

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

LESLIE G. HENDERSON, PRESIDENT
OF CANADIAN PHARMACEUTICAL
ASSOCIATION.

Leslie G. Henderson, president of Canadian Pharmaceutical Association, was born in Montreal, in 1884. The family moved to Victoria, B. C., in 1886, where the father became associated with Langley, Henderson & Co., wholesale druggists. The future president received his early education in Victoria; later, he went to Montreal, where he was employed for a time with the National Drug Company, Ltd. He returned to Victoria and



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joined the staff of the firm of which his father was a partner. Seeking retail pharmacy experience, he served an apprenticeship with Terry and Marrett, of Victoria. Thereafter, he matriculated at the Ontario College of Pharmacy and was graduated in 1906.

In 1908, Mr. Henderson entered business on his own account in Vancouver and has developed one of the largest independent retail pharmacies of the west. He is the youngest president the Canadian Pharmaceutical Association has had and is an enthusiast for the betterment of pharmacy in Canada, both professionally and commercially.

Frederick B. Kilmer has donated to the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION a bound volume of the *Journal des Scavans*, for the year 1678. An article, by the donor, referring to this volume is printed in the JOURNAL,

A. PH. A., for June 1930, entitled "The Birth of the Scientific Journal."

Miss Lucia E. Lyon, daughter of the late Dr. A. B. Lyon, member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and worker on several revisions of the U. S. Pharmacopœia, has donated the following books from the library of her father: Dr. Duncan's edition of the Edinburgh New Dispensatory (1804), American Edition. London Pharmacopœia, published in 1746, with a preface stating that it is a memorial of Dr. Henry Plumptre. American Medical Botany with colored engravings. By Jacob Bigelow, M.D. Published at Boston in three volumes—Volume I, published in 1817; volume II, in 1818; volume III, in 1820. The Family Flora and Botanical Materia Medica illustrated by colored engravings, Peter P. Good, and published at Cambridge, Mass., in two volumes, 1854.

Elmer Wirth, assistant professor at the University of Illinois, is spending a year working in the laboratory of our *honorary member*, Professor Van Itallie, of the University of Leyden. Professor Wirth is well pleased and writes interestingly of the University city and of the other Holland universities. Recently, he had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Casparis, editor of the *Swiss Apotheker Zeitung*, who stopped over for a visit with Dr. Van Itallie. The latter is a former president of the International Pharmaceutical Federation.

Professor Wirth's work is largely phytochemical. He has isolated two alkaloids which heretofore have not been studied, and he will spend the greater part of the year investigating them.

Mrs. Wirth and daughter, Marilyn, are enjoying their stay in Holland, and the family of three are beginning to master the Dutch language.

Dean Willis G. Gregory has analyzed the attendance of delegates at the recent Pharmacopœial Convention. He states that a study of the list of delegates in attendance shows that two have attended the last five consecutive conventions, they are Willis G. Gregory and Julius A. Koch. The following have attended four of the last conventions: Wm. C. Anderson, James H. Beal, P. E. Hommell, E. V. Howell, L. F. Kebler, Edward Kremers, A. P. Lohness, Henry H. Rusby, Charles Whittlesey.

Nicholas S. Gesoalde, president of the New York State Pharmaceutical Association, will be entertained at a dinner on November 26th, at

Hotel McAlpin, by the Italian Pharmaceutical Association of New York City.

The Alexandria (Va.) Gazette, of October 15th gave an extended account of the Pharmacy Week window of Walter S. Nicklin, in which he outlined the history of pharmacy and its development, showing the earlier and later periods by pictures, and the *materia medica* of the periods. We thank Mr. Nicklin for photos of the window.

President L. S. Williams, of Maryland Pharmaceutical Association, has aided greatly in bringing back the show globes into pharmacies. He exemplified this interest in his Pharmacy Week window, the display included several old mortars and pharmaceutical apparatus; a "chemical garden" also attracted the attention of the passers-by. The window carried the message of pharmacy and expressed the professional viewpoint of Mr. Williams. We are indebted to him for a good photo of the display.

Secretary Arthur Lee Phelps, Arizona, in the *Monthly Bulletin*, seeks to find clerks for pharmacies in Arizona and locate pharmacists seeking positions. The October *Bulletin* carries the address of President Christensen to the Arizona Pharmaceutical Association.

Rudy Vallee is the son of Charles H. Vallee, former Westbrook, Me., pharmacist. "The Connecticut Crooner" worked in his father's store during his earlier years.

The Druggist is doing good work in its endeavor to bring about coordinated efforts of state and national bodies. We quote: "The necessity of close cooperation with the national association cannot be stressed too much. The state organizations are making wonderful progress, as it is—but the added influence and impetus that the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION can give to plans and projects is unlimited. The allegiance of the individual druggist is to his state association, but he must see to it that this organization works in conjunction with the national. As Dr. Bliss put it. 'It is not cooperation, but working as a unit that brings success.'"

The *Bulletin*, issued by Secretary Walter D. Adams of Texas Pharmaceutical Association, reports the meeting of the Executive Committee in which it is stated that Dallas has been chosen for next year's meeting, date June 15th-18th. Reports were made on the *Texas Druggist*, the Drug Show of the Houston Convention, on Druggists' Group Life Insurance, and scholarship loans by the

Association to students in colleges of pharmacy.

J. B. Frith, of the Dickens Pharmacy, Rochester, England, is owner of a desk used by the novelist, in the preparation of some of his copy, in this apothecary shop.

Arthur D. Little has been selected to receive the Perkins Medal for 1931. The award is made by a committee representing five leading chemical societies and their basis of the selection is a lifetime of chemical achievement.

November 1st, Hoffmann-LaRoche, celebrated the 25th anniversary of its establishment in the United States, with a reception and luncheon at its new plant in Nutley, N. J. Dr. Emil Barrel, president of the company, came over from the European home office of Hoffmann-LaRoche in Basle, Switzerland, to attend the celebration and assist Elmer H. Bobst, general manager and treasurer, in greeting executives of the company on the completion of the first quarter century of its business career in the United States.

AN APPRECIATION OF WILLIAM ARTHUR FROST.

Dean Frederick J. Wulling has favored the *JOURNAL* with an appreciation, which was adopted and spread upon the minutes of the College of Pharmacy of the University of Minnesota, September 29th. We are taking the liberty of quoting the last two paragraphs of this beautiful tribute and expression of esteem: "The faculty regards the loss of Mr. Frost as irreparable. He did a noble work in the interests of pharmaceutical education and therefore in the interest of pharmacy at large. He did this work when it was most needed, and the College and pharmaceutical education in general freely acknowledge their indebtedness to him. His very life and work are interwoven in the fabric of Minnesota pharmacy. He will go down in Minnesota pharmaceutical history as one of the most helpful workers for everything good for pharmacy.

"The faculty spreads this appreciation upon its minutes in grateful memory of one of its co-workers in the field of educational pharmacy. In the roster of Minnesota pharmacy, the name of William Arthur Frost is among the fathers of professional pharmacy in Minnesota and the Northwest, a fact which carries enduring honor."
