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1887 (Oct 23): Henry August Barge born in Henderson MN
 (Rehm, 1980, pp. 315-6)

1923: Henry A. Barge, D.C. graduates from Palmer School of
 Chiropractic (Barge, 1994, p. ii; Rehm, 1980, pp. 315-6)

c1925: Henry A. Barge, D.C. suffers stroke, paralysis (Rehm,
 1980, pp. 315-6)

1933 (Jan 13): Fred H. Barge is born to Pauline and Henry A.
 Barge, D.C. in LaCrosse WI (Dzaman et al., 1980, p. 37)

1954: Fred H. Barge graduates from Palmer School of
 Chiropractic (Barge, 1994, p. ii)

1955: Fred H. Barge, D.C. studies at Logan Basic College of
 Chiropractic (Barge, 1994, p. ii)

1955: **Keystone** (Logan Basic College yearbook) includes:
 -"Post Graduates" (p. 33) includes photo and comment by
 Fred H. Barge, D.C.:



L-R: Fred Barge, James Summers, Robert Ohlmetz, James Grow,
 Alvin Myers, Richard Titus and Stanley Fuitko

We, the post graduate students at Logan College, would like to
 express our sincere appreciation to this College of Chiropractic for
 the consideration and work given to us in our post graduate
 curriculum. None of us, in any way, regret having enrolled in

Logan College. On the contrary, we have been thoroughly
 enlightened by our exposure to Logan Basic Technique and the
 principles attendant to this technique. We would wholeheartedly
 suggest to any Chiropractic student or practicing doctor reading
 this yearbook, that he, or she, consider a post graduate course at
 Logan as a prerequisite in gaining a *truly successful practice* in the
 field of Chiropractic.

In conclusion we would take these few lines to thank the
 students and the faculty of Logan for their warm and friendly
 attitude toward us as students and toward our varied views on the
 Chiropractic subjects.

F.H. Barge, D.C.

1957: Henry & Fred Barge establish Barge Chiropractic Clinic
 in LaCrosse WI (Rehm, 1980, pp. 315-6)

1957 (Feb 16): Fred H. Barge, D.C. marries Audrey M.
 Thompson (Dzaman et al., 1980, p. 37)

PHOTOGRAPH



Fred H. Barge, D.C., c1958

1958 (Sept): **ICA International Review of Chiropractic**
 [13(3)] includes:

"Barge synonymous with chiropractic in LaCrosse" (p. 14);
 includes photo and floor plan of Barge Clinic

PHOTOGRAPH



Henry A. Barge, D.C., date unknown

1963 (Sept 23): **Leonard K. Griffin** DC writes to **Henry A. Barge** DC (Hayes collection):

Dear Doctor Barge:

Thank you for your letter of September 9, 1963 addressed to The Unity Committee regarding the Facts Vs. Fallacies and your suggestions.

You may be assured that I personally am in complete agreement with you and your idea that the **ACA By-laws should provide provisions for the membership to receive a copy of the auditor's annual report and the disbursements of the organization's funds.**

It is our hope and prayer that the new organization will be every thing you want it to be as expressed in your letter and worthy of our science and art. We need your help, membership, and continued suggestions to make it what it should be.

We meet starting October third to formulate the proposed Charter and By-laws and you have my personal pledge to use my efforts to see that the provision you mention is provided. If you will send me your application by return mail by October first or to me care of the Savery Hotel in Des Moines, Iowa by the third, I will see that you are included in the charter membership, and if the provision for annual audited statements to the members is not provided in the By-laws, I will see that your application is returned.

I have read the last six issues of Rational Chiropractic by Dr. Stanley Hayes of Tucson and think they are terrific. Dr. Hayes, in my opinion, has been a big help and influence in this movement. His writings have been more effective and influential than some officials might like to admit.

We hope all of your associates and friends, if they haven't already, send in their applications NOW and qualify for charter membership.

Sincerely yours,...

1963 (Sept 23): letter from **Henry A. Barge** DC to **C. Sterling Cooley** DC (Cooley collection):

C. Sterling Cooley, D.C.

316 S. Guthrie Avenue

Tulsa 3, Oklahlma

Dear Doctor Cooley:

Please accept my belated congratulations on your article in the Bulletin of the National Chiropractic entitled "A.C.A. may be Utopia" in the June 1963 issue.

Your assumption that the six "top men" of each organization know the inside workings and were fully informed about, or had a hand in making the conditions, so unpopular that they themselves could no longer tolerate the conditions their associations had created or helped to create, must still be revealed by the six top men of the N.C.A.

We know the revelations of the six top men of the I.C.A. when their Committee issued and mailed to I.C.A. members their 24 fallacies vs. facts. Have you read them? If not ask Doctor **Stanly Hayes** to send you a copy, as I sent him my copy today, or ask any I.C.A. member for one.

I am sending you a copy of my answer to the Unity Committee of the six "top men" of A.C.A., and a copy of my letter to Doctor **Stanly Hayes** which are self explanatory providing you have read 24 Fallacies vs. Facts which all I.C.A. members received from the Unity Committee of the A.C.A.

I contend we of the I.C.A. who will drop the I.C.A. and become charter members of A.C.A. should also be evaluated of the Fallacies and Facts of N.C.A. of which we believe many exist before we can form Rules and By-laws for the A.C.A.

According to Doctor **Hayes** publication of the last seven issues of Rational Chiropractic there seem to be just as many Fallacies in the N.C.A. as in the I.C.A. We must have C.P.A. audited reports in the future to alert the members of A.C.A. and not have a repetition of what has been going on in the past and present Chiropractic Organizations of I.C.A. and N.C.A. Both these organizations and their officers should be ashamed of themselves.

What do you think of the policy of having the A.C.A. publish annual financial statements to keep their membership informed?

I know here are reasons for not publishing annual statements, but after reading Fallacies vs. Facts I am convinced unless it is done by A.C.A. we will drift into the same old rut of U.C.A., C.H.B. the old A.C.A., N.C.A. and I.C.A.

Chiropractically yours,

Henry A. Barge, D.C.

BARGE CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC

cc: Dr. Stanley Hayes, 3206 East Grant Road, Tucson 12, Arizona P.S. Just before mailing my letter to you today I received a reply from my letter to the Unity Committee. Find a copy of same enclosed.

1964 (Jan 18): letter on NCA stationery from NCA delegate from NYS Edwin H. **Kimmel**, D.C. to **Stanley Hayes** DC (in my CINY/Kimmel file):

Dear Dr. Hayes:

What a wonderful feeling – to have done something, and then received your letter confirming my action. I have already submitted my resignation from the school, as of January 1, 1964. Carbons were sent tot he "proper authorities" so that "they" know the action I have taken. At present, there is no question as to my eligibility for delegate.

Because New York is a nonaffiliated state, I wonder how the elections are going to be held. Whether they will choose their candidates, or whether they will allow a general election remains to be seen. However, as I see it now, I can't anticipate any great

opposition for the position of delegate, if the elections are legitimate.

