

Family Chiropractic

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Why do some get sick?

Every grade school child learns that Thomas Edison invented the light bulb. Yet, few know who discovered chiropractic. But more fascinating is *why* chiropractic was discovered.

Take yourself back over a hundred years ago to a time when “patent medicines” flourished. These were often sold as cure-alls whose active ingredients were usually alcohol, cocaine, arsenic and other dangerous substances.

In the midst of this, a healer, experimenter, and freethinker by the name of Daniel David Palmer in Davenport, Iowa asked a simple question:

“I desired to know why one person was ailing and his associate eating at the same table, working in the same shop was not. Why? What difference was there in the two persons that caused one to have pneumonia, catarrh, typhoid or rheumatism, while his partner, similarly situated, escaped? Why?”

At a time when germs were given the blame for virtually every disease, this was a groundbreaking way of framing the question about health. Germs alone couldn’t be the cause of disease, otherwise everyone would get sick.

Chiropractic came into existence soon afterwards. D.D. Palmer discovered that it’s smarter to look at the person with the disease, rather than the disease in the person.

It is a proven fact that a compromised nervous system results in illness and disease. Our philosophical core belief in the office is “remove nervous system interference through chiropractic adjustments and allow the body to heal itself.”