

# B. Olive Cole

1883-1971

## CHRONOLOGY

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*This chronology outlining the accomplishments of Dr. B. Olive Cole is presented here on the first anniversary of her death.*

- 1883 Born on November 14 in Mount Carmel, Baltimore County, Maryland (Father—Jordan B. Cole—died March 20, 1889)
- 1902 Graduated from Franklin High School, Reisterstown, Maryland
- 1902-16 Stenographer and quotation clerk, Sharpe & Dohme Manufacturing Pharmacists, Baltimore
- 1903 Graduated from Baltimore Business College
- 1913 Received Doctor of Pharmacy degree from University of Maryland, Department of Pharmacy (and recipient of Gold Medal for general excellence); participated in the development of the second edition of *The Pharmaceutical Syllabus* (a publication outlining courses of instruction for pharmacy schools)
- 1915 Began membership in the American Pharmaceutical Association
- 1915-16 Attended Johns Hopkins University (studied English)
- 1916-20 Pharmacist, Solway-Annan Company-Manufacturing Pharmacists, Washington; also worked part-time for Federal Government, War Risk Department
- 1917-18 Secretary-Treasurer, Baltimore Branch of The American Pharmaceutical Association
- 1920-28 Associate Professor of Botany and Materia Medica, School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland
- 1920-30 Secretary-Treasurer, Baltimore Branch of The American Pharmaceutical Association
- 1920-53 Secretary of the Faculty, School of Pharmacy
- 1922 Presented paper entitled "Standardization of Education and Legislation" at the APhA annual meeting in Cleveland (published: *JAPhA* 12:44, 1923); member, The Pharmaceutical Syllabus Committee (for the Third Edition)
- 1923 Received Bachelor of Laws degree from University of Maryland School of Law (Mother — Nancy Ellen Wheeler Cole—died the week of graduation); first woman graduate from the Law School of the University (because degrees are awarded alphabetically); with an associate woman student, won the Practice Court Case of 1923 (first time by women in the School of Law); became a member of the Baltimore City and the Maryland State Bar Associations; admitted to practice before the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City; charter member of the Quota Club International of Baltimore
- 1923-28 Lecturer in Pharmaceutical Law, School of Pharmacy
- 1924 Vice-President, Quota Club International of Baltimore
- 1924-25 Attended Johns Hopkins University (studied History)
- 1926 President, Quota Club International of Baltimore
- 1926-53 Secretary, Alumni Association of the School of Pharmacy; reporter for *The Maryland Pharmacist*
- 1928-32 Associate Professor of Business Methods and Pharmaceutical Law, School of Pharmacy
- 1929 Charter member and organizer of the Eastern Chapter of the Lambda Kappa Sigma Society
- 1930 Chairman, Entertainment Committee, APhA annual meeting in Baltimore; charter member, Omicron Chapter, Rho Chi Society; became Life Member of the American Pharmaceutical Association
- 1932 Member, The Pharmaceutical Syllabus Committee (for the Fourth Edition)
- 1932-35 Attended Johns Hopkins University (studied Economics)
- 1932-47 Associate Professor of Economics and Pharmaceutical Law, School of Pharmacy
- 1934 President, Baltimore Branch of The American Pharmaceutical Association; Chairman, Finance Committee, Woman's City Club of Baltimore
- 1935 Prepared "Statistical Study of Distribution and Nature of Employment of Graduates of the School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland From 1928 to 1935." (published in reports and articles of the Committee on the School of Pharmacy of the Maryland Pharmaceutical Association and of the Board of Pharmacy, appearing in several numbers of *The Maryland Pharmacist*)
- 1937 Presented paper entitled "Monopoly and Competition in Trade-Marked Articles" at APhA annual meeting in New York City (published: *JAPhA* 26:738, 1937)
- 1938 Member, Sub-committee on Pharmaceutical Economics, The Pharmaceutical Syllabus Committee (the Fifth Edition); presented paper entitled "Pharmaceutical Ethics vs. Economics" at APhA annual meeting in Minneapolis (published: *JAPhA* 27:1251, 1938); wrote paper entitled "Your Pharmacist" (published: *Pharmacist*, May issue)
- 1939 Vice-Chairman, Section on Pharmaceutical Economics, American Pharmaceutical Association (Acting Chairman at the APhA annual meeting in Atlanta)
- 1940 First contributor to student loan fund for the Women's Auxiliary American Pharmaceutical Association; Representative from Pharmaceutical Economics Section in APhA House of Delegates

