

PHARMACY OFFERS MANY ADVANTAGES TO STUDENTS

Nebraska has one of its strongest colleges in Pharmacy college. The University of Nebraska College ranks right up at the top with the very best schools in the country, both in equipment and instruction. New students are enrolling each year in greater numbers. Graduate students find their occupation as analysts in biological and manufacturing laboratories of the country, in pure food and drug chemists, as retail and wholesale druggists. Much opportunity for graduate work is given at Nebraska. Students may major along pharmacological lines, analytical or manufacturing lines.

Pharmacy is one of the coming professions. No other science today is forging ahead like this older art. The country is demanding college trained pharmacists who are reliable dispensers. It is not a painful curriculum for a student to follow throughout his college days. There is none of the humdrum tediousness connected with it. New things are seen each day,

new discoveries are made and the work is made to be interesting. No other profession today offers more chance of service to the public than does pharmacy. It is a science that is concerned with the nation's health and the college-trained pharmacist is in position to be one the communities' biggest assets. Any university student then becoming more or less dissatisfied with his course, should by all means procure a catalogue of the college and get an interview with a member of the pharmacy faculty.

STATE BOARD EXAMS COME MAY 15 TO 18

The Department of Public Welfare has announced the dates of May 15 to May 18 as the days of the state board examination for pharmacists. On these days the board will be held at Creighton University at Omaha, the last examinations in the fall having been given at the College of Pharmacy here.

About twenty University of Nebraska men and women will take the board this year. This is a necessary procedure, as registered pharmacists must successfully pass the state board before being allowed to practice. The Nebraska board, along with the New York state board of pharmacy, has the reputation of being the most difficult board in the country. The board members are men of high pharmaceutical ideals, and their examinations are said to be so rigorous that only college trained men and women can pass. The Nebraska method calls for a series of eight examinations, covering the course of Materia Medica, Pharmacy, Chemistry, Pharmaceutical Arithmetic, Oral Pharmacy, Practical Pharmacy, Pharmacognosy, and Toxicology. An average grade of 75 must be made and no lower grade in any subject than 65 is permitted. If these conditions are not fulfilled the candidate is flunked and is not allowed to practice.

CAMBRIDGE HIGH TEAM ENTERS STATE MEET

Cambridge High School has entered a team in the State high school track meet which will be held the afternoon of May 13 on Nebraska field. The Cambridge team has participated in several dual meets this year, and made excellent showings. Rodwell, all-state quarter-back, is doing good work on the track team, starring in the dashes and the broad jump. The following men compose the Cambridge team:

Paul Rodwell, Wayne Ballah, Edward Ellingson, Donald Aiken, Paul Mousel, Arthur Easter, Myrl Stahl, Claude Mousel, Eldon Simon, Allen Thompson, Arthur Bullock.

COURSE OFFERED IN SANITARY SCIENCE

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duced into every nook and corner of the car, including each and every berth, linen closets, bedding presses, smoking compartments, dressing room toilets, etc. The cost of installing the system is slight and it cannot get out of order.

THE PHARMACEUTICAL OUTLOOK

By Dean Rufus A. Lyman

What is the outlook in pharmacy? This is a question which is ever being asked by those young men and young women who are choosing pharmacy as a profession, as well as by the laymen who are interested only in pharmacy insofar as it is an essential element in community life. Pharmacy has become so powerfully commercialized that sometimes men wonder whether it can ever escape from that commercialism. The question arises as to whether it ought not to be considered as a merchandise trade which requires a certain amount of special scientific training. As a matter of fact pharmaceutical work is no more commercialized than medical or dental work or even law. The difference lies in the fact that in pharmacy there must always be a certain amount of tangible merchandise while in these other lines the merchandise which is sold is not tangible.

Very recently one of America's most famous and most constructive surgeons has made the statement in a public address that most physicians and surgeons when they get down to brass tacks must certainly admit that they are in business. This is not an ideal which medicine stands for and neither ought this to be an ideal for dentists, lawyers and pharmacists. The only thing that will eventually prevent every line of scientific and professional activity from being sunk in commercialism will be dependent upon the ability of those individuals who have the proper scientific and professional training to maintain those ideals.

