

the life of this earnest advocate of such action, the American Pharmaceutical Association did not complete this great desire of his later years to memorialise the great services of Professor William Procter, Jr. by a national monument.

The character and upright life of Mr. Hancock has left an impression on pharmacy that should serve as an example well worthy of emulation. No more fitting tribute could be paid alike to him and to the great pharmacist that he sought to honor than to promptly complete the project to which he was so devoted and eloquently presented on many occasions.

A. R. L. DOHME.

A highly respected and very devoted friend of pharmacy and the American Pharmaceutical Association after a long life dedicated to pharmacy passed away on November 12th, 1923 in the person of Dr. John F. Hancock of Baltimore. At the time of his death he was probably the oldest member of the American Pharmaceutical Association and its oldest living ex-president.

I have known Dr. Hancock since I was a young man and have always found him interested and devoted to his profession and willing to do all he could to help it and everyone connected with it. He was gentle and quiet in his manner and in his public service work conscientious and cordially interested in its success.

SAMUEL L. HILTON.

It is to be very deeply regretted that we have lost such a fine and noble character as Dr. John F. Hancock, the oldest living Ex-President of the A. Ph. A. I have known Dr. Hancock, for more than 35 years; no finer and nobler man than he ever lived among us. It was always a pleasure to meet and talk with him; his high aims, noble character, fine personality and that high regard for what was elevating and best for pharmacy endeared him to every one who knew him. He will be missed and pharmacy and the American Pharmaceutical Association have lost one of their noble sons. Providence was kind to him and I am sure he has gained the reward he so untirelessly strived for.

CONCLUDING REMARKS BY PROF. CHARLES H. LAWALL AT MEMORIAL SERVICE TO DR.

JOHN F. HANCOCK.

Pharmacy cannot honor the memory of Dr. Hancock for it is he who by his life and example has honored Pharmacy. We can and should pay tribute to his memory.

Emerson said: "Nature seems to exist for the excellent. The world is upheld by the veracity of good men. They make the earth wholesome."

So it was with Dr. Hancock, and the world is more wholesome through his having been with us so for many years.

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SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

PHILADELPHIA ASSOCIATION OF RETAIL DRUGGISTS CELEBRATES SILVER ANNIVERSARY.

The Philadelphia Association of Retail Druggists celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary with a banquet and entertainment at McAllister Hall, November 15.

The artistic souvenir of the occasion gave an historical account of the organization which now has a membership of over one thousand, who have evidenced their faith in the organization by purchasing a home, which is primarily for the purpose indicated but has become a revenue producer, sharing honors in that respect with the *P. A. R. D. Bulletin*. Twenty-two presidents have served as directing officers, and most of them share the interest of the

younger members. National honors have come to a number of these past presidents:— Thomas H. Potts, Samuel C. Henry and Ambrose Hunsberger. Secretary Otto Kraus directs the office affairs and welcomes the visitors.

The menu was elaborate and the toastmaster of the evening was Ambrose Hunsberger. Responses were made by Drs. John Minehart, Norman Henry, William Duffield Robinson, Prof. E. Fullerton Cook, E. G. Eberle, representatives of the municipal government and officers of the Association.

The attendance was large, the music good and the entertainment well arranged and held the guests until after the midnight hour. In every respect the Silver Anniversary celebration was a success.

DETROIT RETAIL DRUGGISTS' ASSOCIATION HONORS J. H. WEBSTER, PRESIDENT OF THE N. A. R. D.

John H. Webster, president of the N. A. R. D., was the guest of honor at a dinner given by the Detroit Retail Druggists' Association and their friends of the manufacturing and wholesale branches of the trade which was held on the evening of November 15, at the Detroit Chamber of Commerce. President Glenn Staines, at the conclusion of the dinner, spoke of the services of Mr. Webster and the esteem in which he is held locally and nationally, and then introduced as the toastmaster of the evening, Harry B. Mason. The speakers who responded to the toasts represented local, state and national associations; the retail, wholesale and manufacturing industries. All the members of the Michigan Board of Pharmacy were present and also visitors from adjoining states, nearby and some from more distant cities.

The guest of honor was presented with a chest of silver and beautiful floral pieces, but above all the sincere appreciation and evidence of friendship marked the evening.

ILLINOIS PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE MEETING.

At the semi-annual meeting of the executive committee of the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association, held in Chicago, November 20, which was attended by the officers of the organization and the members of various committees, Secretary William B. Day presented a report for the past half year, including also the annual budget. Secretary Day stated that the collections of dues since June 1 had been considerably larger than those of the corresponding period a year ago, owing to the membership campaign. He called attention to the newly-issued proceedings of the convention held on the Steamship "South American" last June. Treasurer George M. Bennett reported a balance in the treasury of \$1,363.69, after deducting expenditures since the last convention amounting to \$926.46.

