

AMA CONTINUES BAN ON NEGRO MEDICS

Governing Body 'Passes Buck' To County Societies

of Delegates at St. Louis Meet Rejects Proposal to Admit Colored Physicians and Women Practitioners.

ST. LOUIS, (ANP)—At last Wednesday's meeting at Hotel Statler of the house of delegates, legislative and policy making body of the National Medical Association, that august body had before it a resolution by the New York delegation providing for admission of Negroes to membership in the association.

The New York resolution—and another providing for representation in house of delegates for the 8,000 women physicians of America—had been referred to the committee on legislation and public relations, potent group chairmanship by F. O. R. Worth's Dr. Holman Taylor and charged with the responsibility of making recommendations to the 174 members of the house.

Dr. Taylor's committee reported that it had given the resolution on Negro physicians careful and sympathetic consideration, but disapproved its adoption because it implied that the county medical societies should not in effect have the right of selection of their own members, a fundamental principle of our organization.

The committee's recommendation was adopted in an open meeting of the house of delegates, the move being led by Dr. William R. Brogkshar, Ft. Smith, Ark. Thus, the house

passed the buck right back into the laps of county medical societies whose members South of the Mason-Dixon line may maintain the ban against Negro medics joining the AMA.

Although the house of delegates turned thumbs down on Negro membership, officials pointed out afterwards that this did not refer to county societies of the AMA which have the right to determine qualifications of their own members. Currently many Negro doctors hold AMA memberships in the more liberal sections of the nation.

The committee disposed of plea for women representation direct in the house of delegates on the grounds that women medics have a voice in selection of representatives, may themselves be chosen to the house. With the women, it was simply a matter of procedure, pointing the way to accomplishment of their objective.

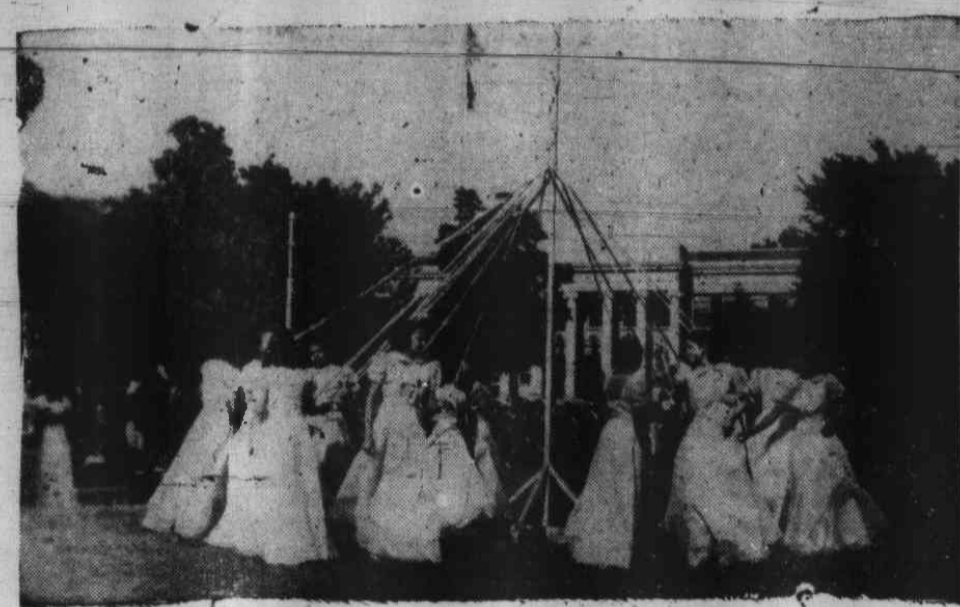
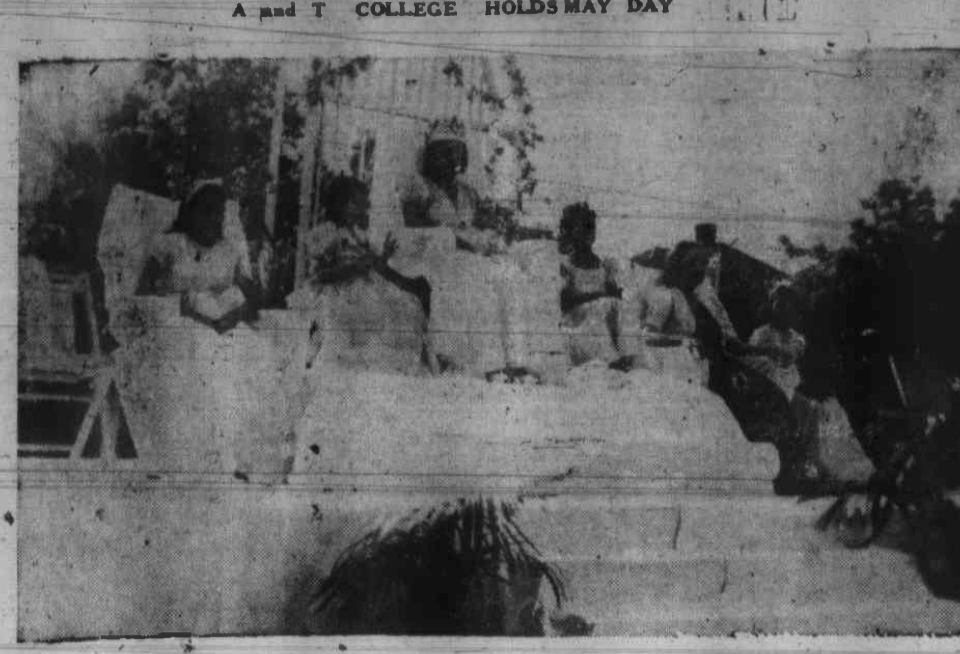
The situation is far different with the Negro medical fraternity. There are approximately 5,000 Negro doctors in America who care for more than 18,500,000 of the nation's citizens. The New York delegation of physicians declaring in presenting their resolution for Negro membership in AMA that this is a critical time in the history of American medicine, and that it is important that all physicians unite in safeguarding the interests of the profession.

