

PAEANS OF GRATITUDE

FACULTY AND STUDENTS OF IOWA WESLEYAN COLLEGE GIVE THANKS FOR AID.

GENUINE THANKSGIVING

Wednesday and Thursday Will Be Given Over to Celebration of the Raising of the Methodist Institution's Debts—Prominent Men Take Part.

Mt. Pleasant, Nov. 23.—(Special)—Elated over the success met with in their attempts to raise \$100,000 for the purpose of paying off the debts of the Iowa Wesleyan university, the students and faculty of the institution have made arrangements to celebrate the feat with a jubilee program this week.

Wednesday, November 25. 1:30 p. m.—Public demonstration by the students, faculty and citizens.

7:00 p. m.—Prayer and Thanksgiving at the churches and Christian Association halls.

8:15—Mass meeting at the M. E. church, T. J. Myers, D. D., presiding. Addresses by Dean A. C. Pierson, of Iowa Wesleyan University; J. F. Berry, D. D., editor of The Epworth Herald. Special music.

Thursday, November 26. 10:30 a. m.—At Presbyterian church, National Thanksgiving service, conducted by Rev. W. G. Wilson of the Methodist church.

2 to 5 p. m.—Banquet at Elizabeth Hershey hall, students, faculty and invited friends. Toasts will be given at the banquet by the following persons:—Misses Julia Shankland, Ada Walker, Messrs. Geo. John, James Richardson, Geo. Monkman and Prof. Edwards. Toastmaster, Robt. W. Johnson.

7:30 p. m.—College chapel, Hon. W. S. Withrow, presiding. Speakers: Dr. Havighorst, W. A. Work, F. M. Beatty, Carlos Weiner, Henry Muenster, Rev. C. W. Powelson, Max Babb, Rev. Thos. Osborn.

This outline of the festivities although it suggests the nature of the celebration, does not give a fair idea of what will take place in those two days, for the students are planning to make things lively at all the meetings.

The banquet at Hershey Hall will be one of the chief features of the celebration and it is here that again the students and faculty will drink to the health of Old Wesleyan. All societies and organizations will be represented in the parade Wednesday afternoon and an enthusiastic demonstration is anticipated.

MRS. BLAIR WILL SETTLE. Wife of St. Louis Attorney Arranges to Pay His Bills.

St. Louis, Nov. 23.—Mrs. James L. Blair, wife of the ex-general counsel of the World's fair, is arranging to settle the indebtedness of her husband and relieve him of the possibilities of grand jury indictments.

Blair's debts were originally \$400,000, of which \$130,000 was due James Campbell, the St. Louis broker. This debt was wiped by Mrs. Blair when she turned over her handsome home, "Stancote."

HELD TO GRAND JURY. Chas. F. Gates Suspected of Sigourney Robbery.

Sigourney, Nov. 23.—(Special).—Chas. F. Gates, who had his preliminary hearing Saturday, was bound over to the December term of the grand jury under \$500 bonds, which he secured. Gates is suspected of complicity in the robbery of the safe at the Brown & Wilcockson store recently when about \$75 was secured. He is canvassing for a work entitled "Messages and Papers of the Presidents." He is traveling with a woman and the couple have considerable jewelry and baggage.

PREACHER ACCUSED OF CRUELTY. Bussey, Nov. 23.—(Special).—Charged with beating and brutally mistreating his wife, who is practically an invalid, Rev. D. Webster, pastor of the M. P. church here, was arrested Saturday night on a warrant procured by G. W. Mendenhall.

According to Mrs. Webster's story, her husband frequently attacks her and cruelly mistreats her. The affair of Saturday was witnessed by several cit-

SERVICES HELD TODAY

BODY OF EX-GOVERNOR F. M. DRAKE LAY IN STATE FOR THREE HOURS.

OFFICIALS SHOW HONOR

Governor A. B. Cummins and Other State Officials Pass Through Ottumwa in Special Car Enroute to Centerville—Ottumwans Attend.

Centerville, Iowa, Nov. 23.—The funeral of ex-Governor F. M. Drake was held here today. The services were conducted from the Central Church of Christ, under the auspices of St. John's Commandery Knights Templar. The body lay in state for three hours in the church, which was inadequate to accommodate the crowds. The interment was in Oakwood cemetery.

