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707 Iowa Ave

Current Business: Klein Senior Insurance

Previous Businesses:

Alegent Health Clinic

Dunlap Medical Clinic (1972 -)

Dr. C. W. Byrnes Office (1936 - 1960s)

Dr. P. G. Ingersoll Office

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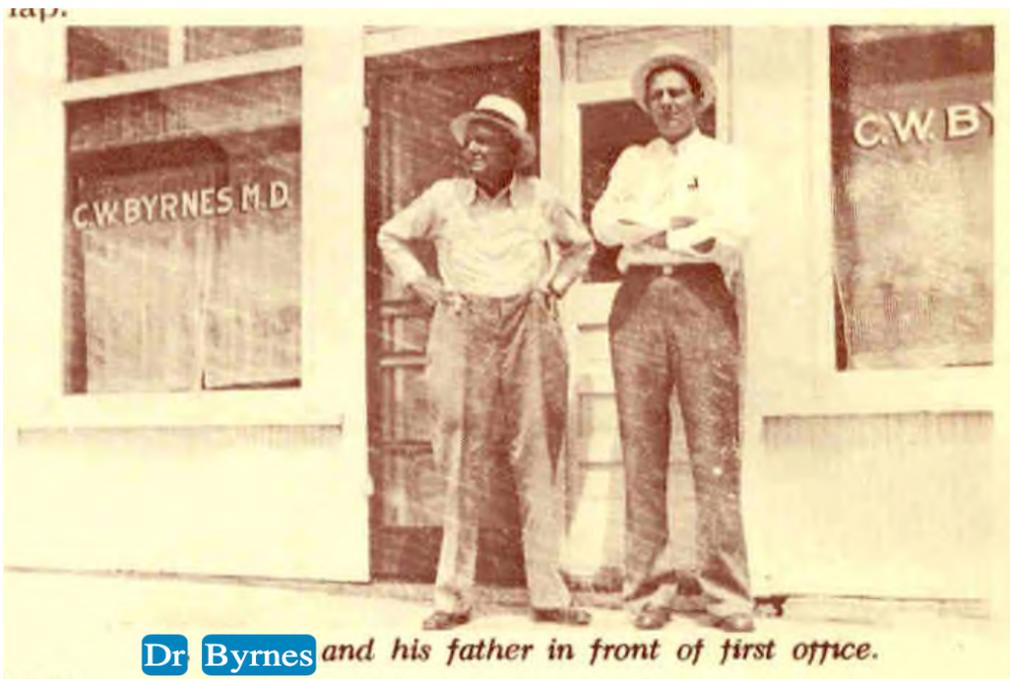


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DR. C. W. BYRNES

Dr. Byrnes was born in Vail, Iowa, of Irish and German ancestry. He attended the Creighton University School of Medicine, graduating with BSM and MD Degrees. He started his practice in Dunlap in June, 1936. (The present site of his office has been a "Doctor's Office" about 100 years.) For sixty-eight years it was occupied successively by Dr. P. G. Ingersoll, and Dr. C. W. Byrnes.

The Dunlap practice of **Dr. Byrnes** had one long interruption; (1941-1946) World War II while he served in the 11th Air Force overseas as a Group Surgeon and received 2 Bronze Stars. He attained the rank of Field Grade, shortly after entering the Asiatic Pacific Theatre.

He is a member of the Harrison and Crawford County Medical Societies, The American Academy of General Practice, The American Thoracic Society, The American College of Physicians and Surgeons, Iowa State Medical Society, The American Medical Association, Air Force Association, Medical Chairman of Local Draft Board, Iowa Tuberculosis Association and American Cancer Society of Harrison County.



*Early Blood Bank—L. to R.: **Dr. Byrnes**, Laura Seda, Clarice Rule, Delores Johnson, Laverne Fetter, Flo Gilbert, Vera Evans.*

October 1, 1936 – Dunlap Reporter

Dr. Clement **Byrnes** of Vail has bought the Dr. Ingersoll office equipment and is now located in the former Ingersoll office. Dr. Byrnes should have been included in the advertisement on Diptheria prevention in Harrison County printed elsewhere in this issue, but his name was handed in too late to be included.

Public Meets to Discuss Medical Situation

John Heller called a public meeting to order Thursday evening, Aug. 24 at the Dunlap City Hall. It was attended by approximately 65 area residents. The main purpose of the meeting was to discuss the doctor situation in Dunlap.

Richard Randall reported that John Heller, Frank Humlicek, Paul Lehan and himself met with Dr. Byrnes, M.D., and Dr. Gammel, M.D., at different times to discuss the needs of a doctor in the present medical facility. They also took a written option to Dr. Byrnes, M. D., to look over (option included the piece of real estate where the present office is located, building and equipment). The price was also discussed with Dr. Byrnes, M.D.

The meeting was then opened for public discussion. It was pointed out that there were two possible routes that could be taken to raise the necessary financial support to purchase and re-equip the present doctor's office. One would be to form a non-profit corporation similar to the Dunlap Housing & Development Corporation and acquire funds via donations, etc. Dr. Gammel, M.D., would then be asked to make monthly contributions to the corporation to help pay the taxes (if any), insurance, maintenance and remodeling that would be needed throughout the years. Funds would also be needed to pay the principal and interest if it were necessary to take out a loan to expand the present medical facilities.

The second option would be to form a profit-corporation whereby shares would be sold and rent would be charged. There is an example of each type in this area. Woodbine has a profit corporation (no profit has ever been realized or expected, however), and Pisgah used a non-profit corporation to raise the needed funds to construct a medical center.

It was suggested to the committee that some type of corporation be formed and that the

necessary paper work be taken care of so a drive could be started. The majority present at the meeting again expressed their willingness to help in such a program.

