

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE LOCAL AND STUDENT BRANCHES

ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE STUDENT BRANCH.—The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. January 10th, by President J. L. Meigs. The roll was called and the minutes read.

It was then proposed that application be made for a charter as a Student Branch of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. A few remarks concerning this proposal were heard from Professors Blake and Hargreaves, followed by a general discussion. It was then definitely decided to apply for a charter, and the proposed constitution of the Student Branch was read and unanimously approved. The following officers of the proposed organization were then elected:

*President*, George S. Hiller; *Vice-President*, Charles R. Barron; *Secretary*, Benjamin J. Eich; *Treasurer*, Wm. P. Swift, Jr.; *Faculty Advisor*, Prof. G. W. Hargreaves.

The newly-elected president assumed the chair, and after a few remarks from the other newly-elected officers, he announced that he would withhold committee appointments until the next meeting. The president extended thanks to the seniors in the School of Pharmacy for their work in preparing the constitution.

The committee previously appointed for organization of the Student Branch was instructed to submit the constitution and write at once for a charter. Professor Blake suggested that a formal installation banquet be held as soon as the charter arrived.

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The first meeting was held on Monday evening, February 13, 1939. The minutes of the previous meeting, covering the organization of the Branch, were read and approved.

President Hiller introduced Mr. C. D. Croxton as a new member. It was decided that Mr. Croxton would be included among the charter members.

The following committee appointments were announced: Program Committee, O. L. Thagard, Jr., Chairman, Charles R. Barron, L. E. Godwin; Committee on Science and Practice of Pharmacy, J. L. Meigs, Chairman, Beth Murphy, A. H. Lurie; Membership Committee, W. C. Dow, Chairman, T. H. Cox, A. C. Sansing.

Mr. Thagard introduced the speaker for the evening, A. F. Mickel of the Department of Pharmacy, who spoke on Public Health in Alabama, bringing out particularly the main points discussed in a recent conference of Alabama Public Health Officials in Montgomery. President Hiller thanked the speaker on behalf of the members for his interesting and informative talk.

Professor Blake announced that unless other plans were made the usual meeting of Alabama Pharmacists in Auburn would not take place and suggested that the annual banquet be held in connection with the proposed installation meeting of the Student Branch. President Hiller appointed a committee to investigate the possibilities of a banquet and installation meeting.

BEN EICH, *Secretary*.

CHICAGO.—The January meeting was held on the 17th, with President Emig presiding. Reports were made by the Committee on Resolutions, Dr. Webster, Chairman, as follows:

"WHEREAS, it has pleased the Master of Men to call home from his labors our beloved friend and esteemed member, William Baker Day, and

WHEREAS, his high ideals, his tireless efforts for the advancement of Pharmacy and his helpful kindness to all have left an imperishable monument in the hearts of all who knew him;

*Be It Resolved*, that the Chicago Branch of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION extends to the family of William Baker Day its deepest sympathy in their sorrow."

Following this the Committee on Nominations reported the following candidates who, after a vote, were declared elected for the year 1939-1940: *President*, Lawrence Templeton; *Vice-Presidents*, Charles F. Lanwermyer, R. A. G. Linke, Ernst Kirsh; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Edward Vicher; *Delegate to the House of Delegates*, William Gray.

After several matters of minor importance, the meeting was turned over to five members of the Senior class of the College of Pharmacy who discussed the relationship of Socialized Medicine to the future of Pharmacy. Acting as Master of Ceremony, Mr. Hubert Nudd introduced the topic with a well-chosen outline of material. Speaking for the affirmative side, Mr. Sidney Roth spoke on the necessity for more adequate medical care and gave examples of those systems now in

use in the United States in various communities. Following this Mr. Charles Mrazek, Jr., spoke on the negative side pointing out the results of Socialized Medicine in the practice of the healing arts. Mr. Samuel Tenner then discussed the affirmative question followed by Mr. Louis Levensbaum who summed up the negative aspects. Short rebuttals were given by each member of the group and then the subject left open for some discussion. Because of the highly controversial nature of the topic no attempt was made to judge either on the presentation or subject matter of the debate, the audience being asked to choose for themselves which group they thought did a better job.

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The regular monthly meeting was held Tuesday evening, February 21st, in the College of Medicine building. The speaker was Dr. H. C. Christensen who is one of the two members of the Branch who have been awarded the Remington Medal. Due to illness, Professor E. N. Gathercoal, the other recipient, was unable to be present.

Preceded by an informal dinner at the Professional Y. M. C. A., the meeting was opened by President Emig with a short biographical sketch of the speaker.

