

## WM. M. ORTON DEAD

He Was One of Mille Lacs County's Early Settlers and a Man Beloved by His Neighbors.

Adolph Schimming, Andrew Anderson and Mrs. A. B. Whitcomb Pass to Realms Beyond.

William M. Orton, one of the early settlers of Mille Lacs county, and a man whom to know was to honor and respect, died at his home in this village on Friday, April 16, at 10:30 a. m., aged 70 years. Mr. Orton was taken ill on March 30 and the physician summoned pronounced the case to be a gradual attack of apoplexy. Under the physician's care he grew better and then worse, intermittently, until April 16, when he peacefully passed to his rest.

Funeral services were held in the Methodist church on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. W. Heard preached an impressive sermon and a quartet consisting of Mrs. C. A. Caley, Mrs. L. S. Briggs, Dr. Lester and Guy Ewing, sang some very appropriate and touching selections. The funeral, under the charge of the Princeton Odd Fellows lodge, was one of the most largely attended in the history of the village. The Odd Fellows and G. A. R. members followed their beloved brother to the grave, where the services were conducted by the first-named organization. Hundreds of people paid their last tribute of respect to this honorable citizen, including about 25 of the Rebekahs, and the floral offerings were beautiful and profuse. All of the immediate members of the family attended the obsequies. The pallbearers were Messrs. Harry Mott, R. D. Byers, August Henschel, E. E. Whitney, Solomon Long and Albert Townsend.

William Marcus Orton was born at Antwerp, Jefferson county, New York, on February 20, 1839. He was one of a family of twelve—eight boys and four girls—seven of whom are still living. While still in his teens he changed residence, with his parents, four times—first to Canada, then to Illinois in 1854, the year following to Anoka, and a short time after to Estes Brook. The family finally settled in Greenbush, where the subject of this sketch took up a homestead near that of his father, and during the winters of several years following he worked in the lumber camps on the upper Rum river. He was enrolled in the service of his country in Company H, First Minnesota regiment of heavy artillery volunteers, on February 10, 1865, and received an honorable discharge on September 25, 1865, at Nashville, Tenn., when he returned to Minnesota and again took up his residence on his claim.

William Orton was married on March 6, 1870, to Miss Laura Ellen Bigelow of Santiago and immediately began housekeeping on his farm, which is known today as the Frank Harper place. In November, 1874, he and his wife moved to another farm, which he had purchased in the town of Greenbush, five miles west of Princeton. There he lived until 1901, when failing health compelled him to leave the farm and move into the village of Princeton. His condition was largely due to a severe injury received accidentally in 1872, and from which he suffered during the remainder of his life.

Mr. Orton was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge and of the Grand Army of the Republic. He was also a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, which he joined at Greenbush, on the Princeton charge, in 1874. In 1901 he transferred his membership to Princeton, where he became a member of the official board.

There were born to Mr. and Mrs. Orton six children, four sons and two daughters, all of whom are living. Mrs. Orton also survives her husband. The children and their residences are as follows: Geo. M., Elmer E. and Willie O., Preston, Mont.; Eliza Alice, Bruno, Minn.; Ellen J., Elk River, Minn.; Luther E., