

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
OF NORTH CAROLINA

Sir Walter Hotel and Woman's Club, Raleigh, North Carolina
March 24-28th, 1946.

The Board of Medical Examiners of the State of North Carolina met in the Roanoke Room of the Sir Walter Hotel, Sunday, March 24th, 1946, at 7 P. M., for a dinner meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Roy B. McKnight, President. Drs. Charles W. Armstrong, M. D. Bonner, Thomas Leslie Lee, Paul G. Parker, Malory A. Pittman, Ivan Procter, Secretary, and Mrs. Louise J. McNeill, Acting Secretary, were present.

Dr. Ivan Procter advised the members of the board that due to the fact that his convalescence was not complete following a coronary occlusion in January, 1946, he would be unable to carry out his duties. The members of the board agreed to accept responsibility for Dr. Procter's examinations.

The highlights of the meeting of the Federation of the State Medical Boards, Chicago, February 11-12th, 1946, as reported by Dr. Roy B. McKnight, were as follows:

1. The necessity of basic science laws in the several states of the union. Nineteen states have this law and twelve are planning to present such bills within the year.
2. To require a year of interne work before taking the state boards.
3. The necessity for all physicians in the state to be licensed regardless of whether on a salary basis or not.

Dr. Thomas Leslie Lee moved to recommend to the House of Delegates of the General Assembly of the North Carolina State Medical Society to institute proper procedure to pass a basic science law by the North Carolina State Legislature; that a special committee be appointed to work with the North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners in drawing up a bill acceptable to the physicians of North Carolina. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

Dr. M. D. Bonner moved that we recommend to the House of Delegates of the General Assembly of the North Carolina State Medical Society that the Medical Practice Act be amended so that a years interne work in a hospital approved either by the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association, the College of Surgeons or the State Hospital Association, ^{be required for licensure,} and that a committee be appointed to work with the North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners to draw up such an amendment. This shall not apply to candidates for licensure by endorsement of credentials. This motion was duly seconded and passed by a vote of four to three.



The president called to the attention of the board that certain individuals are practicing medicine without license due to the fact that they are on salary and according to law they are guilty of violation of the Medical Practice Act.

Dr. Thomas Leslie Lee moved that a letter be sent to the president of each county society of the State Medical Society advising that all physicians practicing in North Carolina, regardless of salary status, are required to be duly licensed and registered; that a copy of section 90-18 of the Medical Practice Act be enclosed.

Dr. Pittman moved that an amendment be added to the motion; that the board of censors report all such cases to this board semi-annually.

This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

The acting secretary presented letter under date of January 25th, 1946, to Dr. W. D. James, Secretary of the North Carolina Board Medical Examiners, from Dr. William S. Doshier, Wilmington, N. C., as follows:

"I am writing you in reference to Drs. Arthur B. Greig and Leon Sidney Jones, who are graduates of a B Grade medical school and are practicing in this city. Dr. Greig is practicing under the supervision of Dr. James S. Gray, and Dr. Jones is practicing under the supervision of Dr. Hubert Eaton.

"I have been elected Chief of Staff of the Community Hospital for the current year, and it is called to my attention that these doctors have been doing deliveries without supervision.

"In order to uphold the ethics of the hospital, it was my opinion that B Grade men should not be allowed the privileges of our hospital under any conditions. What these men do on the outside, is of no particular concern to me, except that I feel that they create unfair competition to the regularly licensed colored physician, who has no assistant.

"It is my direct concern and responsibility as to what these men should be allowed to do in our hospital. My feeling is that if we allow them minor privileges, that major ones will be taken in due course of time, and that the only sane ruling is to either give them full privileges or none at all.

"These men to whom I refer are, I consider, good men and are former internes at our hospital, and I regret that it is my duty to take the stand that I have. But in fairness to their competitors and in an effort to maintain a high professional status for our hospital, I feel that we must come to some conclusion about this matter.

"I should like from you a legal opinion as to the status of these men in our hospital and in the city, so that I may pass it on to our staff, and that we may more intelligently handle this problem.

"P. S. The above named physicians are colored men."



