DR. F. C. BUTTON
CALLED BY DEATH

Brief Illness Fatal To President Emeritus Of Morehead College

Dr. Frank C. Button, 60, 454 Rose Lane, founder and president emeritus of Morehead State Teachers' College, died at St. Joseph's hospital at 10:15 o'clock today after a brief illness.

Born at Ogunwauk, Ill., Nov. 10, 1863, a son of Marion Francis and Phoebe E. Button, the Kentucky educator obtained his early education in the public schools of Illinois, coming to Lexington later to enter Transylvania College. He was graduated from the theological department at Transylvania in 1887, going from Lexington to Morehead where he soon afterwards founded Morehead Normal school, which later became Morehead State Teachers' College. He served as president of Morehead Normal until 1911, when he became state supervisor of rural schools, holding this position until 1923. He returned to Morehead College in that year, and again became president, retiring in 1930 as president emeritus of the institution.

Dr. Button was also the founder of St. John's Academy, Corbin, and was a former mayor of Morehead and pastor of the Morehead Christian church. He occupied the pulpit at the Morehead church until he became ill several weeks ago. He was a trustee and member of the executive committee of the Kentucky Female Orphan School and a member of the Masonic lodge. He collaborated with others in writing two books on Kentucky education which were published in 1914 and 1915.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Hattie Bishop Button; three daughters, Mrs. M. D. Shankland and Mrs. Nicholas Harber, Lexington, and Miss Ida Button, New York City; one son, Frank Button Jr., Louisville, and five grandchildren, Overton and Miss Helen Harber, and Robert, Bernice and Frank Button III, all of Lexington.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.