

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
OF NORTH CAROLINA

GROVE PARK INN, ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA
October 7-8th, 1951

The Board of Medical Examiners of the State of North Carolina met at the Grove Park Inn, Asheville, North Carolina, October 7-8th, 1951 for consideration of applications for licensure by endorsement of credentials and other business.

The board convened at 1:00 P. M., October 7th, 1951. The following members were present for each session: Drs. Newsom P. Battle, President, L. Randolph Doffermyre, Clyde R. Hedrick, Amos N. Johnson, James P. Rousseau, Heyward C. Thompson and Mrs. Louise J. McNeill, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. Dr. Joseph J. Combs, Secretary-Treasurer, was absent due to a death in his family.

The board directed that a message of sympathy be sent to Dr. Joseph J. Combs.

RE: Dr. Joseph Alston Boyd - Dr. Boyd, applicant for licensure by endorsement, was granted the privilege of appearing before the board at this time as he had to appear in Baltimore, Maryland before the draft board on October 8th. Dr. Boyd stated that he is on the staff in radiology at Duke University School of Medicine and a part time instructor and that he desired a full license to practice medicine. He also said he planned to settle in North Carolina. Dr. Boyd advised he has had three years residency training at Johns Hopkins; that he came to Duke as a means to return to North Carolina to establish a practice. He has a Virginia license and a fifty bed hospital in South Boston, Virginia and accepted a position in Hendersonville the latter part of September but found that it would be necessary to have a license.

Dr. Hedrick: Your home town is in North Carolina and you intend to live here?

Answer: Yes sir.

VERDICT: Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick moved that Dr. Joseph Alston Boyd be granted a full license to practice medicine in North Carolina. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Amos N. Johnson and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Roy Andrew Morrow - Dr. Newsom P. Battle reported he had been advised that Dr. Morrow had been practicing in Rocky Mount for some months at the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Hospital; that on the same day he called the office of the secretary of the board Dr. Morrow came to see him and said he had difficulty in obtaining his credentials inasmuch as he had to send his application to Maryland and Canada. That he had been led to believe by Dr. K. C. Walden, Chief Surgeon of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, that it was all right for him to practice in the hospital. That he, Dr. Battle, informed Dr. Morrow that he had been breaking the law since the day he began practice in this state and he was advised to stop practicing until he could see the Board of Medical Examiners. That Dr. Morrow planned to appear before the board with application and he told him there might be a question as to whether the board would interview him. Dr. Battle said that so far as his preparation was concerned, he was all right.

VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that Dr. Roy Andrew Morrow be allowed to appear before the board at this time without complete credentials for licensure by endorsement in lieu of completion of the same; that he be granted license if and when credentials are approved by the secretary of the board; that he cease the practice of medicine in this state until such time as he procures a medical license; that it will be necessary for him to conform with these regulations in order to procure a medical license. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick and passed unanimously.



Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that Dr. Joseph J. Combs, Secretary, with the approval of the president, send a letter to Dr. K. C. Walden, Chief Surgeon of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, concerning his action in the matter of the practice of medicine by Dr. Roy Andrew Morrow and that a copy of this letter be sent to the president of the Coast Line Railroad. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick and passed unanimously. (See Minutes for October 8th, 1951 as to final verdict on licensure of Dr. Morrow).

RE: POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS - VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that there shall be no established policy of this board but that each case shall be handled on its individual merits. This applies only to the approved medical training programs of the grade A medical schools of the State of North Carolina. This motion supercedes the motion by Dr. James P. Rousseau at the July 27-28th, 1951 meeting on page 53 of the Minute Book. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Heyward C. Thompson and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Robert M. Siegel, resident at Bowman Gray School of Medicine - Dr. Siegel was granted the privilege of appearing before the board at its July, 1951 meeting without credentials, which credentials have not as yet been received. In reply to a letter from the secretary on September 27th, 1951 Dr. Siegel advised that he had had an illness in his family and had suffered financial reverses; that he was not in a position to meet the fee of the Georgia Board of Medical Examiners for endorsement, nor was he able to pay the fee for licensure by endorsement in this state. Dr. James P. Rousseau was requested by the secretary to interview Dr. Siegel and report to the board.

VERDICT: The board directed that Dr. Robert M. Siegel have his complete credentials in the hands of the secretary by November 15th, 1951 and that license be issued at that time if approved by the secretary.

RE: Dr. Charles H. Brant, unlicensed resident at Charlotte Memorial Hospital. Dr. Heyward C. Thompson reported that Dr. Brant had left North Carolina.

RE: Dr. Odom N. Coker, unlicensed resident at Kate B. Reynolds Memorial Hospital, advised on September 12th, 1951 that he is no longer practicing medicine at the Kate B. Reynolds Hospital; that he has applied to take the examination of the Georgia State Board of Medical Examiners, after which he will apply for licensure by endorsement in this state.

RE: Dr. John E. Costello, grade B graduate located at the North Carolina Sanatorium. Dr. H. S. Willis, Superintendent, advised that Dr. Costello left the Sanatorium April 15th, 1951; that he hoped to take the examination of the Massachusetts Board of Medical Examiners.

RE: Drs. Otto and Ingeborg Kremer, foreign graduates located at the North Carolina Sanatorium - Dr. H. S. Willis, Superintendent was advised in January, 1951 that he might employ Drs. Kremer for one year on an internship basis without license. They began their work at the Sanatorium July 1st, 1951 and the secretary advised Dr. Willis that the board would abide by its decision to allow them to remain there for one year even though this privilege was no longer granted by the board.

RE: Dr. James J. Crumbley, Jr. - A copy of letter under date of August 1st, 1951 was presented to the board from Dr. Crumbley resigning his Mayo Fellowship.

RE: Dr. G. R. Mortorell, foreign graduate at Robeson County Hospital - Dr. L. R. Hedgpeth reported on September 10th, 1951 that Dr. Mortorell was leaving the Robeson County Hospital on scheduled time.

RE: Dr. Reinhold Schuller, foreign graduate at the James Walker Memorial Hospital - Mr. John W. Rankin, Director of James Walker Memorial Hospital, advised on September 10th, 1951 that Dr. Schuller was leaving there on September 15th, 1951.

RE: Dr. E. J. Del Villar, foreign graduate at the Good Samaritan Hospital - Dr. Heyward C. Thompson reported he was advised by the assistant manager of the hospital that Dr. Del Villar left North Carolina in July, 1950.



RE: Dr. Lansing G. Childs, resident at Lincoln Memorial Hospital - On July 24th, 1951 Dr. Childs requested information as to licensure by endorsement from the State of Florida. The board directed that he be advised though North Carolina has no reciprocal relations with the State of Florida, the board would accept such credentials for limited license only. Dr. Childs has not to date filed application for license.

VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that Dr. Lansing G. Childs of Lincoln Memorial Hospital be notified that it will be necessary for him to make a personal appearance before the Board of Medical Examiners on January 21st, 1952, at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; that it will be necessary for him to have his credentials in order on or before November 15th, 1951 in order that he be eligible to make this personal appearance. That failure to comply with either of the above regulations would be regarded as his practicing medicine in the State of North Carolina without medical license. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Alexander H. Branski, graduate of the Polish Medical School at Edinburgh, an unclassified medical school - Dr. David A. Young, General Superintendent of the North Carolina Hospital Boards of Control, furnished the secretary with copy of letter to Baranski under date of October 4th, 1951, stating that he would be able to employ him for a period of one year under the present understanding with the State Board of Medical Examiners. Dr. Young wrote the secretary under date of October 4th asking that some arrangement be made to granting a limited license to the state hospital in such cases.

VERDICT: The board directed that the minutes be examined and that the disposition of the case of Dr. Alexander H. Baranski be dealt with according to the past ruling of the board.

