

## AGED OSAGE COUNTY RESIDENT IS DEAD

**John J. Kloeppel, Aged 98, Carried  
Mail Into Three Counties—  
War Veteran.**

John J. Kloeppel, 98 years old, a veteran of the civil war and for more than sixty years a resident of Osage county, died at Linn Wednesday. He carried the mail horseback over the route supplying Osage, Maries and Phelps counties many years preceding the advent of railroads in this section of the state.

Mr. Kloeppel was probably the oldest resident in Central Missouri and had a wide acquaintance in Osage, Cole, Miller and Maries counties.

He was grandfather of Mrs. B. H. Bruegging of this city and an uncle of Mrs. Ferdinand G. Schleer, also of this city. Both were at the bedside when the end came.

The funeral will take place Friday morning from St. George's Catholic church at Linn. Father Muckerman will conduct the services. Interment will be made in the Catholic cemetery at that place.