# ABSTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BOARDS OF PHARMACY, HELD IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, AUGUST 5 AND 6, 1915.

The twelfth annual convention of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy was called to order at 11:25 on Thursday morning, August 5, at the Ramona Hotel, San Francisco, by the President, T. A. Miller, of Richmond. President Miller said that the usual addresses of welcome would be dispensed with, and requested the Secretary, H. C. Christensen, of Illinois, to call the roll.

After the roll call the Secretary announced that nineteen delegates were present representing thirteen different states out of the twenty-three states from which credentials had been received.

President Miller appointed the following members as a Committee on Credentials: Dr. George C. Diekman, New York; A. C. Wilson, Iowa, and Alfred Walker, West Virginia.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, of Iowa, the presentation of the annual address of the President and other officers was deferred to the afternoon session on account of the small attendance and the expectation that a larger number would arrive. After which the session was adjourned until 2 o'clock.

### SECOND SESSION, THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The second session of the Association was called to order by President Miller. Secretary Christensen called the roll, showing that the same delegates were present that had been present in the morning. The President requested J. C. Burton, of Oklahoma, Chairman of the Executive Committee, to take the chair, and then proceeded to read his address.

In this address the President briefly reviewed the history of the past year, telling of the work which had been performed by the Executive Committee and the officers of the Association. He referred with deep sorrow to the death of Fred A. Hubbard, of Massachusetts, President of the Association in the years 1907-8, and of Dr. Thomas F. Raymow, member of the Board of the State of New York. The President recommended that a memorial page be set aside in the minute book of the Association to record the death of each member who may have died during the year; that steps be taken to help relieve the pharmacists of Belgium in accordance with a request which had been transmitted through the Secretary; that high school education or its equivalent and graduation from a recognized school of Pharmacy be required of all candidates for registration in pharmacy after the year 1920; that the Commissioner of Internal Revenue be requested to require physicians, druggists and veterinary surgeons to keep copies of all prescriptions written by them in which narcotic drugs were ordered.

On motion of John Culley, of Utah, the address was referred to a committee for consideration of its recommendations. Chairman Burton appointed John Culley, Utah; J. W. Gayle, Kentucky, and Walter H. Cousins, Texas, as a Committee on the President's Address.

President Miller resumed the chair and called for the report of the Treasurer, which was submitted by the Secretary, Mr. Christensen, in the absence of the

Treasurer, F. W. Ward, Tennessee. This report was presented in summary and action deferred to a later session.

A. C. Wilson, Iowa, submitted a resolution providing an amendment to Article VII of the By-Laws, eliminating the word "active" from the present By-Laws, and substituting the word "five" for the word "three." The adoption of the resolution was moved by Mr. Wilson and seconded by Thomas D. Gregg, Illinois. The motion, after prolonged discussion, was put to vote and defeated.

President Miller then appointed the following members as a Nominating Committee, with instructions to present nominees for the several offices of the Association at the afternoon session on Friday: Thomas D. Gregg, Illinois; A. C. Wilson, Iowa, and W. H. Cousins, Texas.

J. C. Burton, Oklahoma, presented the report of the Executive Committee as chairman, covering the activities of the committee since the Detroit meeting. A meeting of the full committee had been held in Washington on March 16, 17, 18 and 19, 1915, at which all of the officers were present. The committee discussed plans for the program at the San Francisco meeting, selected a reporter to report the proceedings and adopted a resolution requiring applications for registering by reciprocity to be made on the official application blank of the Association. The committee discussed at length the statistics which had been kept by the various boards and their relation to the matter of reciprocal licensure. The committee recommended that the boards should not exclude from licensure applicants who had been unable to furnish detailed evidence or certification of grades made in examination. A form of proviso was adopted covering the cases of persons registered without examinations. The operation of the Harrison Anti-narcotic law was discussed at a conference with the authorities charged with its enforcement. A joint meeting with the Chairman of the Committee of the American Conference of Pharmaceutical Faculties was held, at which the program of the Detroit meeting was adopted. The work of the Advisory Committee was discussed with representatives from the faculties. The Secretary was instructed to obtain the fullest possible details regarding the examinations held by the different boards, with a view to putting a license by reciprocity on a more practicable scale. During the year 318 applications had been received and reciprocal registrations granted.

The report was referred to the following committee for consideration: H. L. Meredith, Maryland; W. F. Root, Vermont; Charles Gietner, Missouri.