Dr. Christensen took as his subject the necessity of informing the public on what Pharmacy is and what it stands for. Stressing the dual function of the pharmacist, he pointed out that only by proper balance would the future be assured. One of the best ways to acquaint the public with the importance of Pharmacy is through exhibits such as used at the Century of Progress Exposition, etc. Out of this and other exhibitions attended by the laity could come much good. However, since these fairs are short lived, their effects only reach the group who attend them. In order to extend the results, Pharmacy is fortunate in being included in the permanent exhibit of the Medical Sciences in the Rosenwald Museum of Science and Industry now being installed in Chicago.

This Rosenwald Museum occupies the remodeled Fine Arts Building of the Columbian Exposition of 1893, covering 13 acres of floor space and with eight miles of exhibit aisles and is to be a storehouse of material for future generations. The Medical Sciences are to occupy the First Balcony in the center or main section. In this group Pharmacy is to have a space 76 by 26 feet in which will be placed an exhibit emphasizing the education and training of the pharmacist and his services to the public.

Visited by thousands of people each year this exhibit will be of permanent value in bringing Pharmacy before the public in its proper aspect; furthermore, this exhibit will set a pattern for the other museums of this type which will be developed in other cities. R. E. TERRY, *Secretary*.

FERRIS INSTITUTE STUDENT BRANCH.—The monthly meeting was held on January 11th, with President Ida Mary Fox presiding. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

In order to cooperate with President Lascoff's special drive to increase the membership of the ASSOCIATION, it was decided that the next session would be devoted to a presentation of the purpose, present activity and accomplishments of the A. PH. A. Micheal McNab was appointed chairman of this meeting.

Mr. Pangborn led a short discussion on an editorial appearing in a local paper about the work of Congressman Patman, co-author of the Robinson-Patman Act.

Following this discussion Dr. Anton Hogstad, Jr., instructor in retail pharmacy management, delivered a lecture entitled, "Little Journeys in Pharmacy." The journey took us through various famous pharmacies in the United States and Canada. Mr. Hogstad pointed out the achievements of the pharmacist and gave reasons why each enjoyed his individual success. The speaker also talked briefly on some of the leading pharmacy colleges in this country. Slides of each pharmacy and pharmacy college mentioned were shown while each particular institution was being discussed.

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The monthly meeting was held February 15th, at 11:00 A.M. The purpose of the meeting was to present the highlights of the A. PH. A. to the other members of the student body of the Ferris College of Pharmacy in an effort to interest them in the organization.

The meeting was opened by the President, Miss Ida Mary Fox. At this time Mr. Engmark announced that the next session would be held March 8th with a representative from the Upjohn

Co. as the speaker. Ruth Thatcher was appointed as chairman of the refreshment committee for that gathering.

Micheal McNab discussed the history and purpose of the A. Ph. A. He related the achievements of the organization as well as citing its goals. Mr. McNab also pointed out the benefits derived by the student belonging to such an organization as the A. Ph. A. and to its Student Branch.

LESLIE KIEFT, *Secretary*.

GREATER ST. LOUIS.—The February meeting was held on the 13th, at 8:00 P.M., at the St. Louis College of Pharmacy. Mr. Charles E. Caspari, Jr., an attorney-at-law and son of Dean Charles E. Caspari of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy, was the speaker of the evening. His subject was the recently enacted Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act. Mr. Caspari as an attorney at law and in the employ of the Monsanto Chemical Co., was present in Washington when hearings were held concerning proposed regulations.

The business portion of the meeting was deferred until March, at which time an election of officers will be held.

FRANK L. MERCER, *Secretary*.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY STUDENT BRANCH.—The regular monthly meeting was held Thursday evening, February 9th, in Bobet Hall, with Joseph Ernst, vice-president, presiding. Roll showed thirty-five members and twelve guests in attendance.

Mr. Vinci, chairman of the Program Committee, emphasized that his committee endeavors to work up interesting programs for the meetings and requested that members cooperate more, so as to improve such programs. The Publicity Committee, under its new chairman, Miss Rose Mary Bertin, promises to give a news story for every meeting held by the Branch or its committees. These stories, even though they are not published in school and local papers, will be kept as a permanent "news record" of the activities of the Branch. For the Membership Committee, Miss Heiman reported plans to prepare a neatly designed booklet, "History of the Formation of this Branch With its Objectives and Major Activities," to be given to the incoming pharmacy students at the beginning of each year, preceding the annual membership drive. The committee also plans a questionnaire sheet to find out the interests and abilities of the new students. (Due to Miss Heiman's injury, this report was read by Miss Strain, who is acting as chairman of the Membership Committee.) Miss Helen Pitre, chairman of Entertainments submitted a proposal for a social to be given one week from date and for Banquet and Dance at the close of the scholastic year. A committee composed of Misses Ware, Centanni and Pitre was appointed to send flowers to Miss Heiman who had been injured in an automobile accident.

