

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Senator Voelker  
Christian Anton - Represented Dubuque County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 16 Aug 1850 Hockenheim, Baden, Germany

2. Marriage (s) date place

Josephine Kolferbach 15 Apr 1873

3. Significant events for example:

- A. Business Organized the Realty Investors Corporation in 1902; officer of The Home Builders Company; one organizer of the National Association of Real Estate Boards and the Iowa Association of Realtors
- B. Civic responsibilities

Independent Order of Foresters; Elks; Vincent de Paul Society

- C. Profession Real estate; home builder; insurance business

4. Church membership Catholic

5. Sessions served 26<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1896

6. Public Offices

A. Local Mayor of Dubuque 1886-1887

B. State \_\_\_\_\_

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 13 Aug 1925 Dubuque, Iowa; buried Mount Calvary Cemetery, Dubuque, Iowa

8. Children Joseph (died in infancy); Elizabeth (Mrs R. M. Carpenter); Rose; Mary (Mrs William H. Keller); Chris A. Jr.

9. Names of parents Leopold and Magdalena Voelker

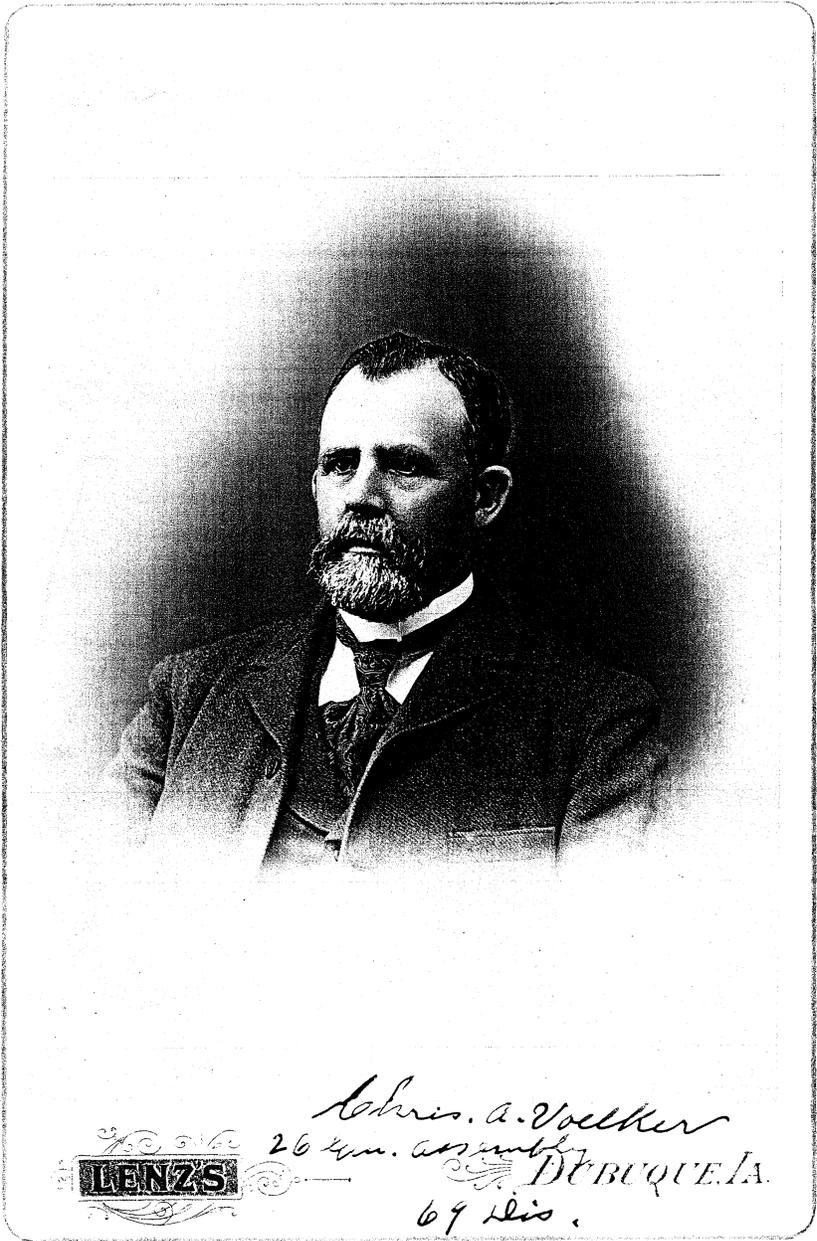
10. Education Educated in the Trinity Parochial School  
in Dubuque

11. Degrees \_\_\_\_\_

12. Other applicable information Democrat

- He came with his parents to Dubuque, Iowa at age 4 months.
- After finishing school he became a chair maker at the Heran Court factory for 10 years.
- In 1873 he established a dry goods and clothing store. He then built a building on 13<sup>th</sup> Street that bears his name.
- About 1890, poor health caused him to leave his business and engage in the real estate business which became later incorporated and named the Voelker Realty Company.
- He was an organizer of the Dubuque Fire and Marine Insurance Company and the Key City Fire Insurance Company. He also was an organizer of Citizens State Bank, an original director of the Julian Dubuque Hotel and a member of the Board of Directors of the Dubuque Industrial Corporation. He was active in securing the Brunswick-Baker Factory for Dubuque. He helped establish the Dubuque Altar Manufacturing Company.
- His wife, Josephine, died 30 Nov 1920





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John A. Voelker  
26<sup>th</sup> Iowa Assembly  
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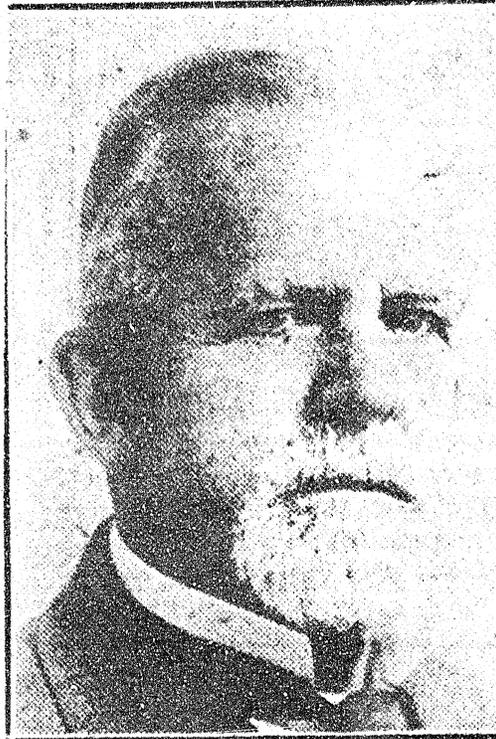
## Chris. A. Voelker Dies

Chris. A. Voelker, Sr., 74 years old, president of the Voelker Realty company and a former mayor of Dubuque, died at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon at Mercy hospital. Mr. Voelker had been ill for ten weeks.

The funeral will be held Friday morning from the family residence 559 Seminary street, to St. Mary's church, where requiem mass will be read at 9 o'clock. Burial will be made in Mount Calvary cemetery.

Mr. Voelker for years has been most prominent in the business, political, civic and fraternal life of the city. Prominent in the democratic party in the city and county, Mr. Voelker served the city as mayor and served the county as a state representative.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. R. M. Corpstein, Mrs. William H. Keller and Rose and one son, Chris A., Jr., all of Dubuque. He is also survived by three sisters, Mrs. Catherine Lammer, Mrs. Joseph Youngblood, Sr., and Mrs. Anton Frohm, and one brother, Andrew, all of Dubuque.



