

DICKINSON COUNTY HISTORY – HOSPITALS – DOCTORS, NURSES, DENTISTS, OPTOMETRISTS, VETERINARIANS

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The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 7 [Thursday, May 9, 1889], page 1, column 4

A Sad Experience.

The family of Louis Young, of Calumet village, has, in the last few months, passed through a sad experience. In December they lost a daughter twenty-one years of age, and before they had time to recover from this blow, the pet of the household, a daughter of three, passed away. In a few weeks news came from the Phoenix that a son who had been working there was sick. They brought him home, where he remained but a few days before they followed him to his last resting-place [*sic – resting place*]. On Thursday last they buried an infant child. The family was not in affluent circumstances, and to make matters worse the father, the greater part of the time, was out of employment. The kind neighbors, to show their respect and sympathy, have, for the relief of the family, contributed money and other necessaries. – Hancock Journal.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 29 [Thursday, December 8, 1904], page 1, column 3

Will Treat Deformed Children.

Any child of Michigan birth that is born deformed is entitled to free treatment at the hospital in connection with the medical department of the University of Michigan, provided the application is accompanied by a doctor's certificate that he was present at the child's birth, that the child was born

deformed, and that in his judgment it can be helped by treatment; and further provided that the mayor of the city, the president of the village, or the supervisor of the township from which the application comes will order the child cared for at the hospital.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 2 [Thursday, June 2, 1910], page 1, column 2

Small-Pox [*sic*] Elsewhere.

The Florence [*Mining*] News finally concedes that there is an epidemic of small-pox [*sic – smallpox*] in that town. The News tells that fifteen homes have been quarantined and the people in general have been vaccinated. However, the schools have not been closed, and the chances are that many more cases will develop. The disease is in a mild form as yet. Several cases have developed at Commonwealth, others at Crystal Falls and at Pembine an epidemic is reported. It is said that all the cases are due to the endeavor of Florence people to suppress the news regarding the epidemic at that place.

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Small-Pox [*sic*] Cases.

There are three mild cases of small-pox [*sic – smallpox*] in the city. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. LaDuc, on River avenue, there are two cases – a little girl and boy who came here from Florence, and the third victim is the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

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J. Bonen, on Cedar avenue. The homes have been closely quarantined and every precaution has been taken to prevent the disease from spreading to other homes. The advent of the disease in Iron Mountain is directly chargeable to the negligence of the authorities at Florence, where information regarding an epidemic was carefully suppressed.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 12 [Thursday, August 11, 1910], page 1, column 3

Contagious Disease Bills.

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Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 12 [Thursday, August 11, 1910], page 1, column 3

A Rat Story.

The Iron Mountain Water Works company has been unloading a consignment of 1,500 tons of coal this week. Supt. Croll says that more than a

thousand large wharf rats were received in the consignment. Ben Nowatski, who bosses the job of loading, declares that some of the rats were as large as cats. In a consignment of coal received at the pumping station direct from the Pennsylvania mines, several hundred snakes were received. The snakes were all sizes and breeds.

IRON MOUNTAIN HOSPITALS

CHAPIN HOSPITAL 402 Second Street

Shortly after Iron Mountain was founded, the owners of the Chapin Mine hired Dr. John D. Cameron, the first physician in the city [*sic*], who arrived early in 1882 to care for the employees of the Chapin Mine and their families. The miners had \$1 deducted from their monthly pay for medical care which covered all medicines and doctor's fees. Dr. Cameron, a tall man with sandy-colored hair and a red moustache, was a graduate of McGill College in Montreal, Canada. He was joined in November of 1882 by Dr. J. Addison Crowell. These two doctors had approximately 300 miners under their care when they began practice, but this number reached 3,400 in 1890.

In that same year, the Chapin Hospital, which was in effect more of an office than a hospital, was built at the northeast end of the present Chapin Pit where Park Avenue turns towards the North Side. Allen Hopper was the orderly, or male nurse, assigned to the hospital, and also took care of the mine's horses.

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A typical day for the doctors at the Chapin Hospital consisted of house calls first thing in the morning, morning office hours, afternoon office hours, house calls again in the late afternoon and night office hours.

When the doctors were called at night, they threw on a suit over their nightshirt and wrapped a handkerchief around their neck for a collar. They walked to their destination, as they could not take the time to hitch up a horse and buggy or sleigh.

It should be noted that during this era, doctors addressed each other by their titles and last names and seldom reached a first name basis.

Born in Rahway, New Jersey, on September 28, 1853, to Dutch and English parents, Dr. Crowell entered the New Haven Military Academy at the age of 12. Later he went to Rutgers in Vermont, and was graduated in 1872. He went to England for a while in 1877, and then, in 1879, he attended the University of New York, where he received a chemistry degree in 1880.

Dr. Crowell first practiced in Stephenson, Michigan. Concerned with his appearance, he dressed stylishly and always had a flower in his lapel. His hair was black and he always wore a beard because he felt patients had more trust in an older doctor, and he believed the beard made him appear older. His patients felt that they could confide in him, as well as consulting him regarding their medical problems.

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Drs. Cameron and Crowell later dissolved their partnership. Dr. Crowell established an office in the rear portion of Seibert's Drugstore, his office door opening onto Hughitt Street. He took Drs. G.B.

Belhumeur and Leslie Coffin into partnership.

Dr. Crowell was also a physician for both the Chicago and Northwestern and the Milwaukee St. Paul and Pacific Railroads. He sometimes used the front parlor of his home as a consulting room, and maintained a large supply of drugs for his patients there. His home had one of the first three telephones in town. The other two were located at the Chapin Mine superintendent's home and the mine's captain's home, and were interconnected.

Dr. Crowell slowed down in later life, but never completely retired. He enjoyed fishing early in the morning, and would sometimes go after he had been out on a case all night. His office hours were restricted somewhat during his last few years, but he was frequently sought as a consultant.

He continued visiting his office daily until a few months prior to his death. He had just recovered from an illness, when, on the morning of October 14, 1938, he fell through a trapdoor in the floor of the Chamber of Commerce building. The door had been left open to allow heat from the basement to rise. Chairs had been put around the door, but Dr. Crowell failed to notice, and moved one of the chairs aside so he could pass. He died eight days later from injuries suffered from his fall. He was 85 years old at the time of his death, and had been a physician for 57 years.

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Replacing Drs. Cameron and Crowell at the Chapin Hospital were Dr. William J. Carpenter, physician and surgeon, who came from Ishpeming, Michigan, and also maintained an office in his home, and Dr. Arthur Gillam, assistant physician.

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The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 2 [Thursday, April 4, 1889], page 1, column 5

Made a Bad Break.

Peter Lucia was in “Uncle Dick’s” saloon on Tuesday. He mixed himself up in some game of cards, and he claims that a big fellow threw him down and broke his arm. The landlord, however, swears that Peter fell down and received his injuries, and as nobody seems to know clearly who was the liar, Justice Bergeron did the best thing he could – that is, sent Peter to the Chapin hospital.

The Iron Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XIII, Number 27 [Thursday, September 24, 1891], page 1, column 5

DRS. CAMERON and Crowell were notified by Supt. Cady last Friday that their services would not be required at the Chapin mine after this month, as he desired to have physicians who would devote their time exclusively to the needs of the men employed at that mine, and the position was offered to Dr. Carpenter, of Stambaugh. In view of the change so soon to be made in the superintendency it is a matter of some doubt whether the change in mine physicians will be effected. Drs. Cameron and Crowell are skillful and successful physicians and are moreover universally liked by the men they are called to attend. Were the matter left to the employes [*sic* – *employees*] of the mine, doubtless 90 per cent. [*sic*] of them would

vote to retain the above mentioned gentlemen, who have attended the sick at the Chapin location for the past ten years. But THE RANGE can assure the readers that Dr. Carpenter is no less skillful and popular than the men he displaces. He is a man who unquestionably stands at the head of his profession, and if he comes here will give entire satisfaction.

THE PEST HOUSE

**Behind the Southwest Corner of the
Cemetery Near the Railroad Tracks**

West Hughitt Street

At this time [1893], there was a building known as the pest house or the smallpox house, located behind the southwest corner of the cemetery near the railroad tracks. The small, one-story, dilapidated building was used to house lumbermen, miners and others who had contracted diphtheria, scarlet fever and smallpox during the time of the great epidemics. A male nurse was in charge, and more often than not the patient died, as vaccines to counteract these diseases had not been discovered. Those people who stayed at home while suffering from one of these diseases had their houses placed under quarantine by the county health inspector. A placard was affixed to the house, warning passersby that nobody was allowed to leave or enter. Persons dying from these contagious diseases were buried as soon as possible to avoid further spread of the disease.

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Number 29 [Thursday, December 13, 1900], page 3, column 1

BRIEF CITY NEWSITES.

A five-room dwelling on West Hughitt street has been fitted up as a pest house for the accommodation of patients suffering from contagious diseases. It has been comfortably furnished. There is no small-pox *[sic – smallpox]* as yet, but officials of the city believe that it is wise to be prepared for any possible development of the disease.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 5, Number 30 [Thursday, December 20, 1900], page 8, column 4

BRIEF CITY NEWSITES.

The public are *[sic – is]* being given another opportunity to avail themselves of vaccination at the city's expense this week, the council room being open for that purpose every day. Comparatively few people took advantage of the generosity of the city last week, and it was thought best to leave the offer open a while *[sic – awhile]* longer.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 11 [Thursday, August 4, 1910], page 1, column 4

In Detention Hospital.

Poor Jimmy Oliver, a noted character about town, was taken to the detention

hospital last Saturday with a repulsive disease which Dr. Newkirk has diagnosed as small-pox *[sic – smallpox]*. Last Tuesday morning at an early hour, while the watchman was asleep, Jimmy made his escape through a window. He was captured by Sanitary Officer Brockington a few hours later near the northern limits of the city and returned to the detention hospital. Poor Jimmy appears to be in a demented condition. His poor body is a mass of sores and his general condition while most pitiful is not deemed critical. Jimmy Oliver never harmed anyone but himself and in his present condition he is a fit subject for sympathy.

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PEWABIC HOSPITAL
837 East B Street
Iron Mountain

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This photograph of the Pewabic Hospital and residence of Dr. James Ashley Bangs was taken in about 1893-1900. [Menominee Range Historical Museum]

The Pewabic Mine built its hospital in 1893 at 837 East "B" Street. The Pewabic Hospital was a large two-story building, with the entrance at the east side. This led to a hallway with a room on either side, the room on the northeast serving as an office, and the other room containing several beds for patients.

Dr. James Ashley Bangs was in charge, and the west side of the hospital contained his living quarters. He was born on November 14, 1855, in Sweden, Maine, where his father farmed. Dr. Bangs first attended teaching school, and then entered the medical department of the University of Vermont at Burlington, where he was graduated in June, 1884.

He first practiced for the sick and mentally insane. Dr. Bangs later practiced in Ironwood, coming to Iron Mountain in April of 1893. He married Bessie Wood, a widow with two daughters. Four years later they had a son, William Ashley. Dr. Bangs died in 1915.

[Born From Iron, pp. 63-64; photograph of this hospital on p. 62]

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 6 [Thursday, May 11, 1893], page 1, column 3

A Hospital Building.

N.B. Parmelee & Son are preparing the plans for a large hospital building which Dr. Bangs, the new physician at the Pewabic mine, will at once erect on East B street. The building will cost about \$3,000, and will be heated with steam.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 7 [Thursday, May 18, 1893], page 8, column 4

The Pewabic company will have no interest in the new hospital. Dr. Bangs foots all the bills and it will be erected on lots recently purchased by him.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 11 [Thursday, June 15, 1893], page 8, column 2

Parmelee & Son have finished work on the new Pewabic hospital on B street.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 15 [Thursday, July 15, 1893], page 8, column 2

J. Gustafson fell from a scaffolding last Thursday, while at work on Dr. Bang's [sic – Bangs] hospital on East B street, and injured his ankle so severely that he was found necessary to amputate his leg below the knee.

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The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 17 [Thursday, July 27, 1893], page 1, column 5

Nearing Completion.

Dr. Bangs' new hospital on East B street is rapidly nearing completion, and will be ready for patients early in August. It is one of the most convenient and best arranged hospitals in the upper peninsula.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 19 [Thursday, August 10, 1893], page 8, column 1

Dr. Bangs expects to take possession of his new hospital September 1st.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 22 [Thursday, September 2, 1893], page 8, column 1

Dr. Bangs moved into the new Pewabic hospital yesterday.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XV, Number 22 [Thursday, September 2, 1893], page 8, column 4

Mrs. J.A. Bangs arrived in Ironwood Thursday from Iron Mountain. She is here to look after the shipping of some household goods. Mrs. Bangs will return to Iron Mountain next week accompanied by her children and parents. – Ironwood News-Record.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 5, Number 11 [Thursday, August 2, 1900], page 1, column 3

A New Physician.

Dr. Hurlbut has arrived from Chicago to accept the position of assistant to Dr. J.A. Bangs at the Pewabic hospital. Dr. B. has been in poor health for some time and contemplates taking an extended vacation, spending several months with relatives in eastern states. D. Hurlbut comes to his new position with the best of recommendations.

ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL Merritt Avenue near Fleshiem Street North End of Merritt Avenue



This photograph, taken between about 1915 and 1920, shows St. George's Hospital, built in 1889 by Dr. John D. Cameron and Dr. Joseph Addison Crowell. *[Menominee Range Historical Museum]*

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This photograph, taken between about 1915 and 1920, show St. George's Hospital, built in 1889 by Dr. John D. Cameron and Dr. Joseph Addison Crowell. [Menominee Range Historical Museum]

In 1889, Drs. Cameron and Crowell built and equipped the St. George's Hospital, named in honor of the patron saint of the Cornish, who comprised a large segment of the city's population. Located on Merritt Avenue near Fleshiem Street close to the site of the present Chippewa Club, the hospital was first built to accommodate ten patients. In 1891 it had room for 15 beds and nurses' quarters. Drs. Hutchinson and Krohn were employed as assistants.

In 1892 or 1893, a trained nurse from Cook County Hospital in Chicago, Miss Mary Beer, came to Iron Mountain to nurse at St. George's Hospital. A buxom, short, heavy-set woman, Miss Beer became matron, and later superintendent of the hospital. She taught nursing to Miss Annie Murphy and Miss Dora Alexander, who also worked in the hospital.

Miss Beer is remembered as somewhat of a character. Although she was strict, the miners still liked her, and asked for her whenever they needed a nurse. She later became a school nurse, checking students for lice, and giving them baths at the Chapin Dry.

[Born From Iron, p. 61, submitted by Lowell D. Swanson; photograph of the operating room of this hospital with Nurses Mary Beer and Annie Murphy anesthetizing a patient on p. 62]

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 21 [Thursday, August 15, 1889], page 1, column 2

New Hospital.

Drs. Cameron & Crowell are building a hospital on the southeast corner of the Ludington mine location, for the accommodation of miners working outside of the Chapin mine. It will accommodate 10 patients and will be completed as quickly as possible.

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 23 [Thursday, August 29, 1889], page 1, column 1

THE hospital which has been built by Drs. Cameron & Crowell, received its first coat of paint yesterday.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XVIII, Number 35 [Saturday, December 19, 1896], page 6, column 3

OUR CITY'S SICK.

The Two Hospitals are Doing a Rushing Business of Which Both are Fully Deserving.

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ST. GEORGE'S IS ENLARGED.

**Upper Floor Divided into Private
Wards. New Operating Room.
Patients are Doing Nicely. Af-
fairs at the Emergency. Supt.
Cruse Kept Busy. Several
Patients Have Been
Discharged. New
Baby is Cute and
Good Natured.**

(From Tuesday's Daily)

Iron Mountain can boast of two public hospitals that are now as properly conducted and completely equipped as any institution of their kind in the state of Michigan. This is a clear perception of facts not only known in this city but throughout the upper peninsula and has been clearly demonstrated by the number of inquiries from other cities received by Supt.'s Cameron and Cruse. The increased number of patients brought to Iron Mountain for treatment during the past four months has necessitated a number of improvements at the St. George Hospital. Through the kindness of Steward Chas. Griggs a Tribune reporter was yesterday conducted through this institution, which is now a model of perfection. The upper floor of the building has been entirely renovated and divided into private wards, with the exception of one room, which is used as an operating room. Every convenience necessary for the performance of the most difficult operation can be found in this apartment.

The private rooms are neatly and comfortably furnished and under the direction of the matron, Mrs. Griggs, they present a cheerful and home-like

appearance. The large ward on the lower floor is to be repainted and papered as soon as the patients confined there now can be moved to the new wards. When this is completed the St. George Hospital will, like the Emergency, compare favorably with any of the larger hospitals in the city of Detroit. At present there are two female patients at the St. George and another lady made an application for admission today. John Anderson, who was sent there from Palmer's camp at Randville suffering from blood poison, is rapidly improving and in a few days will be discharged as cured.

Frank Murrill[,] who has been suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia[,] left the Hospital Monday. This afternoon Dr. Cameron performed a delicate operation for Mr. H.V. Blackney[,] who has been suffering from tonsillitis. The palate was removed, which gave the patient instant relief.

AT THE EMERGENCY.

When the reporter called at the Emergency hospital the Supt., Dr. S. Edwin Cruse[,] was, [sic – was] tenderly winding a plaster paris [sic – plaster of Paris] caste [cast] on the broken limb of John W. Carlson, the young man who was so severely injured recently at the Quinnesec logging [sic – Logging] Company's camp. Mr. Carlson appeared to be in the best of spirits and the doctor stated that the patient would be able to sue his limb by another month.

Wentlent, the victim of the exciting runaway which occurred two weeks ago, was lounging about the reception room experiencing no pain from the serious injuries inflicted during that awful ride. Walter Reimer, whose thumb was recently amputated, is again at work and Joseph Ashenbrenner, who had the misfortune Thanksgiving night to break the small bone

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of his right leg, will resume his position in the brewery by Christmas.

The mysterious young woman who came in from the north and gave birth to a girl baby, [sic – baby] is rapidly improving and takes great comfort with the beautiful little baby for whom she displays the fondest affection. The nurse brought into the doctor's office a bundle of innocence and a more cute [sic – cuter] or healthier child does not exist. Two well known [sic – well-known] ladies have applied to Dr. Cruse for the adoption of the child, but the mother does not seem disposed to part with her treasure.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 5, Number 11 [Thursday, August 2, 1900], page 1, column 5

Difficult Operation.

At St. George's hospital, on Sunday last, an operation for cancer of the bowels was performed on Mrs. Mary Jackson, mother of Mrs. Alfred Cruse, by Dr. J.A. Crowell, assisted by a number of local physicians. The operation was a success in every particular. Mrs. Jackson is over seventy years of age, but she withstood the operation splendidly and is now on the high road to complete recovery.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 37 [Thursday, February 2, 1905], page 8, column 4

St. George's Hospital is being equipped with a gas-heating plant.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 21 [Thursday, October 13, 1910], page 1, column 1

In Precarious Condition.

Andrew Willis, the teamster who was received at St. George's Hospital from Randville in an unconscious condition a week ago last Tuesday, is still in a very precarious condition. He is unconscious nearly all the time and is unable to take nourishment. The physicians are of the opinion that, unless there is a decided change for the better soon, he will not recover. Willis is suffering from what might be termed a "jarred brain." There are no fractures in evidence and no internal injuries apparent. As was noted in *The Press*, Willis was thrown head foremost against a stump in a runaway accident near Randville. Nothing can be learned regarding his relatives or place of residence.

The Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 3, Number 212 [Tuesday, December 18, 1923], page 8, columns 1-3

NAME TRUSTEES OF GENERAL HOSPITAL

M.J. Fox President of Or- ganization That Took Over Westerlin

Membership of the board of trustees of the Iron Mountain General hospital,

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formerly the Westerlin, was announced today by John Ryan, secretary. Organization of the new governing body of the institution, which was taken over from the Westerlin hospital corporation, has been completed, it was declared, and plans are now being made for financing the purchase.

The president of the new organization is M.J. Fox, manager of the von Platen-Fox company. J.M. Garvey is first vice president, R.V. Dudley, second vice president, Mr. Ryan, secretary, and F.J. Oliver, treasurer. In addition to these men the board of trustees includes Wells Hallenbeck, John Daprato, E.F. Brown, C.H. Baxter, O.C. Davidson, C.D. Symonds, F.C. Cole, Andrew Bjorkman, T.W. Gander, R. Bruce Arnold, Cleo Meilleur, W.J. Cudlip, R.T. Miller, William Kelly, W.W. Thompson and Raymond Turner.

Crowell Withdraws.

Under the terms of the agreement entered into when the hospital was purchased for a price said to be \$45,000 no member of the medical profession may be on the board or have any official connection with the direction of the institutions affairs. The hospital was taken over by Dr. J.A. Crowell, of the Crowell, Belhumeur and Coffin Ford clinic, who took charge of the organization work but has withdrawn entirely now that it is completed.

"The hospital will be non-sectarian and open to any accredited surgeon or physician," Mr. Ryan declared. "It will not be restricted to use to any individual, group or organization. A doctor may bring any patient of his to the hospital providing it is not already filled and unable to care for more."

Questioned regarding the reported proposal to build an addition to the hospital

in the spring, Mr. Ryan declared that such plans as had been made were purely tentative. The several committees that will be in charge of various branches of the hospital organization have not yet been appointed, he declared. While some plans are being considered for enlarging the building principal attention is being paid at this time to making arrangements for financing the purchase, instalments [*sic – installments*] of which, it is understood, are to be paid every three months. A drive for funds is being considered.

St. George Closed Definitely.

St. George hospital, owned by the Oliver Iron Mining company and operated under lease, will remain closed permanently unless an emergency arises and it is necessary to make use of the building temporarily. All attention will be concentrated now on establishing the General hospital organization on a firm basis.

The Westerlin hospital was closed a year ago by Dr. W.J. Anderson, who controlled the majority stock in the corporation and was directing head of the institution. The hospital, it was said, could be operated on a profitable basis if money had been received for the number of charity cases that were handled. As it was, however, practically no support was received from the public and coupled with the large amount of free hospitalization resulted in an annual deficit. The building remained closed until a short time ago, when it was re-opened after the present organization had reached the stage where it could take this step.

EMERGENCY HOSPITAL
Former Lake Antoine Hotel
Vulcan Street

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The Lake Antoine Hotel is to be converted into a hospital.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XVIII, Number 20 [Saturday, September 5, 1896], page 1, column 4

A NEW ENTERPRISE.

Iron Mountain Will Have Another Hospital That Will be Complete in Every Particular.

BIG CAPITAL BACK OF IT.

Dr. Edwin Cruse will Manage the Enterprise. Lake Antoine Hotel to be Remodeled. Three Thousand Dollars to be Expended in Fitting up the Building.

Arrangements have just been completed whereby Iron Mountain will have another hospital added to its list of institutions for the helpless.

The Lake Antoine hotel building has been purchased and will be remodeled and refitted throughout and placed in condition for the reception of the sick. A steam heating plant will be put in, the walls and partitions torn down and in fact the whole interior of the building will be thoroughly

repaired and remodeled after the plans of a well known Milwaukee hospital. The upper floor will contain ten private rooms and two large wards, the main floor will contain the business office, library, operating room, dining room and the sleeping rooms for attendants and nurses.

Dr. Edwin Cruse, of this city, will be the superintendent and general manager, and the leading physicians of the city will be the staff of physicians. A staff of trained nurses and attendants will also be employed and in fact everything about the institution will have that air of perfect completeness that mark the leading hospitals of the country.

There is ample capital back of the scheme to make the new enterprise a decided success, and as the promoters intend to expend about \$3000 in furnishing the institution it is quite evident that they intend to push it with that end in view.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 16 [Thursday, September 10, 1896], page 1, column 4

A HOSPITAL FOR WOODSMEN

Dr. Cruse Has Purchased the Lake Antoine Hotel for Hospital Purposes

A deal was concluded yesterday whereby Dr. S. Edwin Cruse becomes the owner of the Lake Antoine Hotel property on Vulcan street, and contracts will be let at once for the converting of the same into a first-class hospital.

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While Iron Mountain already has three hospitals, none of them are accessible to woodsmen, and it is to this class that Dr. Cruse proposes to cater. That there is a field here for such an institution there can be no question. Each winter several thousand men are employed in the woods in this district, and serious accidents are of almost daily occurrence [sic – occurrence]. When one of the men are [sic – is] injured it is necessary to transport them [sic – him] in a cold baggage car to Menominee or Marinette for treatment. This trip has undoubtedly cost many a poor man his life – certainly many hours of needless suffering.

The hardy woodsman is certain to hail the establishment of a hospital at this point with delight, and the institution will undoubtedly prove a paying investment from the start. The hospital will be thoroughly equipped for the comfort of patients, and will be conducted on broad-gauged principles. Tickets entitled *sic – entitling* the holder to [sic – a; one] year's treatment, including medicines, will be placed on sale at a reasonable consideration.

The hotel is admirably adapted for the purpose intended, but Dr. Cruse will install a steam heating plant and make other improvements that will contribute to the comfort of his patients.

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Open Next Week.

It is now expected that the new Emergency Hospital will be ready to receive patients early next week. The hospital has no superior in the upper country as far as appointments are concerned and the wise woodsman will not neglect providing himself with a ticket, thus insuring excellent medical attendance and keeping in case he meets with an accident or is taken ill. Robert Hall, the popular lumberman, will soon visit the camps in the interest of the institution, and he will no doubt dispose of a large number of certificates.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XVIII, Number 26 [Saturday, October 17, 1896], page 6, column 5

THE NEW HOSPITAL.

**Lake Antoine Hotel is Almost Ready
For the Reception of the Sick.**

TO BE A MODEL INSTITUTION.

**Dr. S. Edwin Cruse Will Be Its Super-
intendent. Any Physician will
be Permitted to take Their Pa-
tients There for Treatment.
Benefits will be Paid to
the Afflicted and all
will Receive the
Best Treatment.**

(From Wednesday's Daily)

On Monday, October 25, the Emergency hospital will be opened to the public. This is an institution that a number of prominent

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moneyed men deemed necessary for the best interests of our city and believed it would be a profitable investment for the large sum of money now being expended in refitting the building, now known as the Lake Antoine Hotel.

The edifice is situated on the north end of Vulcan street, isolated from the hum and turmoil of the busy streets. The location is excellently adapted for such an institution and the weak and infirm who are in need of rest and quietude can find no better retreat than the Emergency hospital. No pains or expense are being spared to make this institution one of the foremost in the state, and nothing will be left undone to maintain the reputation that will be gained by reason of its systematic appointments. The building is a large and commodious affair, adapted to the purposes and necessities for which it will be used. The lower floor contains an office and consultation room, a large spacious reading and lounging room, a dining room and kitchen. In addition to this a small room convenient to the office will be used for the storage of drugs and medicines. A number of sleeping rooms are also located on the lower floor which will be used by the employes *[sic – employees]*. On the second floor are located the private rooms and wards, containing in all five comfortable and pleasant private rooms and two wards. In addition to the these *[sic – these the]* upper floor will contain a handsomely furnished sitting room and parlor connected by an arch. Back of these is the bath room and closet which has every modern improvement. When furnished the interior will present a picture of palacial comfort. Dr. S. Cruse has been selected as the superintendent and will devote his entire time to the management of the institution. A corps of trained nurses will be engaged to

care for the sick and *[a]* staff of competent physicians will be subject to a call at any time. Any physician will be permitted to treat their own patients without any interference from the management, and those who are brought to the hospital for treatment have the privilege of engaging any doctor they may desire.