Those of us who have for over a decade watched pharmacy develop and have been instrumental in influencing it, believe that it will be possible to establish pharmaceutical ideals on

such a high plane that pharmacy can take its place along with the other so-called learned professions. Chief among many hopeful signs which indicate that this is a probability is the fact that pharmacists themselves all throughout the country have come to the realization of the fact that if pharmacy is to occupy the place where it rightly belongs that the present educational requirements for the study of pharmacy must be greatly increased, as must also the period of scientific and technical training.

That this hope is being crystallized into action is shown by the great increase in educational requirements being demanded by institutions teaching pharmacy and also by legislation which is being shaped so as to increase greatly requirements for the practice of pharmacy.

Again, there is a feeling amongst educational institutions that pharmacy is really worth while. This is shown by the fact that pharmacy is supported much more liberally by educational institutions today than it was fifteen years ago.

The writer is of the opinion that the drug store has more to do with the morals of a community than any other institution excepting the church and school. He does not hesitate to say that the drug-store has more influence upon the morale of the community than all the doctors, dentists and lawyers put together.

The government has placed upon the pharmaceutical profession the responsibility of dispensing to society in legitimate way for medical and industrial uses the habit-producing drugs and alcohol. Probably no other class of men in our national life have ever had placed upon them a responsibility comparable to this. The pharmaceutical profession is handling this problem, is opposed to, and has to contend with the baser elements in all other professional lines, especially those of medicine and law, who have at their command the financial resources of the anti-prohibition elements of the nation.

Mr. Kraemer, who until recently was the chief executive officer of the government prohibition enforcement machine is responsible for the statement that it was simply appalling how physicians came to the conclusion at once after the passing of the eighteenth amendment that alcohol was a valuable remedy in the treatment of colds. He also brought out the remarkable fact that it always took a pint of whisky to cure a cold, that all physicians' prescription for the treatment of colds called for a pint of whisky which is the maximum amount that a prescription can be written for. It was also interesting how hundreds of physicians in Chicago and other cities had just three hundred patients with colds a month, which was the maximum amount of prescriptions that could be written. The writer has called the attention of the reader to these facts for no other purpose than to bring to the attention of the public the enormous problem which the druggists of America have to handle in the discharge of their

legitimate business, and to show the reader the enormous social problem that the druggist has to contend with in the discharge of his legitimate duty.

The most important work that pharmacists have to do at the present time is to make better retail druggists, who are well trained for the dispensing of poisonous bodies and habit-producing drugs to the public so that their service can be intelligent and honest.

In a scientific way the fields of pharmacy are unlimited. Dr. Roger Adams, research chemist of the University of Illinois, has recently given lectures before the students of the University and one of these lectures dealt only with one phase of pharmaceutical endeavor, namely the production of synthetic drugs which are of use in the treatment of disease.

Dr. Albert Plaut, who died recently, was employed by the firm of Lelin and Pink of New York and was said a fabulous salary for no other reason than that he knew the drug markets of the world. The production of drugs is one of the greatest problems ahead

of the scientific pharmacist. Before the beginning of Jewish history, the search for drugs was always tied up with that for gold, silver and precious stones. That problem is even a greater problem today.

The opportunities along the line of pharmaceutical manufacturing are also unlimited. Industrial pharmacy is almost an untouched field today. The pharmacist who has been properly trained botanically has opportunities in the field of pharmaceutical botany that are worthy of anyone's talents.

It is probable that as requirements, both educational and professional, are increased for the practice of pharmacy that drugstore merchandising will change as it has already changed in foreign countries, so that the patient medicine end of the business for which medical men have been largely responsible, will become purely a branch of cheap merchandising and will get to the department stores, ten-cent stores and the corner grocery, while the more scientific aspects of pharmacy will be carried on by men who will be properly trained.

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SQUIRES TO PICK THEIR SUCCESSORS

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Those who were selected charter members of the society last year and who will pick their successors Friday include: Doane F. Kiechel Johnson; Story Harding, Nebraska City; William Dudley, Hot Springs, S. D.; Eugene Dornbaugh, Tecumseh; Fred Walrath, Omaha; Fred Peters, Yutan; John Williams, Fairfield; Lloyd Rolfe Wisner; Emerson J. McCarthy, Ponca; Harry Hubbard, Ypsilant, Mich.; Floyd Wright, Omaha; Emil Luckey, Columbus, and honorary, Dean Warren A. Seavey.

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