RE: Charles Hal Chaplin - As previously reported, Mr. Chaplin failed one subject at Jefferson Medical College and was to take a re-examination in September, 1951. The board at its July, 1951 meeting ruled that if he passed the re-examination in September, 1951 he would not be required to take Part I over; that if he had to repeat the second year in medicine it would be necessary that he repeat Part I of the written examination. On September 19th the dean advised that Mr. Chaplin did not pass his re-examination; that he had been permitted to carry the condition through the third year of his course and pass the re-examination with the second year class in June, 1952.

RE: Dr. H. C. Kutteh - It was reported to the board that Dr. H. C. Kutteh, who had previously been issued limited license to Iredell County, North Carolina, advised that he had been offered a post at Duke Hospital and he requested information as to the status of his limited license.

VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that Dr. H. C. Kutteh be informed that upon surrendering his license to practice medicine in Iredell County, North Carolina, the State Board of Medical Examiners would issue him similar license limited to Duke University School of Medicine to complete his residency training without a personal appearance before the board or additional fee. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Heyward C. Thompson and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. W. C. Haggerty - Dr. Haggerty, who was granted limited license to Duke University School of Medicine in July, 1950 requested that his license be changed to cover his residency at Moore County Hospital. The secretary requested Dr. Haggerty to advise how long he planned to remain at the Moore County Hospital and if he planned to return to Duke Hospital as a resident before completing his training, to which Dr. Haggerty has not replied.

VERDICT: The board directed that the secretary write Dr. Deryl Hart at Duke University School of Medicine in order to obtain the desired information, with a copy of this letter to Dr. Haggerty.



RE: Dr. James M. Northington - The following is copy of letter from the Narcotic Bureau under date of October 4th, 1951 to Dr. James M. Northington:

"I have received your application for registration under the Harrison Narcotic Law showing your address as Davidson, North Carolina. Please advise if you intend to maintain two offices - one at Charlotte, North Carolina and one at Davidson, North Carolina. Action on your application will be withheld pending receipt of your reply to this inquiry."

VERDICT: Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick moved that the secretary write B. M. Martin, District Supervisor of the Narcotic Bureau, acknowledge receipt of copy of letter to Dr. James M. Northington and ask if it is still the policy of the Narcotic Bureau to consult with the Board of Medical Examiners before the restoration of narcotic license. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. James P. Rousseau and passed unanimously.

RE: Madison County - Laymen Practicing Medicine without License - Lattie Boone and Bobby Roberts were tried at the August, 1951 term of superior court and entered pleas of guilty to practicing medicine without a license. Sentence by the judge was postpone until the November, 1951 term of court.

Sam P. Mason, a defendant, did not appear and it was found that he had moved to Clay County. Capias was issued for his arrest and he is to be tried in November, 1951.

(NOTE: Investigation on these cases was begun in 1947)

RE: J. Q. A. Martins, colored, New Bern, North Carolina - A report was made to the secretary that he was practicing medicine without a license. This report was in turn sent to the secretary of the Craven County Medical Society asking that its Grievance Committee make investigation. Information furnished in this connection was not in the opinion of the secretary sufficient to justify an investigation by the State Bureau of Investigation. The secretary of the Craven County Medical Society was so advised.

RE: E. A. Gray, Greensboro, North Carolina - Alleged to be Practicing Medicine without License - The evidence obtained in the first investigation of the State Bureau of Investigation in this case was insufficient to request indictment. On September 15th, 1951, a second investigation was requested at the urgent request of the secretary of the Guilford County Medical Society, who stated that witnesses had been procured who would testify against him. This investigation has not to date been completed.

RE: John Comer, Franklinville, North Carolina - Alleged to be Practicing Medicine without License - At the request of the Randolph County Medical Society the State Bureau of Investigation was asked to investigate in this case. A report received by the secretary marked "pending" did not in the opinion of the secretary contain sufficient evidence to request indictment. The Randolph County Medical Society was so advised. The State Bureau of Investigation has been requested to furnish evidence as it is obtained.

VERDICT: The board directed that if and when the State Bureau of Investigation furnished sufficient evidence in this case that the secretary follow the usual procedure in such cases to procure indictment and conviction.

RE: Gerald L. Wheeler, Charlotte, North Carolina, Alleged to be Practicing Medicine without License - The board was advised that upon receipt of report from the State Bureau of Investigation in this case, it was forwarded to the Attorney General with the request that it be considered for prosecution. The Attorney General on September 13th, 1951 forwarded the same to the solicitor of the 14th Judicial District for appropriate action.



RE: Pitt County Memorial Hospital, Greenville, North Carolina - On October 2nd, 1951 Dr. W. M. B. Brown, Chief of Staff, and Dr. E. B. Aycock called on the secretary to discuss the problem of procuring internes. They wanted to know if the board could interpret the law so that they could have displaced physicians for one year only due to the fact that it is so difficult to procure internes. Dr. Joseph J. Combs advised that all physicians after one year's internship were required to have license and that the board could not license substandard physicians.

RE: Dr. Alexandra Wesselitzkaja, graduate of a Russian medical school and who has been in North Carolina since 1948, asked whether or not she would be eligible for medical license in this state after taking postgraduate work at New York University; that she was required to obtain this information before she would be admitted to said postgraduate work. Upon inquiry the New York University Postgraduate Medical School advised that no university credits toward any degree would be given and the American Medical Association advised that it had not undertaken to accredit postgraduate medical schools.

VERDICT: The board directed that Dr. Alexandra Wesselitzkaja be advised that work at the New York University Postgraduate Medical School would not make her eligible for medical license in this state.

RE: Dr. Theodore Antonakes - Dr. M. D. Bonner reported following routine inquiry of the secretary that Dr. Antonakes is all right and that he has reported to him as directed.

RE: Dr. Jesse Thomas Barnes, Asheboro, North Carolina - In a follow-up on Dr. Barnes, who has been a patient at the United States Public Health Service Hospital for narcotic addiction, it has been ascertained that he will be discharged on October 24th, 1951.

VERDICT: Dr. James P. Rousseau moved that a personal letter be written Dr. Jesse Thomas Barnes by the secretary stating that the board is interested and wishes him every success and in keeping with that would like to see and talk with him at the next meeting of the Board of Medical Examiners on January 21st, 1952 at the Robert E. Lee Hotel, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. This motion was duly seconded and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Marvin Arthur Bowers, Winston-Salem, North Carolina - Dr. Bowers was indicted in the Federal Court for violation of the Narcotic laws and the secretary has been informed his case will probably be tried in November, 1951.

VERDICT: The board directed that contingent to his conviction, Dr. Marvin Arthur Bowers be summoned to appear at its meeting on January 21st, 1952.

RE: Dr. Frederick D. Quick, colored, Rockingham, North Carolina - Dr. Quick has been indicted in the Federal Court for violation of the narcotic laws.

VERDICT: Dr. L. Randolph Doffermyre moved that the necessary steps be taken to have Dr. Frederick D. Quick appear before the board at its meeting on January 21st, 1952 to show cause why his medical license should not be revoked. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. James P. Rousseau and was passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Randall C. Smith, Ayden, North Carolina - Dr. Smith appeared before the preceding board on several occasions on account of his narcotic addiction, at which time he was on probation.

A newspaper article of August 14th, 1951 came to the attention of the secretary stating that Dr. Smith had gone berserk with a shotgun and that he had threatened to shoot certain citizens in Ayden. The paper stated that he was placed in the State Hospital for the Insane in Raleigh. An inquiry was made to the Pitt County Medical Society and it was reported that it was understood that Dr. Smith had been admitted to the Veterans Hospital at Roanoke, Virginia.



VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that as soon as Dr. Randall C. Smith is released from the Veterans Hospital (subject to the approval of the attorney for the board) he be served with a notice to appear at the next meeting of the board to show cause why his license should not be revoked. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Heyward C. Thompson and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Charles H. Daugherty, graduate of Bowman Gray School of Medicine, took Part II of the written examination for medical licensure in June, 1951 and failed three out of four subjects. Upon being advised that he had failed the examination, Dr. Daugherty and Dr. C. C. Carpenter, Dean of Bowman Gray School of Medicine, immediately called the secretary by long distance telephone. They were unable to understand why he had been unable to pass his examination as he graduated fourth in his class. A number of letters and telephone calls were received by the secretary in connection with this matter and the board was requested by Dr. Daugherty to review his case and that his papers be sent to Dr. Carpenter for review and re-evaluation.

VERDICT: The case was discussed at length and the board directed that the matter of Dr. Charles H. Daugherty remain status quo.

Dr. Heyward C. Thompson moved that the board advise its secretary, Dr. Joseph J. Combs, that it feels that he has conducted himself in a proper manner regarding the Dr. Charles H. Daugherty case and he has the board's full support.

Dr. James P. Rousseau by automatic ascendancy will assume the office of president for the ensuing year.

RE: MEETINGS

The Board of Medical Examiners will meet May 4th and 5th, 1952 at the Carolina Hotel, Pinehurst, North Carolina, during the meeting of the State Medical Society.

The dates for the annual written examination were set for June 15-19th, 1952, at the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, North Carolina.

The dates for the meeting to certify grades of the written examination were set for August 1-2nd, 1952, at the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, North Carolina.

The meeting was adjourned.

Monday, October 8th, 1951 - 9:00 A. M.

RE: Dr. Luke Masahiko Kitahata, Postgraduate student at Bowman Gray School of Medicine - Dr. Kitahata stated he graduated from the Medical School of the University of Tokyo in 1947 and that he has been in the States for two years. He said he had one year of Anesthesiology at Bowman Gray from July, 1950 to July, 1951 and was appointed an assistant resident in surgery in July, 1951. Dr. Kitahata plans to complete his residency at Bowman Gray School of Medicine and will be there two or three years.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Luke Masahiko Kitahata, post-graduate foreign exchange student, might stay at Bowman Gray Medical School in the educational program as long as he is a resident; that he will re-apply each year to stay in the educational program; that he will not be granted a license.

Dr. Johnson: You understand that you are appearing before us as an exchange student to obtain permission to stay in North Carolina with the educational program as long as you are in your residency. You will re-apply each year to stay in the educational program; that you will not be granted a license. You will be refunded your examination fee.

Dr. Rousseau: You have no idea of remaining in North Carolina:
Dr. Kitahata: No sir.



Applicants for licensure by endorsement of credentials were interviewed and 45 physicians were granted license to practice medicine.

RE: Dr. Rosalind Gower Smith Abernathy appeared applying for medical license, limited to Duke University School of Medicine, by endorsement of credentials.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Rosalind Gower Smith Abernathy be granted medical license limited to Duke University School of Medicine when her credentials are complete and approved by the secretary.

RE: Dr. John Northwood Bennett, resident at Bowman Gray School of Medicine, appeared applying for full medical license by endorsement of credentials.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. John Northwood Bennett be granted full medical license when his credentials are completed and approved by the secretary.

RE: Dr. Robert Francis Bradish appeared before the board applying for medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina. He informed the board that he is with the Veterans Administration in Fayetteville, full time eyes, ears, nose and throat; that he retired from the army after 22 years of service; that he is making his home permanently in Fayetteville. He said that he is called on for consultation work from time to time and goes to the State Sanatorium at the request of Dr. Willis and Dr. Hiatt. He said he is not certain whether or not he will remain permanently with the Veterans Administration.

Dr. Hedrick: What is your training in Eyes, Ears, Nose and Throat?
Answer: I started eye work in 1928, spent two years on eyes alone, three years in otolaryngology and had training in San Francisco and Washington, served as chief of the eye section at Walter Reed Hospital, took the Ophthalmology Board in 1935, had training in bronchoscopy at the University of Pennsylvania.

VERDICT: Dr. Robert Francis Bradish was granted license to practice medicine in the State of North Carolina by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. William Arkell Browne appeared applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials. Dr. Browne had accepted a position as health officer of Edgecombe County prior to this appearance. He was advised by the secretary to do administrative work only. He stated that he had largely done administrative work and upon inquiry said he had been in public health work since 1929 and came to North Carolina through friends in this work.

Dr. Johnson: Have you ever had any difficulty with any licensing body?
Answer: No sir.

VERDICT: Dr. William Arkell Browne was granted medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. David Sanford Citron, who is now in United States Public Health work, appeared before the board applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials. He said he thought he might possibly locate in Chapel Hill and if not, in his home town of Charlotte.

Dr. Battle: You definitely plan to come into North Carolina either as a practitioner or as a teacher?
Answer: Yes sir.

Dr. Citron said he was located at the Marine Hospital in Boston and hoped to be released from service by July, 1952.

VERDICT: Dr. David Sanford Citron was granted medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Joseph E. Donlan appeared before the board applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials. He said that he has been



in the United States Army, in private practice and in Indian Service and has accepted a position with the State Board of Health and will be located in Murphy, North Carolina.

Dr. Battle: Have you ever had any difficulty in any state?
Answer: No sir.

Dr. Johnson: Do you plan to stay permanently in North Carolina?
Answer: That is the plan at the present time.

VERDICT: Dr. Joseph E. Donlan was granted medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Rollin Slossin Fillmore, Jr., resident at Watts Hospital, appeared at the June, 1951 meeting of the board without credentials. Dr. Dr. Fillmore's completed credentials were studied by the board.

VERDICT: Dr. Rollin Slossin Fillmore, Jr. was granted medical license limited to Watts Hospital by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Nicholas George Georgiade, resident at Duke University School of Medicine, appeared before the board applying for full license by endorsement of credentials. He said that he planned to stay at Duke, go to Chapel Hill or locate in Charlotte.

Dr. Johnson: There is no doubt in your mind but that you will definitely remain in the State of North Carolina?

Answer: No sir.

VERDICT: Dr. Nicholas George Georgiade was granted full medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. John Glasson appeared before the board with incomplete credentials, applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. John Glasson be granted medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina when his credentials are complete and approved by the secretary.

RE: Dr. James O. Hale appeared before the board applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials.

Dr. Johnson: Do you plan to make North Carolina your permanent home?
Answer: Yes sir.

Dr. Hale said that he planned to be associated with Dr. W. L. Grantham.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. James O. Hale be granted medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Rudolph Wendell Heath, resident at Graylyn, Bowman Gray School of Medicine, appeared applying for full medical license in the State of North Carolina.

Dr. Doffermyre: Do you plan to practice psychiatry in North Carolina permanently?

Answer: My son and I developed hay fever in Florida. I get along well here and think that I will stay for that reason instead of returning to Florida. I have no plan as to where to locate and will be in Graylyn another year.

Dr. Doffermyre explained the policy of the board as to granting limited license to residents. Dr. Heath said he would be satisfied to have a limited license until he completes his residency training.



VERDICT: Dr. Rudolph Wendell Heath was granted limited medical license to Graylyn, Bowman Gray School of Medicine and the board ruled that he be granted a full license under the usual regulation of the board when his residency training is completed.

RE: Dr. Arthur Kenneth Husband, resident at Bowman Gray School of Medicine, appeared at the July, 1951 meeting of the board without credentials. Dr. Husband's completed credentials were studied by the board.

VERDICT: Dr. Arthur Kenneth Husband was granted medical license limited to Bowman Gray School of Medicine by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Joseph C. Johannes, graduate of the Medical College of Evangelists in 1929, appeared before the board applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials. He said that he practiced in California six years and was sent by the Mission Board to India and Burma; that he desires to locate in Fletcher, North Carolina, at the Mountain Sanatorium; that they are in need of help and have asked for the past two years that he go there.

Dr. Hedrick: Are you coming here on a temporary basis or expecting to stay?
Answer: If I do come, it will be permanent.