The management will sell computation tickets, the prices of which will be \$7.00 and \$10.00. The \$7.00 ticket will be good for one year from the date of its issue, and will entitle the holder to medicine, medical and surgical attendance and board whenever disabled by a sickness or accident, except incurable. All private, contagious *[sic – contagious]* diseases, and insanity, not treated at the hospital, but medicines and medical treatment furnished when required. Patients admitted to the hospital will be kept until pronounced well by the attending physician.

The \$10.00 tickets are precisely the same except that the holder will be entitled to a compensation or *[sic – of]* \$5.00 per week in addition, providing the patient has been disabled by accident. This benefit will be paid for a period not to exceed 52 weeks however.

The hospital will also have an ambulance, which is to be kept at the barn of Fred Gage, where anyone can secure its service.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 23 [Thursday, October 29, 1896], page 1, columns 1-2 [ADVERTISEMENT]

AS GOOD AS A UNITED STATES BOND
is a certificate on the
EMERGENCY HOSPITAL.

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It is Centrally Located, Large and
Commodious, and great care has been
taken to make this place the
**LEADING HOSPITAL OF THE
PENINSULA.**

**Discharged. New
Baby is Cute and
Good Natured.**

(From Tuesday's Daily)

\$10. COST OF CERTIFICATE \$7.

By purchasing a \$7.00 ticket you are entitled to
Board, Medical and Surgical Treatment
For one year, in fifty-three hospitals.
By purchasing a \$10.00 ticket you receive same
benefit as above mentioned and \$5.00 per week
While under treatment for an injury.
Medicine sent free. Trained Nurses.
Constant attendance.

**EMERGENCY HOSPITAL
S. Edwin Cruse, M.D., Manager
Iron Mountain, Michigan**

*The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain,
Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume
XVIII, Number 35 [Saturday, December
19, 1896], page 6, column 3*

OUR CITY'S SICK.

**The Two Hospitals are Doing a Rush-
ing Business of Which Both are
Fully Deserving.**

ST. GEORGE'S IS ENLARGED.

**Upper Floor Divided into Private
Wards. New Operating Room.
Patients are Doing Nicely. Af-
fairs at the Emergency. Supt.
Cruse Kept Busy. Several
Patients Have Been**

Iron Mountain can boast of two public
hospitals that are now as properly
conducted and completely equipped as any
institution of their kind in the state of
Michigan. This is a clear perception of facts
not only known in this city but throughout
the upper peninsula and has been clearly
demonstrated by the number of inquiries
from other cities received by Supt.'s
Cameron and Cruse. The increased
number of patients brought to Iron Mountain
for treatment during the past four months
has necessitated a number of
improvements at the St. George Hospital.
Through the kindness of Steward Chas.
Griggs a Tribune reporter was yesterday
conducted through this institution, which is
now a model of perfection. The upper floor
of the building has been entirely renovated
and divided into private wards, with the
exception of one room, which is used as an
operating room. Every convenience
necessary for the performance of the most
difficult operation can be found in this
apartment.

The private rooms are neatly and
comfortably furnished and under the
direction of the matron, Mrs. Griggs, they
present a cheerful and home-like
appearance. The large ward on the lower
floor is to be repainted and papered as
soon as the patients confined there now
can be moved to the new wards. When this
is completed the St. George Hospital will,
like the Emergency, compare favorably with
any of the larger hospitals in the city of
Detroit. At present there are two female
patients at the St. George and another lady

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made an application for admission today. John Anderson, who was sent there from Palmer's camp at Randville suffering from blood poison, is rapidly improving and in a few days will be discharged as cured.

Frank Murrill[,] who has been suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia[,] left the Hospital Monday. This afternoon Dr. Cameron performed a delicate operation for Mr. H.V. Blackney[,] who has been suffering from tonsillitis. The palate was removed, which gave the patient instant relief.

AT THE EMERGENCY.

When the reporter called at the Emergency hospital the Supt., Dr. S. Edwin Cruse[,] was, [sic – was] tenderly winding a plaster paris [sic – plaster of Paris] caste [cast] on the broken limb of John W. Carlson, the young man who was so severely injured recently at the Quinnesec logging [sic – Logging] Company's camp. Mr. Carlson appeared to be in the best of spirits and the doctor stated that the patient would be able to use his limb by another month.

Wentlent, the victim of the exciting runaway which occurred two weeks ago, was lounging about the reception room experiencing no pain from the serious injuries inflicted during that awful ride. Walter Reimer, whose thumb was recently amputated, is again at work and Joseph Ashenbrenner, who had the misfortune Thanksgiving night to break the small bone of his right leg, will resume his position in the brewery by Christmas.

The mysterious young woman who came in from the north and gave birth to a girl baby, [sic – baby] is rapidly improving and takes great comfort with the beautiful little baby for whom she displays the fondest affection. The nurse brought into the doctor's office a bundle of innocence and a more cute [sic – cuter] or healthier

child does not exist. Two well known ladies have applied to Dr. Cruse for the adoption of the child, but the mother does not seem disposed to part with her treasure.

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HAS BUT ONE ARM NOW

Mary Anderson Loses An Arm by Amputation at the Emergency Hospital

Mary Anderson, the young girl who recently underwent the skin grafting operation at the Emergency Hospital, suffered another operation Wednesday – the amputation of her left arm at the shoulder. This was considered necessary to save the girl's life. The burns on the arm were so deep that it destroyed the circulation, thereby making it impossible for the grafts to grow. Gangrene had set in the little finger and this, it was feared, would result in disaster unless the arm was amputated. The back and breast of the victim's body are healing wonderfully well, and were it not for the scars left where the grafts join it would be impossible to realize that her body had been burned.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 45 [Thursday, March 31, 1898], page 1, column 5

The Emergency Hospital.

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Rev. Father Faust, who was in charge of St. Mary's church a number of years ago, was in the city last Monday and Tuesday. The reverend gentleman is now located in Menominee, and the object of his visit here was to inspect the Emergency hospital property. Father Faust contemplates purchasing the property and should he do so the Sisters will be placed in charge.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 47 [Thursday, April 14, 1898], page 8, column 3

It is now stated that the Sisters of Mercy, of Houghton, are negotiating for the Emergency hospital.

The Daily Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Second Year, Whole No. 550 [Tuesday, April 19, 1898], page 3, column 5

SOLD THE HOSPITAL.

Prominent Menominee Physician Secures Control of the Emergency.

An important transfer of property was made here today, which will identify Menominee capital with the business interests of this city.

Dr. P. O'Keefe, the well known [sic – well-known] physician and surgeon at Menominee, today secured control of the Emergency Hospital in this city. The papers transferring the institution to its new

ownership were signed by Dr. O'Keefe and Lee Fordyce, who is acting for the Detroit National Building & Loan association. All the furniture and equipments [sic – equipment] were purchased by Dr. O'Keefe and the building and grounds were leased for a term with the privilege of buying at the end of a year.

The present intention of the new owner is to place the institution in charge of the Sisters of St. Francis, an order which has its mother house at Peoria, Ill. This order also owns the St. Joseph Hospital at Menominee. Mother Clara, of Peoria, is now in Menominee on a visit and negotiations with her will be closed before her return home.

The building will be thoroughly remodeled and refurnished throughout. A chapel will be built where the sisters and those of the patients who desire can worship. Six veiled nuns, all trained nurses, will be sent here from Peoria to look after the institution and care for the sick. Dr. O'Keefe will make regular trips from Menominee to this city and a staff of the leading physicians in this city will be appointed to serve when called on.

Dr. O'Keefe states that the hospital will be ready to receive patients by the first of the coming month. Tickets sold by the former management will be honored by the new regime, and the institution will be conducted in a manner satisfactory to all.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 48 [Thursday, April 21, 1898], page 1, column 4

Hospital Changes Hands.

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The Emergency hospital changed hands last Tuesday and the personal effects are now the property of Dr. O'Keefe, of Menominee, who has also secured a lease of the building. It is understood that the property will be turned over to the Sisters of Saint Francis, of Peoria, Ill., who will take possession at once and place six trained nurses in charge. The Sisters of Saint Francis also own and conduct hospitals at Peoria and Menominee. The property is leased with the privilege of purchasing at the end of the year. Many improvements are contemplated and the hospital will be conducted in a manner that will insure the success of the venture. It is expected to have everything in readiness for the reception of patients early in May.

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XIX, Number 51 [Saturday, April 23, 1898], page 1, column 4

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The Daily Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Second Year, Whole No. 562 [Tuesday, May 3, 1898], page 3, column 4

The Emergency Hospital.

The Emergency Hospital has been re-opened and five sisters of St. Francis are here to act as nurses, and Dr. Edwin Cruse

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has been appointed physician in charge. The new hospital will be run as a private institution under the management of the Sisters of St. Francis. No tickets will be sold here, but tickets of other hospitals under the same management will be recognized. A staff of physicians will shortly be appointed.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 50 [Thursday, May 5, 1898], page 1, column 5

Emergency Hospital.

Dr. O'Keefe came up from Menominee last Monday and took possession of the Emergency hospital. A number of trained nurses accompanied him and the institution is now ready to receive patients. Dr. Cruse is performing the duties of home physician temporarily.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 3, Number 17 [Thursday, September 15, 1898], page 1, column 3

In Emergency Hospital.

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The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 3, Number 49 [Thursday, April 27, 1899], page 8, column 2

The Emergency hospital will close its doors next Monday. The Sisters who have been in charge will return to Rockford, Ill.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 5, Number 37 [Thursday, January 31, 1901], page 1, column 4

Serious Accident.

While unloading logs at Niagara, Matt Seymore was injured by one of them unexpectedly slipping from its place and striking him with much force across the back. He did not think much of the accident at the time and supposed that he would get over the shock in a short time, he *[sic – time. He]* was taken worse, and his condition was such that it became necessary to take him to the Emergency hospital at Iron Mountain for treatment.

SCANDINAVIAN HOSPITAL

**615 East G Street
Iron Mountain**

In 1911, when the need for another hospital was evident, the Swedish people of the East Side and Dr. Otto Alving built a two-story brick building with funds they had collected. Known as the Scandinavian Hospital, it was built on a small hill on the lower end of East "G" Street. Entrances were located on each side of the building, and a porch with a balcony graced the front. Emergency cases were taken in at the east side entrance. On the main floor, there were two private rooms used by the nurses, an office and an x-ray room. A bench in the hallway was the waiting room for many years, until the porch was enclosed and used for this purpose. A utility room and a bathroom and tub were located on both floors. Stairways on each end led to the

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second floor, where three wards, each with four beds and three private rooms, were located. The attic was later rebuilt, and housed the x-ray room.

At first there were few nurses, and with the kitchen located in the basement, and no elevators available, they were exhausted by the end of their shift. The basement also housed the dining room which was used by visitors, a laundry room, a storage room, the coal furnace and a room for the janitor. The cook had a cow in the barn in back of the hospital that provided milk for the patients.

The Swedish women sewed linens together for sheets and pillowcases. Annual picnics were held in the park behind the hospital to raise money to help support the Scandinavian Hospital.

Mrs. Tilly Johns, a nurse at the hospital, recalled being on night duty when an elderly, alcoholic patient tried to run away at 2 a.m. He jumped out the second-story window onto the balcony, and when she followed him, he jumped. Thinking that he was dead, she went downstairs, only to find him running across the lawn. Calling for help, she chased him to Stephenson Avenue, where she caught him by the shirttail, and returned with him to the hospital.

Dr. Alving came to Iron Mountain from Sweden with his family, living at 306 East "B" Street, where he opened an office while the Scandinavian Hospital was being constructed.

The hospital was later sold to the city and renamed the General Hospital. Equipped with 28 beds, an operating room and an x-ray room, the General Hospital was staffed with 15 physicians and surgeons and 8 nurses by 1939.

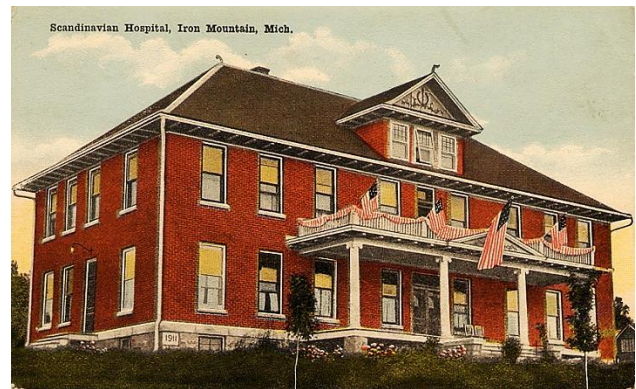
The Dickinson County Memorial Hospital was built in 1951, when the

General Hospital could no longer meet the needs of the community.

[Born From Iron, p. 64; photographs of this hospital on pp. 62-63, submitted by Lowell D. Swanson; additional photographs in the collection of the Menominee Range Historical Foundation Museum]



These postcard views, ca. 1911-1915, show the Scandinavian Hospital shortly after construction on Iron Mountain's East Side. The hospital was later known as the Westerlin Hospital and then the General Hospital. *[William J. Cummings]*



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Stock Company Forming for the Erection of the Institution.

At a largely attended meeting of the Scandinavians held at the Swedish Mission church last Monday afternoon the question of securing a building suitable for hospital purposes and placing the same under the management of Dr. Otto Alving, who recently removed here from Triumph, Minn., was discussed from all viewpoints and it is finally decided affirmatively.

An organization was formed and two members from each church and society in the city were selected as an executive committee to secure funds, look up a site and draft by-laws for the perfection of the organization.

The capitalization will probably be fixed at \$10,000 with shares at \$5.00 each. About \$2,000 was subscribed at once and there is no doubt that the balance of the stock can readily be placed. Subscription lists are now being circulated by the committees and a list is also left at Uddenberg's drug store for the convenience of any who may wish to subscribe and have not been called upon by a member of the committee.

The following officers and executive board were selected:

President – Nels Nelson.

Vice-President – Andrew Bjorkman.

Secretary – Chas. E. Anderson.

Treasurer – Eric Hager.

Directors – Chas. Peterson, Emil Ericson, Alfred Rood, Chas. E. Anderson, John Forell, Gabriel Oman, Emil Carlson, Gust Johnson, Edwin Johnson, Gust

Norman, Stan Soderlund and Dr. Otto Alving, ex-officio.

It is understood that the committee has secured an option on the Penglase residence and grounds, comprising three lots, on East A Street. This would be a desirable location for a hospital and the building could be re-modeled [*sic* – *remodeled*] at a small expense.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 48 [Thursday, April 20, 1911], page 1, column 4

Swedish Hospital.

Having been unsuccessful in the endeavor to purchase a building suitable for hospital purposes, the recently organized Scandinavian Hospital association has about decided to purchase a site and erect a building. Negotiations are now pending for several acres of the property known as Victoria Park in the southeasterly part of the city, and [*it*] is probable that the deal will be closed within a few days. The property is owned by R.C. Browning and Frank E. Crocker, and is an ideal location for a modern sanitarium[.] The estimated cost of the institution will be \$10,000 not including the site. It will be of brick construction and will be modern in every respect. In addition to office, reception parlors, rest-room [*sic* – *restroom*], operating rooms and living rooms for the hospital corps, there will be several private rooms for patients and four wards containing accommodations for about twenty people. Dr. Alving, who recently removed here from Minnesota, will have charge of the hospital.

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Number 50 [Thursday, May 4, 1911],
page 1, column 2

The New Sanitarium.

The recently organized Scandinavian Hospital association has acquired ten lots in the Victoria Park from Messrs. Browning and Miller upon which to erect the new sanitarium. Architect Parmelee has been engaged to draft the plans and it is expected to let the contract at an early date. The sanitarium will be of solid brick construction and will contain everything that is modern embraced in hospital construction. It will be 36x77 feet on the foundations, two stories in height with a full basement under the entire building. The dining-room [*sic – dining room*], kitchen, laundry, dark room, X ray room, living rooms for janitor and heating plants will be located in the basement. On the first floor the office, parlors, rest rooms [*sic – restrooms*], operating rooms, and a number of private apartments will be located. The second floor will be devoted to private rooms and wards. A hot water heating plant will be installed and no expense will be spared to make the building strictly sanitary. The site selected is a beautiful one for sanitarium purposes.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain,
Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16,
Number 1 [Thursday, May 25, 1911],
page 1, column 2

Swedish Hospital.

At a meeting of those interested in the proposed new Swedish hospital and sanitarium, held last Sunday afternoon at the Mission church, a committee was appointed to prepare articles of incorporation. It is proposed to incorporate under the law of Michigan with a capital stock of \$15,000. A site has been purchased in the acreage property known as Victoria Park and it is hoped to have matters in shape to let the erection contracts in the course of a few weeks.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain,
Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16,
Number 3 [Thursday, June 8, 1911],
page 7, column 3

BRIEF CITY NEWS.

The Scandinavian Hospital association has closed a deal for eight lots in Victoria Park and it is expected to receive bids for the erection of the building in the next few days.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain,
Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16,
Number 5 [Thursday, June 22, 1911],
page 1, column 5

Contract Let.

The contract for building the stone foundations for the new Scandinavian hospital was let at a meeting of the trustees held yesterday. Victor Berquist was the successful bidder and he expects to commence the excavating at once. His tender was about \$1,200. It is expected to let the contract for the main structure before the close of the week. It is estimated that

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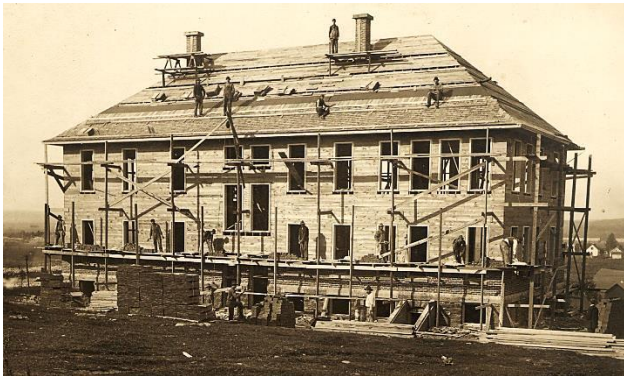
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the hospital building, fixtures not included, will cost about \$20,000.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16, Number 7 [Thursday, July 6, 1911], page 1, column 2

New Hospital.

Work has commenced on the foundations for the sanitorium [*sic – sanitarium*] to be erected by the Scandinavian Hospital company and it is expected to let the contract for the main building at once. The company has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$15,000. A meeting will be held to-day [*sic – today*] for the purpose of forming a permanent organization.



This photograph shows the Scandinavian Hospital under construction, taken in 1911. [*Menominee Range Historical Museum*]

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16, Number 8 [Thursday, July 13, 1911], page 1, column 6

Hospital Society.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Scandinavian Hospital society was held last

Thursday evening at which time a board of directors was elected: For three years, Eric [*sic – Eric*] Hager, John E. Johnson and Gustav Norman; for two years, Andrew Bjorkman, Charles Peterson and Alfred E. Rood; for one year, Gabriel Ohman, Charles E. Anderson and Dr. Otto Alving. The organization embraces every Scandinavian church and organization in the city. At a meeting of directors held on Monday the following officers were elected:

President – Andrew Bjorkman.

Vice-President – Alfred E. Rood.

Secretary – Charles E. Anderson.

Financial Secretary – Dr. Otto Alving.

Treasurer – Eric Hager.

Work on the foundation is progressing rapidly and it is expected to have matters in shape to let the contract for the main building at an early date.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16, Number 10 [Thursday, July 27, 1911], page 1, column 3

New Hospital.

Bids are now being received for the erection of the Scandinavian Hospital company building and the contract will be let at a meeting of the board of directors to be held on August 2nd – next Wednesday. The building will be a two-story brick veneered structure. Work on the foundations is rapidly nearing completion.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16, Number 13 [Thursday, August 17, 1911], page 1, column 3

Hospital Contract.

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At a meeting of the board of directors of the Scandinavian Hospital society held last Saturday the contract for the erection of the hospital building was awarded to Adolph Wallin, of this city. The contract price is \$7,743. The contracts for the plumbing and steam heating plants were awarded last evening to Swanson Bros. The price for a vacuum [*sic – vacuum*] steam plant is \$1,200 and for the plumbing \$800. The basement structure is finished.

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Corner Stone Services.

The corner stone [*sic – cornerstone*] of the new Scandinavian Hospital will be laid with appropriate services next Monday – Labor day. All the Scandinavian churches and the several Scandinavian societies, who are interested in the society, will take part in the ceremonies. Addresses of a brief nature will be delivered by Rev. Isaac Skoog, of the Mission church, Rev. August T. Fant, of the Lutheran church, Rev. Swan Magnuson, of the Methodist church, and O.F. Turnquist, of the Baptist church, Mayor Miller, Andrew Bjorkman and Eric Hager, all of Iron Mountain, and by Rev. C.A. Rosander, of Crystal Falls. The musical program will be furnished by Prof. Castel's military band, the Scandinavian Glee club and the several church choirs. It will be a notable day in the annals of our Scandinavian citizens, who deserve great praise for the success of the hospital enterprise, which involves an expenditure of more than \$20,000.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16, Number 16 [Thursday, September 7, 1911], page 1, column 6

The ceremonies attending the laying of the corner stone [*sic – cornerstone*] at the new Scandinavian Hospital last Monday were attended by several thousand people despite the threatening weather. The program was an interesting one and the speeches were all in the direction of advancement for Scandinavian citizenship, containing an abundance of good advice.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16, Number 37 [Thursday, February 1, 1912], page 1, column 3

Hospital Dedicated.

Several thousand people attended the dedicatory exercises at the new Scandinavian Hospital last Thursday evening. The institution was thronged from three o'clock in the afternoon until a late hour in the evening and the officers of the organization were overwhelmed with congratulation. The Ladies' Auxiliary served dinner to nearly a thousand people. The dedication was a real event in the history of Iron Mountain and the hospital is one of which any community can point with pride.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 21, Number 15 [Thursday, August 24, 1916], page 1, column 6

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Labor Day Picnic.

The Scandinavian Hospital society have issued invitation for the fifth annual picnic held under the direction of the organization. It will be held on Labor Day – the first Monday in September – in the grounds adjoining the hospital. The women's auxiliary will serve refreshments during the day. Arrangements have been made for an address by Dr. George Bjorkman, of Gladstone, and the several Scandinavian pastors. There will be instrumental and vocal music and suitable entertainment for the young people.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 21, Number 17 [Thursday, September 7, 1916], page 1, column 2

Hospital Association Picnic.

As usual, the annual picnic of the Swedish Hospital association last Monday, Labor day, as an unqualified success. The rain in the morning served to keep many away, but a large turn out was in evidence. Dr. George Bjorkman, of Gladstone, Minton Nelson, of Ishpeming, Rev. Verner Swanson, pastor of the Swedish Lutheran church of this city, Paul Rahm, and Dr. Ostlund gave interesting addresses. Music was furnished by the North Star band, of Norway, and the choirs of the various Swedish churches of the city. In the evening the playing of Swedish games closed the program.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 24, Number 38 [Thursday, February 12, 1920], page 8, column 3 [Advertisement]

THE CLOVERLAND CLINIC IRON MOUNTAIN, MICH.

In connection with our General Hospital Facilities we announce a thoroughly equipped Department for the

TREATMENT OF DISEASES OF THE EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT

Scandinavian Hospital Iron Mountain, Mich.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 25, Number 23 [Thursday, October 21, 1920], page 1, column 6

Scandinavian Hospital.

The Press can state that, upon the return of Dr. W.J. Anderson from Montreal, Canada, where he is attending the sessions of the American Medical Congress, the Scandinavian Hospital society will be re-organized. Dr. Anderson recently acquired a controlling interest in the property of the organization. The Press understands that the new organization will erect at an early date a bungalow home for the nurses and at a later date a third floor will be added to the hospital building and many other improvements made.

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Number 24 [Thursday, October 28, 1920], page 1, column 6

Small Boy Shot.

Donald, the ten-year-old son of James Mitchell, engineer at the Water Works station, is receiving treatment for a bullet wound at the Scandinavian Hospital. The lad was hunting rabbits with his father last Saturday and was armed with a small caliber rifle. He had climbed to the top of a pine stump when the gun slipped from his hands. The trigger caught on the bark and exploded the cartridge. The bullet passed up the leg of the boy's trousers, entered the pit of the stomach and perforated three intestines. The wound is a serious one, but the boy's recovery is considered certain.

WESTERLIN HOSPITAL **615 East G Street/East H Street** **Iron Mountain**

The Iron Mountain Daily News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 68 [Wednesday, June 29, 1921], page 2, column 2

TO OPEN OFFICES IN CITY TOMORROW

Dr. B. Eslick, dentist, and Dr. G. Fredrickson, physician, have engaged an office suite in the American Security Bank building and will be ready for business tomorrow [sic – tomorrow]. The waiting room will be used in common, while Dr. Eslick's office will be on one side and Dr. Fredrickson's on the other.

Dr. Eslick has been associated with Dr. G.H. Myers in Detroit since leaving the

service. Dr. Fredrickson has been practicing in Chicago. He held a commission as first lieutenant, Medical Corps, in the army. Before going to Chicago, he was associated for a time with the Westerlin hospital, and did considerable other work about the county.

Both are Iron Mountain young men, and will have a wide circle to wish them success in their new business.

The Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 240 [Saturday, January 27, 1923], page 1, columns 6-8

Westerlin Hospital To Be Closed February 1, Stockholders Decide

Lack of Financial Support Given as Reason For Decision, Dr. Anderson Declares.

Dr. W.J. Anderson, president of the Westerlin Hospital company, announced today that the hospital, located on East G street, would be closed February 1. This decision, he said, was reached at the annual meeting of the stock holders last night and was taken because of the lack of financial support given the institution.

Although economically operated without impairing its efficiency, the hospital, it was declared, has been steadily losing money at the rate of about seven per cent a year on the investment. Repeated attempts to secure financial aid, including three

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requests that the property be made tax free, have failed, and the stockholders feel that they no longer can be expected to keep the institution open.

Several months ago a deal was in progress whereby the Franciscan Sisters of Charity, with headquarters at Manitowoc, were to purchase the property and announcement was made that they would assume control of it last September. Later these negotiations fell through, Dr. Anderson said, and at the present time no deal for the property is being considered.

Gives Out Letters.

Simultaneously with the announcement that the hospital would *[be]* closed, Dr. Anderson gave out an open letter to the public, copies of which have been mailed to representative persons in the community, and also made public correspondence between himself and a large employer of labor here.