LaSalle was chosen for the next meeting place of the Association. The membership campaign was re-inforced and wholesale druggists were invited to share in the state-wide drive; President Crowley's desire is to bring in every eligible non-member.

S. L. Antonow reported that excellent cooperation was being given by the State Department of Education and Registration, and

that several hundred cases of prosecution of grocers and others for selling iodine and other drugs which they had no right to sell had already been instituted by the department.

TEXAS PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION NOW EMPLOYS AN INSPECTOR.

The Executive Committee of Texas Pharmaceutical Association has employed R. A. Green as an inspector in the field to look after and prosecute violations of the State pharmacy law. Mr. Green made his reputation by cleaning up the city of Dallas of violators of laws applying to pharmacy. Many complaints have been coming into the offices of Secretaries Adams and Cousins in which it is charged that drug stores are operating without pharmacists in charge.

NOVEMBER MEETING OF DRUG AND CHEMICAL SQUARE CLUB.

The Drug and Chemical Square Club held its regular monthly meeting at 1947 Broadway, New York on November 15th. There were 600 members and visitors present. This undoubtedly was the banner meeting of the year. Fifty-two candidates were initiated. A large delegation of drug and chemical men arrived in busses from points in New Jersey, headed by President Rollins of the Woodcliff Square Club.

Prof. Hugo Schaefer of the New York College of Pharmacy, H. B. Smith of the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy, J. J. Kallman of Lehn & Fink, and many other well known men were present, as were delegations from most of the large manufacturing companies such as Merck & Co., Norwich Pharmacal Co., J. B. Williams Co., American Druggists' Syndicate, Louis K. Liggett Co. and many others.

The initiation stunts, vaudeville and refreshments were enjoyed by all. The election of officers will take place at the December meeting and, in addition, a first class vaudeville entertainment will be held in the Empire Room of the Waldorf-Astoria.

PENNSYLVANIA PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION PREPARING FOR 1924 CONVENTION.

The *Pennsylvania Pharmacist* for November announces the appointment of George F. Metzger as local secretary for the annual meet-

ing of Pennsylvania Pharmaceutical Association to be held in Bethlehem. Details of the program will be considered at a meeting to be held this month, at which President P. Henry Utech and Secretary Louis Saalbach are to be present.

BOGUS DIPLOMAS.

Last year our own National Secretary of the Boards of Pharmacy, H. C. Christensen was largely instrumental in exposing unlawful procedure in granting State Certificates for medical and pharmaceutical practice. Now again investigations are going on which have exposed questionable medical licensure and diplomas that do not attest qualification in accordance with law. For a time it seemed as though pharmacy was not directly concerned, but later investigations include pharmacy diplomas.

No period has been free from quackery; the extent to which this vicious business of preying on the hopes of the ignorant and the credulous obtains is almost unbelievable. The *Boston Transcript*, of recent date, says that an institution of the kind referred to offers for \$36 a course of cure which makes this modest claim: "This school actually instructs how by simple scientific procedure to restore many classes of dead persons to life. It is being done every day, and you can accomplish this result when you understand the principle and process required." Another Western institution offers a diploma for \$15, and another sent a train-load of barbers, car conductors, waiters and other hopeful artificers, who had received its "medical diplomas," to Hartford to be officially licensed under the laws of Connecticut to practice the art of cure.

The Post Office Department on November 5th issued a fraud order against the Oriental University.

In a "Bulletin" issued by the Oriental University in November, 1921, it was stated that: "The attacks made upon the Oriental University in all the various countries during the last year prove conclusively that Oriental University is a world-renowned university, and that it is looked upon by some as practically representing American educational ideals."

POPULAR SCIENCE TALKS BY RADIO.

An interesting series of popular, weekly science talks is being radio-broadcast by members of the Faculty of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science from station

WIP. The subjects are as follows: The Age of Aluminum, by Prof. Ralph Foran; Radio, by Dr. George Rosengarten; The Great American Rubber Industry, by Dr. J. W. Sturmer; Chemistry in the Home, by Prof. F. P. Stroup; Atmospheric Comfort, by Dr. David Wilbur Horn; Artificial Silk, by Dr. Charles E. Vanderkleed; The Conquest of Malaria, by Dr. Horatio C. Wood, Jr.; The Romance of Insulin, by Prof. Ivor Griffith. It is intended to continue this service regularly as one of the contributions of the College to the educational welfare of the community.

MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE OF PHARMACY CENTENNIAL.