The "Special Program" of the meeting was opened with a lecture given by Mr. Paul Bailey, professor of Chemistry at Loyola University, who spoke on "Radium," giving a clear picture of its History, Derivation and Occurrence. He explained the work of the Curie's, showed how radium is derived from the radio-active elements, and pointed out that it is used successfully in the treatment and cure of malignant growths.

Dr. J. O. Weilbaeher, a prominent local physician, spoke on, "What the Physician Expects of the Pharmacists." He contrasted what the physicians expect of the pharmacists, giving us case examples including a scrupulously clean store, no counter-prescribing, uniform narcotic regulations, secrecy concerning ailment of clients, elegant preparations and an adequate supply of diphtheria culture tubes, test-tubes, slides, etc. A lively discussion of both papers followed.

ROSALIE CENTANNIE, *Secretary*.

MICHIGAN.—The January meeting was held Tuesday evening, January 24th, in the Wayne County Medical Society Building. It was preceded by a testimonial dinner to Dr. F. O. Taylor, vice-president-elect of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. Sixty members and friends of the Michigan Branch attended the dinner to do honor to Dr. Taylor.

After the dinner Dean R. T. Lakey, chairman of the Program Committee, introduced Dr. Leonard A. Seltzer, the dean of the Michigan Branch and one of the organizers and staunch supporters who paid tribute to Dr. Taylor and outlined briefly his career since his early school days in Illinois, thence through High School and the University of Michigan. From there he entered the employ of Parke, Davis & Co. His success is manifested by the important position he now holds, Chief Chemist of the largest manufacturer of pharmaceuticals in the world. Dr. Seltzer and Dr. Taylor attended the same schools and University and both entered the employ

of Parke, Davis & Co. Dr. Seltzer also emphasized the many contributions of Dr. Taylor in his work on various committees of the A. Ph. A., and expressed the sentiment of the Michigan Branch who are proud and very happy to have Dr. Taylor, a member of the Michigan Branch, elected to the high office of vice-president of the A. Ph. A.

Dean Lakey then introduced Mr. William Murray of the Sales Department of Parke, Davis & Co., who told of the high esteem in which Dr. Taylor is held by his company and the importance attached to his responsible position as Chief Chemist. Dr. Taylor replied by thanking the Michigan Branch for the testimonial. The large and enthusiastic gathering which filled the room to overflowing, numbering more than 150, was a splendid tribute to vice-president-elect, Dr. Taylor.

The business meeting of the Michigan Branch followed, President Smith presiding. The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary and approved.

President Smith then introduced the speaker of the evening, Dr. Taylor, who spoke on the many problems of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, which was signed on June 25, 1938, and is to become effective June 25, 1939, giving the industry time to adjust itself. Regulations for the enforcement of the Act were issued about January first and interpret the provisions of the law. Many of the sections are of interest to Pharmacy. The important new section of the act seems to be the one pertaining to new drugs, the first of this kind in any law. The labelling provisions will require a complete change of labels. Dr. Taylor went into much detail explaining and reading the many regulations which also include cosmetics. A general discussion followed bringing out many interesting and important points of the law as it affects Pharmacy and pharmacists. Those entering into the discussion were J. Verne Crandall, John H. Webster, Ralph J. Mills, Ernest Crandall, Mr. Tarbell, R. L. McCabe, Harvey A. K. Whitney and Dean R. T. Lakey. Dr. Taylor answered the many questions which closed the discussion. President Ira Smith suggested a rising vote of thanks to Dr. Taylor for his enlightening talk, which was enthusiastically given.

Under new business Dean R. T. Lakey spoke of the many rumors existing regarding the status of the Board of Pharmacy in Michigan and introduced a resolution to the effect that the Michigan Branch of the A. Ph. A. go on record in opposition to using the Michigan Board of Pharmacy as a political football, to be sent to the Governor. The resolution was seconded by Ernest Crandall and carried unanimously.

Mr. R. L. McCabe then announced the sudden death of Nicholas Drugociu, a member of the Michigan Branch, and offered a resolution that the Detroit Branch send flowers to the funeral home expressing the sentiments of the Branch. The motion was seconded by L. A. Seltzer and carried.

Professor Glover then in the name of the College of Pharmacy of the University of Michigan invited the Branch to hold the May meeting in Ann Arbor on May 16th, in conjunction with the Annual Pharmaceutical Conference sponsored by the College of Pharmacy of the University of Michigan.

BERNARD A. BIALK, *Secretary*.