## SLAIN PASTOR GOES TO GRAVE

### Patricide Not Permitted To Attend Funeral.

Waterloo, Ia., Aug. 12.—(AP)—While the funeral dirge sounded at Reinbeck, Ia., today for the Rev. R. J. Vandervoort, pastor of the First Methodist church at Parkersburg, surgeons were performing an operation on his widow at a hospital here. Both were shot by their son, Warren, 17, last Thursday night.

The son did not attend the funeral of his father. Nor was he admitted to the condition of his mother. Since the shooting he has expressed no interest as to the burial of his father, or whether the two shots he fired into his mother's head and throat had proven fatal.

Surgeons believed early today that in view of Mrs. Vandervoort's re-

## MINERS CHARGE MANY WRONGS

### No Peace Until Redress Is Made They Say.

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 12.—(AP)—The United Mine Workers of America expect any government intervention aiming to avert or shorten a hard coal suspension September 1 to consider their grievances in the soft coal industry as well, it is learned on reliable authority. Redress of alleged wrongs, growing out of what the miners say is wholesale wage cutting and repudiation of the Jacksonville agreement in bituminous coal territory, has been a virtual failure. The union's price of peace in the anthracite fields, according to this information.

Hard coal mine owners have been asserting that the miners' union is being run by volunteers and staffed by the State Historical Society.

## OPIUM RAID BRING CHIN FIGHT TO I

### One Faction B Other Aided U In Seizures

Chicago, Aug. 12.—(IN) details patrolling Chicago town, were on the alert to prevent an outbreak of war between On Leong and Hip Sing threatened as a result of the seizure of twelve opium dens by officials Monday night.

The opium "joints" were raided and a hundred distributors of narcotics arrested. The seizure of Will Gray II, a prominent member of the local narcotic business, and three of his agents on charges of trafficking in dope.

All twelve opium smoking dens were closed here in territory controlled by the powerful and wealthy On Leong Tong. The fact that Hip Sing resort was raided by On Leong leaders to charge Hip Sing men collaborated with government in arranging the raid.

### Revolvers Are Seized

According to the Chinese faction that attains immediate punishment of its own violations by directing governmental action against another faction the claims war into utter extinction. And, according to rumblings on the streets of Chicago town, the On Leongs are expected to accept the battle challenge.

So critical does the situation appear that a score of operatives cooperated with officials in going through the Hip Sing's. More than a dozen were seized.

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# CHRIS VOELKER, SENIOR, DIES; BURIAL FRIDAY

## Death Occurs at Mercy Hos- pital Wednesday at Noon After Long Illness

Chris A. Voelker, Sr., prominent Dubuque real estate man and home builder, died at Mercy hospital at 12:30 o'clock Wednesday noon. His demise occurred after an illness of ten weeks' duration.

He was 74 years old.

Mr. Voelker is survived by three daughters, Mrs. R. M. Corpstein, Rose and Mrs. William H. Keller; one son, Chris A., Jr., all of Dubuque; three sisters, Mrs. Catherine Lammers, Mrs. Joseph Youngblood, Sr., and Mrs. Anton Frohm, and one brother, Andrew, all of Dubuque.

The funeral will be held Friday morning from the family home, 559 Seminary street, to St. Mary's church at 9 o'clock. The burial will be in Mt. Calvary cemetery. The complete obituary will be announced later.

## EARLY RESIDENT DUBUQUE DIES' AFTER ILLNESS

Wellington Leik died at the family residence, 2807 Central avenue, Wednesday morning at 7:30 o'clock following a lingering illness.

He was born at York, Pa., November 25, 64 years ago and came to this city with his parents when a child. He had resided here ever since. For a few years he operated a farm near Balltown and later came to this city where he has been living in retirement.

He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. E. T. Bartle, of Miles City, Mont.; Mrs. W. D. ... of ...  
Mrs. ... of ...  
Mrs. ... of ...

# The Weather

U. S. Department of Agriculture.  
Weather bureau, Aug. 12.

Forecasts till 7 p. m. Thursday.  
Dubuque and vicinity: Showers to-  
night; Thursday probably fair; not much  
change in temperature.

Iowa: Cloudy tonight preceded by  
showers in northeast portion; Thursday  
mostly fair, slightly warmer in north-  
west portion.

Illinois: Mostly fair tonight and  
Thursday, except probably showers or  
thunderstorms tonight in north portion;  
not much change in temperature.

Wisconsin: Showers or thunderstorms  
tonight; Thursday mostly fair; not  
much change in temperature.

### Weather Conditions.

The main disturbance in the South-  
west moved east-northeastward to the  
lower Missouri and upper Mississippi  
Valleys attended by heavy showers over  
eastern Missouri, the south half of Iowa  
and Illinois, and light showers over  
northern Iowa. Scattered showers oc-  
curred also over the northern Plains,  
middle Rockies and middle Plateau.  
The barometer remains relatively high  
in the Northwest, where cooler weather  
prevails, and a slight crest of high  
pressure in the Northeast is likewise ac-  
companied by lower temperature.  
Changes over remaining sections have  
been minor, with readings continuing  
near the normal, except over a few  
limited areas.

### Local Observations.

	7 p. m.	7 a. m.
	Yesterday	Today
Temperature, degrees	74	65
Rel. Humidity, percent	68	86
Wind direction	SE	SE
Wind vel. miles per hr.	3	3
Precipitation, inches	.01	.13
State of weather	Cloudy	Cloudy
Highest temperature yesterday	79	
Lowest temperature last night	62	
The sun will rise Thursday at 5:09 a. m. and set at 7:07 p.		

### River Bulletin.

	Flood stage	Stage today	Change in 24 hours
	Ft.	Ft.	
Mississippi River—			
Saint Paul	14	0.1	—0.5
La Crosse	12	0.1	0.0
Lansing	18	2.4	—0.1
Prairie du Chien	18	3.1	—0.1
DUBUQUE	18	3.4	—0.4
Davenport	15	3.1	—0.1
Keokuk	14	3.1	—1.3
St. Louis	30	6.5	—0.2
Wisconsin River—			
Wausau	10	5.8	—0.4
Wisconsin Rapids	12	1.3	0.0
Portage	14	5.8	—0.1
(....) Rise. (—) Fall.			

River forecast: No change of conse-  
quence is indicated for the Dubuque  
river district.

H. MERRILL WILLS.

# DUBUQUE'S BIG EXPOSITION TO START MONDAY

(Continued from Page 1.)

will be closed to traffic Wednesday  
evening, it was said and will  
remain closed until sometime the

# ROBBERS ENTER CANDY STORES; TAKE \$30 CASH

## Breaks Reported by Two Downtown Confectioners Early Wednesday

Robbers who forced an entrance  
into two downtown confectionery  
stores sometime early Wednesday  
morning secured a total of about  
\$30 in cash as their loot, according  
to the reports of the burglars  
which were made to police head  
quarters.

The places robbed are the Crescen  
Sweet Shop, 1048 Main street, and  
the Imperial Sweet Shop, 623 Main  
street. The \$30 loot was obtained  
at the latter place, while as far as  
could be ascertained nothing was  
taken at the Crescent shop.

Similar methods were used in en-  
tering both places, it appeared to  
officials Wednesday. At the Cres-  
cent shop little evidence of a break  
was discovered and it was thought  
that the robbers may have forced  
open a door or used a key. Few  
traces of the break were left at the  
Imperial shop.