- 1941 Presented paper entitled "Modern Trends in Courses in Pharmaceutical Economics" at the APhA annual meeting in Detroit; member of Executive Committee, Chairman of Program Committee and Treasurer of the Research Fund, centennial celebration of the School of Pharmacy
- 1942 Chairman, Section on Pharmaceutical Economics, American Pharmaceutical Association
- 1943-44 Representative from Pharmaceutical Economics Section in APhA House of Delegates
- 1945 Twenty-fifth anniversary with the School of Pharmacy, received engraved silver service and imported candle globes from Alumni Association; received certificate of merit and a victory bond as "Woman of the Week" from Schleisner's Baltimore store
- 1946 Second Vice-President, Women's Auxiliary, American Pharmaceutical Association; completed a "History of Maryland College of Pharmacy and the School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland from 1895 to 1946"; member of the Consultative Committee of Teachers of Pharmacy Administration which met in the United States Office of Education (Washington); received as a dedication, *Terra-Mariae* Yearbook of the School of Pharmacy
- 1946-47 Representative from Pharmaceutical Economics Section in APhA House of Delegates
- 1947 Member of Resolutions Committee at the APhA annual meeting in Milwaukee
- 1947-49 Professor of Economics and Pharmaceutical Law, School of Pharmacy
- 1948 Member of Teachers of Pharmacy Administration Committee, American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy; prepared report entitled "Pharmacy Administration in the Pharmaceutical Curriculum" for *The Pharmaceutical Survey*
- 1948-49 Acting Dean, School of Pharmacy (portrait presented to the college by alumni and faculty)
- 1949 Became only woman member of the Baltimore Veteran Druggists' Association
- 1949-50 Professor of Business Administration, School of Pharmacy
- 1950-53 Professor of Pharmacy Administration, School of Pharmacy
- 1951 Honorary President, Maryland Pharmaceutical Association; published in *Mid-Atlantic Apothecary*: "Tribute to American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education"
- 1952 Published in *Tile and Till* (Eli Lilly & Co.) November-December Issue: "History of the School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland"; presented paper entitled "History of the Women's Section and the Women's Auxiliary of the American Pharmaceutical Association" at the APhA annual meeting in Philadelphia; member of Advisory Committee, centennial celebration of the American Pharmaceutical Association
- 1953 Member, Executive Committee, dedication of Kelly Memorial Building; presented a paper recording the activities and accomplishments of Dr. E. F. Kelly; prepared a scrapbook record of the dedicatory exercises including photographs, texts of addresses, members of committees, and letters received from pharmaceutical groups and friends of Dr. E. F. Kelly; presented paper entitled "Twenty-five Years of Graduate Work in the School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland" at the APhA annual meeting in Salt Lake City; Honorary President, Alumni Association, School of Pharmacy; recipient of the Honored Alumnus Award; the administration and faculty of the School gave a farewell tea in the Kelly Building; retired from the School of Pharmacy on the first of December and received typewriter as a gift from the Alumni Association.
- 1953-71 Professor Emerita of Pharmacy Administration (first woman named Emeritus Professor in the University of Maryland)
- 1954 Honorary member, Alumni Association, School of Pharmacy and presented an engraved pin; received tribute as Professor Emeritus of the University at meeting of M Club and presented an engraved silver bowl
- 1957 Honorary member, Maryland Pharmaceutical Association; presented paper entitled "75 Years of Maryland Pharmacy" at the MPhA annual meeting in Wernersville, Pennsylvania; presented paper entitled "History of the School of Pharmacy of the University of Maryland" at the 4th Pan American Congress of Pharmacy and Biochemistry in Washington
- 1958 Received citation for interest and faithful service as secretary (for four years) from the Alumni Club of Baltimore of the University of Maryland; published in *Drug Topics*: "Opportunities Open to Women in Pharmacy"; Chairman, Publications Committee, Alumni Association, School of Pharmacy
- 1959 Secretary Emeritus of the Alumni Association, School of Pharmacy; presented paper entitled "History of the Alumni Association of the School of Pharmacy of the University of Maryland at the APhA annual meeting in Cincinnati
- 1959-60 Judge for the Maryland entries in the National Pharmacy Week window display competition.
- 1960 Honorary President, Ladies Auxiliary, Maryland Pharmaceutical Association; first recipient of the Award of Merit (a plaque) given by Lambda Kappa Sigma Sorority, Detroit meeting; published in *The Maryland Pharmacist*: "Notes on Early Pharmacy In Maryland" (Part I June, Part II July), "Notes on the History of Pharmacy In Maryland" (Part I August); "Notes on the Early History of Pharmacy In Maryland" (Part I September)
- 1960-61 Chairman, Publications Committee, Maryland Pharmaceutical Association
- 1961 Published in *The Maryland Pharmacist*: "Notes on the Early History of Pharmacy In Maryland" (Part II March, Part III December); presented paper entitled "Maryland College of Pharmacy and School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland" at the APhA annual meeting in Chicago (published: *The Maryland Pharmacist*, August); Chairman, Publications Com-

