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A YEAR IN RETROSPECT

We at THE HAHNEMANNIAN GLEANINGS extend to all our valued readers our greetings for a very happy New Year and wish one and all of the homoeopathic fraternity a very prosperous 1982.

Sometime in January last year through this column I had attempted an analysis of the homoeopathic scene in the country particularly relating to homoeopathic education, research and professional practice, and had enumerated some problems and their possible solutions. It is quite likely that the people concerned were too busy otherwise and had no time to pay attention to these problems at all. I am sure the secretariat of the Adviser in Homoeopathy and the Adviser himself are fully aware of these problems. Let me once again respectfully remind the authorities that any further delay will create serious repercussions all over.

The fraternity at large has become fully aware of the designs of the top (?) few who have exploited the situation for anything other than the rational growth and development of Homoeopathy. There was one all India body—soon followed by another—and these carried on the battle for years before a treaty was signed for amalgamation. The amalgamation worked hardly for sometime and then a split came. It would not have mattered much if the same two parties had separated but the split is seen in three. A Bengal group now wants to form a third, a Federation. This is a sign of disintegration with some top few wanting to wield power. But for what? I am afraid the doctrine of individualisation is seen in the politics of Homoeopathy. As Homoeopathy can never prescribe on generalisation and an individualisation is always attempted for cure, these associations will also end up at individual levels.

Homoeopathy is gaining popularity at all levels, the fraternity should stand up to the occasion and see that the situation created is rightly exploited for the benefit of the science.

Our educational system must be strengthened, our institutions must be fully equipped, our teaching staff must be well trained and hospitals and

OPDs ready to prove convincingly the tenets of Homoeopathy.

Government on many occasions have announced on the floor of the Parliament, full support and assistance to Homoeopathy; then why are we still being deprived? Dynamism should be at the head of the organisation and it should be full time application. So many times this has been told to the government. But no one knows where the hitch is. Is it the funds? It cannot be. Is it the men to handle the show? Partly yes, partly no. Is there dearth of men? Fraternity know the answer from the fact that many senior posts of the prestigious organisation in Homoeopathy started by the Government of India are still vacant and they cannot find suitable men to fill them. The real hitch is here. We have started our development from the wrong direction.

Let us pledge once again in the New Year that we shall pay attention to our older follies and try to work for a better future. Let us forget our petty differences for position and work for the betterment of Homoeopathy. Let us not allow our ego to rule us; we are educated people and not fresh literates.

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