

PROMINENT MAN DEAD AS RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT

W. A. GAHLENBECK JUMPED FROM BUGGY WHEN HORSE BECAME FRIGHTENED AND RECEIVED INTERNAL INJURIES, FROM WHICH HE DIED WITHIN A FEW HOURS.

W. A. Gahlenbeck, a prominent citizen and former city alderman, died in a sanitarium Sunday night about 8:30 o'clock as the result of internal injuries which he received late Sunday afternoon, when he jumped from a buggy when the horse became frightened.

Mr. Gahlenbeck accompanied Max Klein to the Pensacola Sanitarium to see a sick friend. They left there late in the afternoon in Mr. Klein's buggy, and had no sooner started back to the city when the horse became frightened and began rearing and plunging. Mr. Gahlenbeck jumped from the buggy and struck the ground on his back. Mr. Klein jumped from the buggy also to go to the assistance of Mr. Gahlenbeck, but the latter was on his feet before Mr. Klein reached him.

Together they walked back to the sanitarium, where Mr. Gahlenbeck asked for a brush with which to brush his hair. While there he was given a stimulant, and said he felt better, but before he could leave the hospital he had a sinking spell, and Dr. Frank G. Renshaw was summoned, as were also Mrs. Gahlenbeck and her oldest son. Within two hours afterwards Mr. Gahlenbeck died, but never lost consciousness until the end came.

Dr. Renshaw, in speaking of the injuries sustained by Mr. Gahlenbeck, said:

"He sustained internal injuries about the chest, over the region of the heart, from which resulted possible complications of both the heart and the lungs. These caused death. I did not report it heart trouble as was once reported, nor did Mr. Gahlenbeck suffer any hemorrhage as some stated."

After the unfortunate accident directly in front of the sanitarium, Mr. Gahlenbeck walked into the sanitarium, asked for a brush with which to arrange his hair, was given a stimulant by a nurse and sat down in a chair. Then suddenly he went off into a faint, which merged into a collapse, having sent for me, his old friend. His pulse showed his condition improved for an hour or more after he entered the sanitarium. He did not expire until two hours after the runaway occurred. He did not lose consciousness during the time that he was lying upon the bed, but was communicative, though suffering, until the last.

"His wife and older son, Alfred, were with him when he died. Shortly after I had left the room, intending to return very soon, the patient turned over as if to go to sleep, but he lay fast, dying in the presence of his wife and son."

The deceased is survived by a wife and several children, and had a large circle of friends. He was a promi-