

THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
SIR WALTER HOTEL, RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA - DECEMBER 5th, 1932.

SECOND MEETING

The meeting was called to order by the President, Dr. K. G. Averitt. The entire membership of the Board composed of Doctors K. G. Averitt, Hamilton W. McKay, Ben. F. Royal, Wm. H. Smith, James W. Vernon, Ben. J. Lawrence was present, together with Dr. John W. MacConnell. The minutes of the June 1932 meeting which was the organization meeting were read and approved. Dr. F. Webb Griffith was present.

The Secretary then presented his report together with the report of the Treasury. The President then appointed a committee composed of Doctors Hamilton W. McKay and James W. Vernon to audit the report of the Treasury, containing receipts, deposits, disbursements, salary, fees, etc., and bring in a report establishing and approving the same later in the day. The President then stated that the Board elected the Secretary for six years, but the President was elected for one year and that the Presidency alternated between the other six members to serve one year each. The new President to be elected at the June meeting 1933.

At this point the President called attention to the fact that the late Dr. Albert Anderson had been a former member of the Examining Board. Dr. Hamilton McKay made a motion that the President appoint a committee to draw up a suitable resolution in regard to Dr. Anderson and send it to his wife. The President nominated Dr. Wm. H. Smith and the Secretary as the committee to do this, and Dr. Smith was asked to prepare the resolution and forward it to the Secretary.

At this point consideration of candidates for license began. There were two applicants for duplicate license, Dr. J. H. McLeod of Fayetteville, N. C. who was recommended by the President, Doctor K. G. Averitt, and the other Dr. W. G. Cheeves of Dunn, N. C. who was recommended by the Secretary. Dr. Hamilton W. McKay made a motion that these duplicates be granted and the same was authorized. The following men were granted license by endorsement of credentials: Dr. J. P. Bowen, Pinehurst, N. C.; Dr. Thomas Ennett, Richmond, Virginia; Dr. John W. Foster, Mocksville, N. C.; Dr. W. P. L. McBride, Johnson City, N. Y.; Dr. M. W. Moeller, St. Petersburg, Florida; Dr. Donald S. Tarbox, W. Asheville, N. C.; Dr. Jasper Stewart Hunt, Washington, D. C.; Dr. H. C. Scarlett, Waycross, Ga.

Dr. W. L. Bennett of Bald Creek, North Carolina came before the Board stating that he held an M. D. degree and that he had practiced Medicine in his Community in Yancy County for more than twenty years and that no one had molested him during that time. That he had not signed any death certificates or birth certificates nor administered any Narcotics. That he had gone about advising people and prescribing for them and had accepted as a reward such contributions as they were pleased to give him. He presented letters from his County Society signed by practically every Doctor in his County and in addition he presented a letter signed by a large number of laymen, the President of the Yancy County Medical Society, Dr. J. B. Gibbs wrote a very strong letter of recommendation for Dr. Bennett. He testified to his fine standing as a citizen and as a doctor. He also testified to the fine character of Mrs. Bennett and their fine boys and girls. This letter of recommendation together with a recommendation signed by the regular members of his County Society together with a similar letter from the President and the Secretary and all but one member of the Madison County Medical Society together with testimonials from a large number of laymen is on file in the Secretary's office. Upon the recommendation of the members of the two County Medical Societies and statements of facts by the candidate himself, Dr. F. Webb Griffith made a motion that he be granted a limited license to practice medicine in Yancy County, Madison and a part of Buncombe County. The motion was passed and the Secretary was authorized to issue the same.

Dr. Paul Wm. Johnson came before us having had only two and one half years since graduation and he was requested to return at



the June meeting. Dr. Bertrum Grey Lawrence of Highland Hospital, Asheville, North Carolina who presented his application on November 23rd which was less than two weeks before the Board met was asked to give the Board further time to consider his application. The application of Dr. Randolph Angel of Boston, Mass. was presented and the Secretary was asked to look further into his credentials. Dr. Jefferson Monroe Maye of Hayesville, North Carolina came before the Board asking that he be granted a license. In the first place he did not have his application in; in the second place, he was granted a limited license by the Board of which Dr. Hubert A. Royster was Secretary. After some discussion Dr. Ben. F. Royal made a motion that he be permitted to continue with his limited license. This motion was seconded by Dr. James W. Vernon and same was carried.

Dr. John Christopher Weiters, Cherokee, North Carolina was present asking that he be licensed but his application was not before the Board and he was asked to return at the June meeting. The committee composed of Drs. McKay and James W. Vernon appointed by the President requesting that they audit the report of the Treasury which contained an account of receipts and deposits; including salaries, fees, and expenses reported it to be correct and approved and authorized the same.

The meeting then adjourned to meet again at the call of the President at the next regular annual meeting to be held in Raleigh in June 1933.

Signed B. J. Lawrence
 Ben. J. Lawrence, M. D. F. A. C. S.
 Secretary-Treasurer.



