

DR. C. D. BUSBY OF BROOKLYN PASSES ON

Jan. 8. "He Saved Others;
Himself He Could
Not Save." *1937.*

Poweshiek county lost one of its best qualified and most highly regarded physicians when Dr. C. D. Busby died at 4:00 o'clock Friday morning in a local hospital where for several days he had been critically ill as a result of a blood infection. He was almost 67 years old.

Dr. Busby was born in Brooklyn and had lived practically all his life in Poweshiek county. He began his medical practice in his birthplace and had continued it continuously with the exception of a brief period during the World War when he served his government in the medical department.

An expert clarinetist in his early life, he was a member of the famous Finney's band of Des Moines for five years and traveled widely with that organization and was also a member of the Shrinic and Consistory bands in Des Moines. He played on occasion with the college orchestra here and Dr. C. E. Harris recalled the other day that he and Dr. Busby, along with Ellie Bayer and Eddie Brande accompanied the combined glee club and orchestra on one of their extended trips. Dr. Harris went along as a whistler and the other three played in the orchestra. He also conducted Busby's Orchestra in Brooklyn.

Dr. Busby had held practically every office in the gift of the Poweshiek County Medical Society and was serving his second term as head of the medical staff of the Community Hospital, in which he died after the most devoted efforts of his brother physicians and his own splendid courage had proved unavailing to reduce the infection from which he suffered.

No physician in the county was more highly thought of and more sincerely respected by his associates. For a number of years he had been attached to the medical staff of the Rock Island railroad and was regarded as accomplished and competent in all details of his profession.

For a number of years Dr. and Mrs. Busby occupied the large residence in Brooklyn in which a hotel is now operated by their daughter Frances. This home was the center of a very gracious hospitality. The entertainments which Dr. and Mrs. Busby gave were famous and were enjoyed by many Grinnell people who will never forget the good times that they experienced there.

In addition to the many fine personal qualities which won him friends wherever he went, Dr. Busby was a stabilizing force among his brother doctors and a man who exemplified in the highest degree the fine qualities which are so characteristic of the members of this devoted and self-sacrificing profession.

Charles D. Busby was born in Brooklyn, February 19, 1870, the son of Dr. I. N. Busby and Jennie Conaway Busby. His mother died when he was quite young. His father, for many years one of the prominent citizens of Brooklyn, both as a physician and a minister, died July 17, 1923.

Charles graduated from the Brooklyn high school in 1887, attended Iowa Wesleyan University at Mt. Pleasant for two years and took his degree in medicine from Marion Sims Medical College in St. Louis in 1897. He immediately began his practice in Brooklyn, being associated at first with his father and his uncle, Dr. Charles Conaway. For a number of years he maintained a private hospital there. His practice in Brooklyn covered a period of 39 consecutive years, interrupted only by a brief period of army service during the World War.

He was married on June 14, 1899, in Des Moines to Miss Virginia Newcomb, who survives him, with two children, Charles and Frances. Also surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Julia Cole of Portsmouth, N. H., and Mrs. Jennie Wells of Santa Barbara, Calif. Another sister, Mrs. Verona Dob-

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