

likely to prosecute first, I doubt very much if one would—especially in the case of a jury trial, get a second conviction on the part of the state. Your law would therefore, in effect, become a dead letter.

As a pharmacist, I am opposed to legislation of any kind that will harass the members of a profession, already burdened with laws and regulations, when said legislation serves no good purpose either for the pharmacist, or the public he serves.

As a board member, for several years, I am convinced that it is the duty of Boards of Pharmacy, to be as alert in protecting the interests of the pharmacists of their respective states, as they would be in protecting the great mass of people of the state in which they serve. I am opposed to the enactment of laws of any kind that become dead-letters on our statute books, either because they are unnecessary, or because they lack the support of public opinion, which is essential to the enforcement of any law.

A state law could, to be sure, be made more stringent than the Federal law, but that would be of doubtful advantage. I believe the Harrison Narcotic Law, properly enforced will control thoroughly and efficiently the distribution of habit forming drugs, and if that is done, the end sought is attained.

I hope the Boards of Pharmacy and others interested in pharmacy legislation in the different states will realize the seriousness of a duplication of this law and lend every effort to prevent such mistakes being made.

Very truly yours,
H. C. CHRISTENSEN,
Secretary N. A. B. P.

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Chicago, Feb. 21, 1915.

My Dear Sir: I used to wonder why Dr. Whelpley always remarked "thank you" when I sent in my five. I now know. It is my turn now to thank you for the contents of the February issue. Just what a druggist likes to read.

Very truly yours,
JOHN STUCHLIK.

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College and Society

ILLINOIS PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

Owing to some questions that arose regarding the hotel facilities, the Centralia Commercial Club has withdrawn the invitation extended to the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association to hold its next convention in

Centralia. The vote of the Executive Committee of the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association is now announced. The selection of Centralia as the place of meeting has been reconsidered and by a large majority the Executive Committee has selected Springfield. The annual convention, therefore, will be held at Springfield, June 15 to 17, 1915.

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UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SCHOOL OF PHARMACY.

The classes of the University of Illinois School of Pharmacy have organized and elected officers as follows:

Senior class—President, H. L. Eberly; Vice-President, S. B. Trippett; Secretary, L. A. Gorham; Treasurer, Ralph Hawthorne; Sergeant-at-Arms, H. A. Nelson.

Junior class—President, Ed. Baldwin; Vice-President, Frank Graham; Secretary, D. B. Real; Treasurer, Tom Copeland; Sergeant-at-Arms, Ernest Denson; Historian, Warde Imes.

The Phi, Chi and Alumni Chapters of the Kappa Psi Fraternity gave a dance at the new Fort Dearborn Hotel, Chicago, February 5, 1915. The affair was very much enjoyed by a large number of fraternity members and their ladies including many of the Alumni.

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THE COLLEGE OF PHARMACY OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Prof. R. A. Kuever addressed the Iowa Association of Ice Cream and Butter Makers on the subject of Vanilla at their recent convention at Des Moines. He delivered a similar address before the Nebraska Association at Omaha, Nebraska.

Dean Teeters, chairman of the Athletic Board represented Iowa University at the annual meeting of the governing board of the Iowa state conference of inter-collegiate athletics which was held in Des Moines, January 29.

Professor Jagadis Chander Bose of the University of Calcutta, India, one of the most distinguished plant-physiologists of the world, accepted the invitation of the

University to give an address on his discoveries before the students and faculty on February 9.

Professor Bose has lectured before the Royal Institute of London, at the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, of Paris, Berlin, and Vienna.

The English Government has conferred upon Dr. Bose the decoration of the Companionships of the Star of India and the Indian Empire and sent him on a scientific mission to Europe just a few months before the outbreak of war.



COLLEGE OF JERSEY CITY.

ENTERTAINMENT AND BALL OF THE JUNIOR FRATERNITY.

The Junior Class of the Department of Pharmacy of the College of Jersey City, this year is not only large in number but also great in activity. They have even formed a new fraternity, having the mystic letters P. I. D., which means

"PROSPICE IUVENTUS DILIGENTIA"

"LOOK FORWARD O YOUTH WITH DILIGENCE."

The Annual Entertainment and Ball of the Junior Class was held on Friday evening, February 12th (Lincoln's birthday) at Majestic Hall, 125 E. 125th street, New York City. The entertainment was well arranged and included besides many other attractions a one-act play and also an American Indian Tableau.

The ball included the latest dances and over two hundred couples took part in the march, which was led by the Dean, Dr. Joseph Koppel. The following other members of the faculty were also present: Prof. Otto Raubenheimer, Prof. Jacob Gutman, Prof. Joseph Koffler, Prof. Adolph Schnitter, Prof. Felix von Oefele, Dr. Victor E. Levine, Dr. Enrico Samarelli, and Dr. Alfred B. Guarnier.

The Senior Class as well as the Post-Graduate Class were well represented, and quite a number of students from other colleges were in attendance. Short speeches were delivered by Prof. Joseph Koppel, of the Faculty, Charles M. De Gaetani, President of the Junior Class, Louis Schultz, Vice-President of the Senior Class, and Edward Sher, President of the Post-Graduate Class.

