

## 28 Students from N.C. Becoming Doctors; 32 in Class Are Women

The first woman doctor cut her hair, disguised herself as a man, received a medical degree from the University of Edinburgh in 1812 at the age of 15 and kept the secret of her sex until she died.

The first woman to graduate as a woman from medical college was a naturalized American citizen who had difficulty obtaining her degree although she had the highest marks in her class.

The first women doctors generally had great difficulty establishing their practices. They were frequently slandered with charges of being mesmerists, clairvoyants,

or even "streetwalkers." But times have changed since those dark days of the mid-Nineteenth Century, and if statistics give any indication, the change is gathering momentum.

According to figures released by Duke University's School of Medicine on the new medical class, there will be 400 per cent more women doctors graduating from Duke in 1977 than when the class of 1974 graduates next June.

This year 32 women have been admitted to the School of Medicine. That's almost twice as many as last year and four times the figure of 1970.

*By the way...*

by Joe Black



As we work our way into the 70's, we find ourselves working into a decade of meaningful change.

And one of the most meaningful changes that has developed, so far, is the increasing enrollment of Black youth in colleges and universities.

A giant step in the right direction for all of us. Because the better educated Blacks become, the better the opportunities for higher paying jobs, economic freedom, and power.

But education should include Black history and culture. And too often today, too many of our young people are bypassing the Black universities, where they can be exposed to this important heritage, to enroll in white institutions.

Are our students' egos leading them to other places, to achieve notoriety through militance? Have our Black colleges become unfashionable?

I sincerely hope not. And now is the time to make sure not.

Now is the time for Black communities to earnestly support our colleges. Enhance them. Aid them where necessary.

There is a solid need for these schools. They can effectively reinforce a Black student's identity. They can also make it possible for more inner-city educated Black youths to enroll in college.

If we are to continue making meaningful changes for Blacks, it's time to change our minds about Black colleges.

*Joe Black*  
Vice President  
The Greyhound Corporation

### New For 1974—Cassini Matador



The Cassini Matador, a new 1974 American Motors model brings the "total look" concept of noted U.S. designer Oleg Cassini to AMC's series of high-fashion cars.

Available only on the deluxe Matador Brougham coupe as an option, the Cassini car reflects an overall effect of design harmony by the subtle use of exterior paint and striping as an extension of interior colors, fabrics and texture.

Three body colors are offered—white, copper, and black. On both the white and black versions, copper accents are used in hood striping, body side molding inserts and rear license plate depression area. On the copper car, black is used for these areas. For the car's vinyl roof covering, a choice of black, white or copper is offered with any of the exterior colors.

All three Cassini models feature custom chrome wheel covers with copper accent. The copper tone is also used in the grille and headlamp bezels. Cassini's crest on the front fenders identifies the special Matador.

Inside, black knit nylon upholstery with copper accents is the basic color scheme. Other highlights include:

- Individual reclining front seats with copper metallic upholstery bottoms.

- Cassini's crest in copper on front seat headrests, and glove box door.

- Door panels incorporating black fabric inserts, copper metallic buttons, and pull straps with copper color inserts.

- Black headliner and sun visors covered with a knit nylon fabric.

- 24 ounce copper color carpeting throughout the passenger compartment, and black serge carpeting on the trunk floor and the spare tire cover.

- Copper color instrument dial set in a black panel.

- A black steering wheel featuring a horn bar with copper color inserts.



### THE BEST OF HEALTH

## Warn Youths: 'Soft' Drugs Can Lead to Harder Ones

"The Best of Health" features information for editors and writers in the fields of health, medicine and family money management.

To PM's, Tues., May 22, 1973

There is new evidence to show that youngsters using "soft" drugs before age 20 are more likely to progress to "hard" drugs than those who begin later.

A two-year survey in Melbourne, Australia, involving 3,600 students and 700 other drug-using youths seems to bear this out.

The study indicated that drug use was more common among males than females.

The user of illicit drugs, it was found, also tended to use alcohol and nicotine, as well as such drugs as painkillers, sleeping pills and tranquilizers.

Dr. J. Krupinski, director of the Institute of Mental Health Research and postgraduate training in Melbourne, reported: "A third of those who started on drugs before reaching the age of 17 became intravenous users within three years."

"Only a small proportion of those who began using drugs after the age of 20 turned to intravenous drugs. There is,

Dr. Suydam Osterhout, professor of medicine and microbiology and associate director for medical school admissions, attributed the rise in the number of female admissions to changes in the outlook of society.

