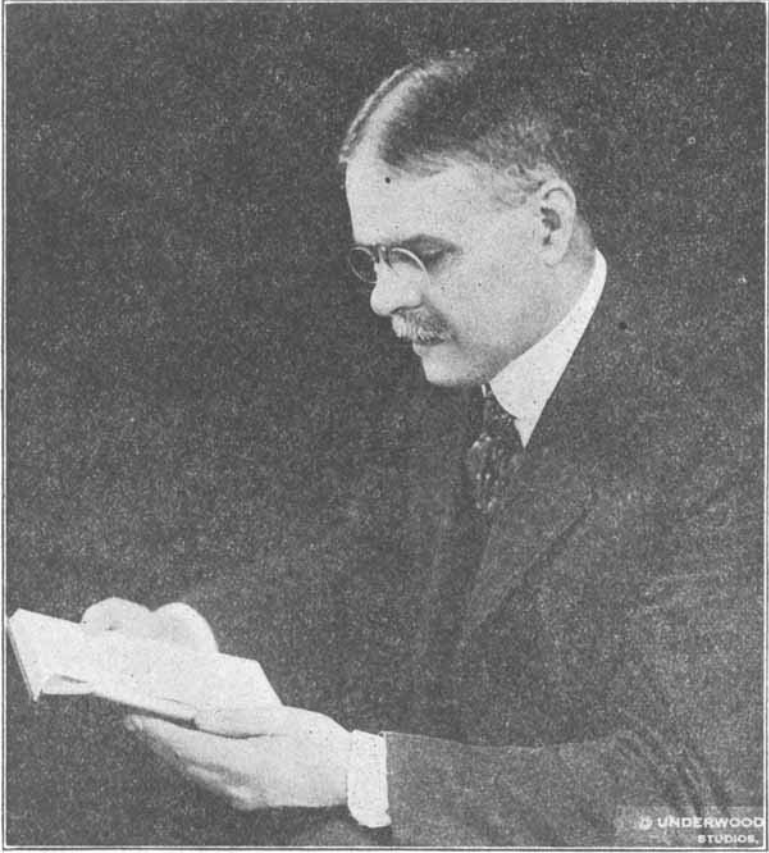


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Dr. Reid Hunt was elected president of the United States Pharmacopoeial Convention at the Centenary meeting. This marked his fiftieth anniversary (born Martinsville, Ohio, April 20, 1870); the first U. S. Pharmacopoeia was published fifty years prior (1820); he will preside at the first decennial convention of the second century in the history of the U. S. Pharmacopoeia. There seems to be a fifty-fifty historical relation, and while pharmacy cannot lay the same relative claims on Dr. Hunt with medicine, still as a youth his interest in medicine was developed while studying chemistry with the village druggist, and his later studies and investigations have held him in close touch with pharmacists and since 1904 he has been a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association, serving as Chairman of the Scientific Section in 1906-1907.

The period of his earlier education was followed by that in Johns Hopkins where he earned the degree of A.B., and later that of Ph.D. He then entered upon his medical studies, and was graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore (now a part of the University of Maryland) in 1896. Dr. Hunt was Fellow and Assistant in Physiology at Johns Hopkins, then Instructor in the Medical Department of Columbia University until his acceptance of an Associate Professorship of Pharmacology in the former institution. From 1902 to 1904 he worked in Frankfort, Germany, with the eminent pharmacologist, Dr. Paul Ehrlich, and returned to the United States during the latter year at the call of the Government, when he organized the Division of Pharmacology in the Hygienic Laboratory of the U. S. Public Health Service, of which he was the first Chief and Professor of Pharmacology.

In the preparation of the "Digest of Comments on the U. S. Pharmacopoeia" he had the coöperation of Dr. Murray Galt Motter, who, with the late Martin I.

Wilbert, continued this valuable work, now under the direction of Dr. A. G. DuMez.

Dr. Hunt was a member of the last U. S. P. Revision Committee, and with his associates conducted a number of researches on the thyroid and suprarenal glands, bioassay of drugs, etc., the results of which were incorporated in U. S. P. IX. He is a foreign member of the Pharmaceutical Society of Antwerp, and in 1910 was a delegate to the International Congress on Pharmacy, convened in Brussels. He is co-author of "Non-Alkaloidal Organic Poisons" in Volume II of Peterson & Haines' "Textbook of Legal Medicine and Toxicology" and a contributor to Heffter's "Handbuch der Pharmakologie."

Since 1913 Dr. Reid Hunt has been Professor of Pharmacology at the Harvard University Medical School, and Consulting Pharmacologist to the Massachusetts State Department of Health.

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