## FROST DAMAGE BULLETIN IS NOW AVAILABLE

Gardeners and particularly fru-  
growers should be interested in  
farmers' bulletin No. 1096, "Frost  
and the Prevention of Damage by  
It." The bulletin was prepared by  
the United States weather bureau  
and aims to explain in simple lan-  
guage, the nature of frost and its  
formation, the conditions under  
which it is to be expected and the  
methods used for protecting plants  
or trees. A portion of the pamphlet  
is also devoted to weather bureau in-  
struments and exposures and to the  
measurement of atmospheric mois-  
ture. The weather bureau office, Du-  
buque, has a limited number of these  
bulletins for free distribution. Any  
one interested may have a copy by  
applying to the Dubuque weather bu-  
reau office, while the supply lasts.

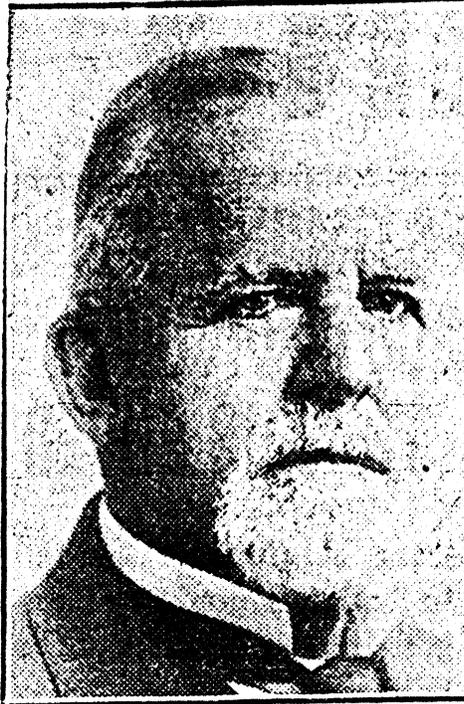
## FUNERAL RITES

Funeral services for the late ... will be held at ...  
ton, D. C.; Mrs. A. J. Schaeffer, of ...  
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# Dubuque Mourns Death Of Man Who Was Leader In Community Affairs

Story of Interesting Life of  
Chris A. Voelker, Sr., Is  
Also Story of Dubuque's  
Progress

C. A. Voelker, Sr.



## The Weather

U. S. Department of Agriculture.  
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Forecasts till 7 p. m. Friday:  
Dubuque and vicinity: Fair tonight  
and Friday; slightly cooler tonight; ris-  
ing temperature Friday.

Iowa: Generally fair tonight and  
Friday; slightly cooler tonight in ex-  
treme east portion; rising temperature  
Friday.

Illinois: Generally fair tonight and  
Friday; slightly cooler tonight; rising  
temperature Friday in northwest por-  
tion.

Wisconsin: Generally fair tonight  
and Friday; slightly cooler tonight; ris-  
ing temperature Friday in west and  
central portions.

### Weather Conditions.

The central depression continued its  
east-northeasterly drift overspreading  
the lake region with center this morn-  
ing over the lower lakes, but its trough  
reaches far to the southwest, and show-  
ers are reported generally from the  
southern plains northeastward and east-  
ward to the Atlantic coast. Chicago re-  
ceived 1.64 inches. Another disturbance  
has appeared in the far northwest, but  
it has produced practically no rainfall  
so far. It is slightly cooler over the  
great plains, but the temperature values  
elsewhere show very little change.

Local Observations at the State  
lection compilation office at the State  
7 p. m. 7 a. m.  
Yesterday Today

# DISABLED MEN SHOW REALITY OF WAR'S COST

Preparations For Campaign  
For Fund to Aid Veterans  
Is Under Way

Washington, D. C., Aug. 13.—  
American Legion officials occasion-  
ally take visitors to one of the vet-  
erans' hospitals for an object les-  
son in the appalling reality of the  
war's cost.

Today a glance through the Iowa  
files of the U. S. Veterans' Bureau  
revealed the appalling reality of an-  
other phase of this cost in suffering.  
It gave an insight into the thousands  
of lives of disabled men outside of  
hospitals who are gamely fighting  
diseases and wounds.

One fact ran through all the  
cases like a thread upon which  
could be strung each story. Each  
disabled man is of serious mind  
worthwhile salvaging for the value  
of his citizenship to his community  
and has made good despite his hand-  
icap when given a fair chance.

Other thousands who have not had  
a helping hand in their emergency  
who cannot be aided by government  
agencies, or, through ignorance, per-  
haps, do not know their rights un-  
der the law, are losing their battle  
for health, self-support and happi-  
ness which they lost in the service.

### Raise Endowment Fund

It is for these men that The  
American Legion and public leaders  
are raising Iowa's share of the Leg-  
ion Endowment fund. Another  
purpose of the Legion fund is the  
care of helpless orphans of veterans.

File "C-193 411" revealed the story  
of Elgy D. Crowell and Virgil De  
Witt, of Burlington, Ia. Disabled  
received in war service prevented  
these two Iowa boys from resuming  
the occupations of farming and  
house painting. So they had to find  
vocations in which their severe han-  
dicaps in the matter of physical ex-  
ertion would not count.

They received training under the  
supervision of government agencies  
and today stand as living examples  
of the justice and wisdom of aiding  
any man who lost his health in the  
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insurance man, who died at Mercy  
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great factor in the building up of  
Dubuque. He not only took an active  
part in community work and ex-  
pended a great deal of effort to aid  
in the bringing of new industrial  
plants to the city, but was also a  
leader in fraternal orders and held  
a prominent place in church work.

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16, 1850, the son of Leopold and  
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### In Real Estate Since 1890.

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and clothing store on Clay street,  
and subsequently erected the build-  
ing at Thirteenth street which bears  
his name. This business he con-  
ducted successfully but ill health  
compelled him to discontinue that  
and he engaged in the real estate  
business about 1890. This business  
he caused to be incorporated about  
ten years ago, as the Voelker Realty  
company, for the purpose of safe-  
guarding his extensive interests and  
the contracts of the purchasers of  
his homes. He had associated with  
him the immediate members of his  
family and his nephew, Louis Kolf-  
enbach. During his active business  
life he developed many residence  
sections, including Woodlawn park,  
Voelker Highlands, South Alta Vista  
street, Melrose terrace, and organ-  
ized the Realty Investors' corpora-  
tion in 1908, of which he remained  
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People of Dubuque had great faith in Mr. Voelker and honored him with the office of mayor, in which he served in 1886 and 1887. He served as state representative in 1896 and 1897.

Besides his business interests, Mr. Voelker devoted much of his time to church matters, and filled various offices in church societies. At the time of his death he was a trustee of St. Mary's church, and a trustee of Mt. Calvary Cemetery association. He was a past grand knight of the Dubuque council. Knights of Columbus, one of the organizers of the Roman Catholic Mutual Protective Verein, state chief ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters, a member of the Elks and of the Vincent de Paul society, to all of which he gave generously of time and energy.

### Married In 1873.

His marriage to Josephine Koltenbach took place on April 15, 1873, and to this union five children were born. Mrs. Voelker died on November 30, 1920, and one son, Joseph, died in infancy. He leaves surviving him, his daughters, Elizabeth Corpstein, Rose Voelker and Mary Keller, one son, Chris A. Voelker, Jr., 15 grandchildren, one brother, Andrew F. Voelker and three sisters, Mrs. Katherine Lammers, Mrs. Elizabeth Youngblood and Mrs. Lena Frohm.

