

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BOARDS OF PHARMACY

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SYNOPSIS OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONVEN- TION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION BOARDS OF PHARMACY HELD IN PORTLAND, OREGON, AUGUST 5-6, 1935

The thirty-second annual meeting of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy made an exceptionally good attendance record for the first meeting to be held in the Pacific Northwest—32 states were represented by 59 delegates, with 7 honorary members (former board members) in attendance.

President Charles Hall Evans (Georgia) appointed the following Credentials Committee: E. E. Magee (Oregon) *Chairman*; A. L. I. Winne (Virginia); John K. Clemmer (Florida).

The following delegates responded to Roll Call:

Alabama, L. C. Lewis	Nevada, R. W. Fleming; E. B. Loring; H. M. Skeels
Colorado, Arthur D. Baker; Wm. J. Bishop	New Hampshire, P. J. Callaghan; George A. Moulton
Connecticut, Edward J. Murphy; Hugh P. Bierne; George Blackall; Charles Gustafson; Wm. J. Dunphy	New Jersey, R. P. Fischelis
District of Columbia, C. J. Fuhrmann or Samuel L. Hilton (proxies)	New York, F. C. A. Schaefer; Hugo Schaefer
Florida, W. M. Hankins; John K. Clemmer	North Dakota, P. H. Costello; E. P. Martin
Georgia, Charles Hall Evans	Ohio, M. N. Ford; F. H. King
Idaho, F. L. Christenson	Oklahoma, W. D. Patterson; Ned Milligan
Indiana, Edgar A. O'Harrow	Oregon, E. E. Magee; John F. Allen; M. E. McKee; M. C. Kaegi; Frank C. Berg; Linn E. Jones
Iowa, George W. Gillman; George Judisch	Pennsylvania, L. L. Walton
Kansas, Joe Paradowsky; Mac Childs; Frank Milne; Pat Mulligan; Walter Varnum	Puerto Rico, H. C. Christensen (proxy)
Kentucky, J. W. Gayle	South Dakota, H. J. Schnaidt; E. C. Severin
Maine, Leon H. Marr; Adolphe L. Rivard	Tennessee, Geo. W. Lamar
Maryland, Robert L. Swain	Texas, Roy Phillips
Minnesota, Wm. C. Muesing; Edw. J. Prochaska	Virginia, A. L. I. Winne
Massachusetts, Timothy S. Shea	Washington, Peter H. Brady
	West Virginia, Roy B. Cook
	Wyoming, R. C. Shultz

One hundred per cent attendance from Connecticut, Kansas, Oregon.

Honorary Members: Albert Zimmerman; F. Mortenson; Chas. J. Clayton; W. P. Porterfield; Chas. H. Avery; John Culley; C. T. Gilbert.

John Culley introduced Secretary W. M. Fulton of the California Board of Pharmacy.

Vice-President Shultz assumed the Chair during the reading of the Presidential Address. (See page 673, August JOURNAL, A. PH A.)

The following Committee on President's Address was appointed by Vice-President Shultz: R. W. Fleming (Nevada) *Chairman*; A. D. Baker (Colorado); Ned Milligan (Oklahoma).

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Secretary Christensen reported a cash balance in his accounts of \$2815.27 as of June 30, 1935; also the issuance of 613 reciprocal applications during the fiscal year. The report included a review of the work of the central office in the legislative and examination fields; a study of repeat failures in board examinations; a description of the new administrative set-up in Rhode Island; a complete report of the Nebraska situation where all reciprocity had been temporarily suspended on order of the N. A. B. P. Executive Committee early in June; a suggested plan under which

experience *since* registration can be counted when the applicant is short *prior* time, the details of the plan being submitted in resolution form and were referred to the Resolutions Committee.

Treasurer J. W. Gayle reported funds totaling \$5389.86 in his accounts.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT.

Chairman A. L. I. Winne read the report. The mid-year meeting had again been omitted on account of the expense.

The report included a statement of income and expense from May 1, 1934 to June 30, 1935 (fourteen months), showing a cash increase of \$2339.58, with total cash assets of \$8205.13 as of July 1, 1935. The budget report showed that only \$13,848.14 had been spent of the \$14,400.00 appropriated—a saving of \$551.86.

