

Dr. Bisgard death marks end of era

Dr. Carl V. Bisgard, a practicing physician in Harlan for 36 years before retiring in 1974, died Sunday at his Harlan home.

Services for Dr. Bisgard, 76, were held Wednesday afternoon (Jan. 21), 1 p.m., at Congregational Christian Church in Harlan. Burial was in Harlan Cemetery.

Dr. Bisgard was raised in Harlan, graduated from Harlan High School, and attended the



University of Iowa. He was graduated from the Harvard Medical School, and spent five years doing postgraduate work in New York.

He began practicing in Harlan in 1934, and was a physician in the U. S. Navy from 1942-'46, before returning to Harlan. He was a member of

the Congregational Christian Church, and the Harlan Golf and Country Club.

END OF ERA

The death of Dr. Carl Bisgard brings to a close a long history of medical service in Shelby county by the Bisgard family.

His father, Dr. James, was a pioneer doctor (1884) in Harlan. Carl's brother, Dewey, who died in 1975, also practiced in Harlan before moving on to in 1929 to Omaha, where he gained renown as a surgeon. His sister, Verne (Mrs. Leland) White and Carl operated Bisgard Hospital (15 beds) from 1947-'54 in

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Dr. Carl practiced with his father until the senior's death. Dr. Carl carried on the medical heritage until his retirement in 1974.

He is survived by his wife, Constance (Connie) of Harlan; two sons - Dr. Carl Bisgard of Walla Walla, Wash., and Bill of Muai, Hawaii; one daughter, Ellen (Mrs. John S.) Barrett of Reding, Pa.; and eight grandchildren.

Burmeister Funeral Home handled the arrangements in Harlan.