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Chronology of the SAN DIEGO SCHOOL OF CHIROPRACTIC

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QUOTES

"...California - long a battleground for scope of practice test cases by advocates of both camps..." (Gibbons, 1982)

Chronology

1905 (Dec): **The Chiropractor** [2(1)] includes:

-letter to B.J. from F.B.C. Eilersficken, M.D., Ph.D. (p. 10):

B.J. Palmer, D.C. San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 24, 1905

The October Chiropractor to hand. It is a gold mine to any thinking person.

In 1902, I took a three month's course in Chiropractics of a man who went under the name of Dr. Palmer, and claimed to be the originator of Chiropractic. His height was about five feet, eight inches. He had a long beard and a good command of language. Lately I have been able to study the photo of your Father, and find that I have been imposed upon. Sincerely,

F.B.C. EILERSFICKEN, M.D., Ph.D.

Dr. F.B.C. Eilersficken: - You are not the only one who has been fooled into learning "Chiropractics." Go to The Palmer School and learn Chiropractic; they will treat you right.

Dr. D.D. Palmer is five feet, five inches in height, and today weighs one hundred and sixty-two pounds.

To prevent fakirs imposing upon those who desire to learn Chiropractic is one object of THE CHIROPRACTOR.

Subscribe to our journal; it will save you time and money.

1909 (Feb 12): JN Jones DC of 856 Fourth St, San Diego CA writes to "**Dear Daddie Chiro**" re: subscription to **The Chiropractor Adjustor** (Palmer, 1909b, p. 35)

1910: Eilersficken founds **San Diego School of Chiropractic** (SRI, 1960, p. 215); BJ lists a "F.B.C. Eilersficken" as a pre-1906 grad of the **PSC** (Palmer, 1919)

1910 (Apr): **The Chiropractor** [6(4)] includes:

-**UCA Directory** (pp. 128-34) includes:

*F.B.C. Eilersficken, Timken Bldg., 208-9, San Diego (p. 128)

1910 (May): **The Chiropractor** [6(5)] includes:

-**UCA Directory** (pp. 71-7) includes:

*F.B.C. Eilersficken, Timken Bldg., 208-9, San Diego (p. 71)

1910 (June): **The Chiropractor** [6(6)] includes:

-**UCA Directory** (pp. 128-35) includes:

*F.B.C. Eilersficken, Timken Bldg., 208-9, San Diego (p. 128)

1911 (May 20): Articles of Incorporation filed for **Ratledge System of Chiropractic Schools** in Los Angeles (Ratledge papers-SFCR Archives); established as a "profit corporation with a paid-in capital of \$300" (SRI, 1960, p. 97)

1913 (Jan 29): Articles of Incorporation are filed for the **Federated Chiropractors of California (FCC)**; incorporators are **Nelson C. Oakley** DC, Edward H Chamberlain, Sidney Lee Groves, Elizabeth V **Helfrich** DC (author of poems in **DD Palmer's** 1910 *Adjuster*), and Harry St. **Celae?**, President (Ratledge papers, SFCR Archives); **Nelson C Oakley** will found **Clewell Chiropractic College** in San Diego later in 1913

1913 (Winter): DD leaves Ratledge/LA, moves to San Diego CA (Smallie, 1963)

1913: **Nelson Oakley** DC founds **Clewell Chiropractic College** in San Diego; name is changed in 1935 to Western University (SRI, 1961, p. 215); see also letters from Oakley to RA **Ratledge** (1/5/16) and to **TF Ratledge** (1/31/16)

1915 (June 3): at California Chiropractic College (**CCC**) "...a class of sixty eight was graduated, and on July 16th, a summer class of twenty-seven regular practitioners, 935 Haight Street, San Francisco, and another class of sixty regular practitioners of San Diego, Los Angeles and vicinity at Los Angeles" (CCC, 1917-18)

1915 (Sept 11): **TF Ratledge** writes to "DR. JB Vermillion" of San Diego re: **Nelson Oakley** DC (future president of **Clewell Chiropractic College**); Oakley has some sort of alliance with **Richardson** of **CCC** [**may be operating a branch of the CCC**]; Ratledge requests that Vermillion write to **Richardson** of **CCC** as a prospective student to determine whether attendance is required and who **Richardson's** faculty are (Ratledge papers, SFCR Archives)