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TRUSTEE SALE OF LAND NORTH CAROLINA DURHAM COUNTY.

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE of the power conferred upon the Trustee in a certain deed of trust dated May 12th, 1933, executed by Robert Mason (Widower) and duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Durham County in Book of Mortgages 209 at page 407; Default having been made in the payment of the same, the undersigned will offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Durham, North Carolina, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, on MONDAY, JUNE 19th, 1939 at 12 o'clock noon, the following described land, to wit:

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GREENSBORO, N. C.—The above scenes are taken from the A and T College May Day Festival. The first picture shows Miss Trudie Carter, queen of May, surrounded by her retinue. Reading left to right is little Gloria Simpkins, flag bearer, Jewel Jenkins, crown bearer, The queen, Miss Carter, Little Launa Hargett train bearer, Miss Cora Smith, maid of honor, and Little Helen Webster, flag bearer. The second picture shows the May Pole Dance. The queen's attendants took part in this number. They were Catherine Durham, Louise Caple, Virginia Johnson, Caroline Phelps, Willa May Johnson, Estelle Spith G. Foy, Gladys Baskerville, Margaret Penn, Anna Mendoza, Ruth Turner, Ethel Thompson, Elsie Albright and Riberta Ehitsett.

Here Is What Happens to Civil Service Eligibles

WASHINGTON, (A N P)—At just what point in the process of job finding after passing a Civil Service examination, does discrimination raise its ugly head?

Of course, theoretically there is no discrimination in the appointment of a worker to a federal job because the clause, without regard to race, creed or color, or previous condition of servitude standards as a bulwark against such acts, and the race of the applicant has been eliminated from the formal applications.

Raised at a meeting where several experienced persons were discussing general topics, various opinions were expressed. One case recited showed that a colored applicant had not only the necessary qualifications as specified in the application, but he stepped beyond the specifications and was doubly qualified as far as experience had gone. However, for experience, he was given a rating of only 71 because the schools where he had done his work were Negro schools!

Another felt that as soon as the photograph of the applicant was submitted, the die was cast and the applicant had a tough job cracking through.

Another said that the photograph had nothing to do with it. When, in looking through the experience sheet, it was revealed that certain schools had been attended, that in itself was sufficient for disqualification. This brought about the statement from another person concerning the first story.

However, others were of the opinion that discrimination actually began with the personnel officers in the various departments.

The rule of the civil service commission provides that when certifications are made to jobs, three persons are taken from the list and sent to the department.

ment needing them. There it is up to the personnel officer to either select or reject. He can take any one of the three, or he can reject all three.

If a person is rejected three times, his name is stricken from the list and he no longer is eligible, but must take another exam.

Reasons for rejection at this point were discussed. One believed that personality offered played a big part in the cases.

Some personnel officers are not kindly disposed toward fat persons, others do not want thin persons, other dislike tall workers; some don't want female workers, others will not accept males. So on the shoulders of the personnel officer rests the burden of making a selection. And all too frequently, the reason is purely because of color.

Officials declare they want harmony in their offices and try to pass the buck along to some one else. Invariably, according one speaker, the officer will say "You know, I am broodminded as the next person but my workers refuse to work with a Negro."

To amend this situation is purpose of the bill Congressman Mitchell has introduced in the house. It deals with the civil service commission directly, and declares as its purpose:

To provide for the appointments in the classified civil service of the United States of persons making the high grade in competitive examinations, and denying to appointing officers power or discretion to pass over the name of the person highest on the eligible list established as result of such competitive examinations.

Although the bill was introduced in the house in January, it has lain in committee since that time, where it will undoubtedly stay, unless some powerful action is brought to bring it out of this purgatory.

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William Allen to Study in Poland

NEW YORK—William Allen, noted pianist, will brave the war clouds daily sweeping lower over Poland to study for two months under the internationally known virtuoso, Egon Petri, he announced this week. Mr. Allen recently was awarded a fellowship by General Education Board affording him the opportunity to spend a year in study in New York City and abroad.

A graduate of Oberlin conservatory and as assistant professor of music at Fisk university, Mr. Allen is one of the top ranking Negro musicians in this country. He has appeared in many cities in recital and has won the high praise of critics everywhere. He intends to sail for Poland during the first week in June. There he will spend a period of intensive study at Dr. Petri's mountain home, returning to this country for post graduate work in New York City early in September. Both he and Dr. Petri are scheduled for intensive tours of this country during the months of October, November and December under the management of the Musical Artists' bureau, a new Negro enterprise designed to provide bookings for concert artists in Negro schools, colleges, churches, and municipal auditoriums which has its headquarters at 312 Manhattan avenue, New York City.

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Fla. State Official Denies Filing Primary Bill

NEW YORK—No bill setting up a non-partisan white primary for Dade County, Florida, which would bar Negroes from voting in Miami municipal elections, has been filed with the office of the state secretary, nor to such a bill before Governor Cone, according to a letter received by officials of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People here May 17.

The letter, which was sent by R. A. Gray, Florida's secretary of state, in answering to an association telegram reads as follows:

I have been holding your telegram of May 13th on my desk waiting for the Bill you requested (setting up non-partisan white primary for Dade County) to be filed in this office. There has been no such Bill as yet filed in this office, and the Governor's secretary tells me that it is not before the Governor.

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