

The Golden Jubilee meeting was well attended, considering the inclement weather. Much credit for the success is due to the ladies for their efficient work in bringing the members to the meeting. The officers were *President*, Alf. W. Pauley; *First Vice-President*, W. E. Bard; *Second Vice-President*, Chas. Hutchason; *Third Vice-President*, H. T. Simpson; *Treasurer*, William Mittelbach; *Secretary*, W. H. Lamont; *Historian*, Ambrose Mueller; *Assistant Secretary*, Robert Lisch; *Honorary President*, M. Q. Williams.

Six members of the original sixty-two are still living and four of them were present at the meeting and enjoyed several of the sessions. On one of the evenings a banquet was given in their honor and the toastmaster called on the charter members present for short talks.

Delightful musical numbers interspersed with after-dinner speeches added to the enjoyment of the occasion. The Veterans' luncheon was another enjoyable affair, presided over by Teddy Hagenow, president of the St. Louis Club.

A PLEA FOR VETERAN DRUGGISTS' ASSOCIATIONS.*

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According to the rule of children's games, *3 times and out*, I file my appeal for veteran associations for the third time.

So far the United States has 19 such associations, but I hope the A. Ph. A. will help fight for more, so that all large cities will have such unique organizations.

You may ask what these organizations have to do with the history of pharmacy. The answer is "Everything." Our obligations are for each member to furnish his photograph and autobiography, and with this material on hand the future historians of American pharmacy will have a clear road. Aside from the historical value of our association, our meetings are an oasis in the drudgery of retail pharmacy. We exclude politics, business and religion from our discussions, and only nurse that wonderful plant "Gemüthlichkeit"—called by Joe Remington the untranslatable word.

The gospel of veteranism preaches love, fraternity, humanity and Gemüthlichkeit. If this gospel had pervaded at the green table of effete monarchies in Europe in 1914 there would not have been that atrocious, senseless World War.

Our Chicago association, founded by T. N. Jamieson, is the parent. Our members are mostly of foreign parentage, but all are American citizens. During that horrible World War our members had relatives and friends on both fronts, but our platform proved an iron wall against friction and disharmony. The symphony of love and harmony was not spoiled by a dissonance. We stood firmly by the Stars and Stripes, although we deplored that senseless slaughter, senseless in the start and in the effects. President Wilson kept us out of war and got us into war for the sake of making the world safe for democracy. Europe drove away a host of monarchs, established republics, and to-day has more war and strife than before 1914.

Therefore, establish veteran associations all over the country and America will be the best democracy to live in.

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