Have you seen the resolutions adopted by the Idaho Assoc. of Chiro. Physicians? If you haven't received a copy of their release I would suggest that you write for one. They have unanimously resolved to change many of the provisions in the bylaws of the New ACA; just the clauses that seem to offend most honest and liberal thinking chiropractors, especially Article VII Sections 2, 3 and 4.

Getting back to New York, now that we have over 500 members, the state is going to be divided into "upstate" and "downstate." I've already submitted a tentative proposal for our dividing line. This means that my campaigning for re-election will be confined to the "downstate" area only. I don't know of any opposition from any source, but I guess the best thing is to send out some type of letter to the members soliciting their votes. Another way to do it would be to have a few of my friends sign a letter, requesting my re-election. This in fact may be even better than personal solicitation.

Dr. Cruse Howe is the "upstate **chance???** [handwritten]

If I am elected, I then plan to write to all the delegates, new or otherwise, in an attempt to sound them out on how they feel about having the wool pulled over their eyes. In that way I will be able to determine how much support I may be able to count on in Denver.

The recent issue of your Bulletin was excellent. The letter re: instruments by Dr. **Barge**, was excellent. I like the 4 points that he made on page 9, especially point #2.

You can certainly count me in among the members of the American Committee for Chiropractic. Good luck with this project.

We are having many difficulties here in New York, with some of the strange clauses in our law. Many chiropractors are in such a state of panic, now that they have responsibilities to the state and can be held accountable for their actions that they are banning together in an effort to injunct parts of the law as "unconstitutional." Not that they don't have a few points in their favor, but it's making things difficult here also.

Will keep you posted. Am enclosing a copy of the New York law, with the so called "questionable" clauses indicated.

Again, good luck with the ACC.

Very truly yours,...

EHK:jr

Enc.

1964 (Sept/Oct): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [7(2)] includes:

-"College reports: Palmer College" (p. 28)

-"Wisconsin clinic inaugurates graduate resident program" (p. 42); includes photo of resident Frank Kytchak, D.C.; includes:

A chiropractic resident program has been inaugurated by the Barge Chiropractic Clinic, of LaCrosse, Wis., with the co-operation of Palmer College of Chiropractic and the sanction of the Wisconsin State Board of Examiners in Chiropractic...

1964 (Dec 7): letter from Henry **Barge** DC and Fred **Barge** DC to **Leonard W. Rutherford**, DC, president of **ICA** (both letters in Hayes collection):

Dear Dr. Rutherford,

The greatest menace to the down-grading of the Chiropractic profession's public esteem and image "since its discovery" has been and still is today, "the Chiropractors use of worthless and fraudulent, unscientific instruments on the unsuspecting public."

Members of **I.C.A.**, "**NCA-UCA**" and non-members are equally guilty of using these quackery devices.

What to do about it is the greatest dilemma in Chiropractic. We were in hopes that the A.C.A. in Denver would take some positive action on instrumentation, but as far as we can ascertain only a committee was appointed.

The question is: Should we depend on the **F.D.A.** to continue to condemn instruments used by Chiropractors and thereby continue to receive further adverse publicity? This seems to be the only solution to safe-guard the public because the State Chiropractic Associations and State Boards are helpless when our National I.C.A. and "**NCA-UCA**" legally protect Chiropractors regardless of what instrumentation they use in their practice.

We believe the Chiropractic profession should take action to regulate and clean its own house and not depend entirely on the F.D.A. They should cooperate for the public welfare.

We want to commend the I.C.A. and Dr. Leonard Rutherford for taking the initiative to appoint a committee to set up rules trying to regulate Chiropractic instrumentation, but as we see it the rules proposed are and will only be voluntary. They will not solve our problem.

In the 1963 November Review of I.C.A., page #6, Dr. John Q. Thaxton's article captioned, "What the quacks are doing to your profession," his only stated solution was "that every decent Chiropractor join I.C.A." Noble words.

When Dr. Thaxton wrote the above mentioned article we in Wisconsin had 167 listed members of I.C.A. 54 of which were then using quackery devices according to the then last I.C.A. directory with abbreviated listings. How many N.C.A. members who were also using these devices could not be ascertained, but we believe the percentage was about the same. Even the Wisconsin I.C.A. State representative was not only listed as using one, but selling them, and the W.C.A. gave their unqualified endorsement of the T.R.I. device after it was confiscated by the F.D.A.

We ask Dr. Thaxton, "would joining the I.C.A. be a solution to our quackery device problem in Wisconsin?"

Now comes Dr. L. Rutherford's announced creation of an evaluation department, (which after all is only voluntary). Again, noble words.

We ask I.C.A. and Dr. Rutherford to take a look at "Kiplinger's service for families called Changing Times, September issue of 1964 pages 24 to 29. , "and they will see the adverse publicity we chiropractors, especially of Wisconsin, are receiving about the I.C.A. State representative of Wisconsin who not only used this contraption, but sold it to about 70 Chiropractors in Wisconsin and throughout the nation.

Now take a look at the Wisconsin Chiropractic Association State Journal of July-August, 1964 issue, page #2. Here you will find a list of 26 I.C.A. members who are officers of the W.C.A. The majority of these are or have been users of the above contraption. We also have three State Board members all I.C.A. members, two of these are also listed as using this device. The Board of Examiners in Chiropractic takes no official action to stop its use.

When we Chiropractors of Wisconsin go to our Legislature for Chiropractic Legislation, the Medics bring these quackery devices which are used by Chiropractors and display them on our Legislative floors. Imagine our chagrin!! This has happened during the past three Legislative sessions.

Our Legislators tell us it is useless to ask for any future passage of Chiropractic Legislation until we clean up our profession from the use of these quackery gadgets by our Wisconsin Chiropractors.

The 64 dollar question is: "how many of the above number of Wisconsin Chiropractors are still using these quackery devices?" Will a voluntary program such as proposed by I.C.A. be effective to stop the use of unscientific instruments??? Our answer is negative.

Asking Chiropractors and manufacturers for voluntary obedience by either I.C.A. or A.C.A. is no solution, but mandatory action cooperatively taken by both will be effective.

In Washington, D.C. both the Democratic and Republican organizations cooperate and adhere to a bi-partisan foreign policy for the good of their parties as well as the U.S.A.

How about a bi-partisan policy of the I.C.A. and A.C.A. to eliminate quackery gadgets for the good of Chiropractic and the public?

In 1963, we answered Dr. Thaxton's Review article and recommended four steps that could be taken to stop quackery instrumentation within our profession.

Copies were sent to N.C.A., committee of A.C.A., and to the *Bulletin of Rational Chiropractic*.

Only the Stanley Hayes *Bulletin of Rational Chiropractic* printed our recommendations and letter. Why not I.C.A., N.C.A. or A.C.A.?

