

course and guaranteed that the student would pass. Candidates who had failed on examination repeatedly, some of them even failing to obtain assistant registration, suddenly appeared with registered pharmacist certificates. Circumstantial evidence was mighty convincing.

I recognized, as did others, that the condition which had sprung up was a public menace—a plague abroad in the land. I also realized that when conditions in any state reach such a pass that applicants unqualified to take or unable to pass an examination can be “put through,” such a condition, in addition to being a menace to public health, will, if permitted to continue, undermine the principles on which reciprocity is founded.

About March first, I consulted the Attorney General's office and by agreement with him the matter was placed in the hands of the Cook County State's Attorney, with such evidence as I had collected. Men under suspicion were brought in and questioned. Some of them confessed. The *Chicago Tribune* gave due publicity to the hearings and aided materially in securing important evidence. As soon as it became known that the situation was being unearthed, information poured in. The State's Attorney's office now has plenty of evidence for their purpose and more is coming in every day. We expect to go before the April Grand Jury to secure indictments, and then to trial.

It appears that the central figure in the scandal had surrounded himself with relatives and confidants, both inside and outside of his office, and, evidently, thought himself sufficiently entrenched so that it would be impossible to implicate him.

There is much interesting matter to be told, but it must be withheld until the legal requirements are satisfied.

In conclusion, it may be added that the “conspiracy” was of short duration. Illinois is righting itself; 99.9% of our pharmacists are honest, reputable men. Right will prevail here as elsewhere in the long run. Any harm done will be corrected so far as is humanly possible.

The officers of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy came to the support of their secretary at once with letters and telegrams offering both financial and moral support. This support is having a healthy and far-reaching effect on the situation.

In the foregoing I have only alluded to the conditions in this state which make our present undesirable situation possible. In a later article, when we have cleaned up our present muddle, this office will send out a survey of the whole situation, analyzing, so far as possible, fundamental principles, in the hope that it may be of value to states planning changes in their administrative code.

LATER.

Since the foregoing was written, the regular Cook County (Illinois) Grand Jury voted true bills—indictments—charging conspiracy, graft, etc., against the following named persons:

W. H. H. Miller, Director of the Department of Registration and Education.

Dr. Odeon Bourque, Dean of the Chicago Medical College, and head of the National Review System.

K. A. Fries, son-in-law of W. H. H. Miller, a clerk in the department, in charge of educational qualifications of applicants for examination, and having various other duties giving him access to examinations and examination records.

William S. Bromarczyk, a druggist reported to have failed in examination but to have received a license.

It is expected that several other indictments will follow, and that early trial dates will be fixed.

H. C. CHRISTENSEN, Secretary National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. PH. A. COUNCIL LETTER NO. 11.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 3, 1922.

To the Members of the Council:

63. Mr. Clyde L. Eddy has been elected Secretary of the Section on Historical Pharmacy.

64. Applicants Nos. 194-213 elected to active membership.

65. Francis E. Bibbins has been elected Council Representative from Indianapolis Branch, to succeed Frank R. Eldred.

66. Election of active members: No. 214,

Sister Mary Gabriel Conerton, Carney Hospital, Old Harbor St., Boston, Mass.; No. 215, John Thomas Murphy, 27 Prospect St., Somerville, Mass.; No. 216, Joseph Godsoe, Mass. General Hospital, Boston, Mass.; No. 217, Sister M. Benedicta Kuyven, 2800 Main St., Kansas City, Mo.; No. 218, Frederick Kenney, 125 Worth Street, New York, N. Y.; No. 219, Augustine B. Boyles, State Hospital, Middletown, Conn.; No. 220, Mary R. Hamilton, 500 Pinney St., Rochester, Pa.; No. 221, George Arnold Burbidge, Maritime College of Pharmacy, Halifax, Nova Scotia; No. 222, George Wiberg, 683 Ashburn St., Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada; No. 223, Edward Klar, 410 East 78th St., New York, N. Y.; No. 224, Christopher H. Mahan, 27 Belmont Ave., Jersey City, N. J.; No. 225, Leopold Lowenstein, 609 W. 115th St., New York, N. Y.; No. 226, Byron W. Swift, 425 South Division St., Ann Arbor, Mich.; No. 227, Harley Wesley Rhodehamel, 3323 College Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.; No. 228, Joseph Caruso, 70 Wilson Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; No. 229, John P. Sweeney, 814 East 54th St., Chicago, Ill.; No. 230, Sister Mary Rose, 3409 Woodland Ave., Cleveland, Ohio; No. 231, M. Margareta Hodge, Presbyterian Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa.; No. 232, William James Danforth, 120 West Markham St., Little Rock, Ark.; No. 233, Stephen L. Demeter, 2816 Pearl Ave., Lorain, Ohio.

