

## City's Last G.A.R. Man Dies

### Illness Fatal To Neuman

### Civil War Veteran Was 97

Jacob J. Neuman, 97, Des Moines' last remaining civil war veteran, died at Iowa Lutheran hospital Sunday night following a brief illness.

Mr. Neuman was admitted to the hospital Saturday night suffering with an acute attack of bronchitis. A mild cardiac degeneration set in and, although he was placed in an oxygen tent for a while, it was impossible to save him, his physician reported.

Neuman had been in excellent health until his last illness. Last Wednesday he visited the U.S.O. center at 203 Fifth Ave., and talked with a group of young men who were awaiting army induction the next day.

Neuman was born in Langheim, Prussia, Aug. 4, 1846. He and seven other sons were brought to this country by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Neuman, who at that time said they did so "because we want to keep our boys out of war."

Two years after the family settled in Henry County, Illinois, Aug. 8, 1861, two of the sons enlisted in the union army and two years later Jacob and another brother enlisted, Jacob enlisting as a bugler in Co. I, 148<sup>th</sup> Illinois infantry, Feb. 9, 1865.

Mr. Neuman was discharged, Sept. 5, 1865. Most of his civil war action was in the mountains of Tennessee.

Mr. Neuman, who had lived in Des Moines 84 years, served as Iowa department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic in 1940. He previously had held other posts in the G.A.R.

One of Mr. Neuman's sons, Dr. W. W. Neuman, a dentist, died here last Feb. 6.

Mr. Neuman is survived by another son, Eugene, of Prescott, Ariz.

Funeral services are being arranged at the E. Carl White funeral home, 2505 Grand Ave.

*A short article states that Mr. Neuman will be buried on November 24, at Glendale cemetery in Des Moines, Iowa.*