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**Lee Memorial Hospital
Manager Is Employed**

Mr. Richard Harrell was employed as administrator of Lee Memorial Hospital at a meeting of the Hospital Board of Directors, Tuesday afternoon, May 31.

At the present time Mr. Harrell is serving as administrator of the Overall Memorial Hospital of Coleman, Texas. Prior to his connection with that institution, he was employed at the Alexander Clinic Hospital in Wichita Falls and for some time operated a hospital at Electra.

Mr. Harrell's army service led him into the hospital administrator's profession. He studied pre-medical courses in Hardin College, Wichita Falls, and in Texas Christian University.

While serving as an Army Air Force Officer, Harrell had his ground training at Arkansas Agricultural and Mechanical College. His service as a flying instructor was ended by injuries suffered in an airplane crash.

In civilian life Mr. Harrell had become a licensed funeral director, and had also been in personnel and supply offices of the Army.

He was assigned as a medical lecturer and during the remainder of his three years and nine months of Army service, he delivered 3,741 lectures to more than 400,000 enlisted men. Among his activities was that of consultant in a neuro-psychiatric clinic. He had majored in psychology before leaving college and now has his doctor's degree in psychology.

Mr. Harrell will come to Giddings the latter part of June to assume his duties with the local hospital. He will be in charge of setting up the equipment, employing the nurses and attendants, and making arrangements for the opening of the hospital.