

Dr. **Hutchens** had always stated a desire to practice in a smaller community, so when he heard of an opening for a doctor in Flora, he came here and opened up a practice.

After coming to Flora, he met and married Nedra Arbutus **Johnson** on October 17, 1930. She was the daughter of John Henry and Martha Roseanna **Rainey Johnson**; born in Washington, Indiana, on May 27, 1907. Nedra was very active in community affairs and was said to have been instrumental in the organization of Flora's first Girl Scout Troop.

Dr. **Hutchens** had a very successful medical practice and began planning with other interested residents about the building of a hospital in Flora.

Plans were put on hold when World War II broke out and he entered active duty in July of 1942 where he reached the rank of Captain in the Medical Corps. He served until July, 1946. He was the recipient of several honors and commendations but was never one to talk much about his achievements. He was more concerned with what he could do for others.

MARRIAGE LICENSE
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
CLAY COUNTY
(To any Person legally authorized to solemnize Marriage)
GREETING.
MARRIAGE MAY BE CELEBRATED

Between Mr. Dr. Lucius L. Hutchens of Flora
in the County of Clay and State of Illinois
of the age of Twenty Seven years and Miss Nedra A. Johnson
of Flora in the County of Clay and State of Illinois
of the age of Twenty Three years

Witness Albert Beard, County Clerk
and the seal of said County at his Office Louisville, in said County
this 13 day of October A.D. 1930
By Joseph Reason Hoy Deputy County Clerk

State of Illinois | ss. I Joseph Reason Hoy hereby
CLAY COUNTY | a minister of the Gospel certify that Mr. Lucius L. Hutchens and
Miss Nedra A. Johnson were united in Marriage by me at
Flora, Illinois in the County of Clay
and State of Illinois on the 17th day of October A.D. 1930
Joseph Reason Hoy