"In the past," he said "medical schools were subject to the same sort of ideas which permeated our society, and one of these ideas was that the woman's place was in the home. Now more women than ever before are applying to medical school, and I might add that their qualifications are excellent."

"It wouldn't be right for these women to be denied admission because of their sex," he added.

Like last year, there has been a large increase in the total number of applications to the School of Medicine. Duke received 3,621 applications this year for 114 openings in its school—twice as many as it received in 1970.

The students come from 31 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. North Carolina has the largest representation with 28, while New York follows with 17 and California and New Jersey have contributed seven students each. Twenty-three members of the class are Duke graduates.



"Inflation is what makes balloons bigger and candy bars smaller." (Changing Times)

therefore, a special danger in starting early.

Drug users are more likely to come from a middle-class than a working-class background, Dr. Krupinski added, but when working-class children become drug users, they are more likely to turn to intravenous use.

The important thing for a parent to remember about drug use in youngsters is that there are usually tell-tale signs that can give the user away, providing the parent a chance to help him.

For example, a youngster who suddenly becomes moody or careless in appearance or loses interest in the opposite sex may be exhibiting signs that he is on drugs.

The youngster who laughs excessively at things no one else considers funny may already be well into the "habit."

Other symptoms compiled by the Health Insurance Institute include:

- A tendency to sit looking into space.
- An appearance of intoxication with no smell of alcohol.
- Staying out later than usual and giving evasive answers as to his whereabouts.
- Avid reading of literature dealing with the drug culture.
- Loss of appetite, perhaps with a rapid loss of weight.
- The reverse—an increase in appetite accompanied by wild raids on the refrigerator.
- Undue seclusion, like locking himself in the bathroom or bedroom for hours at a time.
- Desperation for money—leading to stealing.

While these are all clear drug-use signs, the Institute cautions that they may also be indicative of other physical or emotional problems.

But the important thing, says the Institute, is for parents to investigate any symptoms fully to learn their meaning.

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## Three Are Named to NC Central Univ. School of Business Faculty

Raphael N. Thompson, chairman of the Department of Accounting in North Carolina Central University's School of Business, announced the addition of three faculty members to the department.

The three are an International Business Machines Corporation executive, a woman, and one of the state's few black Certified Public Accountants.

Paul E. Jones, a financial analyst for IBM, is on loan to the university from the Poughkeepsie, N. Y., offices of IBM. He is an adjunct professor.

Jones is a graduate of Atlanta's Morehouse College, holds the Master of Business Administration degree in accounting from Atlanta University, and has done post-graduate study at the State University of New York.

He is the son of Mrs. E.M. Jones, 400 South Ninth Ave., Dillon, S.C.

Miss Shirley J. Smith, formerly an evaluation specialist with A. L. Nallum and Associates of Atlanta, is a graduate of Central State University, Wilberforce, Ohio, and holds the MBA in business administration from Atlanta University.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Smith, 2023 Virginia Ave., Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Elbert Ray Murphy, a graduate of North Carolina A&T University, recently passed the state examinations for Certified Public Accountant status. He has complete all the requirements for the CPA, including

professional experience in the field, and will soon receive his certification.

Murphy holds the MBA in accounting from the University of Wisconsin.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Murphy, McLeansville, and is a graduate of public schools in Sedalia.

Murphy and Miss Smith hold the rank of instructor.

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### DID YOU KNOW?

- A recent government study indicates that a person's age, income and the region where he lives will affect the amount of hospital insurance he has.
- The National Center for Health Statistics reports that males and females own approximately the same amount of hospital insurance.
- It also points out that if you are over 25, live in the North Central section of the U.S. and are white, you probably lead the nation in hospital insurance.
- The study showed that the percentage of whites with hospital coverage was one-third higher than for non-whites.
- Among income groups earning less than \$10,000 annually the percentage of white persons with hospital coverage is higher than for "non-whites."
- But among families with incomes higher than \$10,000 there is little or no difference by race in the proportion of the population with hospital insurance.
- Persons under 25 are less likely to have hospital coverage than older Americans.
- By the beginning of 1973, the number of persons under age 65 with hospital insurance was about 173-1/2 million, representing 9 out of 10 Americans in this age group.
- As the year began, some 11-1/2 million persons over age 65 had some form of private insurance designed primarily to supplement Medicare benefits.

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