We now again answer I.C.A.'s Dr. Rutherford's announced quackery control proposal. We recommend that the following changes be made in the proposed voluntary rules as recommended by the I.C.A. Investigation Department as announced on November 14, 1964, by Dr. L. Rutherford.

Changes and insert to be made as follow: In paragraph #7 line 30, after the word not, insert "pertain to the Chiropractic premise or," after paragraph #7, line 34, a new paragraph as follows: "Chiropractors using instruments or devices not officially approved by I.C.A.'s Department of Investigation shall be barred from I.C.A. membership."

Question:

Why beg the promoter or manufacturer of instruments to come to I.C.A. voluntarily for approval? Simply stop their instrument use by barring Chiropractic practitioners who use them, from membership in I.C.A. if they fail to get official approval.

It seems I.C.A. and N.C.A.-A.C.A. both have been afraid to adopt stringent by-laws and rules to stop the use of quackery devices because they fear their members may defect to the other organization.

We can understand why I.C.A. will hesitate to adopt the above change and resolution, unless and until A.C.A. will, take similar action.

The A.C.A. boasts it is by, of, and for the profession and the I.C.A. claims it is progressive. Now that the I.C.A. has adopted a voluntary program let us all demand that there will be a bi-partisan mandatory program that will definitely put a stop to the use of quackery instrumentation in both the I.C.A. and A.C.A.

Or, must we continue to rely on the F.D.A. to regulate us and thereby constantly receive the ensuing adverse publicity in the press over radio and television?

It is high time that the Chiropractors of the I.C.A. and A.C.A. both stop to vie for an increase in their membership "with an issue such as quackery instrumentation" for thier organizations financial aggrandizement, when their failure to take action "to stop the use of quackery devices within the profession destroys the Chiropractors prestige and the public's image of the profession."

Find enclosed a letter by Dr. E.J. Wollschlaeger to Dr. Cleveland, which you will find informative on this same subject. Dr. Wollschlaeger is a past president of the W.C.a. and was a member for many years of our Wisconsin State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

Chiropractically yours,...

cc: Dr. W.H. Adolph, 8305 Liberty Road, Baltimore MD
 Dr. Carl Cleveland Jr., 3724 Troos, Kansas City MO
 Dr. A.M. Schierholz, Ames IA
 Dr. Stanley Hayes, 3206 East Grant Road, Tucson AZ

c1964: photograph of poster opposing fluoridation (courtesy of Fred Barge, D.C.):

\$100,000 REWARD OFFER

Fluoridation was started in 1945 - promoters claim up to 50 years of research with fluorides.

To the first individual who can provide one copy of any controlled experiments with the U.S.P.H.S. recommended fluorides and water, at the U.S.P.H.S. recommended parts per million, that shows that poisonous fluorides are (as published as fact by promoters of fluoridation) safe, beneficial and will cause no future body harms.

A \$20,000 REWARD HAS BEEN VALID FOR 14 YEARS, INCREASED TO \$45,000, NOW \$100,000
 (Over 150,000 copies of this Reward Offer have been distributed to date)

Doctor Calls Fluoridation Poison

"Fluoridation is one of the biggest international scandals that has ever been promoted in the name of a health scheme."
 This is the opinion of Dr. Robert J.H. Mick of Laurel Spring, N. J. who was once an active promoter of fluoridation. Today, however, he is one of its strongest opponents.
 "I was probably one of the first persons in the world to promote fluoridation, he said. "That was from 1944 through 1949, until I became interested in body chemistry."
 In 1949 Dr. Mick was appointed an international representative of the American Academy of Nutrition. He conducted experiments with animals on food and fluorides. He conducted studies in Africa among natives on the relationship of fluoridated water and foods to dental decay. He has also conducted similar studies in the U. S. with children.
 "As a result of experiments with animals, we learned that bones, teeth, kidneys, livers and spleens had accumulated up to 500 per cent more fluoride than controlled animals. Cripples were born to the third generation." Erie Morning News 8-8-64.

The following co-sponsor the \$100,000 reward offer:

 Dr. Robert J. H. Mick, 315 Stone Road, Laurel Springs, N. J.	 Dr. Allen Bach, Kearney, Nebraska.	 Dr. Fred H. Sings, LaCrosse, Wisconsin.	 Col. G. Lindgren, 3641 Fountain Valley, Calif.	 Dr. Forest Prosser, Honolulu, Hawaii.	 Dr. Ronald J. Perkoz, Greenwood, N. J.
 Dr. Herbert R. Resner, Flagler, Ohio.	 Dr. Harbert H. Robinson, St. Petersburg, Fla.	 Dr. Robt. Sauter, Vincenton, N. J.	 Dr. Chester H. Sault, Passaic, N. J.	 Jack Solomon, U.S.S. New York City.	 Dr. Arden D. Zimmerman, San Jose, Calif.
 Dr. Alfred R. Smith, Yeadon, Pa.	 Dr. N.S. Hancock, Hartogen, Tex.	 Rep. Joe A. Zeiser, Emmaus, Pa.	 Dr. John A. Myers, Baltimore, Md.	 Dr. Stuart Katsnik, Pitts. Pa. (Discoverer of Streptomycin)	 Dr. Wm. P. Odum, El Cajon, Cal.

Dr. Harvey
Peterson
Aitkin, Minn.

Anyone presenting evidence to claim above reward shall be legally responsible for every and all costs caused to any or all persons involved in this \$100,000 reward by such evidence, if such evidence is deemed invalid or not bonafide research before any qualified research board. Such persons making claim to \$100,000 reward offer will accompany claim with bond to cover such costs as may be caused if such evidence does not prove the existence of the controlled experiments mentioned in \$100,000 offer.

Now available, minutes of the "secret" meeting held by the USPHS, planning the scheme of fluoridation. "Promotion and Application of Water Fluoridation", 157 pages, published by Federal Security Agency, obtainable from HEW library, Room 1, 205-1991 through your library on Standard A.C.A. Interlibrary loan form, or copies may be obtained by writing to any address on this leaflet.

For additional copies: Indian Hill Pure Water Assn., P.O.Box 43061 Cincinnati, Ohio 45243 - (513) - 561-5617

1965: Fred H. Barge, D.C. receives Ph.C." from Palmer College of Chiropractic (Barge, 1994, p. ii); his thesis entitled "Tortipelvis and the intervetebral disc syndrome" (Dzaman et al., 1980, p. 37)

1966 (Mar/Apr): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [8(5)] includes:
-Paul Smallie, D.C. authors "World-Wide Reports" (p. 4); includes:

EDUCATION

From LaCrosse, Wisc., comes word that through Barge DC Clinic efforts, a pre-chiropractic course is being presented by the Wisc. State U. The pre-chiropractic curriculum covers 2-years. A similar course is in existence at Wisc. Stat U. branch, Plattville.