A special train bearing the governor and other state officials passed through the city at 10:30 o'clock this morning enroute to Centerville to attend the funeral. The capitol building at Des Moines is closed today and the flag which waves above it is at half mast. This is pursuant to a proclamation by the governor which is as follows:

"It is with profound sorrow that I announce to the people of this state the death of Francis Marion Drake, which occurred at his home in Centerville, Iowa, on the 20th day of November, instant. He was one of Iowa's most distinguished citizens, and has contributed in high degree to the growth and development of the state.

Born in Illinois, December 29, 1839, he came with his parents into Iowa in 1847. His boyhood and early manhood witnessed the privations and dangers of the western pioneer, and the strong resilient character for which he was so conspicuous, was formed amid the perils of the early days. He answered the first call to arms in the war of the rebellion and bore a prominent and noble part in the struggle for the union. He was severely wounded but returned to the army, where he distinguished himself by gallantry and courage through the ranks and was mustered out at the close of the war a brevet brigadier general. In civil life he was equally successful, and accumulated a fortune which he devoted to benevolence and philanthropy. He was a member of the state senate in 1876, and filled the office with great distinction during the years of 1886 and 1897. His death will be universally deplored, and his memory will be always revered.

"Now, therefore, I, Albert B. Cummins, governor of the state of Iowa, in addition to the sad announcement above made, do hereby direct that until after the funeral ceremonies occur the flag upon the capitol shall be at half mast, and that upon the day of the funeral the executive offices shall be closed.

"In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of the state of Iowa, Done at Des Moines, this 20th day of November, 1903.

"Albert B. Cummins, By the governor: W. B. Martin, Secretary of State."

Many Attend Funeral. A special train bearing the faculty and a number of the students of Drake university at Des Moines, the institution founded by the deceased philanthropist, went to Centerville over the Wabash today. This morning a number of Ottumwans left for Centerville to attend the funeral. Among the number were: Capt. S. H. Harper, E. M. B. Scott, Major A. H. Hamilton, George Kitterman, C. Prosser and A. N. Barnes. These men were members of the Thirty-sixth Iowa Infantry of the late General Drake was at one time lieutenant colonel, later having been brevetted brigadier general.

The governor's party, which was joined here by Senator S. H. Harper and Calvin Manning was made up as follows: Governor A. B. Cummins and Mrs. Cummins. Secretary of State W. B. Martin and Mrs. Martin. Auditor of State F. B. Carroll and Mrs. Carroll. Treasurer of State G. F. Gilbertson, John Crockett, clerk supreme court, and Mrs. Crockett. State Superintendent R. C. Barrett and Mrs. Barrett. Lieutenant Governor John Horriott. Railroad Commissioner C. J. Palmer. Adjutant General M. H. Byers. State Librarian Johnson Brigham. Attorney General C. W. Mullan. Private secretary to the governor, John Brier. John Cownie, G. S. Robinson, L. G. Kinne, members of state board of control; C. G. Saunders, J. Anther, C. G. McCarthy, Major Olmstead.

isons and caused general indignation. When Webster was arrested he was taken immediately before Justice Pack, who assessed a fine of \$10 and costs. Rev. Webster came to Bussey immediately after the recent conference of his church but it is said he intends to leave soon to take a more lucrative appointment in an Ohio town.

His departure, it is said, has been delayed some time by Mrs. Webster's condition.

REMAINS TAKEN EAST

LATE J. A. KEBLER OF DENVER, COLO., TO BE BURIED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO.

FORMERLY LIVED HERE

Deceased Was Until Lately President of Colorado Fuel & Iron Co., Other Deaths in Company's Directorate—D. C. Beaman Seriously Ill.

From Monday's Daily. The remains of the late J. A. Kebler, who died Friday at Denver, Col., passed through the city last night in a special car attached to Burlington No. 1, enroute to Cincinnati, Ohio, where the funeral will be held. Mr. Kebler formerly resided in this city. He was connected with the Whitebreast Fuel Co., when that concern was under the control of J. C. Osgood. He followed Mr. Osgood to Denver when the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. was organized and made his way to the presidency of that concern. The funeral party on the special car bearing his remains was joined by T. J. Phillips of this city.

