

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION

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(Third General Session, Saturday Morning, September 1, 1917.)

The Third General Session of the Sixty-fifth Annual Meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association was called to order by President Wulling at 10.00 A.M.

THE PRESIDENT: The first order of business is the reading of the minutes of the Second General Session.

On motion, the minutes of this session were approved (see p. 996, November issue.)

The minutes¹ of the Sixth and Seventh Sessions of the Council (1916-1917) were read and approved. (Motion made by William C. Anderson, seconded by Charles H. LaWall.)

The minutes² of the First and Second Sessions of the Council (1917-1918) were read.

THE PRESIDENT: You have heard the minutes of the Council and they are now before you for adoption or rejection. What is your pleasure concerning them?

W. L. SCOVILLE: I move that the minutes be adopted, with the exception of the portion relating to the Research Committee.

Motion seconded.

THE PRESIDENT: The motion is that the minutes be adopted, with the exception of the action taken in relation to the Research Committee. (The vote was called for.)

THE PRESIDENT: The motion is carried, and the minutes are approved in all respects, with the exception of the action of the Council relating to the Research Committee.

T. J. BRADLEY: It seems to me that the whole matter will be simplified if we are allowed to change the wording of this resolution to read, instead of a Special Committee, a Standing Committee. I can see no objection to that.

THE PRESIDENT: We are anxious to create a greater interest in research, and as an evidence of that anxiety, we have created two committees; I think it would be a good plan to merge them into one, and not duplicate the work.

Reading of the resolution of Scientific Section was called for. It reads:

"That the Scientific Section recommend to the Council that a Committee on Research be added to the standing committees of the Association. That this committee consist of ten members, two to serve five years; two, four years; two, three years; two, two years; and two, one year; and that each year thereafter two members be appointed to serve five years, and that this committee be appointed by the Council and their reports be presented before the Scientific Section."

H. M. WHELPLEY: I move this report be received and referred to the Special Committee on this subject, as provided for by the Council.

H. V. ARNY: In seconding the motion, I think the matter can be adjusted in a very satisfactory way. The object of this Special Committee, first of all, is to study the whole question and financial control of this American Pharmaceutical Association Research Fund.

GEO. M. BERINGER: I want to correct a misapprehension that evidently exists in Dr. Arny's mind. We distinctly stated that the financial control is

¹ See Council Business, this issue.

to be in the hands of the Finance Committee, and the Special Committee is to formulate rules and regulations. We must have definite rules of application, of how subjects are to be considered, of how awards are to be made, their value, etc.; we need definite rules and regulations in order to enable us to go ahead with the work. I think that we are working along the same line from two different angles.

W. L. SCOVILLE: A year ago the Scientific Section appointed a Committee on Research to formulate plans in accordance with what Mr. Beringer has stated. Why have two committees? This Standing Committee of the Association can formulate a plan just as well as the other.

THE PRESIDENT: In Council, the position was taken that because of the expenditure of money from the fund, that the Finance Committee shall be regarded as carrying the responsibility of awarding sums from that fund. Further, the Council Committee was created to formulate working plans to carry into execution the purposes for which the Research Fund was created.

The question before us is whether we should go ahead immediately, as suggested by the Scientific Section, with the formulation of a definite plan, or whether we should proceed along the lines suggested by the action taken by the Council. That is the question before us.

CASWELL A. MAYO: In the ultimate analysis of the question, we must determine whether it is better to appoint this Standing Committee, and a Special Committee, and allow them to formulate plans, or have the Standing Committee formulate plans; in both instances they relate distinctly to research and not to finances. That is very well defined. In either case all they will be able to do is to report back to the Council, and then perhaps to receive further instructions. I think it would simplify matters if the Council would concur in the suggestions of the Scientific Section to make this a Permanent Committee of ten members, the term of two of whom would expire annually.

E. F. KELLY: A committee has been provided for by the Council and this committee has been instructed to lay down rules and regulations for the ultimate disposition of the Research Fund. On the other hand, the object of the committee contemplated by the Scientific Section is to stimulate further research work. It seems to me those two committees have different functions, and if they could be united into one, it might be a good thing.

