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Observes 83. Birthday



DR. W. E. YORK

Sunday, August 9 marked the 83rd. birthday of Dr. W. E. York, Lee County's oldest doctor. Here to observe the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. J. Alton York of Brenham and Mr. and Mrs. Milton York of Dallas.

One of his sons, W. P. York of Aurora, Ill., sent him a birthday card and called himself his "Yankee Son."

Dr. York, one of the pioneer medics of Giddings and Lee County, was graduated from Tulane University in 1894 and he opened his first office here in Giddings that same year. He was married to Mrs. York October 10, 1894.

Dr. York's practice began in the "horseback days" and "horse and buggy days", in the days when roads did not even resemble the county roads of now-a-days, much less farm-to-market roads or our modern highways. To be called to a patient in the middle of the night meant a real sacrifice for the physician, still Dr. York remained in this noble profession of alleviating human suffering for 55 years.

Dr. York holds life membership in the State Medical Association and the South Medical Ass'n.

Dr. York was one of the first to buy a car. That was in 1909. It was a white Buick.

Wonder, how many of our readers remember Dr. York driving around in that white Buick?

Dr. York states that he was tempted one time to leave Giddings and go to Wichita Falls, however, he could not sell his house and that's what made him stay here.