1915 (Dec 30): Nelson Clewell **Oakley** DC, president of the **Clewell Chiropractic College** at 229-234 Granger Bldg, San Diego, writes to RA Ratledge DC (TF's brother); mentions prior discussion to merge the **Ratledge** and **Clewell** Colleges; notes that "I attended the **Cal. Chiropractic. College** quiz course last summer..." [see 6/15/14] (Ratledge papers-SFCR)

1916 (Jan 31): NC **Oakley** DC of **Clewell College** in San Diego writes to TF **Ratledge** in reply to letter from TF of 1/29/16; notes he had attended **Ratledge College**;

mentions his inquiry of Charles B **Pinckham** MD re: application to take exam for Drugless Practitioner license; notes also that" (Ratledge papers-SFCR):

I heard today that **Richardson** has gone to South America because of the pressure that has come upon him in his acts. This is no surprise to me for he has reached as far as his arm will extend, and he has hauled in what his hand will grasp so what more in Los Angeles or California is there for him?

-or **Richardson** may have been at **CCC** branch school in SF (see 1915 [Mar])

1921 (June): **The Chiropractor & Clinical Journal** (PSC) [17(6)] includes:

-FD Irish DC reports on "Chiropractic in Prison", tells story of his and AG Eckols DC's incarceration in the San Diego County Jail for unlicensed practice; develops practice in jail (pp. 15, 51-3)

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 SRI/Stanford Research Institute. *Chiropractic in California*. 1960, Haynes Foundation, Los Angeles

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William Adler, DC2B (Wolf Adler's son); 10444 Virginia Avenue, Apt. 203, Whittier CA 90603 (310-943-1531)
 Bonnie Beaver, (James F McGinnis' step-granddaughter); 10431 Creston Drive, Los Altos CA 94024 (408-737-0282)
 John Randolph & Dora Haynes Foundation; (as of 1985) 727 West Seventh St., # 618, Los Angeles CA 90017 (213-623-9151)
 Sutro State Geneological Library, 480 Winston (off 19th Ave), San Francisco CA [open M-F, 10AM-5PM](415-731-4477)
 Stanford Research Institute, International; 333 Ravenswood Avenue, Menlo Park CA 94025 (415-326-6200)

American College of Chiropractic, Los Angeles [1936]

Berkeley Chiropractic College, Berkeley 1922-1932

Bullis Chiropractic School - Oakland **College of Chiropractic**, Oakland 1913-1920

Bullis & Davis School of Neuropathy, Ophthalmology and Chiropractic, Los Angeles [1911]

Cale College of Chiropractic, Los Angeles 1925-1929

California Chiropractic College, Oakland 1913-1963

California College of Electro-Mechano Therapy [1925]

California College of Natural Healing Arts, Los Angeles 1938-1946
 Formerly Chiropractic College of America 1933-1938
 Formerly Cale College of Naturopathy 1927-1933

Chiropractors, Inc., Los Angeles 1920-[1921]

Cleveland Chiropractic College of Los Angeles, Los Angeles 1951-
 Formerly Ratledge College of Chiropractic 1911-1955

College of Drugless Healing, Naturopathy, Los Angeles [1945]
 Formerly College of Drugless Healing, Los Angeles 1939-1942

College of Medical and Drugless Surgeons, Los Angeles 1920-[19--]

Columbia College of Chiropractic, Sacramento [1943]

Columbia College of Chiropractic and Naturopathy, Sacramento 1953-1955
 Formerly Columbia College of Chiropractic (Alameda) 1933-1953

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Continental Chiropractic College, Berkeley 1936-1943

Continental Chiropractic College, Los Angeles 1935-1946

Davis College of Neuropathy, Los Angeles [1914]

Eclectic College of Chiropractic 1917-1924

Golden State College of Chiropractic, Los Angeles 1923-1926

Hollywood College, **School of Naturopathic Physicians & Surgeons, School of Chiropractic**; also known as Hollywood College of Chiropractic, Hollywood 1949-1963
 Formerly Drown College of Chiropractic and **Drown College of Radio Therapy & Natural Healing** 1948-1949
 Formerly Pasadena College of Chiropractic 1922-1948

Kinetic Drugless College of Chiropractic, Los Angeles [1926]

Life Chiropractic College-West, San Lorenzo 1982-
 Formerly Pacific States Chiropractic College 1976-1981

