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DOCTORS TO CONVENE HERE JUNE 1-3

50th Annual Session Of Old North State Medics Opens Tuesday 3:30 P.M.

The 50th annual session of the Old North State Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Society, Inc., will get underway here Tuesday June 1 and continue through Thursday June 3rd. The Old North State is the oldest Negro medical organization in the world and an elaborate program for the three days session to be held here next week planned by the local committee.

The scientific program will open Wednesday with sessions devoted to the subjects of medicine, pediatrics, surgery, dermatology and syphilology, ophthalmology and otolaryngology, public health, hygiene and sanitation, urology, radiology, dental surgery and pharmaceutical subjects.

On Wednesday evening, June 2 at 8 o'clock a public meeting will be held at the White Rock Baptist church with addresses of welcome by Dr. C. Spaulding, Dr. James S. Spaulding and Dr. A. S. Hunter. Papers on various medical subjects will be read by Dr. R. E. Wimberly of Raleigh and S. W. Rosenmond of Wilmington. Response to the welcome addresses will be given by Dr. P. W. Burgett of Rocky Mount. Dr. Walter Hughes of Raleigh will deliver a health talk.

The Wednesday evening meeting will be presided over by Dr. J. W. V. Cordice of this city. Introduction of the president of the organization will also take place. The other sessions of the meeting will be held at the North Carolina College. The annual ball will be held in the college gymnasium on Thursday evening.

In an interview with Dr. Clyde Donnell this week a representative of the Carolina Times asked him to issue a statement for publication as to why doctors get together. What is the purpose of a medical meeting? What is it that impels practitioners of the healing art from every part of the state to gather in one place to participate in scientific discussions and to break together? Dr. Donnell gave the following answers:

The answers to these questions and to many others which pertain to doctors and are little understood, perhaps, by the public, can be summed up in two statements:

First, a license to practice medicine is a permit to study. Second, the best way for a doctor to study, and to learn, at all stages of his career, is in close association with other doctors.

A man may acquire arithmetic or geometry, history or languages from books if he works hard enough, but he is better off if he has a good teacher. Yet it is true that these subjects are successfully pursued, by a studious person, alone with his books. Thomas Carlyle said, "A university is merely a collection of books." So the medical student in college gets a great deal from his texts. The facts of physics and chemistry repose in printed volumes. But the application of these facts is acquired only in the laboratory. In fact like manner, the young medical student may absorb a knowledge of the facts of anatomy, physiology and biology from books. He is much better off if he has a good teacher. And when

we come to the application of the knowledge in the treatment of disease, the laboratory in which the art is acquired is human beings who are sick, and the young man who would study to good purpose must here have at his side an older doctor, one who is more experienced, who can show him how the abstract knowledge which he has learned is successfully used in the prevention and cure of sickness.

Just so, the doctor in active practice must keep studying. How does he do this? One way is to attend his county medical society meetings during the course of the year, as well as the annual meeting of the state society which is about to open here Tuesday. At this meeting, in Durham beginning Tuesday, many doctors will listen to papers and reports prepared during the previous year by physicians who have, in the course of their work, encountered new or different facts in some realm of medical knowledge. On occasion these papers may be of outstanding immediate value to the human race, but usually they merely add a little more to our accumulated store of information. In the course of the meetings to be held this week there are to be 40 such scientific papers presented. After their presentation will come discussions by other doctors. Later, they will be published in the official journal of the National Medical Association.

This is the way the science of medicines advances. Gradually year by year. Not by leaps and bounds. A bit of knowledge contributed by one doctor today, an item of experience by another doctor tomorrow — thus the science and art of medicine move like a great glacier, by the momentum of its earlier mass, as inevitably, as irresistibly as a glacier. Progress seldom occurs like the sudden earthquake of some great personal discovery, the contribution of one man, as happened when Koch discovered the germ of tuberculosis or Pasteur the cause of tetanus. We hope for recurrences of these great and convulsive movements to solve such problems as cancer, but in the meantime we keep doggedly, persistently, devotedly, on our way toward the goal of rendering available to the human race all the knowledge which we can find which is real and tested knowledge.

