

Timeline of The Portage Site

Upjohn

1946 to 1995



**Pharmacia
& Upjohn**

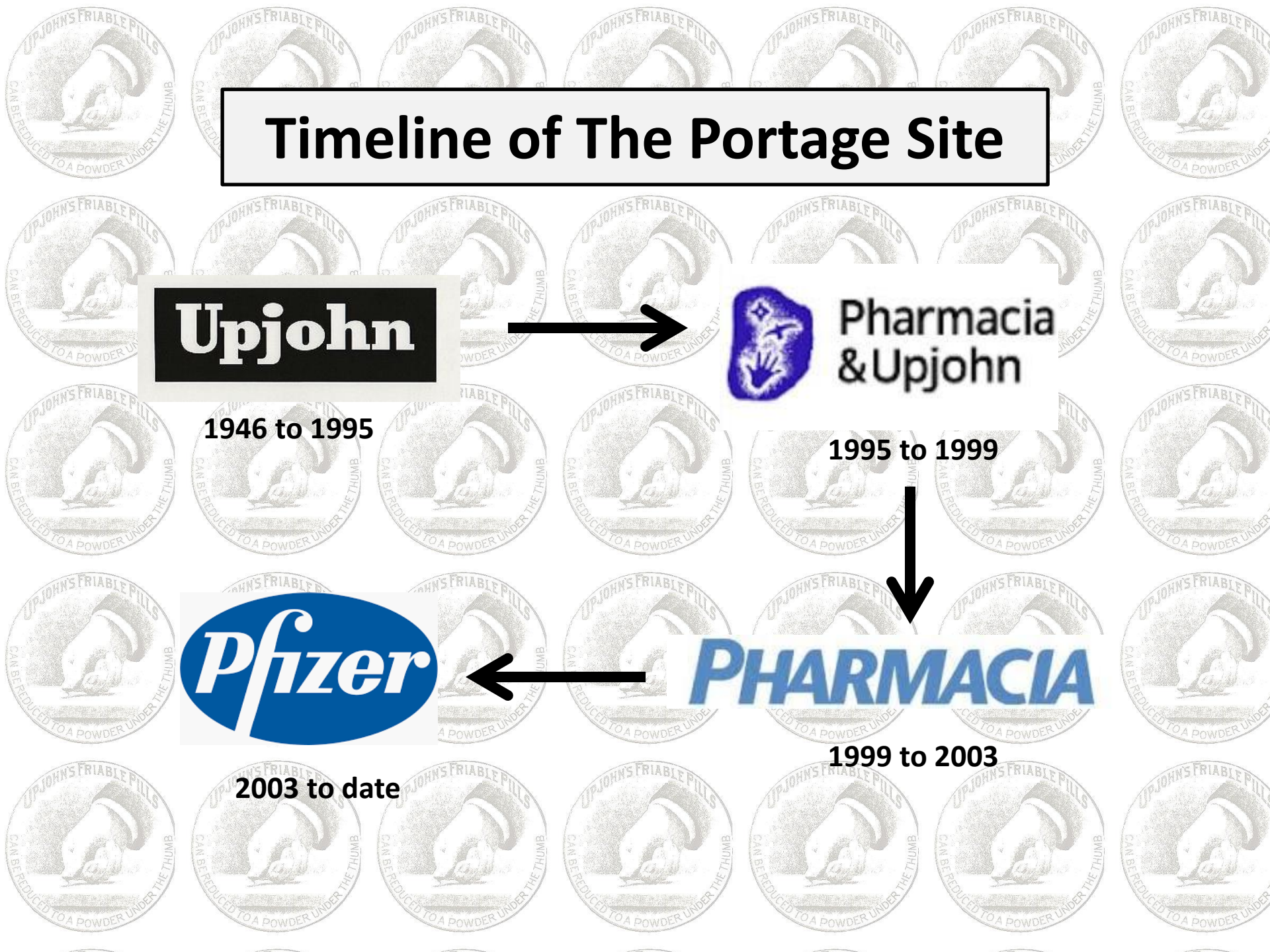
1995 to 1999

Pfizer

PHARMACIA

1999 to 2003

2003 to date



W.E.Upjohn – Founder of The Upjohn Company in 1886



Dr. Wm. E. Upjohn, at the time he founded The Upjohn Company, then known as The Upjohn Pill and Granule Company



Advertising for the Friable Pill

*Under the thumb
versus
under the hammer*



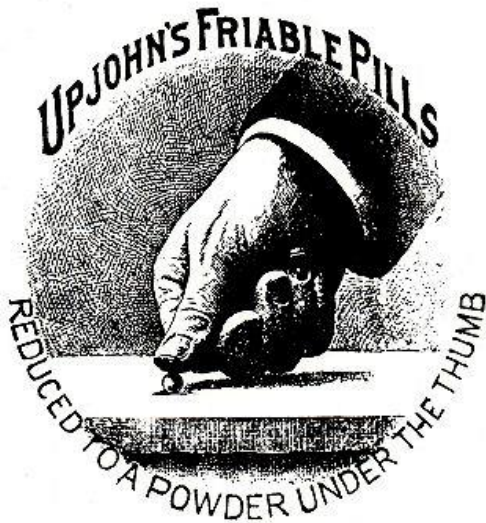
*Which
will you
specify?*

UPJOHN'S FRIABLE PILLS
CAN BE REDUCED TO A POWDER UNDER THE THUMB

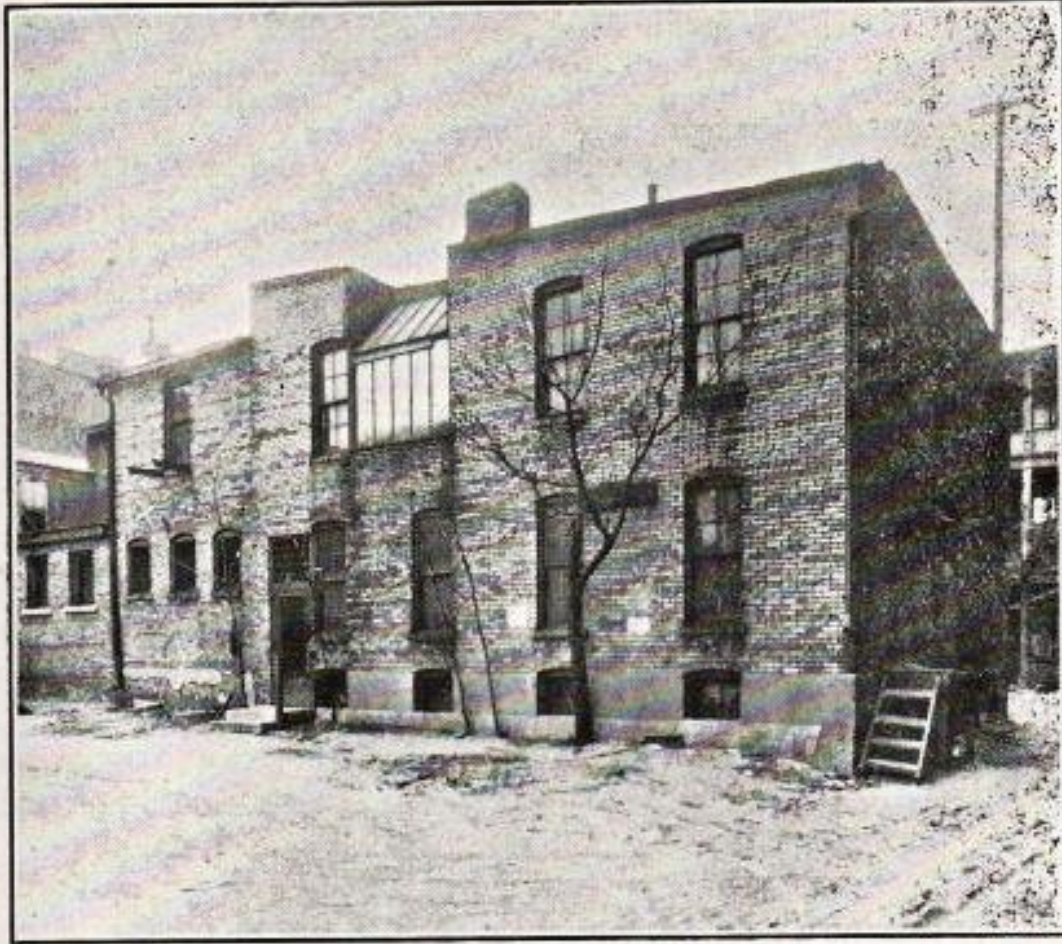
XIV
A BROOKLYN DRUGGIST
SHOWS A NEW TEST FOR PILLS.
SEE PHARM. ERA DEC. 10TH. HE
DROVE INTO THE WOOD 22 OIL
OF 26 KINDS SELECTED
OTHERS...