1966 (July/Aug): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [9(1)] includes:

-“College reports: Logan College” (p. 36); includes:

The Logan College Home Coming was held June 30 through July 1-2, at the Colony Motor Hotel in Clayton, Missouri. It was well attended. Some of the highlights of the convention were: Dr. Rich's talk on Cinerontgenography of the Spine & Pelvis, Dr. F. Barge and Dr. E. Schaller, who spoke on modification of marking x-rays, Doctors Pierce and Stillwagon lectured and gave a demonstration of the Derma-Therm-O-Graph. The convention was rounded out with lectures by the faculty and a dinner dance held in the ballroom of the Hotel...

1967 (Mar/Apr): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [9(5)] includes:

-“College reports: Logan College” (pp. 37-8); includes:

...Logan Homecoming dates are June 24, 25 and 26. Among the noted speakers to address Logan alumni are ACA Director Erbe; Internationally known Philosopher and Lecturer Dr. Marcus Bach; Exer-Genie Developer and Physical Fitness Expert Dean Miller; Doctor-Patient Relationship Authority Dr. Graham Rockley; and Logan Faculty Spinal X-ray Analysts Drs. F. Barge and E. Schaller. Plans are also being laid for a combination Basic Technique and Diversified Technique Seminar, open to all members of the chiropractic fraternity. The Seminar is scheduled on the Logan campus the week prior to homecoming.

1967 (May/June): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [9(6)] includes:

-“College reports: Logan College” (pp. 37-8); includes:

...Our Convention program will be held on June 24, 25 and 26, on the college campus and will include such speakers as ACA Director Norman E. Erbe, internationally known Philosopher and Lecturer Dr. Marcus Bach, Physical Fitness Expert Dean Miller, Doctor-Patient Relationship Authority Dr. Graham Rockley and Spinal X-ray Analysts Dr. F. Barge and E. Schaller and the Logan Faculty...

1968 (Nov/Dec): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [11(3)] includes:

-cover includes photograph of Fred Barge, D.C., midwest regional director of the Palmer College International

Alumni Association, placing wreath at D.D. Palmer portrait on 18 September 1968 in the Palmer College Theater:



1972 (May/June): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [14(6)] includes:

-Eugene H. Schaller, D.C. of the Barge Chiropractic Clinic in LaCrosse WI authors "The inferior spinous syndrome" (p. 46)

1973 (May/June): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [15(6)] includes:

-E.H. Schaller, Ph.B., M.S., D.C. of the Barge Chiropractic Clinic authors "Chiropractic epidemiology" (p. 12)

1973-74: Fred Barge, D.C. is president of the Palmer College of Chiropractic Alumni Association (Dzaman et al., 1980, p. 37)

1974: Henry A. Barge, D.C. named "Fellow of the Palmer Academy of Chiropractic" (Rehm, 1980, pp. 315-6)

1974 (Nov/Dec): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [17(3)] includes:

-“College news: Palmer College of Chiropractic” (pp. 65-6); includes photograph & caption:



Dr. John Sayers, Jr. accepts the Alumni Association gavel of president from immediate past president Dr. Fred Barge.

1975 (Jan 10): Henry A. Barge, D.C. dies in LaCrosse WI; nine members of his family are DCs (Rehm, 1980, pp. 315-6)

1973-74: Fred Barge, D.C. is named a "Fellow of the International Chiropractors' Association"

1975 (Aug): **PCC Alumni News** [15(8)] includes: "Chiropractic pioneer: Dr. Henry A. Barge" (pp. 5, 7); includes photograph:



(Throughout the "spirit of '76" campaign, the Alumni News will spotlight Chiropractic Pioneers. This is the eighth in the series.)

In the history of chiropractic, certain names recur with unerring frequency. Since the early 1920's, one of those names has been Barge.

The Barge story began on October 23, 1887, when Henry August Barge was born in Henderson, Minnesota. Growing up in an era that had such formidable leaders as Presidents "Teddy" Roosevelt and William Howard Taft, in his youth he also saw America in its gradual shift from rural to urban culture. It was a time of intellectual ferment and change. A time for a resurgence of pioneer instincts.

Chiropractic was in its early dynamic growth. To young Henry Barge, chiropractic offered avenues of healing that suited his own individualistic visions of maintaining health without drugs or surgery. Thus he came to Palmer, and received his degree of doctor of chiropractic in 1923. He returned to the campus the next year to receive his training in the N.C.M., he and his colleagues being the first group to study this instrument.

Upon leaving Palmer, Dr. Barge established a practice in St. Cloud, Minnesota. A year later, he moved to LaCrosse, Wisconsin, where he practiced the remainder of his professional life.

The late Dr. Barge was a man of many "firsts," accomplished in spite of a forced cerebral hemorrhage caused by strain which found him at the age of 38 with his left side paralyzed. He could not practice for two years, but came back to full activity, adjusting with one hand.

When Wisconsin first initiated chiropractic licensure legislation, Dr. Barge was among the first that received licensure. This was in 1925. After he constructed the sizable Barge Chiropractic Clinic in 1957, Dr. Barge started the Barge Legion of Chiropractors, a personal recruitment program. The Barge Clinic was the first in the nation to institute a residency program. Dr. Barge was an initial member of the Century Club, a Palmer College contributory program. For a number of years, he was the first annual contributor to the college fund.

Dr. Barge also endowed the "Past President's Alumni Chair," an innovative supportive program in behalf of the PCC International Alumni Association.

His son, Dr. Fred Barge, carries on the family tradition of service to their alma mater. He is the immediate past president of the alumni association and is on the college's board of directors.

Dr. Henry Barge, who missed few Homecomings, had served chiropractic and Palmer in a most distinguished fashion, and thus was honored in June of 1974 as a Fellow of the Palmer Academy.

His dedication to health care also found him one of the first leaders in the national anti-fluoridation movement. He was quoted broadly on his position, and in his home city of LaCrosse was instrumental in defeating fluoridation referendums three times.

Dr. Barge, who passed away in January of this year, was preceded in death by his wife five years ago. Mrs. Barge was fond of recalling the times she danced with "B.J." and how extremely fond "B.J." was of her children.

A devoted husband, father and grandfather, Dr. Barge's six granddaughters were a continual source of delight to him.

His interests were many and, despite his handicap, was an avid sportsman – he shot a big 12-gauge magnum duck and goose gun with one hand, and fly-fished. The latter sport he could indulge in on his walnut farm in Bee, Minnesota, which was graced by a trout stream.

Dr. Henry Barge – chiropractic pioneer, a champion of good and just causes, a citizen and alumnus of distinction – any roll is enhanced by his name.