This employer, in a letter to the hospital, had expressed appreciation for the service being given by the institution, and after thanking him for this acknowledgment, Dr. Anderson declares in his reply:

“The problem of hospitalizing a community is not an individual one. The Westerlin hospital since its existence has depended entirely upon the receipts collected from patients who have been inmates of the hospital. You are well aware that the last two years have been periods of depression for the ordinary people, and the hospital as a result has had to take care of any number of worthy cases which were not able to pay. Since I have been up here I have been fortunate in having an organization that has worked in harmony. Every individual has worked for the interests of the hospital, and I believe that I can truthfully say that our overhead has been less or as low as any hospital that

exists within the United States. With a taxing body that will not recognize bona fide legitimate bills and with a large per cent of worthy sick unable to pay their bills, then under these conditions no institution that depends entirely upon revenue received from the sick can exist. I am compelled to recognize the situation as it exists in this community, although I know that within the near future there will be considerable agitation and criticism of hospital conditions that exist in this community.

Asked Support.

“Recognizing conditions as they existed and now exist in this community, about four years ago I prepared a letter that you and others received, in which I appealed for support to carry us over the natural loss that occurs in hospitalizing sick people every year. I had only one response, receiving a substantial check from Mr. E.G. Kingsford[,] who evidently realized what the value of a free bed meant to a worthy sick human being. Not sufficient funds being obtained, this check was later returned to Mr. Kingsford with thanks. It has been unfortunate that personal feelings or jealousies should have crept in where a very important matter of hospitalizing a community is concerned. If you will analyze the situation that will obtain with the closing of the Westerlin hospital you will no doubt come to the conclusion that it will be a very expensive problem for th *[sic – the]* community to adjust.

“A hospital to exist must either have community or a church organization support. In other words, there must be an organization strong enough to take over the natural loss of which the minimum is five per cent a year in the care of the sick. I have not been consulted as to any plans of this community for hospitalization of the sick. I have a fairly large investment in the

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hospital property and I do not propose as I stated to you several months ago, to continue to be the individual that is to shoulder the burden of taking care of the sick that require hospitalization. This community must organize itself as a body, not as cliques or small individual groups, and the purpose of such organizing must be to care for the sick of this community in the best possible and most economical manner. The sooner certain factions see this point, the better it will be for the community.

Too Late for Donation.

“Assistance from you in the nature of a contribution at the present time would be appreciated, but would only postpone the step that is necessary to take today. The only solution of the problem is combined community effort for the purpose of hospitalizing the sick. Without a large endowment one individual or a small group of individuals cannot, I believe, successfully carry the problem through. An endowment must be so large that the investment in good securities would cover the minimum of five per cent loss that occurs every year, and this community within the very near future will require a hospital of at least 50 beds. I may state that the cost of fireproof hospital construction today is estimated at \$5,000 per bed, not including the value of the land and the cost of equipment.”

Dr. Anderson’s letter to the public repeats much of the information contained in his communication to the employer of labor. The reference to the Dickinson county taxing body and the county poor commissioners however, is more pointed and clearly reflects the hospital organization’s dissatisfaction over the manner in which its pleas for assistance and payment of bills were ignored.

“To further embarrass the hospital in our work,” the letter reads, “the Dickinson county taxing body, in spite of three personal appearances before them in which an endeavor was made to explain why all hospitals should be tax free, the taxes of the hospital for this year have been listed for \$196.09. Think of it! The St. George’s hospital rate is \$73.53. There is not a hospital in Chicago, Milwaukee, Green Bay or any other large city that is required to pay taxes and is not tax free. Is it any wonder that the people complain of the high hospital rates in Iron Mountain and that a large percentage of them cannot pay their bills?”

Denied Payment, Claim.

“Another annoying [*sic – annoying*] and embarrassing situation is the disputes that arise with your Dickinson county poor commissioners. This board is an authoritative and final board of decision in all questions involving the payment of bills rendered for the care and sustenance of the poor of Dickinson county. My experience with this board leads me to believe that Dickinson county would save money by abolishing it. The functions of this board should properly belong to the county supervisors, with the employment of a full time superintendent of the poor. I will not go into particulars, but we have appeared before the present board with bona fide bills for service rendered to the poor of Dickinson county and the result has been resolutions to the effect that they were not responsible for the bills.

“This community is not sufficiently or adequately hospitalized. The Westerlin hospital has endeavored to give a high grade of service. It is as well equipped for general work as any hospital in the country. It has among other advantages a diagnostic laboratory with a trained technician, a

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service that I believe does not exist north of Milwaukee. With all of these advantages of a good hospital it cannot exist under present conditions and on or about February 1 it will close its doors.”

Serious Situation.

Dr. Anderson declared today that the hospital would remain closed for an “indefinite period.” The step will no doubt result in creating a serious situation as both St. George’s hospital and the Westerlin have been taxed to capacity to care for patients. The Westerlin has 32 beds while St. George’s has 12, and the closing of the former means that many persons needing hospital attention and care will be unable to obtain it.

Some time ago Dr. Anderson was called to Chicago, where he was asked to contract to care for 15 ex-service men receiving government hospitalization. To accept this, it was necessary that a nurses’ home be built, requiring an expenditure of about \$5,000, which would have increased the capacity of the hospital to 48 beds. He was unable, however, to secure funds in Iron Mountain for this project and had to abandon the contract. Had the veterans been brought to Iron Mountain it would have meant the establishment here of the Veterans bureau branch now located at Marquette. Government authorities were particularly anxious to open the branch here because of the central location of the city but inasmuch as hospital facilities could not be obtained had to give up the idea.

The Cloverland clinic, which formerly had its headquarters at the hospital, has not been disbanded. The clinic was originally composed of Dr. Anderson, Dr. C.W. Walker and Dr. Anton Holmboe. Dr. Walker has since withdrawn and with the closing of the hospital Dr. Holmboe has announced his intention of leaving the city and

returning to Chicago. Dr. M.F. Dockery, however, is now a member of the clinic and the offices are located in the Dockery building on East Hughitt street.

So far as is known, the stockholders of the Westerlin have no definite plans regarding the future of the hospital but it is believed that an effort will be made to either have them reconsider their decision or else sell out to any other organization that can be induced to take over the institution.

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WESTERLIN IS SOLD; WILL BE OPENED SOON

**Negotiations Are Con-
cluded With Dr. J.A.
Crowell**

PRICE IS \$45,000

**Institution Will Be Open
To All Medical
Men**

Sale of the Westerlin hospital to Dr. Joseph A. Crowell, as trustee for a new organization, was announced today. Negotiations for the deal were concluded

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yesterday afternoon and the purchase price was said to be \$45,000.

The announcement means that Iron Mountain's present hospital problem will be solved. The Westerlin, formerly operated under the supervision of Dr. W.J. Anderson, a majority stockholder in the institution, was closed several months ago. At that time Dr. Anderson declared that despite the fact the hospital was always filled with patients, it could not be conducted at a profit and failing to receive financial support from the public he had decided to close it.

Diocese to Withdraw[.]

This left the city with only one hospital, St. George's[.] admitted to be too small to meet the hospitalization requirements of the community. St. George's has been under the supervision of the Marquette Episcopal diocese, which at one time entertained plans for putting up a large, modern building here. The diocese, however, also failed to receive financial aid that was expected and it is understood that it is now preparing to give up its lease and withdraw from the institution.

Under the agreement signed by the contracting parties in the sale of the Westerlin, the institution is to be an open hospital with no beds reserved for any firm or individual with the exception of those endowed, of which the hospital has none at the present time. In addition, Dr. Anderson is to be retained on the surgical staff and Dr. M.F. Dockery will be a member of the medical staff.

No Medical Men On Board.

The hospital will be controlled by a board of trustees no members of which will be medical men. As soon as the new organization has been completed, Dr. Crowell will withdraw as a trustee and the government of the institution will be in the

hands of persons who have no professional interest in it.

In this announcement of the sale today, Dr. Crowell declared that the Westerlin will be conducted as a "general city hospital, absolutely non-sectarian in character and open to all reputable, legally qualified practitioners of medicine. It is the intention to make it a general community hospital and a board of trustees will be selected that will represent all classes and interests. The hospital site is an ideal one, centrally located, and the changes and additions contemplated will provide for the city's needs for some years to come."

Improvements Planned.

The improvements planned by Dr. Crowell, who is recognized as one of the leading medical men of the upper peninsula and was recently elected president of the upper peninsula medical association, have been definitely decided upon. However, an elevator will be installed in the Westerlin at once and, if present hopes materialize, additions will be built to the building next spring. The hospital now has 32 beds but this capacity can easily be increased by making a few changes.

The new organization has been only partially completed, Dr. Crowell said. While the operating income of the institution will probably be insufficient to meet expenditures, donations will be asked from interested persons and they will select the board of trustees. The hospital will not be conducted as a stock company.

Open in Six Weeks[.]

All equipment at the hospital at the present time is included in the sale. Before being used again the building is to be thoroughly renovated and improved. It is hoped to open, however, within six weeks.

Regarding plans for St. George's hospital, the lease of which will revert to Dr.

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Crowell when the Episcopal diocese withdraws, the physician said today that he intends to maintain it as an emergency building. The equipment will be kept in the hospital as _____ necessary, the institution can provide hospitalization at any _____.

The sale of the Westerlin _____ finis to negotiations that have been in progress for some time. **[need to copy remaining portion of article]**

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CLAIM WESTERLIN NOT LARGE ENOUGH

Preparations Are Being Made to Re-open Insti- tution Soon

Purchase of the Westerlin hospital and its re-opening within a short time will not mean that Iron Mountain's hospitalization problem has been solved, it is claimed, as the capacity of the Westerlin is far short of the actual needs of the city.

Preparations are being made now to re-open the Westerlin, which was closed several months ago by Dr. W.J. Anderson, who declared the institution was losing money and receiving no public support. It was recently purchased for a price said to be \$45,000 by Dr. J.A. Crowell, trustee representative of a new organization that is being formed. Dr. Crowell will withdraw from the hospital board of control when the organization is completed.

Repairs are in progress at the hospital and it will probably be ready for service within a short time. It is probable, however, that installation of an elevator will not be done until spring when it is hoped to build additions to the structure.

The capacity of the Westerlin is between 30 and 35 patients while it is claimed that Iron Mountain now needs a 60 to 80 bed hospital. St. George's hospital, now caring for 25 patients, will be closed when the Westerlin reopens and only a first aid station maintained there.

The response to the new organization has been exceptionally good, it is declared, the public favoring the idea that the hospital will be non-sectarian and open to all physicians and surgeons.

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The notice of dissolution is signed by Dr. W.J. Anderson, president of the company who formerly practiced here but is now residing in Rockford, Ill. Dr. Anderson conducted the negotiations for the sale of the property specifying that it always be conducted as an open hospital and that no medical men be permitted membership on the board of trustees.

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ROTARY TOLD OF HOSPITAL DRIVE

Members Called On For Expressions Regarding Proposed Campaign

The proposed public drive to raise funds to complete the purchase of the General hospital, formerly the Westerlin, was discussed at the regular meeting of the Rotary club this noon.

M.J. Fox, president of the board in charge of the hospital's affairs, gave a brief talk on the purposes of the drive and called on each member of the club for an expression of opinion. The amount to be sought has not yet been fixed. The hospital was purchased for \$45,000 but more money will be needed, it is believed, to provide for enlargement.

The program this noon was in charge of Irving G. Pearce, who gave a short talk on the process of manufacturing talking machines and records.

The club also posed for moving pictures that will be shown later at the Colonial theatre.

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CONSIDER FORD HOSPITAL HERE

Would Be Located In City Across From Fil- tration Plant

Construction of a hospital in the city of Iron Mountain but adjacent to the village of Kingsford is being discussed by the Ford Motor company, according to E.G. Kingsford, upper peninsula manager of the Ford operations. No decision has been reached as yet, he declared, the project still being considered tentatively.

It is understood that if the building is erected it will be located within the city limits on Woodward avenue across from the Ford filtration plant. Woodward avenue is the boundary line between the city and the village. The hospital will be open to the public but Ford doctors must be employed.

There is little probability, it is said, that work on the structure will start before year if the proposal is approved. In the meantime, a drive is being planned in Iron Mountain to raise funds to complete the purchase and provide for the enlargement of the General hospital which will also be needed. The terms under which the General hospital was sold by Dr. W.J. Anderson and other stockholders of the old Westerlin hospital corporation provided that it be an open hospital both for doctors and the public and be governed by a board of trustees.

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1909], page 1, column 5

Poor Farm.

The matter of purchasing a poor farm is again the subject of investigation by a committee of the board of supervisors appointed at the session held last Thursday. The superintendents of the poor have repeatedly recommended such a purchase claiming it would be the means of saving the county much money. The matter has been in the committee before, but no conclusion was reached. If a poor farm is purchased[,] a contagious disease hospital should also be provided in connection.

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A Poor Farm.

The board of supervisors at to-day's [*sic* – *today's*] session may arrive at a definite conclusion relative to the purchase of a poor farm. Yesterday, Supervisors Stevenson, Forrell, Davidson, Cristanelli and Thompson made a visit of inspection to the New York Farm in Norway township. W.J. Turner, who recently purchased the farm from the Menominee River Lumber company, has made the board a tender for apportion of his holdings at a reasonable price. The tender includes the large farm house, which contains fully thirty rooms, and would be well adapted for a home for the indigent.

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Number 44 [Thursday, March 24, 1910],
page 1, column 5

BUY A LARGE FARM

SUPERVISORS HAVE AUTHORIZED PURCHASE OF 115 ACRES.

Farm Fully Equipped With the Needed Buildings; Believed Institution Economical Move.

As was intimated in the last issue of The Press, the board of supervisors, at their meeting last Thursday, instructed the board of poor commissioners to close a deal with William J. Turner for the purchase of a portion of the New York Farm for a county farm. The tract to be acquired by the county contains, approximately, 115 acres of cleared land. Included in the deal is a farm house large enough to accommodate forty people, several barns, numerous warehouses, roothouse with basement, an excellent creamery and a large orchard.

The lands are beautifully located along the Sturgeon river. The consideration named is \$12,000. The buildings are said to have cost nearly double this sum.

According to figures compiled by Supervisor Thompson, and presented to the board in a separate report, the purchase of the farm will result in saving the city a large sum of money each year. The cost for the support of the poor in Dickinson county each year now exceeds the large sum of \$25,000. If this amount can be reduced a third, or a half, as Mr.

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Thompson's figures would indicate, the farm will soon pay for itself.

The next important step is to secure a first-class farmer to manage the institution. Under such management, the farm can do much good in the way of advancing and advertising the agricultural possibilities of Dickinson county.

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KILLED INSTANTLY

DR. TREIBER IS VICTIM OF A LIVE WIRE AT THE POOR FARM.

Voltage Estimated at 6,600 Passes Through Body When a Charged Guy Wire is Touched.

Dr. Edward Treiber, the well-known young veterinary surgeon of Norway, was instantly killed last Tuesday morning at the Dickinson county poor farm, death being caused by a live wire connected with *[the]* hydro-electrical plant of the Penn Iron Mining company at Sturgeon Falls.

Dr. Treiber had been summoned to the farm by Keeper Tauscheck to attend to some sick cattle. He was enroute *[sic – en route]* home and was passing through a gate at the farm, accompanied by Mr. Tauscheck, when a dead calf was noticed at the roadside, near one of the poles carrying the transmission wires from the power plant to the mines at Vulcan and Norway.

Dr. Treiber alighted from the carriage to examine the animal for the purpose of learning the cause of death. Noting a burn at the animal's neck, he lead *[sic – leaned]* over to make a closer examination. In doing so, Dr. Treiber grasped the guy wire supporting the pole and was instantly shocked to death. This wire, which was uncovered, had in some manner become *[sic – become]* charged with the full power of the feeding motor. Mr. Tauscheck says death was instantaneous, Dr. Treiber falling to the ground as if struck by lightning. He had grasp *[sic – grasped]* the wire with his right hand, which was slightly burned. The voltage passing through his body is said to have been over 6,600. The calf had evidently been killed by the same wire.

The remains of the young man were taken to his home in Norway and Coroner Cudlip, of Iron Mountain, was summoned. A jury was empaneled *[sic – empanelled]* and the facts brought and at the inquest are about as noted above. The verdict rendered was that Dr. Treiber had come to his death by coming in contact with a guy wire at the Dickinson county poor farm, said wire being charged with electricity from the Penn Iron Mining company's power plant at Sturgeon Falls. The jury also recommended that the company take immediate steps to have all the guy wires on the transmission line insulated.

Dr. Treiber was a member of one of the pioneer families of Norway and was held in high esteem by many friends. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Otto Marinelli, and several brothers.

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County Poor Farm.

An interesting item in the proceedings of the county board is the report of the superintendents of the poor relative to the poor farm, which was purchased about a year ago. The farm contains approximately 115 acres, nearly all of which has *[sic – have]* been cultivated. Included in the purchase were twelve buildings – a dwelling-house *[sic – dwelling house]* containing thirty rooms, a creamery, several barns, ice-house *[sic – ice house]*, root-house *[sic – root house]* and numerous warehouses. Since the county acquired the property a complete outfit of farm machinery has been purchased. The livestock *[sic – livestock]* includes three horses, nine head of cattle, forty-six sheep, eleven pigs and many chickens. Superintendent Tauscheck has under cultivation this season thirty-five acres of oats, two of barley, four of wheat, twenty hay, five corn, four potatoes and two in garden truck. The showing made is certainly an excellent one and one that reflects credit upon Supt. Tauscheck and his wife, who holds the position of matron.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16, Number 45 [Thursday, March 28, 1912], page 1, column 2

Hospital at Poor Farm.

At the county poor farm one of the buildings is being converted into a contagious disease hospital. It will contain eight rooms, four on the first floor and four on the upper floor. The lower rooms will be used for ordinary diseases and the upper ones for tuberculosis patients.

Superintendent Prater has started a wood-yard *[sic – wood yard]* in this city and anticipates that he will be able to make quite a saving under this heading as he will cause able-bodied applicants for aid to saw and split the wood.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 19, Number 40 [Thursday, February 18, 1915], page 1, column 6

County Infirmary.

The new hospital for contagious diseases at the county infirmary is nearing completion. The building is 30x50 feet on the foundations and two stories in height. A feature of the hospital is a sleeping porch for tuberculosis patients, 20x30 feet in size, which is partially shaded with a growth of balsam trees. Supt. Franck tells *The Press* that he will have 110 acres of the farm under cultivation this season. A considerable acreage will be devoted to root crops and vegetables. The farm now has forty head of cattle and five horses. There are thirty-one inmates at the home, the largest number since the place was opened. Mr. Franck estimates the maintenance cost per capita per week at \$2.50 in comparison with about \$3.80 under the Prater management. He is confident that, if the crops the coming season are in keeping with his expectations, he can make the farm meet all expenses.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 19, Number 42 [Thursday, March 4, 1915], page 1, column 2

County Farm.

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I.N. Berg has accepted the position of manager of truck farming at the Dickinson county farm and will remove to Vulcan. Supt. Franck is ambitious of making the farm a success from a financial standpoint and has secured a competent assistant in Mr. Berg, who has had much experience in truck farming. It is proposed to devote ten acres to truck. In addition to supplying the needs of the home, it is proposed to market a considerable portion of the truck. A considerable plat will be devoted to cabbage and the balance to roots. In addition several acres will be devoted to potatoes. The balance of the 160 acres will be devoted to forage – oats, rye, etc. Mr. Franck is also desirous of securing permission to lease an additional sixty-seven acres from the Turner estate for pasture purposes.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 21, Number 43 [Thursday, March 8, 1917], page 1, column 3

COUNTY FARM FIRE

**FOUR BUILDINGS BURNED –
\$15,000 LOSS, \$9,000
INSURANCE.**

**Main Building, Hospital, Ice House
and Root House and Most of
Contents Go Up In Smoke.**

Fire, which is supposed to have started from a defective chimney in the kitchen of the main building at the county poor farm

last Friday about noon, caused the destruction of the main building, hospital, ice house and root house, entailing a loss to Dickinson county of probably \$15,000, with \$9,800 insurance carried in the Commercial Bank and J. McLaughlin agencies.

There being no supply of water, the hydrant having frozen, a bucket brigade was pressed into service; little could be done, and the only thing saved was a small amount of furniture. The inmates were taken out safely, and later taken to Norway, where they were cared for at the old and new Penn hospitals.

A meeting of the Poor Commissioners and Supervisors was held and it was decided to lease for one year the premises owned by J.W. Corwin, on Vulcan street, Iron Mountain, pending a decision as to the rebuilding of the buildings destroyed at the farm. This building is expected to be ready for occupancy to-morrow [*sic – tomorrow*] when the transfers of the inmates will be made at that time [*sic*].

The present Dickinson county poor farm was originally owned by the Menominee River Lumber company, and the main building was built by them about twenty years ago while they were logging across the river in Wisconsin to house the camp foreman, Frank Juno. Considerable land was cleared and put in cultivation, and the farm was named the New York Farm. It became quite a dairy farm, upwards of two hundred high-class cows being milked and the butter and cream selling at a big premium throughout this state and Wisconsin. Later the farm was divided and sold to W.J. Turner and the Penn Iron Mining company, who afterward sold it to Dickinson county for a poor farm.

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Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 25, Number 8 [Thursday, July 8, 1920], page 1, column 4

Our County Hospital.

M.T. Murray, of Lansing, secretary of the state board of corrections and charities, spent last Tuesday in the city. While here he inspected the county hospital and was inclined to be very sarcastic regarding the accommodations Dickinson county was furnishing its indigents. He also remarked that it was up to the board of supervisors to provide better accommodations forthwith. Mr. Murray informed the poor commissioners that his board would have a representative at the next meeting of the board of supervisors. We believe that the state board has the necessary legal power to compel the county to provide a hospital that will meet the requirements of the law. A disposition to enforce this right would necessitate a special election for the purpose of voting bonds.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 25, Number 12 [Thursday, August 5, 1920], page 1, column 6

Option Buell Home.

The county poor commissioners have instructed Prosecuting Attorney Knight to secure an option upon the residence property of the late John L. Buell at Quinnesec, and will recommend that the same be purchased for county hospital purposes. The board of supervisors will meet on Tuesday, the 24th, when some action will be taken. The state board of

corrections has decided that the building at present used for a county hospital is unsuited for the purposes and has ordered the supervisors to provide new quarters forthwith. An agent of the state board will attend the next meeting of the supervisors and he will be consulted relative to the Buell property.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 25, Number 16 [Thursday, September 2, 1920], page 1, column 3

ABOUT SANITARIUM

Erection and Equipment Will Cost Counties Over \$330,000.

Messrs. Brown, Fox and Murray, the committee of freeholders named by the board of supervisors to investigate the question of affiliating with Delta and Menominee counties in the erection of a tuberculosis sanitarium, accompanied by Chairman Baxter, spent last Saturday at Powers and vicinity. The proposed site of the proposed sanitarium, upon which the representatives of Menominee and Delta counties now have an option for \$6,000, was visited by the committee and assurance was given that the property had been approved by the state board of health. The question of cost of erection and maintenance was also considered by the representatives of the three counties.

From a dependable source The Press learns that it was agreed that the probably erection cost and equipment of a fire-proof sanitarium, such as the needs of the three counties might demand, would exceed \$330,000. It was agreed that the annual

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cost of maintenance would be about \$75,000 a year. The state would pay a small portion of the maintenance cost and the remainder would be equally divided between the three counties. Dickinson county's share would, no doubt[,] exceed \$25,000. The cost of erection and equipment would be divided between the three counties according to their assessed valuation –about equal. This would mean that Dickinson county would contribute about \$111,000 to the building fund.

Messrs. Brown, Fox and Murray will submit their report without recommendations to the supervisors who will meet in special session at the court-house [*sic – court house*] next Tuesday.

Under a new state law, the supervisors are empowered to appropriate the \$110,000 erection cost, and the \$25,000 maintenance cost, without submitting the question to a vote of the people. The questions to be considered are the desirability of Powers as a sight [*sic – site*] for a sanatorium from a sanitary standpoint and the burden of taxation which a favorably [*sic – favorable*] decision would place upon the shoulders of the tax-payers [*sic – taxpayers*]. The state board of health seems to have settled the site question. The tax burden question is a large one, and one that the supervisors will hesitate to assume without consulting their constituents.

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Buell Place Sold.

The Buell place at Quinnesec, which the county anticipated purchasing for a

hospital, has been sold to Joseph Mongrain. The place contains seven acres, a large twelve-room residence and fine barn. Mr. Mongrain's deal includes the furniture in the home and all the tools, etc., and the consideration was \$6,500.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 25, Number 21 [Thursday, October 7, 1920, 1920], page 1, column 3

THAT SANITARIUM

Tri-County Pproposition Probably Rejected By the Supervisors.

Trustees for the new Menominee Menominee [*sic*] and Delta county tuberculosis sanitarium met recently and organized at Powers. Dr. Edward T. Sawbridge, of Stephenson, was chosen president; H.W. Reade, of Escanaba, vice-president; C.A. Clark, Gladstone, treasurer, and Henry Schwellenbach[,] of Powers, secretary. Members of the board will hold their next meeting in Escanaba at a future date.

The decision of the Delta-Menominee trustees to form a permanent organization without reorganizing Dickinson county would indicate that the trustees were not hopeful of inducing our supervisors to assume a third interest in the proposed sanitarium at Powers.

Supervisors Davidson, Campbell and O'Callaghan, named as a committee to council with the authorities of Delta and Menominee counties, will report at a meeting of the Dickinson county board to be held next Tuesday.

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The nature of this report is unknown to The Press, but the prediction is made that it will be adverse to a sanitarium project that will obligate the tax-payers [*sic – taxpayers*] of the county to a preliminary expenditure of not less than \$130,000, with an estimated annual expenditure of more than \$25,000, without first submitting the question to a vote of the people.

The Press finds a good many tax-payers [*sic – taxpayers*] opposed to the sanitarium proposition as a whole. There is on the other hand, [*sic*] considerable sentiment in favor of the employment of two or more competent nurses for the purpose of conducting an educational campaign, to be supplemented later by the erection of several cottages for the accommodation of tubercular patients. The law holds that tuberculosis is a contagious disease, but the law is weak in that it does not contain provisions compelling he [*sic – the*] afflicted [*sic – afflicted*] to enter [*a*] sanitarium. Under these conditions we do not believe that many Dickinson county patients would voluntarily isolate themselves in a sanitarium maintained as a public charity. Most of us are sensitive in the matter of accepting public charity; but the people, we are sure, would not object to being taught how to avoid the disease, or how to live so as to overcome it in its early stages. A well directed [*sic – well-directed*] campaign of this nature would prove of great benefit to the county as a whole. It has been well established at Colorado resorts for the treatment of tuberculosis that the cottage system is much more beneficial than the sanitarium. The question is a very large one, however, and The Press hopes that the correct solution will be found.

U.S. VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL South Stephenson Avenue

[The Veterans' Administration Hospital opened on Sunday, March 5, 1950.]

Negotiations for the location of the Veterans Administration Hospital date back to early 1945, when interested citizens petitioned the Veterans Administration for a hospital. Other Upper Peninsula communities sought to obtain the hospital, but Iron Mountain was chosen because its geographic location was ideal. Approval was granted to locate the hospital in Iron Mountain on August 24, 1945.

Ground-breaking ceremonies were held on March 14, 1948. In 1950, the greatest single building project in the Upper Peninsula to that date, the \$6.5 million Veterans Administration Hospital, was officially completed.

