

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES PHARMACOPEIAL CONVENTION.

The following amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws of the United States Pharmacopœial Convention are recommended by the Board of Trustees for adoption by the Convention at Washington, May 13, 1930. Words to be deleted are enclosed in parentheses and words to be added are printed in italics:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE II.—*Membership.*

SECTION 1.—The members of the United States Pharmacopœial Convention, in addition to the Incorporators and their associates, shall be delegates elected by the following organizations in the manner they shall respectively provide: Incorporated Medical Colleges, and Medical Schools connected with Incorporated Colleges and Universities; Incorporated Colleges of Pharmacy, and Pharmaceutical Schools connected with Incorporated Universities; *Departments of Incorporated Universities, which Departments are devoted to scientific research in chemistry or in other lines related to chemistry or pharmacy;* Incorporated State Medical Associations; Incorporated State Pharmaceutical Associations; the American Medical Association; the American Pharmaceutical Association, the American Chemical Society, the National Association of Retail Druggists, (and) the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy, *and the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States;* provided that no such organization shall be entitled to representation unless it shall have been incorporated within and shall have been in continuous operation in the United States for at least five years before the time fixed for the decennial meeting of this corporation.

Medical and Pharmaceutical Associations and Colleges of Medicine and pharmacy in Hawaii, Porto Rico, the Philippine Islands and in the Republic of Cuba (where the Pharmacopœia of the United States has been adopted as the official pharmacopœia) shall likewise be entitled to representation by delegates on the same basis as the other Associations and Colleges mentioned in this Section.

SECTION 2.—Delegates appointed by the Surgeon General of the United States Army, the Surgeon General of the United States Navy, and the Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Commerce, the Association of Official Agricultural Chemists, the Association of American Dairy, Food and Drug Officials, the National Wholesale Druggists' Association, the National Dental Association, the American Drug Manufacturers' Association, *the American Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Association, the Federal Wholesale Druggists' Association,* the United States Division of Customs¹ (and the University of Havana) and by the organizations not hereinbefore named which were admitted to representation in the Convention of 1900, shall also be members of the corporation. Each body and each branch of the United States Government above mentioned shall be entitled to send three delegates to the meetings of this corporation. But no such delegates as are provided for in this article shall be members until their credentials shall have been examined and acted upon as provided for by the By-Laws. Delegates admitted as members at any decennial meeting shall continue to be members of the United States Pharmacopœial Convention until their successors shall have been appointed and admitted as delegates to the ensuing Convention and no longer.

BY-LAWS.

CHAPTER VII.—*Of the Committees on Credentials and Arrangements.*

ARTICLE I. The Committee on Credentials (and Arrangements) shall consist of five members and shall be appointed by the President from among the delegates to the decennial

¹ NOTE: It being understood that the University of Havana will be included as a part of the representation accorded to the colleges and associations of the Republic of Cuba and that the elimination of the words "and the University of Havana" is recommended only in the event of the adoption of the new amendment to Section 1.

meeting, not less than two months before the meeting. *The Chairman of the Board of Trustees shall be a member ex-officio of the Committee on Credentials.*

ARTICLE II. It shall be their duty to examine carefully the credentials of all delegates. *Credentials issued in blank, leaving the names of the delegates and alternates to be inserted subsequently by other than the regularly constituted officers of the appointing associations or institutions, shall not be accepted as meeting the requirements of this Chapter.* Immediately before the meeting of the Convention they shall furnish to the President a roll containing the names of the Incorporators, the Officers of the Convention, the Board of Trustees, the General Committee of Revision and of those delegates whose credentials are unquestioned and approved. They shall also make report to the Convention concerning all credentials which have been questioned, or appear to them to be of doubtful validity.

ARTICLE III. (This Committee shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.) *The Committee on Arrangements shall consist of five members residing in or convenient to the City of Washington, D. C., and appointed by the President, and shall be charged with the duty of making the necessary arrangements for holding the said decennial meeting. The President, Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Convention shall be ex-officio members of the Committee.*

CHAPTER IX.—Of Meetings.

ARTICLE I. The regular decennial meetings of the Convention shall be held upon the second Tuesday in May every twenty years as provided in the Constitution and the place of meeting shall be in the City of Washington, D. C., *unless, in case of emergency, the Board of Trustees and officers of the Convention, by joint vote, shall select some other place of meeting and some date within the same year other than the second Tuesday in May.* See Constitution, ARTICLE V. Twenty-five members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE II. SECTION 4. Report of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, (and) the Treasurer of the Convention *and the Chairman of the Committee on Revision.*

SECTION 5. The reports of the Committees on Credentials and Arrangements shall then be considered.

AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION.

The American Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Association held its mid-year meeting in Washington, December 16th-17th, as reported in the November JOURNAL A. PH. A., page 1216. Among the actions taken were the endorsement of an amendment to the Federal Food and Drugs Act which would extend its provisions relative to labelling to advertising of drug products; moral support was given the American Bar Association in the preparation of further uniform state laws with reference to the operations of foreign corporations; amendment of the Sherman Act and State Anti-Trust Laws was favored, which will make it lawful to take such business or trade action the purpose and effect of which shall be to promote constructive competition. The suggested amendment follows the lines of the provisions of the California law.

There was a large attendance at this mid-winter meeting; representatives of forty-

one active member firms were represented and also two associated members.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY.

The following committee was recently appointed by the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy to consider a national education policy relative to the new four-year curriculum proposed for the schools of pharmacy, beginning with 1932, the members of the committee being: Dr. Townes R. Leigh, dean of the University of Florida College of Pharmacy; Dr. Julius A. Koch, dean of the Pittsburgh College of Pharmacy; Dr. Edward H. Kraus, dean of the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy; Dr. Rufus A. Lyman, dean of the University of Nebraska College of Pharmacy, and Dr. Henry C. Biddle, dean of the University of California College of Pharmacy.

The committee will submit its report at the annual meeting of the association, which is to be held in Baltimore during the week of May 5th.