1976 (Mar/Apr): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [18(5)] includes:

-photograph (from Lelia Schlabach, D.C.) & caption:



“Members of the National Leadership Committee of the New Era Fund program of Palmer College of Chiropractic in attendance at the committee meeting January 10-11 on campus in Davenport are pictured here. Seated are Dr. W. Heath Quigley, Administrator of the College; Dr. David D Palmer, President of the Board of Directors of the College and national honorary chairman of the program; Dr. Jack Wilson and Dr. Paul Fitterer, national co-chairmen. Second row: Dr. M.J. Gonstead, Dr. J. Clay Thompson, Dr. Charles Keller, Dr. John Sayers, Sr., Dr. Harold Byers, Dr. Joseph Mazarelli, Dr. John Whithead. Third row: Dr. Abe Schlabach, Dr. Lelia Schlabach, Dr. G.M. Brassard, Dr. William Holmberg, Dr. Malcolm Macdonald, Dr. Robert Griffin. Fourth row: Dr. Earl Powell, Dr. Robert Hulsebus, Dr. Larry Landers, Dr. Donald Moon, Dr. Richard Vincent. Fifth row: Dr. Fred Barge, Dr. William Dallas, Dr. Glenn Stillwagon, Dr. Frank Bemis, Dr. Marvin Klaes, Dr. Donald McAreavy.

PHOTOGRAPH



Fred H. Barge, D.C., Ph.C., 1978

1978 (May/June): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [20(6)] includes:

-“College news: Logan College of Chiropractic” (pp. 76-7); includes:

...Dr. **Barge** of LaCrosse, Wisconsin presented a 3.5 hour lecture to the student body on March 30, 1978. The two topics were clinic internship programs and “Tortipelvis.” Thirty minutes were devoted to the intern program, while the remaining three hours were devoted to “Tortipelvis.”

The “tortipelvis” lecture was well organized and had scientific facts behind the presentation. The presentation correlated with the book of the same name, authored by Dr. Barge. Forty copies of the book were purchased by interested students. Dr. Barge sold the copies at cost to the students.

The lecture was attended by 200-250 students. Considering the National Boards were a week away, it seemed to be a good turnout. Many favorable comments were received of the lecturer’s speaking ability and scientific approach to chiropractic.

1980 (Nov/Dec): **Digest of Chiropractic Economics** [23(3)] includes:

-“Palmer college federation formed” (p. 44):

Palmer College of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa, the first and largest of the chiropractic colleges, announces the formation of the Palmer College Federation, which will include Palmer College of Chiropractic and Northern California College of Chiropractic, Sunnyvale, California. NCCC now will be known as Palmer College of Chiropractic-West.

Dr. Joseph P. Mazzarelli, chairman of the Palmer College of Chiropractic board of trustees, was spokesman for both colleges when the announcement was made.

Each college will continue to operate with its own board of trustees, president and administrative staff under the umbrella of the Palmer College Federation.

Dr. J.F. McAndrews, president of Palmer College of Chiropractic, will retain that position while taking on the additional responsibility of chancellor of the Palmer College Federation.

Dr. John L. Miller, Palmer College’s present vice president for Academic Affairs, has resigned that post to accept the presidency of Palmer/West.

Elected to the board of trustees of Palmer College of Chiropractic-West are: Dr. Mazzarelli, chairman, Pennsauken, New Jersey; Dr. Frederick H.E. **Barge**, La Crosse, Wisconsin; Dr. Myrvin Christopherson, Stevens Point, Wisconsin; Ronald Danis, Los Altos, California; Mrs. Bonnie Palmer McCloskey, North Palm Beach, Florida; Mrs. Vickie Palmer Miller, Bettendorf, Iowa; Dr. Paul Peterson, Sacramento, California; Dr. Alexander Politis, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, and Dr. Lelia Schlabach, Phoenix, Arizona.

Dr. Mazzarelli, in commenting on the acquisition, stated, “This action by Palmer College of Chiropractic is an historic one. As a representative of the board of trustees, I am able to say our collective hope is, that under the new federation, Palmer/West will grow and prosper to serve the present and future students and citizens of our country to the same degree Palmer College of Chiropractic has come to serve internationally since it was

established in 1897.” He went on to observe that, “The dimensions of this new challenge are exciting. I am confident we will be seeking ways and means, not only to serve our students, faculty and administrative constituents, but to become even better contributing members of the community. We look forward to these opportunities.”

The formalities of NCCC joining the Palmer College Federation were concluded on September 18, the eighty-fifth anniversary of the discovery of the chiropractic principle by Daniel David Palmer in 1895 in Davenport, Iowa. September 18 is observed as Founder’s Day throughout the chiropractic profession.

PHOTOGRAPH



Fred H. Barge, D.C., Ph.C., 1987

1988: Fred Barge, D.C. elected president of the International Chiropractors’ Association; Gerald Clum, D.C. is VP; Barge succeeds Michael Pedigo, D.C.

c1988: photograph of Fred Barge, D.C.:



1988 (July 30): letter from Fred H. Barge, D.C. to Dan Flaherty, J.D. (Flaherty files):

Dear Dan:

I just returned to my desk to find your letter stating that the Greenwald case had been resolved. Great! I also noticed that you have my address wrong..please correct. You are using Dr. Howard Barge’s address. Note also my designation is clinic not center. Barge Chiropractic Clinic, S.C. (not Ltd). Please correct this to avoid confusion.

Dan, I have just been elected President of the International Chiropractors Association.

I believe, your firm represents N.C.M.I.C. It may be nice for you and I to have lunch sometime and discuss how this insurance could be better presented to I.C.A. members.

Best regards,...

1988 (Aug 16): letter from Larry M. Rister on NCMIC stationery to Dan Flaherty (Flaherty files):

Dear Dan,

It was certainly good to talk with you. Seems like time is slipping by, and I am very bad at staying in touch with past acquaintances.

Enclosed are rate sheets for Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois and Michigan. A sample policy and brochures are also enclosed.

As I mentioned, we insure any licensed DC who has graduated from a CCE accredited chiropractic college and meets our underwriting guidelines. **No affiliation with a state or national association is required to be insured by NCMIC.**

Again, it was good talking with you. If you and Dr. Barge do have an informal meeting, it would be our pleasure for you to express your thoughts on NCMIC.

Sincerely,...

1988 (Aug 17): Letter from Dan Flaherty to Fred Barge DC (Flaherty files):

Dear Fred:

When your letter of July 30, 1988 arrived, I was deep in the preparation for and the trial of a malpractice action against James Greenwald, D.C. in Prairie du Chien. As you know, justice prevailed and we got a 100% defense verdict. Your report to the plaintiffs' attorneys in that case got into the evidence and was, in my opinion, a substantial factor in producing the favorable results. Thanks again.

As soon as I got back to La Crosse and got a little organized, I called Larry M. Rister, the Executive Vice President of NCMIC, to get some up-to-date information on the company's coverages, rates, etc. Larry is in the process of sending that to me. As soon as I receive it, I will give you a call and make an appointment to see you over lunch.

As I think you know, NCMIC is the only casualty insurer which has been consistently available to chiropractors since the corporation was formed in this office back in 1946. Other insurers have come and gone but NCMIC has been there right straight through. They currently insure over 20,000 chiropractors.

