

Progress was reported in simplification of glass containers, enactment of state narcotic laws; greater efforts in securing endowments for pharmaceutical research was urged.

"The conference reaffirmed its approval of the principle of the bills designed to legalize price-maintenance contracts. The position of the Conference with respect to improvement in the status of pharmacists in the army was also reaffirmed. H. C. Christensen presented a detailed report of the pharmaceutical exhibit at the Chicago 'Century of Progress' exposition. The Conference thanked Mr. Christensen and gave approval to his suggestion that an effort be made to have a similar exhibit at the repeated fair next year. The value of the exhibit in respect to public relations was attested by several members."

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

*President*, Carson P. Frailey, Washington, American Drug Manufacturers' Association.

*Vice-President*, A. C. Taylor, Washington,

National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.

*Secretary-Treasurer*, E. F. Kelly, Washington, AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

*Councilor in the Chamber of Commerce of the United States*, S. L. Hilton, Washington.

*Members of the Executive Committee*: W. B. Philip, National Association of Retail Druggists; W. L. Crouse, National Wholesale Druggists' Association; Harry Noonan, American Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Association; J. G. Beard, American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy; P. I. Heuisler, Proprietary Association; R. E. Lee Williamson, Federal Wholesale Druggists' Association.

E. L. Newcomb says—"there never was a time when there was a greater need for pharmacists to emphasize their professional service. If they do not do this effectively, they are sure to be engulfed in the commercial maelstrom which has completely disrupted every normal activity in this country. Pharmacy has got to fight for its preservation."

## OBITUARY.

### JOSEPH W. ENGLAND.

Joseph Winters England, member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION since



JOSEPH W. ENGLAND.

1893, died in Atlantic City, December 2nd, aged 72 years. He was born in Philadelphia,

a son of Robert and Louisa R. England. His paternal forebears were of Swedish descent, settling at Swedesboro, N. J., in 1682; his mother's ancestors were Huguenots from Alsace, France, who settled among the Pennsylvania Germans in Lancaster County, in 1728. His father was a well and favorably known pharmacist of Philadelphia.

Joseph W. England was educated in the Philadelphia public schools and learned the retail drug business in his father's pharmacy. He graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy in 1883, winning the Henry C. Lea prize for the most meritorious thesis (on *Myrtus Cheken*) of his class. He studied medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and, in 1886, was elected Chief Druggist of the Philadelphia Hospital (Department of Charities and Correction).

In 1900, he became head of the pharmaceutical department of H. K. Mulford Company; in 1902, he resigned to accept the position as consulting pharmacist to Smith, Kline and French Company, and served as director of its Research Laboratory until his demise.

He was widely known for his researches, which covered a broad field in pharmacy and contributed many original articles to pharmaceutical organizations and publications; he was editor of the historical volume of 728 pages.

—"First Century of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy." From 1891 to 1901, he was editor of the *Alumni Report*, and served as member of the publication committee of the *American Journal of Pharmacy* from 1893 until his death.

Mr. England, soon after graduation, took an active and continued interest in the affairs of his *Alma Mater*. He served as curator of the Museum from 1887 to 1920, was member of the board of trustees from 1892, and chairman of the board during the later years of his life; he was secretary of the Alumni Association from 1904, having served as president in 1891-1892.

In 1926 he was honored with the presidency of Pennsylvania Pharmaceutical Association. In 1910, he was elected to the Committee of Revision of the United States Pharmacopœia and served on three sub-committees. From 1912-1933, he was secretary of the Philadelphia Drug Exchange.

In 1901, Mr. England was elected secretary of the Section on Scientific Papers, A. PH. A.; in 1905, secretary of the Section on Education and Legislation and in 1907, its chairman. From 1909-1920, he was secretary of the Council; served as acting-editor of the *Bulletin*, 1910-1911, and was active in establishing the JOURNAL OF THE A. PH. A., chairman of the committee on publications until 1920; he served on the Committee of Revision of the National Formulary for many years. He took an active part in the organization of the Philadelphia Branch, A. PH. A., and served as its president in 1921-1922. In 1903, his *Alma Mater* conferred on him the degree of Master in Pharmacy; in 1904, he was elected member of the American Medical Association.

The deceased gave many years of faithful and diligent service to the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and to the advancement of American pharmacy.

His wife, Mrs. Ella Virginia England, and a daughter, Elizabeth Russell England, survive. The obsequies, on December 5th, were largely attended by members of the pharmaceutical and medical professions and of the drug-trade activities.

#### JOSEPH L. MAYER.

Joseph L. Mayer, chief chemist of the Louis K. Liggett Co. for more than 20 years, and head of the Chemistry Department of the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy, died suddenly December 1st, of a heart attack, at the age of fifty-eight.

Professor Mayer began work as a pharmacist as a drug clerk, and was later chief chemist for the Hegeman Co. and the Riker-Hegeman Co. For thirty-five years he was connected with the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy, as instructor and professor of analytical chemistry. Doctor Mayer was the author of many scientific articles, and had served as a member of the board of examiners of the New York Health Department. He was a member of the American Chemical Society and of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, since 1905.

#### JAMES A. YATES.

James Anderson Yates, head of the Department of Chemistry and Physics of the Kansas State Teachers College, Pittsburg, Kans., died November 12, 1933. Doctor Yates was born in Laurel County, Ky., on October 24, 1865. He was in charge of science work at Ottawa University, Ottawa, Kans., from 1897 to 1907, when he took charge of a similar department at Pittsburg, and continued there until the time of his death. He received the degrees of B.S., M.S. and Ph.D., from the University of Kentucky.

Doctor Yates had been a member of the American Chemical Society and of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, since 1923.

#### ROBERT SIMPSON.

We are advised of the death of Robert Simpson, pharmacist, at 201 North 36th St., Philadelphia, where he located soon after his graduation from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, in 1883. He had been a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, since 1913.

Moses Kahn, for more than forty years engaged in the retail drug business and one of the most prominent members of the profession in Baltimore, died November 26th at his home in the Esplanade Apartments, of heart trouble. He was seventy-four years old and retired about four years ago, at which time his place at Liberty and Lexington streets was taken over by the Read Drug and Chemical Company. Mr. Kahn was a member of the Maryland Pharmaceutical Association and of the Baltimore Veteran Druggists' Association, and aided in the promulgation of all movements designed to advance the interests as well as raise the ethics of the profession. His wife and a son survive.