Death Thinning Ranks. Following the announcement of Mr. Kebler's death comes the startling news that J. L. Jerome, formerly treasurer of the Colorado was found dead in his bed yesterday, a sponge saturated with chloroform and an Indian blanket shrouding his head. Suicide is given as the cause of the death although the family scoff at this theory.

It seems that a strange fate is pursuing the founders of this corporation. A. C. Cass, former secretary, died two months ago. Following his death, Kebler passed away, and, lastly, Jerome was found dead.

John C. Osgood is now the only survivor of the trio which built up the Colorado Fuel company.

D. C. Beaman, attorney for the concern, is now lying critically ill in his home, suffering from nervous exhaustion.

Mr. Beaman is the father of Mrs. W. T. Harper of this city and formerly resided here.

Resided Here Many Years. The news of the death of J. A. Kebler was received in this city with great sorrow by the many friends of the deceased. Mr. Kebler was a native of Ohio and was but 45 years of age when he was claimed by death. He graduated from the Boston Institute of Technology and after graduation came to this city to take a position with J. C. Osgood in the Whitebreast Fuel Company's office and thus began an association that lasted throughout a most notable business career and continued until the hour of Mr. Kebler's death.

Kebler's Notable Career. In 1886 Mr. Osgood disposed of his interests here and began the operation of a coal mine in Colorado. How the interests of the Colorado Fuel Co. grew until the concern was merged with the Colorado Coal & Iron Co. reads like a fairy tale and is a tribute to the genius of Mr. Osgood and the late Mr. Kebler. The deceased rose to the presidency of the concern, which is one of the largest of the kind in the world giving up that position when the Gould interests secured control of the business recently. Mr. Kebler gave his life to the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. He was a faithful worker and he overtaxed his strength. The deceased is survived by his wife.

SUSPECTED OF MURDER.

Man Thought to be Clendenen's Murderer is Arrested. Williamsport, Pa., Nov. 23.—Accused by a few faint clicks of a telegraph sounder, made by a dying man, Arthur Micheltree was arrested Sunday for the murder of Operator W. H. Clendenen in a lonely switch tower near Browns, Pa., fifteen miles from here, last Thursday night. Micheltree was arrested at Clendenen's funeral. He claims he can prove an alibi.

WILL TAKE TESTIMONY.

Commission Will Examine Wood's Record in Cuba. Washington, D. C., Nov. 23.—The senate committee on military affairs will designate a committee to go to Cuba and take testimony regarding the conduct of General Wood. It is asserted that so much has already been said about the conduct of Wood in Cuba that it will be necessary to examine witnesses on that island, who cannot come to the United States.

GERMANY STORM RIDDEN.

High Winds and Rain Sweep Over the Emperor's Domain. Berlin, Nov. 23.—The high winds which have been sweeping over Germany during the past two days, accompanied by a heavy rainfall, continue to delay traffic and interrupt telegraphic communication and has caused several railroad accidents.

G. J. SEIGEL DIES.

Was Supreme Record Keeper of the Maccabees of the World. Flint, Mich., Nov. 23.—George J. Siegel, of Port Huron, supreme record keeper of the Maccabees of the World, died at a sanitarium here today.

WANT PEACE GUNS USED ON RIOTERS

PEOPLE OF SAN DOMINGO ASK THE REBELS TO CEASE FIGHTING.

San Domingo, Nov. 23.—(Delayed)—President Wos Y. Gil in his efforts to bring about peaceful arrangements with the insurgent forces which are besieging this city today commissioned United States Minister Powell, the Cuban minister, the minister from Hayti and the Spanish consul to visit the insurgent camp. Consequently an armistice was agreed upon to expire at noon today and the peace commission consulted with the insurgent leaders.

Rebels Demand Surrender. The latter refused to entertain the peace proposals and demanded the surrender of the city but they prolonged the armistice until 6 o'clock this evening, after which hour the bombardment of San Domingo will be resumed and will be continued until the capital falls.

Powell's Residence Destroyed. The United States minister's residence was destroyed during the previous bombardment.

Food is Scarce. Inhabitants of this city are in a state of panic and the poor are suffering from lack of food.

CONSULAR SERVICE

SECRETARY PIERCE FINDS UNITED STATES CONSULATES IN GOOD CONDITION.