J. W. Gayle, Kentucky, as Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Legislation, which was signed by himself, Burton Cassiday, Indiana, and B. S. Persons, Georgia. The report directed attention to a number of recommendations contained in the report of the committee presented last year at Detroit. The committee recommended that a special committee be appointed to present these recommendations to the Section on Education and Legislation of the American Pharmaceutical Association, with the request that they be incorporated in the Model Pharmacy law. A number of additional recommendations were also made and these recommendations were referred to a committee composed of: R. A. Doyle, Missouri; Dr. George C. Diekman, New York, and Alfred Walker, West Virginia.

President Miller announced that the session was open for general discussion,

and said that it would be in order to take up the report of the Executive Committee if this was desired. On motion of Mr. Gietner, seconded by Dr. Diekman, the report of that committee was taken up seriatim. At the request of the President, Chairman Burton of the Executive Committee read the recommendations which were acted on as follows: The committee recommended the appointment of a committee of three to confer with the A. Ph. A., with a view to selecting central locations for places of meeting. This was adopted. That the official application blank of the N. A. B. P. be used by all applicants for reciprocal registration; this was adopted. That in those states where incomplete statistics had been kept, "the requirement of not less than 60 percent in any subject" might be waived where the secretary of the board certifies that the action is up to the N. A. B. P. standard. That the state board be allowed to grant reciprocal registration to applicants who had had fifteen years' experience subsequent to registration by reason of having been engaged in business at the time the state law was enacted, provided that he satisfies the board as to his qualifications by oral examination. That the official application blank be amended so as to provide that the applicant shall comply with such other rules and regulations as "this board may have established in regard to reciprocal registration." The suggestion that arrangements be made for the interchange of assistant's certificates was discussed by Messrs. Gayle, Root, Diekman, Walker, and was finally rejected.

There being no further business before the session, adjournment was had at 5 p. m.

### THIRD SESSION, FRIDAY MORNING.

At the opening of the Third Session on Friday morning, Secretary Christensen read a telegram from R. H. Walker, Gonzales, Texas, explaining, apologizing for and regretting his absence, and was instructed to make suitable reply.

John Culley, Utah, as Chairman of the Committee on the President's Address, recommended the adoption by the Association of the following recommendations of the President: That a memorial page be set aside to record the death of members of the Association. That a high school education or its equivalent and the graduation from a recognized school of Pharmacy be made a prerequisite for candidates for registration after 1920; that the Commissioner of Internal Revenue be requested to require physicians, dentists and veterinarians to keep copies of all prescriptions calling for narcotic drugs. The request for aid for the pharmacists of Belgium was referred to individual members for individual action as the associations had no funds available for such purpose. The prerequisite requirement recommendation precipitated an animated discussion participated in by Messrs. Walker, Gietner, Wilson, Haymaker, Meredith, Root, Christensen, Cousins and Miller. The recommendation of the committee as a whole was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Legislation was taken up for discussion and the following recommendations were adopted: (1) That a committee of three be instructed to bring before the Section on Education and Legislation of the American Pharmaceutical Association the nine recommendations adopted at the Detroit meeting, with a request that they be incorporated in the Model Pharmacy Law. (2) That uniform label requirement be adopted by all Boards. (3) That

uniform requirements be adopted with respect to display of certificates of registration. (4) That all state laws be made uniform and to conform with the United States laws concerning narcotic drugs. (5) That the term "patent or proprietary preparation or remedy be defined as one, the name of which does not appear in the United States Pharmacopæia or National Formulary or the complete formula of which is not printed on the label attached to the container."

On motion of Dr. Diekman the recommendations regarding legislation were referred to the Section on Education and Legislation of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

President Miller called for a report from the individual members regarding the working of the Harrison anti-narcotic law in the different states. W. H. Cousins reported that save for a temporary congestion of the municipal hospitals at first the law had been a success in Texas. Dr. Diekman reported a satisfactory effect of the law in New York State. J. W. Gayle said that the law operated satisfactorily in Kentucky except that the state did not define a veterinarian and, as a consequence, unqualified men, claiming to be veterinarians, had abused the privilege extended to this class. A. C. Wilson said that the pharmacists were pleased with the operation of the law in Iowa. John Culley said that Utah pharmacists looked upon the Harrison law as one of the most salutary and beneficent pieces of legislation enacted in recent years. E. F. Boden said that the pharmacists of Michigan were much pleased with the Harrison law and had secured an amendment of the state law to make it conform exactly with the National Act. J. C. Burton said that the law works nicely in Oklahoma. J. W. Gayle, of Kentucky, and President Miller both spoke of the failure to prescribe any restrictions in the issuance of prescription blanks and order blanks.