- mittee, Alumni Association School of Pharmacy
- 1962 Honorary President, Quota Club of Baltimore; Co-chairman, dedication of Women's Lounge, APhA building (Washington); published in *The Maryland Pharmacist*: "Notes on the History of Pharmacy In Maryland" (Part II January, Part III March, Part IV April); judge for the Maryland entries in the National Pharmacy Week window display competition
- 1963 Awarded Life Honorary Certificate Alumni Association School of Pharmacy (this being the first Life Membership issued by the Association); prepared a "History of School of Pharmacy of the University of Maryland" for Eli Lilly and Co.; published with co-author Herman M. Kling in *The Maryland Pharmacist* (November): "History of the Baltimore Veteran Druggists' Association"; Chairman, Publications Committee, Alumni Association, School of Pharmacy; received special certificate from the Alumni Association denoting graduation from the School of Pharmacy fifty years ago; Chairman, Publications Committee, Maryland Pharmaceutical Association; compiled and typed for publication in *The Maryland Pharmacist* (August) "The Henry B. Gilpin Company" by James E. Allen; published in *The Maryland Pharmacist* "Notes on the History of Pharmacy In Maryland" (Part V March, Part VI September)
- 1964 Published in *The Maryland Pharmacist* "Notes on the History of Pharmacy In Maryland (Part VI January); member, Student Aid and Scholarship Committee, Maryland Pharmaceutical Association
- 1964-65 Member, Publications Committee, Maryland Pharmaceutical Association
- 1966 Cole Pharmacy Museum established in the Kelly Memorial Building; published in *The Maryland Pharmacist* (January): "Items of Historical Importance In the Life of the School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland"
- 1970 Received Certificate of Commendation from the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy
- 1971 Died June 5 and buried June 9 in Mount Carmel Cemetery, Baltimore County, Maryland

Dr. B. Olive Cole was for many years a collaborator for the *American Journal on Pharmaceutical Education* and reporter for *The Maryland Magazine*, official general alumni publication of the University. She was at one time Chairman, Section on Pharmaceutical Economics, American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy; and also nominated for Vice-President of the American Pharmaceutical Association. Miss Cole was a registered pharmacist in the District of Columbia and Maryland. She was also a member of the Graduate Epsilon Chapter of Lambda Kappa Sigma Sorority and a collector of over 300 pitchers, many of them antique.