

[Black, Loomis O.]

REV. L. O. BLACK, FORMER CICERO MAN, DIES AT 43  
Chain Store Owner Expires at Home in West

The Rev. Loomis O. Black, 43, formerly of Cicero, a major in the expeditionary forces in the World War, and proprietor of a group of chain stores in the West, died Monday at his home in Boone, Ia., according to information received here by friends and relatives. He had been ill with pneumonia four days.

Major Black was born at Cicero, a son of Mrs. Mary Black, now of Brewerton, and the late William Black. He was educated in the Theological College at St. Lawrence University at Canton and was ordained a Universalist minister. He served several charges as pastor and had preached at Henderson, Jefferson County, and at Troy, prior to going to Iowa.

Mr. Black was for several years associated with the F. W. Woolworth syndicate as manager of several stores. About 12 years ago he went West after terminating his connection with that organization and shortly afterwards organized a chain of stores under the firm name of Black & Hanson. Since going West Mr. Black had preached at Ames, Ia., in addition to his store work.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Blanche Harker Black; three daughters, his mother, two brothers, Charles B. Black of Chicago and Clifford B. Black of Brewerton, and five sisters, Mrs. Lucy Sleeth and Mrs. Dorothy Purdy of North Syracuse; Mrs. Ruth Strever and Miss Florence Black of Brewerton, and Mrs. Ethel Webster of Demster, Oswego County. Funeral services and burial will take place at Boone, Ia.

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