W. L. SCOVILLE: Why not give the permanent committee power to formulate plans, because they are now correlating the work? You cannot do this under two committees, that is, do it so well, as with a single committee.

GEO. M. BERINGER: Mr. President, if I understand the situation right, the Scientific Section is endeavoring to have a Permanent Committee to take up and investigate research problems.

W. L. SCOVILLE: Not necessarily altogether. The committee is unhampered. You can give them other instructions.

GEO. M. BERINGER: The resolution of the Scientific Section provides for a committee of ten, the action of the Council for one of five members. We are all in sympathy with the proposition of the Scientific Section but before we can proceed with a Permanent Committee, we must have well defined financial rules governing any money which is to be spent in the way of awards, etc. We are all anxious to encourage research, and the American Pharmaceutical Association Research Fund should be covered by well defined rules. Before we can make any awards, it will be necessary for us to have definite rules mapped out as to the method of application; the plans or suggestions should be carefully studied by the American Pharmaceutical Association. It seems to me that the two committees have distinctly different duties: there should be no conflict and they can work in perfect harmony.

C. H. LAWALL: It seems to me this whole thing can be clarified if we have an understanding that the committee, as recommended by the Scientific Section,

shall be appointed by the Council, and from the ten names to be selected, five are to constitute the special committee for formulating plans as was contemplated by the Council.

FRANK R. ELDRED: It seems to me that everybody is trying to accomplish the same thing, and I believe that end would be attained, if we appoint a Permanent Committee of ten members, with instructions to formulate plans and report to the Council next year. The same instructions to govern this Permanent Committee during the present time, as laid down by the Council covering the Special Committee and to report to the Council.

CASWELL A. MAYO: I move that the recommendation of the Scientific Section be adopted.

THE PRESIDENT: There is already a motion before the house.

H. M. WHELPLEY: The Scientific Section has anticipated the report of the Council, or part of the report, by recommending a Standing Committee. No doubt this Council Committee would have made such a recommendation a year hence. The question is whether we desire at this time to anticipate the report of our Special Committee, in which event we might just as well do away with it, or adopt the recommendation of the Scientific Section, with this additional recommendation, or instruction, that they report at the next annual meeting.

THE PRESIDENT: Will those who have made motions kindly signify the same? (No response.) There are two motions before the house, are they withdrawn? (No response.) The Chair declares that there is no motion before the house at the present time. Is there any exception or any appeal taken to that ruling? None being taken, there is no motion before the house.

H. M. WHELPLEY: I move that the Association adopt the recommendation of the Scientific Section and instruct the committee to be named by the Council to report rules and regulations at the next annual meeting.

Motion seconded.

THE PRESIDENT: In substance, the committee that is now suggested by this motion is to take the place of the committee suggested by the Council. Is this clearly understood by everybody? Is there any further discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion will signify by saying "Aye." Contrary minded, "No." The motion prevails and the Chair announces that the minutes of the Council have been approved in all respects, with the exception of the matter relating to the Research Committee, and in place of that committee this body has taken the action formulated by the motion just passed.

THE PRESIDENT: The report of the House of Delegates has been called for in precedence to other business, and we will ask that this be read.

The report of the House of Delegates was read by Secretary Jeannot Hostmann. He first presented the resolutions approved by the House of Delegates. They follow:

Resolved, That the American Pharmaceutical Association hereby empowers its delegates to the National Drug Trade Conference to vote upon any and all matters pertaining to drug legislation in state and nation when these come up for decision and action at the meetings of the National Drug Trade Conference, that such vote be in conformity with the will of this Association when such will has been expressed; and in all cases where action must be taken before this Association can consider the matter, the vote be in conformity with the best judgment of the delegates.

William C. Anderson moved the adoption of the resolution; the same was regularly seconded, and on vote carried.

