

CAMPBELL SETS RICHMOND RIGHT

Declares He Spoke Only for Himself in Interview Held With Mayor.

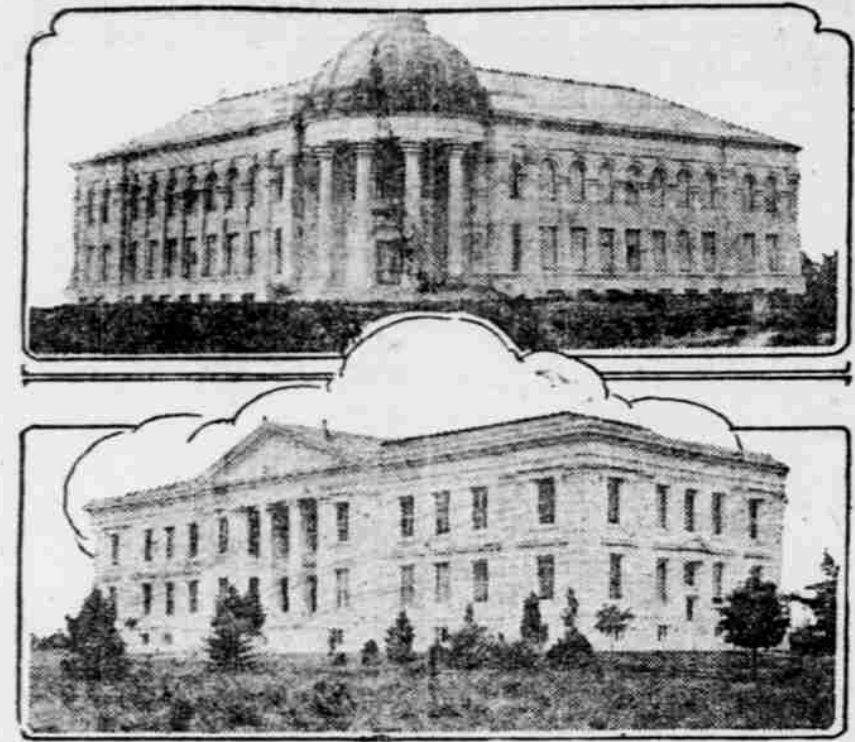
NEIGHBOR IS NOT A PARTY

Says He Simply Opposed Being Assessed for Improvements He Had Already Provided.

George H. Richmond gave out the following statement today: "In the issue of The Argus of May 27 appeared an article purporting to emanate from Mayor Schriver, charging in substance that, in connection with the annexation of certain territory to the city, John Campbell had presented to the mayor a resolution signed by himself, the undersigned and others, as follows, viz: "If watermains and sewer are installed in front of the following places we will not fight annexation. If you don't, we will." "And comment was made reflecting on me for my supposed attitude, as set forth in such supposed resolution. "In The Argus issue of June 1 appeared an article along the same lines, purporting to have been written by one Charles Block; and in which he takes me to task for my supposed attitude and offers to publicly debate my supposed attitude.

"I feel that these articles do me an injustice. I never signed any such resolution; nor was any such resolution ever presented to the mayor. I never took the attitude attributed to me. I had not fought annexation of my property. I had not asked or demanded, or expected to, or authorized any one else to ask or demand for me, that I be given any special rights or privileges not accorded to all citizens alike. "In the only communication I had with the city authorities on the subject, I had only insisted that where we were assessed for laying watermains, sewers should also be provided that we might have the use of the water that we were to pay for. "Willing to Pay Share. "I had been perfectly willing to pay my share and I never even occurred to me to do otherwise. My attitude in this regard was well known to the mayor. "I had not threatened to fight annex-

AMBITIOUS PROGRAM FOR NEW AMERICAN UNIVERSITY LOCATED IN WASHINGTON



Two buildings of the American University. Top, McKinley college of government; bottom, college of history. The American university, a Methodist institution just finished in Washington, has an ambitious program of usefulness, which includes: First, fellowships for graduate study; second, a director of research work for the service of students wishing to avail themselves of the resources of Washington; third, lectureships in Washington on important matters; fourth, lectureships at educational centers elsewhere under the auspices of the American university; fifth, the publication of significant volumes of lec-