The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, organized in 1823, celebrated its centennial on the fourteenth of November, when classes were suspended for the day. The exercises were held at three o'clock in George Robert White Hall at the College, with William H. Glover, President of the College, presiding. Payson Smith, Commissioner of Education of Massachusetts, delivered the main address, his subject being *Educational ideals in a professional school*. Other speakers were James M. Curley, Mayor of Boston; David L. Edsall, Dean of Harvard Medical School, and Theodore J. Bradley, Dean of the College. The music was by the Salem Cadet Orchestra.

In the evening there was a dinner at the Copley Plaza, with Theodore J. Bradley, Dean of the College, presiding. The speakers were William H. Glover, President of the College; Adolf H. Ackermann, President of its Alumni Association; Henry V. Army, President of the American Pharmaceutical Association; Evan-der F. Kelly, Dean of the Department of Pharmacy of the University of Maryland; Charles H. LaWall, Dean of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy; Henry H. Rusby, Dean of the College of Pharmacy of the City of New York; and Edwin F. Leonard, Mayor of Springfield, Massachusetts, who is also an active pharmacist.

The College was organized late in 1823 as an association of pharmacists, with Dr. Ephraim Eliot, A.M. (Harvard, 1780), as its first president. The objects of the association, as set forth at that time in the *Preamble* to its *Constitution and By-laws*, were: "to provide the means of systematic education, to regulate the instruction of apprentices, to promote a spirit of pharmaceutical investigation and to diffuse information among the members, to

discountenance the sale of spurious and inferior articles, to regulate the business as far as practicable and consistent with our social institutions, to cherish habits of friendly intercourse, and, in general, to advance the character and interests of the profession."

Meetings of the association were held semi-annually at first and then quarterly, with monthly meetings of the Board of Trustees. Efforts were made to establish a course of instruction for the apprentices, and in April, 1824, a Library Committee of three members was appointed and an appropriation was made for the purchase of books. The Library has had a continuous existence since that time. Its first catalogue, published in 1829, contains also a list of the members of the College, and a *Course of study for the apprentices*.

In April, 1851, the College was thoroughly re-organized, its *Constitution and By-Laws* revised, and pharmaceutical meetings especially devoted to scientific purposes were appointed for each month. In 1852 the College was incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts, and in 1876 its act of incorporation was indefinitely extended. Courses of lectures in chemistry were delivered in the winter of 1853 by Dr. Charles T. Jackson, and in the following winter by Professor Cooke of Harvard. A course in pharmaceutical chemistry was given in 1858-1859.

In the fall of 1866 the Board of Trustees appointed a committee to see if enough young men employed in drug stores could be enrolled to form a class. Early in 1867 about twenty responded to the invitation and were formed into a class by Mr. George F. H. Markoe, who delivered a course of lectures to them, during the spring, on practical pharmacy. As this beginning seemed promising, the College decided to establish a permanent school of pharmacy, and secured lecturers on pharmacy, chemistry, materia medica and botany for the

first session, which commenced in the fall of 1867. The chemistry class was held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Professor Storer assisting in organizing the course, but the other lectures were given at the College rooms on Temple Place. Later, a lease was taken of rooms at Boylston Street, in a building next beyond the old Boylston Market, where the school remained for several years. In 1876 it removed to the old Mayhew School building, on Haskins Street, but was burned out there in January, 1877, and the remainder of that session was held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In 1878 the College occupied the old Franklin School building, on Washington Street, where it remained until it moved to the building at 70 St. Botolph Street, at the corner of Garrison Street, which was erected for its special use. It continued to occupy this building for thirty-two years, until the summer of 1918, when it removed to its new building on Longwood Avenue, the gift of Mr. George Robert White.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN COLLEGE OF PHARMACY.

The faculty of the College of Pharmacy, University of Michigan, has empowered Dean Kraus to appoint a committee to study and make a preliminary report on the advisability of instituting a combined pharmacy-medicine curriculum.

STUDENTS COST YALE THRICE THEIR FEES.

The average expenditure per student in Yale by the University is \$835, the average income from students is \$267. The income from the students of the School of Medicine was somewhat higher than the average but the expenditure per student was more than twice the average. The figures are taken from the report of 1922-1923.

THE PHARMACIST AND THE LAW.

MISUSE OF STATISTICS FOR PROPAGANDA PURPOSES.*

A common characteristic for those who engineer propaganda for various uplift movements is the wholly reckless manner in which they

*From "The Force behind the Law," an address by James H. Beal, before N. A. R. D. convention at Boston.

employ alleged statistics to bolster up their claims to public support.

To prove the necessity of their proposed reform some rare and exceptional abuse is seized upon and represented as a usual and regular occurrence, instead of the one case in a thousand it really is. If definite figures are lacking they are manufactured or guessed at. If available statistics do not support the de-