Medical society meeting becomes invaluable to the doctor and to the people who are his patients. It serves as a test tube for new ideas. The physician who comes to such a meeting to present new material must subject himself to the test of proving to his equals every step of the path by which he came to his conclusions. He may have overlooked something in his enthusiasm. It will not take long for others to point this out. We all welcome the new fact and the new experience, but we do not accept them until proved. Our patients are not guinea-pigs, and before we try new things on them, we are going to require them to be shown to be of value by conclusive evidence. This is why the announcement of cures and diseases is not



IN DEBATE
GEO. S. SCHUYLER, noted columnist whose debate last week with Claude McKay over station WBYD received special mention on the radio pages of the leading daily newspapers of New York. Mr. Schuyler took the negative of the question "Shall Negroes organize as a racial group?"

COMMITTEE REPORT ON ANTI-LYNCH BILL THIS WEEK
WASHINGTON, D. C. May 27 — A favorable report on the Gagnon anti-lynching bill by the sub-committee of the Senate Judiciary committee, will be made within a week, it was said here today, Senator Frederick Van Nevels of Indiana is chairman of the sub-committee. It is likely that the full judiciary committee will accept the report of its sub-committee and report favorably

to the Senate within ten days. Meanwhile the feeling persists here among observers and newspaper men that some kind of action on the anti-lynching bill by the Senate is certain at this session of Congress, perhaps before the end of June. There is plenty of opposition to the bill among the southern senators.

THE DURHAM SKYLINE



Photo shows the skyline of Durham, where the colored business group has erected a monument to its efforts in the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company Building, 112 Farrington street, which is the third tallest structure in the picture. The building is owned by the company

N.C. College Finals Tue. June 2nd

The 26th commencement of the North Carolina College will get under full swing here Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, when the baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Dr. Willis J. King, president of Gammon Theological Seminary. Music for the occasion will be furnished by the college choir under the direction of Mrs. G. A. Edwards.

On Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock the annual meeting of the alumni association will take place. The evening will be taken up by class day exercises and a dance by the alumni association.

Tuesday morning, at ten o'clock the graduating exercises proper will take place in the college auditorium with Dr. Alben S. Wise, nationally known and noted Jewish leader of New York, delivering the commencement address.

From all indications the commencement exercises this year will be one of the best attended in the history of the school. The tremendous building program now going on at the college has created state-wide interest, and many persons will attend the commencement program with the intention of observing the many buildings in process of construction.

Dr. Shepard also announced this week that he is expecting one of the largest summer schools in

the history of North Carolina College. A double session will be conducted this year, and many teachers who have found it necessary heretofore to go elsewhere for double session advantages will be able to remain at the school this year after completing the work of the first session of the summer school.

Hayti Gets Liquor Store; Negro Help Asked For

The Durham County liquor control board agreed this week to locate a liquor store in the Hayti section of Durham, an exclusive Negro community. The store according to latest reports will be located on Fayetteville street, in the part of the Bankers Fire Insurance Company building, formerly occupied by the Pender Store. The store was vacated the middle of this month.

Although there is an under current to prohibit the store from being located at the Fayetteville Street site, nothing definite has developed. There are some who contend that it should not be located near churches. The Fayetteville street location is between the White Rock Baptist church and the St. Joseph A.M.E. church. It is understood that both pastors of the churches signed statements that they would not object to the liquor store, being located on Fayetteville street.

A movement is on foot to have an entire Negro personnel operate the store, and the Committee on Negro Affairs has set in motion efforts towards that end. Although the names of several persons are being discussed the committee has not placed its endorsement on any particular person as yet.