ture unless I be furnished free water and sewer services, and had no thought of doing it. I ask and want no special privileges of the city. I request the publication of this statement, that I may not be placed in a false light by the above mentioned articles. And I append the statement of John Campbell corroborative of my statement. "GEORGE H. RICHMOND." Mr. Campbell's Statement. "In the Argus of May 27, and again on June 1, it is charged in substance, that in connection with the annexation of certain territory to the city, I presented to Mayor Schriver a resolution signed by myself, George Richmond and others, as follows, viz: "If watermains and sewer are installed in front of the following places, we will not fight annexation. If you don't, we will." "And criticizing myself, and especially Mr. Richmond for our supposed

attitude. There never was any such resolution and I presented no resolution whatever to the mayor. I did call upon the mayor and talked over with him, the matter of annexation. I told him in substance that if the city proposed to annex us and assess some of us for water and sewer service I thought it would be an injustice. That I had heretofore petitioned for annexation, that I might have water and sewer service, and school service for my children; but our petitions had been rejected. That I had then, at large expense, installed a private water and sewer service for my property, and my children were now beyond the school age. And I thought in view of this, that it would be unjust for the city now to annex my property and compel me to again pay for what I had already provided and what was entirely satisfactory to me. "Mentions Names of Others. "The mayor then asked me how many others were in my position and I mentioned the names of George Richmond and others; and it was only in that connection that I mentioned their names at all. I did not tell the mayor that unless they got free water and sewer service they would fight annexation. They did not authorize me to do so; and in fact had nothing whatever to do with my going to the mayor. I had taken that attitude personally and without the authority or even knowledge on the part of Mr. Richmond, as I thought then, and still think, it was the fair thing to do. Furthermore, I had understood that it had been the practice of the city to make similar concessions in annexing territory. I did not ask, nor want any concessions that were not fair or that would not be accorded all citizen in the annexed territory similarly situated. "JOHN T. CAMPBELL."

MISS GEST HEADS R. I. MUSIC CLUB

Chosen to Succeed Mrs. Reimers, Who Is to Leave the City Soon.

ANNUAL MEETING AT TOWER

New and Retiring Presidents Given Presents, Latter Being Praised for Good Work.

Miss Katherine Gest was this morning chosen president of the Rock Island Musical club at the annual business session at the Watch Tower inn, succeeding Mrs. F. W. Reimers, who has served as the club head since its organization in 1909, and who retired pending her removal from the city. Other officers chosen are: First Vice President—Mrs. J. K. Scott. Second Vice President—Mrs. F. K. Rhoads. Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. Goldsmith. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Albert Huesing. Treasurer—Mrs. H. B. Simmon. Librarian—Mrs. Daniel Hayes, Jr.

At the close of the business session Mrs. Reimers, in a graceful address, presented to the incoming president a mahogany gavel mounted in gold and bearing the inscription "Rock Island Musical Club, Organized 1909."

Present for Mrs. Reimers. At 1 o'clock a luncheon was served on the veranda of the inn with covers laid for 50 members, active, student and associate. At the close of the luncheon Miss Iva Pearce, in behalf of the active members of the club, presented to Mrs. Reimers a handsome bronze bust of Beethoven, saying: "It is my honored privilege today to voice the thoughts, sentiments and good wishes of the 50 active members of the Rock Island Musical club. The women comprising this membership hold diverse views concerning many things, but in regard to the gracious woman under whose leadership we have worked for the past five years, we are of one mind. There is just one heart in the club, and today it is sore."

"During the five years of our club life we have passed through varied experiences, most of them bright with enthusiasm, success and prosperity; but there have been times when faith, courage, loyalty to principle, clearness of vision, wisdom, tact and kindness of heart were needed in full measure, and never once in any of these qualities has our president failed us. For this wise guidance we hold her in grateful esteem. "But there is another characteristic of our leader which has been of special value to us as a club. That is her loyalty to the ideals of the club and to the standards set by it. That the Rock Island Musical club stands for a certain degree of excellence is in no small measure owing to the courage and sincerity of Mrs. Reimers, and for this fidelity to principle we honor her especially."

"We cannot express the keenness of regret which fills our hearts because these ties of association are to be broken. As you go to other fields of usefulness, Mrs. Reimers, among new people who will soon become new friends, our tender love and sincere good wishes follow you, and we anticipate for you in the new home the same joy of success that has been yours in the old one. "In behalf of the active members of the Rock Island Musical club, I present to you this likeness in bronze of the great master as a token of our affection and esteem."