The question of date of removal of the offices of the Association to the American Institute of Pharmacy in Washington was considered and a motion adopted that the date be left entirely to the discretion of Secretary H. C. Christensen. Certain financing is necessary to cover the cost of removal, refurbishing of the new offices, etc.; also Secretary Christensen is needed in Chicago to superintend the installation of the Pharmacy Exhibit of the World's Fair in the Rosenwald Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago as a part of the new Department of Medical Science which is being planned; therefore a definite date could not be set at this time.

The Executive Committee approved the resumption of reciprocal relations with Nebraska on the basis outlined in a letter received from Dr. P. H. Bartholomew, Acting Director of the Nebraska Department of Health, which provides that the N. A. B. P. preliminary blank is to be mailed out by his Department on all inquiries with a special letter (as per copy submitted by him) explaining the Nebraska situation under the present law, with the understanding that the Nebraska law is to be amended at the next legislative session so that the usual N. A. B. P. procedure can be legally carried out.

A budget totaling \$15,250.00 was adopted by the Executive Committee for the ensuing fiscal year 1935-1936.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The *Advisory Examination Committee* report dealt primarily with statistics that had been collected by the Chairman, H. C. Christensen, on the repeat failure problem. His conclusion, based on this information, was that the problem was not serious enough in pharmacy, on account of the high entrance requirements for the board examinations, to warrant limiting the number of permissible failures to three.

Mac Childs (Kansas) presented a *Legislative Committee* report that covered 47 states—a record in completeness. He expressed himself as being personally opposed to the principle of limiting the sale of barbituric acid derivatives and other hypnotics to physicians' prescriptions, a type of restriction now gaining popularity. He deemed registration of the sale by the pharmacist, with a precaution against misuse, a sufficient public safeguard.

R. L. Swain (Maryland) delivered a most comprehensive report on the *National Legislative* situation, covering in detail the Copeland bill S-5, to amend the Federal Food and Drugs act, a proposed act regulating the practice of pharmacy in the District of Columbia, and several bills with regard to the Medical Department of the U. S. Army which are of interest to pharmacy. A recommendation approving S-5 was included in the report, which was referred to the Resolutions Committee.

Chairman W. M. Hankins (Florida) of the *Grievance Committee* re-iterated the report of previous years—no grievances reported.

Secretary H. C. Christensen in his report as chairman of the *National Certificate Committee* briefly reviewed previous attempts to establish a national certificate and then outlined a plan for future consideration by the boards which he believed workable. Details will be published in the proceedings.

Roy Bird Cook (West Virginia) as Chairman of the *Committee on Pharmaceutical Jurisprudence* had contacted all the boards on the subject of making this a written and compulsory examination subject. The answers revealed that few boards were now giving this as a written subject, that others preferred to keep it as part of the oral quiz, and that many were not in favor of making it compulsory. R. P. Fischelis (New Jersey), a member of the committee, did not agree

with the conclusions of the committee, so his separate statement was read. The report of the committee was accepted, however, and the committee continued.

R. L. Swain (Maryland) reported for the *Committee on Code Matters*, which had had little opportunity to function on account of the unconstitutionality of NRA. In view of the fact that a skeleton organization of NRA is being retained, he recommended that the committee be continued in case something should come up later that requires action.

Unfortunately A. C. Taylor (District of Columbia) chairman of the *Committee on Minimum Standards of Technical Equipment for Pharmacies* was not present at the meeting. He sent in a detailed report, however, covering the two years of activity of the Committee. The report concluded with a recommendation that the N. A. B. P. endorse the establishment of such standards and urge member boards to adopt them. The recommendation was referred to the Resolutions Committee.

As Chairman R. W. Fleming of the *Committee on President's Address* had been called home from the meeting by wire, Arthur D. Baker (Colorado) delivered the report, highly complimenting the president on his splendid address.

DISTRICT REPORTS.

Very interesting reports on the work of the various districts were delivered by Vice-President George Moulton (No. 1), Acting Chairman Mac Childs (No. 6); and Vice-President Shultz of District No. 7 reported that a conference of the Western boards would be held on Wednesday morning, after the close of the N. A. B. P. sessions, at Portland. In the absence of Vice-President Woodside, R. L. Swain reviewed the work of District No. 2.

R. L. Swain as Director of the Department of Education urged continuation of the Department, although no funds were available during the year just completed for that work.