Dr. Malory A. Pittman moved that a letter be written to Dr. Doshier, Drs. Greig and Jones and their employers, and the New Hanover County Medical Society Board of Censors, stating that it is illegal for any physician in North Carolina to practice medicine without a license, whether in or out of a hospital, and that working for a salary under another physician is no exception; that this board intends to carry out the provisions of this act to the best of its ability. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

Letter from Dr. Ivan Procter, Secretary, under date of February 27th, 1946, as follows was read to the board by the president:

"I appreciate immensely the kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy that came to me during my recent illness. The beautiful flowers helped to cheer my room and your willingness to carry on my duties made me appreciate more than ever.

"I must follow the directions of my physicians but hope to be back with you in a satisfactory manner before too long."

Dr. Charles W. Armstrong presented the matter of the unethical practice of Dr. William John Judy, who was granted license by endorsement of credentials, at the meeting of the board January 16th, 1946, which credentials were in order. (See file)

Dr. Armstrong moved that the acting secretary write Dr. Judy advising that she was forwarding check to Dr. Armstrong in the amount of \$50.00 to reimburse him for fee for license when said license to practice medicine was surrendered, together with letter addressed to the North Carolina State Board of Medical Examiners that he was voluntarily surrendering the same, to Dr. Armstrong. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

Dr. Thomas Leslie Lee moved that in the event Dr. Judy does not voluntarily turn in his license that the acting secretary on the advice of the president advise Dr. Judy that it will be necessary for him to appear before the North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners at Pinehurst, N. C., May 1st, 1946, to show cause, if any, as to why his license should not be revoked on the grounds of obtaining license "by fraud or deceit". This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

Dr. Thomas Leslie Lee moved that the above information in regard to Dr. Judy be forwarded to Dr. Thomas L. Harris, President of the West Virginia State Medical Association, and the West Virginia State Board of Medical Examiners. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

Dr. Roy B. McKnight read the following letter under date of January 25th, 1946, from Dr. Paul H. Ringer, Asheville, N. C:

"I hope you won't think I am butting in and sticking my nose into other people's business, although I suppose I really am doing just that. There is a doctor on staff at Oteen whose name is Solomon M. Rauchwerger. He is a graduate of Anderson College in Glasgow, Scotland. He tells me that he has recently been turned down by the North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners on the ground that he is a graduate of a school not approved by the American Medical Association. It is my understanding that the A. M. A. has not classified any foreign schools save those in Canada; furthermore, Dr. Rauchwerger is licensed to practice medicine in Canada and the State of New York.



"An analogous situation occurred with the previous board, which was brought to my attention. Dr. Tom Williams, who practiced in Washington for many years and then had gone abroad and practiced on the Franco-Italian frontier for a decade, returned to this country at the outbreak of the war, settled in Asheville and wishes to do psychiatric practice here. Dr. James, then secretary of the board, wrote him that he was not eligible for a license because he was a graduate of a foreign university, namely, University of Edinburgh. Dr. Williams, whom I have known for years, came to me for help in his dilemma. I took the matter up with Dr. Brewer, who was then president of the board; and pointed out to him that while Dr. Williams was a graduate of Edinburgh, he had license to practice in the District of Columbia and Virginia and it seemed to me that North Carolina could not very well afford to turn him down. Dr. Brewer wrote me a very nice letter thanking me for clearing up the matter and Dr. Williams was promptly awarded a license. Can not your board reconsider its action with regard to Dr. Rauchwerger?"

"It seems to me that he ^{is} being deprived of the right to practice in this state on a technicality. From what I know and from various and sundry documents that I have seen, I believe that Dr. Rauchwerger is a thoroughly competent man and should not be denied the right of practice within the boundaries of this Commonwealth."