The Friable Pill on Company Logos 1886 to 1945



First Upjohn Building in Kalamazoo



Upjohn's Earliest Products Contained...

Antimony

Arsenic

Assafetida

Belladonna

Calomel

Cannabis

Cantharides

Capsicum

Cinchona

Cocaine

Creosote

Digitalis

Gamboge

Ginger

Henbane

Heroin

Ipecac

Iron

Jalap

Liver

Mercury

Morphine

Myrrh

Nux Vomica

Opium

Potassium Bromide

Potassium Chlorate

Potassium Permanganate

Quinine

Rhubarb

Salicilin

Santonin

Squills

Strontium

Strychnine

Turpentine

Early Expansion



Bldg. 19

Bldg. 20

A Manufacturing Complex



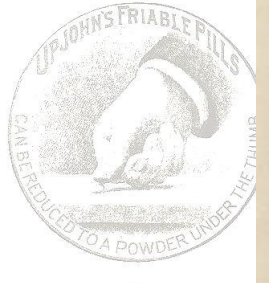
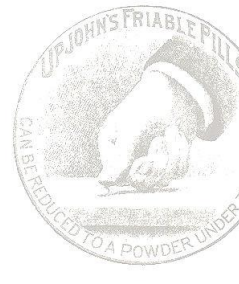
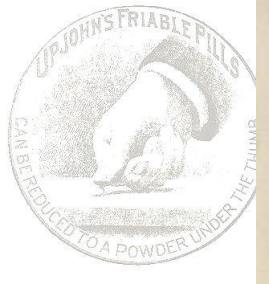
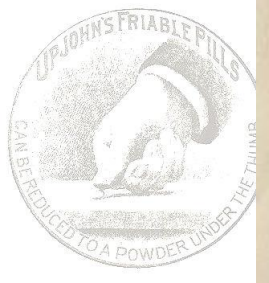
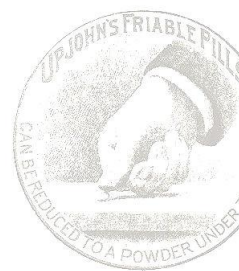
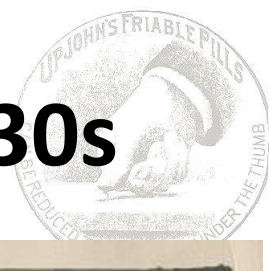
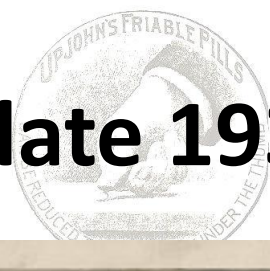
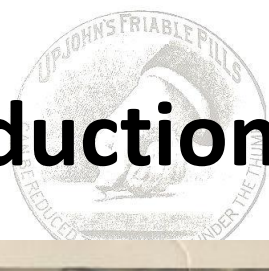
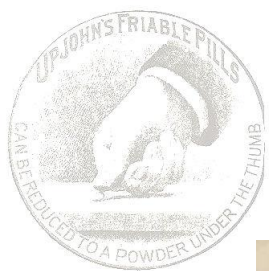
Major New Buildings in the 1930s



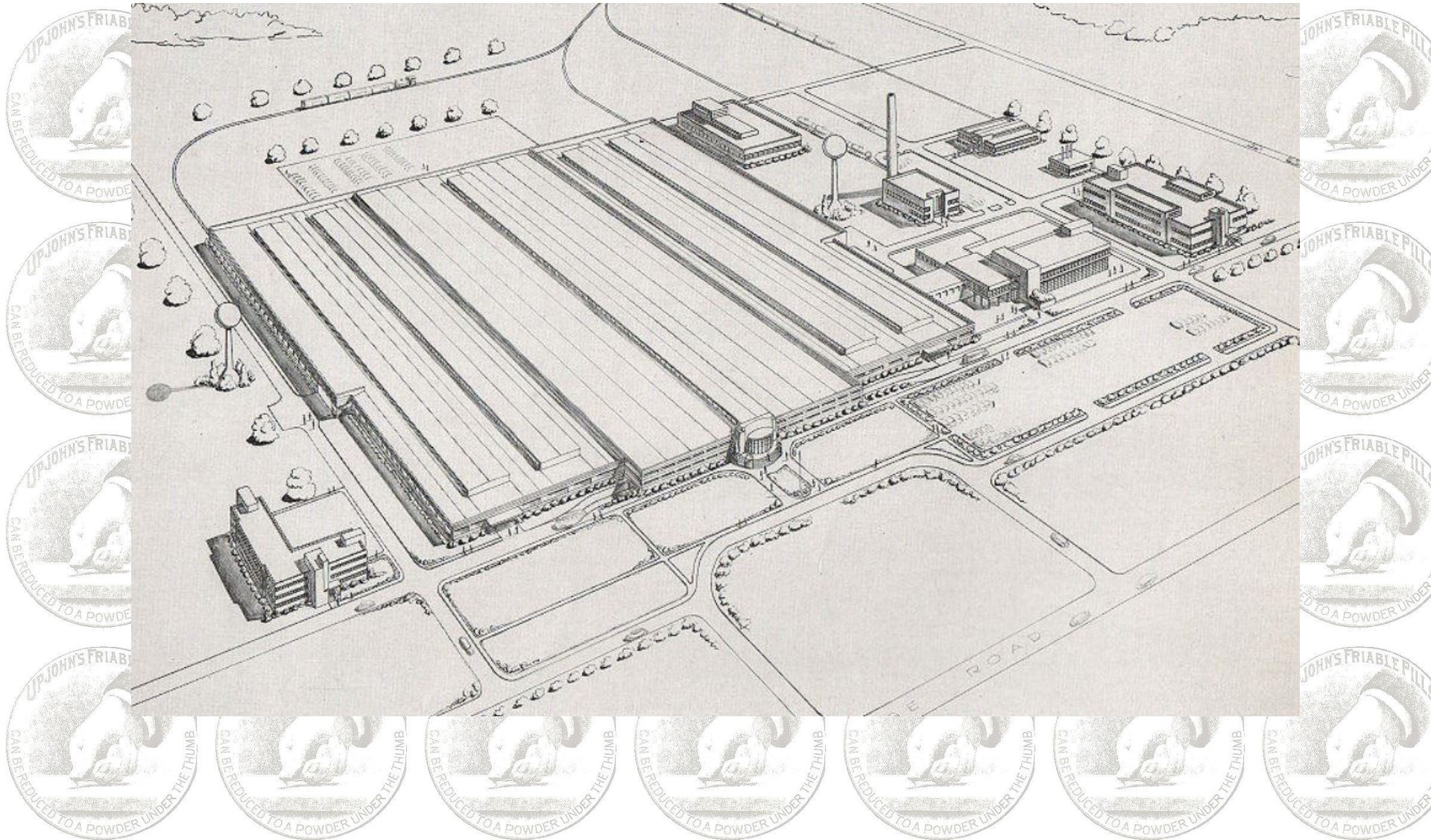
THE UPJOHN COMPANY OF THE FUTURE

Architect's drawing of the proposed new office building and the first unit of the manufacturing plant, in the center of which rises Research Tower. Pictures of the new concentrate building, which is now nearly ready for use, and of the steam plant on which work has already started, will be found on page 460.

