

Thomas Evans 1917

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Thomas W. Evans, Cashier Merchants' Bank of St. Joseph, Mo., was born in Guernsey county, Ohio, in [April 21]1843, [to Nathan Evans and his wife] and was there reared to manhood receiving his educational training in the public schools. At the age of eighteen years, in 1861, he enlisted in Company B, 15th Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and served as a private four years and four months, being in the 4th Army Corps at the time of his discharge at San Antonio, Tex., at the close of the war. He returned to his home in Ohio and remained until 1867, when he went west to Plattsmouth, Neb. There he engaged in the banking business with Tootle, Hanna & Clark, which organized the First National Bank of that city. Mr. Evans served as assistant

cashier until the spring of 1874, when he came to St. Joseph and entered the First National Bank in the same capacity. In 1880 he succeeded Mr. Yates as cashier of the Merchants' Bank, and served efficiently as such until 1887, when the stock of this bank changed hands. In July, 1890, he was called to the office of cashier of the Merchants Bank of St. Joseph, the duties of which office he has faithfully and satisfactorily discharged since.



Mr. Evans was joined in marriage with Mary C. Venable, a daughter of Joseph Venable, who had resided in St. Joseph prior to 1861, but who was living in Memphis, Tenn., at the time of his death by yellow fever in 1878.

In politics our subject has always been a Republican, and from 1882 to 1884 served as treasurer of the city of St. Joseph. He is a member of Custer Post No. 7, G.A.R., of which he is past commander, and is past senior vice-department commander of Missouri. Religiously, he is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, of which he is an elder. Business address, Merchants' Bank, St. Joseph, Missouri.

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More notes: After moving to St. Joseph, MO, he became a banker and eventually Vice President of the First National Bank of that city. He lived at 405 North 5th St., St. Joseph. His wife preceded him in death. Thomas Evans passed away on May 22, 1923 in St. Joseph, MO, and is buried in Mount Mora Cemetery, St. Joseph, MO.