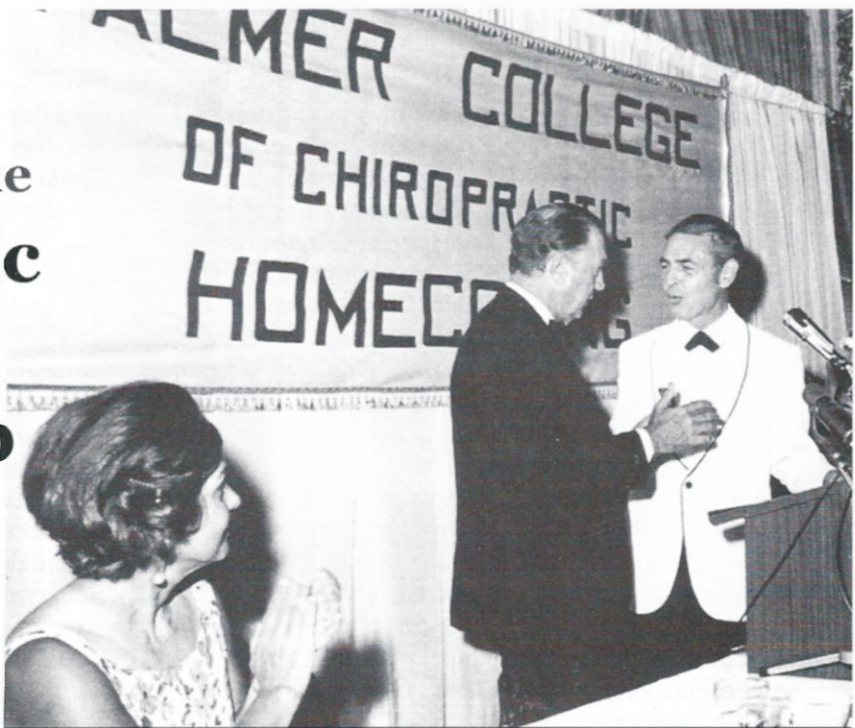


The Genesis of the Chiropractic Medal 75 Scholarship

By H. T. Hughes, DC, H. Brad Hughes, DC and Thomas A. Hughes, DC



From left :Agnes Palmer, DC, Dave Palmer, DC and H.T. Hughes, DC

H. T. Hughes, DC, our father, decided in early 1969 that a fitting way to celebrate the upcoming 75th anniversary of the discovery of the chiropractic principle would be to produce a silver commemorative coin medal to honor the milestone. The idea was to then sell the coins to the world. The proceeds of the sales would support a chiropractic scholarship fund.

For a number of years dad was ICA convention chairman, convention master of ceremonies, and ICA western region director. At the 1969 ICA convention during homecoming at Palmer, he unveiled the Chiropractic Medal 75 to the profession. Included here is his speech where he described the Medal and also presented Palmer president Dr. Dave Palmer a gold Chiropractic Medal 75 coin.

Thank you Dr. Mazerelli (ICA President), Mr. Toastmaster - Dr. Dave - Dr. Agnes - Mr. Capp - Fellow Alumni - Distinguished guests.

We are now moving into 75 years of service to sick humanity thru the application of this great science of chiropractic.

We all know and daily use the universal and innate intelligence that DD Palmer discovered and revealed to us - this principle was not new—in fact is as old as the

beginning of time. But DD Palmer set these principles down as a separate and distinct philosophy, science and art and then called it "Chiropractic." This principle not only sets us apart from all other healing arts but also ahead of them.

All of you know the story of chiropractic. All of you know the history of chiropractic. Discovered by DD Palmer on Sept. 18, 1895. He carried the light of hope for health for millions yet unborn until he passed the mantle to BJ—who developed chiropractic to the more specific and scientific degree. Universal intelligence saw fit to leave him on the chiropractic scene for many years; years of growth, years of delineating legislatively and legally the chiropractic premise. BJ kept the chiropractic ship on a straight and true course. A course that is not narrow—but as broad as Universal and Innate Intelligence's normal expression over the pathways of the nervous system. To both these pioneers of our beloved profession we owe more that can be expressed here tonight. They gave their lives that millions of lives could be enriched with better health. This we know is how they wanted it.

To you Dr. Dave, who received the mantle of chiropractic from your father BJ, is given the opportunity and responsibility to continue the great work began by your grandfather and father to ultimately steer this profession to greater heights and acceptance by the



whole world. It is, we realize, an awesome responsibility and we want you to know you have our wholehearted assistance in this task.

We wondered—What could be done? What was a fitting manner of helping celebrate this first 75 years?