Production in the late 1930s



Building of the Portage Site



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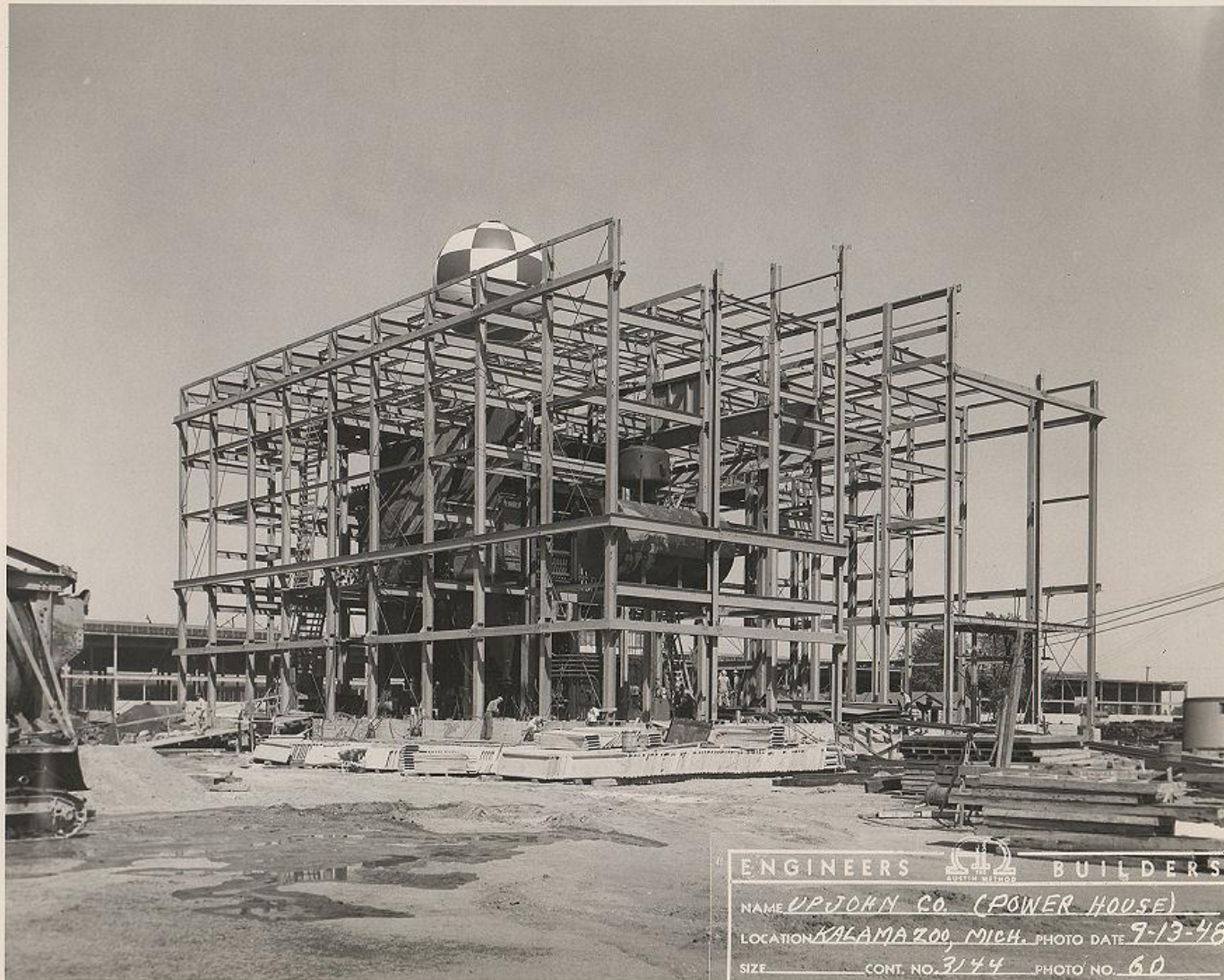
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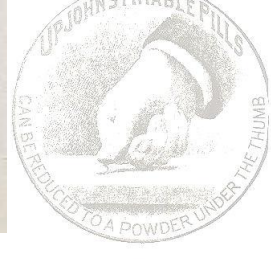
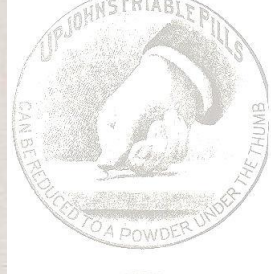
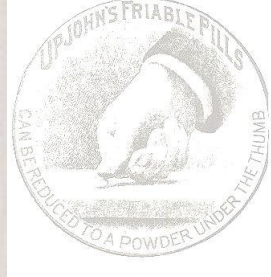
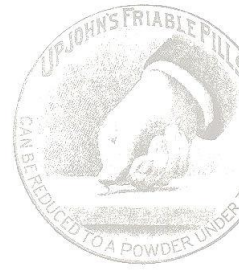
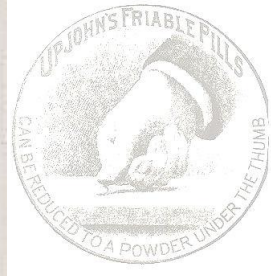
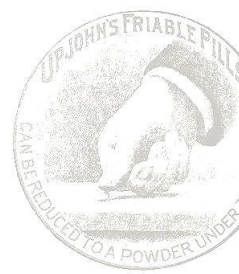
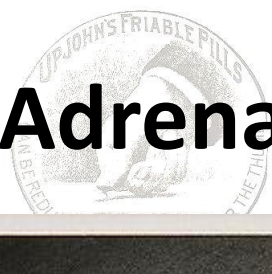
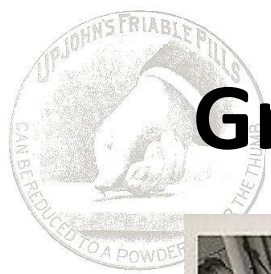
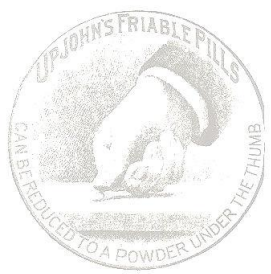


ENGINEERS  BUILDERS
NAME UPJOHN CO. (POWER HOUSE)
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Building of the Portage Site



