

Regional Pact Bars Nurses School Entry

BALTIMORE (ANP) — Miss Ester McCready, 18-year-old applicant to a nursing school, received a stiff blow to her ambitions here early last week when Chief Judge W. Conrad Smith in Superior Court refused to order the school to accept her as a student. In so doing, the court upheld the regional compact between southern states through which students can obtain training in another state that are not available in their home state.

Miss McCready applied for admission to the nursing school last February. In August, the University advised her by letter that she would not be admitted, but tendered her an opportunity to attend Meharry Medical College, Nashville. She was told that she could attend Meharry at no greater expense than she would undergo at the local nursing school, under the date legislative approval of a regional compact between 15 southern states.

Under the regional pact, as approved by the last Maryland legislature as well as other southern states, the signers agreed to pool

their educational facilities so that training which one state is unable to provide may be had in another state offering the same course of study.

However, university officials admitted the girl was refused admission because of her race, but pointed out that Meharry offered "equal, if not superior, opportunities." Travel costs and the expenses incident to attending and out-of-state school would be borne by Maryland.

Judge Smith's decision was that the state of Maryland in offering training at Meharry has discharged its obligation in this single case. He also said the compact "was certainly made in good faith."

However, the board of control for the compact, entering into the case as friend of the court, said the program was not intended to relieve the member states of responsibility in providing education for all. It pointed out that the compact was solely for the purpose of "providing regional arrangements to supplement educational facilities within the states participating in the plan."



COACHES OF MISS. TEAMS— The Big Eight conference of Mississippi held its 49-50 meeting at Jackson college in Jackson, Miss., last week. The purpose was to iron out new regulations and draw the name of the school each will play for the season. Pictured above are the schools

included in the conference. From left to right: Jacob L. Riddix, president of Jackson college; Rance, Natchez; Price, Louisville; Tanner, Brookhaven; Cistrunk, Meridian; Slaughter, Meridian; Dawson, Newton; Creshon, McComb; Harrison, Hattiesburg; Spriggs, Laurel; Smith, Jackson; Watts, Vicksburg; and more, Magnolia; Hobart, Pratts; Buchanan, Brookhaven; Litley, Brookhaven; Anderson, Uca Roy, Hattiesburg; William Greenwood; Bracey, Jackson; Sims, Uca; Talley, Morton; Gram, Yazoo City and Cummins, Greenville. (ANP).

Ga. Physician To Be Shaw Speaker

Dr. Fred D. Sessoms, prominent physician of Washington, Ga., will be the Founder's Day speaker at Shaw University Friday, November 18, when the 84th anniversary of the institution is observed.

Members of the faculty and student body, along with alumni and friends, will pay tribute on this occasion to the memory of Dr. Henry Martin Tupper, founder and first president of the Raleigh school.

The Founder's Day services will begin at 10:45 o'clock with graveside ceremonies on the college campus. Laying of the traditional wreath on the grave of Dr. Tupper this year may be done by a student designated for the first time in a number of years as "Miss Shaw University."

Election of the young lady is soon to be held. The annual exercises will be held at 11 o'clock in University Church.

The speaker, Dr. Sessoms, is a graduate of Leonard Medical School of Shaw University in the class of 1908. His early training was received at Roanoke Institute at Elizabeth City and at the Rich Springs Institute in Rich Square.

Since completing his work at Shaw, Dr. Sessoms has taken post graduate courses at John Andrew Memorial Hospital, Tusculum Institute and has studied at other hospitals and clinics. He has been practicing medicine in Washington, Ga., for forty-three years.

URGE NAACP HONORS FOR MISS OVINGTON

NEW YORK — Miss Mary White Ovington, a founder of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, a former treasurer and a longtime member of the Association's national board of directors, has been recommended for election as honorary treasurer and vice-president.

The recommendation was made by the Association's nominating committee at its recent meeting here. Others recommended for vice presidents include Senator Hubert Humphrey, Minneapolis; Judge Jan. J. Bolin, New York; Miss L. Pearl Mitchell, Cleveland; and Willard Townsend, Chicago. The recommendations will be submitted on national officers, to be acted on at the Association's annual meeting in January.

ATLANTA U. BOASTS VARIED STUDENT REPRESENTATION

ATLANTA, Ga. — Atlanta University's present enrollment of 341 represents 25 states, Liberia and the Bahamas Islands, and more than 58 per cent of those enrolled are native Georgians, an announcement from the office of Registrar John P. Whittaker reveals.

Other Southern states represented among the student body are Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Texas, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Tennessee and Oklahoma. Students are also enrolled from New Hampshire, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, and California.

Among the sixty colleges whose graduates are enrolled are Columbia, New York University, Cleveland College, Indiana University, Illinois Institute of Technology, the University of Michigan and Roosevelt College.

operates from a First Avenue address. Police clamped down on Susie and she was ordered held in \$3,500 bail for further hearing on a charge of swindling.

AKA's Plan To Aid TB Patients In State

In its initial meeting held at the home of Mrs. S. V. Perry, Alpha Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority mapped out a program for the year. As a phase of the Annual Health Program, the group voted to provide milk for tubercular patients who are on a waiting list to enter the N. C. Sanatorium.

In addition to a report from the Health Committee, the following committees also made interesting reports: Human Relations, headed by Mrs. Miretta Eaton; Social, headed by Mrs. Helen Duffy and Debataite, headed by Mrs. E. H. Perry.

Mrs. Susie V. Perry bastions was elected to go to the Basili conference at Columbia, South Carolina, October 28, 1949.

A delicious dinner was served by the following hostesses: Mesdames Susie V. Perry, Fannie V. Latham, Gladys Hunt, and Elsie H. Perry.

The following sorors were present: Joyce McLendon, Helen Duffy, Marion Gregory, Thelma Nelson, Fannie V. Latham, Gladys Hunt, Gladys Turner, Janice Wall, Marguerite Hayes, Virginia K. Newell.

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