

PLUCKED DOCTORS THREATEN SUIT

Those Who Failed to Pass Before Examining Board Are Indignant.

UNFAIRNESS IS CHARGED

Dr. Pantom of Medical Examiners Is Accused of Pique; He Retorts That He Would Not White-wash Incompetents.

What promises to be a first-class row between the medical department of Oregon State University and the State Medical Board is now brewing. It grows out of the recent examinations held by the board for licenses to practice medicine within the confines of Oregon.

The examinations resulted in the failure of a large proportion of the applicants to pass, many of whom were graduates of the State University medical school, who held diplomas from that institution. Those who failed feel that they were not treated fairly by the examiners, and the feeling has grown so intense that a conference of the defeated applicants has been called to meet in Portland the latter part of this week for the purpose of instituting an action in the courts against the medical board.

The grounds of the complaint are alleged to be unfair discrimination against the Oregon University graduates and other Oregon schools. They claim that the examinations were unnecessarily severe; that not enough time was given them in which to prepare answers to questions and that in marking the papers, the examiners graded them down on trivial errors of spelling and punctuation.

Old Practitioners Pass. They also assert that practically all those who passed were old practitioners from other states who must necessarily have been rusty on the very particulars for errors in which the young students, fresh from school, were so severely marked down. They argue that a man who has been out of school for years could not possibly be as accurate in matters of orthography as members of the class of 1905.

They assert that from 45 minutes to an hour were given in which to prepare answers, each examination consisting of from six to ten difficult questions and that owing to the limited time allotted they were compelled to write very hurriedly. Thus it happened, they say, that there were many mistakes in spelling and writing, errors being no time for care in the preparation of papers. They consider the rejection of candidates for such mistakes is, under the circumstances, a rank injustice.

"I am going right ahead with my practice," said one of those who "fumbled" yesterday. "Of course I will have my prescriptions written by another doctor, but they can't stop me from earning my living. I passed the most thorough examinations to get my diploma from the university and on the strength of that I'm going ahead."

There are a number of physicians in Portland practicing without licenses anyhow. Several of them are white doctors, and three or four Chinese, who are largely patronized by white people. Why don't the board get after them? We are going to hold a meeting here in a few days and decide on the course to pursue, but I think it is pretty well settled that we shall seek redress in a suit against the board. The action of the board was prompted by pique.

Accuse Dr. Pantom. "We believe Dr. Pantom to be responsible. A number of years ago he was on the faculty of the University Medical College, but retired. Recently he tried to get back and has been unable to do so. Now he takes this petty means of getting even after them. We are going to the board and standing with him. We have every reason to believe that the University will back us up and we are going to push the case to the end."

In reply to the foregoing charges, Dr. A. C. Pantom, of the State Board of Medical Examiners said: "The charge that I was actuated by any other motive in making my gradings, than that of the public and the medical profession, is most emphatically not true. So far as feeling pique or spite against any institutions or its graduates is concerned, I can assure that no man has a kinder feeling toward our Western schools than I. My sympathies were all with the candidates who came before us to take the examinations, and had it been compatible with my duty I should have been glad to see them all pass. My duties on the board are sometimes painful ones, and I almost regret that I ever accepted a place on it, but when I did accept the place, I fixed my intention to act impartially and honestly."

Will Not Be "Whitewasher." "I will not be a whitewasher, and when I conduct an examination I try to be just and reasonable, but firm. There is too much of a tendency to let sympathy run away with one in matters of this kind. I am ready to submit the papers which I examined, and the branches which I had charge of and on which my gradings were made. "Most of them which failed to receive passing grades were so badly written and spelled as to be pitiful. It was apparent that the applicants who prepared them were woefully ignorant of the ordinary use of English, no matter how much of a collegiate education they had received."

