

SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

PAN-AMERICAN MEDICAL CONGRESS.

The fourth meeting of the Pan-American Medical Congress is in session in Dallas. **Prof. Theodore J. Bradley** has been designated a delegate and will participate as *Chairman* of the Pharmacopœial Section (English-speaking members).

Congress has authorized President Roosevelt to extend a welcome to the visitors attending the Congress.

MADISON, THE A. PH A. CONVENTION CITY.

Secretary E. F. Kelly, of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, and President Elect Robert L. Swain were visitors in Madison, February 17th; both were on the program of the Iowa Association and came from there to Madison. Secretary Kelly spent the day in going over the ground in Madison and talking with local committee chairmen at an evening dinner and meeting. Nearly all the members of the convention committee as well as chairmen of the various sub-committees were present.

Because of its unique situation, surrounded by four lakes, the University, and the State Capital, Madison has much to show its visitors. Many people will be interested in visiting the state, which is famous as a summer resort. The Century of Progress in Chicago will attract visitors to this section of the country.

FIRST CALL OF THE SECTION ON PRACTICAL PHARMACY AND DISPENSING FOR THE 1933 MEETING.

The officers of the Section on Practical Pharmacy and Dispensing are desirous of reaching all persons interested in the work of the section and extending to them an invitation to contribute papers for the 81st Annual Meeting to be held at Madison, Wisconsin.

The splendid program of last year was made possible by the wonderful coöperation of all interested. It is hoped to make this next series of sessions even more profitable; to this end, all titles and subjects should be forwarded to the *Secretary* as soon as possible.

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NEW JERSEY BOARD.

Governor A. Harry Moore awarded certificates of registration to forty-six pharmacists at the State House, Trenton, N. J., January 31st. An address was delivered by Dr. Robert L. Swain, deputy food and drug commissioner, and secretary of the board of pharmacy of Maryland, and president-elect of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. He stressed professional pharmacy and said that pharmacists were convinced that placing a commercial emphasis on the drug store has been a tragic error.

President C. G. McCloskey presided, and Albert J. Smith, W. Scott Taylor, Dean B. Crawford and James J. Bauman, members of the Board, took part in the exercises. Secretary Robert P. Fischelis spoke of the legal side of pharmacy.

FEDERAL WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS' ASSOCIATION.

The Federal Wholesale Druggists' Association met at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City, March 7th-8th. There was a Conference meeting between active and associate members. President O. J. Cloughly presided and sessions were held by various divisions of the Association. Among those who participated in the various discussions were Percy C. Magnus, Ray Whidden, R. E. Lee Williamson, Jerry McQuade, Herbert R. Mayes, M. M. Sterling, Jack Norton, E. V. Frankel, Samuel L. Antonow, S. B. Penick, W. Z. Krupp, Charles L. Huisking, Turner Currens, J. J. Dreyer. Sales problems entered largely into discussions and also legislative subjects. Unity in action was urged.

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION.

The Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association held a successful meeting. The Scientific Section was presided over by Dean Frederick J. Wulling and carried out an interesting program, which is reported on under Local Branches, page 261. The officers of the Association are: *President*, Charles A. Anderson, Litchfield; *First Vice-President*, Theodore A. Arneson, Montevideo; *Second Vice-President*, Roy G. Paulson, Fairmont; *Third Vice-President*, Barbara Piesinger, Northfield; *Secretary*, Gustav Bachman, Minneapolis;

Treasurer, Charles T. Heller, Jr., St. Paul. **Members of Executive Committee, Chairman**, N. Vere Sanders, Albert Lea; G. A. Thompson, St. Paul; Joseph Vadheim, Tyler; F. W. Moudry, St. Paul.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY OF MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION.

Fifty years ago, in Natchez, the Mississippi State Pharmaceutical Association held its first convention. It was a great honor for Natchez. Now we see a repetition of laurels of the same sort for the Bluff City. The Mississippi Drug Travelers, an auxiliary organization of the M. S. P. A., and only two years old, gave its first program here February 1st, in the interest of the retail drug clerks. *Secretary-Treasurer*, B. B. Key, Jackson.

BALTIMORE RETAIL DRUGGISTS' ASSOCIATION.

The Baltimore Retail Druggists' Association has elected the following officers for 1933: *President*, Aquilla Jackson; *Vice-Presidents*, W. G. Lauer, Ernest Wolf, Simon Solomon and George Grau; *Secretary*, M. Strasburger; *Treasurer*, P. J. Boenning.

Samuel Y. Harris, the retiring president, and his fellow officers were tendered a vote of thanks for the excellence of their work during the past year. President Jackson was born in Baltimore on February 16, 1896, and received his early education in the public schools of the city; later, he attended Deichman's Preparatory school and the Baltimore City college. He graduated from the School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland, in 1918. Mr. Jackson is the manager of Morgan and Millard's pharmacy.

The annual banquet of the Association on March 16th was presided over by President Jackson. Among the speakers of the delightful occasion were: Dean A. G. DuMez; *President-Elect* of the A. Ph. A., Robert L. Swain; President L. M. Kantner, of the State Association; Dr. Robert H. Riley, of the State Department of Health. Lawrence S. Williams, well known for his large collection of show globes, was presented with the State cup for his Pharmacy Week window display.

TESTIMONIAL DINNER TO DR. CHARLES W. BALLARD.

The Alumni Association of the New York College of Pharmacy tendered a dinner to Dr. Charles W. Ballard on March 9th, in recog-

nition of his completion of a quarter of a century of meritorious service to the college. The splendid affair took place at the Level Club under direction of Chairman Lewis N. Brown and a representative committee of various pharmaceutical and drug-trade organizations.

