have the power to reject a paper. This power should be vested in a committee very carefully selected by the Association, or the authority should be vested in the Council."

The following has been received from Lucius E. Sayre:

"Permit me to say I am in favor of the general principles suggested by H. B. Mason for injecting efficiency into the A. Ph. A., now needed to catch up with the modern ideas of effective and productive work.

"I should be sorry, however, to see the Section on Pharmacopœia and Formularies discontinued. Even the *Materia Medica* and *Pharmacognosy* should be *tried out*.

"I am surprised that Mr. Mason did not suggest the discontinuance of the Historical Section, instead of the others mentioned. This section, while indeed very important, does not, to my mind, have the same element of productivity and efficiency in it as do the sections recommended to be dropped.

"I should be glad to have the Council consider seriously the recommendation of Mr. Mason and I, for one, would be glad to sacrifice some of my pet sections for the general good."

Motion No. 37 (Applications for Membership). You are requested to vote on the following applications for membership:

No. 161. Edgar Seiple LaWall, 626 Second St., Catasauqua, Pa., rec. by Charles H. LaWall and M. R. LaWall.

No. 162. Joseph Hugh Cooney, 499 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass., rec. by John G. Godding and Theodore J. Bradley.

No. 163. William Maurice Lange, 57 Dove St., Albany, N. Y., rec. by Warren L. Bradt and J. W. England.

No. 164. James Herbert Wood, 20 Broad St., Bloomfield, N. J., rec. by Garrett Byrnes and David Strauss.

No. 165. Emil Hermann Trumpold, 1108 Adams St., Dorchester, Mass., rec. by Elie H. LaPierre and Theodore J. Bradley.

No. 166. Charles Patrick Norton, 66 State St., Gt. Barrington, Mass., rec. by Theodore J. Bradley and C. H. Packard.

No. 167. Herman Jacob Epstein, 7 Page St., Boston, Mass., rec. by C. Herbert Packard and Theodore J. Bradley.

No. 168. Robert Edson Bemis, 7 Concord Square, Boston, Mass., rec. by C. Herbert Packard and Theodore J. Bradley.

No. 169. Floris Nagelvoort, 231 Van Dyke Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by W. Ohliger and H. M. Avery.

No. 170. D. Edmund Perrin, Fourteenth and Warren Ave., W., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Wm. A. Hall and Leonard A. Seltzer.

No. 171. Mrs. M. E. Pinkerton, 179 National Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Geo. W. Crane and Wm. A. Hall.

No. 172. Ernest Kimmich, care Parke, Davis & Co., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Leonard A. Seltzer and Wm. A. Hall.

No. 173. Walter J. Turnbull, 1173 Hamilton Blvd., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Nathaniel H. Jones and Wm. A. Hall.

No. 174. Wirt P. Doty, 1913 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Nathaniel H. Jones and Wm. A. Hall.

No. 175. George M. Schettler, 55 West Fort St., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Leonard A. Seltzer and Wm. A. Hall.

No. 176. Roy E. Bodimer, 381 Clay Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Nathaniel H. Jones and Wm. A. Hall.

No. 177. John A. Greer, 898 Michigan Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Geo. W. Crane and Wm. A. Hall.

No. 178. Joseph Altman, 919 Intervale Ave., New York, N. Y., rec. by Otto Raubenheimer and J. Leon Lascoff.

No. 179. Adolf Shnitter, 1424 Washington Ave., Bronx, New York, N. Y., rec. by Otto Raubenheimer and J. Leon Lascoff.

No. 180. Frederick F. Alt, 208 East 84th St., New York, N. Y., rec. by Otto Raubenheimer and J. Leon Lascoff.

No. 181. Joseph S. Churgin, 210th St. and Gun Hill Road, New York, N. Y., rec. by Otto Raubenheimer and J. Leon Lascoff.

No. 182. Herman Harold North, 164 Grant Ave., Jersey City, N. J., rec. by Otto Raubenheimer and J. Leon Lascoff.

No. 183. John Edward Stacey, Summer St., East Saugus, Mass., rec. by Theodore J. Bradley and John Godding.

