

# LUNG TROUBLE FATAL TO DR. GEORGE M'NEIL

WAS M. K. & T. SURGEON  
FOR PAST 25 YEARS

Pioneer Sedalia Physician, Born in  
Cole County and Taught School  
in Early Life—Funeral Will  
Be at First Baptist  
Church Tuesday.

Dr. George McNeil, 51, first house  
surgeon at the Missouri, Kansas &  
Texas railway hospital for the past  
twenty-five years, died at 4:30  
o'clock Sunday morning at his home,  
208 East Thirteenth street. Death  
was due to an abscess of the lungs and  
came after a lingering illness, which  
confined the doctor to his bed the  
last seven weeks. He had been in  
poor health for six years.

The funeral will be held from the  
First Baptist church Tuesday after-  
noon at 3 o'clock, and interment will  
be in Crown Hill cemetery. Rev. R.  
L. Davidson will officiate. After the  
service is said the Masons will take  
charge of the funeral.

The casket will be open at the house  
until Tuesday at 1 o'clock and will  
not be opened in the church or after-  
wards.

Dr. McNeil was born in Elston, Cole  
county, Missouri, on February 15,  
1864. He was reared on a farm and  
attended the public schools during  
the winter months. When he was 10  
he entered the Clarksburg academy  
at Clarksburg, Mo. He graduated  
from the normal department of this  
school and then continued his work  
in the Otterville college, of Otterville,  
Mo.

He completed his work in this in-  
stitution and passed the examinations  
under the state superintendent of  
public schools, receiving a state cer-  
tificate to teach for life. Dr. McNeil  
then taught school for six years in  
Cole county.

In 1890 he was graduated from the  
Beaumont hospital college, of St.  
Louis, Mo. Directly after his gradu-  
ation he was appointed second house  
surgeon of the M., K. & T. railway  
hospital at Sedalia. He retained this  
position until the death of Dr. Small,  
chief surgeon. Dr. E. F. Yancy was  
appointed chief surgeon then and Dr.  
McNeil received Dr. Yancy's position  
as first house surgeon. He has held  
this place continuously for about  
eighteen years.

Dr. McNeil took a post-graduate  
course in 1894 in the New York Poly-  
technic medical school.

Dr. McNeil's hands were seriously  
burned by an X-ray about ten years  
ago. This very seriously handi-  
capped him in operating, but he was  
always a consulting physician in seri-  
ous cases and has directed many  
operations. Dr. McNeil had a large  
practice outside his hospital duties  
for a long time, but finally was forced  
to quit it on account of not having  
enough time.

Dr. McNeil was an ex-president of  
the Pettis County Medical society  
and served a term as secretary of the  
same. He was a member of the Mis-  
souri State Medical association, and  
the American Medical association. He  
was also medical examiner for a num-  
ber of insurance companies.

Dr. McNeil is survived by his  
mother, Mrs. Sarah McNeil, of Ot-  
terville, Mo.; his widow, Mrs. Jose-  
phine McNeil, his brothers, Dr.  
Charles McNeil, of Sedalia, and  
Arthur McNeil, of Sedalia, and by  
his sisters, Mrs. Hattie Leach, of Ot-  
terville; Mrs. Jonnie Evans, of Syra-  
cuse, Mo.; Mrs. Lydia Kelby, of El-  
ston, Mo.; and Miss Maggie and Miss  
Lulu McNeil, of Otterville, Mo.

Dr. McNeil was an active member  
of the First Baptist church. He has  
contributed largely to the activities  
of that church by his personal labor  
and by financial aid. He was a  
thirty-second degree Mason and a  
member of the Odd Fellows, Order  
of the Eastern Star and of the Re-  
becca lodge.

Mrs. Phoebe A. Haynes, who died  
Saturday afternoon, was the mother  
of Mrs. George E. McNeil. She was  
buried Monday afternoon in Crown  
Hill cemetery.