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OMISSIONS FROM THIS DEPARTMENT.

On account of additional matter in the preceding pages some of the Departments of this Section have been omitted from this number of the JOURNAL.

PHARMACISTS ARE NEEDED IN WEST CHINA.

Applications for information, etc., may be sent to the following addresses:

The Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, Canada; Wesley Building, Toronto, Can.

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E. N. Meuser, Phm.B., Chengtu, W. China.

A COLLEGE OF PHARMACY IN CHINA?

Charles O. Lee, now of Wuhu, China, formerly of Purdue University, whose active work in the meetings of the American Pharmaceutical Association will be remembered, in a letter to Treasurer E. F. Kelly suggests that the Association consider the advisability of aiding in the establishment of a Department of Pharmacy in a University of China. There is now no college of pharmacy in China, but the Rockefeller Foundation has contributed large sums for a medical school, and may be persuaded to consider the advisability of providing for a department of pharmacy. No further comment is made at this time because Mr. Lee has been asked to offer further suggestions along the lines he indicated, and

he is acquainted with conditions and possibilities.

A LIBERAL DONATION TO THE A. PH. A. HEADQUARTERS BUILDING FUND, BY MINNESOTA PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

During the meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association, in Cleveland, the Northern Ohio Branch, A. Ph. A., contributed \$500 to the Headquarters Building Fund, and now the Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association has given a like amount. Both are examples which, it is to be hoped, will be followed by others, for they express an interest in the promotion of pharmacy. This should also awaken the individual interest and result in a large number of contributions between now and the Asheville meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association.



Baron von Liebig is seated, on the right; F. Woehler is standing, on the left.

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

Baron Justus von Liebig died April 18, 1873 (about 50 years ago). At the age of fifteen he was apprenticed to an apothecary in Pappenheim. His "Handbuch der Organischen Chemie" is part of Geiger's "Handbuch der Pharmazie" (1839). Friedrich Wöhler, Liebig's friend and co-worker, associated with him in many researches, was for a time pharmaceutical inspector. Both are shown in the group picture taken from the Ebert Memorial Volume.

The French Government has designated May 27 as "Pasteur Day;" proceeds derived from celebrations, sale of badges, etc., will be devoted to the promotion of French scientific education. Ambassador Herrick made the initial address of the occasion this year, followed by Prof. William Welch of Johns Hopkins; other speakers of prominence were Dr. William Thayer of Johns Hopkins; Dr. Pasteur Vallery Radot, a grandson of the scientist; Senator Selden Spencer of Missouri; Senator Paul Strauss, minister of hygiene of France. The Marquis and Marquise de Chambrun headed the joint committee in charge of the American celebration.

Mrs. Josie Wanous Stuart, who attended many of the meetings of the American Pharmaceutical Association a number of years ago, was decorated with a white carnation, emblematic of Mothers' Day, and suitably toasted by Geo. H. Goodrich, during the May meeting of the Minneapolis Veteran Druggists' Association.

Treasurer E. F. Kelly, A. Ph. A., and H. S. Noel, former chairman of the Section on Commercial Interests, A. Ph. A., will be speakers at the annual meeting of Virginia Pharmaceutical Association, to be held at Virginia Beach, June 25-27.

Ex-President L. D. Sale of the National Wholesale Druggists' Association, who has been seriously ill for some time, has improved in health to the extent of again being able to be at his desk.

Dr. Edsel A. Ruddiman—after commenting on the possibility and probability that climatic conditions in Tut-Ank-hamen's tomb were conducive to the preservation of organic matter, and poisons may have retained their potency—concludes with the following statements: "The chief potency of mystic incantations and curses lies in the mental complex of the individual upon whom they are exercised."

Alfred W. Pauley is directing the efforts

of druggists in St. Louis to carry out the slogan of the Missouri Pharmaceutical Association, "Make the Drug Store Business Better."

M. J. Ulber, of Kansas City, Mo., president of the Missouri Pharmaceutical Association, was the principal speaker at the monthly meeting of the retail druggists of Springfield, Mo., held on May 23.

