THE COUNCIL, AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION

1941-1942

ABSTRACT OF THE PROCEEDINGS

The Council membership consisted of nine elected members: H. C. Christensen, R. P. Fischelis, Ernest Little, Glenn L. Jenkins, F. J. Cermak, H. A. B. Dunning, F. E. Bibbins, P. H. Costello and R. L. Swain; and of seven ex-officio members: President B. V. Christensen, Vice-Presidents J. K. Attwood and L. W. Rowe, Former President C. W. Evans, Secretary E. F. Kelly, Treasurer Hugo H. Schaefer and Chairman of the House of Delegates Henry H. Gregg, Jr. R. P. Fischelis served as Chairman, P. H. Costello as Vice-Chairman and E. F. Kelly as Secretary.

The Council has supervision over the property, funds and publications of the Association and acts for the Association and the House of Delegates in the interim between meetings.

The business presented to the Council was transacted at six meetings held in Detroit, Michigan, on August 23, 1941; in Washington, D. C., on October 4 and 5, 1941; and on February 22, 1942; and in Denver, Colorado, August 16, 19 and 21, 1942, and by mail.

Twenty-six Council Letters, covering 124 pages and submitting 233 items of business and 38 motions were sent to the members of the Council. This report is a summary of the more important actions taken; others will be referred to in separate reports.

At the first meeting, the standing and special Committees of the Council were appointed or elected and they have been carried in the official roster as printed in the Practical Pharmacy Edition of the JOURNAL, with changes from time to time.

Dr. H. W. Haag was elected a member of the Committee on National Formulary to succeed himself and for a term of ten years. H. W. Youngken and later L. W. Rowe were elected members of the Committee on Pharmaceutical Research for terms of five years. Chairman Lascoff was requested to submit nominees for election as members of the Committee on Recipe Book.

President Christensen submitted his appointments to Committees, delegations, etc., and these were confirmed. The list was published in the official roster. The President was authorized to make such appointments as may become necessary and to fill vacancies.

The resignation of J. Lester Hayman as a nominee for election to the Council was accepted and Charles H. Evans was named to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Hayman's resignation.

Arrangements were made to have Dr. Justin L. Powers become Editor of the Scientific Edition of the JOURNAL on January 1, 1942, and Dr. A. G. DuMez was elected Editor until December 31, 1941.

In view of the important business to be considered it was decided to hold a meeting of the Council within sixty days.

The second meeting of the Council was held at the headquarters in Washington on October 4 and 5, 1941, with sessions in the forenoon and afternoon. After a review of the By-Laws of the Council, a special committee was appointed to revise them so far as is found necessary.

The regular activities of the Association, new and special activities, and the activities of the House of Delegates were reviewed by Secretary Kelly, President Christensen and Chairman Gregg, respectively, for the information of the members of the Council.

The Committee on Finance submitted a report covering the financial situation and after a general discussion it was voted to borrow not more than \$7500 if necessary, to cover the operating expenses until the N. F. VII became available.

The report of the Committee on Publications reviewed the publication activities and the proposed schedules covering the Scientific and Practical Pharmacy Editions of the JOURNAL, the National Formulary and other publications.

Chairman Powers of the Committee on National Formulary reported the progress made toward the issuance of N. F. VII and upon his recommendation, it was voted to approve the issuance of an Interim Revision covering certain N. F. preparations and authorizing the use of Amaranth as a coloring agent in place of Cudbear, the use of Benzaldehyde, N. F. as a flavoring agent in place of Oil of Bitter Almond, U. S. P., and the substitution of Extract of Stramonium for Extract of Belladonna Leaves in Hinkle's Pills.

Editor Rodman discussed the income and expense budgets of the Practical Pharmacy Edition, particularly the advertising income, and gave his plans for carrying on this edition.

Editor DuMez submitted his suggestions with respect to the future issuance of the Scientific Edition emphasizing the time required for editing the publication and proffered his full coöperation in the transfer of the editorship to Dr. Powers on January 1, 1942. Dr. Powers outlined the arrangements he had in view for carrying on the Scientific Edition and after a general discussion Dr. Powers was elected Editor of the Scientific Edition of the Journal as of January 1, 1942, and it was voted that the Editor arrange as far as possible to limit Pharmaceutical

Abstracts as printed in this Edition to pharmaceutical subjects.

The resolutions adopted at the Detroit meeting were then considered at length and the following actions were taken.

After a general discussion, a special committee was appointed to submit recommendations with respect to an assistant to the Secretary and the Finance Committee was instructed to include an appropriation to cover the salary and expenses of the assistant in the budget for 1942.