The music was excellent and was furnished by the orchestra of Prof. Vincent Norman Riggio. The officers of the Junior Class and quite especially Charles M. De Gaetani, President, J. Kaplin, Vice-President, Miss J. Schillaci, Secretary, D. Rosenfeld, Treasurer and H. J. Ellen, Sergeant-at-Arms, deserve credit for their active work.

This entertainment and ball given by the Junior Class was a great success, and proves that the College of Pharmacy of Jersey City is not only making headway along educational lines, but also socially. It is expected that another entertainment including a banquet will be given during May, before graduation.



MINNESOTA STATE PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

The thirty-first annual meeting of this association was held on February 9-10-11, at St. Paul. About seven hundred people attended the convention and the meeting was a very successful and enjoyable one.

President Max E. Menzel presided at the opening session on Tuesday morning and the gathering was welcomed to the city by Commissioner Henry McCall. Professor F. J. Wulling responded to the welcoming address, and the meeting was then addressed by Governor Hammond, whose complete address will be found in another column.

Mr. Donald Robertson made fitting response to the Governor and then President Menzel delivered his address.

He referred to the effects upon the trade of the European War and to the war tax laid by the government to supply the deficiency in the customs revenue; endorsed the Stevens bill; and gave qualified approval to the Harrison Anti-Narcotic legislation.

He referred to the evils of dispensing by physicians, to substitution by druggists, and suggested the adoption of a legal prescription blank to eliminate the reasons urged by physicians for dispensing their own medicines.

He criticized counter-prescribing and suggested remedial measures for raising the standard of pharmacy.

He condemned the extensive advertising in a fraudulent and misleading manner of proprietary medicines and suggested that the

journals of the trade should be critical of the advertising they accept.

He suggested an appropriation by the Association of \$25 for the relief of the Belgian pharmacists.

He praised the work of the Secretary, Dr. E. L. Newcomb, and thanked the other officers of the Association for their support.

The Treasurer's report showed a very satisfactory financial exhibit for the Association.

Secretary E. L. Newcomb made a business-like report of the duties and activities of his office. He reported the membership of the Association as 669.

The Scientific papers presented to the Scientific Section comprised the following: "The Twelve Schuessler Tissue Remedies," by Dr. Wulling; "Some Ash Determinations of Digitalis," by Mr. Haynes and Dr. Newcomb; "Drug Adulteration," by Prof. Gustav Bachman; and Dr. Newcomb presented three papers entitled "Microscopic Characteristics of some Powdered Unofficial Drugs," "Drugs produced in the Medicinal Plant Garden of the M. C. P. during 1914," and "Ash Contents of some Unofficial Drugs."

Mr. F. A. Upsher Smith read a paper upon "Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites," which paper was accompanied by samples made by suggested new formulas.

Mr. E. V. Clark gave a lecture illustrated by stereopticon views on "Hog Cholera Serum."

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Richard J. Messing; First Vice-President, John Danek; Second Vice-President, Miss Marie Piesinger; Third Vice-President, Donald Robertson; Secretary, Dr. E. L. Newcomb; Treasurer, L. J. Aberwald.

The meeting was addressed by Internal Revenue Collector Lynch and by Secretary Potts of the N. A. R. D. both of whom spoke upon the recent National legislation treating at length upon the Harrison Bill, by C. H. Turner, on "Drug Store Accounts" and by Mr. Hilbert on "The Soda Fountain."

The entertainments were the reception and ball, excursions and theatre-party for the ladies and the annual banquet which was attended by about five hundred people.

Proceedings of the Local Branches

BALTIMORE.

The February meeting of the Baltimore Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association was held Wednesday evening, February the seventeenth, in the Hynson, Westcott and Company assembly room at Charles and Franklin Streets, with President E. W. Hodson in the Chair.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved.

As an outcome of their reading, it was ascertained that the Internal Revenue Department considers it advisable for physicians to not have their registry number printed on their prescription blanks but to write it each time, for if numbered blanks fall into the possession of unscrupulous persons they might, by using them, obtain supplies of narcotics until the fraud was discovered.

A copy of a proposed letter to the Press in regard to the Harrison act was submitted by the Secretary and was referred to the executive committee for final action.

An election of three chairmen of standing committees, postponed from the previous meeting, was held and resulted as follows:

Chairman of Committee on Membership, Charles Morgan.
Chairman of Committee on Professional Relations, John B. Thomas.
Chairman of Committee on Education and Legislation, Louis Schulze.

The regular program for the evening was: "The Preservation of Galenicals" by Dr. Charles C. Neal, who has given a great deal of attention to this somewhat neglected but important part of the "Day's Work," and "Helpful Hints in Dispensing and Manufacturing" by Charles C. Meyer and Otto Muelhause, practical dispensing pharmacists, both of whom have given and are giving considerable time and much talent to developing, improving and perfecting new dispensing methods.

Mr. Neal, in reading his paper, considered particularly tinctures, fluid extracts, solid extracts and powdered extracts and during its reading and discussion, the following facts and lessons were learned.

Any deterioration, in about one-third of