

with the commission rule providing that the five members serve in rotation as chairman for one year.

A Research Division has been established at the N. W. D. A. Headquarters, under the direction of H. J. Ostlund of the School of Business, University of Minnesota. He will be located in the New York office of the N. W. D. A. after January 1st. He has had large experience in work of this kind and several years ago made a study of the financial statements of about 600 drug stores. He has also done constructive work in originating and preparing a budget system for retail druggists in building up a successful business and also

in various other fields of industry. Professor Ostlund has just completed work for the Ph.D. degree at the school of business of the University of Chicago.

The Hoffmann-LaRoche Chemical Company has broken ground at Nutley, N. J., for its new scientific and office buildings, including laboratories. It is expected that the buildings will be completed by May 1st. The formalities of breaking ground were participated in by Mrs. Elizabeth Hoffmann, widow of the founder of the company, and Dr. Emil Barell, the president of the American company and director of the LaRoche activities in Europe.

OBITUARY.

GUS C. KENDALL.

Gus C. Kendall, member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION since 1913, died at his home in Meridian, Miss., November 2nd, aged sixty years. Mr. Kendall was born in Attala, Miss., the son of Dr. William T. and Sarah Wyse Kendall. He came to Meridian as a young man and established a drug business in which he continued until his death.

The tributes paid the deceased express the high esteem in which he was held by the community in which Mr. Kendall had resided for many years. All business and social organizations of Meridian were represented at the funeral services. We quote a tribute, from one of many, in the local press.

"In a growing community he was one of the moving spirits of progress. During his entire residence in Meridian there was never a time when a civic problem was up for consideration that he did not have and promote a conviction, a conviction born of cautious consideration and mature judgment. The wise counsel of this good man has aided in solving many of these problems and we have heard many say that Gus Kendall always was on the side of that which was good and for which good men stood. He was not one who aspired to leadership, but preferred modestly to work in the ranks giving unstintingly of his time and strength. Not a captain, but an armor bearer, dependable at all times."

Mr. and Mrs. Kendall (nee Watts) were married in 1893. The widow, a son, Sam W., and a daughter, Mrs. Sadie Kendall Knight, survive the deceased. We are indebted to

Mr. Knight for data for this notice and desire to express sympathy to the bereaved family.

WILLIAM PEARCE THOMASON.

We are advised of the death of William P. Thomason, member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION since 1910. A sketch of the deceased will be found in the Department of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy of this issue. Mr. Thomason attended a number of the annual meetings of the A. Ph. A. He was an active supporter of pharmaceutical associations and deeply interested in whatever advanced pharmacy and the drug business.

CHARLES S. KOON.

We are also advised of the passing of Charles S. Koon, of Muskegon, Mich.; in the absence of more extended information further report will have to be deferred. A brief notice is given in the Department N. A. B. P. Mr. Koon became a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION in 1915.

HENRY ELLIOTT HOLMES.

Brief mention was made in the November number of the JOURNAL OF THE A. Ph. A. of the passing of Henry Elliott Holmes of Seattle, a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION since 1880. He was a native of Wisconsin, and Palmyra his birth-place; here he lived until 1873 when he settled in Walla Walla, Washington. In 1877 he was member of a company of volunteers who joined General O. O. Howard in his Indian campaign in the Nez Perce country. In 1888

he entered into partnership with A. B. Stewart of Seattle and Morley Stewart of Tacoma, under the firm name of Stewart & Holmes. For a number of years this firm conducted retail drug stores in Seattle, Tacoma and Walla Walla, but since 1904 the company has operated a wholesale drug business in Seattle.

Mr. Holmes was a veteran in Oddfellowship and held many offices in the order, locally and of the state.

Last year Mr. and Mrs. Holmes celebrated their golden wedding anniversary; on August 2nd of this year the latter died and the husband followed her into the Great Beyond October 26th; a son and four daughters survive the deceased.

Mr. Holmes was highly regarded and esteemed by his fellows, both as citizen and pharmacist and the ASSOCIATION extends sympathy to the bereaved.

Secretary Otto Kraus, of the Philadelphia Retail Druggists' Association, died November 6th, aged 74 years. He graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy in 1875 and for many years conducted a retail pharmacy; in 1919, he was elected Secretary of the P. A. R. D. He was a trustee of his *Alma Mater*. The deceased is survived by his widow and a son.

Miss Susannah G. Haydock, the first woman to own and operate a drug store in Philadelphia, which she conducted for thirty-five years, died October 9th, in Cincinnati. She was returning home from San Francisco where she attended the N. A. R. D. convention, and had stopped in Cincinnati to visit friends. She was a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy; following her graduation, she joined the faculty of Temple University as an instructor in pharmacy, resigning in 1908.

Sympathy is expressed to the families of the deceased.

EDMUND WHITE.

