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Addison Carter was hired by Magnolia Oil to work as their company doctor in Healdton, Oklahoma. In 1917, oil companies didn't hire women to work for them, so that alone was quite a miracle. At least it was until she arrived from eastern Arkansas with an ego the size of Texas and dreams twice as large, only to have them all shredded to pieces in ten minutes when the directors of the oil company informed her they thought she was a male with a name like Addison. She was sitting on the bench outside the drugstore waiting for her ride to take her back to Ardmore to catch the train back to Arkansas when Tilly Anderson sat down beside her. In less than an hour, Addison found herself at the Evening Star ranch setting Tucker Anderson's, Tilly's cantankerous cousin, broken leg and suturing the gash in his hand. Just as suddenly, she was offered the job of caring for him until he healed. Anything beat going back to Arkansas with her deflated ego and shattered dreams so she took on the job. Tucker had his ideas about women. They should live to serve and obey the male species and, rather than endure a lifetime with one like either of his girl cousins, Tilly and Clara, he'd be a bachelor until he reached the Pearly Gates of Heaven. Then he broke his leg and the two cousins hired a female doctor to take care of him. He figured he'd died and gone straight to hell.

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Kathy Downey says

I love the way Carolyn portrays a strong, independent woman even when her knees get weak when she finds a man who will add a new dimension to her life!! This was another great book of an era when women were just starting to get roles in life that had been only destined to be a "man's role" before these women stepped up to share the new roles!

Pam says

Evening Star is a Drifters and Dreamers romance by Carolyn Brown. It is an unusual story and is set in the early 1900's near Healdton, Oklahoma.

Addison Carter is angry. Here she finally got a job as a doctor and within minutes loses it simply because she is a woman. The executives at Magnolia Oil fired her immediately for being a woman. Now she is waiting for someone to take her to Ardmore where she can catch a train back home. Her brothers and Father will gloat since they didn't want her to be a doctor anyway. She is a good doctor, second in her class. Won't anyone give her a chance?

As she is headed to the café for some hot chocolate, Tilly Sloan runs into her and they begin to talk. Tilly is astounded that she is a doctor but not surprised that Magnolia Oil executives fired her. As they walk to the café together to get hot chocolate, Tilly's cousin Clara drives up and insists Tilly come with her to Ardmore to get a doctor. Their cousin Tucker fell off the barn and broke his leg at least. Tilly insists that Addison come with them to the ranch and treat Tucker. She is much closer and he needs help now.

Tucker might need help; but he definitely doesn't want it, especially from a woman. He doesn't think women should be doctors and doesn't hesitate to tell Addison that. However, when Clara and Tilly offer her a six week job to stay at Evening Star and tend to Tucker and the chores too. Addison jumps at the chance since it means not going home. Is she tough enough to last the six weeks with Tucker? What will happen when the six weeks is over?

Martha J Nelson says

Another winner!

Such a wonderful, delightful book. I promise you will not regret buying this book. In short, a great read. I'm off to the Amazon store for another of Carolyn's books. See you tomorrow.

Judy Archer says

I didn't want it to end

This story was as good as the first two but it didn't have a wedding and it just seemed to be rushed. Would love to read more about the Anderson families.

Lori says

I enjoyed this quick read very much. I do wish that it would have been a bit longer as I feel like Tucker and Addison needed a bit more to their love story. I love Carolyn Brown's books so much! This was a story with great humor and plenty of bantering. Addison is a female doctor trying to find a place to open her own hospital in a time that not ready to accept women working outside the home. Tucker is a man who feels a woman's place should be in the home taking care of her family and being ever so obedient. Tucker is not at all happy when his family hires Addison to be his personal doctor after he falls off the roof and injures himself to the point that he requires round the clock care.

Olivia Herbst says

This was a quick, easy read. Even though I gave it one star I still enjoyed the story, for it is a pleasant book to read on a lazy day. The following reasons are why I gave it one star: 1. It is an unbelievable story. So many different aspects of it are so unbelievable it's almost funny. (I.e. A single, lady Doctor is hired to care for and live with a single man to help him recover. I'm not an expert on history but I'd say that was unheard of back then even though it was a "Doctor-patient" relationship. Another instance is that the leading lady plays the part of ranch hand, Doctor, and house keeper easily all by herself. Basically the whole story, while enjoyable, is unreal.)

2. I didn't get slightly attached to the characters. They seemed one dimensional and completely fake. Also, everyone there was either extremely handsome or beautiful, and I can only remember one person described as plain.

3. It felt very rushed. Like the author only had so many words she could say or so many pages she could fill. At least it wasn't slow though.

4. I felt completely unattached to all of it not just the characters. The story did not leave me thinking over it and studying it, I couldn't have cared less what happened to any of the characters (even the main ones), everything about it just seemed one dimensional, I think.

5. I'm not a writer but to me the writing wasn't very well done. The sentence structure and punctuation were awkward at times. It felt like it was an amateurs first book not an award-winning author's 30th book.

I won't bore you with anymore, but I'm sure, if I wanted to dwell on it, I could find many problems.

Despite all that I'm glad I read it and would recommend it to someone on a lazy day who doesn't want to labor over a good book.

Karen Sheldon says

Light and enjoyable story

I thoroughly enjoyed this book as it was period-based back in early 20th century And it definitely contained a cute little love story.

Dee Schwinn says

I wanted a better conclusion. The story was well developed and intriguing with possible choices. There was a good glimpse into the Amish life style.

Connie S. Koog says**Loving!**

This was a fun read and I laughed through out the book. I was impressed with the way this was written.

clm says**Tried up with a ribbon**

If you've read the first two books of this trilogy, you know Healdon, Oklahoma, where the women are all gorgeous, the men are all rugged, and the (apparently) only child in town is perfectly behaved but sassy and inquisitive. You also know that, despite (or maybe because of) his modern cousins, Tucker Anderson hates redheads and professional women. So it will be no surprise that red-haired Addison Carter, M.D. shows up in the first sentence. Carolyn Brown works the prescription with her usual charm and sense of humor.

Justine K. Bunnell says**Winner!**

I've read so many Carolyn Brown books I've begun talking like one of her characters. This morning I told my good friend that if I had any gumption if some work done instead of reading Evening Star. I love her sassy ladies that argue with the best of them. They are intelligent, loving and not afraid to stand up for themselves . Best of all they choose men as strong as they are. All in all a great read.

pamela myers says**Love this book**

The Anderson girls found true love. Tucker didn't think love was in the cards for him. Doc met him after he fell off a roof and things happened and love conquered all.

Judy Azure says

Beautiful romance that catches ones heart.

Beautiful romance that keeps one on edge . Tucker and the Dr took sometime to realize they were meant for each other.

PATRICIA M KARCHER says

Love, love, love it!

As I wind down the series, I am sad to see it end. I have enjoyed reading then. Each scene is written with such detail that you feel like you are a part of the story. Carolyn brown has a special gift for writing and makes you part of the story.

Sue Moss says

Well written and liked the doctor - patient angel.