Secretary H. C. Christensen called the attention of the Association to a request for aid of Belgian pharmacists. While the members sympathized deeply with the object sought, it was ruled that the funds of the Association could not be diverted to such eleemosynary purposes, but the individual members were invited to forward subscriptions.

The following former members of Boards of Pharmacy were elected to honorary membership: Walter C. Price, West Virginia; D. F. Davis, Vermont; John J. Campbell, Michigan; Will E. Collins, Michigan; J. B. Mitchells, Illinois; Charles A. Fraser and J. D. Humphrey, Oklahoma; M. C. Metzger, Illinois; C. E. Zinn, Missouri; John R. Wall, New York; C. S. Porter, Kentucky; John R. Crittendon and Tom J. Snell, Texas; William S. Flint, Massachusetts.

The meeting then adjourned to 2 o'clock.

### FOURTH SESSION, FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

At the opening of the Fourth Session on Friday afternoon, Secretary Christensen read the report of the Advisory Committee, which was adopted as read. Secretary Christensen explained some of the special phases of the recommendations of the committee which were discussed by Messrs. Gayle, Walker, Meredith, Root, Diekman.

Mr. Culley directed particular attention to the importance of the joint meeting to be held on Saturday morning with the Conference of Faculties, and urged the

attendance of all the members. A resolution was adopted providing for the appointment of a committee to raise funds to pay the expenses involved in a continuation of the work of the Advisory Committee. This committee of three will be known as a Committee on Ways and Means and will be appointed by the incoming President.

Thomas D. Gregg, of Illinois, read the report of the Committee on "More Satisfactory Examination of Candidates for Graduation and for Board Certificates," by W. S. Flint, Chairman, of Massachusetts. On motion of Mr. Gietner this report was adopted.

The Boards of the District of Columbia and the State of Oregon were elected to membership.

H. C. Christensen presented his report as Secretary, in abstract, which was accepted and referred to the Executive Committee.

The Secretary read several letters from various Boards, which were filed as a matter of record.

W. H. Cousins read the report of the Nominating Committee recommending the election of the following officers: President J. C. Burton, Oklahoma; First Vice-President, J. W. Gayle, Kentucky; Second Vice-President, W. F. Root, Vermont; Third Vice-President, John A. Weeks; and Secretary and Chairman of the Advisory Committee, H. C. Christensen, Illinois; Member of Executive Committee, A. C. Wilson, Iowa; Member of the Advisory Committee, Charles Gietner, Missouri; Treasurer, F. W. Ward, Tennessee; Syllabus Committee, E. E. Faulkner, Michigan. The entire list were elected in accordance with the report of the committee.

The installation of officers then took place and the session was adjourned.

In succeeding issues of the Journal some of the reports of officers and committees will be printed.

## AN ABSTRACT OF THE MEETING OF THE AMERICAN CONFERENCE OF PHARMACEUTICAL FACULTIES HELD IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., AUGUST 6.

At the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the American Conference of Pharmaceutical Faculties, held in the City of San Francisco on August 6, 1915, action of special interest to the Colleges and Faculties was taken as follows:

Several recommendations contained in a report made by Dr. H. H. Rusby, of New York, as chairman of a special committee created at Detroit last year to investigate and report upon the question of teachers' salaries, were made, viz.:

- 1. That it is neither practical nor desirable to advise that the Conference make any schedule of salaries, either minimum or maximum, at the present time.
- 2. That the Dean should receive a salary for that office aside from and in addition to what he may receive for his teaching position.
- 3. (a) That the salary of an Associate Professor shall be two-thirds that of a Professor.
- (b) That the salary of an Assistant Professor shall be four-fifths that of an Associate Professor.

- (c) That the salary of an Instructor shall be three-fourths that of an Assistant Professor.
  - (d) That the salary of an Assistant shall be half that of an Instructor.
- (e) That each of these salaries be fixed on an advancing scale, from a minimum to a maximum, and that the minimum for one grade be equal to the maximum of the grade next lower, three years being required for the maximum to be attained; and that the salary should pertain to the position, and not the man.

The last clause (e) of the third recommendation was amended to the effect that an increase of salary shall go with every promotion in rank, without having to wait for a year for such increase.

