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Prof. Albert Einstein, author of the theory of relativity, is to be in the United States this month. His purpose in coming is to aid in the creation of a fund for the Hebrew University to be erected on the Mount of Olives, Jerusalem.

Dr. Charles H. Herty delivered a lecture at the National Museum in Washington on "The Reserves of Chemical Warfare," February 21.

John Keats, the centenary of whose death was celebrated February 23, passed the examinations at Apothecaries' Hall, July 1816. His letters contain allusions to his experience as a medical student, and his poems references to medical and chemical facts. Keats died in Rome and, on the initiative of U. S. Ambassador Johnson, the house in which he died has been bought by subscriptions, most of which were made by Americans.

Dr. E. A. Ruddiman, former dean of the School of Pharmacy at Vanderbilt University, is now head of the department of standards and research of John T. Milliken and Company, St. Louis. **J. D. Gillis**, formerly of the American Chemical Products Company, is now the general manager of the Company.

Judge Stanley W. Merrell of the Ohio Supreme Court, whose death occurred last month, was a brother of **Charles G. and Thurston Merrell**, Cincinnati. Though the deceased was only 44 years of age, he had made a very high place for himself in the city and state.

H. S. Noel, of Indianapolis, is scheduled for an address on "Getting the Most Out of

Business," under the auspices of the Purdue Pharmaceutical Society, March 19th.

Prof. C. B. Jordan addressed the Tippecanoe County Medical Society on "The Effect of Oxidation and Hydrogen Ion Concentration on the Toxicity of Arsphenamine and Neoarsphenamine."

Peter G. Walter, of Pittsburgh, is prominently mentioned for the position of Prohibition Director of Pennsylvania.

Harry B. Mason has been named secretary of Parke, Davis & Co., Detroit. A year ago he was elected to membership in the board of directors of the corporation.

W. A. Rawls, Pensacola, Fla., retired from active business on his 70th birthday. With the exception of eight years, during which Mr. Rawls was state chemist, he has been continuously in the retail drug business and is the oldest living pharmacist in Florida who regularly attends the annual meetings of the state association.

Cornelius Osseward, Seattle, Wash., has disposed of his pharmacy to Louis Rubenstein; the store has been merged with the other pharmacy owned by the purchaser, and is said to be the largest exclusive prescription pharmacy on the Pacific Coast. Mr. Osseward, at present, has no definite plans for the future.

George W. McDuff, local secretary of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, has been appointed secretary-treasurer of the Board of Police Commissioners of the City of New Orleans.

Members of the ASSOCIATION sympathize with Prof. and Mrs. E. Fullerton Cook in the loss of their youngest son, who died of pneumonia March 4.

OBITUARY.

EMILE BOURQUELOT.

Prof. E. E. Bourquelot died at his home in Paris, France, of pneumonia. The funeral ceremony took place January 29th, at the Church of Notre Dame des Champs, which on that occasion was filled to overflowing by representatives of medicine, pharmacy, military and civic organizations, the universities, etc. The interment was made at Jandin, where the noted pharmacist was born sixty-nine years ago.

At the age of 21 the future professor was apprenticed at the "Pharmacie Lovet," in

Sedan, which bore the quaint sign, "A la truie qui file;" six years later he was appointed chief pharmacist at the historic Hospital Laennec; at the age of thirty-eight he was assistant professor at the School of Pharmacy and then advanced to full professorship, after the death of Professor Bourgoin. He contributed a paper on the International Pharmacopoeia to the International Congress of Pharmacy in Paris (1900), and was a prominent member of the Brussels Conference; at The Hague he read a monograph on "The Synthesis of Glucosides by Ferments."

The *Pharmaceutical Journal* says that according to the testimony of Professor Greenish and other English pharmacists who had the good fortune to fraternize with the late Professor Bourquelot "at conferences or as visitors to him at the Hospital Laennec—he was a man of surpassing personal amenity and charm, of the friendliest and kindest disposition, ever anxious and delighted to be of service even to strangers who had no claim upon his time or attention, a man of science in whom there was no pretense or dogmatism, a master of pure and eloquent French, whose lectures were models of lucidity and clear musical enunciation, and in his refinement, culture, and winning courtesy and chivalrousness a perfect example of the French gentleman, by nature and nurture, than whom in human civilization there is no higher moral product."

His well-known book on soluble ferments was published in 1896. As editor of the *Journal de Pharmacie et de Chimie* and as a man of science his reputation was world-wide. A sketch of the deceased is printed in August issue of 1920, p. 757, *THIS JOURNAL*, and references to him will be found in the February number pp. 146 and 148. He was an Honorary Member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

OTTMAR EBERBACH.

Ottmar Eberbach died at his home in Ann Arbor, late in January, aged seventy-five years. Though largely interested in supplying scientific apparatus and chemicals to

educational and scientific institutions, the pharmacy in Ann Arbor has been continued, and enjoys the reputation of a finely appointed prescription drug store. He was a member of the original board of directors of the University of Michigan School of Music. His interest in civic affairs is shown by the naming of one of the Ann Arbor public schools in his honor. Mr. Eberbach became a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION in 1869. A brief sketch appears in the November issue, 1919, of *THIS JOURNAL*, p. 887.

RICHARD N. DODDS.

Richard N. Dodds, of Springfield, Illinois, passed away January 21st. Mr. Dodds for a number of years was secretary of the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association. He was seventy years old and a pioneer druggist of Springfield, having been in business there for nearly fifty years. Mr. Dodds was well and favorably known in pharmaceutical circles throughout the state. He joined the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION in 1902.

JACOB BURGHEIM.

We are advised of the death of Jacob Burgheim, veteran druggist, of Houston, Texas, but have no data from which to prepare a sketch. Mr. Burgheim was one of the oldest members of the Texas Pharmaceutical Association, in which organization he was active for many years, and a life member. He was an ex-president of that Association, and during several years a representative to the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, of which he became a member in 1892.

SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

MEETING AMERICAN DRUG MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION.

The tenth annual meeting of the American Drug Manufacturers' Association will be held at the Hotel Biltmore, New York City, April 11-14. The meeting of the scientific section will be called to order at 10 A. M., Monday, April 11th, and will comprise three sessions, a morning and afternoon session on the eleventh and a morning session on Tuesday, April 12th. The biological section will meet for a single session at 2.00 P. M. on the 11th of April, while the meeting of the association as a whole will open at 2.00 P. M., April 12th, and continue through April 14th, closing with a banquet on the evening of the latter date.

The convention will deal, for the most

part, with the changes wrought by the present economic state of the country, involving such problems as the transition from seller's to a buyer's market and the slowing up of collections. The alcoholic medicinal problem will again be made the principal topic of discussion at one of the sessions, and prominent outside speakers will be heard on this subject.

One of the most unique features of the convention will be a debate on the very widely discussed problem of the sales tax. The services of the most authoritative and magnetic speakers on each side of the question will be secured and, after the manner of a regular debate, time will be allowed each speaker for rebuttal. The debate will then be followed by discussion on the floor.