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"YOUR DEEDS ARE KNOWN IN WORDS
THAT KINDLE GLORY FROM THE
STONE."

Director of Publicity E. L. Newcomb has addressed a message full of action to the committeemen on the Headquarters Building Fund in the different states. Parts of the address are quoted: "For the first time in the history of America, organized pharmacy is beginning to make itself felt. Retail druggists from one end of the country to the other are aroused to the necessity of throwing their full force and energy into a combination of drug interests which will effectively protect and develop pharmacy...."

"All druggists have their time more than taken up by the complexities of the present-day drug store. The time has come when we must discriminate. The more important things must be done first. The headquarters and uniting of pharmacy project is the *most vital issue that has ever been placed before you*. The welfare of your business demands that you give it serious and immediate attention. Are you doing your part? Are you cooperating with your fellow committeemen? Are you taking advantage of the opportunity now before you?..."

"Over \$300,000.00 has already been subscribed. One million dollars is needed. You must realize the serious attention which retailers are giving when you scan the list of advance subscriptions. *Send in your subscription now*. Make it as large as you can. Get all other druggists in your community to subscribe. Help to show the American public what pharmacy is and its necessity to the

community. Help to unite pharmacy so that we may solve our problems."

WAR GASES USED IN THE TREATMENT OF DISEASE.

President Coolidge has been treated with chlorine gas for a severe cold. Prior experiments had been made at various hospitals with some degree of success. More recently mustard gas has also been used and is said to be quite as effective as chlorine. While the results of these experiments have been encouraging they are not considered sufficiently conclusive. It is said that mustard gas will probably prove a valuable retardant for tuberculosis.

BULLETINS OF THE DRUG TRADE BUREAU OF PUBLIC INFORMATION.

Director Robert P. Fischelis has recently issued Bulletins 17, 18 and 19. The first relates to the election of officers of the American Drug Manufacturers' Association, see p. 494, May JOUR. A. Ph. A. Bulletin B-18 relates to the National Academy of Pharmacy which will be established in New York City and is the result of the effort of Dean Jacob Diner and other leading pharmacists, among them Jacob Seley, Peter Diamond, Meyer Sambur, Robert S. Lehman, Samuel Dworkin, Henry B. Smith and Gustav Horstmann. It is planned to erect in New York City a structure which will contain a complete library, a research laboratory, a staff of pharmaceutical technicians, legal experts to scrutinize legislation and an employment bureau. A provisional charter for the Academy has been granted by the State

of New York and the membership will be composed of active members, associate fellows, honorary fellows and others. Bulletin B-19 relates to the Code of Ethics adopted by the American Drug Manufacturers' Association.

GINSENG AS AN EXCHANGE.

In a paper presented to the Section on Historical Pharmacy, A. Ph. A., several years ago Dr. Edward Kremers referred to the fact that in the early history of this country ginseng afforded the means of exchange between China and the United States. This method still obtains to a certain extent for transferring funds from the United States to China. Recently the volume of imports of ginseng into Hong Kong has increased. A list of importers in China may be had by addressing the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, Washington, D. C.

OPIUM TRAFFIC GAINS NEW HOLD IN CHINA.

According to newspaper reports the practice of opium smoking, in China, is increasing. It is said that officials encourage the farmers to grow opium, even force them to grow the plant because the traffic is monopolized by them and they thrive upon it. Last December the American Minister in Peking protested against the enforced growing of opium in Fukein province where the officials were forcing the farmers who were members of Christian churches, and did not want to do so, to grow opium poppy. The American Government has a treaty with China to the effect that Christians are not to be forced to do things against their religious beliefs.

INTRAVENOUS SOLUTIONS NEED NOT BE ISOTONIC.

An interesting and instructive contribution appears in the *Medical Review of Reviews* for January, entitled "Intravenous Solutions Need Not Be Isotonic." Consideration is given to the influence of concentration and osmotic pressure. The article is by David Loeser of New York, and has information for physicians and pharmacists relating to the subject discussed. The author concludes that when large volumes of solutions must of necessity be injected intravenously, to replace blood volume, for instance, these solutions should be isotonic with the blood, but research has proved that a solution need not be isotonic with the blood stream if a small volume only of a more concentrated solution is injected.