It was the consensus of the council that the membership plan for increasing the active and associate membership followed during the preceding year should be continued; that President Christensen's plan for a Junior A. Ph. A. should be put into effect in one or two of the A. A. C. P.-N. A. B. P. districts before attempting a national program; and that arrangements be made to have the A. Ph. A. represented at a reasonable number of state association meetings, these to be selected with respect to location, membership, etc. A committee was named to work out the details.

A committee was appointed to confer with the Executive Committee of the Conference on Pharmaceutical Research with respect to the proposal that the A. Ph. A. take over the publication of the annual Survey of Pharmacy.

Arrangements were made to use the income from the William Procter, Jr. Fund to purchase books for the Reference Library.

The members of the Committee on Recipe Book for 1941-1942 were elected upon nomination of Chairman Lascoff and are listed in the official roster.

Former President Evans explained the objective he had in mind in recommending that an All-Pharmacy Meeting be held and after a general discussion it was decided that some of these matters including the resolution on Physician's Samples should be referred to the National Drug Trade Conference and that a meeting of the representatives of the state pharmaceutical associations should be held at the American Institute of Pharmacy to consider the other objectives. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for this meeting including the topics to be considered. The activities and plans of the Committee on the Status of Pharmacists in the Government Services with particular reference to a Pharmacy Corps in the Regular Army were reviewed and approved in general.

After consideration of the resolution on Maintaining Educational Standards, it was voted that the Secretary offer the assistance of the A. Ph. A. to the Presidents, the Secretaries and the Legislative Committees of the state pharmaceutical associations and the Secretaries of the state boards of pharmacy in opposing any legislation intended to lower educational standards in Pharmacy.

The resolutions dealing with Postgraduate Courses and the Objectives of the Association were referred back to the Committee on Long Range Program of Policy for further study and consideration.

Other resolutions were referred to the proposed meeting of state association secretaries and other representatives for attention.

The general arrangements for the proposed conference with the American Medical Association which was held on April 6 were considered and approved.

A special committee appointed to prepare a statement with respect to the National Formulary submitted the following report which was adopted:

"WHEREAS, the enactment of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act has made imperative more frequent revision of the standards of drugs and medicines, and

WHEREAS, the need for more frequent revisions has become clearly evident during the last decade because of the development of many new medicaments, and

WHEREAS, both the United States Pharmacopæial Convention and the American Pharmaceutical Association are committed to the revision and issuance of the U. S. P. and N. F., respectively, at five-year intervals, and

WHEREAS, the N. F. will be available in December, 1941, and it is understood that the U. S. P. will be issued at approximately the same time, and

WHEREAS, this relatively early appearance of these compendia is conclusive evidence of the practicability and effectiveness of continuous revision, therefore, be it

Resolved, that in order to bring still greater efficiency and responsibility to the process of continuous revision of drug standards and actually to make it conform to a five-year schedule, the A. Ph. A. through its Council has directed the Committee on N. F. to maintain a program of revision which will assure the issuance of N. F. VIII late in 1945, thereby permitting it to become official in 1946. And be it further

Resolved, that we reaffirm our belief that both the U. S. P. and the N. F. should become official on identical dates and to this end the A. Ph. A. bespeaks the fullest coöperation between the U. S. Pharmacopæial Revision Committee and the Committee on N. F. so that the revision of both books may proceed with uniform progress, thus permitting both the U. S. P. and N. F. to become official at the same time in 1946, this being advisable in the interest of the public, the allied medical professions and the drug law enforcement agencies, both Federal and state. And be it further

Resolved, that copies of these resolutions be forwarded to the Chairman of the Revision Committee of the U. S. P., to the Chairman of its Board of Trustees and to the President of the U. S. P. Convention."

After other business was completed, it was voted to hold another meeting of the Council early in 1942, the Chairman and Secretary to make the arrangements.

The following business was transacted by mail in the interim: Following a meeting of the Committee on Finance, this Committee submitted a budget of estimated income amounting to \$151,450.00 and of estimated expenditures of \$111,967.00 and the budget was approved. It was estimated that the surplus would repay the loan of \$7500 and restore the operating balance of the Association.

On recommendation of the Committee on Finance, it was voted to again employ the firm of Hatter and Macnab to audit the accounts of the ASSOCIATION for 1941. Copies of the audit which was completed in February, 1942, were furnished to the members of the Council and the report will be published in the Proceedings Number of the Journal in November. Consolidated Balance Sheets and Statements of Income and Expense have been furnished monthly to each member of the Council.

General arrangements for the Denver meeting were approved in January; the Shirley-Savoy was selected as headquarters; the week of August 16 was approved as the time and Mr. P. G. Stodghill was elected Local Secretary for the meeting. The Council has been kept informed of the increasing restriction on travel and on conventions and has attempted to meet the conditions with the least interference with our well established procedure.