WHEREAS, The public welfare at all times, especially during the war, demands that the services of both the medical and pharmaceutical professions of all the branches of the drug trade be fully utilized, and,

WHEREAS, A medical sector has been created in the Advisory Commission of the Council of National Defense, and no representation has been provided for pharmacy and no adequate representation for the drug trade, therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the American Pharmaceutical Association, in annual convention assembled, that proper representation in the war administration for pharmacy and the drug trade be provided, and, further be it

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy.

This resolution was adopted.

JEANNOT HOSTMANN: I have recommendations from the address of Chairman J. H. Beal of the House of Delegates. They were referred to a committee consisting of C. H. LaWall, O. F. Claus and S. L. Hilton and they desire to present them to the Association for action.

They were read seriatim and are as follows:

1. Transfer the reception of fraternal delegates from other pharmaceutical or allied organizations, or from departments of the United States Government, from the General Sessions to the sessions of the House of Delegates.
2. Abolish the Committee on Resolutions provided for in Articles I and IX, Chapter X, of the Association By-Laws.
3. Instruct the Committee on U. S. P. and N. F. to report in the first place to the House of Delegates, except upon financial matters.
4. Make it the duty of the Committee on Patents and Trade Marks to report to the House of Delegates instead of to the General Sessions.
5. Transfer the reports of the Commission on Proprietary Medicines, except such portions as relate to financial questions and election of members, from the Council to the House of Delegates.

W. L. Scoville moved the adoption of the first recommendation, which was seconded and adopted by vote of the Association.

The second recommendation was, on motion of W. B. Day and a second, referred by vote to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion to adopt the third recommendation was made by Jeannot Hostmann, and received a second. Abstract of discussion follows:

GEO. M. BERINGER: The Committee on the U. S. Pharmacopoeia has in the past presented lengthy reports of scientific interest. It may be a good idea to discuss subjects of general interest and act thereon in the House of Delegates, but when it comes to the discussion of scientific subjects, which are part and parcel of the very foundations of this Association, I do not concur in transferring these matters to the House of Delegates.

JEANNOT HOSTMANN: It was suggested in the House of Delegates that the transactions of this body be printed, and reprints sent to the delegates who would present them to their Association and be embodied in the minutes of these organizations; in that way wide publicity would be given these subjects and benefit the Association.

FRANK R. ELDRED: It seems to me that reference of the report on the U. S. Pharmacopoeia to the House of Delegates would complicate matters.

J. W. ENGLAND: Chapter I, Article 2, of the By-laws of the House of Delegates provides that delegates need not be members of the Association, so Association matter would be referred to a body not altogether composed of members of the Association.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair made the recommendation in the President's address, that a committee be appointed to learn of the procedures and powers of Houses of Delegates in other organizations, and report next year. We want more light on the work of other delegate bodies. Possibly the speakers have not thought of this.

L. F. KEBLER: The House of Delegates is in the process of evolution; the Section which has heretofore considered this report has become established. I move as a substitute that the recommendation be laid on the table.

(The motion was seconded and carried.)

Jeannot Hostmann moved the adoption of the fourth recommendation and the motion was seconded. The following is an abstract of the discussion thereon:

GEO. M. BERINGER: President Wulling expressed the right view in his address, that a committee should be appointed to study the duties assigned to Houses of Delegates in other organizations. I doubt the wisdom of assigning functions like those contemplated to a body not wholly constituted by members of the Association.

F. E. STEWART: I agree with Mr. Beringer.

(A motion was made to table the recommendation and duly seconded.)

H. M. WHELPLEY: Just a word to go on the record. By reference to the minutes of the Denver meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association, you will find in the discussion which resulted in the establishment of the House of Delegates, it was thoroughly understood that the American Pharmaceutical Association is not a delegate body, and the House of Delegates was established with that understanding. I would also like to have it go on record that the House of Delegates this year did not have a member who was not also a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association, so we are not referring anything to a body outside of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

THE PRESIDENT: You have heard the motion to table which has been duly seconded. All those in favor of the motion will signify by saying "Aye." Contrary minded, "No." The motion prevails.

H. M. Whelpley moved the adoption of the fifth recommendation, seconded by Jeannot Hostmann.

THE PRESIDENT: You have heard the motion. Are there any remarks?