No. 184. Cyrus L. Schlobach, 437 Northampton St., Easton, Pa., rec. by Paul B. Anspach and C. H. Packard.

No. 185. Arthur L. Pillsbury, 1401 Lawrence St., Denver, Col., rec. by F. W. Nitardy and Emmett Powers.

No. 186. J. Atlee Dean, 1809 Wallace St., Philadelphia, Pa., rec. by Charles H. LaWall and A. J. Standt.

No. 187. Everett I. Frasier, 577 Antoine St., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Oliver H. Grunow and Wm. A. Hall.

No. 188. James H. Joyce, 1023 Third Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by R. W. Rennie and C. A. Weaver.

No. 189. Frederick J. Henning, 697 Third Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by R. W. Rennie and C. A. Weaver.

No. 190. Mathew H. Douglas, 488 Lincoln St., Detroit, Mich., rec. by R. W. Rennie and C. A. Weaver.

No. 191. C. H. Potts, 561 Trumbull Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by R. W. Rennie and C. A. Weaver.

No. 192. Oliver H. Greenow, 93 Gratiot Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Wm. A. Hall and L. A. Seltzer.

No. 193. Alfred Price Breitenbach, 199 Gratiot Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Wm. A. Hall and L. A. Seltzer.

No. 194. Alexander Reid, 87 Henry St., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Wm. A. Hall and L. A. Seltzer.

No. 195. Robert W. Rennie, 771 Third Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Wm. A. Hall and L. A. Seltzer.

No. 196. E. C. Kinsel, 24 and 26 Michigan Ave., Detroit, Mich., rec. by Wm. A. Hall and L. A. Seltzer.

J. W. ENGLAND,
Secretary of the Council.

415 North Thirty-third Street.

COUNCIL LETTER No. 24.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., May 30, 1914.

To the Members of the Council:

The following communication was received from Local Secretary Seltzer with reference to program for sixty-second annual meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association, after the issuance of Council Letter No. 23 (May 28, 1914), containing amendments by H. B. Mason and J. A. Koch to program:

DETROIT, MICH., May 28, 1914.

Mr. J. W. England, Secretary of the Council, Philadelphia, Pa.:

DEAR SIR—At a meeting of the local committee called for the purpose of considering the program submitted in Council Letter No. 22, it was deemed advisable to suggest a few changes. As modified, the program would read as follows:

Monday:

- 9.00 A.M. Meeting of Council.
- 3.00 P.M. First General Session.
Meeting of Committee on Nomination.
- 7.30 P.M. House of Delegates.
- 8.30 P.M. Joint Reception of Presidents of A. Ph. A. and M. S. P. A., followed by ball.

Tuesday:

- 9.30 A.M. Second General Session.
First General Session M. S. P. A.
- 10.00 A.M. National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.
- 10.00 A.M. Ladies Shopping and Visiting.
- 1.30 P.M. Ladies Boat Ride to Bois Blanc Island and Supper.
- 2.00 P.M. National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.
- 2.30 P.M. Scientific Section (1).
Joint Session of Commercial Section and M. S. P. A. (1)
- 7.30 P.M. House of Delegates.
Meeting of Council.

Wednesday:

- 9.30 A.M. Section on Education and Legislation (1).
Section on Pharmacopœias and Formularies (1).
Commercial Section (2).
National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.
- 10.00 A.M. Conference of Pharmaceutical Faculties.
- 12.30 P.M. Luncheon of College Alumni.
- 2.00 P.M. National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.
- 2.30 P.M. Women's Section (1).
Section on Practical Pharmacy and Dispensing (1).
- 2.30 P.M. Scientific Section (2).
- 7.30 P.M. Meeting of Council.
Theatre Party for Ladies.
Smoker for Men.

Thursday:

- 9.30 A.M. Section on Education and Legislation (2).
 Scientific Section (3).
 Joint Session of Section Practical Pharmacy and Dispensing and M. S. P. A. (2).
- 10.00 A.M. National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.
- 1.30 P.M. Excursion for Everybody to St. Clair Flats.