I am sure that some method can be worked out to, as you say, decide how NCMIC insurance, "could be better presented to I.C.A. members."

Congratulations on your recent election. The entire area shines by your reflected glory. Personal regards...

cc: Larry M. Rister

1988 (Aug 18): letter from Dan Flaherty to Larry Rister (Flaherty files):

Dear Larry:

Thanks much for yours of August 16 and for the copy of your current policy, etc.

As you know from my letter of August 17 to Dr. Barge, I probably will be meeting with him fairly soon.

In our phone conversation, you mentioned that you thought I.C.A. had about 4,500 members. Can you get anything more specific than that for me? In addition, do you have any way of knowing how many I.C.A. members may already insure through NCMIC?

As to your new policy form, I have one suggestion which I hope you will accept as a constructive one: The first thing I did when I looked at the policy was to turn to the back page and see when this new policy form was adopted. There is no printing or date code on the policy. I'll bet you dollars to doughnuts that you're going to have problems in the future where you are asked to provide a certified copy of a policy in some litigation. Unless you have a code or form number on each policy (preferably indicating the date it was adopted and used) and unless you have some reference to that policy form on the insured's file, you will not be able with certainty to certify a copy as exactly the same as that which is the policy in question.

I can tell you that I stood on my head for 30 years trying to get the home office to put such form and printing codes on every document, circular or the like which they issued, and particularly on policies, riders, endorsements and the like. I was starting to succeed. In the information you sent me, most of the items other than the policy had a printing date. The policy didn't. Neither did the blue form regarding the difference between "occurrence" and "claims made" policies, a form I recognize as having helped in drafting some years back.

See if you can get any information to me about I.C.A. before I meet with Dr. Barge. Personal regards...

1988 (Aug 19): letter from Fred Barge DC to Dan Flaherty JD (Flaherty files):

Dear Don

I'm off this weekend (20/21) for Chicago, new weekend (27/28) its back there again, but through this week I'll be in the office... If you have any information on N.C.M.I.C. in respect to I.C.A. we could have lunch Wed. or Thurs.

Please advise...

1988 (Aug 24): letter from Larry Rister on NCMIC stationery to Dan Flaherty JD (Flaherty files):

Dear Dan,

We do not have access to the membership of the ICA. The 4,500 has been passed around for a few years with no recollection of the source. As far as the number of ICA members insured, we do not have any valid count. Immediately after **opening the company to no association affiliation in September/October 1986**, we picked up around 2,000 policyholders who were ICA members. Since that time, I am unable to estimate the number of ICA members in our database.

In regards to the form number, we do have an assigned number. The policy did go to the printer before a number had been affixed. Therefore, the following is stamped on each policy.

FORM MP0001 1/88

Your policy was a specimen and the stamp was omitted.

I hope you have a good meeting with Dr. Barge and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,...

1988 (Dec 15): letter to Larry Rister from Dan Flaherty JD (Flaherty files):

Dear Larry:

As I told you over the phone on the 14th, I did finally have a chance to sit down over lunch with Dr. Fred Barge, D.C., President of the International Chiropractic [sic] Association. I have known Fred for many years and he has an outstanding reputation as a chiropractor and an author and lecturer in the area of chiropractic. You will recall that Fred contacted me last summer regarding the availability of NCMIC coverage for ICA members.

I gave Dr. Barge copies of the specimen policy and some of the rate sheets, etc. you gave me. He would like to sit down with you and see if a joint effort could not be made to encourage ICA members to take or switch their liability coverage to your company. **Dr. Barge is impressed with the financial stability of your company as well as its aggressiveness in defending chiropractic malpractice claims** where there is a good basis for defense.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Fred. He will then have your address. I am advising him that he can call you on your WATTS line at 1-800-247-8043.

If there is anything else I can do to facilitate your contacts, etc. with Dr. Barge, please don't hesitate to ask me. Personal regards...

cc: Fred H. Barge, D.C., Ph.C.

1988 (Dec 15): another letter to Larry Rister from Dan Flaherty JD (Flaherty files):

Dear Larry:

I am enclosing for your consideration a bill covering some of the time I spent romancing Dr. Barge and some of the miscellaneous work we did on new claims that were erroneous reported to us. As to the latter, we haven't kept track of most of them, but there were two fairly recently and I thought I would throw them in. Personal regards...

1988 (Dec 15): letter from Larry Rister on NCMIC stationery from Dan Flaherty JD (Flaherty files):

Dear Dan:

Enclosed is a check for a portion of the invoice you submitted.

When we talked about your meeting with Dr. Barge, I certainly was not under the impression it was being initiated by NCMIC. Bill Dallas is responsible for all marketing efforts undertaken by NCMIC, and I have no authority to implement any new program.

I am sorry if there was a misunderstanding, but I am unable to pay you for the 2.2 hours which were allocated for a meeting with Dr. Barge.

Expenses associated with misdirected claim data will be reimbursed upon request.

I hope you have a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,...

1989 (Feb 7): letter from Dan Flaherty JD to Larry Rister (Flaherty files):

Dear Larry:

Thanks for yours of December 28, 1988. I am sorry I was out of town and could not respond sooner.

Thanks for the check you sent. As to the balance of the bill, whether or not you feel it ought to be paid is immaterial and it really doesn't make any difference to us. I did think, however, I would at least try to correct the erroneous impression which our bill gave that it was I who was initiating the contact with ICA through Dr. Barge.

To set the record straight, the initial contact here was from Dr. Barge. Enclosed please find a copy of Fred's letter to me of July 30, 1988 on which I scribbled some information after I talked to you. (Incidentally, the Greenwald case to which Dr. Barge refers was a chiropractic malpractice case I defended in a jury trial at Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. I represented Dr. Greenwald through his liability insurer, Harbour Insurance Company, and we got a unanimous jury defense verdict.)

It was only because Dr. Barge first and then I ended up being busy for several months that we were not able to work out a mutually convenient date for him to take me to lunch, as he had suggested. We finally worked that luncheon out in mid December of 1988. At that time, I passed on to Dr. Barge some of the promotional material you had given to me for him and started, what I hoped, would be a follow through on his part or yours to make our policy available to more ICA members.

Larry, I am not an insurance salesman. I would not have presumed to initiate any such contact with Dr. Barge. I did think it was fortuitous that a friend of mine was now the head of ICA and that I found myself in the position where I could do something that might be of mutually benefit to NCMIC as well as ICA.

Please accept our best personal wishes and I hope that NCMIC continues to prosper.

Very truly yours,...

1990 (Dec 26): letter from Dan Flaherty to Robert Nelson, NCMIC Claims Department (Flaherty files):

Re: National Chiropractic Mutual Insurance Company v. Mitchell R. Corwin, D.C.