The funeral will be held Friday morning from the family home at 559 Seminary street, to St. Mary's church at 9 o'clock. Burial will be in Mt. Calvary cemetery.

## Turkish President Divorces His Wife

Constantinople, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Mustapha Kemal Pasha, president of the Turkish republic, has divorced his wife, Latife Hanoum.

ceived 1.64 inches. Another disturbance has appeared in the far northwest, but it has produced practically no rainfall so far. It is slightly cooler over the great plains, but the temperature values elsewhere show very little change.

### Local Observations.

	7 p. m.	7 a. m.
	Yesterday	Today
Temperature, degrees	71	66
Rel. humidity, per cent	87	85
Wind direction	N	NW
Wind vel., miles per hour	4	5
Precipitation, inches	T	T
State of weather	Cloudy	Cloudy
Highest temperature yesterday	79	
Lowest temperature last night	65	
The sun will rise Saturday at	5:10 a. m.	
and set at	7:05 p. m.	

### River Bulletin.

	Flood stage	Stage today	Change in 24 hours
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<b>Mississippi River—</b>			
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Wausau	10	5.8	0.0
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(...) Rise. (—) Fall.  
River forecast: The changes in the lower Wisconsin, and the Mississippi from below La Crosse to Dubuque, during the next few days, will be slight, with the tendency to fall slowly.

H. MERRILL WILLS.

## DICK AKIN IS PROUD FATHER

Dick Akin, manager of the Ruete Cut Rate drug store, and incidentally known to fountain fans as the malted milk king of Dubuque, is already planning a pharmaceutical career for the young son which old Father Stork brought to him and Mrs. Akin Wednesday night at Mercy hospital. The Akins are among the newer residents of the city, having come here about a year ago from Chicago. The new baby is their first child.

## MISS WEST GETS HIGH POSITION

The unusual honor of being elected first woman president of the National Fraternal Congress of America was conferred on Miss Bina M. West, Port Huron, Mich., when her associate chief executives of 88 leading benefit societies affiliated in this body unanimously accorded her this distinction Thursday at the annual convention at Duluth. Miss West is the founder and supreme commander of the Woman's Benefit association.

## ASSIGNS FARM TO CREDITORS TO PAY DEBTS

of the justice and wisdom of aiding any man who lost his health in the service of his country.

### Seek Aid For All

The American Legion believes all disabled veterans deserve this assistance, and that they are made of the stuff worth while salvaging regardless of their disabilities. Crowell and De Witt are two of the few thousand who were granted vocational training. Many times these thousands are men who daily are losing their grip in the game battle they have put up against disease and wounds received in service.

Crowell and De Witt, after their training in mechanical dentistry work now are operating the Burlington, Iowa, dental laboratories and catering to some fifteen dental surgeons. Their work is far above the average, according to the U. S. Veterans Bureau, which works in close conjunction with the Legion. The two rehabilitated boys are receiving orders from Fort Madison, Keokuk, Mount Pleasant and Keosauqua and other points in the vicinity of Burlington.

What they have done, other disabled men, who haven't had the chance, will do if given a little opportunity and intelligent assistance. It is for these latter that the endowment fund is being raised. It is for the innocent children of the boy who have fallen that the endowment fund is being raised. Fifteen of the disabled boys are dying every day fifteen yesterday and fifteen tomorrow, many of them in desperate circumstances, many of them giving up the fight before the necessarily inflexible laws can come to their aid.

### Fund Quota 5 Million.

Iowa's quota of the \$5,000,000 endowment fund the American Legion is raising is \$225,000. With Form Governor N. E. Kendall as acting state chairman, Governor John Har mill as honorary chairman and Commander Ben Webster as Legion chairman a great campaign intended to put Iowa over the top if she went over in the Liberty and Victory loans is being worked on. Homer Miller of the Iowa National Bank, Des Moines, has accepted the state treasurership for the district, county and city and town civilian chairmen now being appointed and who will be announced shortly include some of Iowa's foremost citizens, many of whom distinguished service in war district Chairman Kendall has announced.

The whole American Legion Iowa, aided by the auxiliary, swinging into action, spurred to the greatest possible effort by the fact that there are already fifteen Iowa families of veterans being supported by Legionaires and Auxiliary members and that this number is expected to increase rapidly.

# Chris. Voelker, Outstanding Figure in Dubuque Business and Church Life

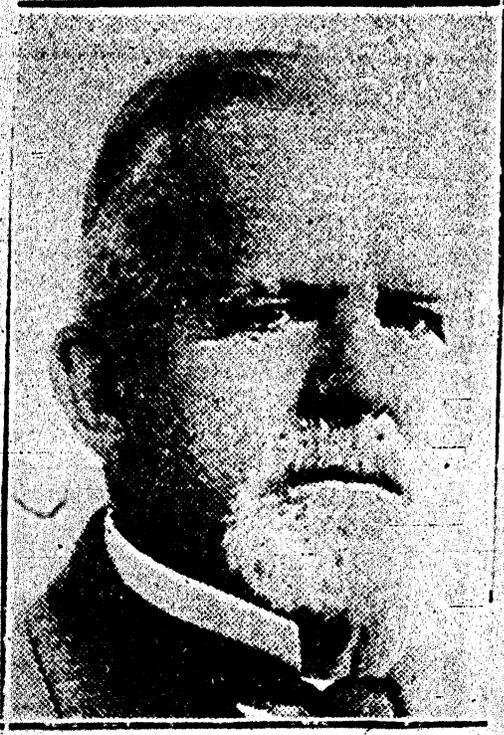
# Come to the

The late Chris. A. Voelker, realtor and insurance man, was born at Lockenheim, Baden, Germany, on August 16, 1850, the son of Leopold and Magdalena Voelker, and came to Dubuque when 4 months old. He attended the Trinity parochial school then in 8th and White street and became a hairmaker at Herancourt factory, staying there about 10 years. In 1873 he established a dry goods and clothing store on Clay street and subsequently erected the building at 13th street which has his name, but ill health compelled a change and he engaged in the real estate business about 1880. This business he caused to be incorporated about 10 years ago as the Voelker Realty Company for the purpose of safeguarding his interests and the contracts of the purchasers of his homes. He had associated with him the immediate members of his family and Louis Kolfenbach. During his active business life he developed many residence sections including Woodlawn Park, Voelker Highlands, South Alta Vista street, Melrose Terrace, and organized the Realty Investment Corporation in 1908 of which he remained president until the time of his death. He also organized and was till the end an officer of the Home Building Company.

### Organizer of Dubuque Enterprises

He was one of the organizers of the Dubuque Fire and Marine Insurance Company, one of the Key City Fire Insurance company, also of the Citizens State Bank (now part of the Consol-

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Mr. Voelker was mayor of Dubuque in 1886 and 1887 and was a state representative in 1896 and 1897 and creditably filled these positions.

### Prominent in Church Affairs

He was active in church affairs. At the time of his death he was a trustee of St. Mary's church, a trustee of Mt. Calvary Cemetery Ass'n., a past Grand Knight of Dubuque Council Knights of Columbus, one of the organizers of the Roman Catholic Mutual Protective Society of Iowa, ex-president of the Iowa branch of the Central Verein, state chief ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters, a member of the Elks and of the Vincent de Paul Society.

Funeral services Friday at St. Raphael's cathedral, Dubuque, interment at Garryowen.

