

The functions of the council will be to aid the dental profession to further rationalize its materia medica and therapeutics by fostering a spirit of chemical mindedness on the part of the dental profession, and to protect the dental profession and public against fraud, undesirable secrecy and objectionable advertising in connection with proprietary dental remedies. For the immediate future, the council will confine its attention to the examination of drugs and dental proprietaries for inclusion in an "accepted list." It is planned, however, that the scope of the council will eventually be enlarged to consider ceramic and metallurgical products and physical therapeutic apparatus in the dental field. The endeavors of the council will also be directed toward an improvement in pharmacological and biochemical instruction in dental colleges.

Invitations to serve on the council have been accepted by the following:

Paul J. Hanzlik, professor and head of the department of pharmacology, School of Medicine, Stanford University.

Percy R. Howe, Thomas Alexander Forsyth professor of dental science, Harvard University, and director, Forsyth Dental Infirmary for Children, Boston, Massachusetts.

Milan A. Logan, instructor, department of biological chemistry, Harvard Medical School.

Arno B. Luckhardt, professor of physiology, University of Chicago.

John A. Marshall, associate professor of dental pathology and biochemistry, College of Dentistry, University of California.

Victor C. Myers, professor of biochemistry, Western Reserve University.

John F. Norton, chief of laboratories, department of health, Detroit, Michigan, formerly professor of bacteriology and hygiene, University of Chicago.

U. G. Rickert, professor of physiological chemistry, hygiene and therapeutics, School of Dentistry, University of Michigan.

Harold S. Smith, practicing dentist, Chicago, Illinois.

As *Ex-officio* members:

C. N. Johnson, editor of the *Journal* of the American Dental Association.

Harry B. Pinney, secretary of the American Dental Association.

Samuel M. Gordon, American Dental Association chemist and former National Research Council Fellow in the Biological Sciences, has been appointed secretary of the council.

The first meeting of the council was held in Chicago on January 3 and 4, 1930. Examinations of purely dental nostrums will be dealt with by the Bureau of Chemistry of the American Dental Association as heretofore.

GOLD MEDALS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

TRUSTEES of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society have made their final survey for the centennial year and awarded twenty centennial gold medals, eighteen centennial silver medals, six large gold medals and made two special awards. The gold medals, as announced in the *Boston Transcript*, are as follows:

Albert C. Burrage, president of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, for eminent service in horticulture.

T. A. Havemeyer, president of the Horticultural Society of New York, for his many years of distinguished service to horticulture.

F. R. Newbold, secretary of the Horticultural Society of New York, for his many years of distinguished service to horticulture.

John C. Wister, secretary of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, for his many years of distinguished service to horticulture, especially through his writings and lectures.

Worcester County Horticultural Society, organized in 1840 and ever since that date a potent factor in the advancement of horticulture in Massachusetts.

Dr. Henry P. Walcott, as a fitting tribute to a former president of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society.

Nathaniel T. Kidder, as a fitting tribute to a former president of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society.

General Francis H. Appleton, as a fitting tribute to a former president of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society.

William C. Endicott, as a fitting tribute to a former president of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society.

Professor Oakes Ames, for his service to orchidology. The botany of the orchid has been Professor Ames's life study, and no man stands higher in this field.

Professor Ernest H. Wilson, for his inspirational books. Besides being the greatest of living plant hunters, Mr. Wilson has a rare capacity for transferring his knowledge to paper.

Olmsted Brothers, Brookline, for their work in raising the standard of landscape architecture and especially in the development of public parks. There is hardly a corner of the country where their influence has not been felt.

Harlan P. Kelsey, East Boxford, for his work in behalf of better horticultural nomenclature. He was New England's representative on the committee responsible for standardized plant names.

Alexander Montgomery, Hadley, for his work in originating new roses. The fame which Hadley, Crusader, Templar and Talisman have brought to the man who originated them is shared with the state in which he lives.

Mrs. Susan D. McKelvey, for her notable monograph on the lilac, the most important work of the kind ever undertaken in this country.

Mrs. S. V. R. Crosby, for her work in the conservation of wild flowers. Her high purpose and practical methods

as president of the New England Wild Flower Preservation Society have won the deepest respect and appreciation.