L. C. Lewis (Alabama) delivered a very moving tribute to the memory of Dr. W. E. Bingham, much loved secretary of the Alabama Board and the first honorary president of the N. A. B. P. who had passed on to his reward during the year.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

As none of the standing members of the Resolutions Committee were present at the meeting and only two members of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, President Evans combined these committees and asked L. C. Lewis, R. W. Fleming and R. L. Swain to serve.

The report of the Committee, with the exception of one resolution which was deleted, was accepted. The following are the adopted resolutions:

No. 277: *Resolved*, that in the interest of bringing about closer coöperation between states, every board of pharmacy should be represented at the annual N. A. B. P. convention. Where the state treasury allows no such budget, the state pharmaceutical association should make some provision for sending a board delegate to represent the interests of the pharmacists of that state. Where neither the state treasury nor the pharmaceutical association can assume this expense, some consideration should be given to the willingness of board members personally to make such a sacrifice when the appointment lists are made up, but not overlooking the fact that fitness as an examiner should be the first consideration.

No. 278: *Resolved* by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy that the Federal Food and Drugs Act is not sufficiently broad to afford the public the necessary protection in the matter of foods, drugs, and cosmetics, and that there exist pressing reasons for new legislation on this subject;

Resolved further, that it is the opinion of the N. A. B. P. that the present draft of Senate Bill No. 5 meets the existing situation in a reasonably satisfactory manner and the passage of the bill is urged at this session of Congress.

No. 279: *Resolved*, That all member boards be urged to send copies of all bills introduced in the respective state legislatures which affect pharmacy either favorably or unfavorably to the central office of the N. A. B. P. so that they may be studied as well as being made available to the boards of all states.

Be it further resolved, that all legislation sponsored by boards be submitted for suggestion and criticism so that state legislation bearing upon pharmacy may be made as uniform as possible.

No. 280: *Resolved* by the National Association Boards of Pharmacy that in the interest

of public health, all pharmacies be required to possess the equipment and apparatus necessary to proper compounding of physicians' prescriptions as well as the general practice of pharmacy and that each member board be urged to secure legislation authorizing it to prescribe the minimum for such technical equipment and

Resolved further, that a Committee be continued in the N. A. B. P. to advance the purposes of this resolution and to act as advisors in the matter to the various state boards.

No. 281: Recognizing the necessity for a full understanding of the conditions under which pharmacy is practiced in the various states as furnishing the soundest basis for pharmaceutical legislation as well as giving the strongest support to a program for pharmaceutical betterment, *resolved*, that the National Association Boards of Pharmacy sponsor a study of economic and professional conditions in each state, the study to consist of a questionnaire to be prepared by the central office and to be issued in each state by the respective board of pharmacy for the purpose of establishing reliable data upon the following: (1) the number of drug stores in the state; (2) population of the state; (3) ratio of drug stores to population; (4) volume of drug business; (5) amount of prescription work; (6) the number of new drug stores opened within the year; (7) the number of registered pharmacists; (8) the number of unregistered employees; (9) the number of students of pharmacy in state; (10) ratio of students to the number of existing stores; (11) a statement of those registered by examination over a ten-year period so that trend in registration may become known; (12) defects in existing pharmacy laws and suggestion for their improvement; (13) and all such other data as may be considered helpful;

Resolved further, that the scope of this study may be extended or restricted as the judgment of the President and the Secretary of the N. A. B. P. may dictate;

Resolved further, that the president is authorized to appoint a special committee to carry out this study if he deems it desirable.

The report of the Standing Committee on Resolutions, which had been prepared in advance covering the district resolutions, was then read and received on motion. No action was taken on the individual resolutions therein contained, as none of the committee members were present and few of the district chairmen to lead in the discussion of the matters presented.

PRESENTATION OF PLAQUES.

Chairman J. A. J. Funk (Indiana) of the Committee on Plaques was not present at the meeting, therefore the presentation was made by Mac Childs of Kansas, who originally made the suggestion that the N. A. B. P. present a scroll or plaque to each of the four officers of the Committee on Pharmacy Exhibit (Chicago World's Fair, 1933-1934) to show its appreciation of the work done by these men in bringing the message of pharmacy to the public so effectively.

The recipients were H. C. Christensen, *Chairman*; Julius H. Riemenschneider, *Treasurer*; Frank B. Kirby, *Secretary*; and Dr. A. S. Burdick, *Vice-President* (deceased), presentation to be made to the widow.

AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

As required, a suggested amendment to the Constitution and the By-Laws was read at the first session by Chairman L. C. Lewis, which was later changed in wording by motion at the final session and adopted as follows:

ARTICLE IV, CONSTITUTION.