**NORTHERN NEW JERSEY.**—The Branch met at Rutgers College of Pharmacy Friday evening, January 27th.

The evening was devoted to the discussion of "Pneumonia." Dr. Charles V. Craster, of the Newark Board of Health, spoke informally of the problems of the physicians in combating diseases that are ranked as major killers in this country. Pneumonia was rated third in the list of fatal diseases. Dr. Craster mentioned sulpyridine as a drug that shows some promise of being of value in the treatment of pneumonia, but stated that it is still in the experimental stage. At present pneumonia serum is the best weapon in the hands of the medical profession. As there are twenty-five or thirty strains, or types, of the organism that causes pneumonia, and each type appears to require a specific serum for that type, the necessity of being able to identify the type involved becomes apparent. Dr. Craster then introduced Dr. Henry Simon, technician of the Board of Health Laboratories.

Dr. Simon described the early methods and the latest methods used for identifying or typing the organism present in the pneumonia patient. Statistics were cited showing that the patient's chances for recovery, and the speed of the recovery, were greater if early administration of the serum were made. The Chief of the Bureau of Communicable Diseases, Mr. Gary St. John, then described the hook-up between the hospitals, doctors and the radio police of the city and state. By this cooperation has been facilitated the speedy collection of the sample from the patient,

typing, prescribing and dispatching the serum to the patient. Dr. Roberts exhibited a film showing the latest equipment and methods used in the treatment of pneumonia.

At the meeting of December 19th Prof. George C. Schicks spoke about "Marihuana," its growth, cultivation, active constituents, uses and its abuses. The talk was illustrated by exhibits of the drug and by the products of the drug as used by the addicts. C. L. Cox, *Secretary*.

**NORTHERN OHIO.**—The first monthly meeting of the current year was held at the Faculty Club of Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, on the evening of January 13, 1939. Mr. C. S. Stonebraker, the newly elected president of the Branch, announced the membership of Committees on Policy, Practice, Membership, Bulletins to Physicians, Program and Publicity.

The Branch agreed to continue its monthly dinner meetings and to invite a guest speaker every other month. At alternate meetings members will volunteer to lead discussions; on failure to do so, the Chair will designate a leader.

The first guest speaker of the year was Doctor Joseph Seifter of the Western Reserve Medical School Faculty. Dr. Seifter discussed the chemistry and therapeutics of the barbiturates and their various mixtures now appearing on the market.

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The February dinner meeting was held at the Faculty Club of Western Reserve University on the evening of February 10, 1939.

This meeting was given over to the discussion of bulletins that are to be mailed to the practicing physicians of greater Cleveland. Bulletin No. 1 for 1939 deals mainly with significant features of the new Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, especially the ruling in regard to sulfanilamide, cinchophen and aminopyrine. Bulletin 2 deals with certain significant features of the multitude of barbiturate mixtures now appearing on the market under trade names.

In addition there was a discussion under the title "Who owns the drug business?" This discussion brought attention to the tendency of many manufacturing drug concerns to come under the financial control of huge drug syndicates. N. T. CHAMBERLIN, *Secretary*.

**NORTHWESTERN.**—The Branch held three meetings during February in order to take advantage of the presence of lecturers and motion picture films for the Third Pharmaceutical Institute of the University of Minnesota. All meetings were held in the auditorium of the College of Pharmacy of the University of Minnesota. The dates of the meetings and programs were as follows: February 6th, Mr. F. E. Bibbins, Eli Lilly and Co., Indianapolis, Ind., spoke on "Pharmaceutical Manufacturing;" February 7th, Dean R. A. Kuever, Iowa City, Ia., on "Opportunities for a Pharmaceutical Graduate;" February 9th, Motion Picture Film: "The Anemias," courtesy Eli Lilly and Co., Indianapolis, Ind.

No business was transacted at any of the meetings.

CHAS. V. NETZ, *Secretary*.

**WESTERN NEW YORK.**—The February meeting was held in Foster Hall, on the University of Buffalo campus, Thursday, February 9, 1939. The nominating committee presented the following recommendations as officers for the coming year: *President*, Raymond E. Schmitz; *First Vice-President*, Mearl D. Pritchard; *Second Vice-President*, S. Walley Bower; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Dr. Margaret C. Swisher; *Delegate*, Dr. George W. Fiero. The report of the committee was adopted and the secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for each of these candidates.

Dr. Harold G. Hewitt then introduced the speaker, Dr. Ralph W. Clark of the Pharmacy Service Division of Merck and Co., whose topic was "New Organic Therapeutic Compounds." The chief compounds discussed were the synthetic vitamins, the mandelates, sulfanilamide and sulfapyradine, as well as many others.

Following the lecture another interesting "question and answer" period took place, the questions from the audience being answered by Dr. Clark and L. Maxwell Lockie, Ph.G., M.D., Associate in Medicine at the University of Buffalo School of Medicine.

The next meeting will be held Thursday evening, March 9, 1939 at eight o'clock in the same place. W. A. Jamieson, Director of the Biological Division of Eli Lilly and Co., will discuss "The A. B. C.'s of Biologicals." Laurence D. Lockie, *Secretary*.