Dr. Arthur M. Holman, a native of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, came here in [*sic – on*] February 27, 1950, as one of the first staff members and has remained here since that time. He has served the hospital as staff surgeon and chief of surgery. He was named chief of staff in October, 1967. Mr. Roderick Turcotte is the present hospital director.

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Work On Veterans Hospital To Be Started Next Spring

Assurance that there has been no change in plans to build a veterans' hospital in Iron Mountain was given by A.M. Chalmers at a dinner meeting last night in the Dickinson hotel of the Iron Mountain Retail Merchants association. The meeting, planned by Gordon Hough, program chairman during January, was the first held in the new year.

"I know there has been a lot of talk about the hospital...a lot of questions as to whether Iron Mountain is really going to get the hospital. I have a surprise, a very pleasant one for you tonight," Chalmers told his audience.

He then read a telegram from F.A. Flodin, president of Lake Shore Engineering company and now in Washington on business, stating that there had been no change in the status of the hospital.

"Plans for the building are nearing completion and the construction work will be started in the spring," Flodin said.

Discussed Housing

Chalmers devoted the remainder of his talk to a review of housing conditions in Iron Mountain and Kingsford, recently described by R.J. Bath and Carl Miller, Iron Mountain realtors, "as worse than in any city in the U.P."

"You know the situation here. I need not go into detail, and you must know that each and everyone [*sic – every one*] of you, as the business men [*sic – businessmen*] of the city, must do something about finding houses or other living quarters for the many families who are coming here," Chalmers said.

He urged association members, and all home-owners in the area, to make an immediate survey of their own circumstances.

"If it is at all possible, make arrangements to provide living space in your own home or in buildings which you may own," Chalmers said. "Do what is necessary to make a small apartment or some house habitable. It is your duty, as members of this growing community, to see that every bit of space is utilized," Chalmers continued. "Do that, whether or not you make money on the deal."

Many families are seeking houses or apartments in Iron Mountain every day. Failing to find what they want here, they will seek elsewhere and, if they are successful, Iron Mountain and Kingsford may lose men who ultimately would become substantial citizens.

House-Building Program

Chalmers told his audience that plans, to be announced in greater detail, are under way for the establishment of a company capitalized at some \$100,000, which will build medium-priced houses and make them available for rent or sale.

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During the business meeting which preceded the program, the question of daylight saving time was discussed by the members, who approved turning ahead the clocks on May 1. Under a recommendation adopted last night, copies of which will be sent *[to]* the city council and county board, business men *[sic – businessmen]* will ask that daylight saving time be in effect in Iron Mountain May 1 through Sept. 30.

Anthony Nissen then was named chairman of a committee to discuss with the business men *[sic – businessmen]* the advisability of closing all stores in the city at noon Saturdays during the summer. Other members of the committee, which will report at the next meeting of the association, are Carl Stolberg, Arthur Frankini, Ray Cecchioni, W.C. Carpenter and John Schinderle.

Mrs. Carl Miller reviewed plans for the annual March of Dimes, after which a collection of \$13.85 was taken.

The members commended Mayor Ivar Anderson and the city council for the unusually attractive decorations on the main streets during the holidays. Don Smith, secretary, will express the association's appreciation in a letter.

The program committee for February will be Frank Valenti, chairman, Joseph Negro, John Kehoe, Joseph Crispigna, and Conger Reynolds.

The closing schedule for the year, recommended by the directors and approved by the members, follows:

Good Friday, April 19, closed noon until 3; Decoration Day, Thursday, May 30, closed all day; Thursday, July 4, closed all day; Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 2, closed all day; Thanksgiving Day, closed all day; stores open evening for Christmas shoppers from Dec. 19 through Dec. 23 and closed at 5:30 on Christmas eve; New

Year's eve, closed at 5:30, and closed all day New Year's day.

DICKINSON COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL Woodward Avenue Iron Mountain



The Dickinson County Memorial Hospital opened on August 3, 1951. These two postcards date from the early 1950's. *[William J. Cummings]*

Dickinson County Memorial Hospital

The Dickinson County Memorial Hospital opened its doors on August 3, 1951. The hospital was originally licensed for 73 beds, and 16 physicians and surgeons were on the original medical staff. The original building still forms the core of the present hospital, although two major additions have substantially modified the hospital's appearance.

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The following are the members of the original medical staff of the Dickinson County Memorial Hospital.

William H. Alexander	Iron Mountain
Walter A. Schmutzler	Iron Mountain
Gereon Fredrickson	Iron Mountain
Donald Roemer Smith	Iron Mountain
Hugh D. McEachran	Iron Mountain
Willis Herbert Huron	Iron Mountain
Charles Gilbert Steinke	Iron Mountain
Matthew T. Moorehead	Iron Mountain
John Michael Schroeder	Iron Mountain
Williard N. Hayes	Norway
Clifford Gordon Menzies	Iron Mountain
George H. Boyce	Iron Mountain
William Fiedling	Norway
Richard Joseph Maginn	Goodman, Wis.
Edward McCormack	Niagara, Wis.
Ray F. Lamb	Niagara, Wis.

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Dickinson Hospitals born nearly 40 years ago

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dickinson County Hospitals has adopted a long-range plan of goals and objectives. A nine-part series beginning today examines the history of the county hospital system,

the mission of the organization and the areas addressed in the plan.

**First of nine
related articles**

**By RON KRAMER
Staff Writer**

IRON MOUNTAIN – Dickinson County Hospitals was established July 29, 1947, when a hospital board of trustees was created, with the direction, control and maintenance of the hospital system delegated to this board by the county board.

On Aug. 14, 1951, Dickinson County Memorial Hospital, a 73-bed, 42,000 square foot facility that served as the core structure of the current hospital in Iron Mountain, was opened. The county-owned hospital provided medical, surgical, obstetrical and emergency care to the community and had 16 physicians and surgeons on staff when it opened.

Dickinson County Memorial replaced Iron Mountain General Hospital, at that time a 30-bed facility. Iron Mountain General's ownership was transferred to Dickinson County Hospitals by the city of Iron Mountain and it became known as the Hospital Annex.

The Hospital Annex was used as a nursing home by the hospital system until it was closed in 1965.

In a special election Feb. 16, 1969, the voters of Dickinson County approved funding construction of a new 20-bed hospital in Norway and an expansion at Dickinson County Memorial to provide space for an additional 39 beds.

On April 1, 1959, Dickinson County Hospitals took over operation of the Penn

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Hospital in Norway, which had been operated by the city.

In November 1960, the new hospital in Norway was opened and named Anderson Memorial Hospital in honor of John E. and Johanna Anderson, who donated the land on which the hospital was built. The Penn Hospital was closed and the building sold.

An addition of 26,000 square feet to Dickinson County Memorial and a renovation of the existing building was completed in 1961.

In 1969, planning was again initiated for physical changes in the hospital system.

As a result, the obstetric department at Anderson Memorial was updated and the bed complement reduced by one to 19. Major surgical services at Anderson Memorial were phased out in the early 1970s.

At Dickinson County Memorial, a 45,000 square foot expansion was completed in 1976. This provided additional space for outpatient and diagnostic services, a new operating room, a renovated emergency area, additional office and ancillary service space, an intensive car unit and provisions for a six-bed mental health wing. The mental health wing never became operational and was converted to a diagnostic wing.

The hospital currently has 112 beds and a medical staff of 47.

In 1981, the Sunshine Laundromat building was acquired for future hospital system. That facility is now being used for office space.

In 1983, the William Block building was donated to the hospital system. The building was renovated to provide a room for the Hospital League, a multi-purpose room and storage space for Dickinson County Memorial. This freed space within

the hospital to provide for expansion of the diagnostic service area.

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Hospitals' long-range plan addresses 10 areas

**Second of nine
related articles**

**By RON KRAMER
Staff Writer**

IRON MOUNTAIN – A long-range plan for Dickinson County Hospitals has been adopted by the board of trustees.

The 10-point plan was developed by a long-range planning committee. Dickinson County Memorial Hospital in Iron Mountain and Anderson Memorial Hospital in Norway are the two facilities in the county hospital system.

The planning committee was comprised of the nine-member hospital board; Dr. Carl Reinighaus, chief at staff at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital; Dr. Paul Hayes, chief of staff at Anderson Memorial Hospital, and Garland Mainville, chairman of the county board of commissioners.

Other members of the administration, including Kathy Masty, vice president of operations at Anderson Memorial, and Gene Evrard, vice president of planning and operations for the hospital system, also participated in the planning process.

The committee was assisted in preparing the plan by Hamilton & Associates, a Minneapolis-based consulting firm retained by the hospital board.

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“The committee reviewed the history of the hospital system and developed a mission statement and values,” said Marvin L. Dehne, president of the county hospital system.

In developing the plan, the committee looked at statistical data on population trends and hospital utilization. It also studied the changes in the area such as the new Champion International pulp mill.

Physicians and hospital staff numbers were also part of the committee’s analysis in developing the plan.

“Although we have projections through the year 2000, this plan covers a period of three to five years,” Dehne said. “It will be updated every year now that we have the initial plan. The plan will become stronger and more specific as part of the ongoing process.

“This plan will better prepare the organization for the direction of its future operation, rather than to just react to things that happen. It’s essentially a ‘road map’ for our future and will help the organization make good decisions on its resources.”

The ten areas addressed in the plan are:

- Elderly services.
- Health services information.
- Physical space (buildings).
- Hospital finances.
- Organizational structure.
- Anderson Memorial Hospital.
- Wellness and health education.
- Attainment of a common objective by the hospital board, personnel and medical staff.
- Community health needs.
- Volunteer support groups, including the Hospital League auxiliaries and volunteers.

“We will be holding meetings at various locations in the county to review the plan with the public and get their input,” Dehne

said. “We want them to know about the plan because we’re talking about their hospitals.”

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Hospitals’ long-range plan addresses 10 areas

**Third of nine
related articles**

**By RON KRAMER
Staff Writer**

IRON MOUNTAIN – In developing its long-range plan, Dickinson County Hospitals has identified its mission.

The hospitals’ mission, which is part of a long-range plan adopted by the board of trustees, is to be the focal point for health care in the central Upper Peninsula area. A primary role is to provide a broad range of quality acute care, inpatient, outpatient, diagnostic and speciality [*sic – specialty*] services.

Other roles will include promoting community health education, prevention of illness, preservation of health, non-hospital health care services, improving the quality of life for impaired persons and rehabilitative services.

Certain values have also been identified as part of the planning efforts. The values established by the board and administration are that:

- Flexibility and aggressiveness is the approach to the future.

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- Improved patient care can be gained through financial strength.
- Health care and health education is to be provided to all on an equal basis.
- Each patient is to be respected and treated as a total person with the maximum of human caring.
- Hospital system resources are highly valued and respected.
- Community pride and respect are to be cherished.
- Knowledge should be sought after and shared cooperatively.

The county hospital system provides inpatient, ambulatory and educational services to residents in the Dickinson County area.

Dickinson County Memorial Hospital in Iron Mountain has expanded its role in recent years to meet more of the specialized needs of area residents, according to Marvin L. Dehne, president of the hospital system.

New physicians and specialists are available, and the hospital has greater depth in its secondary and outpatient services. As a result, a greater percentage of area residents now utilize Dickinson County Memorial for more specialized care instead of commuting to the larger medical centers in Green Bay, Wis., and Marquette, Dehne said.

He said the role of Anderson Memorial Hospital in Norway continues to be meeting limited primary care needs for medical and obstetrics patients.

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Dickinson hospital to expand services for senior citizens

Fourth of nine related articles

By RON KRAMER
Staff Writer

IRON MOUNTAIN – Elderly services and community health needs are two of the areas addressed in the long-range plan adopted by the Dickinson County Hospitals.

In developing the plan, it was assumed that the elderly population will remain a significant portion of those persons residing in the service area of the county hospital system.

An analysis of health care trends indicates elderly persons will continue to need and utilize a much greater proportion of health services than other age groups.

The trend to population mobility and employment specialization is also expected to continue, resulting in more elderly persons residing in the area without close family support.

“We feel we should be doing more in caring for the elderly,” said Marvin L. Dehne, president of the county hospitals. “One of the things this could involve would be the operation of a nursing home or a day care center.”

Dickinson County Hospitals has a goal of expanding its role in health services for the elderly.

One objective is to address the need, as defined by the state, for additional long-term care beds. Another is to provide an alternative reimbursable setting for elderly

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patients to convalesce from an acute illness.

Under the new federal Medicare reimbursement program, hospitals are only reimbursed a fixed amount, determined in advance, for specific procedures and illnesses. Hospitals are not reimbursed for anything beyond this amount and must assume those costs if a patient stays longer.

The hospital system also plans to coordinate and develop a continuance of care concept for the elderly in its service area and provide supplemental services to fill gaps in elderly health needs.

“Dickinson County Hospitals is in a central position from which to take the lead in ensuring adequacy and quality of community health care,” Dehne said.

“Needed services which are profitable must be addressed to provide a financial base from which to operate marginal services and to prevent infringement on our service areas by others seeking lucrative opportunities.”

Dehne said health care reimbursement methods will require expansion to service our service area against penetration. He said expansion is also necessary to provide an integrated health care system which provides alternatives to hospitalization.

Dehne indicated there was a need to diversify the financial base of the hospital system in order to deal with reimbursement decisions relating to the prime area of operation.

In order to meet community health needs, the county hospitals have set a goal of service and system expansion.

The objectives are:

- To secure and expand the service area.
- To increase utilization.

- To strengthen the financial situation for future debt capacity.
- To share expertise and help others to survive.
- To develop strength through numbers for all concerned.

“The goal of the hospital system here is to strengthen itself,” Dehne said. “This may occur through relationships with other hospitals or expertise we can offer in another community.”

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Volunteer groups important to success of Dickinson County hospital system

**Sixth of nine
related articles**

**By RON KRAMER
Staff Writer**

IRON MOUNTAIN – One of the goals of Dickinson County Hospitals is to be responsive to and strengthen its relationship with the Hospital League, auxiliaries and volunteers.

“The league, auxiliaries and volunteers provide extra touches of personal care and funds to purchase special items that contribute immensely to personalized patient care,” said Marvin L. Dehne, president of the county hospital system.

“Volunteers are important ambassadors to the community who inform others of the hospital system’s strengths and needs.

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“Volunteers are also an important part of the health care team and must be committed to a unity of purpose with other members,” Dehne said.

Objectives of the hospital system are:

- To install a feeling of team between the hospitals and these groups.
- To stimulate interest and to develop a resource for support of hospital programs.
- To maintain financial support for equipment needs.

Dickinson County Memorial Hospital in Iron Mountain is served by the Hospital League and an auxiliary.

The league has 454 members and has donated \$55,777 to the hospital during the past three years. Members have also worked some 33,000 hours during this period.

The Dickinson County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary recently donated \$300 to the hospital’s Lifeline program. The auxiliary’s 20 members have donated 2,400 hours of their time to hospital projects in the past three years.

Dehne said volunteers also donate countless hours each year in serving the hospital.

Candy Stripers, a group of high school girls, also work as volunteers at Dickinson County Memorial and have donated 1,720 hours during the past three years.

Anderson Memorial Hospital in Norway is served by auxiliaries from Norway-Vulcan and Loretto. The two groups have donated over \$37,000 and some 11,000 hours to the hospital since 1982.

“We place a high value on the effort of these people, the time they donate and the money they provide to the hospital system,” Dehne said. “They are deserving of more recognition.”

Another goal of the hospital system is attainment of a common objective by the

board of trustees, personnel and medical staff.

“The ability to respond quickly to change is becoming of increased importance in health care and will require closer working relationships between all players within the hospital system,” Dehne said.

“The effective utilization of resources for maximum patient benefit will require agreement on what is to be accomplished to avoid counterproductive activity,” Dehne said.

“We need to stand together in order to combat changing environment. We also need to instill the concept of of [sic] mutual and individual gain from group corporate support.”

Dehne said the board, personnel and medical staff should “provide an atmosphere of public trust through harmonious, coordinated actions.”

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Future of Norway hospital secure

Eighth of nine related articles

**By RON KRAMER
Staff Writer**

IRON MOUNTAIN – One of the goals of Dickinson County Hospitals is to maintain Anderson Memorial Hospital in Norway as part of the county hospital system.

Among the objectives in the long-range plan adopted by the organization is to

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secure Anderson Memorial's future, realizing a change of focus may occur.

"The changes from a cost-based reimbursement structure to DRGs (diagnosis related groups) will have a large impact on Anderson Memorial Hospital because of the current 62 percent Medicare utilization at this facility," said Marvin L. Dehne, president of the county hospitals." *[sic]*

Under the DRG system of reimbursement for Medicare patients, hospitals are paid a fixed amount, determined in advance, for a specific procedure or illness. The hospital is now reimbursed for anything beyond this amount, even if the patient remains in the hospital for a longer period.

A 10-member planning committee has been appointed to look at future plans for Anderson Memorial in terms of both facilities and services, Dehne said.

Members of the committee are Dehne, Irving Soderlund, Dr. William Asselin, Robert Nordhoff, Dr. William Gladstone, Kathy Masty, Stewart Oja and hospital board members Berdell Hamlin, Vernon Sorenson and Irving Hoffman.

Masty is vice president of operations at Anderson Memorial. Oja and Nordhoff are former members of the hospital board.

Dehne said the Minneapolis-based consulting firm of Hamilton & Associates will be working with the planning committee. The consultants also assisted the hospital board in developing a long-range *[plan]* for the hospital system.

The hospital board has authorized Dehne to submit a letter to the state requesting permission to use up to 10 of the 19 beds at Norway as "swing" beds. He said this would permit the hospital to use some of the empty acute care beds for

patients who are waiting to get into nursing homes.

"We don't get paid for Medicare patients if we keep them beyond a certain number of days," Dehne said, "but we would receive reimbursement if they were in long-term care beds."

Dehne said the average daily census last year at Anderson Memorial was eight patients.

"There is strong community support in the Norway area for the continuation of Anderson Memorial Hospital," the administrator said. "We believe the limited role of Anderson Memorial is understood and accepted by the local community."

Dehne said the ability to successfully operate a small hospital like Anderson Memorial through a multi-hospital system has been demonstrated by Dickinson County Hospitals.

Other objectives for Anderson Memorial in the long-range plan are to maintain health care services for Norway area residents and to improve and expand the level of services.

Anderson Memorial, which opened in November 1960, was named in honor of the late John E. and Johanna Anderson, who donated the land on which the hospital was built.

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Hospital plans \$9 million expansion

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By **RON KRAMER**
Staff Writer

IRON MOUNTAIN – A \$9 million expansion and renovation project for the Dickinson County Memorial Hospital is part of the long-range plan for the county hospital system.

Marvin L. Dehne, president of Dickinson County Hospitals, said the cost of the proposed expansion and renovation is based on estimates through 1986.

He said plans involve expansion of the 112-bed hospital to provide new facilities for the intensive care unit, obstetrics unit, emergency room and outpatient area.

The other phase of the project would be renovation of the existing hospital to accommodate other hospital functions and installation of an air-conditioning system. This would facilitate the relocation of various departments within the hospital.

“The project will involve a reduction of total beds and establishment of more private rooms,” Dehne said. “The entire project is designed to improve the efficiency of our operation.”

The administrator said new facilities were needed for the intensive care, obstetrics and outpatient areas because of increased demands for these services.

The proposed project is part of the goal that the hospital system “maintain, improve and expand its physical plant to accommodate its present and future needs.”

Dehne said a number of options are being studied regarding financing for the project.

He said objectives of the hospital are to provide a pleasant and desirable surrounding for patients, create flexibility for future growth and eliminate any deficiencies cited by the state.

“In adopting this goal, we assume that utilization of Dickinson County Hospitals will continue to increase, although there may be shifts in use amount of inpatient and outpatient utilization,” Dehne said.

“We will need additional space when new medical technologies become available that we will desire to acquire for use in caring for our patients. Patients will also expect the hospital system to respond to their desires for modern accommodations, private rooms, diagnostic services and specialty programs which will require larger and updated facilities.

“The increased emphasis on hospital cost containment will demand a physical plant that is efficient,” Dehne said, “and one which will provide for efficient staffing and work performance.”

NEW HOSPITAL BY THE UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION **Iron Mountain**

[NEVER CONSTRUCTED]

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 25, Number 12 [Thursday, August 5, 1920], page 1, column 6

New Hospital.

From a dependable source The Press learns that the United States Steel corporation has definitely decided to erect a large and modern hospital in Iron Mountain. The matter has been under consideration for several years. No information is obtainable relative to the location.

KINGSFORD HOSPITALS

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FORD HOSPITAL **Woodward Avenue** **Kingsford**

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 25, Number 24 [Thursday, October 28, 1920], page 1, column 4

E.G. Kingsford, vice-president of the Michigan Land, Iron and Lumber company, has notified The Press that Dr. Joseph A. Crowell, chief surgeon for the Oliver Iron Mining company, has been appointed to the same position with his corporation.

The Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, _____ Year, Number _____ [Wednesday, May 21, 1924], page 6, column 1

CONSIDER FORD HOSPITAL HERE

Would Be Located In City Across From Fil- tration Plant

Construction of a hospital in the city of Iron Mountain but adjacent to the village of Kingsford is being discussed by the Ford Motor company, according to E.G. Kingsford, upper peninsula manager of the Ford operations. No decision has been reached as yet, he declared, the project still being considered tentatively.

It is understood that if the building is erected it will be located within the city limits on Woodward avenue across from the

Ford filtration plant. Woodward avenue is the boundary line between the city and the village. The hospital will be open to the public but Ford doctors must be employed.

There is little probability, it is said, that work on the structure will start before year if the proposal is approved. In the meantime, a drive is being planned in Iron Mountain to raise funds to complete the purchase and provide for the enlargement of the General hospital which will also be needed. The terms under which the General hospital was sold by Dr. W.J. Anderson and other stockholders of the old Westerlin hospital corporation provided that it be an open hospital both for doctors and the public and be governed by a board of trustees.

The Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 4, Number 248 [Monday, February 2, 1925], page 1, column ____

CONTRACT FORD PRACTICE ENDS

Company Converts Wood- ward Ave. House for Use as Hospital

Discontinuance by the Ford Motor company of what is known as contract medical practice was announced today. The discontinuance is effective immediately, employes [*sic – employees*] of the company no longer being assessed a certain sum each month for which they received medical attention whenever required for themselves and families.

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The discontinuance will not cause the dissolution of the medical firm of Crowell, Belhumeur and Coffin, which has had the Ford contract, although it has meant the release of three physicians for private practice. These are Drs. Dave Eisele and C.P. Drury, who have opened offices in the United States National bank building, and J.W. O'Neill, who has opened an office in the LaBrecque building in Breitung.

Crowell, Belhumeur and Coffin will continue to take care of the contract practice of the Oliver Iron Mining company, which has the same plan as was adopted by the Ford company when it located here. In addition, they hold contracts with the Chicago & NorthWestern and the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroads and will take care of private practice.

Paid \$1.10 Per Month.

Employees [*sic* – *Employees*] of the Ford company, under the contract practice plan, each paid in \$1.10 per month for which they received medical attention whenever necessary for themselves and families but were required to summon one of the physicians under contract with the Ford company. Although in the long run this form of service was cheaper, the customary complaint against contract practice – that it limits selection of physicians – was expressed.

Although Ford employes [*sic* – *employees*] will not be required to pay the regular fees for medical service as received, men who become ill or injured while at work will be cared for at company expense in a new Ford hospital which has been equipped here.

This hospital is located in one of the new Ford houses on Woodward avenue, the house being remodelled [*sic* – *remodeled*] for this purpose. According to company officials, the equipment is of the

finest, including one of the best X-ray machines in the upper peninsula. The hospital, it is stated, is a duplicate, in miniature, of the mammoth Henry Ford hospital at Detroit which from the standpoint of equipment, is conceded to be one of the finest if not the best in the country.

Ford Doctor In Charge.

The hospital here is in charge of Dr. W.H. Alexander, who comes directly from the Henry Ford hospital in Detroit. At present it has five beds, in addition to an operating room and other departments. If demand necessitates the facilities will probably be increased.

Converting the house into use as a hospital will not affect plans for the construction of a large Ford hospital here, it was stated officially today. Some time ago it was announced that the Ford company planned building a modern hospital on a site in the vicinity of the filtration plant on Woodward avenue. This building would be of fireproof construction, with all modern equipment, and in addition to caring for employes [*sic* – *employees*] injured in the plant would, according to the original intention, be open to that part of the public desiring the services of the Ford doctors.

The present hospital, it was stated, is merely a “forerunner” of the one it is proposed to build.

NORWAY HOSPITALS

Norway, Michigan, Diamond Jubilee 1891-1966 Historical Album, unpagged

Norway has always been fortunate to have the facilities of a hospital since its early days. In 1882 the Penn Iron Mining Company built and maintained a hospital at the Norway Hill location. They operated

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this until the turn of the century when the Swift hospital was constructed and the staff and equipment were moved to the new building. With the acquisition of the Columbia hospital from Dr. E. Lockart, the mining company again moved to more spacious quarters. Upon taking over the Columbia hospital, the mining company changed the name to Penn Hospital. They managed this until 1946, at which time it was sold to the City of Norway for a nominal sum. The City of Norway maintained and operated the hospital until November, 1960[,] when the new Anderson Memorial hospital was opened to the public.

Anderson Memorial hospital, named in memory of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Anderson, pioneer residents of the City of Norway, is situated on an ideal tract on the south end of Main Street. This building site was a gift to Dickinson County and the hospital board from the members of the John E. Anderson family.

Anderson Memorial is maintained and operated by the Dickinson County hospital board, with Lowell Swanson as its administrator. The hospital is a \$350,000 facility, modern and efficiently operated in every detail, with twenty full time and twelve part time employees.

Doctors W. Gladstone, W. Hayes and L. Hamlin are on the hospital staff. Dr. Gladstone and Dr. Hayes each own and conduct a clinic in their own buildings on Main Street. Dr. Hamlin, a long time Norway doctor, assists Dr. Hayes at his clinic.

NORWAY MINE HOSPITAL

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 29

[Saturday, August 22, 1885], page 1, column 2

The reporter took a look through the Norway mine hospital a few days ago, and was agreeably surprised at the improvements going on there. The physician's office has been enlarged to double its former size, which will prove a great convenience to all who have business there. The walls throughout the building, too, are being painted, and the premises overhauled generally. There are but two patients there at present.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 24 [Saturday, July 10, 1886], page 1, column 3

There are now five patients in the accident ward of the Norway hospital, and during a short call there yesterday, we had an opportunity to note how neat and comfortable everything looked, and also the look of pleased resignation on the faces of Drs. Lockart and Jones.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 29 [Saturday, August 14, 1886], page 1, column 3

—We visited the Norway hospital this week and found that the accident ward now contains six patients. Some of these, however, are nearly well, and one has been an inmate for a long time, having received an injury which will render him helpless for life[.] Two of the recent inmates are from the West Vulcan mine and are named Tobias and Peter Zadra. They were injured by a blast on the 3d isn't. [this month]. One is not very seriously injured, but the other

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will probably lose the sight of one eye. The hospital has recently been repainted and fitted up until everything looks as bright as a new pin. It is without a doubt a fine institution and no pains or expense are spared to make the patients comfortable.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume III, Number 15 [Saturday, May 14, 1887], page 1, column 4

The accident ward at the Norway hospital has lately been repainted and varnished, and is now as pleasant a place for an injured man as can be found on the peninsula.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume III, Number 24 [Saturday, July 16, 1887], page 1, column 3

–The Norway hospital now contains seven patients, two having been added this week. None of the injured men are likely to suffer permanent disability. Of the seven, five suffer from fractured limbs. This is one of the best institutions on the range, and all who are unfortunate enough to meet with any disability, [sic] think themselves fortunate in being entitled to the comforts and conveniences provided for them.