The recommendations as thus amended were then adopted as the recommendations of the Conference.

The question submitted to a special committee last year as to whether the regular two-years' college-of-pharmacy course should be extended to three years in 1920 was reported upon adversely as not warranted by present conditions in a report submitted by Chairman H. M. Whelpley, of St. Louis.

The Conference adopted a motion to refer to the Secretary and Executive Committee, with power to act after conference with the Publication Committee of the A. Ph. A., a proposition made to consider the publication of the proceedings of the Conference in the Journal of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

The address of the President embodied a great many valuable suggestions and recommendations, and the unusual course of referring same to two committees instead of one,—a committee upon the outward relations of the Conference, as set forth in the first division of the address, and a committee upon its inner relations, considered in the second division,—was adopted, with the result that the Conference adopted the following recommendations coming from the two committees, the first two only being proposed by the first-division committee:

- 1. That a Standing Committee on Higher Educational Standards be appointed by the President of the Conference, to work jointly with similar committees of the A. Ph. A., N. A. B. P., N. A. R. D., and State Associations, such committees to work with their parent associations as well as jointly.
- 2. That a Special Committee on the Federation of all Pharmaceutical Organizations be appointed.
- 3. That a committee of three shall be appointed to consider the propriety of establishing a secondary class of membership in this Conference, said committee to report at the next annual meeting.
- 4. That the traveling expenses of the Chairman of the Executive Committee, including the expense of attending the annual meeting of the Conference, be paid, and that he be considered the officer to fulfill the duties suggested by the President in his address.
- 5. That the attention of the Secretary of the Conference be called to the suggestion of the President that the time has come for greater publicity of the work of the Conference, through the papers where the meetings are held and through the pharmaceutical press.
- 6. That the Rules and Regulations of the Conference be revised to date each year, and published in the Annual Proceedings.
- 7. That a special committee be appointed to consider and report next year upon the suggestion made by the President that this organization become an Association of Colleges and Faculties of Pharmacy.

- 8. That the suggestion of the President is approved, that the members of this Conference be apprised of the possibility or probability of a Carnegie investigation in the near future, and that it is desirable that the Secretary of the Conference call the attention of the schools to this prospect.
- 9. That, without discussion or hesitation, the Committee on President's Address unanimously recommends the Sabbatical year.
- 10. That the committee approves the recommendation of the President that the statistics on secondary education now in the hands of the Chairman of the Executive Committee be tabulated and presented at the next annual meeting.
- 11. That the committee approves the recommendation that the Executive Committee investigate the conditions of the Carnegie retirement allowances, and ascertain if the members of this Conference can be included.
- 12. That the committee approves the recommendation regarding the appointment and promotion of faculty members.
- 13. That the committee approves the recommendation regarding the exchange of professors among the schools.
- 14. That a committee of three be appointed on the classification of Teaching Staffs.
- 15. That a committee of three be appointed on the question of matriculation blanks, advanced standings for students, and other similar subjects discussed by the President.
- 16. That a committee of three be appointed on the Relations and Duties of Alumni.
- 17. That a committee of three be appointed on Relations with other than Pharmaceutical Schools.
- 18. That a committee of three be appointed on Conference with Boards of Pharmacy.
  - 19. That a committee of three on College Bulletins be appointed.

The following recommendations made by the Chairman of the Executive Committee in his report were adopted:

- 1. That the Executive Committee be instructed to arrange in future for the annual meetings of the Conference immediately preceding the meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association.
- 2. That the Conference recommends that the minimum requirement for the degree of Doctor of Pharmacy shall be at least a four years' College-of-Pharmacy course, following sixty counts of secondary education.

A resolution was adopted requesting the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy to rescind its action heretofore taken not to meet annually in advance of the A. Ph. A. meeting and agree to meet immediately prior to that time, so that the Conference and Boards may have their annual meetings at the same time.

A motion was adopted that the Secretary, in sending out to the schools prompt notice of the action taken by the Conference in annual meeting upon matters affecting their interest, in accordance with the resolution adopted last year, be directed to request the schools to notify him of any action taken by them upon the various subjects recommended by the Conference.

A hearty rising vote of thanks was extended retiring President Wulling for his very able and comprehensive address, and for the ability and fairness with which he had conducted his office.

### A SYNOPSIS OF PRESIDENT WULLING'S ADDRESS.

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It is contemplated to print reports and papers presented at the Conference in succeeding issues of the Journal.