Expresses Thanks.

Mrs. Reimers was surprised and delighted and much affected by the token of esteem given her, and feelingly responded with thanks and the expression of her abiding interest in the club's welfare.

This afternoon is being devoted to a program and a number of original features are being carried out.

NAME CANDIDATES AT IOWA PRIMARY

Nominating primaries were held throughout the state of Iowa yesterday. In the second congressional district, in which Scott county is located, Harry E. Hull, Williamsburg, was named by the republicans for congress, and W. J. Cooper, Davenport, by the bull moose. W. J. McDonald, Davenport, won the democratic nomination by a majority of 500 votes. The democrats selected H. H. Boettger and Emil Burmeister for representatives, while George Luders and D. W. Kimberly were selected by the republicans. County tickets named were as follows: County attorney—Fred Vollmer, dem.; Henry Jebens, rep. Sheriff—Louis Eckardt, dem.; W. E. Peterson, rep. Clerk of court—Harry E. McFarland, dem.; Emil Schroeder, rep. Coroner—Dr. L. F. Guldner, dem.; James L. Campbell, rep.

Notice. Bids will be received at the mayor's office until 10 a. m. June 3, 1914, for 1 1/2 inch screenings F. O. B. waterworks switch to supply waterworks until May 1, 1915. Bidders must state mine or mines from which coal will be furnished. H. M. SCHRIVER, Mayor. (Adv.)

ZEPHYR

It isn't necessary now for you to "eat a peck of dirt," unless you prefer to carry out the old adage that everybody must before he dies.



DAY IN DAVENPORT

More Smallpox Is Discovered—William Conklin, residing at 1438 Rockingham road, was removed to St. Robert's hospital by Health Officer Mullen who found the man suffering with a well developed case of smallpox. Conklin is employed in the Bettendorf offices, and according to the health authorities, is the 11th man from that establishment to contract the disease.

Tells of Speedway Race—Pete Peterson returned yesterday from Indianapolis, where he took part in the automobile races on Decoration day. His Pope car, the Grey Fox, made a startling record in the races, maintaining an average speed of 86 miles per hour on 200 miles of the 500 mile race. Howard Wilcox was driver and Mr. Peterson was mechanic of the car.

Raise in Salary For Postmaster—Postmaster Fred Sharon received official notice of a boost in his salary of \$100 per year, raising it from \$3,600 to \$3,700 a year, effective July 1. This salary increase is based on the receipts for the postmaster's year, which ends March 31, the revenue of the local office for the past 12 months amounting to \$267,000 in round numbers. This ties Davenport with Sioux City for net receipts. Des Moines leading by a good margin. When postoffice receipts are \$150,000 and under \$260,000 the postmaster's salary is \$3,600 a year. The big gain in revenue at Davenport during the past 12 months is responsible for the move on the part of the postal authorities.

Lightning Enters Brockmann Home—The fire department was summoned Sunday evening to the home of Emil Brockmann, 502 West Fifth street. A bolt of lightning had struck a wire and entered the structure. The chandelier was melted and the house filled with flame but fortunately very little damage was done. The occupants were thoroughly frightened.

Snake Joins Picnic Party—Decorations day 36 Davenporters in six automobiles, journeyed to the Maquoketa caves to picnic for the day. The weather was ideal, the woods beautiful. Suddenly the hissing of a giant rattler was heard. A farmer's boy who happened to be spending the day at the caves and had his shotgun along, leveled the weapon at the serpent and a pull of the trigger blew its head off. The women folk were all astir over the incident. Seated on the lawn in a group discussing the affair were Mrs. A. F. Dawson, Mrs. C. M. Littleton, Mrs. Carl Richter, Mrs. E. W. Saxe and Mrs. Charles Van Sant. Their children were with them. A sudden scream startled everybody at the cave. A huge bull snake, six feet in length, had stealthily approached the party unobserved and was in the act of winding its lithe form around Mrs. Littleton when the party discovered it. There was no time for parley or further discussion. The women screamed and rushed for places of safety. The snake evidently was as much frightened by the wild demonstration as were the women, for it remained motionless and allowed itself to be killed by one of the men.

Linograph Company Strike Is Off—

The strike at the Davenport Linograph company plant was settled by an agreement satisfactory to both parties and the operatives who have been out returned to work. The men and the factory management have been negotiating for several days and reached an amicable understanding.