In addition to his service to pharmacy, Professor Ballard has been active in New York City public health work as it pertains to the safe-guarding of the purity of foods and drugs. He is secretary of the Section on Education and Legislation of the A. Ph. A.

Dr. Ballard is Professor of Materia Medica in the College of Pharmacy, Columbia University, succeeding Dr. H. H. Rusby who is now *Professor emeritus*.

IOWA PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

Iowa Pharmaceutical Association held a successful annual meeting, largely attended. Secretary E. F. Kelly of the A. Ph. A. and President-Elect Robert L. Swain were speakers of the occasion. The address of the former stressed professional pharmacy so that pharmacies may be significant of the profession. He spoke of the accomplishments of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and its present activities in promoting the service of pharmacy. He acquainted the members with the progress being made in the headquarters building, its aims and purposes. The President-Elect discussed legal phases and the importance of supporting and furthering the standards of professional pharmacy, so that its place as a public health service may be fully understood by the public.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year: *President*, Olin E. Hill, Clinton; *First Vice-President*, Otto Bjornstad, Spencer; *Second Vice-President*, L. R. Henderson, Muscatine; *Third Vice-President*, L. R. Sidmore, Manson; *Treasurer*, J. M. Lindly, Winfield.

Iowa Past Presidents' Club was presided over by President John Heerema. Resolutions in memory of the late Secretary Al Falkenheimer were drafted. J. W. Stocum was elected secretary of the club. Twelve former secretaries were present, E. L. Beazley is president for this year.

NORTHWESTERN PHARMACEUTICAL BUREAU.

The officers of the Northwestern Pharmaceutical Bureau are: *President*, John P. Jelinek, St. Paul; *Vice-President*, Joseph Vadheim,

Tyler, Minn.; P. H. Costello, Cooperstown, N. Dak.; Otto J. Tommeraason, Madison, S. Dak.; *Secretary*, Rowland Jones, Jr., Gettysburg, S. Dak.; *Treasurer*, R. M. Gibson, Des Moines. *Executive Committee: Chairman*, N. Vere Sanders, Albert Lea, Minn.; Paul J. Jepson, Newton, Ia.; John Veenker, Northwood, Ia.; Edward Seiberlich, St. Paul. The Bureau organized twelve years ago to promote the interests of the drug trade in the Northwest, was co-sponsor of the Drug Show along with the Iowa Pharmaceutical Association and the Polk County Druggists' Association and was, as in past years, very successful.

AMERICAN DRUGGISTS' FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY MEETING.

The annual meeting of the American Druggists' Fire Insurance Company was held

February 14th and 15th; the report rendered presented most satisfactory results. H. M. Lerou of Norwich, Conn., and John H. Weisel, of Monroe, Mich., were elected to fill vacancies. Other directors were reelected, they are: Charles H. Avery, James H. Beal, William C. Anderson, G. O. Young, J. S. Rutledge, Walter Rothwell, Frank H. Freericks, Edward Stucky, E. H. Thiesing, Edward Voss, Jr., Samuel C. Davis, M. S. Kahn, E. B. Heimstreet; the first seven constitute the Executive Committee. The officers of the Company are: *President*, Charles H. Avery; *Vice-President*, James H. Beal; *Secretary and General Manager*, Frank H. Freericks; *Treasurer*, Walter Rothwell; *Assistant Secretary*, W. P. Starkey; *Assistant Treasurer*, E. H. Thiesing. The annual dinner was an enjoyable affair.

OBITUARY.

ROBERT MCNEIL.

Robert McNeil, founder of the pharmaceutical manufacturing business bearing his name and widely known throughout the industry, died unexpectedly of a heart attack February 12th, at his home in Germantown, Philadelphia. He was seventy-seven years old and had been apparently in good health until Sunday when he was informed of the death of Dr. Alfred S. Burdick, head of the Abbott Laboratories, Chicago, who was an old friend and fellow-worker in the industry. About one hour after hearing of Dr. Burdick's death, Mr. McNeil was stricken and died within a few minutes.

Mr. McNeil graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science in 1876, and, in 1879, founded the pharmaceutical manufacturing business which of recent years has been conducted by his son, Robert Lincoln McNeil. He was a director of the Kensington Board of Trade and the Kensington Bank and Trust Company, both of Philadelphia.

Referring to Mr. McNeil, Charles Wesley Dunn, general counsel of the American Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Association, with which Mr. McNeil had long been associated, issued a statement to the membership in which he said that Mr. McNeil was a man of lovable personality and a manufacturer of the highest ideals. Mr. McNeil had been a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION for more than 25 years.

Funeral services were held February 16th, at the home of his son, Robert Lincoln McNeil, in Germantown. The relationship of father and son was enhanced, if possible, by the attachment of one for the other. His survivors include his wife and son and the latter's two boys, to whom sympathy is expressed. Most of the foregoing data have been taken from the *Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter*.

DR. MARTIN L. PORTER.

In the passing of Dr. M. L. Porter of Danforth, the Maine Pharmaceutical Association and the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION sustained a great loss. He possessed the unique record of having attended every annual meeting of the former association during the past forty years; served as its secretary twenty-seven consecutive years, was then elected president; thereafter he became treasurer of the Association. His circle of acquaintance among members of the drug trade of Maine was probably broader than that of any other man, and his good fellowship and genial cordiality endeared him to all. The deceased was born in Dixmont, Maine, 74 years ago; after his preliminary education he took up the study of medicine and graduated from the University of Vermont, in 1880, and entered practice in Danforth. He passed the examination as registered pharmacist in 1891, and since then conducted the Danforth Drug Store.

Dr. Porter was much interested in civic