J. W. ENGLAND: As I understand it, the Commission on Proprietary Medicines is a Standing Committee of the Council, and I would like to move as a substitute that this recommendation be laid on the table.

Motion seconded.

THE PRESIDENT: The motion to table is before us. All those in favor of the same will please say "Aye." Contrary, "No." The Chair is in doubt. All those voting in the affirmative will please rise. Those voting in the negative will please rise. The motion is carried, and it is so ordered.

GEO. M. BERINGER: I move that this report which has been adopted be referred to the Special Committee to be appointed under the advice of the President's address.

WM. C. ANDERSON: I move that this proposition be taken from the table and referred to that committee to be considered with the rest of the reports.

GEO. M. BERINGER: My motion was very clear. It was that the report of the Committee of the House of Delegates as presented should be referred to the Special Committee appointed under the President's address to study the organization of other Houses of Delegates, irrespective of what action was taken at this time.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair will rule that we did not act upon the report as a whole, only parts, and a disposition of the report, as a whole in such a manner as will not be in conflict with a part of it, is in order. Is there any appeal from that ruling? (No response.) You have heard the motion. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of the motion will please say "Aye." Contrary, "No." The motion is carried.

J. M. FRANCIS: I would like to know how you can refer any matter to a committee which does not exist.

THE PRESIDENT: The Association has issued instructions for the appointment of the committee. It would merely be a matter of stating the motion somewhat differently. We have the power to do that. The Chair so rules.

SECRETARY DAY (reading): "The report of the Committee as a whole is to be referred to a Special Committee to study other Houses of Delegates, to be appointed by the incoming President, in accordance with the recommendations of President Wulling's address."

THE PRESIDENT: The next order of business is unfinished business.

SECRETARY DAY: The first report is the report of the Committee on the William Procter Monument Fund, and that, by the way, is accompanied by a letter from the Chairman, our oldest living Ex-President, Mr. J. F. Hancock. His letter is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WILLIAM PROCTER, JR. MONUMENT
FUND.

It was generally expected that this convention would have been appointed to be held in Washington, D. C. and that the Procter Monument would be ready for unveiling, but the unexpected conditions due to the World War have interfered with our plans. Congress for the past several years has refused to entertain Bills for minor matters in its efforts to hold itself close to governmental affairs of unusual importance.

Since our last meeting three hundred dollars (\$300) has been given by one member of our Committee and this with the interest on the fund now in the hands of the Treasurer of the American Pharmaceutical Association will greatly assist in completing the balance that was needed because of the more elaborate plans for the monument as presented and approved last year.

The increased cost of material and labor at this time would also have made any contract indefinite and inadvisable, but when peace and prosperity are restored, everything will be ready to secure a monument that will be a pleasure to the members of this Society and an honor to American pharmacy.

JOHN F. HANCOCK, *Chairman*.

C. H. LAWALL: I move the report be accepted.

Motion seconded and carried.

SECRETARY DAY: The Procter Monument Fund now amounts to more than \$8000.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair takes pleasure in stating that Mr. Hancock has been one of the workers of the Association and has done very much for the cause of pharmacy, especially for historic pharmacy.

H. M. WHELPLEY: Mr. President, I move that the Secretary be instructed to convey to Ex-President Hancock the hearty greetings of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

(The motion carried unanimously.)

Secretary Day read the annual report of the Committee on International Pharmaceutical Nomenclature.

ANNUAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL
NOMENCLATURE.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE A. PH. A., INDIANAPOLIS CONVENTION:

Your committee reports progress. Owing to the world's war, it is inadvisable, in fact, impossible to even try to do any work on

INTERNATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL NOMENCLATURE.

We have repeatedly proven the necessity, the great necessity for uniformity in Pharmaceutical Nomenclature. However, in order to bring this about, especially internationally, it is absolutely necessary to have peace between the different nations.

Therefore let us hope for a speedy end of the war, so that besides other important reasons, the Committee can begin actual work. To this end the Committee should be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

OTTO RAUBENHEIMER, *Chairman*.

GEO. M. BERINGER: I move the adoption of the report.