A recommendation from the Committee on N. F. was approved providing for the use of Oil of Cedar Leaf, U. S. P. in place of Oil of Lavender; for the use of Extract of Stromonium in place of Extract of Belladonna in Compound Pills of Cascara; and for the use of Indian Valerian when Valerian is prescribed or demanded.

Arrangements were completed for the Conference of State Association Secretaries and other officials which was held at the American Institute of Pharmacy on February 20 and 21, 1942, and to which the members of the Council were invited.

The Third Meeting of the Council was held in Washington on February 22, 1942, with sessions in the forenoon and afternoon.

The Committee appointed to make recommendations with respect to an Assistant to the Secretary reported that a number of possibilities had been investigated but without a definite selection. A decision was further delayed by the tax situation and by the delay in completing the Seventh Edition of the N. F. The Secretary was authorized to secure additional office assistance for the present.

President Christensen and Secretary Kelly reviewed the proceedings of the Secretaries' Conference. The preparation and distribution of a complete report of the Conference was approved and this was issued later. President Murphy and Secretary Miller of the Conference of Pharmaceutical Association Secretaries visited with the Council and expressed appreciation of the Conference for the coöperation and leadership of the A. Ph. A. in arranging for this important and profitable conference, with the hope that a similar meeting would be arranged each year in order to keep the

secretaries informed about national affairs affecting pharmacy.

A report was received on behalf of the Committee on the Status of Pharmacists in the Government Services which covered the work and plans of the Committee.

Further consideration was given to the arrangements for the A. M. A.-A. Ph. A. Conference which it was decided would be held in Cleveland during the week of April 6, 1942.

The President, the Chairman of the House of Delegates and the Secretary reported on the various activities of the Association. Particular reference was made to the work with the Selective Service System, the Office of Civilian Defense, the Medical Departments of the Army and Navy, the Office of Education and other divisions of the Government.

Following a general discussion, it was voted that the A. Ph. A. go on record as favoring during the war emergency an accelerated program in Schools and Colleges of Pharmacy which seems to better serve our country than programs now existing and that the Association oppose any lowering of educational, professional or legislative standards governing the practice of pharmacy and pharmaceutical education.

The Committee on Personnel Problems inquired if it was advisable to proceed with the studies of wages and hours which had been referred to it in view of the recent developments. It was voted to express the appreciation of the Council for the plans which the Committee had developed and the belief of the Council that under the abnormal conditions it was inadvisable to proceed with the program.

The finances and the financial situation of the Association were reviewed fully in the report of the Committee on Finance, and recommendations were approved that the By-Laws affecting financial procedures should be carefully studied and revised to meet present conditions if found necessary.

The publications of the Association with particular attention to the N. F., the R. B. and the two Editions of the JOURNAL, were considered at length in connection with the report of the Committee on Publication and reports from those in direct charge of these publications.

After a general discussion, it was voted that further appropriations for research awards would be held in abeyance.

The resolutions adopted at the Detroit meeting were again reviewed and further steps taken to see that they were being carried out as far as possible.

Attention was given to the tax situation and this matter will be referred to later.

The following business was transacted by mail in the interim.

The price of the National Formulary VII was set at \$6.00 per copy based on the increase in the number of pages and the corresponding increase in cost and the discounts for quantity purchases for resale to users were adjusted accordingly.

Upon recommendation of the Committee on Affiliated Organizations, the American Institute of

the History of Pharmacy was approved as an affiliated organization.

The mortgage note for \$36,400 which was placed when Lot No. 7 was purchased was renewed for three years from May 1, 1942, with the Maryland Trust Company at the interest rate of 3% payable quarterly.

The Council by vote approved the work of the Committee on National Formulary as represented in the printed copies as submitted and authorized the publication of the Seventh Edition to become official on November 1, 1942. It also authorized the issuance of complimentary and review copies of N. F. VII as recommended by the Committee.

The fourth meeting of the Council was held in Denver on Sunday afternoon August 16, 1942.

Attention was given to the publications of the ASSOCIATION and the following general information about these important activities was submitted:

National Formulary.—From December, 1935, when the Sixth Edition was issued, and up to June 30, 1942, a total of 47,437 copies were printed and bound and, of these, 46,258 copies were sold.

The Seventh Edition was issued in June and up to June 30, 1942, 34,845 copies were printed and bound of which 13,189 copies were sold.

It is planned to issue the Eighth Edition in 1945 and the work of revision was already underway. Suggestions with respect to this revision are invited and will be appreciated.

Recipe Book.—The Second Edition of this publication was issued in December, 1935, and up to June 31, 1942, a total of 9924 copies were printed and bound of which number 9675 copies were sold.

The Third Edition is now in preparation but the time when it is expected to be issued could not be stated.