**DES MOINES, Ia.**—(Corr.)—Funeral services for John A. Brophy, 73, veteran policeman, who died Wednesday, will be held Friday morning at St. Peter's church. He is survived by his wife, four daughters, Mrs. John Montgomery of Howard, S. D.; Mrs. Will Jackson of Gary, Ind.; Mrs. William Crozier and Mrs. Harry Moetzel of Des Moines; three sons, William, Walter, and John, all of Des Moines, and four sisters all of Chicago.

**CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia.**—Joseph Kucera, died suddenly Sunday at his home, 1103 South Tenth street. He was 65 years old. His wife and three daughters survive him. The wife, Mrs. Charles Krizek, Mrs. John Pankov, and

For now fifty years in Cal Blessed Virgin Mary has been "Afflicted" and on June 28th of was celebrated when the new church of the Assumption of Mary heaven and earth will be festive Sunday, August 15th and 16th. noon, sermons, prayers, blessing passed in glorification of Mary and

The new church of the shrine especially all who are devout to contribute a mite of money to fittingly the magnificent seat of build an imposing altar for the altar for this altar will have the name conspicuously near the altar. altar will have the name written And all these benefactors will shrine will stand.

As many as will read this or to send in their petitions to Rev. Rector of the Shrine, Care

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PROGRAM FOR SUNDAY, AUG. 1  
MONDAY, AUG. 17

### Sunday's Program.

- 7:45 a. m.—WJJD, Moosheart, C services.
- 1:00 p. m.—WOC, Davenport, orchestra
- 2:00 p. m.—WGN, Chicago, Lincoln band concert; WJJD, Moosheart; WMBB, Chicago, popular; Chicago, concert.
- 3:00 p. m.—KYW, Chicago, studio; A Chicago, classical.
- 3:15 p. m.—WHD, Milwaukee, orchestra band concert.
- 4:00 p. m.—WGES, Oak Park, classical
- 5:00 p. m.—KOA, Denver, organ.
- 5:20 p. m.—WEAF, New York, Gang, also WCAE, WEEL, WJAR, WWJ.
- 6:00 p. m.—WBCN, Chicago, classical hour; WEBH, Chicago, selected; WMBB, Chicago, semi-classical.
- 6:30 p. m.—WLS, Chicago, organ.
- 7:00 p. m.—WBCN, Chicago, popular; WQJ, Chicago, music; WLW, Cincinnati, concert; WTAS, Elgin, popular.
- 7:15 p. m.—WEAF, New York, Go band concert, also WCAP, WCTS, WEEL, WWJ, WCAE.
- 7:30 p. m.—WHO, Des Moines, trio.
- 8:00 p. m.—WGN, Chicago, music; Elgin, popular.
- 9:00 p. m.—WSUI, Iowa City, faith hymns.
- 9:15 p. m.—WCCO, Minneapolis, St. classical.
- 9:30 p. m.—WGES, Oak Park, popular; WOC, Davenport, music.
- 11:00 p. m.—WJJD, Moosheart, studio

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**VOELKER LED  
 REALTY WORK  
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**Funeral Services Set  
 For Friday Morning  
 At St. Mary's.**

The funeral of Chris. A. Voelker, Sr., former mayor and state representative and one of the leading realtors of the state who died yesterday afternoon, will be held tomorrow morning from the family residence, 559 Seminary street, to St. Mary's church where solemn high mass will be sung at 9 o'clock.

The Right Rev. Monsignor George W. Heer, pastor of St. Mary's church, will be celebrant of the funeral mass. The Rev. J. L. Smith will be deacon, the Rev. A. Bumholdt will be sub-deacon, and the Rev. Joseph Schuh will be master of ceremonies. Members of the order of Brothers of Mary, teachers at St. Mary's High school, will sing the requiem mass. Burial will be made in Mount Calvary cemetery.

While Mr. Voelker's friends and associates had known for several weeks that he had been ill, it was not thought that his condition was serious and his death, yesterday, came as a shock. Although 74 years old, Mr. Voelker had continued the active management of his business affairs until about ten weeks ago when illness forced him to his bed at his home. During the weeks that he was confined to his home his condition remained unchanged and it was not until last week that his illness took on a more serious aspect. Monday of this week his condition became serious and Monday evening, on the advice of his physicians, he was removed to Mercy hospital.

He continued to sing rapidly and Wednesday, shortly after noon he died. Members of his family, conscious of the seriousness of his illness and of the approaching end, were with him. He died comforted by the last rites of his religion having been a long member of the Catholic Faith.

**Berlin Plans Dr  
 To Secure R  
 Of Seized I**

Washington, Aug. 13.—German government has steps to recover the proceeds seized by the U. S. during the World war.

The German ambassador presented to Secretary Kell communication pressing for opening of negotiations on but beyond admission that had been received and considered, the state department has no comment to make.

**BELGIANS S  
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Brussels, Aug. 13.—Belgian press comment on debt funding negotiations in London accused the United States of attempting to impose a plan on Belgian delegates at the debt conference.

"The United States is to coerce the Belgian government into accepting the Dawes plan," said the Twentieth Century adding "we don't want to accept it."

"Is America treating former enemy Germany as a friend?" The Belge, which went on to say that "when America demands peace she means profit."

The Gazette declared that the United States promised special aid for Belgium and the United States now urgently demand even if we have to pay but let's hear no more until we owe the United States nothing.

Washington, Aug. 13.—The new ground upon which their efforts to reach an agreement for the refunding of the United States debt to this country was today by the American debt commissions.

This was made necessary by the rejection by the Belgian government put forward yesterday by the American debt commissions.

While official statements regarding the negotiations were withheld, there were indications that the commission had been at a distance apart on the basis of Belgium's call and consequently detail

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### Prominent in City's Affairs.

A resident of Dubuque practically  
his entire life, coming here with his  
parents when he was but four  
months old, Mr. Voelker had played  
a most prominent part in the busi-  
ness, political, religious, social, fra-  
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nity. Brilliant in business and with  
a natural aptitude for the making  
and holding of friends, Mr. Voelker  
occupied an enviable position in Du-  
buque.

It was perhaps in his business ac-  
tivities that Mr. Voelker enjoyed the  
widest reputation. With a reputation  
for his honesty in his dealings with  
others, Mr. Voelker founded the pres-  
ent Voelker interests on his faith  
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fellow men.

Chris A. Voelker was born at Hoe-  
1850, the son of Leopold and Mag-  
kenheim, Baden, Germany, Aug. 16,  
delena Voelker. When he was but  
four months old, his parents came  
to America and settled at Dubuque.  
He received his education at the  
Trinity parochial school, now St.  
Mary's, which was then located at  
Eighth and White streets. When  
very young he went to work at the  
Herancourt factory where he learned  
the chair making trade. He remained  
at this work for about 10 years and  
then, in 1873, he established a dry  
goods and clothing store at Thir-  
teenth street and Central avenue.  
The business grew and he erected  
the Voelker building which now  
stands at the northeast corner of  
Central avenue and Thirteenth street  
and in which the Voelker offices are  
located.

In 1890, because of ill health and  
on the advice of a physician that he  
must seek out-door work, Mr. Voelk-  
er disposed of his clothing business  
and entered the insurance business.  
Later he branched into real estate  
and from the first his efforts in this  
field met with great success.

### Started Monthly Payment Plan.

In the real estate business, Mr.  
Voelker not only became a leader  
in that field in this community but  
won recognition throughout this  
section of the country. He is given  
credit for the establishment in the  
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ed his business with the slogans of  
"Own your own home" and "Pay for  
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Scobley, Mich. Aug.  
Quiet prevailed here  
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## TRIBUTE IS PAID CHRIS. A. VOELKER

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY  
ARE ADOPTED BY LOCAL  
BUSINESS MEN.