Grinding Adrenal Glands



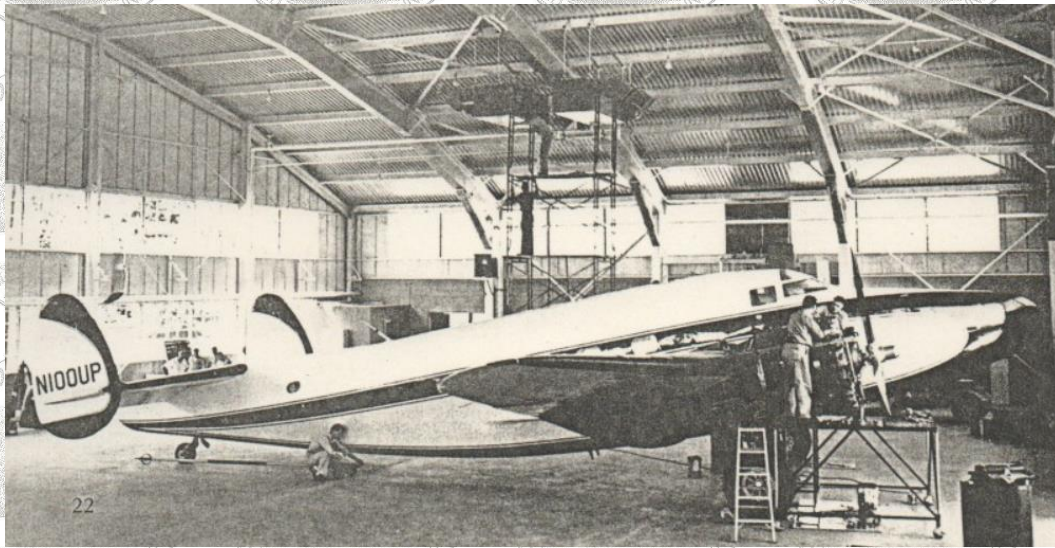
Company Buses to the Portage Plant



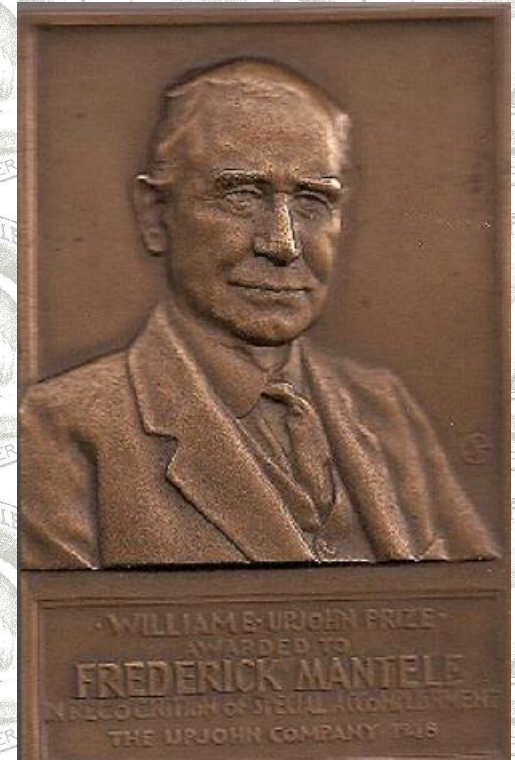
The Barbers Shop in Building 41



The Upjohn Airforce



The Upjohn Awards



Public Tours of Building 41

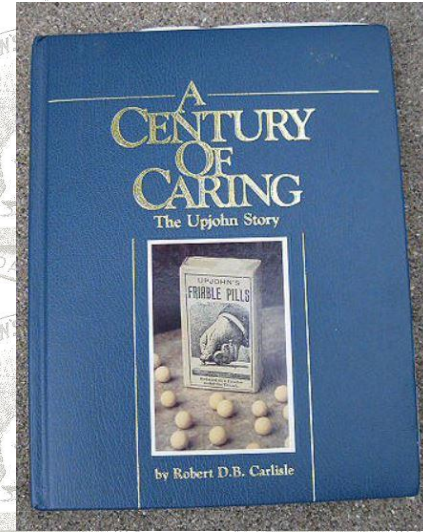


Upjohn

These Upjohn escorts are carefully selected and trained to make the visitors' plant tour both pleasant and worthwhile.



Centennial Celebration



Blue Mass (1886 to 1925)



Blue Mass is a formulation that contains 33% mercury in elemental form or mercury chloride.

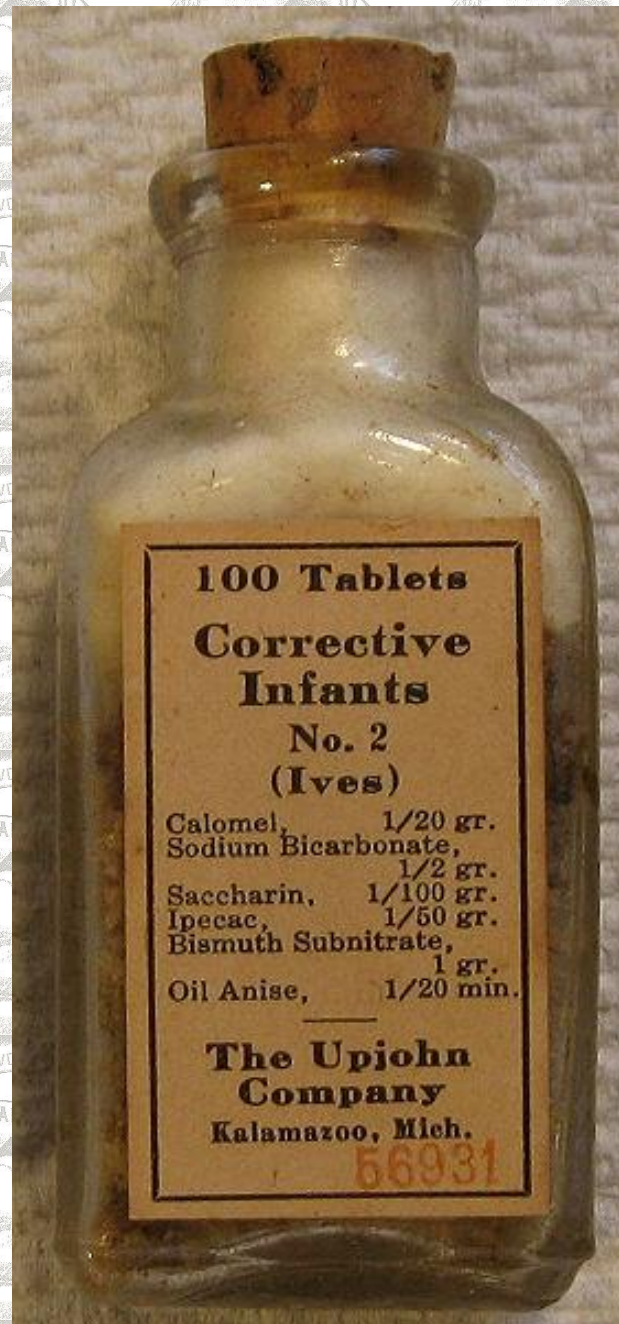
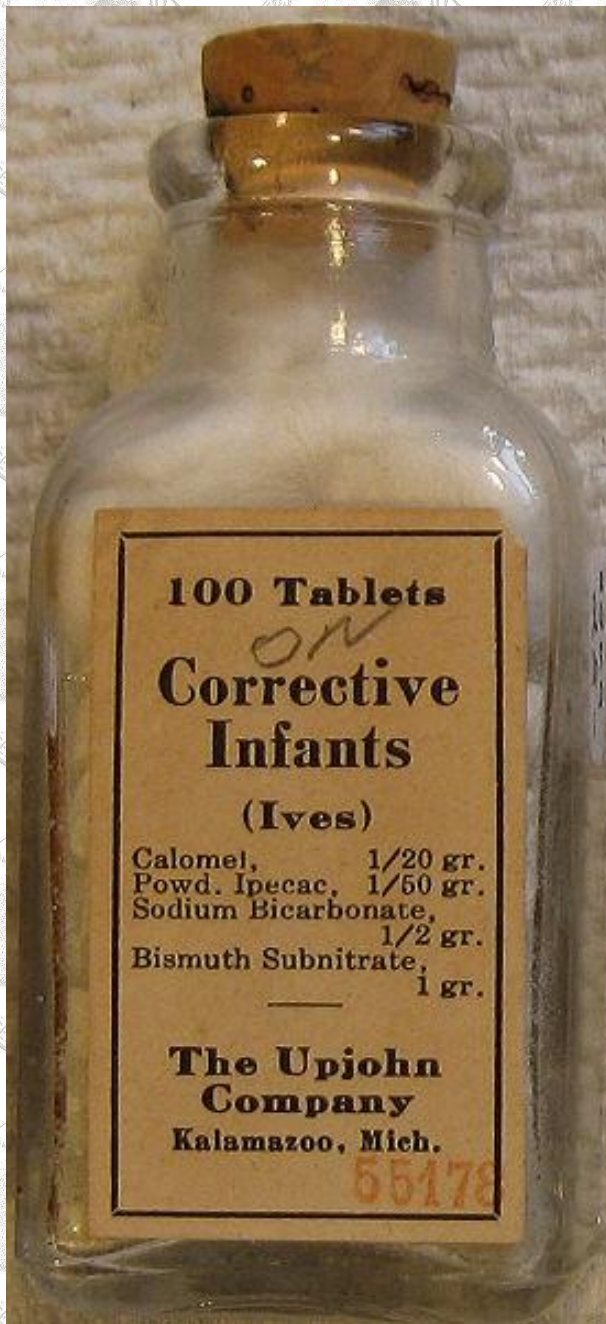
1 grain = 65mg so 3 grains of Blue Mass per pill in this 1890s bottle amounts to 65mg of mercury per pill.

