

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LOCAL BRANCHES

"All papers presented to the Association and Branches shall become the property of the Association with the understanding that they are not to be published in any other publication prior to their publication in those of the Association, except with the consent of the Board of Directors."—Part of Chapter VI, Article VI of the By-Laws.

Article IV of Chapter VII reads: "Each local branch having not less than 50 dues-paid members of the Association, holding not less than six meetings annually with an attendance of not less than 9 members at each meeting, and the proceedings of which shall have been submitted to the JOURNAL for publication, may elect one representative to the House of Delegates."

Reports of the meetings of the Local Branches should be mailed to the Editor on the day following the meeting, if possible. Minutes should be typewritten, with wide spaces between the lines. Care should be taken to give proper names correctly, and manuscript should be signed by the reporter.

CHICAGO.

The 141st meeting of the Chicago Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association was held at the University of Illinois School of Pharmacy Building, Friday evening, March 14, 1924, with President Warren in the Chair. The meeting was well attended by about 125 members and friends who very warmly greeted the speaker of the evening—Dr. Wm. D. Harkins, the noted physical chemist of the University of Chicago.

Dr. Harkins presented, in rather a popular manner, his splendid illustrated lecture on "The Structure of the Atom." An extended discussion followed the lecture.

As the substance of the lecture has already appeared in print, no motion was made to present it for publication to the Journal of the Association, but the high appreciation with which the lecture was received was expressed to the noted speaker.

E. N. GATHERCOAL, *Secretary*.

CINCINNATI.

At the March meeting of the Cincinnati Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association, L. H. Buisch of the National Cash Register Company, Dayton, discussed methods of increasing the average sales, showing the important bearing this had on the matter of profit. The paper was discussed by Harry G. Schmuelling, Frank Freericks, Fred Kistner and Caswell A. Mayo who presided. A nominating committee was appointed to present nominations for officers for the ensuing year to be voted on at the April meeting.

Reported by CASWELL A. MAYO.

DETROIT.

The sixth regular meeting of the Detroit Branch of the American Pharmaceutical

Association was held March 14th, 1924 at the Wayne County Medical Society.

The attendance eclipsed by far any of the previous sessions, about one hundred being present. The dinner which preceded also was attended by an overflow gathering, which did just honor to Dr. Novy who was present. President Crandall called the meeting to order. The minutes were read by the Secretary and approved.

Mr. Hall reported progress for the membership committee. Mr. Jones, chairman of the program committee, announced that the April meeting would be held in Ann Arbor April 11th, with dinner at the Michigan Union. The speaker, as previously announced, will be Dean Edward H. Kraus, of the Pharmacy Department of the University of Michigan; his topic will be "Some Properties of Crystals." Mr. Grommet suggested that a car be chartered to take the members to Ann Arbor; a motion carried, giving power to a transportation committee appointed by the President to make necessary arrangements. President Crandall appointed Messrs. Grommet, Zindler and Seltzer to act in this capacity.

J. H. Webster read, in part, an appeal from the German Pharmaceutical Association for aid for the suffering widows and children of German pharmacists, who are in dire need of food and clothing. He suggested that contributions be made to the Branch Secretary, who will forward them to the relief committee.

President Crandall announced his appointment as State representative of the Pharmaceutical Building Headquarters Fund; he asked for liberal donations.

President Crandall introduced the speaker of the evening Dr. F. G. Novy, Professor of Bacteriology and Director of the Hygienic Laboratory of the University of Michigan.

Dr. Novy gave a most interesting address on "Pasteur's Work." He told of many incidents connected with the life of the great French scientist and also of the celebration in his honor which the speaker attended recently in France. Discovery of the method of pasteurizing milk and thus killing bacteria, was the result of experiments made by the Scientist while seeking to kill growths in wine and beer. Fermentation, he proved, was caused by the presence of bacteria; he spoke of his studies relating to putrefaction. He proved the theory of spontaneous generation false.

Dr. Novy told of Pasteur's success in isolating the Anthrax bacillus which threatened to wipe out the sheep of France, and of his discovery of a method to combat hydrophobia. He said the foundation of the science of bacteriology and the cause of diseases and their prevention was laid by Pasteur. The speaker was given a hearty vote of thanks.

BERNARD A. BIALK, *Secretary*.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The fifth monthly meeting of the University of North Carolina Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association for the year 1923-24 was held on Monday evening, February 11, 1924, at the Pharmacy Building.

After the regular business session, Mr. Frederick O. Bowman, General Attorney for the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association, addressed the Branch, taking for his subject "The Pharmacist and the Law." The speaker first traced briefly from a historical standpoint the development of Pharmacy as a profession, at the same time referring to some of the early statutes governing the sale of poisonous drugs, which formed the basis of our present system of Pharmacal Jurisprudence. He then discussed somewhat at length the legal limits of pharmacy, citing numerous cases decided by Courts of last resort, to support his contentions as to what the pharmacist may legally do, and to drive home the prohibitory features of the law, as it applied to the pharmacist. In conclusion, he spoke of the rights, duties and liabilities of the pharmacist with respect to prescriptions.

The members of the Branch extended a rising vote of appreciation to Mr. Bowman for his most timely, interesting and instructive lecture.

MARCH MEETING.

The sixth meeting of the University of North Carolina Branch of the A. Ph. A. for

the year 1923-24 was held at Phillips Hall, Monday evening, March 24.