A. G. DuMEZ, *Secretary*.

A. PH. A. COUNCIL LETTER NO. 12.
(Abstract.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21, 1922.

67. *Applicants Nos. 214-233 elected to active membership.*

68. *Motion to present to the Hygienic Institute of Prague, Czechoslovakia, a set of the Proceedings and Year Books of the Association.* Under date of April 5, 1922, Secretary Day writes from Chicago as follows:

"Dr. Edward Kremers of the University of Wisconsin has written to me under date of April 3d, stating that he has received word from Professor Thoms of Berlin that the 53 volumes of Proceedings and 8 volumes of the Year Book presented to the Pharmaceutical Institute of the University of Berlin have been received.

"Dr. Kremers now suggests that the Association present to the Hygienic Institute of Prague, Czechoslovakia, a similar set of our

Proceedings and Year Books.

"Dr. Kremers has recently had a visit from Dr. Z. F. Klan, a government representative of the new republic of Czechoslovakia and one of the Rockefeller Foundation Fellows of the Hygienic Institute of Prague. Dr. Klan after his return to Czechoslovakia is to have charge of food and drug inspection in that country.

"Dr. Kremers now writes:

"I trust that this suggestion will meet with the approval of the Council. I know of no better use that we could make of our surplus copies. Science should know neither country nor creed. Incidentally science may assist in healing a few of the wounds produced through militarism, by greed, and hatred, which seem to be ruling the world, our own country as well as other countries.' "

It is moved by Day, seconded by DuMez, that this request of Prof. Kremers be granted.

69. *Election of active members.* No. 234, Albert Earl Gendreau, 2679 E. 75 St., Chicago, Ill.; No. 235, Alfred Milton Kronberger, 144 Court St., Boston, Mass.; No. 236, Russell E. Raymond, 116 17 St., Buffalo, N. Y.; No. 237, Milton Wruble, 221 Belmont Ave., Detroit, Mich.; No. 238, Valerio C. Jaehrling, P. O. Box 278, Manila, Philippine Islands; No. 239, Alda M. Ferris, N. E. Cor. 5th & Market Sts., San Diego, Calif.; No. 240, Harry Peter Quass, 4710 19th Ave. N. E., Seattle, Wash.; No. 241, Homer Merrill Shaw, 5015 8th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash.; No. 242, Rudolf Alfred Bissett, 4504 16th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash.; No. 243, Peter Cyrel Werba, 4220¹/₂ 12th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash.; No. 244, Clarence Bernhart Halverson, 4746 18th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash.; No. 245, Clenn William Henderson, R. R. No. 2, Box 369, Seattle, Wash.; No. 246, Walter A. Krafft, 3038 Palmer Square, Chicago, Ill.; No. 247, John Kenneth Sullivan, 4746 18th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash.; No. 248, Lee Roy Nicholson, 404 N. Anderson St., Ellensburg, Wash.; No. 249, Paul Yuan Cheng, 4339 10th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash.; No. 250, Miss Ethel Ava Tschudin, 4514 18th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash.; No. 251, Miss Ruby Alice Henderson, 4750 17th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Wash.; No. 252, Dr. Ignacio G. Noble, Doce esquina á 21, Vedado, Habana, Cuba.; No. 253, James S. Davis, 165 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

A. G. DuMEZ, *Secretary*.