of candidates who pass the examination shall be prepared and published and their relative standing or order of merit given.

Notice of any vacancy in the scholarships at large shall be given by advertisement published in a newspaper published in the City of Baltimore, and the names of the qualified candidates and the order of their standing or merit shall be similarly published.

None of the scholarships provided for by this first section shall, however, be awarded by the university to any candidate therefor unless the Senator from the county or legislative district in which such applicant resides certifies that his residence in such county or district is bona fide, and that his financial circumstances are such that he is unable to procure such education without free tuition, as above provided.

Whenever there are several applicants for the same scholarship all eligible under the foregoing requirements and all certified as eligible by the Senator from the county or district as above provided, that then the award of the scholarship by the university shall not be based on the standing or order of merit alone, but the merit and financial circumstances shall be considered together for the purpose of selecting the most deserving of said applicants.

Second: Three of said scholarships are apportioned or allotted to graduates of each of the following colleges: Loyola College, Maryland Agricultural College, Mount St. Mary's College, Rock Hill College, St. John's College, Washington College, Western Maryland College.

The award of scholarships to the graduates of said colleges shall be made without regard to the ability of the applicant to pay tuition fees, and such awards shall be determined solely by the scholastic standing and merit of the applicant as determined and certified by the president or other executive officer of the college of which he may be a graduate.

Third: The original and subsequent awards of scholarships shall be so arranged, so far as their number and the duration of the courses of the study permit, that substantially the same number of original awards, as distinguished from renewals or reappointments, shall be made each year, and so that such residents of said counties or legislative districts and graduates of said colleges may at all times hold the number of such scholarships to which they are entitled, and so that the total number of said scholarships so held at one time may as nearly as possible be equal to but shall not exceed one hundred and twenty-nine scholarships.