

LOCAL BRANCHES

BALTIMORE.

The November meeting, Baltimore Branch, A. PH. A., was held on Thursday evening, November 18th, School of Pharmacy Building, University of Maryland, at 8:15 P.M., and was well attended.

Dr. W. H. Hartung, who recently joined the staff of teachers at the University of Maryland, was guest speaker, his subject being, "Value of Research in Pharmacy." He was given a hearty welcome as a member of the Branch.

At the conclusion of the meeting refreshments were served.

ROBERT S. FUQUA, *Secretary.*

NEW YORK.

The regular meeting of the New York Branch, A. PH. A., was held Monday evening, October 11th, at Columbia University College of Pharmacy. President F. C. A. Schaefer presided, and about 100 members and guests were present.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved; the Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$364.51.

Letters were read from Dr. H. C. Christensen, secretary of the N. A. B. P., Dr. Robert L. Swain and Dr. George D. Beal, making favorable comment on and thanking the Branch for various features of the past convention.

On motion of Dr. Schaefer a committee on Queries was appointed with Dr. R. P. Fischlis as chairman, and the letters were referred to him.

On motion of Dr. H. Schaefer, seconded by Dr. Wimmer, a committee consisting of Drs. Canis, Schaefer and Piccoli was appointed to draft resolutions on the death of Dr. Jacob Diner.

Dr. Herman Sharlit, Dr. Frederick Williams and Dr. Anton Hogstad addressed the members. After considerable discussion, a rising vote of thanks was accorded the speakers and the meeting adjourned.

HORACE T. F. GIVENS, *Secretary.*

NOVEMBER.

The November meeting of the New York Branch was held on Monday, the 8th, at Columbia University, College of Pharmacy. About 130 members and guests were present, President Schaefer presiding. The minutes of the October meeting were read. The minutes of the special meeting held October 25th, on the occasion of presenting the 1937 Remington Medal to Dr. J. Leon Lascoff, were approved. The report of the Committee in charge of the Lascoff Dinner was received and the Committee discharged, with thanks.

Resolutions on the death of Dr. Jacob Diner were read and ordered spread on the minutes and a copy sent to Mrs. Diner.

Mr. Joseph Kalish spoke on "Emulsions;" a paper by Robert A. Kramer on "Modern Emulsifiers," was read by Mr. Elmer B. Tisdale; and Mr. Francis Chilson spoke on "Emulsification Equipment." A rising vote of thanks was accorded the speakers, after which the meeting adjourned.

HORACE T. F. GIVENS, *Secretary.*

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY.

The first meeting of the year, 1937-1938, of the Branch, was held at the Rutgers University College of Pharmacy, Monday, November 15th.

Mr. William L. Sampson, of Merck & Co., gave an informal discussion of "Sulfanilamide." He reviewed the history, chemistry, uses, posology and pharmacology of this chemical and of closely allied chemicals. Emphasis was placed on the fact that a derangement of kidney function retards the elimination of the sulfanilamide and that since diethylene glycol impairs the action of the kidneys, there is grave danger in the use of these two chemicals together. The fact that several deaths have recently been reported as having been caused by such a combination emphasizes the necessity for more careful control over new preparations before placing them on the market.

C. L. Cox, *Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA.

The November meeting of the Philadelphia Branch, A. P. H. A., was held Tuesday evening, November 9th, at Temple University. Minutes of the October meeting were read.

Two new members were received.

Mr. Ambrose Hunsberger, chairman of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws, read a report of the proposed changes.

President Kendig asked the members to rise for a moment in tribute to Dr. Henry K. Mulford, who for many years was active in the affairs of the A. P. H. A. and the Philadelphia Branch. It was moved and seconded that a committee be appointed to draw up a suitable expression of regret on the demise of Dr. Mulford.

Dr. R. L. Swain spoke on "Recent Fair Trade Legislation and What It Will Mean to the Pharmacist." Discussion followed, led by Dr. R. P. Fischelis. A rising vote of thanks was accorded the speaker.

Mr. Hunsberger moved that the Branch extend an invitation to the N. A. R. D. to meet in Philadelphia in 1938, after which the meeting adjourned.

ARTHUR K. LEBERKNIGHT, *Secretary*.

PITTSBURGH.

The November meeting of the Pittsburgh Branch, A. P. H. A., was held on the 16th, at the Falk Clinic, Mr. Gordon M. Sleight presiding. Committee appointments for the year were announced.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. I. Hope Alexander, Director of Public Health, Pittsburgh, who spoke concisely on "Diphtheria," "Pulmonary Diseases" and the "Social Scourges." Dr. Alexander emphasized the fact that public health problems are an essential part of the pharmacist's program, and invited pharmacists to become interested in the work of his department.

FRANK S. MCGINNIS, *Secretary*.

CITY OF WASHINGTON.