Scientific Edition of the Journal.—For the six months ending June 30, 1942, \$5196.94 was expended for the publication of this edition and in view of the fact that the Proceedings Number for 1942 will be published in the November issue, the expenditure will probably be somewhat larger during the last six months. The income to June 30, 1942, was \$5734.17 and the probable net cost of this Edition for the year will probably be in the neighborhood of \$757.00. Of the income to June 30, 1942, \$1890.79 was received from advertising.

To August 1, 1942, there had been printed in seven numbers of this Edition, 224 pages of papers and book reviews and 224 pages of abstracts.

Practical Pharmacy Edition of the Journal.—Up to August 1, 1942, six issues of this Edition had been published. Up to June 31, 1942, the amount expended for publication was \$13,992.70 against an expense budget for the year of \$29,000. At the latter date, this Edition had on contract advertising amounting to a total of \$17,131.44 for the year 1942.

This Edition is furnished to the dues-paid members of the state pharmaceutical associations without charge as a service to this growing group of pharmacists and to the state associations. It is hoped that the publication will provide them with helpful information and that it will serve to increase interest in the work of the American Pharmaceutical Association as well as the active membership of the Association.

Leave of absence was granted to Dr. R. A. Deno as a member of the Committee on National Formulary because of his entry into the Army, and Dr. Melvin Green was named to serve as a member of this Committee during the absence of Dr. Deno.

The arrangements to put President Christensen's plan for a Junior A. Ph. A. into effect in two A. A. C. P.-N. A. B. Districts, could be carried out in only one district.

This meeting was attended by representatives from all student branches in that district and the meeting had led to the formation of an additional student branch. The meeting was a success and it is planned to expand the movement in other districts as rapidly as conditions will warrant.

The Fifth meeting of the Council was held in the Shirley-Savoy Hotel, Denver, Colorado, on Wednesday forenoon, August 19, 1942.

The Committee appointed to review the By-Laws of the Council recommended certain amendments in Article IV of Chapter II which were approved. (See By-Laws of the Council.)

The establishment of a Student Branch in the Indianapolis College of Pharmacy and the proposed Constitution and By-Laws of the Branch were approved.

The report of the Committee on Laboratory reviewed the activities carried on in the laboratory for the year. On recommendation of the Committee, Carson P. Frailey was elected a member of the Committee for a term of five years to succeed himself. Attention was drawn to the several changes that have occurred in the personnel of the laboratory staff.

A vote of thanks was extended to the members of the N. F. Subcommittees whose terms of service expired and the Chairmen of the Subcommittees were requested to submit nominations for the membership of their Subcommittees, one of whom shall be a retail pharmacist, for a term of one year.

The Friends of Historical Pharmacy, Inc., through President Rowe submitted its report covering the operation of the Mercer Apothecary Shop in Fredericksburg, Virginia, for the year. Although the number of visitors has declined greatly on account of the emergency, it was believed that the shop could be operated on a restricted basis during the coming year; if not, it can be closed temporarily. A proposal to provide additional funds through offering active, sustaining and life membership was approved.

The committee to recommend an Assistant to the Secretary reported on several possibilities that had been considered, and after a general discussion the Committee was requested to interview these gentlemen and report at the first meeting of the incoming Council.

The Sixth Meeting of the Council was held in the Shirley-Savoy Hotel, Denver, Colorado on Friday forenoon, August 21, 1942.

On recommendation of the Committee on Affiliated Organizations, the American Society of Hospital Pharmacists was given the status of an affiliated organization.

Emergency Use of Space in the A. Ph. A. Building.—The various proposals to make temporary use of some space in the building, none of which had been found to be practical were reviewed and it was stated that the National Research Council would probably submit an acceptable proposal later to transfer one of its units to the building for the duration

National Conference on Pharmaceutical Research.— Chairman Jenkins of the special committee appointed by the Council to confer with the Executive Committee of the Conference reported that the annual survey of pharmacy would be discontinued and that the following understanding had been mutually agreed upon: "That upon dissolution of the National Conference on Pharmaceutical Research any funds remaining in the treasury would be turned over to the A. Ph. A. for the express purpose of providing for review papers for the Scientific JOURNAL. It will be recommended that the expenditure of such money be at the discretion of the Editor of the JOURNAL with the approval of the Secretary of the A. Ph. A." It was voted that the A. Ph. A. accept the funds referred to on the basis of the understanding mutually agreed upon.

Special committees were requested to prepare and submit resolutions with respect to the long and valuable services rendered as members of the Council by E. G. Eberle and H. C. Christensen.

The provisions of S.2673 and H.R.7406 to amend the laws of the District of Columbia with respect to exemptions from the tax on real property and the hearings before the Senate Committee on the D. C. were reviewed, and it was understood that the legislation would be considered at the first meeting of the incoming Council.

During the year, a total of 1103 applicants were elected to membership of which number 304 were student or associate members.