

## Young Medic Leaves Mississippi, Charges 'No Protection' of Rights

GREENVILLE, Miss. — Dr. C. Miss. C. Battle, young Negro physician, is quoted in the Greenville Delta Democrat-Times as saying that he is moving out of Mississippi because the federal government is doing nothing to protect his civil rights.

The 32-year-old Mississippi native, once leader of the Delta chapter of the NAACP, said his wife and daughter are already in Kansas City, Mo., where he will be a resident in surgery at the General hospital. Dr. Battle has practiced five years in Indiana.

He gave his interview to the Greenville Democrat-Times from Memphis by telephone. He said he wanted to be out of the state before making the charges.

The physician told the daily paper that FBI agents have made "anathetic" investigations of civil rights violations in Mississippi. In 1955, he said his ballot was taken from his hand before he could drop it in the ballot box and was placed in an envelope.

When he complained to the FBI, Dr. Battle said they "sent a man who was born and raised in Mississippi to investigate. He told me I should tell the Sheriff. Those FBI men aren't going to make charges against their friends and neighbors."

Dr. Battle said the NAACP chapter in which he was active withered away after the shooting two years ago of Gus Courts, of Belzoni. Courts, who recovered, said he was ambushed because he refused to take his name off voter registration books.

## Rules White Man Killed 2 Defending Self

SUMTER — A coroner's jury found here Thursday that a white storekeeper who killed two Negro men in his store here August 3 did so in self-defense.

The jury's verdict in the death of Willie White, 26 and Henry Scott, both Negroes, was that they came to their deaths from gunshot wounds received at the hands of Edgar Bradley who shot in defense of his property and his life. The body of one was found in the store with four bullet wounds, the other 100 yards away with two.

In the case of Robert James Benjamin, a Negro, the jury returned verdict that he came to his death from a stab wound of the neck August 5 at the hands of Mrs. Blanche Early "and that she be held for the Grand Jury."

Witnesses testified several persons were sitting about the home when the Early woman walked up to Benjamin, seated on the bed, and stabbed him.

## Medics Meet In Cleveland

CLEVELAND — Dr. Charles Mayo, of the Mayo Clinic and Dr. Charles Puestow of the University of Illinois were two of the featured speakers who addressed the 2,500 delegates to the 62nd Annual National Medical Association meeting here this week.

During the four-day meet, the theme of the convention was "Never Trends in Medicine." Special scientific exhibits were arranged to display some of the new trends in all phases of Medicine.

As she walked away she said, "That's what I been wanting to do a long time."

All had "taken a drink of bay rum," testimony brought out.

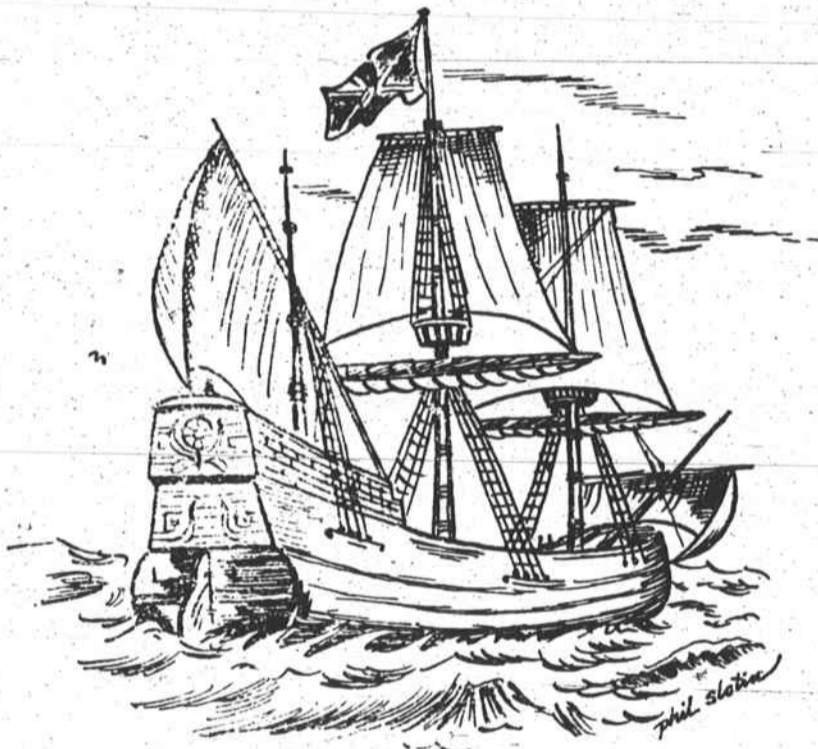
Prominent paleontologists who discussed "What's New In Pediatrics, Medicine, Gynecology, and General Surgery" were Dr. Matthew Walker, professor of Surgery at Meharry Medical College and past President of the NMA; Helen E. Nash, M.D., "Pediatrics," clinical instructor in Pediatrics at Washington University, and associate director of Pediatrics at Homer G. Phillips Hospital; John B. Johnson, M.D., "Medicine," FACP, professor of Medicine at Howard University; William D. Holden, M.D., "Surgery," FACS professor of Surgery at Western Reserve University, and William L. Smiley, M.D., "Gynecology," FACS, instructor in Gynecology-Obstetrics at Homer G. Phillips Hospital.

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