Los Angeles College of Chiropractic, Whittier 1911- (**comprised of at least 13 schools; see Appendix A**)

Los Angeles College of Natural Healing Arts, Los Angeles - 1938-

McMillan's [Swedish Medical Gymnastic and Naturopathic] Institute, San Jose 1924-1926

Dr. H.B. Moore, San Diego [1914]

National College of Drugless Physicians

Naturopathic Institute of California 1905-1951	Formerly Golden State Chiropractic College (Berkeley) 1927-1938
Oakland Chiropractic College, Oakland [1905-1918]	Sinclair College of Chiropractic, Santa Rosa 1900-1912
Pacific College of Chiropractic and Drugless Therapeutics, Berkeley 1927-1937	Southern California College of Chiropractic, Los Angeles 1938-1947 Formerly College of Chiropractic Physicians 1937-1938 Formerly College of Chiropractic Physicians and Surgeons 1931-1936
Palmer Chiropractic School, Santa Barbara 1903-1904	Formerly Southern California College of Chiropractic 1929-1931 Formerly Cale College of Chiropractic 1925-1929
Palmer College of Chiropractic/West, Sunnyvale 1980- Formerly Northern California College of Chiropractic 1978-1980	Standard Chiropractic College, Inc., Oakland 1922-1938
Pasadena College of Chiropractic, Pasadena 1980- Formerly University of Pasadena, College of Chiropractic 1973-[1980]	Standard Chiropractic College, Inc., Sacramento 1922-1937
Ratledge System of Chiropractic Schools, Los Angeles 1911-1955 (also called Ratledge Chiropractic College)	Standard Chiropractic College, Inc., San Francisco 1922-1944
R.A. Ratledge College of Chiropractic, Long Beach 1921-19??	Standard Chiropractic College, Inc., San Jose 1922-1939
San Diego School of Chiropractic, San Diego 1910-[1914]	State College of Chiropractic and Naturopathic Physicians, San Jose [1938]
San Francisco Chiropractic College, San Francisco [1927-1938]	Storey's School of Chiropractic [1909-<1921]
San Francisco College of Chiropractic, San Francisco 1933-1944, 1946-1951 Formerly West Coast Chiropractic College, Inc. 1922-1933	West Coast College of Chiropractic, Oakland [1929]
San Francisco College of Chiropractic and Drugless Physicians, San Francisco 1925-1946	Western College of Chiropractic and Drugless Therapy, San Francisco 1923-1927 Formerly Western College (School) of Chiropractic 1920-1923
Sierra State University, San Francisco 1938-[19??]	Western University of Chiropractic, San Diego 1935-[1943] Formerly Clewell Chiropractic College [1911-1938]

Appendix: B.J. Palmer's list of Palmer/Davenport graduates during 1895-1905*

1. H.D. Reynard	19. Selma Doelz	37. Ella Bon
2. Ira H. Lucas	20. E.E. Sutton	38. C. Wright Dodd
3. O.G. Smith	21. O.B. Jones	39. C.W. Konkler
4. Minora C. Paxsion	22. J.L. Hirely	40. Mrs. M. Gould French
5. A.B. Wightman	23. S.M. Langworthy	41. Edward D. Schoffman
6. M.A. Collier	24. W.J. Robb	42. C.H. Fancher
7. A.S. Dresher	25. E.E. Jones	43. F.B.C. Eilersficken
8. S.D. Parrish	26. E.D.B. Newton	44. W.L. Bowers
9. A. Henry	27. E. Ellsworth Schwartz	45. Chas. G. Munro
10. T.H. Story	28. A.G. Boggs	46. R.P. Rold
11. Henry Gross	29. S.M. Hunter	47. W.F. Booth
12. J.E. Marsh	30. Andrew Coleman	48. D.W. Resiland
13. Martha Brake	31. Dr. Bennett	49. Dr. Raymond
14. J.J. Darnell	32. C.D. Sprague	50. Ernie Simon
15. Dr. Oas	33. C.E. Ashwill	51. D.B. Baker
16. Dr. Hananska	34. A.P. Davis	52. Miss Eliza Murchison
17. Dr. Evans	35. P.W. Hammerle	53. Ray Stouder
18. G.B. Danelz	36. Thomas Francis	54. Dr. Schooley
		55. Ralph Graham
		56. Cha's. Ray Parker

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