### TO ATTEND FUNERAL IN BODY

Insurance Men and Realtors to Close  
Business Offices During the  
Funeral Hour.

Insurance men and realtors of Dubuque gathered at the Chamber of Commerce at 11:30 o'clock today and decided to march in a body at the funeral of Chris Voelker. They will close their places of business tomorrow morning from 9 until 10:30 o'clock. They passed the following resolution of sympathy:

Whereas, Death has taken from our midst C. A. Voelker, one of the fine insurance fraternity of Dubuque, a man beloved by all of those with whom he has been associated in a competitive sense:

And Whereas, We are deeply cognizant of the high moral character, the unstanding progress in citizenship of C. A. Voelker:

And Whereas, We realize by our intimate contact with him the great vital spirit with which he has given to Dubuque a most substantial evidence of his faith in this city by his many activities.

Be It Resolved by the Fire Insurance Agents of Dubuque that we deplore and personally regret the passing of this noble character and offer our sympathy and our hope that he may have Eternal Peace and Rest in Eternity:

And Be It Further Resolved that a copy of these Resolutions be spread upon the minutes and a copy sent to the grieved family.

## Perfect Case Against Two Peru Bandits

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took place on the Peru road, about two miles north of Dubuque, early Monday night. Rottler was driving his car and had Mrs. Pearl Betty Brown, 30-year old divorcee and alleged sweetheart of Hemengway as his companion. After the holdup he trailed the bandit car back into the city, into the country and back to the city a second time when the

## Voelker Led Realty Work In Midwest

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berhoods in Dubuque now in which every residence was built by the Voelker firms. Among the residential sections which he developed and built up were Voelker Highlands, Woodlawn Park, South Alta Vista street and Melrose Terrace. At the offices of the Voelker companies no positive record could be secured of the number of homes which Mr. Voelker constructed in Dubuque. It was said, however, that these will number between 700 and 800.

About ten years ago Mr. Voelker caused his business to be incorporated under the firm name of the Voelker Realty company, he becoming president. In 1908 he organized the Realty Investors' corporation, of which he was president at the time of his death, and later organized the Home Builders' company, in which firm he continued until his death as an officer. In the Voelker Realty company, the incorporation of his original efforts in real estate and home building. Mr. Voelker had associated with him the immediate members of his family and his nephew, Louis Kolfenbach. He was one of the organizers of the National Association of Real Estate Boards and of the Iowa Association of Realtors.

Mr. Voelker had other varied business interests. He was one of the organizers of the Dubuque Fire and Marine Insurance company and of the Key City Fire Insurance company. He was also one of the organizers of the Citizens' State bank, now a part of the Consolidated National bank, and he was a member of the original board of directors of the Julien Dubuque Hotel company. He was a member of the board of directors of the Dubuque Industrial corporation and played an active part in the bringing of the Brunswick-Balke-Collender company plant to Dubuque. He helped establish the Dubuque Altar Manufacturing company and the present plant was erected under his management.

### Elected Mayor in 1886.

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Both Kennedy and Hemengway deny any part in the robbery but the authorities seem to feel certain that a confession from one, or both, is not necessary. The evidence they have collected, they feel sure, is sufficient for a conviction.

What part, if any, Mrs. Brown had in the holdup for which her alleged sweetheart is being held, is not known. Authorities have refused to discuss this angle of the case. They admitted, however, that Mrs. Brown had been apprehended and held several hours for questioning.

## Burns Funeral Held Thursday

The funeral of Thomas J. Burns was held this morning from the residence, 582 West Fourteenth street, to St. Patrick's church where Rev. Father J. J. Hanley read the requiem mass at 10 o'clock. Father Hanley also officiated at the graveside in Mt. Olivet cemetery.

A delegation from the local council of Knights of Columbus acted as an honorary escort, they were E. A. Linehan, John M. Kenedy, Peter Cassidy, William McCabe and Steve A. Driscoll.

The active pallbearers were Al Bagley and Richard Butler representing the mail carriers, Peter Martin and Daniel Sullivan representing St. Raphael's court C. O. F., Louis A. Wiedner and Leo Welsh representing the M. W. A. Ironwood camp.

Out of town people attending the funeral were Mrs. Farley and son Leroy, of Chicago.

## Belknap Funeral Services Thursday

The funeral of E. M. Belknap was held this morning from the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Warner, in

of the original board of directors of the Julien Dubuque Hotel company. He was a member of the board of directors of the Dubuque Industrial corporation and played an active part in the bringing of the Brunswick-Balke-Collender company plant to Dubuque. He helped establish the Dubuque Altar Manufacturing company and the present plant was erected under his management.

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In fraternal circles he was always a leader and at the time of his death, was state chief ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters. He was a past grand knight of the Dubuque Council of Knights of Columbus, a member of the Dubuque Lodge of B. P. O. Elks and of the St. Vincent de Paul society. He was an organizer of the Roman Catholic Mutual Protective Association of Iowa and of the Central Verein, being a member of both organizations at his death.

He took an active part in the affairs of St. Mary's Catholic parish of which he was a life-long member, and was a trustee of the parish when he died, having held that office for a number of years. He was also a trustee of the Mount Calvary Cemetery association.

Mr. Voelker was married April 15, 1873, to Josephine Kolfenbach, who died Nov. 30, 1920. There were five children born to the union, four surviving. One son, Joseph, died in infancy. The surviving children are Mrs. Elizabeth Corpstein, Miss Rose Voelker, Mrs. Mary Koder and C. A. Voelker, Jr., all of Dubuque. He is also survived by one brother, Andrew P. Voelker, and three sisters, Mrs. Katherine Lammers, Mrs. Elizabeth Youngblood and Mrs. Lena Frohm Hall of Dubuque. Fifteen grandchildren also survive.

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CATHOLIC HISTORY

A facsimile signature of Julien Dubuque, written in a cursive script. The signature is highly stylized, with large, sweeping loops and flourishes, particularly around the 'D' and the end of the name.

FACSIMILE SIGNATURE OF JULIEN DUBUQUE

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CHICAGO

his parents to Dubuque. After attending the public and parochial schools, he completed his education with a course in Bayless Business College, working during this time at such various odd positions as were to be had. In 1865 he entered the wholesale grocery establishment of W. H. Rumpf, starting as an apprentice and arising to the position of shipping and receiving clerk. In 1882, however, in partnership with John H. Kleine, Mr. Schroeder embarked in the wholesale grocery business on his own account, and ten years later consolidated with Messrs. F. A. Rumpf and John P. Ferring, and continued business under the firm name of the Schroeder & Kleine Grocer Company. Under capable management this concern has grown and prospered and is now regarded as one of the solid, substantial commercial houses of Dubuque. Aside from the above mentioned interests, Mr. Schroeder is a director of the Dubuque Altar Company. As a Democrat in politics he served three terms as county treasurer, and is at present a member of the Board of Education. He is of the Catholic faith and a member of St. Mary's Catholic church. On November 7, 1871, at Dubuque, he married Miss Katherine, daughter of Michael and Anna Maria Beck, and to their union nine children, two dying in infancy, were born. Those living are named: William, secretary and treasurer of the Schroeder & Kleine Grocer Company; George W., assistant secretary and treasurer of same; John P., shipping clerk of same; Anna, a graduate of St. Clara College; Marie, a graduate of St. Joseph's Academy, Dubuque; Katherine, a graduate of Professor Kleine's Academy of Music, Dubuque; and Josephine, a graduate of St. Clara College.

