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A feature of the San Francisco convention, which will be judged of great importance as the work progresses, was the harmonious and fruitful joint meeting of the Faculties and Boards—a meeting which brought about a measurably closer relation and coöperation between these national bodies and which thereby promises much for the establishment of uniform standards for the valuation of pharmaceutical training throughout the nation. For the success of this joint meeting, a large share of credit is accorded to the tactful and patient perseverance of the secretary of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy, Mr. H. C. Christensen.

Mr. Christensen's knowledge of board examinations rests on a firm foundation. Following his graduation from the Northwestern University School of Pharmacy in 1893, where he won the Gilpin Langdon prize for the best preparations made in the laboratory course in pharmacy, Mr. Christensen was engaged in the retail drug business in Chicago as manager or owner for seventeen years, and in 1907 was appointed a member of the Illinois Board of Pharmacy. His intense interest in his new duties led to the elaboration of the practical examination in dispensing, to which he gave much time and effort and which became a noteworthy part of the Illinois examination.

In 1911 he was reappointed on the board of pharmacy following the recommendation of the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association. His first insight into an organization of state boards was gained in the same year, when the Interstate Association of Boards of Pharmacy was formed. Mr. Christensen's activity in this smaller body led to his appointment as chairman of the Advisory Examination Committee of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy in 1913, and a year later to his election as secretary of that Association, a position which now demands all his time.

Mr. Christensen's ambition, for which he has worked untiringly, is to secure universal reciprocal registration and, as a foundation for this, a higher and more uniform standard for examinations, together with higher educational requirements preliminary to the professional training.

Mr. Christensen is a member of the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association and the Chicago Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association. He is also Chairman of Joint Examination Committee of the Boards and Faculties.

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