The current number of the *National Geographic Magazine* is of more than usual interest to pharmacists on account of the illustrated article on "Exploring the Mysteries of Plant Life" by William Joseph Showalter.

The current issue of the *Bulletin of Pharmacy* has a full page illustration showing the American Pharmaceutical Association race for funds for the headquarters building. A number of persons sketched are labeled while others have been running such a pace that evidently their designation has become lost.

Al Falkenhainer, as editor, has issued the first number of the *Druggists' Mutual*, the purpose of which is to keep druggists informed in regard to fire insurance. It is the official organ of the Druggists' Mutual Insurance Company of Iowa.

THE FRENCH EXPOSITION IN NEW YORK.

A successful exposition, at Grand Central Palace in New York, of French imports closed May 3. The displays showed to good effect the arts, commerce and industries of France. An exhibit of interest was that of E. Fougera & Co., representing a French pharmacy, and attracted much attention. As a memorial to the deeds of the A. E. F., the French government has presented a \$50,000 Gobelin tapestry to America and this was on exhibition; it portrays a group of American soldiers embarking for France; in the background Independence Hall is shown and under the border is a quotation from President Wilson's message: "The right is more precious than peace. We have no selfish ends to serve. We desire no conquest, no dominion. We shall fight for democracy." The tapestry will be placed on permanent exhibit in the new Philadelphia Art Museum when completed.

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

The honorary degree of Doctor of Pharmacy was conferred upon **John G. Godding** on the 50th anniversary of his graduation from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy at the commencement exercises of the college, May 20th. Mr. Godding has been in the retail drug business at the same location in Boston's exclusive Back Bay district since 1884. He has been trustee of the college since 1886 and its treasurer since 1890. He joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1875 and was president 1912-1913.

W. L. Scoville, of Detroit, **John Culley**, of Ogden, **Joseph Jacobs**, of Atlanta, **Louis Emanuel**, of Pittsburgh, and **Frank E. Morgan**, of Philadelphia, were honored by the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science with the degree of Master in Pharmacy; all of the recipients were present with the exception of Mr. Emanuel, who was prevented from coming by sickness.

William F. Werner, of Indianapolis, member of the A. Ph. A., is one of the nominees for state representative from Marion county.

Director of Professional Education in New York, **Dr. Augustus S. Downing**, has threatened to resign from the position in which he has served for twenty years, unless the State Medical Society and the Kings County Medical Society get solidly behind the Carroll bill amending the public health law.

W. Wilson McNeary, who has for some years had charge of the drug department of the Polyclinic and Medico-Chi Hospitals, has been elected superintendent of both of these hospitals, which are units of the post-graduate courses of the University of Pennsylvania.

J. Leyden White, nationally known by his pen name, Joel Blanc, has become editor of the *American Paint and Oil Dealer* of St. Louis.

Howard B. French, for many years president of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, was recently injured in an automobile accident. He has, however, sufficiently recovered to be back again at his desk.

S. L. Hilton, ex-president of the American Pharmaceutical Association, appeared before the Committee of the House of Representatives in opposition to the bill for regulating the sale of viruses, serums, etc.

George Albert Gorgas, member of the American Pharmaceutical Association since 1884, has announced a gift of \$50,000 to the Masonic Home at Elizabethtown, Pa.

Henry M. Whelpley has been appointed a member of the National Research Council Committee on State Archaeological Surveys of the Division of Anthropology and Psychology.

A tablet of bronze mounted on a granite slab was unveiled with fitting ceremonies on March 27th to mark the site of O. Henry's birthplace in Greensboro. Miss Charlotte Porter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Porter, unveiled the tablet. Mr. Porter was a cousin of "O. Henry" and it was in his father's store that the distinguished short story writer received his drug store experience.

The J. A. Beard drug store of McComb, Mississippi, recently celebrated its 48th anniversary. Our fellow member, **John A. Beard**, is manager of this pharmacy.

Robert Lampa was the speaker at the monthly luncheon of the Drug and Chemical Section of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation, May 7th. The subject of his address was "The Drug Trade from Within and Without." He contrasted old methods of conducting a drug business with present-day methods. He urged the necessity for a wider consideration of the welfare of employees and a promotion of the spirit of coöperation.