Washington, Nov. 23.—Having returned to the United States from a tour of consulates in England, Holland, Belgium, France and Germany, Third Assistant Secretary of State Pierce has submitted to the secretary a report.

He says that United States consulates in Europe are on the whole in excellent condition and that the service compares favorably with that of any other country. The system of remuneration of consuls can be found to be unequally distributed, but on the whole he finds that our consular service is adequately compensated. The fee system of compensation he regards as an unfortunate failure, introducing into the consular service a factor which is embarrassing and disquieting to him in the performance of his duties.

"However remote may be the temptation to abuse the privileges under which a consul retains for himself certain fees," says Mr. Pierce, "still the existence of such a possibility cannot be beneficial to the morals of the service."

He says there is no little strife among neighboring consuls for inclusion of territory into their respective districts, in order to secure notarial fees, but hardly having relations with one another. He recommends the abolition of all compensation to the consul by fees of whatever sort or nature, the result being that in place of the treasury and that adequate salaries be paid the consuls.

Mr. Pierce regards as unfortunate the appointment of naturalized American citizens to the consular service, not alone from the point of view of the government to whom they are accredited, which seldom regards such appointments with satisfaction, but the point of view of efficiency.

Mr. Pierce calls attention to the abuse which he says has grown up in the certification of the invoices of merchandise shipped to the United States under the law which limits the invoice to a shipment of goods amounting to \$200 or more, whereby what really constitutes single shipments are split up into many of less than \$100 each. Another abuse complained of is that forwarding houses are being established in American cities, bills of goods into one shipment, attaching the various bills into one invoice, which is brought to the consulate for certification. In this way, he says, for the small fee of \$2.50 consular services are obtained, consuming a considerable part of the official's pay. In fact, he says, the shipper of goods invoiced at \$100 pays the same fee as the shipper of goods to the value of \$150,000. He therefore suggests that the minimum requiring an invoice be certified be raised to \$25 instead of \$100 as at present, and the fees charged either should be upon a sliding scale, with a minimum fee of 25 cents and a maximum of 50 cents on invoices of \$1,000 or more.

The report deals with the subject of immigration and the duties of consuls in connection therewith, saying that they are excessively arduous, involving irregular hours, and exposure not only to the weather, but to contagious and infectious diseases. By the terms of the recent law, Mr. Pierce says, the emigrant passenger manifest is no longer signed by the consul or any body at the port of embarkation, but by the immigration inspectors at the port of arrival. The actual labor of the consul, however, in connection with the bills of health and the inspection of immigrants, remains the same. Consequently, he says, after delivering to the captain of a vessel a clean bill of health, he is liable for rejected emigrants or others who have not been examined to be taken aboard after the consul has left, thus vitiating the entire bill of health.

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THE WEATHER

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MUCH TROUBLE TODAY

Opening of the State Street Cable Line Brings Out Big Mob—Trolley Wires Are Cut and Wagon Loads of Stone Dumped on Tracks.

Chicago, Nov. 23.—While preparations were being completed today for the opening of the State street cable line, not heretofore operated during the strike, striking employees of the Chicago City Railway Co., were engaged in trying to pull out of commission the four lines which the company has been operating on a limited scale.

Trolley Wires Are Cut. Trolley wires were cut in half a dozen places on Halsted street. Quantities of rocks were heaped in wagons and dumped on the Archer avenue tracks. Patrolmen were stationed today on that street and its intersections where trouble was thought most likely to occur.

Police Charge the Mob. At Twenty-ninth street another mob blocked the cars and threw rocks. The police charged, beating many persons severely with their clubs.

One Man Wounded. Five trains were put in operation on the State street cable line. A serious riot occurred at Forty-first and State streets when the first cars arrived at that point. Many shots were fired by the police and one man is believed to have been wounded, while several were knocked down by the officers.

Rioters Draw Fire. The cars encountered obstacles on the track and when the crews began to remove them they were pelted with stones from behind fences. The police charged the rioters with their revolvers drawn and a running fire ensued in which the police fired upon the mob.

Rocks in Cable Slots. When the State street trains reached the down town district the mob had systematically obstructed the cable slots with stones and scrap iron and blocked the tracks with heavy steel rails.