Friday:

- 9.30 A.M. Historical Pharmacy (1)
 Section on Pharmacopœias and Formulæries (2)
 Women's Section (2).
- 2.30 P.M. General Auto Ride
- 7.30 P.M. Reorganization of Council.
- 8.00 P.M. House of Delegates.
- 8.30 P.M. Joint Session of Section on Education and Legislation, A. C. P. F. and N. A. B. P.

Saturday:

- 9.00 A.M. Meeting of Council.
- 10.30 A.M. Final General Session.

In submitting the above program, we desire to say that each item of the program was very carefully considered, and the changes made were found necessary to meet the conditions, as we find them, some of which are beyond our control. The only exception to this is our suggestion to revert to our former custom of having the First General Session at 3.00 p. m. Monday, and the House of Delegates at 7.30 p. m.

Our reason for offering this suggestion is that we fear that the General Session held at 7.30 will seriously interfere with the reception in the evening. Even if we succeed in transferring much of the work usually done in the General Session to the House of Delegates, the one and a half hours allotted will not be sufficient to do what is left, including the work of the Nominating Committee. But even supposing that it were possible to transact all this business in one and a half hours, this brings us right up to the moment of the opening of the reception, 9.00 p. m. Since the room in which the session is to be held is the one in which the reception is to be held, it will be necessary to clear the room for that purpose, which takes time, and furthermore those who are active in the work of the session are also prominent at the reception, and they will require some time between these two engagements for preparations.

It seems to the committee that it will require but little mathematical calculation on the part of anyone experienced in how things move at such times to come to the conclusion that to hold the First General Session at 7.30 p. m. will result in pushing the opening of the reception well into the night, and in fact spoil that function, which to some of the visitors is a very important one.

On the other hand, should the House of Delegates meet at 7.30 and find it necessary to continue its deliberations beyond the hour

of the reception, it could do so, as its officers are not the officers of the Association whose presence at the reception is necessary.

Inasmuch as a serious effort is going to be made to run our program on schedule time, let us not handicap ourselves in the start by making a schedule which it will be a mathematical impossibility to live up to.

I, therefore, move the adoption of the above program as a substitute for motion No. 35.

Yours very truly,
 (Signed) LEONARD A. SELTZER.

The above motion will be known as *Motion No. 38 (Substitute Motion for Motions Nos. 35 and 36)*. Do you favor the adoption of the same?

CAMDEN, N. J., May 28, 1914.

To the Members of the Council of the American Pharmaceutical Association:

GENTLEMEN—Council Letter No. 21 contains a proposition from the William S. Merrell Chemical Company to assign a patent on Antiseptic Leaves to the American Pharmaceutical Association. As this matter is presented in this letter, several conditions are named. These conditions should receive the most careful consideration by the members of the Council before the proposition is accepted.

The assignment of this patent of the William S. Merrell Chemical Company is to be effective only "so far as the Association is concerned, provided this form is made official." Further, the Association is requested to formulate a price protection plan.

The first of these conditions seems to indicate that the assignment is made for the purpose of securing official recognition for this form of bichloride antiseptic medication. The Committee of Revision of the United States Pharmacopœia have voted to introduce a Bichloride of Mercury Antiseptic Tablet in deference to the extensive use of such tablets and the necessity for a legal standard therefor. I doubt if the Bichloride Antiseptic Leaf has yet attained such popularity or use as to receive official recognition, and I do not know that such a proposition has been presented to the Committee of Revision. It is evident that the American Pharmaceutical Association could not insure the pharmacopœial acceptance of any form of medication and this should not be made a condition of the Association's acceptance of the assignment of the patent.

The second proposition introduces another complication. The courts have not looked favorably upon any of the plans evolved for maintaining prices and this does not appear to be a proper field of work for the American Pharmaceutical Association to engage in.

It is intimated that the proposition of the William S. Merrell Chemical Company is on a par with that of the Norwich Pharmacal Company. That the members of the Council may have a clear understanding of the difference, I will explain that in the several conferences between the officers of the Nor-

wich Pharmacal Company and your President and Vice-President Apple, it was made very clear that the American Pharmaceutical Association could not be induced to engage in any commercial enterprise; that its acceptance of the assignment of their patent could only be accepted by the Association for the purpose of "promoting the public welfare" in accordance with the objects and aims set forth in the Constitution. The proposition which the Norwich Pharmacal Company submitted is a clean, clear, free-will offering, not associated with any conditions. It was the voluntary relinquishment of rights in the invention for the humanitarian purpose of safeguarding human life. The only reservation made was the right of manufacture by the inventor to be enjoyed in common with other manufacturers under such regulations as the Association may adopt to protect its rights under the U. S. patent laws.