The World Health Organization currently recommends that mercury exposure in food be no more than 2 micrograms per kg of body weight per week.

So a 175 pound person who took two pills per day of this Upjohn Blue Mass would have a mercury level 1000 times higher than today's safe limit!

More Mercury Products

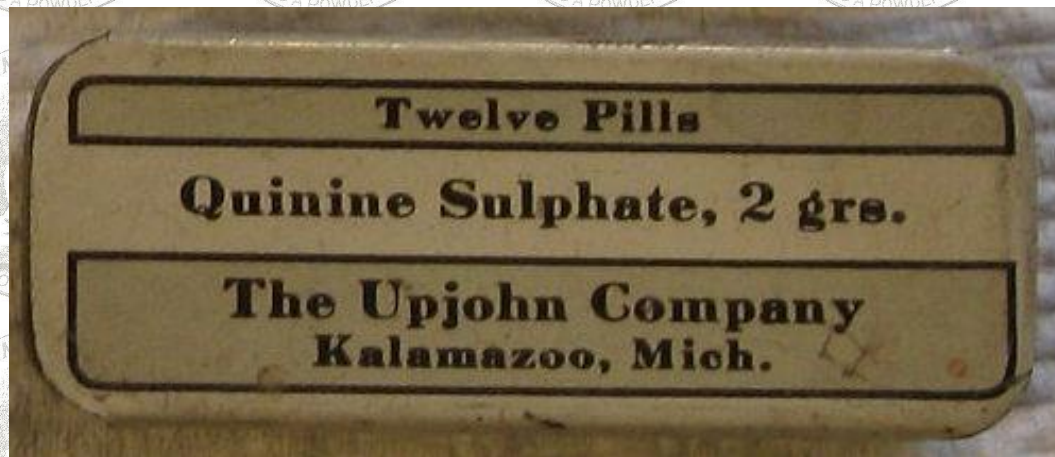


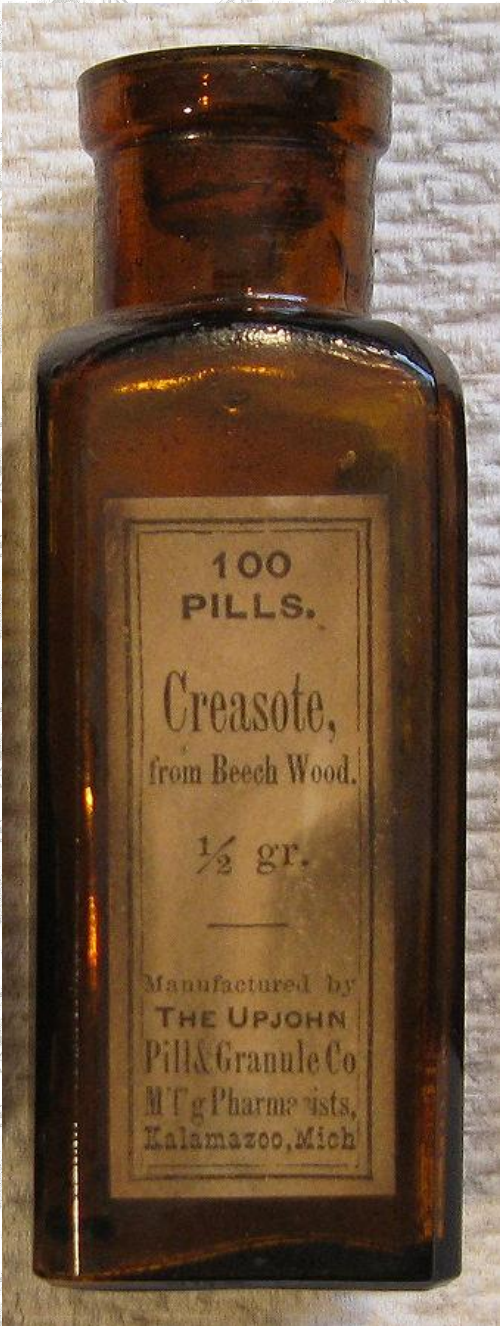


Mercury for Infants



Quinine Pills





100
PILLS.

Creasote,
from Beech Wood.

1/2 gr.

Manufactured by
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Kalamazoo, Mich



1 Pint

CREOSOTONE

(Upjohn)
Non-Alcoholic

Each fluid ounce represents:
Creosote and Potassium Guaiacol Sulphonate, 16 1/2 grains
Quinine Sulphate, 1/2 grain
Yax Yonica, 1/4 grain
Combined Hypophosphites of Calcium, Potassium, Manganese and Iron, 8 grains

In a palatable vehicle.

Dose - 2 to 4 fluidrachms (8 to 15 cc)
three or four times daily.



The Upjohn Company
Makers of Fine Pharmaceuticals
Kalamazoo, Mich.

Creasote



Hematic Tonic Pills



**100 Pills
Coated Red
Hematic Tonic
(Upjohn)**

Each pill represents:
Blaud-Upjohn,* 3 grs.
Manganese Dioxide, 1/4 gr.
Strychnine Sulphate, 1/60 gr.
Arsenous Acid, 1/100 gr.
Mercuric Chloride, 1/80 gr.
Aloin, 1/20 gr.
Zinc Phosphide, 1/16 gr.