Motion seconded and carried.

Secretary Day read the report of the General Membership Committee. On motion of Dr. H. M. Whelpley the report was adopted. (To be printed.)

Secretary Day read the report of the Associate Committee of the American Joint Committee on Horticultural Nomenclature.

REPORT OF ASSOCIATE COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN JOINT COMMITTEE
ON HORTICULTURAL NOMENCLATURE.

The Committee with which we have been associated was formed for the purpose of standardizing the names, both scientific and common, of our cultivated plants. The condition of these names has been so chaotic that the same name has been applied to a number of different plants, in many cases, and in a vast number of others, the same plant has been listed in different publications under different names. The result has been that the names have not been intelligible. Not only has the situation caused great inconvenience and dissatisfaction, but continual disputes and not a little litigation. The various horticultural and floricultural associations interested therefore united in an effort to agree on some standard list of names that could be generally used. The American Pharmaceutical Association was asked to coöperate in this work. It was not assumed, either by the Joint Committee that extended the invitation, or by those who recommended to the A. Ph. A. that the invitation be accepted, that our Association would be greatly benefitted in any direct manner. Our position has been that of one contributing a public service in a branch of applied science closely related to our own work, a service that is in line with the general principles which underlie the work of our organization.

The Joint Committee has labored by holding meetings at which a preliminary list, prepared by a sub-committee, has been considered, name by name, and by written communications, submitted for study and criticism. Later, the proof sheets were similarly treated, and finally a printed list was issued.

In the selection of names, the primary basis has been an attempt to secure uniformity for practical purposes, rather than to adhere to any particular code of nomenclature. At the same time, scientific accuracy has been sought so far as agreement could be reached. In considering the many cases in which such accuracy has not been secured, and the many inconsistencies that the list exhibits, it must be remembered that for every such error and inconsistency that now exists, a considerable number of others have been eliminated from common usage. Every member of the Committee has conceded much to the majority. The list is therefore distinctively a compromise product. It is, moreover, only tentative. It is planned to revise it at regular periods, as is done with the Pharmacopoeia. During each period, improvements will be proposed and publicly discussed, so that at the end of each period a part of the inaccuracies may be corrected. In this way, not only will a gradual approach to perfection be made, but the process itself will become an important factor in public educational work. For the present, the attempt has been to approach the nomenclature of *Bailey's Encyclopaedia of Horticulture*.

Only the woody plants have received attention in this primary list, as the work on all classes of plants was too vast for an immediate undertaking.

The expense of the meetings of the Committee in different places, of the secretary's labors, and of printing has been considerable, and has been met by contributions from the several societies represented. As this feature was not contemplated at the time that our Association took action, no provision was made by us for such a contribution. Your Committee therefore thought it best to secure contributions, to total at least \$100, from individual members who were appreciative of the work and willing to assist it. At the time of writing this report, one hundred and sixty dollars have been received by the chairman and forwarded to Mr. Harlan P. Kelsey, of Salem, Mass., the secretary and treasurer of the Joint Committee. As your Chairman is about to leave the country for a time, he is arranging for the proper disposition of any additional contributions that may arrive.

Respectfully submitted,

Associate Committee	}	LYMAN F. KEBLER,
		OLIVER A. FARWELL,
		H. H. RUSBY, <i>Chairman</i> .

(The adoption of the Report was regularly moved and seconded.)

SECRETARY DAY: The President just asked me in regard to the statement of the \$100. I understand from the wording of the report that this money has been contributed and therefore no action is necessary on that part of the report. This is a Special Committee appointed by the American Pharmaceutical Association.

CASWELL A. MAYO: I move that the report of the Committee be received and the sum of \$25 be contributed toward the expenses.

L. F. KEBLER: I second the motion.

THE PRESIDENT: You have heard the motion. All those in favor of the same will signify by saying "Aye." Contrary, "No." It is carried.

SECRETARY DAY: We have also the report of the Committee on Closer Affiliation of Pharmacy and Medicine.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the report be received and referred for publication. (To be printed.)

SECRETARY DAY: We have several resolutions referred to the Association by the Sections.