W. H. Whisenant of San Antonio, president of the Texas Pharmaceutical Association, has been assigned a place on the program of the Texas State Medical Association for the subject "Shall We Have Competent Pharmacy?" It is contended that a public sentiment against the practice of pharmacy by those not qualified to do so must be aroused.

Leon Hale, president of the Florida Pharmaceutical Association, was the speaker at the May meeting of the Mortar and Pestle Society of the Florida School of Pharmacy. Part of the address related to the managing of the prescription department and the system followed in his pharmacy at Tampa.

Among the bequests made by the late **Max J. Breitenbach** was one of \$25,000 to the New York College of Pharmacy. In his will he admonished his children to be frugal and generous, charitable according to their means; to always love, respect and assist one another; to remember that their best friend is the purse and when that is empty friendship is often but a name. He admonished his children to continue to cherish and love their mother; she shared every joy and sorrow with them.

Robert S. Lehman has been appointed organizer for the New York Pharmaceutical Conference. Mr. Lehman will assist in organizing new local associations, in obtaining members for the existing organizations and serving the membership in various capacities.

Romaine Pierson, publisher of the *Practical Druggist*, has sailed for Europe. He will return about August 1st.

Lehn & Fink, Inc., celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their organization with a banquet, attended by about 150 guests, May 3. F. W. Fink, one of the founders of the corporation, was an honored guest. A number of addresses were made; among the speakers

were officers of the company; stories of interest were interspersed by Mr. Lampa in his address, and Mr. Murray briefly reviewed the policies of the firm. President Edward Plaut is in Europe; Joseph Plaut, chairman of the board of directors, was one of the speakers.

In commemoration of the event a book

covering the history of the house has been published—edited by George M. Murray and arranged by Edward Wirsing. It is artistic in design; the contents record the firm's progressive business events and with it are shown concurrent developments of downtown New York.

OBITUARY.

RAOUL R. D. CLINE.

Dr. Raoul Rene Daniel Cline, professor of pharmacy and head of this department of the University of Texas, at Galveston, died May 20. His death followed a sudden illness Monday afternoon, the specific cause being cerebral hemorrhage, it is believed. He is survived by a daughter; Mrs. Cline died ten or more years ago. Dr. Cline had been with the medical department for twenty-nine years. He was born in Woodville, Tyler County,



R. R. D. CLINE.

Texas, on September 14, 1868; received his early education in Texas and his collegiate education at Gettysburg, Pa., and Lille, France. He received the Ph.G. degree in France and from the New York College of Pharmacy and the degree of M.D. at the University of Texas Medical College in 1909. He was a drug clerk in France and Houston, Texas. Dr. Cline also held a lawyer's degree and practiced law for a short time. The Texas Pharmacy Board members attended the funeral as a body.

The deceased was a man of high ideals, always brimful of his subject; interested in every advancement of pharmacy he was one of the foremost workers of the profession in Texas. Every movement toward higher standards in pharmacy had his active support and throughout the state are pharmacists in whom his ideals have been implanted. Texas pharmacists owe much to the deceased and their attachment for him has been expressed by scholarships of Texas Pharmaceutical Association, and now a memorial is being planned. He served faithfully and has left a name among Texas pharmacists that will endure and for many years be referred to with reverence and pride. He seldom failed to attend a state association meeting and was an untiring worker in its efforts. The writer mourns a friend who was always courteous, kind and generous almost to a fault—a co-worker of many years.

LOUIS RUBENSTEIN.

Louis Rubenstein, member of the American Pharmaceutical Association, pioneer druggist of Seattle, died March 27, aged 50 years. Mr. Rubenstein came to Seattle in 1899 on his way to Alaska, he returned to this city in 1903 and engaged in pharmacy with C. O. Osseward in the old New York block. This partnership was dissolved in 1906 and the deceased thereafter opened a pharmacy on Cherry St. near Second and in 1909 moved to the Green Building. In 1920 Mr. Rubenstein bought out the Osseward pharmacy and consolidated his two stores. The deceased was born in Tallahassee, Florida, and graduated from the Pharmacy Department of George Washington University. He was a Spanish war veteran and saw service in Porto Rico. He was widely known to the druggists of the Pacific Coast and also active in civic affairs. At the time of his death he was state chairman for the Headquarters Building Fund for Washington. He is survived by his widow.