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LIBRARIES.

The reconstructed University of Louvain Library will be dedicated in June or July. Quite a number of universities, individuals, etc., of this country have contributed to the reconstruction of the Library and these have been invited to participate in the dedication.

The work of the Public Library in Washington, D. C., is to be broadened and a bill in Congress provides that the Library shall consist of a central department and a number of branch libraries so located that they will be of greatest service. The Library is to supplement the educational system of the District, but all persons who are permanent or temporary residents of the District of Columbia are entitled to the advantages of the Library.

Students of the Wisconsin Library School will gain experience in a number of cities throughout the state. These students are assigned by the University and they do reference work and collect data as part of their studies.

John L. McCabe, of the Secretarial Staff of the White House, is compiling a collection of newspaper pictures and stories of the President and Mrs. Coolidge which will later serve for historical data.

Mme. Helene Schen-Riesz of Vienna, who is now in this country, contends that great educational work is possible by libraries and books, and this thought should enter into the service rendered by libraries.

When the new Sterling Memorial Library at Yale University is completed it will provide a home for all of Yale's valuable collections which are now distributed in different buildings. Yale's collection of bound volumes and newspapers probably is the largest in any university of this country.

Systems of motor libraries have been organized in various parts of the country so as to supply those living at a distance from libraries and also for the convenience of suburban population.

In the new building of the Institute of France, in New York City, there is a library of about 30,000 volumes. A novel idea for a museum is to be developed here, in which each room is to be fitted out as a livable memorial to a certain period in French decoration; also American scientists are to be kept informed relative to the work being done in French laboratories.

Stewart Edward White, the novelist, says that the function of a museum exhibit is, in essential, to make visually familiar to the people that with which they are not acquainted.

ADDITIONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM SCHOOLS AND ASSOCIATIONS.

The Nebraska School of Pharmacy has sent in fifty new subscriptions to the Headquarters Fund, totaling about \$500,000 more than already subscribed.

A letter received from Prof. A. B. Lemon, Buffalo University School of Pharmacy, reads as follows:

"I am including herewith a few more subscriptions to the Headquarters Building. These represent the subscriptions of our three fraternities, as well as students that were not present the day you were here. The delay in getting these to you has been the result of the illness of the President of the class. Shortly after your appearance before our senior class, the President was injured in a football game, which injury put him in the hospital for a period of seven weeks. Immediately upon his return, he solicited the balance of the class, and I believe that we can now honestly say that we are one hundred per cent."

The following letter from Treasurer C. H. Packard, of the Boston Druggists' Association, reads:

"At the fiftieth anniversary of the Boston Druggists' Association, it was voted to contribute three hundred dollars to the building fund of the A. Ph. A. headquarters building and I enclose check in full."

HOSPITALS FOR THE COUNTRY.

Hospitals are being established everywhere and recent developments indicate a growing interest in farming centers. This should induce pharmacists who help in these undertakings to see that pharmacists are given proper place in these institutions. The article by Dr. Goeckel, in the February JOURNAL, is attracting attention. We have before us a letter from one our fellow-members, Earl E. Pugh, of Mobile, who refers to the article and expresses the hope that pharmacists may be given rightful place and recognition in hospital service.

Hospitalization of rural communities is the latest activity to be undertaken by the Commonwealth Fund, and, according to Press statements, a definite beginning is announced in the selection of Farmville, Va., as the site of one of the two institutions to be authorized this year.

"A division of Rural Hospitals is henceforward to take a foremost part in supplying what all observers agree to be a crying need of communities that lie outside urban areas. Conditions that tend to lower the standards of health in country districts are aggravated by the diminishing supply of competent physicians. A modern and well-equipped hospital would be a stimulus to the rural practitioner to improve his knowledge, and offset a powerful incentive that draws progressive

and ambitious doctors to the cities. Apart from all this is the recognized necessity for hospitals, in rural as well as urban communities, where serious diseases and accident cases can receive efficient treatment. Improved roads tend to facilitate the speedy and safe removal of patients from the farthest confines of a county to a converging point where the hospital may be located.

"Applications for the construction and equipment of hospitals are subject to one condition, that the local community shall pay one-third of the cost, and provide operating and maintenance expenses."

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

W. Bruce Philip, Past-chairman of the House of Delegates, A. Ph. A., spoke at the Luncheon of the San Francisco Commonwealth Club of California, February 11; his subject was "Pharmaceutical Aspects of Public Health."