Dear Bob:

I don't know if this claim is still pending, but I was going through some old files and found that mine was still open. For your information I am enclosing copies of letters I sent to Dr. Barge about a year ago and a follow up letter I sent to your defense counsel in California in fall. I received no response from Attorney Willoughby. Let me know if there is anything further to be done and if not, I will simply close my file and send you a bill. Regards to you and your staff for a happy new year.

Very truly yours,...

-attached is letter to Randall E. Willoughby of San Jose CA dated 1990 (Sept 24)

-attached is letter to Fred Barge DC inquiring re: his willingness to serve as expert witness re: "Neural Organization Technique" in trial of NCMIC v. Corwin, dated 1990 (Jan 4)

-attached is letter from attorney Randall E. Willoughby of Hoge, Fenton, Jones & Appel, Inc. of San Jose to Daniel T. Flaherty re: recruiting Fred Barge DC, dated 1989 (Sept 19)

-attached is letter on ICA stationery from Fred Barge DC to Willoughby indicating non-availability to testify, dated 1989 (Aug 30):

Dear Mr. Willoughby:

I am in receipt of your letter in regards to the National Chiropractic Mutual Ins. Co./Ferrari case. I'm afraid counselor, that my hectic schedule will not permit me to become involved. My writing, lecturing, practicing, clinical management and now I.C.A. presidential duties, have exhausted any time that I might have for such matters.

The proof that Dr. Ferrari's methods are unorthodox would best come from an examination of the curriculums of the chiropractic colleges. His methods simply are not taught by any one other than his own people.

I trust you understand that my schedule simply prevents my involvement.

Sincerely,...

cc: Mr. Ron Hendrickson

-attached is letter from Willouby, dated 1981 (Aug 21), to Fred Barge DC requesting his assistance in Corwin/Ferrari case against NCMIC; notes Jerilyn Kaibel DC, past president of CCA, has agreed to cooperate

1991 (Mar 29): Fred Barge, D.C. is acting president of Life Chiropractic College West, sends letter to J.C. Keating

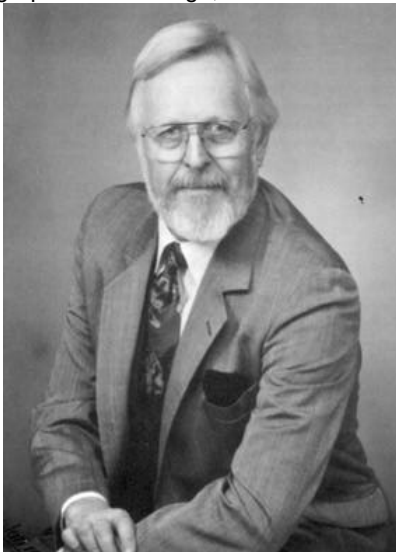
1991 (June 18): Fred Barge, D.C. is acting president of Life Chiropractic College West, sends letter to J.C. Keating

1991 (June 24): Fred Barge, D.C. is acting president of Life Chiropractic College West, sends letter to J.C. Keating

1991 (July 8): Fred Barge, D.C. is acting president of Life Chiropractic College West, sends letter to J.C. Keating

1991 (July 15): Fred Barge, D.C. is acting president of Life Chiropractic College West, sends letter to J.C. Keating

1994: photograph of Fred Barge, D.C.:



(L-R) ACA President Kurt Hegetschweiler, D.C. and ICA Past President Fred Barge, D.C. stand on the site of the first chiropractic adjustment, at the corner of Second and Brady streets, during a commemorative ceremony.

PHOTOGRAPH

1995 (Mar/Apr): **Today's Chiropractic** includes:

- William C. Anderson, D.O., president of the American Osteopathic Association, authors "Taking issue with Dr. Barge" (pp. 12-4)
- Fred Barge, D.C. replies to William C. Anderson, D.O. (pp. 14, 16)

1995 (May 25): memo from Lou Sportelli, D.C. to ACA Board; includes:

Interesting to note several articles in the May/June issue of Today's Chiropractic. There was a reply to an article written by Fred Barge who wrote about the osteopathic profession and portrayed it in an undesirable light. He was challenged by William Anderson, D.O., who attempted to set the record straight about D.O.'s

What was interesting was Fred Barge's reply which attempted to justify his comments by using words of the founder of osteopathy, Dr. A.T. Still, from 1874 and then again from writings of 1903. The mentality that "nothing can change from the original version." William Anderson on the other hand begins by stating: "As medicine and technology evolve, so too do our methods of care." He goes on to point out the various highly prestigious positions enjoyed by members of the osteopathic profession, from Murray Goldstein, Director of National Institute of Neurological Diseases and Stroke, to Major General Ronald Blanck, highest ranking osteopathic physician in the armed services and commander of the nation's largest military hospital, Walter Reed.

1995 (Nov): **Journal of the ACA** [32(11)] includes:

- photograph & caption (p.):



Title page from Barge (1996)

PHOTOGRAPH



Fred H. Barge, D.C., Ph.C., circa 2000

2002 (May 15): letter from Fred Barge, D.C. on Palmer College stationery (in my Barge file):

Dear Joe,

Yes my friend I spent some nine months at Logan Basic College of Chiropractic in 1955. My father, dissatisfied with my education at Palmer (not philosophy but technic) insisted that I have a Logan Post Grad. I was given academic credit for seven months postgraduate work in Logan Basic Method.

My father took H.B.'s work, I am not sure when but I think after his stroke. He utilized Logan Basic with his one good hand. I too always used Basic in my practice. With Dad, as a young man, I attended the IBTRI conventions, often held in Stevenspoint, Wisconsin. Both Dad and I had numerous spinal correction trophies.

So I knew Vinton, Casey, Coggins, and Montgomery as a boy and they were my teachers in 1955. There were two presenters in chiropractic philosophy (other than BJ) that I truly was impressed by; they were Logan and Napolitano. Later I came to appreciate Janse. The dramatic, dynamic presentations of Vinton Logan remain stamped into my recall even today.

I have enclosed some stuff from my archives, when you are through with it simply send it back as soon as you can. I'm impressed by your Barge file – yes perhaps when time permits, I'll collaborate with you. I have often "Thot" about an autobiography.

Sincerely,...

Fred H. Barge, D.C., Ph.C.
Professor of Philosophy
Special Advisor to the President

2003 (July 2): e-mail forwarded from Claire D. Johnson, D.C., M.S.:

From: Palmer Communications

To: PCCF All Employees; PCCW All Employees; Palmer Communications

Sent: 7/2/2003 9:42 PM

Subject: Fred Barge, D.C., Ph.C.: 1933-2003

One of the grand old men of the chiropractic profession, Fred H. Barge, D.C., Ph.C., passed away at approximately 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 2, 2003, from a massive heart attack, according to his wife, Audrey.