Dr. Rousseau: Is it the custom of the Mission Board to move you where you are needed?
Answer: Yes sir. I have been overseas with the Mission Board. You never know where you will be sent.

Dr. Rousseau: When do you expect to come to Fletcher?
Answer: It depends on how quickly I can put things in order in California.

Dr. Rousseau: You will not practice in North Carolina until you hear from this board.

Dr. Johnson: You state that you definitely plan, if you are given license, to move to North Carolina?
Answer: If things materialize and I settle my business there, the chances are I will be coming. It will possibly take a couple of months or so to settle my business.

Dr. Rousseau: I do not believe the board will be inclined to license you until your plans are complete to practice in North Carolina.
Answer: That will be all right.

VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that if within the next six months Dr. Joseph C. Johannes moves and sets up residence in North Carolina for the purpose of practicing medicine in North Carolina and satisfies the secretary of the board, that he be issued a license as of that date. If this right is not exercised in that time his fee will be returned, less the amount to be deducted. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Kenneth Wallace Jones, who is applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials, was granted the privilege of appearing before the board with incomplete credentials. He stated that he had been discharged from the army and plans to locate in Reidsville, North Carolina.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Kenneth Wallace Jones be granted medical license by endorsement of credentials when his credentials are complete and approved by the secretary. Dr. Jones was advised not to begin practice until issued license.

RE: Dr. Homer Rodeheaver Justis, resident at Charlotte Memorial Hospital, appeared before the board applying for full medical license by endorsement of credentials.

Dr. Doffermyre: Do you plan to make North Carolina your permanent residence?
Answer: I do not know where I will be but I would like to stay in North Carolina. That is as definite as it could be. I will complete my residency training in 1953.

Dr. Doffermyre explained the policy of the board as to granting full license to a resident who is not a permanent resident of the state; that full license can be granted after completion of residency training. Dr. Justis stated that the resident at Charlotte Memorial Hospital goes to Good Samaritan Hospital; that as far as he knew the urology service was the only service performing that service. The board felt that a limited license for Charlotte Memorial Hospital would cover the work at Good Samaritan Hospital as this is under the supervision of Charlotte Memorial Hospital.

VERDICT: Dr. Homer Rodeheaver Justis was granted limited medical license to Charlotte Memorial Hospital by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Everett Bruce Liggins appeared before the board applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials. He stated he had practiced in New York for three years; that Dr. Albert E. Perry of Wadesboro, North Carolina, is his cousin and he informed him of the excellent opportunity to locate there.

Dr. Johnson: Have you ever been in any difficulty with any licensing board?
Answer: No sir. There are 15,000 negroes in that county and the only negro physician has left there.

Dr. Hedrick: You intend to locate permanently there?
Answer: Yes sir.

Dr. Liggins said he expected to go to Wadesboro as soon as possible; that he had not fully moved to North Carolina; that it was dependent on whether or not he was licensed.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Everett Bruce Liggins be granted medical license by endorsement of credentials to practice in the State of North Carolina.

RE: Dr. Donald Shonk Morris appeared before the board applying for medical licensure by endorsement of credentials. He stated he would be located at the City Memorial Hospital in Winston-Salem and part time association with Bowman Gray School of Medicine; that he had been certified by the Pathology Board.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Donald Shonk Morris be granted medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Roy Morrow appeared before the board applying for medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina. (See page 55 of these minutes for report by Dr. Battle). Dr. Morrow informed the board that he graduated from Dalhousie University, Canada, in 1945, was in the Canadian Navy and Department of Veterans Affairs; went to Jersey City Medical Center in 1946 and took five years postgraduate training in surgery and that he is eligible for the Surgery Board. He said that he did not expect to remain permanently in the state; that he will be here for one year from July 1st, 1951; that he would be satisfied with a limited license to the Coast Line Rail Road Hospital.

Dr. Battle: You have been practicing in Rocky Mount since July, 1951 without license. Please report to the board.

Dr. Morrow: My chief of surgery in New Jersey knew Dr. Walden and mentioned this position to me and I went down in May to see about it. I told Dr. Walden I had no license but would take the Maryland board in June. He said everything was all right; that I would be in a hospital and probably would not need a license, but it could be attended to. I came down and started to work and the first thing I knew was when I talked to Dr. Battle a day or so ago and he advised me it was necessary to have a license to even work in a hospital. I would very much like to correct this as I do not wish to get in Dutch after spending all this time getting trained. Dr. Walden apparently got the forms while I was on my honeymoon and sent them to me.

Upon inquiry Dr. Morrow said that Dr. Walden did not mention the letter written to him by Dr. Combs or that he was practicing irregularly.



VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Roy Morrow be granted medical license limited to the Atlantic Coast Line Rail Road Hospital upon completion of credentials and approval of the secretary.

RE: Dr. Mabel W. Mousselet appeared before the board applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials to practice in the State of North Carolina. She said that she is going to Grace Hospital at Banner Elk; that she has always done institutional work; that she will only do institutional work at Grace Hospital; that the hospital there needs doctors badly; that she desires to locate in North Carolina.

Dr. Dofferymyre: Why have you changed, you have practiced in New York and Kansas?
Answer: My first position was in Kansas. I was licensed in the other state for residency.

Dr. Johnson: Have you ever had any difficulty with any licensing board?
Answer: No, not at all.

Dr. Mousselet said she had just known Dr. Roy Tate through this appointment.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Mabel W. Mousselet be granted medical license by endorsement of credentials to practice in the State of North Carolina.

RE: Dr. William Walker McCune was granted the privilege of appearing before the board without credentials as he has just completed plans to locate in Charlotte with Dr. A. L. DeCamp as soon as he can procure a license. Dr. McCune informed the board that he is qualified for the Obstetrical and Gynecological Board.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. William Walker McCune be granted medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina by endorsement of credentials when his credentials are complete and approved by the secretary.

RE: Dr. William Dennis Rippy appeared before the board applying for medical license to practice medicine in the State of North Carolina. He said that he is now stationed at Fort Bragg; that he is a native of North Carolina and plans to locate in this state to do general practice.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Williams Dennis Rippy be granted medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Bruno J. Romeo appeared before the board applying for medical license to practice medicine in the State of North Carolina. He stated that he planned to practice in Hendersonville; that his wife is from Black Mountain and that he has been coming to North Carolina since 1946; that he wants to locate in the state and bring up his family here. That at the present time he has a position at the University and that he will take the Boards in Internal Medicine next week; that he is ready to build and locate permanently in Hendersonville if licensed.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Bruno J. Romeo be granted medical license to practice in the State of North Carolina by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Albert Goodin Smith, resident at Duke University School of Medicine, appeared before the board applying for full license by endorsement of credentials. He said that he would complete his residency training at Duke in July, 1952 and then planned to remain there one year as an instructor. That he applied for full license since he planned to remain for one year; that he desired limited license if that were not satisfactory with the board.



VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Albert Goodin Smith be granted medical license by endorsement of credentials limited to Duke University School of Medicine when his credentials are complete and approved by the secretary.

RE: Dr. Mitchell Alden Spyker appeared before the board applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials. Dr. Spyker has practiced in Burlington since April of this year.

Dr. Doffermyre: Why did not not appear at the July, 1951 meeting of the board?
Answer: I had measles.

Dr. Doffermyre: Why have you made so many changes?
Answer: I took residency training six and one-half years and went under two individuals at two different places and was extremely unhappy. This is the first time I have been on my own. I was happy during my residency. I think this at Burlington may work out.

Dr. Battle: You want to live in the state now.
Answer: I think I do. My personality is such I thought I would be happy spending five more years under supervision but evidently it would not appear that I could take it any longer. I feel that I am well adjusted and for the first time busy.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Mitchell Alden Spyker be granted medical license to practice in the state by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Frank Henry Stelling appeared before the board applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials limited to Polk County, North Carolina. He stated that he desired to do consultation work in St. Luke's Hospital in Tryon, North Carolina.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Frank Henry Stelling be granted medical license by endorsement of credentials limited to Polk County, North Carolina.

