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THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION HEADQUARTERS BUILDING.

The article of the January issue, page 5, by Chairman James H. Beal, of the Headquarters Building Fund Committee, places before pharmacists and the laity a survey of what the American Pharmaceutical Association has accomplished and speaks of its influence, helpfulness and coöperation. Chairman Beal's résumé of some of the Association's achievements points to the fact that "there is no field of pharmaceutical endeavor in which the Association has not labored diligently and effectively, and there is no individual or institution that produces, buys, sells or uses drugs and medicines that is not indebted to the American Pharmaceutical Association in greater measure than it can ever hope to repay. Its work has been altogether altruistic, without desire or expectation of material reward, and has been accomplished by the self-sacrificing endeavors of a host of earnest laborers." The call of the message is one of duty and to make possible continued work, it presents the opportunity to participate in the following words:

"It is, therefore, altogether fitting that those who have received so much from the Association should contribute to a Headquarters Building, both to serve as a monument to the many unselfish members who have served the cause of pharmacy so efficiently and to provide the facilities that will enable the Association to render still broader and more valuable services to coming generations."

THE U. S. PHARMACOPEIA IN AN ADVANCED MEDICAL POSITION.

Chairman E. Fullerton Cook, of the U. S. P. Revision Committee, addressed a meeting of pharmacists recently in Chicago on "The Pharmacopœia in the Making." Reference to the address is made in the Chicago report under Local Branches, of this issue of the JOURNAL. An important and interesting statement of the many in the address is "that the activity of the physicians of the Committee has placed the Pharmacopœia in an advanced medical position. The very facts that a group of representative physicians, more than half of whom are constantly practicing at the bedside of patients, have devoted several years to a careful study of every known therapeutic agent and have selected those of inclusion in the Pharmacopœia which they deem dependable and best, insures the medical standing of the new book. With the exception of a very few therapeutic agents which are controlled by patent, the field of materia medica of the entire world was available for selection. The new Pharmacopœia may therefore be accepted by the physicians of the country as representing the best therapeutic agents obtainable and the drugs recognized may be advocated with confidence."

REVISION OF THE DUTCH PHARMACOPEIA.

The Dutch Pharmacopœia, now being revised, will have a "Purity Rubric." The chapter on general tests for impurities contains descriptions of methods to determine the ab-

sence of color and the clarity of liquids and an interpretation of certain terms as "no residue on incineration," "no residue on evaporation." A liquid is deemed colorless if its tint is not deeper than certain defined solutions for comparison; the tests are to be carried out in tubes of at least 10 cm. length, provided with a flat, colorless base, and the solutions are viewed against a white background. Definitions are given for neutral, acid, faintly acid, alkaline, amphoteric, alkaline to phenolphthalein, neutral to phenolphthalein, etc., etc.

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

TESTIMONIAL DINNER IN HONOR OF HENRY V. ARMY, PRESIDENT OF THE A. PH. A.

On the evening of January 14th, at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, a number of Professor Army's friends tendered him a testimonial dinner in honor of his election to the Presidency of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

A large round table, prettily decorated, was set in the foyer of the small ball room, and after the tasty menu had been disposed of Dr. Horatio N. Fraser proposed an improvised toast to the guest of honor. Mr. Clarence O. Bigelow then made a few congratulatory remarks.

Dean Rusby with well-chosen words called attention to Dr. Army's activities in the American Pharmaceutical Association and presented him with a handsome gold watch, bearing the following: "Presented to Henry V. Army, President, American Pharmaceutical Association, 1923-24, by a few of his friends, January 14, 1924."

Chairman Jeannot Hostmann, after a few personal remarks, read and presented the following testimonial which was beautifully engrossed and bound in pin seal leather.

"TESTIMONIAL DINNER IN HONOR OF HENRY V. ARMY, JANUARY 14, 1924.

"Dear Doctor Army:

"Twenty-seven years ago in sunny New Orleans you charted a course that you have unhesitatingly followed—a course that has meant unremitting labor for the betterment of your chosen profession.

"As organization worker, teacher, research worker, author and editor you have toiled without rest. Every field of pharmacy has been enriched by your efforts.

"Your fellow members have bestowed upon

you the highest honor—the presidency of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

We, a few of your many admiring friends, present this as a reminder of this occasion.

(Signed)

WILLIAM C. ANDERSON
CHARLES W. BALARD
CLARENCE O. BIGELOW
DAVID COSTELO
TURNER F. CURRENS
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THEODORE WEICKER
CURT P. WIMMER"

The gathering then adjourned and the participants proceeded to the meeting of the New York Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association, which was held in the new library of the New York College of Pharmacy, where President Army delivered a "Message from The American Pharmaceutical Association."

DR. ALBERT SCHNEIDER LOST VALUABLE MANUSCRIPTS IN THE BERKELEY FIRE.