ALPHONSO ELDER, dean of North Carolina College who will play a prominent part in the commencement exercises which will take place at the local college next Tuesday.

INSURANCE MEN OF NATION ATTEND BIG ANNUAL CONVENTION AT AUGUSTA, GA.
AUGUSTA, Ga., May 27—(A. NP)—Augusta this week became the Insurance Capital of the nation, with delegates from every section here in attendance at the 17th annual session of the Nat'l Negro Insurance Association, this week, and with this city's Pilgrim Health and Life Insurance company acting as official host to the hundreds of delegates and visitors.

Headquarters for the convention had been established at the home office of the Pilgrim Health and Life, while the business sessions were held at Haines Inst. The confab was called to order Wednesday morning by Association President W. S. Hornsby, the opening session being devoted mainly to the reading of reports by association officials. The president's annual address was delivered at the afternoon meeting.

Dr. T. W. Josey, medical director, Pilgrim Health and Life co. was the master of ceremonies at the big public meeting held Wednesday night at Tabernacle Baptist church, where a special musical program by the Paine College and the Bethlehem and Tabernacle church choruses supplemented addresses by nationally known speakers. Dr. L. A. Pinkston, Tabernacle pastor, introduced Mayor of Augusta R. E. Allen, Jr., who welcomed the insurance men on behalf of his city.

Other notables who addressed the public meeting were J. S. Perry, Augusta; Roy J. D. Hudson, Augusta; and Dr. Charles Clinton Spaulding, internationally known executive, is president of both concerns. Mr. Spaulding, a young man, started with the Mutualist its beginning 39 years ago, and did all of the work, while the founders, Mr. John Marriok, ran his barber shop, and Dr. Azon McDuffie, Moore looked after his practice.

Vernon Farrington Victim Of Willful Attack For Sitting With Officer

N. C. COLLEGE DEAN



One of the most flagrant police brutalities occurred here Wednesday afternoon when patrolman J. S. Whitfield of the Durham police department unprovokedly assaulted Vernon Farrington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Narvey Farrington of 410 Thomas street, while the latter with his wife was a passenger on one of the local buses, enroute home from his work.

According to eye witnesses the bus was crowded and young Farrington, not seeing another seat vacant except the one half occupied by the policeman at the front of the bus seated himself beside the officer. Before those on the bus could realize what had happened officer Whitfield had slapped young Farrington, and that without warning.

The young man got off the bus upon advice of other passengers went immediately to the police station to secure a warrant for the officer. He was refused a warrant, however, at police headquarters, and one of the officers present is said to have remarked that officer Whitfield did right and that "some of you damn niggers are getting mighty smart around here."

The matter was brought before the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs at its usual weekly meeting Thursday morning. Counsel for the young man will be secured at the expense of the committee and a warrant will be obtained for the arrest of the officer.

Latest reports circulated over the city today stated that the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, will also take an active part in helping to secure justice for young Farrington. Dr. J. N. Mills, president of the organization could not be reached in time to obtain a statement concerning the affair for publication.

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YERGAN ORGANIZES IN EUROPE TO AID AFRICA

LONDON, May 27—(CNA) from the air upon hundreds of civilians in the Basque country, it must be added that the very nature of fascism whether in Spain, Ethiopia, America or Japan leads to precisely these results, effect immediately following cause. The connection between men and events is the lesson of all history.

With high praise of Paul Robeson, Yergan continued: "I know of a person more constructively effective in the international life of peoples of African descent than Paul Robeson. He has given me several hours of his busy time during the last week in London. He is a power in many ways, and as we talked and planned together I became increasingly aware of the significance of his membership on the International Committee on African Affairs. Paul Robeson, Rene Maran, and Leonard Barnes, a noted writer on American problems, constitute the nucleus of the European membership of our committee. The African members will be announced shortly and our bulletin issued upon my return."

"It is not enough, for instance, to say that the fascist forces in Spain yesterday rained death

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