CHRISTIAN ANTHON VOELKER, well-known insurance and real estate operator, came to Dubuque when one year old, and has made this city his home ever since. Born August 16, 1850, in Baden, Germany, he was the son of Leopold and Magdalena Voelker, who came to Dubuque in 1851 and for many years engaged in the lumber business. The father died in November, 1902, at the age of seventy-eight years, his wife's death having occurred six years previous, at seventy-four years of age. Both now lie at rest in Mount Calvary cemetery, but they are yet well remembered by their many friends and neighbors. When brought to Dubuque, Christian Anthon Voelker was but one year old, and until reaching the age of thirteen he attended the Trinity Parochial School, now known as St. Mary's. He then started out in life for himself as an apprentice in the chairmaker's trade, which he subsequently followed ten years. In 1873, however, he established himself in a small way in the dry goods business, increasing his stock and properties as occasion warranted, and followed this particular line of endeavor for over twenty years. Three years before disposing of the above mentioned interests he ventured into the real estate

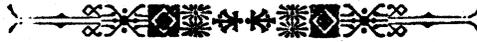
field and his success therein was from the first assured. He erected many buildings throughout the city, was very successful in all operations, and at the proper time added fire insurance to his business interests. In his political views Mr. Voelker is a Democrat, and as such, during the years 1896 and 1897, served as a member of the state legislative body. In 1886 and 1887 he was mayor of the city of Dubuque. In religion he is a Catholic, affiliating with St. Mary's Catholic church, of which he is also a trustee. Socially he is identified with the Catholic Order of Foresters, the St. Pius-Alphonsus Benevolent Society and the Knights of Columbus, being an ex-president of the second named organization and Past Grand Knight of the latter. April 15, 1873, at Dubuque, Mr. Voelker was married to Miss Josephine Kolfenbach, daughter of Andrew and Theresa Kolfenbach, old settlers of Dubuque, and to them the following named five children were born: Joseph, who died in infancy, 1885; Elizabeth, the wife of Roman Corpstein, of Dubuque; Rosaline, a graduate of St. Mary's; Christian A., Jr., associated in business with his father; and Mary, now attending Immaculate Conception Academy.

FRANKLIN HINDS died in May, 1885. He was born in Vermont. He worked on the Erie Canal and in 1855 came to Dubuque and soon became prominent. He was one of the directors of the Dubuque & Minnesota Steamboat Company. In 1857 he engaged in the hardware business and afterwards the firm of Westphal, Hinds & Company became one of the largest of the West. He helped found the First National Bank in 1863 and was its president. He was active in school affairs and was a Congregationalist, and left a widow and four children.

J. J. E. NORMAN died December 12, 1872, as the result of a runaway accident on the North Cascade road near Dubuque. He was pitched headfirst from his buggy into a rocky ravine. He lay unconscious several hours. He was born in Philadelphia in 1815 and came to Dubuque in 1841. He became prominent at once, both as a Catholic and as a friend of education. For over twelve years he was county superintendent of schools. He was able, honest, active, and always reliable.

PETER F. ERSCHENS, JR., was born in 1869, in Centralia, Dubuque county, Iowa, and is a son of Peter and Susana (Hoven) Erschens, who came to America and this county in 1852. Peter Erschens, Sr., died in 1897, at the age of sixty-four years, but his wife still survives him, aged seventy-four years. When the father first came here he embarked in mercantile pursuits at Centralia, which he continued a number of years, then secured land from the government and conducted a farm in connection with merchandis-

a slightly spot a beautiful frame residence two stories in height, which is now his home. He is a self-made man, who by well directed efforts has steadily worked his way upward and the success which has come to him is richly deserved. He is now doing a good business and derives therefrom a comfortable income.



**H**ON. CHRISTIAN ANTON VOELKER is President of the Key City Fire Insurance Company and holds a similar position with the Iowa Mutual Building & Loan Association. Long a prominent resident of Dubuque, Mr. Voelker at one time served as Mayor of the city and has long been prominent in public enterprises. A native of Hockenheim, he was born in Baden, August 16, 1850, and his father, Leopold, who was born in the same village, was a sugar refiner. He took part in the Revolution of 1848 with Gen. Franz Sigel and others, after which he continued to live in the Fatherland only until 1851, when he brought his family to America, leaving Havre, France, in a sailing-vessel bound for New York City. He continued on his westward journey until he reached this county, where he engaged in farming for a time; he later became a dealer in wood and was thus engaged until he retired from business to make his home in Dubuque. His wife, Lena (Storch) Voelker, was born in Waldorf, Baden, and her father died in the German army during the War of 1812 to 1815. Both of our subject's parents are members of the Catholic Church, and their three sons and four daughters are all living and are residents of this city.

When an infant our subject was brought by his parents to Dubuque, and he attended the Trinity parochial school until a little over eleven years of age, when he was obliged to go to work to assist in his own maintenance. He was first employed in a chair factory, where he learned the trade and made himself very useful to the proprietors. At the age of eighteen he became foreman in the

chair department, in which position he continued for the five succeeding years. In the year 1864 he attempted to join the army, but the quota at the time being full he was not received. He continued in his position as foreman therefore until August 1, 1873, when he engaged in general merchandising in a rented store at No. 1,330 Clay Street, which he operated for seven years.

In 1879 Mr. Voelker built the fine brick block at the corner of Thirteenth and Clay Streets, and there for two years ran his business, later building the store adjoining, as he needed additional room. At the same time he was Vice-President and Director in the Dubuque Fire and Marine Association, which he helped to organize, and in 1890 he founded the Iowa Mutual Building & Loan Association, of which he became President and which has now about \$200,000 invested in first mortgages, the largest concern of the kind in the city. October 19, 1891, our subject organized the Key City Fire Insurance Company with a capital stock of \$200,000, and of this company he has been President from the first. At the close of the first year the company was paying dividends of twenty per cent. He owns Woodlawn Park, an addition to Dubuque, which he laid out in company with Messrs. Kleinsschmidt & Hanover, and subsequently bought their interest. Among numerous other concerns in which he has been interested are the Concentrating Works, the Citizens' State Bank, the German Trust & Savings Bank, and the Dubuque Street Railway Electric and Power Company. His fine residence was erected by him on Seminary Hill and he owns a farm near Brainard, Minn.

April 15, 1873, in this city, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Voelker and Josephine Kalfenbach, who was born in Milwaukee and reared in this city. By her he has had four children, Elizabeth, Rosa, Christian A., Jr., and Mary. They are members of St. Mary's Catholic Church, in which our subject has been Treasurer for years, and he also belongs to the Roman Catholic Protective Association of Iowa, and the St. Alphonse Society.

Always an active Democrat, Mr. Voelker is a member of the County Finance Committee, and in

1884 was Alternate-at-Large to the Democratic convention which nominated Grover Cleveland in Chicago. In April, 1887, Mr. Voelker was elected Mayor of Dubuque on the people's ticket, having a majority of about eight hundred votes over each of the other parties. He instituted reformatory measures and had a reliable corps of officials.



**A**SA HERR, M. D., who has had a long and successful career as a medical practitioner in Dubuque, has been located here since August, 1847, being the oldest member of the profession in this locality. He is Chief of the Medical Staff of Mercy Hospital and belongs to the American Medical, the State and County and the Cedar Valley District Medical Societies. Several times he has been President of the County Association, of which he was one of the organizers. During the war he was Post Surgeon at Camp Franklin and also examined recruits for the regular army troops, being later for ten years Pension Examiner in this city. The Doctor is a noted scholar both in the languages and in many scientific departments.