The resolutions presented by the Commercial Section are as follows:

- (1) That colleges of pharmacy lay greater emphasis on commercial training.
- (2) That the Stephens Price Maintenance Bill be endorsed.

The first resolution was adopted without discussion; the second was adopted after some debate as to whether the bill should be endorsed, or the principle of the measure. The vote resulted favorably to endorsement of the Bill, complying with the resolution as presented.

Resolutions from the Section on Education and Legislation were read, relating to Compulsory Health Insurance, and approved (see p. 890, October issue).

GEO. M. BERINGER: I want to call attention to the fact that in the approved minutes of the Council there was a proposition that the By-Laws, relating to the National Formulary Committee, should be amended. I move that it be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, to be embodied in the By-Laws.

Motion seconded and carried.

THE PRESIDENT: New business is next in order. The Secretary will proceed.

SECRETARY DAY: I understand from the minutes of the Council that there is a vacancy in the Council. Prof. Army has been re-elected Reporter on the Progress of Pharmacy; he is also a member of the Council whose term does not expire until 1918. He is therefore doubly a member of the Council, an elected member whose term still extends over one year, and an *ex-officio* member as Reporter on the Progress of Pharmacy.

H. V. Army resigned as an elected member of the Council.

JEANNOT HOSTMANN: It gives me great pleasure to present the name of Dr. Jacob Diner of New York to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Prof. H. V. Army.

Jacob Diner was elected member of the Council to fill the unexpired term of H. V. Army.

Caswell A. Mayo presented resolutions of thanks to all who had participated and contributed to the entertainment and comfort of the members and the success of the meeting.

The resolutions were adopted by a rising vote.

THE PRESIDENT: The next order of business will be the installation of officers. I will pause just a moment before doing that to express my personal appreciation of the very fine, excellent, adequate and competent help and coöperation that all the members of the Association have given me during my administration. I have received much help, very constructive help, and I believe you all agree with me when I say that this meeting has been one of much accomplishment in constructive and upward pharmacy. The tone of the meeting I regard as having been very pleasant and harmonious. There have been no differences of opinion concerning the real things affecting American pharmacy, and what differences some might have thought existed, were mere evidences of anxiety on the part of those holding them, in an endeavor to contribute to the upward tendency in pharmacy.

This Association has the great privilege of elevating pharmacy. It is one of its purposes, and this Association is carrying out the purposes in a very efficient and capable way, and it is due to the fact that all the members are vitally interested in the welfare of the Association.

There is, however, room for greater enthusiasm and activity on the part of the members at large, and I believe that all of us who are at the meeting can enlist our neighbors in the fine work that the Association is doing.

I want to be on record as expressing my appreciation and extending my thanks to all those who are in any way deserving of them.

The President appointed Messrs. Hugo Kantrowitz and Charles MacGregor to present the officers of the ensuing year. President Wulling introduced them to the Association with words of commendation.

Vice-Presidents A. R. L. Dohme and Leonard Seltzer were not present. The names of the officers follow:

President.—Charles Holzhauser (deceased November 19, 1917), Newark, N. J.

Honorary President.—W. L. Dewoody, Pine Bluff, Ark.

First Vice-President.—Alfred R. L. Dohme (now Acting-President), Baltimore, Md.

Second Vice-President.—Leonard A. Seltzer, Detroit, Mich.

Third Vice-President.—Theodore J. Bradley, Boston, Mass.

General Secretary.—William B. Day, Chicago, Ill.

Treasurer.—Henry M. Whelpley, St. Louis, Mo.

Reporter on the Progress of Pharmacy.—H. V. Arny, New York, N. Y.

Editor of the JOURNAL.—E. G. Eberle, Philadelphia, Pa.

OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL, FOR 1916-1917.

Chairman.—Lewis C. Hopp, Cleveland, Ohio.

Secretary.—Joseph W. England, Philadelphia, Pa.

<i>Members of the Council</i> (Installed at Indianapolis meeting.)	}	Frederick J. Wulling, Minneapolis, Minn.
		George M. Beringer, Camden, N. J.
		Jacob Diner, New York, N. Y.
		John G. Godding, Boston, Mass.
		S. L. Hilton, Washington, D. C.