Men and Women Hurt. Hundreds of men, women and boys awaited the cars on the return trip, near Forty-third street with rocks ready to leave at the trains. Men and women are reported to have been knocked down in their own doorway. Scores of rioters and bystanders were wounded by the clubs of the police.

Big Meeting Yesterday. With the city railway strike as an immediate issue and with municipal ownership as their battle cry, 15,000 union labor leaders and sympathizers yesterday afternoon joined in a demonstration of support to the men who were on a strike. Five thousand men paraded down State street with bands playing and banners flying. The objective point was Tattersall's, Sixteenth and State streets.

Talk From Barrels. Ten thousand men and women from all sections of the city had hurried to the big hall without joining the procession. By 3 o'clock the building was jammed and hundreds were turned away. The overflow crowd swept out into Sixteenth street, where men were hoisted on barrels and boxes, from which they argued in support of the strike and in favor of municipal ownership of street railways.

Strike Breakers Shot. Chicago, Nov. 23.—Two nonunion men who applied for work at the plant of the American Hide & Leather Co., where a strike is in progress, were shot and seriously wounded by two members of a crowd of strike sympathizers today. The men who did the shooting escaped.

GERMANY FOLLOWS SUIT.

Berlin, Nov. 23.—Emperor Wilhelms has decided that the German authorities shall officially recognize the republic of Panama. An announcement of such recognition of the new state is expected daily.

SENATE HAS CUBAN BILL

COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON MEASURE PRESENTED BY CULLOM TODAY.

Hanna is Made Chairman of Senate Committee on Inter-oceanic Canals—Hale Talks Against Newland's Cuban Annexation Resolution.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 23.—At today's session of the senate Senator Cullom presented the report of the committee on foreign relations on the bill to carry into effect the Cuban reciprocity treaty. The bill went to the calendar.

Hale Opposes Annexation. Senator Hale moved to reconsider the vote by which Senator Newland's resolution for the annexation of Cuba was referred to the committee on foreign relations. He made his motion the basis for a speech in opposition to the policy proposed by the resolution.

The Cuban debate concluded, Hale presented a list of committees as agreed upon by the republican and democratic caucuses. Morgan, of Alabama, took the floor and said he did not regret being removed as chairman of the inter-oceanic canals committee. He then discussed the recent canal affairs at some length.

Committee Appointments. The republicans in the senate today completed the committee assignments. The more important ones follow: Appropriations—Gallinger. Contingent expenses—Chairman, Keam. Commerce—Foster of Washington, Quarles, Alger. Finance—Penrose. Indian affairs—Clark of Wyoming. Long. Immigration—Chairman, Dillinger. Inter-oceanic canals—Chairman, Hanna. Judiciary—Mitchell. Naval affairs—Burrows. Pensions—Chairman, McCumber. Phillips, Long. Postoffice—Chairman—Penrose. New members—Burrows, Scott, Burton. Privileges and elections—Hopkins. Public lands—Fulton. Wants Investigation Made. Senator Carmack of Tennessee offered a resolution authorizing the committee on the conduct of the executive department to investigate the postoffice department. The resolution went over until tomorrow.

Chaplain Elected. Today the senate chose Rev. F. J. Pettiman of this city to be chaplain of the senate during the present session.

Postmaster Nominations. The following postmaster nominations were made to the senate today: Illinois—William W. Coit, Rushville; Elrich H. Buene, Venice. Iowa—Frank B. Hibbits, Hopkinton.

BANK ROBBERS GET \$1,500.

Burglars Blow Open Safe at Stockland, Ill., and Escape With Cash. Milford, Ill., Nov. 23.—The safe in the banking establishment of J. Sumner & Sons at Stockland, six miles west of here, was blown open by burglars Saturday night and \$1,500 stolen. The safe, which is one of the best made for small banking houses, is a total wreck, and the job shows the handiwork of professional cracksmen.

Ravie, I. T., Bank Robbed of \$5,000. Ardmore, Ind., Nov. 23.—The private bank of Ravie, Ind., Terr., was robbed Saturday night of \$5,000, according to a report received today by the federal authorities. No particulars are given.

SETTLED OUT OF COURT.