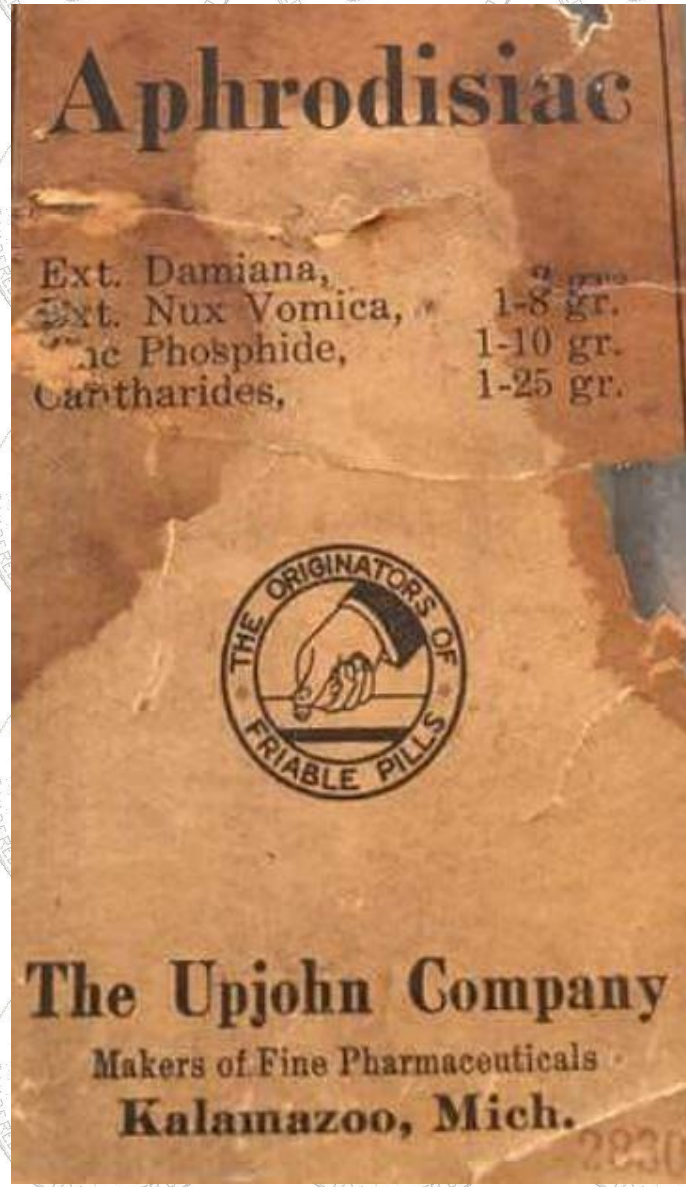
*Blaud-Upjohn contains in permanent form 75% more available Ferrous Carbonate than is found in freshly prepared Blaud's Mass.

Dose--1 or 2 pills after each meal.

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Kalamazoo, Mich.
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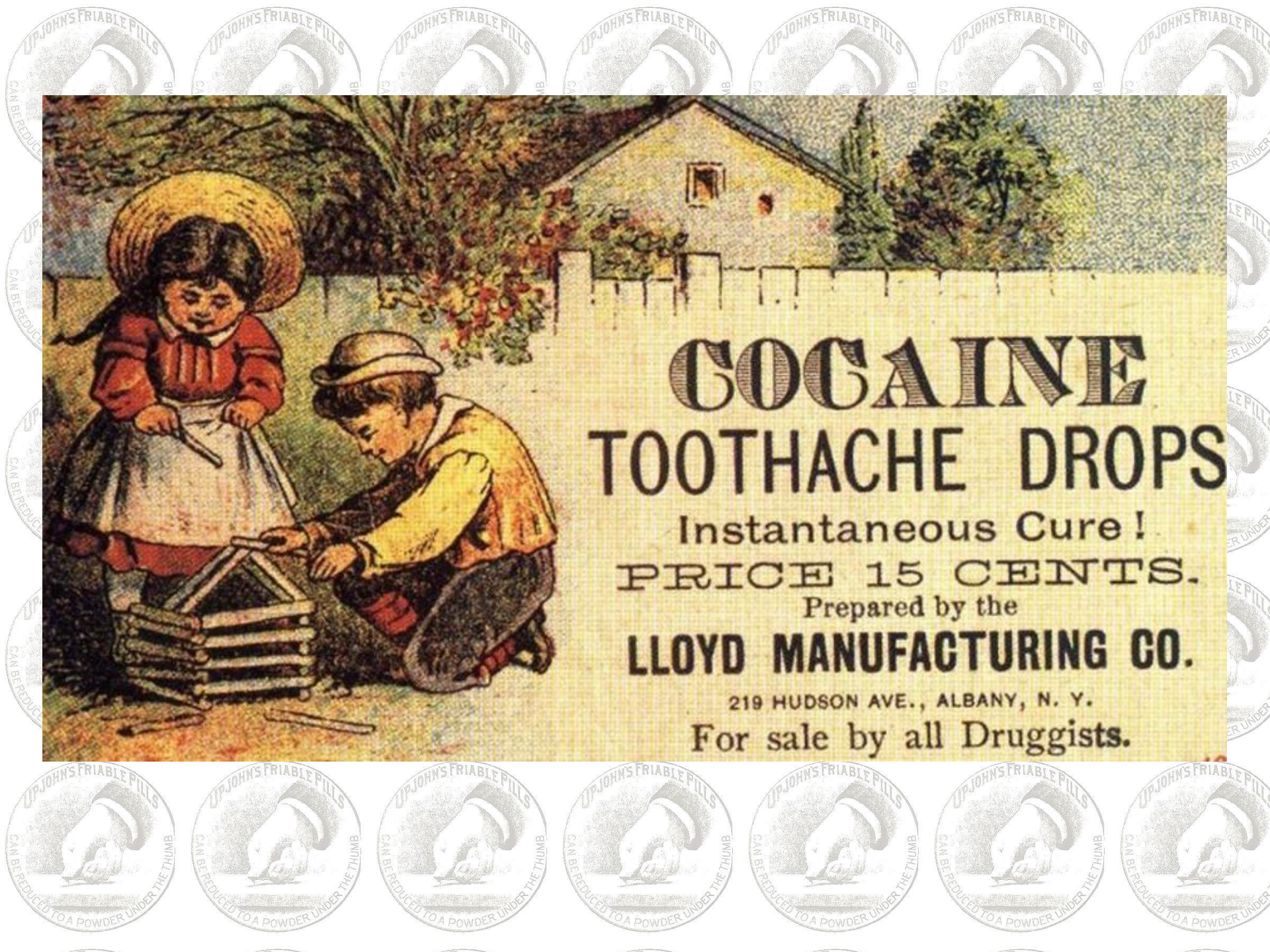
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THE

