

5 in the Empire Room of the Waldorf-Astoria. There were present approximately 500. The Stars and Stripes were officially presented to the club by Thos. G. Breen. The flag bearing the official insignia of the club was officially presented by Norvin H. Rieser. A very inspiring tableau was presented when the flags were brought into the room by thirty U. S. Army officers in full dress, with Colonel Penn, the commanding officer of Governors Island, in

charge. The colors were presented and at the same time the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung by Miss Kennerly.

The following officers were elected to serve for the year 1923: President, Thos. R. Freebody (reelected); *Vice-presidents*, B. H. Badanes and Geo. W. Raymond; *Secretary*, W. B. Moore (reelected); *Treasurer*, I. Lazaroff (reelected); *Trustee for three years*, Ed Plaut.

OBITUARY.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN QUACKINBUSH.

Benjamin F. Quackinbush, proprietor of a drug store at 703 Greenwich Street, New York, died at his home at East Orange, N. J., December 28, aged sixty-seven years. The store in which the deceased had been at work since 1870 as clerk and proprietor, was established February 22, 1817.

The business has always been in the same block, but has been housed in three different buildings during the 105 years of its existence.

The founder of this historical establishment which at one time did a considerable amount of wholesale business, was also one of the founders of the College of Pharmacy of the City of New York. During his business career he had four partners, all kinsmen; first, his eldest son, Samuel H. Quackinbush; next, his son David, and a son-in-law, John H. Kendall. In 1875 the sons withdrew from the business and at the age of seventy-eight Mr. Quackinbush became the sole proprietor, remaining in charge until his death at the age of ninety. Benjamin F. Quackinbush was his grandson.

The deceased affiliated with the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1886. Data for this sketch have been taken from the *Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter*.

WILLIAM STEPHEN DISBROW.

We have been advised of the death of Dr. William Stephen Disbrow, member of the American Pharmaceutical Association, on December 26. Mr. Edward A. Sayre, who communicated the information, speaks of the deceased as a druggist who studied medicine and chemistry, and made a brilliant success in his undertakings. Dr. Disbrow joined the Association in 1915.

Professor Disbrow only recently retired from active service at the New Jersey College

of Pharmacy, after nearly thirty years of service as professor of microscopy and pharmacognosy. He was elected emeritus professor of the latter subjects. On December 6, a dinner was given in his honor by the trustees, faculty and alumni association of the institution which he had served so many years. President William O. Kuebler, of the college, presided at this function, and spoke in glowing terms of the record Dr. Disbrow had made. He was followed by Dean R. P. Fischelis, George Linnett, Prof. Adolph F. Marquier, Dr. P. E. Hommel, Dr. Edward J. Ill, and Editor Charles W. Parsons, all of whom added words of praise. A number of presentations were also made.

In addition to his work at the college Dr. Disbrow has been a prominent practicing physician and was for many years president of the Newark Board of Health. He was also instrumental in organizing the Newark Museum Association, which has, largely through his efforts, an unusually large collection of U. S. P. and N. F. drugs in the Newark Public Library, and, also, quite complete collections of precious stones, minerals and other objects of scientific interest.

MRS. CLARA J. ROSENGARTEN.

Mrs. Clara J. Rosengarten, wife of the late Harry B. Rosengarten, died at her home in Philadelphia, aged 78 years. Her husband, who died in February 1921, was president of the Powers-Weightman-Rosengarten Company. Mrs. Rosengarten leaves four sons, George D., Adolph G., Joseph G., Jr., and Frederic Rosengarten; two daughters, Mrs. Lewis Neilson and Mrs. W. W. Atterbury; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. The sons are well and favorably known members of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

THE PHARMACIST AND THE LAW.

PHARMACIST FINED \$750 FOR SELLING ALCORUB UNDER PENNSYLVANIA STATE LIQUOR LAW.

D. Honoroff, of the firm of Honoroff and Wittmer, retail druggists and manufacturing pharmacists in Uniontown, Pa., was fined \$750 in the Court of Quarter Sessions of Fayette county, Pennsylvania, after conviction of violation of the state liquor law by sale, offer to sell, furnishing and possession of an alleged intoxicant. The alleged intoxicant was Alcorub, denatured alcohol prepared for external use by federal formula by the United States Industrial Alcohol Company. The trial was before Judge E. H. Reppert and a jury.

The Industrial Alcohol Company furnished advisory counsel, an expert witness and correspondence which it had had with the United States Treasury in the effort to help Mr. Honoroff. Its officials have since said they wished to carry the case to the higher courts on appeal, but Mr. Honoroff elected to pay his fine and the case was closed.

Mr. Honoroff has stated that he has not bought any potable alcoholic liquor since spring of 1921.

The following was part of Judge Reppert's charge to the Jury:

"With that volume of alcohol, these goods would be intoxicating, and as we apprehend the law, the only question in this case for you to determine is whether this defendant sold to these witnesses the goods testified to by them for beverage purposes. Whether this mixture was or was not ordinarily and in general acceptance fit for use as a beverage, we do not regard as material."

This paragraph of the charge, the attorney for the Industrial Alcohol Company said, took entirely out of the hands of the jury the question whether Alcorub was an intoxicating beverage.

ONLY BOTTLED-IN-BOND POTABLE SPIRITS MAY BE WITHDRAWN FOR MEDICINAL USES AFTER APRIL 1, 1923.

T. D. 3418 reads:—

"In the interest of the public health, and to prevent the use of impure, harmful and poisonous liquors, the withdrawal, for medicinal purposes, from distillery warehouses, general bonded warehouses, special bonded warehouses, concentration warehouses, or other warehouses in which untaxed spirits are held, of only such spirits, not including alcohol, as are bottled-in-bond, will be permitted on

and after April 1, 1923, and special permits may be given to the owners of spirits in customs-bond and in free warehouses to bottle such spirits under the supervision of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue and upon the owners giving sufficient bond against the unlawful diversion of such spirits while in transformation."

BETA-EUCAINE AND EUPHTHALMIN ARE NOT SUBJECT TO HARRISON NARCOTIC LAW.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue, office of the Federal Prohibition Commissioner, under date of November 21, 1922, has advised that beta-eucaine hydrochloride, beta-eucaine lactate and euphtalmin hydrochloride are not subject to the Harrison Narcotic Law. These need not be ordered on narcotic blanks nor is a record required of such transactions.

SOME PROMOTIONS IN A FEW INSTITU- TIONS OF PHARMACY.

The "Virginia Experiment" encouraged the Pharmacy Department of the Medical College of Virginia to give the students of that institution further qualifying experience in dispensing as demanded by the Board of Pharmacy. A paper on the subject is printed in this issue of the JOURNAL.

The Michigan College of Pharmacy—Health Service Pharmacy—dispenses about 1500 prescriptions each month; the completion of a new hospital will enable this institution to extend this department.

Highland Park College of Pharmacy has been authorized to collect a fund of \$350,000 for increasing the facilities of that institution and encouraging research under the direction of the faculty.

Fordham University has abolished its School of Medicine and refitted the building formerly used by it for the extension of its college of pharmacy. The reëquipment and outfitting of the laboratory alone are said to have cost in excess of \$40,000.

The management of the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy contemplates new buildings at a new site. A fund of \$250,000 is to be provided by subscriptions and the trustees have turned \$80,200 over to the committee in charge of the drive, as a nucleus.

Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science has made an encouraging start in the drive to raise a fund of \$2,000,000. The amount contributed by local alumni has encouraged the committee and hope is expressed that the movement will meet the expected success.