Dr. Thomas Leslie Lee moved that we advise Drs. Solomon R. Rauchwerger and Paul H. Ringer that the North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners will not grant license to graduates of medical schools other than those qualified as class A by the American Medical Association. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

The application for licensure by endorsement of credentials of Dr. S. R. Kaplan, which was held over at the January 16th, 1946 meeting for further investigation was presented to the board. The board desired further evidence that Eclectic Medical College was Grade A in 1936 as classified by the American Medical Association, and due to the fact that the American Medical Association had not clarified the same, Dr. Thomas Leslie Lee moved that the acting secretary wire Dr. Victor Johnson, Secretary, Council on Medical Education, American Medical Association, asking that he state "yes" or "no" as to whether or not Eclectic Medical College was Grade A in 1936.; that this matter be delayed, pending receipt of the desired information. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

The request of Dr. George Green, graduate of the Medical College of Virginia, and licensed by the Triple Qualification Examining Board of Edinburgh, Scotland, for licensure by endorsement of credentials was again brought before the board.

Dr. Thomas Leslie Lee moved that no license be granted by endorsement of credentials with any board with which we do not have reciprocal relations; that Dr. Green would be eligible to take the state board examinations. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

A letter from Dr. Gladys Morgan Happer, Salisbury, N. C., under date of January 29th, 1946, as follows was presented to the board:

"My husband, Col. William Happer of the Indian Medical Service, now stationed in Madura, So. India, has requested me to obtain information for him regarding state medical board requirements. He is at present a British citizen, but is considering American citizenship. What procedure would he follow in order to



obtain a license to practice medicine in North Carolina? If it is necessary for him to take the state medical boards, could he do ^{so} while on leave in this country; and obtain his license to practice medicine later, after becoming a USA citizen?

"He is a graduate in Medicine and Surgery from the University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, and has a number of degrees in specialties in connection with his work. He has had wide experience in hospitals in Edinburgh, London, and through-out India. He could furnish you with further definite information if it would be of use.

"I am a physician, an American citizen, and have the D. N. B. from the National Board of Medical Examiners, with license to practice medicine in the States of North Carolina and Tennessee, in which latter state I have practiced for the past year, in connection with the Clinton Laboratories of Oak Ridge, Tenn."

Dr. M. D. Bonner moved that Dr. Happer be advised that only graduates of Grade A medical schools as graded by the American Medical Association were eligible to take examinations of the North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Monday, March 25th, 1946, at 9 A. M., at the Woman's Club the meeting was called to order by the president. All members were present with the exception of Dr. Ivan Procter.

Registration of all applicants for examinations was completed.

Eighty-seven registered for Part I of the examination, seventy-three for Part II, and twenty-two for Parts I and II, making a total of 182.

Schedule for examinations was as follows:

Monday, March 25th	10 A. M. Anatomy, Embryology, Histology 2 P. M. Physiology and Chemistry
Tuesday, March 26th	10 A. M. Pathology and Bacteriology 2 P. M. Obstetrics and Gynecology
Wednesday, March 27th	10 A. M. Pharmacology, Pediatrics, Hygiene 2 P. M. Medicine and Therapeutics
Thursday, March 28th	9 A. M. Surgery

At 2 P. M. Mr. John Anderson of the law firm of Smith, Leach, and Anderson, met with the board to discuss legal points in connection with the passage of a basic science law. He also discussed the case of State vs Richard Baker, Osteopath, which is set for trial in April, 1946.

The meeting was adjourned.

Tuesday, March 26th, 1946, at 10 A. M., at the Woman's Club the meeting was called to order by the president. All members were present with the exception of Dr. Ivan Procter.



