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## JOHN EMMERSON CARNE

The value of a man to his community and how well he has served it either in his calling or his civic contributions can best be determined by how badly he is missed when his labors have ended.

From the expressions, heard on every hand from so many and varied sources, Dr. John Emmerson Carne who died unexpectedly early this week, served Dyersburg and Dyer county far above and beyond the call of duty.

He left behind an enviable reputation of never refusing to respond to a call to administer to the sick and ailing, regardless of what hour the summons came and to what section he was asked to come, whether the patient lived close by or in some remote and virtually inaccessable part of the county.

And often his responses were made during hours that kept him busy beyond the normal day of work, even around the clock, and at the expense of his own physical welfare.

He never considered the ability of a patient to pay or whether the sick would turn to him again when their financial lot had improved. His compassion for the suffering and his love of the profession he had chosen brought him sufficient remuneration.

In that profession he labored only a comparatively short time, but in that brief span he crowded more than many who spend a full life in service to humanity and their fellowman.

Had he been more considerate of his own welfare he might have rounded out that score of years usually allotted to man, but despite that fact few will be able to match the service he rendered and the esteem in which he is held by those to whom he administered and the community to which he gave so much, so freely and with such outstanding and untiring devotion.

He was a credit to the community and the medical profession, erecting to his own memory a lasting and indestructable monument.