I have no personal interest in any of these forms of Mercury Bichloride medication and am only concerned that the acceptance of such proposition shall be without conditions that might involve the Association in controversies or lawsuits.

Yours respectfully,
(Signed) GEORGE M. BERINGER.

J. W. ENGLAND,
Secretary of the Council.

415 North Thirty-third Street.

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COUNCIL LETTER No. 25.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., June 11, 1914.

To the Members of the Council:

Motions No. 34 (Election of Members; Applications Nos. 124 to 160, inclusive), No. 37 (Election of Members. Nos. 161 to 196, inclusive), and No. 38 (Substitute Motion for Motions No. 35 and 36) have each received a majority of affirmative votes.

Professor J. A. Koch, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the American Conference of Pharmaceutical Faculties, asks that provision be made in the program adopted under Motion No. 38 for a meeting of the Conference on Tuesday evening, August 25, at 8:30 p. m., and, if there is no objection, this will be done.

The following communication has been received:

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 7, 1914.
Council of the American Pharmaceutical Association:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, a Committee representing and appointed from a meeting of the pharmacists of Columbus, Ohio, and its vicinity, called for the purpose of such action, respectfully petition your honorable body for its approval of the formation of a Local Branch of The American Pharmaceutical Association in and about this city, to be known as the Columbus Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

They respectfully represent in support of their petition that they have received the pledges of the following-named "members of the Association in good standing,"—in accordance with the provisions of Article 1, Chapter XII of the By-Laws of the Association,—that they are desirous that such a Branch shall be formed in this vicinity:

Ackermann, P. J., Columbus.
Ashbrook, C. S., Mansfield.
Bagley, Anna G., Columbus.
Beal, J. H., Scio.
Creighton, Mary L., Scio.
Dye, Clair A., Columbus.
Fickhardt, F. L., Circleville.
Ford, M. N., Columbus.
Franklin, Peter P., Columbus.
Hansen, M. K., Columbus.
Harp, L. D., Columbus.
Harrington, E. W., Columbus.
Hatton, E. W., Columbus.
Howson, A. B., Chillicothe.
Hauenstein, Sidney, Bluffton.
Hoffman, C. O., Arcanum.
Johnson, R. V., Columbus.
Kauffman, George B., Columbus.
Markworth, O. S., Columbus.
Marshall, E. C., Columbus.
McClintock, C. W., Columbus.
Oole, Edward, Columbus.
Powell, Fred A., Circleville.
Reed, C. D., Pomeroy.
Spease, Edward, Columbus.
Topping, George B., Columbus.
Webb, E. N., Columbus.

The Committee believe, should this petition be granted by your honorable body, that good results will result from the formation of this Branch, and they pledge themselves to make it a credit to the Association and to American Pharmacy.

Trusting that this petition will be granted, we beg to sign ourselves.

Yours very sincerely,
GEO. B. TOPPING,
EDWARD SPEASE,
ERNEST C. MARSHALL,
Committee.

Motion No. 39 (Organization of Columbus Branch, A. Ph. A.) Do you approve of the organization of the Columbus Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association?

J. W. ENGLAND, Secretary.

415 N. 33d St.

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COUNCIL LETTER No. 26.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., June 18, 1914.

To the Members of the Council:

Professor E. Fullerton Cook, Chairman of Section of Pharmacopœias and Formularies, sends the following communication:

"The Section on Pharmacopœias and Formularies of the A. Ph. A. has planned as a feature of the meeting in Detroit a exhibition of the new or modified U. S. P. and N. F. preparations. It is believed that the plan,

as outlined below, will materially assist in familiarizing pharmacists with the new preparations and at the same time check up the formulas to avoid errors which may otherwise creep into the new books.