A 1954 graduate of Palmer School of Chiropractic and a lifelong chiropractic enthusiast, practitioner, writer and lecturer, Dr. Barge was a professor of philosophy at Palmer College and a special assistant to Chancellor Guy F. Riekeman, D.C. Over the past several years, he had been deeply involved in reinstilling the Palmer spirit on the walls and grounds of the Palmer campuses.

2003 (July 2): forwarded from Claire D. Johnson, D.C., M.S.:

From: Rob Sinnott, D.C., L.C.P. (Hon)

To: JOHNSON_C@palmer.edu

Sent: 7/2/2003 5:20 PM

Subject: Dr. F. H. Barge passes . . .

All,

It is with a shaky hand and heavy heart that I inform you that Dr. Fred Barge passed away this morning at his home in LaCrosse, WI. He is the last of the true Chiropractic Philosophers. Dr. Barge had mastered not only the philosophy, but the art and science as well. His inspiration, energy and friendship will be sorely missed.

This is a sad day for Chiropractic. His spirit lives in his many efforts realized. Not only the Philosophy Colloquium and Diplomate, Pediatric and Philosophy Councils, and his volumes of writings, but in the beauty of the gardens he created and loved at his home, Palmer College. His spirit, like those who mentored him, lives within the mortar of Palmer's walls.

I will forward information as it becomes available. I can be reached through this email address.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Barge family at his most tragic time.

With great sadness, RJS

2003 (July 3): e-mail forwarded by Glenda Wiese, M.A.:

From: Palmer Communications

Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2003 1:38 PM

To: Palmer Communications; PCCF All Employees; PCCW All Employees

Subject: In Memoriam: Dr. Fred Barge

Fred H. Barge, D.C., Ph.C., passed away on Wednesday, July 2, 2003, in La Crosse, Wis. A renowned chiropractic philosopher, lecturer, inventor and prolific writer, he was 70 years old. He was one of 19 chiropractors in his extended family. He was founder and president of Barge Chiropractic Publishing in La Crosse.

Chairman of the Palmer Chiropractic University System Board of Trustees Vickie Palmer said, "We have lost a great friend and a legendary presence at Palmer. My father, Dr. David Palmer, valued his friendship with Dr. Barge very much. I am glad we have the wonderful displays of artifacts and epigrams he recently helped

assemble on the three Palmer campuses as a reminder of his love for Palmer College and Palmer history. His energy and great love for Palmer were boundless. No doubt he is now enjoying conversations with the other great chiropractic philosophers who preceded him in heaven."

At the request of the Board of Trustees and Chancellor Guy Riekeman, D.C., the Palmer flag on campus was flown at half-mast. The Board also sent a floral tribute in memory of Dr. Barge to be displayed in the Palmer Hall of Philosophers in West Hall.

Dr. Barge was born on Jan. 13, 1933. In 1957, he married Audrey Thompson. He graduated from Palmer School of Chiropractic in 1954 and did postgraduate work at Logan Chiropractic College. He interned with Drs. B.J. Palmer, Clarence Gonstead and Henry Barge, then established a long-term chiropractic practice in La Crosse, Wis., in 1957.

In 1962 he was hired as a continuing education faculty member at The Fountainhead and became a visiting professor in the Division of Chiropractic Sciences in 1989. In 1998, he joined the Philosophy Department at Palmer and became a special adviser to the President's Office. He also had visiting faculty status at New York Chiropractic College, Life Chiropractic College West, Logan Chiropractic College and Life University. He was a guest lecturer at the University of Wisconsin - La Crosse for 15 years.

A distinguished presenter and lecturer throughout his career, he spoke on chiropractic philosophy and subluxation theory at symposia and seminars all across the United States. His papers were published by the ICA Review and other chiropractic organizations and widely distributed at many chiropractic colleges. His nine books included *Wryneck* (1998), *Giant vs. Pygmy + Thots* (1994), *Scoliosis* (1981), *Torticollis* (1979) and *Tortipelvis* (1976).

His inventions included the Barge Tortipelvis Bench, a line of cervical technique chairs, a cervical adjustment pillow and vertical film filing cabinets. He held patents on two devices, a reclining radiographic table and a full-spine adjusting apparatus.

He was a past president and current vice president of the International Chiropractors Association (ICA), served on the editorial board of *The American Chiropractor* and chaired the editorial board of *Palmer's Streams From The Fountainhead* and ICA's *The Chiropractic Choice*. He was a featured columnist in *Dynamic Chiropractic*, *Today's Chiropractic*, *The Beacon* and the *ICA Review*. He was on the national advisory board of the National Back Foundation, Inc. He was active in the Palmer College of Chiropractic International Alumni Association, serving as the Wisconsin alumni president in 1967 and as the association president from 1972 to 1974. He served as a Palmer College trustee from 1973 to 1982 and was also a founding member of the Palmer College of Chiropractic West Board of Trustees. In 1991 he was named a director of the campaign board for the Republican National Committee.

His vast awards included a Lifetime Achievement Award from the World Chiropractic Alliance (WCA), a Lifetime Service Award from the ICA, ICA Chiropractor of the Year (1991), a Dedicated Service Award from the Illinois Prairie State Chiropractic Association, a Special Recognition Award from the Wisconsin Chiropractic Association, a Fellowship in the Palmer Academy of Chiropractic (1986) and the Daniel David Palmer Chiropractic Scientific Award (1977). He was the PCCIAA Alumnus of the Year in 1986. The Palmer student body voted him Faculty of the

Year in 2000. In March the PCCIAA gave him its 2003 Faculty Achievement Award.

David B. Koch, D.C., Palmer's vice president for Professional and International Affairs, got to know Dr. Barge over the last two years as they worked together at Palmer. Reflecting on their time together, Dr. Koch said, "Fred was such an inspiration to me. He personified the quintessential chiropractic qualities of faith in the body's power to create and heal itself, optimism and positivity as the greatest mental tools for living, deep respect for the values and principles of chiropractic's founders and a lifelong passion for exploring how these values translate into excellent patient care. As he worked with tireless energy on Palmer's LCP program, and the ICA's new Diplomate in Philosophic Chiropractic Standards, I got to watch a man for whom retirement was not an option. Why would he retire from doing the things he so loved to do? Fred embraced life to the fullest, and knew that this is what chiropractic is truly about; living your own life on your own terms. The best way we can honor his life is to carry on with his work, which is truly our own work, of bringing chiropractic to the whole world."

Survivors include his wife and two daughters, Sally Barge Rusak, C.T., and Patricia Barge Berkley, D.C., as well as 10 grandchildren. Another daughter, Amy Barge, preceded him in death.

A private burial ceremony will be conducted in Wisconsin. Details about a memorial service at Palmer College will be released later. A memorial fund has been established by Dr. Barge's family through the Palmer Development Office in Davenport. Memorials may also be made to the ICA.

Dr. Barge's obituary is expected to appear in the Friday edition of the La Crosse Tribune at the following Web site:

<http://www.lacrossetribune.com/obituaries>

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