Norway, Michigan, Diamond Jubilee 1891-1966 Historical Album, unpagged

1891: Discussion was initiated about provision of a suitable ambulance wagon with which to convey injured men to their homes or to the hospital.

Norway, Michigan, Diamond Jubilee 1891-1966 Historical Album, unpagged

1892: Mr. William Weber[,] of Chicago, a trained nurse, arrived here to take the position made vacant by the resignation of Henry Dignin in the Norway Hospital.

Norway, Michigan, Diamond Jubilee 1891-1966 Historical Album, unpagged

1903: The old hospital building of the Penn Iron Mining Company was cut into three parts and located at different points. These divisions were used as homes.

1903: In August equipment was moved from the old Norway Hospital (on top of Nelson Hill on the west side of the street) to the new Swift Hospital. (This is the present home of John Zakra and Raymond O'Callahan [sic].)

BRYON N. WHITE HOSPITAL

**Dr. C. D'A. Wright
Ingallsdorf**

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume __, Number __ [Saturday, August 9, 1890], page 1, columns 1-5

CURRENT NOTES.

–Dr. Wright has built a barn on his property adjoining his new hospital, at Ingallsdorf.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume __, Number __ [Saturday, September 13, 1890], page 1, columns 1-3

CURRENT NOTES.

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–Prof. Tobey has moved into his new residence at Frederickton, and Dr. Wright now uses the former residence of the Prof. as an office in connection with his hospital.

–The skeleton owned by Dr. C.D'A. Wright was taken to the school building Thursday morning. A human heart is also a recent addition to the collection at the school building.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume __, Number __ [Saturday, September 20, 1890], page 1, columns 1-3

CURRENT NOTES.

–Dr. C.D'A. Wright is building a fence around his hospital and office at Ingallsdorf.

–Dr. Wright has named his new hospital at Ingallsdorf the “Bryon N. White hospital.”

COLUMBIA HOSPITAL

Norway, Michigan, Diamond Jubilee 1891-1966 Historical Album, unpagged

1902: With the installatoin [sic – installation] of an elevator at Columbia Hospital, Dr. Lockart completed the contemplated changes and had the best equipped hospital north of Milwaukee.

Norway, Michigan, Diamond Jubilee 1891-1966 Historical Album, unpagged

1910: On December 26, 1910[,] the New Columbia Hospital received its first patient, Mrs. Wollum – wife of Andrew Wollum, the contractor. She gave birth to a baby boy. The hospital referred to is the present Kimberly Clark Woods Division Office.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 5, Number 29 [Thursday, December 13, 1900], page 3, column 2

BRIEF CITY NEWSITES.

The Commonwealth Iron company has purchased from Dr. E.P. Swift the Columbia Hotel property at Norway. In this connection we learn that the rumor to the effect that the company intends using the building for hotel purposes has no foundation in fact.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 13, Number 29 [Thursday, December 10, 1908], page 1, column 2

Hospital Closed.

Dr. E.P. Lockart has closed the Columbia Hospital at Norway on account of the building being so baldy cracked by settling that he is unable to heat sufficiently. His drug store and office on the first floor will remain the same for the present.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 14, Number 9 [Thursday, July 22, 1909], page 6, column 3

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

Dr. E.P. Lockart has secured a settlement with the United States Steel corporation for the damage to his practice and to his property caused by the settling

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of the ground under the Columbia Hospital, and the property has been deeded to The National Tube Works company. The doctor recovered a large cash consideration besides the old Sampson House, and all the inside fixtures and furniture in the hospital; also the heating plant. Dr. Lockart will move the hotel building to the corner of South Norway and Harrison streets, where a concrete basement will be built under it, the structure veneered with brick and the whole inside remodeled into an up-to-date hospital. The new hospital will be heated with steam and in the basement a Turkish bath will be installed. The entire equipment to the building will be modern in every respect. The old Columbia Hospital had a reputation of being one of the best institutions of the kind in the upper peninsula and there is no doubt that the new Columbia will be equally as good and better than the old one.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 14, Number 11 [Thursday, August 5, 1909], page 5, column 1

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

Geo. Tobie, of Iron Mountain, has the contract for moving the old Husson House to the south side for Dr. E.P. Lockart, who will remodel and fit it up for a hospital.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 14, Number 18 [Thursday, September 23, 1909], page 5, column 1

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

The old Husson House, which has been moved to the south side to be remodeled and veneered with brick for the New Columbia Hospital[,] is now in place and the work on the foundation is in progress. The M.E. parsonage is also on the new site of South Norway street ready for the foundation.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 25 [Thursday, November 10, 1910], page 5, column 3

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS.

The new Columbia Hospital is nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy in about ten days. The building is nicely located on South Norway street, facing the east. The structure is thirty-seven by fifty-five feet on the ground and three stories high with a basement. The basement is built of cement blocks and has a cement floor throughout. The building proper is frame with vetrified brick veneering. The front of the building has a large veranda with cement steps leading from the walk. In the basement is an electrical room, where machinery is placed for operating the laundry in an adjoining room. In the laundry there is a large washing machine, a centrifugal dryer, a mangler and a vacuum cleaner. In another room is the heating plant, consisting of a hot water furnace for heating purposes, a hotwater [*sic* – *hot water*] boiler with pipe connections with the bath-rooms [*sic* – *bathrooms*] and lavatories, and a special furnace and boiler to generate steam for the sterilizing rooms. The whole south side of the basement will

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later be equipped for Turkish baths. On the first floor of the building is a reception room, superintendent's office and living-rooms [*sic – living rooms*], wash-room [*sic – washroom*] for physicians' use before going to the operating-room [*sic – operating room*], special operating-room [*sic – operating room*] for pus cases only, main operating-room [*sic – operating room*] with sterilizing-room [*sic – sterilizing room*] adjoining, laboratory for bacteriological and pathological cases, and rest room [*sic – restroom*]. On the second floor are two suites of rooms, five private rooms, nurses' room, linen closets and a bath room [*sic – bathroom*]. From the front hall a door opens to the roof of the large veranda, where a sun-parlor [*sic – sun parlor*] is to be arranged. In each of the rooms is a colored light signal cord by which a patient may summon the nurse at any time by touching a button, which turns on a red light over the door in the hall and also in the nurse's room. On the third floor, [*sic*] are three private rooms, nurses' dining-room [*sic – dining room*], pantry and kitchen, large ice-chest [*sic – ice chest*], three rooms for nurses and help and bath-room [*sic – bathroom*]. All private rooms in the building are equipped with the Stromberg-Carlson interior 'phone system. In the construction of the building all the inside walls are of adamant and the floors of karbolith composition. The inner corners of all the rooms are rounding so as to be readily reached with the vacuum cleaner. In the rear of the building is an elevator leading from [*the*] basement to third floor and a rear entrance on the first floor for the reception of ambulance patients. An auto-ambulance will be provided as soon as arrangements can be made. The grounds around the building are enclosed with a cement wall and will be converted into a lawn adorned

with flower beds. The hospital complete, with all equipments [*sic – equipment*], will cost between \$25,000 and \$30,000. None but trained nurses for both night and day services will be employed. Dr. Lockart may well congratulate himself upon having the best arranged and most completely equipped hospital north of Milwaukee.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 47 [Thursday, April 13, 1911], page 5, columns 5-6

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Columbia Hospital

Corner of Harrison and Norway Streets

Norway, -- Michigan

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- 2 Red Light Signal System
- 3 Intercommunicating Telephone System
- 4 complete Electric Laundry Apparatus
- 5 Electric Vacuum System for cleaning purposes
- 6 Electric Elevator
- 7 Complete System for Steam Sterilization
- 8 All Private Rooms – No Wards
- 9 Diet Department on the Top Floor

E.P. Lockart, House Surgeon

E.W. Miller, House Physician

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Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain,
Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15,
Number 36 [Thursday, January 26,
1911], page 3, column 3

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

Miss Edna Colwell, who has held a position for the past two years as assistant superintendent at the University Hospital at Chicago, has been engaged by Dr. Lockart as superintendent at the Columbia Hospital, and is expected to take charge the first of next month.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain,
Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16,
Number 10 [Thursday, July 27, 1911],
page ____, column ____

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

Edwin, the twelve-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bolan, was operated upon for hernia last Saturday at the Columbia Hospital.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain,
Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 17,
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NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

Dr. E.P. Lockart, one of the pioneer physicians of Norway, has accepted the position of surgeon with The [sic] Verona Mining company with headquarters at Palatka, and will leave for his new field of practice on Feb. 1st. The company will

build a residence for Dr. Lockart, which will be ready for occupancy next spring. In the meantime, Mrs. Lockart will remain in Norway until the close of the school year. The Columbia Hospital, which is owned by Dr. Lockart, will be closed for the present. During the thirty years that Dr. Lockart has resided in Norway he has made many friends, both socially and professionally, and regrets mingled with good wishes for the future accompany him to his new field of practice. It is rumored that Dr. Theo. Moll, of Felch, will succeed Dr. Lockart as physician at the Loretto mine.

PENN HOSPITAL

ANDERSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain,
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Number 8 [Thursday, July 8, 1920],
page 1, column 6

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DR. OTTO ALVING **Scandinavian Hospital** **615 East G Street** **Iron Mountain**

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DR. E.B. ANDERSON

The Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume ____, Number ____ [Monday, April 23, 1945], page ____, column ____

Dr. Andersen Dies After Heart Attack

Dr. E.B. Andersen, 52, who came to Iron Mountain from Grand Rapids on April 1, 1936, to take over the practice of Dr. C.P. Drury, now of Marquette, died at 3:20 Sunday morning at his residence, 612 West A, of a heart attack which he suffered last Tuesday. Dr. Andersen, a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, was a practicing physician and surgeon.

He was born March 2, 1893, in Drammen, Norway, the oldest of eight children. The family came to the United States when Dr. Andersen was three. His father was a Methodist minister and the family lived in various parts of Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan, where the senior Mr. Andersen served parishes.

Dr. Andersen was gradated [*sic – graduated*] in 1912 from the Manistee, Mich., high school and completed his

studies in June, 1919, at the University of Michigan, where he received his doctor's degree. After graduation, he was interne [*sic – intern*] and house physician for two years at Blodgett Memorial hospital, Grand Rapids.

Came Here In 1936

He opened an office in Grand Rapids in 1921 and remained there until 1936, when he came to Iron Mountain to take over the practice of Dr. Drury. He also had a branch office in Norway, which he closed on Jan. 1, 1945.

Apparently in good health, Dr. Andersen appeared on a number of musical programs in the city and had been a member of the choir of Trinity Methodist since his arrival here in 1936. He was a past president of the Kiwanis club; secretary for a number of years, of the Dickinson-Iron county Medical society, and a member of the board of Trinity Methodist.

He had for many years been a member of the Y's Men's club, an international organization affiliated with the YMCA, serving as president of the Grand Rapid's [*sic – Rapids*] chapter and on the international organization.

Dr. Andersen leaves his widow, the former Berenice Borden, to whom he was wedded Sept. 28, 1917, in Ann Arbor; two children, Miss Dagne, who is en route home from Los Angeles, and Ensign Bruce Andersen, San Pedro, Calif., who is here with his wife; two sisters, Mrs. Arthur Esthus, Sarasota, Fla., and Mrs. E.W. Nelson, Chicago, and three brothers, Royal Andersen[,] Minneapolis; Lieut. Arlow Andersen[,] Winfield, Kas., and Albert Anderson, EM2/c. with the fleet in the Marianas.

The body of Dr. Andersen was taken to the Freeman Funeral home, where it may

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be viewed after 7 tonight. Services will be held at 2 Wednesday at Trinity Methodist.

It is requested that no flowers be sent. However, persons desiring to contribute to a memorial for Dr. Andersen, which will be placed in the new Trinity Methodist church, may do so through the pastor, the Rev. S.D. Kinde.

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DR. E.B. ANDERSEN

Services for Dr. E.B. Andersen will be held at 1 tomorrow afternoon at Trinity Methodist, instead of 2, as planned. The Rev. S.D. Kinde will be in charge. The body will be taken to the church from the Freeman Funeral home at noon tomorrow.

Immediately after the service, the family will leave on the Chippewa [train] for Grand Rapids, its former home, where services will be conducted by the Rev. W. Helrigel at 10:30 Thursday morning at Trinity Methodist.

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DR. E.B. ANDERSEN

Services for Dr. E.B. Andersen, 52, who died Sunday morning at his home, 612 East A, after a brief illness, were held at 1 yesterday at Trinity Methodist. The Rev. S.D. Kinde, assisted by the Rev. George Weiser, conducted the service.

The Rev. Robert VanderHart sang "I've Done My Work"; the choir, directed by Mrs. H.P. Toretta, "God So Loved the World", and Mrs. Toretta, "The Lord of Love My

Shepherd Is". Mrs. Burnett Pender was the accompanist.

Active pallbearers were Arthur Fortier, Clark McGregor, John Jelsch, Morgan Leonard, Arthur Larsen, Reuben Erickson, Ivar Anderson and Dr. D.R. Smith, and honorary pallbearers members of the Kiwanis club, of which Dr. Andersen was a past president, George Best, Reuben Anderson, Dr. Gereon Fredrickson, Russell Kessler, Dr. F.O. Logic, M.A. Marvin, Bruce Guild and Lester Staple.

Ushers were Ewald Dickson and Helmer Freeman.

The body was taken to Grand Rapids, for services at 10:30 this morning at Trinity Methodist and burial in Rosedale Cemetery.

Accompanying the body to Grand Rapids were Mrs. E.B. Andersen, her daughter, Miss Dagne, Los Angeles, and her son, Ensign Bruce Anderson, and his wife; Mr. and Mrs. George Allyn; Lieut. Arlow Anderson and Mrs. Anderson, Winfield, Kas.; Arthur Esthus, Sarasota, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Nelson, Chicago, and Royal Andersen, Minneapolis.

DR. WILLIAM J. ANDERSON

Scandinavian Hospital

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DR. AUERBACH

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 17 [Thursday, September 15, 1910], page 1, column 2

Returns to Chicago.

Dr. Auerbach expects to leave the city on the 25th for Chicago, where he will spend the winter studying. Enroute [*sic – En route*] he will stop at Kenosha, Wis., where he has a number of patients. Dr. A. expects to spend the holiday vacation in Iron Mountain, when he will be pleased to receive calls from friends and old patients.

DR. JAMES ASHLEY BANGS

**Pewabic Hospital
837 East B Street
Iron Mountain**

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Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 19, Number 38 [Thursday, February 4, 1915], page 8, column 3

OBITUARY

After an illness of several years, Dr. J. Ashley Bangs departed this life last Thursday evening at Denver, Colorado. Dr. Bangs was fifty-eight years of age. He was born in Sweden, Maine. Soon after reaching manhood he was graduated from the medical department of the University of Vermont. Soon after graduation, Dr. Bangs located in Kenosha, Wis., later removing to Ironwood, where he was assistant physician at the Norrie mine. In May, 1893, Dr. Bangs removed to this city, having been appointed physician for the Pewabic company, which position he held at the time of his death. About four years ago, a lung affliction compelled Dr. Bangs to seek a more favorable climate and he made his home in Denver. Dr. Bangs is survived by a wife and three children – Mrs. Max H. Barber, of Nashwauk, Minn., Miss Athlyn Valance and son Ashley, the latter a student at the Michigan University, and a sister, Mrs. Eugene Waterhouse, of South Farmington, Mass. Upon receipt of the news of the death, Dr. Coffin, his cousin and business associate, left for Denver and arrived home with the remains yesterday morning. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon under the direction of the members of the Masonic Lodge, of which order Dr. Bangs was an honored member, and was largely attended.

During the twenty or more years that Dr. Bangs had resided in Iron Mountain he commanded the respect and high esteem of all citizens. He will be mourned in many homes. Dr. Bangs was a “family physician” in all that the words imply – he was a counsellor [*sic – counselor*] for the mother and the father and children, and interested not only in their bodily health, but in their success and happiness. Possessed of a kindly and symphic [*sic – sympathetic*] disposition, he immediately gained the full

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confidence of the patient and his success as a physician was marked. His deeds of charity were many and unostentatious. Dr. Bangs was not only a believer in the Golden Rule, but he sought opportunities to practice his belief. He believed in his fellowman. His love for his family was most abundant and his constant thought was to add to their happiness and comfort. While of a retired disposition, devoted to his home and his profession, Dr. Bangs did not shirk the responsibilities of citizenship and was ever prompt in responding to movements tending to advance the city of his adoption and the betterment of the people. He will be mourned not only by the relatives and patients, but by citizens in general. The sympathy of the community is extended to the immediate relatives.

DR. J.S. BARRY

DR. GEORGE M. BELHUMEUR

DR. BELNAP

DR. DANIEL M. BOND

Quinnesec, Iron River

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume XII, Number 13 [Saturday, March 19, 1892], page 5, column 5

DR. D.M. BOND DEAD.

**The Well-Known Physician Passes
Away at Noon To-Day.**

The MINING NEWS learns with the deepest sorrow that **Dr. D.M. Bond**, one of the best-known physicians of the range, is lying at the point of death at his home in **Iron River**. He was stricken with paralysis at 7 o'clock last evening. The Doctor [*sic – doctor*] ate his supper as usual, and appeared to be in the best of spirits. He finally laid down upon a couch and was soon afterwards discovered in an unconscious condition. He was still unconscious this morning, and at last reports was gradually sinking. It is believed he cannot survive the day. His wife was visiting Iron Mountain at the time of his sudden illness, but passed through here on the noon train to-day [*sic – today*] on her way to Iron River.

News of Dr. Bond's momentary death will be received with profound grief in Florence, where he is greatly esteemed and has many warm and devoted friends. The genial Doctor [*sic – doctor*] was a regular weekly visitor here and was greatly attached to Florence.

LATER: -- Dr. Bond died at noon to-day [*sic – today*].

The following dispatch was received early this afternoon:

IRON RIVER, Mich., March 19, 1892.

GEO. C. YOUNGS, Florence.

Dr. D.M. Bond died at 11:40 this morning.

P. O'BRIEN.

The Florence Mining News, Florence, Florence County, Wisconsin, Volume XII, Number 14 [Saturday, March 26, 1892], page 5, columns 5-6

Dr. Bond's Funeral.

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A representative of the MINING NEWS attended the funeral of the lamented **Dr. D.M. Bond**, at his late residence in Iron River on Monday afternoon. The house was filled with a large number of the Doctor's *[sic – doctor's]* old friends and neighbors, and the services were exceedingly impressive, **Rev. Mr. McDonald** preached the funeral sermon, during the delivery of which he paid an eloquent and touching tribute to the memory of the departed. The members of **Iron River Tent No. 336, Knights of the Maccabees**, of which Dr. Bond was a zealous and faithful member, besides being the tent's examining physician, attended the funeral in a body and acted as an escort. Six Maccabees also officiated as pall-bearers. The remains were taken to the **Chicago & North-Western depot** and placed on the 4 P.M. passenger train and forwarded to **Milton, Rock Co., Wis.**, for interment in the same cemetery where his parents and other relatives are buried. The Iron River Maccabees accompanied the body as far as Florence, and were met at the local depot by a large delegation of **Florence Sir Knights**.

E.E. Keyes, of this city, and **E.P. Lott**, commander of the **Iron River Tent, K.O.T.M.**, accompanied the remains to Milton. Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church at that place at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, **Rev. E.M. Dunn** officiating.

The Iron River Reporter furnishes the following brief sketch of the life of the deceased:

"**Daniel M. Bond** was born March 22, 1826, at Clarksburg, West Virginia, where his youth was passed. He received an academical *[sic – academic]* education, graduating with honor, after which he took up the study of medicine and pursued the

same for some years, when he entered the Chicago Medical College, graduating therefrom with honor to himself and the college. After receiving his diploma he located at Johnstown Center, Rock Co., Wis., where he resided about twenty-five years. He then removed to Janesville, in the same state, and remained there for three years, when he removed to **Quinnesec**, in this state, in 1880, and from thence to **Iron River** in 1882, where he lived until his death. He was married January 1, 1850, to Miss **Mary J. Swisher**, an estimable young lady of West Virginia, who proved herself a helpmate to him in all his adversities as well as in the prosperities, and who lives to mourn his death. Three children lived to bless their union and comfort their widowed mother – **Mrs. E. Saunders**, wife of **Edward Saunders**, founder and present cashier of the Milton (Wis.) Bank, **Frank L.**, who has been associated with his father for several years in the **practice of medicine here and elsewhere**, and Miss **Lillian M.** The deceased was the oldest of four brothers, two of whom, **Alexander Bond**, of Parma, Ill., and **S.G. Bond**, of Milton, Wis., survive him. He comes of a long-lived race, his father having died last May, at Milton, at the age of nearly 90 years, and 24 hours before his death the Doctor *[sic – doctor]* looked healthy enough to live to be as old himself."

DR. GEORGE A. BOYCE
Physician and Surgeon, Oculist
507 South Stephenson Avenue
Iron Mountain

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Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 20, Number 33 [Thursday, December 30, 1915], page 1, column 6

Stavrum-Boyce.

This evening at the home of the bride, at LaCrosse, Wis., Dr. George A. Boyce, of this city, will be united in marriage to Miss Esther A. Stavrum. The bride-to-be was an instructor in the local high school for many years and is a young woman of charming personality and has many friends in the city. Dr. Boyce has been a resident of Iron Mountain for the past four years. He has many friends and is worthy of his friendships.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 21, Number 14 [Thursday, August 17, 1916], page 1, column 4

Accident at Mill.

Arthur Lacousier, who was employed on a planer at the von Platen Lumber company, was struck in the eye by a splinter from a board. The fragment penetrated the eye-ball [*sic – eyeball*], which was badly lacerated. Dr. George A. Boyce, who attended him, removed the eye last Tuesday.

DR. J.B. BRASSEUR

Norway, Michigan, Diamond Jubilee 1891-1966 Historical Album, unpagged

1892: The new doctor, J.B. Brasseur, had his shingle out in the city and was

ready to attend to calls at all hours. His office was in the building next to the R.G. Flanagan [*sic – R.C. Flannigan*] law office.

DR. IRVING R. BROWNING

Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, _____ Year, Number _____ [Wednesday, July 8, 1925], page 2, columns 5-6

Dr. Browning To Practice in City

Dr. Irving R. Browning will practice medicine and surgery in Iron Mountain, it was stated today.

Dr. Browning is a graduate of the Iron Mountain high school of the class of '08, and a native of Dickinson county. He is the eldest son of R.C. Browning.

For the past seven years he has been associated with Doctors B.F. Lounsbury, S.R. Slaymaker, Frederick Tice and the late B.W. Sippy, in the practice of medicine and surgery at the Washington boulevard hospital in Chicago. He was also connected with the C.M. & St. Paul railroad as assistant chief surgeon, for several years under Dr. Lounsbury, chief surgeon.

In addition to general practice in Iron Mountain, he will continue his association with the C.M. & St. Paul, in the capacity of district surgeon over the Michigan and Wisconsin lines comprising the Superior division.

Since 1910, Dr. Browning has been an instructor in operative surgery in the medical department of the **[need to copy the remainder of this article]**

DR. JOHN D. CAMERON

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Shortly after Iron Mountain was founded, the owners of the Chapin Mine hired Dr. John D. Cameron, the first physician in the city [sic], who arrived early in 1882 to care for the employees of the Chapin Mine and their families. The miners had \$1 deducted from their monthly pay for medical care which covered all medicines and doctor's fees. Dr. Cameron, a tall man with sandy-colored hair and a red moustache, was a graduate of McGill College in Montreal, Canada. He was joined in November of 1882 by Dr. J. Addison Crowell. These two doctors had approximately 300 miners under their care when they began practice, but this number reached 3,400 in 1890.

In that same year, the Chapin Hospital, which was in effect more of an office than a hospital, was built at the northeast end of the present Chapin Pit where Park Avenue turns towards the North Side. Allen Hopper was the orderly, or male nurse, assigned to the hospital, and also took care of the mine's horses.

A typical day for the doctors at the Chapin Hospital consisted of house calls first thing in the morning, morning office hours, afternoon office hours, house calls again in the late afternoon and night office hours.

When the doctors were called at night, they threw on a suit over their nightshirt and wrapped a handkerchief around their neck for a collar. They walked to their destination, as they could not take the time to hitch up a horse and buggy or sleigh.

It should be noted that during this era, doctors addressed each other by their titles and last names and seldom reached a first name basis.

[Born From Iron, p. 61, submitted by Lowell D. Swanson]

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 10 [Thursday, May 30, 1889], page 1, column 2

THE CITY.

DR. CAMERON worked his passage on the hand car [sic – handcar] to the Laing lumber camp last Sunday, when called to attend W.S. Laing. He and his companions covered the distance of 20 miles in one hour and a half.

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 10 [Thursday, May 30, 1889], page 4, column 2

Personal and Social.

W.S. Laing was taken seriously ill with cholera morbus at his camp at the new lumber mill, last Sunday, and Dr. Cameron, of this city was summonsd [sic – summoned] to attend him. We are glad to report that he has since recovered.

The Iron Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XIII, Number 27 [Thursday, September 24, 1891], page 1, column 5

DRS. CAMERON and Crowell were notified by Supt. Cady last Friday that their services would not be required at the Chapin mine after this month, as he desired to have physicians who would devote their time exclusively to the needs of the men

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employed at that mine, and the position was offered to Dr. Carpenter, of Stambaugh. In view of the change so soon to be made in the superintendency it is a matter of some doubt whether the change in mine physicians will be effected. Drs. Cameron and Crowell are skillful and successful physicians and are moreover universally liked by the men they are called to attend. Were the matter left to the employes [*sic* – *employees*] of the mine, doubtless 90 per cent. [*sic*] of them would vote to retain the above mentioned gentlemen, who have attended the sick at the Chapin location for the past ten years. But THE RANGE can assure the readers that Dr. Carpenter is no less skillful and popular than the men he displaces. He is a man who unquestionably stands at the head of his profession, and if he comes here will give entire satisfaction.

The Iron Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XIII, Number 34 [Thursday, November 12, 1891], page 1, column 3

WE briefly mentioned the fact last week that Dr. Wm. Hutchinson will return in a few days to this city and will occupy rooms in Fisher's new block. It is hardly necessary to recommend Dr. Hutchinson to our citizens, as he, by his long acquaintance with our people, has established an enviable reputation as a physician of medical learning and skill. Until recently he was associated with Drs. Cameron & Crowell, but on his return from Capron, Ill., where he is visiting friends, will establish an independent practice, and his services will certainly be in great demand by those who know him to be a thorough, competent and careful physician.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 4, Number 8 [Thursday, July 13, 1899], page 1, column 3

A New Physician.