It is proposed to ask a number of pharmacists to each prepare twelve preparations. The committee will provide uniform bottles and the complete formula will be pasted on each bottle bearing a type-written label, this label to have upon it, title, ingredients, and directions for making. These preparations will then be exhibited at Detroit and those who have made the preparations will be invited to send in suggestions or comments.

I am writing this to you at the suggestion of Professor Beal to ask the Council for permission to give this amount of publicity to the new formulas of the N. F., and also for an appropriation to pay for the necessary bottles, label, type-writing and transportation charges. The Board of Trustees of the U. S. P. have sanctioned the plan for the U. S. P. preparations and appropriated \$50, or such part thereof as may be necessary, for the expenses on the U. S. P. part of the work.

Will you kindly put this matter before the Council so that, if it is approved, I may proceed at once. The expense is estimated to be within \$50."

The appropriation is approved by the Committee on Finance. Do you approve of the appropriation? This will be regarded as *Motion No. 40 (Appropriation of \$50 or less to Section on Pharmacopoeias and Formularies)*.

With reference to the proposition of the Wm. S. Merrell Chemical Co. (Council Letter No. 21, 53), and its offer of assignment of a patent on Antiseptic Leaves to the American Pharmaceutical Association, and President George M. Beringer's comments on the same (Council Letter No. 24, 63), Professor Julius A. Koch, to whom the original communication was addressed, writes as follows:

"I do not think that Mr. Beringer's objections are well founded. The assignment has been made in identically the same form and wording as that used by the Norwich Chemical Co. in their assignment. The Merrell Co. merely asks, that if it is within the province or power of the American Pharmaceutical Association, that their efforts be used to protect the retail pharmacist. This is not contrary to the policy of the Association which has for its object the betterment of Pharmacy.

If you have not as yet received a motion to accept the generous offer of the Wm. S. Merrell Co., Dr. Beal has asked me to present such a motion in his name and I will second the same."

The motion submitted is as follows:

(1) *Resolved*, That the American Pharmaceutical Association accept the complete assignment of the patent rights of the Wm. S.

Merrell Chemical Co., in and to a design patent for a new, original and useful improvement in packages for Antiseptic Poisons, serial number 817,364, as tendered by the Wm. S. Merrell Chemical Co. in their communication to Professor Julius A. Koch, dated May 15, 1914, and presented in Council Letter No. 21.

(2) *Resolved*, That the American Pharmaceutical Association hold such design patent exclusively for the free use of the medical and pharmaceutical professions of the United States, without restrictions, except such as may be necessary to prevent possible abuse through use of the design for non-poisonous substances.

(3) *Resolved*, That the American Pharmaceutical Association hereby tenders to the Wm. S. Merrell Chemical Co. a vote of thanks for their generous and public spirited offer.

The above will be regarded as *Motion No. 41 (Assignment of Patent Rights for Improved Package for Antiseptic Poisons)*.

The following communication has been received from Mr. Martin I. Wilbert:

"In the Bulletin of Pharmacy for June, 1914, Mr. Harry B. Mason publishes a copy of a letter to you in which he makes certain suggestions in regard to prospective changes in the meetings of the American Pharmaceutical Association. In a general way I wish to heartily indorse the suggestions and will endeavor to outline as nearly as possible my thoughts in regard to practical changes that should be made at the present time or in the very near future.

As I see it, there is absolutely no reason why the American Pharmaceutical Association should not conclude its meetings in four days allowing the two additional days of the week for the meetings of the Conference of Faculties and the Association of Boards of Pharmacy. My suggestions for a program would be as follows:

Monday, 9 a. m., Council Meeting.

Monday, 2 p. m., first general session restricted to the annual address of the President and the usual preliminaries for the selection of members of the nominating committee.

Intermission of fifteen minutes for the selection of members of the nominating committee, reconvening the Association for the second general session. At this second general session, the reports of committees should be received and referred to either the Sections of the Association or to the Council.

Monday evening, 8 p. m., meeting of the nominating committee; 9 p. m., reception.

Tuesday, 9-12 a. m., simultaneous sessions of the Sections on Scientific Papers, Education and Legislation, Practical Pharmacy, and Commercial Interests.

