

EDITORIAL

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THE MEETING IN PHILADELPHIA.

THIS is the last issue of the JOURNAL prior to the convention in Philadelphia and therefore the last call for Section officers to complete their work and promptly send in the prospectuses of respective Sections so that the official program may be arranged, for this must be printed shortly after this number of the JOURNAL has been mailed. Chairmen of the Sections are invited to send in their annual addresses and Secretaries their reports, so that the minutes of the sessions can be completed as soon as possible after the convention.

Philadelphia has many points of interest, historical and others, and this year there is the additional attraction of a visit to the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition. The Local Committee has completed the arrangements for the entertainments, which fit into every open period of the convention program. As usual, the ladies will be favored, but there are many features for all the members.

The pharmacy exhibit at the Sesqui will have much of interest relating to "Pharmaceutical Firsts," Philadelphia's point of contact with pharmacy of the past and present. The visit will be on Saturday, the day following the close of the annual session. Most of the historic places have been referred to and are known to all the members who will visit these shrines and historical places. Members from a distance have the opportunity of going to seashore points before or after the meeting and quite a number will remain over for the N. A. R. D. convention to be held during the following week.

This will be a memorable meeting for a number of reasons, not the least in importance being that, in all probability, steps will be taken for a vote on the location of the Headquarters Building; everyone is interested in that and the provisions which will extend the services of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

The address of Mr. James E. Hancock on the Museum and Procter Memorial, printed in July JOURNAL, developed some interest and it is hoped others will give expression relative to this division and the Library; both should become more than show rooms and repositories, for through them valuable services can be given to all pharmacy and drug trade activities and organizations by embodying educational and information features. The State associations can establish sections in the Museum for the preservation of items that will memorialize certain of their members, and link the history of the drug business or pharmacy of their respective States with the present conditions. Records may be preserved in the Library until such time as the States find it necessary to establish their own homes; at all times the Headquarters can collect the literature, historical material and all that pertains, so that coördinated coöperative service may be rendered; for, after all, that is what prompted the organization of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and features its progressive activities, which will branch out to a greater service in behalf of all divisions of the drug trade and pharmacy.

Attention also should be called to the census of pharmaceutical research

published in this issue of the JOURNAL which records an addition of 58 more names than that of last year—certainly very encouraging.

The laboratory workers will continue their program, and progress has been made by the committee on the proposed book to be written, in popular style, through which the public will be informed of achievements of pharmacy.

The American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy will hold its sessions under the amended By-Laws, and as an association instead of a conference.

The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy anticipates the largest representation in its history and with the former organization will plan for the changes in pharmacy school curricula.

There are quite a number whose membership in the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION antedates the 50th anniversary of that body, but only sixteen members who affiliated with the organization in 1876 or prior to that time are with us. The oldest in years and membership (1858) is Joseph L. Lemberger, of Lebanon, Pa., who is in very poor health; James Vernor, of Detroit joined the ASSOCIATION in 1866; Edward Mallinckrodt, of St. Louis, has been a member since 1869 and the picture of William Henry Rogers graces the first text page of this JOURNAL; Ex-President John Uri Lloyd's membership dates from 1870; Solomon Boehm, of St. Louis, became a member in 1871; George A. Crossman, of Taunton, Mass., John Richard Pitt of Middletown, Conn., and Frederick Belding Power, of Washington, D. C. joined in 1872; Henry Solomon Wellcome, London, England, Benjamin Thomas Fairchild, New York, Edward Wheelock Runyon, New York, Israel Hammond Shurtleff of New Bedford, Mass. and John G. Godding, of Boston became members in 1875; Charles Henry Schrank, of Milwaukee and Edward Seymour Dawson of Syracuse are "centennial year" members.

A number, who during past years shared the work and pleasures of annual conventions have departed and will be missed at the Philadelphia sessions; Ex-President Henry Milton Whelpley presided over the 50th anniversary meeting of the ASSOCIATION, and Charles Caspari, Jr. was the Secretary. We look forward to a larger organization and service, and greater achievements; we meet the friends of other years, and we pause a while to think of those not with us in our deliberations.

Other ASSOCIATION items will be found under "Societies and Colleges."

Make your arrangements to come, if you have not yet done so.—E. G. E.

PHARMACY WEEK.

THE time for "Pharmacy Week" has been fixed for the second week of October, therefore the period of October 10-16 includes the days during which drug store publicity and displays should speak for pharmacy and for you and those engaged with you as pharmacists. Even though the merchandising side may predominate in an establishment, the very fact that a pharmacist owns or conducts the store gives a prestige to the business and an assurance to the patron, whatever his intended purchase may be—there are no drugless drug stores and whatever special privileges a pharmacy may have has been given because it is supervised, owned or controlled by a pharmacist. A few have contended that their profits