The following physicians were granted license by endorsement of credentials:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MEDICAL SCHOOL</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Arenson, Nathan	N. Y. Medical Coll	Durham, N. C.
Baldwin, William Edwin, Jr	Duke University	Whiteville, N.C.
Bird-Acosta, Ignacio	Yale University	Greensboro, NC
Boehm, Emil	Johns Hopkins	Morganton, N.C.
Bolin, Paul	Med. Coll. S.C.	Orangeburg, SC
Bundy, James Bizzell	Northwestern U.	Havre de Grace, Md
Burleigh, Bruce Daniel	University Ga.	Franklin, N.C.
Causey, Andrew Jackson	Vanderbilt Univ	Durham, N. C.
Clay, Clement Claiborne	McGill University	Raleigh, N. C.
Dawson, Robert Edward (Col)	Meharry Med. Coll	Durham, N. C.
Diggs, Harvey McKinley (Col)	Meharry Med. Coll	Nashville, Tenn
Dotterer, John Emanuel	University Penn	Sanford, N. C.
Eagles, Archie Yelverton	Duke University	Durham, N. C.
Ford, Blanchard Fred, Jr	Med. Coll. S. C.	Bennettsville, SC
Freedman, Arthur	Vanderbilt Univ	Elizabethtown, KY
Grim, Kenneth Boyd	University Va.	Raeford, N. C.
Hendrickson, Glenn Gordon	Vanderbilt Univ	Charlottesville, Va
Hoot, Melvin Phillip	University Okla.	Fayetteville, N.C.
Kaplan, Saul Richard	Eclectic Coll. Med.	New York, N. Y.
Karmany, William Hummell	Duke University	Harrellsville, NC
Kleiman, David	University Ill.	Greenville, Miss.
Kos, Clair Michael	University Neb.	Durham, N. C.
Mahoney, John William	Georgetown Univ.	Durham, N. C.
Maness, Paul Franklin	Duke University	Raeford, N. C.
Mees, Teho Howell	Duke University	Lumberton, N. C.
Meyers, Paul Tabor	University Iowa	Fayetteville, NC
Ohle, Elpenor Rudolph	Harvard Univ.	Durham, N.C.
Oliver, Robert Kenneth	University Tenn.	Sanatorium, N. C.
Page, William Gordon	Jefferson Med. Coll.	Lincolnton, NC
Piver, William Crawford, Jr	Hahnemann Med. Coll.	Washington, NC
Reeser, Archibald Willard	University Tenn.	Spray, N. C.
Rodda, John Sydney	University Oregon	Andrews, N. C.
Souther, Wallace Edward	University Tenn.	Hendersonville, NC
Stillinger, Cecil George	University Neb.	Swannanoa, N. C.
Styron, Charles Woodrow	Duke University	Raleigh, N. C.
Swisher, Otto Jay, Jr	Ohio State Univ.	So. Pines, N.C.
Thompson, Winfield Lynn	University Md.	Goldsboro, N.C.
Tyler, Edward Alton	University Va.	Durham, N. C.
Wilson, Thomas Barnette	N. Y. Med. Coll.	Raleigh, N. C.
Wolfe, Harold Eugene	Med. Coll. Va.	Goldsboro, N.C.

Dr. James Herbert Moore of Pulaski, Va. appeared before the board requesting licensure by endorsement of credentials. The following is a letter under date of March 8th, 1946, from Dr. J. W. Preston, Secretary of the Virginia Board of Medical Examiners:

"Replying to yours of the 7th instant, we have to advise that Dr. J. H. Moore of Pulaski holds a certificate entitling him to practice in Virginia, having been issued December, 1906.

"It is our understanding that Dr. Moore has been connected with an optical company in Pulaski but regret that we know nothing of the character of the company or of Dr. Moore further than as set out in letter of December 20th to Dr. Procter at the time we endorsed him to your Board."



A letter contained in Dr. Moore's file was written on the letterhead of the Imperial Optical Company. The board resolved after careful consideration to decline licensure. This resolution was unanimously passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Wednesday, March 27th, 1946, at the Woman's Club, the meeting was called to order by the president. All members were present.

The following letter under date of February 13th, 1946, from Dr. Victor Johnson, Secretary, Council on Medical Education, American Medical Association, in regard to the Medical Council of Canada was read to the board.

"In addition to the information regarding the Medical Council of Canada which I provided you in my letter of December 28th, I may state that there is only one state in the United States which at present recognizes licentiates of the Medical Council of Canada for endorsement purposes. This is the State of New York. It might assist you in your problem to communicate with the licensing authorities in New York. You should address your inquiry to Dr. J. Lochner, State Education Department, Albany, New York. I further suggest that you communicate with Dr. Walter L. Bierring, Secretary of the Federation of State Medical Boards who might be able to express a further opinion. In the last analyses, of course, it is incumbent upon each state to determine which credentials outside the United States will be recognized for reciprocity purposes."