RE: Dr. George Clabourn Strozier, resident at Graylyn, Bowman Gray School of Medicine, appeared applying for limited medical license by endorsement of credentials.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. George Clabourn/^{Strozier} be granted medical license by endorsement of credentials, limited to Graylyn, Bowman Gray School of Medicine, when his credentials are completed and approved by the secretary.

RE: Dr. Kempton Potter Aiken Taylor appeared before the board applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials. He said that he planned to come to North Carolina after the first of the year and locate in or near Black Mountain, possibly Asheville.

Dr. Johnson: Do you plan to make North Carolina your permanent home and not do seasonal practice?
Answer: I plan to make North Carolina my permanent home and do not plan to do seasonal practice.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. Kempton Potter Aiken Taylor be granted medical license by endorsement of credentials to practice in the state.

RE: Dr. E. Clinton Texter, Jr. appeared before the board applying for medical license by endorsement of credentials, limited to Duke University School of Medicine.

VERDICT: The board ruled that Dr. E. Clinton Texter, Jr. be granted medical license by endorsement of credentials, limited to Duke University School of Medicine, when his credentials are complete and approved by the secretary.



The following physicians were licensed by endorsement of credentials:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MEDICAL SCHOOL</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Rosalind Gower Smith Abernathy License limited Duke University School	Duke University Medicine	Durham, N. C.
William George Anlyan License limited Duke University School	Yale University Medicine	Durham, N. C.
John Isaac Barron	Univ. Tennessee	Morganton, N. C.
John Northwood Bennett	McGill University	Winston-Salem, NC
John Alston Boyd	Med. Coll. Virginia	Durham, N. C.
Robert Francis Bradish	University Vermont	Fayetteville, NC
William Arkell Browne	University Toronto	Tarboro, N. C.
Charles Hoyt Burnett	Univ. Colorado	Chapel Hill, N.C.
Donald Dean Carter License limited Duke University School	Duke University Medicine	Durham, N. C.
David Sanford Citron	Washington Univ.	Boston, Mass.
Thornton Ritenour Cleek	Med. Coll. Virginia	Asheboro, N. C.
Eugene Heyward Cummings	Columbia Univ.	Durham, N. C.
Philip Ernest Dewees	Univ. Pennsylvania	Sylva, N. C.
Joseph E. Donlan	Georgetown Univ.	Murphy, N. C.
Walter Jacob Durr	L. I. Coll. Med.	Sylva, N. C.
Rollin Slossin Fillmore, Jr. License limited Watts Hospital	Univ. Texas	Durham, N. C.
Nicholas George Georgiade	Duke University	Durham, N. C.
John Glasson	Cornell University	Greenville, S.C.
James O. Hale	Vanderbilt Univ.	Asheville, N. C.
Betty Julia Hall	Univ. Minnesota	Chapel Hill, N. C.
Rudolph Wendell Heath License limited Graylyn, Bowman Gray School	Univ. Georgia Medicine	Winston-Salem, N.C.
Arthur Kenneth Husband License limited Bowman Gray School	McGill University Medicine	Winston-Salem, N.C.
Homer Rodeheaver Justis License limited Charlotte Memorial Hospital	Univ. Virginia	Charlotte, N. C.
Everett Bruce Liggins	Meharry Med. Coll.	Wadesboro, N. C.
Joseph Edgar Meritt, Jr.	Univ. Chicago	Las Cruces, N.M.
Donald Shonk Morris	Med. Coll. Virginia	Winston-Salem, NC
Roy Andrew Morrow License limited Atlantic Coastline Railroad Hospital	Dalhousie Univ.	Rocky Mount, N.C.
Mabel W. Mousselet	Boston University	Banner Elk, N. C.
Leo Clayton McCampbell	Univ. Cincinnati	Sylva, N. C.
William Walker McCune	Univ. Penn	Charlotte, N. C.
*Francis Charles McMains	Tulane Univ.	Durham, N. C.
William Kirk Nowill	Univ. Buffalo	Durham, N. C.
Victor Anthony Politano License limited Duke University School	Duke University Medicine	Durham, N. C.
Leonard J. Ravitz	Wayne University	Durham, N. C.
William Dennis Rippy	Duke University	Gibsonville, N.C.
Bruno J. Romeo	NYU Coll. Med.	Flushing, N. Y.
Robert Murray Siegel License limited Bowman Gray School	Emory University Medicine	Winston-Salem, NC
Albert Goodin Smith License limited Duke University School	Washington Univ. Medicine	Durham, N. C.
Mitchell Alden Spyker	Univ. Cincinnati	Burlington, N. C.
Frank Henry Stelling License limited Polk County, North Carolina	Univ. Georgia	Greenville, S. C.
George Clabourn Strozier License limited Graylyn, Bowman Gray School	Emory Univ. Medicine	Winston-Salem, NC
Charles Bruce Taylor	Univ. Minnesota	Chapel Hill, N. C.
Kempton Potter Aiken Taylor	Univ. Penn	Black Mt, N. C.
Davidson Hargrove Texada, Jr. License limited Graylyn, Bowman Gray School	Louisiana State Univ. Medicine	Winston-Salem, NC
E. Clinton Texter, Jr. License limited Duke University School	Wayne University Medicine	Durham, N. C.

*License limited Duke University School Medicine



RE: Dr. Menna Watkins LeMoine, graduate of the University of Aberdeen, Scotland, appeared before the board with reference to having accepted a position at the Eastern North Carolina Sanatorium before procuring medical license in this state. The following is letter from Dr. H. F. Easom, Director of the Eastern North Carolina Sanatorium under date of October 1st, 1951:

"Dear Dr. Combs:

"Reference is made to our recent telephone conversation, during which you seemed concerned over the fact that this doctor has not taken the North Carolina State Board Examinations. She joined our staff December 19, 1950, and she did not feel quite prepared for the board in June, so I suggested that she wait until December without realizing that license would be granted then only by reciprocity. I am very sorry that I misinformed her on this matter and wish to accept full responsibility for her failure to take the examinations. I hope that you will see fit to allow her to continue working here under supervision until June 1952. It would cripple our work very much to lose her now, especially when it is so very difficult to interest doctors in tubercular work. I am enclosing copies of the recommendations I received on her before we employed her. If you desire further information that I may be able to give, please let me hear from you."

"Sincerely yours,

H. F. EASOM"

Dr. LeMoine stated that she graduated from the University of Aberdeen, Scotland in 1940, had 22 months internship in the Royal Army Medical Corp and was employed by the Veterans Affairs in Canada and worked for the Canadian Government in Tuberculosis. She said that she now has the colored section at the Sanatorium; that she wishes to remain there; that her husband is working in Kinston and she will remain in North Carolina whether practicing or not.

VERDICT: Dr. Heyward C. Thompson moved that Dr. Menna Watkins LeMoine file with the secretary of the board photostatic copies of her diploma and license to practice medicine in Great Britain and Canada and pay the fee of \$15.00 and that she be granted a limited license to remain at the Eastern North Carolina Sanatorium until after she can successfully pass the written examination in June, 1952. Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick duly seconded this motion and the same was passed unanimously.

RE: Madison County - Lattie Boone, layman indicted for practicing medicine without a license - Dr. W. A. Sams of Marshall, North Carolina, appeared before the board and stated that the people in that county were up in arms about Lattie Boone's indictment. He asked that the board write a letter that he could have published that the State Board of Medical Examiners does not recommend anyone who is not prepared to practice medicine in the State of North Carolina and that no temporary or local permits could be issued in North Carolina.

Dr. W. L. Robinson of Mars Hill, North Carolina, appeared and stated that Lattie Boone is in his territory; that he is in the mountains in rough country where nobody wants to go; that he does a tremendous amount of work and that he had no objections to him. He said there is no physician who delivers babies in the homes; that Boone goes into mountain hollows and delivers babies; that he had never seen him do any bad work. Dr. Robinson said he does not do obstetrics.