Dr. Herr was born in Worthington, Franklin County, Ohio, September 2, 1817. His paternal grandfather was a farmer in Massachusetts and removed to Lewis County, N. Y., in the early days of its history, when it was known as the Black River Country, and there he continued in agricultural pursuits until his death. The Herr family is of English descent and the name was originally spelt Hoar, but our subject's grandfather had the name changed by the Albany Legislature to its present spelling. The father of the Doctor bore the name of Isaac, and his birth occurred in the Bay State, where he grew to manhood and was married. He took part in the War of 1812, and five years later became a resident of Worthington, Ohio, having removed there from Lewis County, N. Y. He engaged in merchandising, being successful for several years, but about 1826 returned to Lewis

County, N. Y., where he died one year later, aged forty-one years. His wife, Nancy Smith, was born and married in Salem, Mass., and after her husband's death in the Empire State returned to Ohio, where she died when in her sixty-ninth year. Eight of her ten children grew to maturity, but only four are now living, our subject and his three sisters. Leonard was a Captain in the Twenty-first Iowa Infantry until, his health failing, he retired. His death occurred in this city, where he had been engaged in the real-estate business.

Dr. Herr until ten years old lived in Ohio, where he attended Worthington College, of which Bishop Chase was Principal, and one of his classmates was Salmon P. Chase, late Chief Justice of the United States. In 1826 he returned to New York, and on his father's death the children were scattered, being taken by various relatives to bring up. From his earliest years he was a zealous student, and often worked by the light of hemlock and spruce knots. In working on the farm he hurried to complete his task in order that he might devote himself to his beloved books. His brother Leonard was a carpenter and it seemed best that he should be apprenticed to the same trade. He remained for six months working for one man, and during this time had become quite familiar with drafting. When he returned to the country he made a drawing and superintended the building of a frame house, this being when he was only fourteen years of age. His brother engaged with a contractor to build a large flouring mill in Canada, north of Kingston, and Asa went with him, working for about a year and receiving a man's wages. Later with his brother he engaged in contracting and building in Dundas, Canada, remaining there until 1836, and during this time the ambitious youth drew the principal plans of buildings which were put up by the firm.

The first time that the Doctor had thought seriously of entering the medical profession was during the cholera epidemic of 1834-35, when several of his employes contracted the disease, and as there were no physicians in the locality and he had assisted his mother, who was a good nurse in former years, he determined to use his best efforts for the afflicted men. Using the old fashioned remedies



You searched for **Chris A. Voelker** in **Iowa**

### 1880 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>Chris A. Voelker</b>	
Home in 1880:	<b>Dubuque, Dubuque, Iowa</b>	
Age:	<b>29</b>	
Estimated Birth Year:	<b>abt 1851</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Baden</b>	
Relation to Head of Household:	<b>Self (Head)</b>	
Spouse's Name:	<b>Josephine</b>	
Father's birthplace:	<b>Baden</b>	
Mother's birthplace:	<b>Baden</b>	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Occupation:	<b>Merchant</b>	
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Gender:	<b>Male</b>	
House Number:	<b>7771421</b>	
Cannot read/write:		
Blind:	<a href="#">View image</a>	
Deaf and dumb:		
Otherwise disabled:		
Idiotic or insane:		
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<b><a href="#">Chris A. Voelker</a></b>	<b>29</b>
	<b><a href="#">Josephine Voelker</a></b>	<b>29</b>
	<b><a href="#">Theresa Kaltenbach</a></b>	<b>67</b>
	<b><a href="#">Louis Kaltenbach</a></b>	<b>21</b>
	<b><a href="#">Hugo Ruh</a></b>	<b>22</b>

**Source Citation:** Year: 1880; Census Place: *Dubuque, Dubuque, Iowa*; Roll *T9\_338*; Family History Film: *1254338*; Page: *176.4000*; Enumeration District: *174*; Image: *0175*.

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**Description:**  
This database is an index to 50 million individuals enumerated in the 1880 United States Federal Census. Census takers recorded many details including each person's name, address, occupation, relationship to the head of household, race, sex, age at last birthday, marital status, place of birth, parents' place of birth. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1880 Federal Census. [Learn more...](#)



You searched for **Chris A. Voelker** in **Iowa**

### 1920 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>Chris A Voelker Sr.</b> <b>[Chris A H Voelker Sr.]</b>	
Home in 1920:	<b>Dubuque Ward 4, Dubuque, Iowa</b>	
Age:	<b>69 years</b>	
Estimated Birth Year:	<b>abt 1851</b>	
Birthplace:	<b>Germany</b>	
Relation to Head of House:	<b>Head</b>	
Spouse's Name:	<b>Josephine</b>	
Father's Birth Place:	<b>Germany</b>	
Mother's Birth Place:	<b>Germany</b>	
Marital Status:	<b>Married</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Sex:	<b>Male</b>	
Home owned:	<b>Own</b>	
Year of Immigration:	<b>1859</b>	
Able to read:	<b>Yes</b>	
Able to Write:	<b>Yes</b>	
Image:	<b>506</b>	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<b>Chris A Voelker</b>	<b>69</b>
	<b>Josephine Voelker</b>	<b>68</b>
	<b>Roslyn Voelker</b>	<b>30</b>

**Source Citation:** Year: 1920; Census Place: *Dubuque Ward 4, Dubuque, Iowa*; Roll T625\_488; Page: 12A; Enumeration District: 139; Image: 506.

**Source Information:**  
Ancestry.com. 1920 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2009. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.

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Note: Enumeration Districts 819-839 on roll 323 (Chicago City)

Original data: Fourteenth Census of the United States, 1920; (National Archives Microfilm Publication T625, 2076 rolls); Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group 29; National Archives, Washington, D.C.

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You searched for **Chris A. Voelker** in Iowa

### Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name:	<b>Chris A Voelker Senior</b>	
Birth Year:	<b>abt 1851</b>	
Birth Place:	<b>Iowa</b>	
Gender:	<b>Male</b>	
Race:	<b>White</b>	
Marital Status:	<b>Widowed</b>	
Census Date:	<b>1 Jan 1925</b>	
Residence State:	<b>Iowa</b>	
Residence County:	<b>Dubuque</b>	
Locality:	<b>Dubuque Precinct 10</b>	
Relation to Head:	<b>Head</b>	
Mother:	<b>Lena Storch</b>	
Mother's Birthplace:	<b>Germany</b>	
Father:	<b>Leopold Voelker</b>	
Father's Birthplace:	<b>Germany</b>	
Marriage Place:	<b>Germany</b>	
Roll:	<b>IA1925_1704</b>	
Line:	<b>27</b>	
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<b>Chris A VoelkerSenior</b>	<b>74</b>
	<b>Rosalind Voelker</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Source Information:</b>		
Ancestry.com. <i>Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925</i> [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2007. Original data: Microfilm of Iowa State Censuses, 1856, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, 1925 as well various special censuses from 1836-1897 obtained from the State Historical Society of Iowa via Heritage Quest.		
<b>Description:</b>		
This database contains Iowa state censuses for the following years: 1856, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, and 1925. It also includes some head of household censuses and other special censuses from 1836-1897. Information available for an individual will vary according to the census year and the information requested on the census form. Some of the information contained in this database though includes: name, age, gender, race, birthplace, marital status, and place of enumeration.		
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