Dr. Thomas Leslie Lee moved that no reciprocal relations be granted the Medical Council of Canada. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

The acting secretary reported to the board that in addition to Florida, Idaho, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Hawaii, have no reciprocal relations, which information was recently furnished by the American Medical Association.

The acting secretary advised the board that on two occasions secretaries of other boards have questioned the reason for our request for a letter of certification as well as completion of application for licensure by endorsement of credentials. Dr. Thomas Leslie Lee moves that we continue to obtain the additional certification from the boards of medical examiners issuing original certificate of licensure. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

The following letter under date of February 2nd, 1946, from Dr. J. W. Preston, Secretary Virginia Board of Medical Examiners, was read to the boards:

"In checking the requirements of the various states with which Virginia has in the past maintained reciprocal relations, it is noted that certain states, including New York and Texas, do not examine upon the subjects of Materia Medica and Therapeutics and Practice of Medicine.

"In the above connection the question has arisen in the minds of the reciprocity committee of our state as to whether or not from a legal standpoint, in order to license endorsees of such states as do not examine upon the subjects mentioned, it may be necessary to supplement the endorsement by an examination upon these subjects.



"Since your board requires an examination upon substantially the same subjects as does the Virginia Board, the purpose of this letter is to inquire as to the practice of your board in the matter of reciprocal relations with the states which do not examine upon these subjects, particularly whether you accept the endorsement of such states without requiring a supplementary examination or whether you require a supplementary examination."

On investigation subjects examined on by the New York Board of Medical Examiners were found to be adequate. The acting secretary was instructed to obtain the list of subjects on which the Medical Board of Examiners of Texas examines.

Dr. Thomas Leslie Lee moved that the motion, "that the Board of Medical Examiners petition the State Medical Society to recommend to the Legislature that the fee for examination be raised from \$15.00 to \$25.00 and that the salary of the board members be increased from \$10.00 to \$25.00 per day, in addition to expenses, which motion was made by Dr. Lee at the January 16th, 1946 meeting, duly seconded and passed by a vote of five to one, be rescinded. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

Application of Dr. Emil Boehm, who was declined licensure by endorsement of credentials at the June, 1945 meeting was again considered.

Dr. M. D. Bonner moved that Dr. Emil Boehm be granted license by endorsement of credentials. This motion was duly seconded and passed, there be no dissenting vote.

The acting secretary's minutes for the January 16th, 1946 meeting for the consideration of licensure by endorsement of credentials were approved as read.

Application of Dr. S. R. Kaplan for licensure by endorsement of credentials was again brought before the board and upon the advice of the acting secretary that no reply had been received to telegram forwarded to the American Medical Association March 24th, 1946, the board directed that a long distance call be made. The secretary to Dr. Victor Johnson, advised by telephone that the Eclectic Medical College was Grade A in 1936. The acting secretary was directed to request written verification of this telephone conversation. Upon receipt of this verification it was agreed by the board that Dr. S. R. Kaplan be granted license by endorsement of credentials.

The acting secretary was directed to forward a set of examination questions to Dr. Wingate Johnson, Editor, for publication in the North Carolina Medical Journal.

The board agreed that the next meeting of the board for review of grades and consideration of licensure by endorsement of credentials be held at 11 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, May 1st, 1946, at the Carolina Hotel, Pinehurst, N. C.

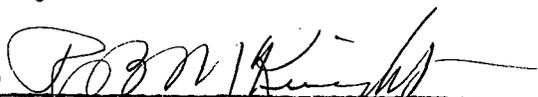
Dr. Malory A. Pittman moved that during the meeting of the board when examinations are held that each examiner present his questions and discuss the same. This motion was duly seconded and unanimously passed.

The acting secretary reported to the board upon the advice of Dr. R. D. McMillan, Secretary of the North Carolina State Medical Society that Dr. Oren Moore, President, had appointed Dr. Hubert B. Haywood as Chairman of the Relocation Committee and Dr. R. D. McMillan

The members of the board signed their names to the certificates.

The meeting was adjourned.

SIGNED


R. B. MCKNIGHT, M. D.
President

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LOUISE J. MCNEILL, Acting Secretary-Treasurer



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