

JAMES D. WELLS

J. D. Wells Dies At Age Of 85

James Dudley Wells, 85, head teller at the former Hartford Connecticut Trust Co. until his retirement in 1945, died Friday after a brief illness at the home of his sister, Mrs. Hosmer P. Redfield, 132 Oxford St. He was born May 3, 1875, and lived in the Hartford area all his life.

He joined the bank which is now the Connecticut bank and Trust Co., in 1893 and was appointed head teller in 1928. He was also a charter member and the first treasurer of the Hartford Building and Loan Assn., which later became known as Hartford Home Savings and Loan Assn. He was a director of the association for 40 years.

He was a member of the City Club of Hartford, a charter member of the Wethersfield Country Club, first chairman of the club's greens committee, and a veteran of the Spanish-American War.

Besides Mrs. Redfield, he leaves another sister, Miss Hannah C. Wells of Hartford; a daughter, Mrs. Philip E. Dodge of Garrison, N. Y.: four grandchildren, a niece and two nephews.

Private funeral services will be held. The family suggests that memorial donations be made to the Heart Fund in his memory.