The monthly meeting of the Branch was held on Monday evening, October 18th, at the AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PHARMACY, President Briggs presiding. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Dr. McCloskey, Senior Pharmacologist of the Pure Food and Drug Administration, spoke on "Survey of U. S. P. XI and N. F. VI Biological Assays," pointing out the methods of the different assays of the various drugs and the changes that have been made from the previous revisions.

Mr. K. L. Kelly, Research Associate at the National Bureau of Standards, read a paper on "Color Names for Pharmaceuticals." With the aid of charts and exhibits, Mr. Kelly gave a very comprehensive explanation of the standardization of color names.

Dr. S. L. Hilton, the next speaker, had for his subject, "The Lives of H. E. Kalusowski and M. I. Wilbert." Dr. Hilton, who was a very dear friend of both, brought out the fine characters and achievements of the two gentlemen. During the discussion that followed, various members of the Branch added to the fine remarks of Dr. Hilton.

Dr. Kebler spoke on "The Life of Dr. H. W. Wiley." The former, who worked with Dr. Wiley, gave a very interesting descriptive picture of the character and achievements of the man who was responsible for the enactment of the Pure Food and Drug Act.

Mr. Warren, chairman of the Program Committee, moved that the Branch hold a dinner meeting during the coming year, and the motion was passed. Dr. Briggs stated that he would appoint a committee to make the necessary arrangements.

V. B. NORELLI, *Secretary*.

NOVEMBER.

The monthly meeting of the Branch was held on Monday evening, November 15th, at the AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PHARMACY, Dr. Briggs presiding. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The president introduced Dr. James F. Couch, of the Department of Agriculture, who gave a splendid lecture on the "Native Poisonous Plants." Dr. Couch illustrated his lecture by means of slides.

During the discussion that followed, Mr. V. K. Chestnut, a pioneer in the research of poisonous plants, and author of "The Thirty Original Poisonous Plants," added to the remarks of Dr. Couch.

It was voted that the December meeting be held on the second Monday of the month and the program for the meeting was announced.

Mr. Fuller brought to the attention of the Branch the recent deaths that have occurred in the several states from the use of the so-called Elixir of Sulfanilamide. Means of curbing such preparations from the market were discussed but the Branch took no definite action.

V. B. NORELLI, *Secretary*.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI STUDENT BRANCH.

The first meeting, 1937-1938, was held early in October. Plans for organization were discussed. President Day addressed those present on "The Accomplishments of the Association" and "Why You Should Become a Member."

The next meeting was held on Thursday, October 28th, in the Pharmacy Auditorium. Dean E. L. Hammond was the principal speaker. His topics were, "National Pharmacy Week" and "The 1937 A. Ph. A. and A. A. C. P. Conventions in New York City," following which several students spoke:

Mercer Hayne, "The Advance of Science;" Bless Rusk, "Knockout Drops;" Louis Begin, "Immunization." A Round Table discussion of the three subjects was led by Dean E. L. Hammond.

BLESS RUSK, *Secretary*.

SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

On January 31 to February 2, 1938, inclusive, the University of Minnesota will offer its second Pharmaceutical Institute to be held in the University's Center for Continuation Study. These Institutes offer to registered pharmacists in Minnesota an opportunity to take "refresher" courses and also to avail themselves of information about the most recent advances in the professional field.

The Center for Continuation Study, a new University project, now in its second year, offers the opportunity for post-graduation study. The building of the Center for Continuation Study is especially adapted to this type of education in that it includes luxurious living accommodations, dining facilities, car storage and lecture room.

The monthly meeting and initiation of the Pittsburgh Graduate Chapter of Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity was held November 18th.

Several appointments to the teaching staff of the College of Pharmacy, Columbia University were recently announced by Dean Ballard. These additions are necessitated by the adoption of a program for the Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy, which at the same time, permits full credit being given by Columbia University to the courses taken by the student in the pharmacy school.

The Alumni of Columbia University held its annual dinner on November 10th, and with

but few exceptions there were representatives of the classes from 1876 to 1937. Dean Ballard addressed the members, after which dancing was an enjoyable feature.

The University of Buffalo, School of Pharmacy inaugurated the four-year course at the beginning of the school year, with the usual decline in enrollment, due to increase in requirements.

The Midtown Dental Society of New York City held its first meeting October 21st at Hotel Pennsylvania, with about three hundred members present.

The British Pharmaceutical Society has announced the appointment of Mr. H. Berry, B.Sc., Ph.C., A.I.C., as Dean of the School of Pharmacy, to succeed Professor J. H. Burns who served as Dean since Professor Greenish retired in 1933, and who resigned recently to become Professor of Pharmacology in Oxford University.

Mr. Berry has been Vice-Dean since 1933, when he came to the School from the Birmingham Technical College where he had been head of the Department of Pharmacy since it was established in 1927.

The October issue of the *Alumni Review*, University of Pittsburgh, carries an article on "Education and Pharmacy" by Dean C. Leonard O'Connell of the School of Pharmacy, which is the second in a series of articles by the deans of the University, explaining the broad