Oliver Atkins Farwell added another contribution to "Botanical Gleanings in Michigan." We are in receipt of a reprint from *The American Midland Naturalist*. The botanical notes are full of interest and value and with them are items which remind one of past experiences encountered in jaunts. One of these references will have to suffice—"On May 6th we were overtaken by a snowstorm of short duration near Milan. Mostly the day was characterized by frequent showers of cold rain. We were rewarded by finding Ginseng, not yet in flower, and *Trillium cernuum* var. *declinatum* and its color forms, all in abundance. * * * We observed some cottonwood trees in excellent fruit but were unable to collect specimens as the trees were too large to shin up the trunk where the fruit was."

Benjamin Gagliano, who is an active worker in the Italian Pharmaceutical Association of New York, of which he is first Vice-President, is also editor of its publication, *Monthly Reportorial*, recently established.

Dr. Robert P. Fischelis was the speaker of the evening at the meeting of the Philadelphia Branch, A. Ph. A., March 5. His subject was "Pharmacy's Message to the Public." He outlined the results of five years of effort in creating a better public opinion of pharmacy and discussed successful methods of publicity applicable to national, state and local pharmaceutical associations and outlined a plan for future publicity activities.

Margaret Cousins of Dallas, daughter of **Walter H. Cousins** of the *Southern Pharma-*

ceutical Journal, a senior in the University of Texas, has the distinction of being the only girl in school who is an issue editor on *The Daily Texan*. Miss Cousins handles the paper on her night with much executive ability and technical knowledge. In addition to being an honor roll student, she is interested in many student activities, and also is on the Students' Assembly.

Edwin Boberg, of Eau Claire, Wis., has been appointed by Governor John J. Blaine to succeed his father, the late Otto J. S. Boberg, on the State Board of Pharmacy.

Dr. W. W. Charters, Director of the Commonwealth Study of Pharmacy, in his book "How to Sell at Retail" says: "Salesmen are not employed primarily to make money for the firm, or even to earn their own living. Their real business is to see that the customer is satisfied. For if the customer is satisfied the firm WILL make money and the salesman WILL make a living. If the customer is not satisfied the firm will fail, and the salesman will lose his position. Therefore, keep your eye on the customer."

William T. Vampelt and **Harry W. Brown**, retail pharmacists of Richmond, Va., are using good publicity in Richmond papers and also keep the doctor advised relative to their messages in the Press. The first of the articles acquaint the public with the professional service of pharmacists, succeeding messages emphasize the first by giving a brief history of the progress of medicine and pharmacy, and another tells the reader why it is best to seek the advice of a physician for ailments and that the pharmacist is as necessary for his good health as the former, as prescriptionist.

Prof. Dr. Alexander Tschirch, Director of the Pharmaceutical Institute, University of Berne, since March 1890, and an honorary member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION since 1910, will celebrate his seventieth birthday October 17, of this year. His has been an extremely useful life in the interest of pharmacy, chemistry, botany, and pharmacognosy; he would be a welcome visitor at the A. P. H. A. meeting in Philadelphia.

Preparations are being made for the celebration of Dr. Tschirch's anniversary in which pharmacists and other scientists from all parts of the world will participate. It is also contemplated to issue a memorial volume. Among those on the Call for the celebration the following well and favorably known American pharmacists are named: Dr. H. V.

Army, Dr. Edward Kremers, and Prof. Otto Raubenheimer. Those desiring to contribute to the memorial volume can send their subscriptions to one or the other of the latter.

Alfred De Lang retired from active retail pharmacy recently, after sixty years of active service. In his honor a testimonial dinner was held at Hotel Gibson, February 9, arranged for by the Cincinnati Branch of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, the Ohio Valley Druggists' Association and the American Druggists' Fire Insurance Co.

A most interesting and largely attended banquet was presided over by Frank H. Freericks. **Dr. William C. Anderson** spoke feelingly of his acquaintanceship with the guest of honor. **Prof. J. N. Lloyd** responded to the toast, "De Lang the Civil War Veteran." **Dr. James H. Beal** paid a tribute to him as a citizen and pharmacist. Presentation speeches were made by Harry Schmuelling and others. The Committee in charge of the arrangements were Messrs. **Charles Ehlers**, **Milton Franken**, **Edward Ross, Jr.**, and **Frank H. Freericks**. Congratulatory greetings were extended by **H. E. Iglar**, **Harry Dornhagen** and **Charles H. Avery**.