The meeting was largely attended by the members of the faculty, students of the school of pharmacy and medicine, the department of chemistry, and many pharmacists and physicians from various sections of the State.

Dr. A. L. Walters, head of the Department of Pharmacology and Experimental Medicine, Eli Lilly and Co., Indianapolis, Ind., delivered an address on "Insulin, Its Properties and Clinical Use." Dr. Walters divided his lecture into three parts. In the first part he gave a chronological account of the work which had been done previous to the discovery of Insulin in an endeavor to find some cure for diabetes. He then spoke of the successful work of Dr. Banting and his associates in the discovery of Insulin and gave a detailed account of the method of preparation, purification and standardization of the product.

Dr. Walters next discussed the symptoms, diagnosis, and causes of diabetes and finally gave in a most interesting manner the therapeutic action and method of administering Insulin as well as the proper diet in the treatment of diabetes. He stated that Insulin was not a cure for diabetes but that it was successful inasmuch as it did aid the body in the proper assimilation of carbohydrates and prolonged the lives of diabetics who had heretofore died of starvation. Dr. Walters said that the most hopeful use of Insulin was in the treatment of diabetic children and that it held out the hope that children suffering with this disease may by the use of Insulin be finally restored.

The audience was greatly interested in Dr. Walters' lecture and the local branch of the A. Ph. A. is deeply indebted both to the lecturer and the Eli Lilly and Co. for the enjoyable and instructive presentation of the subject.

C. R. WHITEHEAD, *Secretary*.

Prof. E. V. Kyser reports the whole-hearted support of the University Branch for the Headquarters Building and coöperation is pledged for securing funds.

NORTHERN OHIO.

The regular meeting of the Northern Ohio Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association was held at the School of Pharmacy of Western Reserve University, Wednesday, March 18th, at 8 P.M. The election of officers, which had been postponed from the January

meeting, was held. The following officers were reelected for 1924: Williard Fox, *President*; Harry Placak, *Vice President*; Edward D. Davy, *Secretary*; H. F. Guenther, *Treasurer*.
E. D. DAVY, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA..

The monthly business meeting of the Philadelphia Branch was held Tuesday evening, February 12th, at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. President White presided.

Secretary Harrisson presented a number of changes in the By-Laws which were received by the members and a Committee appointed to make a final draft and submit them at the next meeting. President White appointed the following committee: Joseph W. England, chairman; Jos. W. E. Harrisson and E. G. Eberle.

The Committee on Nominations was then appointed by the President and instructed to report at the March meeting: E. G. Eberle, chairman; Chas. H. LaWall and E. Fullerton Cook.

The scientific program of the evening was then entered into and President White introduced Chas. V. Sparhawk of Chas. V. Sparhawk Inc., who spoke on the "Manufacture of Volatile Oils." A large collection of lantern slides was shown illustrating the manufacture of various oils including, Wormseed, Wormwood, Sassafras, Birch, Wintergreen and Cedar Leaf. The various types of stills were pictured—from the rather crude affairs of the mountain districts to the most elaborate and efficient ones employed in the manufacture of Wormseed Oil. The greater number of these oils are distilled in the open and adjacent to where the oil-yielding plants grow.

Numerous views of the interior of the company's plant were also shown; these included those of various types of vacuum stills and the storage house where certain plants are stored previous to distillation.

The lecture was thoroughly appreciated by those present and Mr. Sparhawk was warmly congratulated on the very excellent slides which he had obtained.

Jos. W. E. HARRISSON, *Secretary*.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

The regular monthly meeting of the University of Washington Branch was held,

January 29, 8 P.M., at Bagley Hall. Thirty-five members were present. Dean Johnson presented a report on the program for the A. Ph. A. meeting at Buffalo and gave a very interesting talk on the procedure of conducting the National meetings. It was noted that the Buffalo committee will entertain the ladies at cards. Oh Mah Jong!

After Dean Johnson's report President Shaw called upon Mr. T. W. Lough, former pharmacist and now X-ray specialist with the city hospital and health department, who presented a very interesting and able talk on hospital pharmacies and pharmacists. The general outline of his talk was as follows:

(a) Private Hospitals.

- (1) General
- (2) Special

(b) Institutional Hospitals.

- (1) General
- (2) Special

(c) Municipal Hospitals.

- (1) General
- (2) Charity
- (3) Contagious

(d) Federal Hospitals.

- (1) Tubercular
- (2) Veterans

(e) Pharmacists Duties.

- (1) Usual, dispensing, supplies, etc.
- (2) Unusual, instructor in training school, assistant to clinic, X-ray, etc.
- (3) Medicines and Prescriptions—ordinary and unusual.

Mr. Lough concluded his talk calling attention to the fact that "the idea of service must be one foremost with a pharmacist." That pharmacy should be looked upon as a possibility to be of benefit to mankind.

During the general discussion following the talk Mr. Lough called attention to a very extensive outline of a hospital staff as given in *The Modern Hospital Year Book of 1919*; whereas carpenters, butchers, oilers and bakers found place in the outline, the pharmacist was conspicuous by his absence. He suggested that the matter be taken into consideration, and upon the motion of Dean Johnson, the secretary was requested to refer the matter to General Secretary Day for such action as may seem necessary. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

H. A. LANGENHAN, *Secretary*.