Dr. W.P. Spearman has arrived from Iowa to accept the position of assistant to Dr. J.D. Cameron. Dr. Spearman will make his headquarters at Quinnesec, and will devote his time principally to the Cundy mine practice. He comes highly recommended.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 4, Number 8 [Thursday, July 13, 1899], page 1, column 4

New Cameron Residence.

The contract for the handsome new residence to be built on West C street by Dr. J.D. Cameron has finally been let to Bonnett, Michie & Co., of Milwaukee, who expect to commence work on the same in a few days. The residence is of a colonial style architecture and will be two stories and a half in height with a full length basement. It will contain ten large rooms with numerous closets and conveniences and heated with a hot water furnace.

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BRIEF CITY NEWSITES.

The new Cameron residence is inclosed [*sic* – *enclosed*].

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Number 20 [Thursday, October 8, 1908],
page 1, columns 1-2*

MANY ARE CALLED

COMMUNITY SHOCKED BY SUDDEN DEMISE OF DR. CAMERON.

**W.H. Mitchell, Mrs. W.H. Harvey,
Mrs. Charles Olin and Others
Are Summoned Home.**

Dr. John D. Cameron died at the family home on East C street at 9:05 o'clock last Saturday morning. His sudden and entirely unexpected death as a great shock to the community. His last illness was only of a few moments duration. Friday he had been unusually busy attending the needs of his patients. In the evening he had complained of a slight cold. Saturday morning, a short time before his death, he called Mrs. Cameron to his room and asked her to give him a stimulant. This was administered. He spoke of pain in the region of his heart and requested that a physician be summoned. Drs. Crowell and Collins were called. By the time they arrived at the home, however, Dr. Cameron was dead. Death was caused by acute heart failure.

Dr. Cameron was born on August 7th, 1851, at Williamstown, Glengarry county, Ontario, Canada. He graduated in 1878 from McGill University, in Toronto. On September 1st, 1880, he came to the United States, locating at Norway, where he resided for a year. In 1881, he removed to Iron Mountain, having been appointed

physician for the Chapin and Quinnesec mines. At that time the mines were operated by the Menominee Mining company. Quinnesec was the metropolis of the range and Iron Mountain was a straggling mining location. Dr. Cameron was the first physician to locate permanently in this city. He was followed a year later by Dr. Joseph A. Crowell with whom he was associated for many years.

On February 7th, 1882, at Lancaster, Ontario, Dr. Cameron was united in marriage to Catherine Mary MacRae, who came to Iron Mountain a few months later, and have since have [*sic*] made this city their home. The union was blessed with one child[,] a daughter[,] Miss Elva, now a young lady. Dr. Cameron's father's name was Dougald Cameron who he [*sic*] was one of the leading citizens of Ontario. His mother's name was Margaret MacDonell. In addition to his wife and daughter he is survived by two brothers and three sisters, namely: Major H.A. Cameron, of Williamstown, Ont.; Donald Cameron, of Norway; Mrs. John A. Cameron, of Summerstown, Ont., and Mary and Margaret Cameron, of Williamstown, Ont.

The funeral was held yesterday from the home. It was one of the largest ever held in this city, hundreds of people being unable to gain admittance to the house.

The services were very simple – just such a service as the man so deeply mourned would have planned[.] But while the services were simple, the evidence of the love borne the departed by the assembled friends was most affecting. The parlors were piled high with the choicest blooms that nature could produce. The remarks by Pastor Knowles and Rev. David C. Jones, of LaCrosse, an old friend, were splendid tributes to a well-spent life, and the hymns were his favorites.

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The honorary pallbearers were: Dr. William T. Carpenter, O.C. Davidson, George F. Seibert, Dr. J.A. Crowell, Capt. Martin Goldsworthy, L.T. Sterling, E.A. Woodward, William Scandling, Edw. E. Brewster, John T. Jones, E.F. Brown, Tom A. Hanna, Chas. T. Hampton, Alfred Cruse, John James, Dr. J.A. Bangs, Festus C. Cole, John Russell, of this city; Dr. C.H. Westcott, of Chicago; James MacNaughton, of Calumet; Jonah Orrison, of Houghton; Dr. B.W. Jones, of Vulcan, and Dr. Swift, of Norway.

The active pallbearers were: William J. Cudlip, Joseph B. Eslick, Gilbert v. carpenter, Elmer W. Jones, Gustave A. Gensch, Richard S. Powell, A.E. Brauns, Samuel Cudlip, William G. Monroe, Dr. Henry A. Newkirk, Silas J. McGregor and George Irving.

During a residence of twenty-seven years, all this time a practicing physician, Dr. Cameron had endeared himself to the people. He was a man without an enemy – a man who numbered his friends by the thousands. He was known and loved in nearly every Iron Mountain home. His charities were many and abundant and unobtrusive. He was the “poor man’s doctor” in all that the term implies. He was always responsive to the call of the needy. A manly man, he lead [*sic – led*] a pure life, and his home was a perfect home. While of a rather retired and modest disposition, he was always responsive to a call that had for its object the betterment of the community. Dr. Cameron was closely identified with the business interests of the city. He was one of the organizers and for many years a director of the First National Bank; also, one of the organizers and an officer of the Electric Light and Power company. He owned considerable improvement real property, including the beautiful home. It

was in the field of religion that Dr. Cameron was particularly strong. He was one of the organizers of the First Presbyterian church and had held a leading office ever since the organization. He was a trustee of the church and also of the Lake Superior Presbytery, and had repeatedly represented the latter body at the general assembly. He was a contributor to every cause that had for its aim the advancement of the work of the Master in Whom he had a childlike faith. In his death Iron Mountain has suffered a heavy loss. He will be missed in all circles – church, business, social and the home. The community as a whole will mourn his untimely demise and the community as a whole extend sincere condolences to the afflicted loved ones.

DR. WILLIAM T. CARPENTER

Replacing Drs. Cameron and Crowell at the Chapin Hospital were Dr. William J. Carpenter, physician and surgeon, who came from Ishpeming, Michigan, and also maintained an office in his home, and Dr. Arthur Gillam, assistant physician.

[*Born From Iron*, p. 61, submitted by Lowell D. Swanson]

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 42 [Thursday, March 9, 1911], page 1, columns 2-3

OBITUARY

Last Thursday evening a telegram was received here announcing the sudden death of Dr. William T. Carpenter at Maitland, Florida, where he was at his winter home with Mrs. Carpenter and

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daughter, Miss Mary, having gone to that city from Washington, D.C., where he had visited his sons, Will and James, for several weeks enroute [*sic – en route*] from Iron Mountain.

The attack from which he died was very sudden. Mrs. Carpenter and Miss Mary were with him at the time of the attack. He was in an easy chair and was seemingly in good health. Suddenly he called for Mrs. Carpenter and was unconscious when she reached his side. A physician was immediately summoned, but when he arrived, heaven had been enriched by the entrance of a noble soul and the angels were singing a song of welcome.

Dr. Carpenter's death was due to a disease of the heart of long standing, and for several years it had been necessary for him to seek a warmer climate.

The remains arrived here from Florida last Monday morning accompanied by the members of the family and were taken directly from the train to the Cemetery Park.

The funeral was strictly a family affair in accordance with the wishes of Dr. Carpenter, who, while he dearly loved his fellowmen, was desirous of avoiding an ostentatious funeral. He had led a quiet earthly life and it was his desire to enter the presence of His Maker as unostentatious as a child.

Dr. Carpenter was seventy-three years of age at the time of his death and was one of the leading physicians of the upper peninsula. He was beloved and honored by his fellows and was never more happy than when he could help the young practitioner.

Dr. Carpenter was born June 5th, 1838, at Medina, Ohio, and was a member of a notable family. His father was Judge J.S. Carpenter, of Akron, Ohio, and he was a brother to Gen. Gilbert S. Carpenter, of the United States army, who died a few years

ago. His sister, Mrs. C.W. Tyler, of Warren, Ohio, survives him.

Dr. Carpenter was a graduate of the University of Vermont.

During the civil war, Dr. Carpenter was an agent in the field for the United States Sanitary Commission and later, after taking his medical degree at the University of Nashville, he was an assistant surgeon with the Army of Tennessee.

After the war, Dr. Carpenter continued his medical studies at Bellevue Hospital, New York City and practiced for several years in that city.

In 1872, on account of a more favorable climate, Dr. Carpenter removed from New York City to the upper peninsula, locating at Ishpeming. Dr. Carpenter was, next to Dr. Bigelow, the first physician to locate in Ishpeming. He became associated with Dr. Bigelow in the Ishpeming Hospital and practiced there for about ten years, when he disposed of his interests to Dr. T.A. Felch and moved to Stambaugh in 1883. In 1891 he located in Iron Mountain and was a resident of this city at the time of his death.

In 1872, prior to his removal to Michigan, Dr. Carpenter was married to Miss Carolina Vilas, of Burlington, Vermont. He is survived by his wife and four children, viz: Gilbert V. and Miss Mary, of Iron Mountain, and William R. and James S.[.] of Washington.

In the death of Dr. Carpenter, Iron Mountain, [*sic*] has lost her best beloved citizen. He will be mourned equally in the homes of the poor and the rich. Dr. Carpenter was a man without an enemy notwithstanding that he was brought in daily contact in a semi-official way with the people and exercised freely his right of citizenship. In his position as physician at the Chapin mine he was ever ready to respond to the calls of families. His advice

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was sought and heeded by the families under his charge. He responded as readily to the call of the non-paying patients as to the call from the one whom he expected to receive no payment. [sic] His deeds of charity were like the sands of the sea. "God bless, [sic] Dr. Carpenter!" was the prayer that went forth from many an Iron Mountain home when news of his beautiful death was received. May he rest in the supreme peace his earthly labors have won for him. Again we say, "God bless Dr. Carpenter!" We, as a community[,] loved Dr. Carpenter. Our full sympathy is with every member of the sorely afflicted family. God bless him for his godly deeds!

DR. LESLIE ERWIN COFFIN
Acting Surgeon, Pewabic Hospital
837 East B Street
Iron Mountain

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WEDDING CHIMES

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**JAMES G. LAWRY AND MISS
KINTGEN MARRIED YESTERDAY.**

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**This Morning, at Marshalltown, Ia.,
Miss Beeson Becomes Bride
of Dr. Leslie E. Coffin.**

Dr. Leslie Erwin Coffin left here last Sunday evening for **Marshalltown, Iowa**, and this morning he was united in marriage to Miss **Emily May Beeson**. The ceremony

was performed at the home of the bride's parents in the presence of immediate relatives and intimate friends. Dr. Coffin and his bride will arrive in Iron Mountain next Sunday morning and will make this city their home. The bride is a young woman of many graces and a pleasing personality. Iron Mountain people will remember her pleasantly as teacher of history at the high school for several years. Dr. Coffin has been a resident of the city for seven or eight years and is associated with **Dr. Bangs** in practice. He has many friends who will wish him and his charming bride every happiness.

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Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 22, Number 51 [Thursday, May 9, 1918], page 4, columns 1-2

PERSONAL NEWS NOTES.

Dr. Leslie E. Coffin succeeds Dr. Henry A. Newkirk as county physician for the Iron Mountain district.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 24, Number 52 [Thursday, May 20, 1920], page 1, column 4

Bought Homes.

Dr. Leslie E. Coffin has purchased the Capt. Edward Lord residence on East B street. The home now occupied by Dr. Coffin was purchased several months ago,

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by E.F. Brown, who will take possession as soon as a number of alterations have been completed.

DR. CHARLES D. COLLINS **204 East Hughitt Street** **Iron Mountain**

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Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 14, Number 40 [Thursday, February 24, 1910], page 1, column 2

Out of Quarantine.

Dr. Charles Collins, who has been confined to his home for several weeks nursing a mild attack of diphtheria, was discharged from quarantine this morning. Dr. Collins, as a precautionary measure, has decided not to resume his practice until the first of the month.

DR. JOSEPH ADDISON CROWELL

Shortly after Iron Mountain was founded, the owners of the Chapin Mine hired Dr. John D. Cameron, the first physician in the city [*sic*], who arrived early in 1882 to care for the employees of the Chapin Mine and their families. The miners had \$1 deducted from their monthly pay for medical care which covered all medicines and doctor's fees. Dr. Cameron, a tall man with sandy-colored hair and a red moustache, was a graduate of McGill College in Montreal, Canada. He was joined in November of 1882 by Dr. J.

Addison Crowell. These two doctors had approximately 300 miners under their care when they began practice, but this number reached 3,400 in 1890.

In that same year, the Chapin Hospital, which was in effect more of an office than a hospital, was built at the northeast end of the present Chapin Pit where Park Avenue turns towards the North Side. Allen Hopper was the orderly, or male nurse, assigned to the hospital, and also took care of the mine's horses.

A typical day for the doctors at the Chapin Hospital consisted of house calls first thing in the morning, morning office hours, afternoon office hours, house calls again in the late afternoon and night office hours.

When the doctors were called at night, they threw on a suit over their nightshirt and wrapped a handkerchief around their neck for a collar. They walked to their destination, as they could not take the time to hitch up a horse and buggy or sleigh.

It should be noted that during this era, doctors addressed each other by their titles and last names and seldom reached a first name basis.

Born in Rahway, New Jersey, on September 28, 1853, to Dutch and English parents, Dr. Crowell entered the New Haven Military Academy at the age of 12. Later he went to Rutgers in Vermont, and was graduated in 1872. He went to England for a while in 1877, and then, in 1879, he attended the University of New York, where he received a chemistry degree in 1880.

Dr. Crowell first practiced in Stephenson, Michigan. Concerned with his appearance, he dressed stylishly and always had a flower in his lapel. His hair was black and he always wore a beard because he felt patients had more trust in

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an older doctor, and he believed the beard made him appear older. His patients felt that they could confide in him, as well as consulting him regarding their medical problems.

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Drs. Cameron and Crowell later dissolved their partnership. Dr. Crowell established an office in the rear portion of Seibert's Drugstore, his office door opening onto Hughitt Street. He took Drs. G.B. Belhumeur and Leslie coffin into partnership.

Dr. Crowell was also a physician for both the Chicago and Northwestern and the Milwaukee St. Paul and Pacific Railroads. He sometimes used the front parlor of his home as a consulting room, and maintained a large supply of drugs for his patients there. His home had one of the first three telephones in town. The other two were located at the Chapin Mine superintendent's home and the mine's captain's home, and were interconnected.

Dr. Crowell slowed down in later life, but never completely retired. He enjoyed fishing early in the morning, and would sometimes go after he had been out on a case all night. His office hours were restricted somewhat during his last few years, but he was frequently sought as a consultant.

He continued visiting his office daily until a few months prior to his death. He had just recovered from an illness, when, on the morning of October 14, 1938, he fell through a trapdoor in the floor of the Chamber of Commerce building. The door had been left open to allow heat from the basement to rise. Chairs had been put around the door, but Dr. Crowell failed to notice, and moved one of the chairs aside so he could pass. He died eight days later from injuries suffered from his fall. He was

85 years old at the time of his death, and had been a physician for 57 years.

[*Born From Iron*, p. 61, submitted by Lowell D. Swanson]

The Iron Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XIII, Number 27 [Thursday, September 24, 1891], page 1, column 5

DRS. CAMERON and Crowell were notified by Supt. Cady last Friday that their services would not be required at the Chapin mine after this month, as he desired to have physicians who would devote their time exclusively to the needs of the men employed at that mine, and the position was offered to Dr. Carpenter, of Stambaugh. In view of the change so soon to be made in the superintendency it is a matter of some doubt whether the change in mine physicians will be effected. Drs. Cameron and Crowell are skillful and successful physicians and are moreover universally liked by the men they are called to attend. Were the matter left to the employes [*sic* – employees] of the mine, doubtless 90 per cent. [*sic*] of them would vote to retain the above mentioned gentlemen, who have attended the sick at the Chapin location for the past ten years. But THE RANGE can assure the readers that Dr. Carpenter is no less skillful and popular than the men he displaces. He is a man who unquestionably stands at the head of his profession, and if he comes here will give entire satisfaction.

The Iron Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XIII, Number 34 [Thursday, November 12, 1891], page 1, column 3

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WE briefly mentioned the fact last week that Dr. Wm. Hutchinson will return in a few days to this city and will occupy rooms in Fisher's new block. It is hardly necessary to recommend Dr. Hutchinson to our citizens, as he, by his long acquaintance with our people, has established an enviable reputation as a physician of medical learning and skill. Until recently he was associated with Drs. Cameron & Crowell, but on his return from Capron, Ill., where he is visiting friends, will establish an independent practice, and his services will certainly be in great demand by those who know him to be a thorough, competent and careful physician.

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 11 [Thursday, August 5, 1897], page 1, column 4

Will Perform an Operation.

Dr. Bouffleur, of Chicago, general surgeon of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad system, arrived in the city this morning and will assist Dr. Crowell in performing a delicate operation upon the throat of Edward G. Kingsford. Dr. Bouffleur has had remarkable success in performing similar operations, and the present one promises to be equally successful.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 22, Number 51 [Thursday, May 9, 1918], page 8, columns 3-6

PERSONAL

Dr. Joseph A. Crowell has been appointed physician and surgeon for the

Antoine and Indiana Mining companies, succeeding Dr. Henry A. Newkirk, who is about to take charge of the Aragon mine practice at Norway.

Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, _____ Year, Number _____ [Monday, April 28, 1924], page 1, column 8

MARTIN PROPERTY SOLD TO DOCTORS

Valuable Piece of Real Estate on B Street Changes Hands

Sale of the J.F. Martin home at 213 East B street to Doctors Crowell, Belhumeur and Coffin, Ford physicians and surgeons, was announced today. The property was owned by J.F. Martin, manager of the telephone company, and is one of the most valuable pieces of residence real estate in the city.

The property has a frontage of 102 feet on B street. Before the location of the Ford company here it was valued in the neighborhood of \$3,000. Later it was offered at \$10,000 and was sold to the Ford doctors for \$12,000.

The property at present is occupied by a large dwelling. No definite plans have as yet been made, it was declared, but a building may later be erected on the lot for use by the Ford doctors, who are now located in the United States National bank building.

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Number 153 [Friday, October 14, 1938],
page 3, column 3

DR. CROWELL IS INJURED IN FALL INTO BASEMENT

Plunges Through Open Trap Door At Chamber Of Commerce

Dr. Joseph A. Crowell, aged 85, dean of the Dickinson county medical fraternity [*sic – fraternity*], is in the Iron Mountain General hospital with a deep gash on the left side of his head and a slight concussion as the result of an accident occurring at 9:45 o'clock this morning when he fell through a trap door opening into the basement of the Iron Mountain-Kingsford Chamber of Commerce building on Stephenson avenue.

His condition at noon was reported as favorable, although he suffered a severe shock.

Dr. Crowell had entered the building and was walking about the long table in the center of the main room, looking at tourist literature. The trap door, located at the north end of the building, had been left open, although two chairs had been placed at the side as a guard.

Dr. Crowell grasped one of the chairs to set it aside so that he could pass by. He failed to see the open door, stepped into it, and plunged headlong down the steep steps, landing on the cement floor of the basement about eight feet low [*sic – below*].

Stenographer Summons Help

Mrs. Walden Anderson, stenographer to Don Smith, secretary of the chamber, was

the only other person in the building. Hearing the noise, she came running to the top of the basement steps and saw Dr. Crowell lying on the floor, a pool of blood about his head.

Mrs. Anderson summoned two young men who carried the aged surgeon up the basement steps to an automobile and he was taken to the hospital where Dr. W.H. Huron treated his injuries.

Dr. Crowell, pioneer resident of Iron Mountain, recently observed his 85th birthday, and plans for a function at which he was to be [the] guest of honor, sponsored by the Iron-Dickinson County Medical society, were in the making here today.

The Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 18, Number 160 [Saturday, October 22, 1938], page 2, column 1

SHOCK OF FALL PROVES FATAL TO DR. CROWELL

Aged Iron Mountain Physician Dies At Hos- pital This Noon.

Dr. Joseph A. Crowell, aged 85, resident and active in practice here for the last 57 years, died at 12:25 o'clock this afternoon in the Iron Mountain General hospital from shock received when, on Friday, October 14, he fell through the trap door at the Iron Mountain-Kingsford Chamber of Commerce building and struck his head on the cement floor of the basement, eight feet below.

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Although he had appeared to rally during the last few days, Dr. Crowell yesterday suffered a relapse.

A week ago yesterday at about 9:45 o'clock in the morning Dr. Crowell visited the chamber building and, while walking about the long table in the center of the main room, failed to notice the open trap door, in front of which two chairs had been placed. He grasped one of the chairs to set it aside, and as he did so stepped into the opening in the floor and plunged to the basement.

He was carried to an automobile and taken to the hospital.

Born in New Jersey

Dr. Crowell was born September 28, 1853, in Rahway, N.J. He attended school there in his early boyhood and, when 12 years of age, entered the New Haven Military academy. In 1872 he was graduated from Rutgers college, in Rutgers, Vt., and in 1877 embarked on a trip to England.

Returning from Europe he entered the University of New York, and received his M.D. degree at that institution in 1880. Later that year he moved to Stephenson, Mich., and established a practice there, remaining about a year and a half. In the latter part of 1881, Dr. Crowell came to Kiel *[sic – Keel]* Ridge, outside the east city limits, as assistant to Dr. John D. Cameron, with whom he was later associated in Iron Mountain.

He came to Iron Mountain in 1882 and was wedded that year to Miss Leonora Schumacher, who died here in 1922. Dr. Crowell was the first physician and surgeon to practice general surgery in the district.

In 1883 Drs. Cameron and Crowell were named physicians here for the Oliver Iron Mining company. At that time there were

300 miners under their medical care. The number increased to 1,400 in 1890.

Oliver Hospital Physician

In 1882 the first hospital was built at the Chapin mine, and Dr. Crowell was staff physician and surgeon. Some years later, Dr. Crowell established St. George's hospital, on Merritt avenue, near Fleshiem street, and directed that institution for many years.

Dr. Crowell was subsequently joined in practice here by Drs. G.H. Belhumeur and Leslie Coffin. That arrangement continued until Dr. Coffin resigned to accept the appointment of mining physician and surgeon at Painesdale, Mich., and the subsequent death six years ago of Dr. Belhumeur.

Following Dr. Coffin's departure, Dr. D.R. Smith, formerly of Crystal Falls, entered the office here with Drs. Crowell and Belhumeur. Since Dr. Belhumeur's death, Drs. Crowell and Smith have maintained the practice.

Fellow of Surgeons College

Dr. Crowell was a member of the staff of the General hospital; member and past president of the Dickinson-Iron County Medical Society; member of the Michigan State Medical Society and of the American Medical Association and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

He was formerly actively associated with the Masonic and Elks lodges in the city.

Dr. Crowell was mayor of Iron Mountain in 1882 and 1883 and at the time when, during the latter year, a strike occurred among the miners of the Ludington and Chapin properties. All of the men in both mines were out for two weeks and those days, Dr. Crowell often recalled, were troublesome in the city.

For many years Dr. Crowell was physician and surgeon here for both the

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Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific and the Chicago & North Western railroads. He was also a member of the Iron Mountain board of education when the present senior high school was built.

Chairman of Exemption Board

During the months following America's entry into the World war, Dr. Crowell served as chairman of the Dickinson county exemption board, and was instrumental in the high degree of efficiency attained by that group.

Vitally interested in the civic, educational, social and political life of the community, Dr. Crowell had a prominent part in the early development of the city, and maintained that active interest throughout his life. He was widely known for his professional skill and, although his office hours were restricted during the past few years, his services were frequently sought as consultant.

With the exception of the last few months, Dr. Crowell visited his office daily. Recently, periodic illness had kept him at home on occasions, but he had resumed his daily schedule when the accident occurred.

Two daughters and one son survive. They are Mrs. G.V. Carpenter and Miss Jeanette Crowell, of this city, and Joseph A. Crowell, Jr., of Oneco, Fla. There are 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Arrangement of funeral services has not been completed.

The Iron Mountain News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 18, Number 162 [Tuesday, October 25, 1938], page 3, column 5

DEATHS

Crowell Services

Funeral services for Dr. Joseph A. Crowell, aged 85, dean of the Dickinson county medical fraternity, who died early Saturday afternoon at the Iron Mountain General hospital, were held at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the residence, 403 East Ludington street. During the services at the home, conducted by the Rev. N.U. McConoughy, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Mrs. Ellen Andrews sang "The End of a Perfect Day," which was Dr. Crowell's favorite selection.

The Rev. McConoughy also read a brief service and eulogy at the grave in Cemetery park. Pallbearers were Arthur Jones, Carl Israelson, Ed. Sandercock, Norman C. Bartholomew and L.D. Tucker, of Iron Mountain, and H.J. Fisher, of Iron River.

Among the out-of-town relatives and friends who attended were Dr. B.W. Jones, Mrs. Wright and Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Baxter, of Houghton; Dr. and Mrs. L.E. Coffin, of Painesdale; Dr. and Mrs. E.H. Libby and Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Fisher, of Iron River; Mrs. Stephen Royce, Mrs. F.J. Larson and Mr. and Mrs. Will Jayne, of Crystal Falls; Dr. Frederick Vilas, of Stambaugh; Mrs. Ronald Conkey, of Minneapolis; E.W. Jones, Mrs. Gertrude Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Kenyon Boyer, of Marquette; Mrs. William Crago, of Duluth, and Dr. and Mrs. William Fiedling, of Norway.

DR. S. EDWIN CRUSE
Physician and Surgeon
St. George's Hospital
North End of Merritt Avenue

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Wisconsin 1913, page 138*

*Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain,
Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 4,
Number 12 [Thursday, August 10,
1899], page 8, column 1*

BRIEF CITY NEWSITES.

Dr. S. Edwin Cruse has leased the rooms over Richard White's market for office purposes.

*Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain,
Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 16,
Number 26 [Thursday, November 16,
1911], page 1, columns 1-2*

MAN RUNS A-MUCK

DOMENIC OCHETTI ATTACKS DR. CRUSE WITH A KNIFE.

Stabs Physician in the Arm and Later Stabs His Wife – Declared His Intention to Kill Doctor.

Domenico Ochetti attempted to murder Dr. S. Edwin Cruse on Millie street at about ten o'clock last Sunday morning and was only prevented from doing so by Orso Schenk, who came to the rescue of the physician and stayed the plunge of the knife at the critical moment.

The murderous assault was entirely unprovoked. Dr. Cruse, in the performance of his duties as health officer, was calling at

the home of Guiseppe Oraddei, at 510 Millie street, where one of the children was ill with diphtheria. He found Ochetti in the home and promptly ordered him out in compliance with the state quarantine law, the house having been placarded against visitors. Ochetti left the house, as ordered, but when Dr. Cruse, after caring for his patient, stepped out of the door, he found Ochetti waiting for him.

