

ABSTRACT OF DISCUSSION.

Mr. Emanuel stated that most retail pharmacists did not sell enough narcotics to physicians to pay the extra twelve dollars required as wholesalers. He asked the reason for the provision. Replying, Mr. Gaylord admitted that this tax did not seem exactly right, but the differentiation between wholesaler and retailer in the law compelled the Department to act accordingly and was beyond its control and discretion. Mr. Osseward called attention to the fact that many retail pharmacists discontinued selling narcotics to physicians because of this extra tax, and it devolved on a few to supply them. He was pleased that the inventory referred to would not be necessary. Mr. Gaylord said that a treasury decision, now in the final process of determination, will not require a new inventory, and any recent inventory will be accepted, in case other requirements have been complied with.

The question was asked why the Department required the names of purchasers of exempted narcotic preparations; that no official had called for these records from the questioner. Mr. Gaylord replied that the Department was now determining the value of these records, and the requirement would be dispensed with if the results did not show justification for it.

Mr. Philip stated that it was the desire of the Association represented by him to register exempted narcotics by number instead of by name. The present method informed the patient of the name of the drug and had a tendency to create addicts. This information is withheld when the patient signs by number. Mr. Gaylord considered this a good suggestion. Mr. Emanuel contended that to change the formula of paregoric would extend its use.

Mr. Mortenson moved as a recommendation to the Council A. Ph. A., that a resolution be adopted condemning the practice of supplying other nations with narcotics for illegitimate uses. Carried.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Gaylord.

The Committee on Nominations reported the names of the following as nominees for the ensuing year:

Chairman, Charles O. Lee, of Indiana.

Secretary, C. W. Holzhauser, of New Jersey.

Associates, Adam Wirth, Louisiana; Frank Schachleiter, Arkansas; Sinclair Jacobs, Georgia.

The nominees were elected by a unanimous vote.

The following papers were read:

"Honest Advertising Will Not Sell Goods," by Lyman F. Kebler.—The goods that honest advertising will not sell are those which will not bear investigation, and those referred to have been subject to the scrutiny of the Post Office Department, largely those purporting to be cures for venereal diseases, tuberculosis, etc.

"Foreign Trade in Pharmaceuticals," by L. F. Schmeckebier, Chief of Research Division, U. S. Department of Commerce.

"The Value of Good Will," by J. H. McCormick.

"Would it be Beneficial to the Student of Pharmacy to Develop his Knowledge of Commercialism," by F. E. Caballero.

The final session was then adjourned.

THE WORLD WAR VETERANS' SECTION, AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

ABSTRACT OF THE MINUTES OF THE SESSIONS HELD IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, MAY 7 AND 8, 1920.

The first session of the World War Veterans' Section, A. Ph. A., was convened by Chairman Robert P. Fischelis, May 7, at 2.00 P.M. In the absence of Secretary W. D. Walters, Tappen Fairchild, of New York City, was appointed temporary secretary.

THE CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

Chairman Robert P. Fischelis brought out the following points in his address:

1. Considerable difficulty had been experienced by the Section in getting its work under way, because of changes in the location of the Secretary, who removed from Cincinnati to Fort

Leavenworth, Kansas, during the year, and also because of the fact that the offer of free memberships in the Association to soldier and sailor pharmacists did not carry with it the A. Ph. A. publications.

2. Over 2,200 members had been brought into the American Pharmaceutical Association by the Section.

3. An enormous amount of propaganda and publicity work had been done by the Section in furthering its membership campaign, aided by the A. Ph. A. Local Branches, State associations, boards of pharmacy and colleges of pharmacy.

4. That \$1,000.00 had been appropriated by the Association for the Section's "recruiting campaign."

5. That no notices of the meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association in Washington, except those of the Section's secretary, had been sent to individual members of the Section, and these were mailed just prior to the meeting.

Chairman Fischelis also made the following recommendations: They were referred to a committee consisting of the Chairman, Tappen Fairchild, Clyde L. Eddy and L. C. Bird, with power to act, and to submit recommendations regarding the future of the Section to the Council, A. Ph. A.

1. That in view of the fact that the recruiting work of the Section would be completed in a few months and the Section had therefore really accomplished the main object for which it was organized, that the Section be discontinued as such, and matters of interest to the World War Veterans be included in the future programs of the Association.

2. That adequate financial appropriations be made by the Council, A. Ph. A., to continue the soldier and sailor membership campaign until the end of the calendar year.

3. That some arrangements be made whereby the soldier and sailor members receive the JOURNAL, A. Ph. A., so as to bring them into closer contact with the work of the Association, before they become regular dues-paying members in 1921.

Adjourned.

SECOND SESSION.

The second session of the World War Veterans' Section, A. Ph. A., was convened by Chairman R. P. Fischelis, May 8, at 10.00 A.M.

The following papers were presented:

"Pharmacists in the Army and Navy of the United States," by E. Fullerton Cook.

"World War Veterans in the Industries," by Tappen Fairchild.

Chairman Clyde L. Eddy, of the Publicity Committee of the Section, presented a report in which he spoke of the large amount of free publicity given by the pharmaceutical journals of the country, and their splendid coöperation in furthering the objects of the Section.

The Committee on the Chairman's Address approved the recommendation to discontinue the Section as such, and endorsed the appointment of a committee of seven members, to be World War Veterans. The Committee is to be appointed by the President of the A. Ph. A., for the purpose of looking after the interests of the soldier and sailor members, and providing features on the programs of the annual meetings which will particularly interest them. The principal work of the Committee, however, is to serve as a "preparedness committee" of American Pharmacy as suggested by Clyde L. Eddy in his paper read before the House of Delegates.* It will endeavor to bring about a closer relation between colleges of pharmacy and the Army and Navy, tabulate the military resources of the profession, and present a report of this tabulation, each year, to the Surgeon-General of the Army and of the Navy. The recommendation was submitted to the Council and at the second general session of the Association, and approved by both.¹

The Chairman was instructed to make recommendations to the Council, A. Ph. A., for holding the present soldier and sailor members in the Association and providing them with the JOURNAL.

The Section then adjourned *sine die*.

* Sec p. 609, June issue JOURNAL A. PH. A.

¹ See p. 726, July issue JOURNAL A. PH. A., and also June issue, pp. 644 to 649.