Damage Suit Brought Against Ralph Hammond is Adjusted. Ottumwans will be interested in learning that the \$10,000 damage case commenced at Des Moines by A. Ford, the administrator of the estate of Nellie Ford, colored, against Ralph Hammond, the son of Jesse Hammond, formerly of this city, has been settled out of court. The suit was brought to recover damages for the death of Nellie Ford, daughter of A. Ford, who was accidentally shot by a revolver carried by the defendant, a minor child in the Hammond family, where Nellie Ford was working when the accident occurred.

IS BOUND OVER.

Wm. Johnson, colored, Held to the Grand Jury Saturday Afternoon. Wm. Johnson, the colored man, brought back from Galesburg, Ill., just recently by Constable Campbell, was given a hearing Saturday afternoon before Justice Campbell. Johnson was brought to this city on the charge of assault with intent to commit a felony and as a result of his hearing Saturday, he was bound over to the grand jury. The prisoner is accused of holding up two Burlington businessmen on a freight train between here and Fairfield on the night of September 25.

NO JUDGE YET.

Today Four Ballots Were Taken Without Result. Washington, D. C., Nov. 23.—The Iowa delegations in congress took four ballots today on the candidate for federal judge for the northern district, but no selection was made.

RELIEF IS PROMISED

BURLINGTON RAILWAY DONATES PUMP WHICH WILL BE IN OPERATION TOMORROW.

Pump Will Be Connected With Hydrant at Corner of Church and Moore Streets—Will Be Used Until Pipe Line From River is Completed.

From Monday's Daily. A pump with a capacity of half a million gallons a day will be connected with a hydrant at the corner of Moore and Church streets tomorrow and water for the low surface districts will be supplied in this manner. This will be a temporary means of supplying the water until the pump is installed on the river bank below the red house and the pipe line to the race is completed. This was decided upon yesterday at a conference between Superintendent Winans of the Chicago and Burlington Railway Co., offered the services of the pump to provide temporary relief.

Must Use Economy. The capacity of the pump and the pressure it will provide however, will not insure water for any but the down town and other low points in the city and this in but meagre quantities. The usual consumption is from six to seven times this amount so it will be seen that great economy must be used. When the pipe line from the river is completed the South Side pump line will be discontinued.

MAY RUN GALVANIZED PIPE.

Superintendent Winans announced today that the pump to be put in on the river bank below the red house will be operated by electricity. The pump will be here in a few days. Four hundred feet of ten-inch cast iron pipe has been ordered from Chicago and this will also be here within a few days. If it is not possible to secure this at an early date Superintendent Winans states he will run a galvanized pipe line from the river to the races there will be but little pressure to the water.

CONDITIONS WILL IMPROVE.

Tomorrow with the pump in South Ottumwa in operation conditions in the down town districts will improve. There will be sufficient water to run the boilers in the various manufacturing and sanitary conditions will greatly improve.

TEN KILLED BY EXPLOSION.

Hill Farm Mine at Connelville, Pa., Claims More Victims. Connelville, Pa., Nov. 23.—The "hill farm mine" Saturday night added ten more victims to its black record. Just as the day shift had about completed its labors and were about to leave the Ferguson mine, a terrific explosion rent the interior of the mine and nineteen miners working in the vicinity were thrown in all directions. The roof came tumbling down and the close air of the mine became stupefying. Only nine succeeded in reaching the pit's mouth alive. These were picked up by a rescuing party and taken to the surface. The bodies of the other ten were found lying in all shapes horribly burned when the rescuing party reached them later at night.

SEN. NEWLANDS' RESOLUTION NOT WELL RECEIVED IN PORTO RICO.

San Juan, Porto Rico, Nov. 23.—United States Senator Newland's resolution inviting Cuba to become a state of the union upon terms of equality with the other states and providing that Porto Rico shall become a province of Cuba has been received with derision by the Porto Rican press and public. Reciprocity between the United States and Cuba finds general commendation in this island, few believing that it will have any bad effect upon Porto Rican interests.

DEPOSED MAYOR A CANDIDATE.

Francis M. Mencke Seeks Re-Election As Mattoon's Executive. Mattoon, Ill., Nov. 23.—Francis M. Mencke who was deposed from the office of mayor of this city a few weeks ago by an order of court has announced himself as a candidate for the republican nomination for mayor to fill the vacancy. Mencke was indicted and convicted of selling food to the city for smallpox patients and permitting a saloon to run without a license.

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