W. E. Bingham, secretary of the Alabama Pharmaceutical Association, recently spoke at a meeting of Alabama druggists favoring a school of pharmacy in connection with Birmingham Southern College. **W. P. Thomason**, of Guntersville, supported the suggestion made by Mr. Bingham. **B. O. Shifflet** asked that consideration be given to extend an invitation to the American Pharmaceutical Association to hold the 1924 meeting in Birmingham.

Dean Wortley F. Rudd was elected chairman of the Virginia Section of the American Chemical Society, at the recent annual meeting.

C. H. Goddard has resigned as president of the American Druggists' Syndicate; he is succeeded by F. H. Jones.

Charles R. Sherman of Sherman and McConnell Drug Co., Omaha, has retired from the firm by disposing of his holdings to his partner, A. R. McConnell. He joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1889; for many years he was an active participant in the annual meetings and was chairman of the Section on Commercial Interests, 1904-1905.

J. Leon Lascoff advertises his prescription department by the distribution of an 8-page booklet, which acquaints the patron with the importance of careful service.

It has been demonstrated that pharmaceutical subjects interest the public. Lectures, open to the public, at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science have been well attended; they are now being broadcasted on Saturday evening of each week. "The Romance of Spices" by Dean Charles H. La Wall came over the radio June 2.

The Department of Commerce has announced the appointment of Dr. Frederick E. Breithut as Chemical Trade Commissioner on the Staff of Commercial Attaché Herring at Berlin, Germany.

The post of drug examiner for the Port of New Orleans has been abolished. This office was established in 1871 and has functioned continuously until the death of Examiner Marshall M. Bradburn, a few months ago.

The U. S. Department of Commerce bulletins advise dealers and manufacturers of trade conditions abroad. A recent number of "Squandering Good Will Abroad" points out the need of giving better consideration to foreign patronage.

A Federal Reserve Bank Bulletin, in commenting on the drug business, states that there has been a gain in volume of business. The crude drug market has been quiet and the price changes have not been important.

Stocks of drugs in the hands of wholesalers are moderately heavy, but the majority of reports show that they are not increasing. Finished stocks in the hands of chemical manufacturers are light and are decreasing. Plants are operating at about 90 per cent. of capacity. Collections are fairly good.

The Hospital Buyer is published in the interest of hospitals, but many of the articles have value for retail pharmacists.

OBITUARY.

John Hepburn—druggist at Flushing, N. Y., for more than half a century—died at his home on May 20th. He was a member of the Flushing Board of Trustees and an organizer of the Business Men's Association of his home city. He was a member of the New York Pharmaceutical Association, and joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1873. His widow, a son and two daughters survive him.



THE LATE PROFESSOR H. H. GAETZ,
Director, School of Pharmacy, Univ. of Alberta,
Canada.

Louis Cass Hogan died in Chicago May 20th, aged 69 years. He was born in Pontiac, Mich., and came to Chicago in 1871. He graduated from the University of Illinois

School of Pharmacy in 1874, and from 1886 to 1889 was Assistant Professor of Pharmacy in the College. From 1890 to 1895 he was a member of the Illinois State Board of Pharmacy. For a number of years the deceased was engaged with B. S. Cooban and Co., of Chicago, and during this time contributed many articles to the pharmaceutical press. He was editor of the *American Drug Clerks' Journal* and its successor, *The Registered Pharmacist*, from 1887 to 1890. He joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1890 and was secretary of the Section on Education and Legislation from 1890 to 1894.



ALFRED MELLOR.

Alfred Mellor, member of the American Pharmaceutical Association since 1864, died May 30 at his home in Germantown, Philadelphia. His widow and two sons survive him. A brief notice relating to Mr. Mellor will be found on p. 253, April JOURNAL, 1919.

Ralph B. Gable died at his home in Vineland, N. J., May 8th. Mr. Gable was employed for a number of years by Merck & Company