Tuesday, 2-5 p. m., simultaneous sessions of all Sections.

Tuesday evening, 8 p. m. to (?) a. m., meeting of the Council.

Wednesday, 9-12 a. m., simultaneous sessions of all the Sections.

Wednesday, 2-5 p. m., simultaneous sessions of all the Sections.

Wednesday evening, 8 p. m. to (?) a. m., meeting of the Council.

Thursday, 9-12 a. m., simultaneous sessions of all Sections.

Thursday p. m., concluding session of the Association, report on the proceedings of the Council, followed by adjournment.

It would, of course, be immaterial whether the meetings opened on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, the important matter being to concentrate the meetings and to eliminate the useless frills.

A program along the lines suggested would involve considerable pruning that would, I think, materially improve the proceedings of the Association. It would eliminate, among others, the Section on Pharmacopœias and Formularies, which I believe is quite unnecessary. Personally, I would prefer to restrict the activities of the Association to three Sections and to eliminate the so-called Section on Commercial Interests. The commercial interests of the pharmacist are either practical pharmacy or they are not pharmaceutical at all, and if not pharmaceutical have no room and no place in the American Pharmaceutical Association. The discussion of profitable sidelines, whether of the lunch-counter type, of the chicken-feed variety, or fake jewelry have little or nothing to do with pharmacy and should not be recognized in an organization designed primarily to discuss pharmaceutical problems.

My program would also eliminate the House of Delegates which has no legitimate room or place for existence, and in view of the fact that the Council already contains some thirty-eight or forty members with provisions for a further increase, I am inclined to believe that the latter body is quite sufficiently representative of the membership at large to take care of any business that may be referred to it.

One provision that I would like to see adopted in connection with the work of the Council is the recognition of alternates for members of the Council who are unable to attend the annual sessions. With a provision for alternates all sections of the country in which real live pharmacists can be found would be adequately represented and the members at large could readily intrust any business of the Association to such a representative Council.

This program also eliminates the so-called Women's Section which, as I understand, is not legally a part of the Association at the present time. While there can be absolutely no objection to an official or non-official Women's Auxiliary, there is, as I understand it, no provision in the constitution or by-laws of the Association that provides for election or recognition of non-members of the Association as members of a Section or as officers of a Section.

I most heartily endorse the proposition to

insist that a full and complete program of all the communications to be presented be prepared in advance so that the members present at a meeting will know exactly what they may expect. I would even go further, however, and limit the number of papers to be presented at any one session and insist that time be allowed for discussion. If such a program is prepared and lived up to, I am sure that the members present at a meeting will be in a position to be benefited by attending the Section sessions which offer the most interesting material and the meetings of the Association will tend to the further elimination of unnecessary duplication.

I quite agree with others that meetings of the American Pharmaceutical Association should be devoid of what has been referred to as "gabfests" and should be restricted to the consideration of really worth while material that will be a credit to the Association and make for progress in the sciences of our calling."

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PARA ENMENDAR LA SECCION 6 DE LA "LEY AUTORIZANDO LA ORGANIZACION DE UNA JUNTA DE FARMACIA," APROBADA EN 8 DE MARZO DE 1906, Y ENMENDADA 10 DE MARZO DE 1910.

Decretase por la Asamblea Legislativa de Puerto Rico:

Sección 1.—Que la Sección 6 de la "Ley autorizando la organización de una Junta de Farmacia," aprobada en 8 de marzo de 1906 y enmendada en 10 de marzo de 1910, se entienda redactado como sigue:

"Sección 6.—Los individuos que estudien en Puerto Rico la carrera de farmacia deberán presentar antes de recibir su licencia, certificación firmada por un licenciado en farmacia, haciendo constar que ha practicado en su oficina de farmacia por un periodo no menor de dos años. Deberán examinarse de las asignaturas comprendidas en el siguiente plan de estudios:

Primer curso.—Química Inorgánica Física, Higiene, Historia Natural (Botánica, Zoología y Mineralogía).

Segundo curso.—Química Orgánica, Fisiología, Materia Médica o Farmacéutica Ani-