MOTHER'S

FRIEND

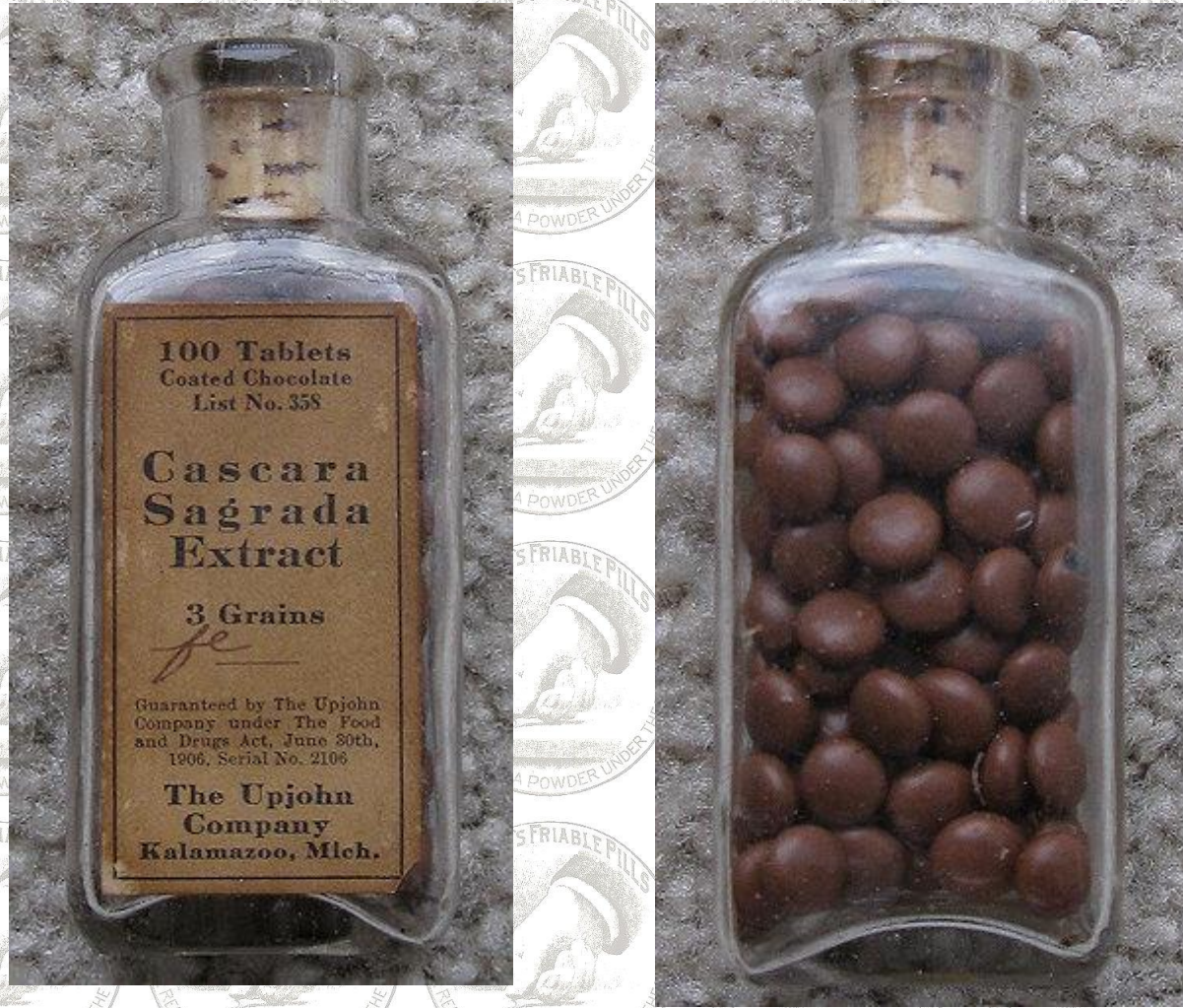
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CHILDREN

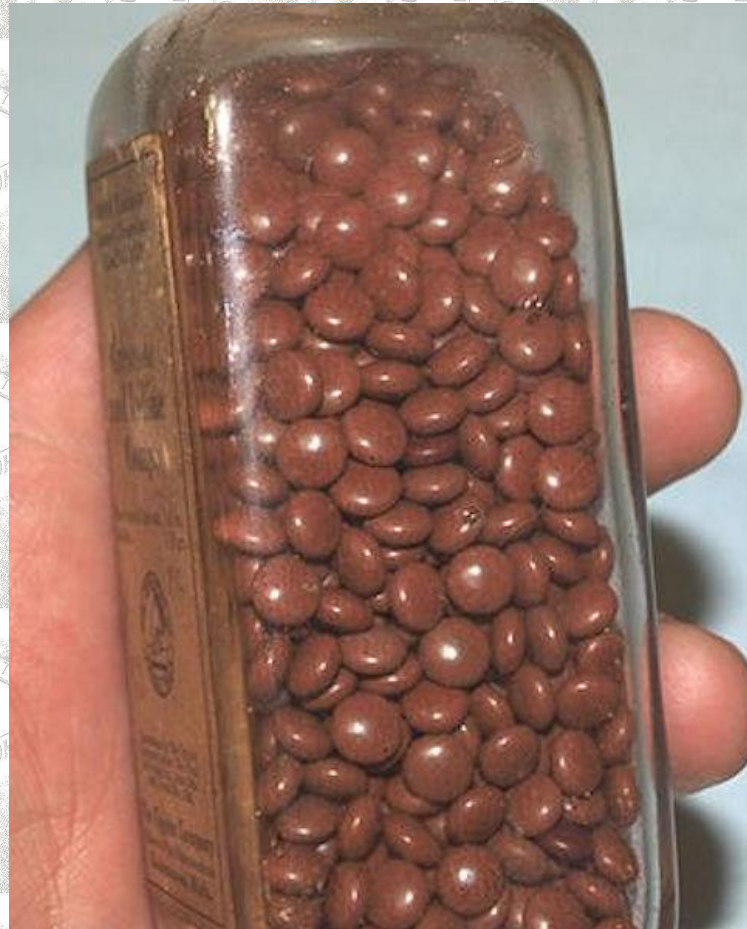
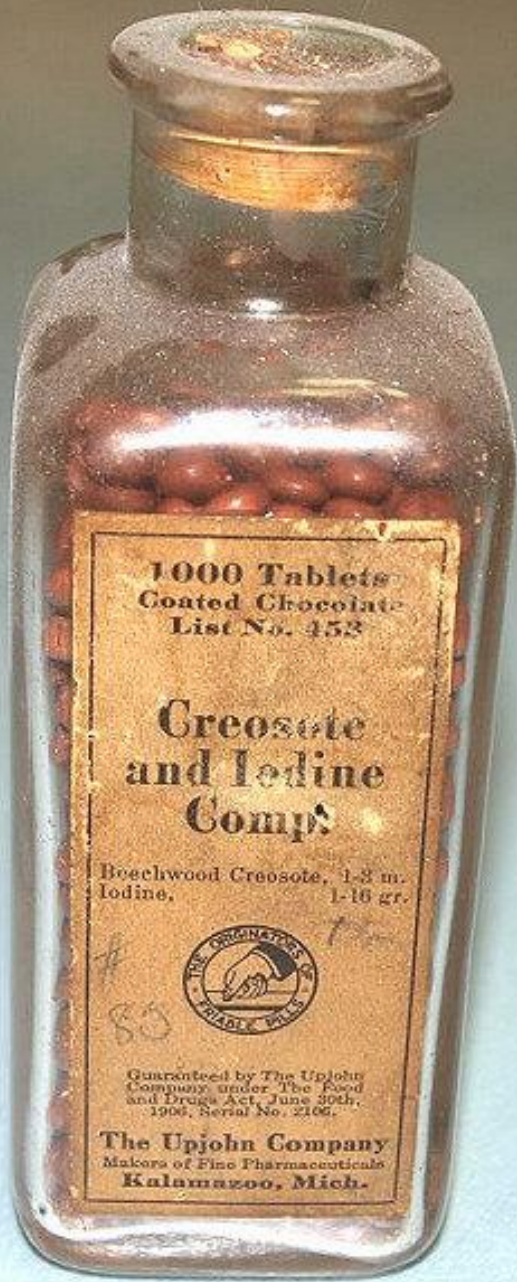
TEETHING