Dr. Gammel, M.D., was present at the meeting and reported that the University Medical School in Omaha was encouraging him to continue a residency practice while attending school. A question raised at the meeting to Dr. Gammel, M.D., was if he could give any assurance to the community that he would stay any length of time if a medical facility was built in Dunlap. He stated that he could give no guarantee that something unforeseen could come up and that he might have to leave his practice in Dunlap. Dr. Gammel, M.D., stated that the town needs medical facilities whether he is here or not, and that Dunlap is always going to need them if the town ever expected to get or keep a medical practitioner in town. He stated that all towns that have or get doctors do have good medical facilities.

Dr. Gammel, M.D., said if he were to practice in Dunlap full time that he would use two hospitals—Immanuel Hospital in Omaha for serious problems and the Missouri Valley Hospital for treatment of illnesses of a less serious nature.

It was decided that the name of the corporation would be the **Dunlap Medical Clinic, Inc.** A temporary board of John Heller, Richard Randall, Frank Humlicek and Paul Lehan were appointed until an official board of directors could be elected for further business.

Dr. Gammel to Have New Hours

Starting Friday, Sept. 1 Dr. Gammel, M. D., will be in his office everyday during September from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., except Thursday. He will be here Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

October 5, 1972 – Dunlap Reporter

Dunlap Medical Clinic Buys Dr. Byrnes' Building

The Dunlap Medical Clinic has purchased the Dr. C. W. Byrnes building. The entire facility complete with the medical and office furniture, fixtures and all equipment was purchased on contract.

Dr. D. W. Gammel will be renting the facility from the Dunlap Medical Clinic. This purchase is to help maintain com-

munity medical services.

The temporary board of the Dunlap Medical Clinic is John Heller, Richard Randall, Frank Humlicek and Paul Lehan. They are in the process of getting the organization incorporated and are making plans to sell shares of stock in the corporation.

December 21, 1972 – Dunlap Reporter

Booster Club Omits Drawings, Donates To Medical Drive

Many people have been inquiring as to why their wasn't any turkey or cash drawings this year at Thanksgiving and Christmas as in the past. As reported in the September 21, 1972 issue of the Dunlap Reporter, The Dunlap Booster Club board and members met at the Dunlap City Hall with the five board members and only eight other members present. A discussion was held whether or not to continue the drawings. It was moved and seconded with a majority voting to discontinue the cash, turkey and ham drawings held annually at Thanksgiving and Christmas. The drawings for the children, however, were to be continued at Christmas.

The Booster Club decided to use the money instead to pledge \$1,000 to the Dunlap Medical Clinic when and if needed to support the drive for needed medical facilities in Dunlap

Holiday Fire Damages Dunlap Medical Center

Fire damage in one half the building and extensive heavy smoke damage throughout the Dunlap Medical Center on Thanksgiving Day have forced its temporary closing.

A temporary office will be opened as soon as the insurance claims adjuster can investigate the damage, said Debbie Strobel, wife of Dr. C. A. Strobel. They were expecting the insurance agent on Wednesday.

It was not yet determined how much damage had been done to the equipment although heavy smoke damage was apparent throughout. No patient files were destroyed, however, she said. There was considerable fire damage to the old portion of the building.

The first call went out at 4:15 p.m. when fire was seen coming from the rear of the building. Dick Howard, who was the first fireman to get to the scene, reported that smoke was coming from the front but

no fire was in the office or waiting room. There was however signs of heavy smoke there and the hallway was gutted.

Cause of the fire has not yet been determined.

Joe Lipichok, fire chief, said there was no structural damage to the building although panels and ceiling were burned. Insurance representatives have made a rough estimate of \$150,000 in damages.

Tentative plans call for a temporary office to be set up in the former WCDC office at 109 Iowa Ave.

Library Announces Book Purchases

The Dunlap Library has purchased several new books in the last few months, according to Myrna Hanson. They include Master of the Game by Sidney Sheldon, The Man

Medical Center To Be Open In 30 Days

Dr. C. A. Strobel plans to open a portion of the Dunlap Medical Center in approximately 30 days, according to an announcement by Maggie Cotton, communications coordinator at Missouri Valley's Community Memorial Hospital.

Meanwhile Dr. Strobel, who is on the hospital staff, can be reached at the hospital.

The Dunlap Medical Center was severely damaged in a fire on Thanksgiving Day. Tentative plans to open in another building have been abandoned in favor of a plan to refurbish a portion of the center itself for immediate use.

CMH Purchases Medical Clinic

Community Memorial Hospital of Missouri Valley has purchased the **Dunlap Medical Center** clinic, it was announced this week by J. C. McDonough, CMH hospital administrator.

McDonough said that a permanent doctor would be located in Dunlap at least by July. Prospective doctors are being considered from Creighton University graduates.

He reported that tentative plans are being worked on to provide some kind of service to Dunlap patients before that time from Missouri Valley staff physicians.

Emergency Unit Responds to Calls

Members of the Dunlap Emergency Unit Squads re-



Dunlap Medical Center changed hands this week with Community Memorial Hospital buying the facility and making plans to staff it in the near future.

April 12, 1984 – Dunlap Reporter

Medical Center Opening Plans Are Delayed

Plans to open the Dunlap Medical Center Saturday were delayed by a need to get a Medicare number through Blue Shield, according to J. C. McDonough, administrator of Community Memorial Hospital in Missouri Valley.

The center will be open as soon as the number is secured, he said, a time estimated at two weeks. Plans are to open the Center on a part-time basis on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and on as many week nights as needed to meet the demand.

Doctors on the staff at the hospital will rotate to provide temporary service until July when a permanent doctor will be coming to Dunlap, McDonough said.





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