

[Act No. 2382, February 28, 1914]

AN ACT AMENDING ACT NUMBERED FIVE HUNDRED AND NINETY-SEVEN, ENTITLED "AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF PHARMACY IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS," AS AMENDED BY ACTS NUMBERED NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE AND TWENTY-TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SIX, DETERMINING THE SUBJECTS IN WHICH PERSONS DESIRING TO PRACTICE PHARMACY IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS SHALL BE EXAMINED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

By authority of the United States, be it enacted by the Philippine Legislature, that:

SECTION 1. Section one of Act Numbered Five hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act regulating the practice of pharmacy in the Philippine Islands," is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. The Director of Health for the Philippine Islands shall appoint, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, a Board of Pharmaceutical Examiners consisting of three registered first-class pharmacists in good standing who shall be citizens of the United States or citizens of the Philippine Islands. Said pharmacists shall have had five consecutive years of practical experience in compounding and dispensing physicians' prescriptions and be informed on the drug business. They shall hold term of office, for only three years after their appointment and until their successors are appointed and qualified: *Provided*, That no member of the Board of Examiners provided for in this section shall be reflected to said office until three years have passed since his last term: *And provided, further*, That no member of the faculty of any school, college, or university where pharmacy is taught shall be eligible for appointment on said Board.

"Each person appointed to the Board shall qualify by oath of office, taking and subscribing to the following oath of office:

"I, having been appointed a member of the Board of Pharmaceutical Examiners for the Philippine Islands, do hereby solemnly swear that I have the qualifications required by law; that I am in good professional standing; that I will well and truly perform all the duties of said office; that I will faithfully account for all moneys coming into my hands as such officer; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Government of the United States, and that I take this oath without any mental reservation whatever. So help me God.

"The oath shall be recorded and filed in the office of the - record and filing. Director of Health of the Philippine Islands.

"The Director of Health shall fill any vacancy that may occur in the Board within one month after the vacancy occurs. The

person so appointed to fill a vacancy shall hold office only for the unexpired term of the member whose place he is appointed to fill.

"The Director of Health may, with the consent and approval of the Secretary of the Interior, remove any member of said Board for continued neglect of duty or incompetency, or for unprofessional or dishonorable conduct."

SEC. 2. Section three of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. The Board of Pharmaceutical Examiners shall meet in the city of Manila for the purpose of examining candidates desiring to practice pharmacy in the Philippine Islands on the second Tuesday of February, nineteen hundred and three, and thereafter on the first Tuesdays of July and January of each year, after giving thirty days' written or printed notice of such meeting to each candidate who has filed his name and address with the secretary-treasurer of the Board, and after publishing such notice in Manila in one newspaper published in the English language and one newspaper published in the Spanish language, at least once per week for a like period. The Board of Examiners shall immediately upon the completion of the examinations revise the work of the candidates and shall, within the term of two months after the date of the completion of the examinations, report the rating obtained by each examinee, for the knowledge of the persons interested certificates. The Board shall issue three forms of certificates of registration, as follows:

"(a) a certificate as registered pharmacist to any person of twenty-one or more years of age, of good habits and moral character, holding a degree or diploma as doctor or licentiate from a reputable and well-known school or college, who has had at least four years of practical experience in some place where drugs, medicines, and poisons were dispensed and sold at retail, and the prescriptions of physicians compounded, and who has been examined and favorably passed upon by the Board, which certificate shall be signed by a majority of the members of the Board.

"(b) A certificate as registered pharmacist of the second class (practicante de farmacia) to any person twenty-one or more years of age, of good habits and moral character, who has had at least three years of practical experience in some place where drugs, medicines, and poisons were dispensed and sold at retail, and where physicians' prescriptions were compounded, and who has been examined and favorably passed upon by the Board, which certificate shall be signed by a majority of the members of the Board.

(c) A certificate as apprentice in pharmacy to any person of good habits and moral character reported by a registered pharmacist, or registered pharmacist of the second class (practicante de farmacia), as having been taken into his

employ as a student of pharmacy or an apprentice for the purpose of becoming a pharmacist.

(d) a certificate as Chinese druggist to any person twenty-one or more years of age and of good habits and moral character who shall submit to the Board of Pharmaceutical Examiners a certificate from the Chinese consul at Manila that he is competent and qualified to conduct a Chinese drug-store in accordance with the laws and customs of the Chinese Empire, together with such other evidence as to his fitness to conduct such a store as the Board may require."

SEC. 3. Section nine of Act Numbered Five hundred and ninety-seven is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 9. Any person who, prior to the ratification of the treaty of Paris, had been under the law qualified as a pharmacist by the Spanish Government, or any person who Licenciate, had received the degree of licenciate in pharmacy from the University of Santo Tomas, prior to the ratification of the Treaty of Paris, in the city of Manila, and who shall present such degree together with the proper application to the Board of Pharmaceutical Examiners, shall receive, without further examination, a certificate of registration as pharmacist from said Board, on payment of the required fee for registration."

SEC. 4. Section eleven of said Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 11. Every person engaged in the practice of pharmacy in the Philippine Islands at the time of the passage of this Act shall, within the period of one hundred and twenty days from the date of its passage, register with the secretary-treasurer of the Board and pay the usual fee of registration, and the secretary-treasurer shall issue the usual certificate of registration to each person so registering. Any person failing to comply with this provision within the stated period shall be required to appear before the Board and pass a satisfactory examination before it shall be lawful for him to engage in the practice of pharmacy in the Philippine Islands: *Provided*, That the period marked in this section for registration shall not be applicable to any person included in sections nine and ten hereof. Any person practicing pharmacy in the Philippine Archipelago without complying with the requirements of this Act shall be punished by a fine not to exceed two hundred pesos, or by imprisonment for not more than ninety days, or both, in the discretion of the court."

SEC. 5. Section thirteen of said Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 13. Any two members of the Board may issue temporary certificate of registration as pharmacist or second-class pharmacist (practicante de farmacia) to any applicant upon presentation by such applicant of satisfactory evidence that he possesses the necessary qualifications to practice pharmacy, and that he has not failed to pass any examination before the Board, such certificate to remain in force only until the next regular meeting of the Board, at which time the person to whom it has been issued shall report for examination. Temporary certificates of registration shall be granted only when the Board is not in session or will