SOOTHING SYRUP

Chocolate Coated Tablets



More Chocolate Coated Tablets



Pantomime Candies

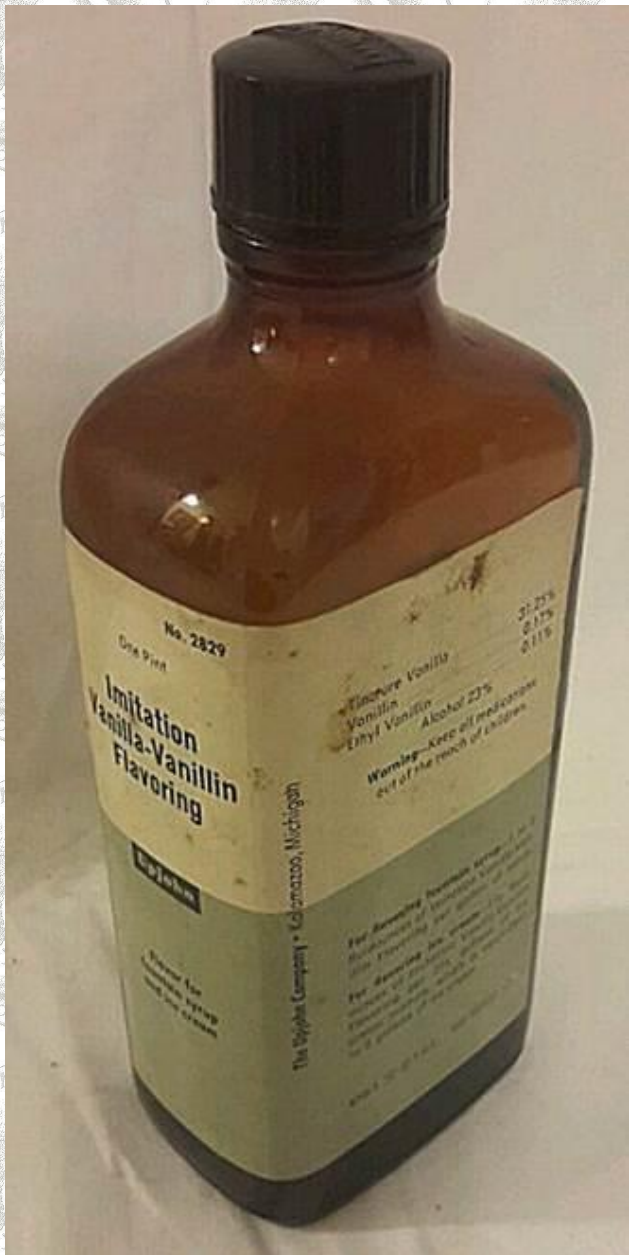




Wound Tablets



Vanilla



For flavoring fountain syrup—1 to 2 fluidounces of Imitation Vanilla-Vanillin Flavoring per gallon of syrup.

For flavoring ice cream—1½ fluidounces of Imitation Vanilla-Vanillin Flavoring per 2½ gallons of ice cream mixture, which is equivalent to 5 gallons of ice cream.

Warning—Keep all medications out of the reach of children.

Store at room temperature

Tincture Vanilla	31.25%
Vanillin	0.17%
Ethyl Vanillin	0.11%
Alcohol		23%

812 073 002 LOT 182 CX
EXP 8/93

Manufactured for
The Upjohn Company
Kalamazoo, MI 49001, USA

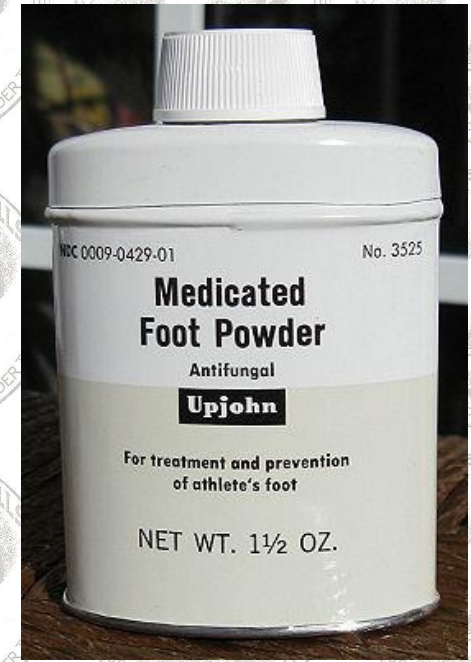
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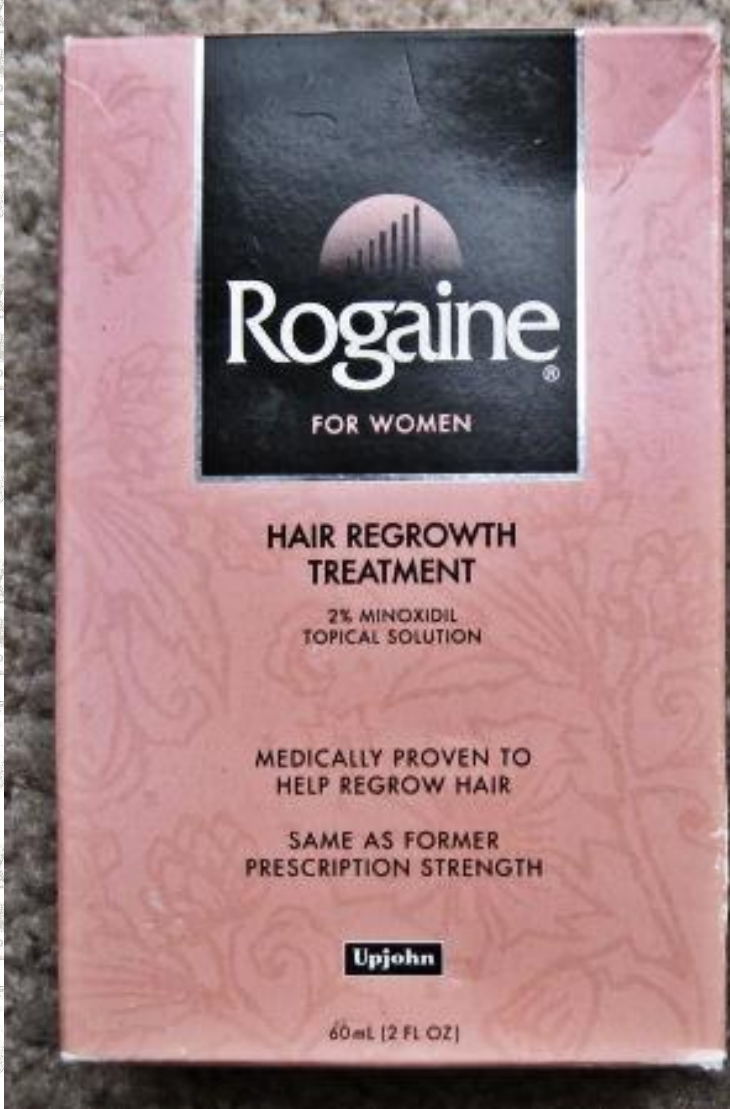


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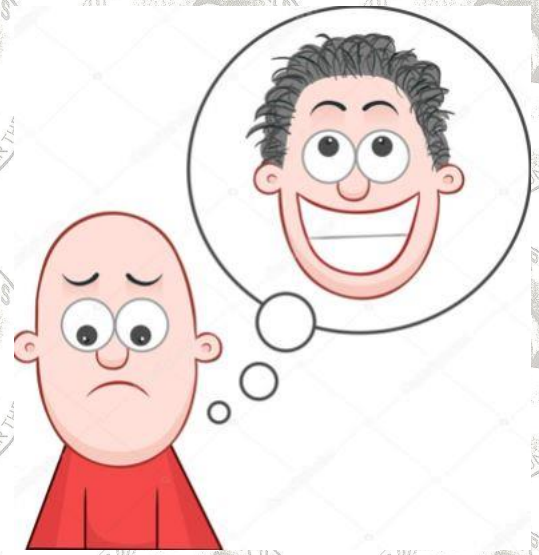


More Products from Later Years





Rogaine



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Memories of The Upjohn Company

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News

May 2019 - The American Chemical Society has granted National Historic Chemical Landmark Status to Kalamazoo for steroid chemistry achievements of scientists who worked at The Upjohn Company during the years 1950-1990. [Click here for details.](#)

January 2019 - Upjohn Company "Keep The Quality Up" T-shirts can be ordered online at Kalamazoo Sportswear. Sizes are from small to XX large. [Click here to go to the website.](#)

December 2018 - Pfizer has created an Upjohn Division - [click here for details.](#)

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