DR. COFFIN, ARMY MAN, IS DEAD

Had Been an Army Doctor in Manila and Served in the Philippine War.

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Dr. John W. Coffin, a well known El Paso physician, a member of the Masonic fraternity, the Elks and a Spanish war veteran, died at his home at 604 Montana street, at 12:30 oclock this morning after an illness of several weeks. Dr. Coffin had been a resident of El Paso for the past six years and had been in the active practice of his profession until shortly before the time of his death.

Dr. Coffin was born in Greensburg, Pa., on October 23, 1866, being 43 years old at the time of his death. He was a graduate of the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania and at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war was a major in the tenth regiment of the Pennsylvania volunteers and served through the war. He was in charge of the Bilibid hospital, an old Spanish hospital in Manila, during the time he was in the service and served with distinction during the war.

At the close of the war Dr. Coffin located at Beaver Falls, Pa., where he became affiliated with the Masonic lodge. He was also a member of the Camp Hamilton Fish post, Spanish-American war veterans. He later came to El Paso to locate and made his home here until the time of his death. The deceased physician took an active part in the Texas National guard organization and was appointed a surgeon in the Texas guards soon after coming to El Paso. He attended all the encampments of the state troops.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 7 oclock from the residence, 604 Montana street, Rev. Charles L. assisted by Rev. Henry Easter, officiating.

Interment will be made at Evergreen cemetery where the B. P. O. E. will have charge of the ritualistic services. The National Guard and the Spanish-American war veterans will attend the funeral in a body.

The funeral will be conducted under the direction of Nagley & Easter.