After a few words concerning the death of Ochetti's child, which occurred a few weeks ago, diphtheria being the cause, the man declared that he intended leaving the city soon, but before going he proposed killing the physician. As Dr. Cruse started to walk away, Ochetti pulled a large knife from a breast pocket and made a savage lunge with it at the physician, shouting, "I might as well kill you now!"

The blow was aimed directly at the heart of Dr. Cruse. He threw up his left arm and caught the descending knife on his forearm and then struck Ochetti in the face with his right fist, knocking the man down.

Dr. Cruse, having no weapon with which to protect himself, after administering the blow, started to run up the street. Ochetti, recovering his feet with cat-like quickness [*sic* – *quickness*], started in pursuit, with knife extended. Dr. Cruse might have made good his escape had not one of his rubbers fallen off, which caused him to slip and fall, rolling into the gutter. Ochetti, [*sic*] was quickly over him, making savage lunges with his knife, while Dr. Cruse was endeavoring to protect himself with his feet, kicking from a position on his back.

At this stage of the murderous attack, which no doubt would have terminated fatally to Dr. Cruse, Orso Schenk put in an appearance and bravely attacked Ochetti, who was in an insane rage[.] Schenk threw Ochetti from his victim.

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By this time a crowd of several hundred had congregated. Ochetti's friends surrounded him and escorted him to his home, a few doors away. At the home Ochetti continued to rage, and when his wife attempted to prevent him from leaving the house, he again brought the knife into play and stabbed her in the left arm at about the same point Dr. Cruse was wounded. Ochetti, it is stated, made his escape through the rear door and his present whereabouts are unknown to the police. No doubt he is hidden away in the home of a friend. The police were promptly notified of the attempt at murder, but when they arrived upon the scene could secure no information regarding Ochetti. Despite the fact that Ochetti had been carried struggling home by this large party of friends, strange as it may appear, no one in the vicinity could give the police any information concerning his place of concealment or regarding the cowardly assault.

Ochetti is undoubtedly being concealed by his friends with the hope that they may be able to smuggle him out of the city. The police should resort to every expedient provided by law to defeat this gross endeavor to conceal a would-be murderer. The authorities cannot afford to permit Ochetti to escape. To do so invites attack upon any officer who attempts the enforcement of the law. Not only should the police hunt down Ochetti, but they should hunt down and punish the friends who are concealing him. The people of Iron Mountain make this a demand. The authorities will do well to heed the demand. The people of Iron Mountain will not tolerate the methods of the Chicago black-handers.

Dr. Cruse's only offense was that, in endeavoring to protect the people of the first ward from an epidemic of diphtheria, he

had ordered Ochetti from a quarantined home. Ochetti's child had died of diphtheria. Dr. Cruse was not the attending physician. However, Dr. Cruse had declined to sign a death certificate, so that Ochetti could collect some insurance, directing the man to the physician treating the case. Ochetti considered this refusal a grievance. He had been drinking prior to the attack and when ordered from the house and threatened with arrest for violating the quarantine law, he made the attack as above related.

The wound on Dr. Cruse's left forearm is not a serious one. It is several inches long and about one in depth. The heavy overcoat which he wore protected him from a more serious injury and his quickness in warding off the descending knife saved him from a probable fatal heart wound. Dr. Cruse is making his calls the same as usual and his wound is in a healthy condition.

Ochetti has been a resident of the city for a number of years. He is a married man, the father of several children, and heretofore has borne an excellent reputation. He is a miner and was employed by the Oliver Iron Mining company. His friends are unable to account for his murderous [*sic – murderous*] assault upon Dr. Cruse for so slight a provocation.

DR. J.A. ELMERE

The Range-Tribune, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume XVI, Number 29 [Saturday, November 10, 1894], page 4, column 2

Dr. J.A. Elmere made a flying visit to Norway Thursday on business

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Dr. Elmere has moved his office down stairs [*sic – downstairs*] in the Fisher block, rear of the Commercial bank, in order to make room for the county offices.

DR. M.J. FARNAND, D.C.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 2 [Thursday, June 2, 1910], page 1, column 2

Removes from City.

M.J. Farnand, D.C. [*chiropractor*], who has been located in Iron Mountain and vicinity for the past four or five years, expects to remove to Grand Forks, North Dakota, in about two weeks. Dr. Farnand has enjoyed a large practice on the range and will be accompanied to his new home by the best wishes of many friends.

DR. G. FREDRICKSON

**American Security Bank
515 South Stephenson Avenue**

The Iron Mountain Daily News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 68 [Wednesday, June 29, 1921], page 2, column 2

TO OPEN OFFICES IN CITY TOMORROW

Dr. B. Eslick, dentist, and Dr. G. Fredrickson, physician, have engaged an office suite in the American Security Bank building and will be ready for business tomorrow [*sic – tomorrow*]. The waiting room will be used in common, while Dr.

Eslick's office will be on one side and Dr. Fredrickson's on the other.

Dr. Eslick has been associated with Dr. G.H. Myers in Detroit since leaving the service. Dr. Fredrickson has been practicing in Chicago. He held a commission as first lieutenant, Medical Corps, in the army. Before going to Chicago, he was associated for a time with the Westerlin hospital, and did considerable other work about the county.

Both are Iron Mountain young men, and will have a wide circle to wish them success in their new business.

DR. S.J. GAREAU

**123 West Ludington Street
Corner of Carpenter Avenue**

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 2 [Thursday, April 4, 1889], page 8, columns 1-2

Personal and Social.

Dr. Gareau, whose absence from Iron Mountain caused some people unnecessary anxiety, returned to Iron Mountain on Saturday after performing a very successful operation on a patient in Duluth.

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Neighbor Gareau.

Dr. Gareau has purchased the vacant lot opposite THE RANGE office, and is

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having it cleared of stumps and graded. He will erect as soon as possible a handsome office and residence thereon. The doctor is fortunate in securing this lot, as it is one of the most desirable locations obtainable in the city.

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 12 [Thursday, June 13, 1889], page 5, column 2 [pages 1-2 missing from bound volume]

Personal and Social.

Dr. Gareau's residence is progressing finely, and he hopes to be able to move into the same in about six weeks.

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 18 [Thursday, July 25, 1889], page 1, column 2

DR. GAREAU's horse ran away yesterday, but fortunately did very little damage.

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 23 [Thursday, August 29, 1889], page 1, column 1

Dr. Gareau is having his lot graded, even with the side walk, which adds much to its appearance.

DR. ARTHUR GILLAM

Replacing Drs. Cameron and Crowell at the Chapin Hospital were Dr. William J. Carpenter, physician and surgeon, who came from Ishpeming, Michigan, and also

maintained an office in his home, and Dr. Arthur Gillam, assistant physician.

[Born From Iron, p. 61, submitted by Lowell D. Swanson]

DR. FREDERICK L. HIRSCHMANN

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 33 [Saturday, September 19, 1885], page 1, column 4

A Retraction.

The following which has been handed the editor for publication, speaks for itself:

Norway, Mich., Sept. 18, 1885
F.L. HIRSCHMANN, M.D.,
Norway, Mich.

Dear Sir: – Referring to certain statements which I have made criticizing your treatment of my late wife, professionally, and other of your professional acts here and elsewhere, I desire to say that after a cool examination of the source and reliability of such information as led me to make these statements, I find them to have been wholly without foundation and false in fact, and attributable entirely to my own ignorance and that of those who encouraged me in making them concerning the subject. To counteract the force of such statements you are at liberty to use this letter in such manner as shall suit your pleasure, and I will personally, as occasion offers, contradict the truth of the statements made, to the end that the wrong which they have or may cause will, as far as is possible, be corrected.

I regret exceedingly that I allowed myself to be influenced by ignorant people into doing you a great injustice, but I trust

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that the apology which I now make will serve to rob the lamentable affair of much of its sting, and that our feelings in the future may be of a friendly nature.

I hand you herewith the balance due you for professional services.

Yours respectfully,
ANTON ODILL

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 51 [Saturday, January 23, 1886], page 1, columns 3-4

Died.

HIRSCHMANN. – In Norway, on Tuesday, January 19th, 1886, at 6:00 A.M., of ureamic [*sic – uremic*] coma, Dr. Frederick L. Hirschmann, aged 38 years.

The above announcement, while it will not be news to any person in Norway, will shock the many friends of the deceased elsewhere. The Doctor was stricken down on Sunday morning, and Dr. Lockart was at once summoned, and found the patient unconscious. Dr. Jones, of Vulcan, and Drs. Cameron and Crowell, of Iron Mountain, were also summoned, when together these four physicians fought for the life of their friend, but without avail. On Tuesday morning, just 49 hours from the time of the first attack, Death claimed his own, the deceased having remained wholly unconscious during all this time.

Dr. Hirschmann was born in Fuerth, Bavaria, and was brought to Syracuse, N.Y., by his parents when quite young. The family afterwards settled in Detroit, Mich., where the Dr. grew to manhood, and where his remains have been taken for burial. He was a graduate of the Detroit Medical College, of (we think) the class of 1872, and came to the upper peninsula in 1873, as

physician to the city of Negaunee during an epidemic of the small pox [*sic – smallpox*]. So successful was he then that his ability as a physician was at once conceded, and he was given the position of physician and surgeon to the Republic Iron Company, which he held for eight and a half years. Soon after locating in Republic he was married to Miss Hannah Labold, of Detroit, who with three sons and a daughter are left to mourn the loss of one who was ever kind and considerate of their welfare. During the winter of 1883 the deceased was offered and accepted the position of assistant to the late Dr. [*sic – Dr.*] J.S. Barry, and was given charge of the Penn Iron Mining Company's hospital here. On the decease of Dr. Barry, Dr. Hirschmann was placed in full control of that portion of the practice which he has since held.

It is impossible to speak of the Doctor's professional ability without mentioning in the same breath his social popularity. To suffering humanity he was at once a physician and a friend, as the many tears shed over his confined face by those to whom he had been a good Samaritan gave ample testimony. Were we at liberty so to do, we could recount many instances of his generosity and prompt attention to calls where he was assured he would receive no remuneration for his services.

The remains were accompanied to the depot Wednesday afternoon by almost the entire community, and the Masonic fraternity of the range as a body, and were met at Powers by a delegation from the lodge at Ishpeming (of which the Dr. was a member), who will accompany the body to Detroit, where the funeral will take place today [*sic – today*] (Friday) with Masonic honors.

The bereaved family, on whom this sad blow falls with greater severity on account

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of its suddenness, take with them the sympathy of the whole community, and the assurance that they will ever be remembered with feelings of love and esteem, and that the memory of their lamented husband and father will ever be revered by the people of Norway.

Personally, we need to say but little. The people of Norway and Republic know that the friendship between the Doctor and ourself [*sic – ourselves*] warrants us in mourning him as a brother.

The deceased leaves his family in comfortable circumstances, and it is probable that they will make their future home in Detroit.

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The public schools were dismissed early on Wednesday afternoon and nearly all the children were permitted to view the remains of Dr. Hirschmann.

...

A telegram dated yesterday informs us that the body of Dr. Hirschmann, and its escort[,] arrived at Detroit on Thursday night, and that Joseph Labold[,] who was at Steele, Dakota, met the party at Chicago.

DR. WILLIAM HUTCHINSON

The Iron Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XIII, Number 34 [Thursday, November 12, 1891], page 1, column 3

WE briefly mentioned the fact last week that Dr. Wm. Hutchinson will return in a few days to this city and will occupy rooms in

Fisher's new block. It is hardly necessary to recommend Dr. Hutchinson to our citizens, as he, by his long acquaintance with our people, has established an enviable reputation as a physician of medical learning and skill. Until recently he was associated with Drs. Cameron & Crowell, but on his return from Capron, Ill., where he is visiting friends, will establish an independent practice, and his services will certainly be in great demand by those who know him to be a thorough, competent and careful physician.

DR. G.B. JOHNSTON

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume III, Number 32 [Saturday, September 10, 1887], page 8, column 1

Personal Pick-Ups.

Dr. G.B. Johnston, a friend of Dr. Wright, has been spending several days in the city preparatory to settling in Wausaukee, in the practice of his profession. He seems to be a very genial gentleman, and THE CURRENT wishes him success.

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Personal Pick-Ups.

Dr. G.B. Johnson [*sic – Johnston*], whom we mentioned last week as having decided to locate at Wausaukee, has accepted [*the*] position of assistant surgeon, to Drs. Cameron & Crowell at the

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Chapin mine, and assumed the duties on
Wednesday.

2 p.m. and 2 p.m. and
7 to 8 p.m. 7 to 8 p.m.
Sunday, 1 to 2 p.m. Sunday, 1 to 2 p.m.

DR. B.W. JONES

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Michigan, Volume II, Number 10
[Saturday, April 3, 1886], page 1,
column 3

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the neck of Mrs. Richard Retallack which
has been growing for some time and bid fair
to end seriously. The operation occupied
nearly two hours.

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Michigan, Volume III, Number 27
[Saturday, August 6, 1887], page 1,
column 2

—Doctors B.W. Jones and E.P. Lockart
have gone into partnership, under the firm
name of Jones & Lockart. Their
advertisement may be found in this issue,
with location of offices and office hours.
The gentlemen have been residents and
practitioners here too long to need words of
praise from us, and we predict for the new
firm a long and prosperous existence.

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column 1 [ADVERTISEMENT]

B.W. JONES
Vulcan, Mich.
Office Hours:
8 to 9 a.m., 1 to

E.P. LOCKART
Norway, Mich.
Office Hours:
8 to 9 a.m., 1 to

JONES & LOCKART PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

Calls promptly attended to.

DR. L.J. KIMBALL

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column 2

To the Public.

I would announce to the people of
Norway and vicinity, [sic] that I have
concluded to resume the practice of Medicine
[sic – Medicine], and shall be ready to
attend to all calls from this date.

L.J. KIMBALL, M.D.

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[Saturday, March 12, 1887], page 1,
column 4

Dr. L.J. Kimball returned from his visit outside on Thursday. The Dr. has purchased a business at Grand Rapids, Mich., and will take possession May 1st next.

DR. CELESTIN LE GOLVAN Physician and Surgeon 110 East Ludington Street Iron Mountain

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DR. E.P. LOCKART

Norway, Michigan, Diamond Jubilee 1891-1966 Historical Album, unpagged

1883: Dr. E.P. Lockart began practicing medicine in September of this year.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume I, Number 52 [Saturday, January 30, 1886], page 1, column 2

Appointment.

Dr. E.P. Lockart has been appointed successor to the late Dr. Hirschmann, physician at the Norway mine, and will at once assume the duties of his new position. Success to you, Dr.

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[Saturday, April 3, 1886], page 1,
column 3

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–Dr. E.P. Lockart has purchased Dave Rosenheimer's fast nag, and now has a pair of matched trotters that can keep ahead of the dust with very little exertion.

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B.W. JONES

E.P. LOCKART

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Number 35 [Thursday, January 16,
1913], page 5, column 2

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

Dr. E.P. Lockart, one of the pioneer physicians of Norway, has accepted the position of surgeon with The [sic] Verona Mining company with headquarters at Palatka, and will leave for his new field of practice on Feb. 1st. The company will build a residence for Dr. Lockart, which will be ready for occupancy next spring. In the meantime, Mrs. Lockart will remain in Norway until the close of the school year. The Columbia Hospital, which is owned by Dr. Lockart, will be closed for the present. During the thirty years that Dr. Lockart has resided in Norway he has made many friends, both socially and professionally, and regrets mingled with good wishes for the future accompany him to his new field of practice. It is rumored that Dr. Theo. Moll, of Felch, will succeed Dr. Lockart as physician at the Loretto mine.

DR. J.M. MEAD

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Michigan, Volume I, Number 51
[Saturday, January 23, 1886], page 1,
column 3

Dr. Mead, of Iron Mountain, was here on Wednesday, acting as Marshal of the Masonic procession.

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Michigan, Volume VI, Number 31
[Saturday, September 6, 1890], page 1,
column 2

–Dr. J.M. Mead[,] one of the pioneers of the range, whose serious illness [sic – illness] we chronicled in our issue of Saturday, died on Thursday of last week at Iron Mountain, and the remains were buried on Sunday by the Masonic fraternity of which he was a prominent member. There is hardly one on the range who did not know the Doctor, and there certainly was no one who was his enemy. For some months he has been failing, but every effort was made to stem the tide of disease, without success, and he died surrounded by his family and friends. The funeral cortege was a large one. Deceased left considerable life insurance as a provision for the future of those who were left behind.

DR. E. MEYER

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44 [Thursday, January 21, 1892], page
4, column 2

Dr. E. Meyer now has his office in the room formerly occupied by F.J. Trudell in Wood's block.

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DR. JULES F. MENESTRINA

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 5, Number 16 [Thursday, September 13, 1900], page 1, column 5

Will Leave Iron Mountain.

The Press regrets to announce that Dr. J.F. Menestrina and his estimable family will leave Iron Mountain about the first of the month for St. Louis, Mo., where they intend making their home. The Dr. has been offered a splendid position as a staff surgeon in one of the leading hospitals in that city and has concluded to accept the same. Dr. Menestrina has been a resident of Iron Mountain for more than ten years and in that time has won a fine reputation as a physician and surgeon. He and his estimable wife have many warm friends in the community who will regret their intention of leaving the city.

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BRIEF CITY NEWSITES.

Dr. J.F. Menestrina left last evening for his new home in St. Louis, Mo., accompanied by the best wishes of many friends.

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BRIEF CITY NEWSITES.

Dr. C. Passudetti, late of Chicago, has decided to locate in Iron Mountain and will succeed to the practice of Dr. Menestrina, occupying the latter's office on East Hughitt street. Dr. Passudetti is a graduate of several splendid colleges and comes to our city well recommended by some of the best physicians in Chicago.

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DR. MENESTRINA DIES IN ST. LOUIS

Former Resident of Iron Mountain Falls Victim of Paralytic Stroke.

Dr. Jules F. Menestrina, leading Italian physician and surgeon of the southwest, noted for his charity among his countrymen, died at his home, 3411 Washington avenue[,] in St. Louis, Mo., last Sunday morning, ten days after having suffered a paralytic stroke.

During the illness which led to the paralytic stroke, Dr. Menestrina worked on a magazine article, in which he intended to prove that tuberculosis entered the system through the alimentary organs rather than by the respiratory organs.

Dr. Menestrina was forty-three years old and was a native of the section of Austria adjoining Italy, known as Austrian Italy. He came to the United States as a boy and received his education largely in St. Louis.

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He came to Iron Mountain to practice shortly after graduating.

In the Spanish-American war he served as surgeon with a Michigan regiment and after the war he returned to St. Louis to practice medicine.

Dr. Menestrina was a member of the Elks and of the Italian-American cavalry. He was until recently chief surgeon of the Protestant hospital.

Dr. Menestrina is survived by a wife and two sons who will have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their great bereavement.

Dr. Menestrina was a resident of Iron Mountain for ten or twelve years, removing to St. Louis some ten years ago. He was held in the highest esteem by the people of Iron Mountain and had been honored with positions of trust. He was a gentleman in the true meaning of the word and a physician of ability worthy of the greatest confidence. The news of his demise will cause mourning in many Iron Mountain homes.

DR. HENRY A. NEWKIRK
Physician and Surgeon
533 South Stephenson Avenue
Iron Mountain

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PERSONAL NEWS NOTES.

Dr. Leslie E. Coffin succeeds Dr. Henry A. Newkirk as county physician for the Iron Mountain district.

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PERSONAL

Dr. Henry A. Newkirk left last Tuesday for New York City, where he will attend surgical clinics for a month or six weeks.

Dr. Joseph A. Crowell has been appointed physician and surgeon for the Antoine and Indiana Mining companies, succeeding Dr. Henry A. Newkirk, who is about to take charge of the Aragon mine practice at Norway.

DR. NORTH

DR. C. PASSUDETTI

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DR. DONALD R. SMITH

DR. W.P. SPEARMAN

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 4, Number 8 [Thursday, July 13, 1899], page 1, column 3

A New Physician.

Dr. W.P. Spearman has arrived from Iowa to accept the position of assistant to Dr. J.D. Cameron. Dr. Spearman will make his headquarters at Quinnesec, and will devote his time principally to the Cundy mine practice. He comes highly recommended.

DR. W.J. SPENCER

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 17 [Thursday, July 18, 1889], page 5, column 2

Personal and Social.

Dr. W.J. Spencer returned [*sic* – returned] to this city last Sunday from a two weeks visit at his home in Battle Creek, Mich.

DR. ELISHA POPE SWIFT

Norway, Michigan, Diamond Jubilee 1891-1966 Historical Album, unpagged

1900: Dr. E.P. Swift in July of this year had a new rubber tire buggy.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 5, Number 29 [Thursday, December 13, 1900], page 3, column 2

BRIEF CITY NEWSITES.

The Commonwealth Iron company has purchased from Dr. E.P. Swift the Columbia Hotel property at Norway. In this connection we learn that the rumor to the effect that the company intends using the building for hotel purposes has no foundation in fact.

Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 15, Number 5 [Thursday, June 23, 1910], page 5, column 3

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

Dr. E.P. Swift's Brush runabout was wrecked last Wednesday morning in a collision with a North-Western freight car at Curry crossing. The chauffeur and O.H. Peterson were in the auto. As they reached the crossing, the train crew was making a drop of some freight cars into a siding. When the engine was detached from the cars the chauffeur attempted to cross the track behind it not seeing the cars following. As a result the auto was struck by one of the cars and considerably damaged. Peterson and the chauffeur escaped without injury. The damage to the machine consisted of badly bent front axle, guards torn off and the frame work scratched and splintered in several places.

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Number 41 [Thursday, February 28, 1918], page 3, column 1

NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

The community was greatly shocked last Friday to receive telegraphic announcement of the death of Dr. E.P. Swift, which occurred that morning at Clearwater, Florida, where the doctor had gone (with his wife) for the benefit of his health. While it was known that the doctor's health was not the best for several months' [sic – months] past, it was not known to many that it was in a precarious condition. Doctor Swift had been [a] practicing physician here for twenty years, holding the position of physician and surgeon for the Aragon mine as well. His friends were legion, all of whom join The Press in extending sympathy to the surviving widow, Mrs. Mary Clark Swift, and son, Elliott E. Swift. The burial was in the family lot at Pittsburg, Pa., last Tuesday.

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IN MEMORIAM.

Remains of Dr. E.P. Swift of This City,
Buried Monday, February 25th, at
Pittsburg.

The remains of Dr. Elisha P. Swift, late of this city, who died suddenly at Clearwater, Florida, on Friday, February 22nd, were laid to rest in the family plot, in Allegheny cemetery, Pittsburg, on Monday morning, February 25th, after services at

the residence of Judge J.J. Miller, of that city, the funeral sermon being preached by the Rev. Dr. Cowan, pastor of the Presbyterian church and a life long [sic – lifelong] friend of the Swift family. The body was accompanied from Florida by the widow, Mary Clark Swift[,] and a niece, Francis [sic – Frances] Swift. At Pittsburg, the funeral party was joined by George D. Swift, a brother, and Eliot E. Swift, son of the deceased.

Elisha Pope Swift, [sic] was born in Allegheny, now the north side of the city of Pittsburg, on January 15th, 1865, and was the son of Eliot E. Swift and Francis [sic – Frances] D. Swift. A sister, Mary S. Greenwood, died in Chicago on March 3rd, 1917, and a brother[,] George D. Swift[,] is treasurer of the Oliver Iron Mining Company and lives in Duluth, Minn. Dr. Swift's grandfather, Elisha Pope Swift, and his father, Eliot E. Swift, were pastors of the First Presbyterian church of Pittsburg, [sic] for over fifty years and were lineal descendants of John Eliot, the great missionary to the Indians and of colonial fame. His mother was for many years editor of the Freedman's Journal and was also a life long [sic – lifelong] contributor to various publications devoted to the cause of temperance. She died in Colorado Springs in January 1916.

Dr. Swift, after his High [sic] school days, attended Lafayette college and was a graduate of the class of 1886. He later entered the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in 1889. While a student at both institutions he was a member of the Pennsy baseball team, and while at Pennsylvania was the catcher for John Tenor, who afterwards became Governor of Pennsylvania. This battery was a famous one in Pennsy annals and was much

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sought after by several of the major league teams of that time. Dr. Swift, however, preferred to practice his profession and located at Commonwealth, Wis., where he was employed as an assistant to Dr. Odell, who was at the time mine physician for the Commonwealth Iron Company. He soon purchased this practice and continued to reside in Florence county until the purchase of the Aragon mine of this city, by that company, some twenty-one years ago, when he removed to Norway, and where he had continuously resided and continued as mine physician at the Aragon after it was taken over by the Oliver Iron Mining Company.

Dr. Swift was married to Mary B. Clark, daughter of the late Justice S.M. Clark of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, at Indiana, Pennsylvania, on June 20th, 1900. There were two children born from this marriage, Eliot E. Swift, who is now a student at Culver, [sic] Military Institute, Culver, Indiana[,] and Steele Clark Swift[,] who died in infancy.

Dr. Swift was for many years a valued member of the local Board of Education and was a Director of the First National Bank of this city at the time of his death and also president of the County Agricultural Association. He was a generous contributor to local charities and his giving was of an unostentatious character. He took an especial interest in Swift University, a sectarian institution in Tennessee, named in honor of his father. He will be greatly missed in the community and the entire sympathy thereof goes out to his wife and son in the hour of their great bereavement.

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NORWAY NEWS NUGGETS

Mrs. E.P. Swift returned last Tuesday from Pittsburgh, Penn., where she went with the body of her husband, the late Dr. Swift[,] for burial.

DR. WHITESHIELD Felch

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FACTS FROM FELCH.

Doctor Whiteshield, of Detroit, has decided to locate in this village and has leased the Rian building for a residence. The Doctor also contemplates installing a drug store in the basement of the building. Dr. Whiteshield is a dentist as well as an M.D. and any one [sic – anyone] in need of his services will find him at the Rian residence, where he is staying for the present.

DR. C. D'A. WRIGHT

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–Dr. C. D'A. Wright[,] a graduate of the medical department of the State University at Ann Arbor, has decided to cast in his lot with the people of Norway, and his office may be found on the east side of Main St.

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Dr. Wright has been practicing of late in Dakota, and comes well recommended.

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CURRENT NOTES.

–Dr. Wright has built a barn on his property adjoining his new hospital, at Ingallsdorf.

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–Prof. Tobey has moved into his new residence at Frederickton, and Dr. Wright now uses the former residence of the Prof. as an office in connection with his hospital.

–The skeleton owned by Dr. C.D'A. Wright was taken to the school building Thursday morning. A human heart is also a recent addition to the collection at the school building.

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–Dr. C.D'A. Wright is building a fence around his hospital and office at Ingallsdorf.

–Dr. Wright has named his new hospital at Ingallsdorf the “Bryon N. White hospital.”

NURSES

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COUNTY NURSE TO START SOON

Meeting Tomorrow For Selection of Various Health Boards

Miss Elba Morse, field representative for the American Red Cross, will be at the city auditorium tomorrow afternoon to meet with the executive board of the county chapter for the purpose of selecting health boards throughout the county to work in conjunction with the county nurse who will start work May 1, it was announced yesterday by Mrs. Frank Elms, of Vulcan, chairman.