"I feel very sorry for those who failed. It is a very serious thing for a young man just leaving school to be refused permission to practice the profession, but the general good is of more importance than the success or failure of those who failed. "I do not think the examinations which I gave were unnecessarily severe and have submitted them to a number of doctors who agreed with me. Some of the applicants themselves have told me since the examinations that they did not consider them too hard."

"I have heard nothing of any contemplated legal action against the board, and cannot believe that those who failed will be so foolish. It is significant," added Dr. Pantom, "that all those who failed in the July examinations of which they complain, failed also at the examinations held by the board in April."

Dr. Joseph's Statement. Dr. E. E. Joseph, dean of the medical department of Oregon University, declined to discuss the question at length. He had heard the complaints that the recent examinations were unnecessarily severe and that too little time was given in which to prepare the papers.

He had seen only the questions asked in the examinations on nervous diseases conducted by Dr. Pantom, and he was inclined to believe them too severe. He could not understand why so many Oregon University graduates failed, as the examinations they had passed to secure their diplomas were much more thorough than those required by the board. He did not care to discuss the matter of motives and was not aware that Dr. Pantom had any feeling against the school. So far as taking legal steps was concerned, he thought it possible that the rejected applicants might pursue such a course and expressed a hope that they would but said that the department of medicine had no money with which to back them up, and would take no official action in the matter. He admitted, however, that individual members of the faculty might lend their assistance.

The graduates of the medical department of Oregon University who failed are: E. S. Arnes, Henry B. Day, Roscoe Field, Robert Griev, Albert Chester Hanson, Harvey O. Hickman, George W. Hill, Fred A. Lisle, Bertha Taylor, Fred Peacock, and Thomas W. Ross. If suit is brought against the board it will be at their instance.

The State Board of Medical Examiners consists of Dr. A. C. Pantom, Portland; Dr. H. E. Curry, Baker City; Dr. W. E. Carr, Oregon City; Dr. A. B. Gillis, Salem, and Dr. B. E. Miller, Portland.

HEAT WAVE LENGTHY ONE

ALMOST UNPRECEDENTED IN WEATHER ANNALS. Warmest Summer Since 1896, and Period of Extreme Heat Exceeded in Number of Days.

Great as had been the heat in Portland in July and August, no reports of prostration have reached the Weather Bureau or the Police Department. This, contrary to conditions existing in the East, is due to the cool nights that are experienced in Oregon. July and August are the warmest months that have been recorded since 1896, and in some respects the weather has been warmer this year than for the last 20 years. The month of July was the warmest since 1896, when the mean temperature was 70 degrees. July, 1905, the mean temperature was 83 degrees. The first week in August, 1896, was four degrees lower than the mean temperature of July, but this year the mean temperature in August is four degrees higher than the preceding month.

The protracted heat spell in 1896, which began on the 13th, lasted until July 29, and the thermometer registered above 90 degrees for five of those days. July of the present year the protracted warm spell continued from the 13th to the 25th, but only two of those days was it warmer than 90 degrees. Although a longer period of heat has been experienced this year than in 1896, it is not as excessive as it was at that time, and the nights on the whole have been cooler.

Although the days have been exceptionally warm, if former years are a precedent, the spell will not continue for the length of time. Although forecasts are not made for any great length of time ahead, taking former years as a criterion, a few cool days are not far in the future.

CHASED FOR THREE BLOCKS

Charles Boggs Wanted for Burglary Finally Captured.

After a chase of three blocks, during which time he fired two shots in the direction of Charles Boggs, wanted on a charge of committing burglary, Policeman Jodon made the capture with the help of a school janitor who, armed with a baseball bat, threatened to brain Boggs unless he stopped. Charles Peterson, who was arrested on a warrant charged with the same crime, was found on the East Side and taken to the station handcuffed.

Both men are charged with robbing Captain J. Olson's saloon on East Morrison Street between Bridge and Water streets Saturday night. When Peterson was arrested he made a confession to the officers, saying that he was one of the four who committed the burglary. The other two men have not yet been found.

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