Dr. Johnson: Your reason for being here is to state you have no objection to Lattie Boone?

Answer: Yes sir. I understood there was a hearing to-day. He is the son of an old country doctor. I have never seen him give anything to hurt them.

Dr. Thompson: Have you seen him give anything to help?

Answer: Yes sir.

Dr. Thompson: I do not know anyway we could take any action, but if there were, would you recommend it?

Answer: Yes sir.



Dr. Hedrick: How many people live in that section.

Answer: 3-4000 people. I am not in favor of quackery.

Attorney Edney appeared on behalf of Lattie Boone. He said he represented Boone in court and contrary to his advice he plead guilty. He told the board that Boone had 15 years experience, that he did mid-wifery and rendered simple remedies which was more or less that of a practical nurse, but he does prescribe some medicine. He showed a petition to the board on behalf of Lattie Boone, which he said contained some 500 or more names. He asked the board to issue a limited license to him to practice in three isolated townships and said it was a medical necessity.

Dr. Battle advised the attorney for Lattie Boone that he had the right to present credentials to the Board of Medical Examiners.

RE: Dr. Olin C. Perryman, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, was requested to appear before the board with reference to his alleged narcotic addiction. The following are letters from the Narcotic Bureau under dates August 13th, 1951 and October 2nd, 1951, in the order quoted:

"Dear Dr. Combs:

"On June 22, 1951 our District Supervisor in Baltimore, Maryland, submitted a report with respect to Dr. Olin C. Perryman, 592 Waughtown Street, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. A narcotic agent had found on the files of a local drug store three prescriptions issued by Dr. Perryman, each calling for 15 ampoules, 50 mg., of demerol for Mrs. J. B. Shumer, and three similar prescriptions issued by the doctor for Mr. R. C. Click. When shown these prescriptions Dr. Perryman admitted that he had been using demerol for the past eight months. He stated he was suffering from arthritis in his right hand and leg, both of which were observed to be swollen.

"Dr. Perryman surrendered his narcotic special tax stamp and promised not to reregister under the Federal narcotic law for two years. He stated that he would undergo treatment for his drug addiction and arthritis.

"Will you please advise this Bureau of any action by your Board in this case.

"Very truly yours,

G. W. CUNNINGHAM, Deputy COMMISSIONER NARCOTICS"

"Dear Dr. Combs:

"On August 13, 1951 we wrote to you concerning Olin C. Perryman, M. D., Winston-Salem, North Carolina. It is understood that this physician will be given an opportunity to appear before the State Board of Medical Examiners on October 8th, 1951.

"Our District Supervisor in Baltimore, Maryland, has received a letter from John P. Davis, M. D., of Winston-Salem, stating that Dr. Perryman has been under his direct observation and care since June 22, 1951, on which date he was confined as a patient in a general hospital, due to an injury for which he was given narcotics for approximately two weeks; that, to Dr. Davis' knowledge, since July, 1951 no narcotics have been administered to Dr. Perryman except on August 8, 1951 when an operative procedure was performed; and that Dr. Perryman was being dismissed from the hospital and would remain under Dr. Davis' close personal observation, requiring weekly contact or report to him.

"Very truly yours,

G. W. CUNNINGHAM, Deputy COMMISSIONER NARCOTICS"

Dr. James P. Rousseau reported that Dr. Perryman was in World War II, became an alcoholic and started taking demerol. That when the trouble



with the Waughtown Drug Store in Winston-Salem broke he called the narcotic agent and voluntarily surrendered his narcotic license and admitted he was taking demerol. That two or three years ago he became disabled with stiff legs and arms. Dr. Rousseau said that he offered to help Dr. Perryman and he said he was off narcotics. On that same night he attempted suicide but received no serious injury. At that time the physicians learned that he had abscesses from self-inflicted injections. After ten days hospitalization Dr. Perryman got off drugs and since his discharge from the hospital he has been under a medical man, Dr. John Davis, who says that he has taken no drugs. His physical condition is improved and he is now practicing. Dr. Rousseau said he felt it would be a good thing for Dr. Perryman to know that the board is interested in him and that the board talk with him and encourage him; that Dr. Perryman is now under the supervision of the Board of Censors of the Forsyth County Medical Society.

Dr. Perryman was requested to appear before the board at this time. He said that he was in the hospital for two months and was discharged August 11th, 1951 and had been under the care of Dr. John Davis; that he is doing well and having no trouble; that he has been back at practice for three weeks and part time three weeks prior to that. He said that his physical condition is improved. Upon inquiry he said that he started taking drugs about one year ago.

Dr. Battle: How dependent did you get on narcotics before you began to stop?

Answer: I did not think I got dependent on it. Dr. Davis said the only way to get off was altogether. I have not had any trouble since.

Dr. Rousseau: Dr. Davis called me a few days ago and it is his opinion that he is taking nothing. You see him once a week?

Answer: Yes sir.

Dr. Johnson: What did you use?

Answer: Demerol

Dr. Battle: You never tried morphine?

Answer: No sir.

Dr. Rousseau: Olin's physical condition is much better. When I saw him with most of his trouble he was doubled up.

Dr. Battle: You realize that you did become dependent on drugs and that you suffered from the effects of the drug?

Answer: I do.

Dr. Battle: Dr. Perryman, the board is in sympathy with you and it is the desire of all of us to help you and give you an opportunity to rehabilitate yourself. In carrying out our desire to help you, we will not do anything to interfere with you work. The board is keenly aware of its responsibility to the laity and to the profession. If it becomes apparent that you can not handle the situation yourself, then the board will have to take steps which will prevent you from endangering your patients by treating them.

VERDICT: Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick moved that the secretary procure a report from the Board of Censors of Forsyth County Medical Society on Dr. Olin Perryman to be presented to the board at each regular meeting for 18 months. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Amos N. Johnson and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Richard B. Dunn, Greensboro, North Carolina, was requested to appear before the Board of Medical Examiners with reference to the following report under date of July 11th, 1951 from the Narcotic Bureau as follows:



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"Dear Dr. Combs:

"On May 9, 1951 our District Supervisor in Baltimore, Maryland, submitted a report respecting the narcotic activities of Richard B. Dunn, M. D., Greensboro, North Carolina. An inspection of the narcotic records of a drug store in that city disclosed that Dr. Dunn had issued eight prescriptions calling for a total of fourteen ampoules of Demerol for various patients. It was learned that all of this Demerol had been delivered by the druggist to Dr. Dunn. When interviewed Dr. Dunn admitted to our investigator that he had administered the Demerol to himself. He had purchased 25 ampoules of Demerol in pursuance of a Government order form on December 14, 1950. He admitted that he had personally used this Demerol also, stating that he was suffering from a gastric ulcer. It was reported that during the latter part of April, 1951, Dr. Dunn removed two ampoules of Demerol from the narcotic cabinet of a local hospital without signing for them.

"Dr. Dunn surrendered his narcotic special tax stamp to prove that he could do without drugs. He promised not to reregister under the Federal narcotic law for twelve months.

"Will you please advise this Bureau of any action which your Board may decide to take in Dr. Dunn's case because of his narcotic history as above described."

"Very truly yours,

H. J. ANSLINGER, COMMISSIONER OF NARCOTICS"

Another report under date of August 13th, 1951 as follows was received from the Narcotic Bureau:

"Dear Dr. Combs:

"We have your letter of July 31, 1951, advising us that the State Board of Medical Examiners at its recent meeting ruled that Dr. Richard B. Dunn be given an opportunity to appear and discuss his situation at the next meeting at the Grove Park Inn, Asheville, North Carolina, on Monday, October 8, 1951 at 2:30 P. M.