There was some surprise expressed when, about a year ago, Mr. Edmund White asked to be relieved of some of his duties in connection with British pharmacy and pharmacopœial work; the news of his passing, on November 3rd, gave the answer and brought sorrow not only to his fellow-pharmacists and co-workers in England, but a touch of sadness and regret to American pharmacists who had followed his work for a number of years.

The Editor of *The Pharmaceutical Journal and Pharmacist* said of him: "It is impossible at this stage to sum up all that he was and did for his own profession; but there will always stand to the credit of his memory his great and enduring work for education, the decisive stand he took against the practical exclusion of official pharmacy from the work of Pharmacopœial revision, which, endorsed as it was by the Society's Council, undoubtedly



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precipitated the reorganization of the machinery for this purpose, of which pharmacy now forms an integral part; his friendly and fruitful offices in promoting and establishing closer working relations with Continental and American pharmacy, and, lastly, his initiative and instrumentality in the institution of the Society's Pharmacological Laboratories."

No attempt will be made to sketch the life of this distinguished pharmacist, for it would require columns to give an account of the activities of Mr. White. He entered the Society's School as a Senior Bell scholar, in 1886, winning the honors and medals of his classes. After qualification he remained in the School for a year as a demonstrator and during that year passed the examination for

the Associateship of the Institute of Chemistry. In 1889 he was appointed pharmacist to St. Thomas's Hospital, an appointment he held until 1903 when he joined the staff of Hopkins and Williams, of which he later became a director. In the meantime he had taken the fellowship of the Institute of Chemistry and the B.Sc. degree of the University of London of the first class honors in Chemistry. His official connections with the British Pharmaceutical Society included among others of importance that of Councillor, Vice-President and President. In 1903, he entered upon a term of six years as Honorary Joint General Secretary of the British Pharmaceutical Conference of which he was the Chairman in 1923. He was author of a book on "Chemical Reagents," co-author with John Humphrey of "Pharmacopœdia," member of the Committee on B. P. Codex, which carried out the experimental part, and his active connection with the revision of the British Pharmacopœia is well known here.

Former Secretary of the British Pharmaceutical Society, W. J. U. Woolcock said of him, "He was a tower of strength, his profound knowledge was invaluable, but of greater value still was the spirit he enthused into members of his Committee."

President D. Lloyd Howard, in writing of him, stated that it was difficult to write of Edmund White without a measure of eulogy which he would himself have detested, for through all his other qualities shown a tried and delightful humor which never tolerated excess of praise or blame.

We close with a quotation from former President Neathercoat's tribute, because it gives an exemplary view that alumni everywhere might follow with credit to themselves:

"He has been one of the outstanding figures in pharmaceutical history during the last twenty-five years, and he should be looked upon as one of the greatest leaders the Pharmaceutical Society has probably ever had. He was one of the students of the Society's School of Pharmacy, and I know that he always considered that it was an obligation and a duty on those who had passed through the School and received the advantages accruing therefrom that they should in after-life do what they could to serve the Pharmaceutical Society in return for the benefits received while in the School."

Sir Nestor Isidore Charles Tirard died at his home in London on November 10th, aged seventy-five years. It is striking that the news of the death of Edmund White and Sir Nestor is reported in the same number of the *JOURNAL*. His name was familiar to pharmacists chiefly through his joint editorship (with Prof. H. G. Greenish) of the *British Pharmacopœia*, 1914. He was also secretary to the *Pharmacopœia* Committee of the General Medical Council in connection with the 1898 *Pharmacopœia*, and a member of the Board of Trade Committee appointed in that year to revise the scales of medicines for merchant ships.

The death is announced, at the age of 81, of Prof. Albert Robin, of the Paris Faculty; he was in his younger days preparateur to Thenard.

LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE.

THE PENNSYLVANIA DRUG STORE OWNERSHIP LAW DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL IN DECISION OF U. S. SUPREME COURT.

On account of the importance of the decision by which the Pennsylvania Ownership Law was declared unconstitutional—the law is printed herewith, and also the decision and the dissenting opinion. Liberty is taken in printing parts of the decision in italics. It is believed that the law, decision and dissent should be on record for future reference.

THE PENNSYLVANIA OWNERSHIP LAW.

Section 1.—Every pharmacy or drug store shall be owned only by a licensed pharma-

cist, and no corporation, association or co-partnership shall own a pharmacy or drug store, unless all the partners or members thereof are licensed pharmacists; except that any corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of any other state of the United States, and authorized to do business in the Commonwealth, and empowered by its charter to own and conduct pharmacies, or drug stores, and any association or co-partnership which, at the time of the passage of this act, still owns and conducts a registered pharmacy or pharmacies or a drug store or drug stores in the Commonwealth, may continue to own and conduct the same; but no other or additional pharmacies or drug stores shall be