

SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETAIL DRUGGISTS.

The meeting of the National Association of Retail Druggists was held at Atlantic City, September 15th to 19th. The address by President Thomas Roach, was optimistic. He stated that the drug business had perhaps suffered less than any other activity by the depression, and accounted for this in that the drug business does not increase excessively during prosperous times and the loss is correspondingly less than of the other activities when there is a depression. He stressed the importance of pharmacy and gave consideration to all the important activities of the Association.

Among the outstanding addresses of the meeting were—by Congressman Kelly on the Capper-Kelly Bill, who assured the members that with their full support the passage of the bill was assured, at an early day; by Dr. J. H. Beal, dealing with the status of the Pharmacopœia; by Dr. Julius Klein, Dr. James M. Doran, Prof. Paul C. Olsen, M. P. Gould, Clyde Eddy.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Julius H. Riemenschneider, Chicago; *First Vice-President*, J. W. Dargavel, Minneapolis; *Second Vice-President*, W. M. Rheineck, Milwaukee; *Third Vice-President*, James T. Dumas, Foley, Ala.; *Secretary*, Samuel C. Henry, Chicago; *Treasurer*, Charles Ehlers, Cincinnati, Ohio. Members of the Executive Committee—F. R. Peterson, Portland, Ore.; Thomas Roach, Oklahoma City; Denny Brann, Des Moines; Bernard M. Keene, Indianapolis; Ambrose Hunsberger, Philadelphia; Samuel C. Davis, Nashville.

The purposes of the resolutions adopted, in brief, follow:

The Vestal Bill was opposed in its present form; it assesses a fine of at least \$250.00 upon conviction of a person playing copyrighted phonograph records. An amendment has been prepared.

Opposition was voiced against the discontinuing of listing pay stations by the telephone company, also more satisfactory arrangements as to commissions is asked for.

Hearty endorsement was given to manufacturers for advertising the services of the independent retail pharmacists.

The work of the Druggists' Research Bureau was commended. A vote of thanks was tendered W. K. Henderson of "Hello World Fame." Attention was directed to the successful work the Merchants and Consumers Protective Alliance is doing.

Support was voted the National Drug Survey in St. Louis. The N. A. R. D. was urged to continue its labors in behalf of reasonable regulations for the enforcement of the Food and Drugs Act; also that everything possible be done to expedite the chain store investigation.

The incoming president is to appoint a Committee on Pharmacy Endowment. Further reference to this resolution is made in the editorial columns.

Objection was voiced against the sales of medicine in any store not under the supervision of a registered pharmacist. The work of law associations, whose aim and work are for the suppression of crime and a full punishment of criminals, was endorsed. The press was again asked to discontinue the use of the word "drug" where the term "narcotic" should be applied. It was resolved that pharmacy should be relieved of the full responsibility in dispensing liquor prescriptions for medicinal purposes. The Bureau of Industrial Alcohol is to be petitioned to amend the regulations allowing all pharmacists operating under an H or I permit to keep one pint bottle of whisky for legitimate prescription use, amounts used to be designated on monthly reports.

Manufacturers of proprietary medicines were asked to use greater care in the distribution of their samples; also, limiting to a certain extent intensive exploitation of trade-mark and proprietary items. Hearty approval was given to the activities in behalf of an intensive U. S. P. and N. F. campaign, and that the official preparations of the U. S. P. and N. F., and of New and Nonofficial Remedies be at all times available in the prescription departments.

Enforcing bodies in each state are to be petitioned to investigate whether drug departments over which they have jurisdiction are complying with pharmacy laws, and if registered pharmacists are in charge. A protest is to be filed with the Post-Office Department against the increased rate in first class mail and instead the increase is to be placed on parcel-post matter.

Delegates were asked to enlist the active coöperation of all independent retailers, wholesalers and manufacturers in educating the consuming public to the need of the enactment of the Capper-Kelly Bill. A copy of Representative Kelly's address on the Capper-Kelly Bill is to be placed in the hands of independent business men; strong effort is to be made in behalf of the Capper-Kelly Fair Trade Bill. This action is emphasized in three separate resolutions.

The importance was stressed and the necessity of providing the personnel of the Army and Navy with the same quality of pharmaceutical service now available to civilians and that pharmaceutical personnel be selected from graduates in pharmacy of recognized colleges.

The Pharmacy Corps Bill was again endorsed. It was urged that the commissioned medical service in the Veterans' Bureau include pharmacists in the commissioned personnel; that a representative pharmacist be included in the membership of the Advisory Council; that men with pharmaceutical experience be appointed to Government positions where such training is essential.

Attention was directed to pharmaceutical manufacturers' discount; sales to boards of health are to be looked into that find their way back into the channels of trade.

Pharmacists are urged to lend full support and coöperation to the work of revision of the U. S. P. and that a greater interest be taken by them so that retail pharmacy may be better represented in the U. S. P. Convention and on the Committee of Revision.

Coöperation was voted the New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association, the Atlantic County Drug Club, leading manufacturers and the management of the Atlantic City Auditorium to aid in staging a suitable Public Health Exhibit to carry on an educational program during the period of said fair.

Continued affiliation and coöperation with the National Drug Trade Conference, the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, the Drug Trade Bureau of Public Information, and its contact with the Chamber of Commerce of the U. S. A. was voted.

Purple and gold were selected as the official colors of the N. A. R. D.

The appointment of Dr. James M. Doran met with approval and coöperation and support was pledged to the Secretary of the Treasury, the Commissioner of Industrial Alcohol, in the performance of their task of

administering the permissive phases of the National prohibition law.

The final resolution was a comprehensive one and conveyed thanks to those who arranged the program and made the meeting a success.

NEW YORK BRANCH A. PH. A.

The opening meeting of the New York Branch of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION for this season was held October 13th at the College of Pharmacy, Columbia University. It was a Pharmacy Week evening, presided over by Editor Herbert R. Mays. A number of interesting talks were made, among them one by Robert J. Ruth, General Chairman of Pharmacy Week. The message on National Pharmacy Week by President H. C. Christensen, was distributed and made use of for giving publicity to the annual event.

A PHARMACEUTICAL DISPLAY AT THE MEETING OF INDIANA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

Indiana Medical Association held its recent annual meeting at Fort Wayne. Members of the staff of the Purdue University School of Pharmacy prepared a representative assortment of official preparations for display at convention hall. Along with the latter, products obtained from bituminous coal were also displayed.

A great interest was exhibited, and the members of the staff of Purdue University and of the Indiana State Pharmaceutical Association were congratulated by the members of the Indiana Medical Association. One of Indiana's prominent surgeons stated that the Purdue display was the most outstanding of any at the meeting, both from an educational and instructive standpoint. Such coöperation will develop into great value; it affords the opportunity of acquainting physicians with U. S. P. and N. F. preparations, New and Nonofficials and preparations of the A. PH. A. Recipe Book.

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

MARVIN R. THOMPSON ELECTED EMERSON PROFESSOR.

In 1927, Captain Isaac E. Emerson made provision for an endowment—(Professorship in Physiological Drug Testing) for the School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland—valued