"An agent of this Bureau interviewed Dr. Dunn on July 23, 1951, at which time the doctor appeared to be free from the use of narcotic drugs and in good health. Dr. Dunn claimed that he had not used any narcotics or even a barbiturate since April of this year. Dr. Joseph B. Stevens, Greensboro, North Carolina, informed the agent that the active duodenal ulcer which had given Dr. Dunn so much pain last fall and winter had evidently healed completely, and he appeared to be much better in every way. He was of the opinion that Dr. Dunn was no longer using narcotic drugs.

"We shall be interested to learn of any action taken by your Board in this case.

"Very truly yours,

G. W. CUNNINGHAM, Deputy COMMISSIONER NARCOTICS"

Dr. Battle advised Dr. Dunn that he was asked to appear because the board had received information from the Narcotic Bureau that he had surrendered his narcotic license and the board desired because of the seriousness of such a matter to receive information from him.

Dr. Dunn stated that he had a bleeding ulcer in 1942 and very nearly passed out. That when his trouble recurred in the summer of 1950 he very foolishly tried to treat himself and took demerol, which relieved the symptoms. That after taking it a little while one of his nurses noticed that he did not look right and called his physician, Dr. Stevens, who put him on bantnine. He stated that the rumor got out that he was taking dope and someone reported him to the Narcotic Bureau.



The narcotic agent called on him in May, 1951 and told him it was reported from two sources and that the Narcotic Bureau had requested a check up. Dr. Dunn said he then voluntarily surrendered his narcotic license but that he was never addicted to demerol.

Dr. Battle: What about the report, where it was alleged that you took two ampoules of demerol from a hospital without signing for it?

Answer: That is not true.

Dr. Rousseau: What about the prescriptions for demerol that you were receiving yourself. Were you writing them in someone else's name and taking them yourself.

Answer: Yes, I never did exceed my quota from the wholesaled drug company. I have done this in the past ten years. I did write a prescription for it and used it, which I believe lots of doctors do and as Mr. Atkinson said, it was the wrong thing to do.

Dr. Battle: Did you become addicted?

Answer: No sir.

Dr. Rousseau: Did you take some demerol that you prescribed for other patients?

Answer: Yes sir. I was treating myself.

Dr. Johnson: You never did get to the place that you were becoming dependent?

Answer: Not that I know of. I do not know too much about drug addiction. When I changed to banthine there were no withdrawal symptoms.

Dr. Doffermyre: How much demerol were you taking a day?

Answer: Probably not over 300 mgs. a week. It just depended - the way you would take aspirin for a headache.

Dr. Thompson: What was the highest dose you took at any one time?

Answer: 200 mgs.

Dr. Rousseau: Did you take it only when you had ulcer pain?

Answer: Yes. Bedtime would be the time it would bother me the worst.

Dr. Dunn stated that he thought the date was wrong as to the purchase of demerol, December, 1950; that it must have been 1949.

Dr. Battle: Has anyone ever accused you of taking this demerol from the hospital?

Answer: No sir, no one has ever accused me to my face. I do not know whether someone was reporting me with their best wishes or enmity. I have never taken any from a hospital. One time I stopped by and got an ampoule from the hospital in a syringe going on a call. I did not take it. I did not need to take it from a hospital.

Dr. Hedrick: How much demerol had you had the day your nurse called Dr. Stevens?

Answer: I think it was because I was acting stupid.

Dr. Hedrick: Do you think it was the demerol that made you stupid?

Answer: Yes sir, I think it was a hangover.

Dr. Johnson: I want to know how you arrived at demerol as a treatment.

Answer: I knew that it relieved smooth muscle temporarily until the attack had worn off.

Dr. Dunn stated that he did obstetrics and gynecology in Greensboro; that he has practiced there since 1936.



Dr. Battle: Do you think that someone in reporting you was trying to do you an injustice?

Answer: I do think so. I have no idea as to the source. I have a large practice and am successful in a monetary and social way. I thought someone was jealous.

Dr. Battle: Are we correct that you feel that this difficulty with the Narcotic Bureau has been brought about by some person having a personal grievance and that the accusation is more apparent than real; that is that it has been made to appear that you were breaking the law and that you were addicted and while it might have appeared that way, it was not true?

Answer: Yes sir. I am confident of that. I was wrong in treating myself.

Dr. Battle: You feel that it was an innocent irregularity; that you are not or have not been addicted.

Answer: Yes sir. I have not been and I am not going to be.

Dr. Rousseau: Do you think some of your friends did this to help you?

Answer: I thought that for a long time. Dr. Stevens has been trying to find out. A large number of doctors in Greensboro know that I surrendered my license voluntarily and how they knew that is more than I know because I am sure Mr. Atkinson did not tell anybody and Dr. Stevens was the only one who knew about it. About two weeks afterwards one of the Sisters at St. Leo asked a competitor of mine if he was willing to sign narcotic slips for me and I thought then the hospital had turned it in. I went to the Sister in charge and she said no. The hospital still honors my orders; that is if I order narcotics Dr. Stevens signs them; that I have only ordered about four times since last May, 1951.

Dr. Battle: Do you think the board was justified in questioning you?

Answer: I think it is your job; that it is worthy of your attention. It has been very embarrassing and the only way I could prove I was innocent was to turn in my narcotic license.

Dr. Rousseau: Do you sincerely believe that wherever the source of information came from that it has worked out to your benefit from the standpoint of your health in keeping you off demerol?

Answer: No, because I was off demerol then.

Dr. Johnson: How long had it been from the time Mr. Atkinson called you since you took Demerol?

Answer: Five months.

Dr. Battle: All of us here are inclined to accept what you have told us. We think it is unfortunate that it has come up and we certainly hope that you will not be disturbed in the future.

Answer: I hope so. Mr. Atkinson said get in touch with him next May or June and he would reinstate my narcotic license, to forget the whole thing.

The following letters from Greensboro physicians both under date of October 5th, 1951 were presented to the board:

"Dear Dr. Combs:

"Dr. R. B. Dunn of Greensboro, N. C. is a member in good standing of the Guilford County Medical Society and takes an active interest in medical as well as community affairs. He was president of the Greensboro Academy of Medicine last year.

"Dr. Dunn has a large practice and apparently is highly esteemed by his patients.



"Because of letters sent to the Narcotics Division of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, Washington, D. C., by persons unknown Dr. Dunn voluntarily surrendered his narcotic license in May, 1951. Since that date there has been no incident brought to my knowledge that would make me think he was still using Demerol or any other drug. At the present time he looks and seems to feel well.

"Hoping that this information will be helpful to the Board and with warmest personal regards, I am

"Sincerely yours,

"Jean McAlister, President
Guilford County Medical Society"

"Dear Dr. Combs:

"This is to certify that I have examined Dr. R. B. Dunn of Greensboro, N. C. and find him to be in excellent health and sound mental condition.

"Dr. Dunn has been a patient of mine since 1942 when he was hospitalized with a bleeding duodenal ulcer. I have known him intimately since 1940.

"In the fall of 1950 Dr. Dunn was careless in the use of Demerol for epigastric distress and abdominal pain. For this reason he voluntarily surrendered his narcotic license in May 1951. To the best of my knowledge and belief as his personal friend and physician he has taken nothing but Banthine on my order for his abdominal discomfort since early 1951. During this time I have seen him almost daily and have had a chance to observe him closely on several trips lasting three to five days at a time."

"Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH B. STEVENS"

VERDICT: The Board of Medical Examiners in the case of Dr. Richard Dunn is of the opinion that there is no reason to take any action in this case; that it feels it is regrettable that he has been embarrassed and that the matter is closed. Dr. Dunn was so advised.

RE: Dr. M. B. Wilkes, Jr., Brownsville, Kentucky, appeared before the board and stated that he graduated from Middlesex Medical School in 1944, is a native North Carolinian, served 17 months in the armed services and is licensed to practice medicine in Kentucky. Dr. Wilkes is now requesting license to practice medicine in North Carolina.

Dr. Battle: You are familiar with the fact that this state does not accept graduates from a grade B medical school?

Answer: Yes, I applied to the North Carolina State Board in 1945 and was turned down because of graduation from a grade B school. I understand exceptions have been made recently. I noticed in the American Medical Association Journal that three men from unapproved medical schools have been licensed in North Carolina.

Dr. Battle: These physicians were licensed because of the fact that our predecessors decided that native born North Carolinians who graduated from grade B schools might be given a chance to come into the state with the stipulation that they serve two years in a hospital or hospitals acceptable to the Board of Medical Examiners. This board in dealing with that problem passed a ruling to the effect that a native born North Carolinian might serve for a period of two years in a hospital accredited by the American Medical Association and upon completion he might be given the opportunity of taking the examination.

Answer: I had six months rotating internship in an approved hospital, worked in a 500 bed hospital in the Navy and had good experience there. After coming from the Navy I had six months in a hospital in Tennessee in a hospital accredited by the American Medical Association. I have had five years of general practice.



Dr. Johnson: Did you know it was a grade B school when you entered?

Answer: Yes sir.

Dr. Johnson: Did you know that you could not get license in North Carolina?

Answer: Yes sir.

Dr. Johnson: Why did you go there?

Answer: Because I wanted to be a doctor.

Dr. Hedrick: Was your difficulty in getting in medical school because they were crowded or because of your credentials?

Answer: I think because they were crowded. I was out of school from 1936 to 1940 and was asked to take another year before getting into a grade A school. I had neither the time nor the money to do that. My record is good in Kentucky but I want to come back to North Carolina where I was raised.

Dr. Battle: There are two ways to get a North Carolina license - to take the senior year in a grade A medical school or to take a two year training in a hospital in North Carolina approved by the American Medical Association.

VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that Dr. M. B. Wilkes, Jr. be permitted to apply for the privilege of taking the North Carolina State Board examinations in June, 1952 and that he be instructed to accompany this application with any and all records of internship which he has served and that he further obtain letters of recommendation from reputable medical men in the State of Kentucky and that this application be submitted to this board at its January, 1952 meeting for further consideration. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick and passed unanimously.

Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that the secretary of the Board of Medical Examiners be instructed to attempt to obtain the names and addresses of all native born North Carolinians who are graduates of grade B medical schools. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Heyward C. Thompson and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Alberto Viau, resident at Duke University School of Medicine, who is a foreign exchange student, failed to appear before the board as scheduled.

VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that Dr. Alberto Viau be requested to furnish the secretary with a justifiable reason as to why he did not appear before the Board of Medical Examiners on October 8th, 1951. That if this reason is acceptable to the secretary, he then be requested to appear at the January, 1952 meeting and if not satisfactory to the president and secretary that he be notified to cease activities in North Carolina. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. James P. Rousseau and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Joseph L. Potter, who is located at the North Carolina Eastern Sanatorium, was furnished application for licensure by endorsement on April 24th, 1951, at the request of Dr. H. F. Easom, Director. No further word was heard from Dr. Potter and the board at its July, 1951 meeting instructed the secretary to advise Dr. Easom that unless Dr. Potter appeared at the next meeting of the board on October 8th, 1951, and justify his eligibility, he would be required to stop the practice of medicine in the State of North Carolina. Dr. Easom was given the directive of the board by the secretary on July 31st, 1951. Dr. Potter furnished complete credentials and advised that he would appear before the board on October 8th.

The Pennsylvania Board of Medical Examiners certified Dr. Potter's licensure in that state but advised that his license had been revoked in 1940 for narcotic addiction and restored in October, 1947 and that it had no record of any further violation by Dr. Potter.

Dr. Potter failed to appear before the board at this meeting.



VERDICT: Dr. James P. Rousseau moved that Dr. Joseph L. Potter be notified to cease medical activities in the State of North Carolina as of this date and that he be notified that the continuation of the practice of medicine in North Carolina would necessitate the State Board of Medical Examiners turning the matter over to the Attorney General. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. L. Randolph Doffermyre and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Gustave T. Eith, Asheville, North Carolina, who had requested application for licensure by endorsement of credentials, did not appear at this meeting.

VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that Dr. Gustave T. Eith be written that inasmuch as he did not make his personal appearance at the October 8th, 1951 meeting of the Board of Medical Examiners in Asheville that he would be granted permission to appear January 21st, 1952. That in the meantime he is not to engage in any form of medical practice in the State of North Carolina. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick and was passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. Homer Alden Sieber, resident at Duke University School of Medicine - Application for licensure by endorsement of credentials was forwarded Dr. Sieber at his request on September 25th, 1951 and he was advised that he might appear at the October 8th, 1951 meeting of the board with incomplete credentials due to the proximity of the meeting. No further word was received from Dr. Sieber and he failed to appear at this meeting.

VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that Dr. Homer Alden Sieber must appear at the January 21st, 1952 meeting of the Board of Medical Examiners with complete credentials or that he would be unable to continue his medical activities in the State of North Carolina. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. L. Randolph Doffermyre and passed unanimously.

RE: Meeting of the Federation of State Medical Boards - The board directed that the president and secretary go to the meeting to be held in Chicago in February, 1952; that in the event one could not go some other member of the board be designated to attend.

RE: PER DIEM - Dr. Heyward C. Thompson moved that the president and secretary be paid their per diem as such. Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick duly seconded this motion and the same was passed unanimously.

RE: Annual Audit: Dr. Heyward C. Thompson moved that an annual audit for 1951 not be made unless required by law. The secretary is thereby instructed to obtain the information. This is done to save the \$175.00 audit fee. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. James P. Rousseau and passed unanimously.

RE: Finance Committee: Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick moved that a Finance Committee be appointed to check the books of the treasurer of the State Board of Medical Examiners and that this be done at the January, 1952 meeting. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. James P. Rousseau and passed unanimously.

The president appointed the following members to the Finance Committee: Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick, Chairman, Dr. L. Randolph Doffermyre and Dr. Heyward C. Thompson.

The Minutes were read.

Dr. James P. Rousseau moved that the following be added to the Minutes on pages 25 and 47 as to appearance before the board: "That applicant be refunded 50% of his fee unless reasons acceptable to the board have been presented to the board for failure to appear. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Amos N. Johnson and passed unanimously.

RE: Dr. John S. Stone, Leaksville, North Carolina - The report of the State Bureau of Investigation under date of July 30th, 1951 was read to the board; also letter from Attorney John H. Anderson with reference to the investigation, which is as follows:



"Dear Dr. Combs:

"I have read the report concerning Dr. John S. Stone furnished by the S. B. I. The report does not contain sufficient information to properly support any charges against him although it indicates that considerable evidence might sometime be produced to justify charges against him. The report, in other words, does not point to the existence of competent evidence to prove the facts reported by hearsay. I would be glad to talk with you further about this matter."

"Very truly yours,

J. H. ANDERSON, JR."

VERDICT: Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that if and when the Board of Censors of Rockingham County see fit to submit to this board evidence of a substantial nature to prove that Dr. John S. Stone is incapable of practicing medicine, that the Board of Medical Examiners will take steps to remedy the situation and that this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Censors of Rockingham County. This motion was duly seconded by Dr. Clyde R. Hedrick and passed unanimously.

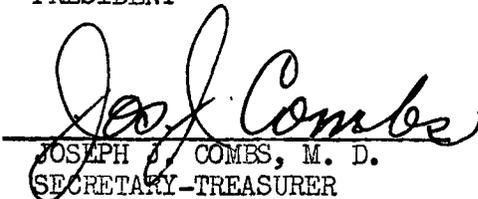
Dr. Amos N. Johnson moved that the tenure of office of Dr. Newsom P. Battle, President, be concluded with a rising vote from the Board of Medical Examiners.

The meeting was adjourned.

Signed



NEWSOM P. BATTLE, M. D.
PRESIDENT



JOSEPH J. COMBS, M. D.
SECRETARY-TREASURER