Only those places in the county where nurse service is not had are affected by the arrangement. Iron Mountain, Norway and Vulcan have a school nurse. It is the purpose of the county Red Cross, Mrs. Elms stated, to have all school children in the county examined at least once a month. The nurse will also devote time to other work if arrangement permits.

The nurse will be secured for a period of 12 weeks, at the end of which time schools in the county will have been closed for the summer. The service is only an experiment and should it prove valuable, and there is every reason to believe that it will, a nurse

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may possibly be hired for the entire term next year.

Money for the services of the nurse has already been raised. It was stated that Miss Norma Eskil, formerly of Iron Mountain, and who is now engaged in Red Cross work in the lower peninsula, has been assigned to the position in the county.

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PLANS ARE MADE FOR HEALTH WEEK

Ten-Week Program Will Show Need For Coun- ty Nurse

National Health Week, which is designated by President Coolidge to start on May 5, will be observed in Dickinson county with one of the largest programs ever attempted by schools of the county. Through the aid of the Red Cross chapter of the county, under the leadership of Mrs. Frank Elms[,] of Vulcan, and the cooperation of the various health agencies, it has been made possible to put on a 10-week program of nurse inspection in the village and rural schools and the statistics obtained are to be used in determining whether a full time county nurse is needed.

Health inspection and education in the schools will be given from May 5 to July 13 and then follow up work will be carried on in all the schools until July 15. Committees are to be appointed in all of the townships and villages to assist the Red Cross in

outlining work to be done. Money to bear the expense is already on hand.

Following the completion of the program plans will be made for health instruction and corrective work during the school year of 1925-1926.

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ARRANGING FOR NURSE SERVICE

Representative of Red Cross Now Making Survey

Mrs. Frank Elms, of Vulcan, chairman of the county Red Cross chapter, and Miss Ella Morse, field representative of the American Red Cross, were at Foster City, Metropolitan and Hardwood today selecting health committees to assist the county nurse in school work which will begin May 1.

If possible the Red Cross representatives were also to visit at Sagola, Channing and Randville. Yesterday Miss Morse was at Breitung and Kingsford selecting committees to help in the work.

The preliminary survey is being made at this time in order to enable the county nurse to start examining school children immediately upon her arrival. Miss Norma Eskil, formerly of Iron Mountain but now doing Red Cross work in the lower peninsula, has been selected to do the work in the county.

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According to the tentative schedule arranged by Mrs. Elms and Miss Morse, all school children in the county, who have not been examined this year, will undergo an examination before the present term closes. Should time permit, a second examination will be given.

In addition to school work, Miss Eskil will also devote some time to other health work. Norway and Iron Mountain school children have public nurse service and are not affected by the new arrangement.

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OUTLINE COUNTY HEALTH PROGRAM

Name Township Committees to Co-operate With Nurse

Talks by Miss Norma Eskil, county nurse, and Miss Elba Morse, field representative of the Red Cross, selection of township committees to assist in health work in the schools of the county and the outlining of a program for the work to be carried on within the next 10 weeks were the highlights of the meeting of the county Red Cross chapter Saturday afternoon at Norway.

The cooperation that the county nurse must receive was brought out at the session while township and regular Red Cross meetings were also stressed.

Following is the list of committees named at the meeting:

Breitung township – Miss Anna Nord, Bernard Giesen, Mrs. John Jacobson, Mrs. Thomas McGinn, Mrs. Jacob Roth, Mrs. Frank Hess, Mrs. Frank Rowell, Mrs. J.A. Minnear, Mrs. E.A. Crawford, Mrs. Charles Peterson, Mrs. Fred Langsford and Mrs. Emil Perreault.

Waucedah township – Mrs. John McCarthy, Mrs. C.H. Baxter, Mrs. Anton Massa, Miss Blanche Trottier, Mrs. Albert Seafacle, Mrs. Jonah Robinson, Mrs. Fred Root, Mrs. William Nicholson and Mrs. Joseph Paul.

Breen township – Mrs. Ella Swanson, Mrs. R.W. Pierce, Mrs. Fred Nault, Mrs. S.J. Peterson, Mrs. J.H. Peterson, Mrs. J.H. Eckstrom, William Quinlan and the Rev. Fr. Drengancz.

Felch township – Miss Minnie Rian, Edwin Blomquist, Mrs. Ida Daniel and Miss Ruth Anderson.

Following the appointment of the Hunting, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Hayes, Mrs. Tom Carney, L.A. Friess, Mrs. Blomer, Mrs. Rocco and Mrs. Al Worthing.

West Branch township – Mrs. Marie Campbell and Mrs. Allen Wells.

Outlines Work

Following the appointment of the health boards, Miss Eskil gave a talk on the manner in which the work should be conducted and the cooperation needed for an effective program. She outlined the program she will pursue here, emphasizing common defects found in children of school age and how they can be avoided by proper examinations and **[need to finish copying this article]**

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Number 30 [Friday, May 15, 1925], page
10, column 1

Norway News

REPORT SHOWS VALUE OF NURSE

Discloses Physical De- fects Among Many School Children

Out of 629 school children examined since February 1 by Miss Sophie K. Alexander, community nurse, 298 were found to have infected tonsils, 236 had pronounced adenoids and 140 showed symptoms of goitre [*sic – goiter*], according to a report made today by Miss Bessie Perkins, chairman of the nurse committee of the Woman's club.

The examination of the same group also disclosed that only 93 had good teeth, 396 had fair teeth and 140 were characterized as possessing poor teeth. During the course of her investigation, Miss Alexander received orders for more than 200 tooth brushes, which are being sold for five cents each.

The report also revealed that 302 school children were examined for eye sight and 20 were found with defective vision. One child is threatened with blindness, the report shows.

Since Miss Alexander has been engaged by the Woman's club, she has made 455 calls, including daily visits in critical cases. One case was given daily care for five weeks.

Two Sent To Hospital.

Through the efforts of the community nurse and with the assistance of Judge of Probate O'Hara[,] two patients have been sent to the state hospital at Ann Arbor for medical treatment. Plans are also underway for the formation of a health club among the sixth and seventh grade girls in which they will be trained by the community nurse for home care of the sick.

In the report Miss Perkins wrote as follows:

"The registered nurse, Miss Sophie K. Alexander, engaged by the Woman's club of Norway and Vulcan, has been with us for three months, from February 1 to May 1.

"All the results of her work can never be estimated but from the testimonials given by the families of patients and from the patients themselves, her ministrations have been invaluable and proved that a public health nurse is a greater blessing to the community than we had realized."

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FINDS CHILDREN WITH BAD TEETH

Nurse's Report Discloses Condition in County Schools

Many children of the Metropolitan and Foster City schools need dental care and efforts will be made to have them come to Norway for examinations, according to Mrs.

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Frank Elms, of Vulcan, chairman of the Dickinson county Red Cross chapter. The condition was disclosed by Miss Norma Eskil, county school nurse, who submitted a report to the executive committee of the chapter.

Efforts will be made to interest the parents in the importance of good teeth and have them bring their children to Norway for examinations. Plans have not yet been completed but it is expected that a dentist will be secured soon for that purpose.

This week Miss Eskil is devoting her time to the schools of the village of Kingsford and with the exception of a visit at Sagola, she will have completed a trip around the county at the conclusion of her work in the village.

Starting next week, the county nurse will devote her time to follow-up work to see how her advice is being carried out. The next meeting of the Red Cross chapter will be called within three weeks.

MIDWIVES

MRS. IDA NILSSON
309 West Brown Street
Iron Mountain

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DENTISTS

DR. OTTO C. BRAUNS

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 2, Number 33 [Thursday, January 6, 1898], page 1, column 4

A New Dental Firm.

Dr. Ripley, of this city, and Dr. Otto C. Brauns, of Green Bay, brother of August Brauns, have formed a dental co-partnership with parlors in the Wood Block. Dr. Brauns is a graduate of the Pennsylvania Dental College, the best school of the kind in the world, and he comes to our city highly recommended. He makes a specialty of crown and bridge work and he has met with splendid success in this line. Dr. Ripley, who came here from Wisconsin less than two years ago, has by good work and strict attention to business, succeeded in building up a practice too large for him to handle alone and he has been compelled to turn patients away. The new firm starts out with the brightest of prospects and The Press is confident that the gentlemen will prove themselves worthy of the confidence and esteem of the people of Iron Mountain.

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DR. ROY J. CRUSE

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DR. BENJAMIN ESLICK
American Security Bank
515 South Stephenson Avenue

The Iron Mountain Daily News, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 1, Number 68 [Wednesday, June 29, 1921], page 2, column 2

TO OPEN OFFICES IN CITY TOMORROW

Dr. B. Eslick, dentist, and Dr. G. Fredrickson, physician, have engaged an office suite in the American Security Bank building and will be ready for business tomorrow [sic – tomorrow]. The waiting room will be used in common, while Dr. Eslick's office will be on one side and Dr. Fredrickson's on the other.

Dr. Eslick has been associated with Dr. G.H. Myers in Detroit since leaving the service. Dr. Fredrickson has been practicing in Chicago. He held a commission as first lieutenant, Medical

Corps, in the army. Before going to Chicago, he was associated for a time with the Westerlin hospital, and did considerable other work about the county.

Both are Iron Mountain young men, and will have a wide circle to wish them success in their new business.

DR. G.C. GRANT

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Dr. D.C. Grant[,] the Florence dentist, was in the city Monday and was a pleasant caller at THE CURRENT office. The doctor visits Norway on the fourth Monday of each month in the interest of his profession, and we are pleased to note is building up quite a lucrative practice. Those in need of his services will do well to make a note of the day of his coming.

DR. GEMIEL G. JACOBS

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DR. JOEL D. JONES

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 10 [Saturday, April 3, 1886], page 1, column 6

Ramblings: Crystal Falls

J.D. Jones, D.D.S., of Iron Mountain[,] has been here a week attending to the wants of those who consider a set of good teeth one of the absolute necessities [*sic – necessities*] of life. Go to J.D. and he will improve your appearance and health, to say nothing of the peace of mind you will afterwards possess [*sic – possess*].

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 12 [Saturday, April 17, 1886], page 1, column 3

Dr. J.D. Jones, of Iron Mountain, will be at Vulcan for a week or ten days, to attend

to the wants of all those whose food-grinders are in need of repair.

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume III, Number 24 [Saturday, July 16, 1887], page 1, column 5

Vulcan.

Dr. J.D. Jones, of Iron Mountain, has been here under the care of his brother, Dr. B.W., during most of the week. We hope J.D. will recover his usual good health in the near future.

Bunn & Simmons' Iron Mountain City Directory, 1892, page 144

Jones J D, dentist[,] 235 Stephenson av, res 306 West C

Dr. Joel D. Jones 227 South Stephenson Avenue

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DR. H.D. RIPLEY

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DR. W.J. SPENCER

The Current, Norway, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume II, Number 19 [Saturday, June 5, 1886], page 1, column 3

Dr. W.J. Spencer, of Iron Mountain, has been at the Norway Hotel during the week, attending to the dental needs of the community.

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 2 [Thursday, April 4, 1889], page 8, columns 1-2

Personal and Social.

Dr. W.J. Spencer, the dentist, is in Crystal Falls.

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 3 [Thursday, April 11, 1889], page 8, column 2

CRYSTAL FALLS.

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Dr. W.J. Spencer, of Iron Mountain, has returned home again, after spending a week or so here.

Bunn & Simmons' Iron Mountain City Directory, 1892, page 177

SPENCER DR W J, dental surgeon. Dental parlor room 6 Wood's block, 225 Stephenson ave, bds [boards] Commercial House

DR. HERMAN STURTZ

Dr. Herman Sturtz
108 East Ludington Street

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DR. WHITESHIELD

Felch

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FACTS FROM FELCH.

Doctor Whiteshield, of Detroit, has decided to locate in this village and has leased the Rian building for a residence. The Doctor also contemplates installing a drug store in the basement of the building. Dr. Whiteshield is a dentist as well as an M.D. and any one [sic – anyone] in need of his services will find him at the Rian

residence, where he is staying for the present.

OPTOMETRISTS & OPTICIANS

DR. GEORGE H. BOYCE

Oculist, Physician and Surgeon
507 South Stephenson Avenue

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FREDERICK HEICKE

The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Dickinson County, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 51 [Thursday, May 11, 1905], page 1, column 4

Graduate Optician.

Frederick Heicke, a graduate optician, arrived here from Chicago last Monday morning to accept a position with Rahm & Will. The gentleman has had many years experience in the business and comes to the city highly recommended as a competent optician. The firm carries a large line of optical goods and eyes will be tested free. Give the firm your patronage and keep the dollars at home.

[NOTE: Rahm & Will is a jewelry firm.]

DR. LACHAPPELLE

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[Saturday, August 28, 1886], page 1,
column 2

–Dr. Lachapelle has had quite as much business as he could attend to the past week and has a number of cases of sore eyes under treatment which show a marked improvement, even in the short time which has elapsed since treatment commenced. Don't fail to consult him if you are afflicted.

NEUBAUER & HAGGERSON

**Edward A. Neubauer & Arthur F.
Haggerson
Jewelers and Opticians
205 East Hughitt Street**

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RAHM & WILL

**Gust Rahm & Louis J. Will
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SWAN P. SANDMARK

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DR. AND MRS. CLAUDE W. (RUTH WILKIE) WALKER

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist (Partnership with Dr. Hugh D. McEachran)

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Dr. and Mrs. Claude W. Walker Killed In Accident Yesterday

Dr. and Mrs. Claude W. Walker, 65 and 48 years of age, residing at 703 East G Street, this city, were almost instantly killed at about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon when the sedan driven by Dr. Walker, and in which he and his wife were returning from a meeting of the Upper Peninsula Medical Society at Ironwood, skidded off the pavement and turned over on highway US-2, about 14 miles west of Iron River.

A blow-out of the right rear tire, causing a four-inch rip in the casing, was given as the cause of the accident. They were driving alone.

Both victims suffered fractured skulls; Dr. Walker's right leg was fractured; Mrs. Walker's chest was crushed and she had deep cuts on the right side of the head, and both were otherwise badly cut and bruised.

Coroner M.L. Fanscher, of Stambaugh, was notified of the accident in a call from a nearby gasoline station, and brought the bodies to the Stambaugh Funeral home in his ambulance. He notified two sisters of Mrs. Walker[,] who were with their father, John Fred Wilkie, reside in Detroit.

Left Here Thursday

Dr. and Mrs. Walker left here Thursday morning, to attend the meeting, and left

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Ironwood at about 11 yesterday morning, for Iron Mountain.

The accident occurred on a straight stretch of new, paved highway, opened last year. There were no obstacles or obstructions of any kind, according to investigating officers.

Albert Polly and his two sons, Roy and Wallace, of Beechwood, pulpwood jobbers, were the first to hear the crash. Working near the highway they first heard a loud report – apparently the blowout – and then a crash, as the car veered off the highway and rolled over four times on the gravel shoulder.

The three men reached the scene a moment before Victor Lepisto and Arvey Ahonen, of Wakefield[,] arrived.

The men found Dr. Walker lying about 12 feet from his over-turned car, and Mrs. Walker was pinned beneath it. Both were breathing when the men reached them, but died a few moments later, they said. The five men pulled Mrs. Walker from beneath the car.

Examined Victims

Shortly thereafter Dr. O.S. Hult, of Gladstone, Delta county coroner, and Dr. H.J. Defnet, of Escanaba, also returning from the Ironwood meeting, arrived at the scene. They examined the victims, determined the injuries and reported to Edward Sandri, Iron county traffic officer, who arrived about 15 minutes after the accident.

Sandri learned of the accident when he dropped into the oil station of Jim Haydon, of Iron River. There he met a tourist who told him of the crash, and said that Dr. Walker had passed him, on the highway, at a point several miles west of the accident scene. He recognized the car and driver when he reached the scene of the accident a few moments later, he said.

The marks on the highway and shoulder of the road, measured by Sandri, indicated that Dr. Walker's car traveled about 225 feet, zig-zag along the pavement, after it first started to skid. The hood of the car was found 12 feet from the sedan itself. The left door, on the driver's side of the car, was torn away and the right door was hanging by a hinge.

The wrecked car was taken to the Iron River garage.

It was the first fatal accident in Iron county in the last 11 months, authorities said.

Born in Pennsylvania

Dr. Walker was born near Scranton, Pa., and was graduated from the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania. He took advanced work in eye, ear, nose and throat at the New York Post-Graduate college and at John Hopkins University. Later he practiced medicine in Schenectady, N.Y., and in Milwaukee and Green Bay, Wis.

Dr. Walker enlisted as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army Medical Corps on Aug. 9, 1917, and was assigned to Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. He served over-seas [*sic – overseas*] and was promoted to the rank of major. Returning to the United States after the Armistice he received his honorable discharge on Aug. 15, 1919.

In 1920, Dr. Walker established an office in Iron Mountain, and was a staff physician at the former Scandinavian hospital.

His offices were located first in the U.S. National bank building, for several years; later in the Cordy building and recently in the Commercial bank building. Last March Dr. Walker entered into partnership with Dr. H.D. McEachran, of Detroit, and shortly thereafter the offices were moved from the Cordy building to the present location.

Active In Legion

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Dr. Walker was the second commander of the Thomas Uren post, American Legion, in the city; first commander of the Upper Peninsula Association of Legion Posts, and was otherwise active in the organization here since its inception.

Under his leadership as post commander here, the unit achieved the peak membership of its history – 378. A year after he was named U.P. commander, Dr. Walker brought the 1922 convention of the Upper Peninsula unit to Iron Mountain – the largest gathering of its kind ever held in the district.

He was a member of the Pine Grove Country club for many years, and an ardent golfer.

Dr. Walker was also a member of the Iron-Dickinson Medical Society, the Upper Peninsula Medical Association, the *[Michigan]* State Medical Association and a Fellow *[sic – fellow]* of the American College of Surgeons.

His nearest surviving relative is a half-brother, Robery Fry, residing in New York City.

Born In Manitowoc

Mrs. Walker, the former Ruth Wilkie, was born Aug. 21, 1893, in Manitowoc. She was graduated from the Manitowoc high school and also from the Woods Business college, in Manitowoc.

Thereafter she obtained a position at Hot Springs, Ark., and later returned to Manitowoc, where she was employed before coming to Iron Mountain, in 1922, to accept a position in the offices of the Ford Motor company, which established its plant here in 1921.

She was married Oct. 24, 1923, in Manitowoc, to Dr. Walker, and they returned here to make their home.

Mrs. Walker was a member of the Pine Grove Country Club Auxiliary and was

otherwise socially prominent in the community.

Dr. Walker was married previously, overseas in 1919, to Miss Mabel Fordham, of Scranton, Pa. They had been friends in Scranton, and met again in France when Dr. Walker was serving with the Medical Corps and Miss Fordham was a nurse. They returned here to reside. In 1922 Mrs. Walker was stricken ill and died in a hospital in Chicago. She was buried in Cemetery park here.

Sisters Here

Arriving from Detroit this morning were Mrs. Walker's two sisters, Mrs. Flossie C. Vollendorf and Mrs. J.C. Camp; the latter's husband; Mrs. Jack D. Burell and William M. Vollendorf, daughter and son of Mrs. Vollendorf, and Miss Jane Camp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Camp.

Mrs. Walker's father, an invalid, was unable to make the trip.

The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Walker were removed this morning from the Stambaugh Funeral home to the Buchanan-villemur-Tondin Funeral home here, pending funeral arrangements.

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Last Rites For Accident Victims Today

Funeral services for Dr. and Mrs. Claude W. Walker, of this city, who were almost instantly killed at about 3 p.m., Friday when the car in which they were returning from a meeting of the Upper Peninsula Medical Society over-turned *[sic*

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– overturned] on highway US-2 about 14 miles west of Iron River, were held at 9 o'clock this morning at the Buchanan-Villemur-Tondin Funeral home in this city.

The Rev. N.U. McConaughy, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, conducted the brief services.

Following the services the bodies were taken to Manitowoc, Wis., for burial in Evergreen cemetery there.

Officers and members of the Thomas Uren and Bert Carpenter Legion posts, Iron Mountain and Kingsford, accompanied the cortege from the funeral home to the intersection of H street and Stephenson avenue, en route to Manitowoc.

Burial at Manitowoc

Burial services were to be held this afternoon in the chapel at the Manitowoc cemetery.

Pallbearers for Mrs. Walker here today were Dr. Boyd L. Kelley, Claire Drake, William Doell, E.W. Stridde, John Flanagan and A.G. Buchman, and for Dr. Walker: Dr. G.H.Boyce, Dr. R.E. White, Dr. William Fiedling, Dr. James L. Browning, Dr. H.D. McEachran and Dr. E.B. Andersen.

Pallbearers who accompanied the cortege to Manitowoc were Dr. H.D. McEachran, Dr. James L. Browning, Dr. G.H. Boyce, Claire Drake, A.G. Buchman and E.W. Stridde. Pallbearers chosen from the Manitowoc Legion post were to assist in services there.

Among relatives and friends attending the services from out of the city were Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Camp and daughter, Jane, and Mrs. B.O. Vollendorf, daughter of Mrs. J.D.Burrell and son, William M. Vollendorf, all of Detroit; Dr. and Mrs. Kelley and Dr. Hamlin, of Norway; Dr. R.E. Hayes, Sagola; Mrs. Phillip D. Bourland, Calumet; Dr. Charles Drury and daughter, Shirley, of Marquette; Mrs. Frank Marshall and Miss

LaDuc, of L'Anse; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zander, daughter and son-in-law, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Iselman and daughter, of Manitowoc, and Dr. and Mrs. D.A. Levine and Dr. and Mrs. W.J. Kofmehl, of Iron River.

CHIROPODISTS

PROFESSOR DAVID Blight House

The Menominee Range, Iron Mountain, Menominee County, Michigan, Volume XI, Number 5 [Thursday, April 25, 1889], page 1, column 2

PROF. DAVID and wife, the skilled "chiropracist surgeons," are at the Blight Hotel this week, and our citizens who are suffering with corns, bunions or ingrown toe nails, should not loose [*sic – lose*] this opportunity to secure their services. Call and see them.

VETERINARIANS

DR. CHARLES O. SEABERG

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DEATH ACCIDENTAL

DR. CHARLES O. SEABERG FOUND DEAD ON FLOOR OF OFFICE.

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Conditions Prove That He Was in the Act of Removing Pistol from a Pocket When It Exploded.

About seven o'clock last Thursday evening, Dr. Charles O. Seaberg, the well-known veterinary surgeon, was found dead on the floor of his office on Merritt avenue.

The discovery was made by Oscar Pahlman, assistant at the Uddenberg Pharmacy, who at once summoned Dr. Collins and friends of Dr. Seaberg.

Rumors were soon in circulation to the effect that Dr. Seaberg had committed suicide, but a critical investigation conducted by Coroner Cudlip and a competent jury, [sic] established that death was entirely accidental and that the rumors were as cruel as they were unfounded.

It is the opinion that the death was caused by a bullet from a revolver which Dr. Seaberg was in the act of removing from the pocket of his overcoat.

Dr. and Mrs. Seaberg had been invited to dine the evening of the accident at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pahlman. Dr. Seaberg was at his office waiting for Mr. Pahlman, the latter having agreed to call for him, and just before leaving the store for home had telephoned he would call at the office in a few moments.

It is surmised, and conditions warrant the supposition, that Dr. Seaberg, momentarily expecting his friend, started to put on his overcoat. Discovering the revolver in his left-hand pocket, handle down, he attempted to pull it out, intending to leave it in his desk, when the trigger, catching on the frayed lining, was pulled back [and] discharged the gun. The bullet lodged in the left breast directly over the

heart, inflicting a wound that caused death in a few moments.

The body was discovered near the door and the position would indicate that Dr. Seaberg had, in his last moments, struggled to reach the street and call for assistance.

The reports of suicide are absurd to any one [sic – anyone] acquainted with Dr. Seaberg and his hopes and ambitions. He was blessed with a loveable wife and baby, a home which he loved, and a large and rapidly growing practice in a profession in which he ranked high. Life must have been very sweet to a man of his disposition.

Dr. Seaberg was about thirty-six years of age. He had resided in this city for nearly fifteen years, coming here soon after he had graduated from a Chicago college. In 1905 he was united in marriage to Miss Louise Brown, who, with an infant daughter, survived [sic – survive] him. He was a brother to Mrs. C.F. Larson, of Crystal Falls.

Dr. Seaberg was affiliated with the local lodge of the Knights of Pythias and also the Modern Woodman [sic – Woodmen]. The funeral was held on Sunday last from the Presbyterian church, and was very largely attended, the Knights of Pythias attending in a body. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. L.W. Westphal, of Iron River, and Rev. William Roberts assisted in the services.

Mrs. Seaberg and little one are assured of the complete sympathy of this community in their deep affliction.

DR. EDWARD TREIBER

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KILLED INSTANTLY

DR. TREIBER IS VICTIM OF A LIVE WIRE AT THE POOR FARM.

Voltage Estimated at 6,600 Passes Through Body When a Charged Guy Wire is Touched.

Dr. Edward Treiber, the well-known young veterinary surgeon of Norway, was instantly killed last Tuesday morning at the Dickinson county poor farm, death being caused by a live wire connected with *[the]* hydro-electrical plant of the Penn Iron Mining company at Sturgeon Falls.

Dr. Treiber had been summoned to the farm by Keeper Tauscheck to attend to some sick cattle. He was enroute *[sic – en route]* home and was passing through a gate at the farm, accompanied by Mr. Tauscheck, when a dead calf was noticed at the roadside, near one of the poles carrying the transmission wires from the power plant to the mines at Vulcan and Norway.

Dr. Treiber alighted from the carriage to examine the animal for the purpose of learning the cause of death. Noting a burn at the animal's neck, he lead *[sic – leaned]* over to make a closer examination. In doing so, Dr. Treiber grasped the guy wire supporting the pole and was instantly shocked to death. This wire, which was uncovered, had in some manner become *[sic – become]* charged with the full power of the feeding motor. Mr. Tauscheck says death was instantaneous, Dr. Treiber falling to the ground as if struck by lightning. He

had grasp *[sic – grasped]* the wire with his right hand, which was slightly burned. The voltage passing through his body is said to have been over 6,600. The calf had evidently been killed by the same wire.

The remains of the young man were taken to his home in Norway and Coroner Cudlip, of Iron Mountain, was summoned. A jury was empaneled *[sic – empanelled]* and the facts brought and at the inquest are about as noted above. The verdict rendered was that Dr. Treiber had come to his death by coming in contact with a guy wire at the Dickinson county poor farm, said wire being charged with electricity from the Penn Iron Mining company's power plant at Sturgeon Falls. The jury also recommended that the company take immediate steps to have all the guy wires on the transmission line insulated.

Dr. Treiber was a member of one of the pioneer families of Norway and was held in high esteem by many friends. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Otto Marinelli, and several brothers.

DR. THOMAS H. VROMAN

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Thos. H. Vroman, formerly a veterinary surgeon of Iron Mountain, has a contract with The A.M. Fox company, of Spokane, Washington, for loading logs at Couer d'Alene, Idaho.