After the war he returned to Flora and again opened up a practice. Plans were again brought to the forefront concerning the building of the hospital which was accomplished in 1949. At the time Dr. Lucius **Hutchens** was President of the Clay County Medical Society and Dr. H. D. **Fehrenbacher** was Chief of Staff of the Hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. Hutchens were the parents of two children; John William and Martha E.



Capt. Lucius Hutchens



Nedra **Johnson Hutchens** and children John William and Martha E.

Dr. Hutchens had three cousins in Greene County, I1. who were very distinguished in their own right. They were all three Judges in Greene County. They were the sons of Jasper and Fannie Hutchens - Jasper being the brother of Charles, Dr. Hutchens' father.

Dr. Hutchens distinguished himself as a very competent Flora physician, serving this community in that capacity for 43 years. He died July 30, 1970, at the age of 68, at the hospital he had been instrumental in creating. He is buried at Elmwood Cemetery. Flora. His wife, Nedra, died in 1987, at the age of 80 and is also buried in Elmwood.

Although, sometimes thought of as being a bit brash at times, which may have come from the many horrific scenes he witnessed during the War, many still harbor very fond memories of this devoted family doctor.

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