Dr. Albert Schneider, Dean of the School of Pharmacy of North Pacific College, Portland, Oregon, lost valuable manuscripts in the Berkeley, California, fire of last September, including the manuscript on "Applied Therapeutics" practically ready for the publisher, a full report on "The Use of Emetin in the Treatment and Prevention of Cancer," his notes on cancer experiments, the drawings, notes and manuscript on Mexican Bitter Bush (*Castela Nicholsoni*) and the notes, drawings and manuscript on "The Use of the Compound Microscope in Detective Work." The drawings were made by his daughter, Elsbeth. Some four hundred volumes belonging to the family library were also destroyed. Personal belongings, which were hastily packed into suit cases, were taken by looters. The loss was complete. Dr. Schneider especially regrets the loss of the notes, drawings and manuscript on Bitter Bush, the work on which was made possible by the A. Ph. A. research grant for 1922.

Prof. Otto Raubenheimer celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the drug store, for many years—"Verona Pharmacy," by putting in a new store front which he designed. The front has a black and gold marble base, 5 show windows with colored glass above the ceiling; the floors of the show windows are of white tile, the lighting is artistic and the effect

with signs and show globe conforms to that of a professional pharmacy which this pharmacist maintains.

Miss Frances M. Greenwalt is the pharmacist in charge of the pharmacy work at St. Luke's Hospital, St. Paul. She also teaches classes of nurses in the Hospital Training School and is a vice-president of the Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association.

Dean Charles H. LaWall has been elected a councilor of the American Chemical Society, Philadelphia Section, and appointed a member of the Society's committee to confer with one of the American Medical Association on Laboratory Legislation. Dr. Julius Stieglitz of Chicago and Charles L. Parsons of Washington are the other two members of the A. C. S. Committee.

Pennsylvania is setting apart "forest monuments." As an example, there is a reserve of twenty acres named the "Joyce Kilmer State Forest Monument." It is in Union County, and thousands of Americans have raved over scenery less beautiful, which they traveled to Norway or Switzerland to see.

It is Pennsylvania's memorial for the young American poet who died in the World War. Upon a tablet is written his fine poem, "Trees." Joyce Kilmer's monument is a wonderful grove of primeval hemlocks and white pine. Among our members it is quite generally known that the parents of the honored are **Dr. and Mrs. Frederick B. Kilmer**, of New Brunswick, N. J.

J. T. Lloyd, son of Ex-President John Uri Lloyd, and Dr. A. A. Allen, professor of Zoölogy at Cornell, were marooned from January 19-21 in a small motor boat, left dry about twenty-four miles from Galveston, between Alligator Point and Christmas Bay, by the receding tide. They were rescued by Dr. E. L. Fox and A. B. Reiler of Houston, members of the party collecting data for a classification of birds of the United States.

Charles J. Lynn, general manager of Eli Lilly & Co., accompanied by Mrs. Lynn, is on a trip around the world; they spent Christmas in China.

Warren L. Bradt, secretary of New York State Board of Pharmacy, is wintering in Miami, Fla.

Edward Victor Zoeller adorns the January *Carolina Journal of Pharmacy*. The issue is affectionately dedicated to him as the most distinguished pharmacist of North Carolina—"In appreciation of his kindness of manner,

modesty of mien, and broadness of character; in recognition of his long-sustained, self-directed and result-producing efforts on behalf of Pharmacy; and as a tribute which bespeaks the warm regard in which he is held by every druggist of the State."

President Charles W. Johnson, of the American Conference of Pharmaceutical Faculties, attended a meeting, in Buffalo, of the committee which is considering the proposed survey of pharmacy by the Commonwealth Fund under the direction of Dean W. W. Charters, of the Carnegie Foundation.

Prof. E. E. Stanford has been given leave of absence by Western Reserve University and is studying at Harvard.

W. C. Wendt, of Columbus, is serving his second term in the Ohio Legislature. He contends that much of the trouble to which pharmacists have been subjected is due to their apathy. He speaks in no uncertain terms appreciatively of the work of Secretary **Theodore D. Wetterstroem**.

George A. Newman founded the Newman Drug Company, Louisville, Ky., in 1867, the year after affiliating with the A. Ph. A., and continued his membership for more than fifty years. He died a few years ago and our fellow-member, Addison Dimmitt, is now the president of the company. A clear plate glass in a gilt frame, 6 ft. by 14 ft., partitions the prescription department and through this the customers see the white clad pharmacists in a busy, carefully kept prescription department.

B. C. Goodhart, a former president of the Philadelphia Branch, A. Ph. A., has been elected president of the Philadelphia Association of Retail Druggists.

Caswell A. Mayo presented an illustrated lecture, "The Great Botanic Gardens of the World," before the students of the Eclectic Medical College. He accentuated the importance of these gardens by the service of gardens at Kew, Calcutta and Java, which brought Cinchona culture to the East Indies. He urged the need of the establishment of an adequate botanic garden at Washington and of a municipal garden in Cincinnati.

Henry Watters, one of our Canadian members, and who has been engaged in the drug business in Ottawa, Canada, for nearly half a century, was elected Mayor of Ottawa at the recent municipal elections by a large majority. Mr. Watters is proprietor of the Standard Drug Co., and a member of the Council of the Ontario College of Pharmacy.