

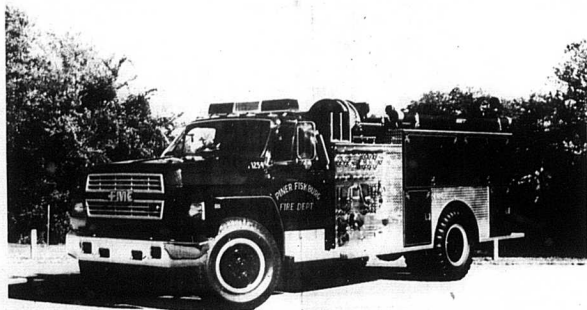
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The truck in the picture is similar to the one the NCVFD is attempting to purchase.

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



Photo of Dr. W.W. Fritts posing with his family and servants in front of the present day physician's office. Note there is no front porch and the small size of the maple trees in the front yard. - Chip Miller Photo.



The historic doctor's office as it is today facing the courthouse. Notice the brick garage connecting to the rear of the house. Dr. Kingsolver said this used to be the carriage stable for the country doctor to keep his horse and carriage in preparation for medical visits. He said he has preserved the carriage stable. - Chip Miller Photo.

At the corner of Locust and Chestnut Home houses physicians for century

By Chip Miller
or the corner of Locust and Chestnut streets sits this doctor's office. A red brick building nestled behind century or older maples.

There's been four or five physicians here before me," said Dr. Wendell Kingsolver, owner of the building.

In fact, I believe this building has only been owned by physicians," Kingsolver said.

He said as far as the research he could do on the brick house he found it was built by a Dr. W. W. Fritts.

He (Fritts) built the house sometime before the Civil War, I'm not sure of the date, and was a better

Kingsolver said he believes Fritts decided to take up the doctor business and apprenticed at a drug store until he had learned some of the medicine.

Then he went down to Louisville for his doctor's certificate and came back later and hung out his shingle.

Kingsolver said Fritts built this

house about that time, but had his office somewhere else. The house later was converted into a physician's office by a another doctor occupying the residence.

Kingsolver said he bought the house in 1961, when it went up for auction and renovated it to its present day facility.

I got it because I like the home-like quality of it, I like the atmosphere, he said.

He did say he had to have some of the rooms subdivided in the renovations and that the foundation and first floor walls are solid stone.

"When we had that small window made connecting the office to the reception room the man doing it took eight wheelbarrows full of rock out of the wall for that hole," he said.

Kingsolver said the first floor walls are one to two feet thick with rock, such as the basement walls which support the house.

"I think one of the reasons I bought this house is that I always wanted to renovate an old house," he said.

The house is now office to practicing physicians Kingsolver and Dr. Tom Scott.



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