718 Permits in Month of May—

There was decrease in the number and value of building permits issued by F. W. Friedholdt, clerk of the board of public works, during the past month. Just 78 were issued, having a total value of \$142,412. April far surpassed the record of the past month, the records for that time showing that 116 permits were issued for a total value of \$256,998.

Licensed to Wed—Bert C. Holmes and Lilla George of Muscatine; Everett Danis and Melba Retold of Davenport; Blaine Linton of Cedar Rapids and Georgianna Bunnell of Canton, Ill.

Charge Selling Mortgaged Goods—

Mose Pandorf of Bettendorf was ar-

rested and lodged in the county jail charged with selling a cash register not paid for and mortgaged to the National Cash Register company for \$20. He took a change of venue from the court of Justice D. J. Chinn of Bettendorf to Justice Phil Daum.

Plumbing Inspector's Report—Plumbing Inspector Otto Meinert has been an exceedingly busy man the past 30 days, as will be proven by a perusal of his monthly report for May. The work was heavier than in any previous month of 1914. Ninety-eight plans were accepted, 89 water tests made, 56 final inspections, 65 sewer connections, 14 notices served, 11 complaints investigated, two jobs condemned and 9 nuisances abated. Fees were collected to the amount of \$217.50.

\$20,000 For a Fountain—The late John F. Dillon, who was a prominent New York lawyer and formerly judge of the supreme court in Iowa, in his will probated, bequeathed a sum not to exceed \$20,000 for the erection of a fountain in Davenport; \$10,000 to the Iowa State university for law prize essays and scholarships and sums of \$1,000 each to the library in Davenport, Iowa college, Grinnell, Ia., and Cornell college, Mt. Vernon, Iowa.

Will Is Filed; Executor Dead—The will of William Pruter was admitted to probate after considerable red tape. The wife of the deceased Magdalena Pruter was named as executrix. Mrs. Pruter committed suicide on May 5 by going down into the cellar of her home, saturating her clothing with kerosene and throwing herself upon a burning funeral pyre. Franz Pruter filed a supplemental petition asking that letters of administration be given to J. W. Kinnemann, the court naming the latter.

Man Rescued By Pulmotor Dies—Saved from death by drowning through the timely use of a pulmotor, George Kiehn, 1918 Rockingham road, who was taken unconscious from a quarry west of the city last Thursday and resuscitated at the Davenport hospital, died there yesterday. Pneumonia of both lungs, caused by the water which had got into the bronchial tubes

and the shock of the accident, was the cause of death. Kiehn was unconscious from the time he was taken from the water Thursday night until 8 o'clock Friday morning when he revived and was thought to be on the road to recovery. In a few hours his condition took a turn for the worse. Kiehn was 33 years of age. He was born in Germany and came to Davenport several years ago. The funeral will probably be held Thursday, although definite arrangements will not be made until relative in Minnesota are heard from. The deceased has one brother here.

Asks Divorce and Children—Through her attorney, Waldo Becker, Rosa May Beckner has filed suit for divorce against her husband, W. B. Beckner, alleging cruelty and inhuman treatment. She asks for the custody of the children, Myrtle, aged 16; Ruby, aged 14; and Pearl, aged 12. The couple was married at Webster City, Iowa, March 26, 1895.

Obituary Record—Mrs. Doris Pabst passed away Sunday evening at her home on Fairmount road, Rockingham, following a lingering illness. Deceased was born in Probstel, Germany, March 9, 1848, coming to Davenport in 1858. Her parents died on board ship. She was married Jan. 5, 1868, to John Klinkradt, who passed away Oct. 12, 1875. The deceased was married a second time to August Bept in 1890. Mr. Pabst dying 10 years later. The deceased is survived by two sons, Adolph and Albert Klinkradt, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Hans Guido Vogel, a Lieutenant in the army of the German empire and at the time of his death a resident of Peoria, Ill., died there Friday, the body being brought here and incinerated at the Davenport crematorium. The deceased had a wide acquaintance among the German-Americans of the middle west, owing to his affiliation with numerous social organizations and to his residence in several different cities. He came to this country while a young man, resigning his commission in the German army when he left the fatherland. For 25 years the deceased was the agent of the Blatz Brewing company at Duluth, Minn.

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