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Scope Note

Dr. Peter M. Murray, a leading gynecologist of New York City, had a long and distinguished career serving the medical profession and Howard University. He graduated from the Howard University School of Medicine in 1914, and in 1916 served on its faculty. He was appointed to the Board of Trustees of Howard University in 1926, and of the State University of New York in 1954. Other highlights of his career includes election as president of the National Medical Association in 1930, and president of the Medical Society of New York County in 1954.

In February 1967 Dr. Murray donated his papers to Howard University. His wife, Mrs. Charlotte W. Murray donated additional materials to the collection -in 1976. The Peter Marshall Murray Papers total 19 « linear feet spanning the period 1910-1970. However, the majority of the papers are concentrated in the period 1930-1959. The papers contain a variety of biographical resources; biographical sketches, memoirs, articles, press releases, newspaper clippings', scrapbooks, certificates, awards, diplomas, licenses, and programs in which he participated. There are also a number of articles and addresses written by Peter M. Murray.

There is a substantial amount of correspondence in the papers. Relating to his professional activities, the correspondence complements the materials on his organizational affiliations. A significant amount of the correspondence concerns the -National Medical Association, of which Murray was President.
The papers also contain numerous photographs of Peter Marshall Murray with various groups, as well as individual photographs of some of his colleagues. Finally, there are some restricted materials; medical records of some of his patients and papers related to his grandson, John Wallace Murray, Jr.

Biographical Sketch

1888 June 9        Born in Houma, Louisiana son of John and Louvinia (Smith-Murray)

1910               Received A.B. from New Orleans University (now Dillard University),

1914               Received M.D. from Howard University Internship at Freedman's Hospital,

1915               Appointed as assistant to the dean of the School of Medicine and clinical instructor in surgery at Freedman's Hospital.

1916               Appointed to faculty at School of Medicine, Howard University,

1917               Served as Medical inspector of public schools in Washington, D.C.

1917 July 2       Married Charlotte Wallace children (John Wallace)

1918               Appointed as assistant surgeon in chief at Freedman's Hospital

1920               Moved to New York,

1926               Appointed trustee at Howard University.

1930               Elected president of National Medical Association.

1935               Received honorary Doctor of Science degree from New Orleans University (now Dillard University),

1944               Received honorary Doctor of Science degree from Lincoln University,

1949               Elected to House of Delegates of the American Medical Association.

1953               Retired as director of gynecological service at Harlem hospital,

1954               Appointed trustee at State University of New York.

Elected president of Medical Society of New York County.
1955           Elected to Alpha Omega Alpha, the honor Medical fraternity,

1962           Awarded honorary Sc. D. by Central State College, Ohio,


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Series J  Photographs
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126 Suggested opening -remarks for closed circuit Videclinic AMA - 1955

127 Retiring address, Medical Society of the County of New York - Ma 1955

128 on maintaining tradition - Jan 11, 1956

129 Introducing Participants in the salute to Eisenhower - Jan 20, 1956

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131 Medical education - keystone to survival - June 9, 1957

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238  Barker, Prince P. Rededication 1963; respice, adspice, prospice, Feb 12, 1963
239  Bluestone, E. M. Hospital and Home Care Combine to Close the Gap ... Dec, 1951
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242  Carlson, William S. Higher Education in New York State, April 1956
243  Cobb, W. Montague Remarks Testimonial to Dr. Ralph J. Bunche. Oct. 22, 1949
244  Committee to End Discrimination in Chicago Medical Institutions.

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249  Falk, Henry C. and Geza Weitzner Tubal Resection as a Treatment for Recurrent Gonorrheal Salpingitis 1930
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