Miss Marian Roby Case, for her work with boys at Hillcrest Gardens. For twenty years Miss Case has devoted her time and fortune to an experiment in education and horticulture which has proved unique and has attracted wide attention.

Kidder, Peabody & Company, Boston, for demonstrating the fact that a beauty spot can be made in the heart of a great city.

William Filene's Sons Company, Boston, for the example set by them in their consistent use of window boxes on business houses.

Professor B. L. Robinson, for his eminent service to botany. As head of the Gray Herbarium, Professor Robinson has carried on much important work with distinguished success.

PRESENTATION TO PROFESSOR NOVY

FRIENDS, colleagues and students of Dr. Frederick G. Novy, since 1902 professor of bacteriology at the University of Michigan, united on the occasion of his sixty-fifth birthday in the presentation of a full-sized oil portrait, painted by J. E. Weiss, and a volume containing two hundred letters of greeting from scientific men throughout the world.

Dr. Aldred Scott Warthin, head of the department of pathology, in presenting the portrait, said:

We are assembled here to render richly deserved honor to a distinguished colleague, who for 43 years has been a worthy and faithful servant of the university. Not only as an original and forceful teacher, but much more as a scientific investigator, he has added luster to the fame of the university and medical school. More than any other single member of its faculties he has contributed to their international reputation. His name is known in all lands where modern medical science has a foothold, and it will be perpetuated to coming generations through the many imprints it has made upon the terminology of bacteriological science. The fame of the university can rise no higher than that of the individual members of its faculties. It is a collective fame, increasing from generation to generation as successive men of note follow one another in its professorships. It would seem fitting that an effort be made to perpetuate the memory of those who, in their day, gave of their best, in contributing to the university's intellectual development. It is with this object in view, that the colleagues and old students present this portrait to the university, of the man they delight to honor, Professor Frederick G. Novy.

In reply, as he accepted the painting, Dr. Ruthven said:

We are met to-day to honor a man famed as a teacher, who has to an enviable extent contributed to the progress of science and to the advancement of scholarship at the University of Michigan, a man, moreover, who as our colleague has by his example and personality endeared

himself to us, inspired us in our labors, and made us proud to have known him in his work. In honoring him we are not only giving him his due but we are also indicating our belief that the university stands for creative scholarship as well as for sound teaching. We will place this emblem with the prayer that it may inspire generations of students to emulate the subject it portrays.

THE GEORGE HERBERT JONES CHEMICAL LABORATORY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

A LARGE group of distinguished chemists attended the dedication ceremonies, which extended over December 16 and 17. Mr. Jones, in presenting the laboratory, said: "The department of chemistry has done exceedingly well in the past; I hope that this new laboratory will assist it to accomplish much in research in the future, and especially will prove of value to industry."

President Robert Maynard Hutchins, in accepting the building for the university, said: "Through the generosity of Mr. Jones, a department with a brilliant history may look forward to a yet more brilliant future. Of the two hundred and sixty men and women who received the Ph.D. degree on recommendation of the department, twenty-four are heads of departments in colleges and universities; fifty-seven hold university professorships; fifty-eight occupy college chairs; twenty-two are active in research institutions, and eighty-five are engaged in industrial research. Obviously, what goes on in the department affects the progress of scientific investigation throughout the country, and has the most direct and important bearing on our educational system."

A plaster cast of the bronze bust of the donor, which when completed is to be placed in the lobby of the laboratory, was presented to the university by Mrs. Walter J. Jarratt, daughter of Mr. Jones, and accepted by Mr. David Evans, president of the Chicago Steel Foundries. Dr. F. W. Upson, a Ph.D. of the department, presented on behalf of alumni and friends a bronze bust of the late John U. Nef, and Mrs. Sara Bowles Smith presented a bust of the late Alexander Smith, both at one time members of the department.

Associate Professor John W. E. Glattfeld spoke on "Nef, the Man and Teacher," and Dr. Herman A. Spoehr, of the Carnegie Institution, Stanford University, on "Nef, the Investigator." W. D. Richardson, chief chemist of Swift and Company, gave an address on "Smith, the Man and Teacher," and R. H. McKee, professor of chemical engineering in Columbia University, spoke on "Smith, the Investigator."

A bust of Professor Stieglitz was presented by Dr. B. B. Freud, on behalf of alumni and friends, and accepted by Professor Hermann I. Schlesinger.