On the morning of Jan. 14 of this year—we were awakened at 2:30 a.m. by Innate with an idea.

Dr. Dave it is a privilege for me to present to you and to those assembled here tonight—the culmination of this idea—A Diamond Jubilee Commemorative Coin Medal.

This medal designed by myself and struck by the Lincoln Mint honoring the founder of the science of chiropractic and the anniversary of the first chiropractic adjustment ever given, is the first and only of its kind in the world.

On the obverse side of the medal is the portrait of the founder, Dr. DD Palmer, with the legend 'Discoverer of Chiropractic Principle.' The man to whom was given the idea of joining the mortal and immortal man, thru the medium of the pathways of the nervous system.

Below this legend we see the hands depicted, the hands of the Chiropractor, in the position of delivering the adjustment to release the "Prisoned Impulse." These hands are of BJ Palmer, the developer of chiropractic.

Across the top is the legend:

Diamond Jubilee of Chiropractic

Under the hands on the bottom is the legend:
75 Years of Service.

On the reverse of the medal, centered, is the spine, the area of the body that is the domain of the Chiropractor.



On each side of the spine are the words: 'Health Thru Spinal Adjustments.' The dates 1895 to 1970 are the span of years since the first adjustment. With the date Sept. 18 as the historic and eventful date the first chiropractic adjustment was made.

Across the top is the legend:
Commemorative Medal.

Encircling the lower half is the legend:
World's Largest Natural Health Science.

These medallic gems of pure silver reflect extraordinary engraving and minting skill.

Never before has a chiropractic coin been produced. This remarkable achievement will be admired by hobbyists and historians alike--and sought after by thousands of others.

The pure silver medals are produced in a limited edition only. They are of 999 plus pure silver, individually serially numbered. No more will be minted. We invite you to share a pioneer adventure. They will be on sale all during homecoming and all of jubilee year.

The proceeds from the sale of these coin-medals are being directed into a scholarship fund to educate future doctors of chiropractic.

It is with humble pride that we have caused this commemorative medal to be struck, to again show our love and loyalty to our beloved profession, to those pioneers DD, BJ and all those who have gone before, to you Dave, and to those who today are exponents of this great health care. That two handed, ten fingered, on the spine chiropractic.

We as one, and I know all of you, thank God for the privileges granted us to deliver abundant health to sick people everywhere.

Dr. Dave it is a distinct privilege for me at this time to present to you this gold medal, the first of its kind minted in the history of chiropractic. ■

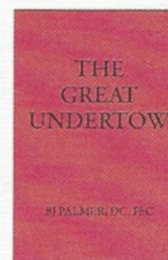
A more recent monetary source for funding the Chiropractic Medal 75 scholarship was the printing of a previously unpublished manuscript written by BJ Palmer, "The Great Undertow." With the invaluable help of Dr. Rob Sinnott, who scanned, prepared, and organized the original manuscript for printing, the book was published by Lulu Press in the fall of 2011. (Dad was still practicing at 90-years old when he passed away on October 1, 2011 just two weeks before the book was printed.)

The book is currently available for purchase on-line through Lulu Press. Included here is a short history dad wrote of his acquisition of the manuscript. This manuscript was being organized and compiled by Dr. Elmer Green for BJ, ongoing for quite some time, as this is the 74th revision of 1929 "The Great Undertow." How close to

completion in BJ's mind this was at that point is unknown as apparently he moved on to other projects and did not publish.

I received the rough draft of this book in February 1993 from Mr. Bob Sharp, who married Dr. Elmer Green's (PSC 1921) widow Pamela also deceased. Dr. Green originally practiced in Ionia, Michigan and spent time in the Ionia County Jail for practicing chiropractic. Upon his release from jail he came to Washington State. He settled in Enumclaw and later moved to Seattle.

I first met Dr. Green when he came back to Palmer Lyceum in August 1946 looking for Chiropractic graduates to come to Washington State to help break an unfair basic science law conducted by the medical profession. The goal was to open Washington for chiropractic licensure as there had not been any licenses



granted since 1927. I graduated (PSC 1947) our class of 332 was called the "Specifics."

I came to Washington State and opened my

office, Hughes Chiropractic Health Center, in Auburn March 1948 and it took until 1957 to change the law and achieve Chiropractic licensure. When BJ developed HIO technique with the Neurocalometer Dr. Green took up the technique and developed the largest HIO practice in the state of Washington.

Dr. Green was a very close friend of BJ. They spent time together in each other's homes as well as in BJ's home in Florida where the above snapshot was taken on the beach at Sarasota.