Section 1A: The officers of the Association shall be an *Honorary President*, a *President*, eight *Vice-Presidents*, a *Secretary* and a *Treasurer*, elected annually and who shall hold office until their successors shall be elected and shall have qualified.

ARTICLE II, BY-LAWS.

Clause (e): He must have passed an examination in at least Pharmacy, Chemistry, Materia Medica, Pharmaceutical and Chemical Mathematics and Practical Work, obtaining not less than 75% on Practical Work and not less than 75% general average, with not less than 60% in any one branch. (Effective June 1936, as previously adopted.)

ELECTION.

A. L. I. Winne (Virginia) reported for the Credentials Committee that the roll and the credentials had been examined and found in satisfactory order.

The Nominating Committee, which consisted of George A. Moulton (N. H.) *Chairman*, Walter Varnum (Kan.), Linn E. Jones (Ore.), R. C. Shultz (Wyo.), and W. M. Hankins (Fla.), delivered the following report for consideration: *Honorary President*, F. H. King, Delphos, Ohio; *President*, Mac Childs, Eldorado, Kan.; *Secretary*, H. C. Christensen, Chicago, Ill.; *Treasurer*, J. W. Gayle, Frankfort, Ky.; *Member Executive Committee*, Chas. Hall Evans, Warrenton, Ga.; *Member Syllabus Committee*, Walter H. Cousins, Dallas, Tex.; *Member Resolutions Committee*, Arthur D. Baker, Denver, Colo. *Vice-Presidents*: District No. 1, George A. Moulton, Peterboro, N. H.; No. 2, John M. Woodside, Philadelphia, Pa.; No. 3, John K. Clemmer, Miami, Fla.; No. 4, Earl Durham, Corunna, Mich.; No. 5, Wm. Muesing, New Ulm, Minn.; No. 6, E. E. Weaver, Ft. Worth, Tex.; No. 7, R. C. Shultz, Worland, Wyo.; No. 8, John F. Allen, Corvallis, Ore. These officers were duly elected by the unanimous ballot of the Association cast by George Judisch (Ia.) who had been particularly selected for the honor, inasmuch as the secretary was a candidate himself.

After installation of officers, the meeting adjourned. (Report of Joint Session with Colleges will be published in annual proceedings; details not yet available.)

ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

AD INTERIM BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, 1935-1936.

Office of the Secretary, 2215 Constitution Ave., Washington, D. C.

LETTER NO. 3.

September 21, 1935.

To the Members of the Council:

20. *Resignation of E. Fullerton Cook as a Nominee for the Presidency.* In addition to the letter addressed to the Secretary on September 14th by Dr. Fischelis, copies of which were sent to members of the Council, a letter has been received from Dr. Army of which copy is attached. (To members of the Council.)

There is also attached copy of a letter addressed to Dr. Fischelis on September 18th, submitting information about the action taken with respect to previous requests from nominees. (To members of the Council.)

Because of the necessity for an early decision if the ballots are to be sent out within the time required by the By Laws, the secretary discussed the situation with Professor Cook over the telephone on September 20th, and Professor Cook repeated the request that the resignation be accepted for the reasons given in his letter.

The chairman of the Council requests that the announcement be made that a vote will be called for on Motion No. 1 on Saturday, September 28, 1935.

21. *Sale and Exchange of Liberty Bonds.* Motion No. 2 (Council Letter No. 2, page 804) has been carried and the Liberty Bonds referred to have been deposited for exchange at par for Treasury Bonds, 2³/₄%, 1945-1947, dated September 15, 1935.

Dr. Fischelis commented as follows in voting: "Yes, as a temporary expedient; effort should be made to find more remunerative investments as soon as possible."

22. *Minutes of the First Meeting of the Council.* Copies of the minutes of the First and Second meetings of the Council at Portland are being sent under separate cover.

(*Motion No. 3*) *It is moved by Eberle that the minutes as given in Council Letter No. 1 be approved.*

23. *Report of Committee on Resolutions.* A reprint of this report as it appears in the August issue of the JOURNAL, is being sent under separate cover for the convenience of the members of the Council.

Attention is directed to those recommendations and resolutions which were referred to the Council for consideration or action. These will be referred to in later Council Letters.

24. *Applicants for Membership.* The following applications properly endorsed and accompanied by the first year's dues have been received: