

Negro Medics Renew Battle Against Bias

CHICAGO - (NPI)--The National Medical association at its 71st annual convention renewed its battle against discrimination in medicine and other forms of American life.

Newly-elected president, Dr. John Holloman, Jr., New York, blasted the American Medical association for its "delaying tactics" in wiping out the evil in its organization. Dr. Holloman, installed during the opening meeting at the Pick-Congress hotel said, of the AMA, that its ultra conservatism and pattern of discrimination in both theory and practice "limits the advance of the Negro physician."

He said, "The weight of racial discrimination dooms a man who has demonstrated his capabilities to a career of medical mediocrity and his patients to inferior medical care."

A SPOKESMAN for the AMA, in refuting Dr. Holloman's charges denied discrimination. Dr. F. J. L. Blasingame, AMA executive vice president, said, "Dr. Holloman's remarks are surprising in view of the fact he is a member of the AMA and is thoroughly familiar with the association's strong stand against racial discrimination in all aspects of the practice of medicine."

The delaying tactics referred to by Dr. Holloman was a stand taken by the AMA at its June convention, promising to investigate any charge made by Negro physicians against discrimination, after the individual has taken the responsibility to prove his claims. Dr. Holloman insists the responsibility rests upon the AMA and that the AMA should take immediate and positive steps to erase all phases of discrimination from within its ranks.

However, despite this rift between the white and Negro medics, the National Medical association is holding liaison meetings with the AMA periodically in an effort to solve the problems.

The liaison meetings were reactivated this year by outgoing President Leonidas Berry, a renowned specialist on internal medicine and member of the Michael Reese hospital medical staff, Chicago. Dr. Berry, in his report to the NMA House of Delegates, pointed out the various gains under his administration, including his widespread travel in the interest of aid to medicine and research in Africa.

MANY OUTSTANDING men of medicine from throughout the nation attended the convention which featured speeches by Undersecretary of the U.S. Department of Health Education and Welfare, Wilbur J. Cohen and Ambassador from Uganda, Dr. Solomon E. Asea.

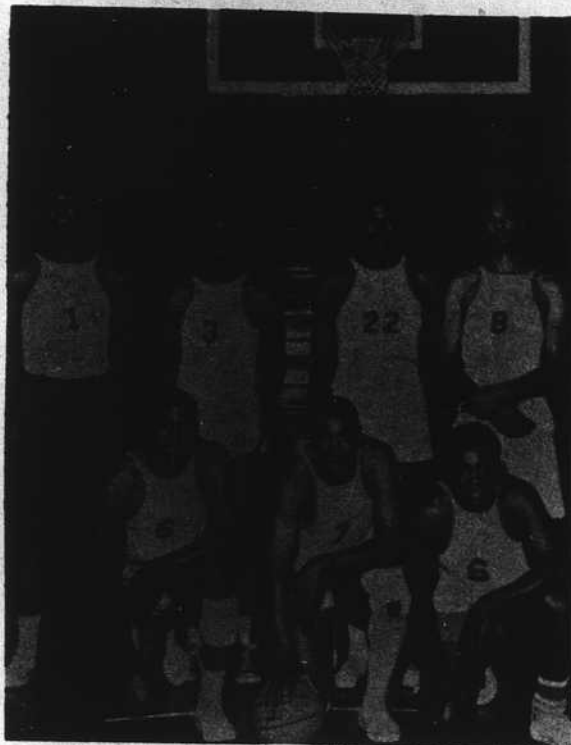
The Cook County Physicians association, headed by DR. Andrew Thomas, Chicago, was the host organization to the four-day meeting.

Harman "Hats" In Ring For Senate District #2



HELPING RALPH HARMAN with his campaign for State Senator is this bevy of young ladies who have formed the "Hats for Harman" club and will be working at Harman headquarters throughout the area. Pictured here at the West Side office are from left 'Hats for Harman' girls Paula McLeod, Thelma Banks, Barbara Ann Duckworth, Carol Seegmiller, Addie Ruth Parks, Ona McCullam, Harman and Becky Neukam.

Bradleys Men Shop "Old Men"



Presenting the 1966 Municipal Senior Summer League Basketball Champions; Bottom, left to right; Freddie Green, 6'2 Nellis Standout; Willie Nash, 6'3 former Arizona College all star; Jimmy Holman, 5'8; Top, left to right; Von Drummond, 6'8 former NSU player; Robert Hardy, 6'2 and also a former Arizona college all star; Ed Kemp, 6'6 former college standout, and player-coach Allen I, 6-5 former University of Hawaii standout. Not present for the picture, John Winder and Milt Bozanic.

The Bradleys Men Shop "Old Men", originally formed by Milt Bozanic of KSHC T.V. and Allen I, owner-operator of Electronic Systems Television repair, solely for the purpose of staying in condition, soon found that they had a good thing going and in five leagues, spanning two and a half years, have amassed an enviable record of 57 wins and 7 losses with 3 titles and 1 second-place finish. They also won the regular season title last year to give them two straight championships.

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Negroes Hate Selves?

CHICAGO - (NPI)--The Negro has been trained since childhood to hate himself, Dr. Alvin Poussaint, Jackson, Miss., declared at the convention of the National Medical association. The self-hatred Negroes learn in childhood shapes his "whole personality and inter-action with his environment," the noted Negro psychiatrist said.

A study of young Negro girls showed that they reject Negro dolls with such comments as "She's dirty, she's black" in favor of white dolls. This study has been cited as evidence of the damaging effects of white superiority propaganda. Decades of white superiority have infected the Negro with a "sickness" of self-hatred that has adversely affected his actions and attitudes, Dr. Poussaint said.

Negro self-esteem and identity must be built up by both the black and white communities before he can participate in the society on a truly equal, integrated basis, the psychiatrist added.

Dr. M. Jeane Spurlock, Chicago, chairman of the psychiatry discussion at which Dr. Poussaint spoke, agreed that Negroes have suffered from a damaged self-image. She noted that the civil rights movement has done much to enhance the Negro's picture of himself.