Harry G. Schmuelling was the principal speaker at a meeting of the Dayton Druggists' Association on February 10. His subject was "How to be Successful in the Drug Business."

Dr. William Bateson, eminent British biologist, died February 8. He visited in this country in 1922, at which time he delivered the "Joseph Leidy Memorial Lecture" at the University of Pennsylvania.

The British Minister of Health, Sir George Buchanan, recently was the guest of Surgeon General Hugh S. Cumming. Both were decorated by the Polish Government for their aid in improving health conditions in Poland.

Dr. Gaston Raymon and **Dr. Christian Zoeller** of the Pasteur Institute have developed a serum which is said to provide durable immunization against tetanus.

Dr. Francis Carter Wood, Director of the Cancer Research at Columbia University, has according to the Press expressed his belief that fifty out of two hundred and sixty hopeless cases of cancer under treatment by **Dr. Blair Bell** in Liverpool have been cured. He cast some doubt upon the reported discovery of the cancer germ and also stated that **Dr. Gye** would be the last man to assert that the microbe had been definitely found. At the

present time only hopeless cancer cases are being given the treatment by Dr. Bell in Liverpool, as sufficient progress has not been made in the treatment to warrant a more extended application of it.

Sir William S. Glyn-Jones is now located at the Canadian P. A. T. A. where he is engaged in developing the organization and operations of the newly-formed association. Sir William is to be back in London at the end of next April. We hope that Sir William will return in time to attend the A. Ph. A. Convention in Philadelphia.

J. A. Kenningham, Secretary and Treasurer of the Association of Manufacturers of British Proprietaries, has been elected Honorary Treasurer of the P. A. T. A. to succeed George Barclay. Mr. Kenningham visited the U. S. last year with Sir William S. Glyn-Jones.

T. N. Jamieson, founder and patron of the C. V. D. A., and Life Member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, has written a most interesting letter to Past-President Henry M. Whelpley, in which he gives brief sketches of a number of the members of the C. V. D. A., among them of the late Albert E. Ebert and C. S. N. Hallberg.

Rudolph E. Rhode recently was quite seriously hurt when he was struck by a taxicab, which necessitated hospital attention. Another Chicago veteran, Albert Miller, had to undergo a serious operation and was confined to the hospital for about six weeks. Both of the latter are improving nicely.

It may be said the members of the C. V. D. A. are almost to a man deeply interested in other organizations that pertain to pharmacy; in other words, they believe in associations.

Dr. Elson of the University of Wisconsin, Physical Education Department, gave an address on "first aid" measures to the class in Drug Store Practice, on March 5. Edward Williams spoke to the same class on "Organization Activities." H. G. Ruenzel spoke to them on changes in U. S. P. X and E. G. Rauber on propaganda.

Prof. Jeannot Hostmann, of the faculty of New York College of Pharmacy, and Secretary of the New Jersey State and Hudson County Pharmaceutical Associations, has been seriously ill for several months, but he is now on the road to recovery.

Many of the older members will remember the late Polk Miller, of Richmond, Va., who contributed largely to the enjoyment of several

A. Ph. A. conventions. His widow died at Bon Air, her country home, in January. A son, W. Withers Miller, is the proprietor of Stuart Circle Pharmacy, of Richmond.

TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN DRUGGISTS' FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The 20th annual meeting of the American Druggists' Fire Insurance Company was held in Cincinnati February 8-9. The annual report showed an increase in assets to over \$1,500,000. The vacancy caused by the death of Lewis C. Hopp was filled by the election of J. S. Rutledge of Akron, Ohio, and D. William C. Anderson, of Brooklyn, was elected a member of the Executive Committee; all officers were reelected.

January 1, the Company had 20,762 policies in force, with a total insurance of \$57,919,312. During the year \$208,866.60 was paid in fire losses.

The 20th Anniversary Celebration of the Company will be held during the last week of May, at which time all the officials and State Agents will be in attendance. It was voted to extend special invitations to the President and Secretary of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and of the National Association of Retail Druggists to be present during the meeting. It has been decided to erect the Home Office Building. Messrs. Avery, Anderson, Beal, Heinritz, Rothwell, Young and Freericks constitute the Executive Committee.

