

ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

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Office of the Secretary, 192 Roseville Ave., Newark, N. J.

LETTER NO. 12.

February 12, 1924.

To the Members of the Board of Directors:

61. *Changes in Membership Committee:* Since no comment has been received on the changes suggested in item 50, Letter No. 10, page 48, the changes will be considered as approved.

62. *Approval of Committees and Delegates:* The committee appointments and appointments as delegates made by President Army as recorded in item 59, Letter No. 11, page 54,* have been unanimously approved by the Board of Directors. Since the announcement of these appointments, President Army has withdrawn the names of C. R. Eckler and E. L. Harvey appointed to the Committee on Physiological Testing, as these gentlemen are no longer members of the Association. The Committee is now composed of five members in place of seven. Unless there is objection from members of the Board within ten days the above action will be considered as approved.

63. *Election of New Members:* Motion No. 16 (see item 60, page 55, Letter No. 11) has been carried.

64. *Coöperation with Professional Organizations in Advocating Reduction of Taxes:* Motion No. 15 (see item 55, Letter No. 11, page 53)* has received a majority of affirmative votes and is therefore approved. This motion authorizes the Chairman of the Board to appoint a representative of the A. Ph. A. to appear before Congressional Committees in coöperation with representatives of other professional associations, for the purpose of supporting tax reduction. In this connection Dr. E. F. Kelly writes as follows:

"Referring to Circular Letter No. 11, and to the enclosed voting card, I feel, with reference to Motion No. 15, that our Association should be cautious in approving such programs in detail, although I am confident that all of our members are in favor of the general principle of tax reduction. As I understand it, the Mellon plan does not have the full approval, even of the members of Mr. Mellon's own party, and it would, therefore, seem to me

unwise for our Association to take such a position. I favor the motion if it is so amended as to commit our Association to the general principle of tax reduction.

Very truly yours,
E. F. Kelly."

Chairman Beal has appointed Mr. S. L. Hilton of Washington, D. C., to represent the Association as provided in the motion. The Secretary of the Board has notified Mr. Hilton of the appointment and Mr. Hilton has accepted.

65. *Meeting of Representatives of Professional Associations:* In connection with item 64, a brief report of a conference of representatives of professional associations will be of interest. The American Pharmaceutical Association was requested to appoint delegates to a meeting of a proposed American Federation of Professional Societies held at the Mechanical Engineers' Rooms, 29 W. 39th St., New York, on Friday, February 1, at 4 P. M. President Army appointed Robert P. Fischelis and Robert S. Lehman, both of whom attended the meeting with Dr. Army. Among the other organizations represented were the American Chemical Society, the American Medical Association, the Authors' League and various engineering societies.

The chief topic of discussion was the tax reduction plan advocated by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, with special reference to the taxes on the incomes of professional men. The representatives of the A. Ph. A. made the following statement in answer to a question as to how the A. Ph. A. stood with reference to this subject:

"The American Pharmaceutical Association, while deeply interested in all national legislation affecting our calling and our individual interests, very rarely expresses its opinion on general political questions.

"The delegates from the Association here present are not in a position to commit the Association or its Board of Directors to the Mellon tax reduction program but will bring such resolutions as are passed at this meeting to the attention of the Board and urge speedy action by the Board."

* February JOURNAL, pp. 164 and 165.

The following resolutions were proposed at the meeting for ratification by the various organizations represented:

"Resolved, that as professional workers, feeling that we have already been discriminated against during the nine years of the existence of the Federal Income Tax, we emphatically protest against the proposal to limit the differentiation between earned and unearned income because any limitation to the principle that the earned income of the individual should be treated on a different basis from unearned income is a discrimination against the best human effort of the individual, and as such is undemocratic and unjust.

"Resolved, that these national societies of professional workers approve and endorse in principle the Bill advocated by the Secretary of the Treasury for the revision of Income Taxes and respectfully urge upon the Congress of the United States its immediate passage.

"Resolved, that as professional workers we hereby go on record as insisting that tax relief be considered from a wholly non-partisan point of view, as a measure of immediate economic necessity and justice.

"Resolved, that we here extend an invitation to all national societies of professional men and women to cooperate with us."

Another topic discussed at this meeting was the formation of an "organization for professional cooperation" which can be used to unite the professional societies for action on matters of mutual interest.

In order to instruct the representative of the A. Ph. A. before Congressional Committees on the matter of tax reduction (Mr. Hilton) and for the purpose of letting the other organizations in the conference know where the A. Ph. A. stands on this matter, the following motion is offered:

(Motion No. 17.) It is moved by Fischelis that the resolutions submitted by the Organization for Professional Cooperation (see above) be approved by the Board of Directors and that our representative at Washington on the matter of tax reduction guide himself accordingly.

66. *Committee to Draw up Resolutions Ex-*

pressing the Loss Sustained by the Association in the Death of John F. Hancock: Chairman Beal has appointed Charles H. LaWall, E. F. Kelly and Robert P. Fischelis a committee to draw up suitable resolutions expressing the loss suffered by the A. Ph. A. in the death of the late ex-president, John F. Hancock of Baltimore, Md.

67. *Conference on Clinical Thermometers:* President Army appointed A. G. DuMez and S. L. Hilton to represent the A. Ph. A. at the conference on Clinical Thermometers held at the Bureau of Standards, January 30th. The appointments were made following the request of the Chief of the Bureau of Standards for A. Ph. A. participation.

68. *Applications for Membership:* No. 314, Edward Conrad Peppel, 1623 Howard St., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.; No. 315, Casimir B. Gwizdalski, 8604 Burnham Ave., Chicago, Ill.; No. 316, Isadore Rosenband, 1552 S. Turner Ave., Chicago, Ill.; No. 317, Samuel Block, 43 E. Cross St., Baltimore, Md.; No. 318, William Sandler, 1507 Washington Ave., New York City; No. 319, Felix A. del Vecchio, 219 Adams St., Newark, N. J.; No. 320, Ernst August Bilhuber, 25 West Broadway, New York City; No. 321, Thomas Luther Bellamy, Colby Kansas; No. 322, Samuel T. Chess, 5245—18th Ave., N. E., Seattle, Washington; No. 323, Richard H. Cook, 1414 East Valley St., Seattle, Washington; No. 324, Bruce Melvern Ford, 528 North 60th St., Seattle, Washington; No. 325, Arthur Cleo Harbough, 16 West Side Ave., Hagerstown, Md.; No. 326, Merritt K. Martin, 3955 15th St., N. E., Seattle, Washington; No. 327, McCulloch Allen James, Orting, Washington; No. 328, Karl M. Rottluff, Kansas University, School of Pharmacy, Lawrence, Kansas; No. 329, Edmund Thorp, 202 Euclid Ave., Des Moines, Iowa; No. 330, Lawrence L. Weller, 110 East 59th St., Seattle, Washington; No. 331, Richard Edward Werttemberger, 4305—15th St., N. E., Seattle, Wash.

(Motion No. 18.) Vote on applications for active membership in the American Pharmaceutical Association.

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Board of Directors, A. Ph. A.