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A CORRECTION.

The Editor is advised by Prof. W. A. Puckner that the article "Prescription Fakes and Health and Beauty Talks," published in the May issue (p. 619), which was reprinted from the *Kansas State Board of Health Bulletin*, and credited to that publication, first appeared in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*. The Editor hereby tenders his apologies for the error in giving credit.



M. I. WILBERT RESUMES WORK.

Mr. M. I. Wilbert, Assistant Pharmacologist in the U. S. Public Health Service, who has been seriously ill for some weeks, has recovered sufficiently to resume work at his desk in the Hygienic Laboratory, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Wilbert is one of the most indefatigable, as well as one of the most careful and conscientious workers in American Pharmacy, and the members of the A. Ph. A. will be universally pleased to learn of his restoration to normal health.



A. PH. A. MEMBERSHIP PRIZES.

The following college prizes, consisting of nominations to membership in the A. Ph. A. and payment of the first year's dues, have been reported to the General Secretary. The latter will be pleased to receive notification of any other awards made this year:

St. Louis College of Pharmacy:

To Clarence Earl Armstrong, of West Plains, Mo.

Brooklyn College of Pharmacy:

To Israel Schwartz, of the Post-Graduate Class, and Joseph Caruso, of the Senior Class.

Philadelphia College of Pharmacy:

To Cyrus T. Gilbert, for the best term average in Theoretical Pharmacy during his Senior year.



**SERGEANTS OF THE HOSPITAL
CORPS BANQUET.**

The mobilization of troops of the Second Division at Galveston and Texas City, and the presence in the harbor of four United States transports, has been the occasion of several unusual gatherings among officers and enlisted men. Another of these "get-to-

gether" affairs occurred Saturday evening, May 18 at the Elite cafe when twenty-seven first-class sergeants of the hospital corps were present at a stag dinner. It is said that this is the largest number of first-class hospital corps sergeants that have ever gotten together; fifteen were assembled at San Antonio in 1911 and ten or twelve three or four years ago in the West. There are but 300



H. W. RIESS, Sgt. 1st Cl., H. C., U. S. A.

sergeants of this rank in the United States Army and they are scattered throughout this country and island possessions.

Those attending the dinner were:

From Second Division—H. W. Riess, C. S. O., Second Division, Texas City; Y. L. Bowers, Sixth Cavalry, Texas City; W. E. Crampton, Fourth Field Artillery, Texas City; E. M. Pennypacker, Second Battalion Engineers, Texas City; H. Killikelly, ambulance company, Texas City; O. V. Everett, ambulance company, Texas City; H. Aicklen, field hospital, Texas City; A. Bednarski, field hospital, Texas City; E. Burke, field hospital, Texas City; B. Hardenbrook, field hospital, Texas City; C. S. Elliot, Twenty-third Infantry, Texas City; W. E. Whelan, Twenty-sixth Infantry, Texas City; P. O'Brien, Twenty-seventh Infantry, Texas City; F. O. Nicodemus, Fourth Infantry, Galveston; C. A. Aldridge, Fourth Infantry,

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From Base and Port of Embarkation—Holland, Medical Supply Depot, Galveston.

From Transports—M. Kelly, Kilpatrick; M. Weinberg, Meade; I. Hopkins, McClellan; A. F. Hare, Sumner.



CHICAGO BRANCH ANNI- VERSARY.

On the occasion of its seventh anniversary the Chicago Branch issued a very attractive prospectus in the form of a four-page folder, the matter of which, though not the style of typography, is represented below. The example is one which might be followed with profit by other A. Ph. A. Branches:

"Pharmacia vera Prevalebit." The American Pharmaceutical Association, Chicago Branch; organized February 13, 1906. Our Seventh Anniversary.

The Chicago Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association is seven years old, though these seven years do not represent the age of infancy, for the Branch sprung into being a well-developed organization.

Under the leadership of pharmacists of such fame as Hallberg, Oldberg, Eliel and Ebert, the Branch was organized February 13, 1906, with a membership of 56. Within one year the membership had trebled, and during the seven years 250 names have been added to the roll.

Since its inception 60 years ago, the American Pharmaceutical Association has held as its object the advancement of the science and art of pharmacy and the improvement of pharmaceutical practice. The Chicago Branch has consistently endeavored to uphold this declaration of the parent association, as the record of these seven years fully proves.

Among the important principles discussed and advocated by the Branch, or the move-

ments successfully undertaken by it, may be enumerated the following:

1—The Advancement of Pharmaceutical education by:

(a) Higher preliminary educational requirement of candidates for examination by the Illinois Board of Pharmacy.

