

## Otterville Banker and Farmer Dies

W. S. Parsons, well-known Morgan County farmer of the Otterville vicinity and former president of the Bank of Otterville, died at his home Monday morning. He was 84 years old, and had been in failing health for some time, although confined to his bed only about two weeks.

Funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church in Otterville Tuesday afternoon conducted by the pastor, the Rev. S. G. McOluncy. Burial services at the Otterville cemetery were in charge of the Masonic order, of which Mr. Parsons was a member for more than 50 years.

Mr. Parsons was born south of the town of Syracuse March 4, 1855. He married Miss Amanda Thompson Finley on Jan. 1, 1890, who preceded him in death Oct. 9, 1935. Surviving are two sons, J. H. Parsons of Otterville and E. L. Parsons of Marshall; a daughter, Miss Nelle Frances Parsons of the home, and four grandchildren. One daughter, Tella May, died in infancy.

Mr. Parsons lived on a farm two miles south of Otterville for many years. A highly respected and influential citizen of that community he was elected director of the Bank of Otterville in November, 1902, and served on the board until his death. He was president of the bank from 1916 until 1931, resigning at that time because of failing health.