

meeting, and participated in the presentation of an enlarged photograph of Hermann Hager to the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.

Professor Otto Raubenheimer addressed the Philadelphia Branch, A. Ph. A., on the subject of the A. Ph. A. Recipe Book, February 8. He also made the presentation address in donating an enlarged photograph of Hermann Hager to the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, on behalf of the German Apothecaries' Society of New York.

Charles Sumner Koon was recently elected secretary of the Michigan Board of Pharmacy. He is also president of Muskegon (his home city) Retail Druggists' Association.

Dr. E. L. Newcomb, head of the Department of Pharmaceutical Botany and Pharmacology, University of Minnesota, has been elected editor of the *Northwestern Druggist*. Dr. Newcomb is also secretary of the Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association.

After twenty-five years of valuable service to pharmacy, Merck's Report ceases to be a subscription journal. The first number has already been issued under the new order, and, while different in general make-up, it will continue to be a welcome visitor. The spirit of the publishers is expressed in these words, "The field is so well covered by the pharmaceutical press that it seems unnecessary to do what other journals are doing so well."

Riker-Hageman merger with the United Drug Company has been authorized. The capitalization is \$20,000,000, and it is intimated that the Dow and Owl Drug Company "chain" of stores will be added before very long.

The Farbwerke-Hoechst Company will contest the legality of a ruling made by the Commission of Internal Revenue applying the provisions of the Harrison Act to non-habit-forming drugs, such as novocaine, orthoform, anæsthesin, and holocaine.

OBITUARY

J. P. BRASHEAR.

J. P. Brashear, veteran retail druggist of Fort Worth, Texas, and member of the American Pharmaceutical Association, died January 18 from injuries received on the night previous, when he was knocked down by an automobile.

Mr. Brashear came to Fort Worth about thirty years ago, first engaging as clerk, and later established the business of which he was owner at the time of his death. Fort

Worth druggists closed their stores and attended the funeral in a body, evidencing the high regard in which he was held as frater and citizen.

The deceased is survived by his widow and several children. He was deeply interested in association work, and always contended that membership in the various drug organizations was not only beneficial, but he considered such support a duty.

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BOOK REVIEWS AND NOTICES

Supplement to the British Pharmaceutical Codex, 1911, including additions, alterations, and corrections. Published by direction of the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, London. The Pharmaceutical Press, 17 Bloomsbury Square, W. C., 1915. Price, one shilling net.

This pamphlet of 75 8vo pages contains particulars of important additions and alterations which have become necessary since the work was published, and includes new monographs, galenical formulæ, a list of substances with proprietary names and their chemical equivalents, a list of alterations in the text of the British Pharmaceutical Codex, 1911, necessitated by the publication of the British

Pharmacopœia, 1914, a list of British Pharmaceutical Codex, 1911, Corrigenda, and an index of nine 3-column pages, containing upward of 1300 references, and indicating the varied nature and comprehensiveness of the material discussed in the pamphlet under review.

The list of substances, with proprietary trade names and their chemical equivalents, embodies an attempt to develop and systematize a series of short, non-proprietary names by the adoption, so far as possible, of the following rules:

Alkaloids and other basic substances to have names ending in "*-ine*."