(b) Inclusion of time spent in schools of pharmacy in the practical experience required of registrants.

(c) Graduation from a school of pharmacy as a prerequisite before registration.

2—Better Relations Between Physicians and Pharmacists:

A declaration on the prescription which originated in the Branch, was revised by a joint committee from the American Medical Association and the Branch, and was adopted by these and other medical and pharmaceutical associations of Chicago, as follows:

"First. The prescription is an utterance of the prescriber, who alone should direct and control its employment. It should, whenever practicable, carry the name of the patient, the patient's age in years, if a minor, and the date when the prescription was written."

"Second. The pharmacist who prepares the medicine should retain the prescription as a record for a certain limited period, not less than five years, for the protection of the prescriber, himself and the patient." (This principle has since been incorporated into the Illinois Pharmacy Law.)

"Third. The medicine prescribed should be supplied not more than once on the same prescription: (1) if ordered by the prescriber 'not to be repeated' (non-repetitur); (2) if containing medicinal substances commonly called narcotic or habit-forming drugs; (3) if called for by some person known not to be the original holder."

"Fourth. A copy of the prescription may be supplied and should be written on a special blank, containing a declaration that it is a copy of a prescription which has been delivered to the original holder, and is not to be refilled except on order of the prescriber, and that the copy is made without recourse to possible error."

The propaganda for the prescribing by physicians of U. S. P. and N. F. preparations, and the crusade against the use of nostrums in prescriptions, were materially advanced by the Branch. The Physicians' Manual of the U. S. P. and N. F. was compiled by Prof. C. S. N. Hallberg and published and distributed by the A. M. A. An exhibit of some 200 U. S. P. and N. F. preparations was prepared by members of

the Branch and displayed at the 1908 national convention of the A. M. A. The dispensing physician and prescribing pharmacist evils have received extensive discussion, with the presentation of several suggestions for their cure.

3—The Revision of the National Standards in Pharmacy:

The U. S. P. IX and N. F. IV have received much attention, many meetings having been devoted to the discussion of changes in formulae and the introduction of new remedies in these standards. The history of, pharmacopoeial revision and of the national formulary, as well as the progress of the present revision of each, has been presented. Among the members of the Branch who are members of one or the other revision committees are: Dr. W. A. Puckner, Professor A. H. Clark, Wilhelm Bodemann, Professor H. M. Gordin, Prof. C. M. Snow. Mr. F. W. Meissner, a member of the Branch, is a member of the board of trustees of the Pharmacopoeia.

4—Laws Affecting Pharmacy:

Much attention has been given by the Branch to proposed new laws, both national and state, relating to pharmacy, and particularly to obtaining desirable amendments to the Illinois Pharmacy Law. Such amendments relating to more advanced requirements for registration, to more complete suppression of the narcotic drug evil and to pure and standard drugs have been strongly advocated by the Branch.

5—Pharmaceutical Practice:

The Committee on Pharmaceutical Practice has been very active, and a number of profitable meetings have been devoted to New Formulas, New Remedies, Improvement of Old Formulas, Working Methods, etc.

6—The Drug Business:

Various phases of the commercial side of pharmacy have been ably discussed by representative men before the Branch. Among such topics may be mentioned "Early and Sunday Closing," "Profitable Side Lines," "Why Some Druggists Don't Make More Money," "The Building-Up of a Drug Business."

Finally, the social side has not been neglected. Several pleasant entertainments have been presented, and the warm handshake and social converse are a feature at

each meeting. A number of ladies are constant attendants at the meetings, and "ladies' nights" are frequent. From time to time men of note have addressed the Branch on subjects of great pharmaceutical or popular interest, among whom may be mentioned Prof. Henry H. Rusby, Dr. Jenkin Lloyd Jones, Prof. John Uri Lloyd, Dr. James H. Beal, Dr. George Simmons, Dr. Andrew Winton, Dr. Lyman F. Kebler, Mr. Harry B. Mason.

This record of good achievement back of us, our present strong membership and the well-laid plans for further work promise not only that the future meetings and activities of the Branch will be very interesting, but also of great practical value to those interested in pharmacy.

All persons who desire to promote the progress of pharmacy and who reside in or adjacent to Chicago are urged to unite with us. This includes especially retail pharmacists, wholesale and manufacturing pharmacists, pharmaceutical teachers, editors and writers, food and drug law officials, etc. Membership in the Branch involves no obligation further than membership in the parent association.

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