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Dr. Frank Worlax takes over
Pembroke Medical Services facility

The board of directors are made up of five community citizens and is staffed by an executive director, physician, one physician's assistant and five other support staff. The services offered include screening, laboratory, x-ray, diagnostic treatment and references. The medical facility is made up of 3500 square feet, including 7 examination rooms, a trauma room, laboratory, x-ray room and a nurses' station.

Dr. Emma Balaker, the physician, said, "I am totally shocked." Dr. Balaker, who came to the clinic in June of '81, is a Catholic nun and presently lives in Lumberton. Ramona Townsend, a licensed practical nurse, who had been with the clinic for one and one-half years added, "I had no knowledge of this...I am real hurt... We have put forth a lot of effort here..."

Rose Marie Clark, the receptionist since the facility opened, said, "We were assured of a job...at least until June."

Ms. Clark and some of the staff complained bitterly that the board of directors had misled them noting that, according to minutes, the board met December 17 and decided at that time not to sell and assured them that operations would continue until June, even exhorting Ms. Emanuel "to look for additional funding."

LOOKING FOR NEW QUARTERS...

Ms. Emanuel said, "the same medical needs exist and we are looking for new quarters in the area... hopefully within a week."

The facility, built with a \$410,000 loan from Farmers Home Administration, maintained a close working relationship with the National Health Services Corp.

Questions remain. Will the present board of directors continue with Dr. Worlax? Who will be responsible for paying off the mortgage? Will the x-ray equipment and other furnishings go with Pembroke Medical Services into their new quarters? Who will treat the patients "in the process" of being treated? Will new board members be named? Etc.

Other members of the board of directors are Leslie Chavis, Jimmy Hedgpeth, Dr. Bobby Brayboy and Clayton Maynor.

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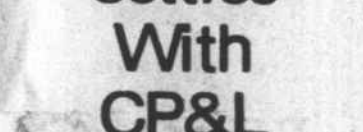
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