The sixth annual dinner of Fritzsche Brothers, Inc., of New York, was held February 6, at Hotel Pennsylvania. Each year has marked the addition of firm officials or representatives to the "Twenty-five Year Club"—this year Benedict F. Zimmer, of Chicago, and George L. Ringel, of Columbus, joined the list. The dinner, speeches and music were followed by a dance.

The February number of the *Maryland Pharmacist* is the Maryland Association Proceedings number. The President, Samuel Y. Harris, graces the issue, a group picture of the 1925 meeting is inserted and adds a lively interest. All laws relating to pharmacy of Maryland are included, also a list of members, of registered and assistant pharmacists, associate and life members and T. A. M. P. A. members. The number contains more than 300 pages and serves as a most useful reference for every Maryland drug store.

OBITUARY.

WALTER M. FROHWEIN.

In the February number of the *JOURNAL* brief mention was made of the death of W. M. Frohwein. The deceased had been in poor health for a number of years. He was born in Elizabeth, N. J., which was his home at the time of his death, and here he had conducted a pharmacy for many years. He received his early education in Elizabeth and graduated from the New York College of Pharmacy.

Mr. Frohwein was a member of various fraternal organizations and interested in associations connected with pharmacy.

His wife, one daughter, and a brother, Richard Frohwein, survive the deceased.

ERNEST GARDNER SWIFT.

E. G. Swift, up to his retirement about three years ago Secretary and Comptroller of Parke, Davis & Co., died in Pasadena, Calif., on January 30, aged 65 years.

Mr. Swift received his early education in Rawdon, Quebec, where he was born, and prior to his graduation from the Montreal College of Pharmacy, in 1883, was employed by Lyman Sons & Co. Soon after graduation he entered the employ of Parke, Davis & Co. and worked his way slowly to its most responsible positions. While in charge of the Laboratories in Walkerville, Ont., he served three terms as Mayor and for several years as a member of the City Council. He was a member of the Masonic bodies and of a number of the Clubs in Detroit.

Mr. Swift is survived by his widow and three sons, two of whom are members of Cope-Swift Co., of Detroit. The other son resides at Wellesley Hills, Mass.

FORESS B. LILLIE.

F. B. Lillie, for a number of years an active member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, and a pioneer settler and druggist of Oklahoma, died at his home in Guthrie, February 24.

Mr. Lillie came to Guthrie from Girard, Kansas, on the first day that Oklahoma was opened to settlement. He helped found the city of Guthrie and opened the first drug store in Oklahoma, which he conducted up to the time of his death. He was active for many years in municipal and state affairs and was the first Secretary of the Oklahoma Board of Pharmacy.

LEONARD RANSOM WAGENER.

Leonard Ransom Wagener, instructor in the College of Pharmacy at University of Michigan, died February 14, in a local hospital after a short illness.

Mr. Wagener was born in Grand Rapids, August 13, 1883, and entered University of Michigan in 1917, coming from Bangor, where he had owned a drug store. He received his Ph.C. degree in 1920 and his B.S. degree in 1921 and was appointed instructor in the same year. In 1924, Mr. Wagener received his M.S. degree. He was a member of the Phi Delta Chi, Rho Chi, Sigma Xi, and Phi Lambda Upsilon fraternities, AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION (since 1915), Junior Research club and the Masonic lodge.

He is survived by the widow and three brothers, one residing in Grand Rapids and two in California.

SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

Pharmacy is developed by the purposes we form, the conceptions that we entertain relating to pharmacy, the hopes for it that we cherish. It grows through our visions in the things that we purpose for it. Let us have it grow in our hopes and for the benefit of mankind.

PHI DELTA CHI.

The twenty-sixth Grand Council of Phi Delta Chi (formerly Phi Chi) was held at the Allerton Club, Chicago, on February 10, 11, 12 and 13, 1926. It was attended by

about sixty members of the fraternity. I. H. Robitshek of Minneapolis, Past-President, was toastmaster at the annual banquet.

New chapters at the University of Maryland and the Medical College of Virginia were represented for the first time. The next Grand Council will be held in Memphis in February 1927. Special efforts will be made to have as guests of honor next year several of the original charter members of the mother chapter, Alpha, located at the University of Michigan.

The National History-Directory of the fraternity is rapidly approaching completion and