The officers installed expressed their appreciation of the honor conferred and pledged their best efforts in the discharge of the duties assigned to them. The remarks of President Charles Holzhauser and Honorary President W. L. Dewoody are recorded.

PRESIDENT CHARLES HOLZHAUSER: Mr. President and Fellow-members, I appreciate most highly this honor that you have conferred upon me, as the highest within the reach of American pharmacists. I intend to be your servant during the year, and I hope that you will start me right in carrying out those measures that will be for the uplift and good of this Association, and I promise I will do my best at all times for its advancement and welfare.

HONORARY PRESIDENT W. L. DEWOODY: I want to express my hearty appreciation of the honor which the Association has conferred upon me, and I desire the members to understand that this comes from my very heart. I appreciate especially the privilege of being personally connected with a body of men whose names mean the elevation of the profession I have chosen. My heart has always been with you, socially and professionally. It is still there, and you have my sincere thanks for the honor you have conferred upon me. I could ask no greater honor, and I also feel that it comes from the heart of this Association as a testimonial of my constant sincerity. I will try to keep the title an honorable one.

THE PRESIDENT: It appears that we have completed the business of the Sixty-fifth Annual Convention of the American Pharmaceutical Association, and that it has now become history. We all know that something has been accomplished. I want to express my personal thanks for the great honor that the Association has bestowed upon me in my election to the highest office.

(After some further remarks concerning the work of the Association, the retiring President tendered the gavel to President Holzhauser, and the latter assumed the Chair as presiding officer.)

Caswell A. Mayo moved a vote of thanks to the retiring officers, and in expressing his appreciation of President Wulling's services, employed the words of praise used by the latter in commending the officers of the Association.

The motion of Mr. Mayo was adopted by a rising vote.

PRESIDENT HOLZHAUSER: Is there anything else to come before this session? If not, I will entertain a motion to adjourn.

(On motion, the Sixty-Fifth annual convention was declared duly adjourned.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

REPORT OF THE DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL DRUG TRADE CONFERENCE.*

TO THE PRESIDENT, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION:

Your delegates to the National Drug Trade Conference beg to submit the following:

During the year two meetings of the Conference have been held at the New Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C.; the first meeting was held on January 16, 1917, this being the annual meeting; the second was held May 1 and 2, 1917, and was called by a referendum of the Executive Committee. At both meetings all of the constituent organizations were represented.

At the January meeting, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, which met the previous day, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, that we petition Congress not to amend the Harrison Act in any other way except as it relates to Section 8 and that it be amended as follows:

Section 8. It shall be unlawful for any person not registered under the provisions of this act and who has not paid the tax as provided by this act, to offer for sale or have in his possession for sale or under his control for sale, any of the aforesaid drugs, and possession or control by any person not registered under the provisions of this act, and who has not paid the special tax provided by this act, shall be *prima facie* evidence of a violation of this provision, whether such person is a person enumerated in Section 1 of this act or not, provided, etc., as in Section 8 of the Harrison Act.

That the Conference approve of the recommendation made by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue in 1915, that some provision be made for the treatment of indigent persons unfortunately addicted to the use of narcotic habit-forming drugs where the operations of the law brings about conditions necessitating such treatment, but believes this to be a function of the State and not of the Federal Government; and that care should be exercised that such institutions do not unduly exploit the law to their own pecuniary advantage.

That we recommend to the legislators of the various states that commissions be appointed to investigate the subject of Compulsory Health Insurance from every angle; to give all interested an opportunity to be heard and finally to report their conclusions to the next session of their respective legislatures.

That the Conference unanimously endorse the Kern-Doremus Bill as the only adequate measure to give relief to art, industry and science respecting the mailing of legitimate articles, which though poisonous or containing poisons are not outwardly or of their own force dangerous to life, health and property and may be mailed with entire safety.

* Presented and approved in Second General Session of American Pharmaceutical Association, Indianapolis meeting, 1917.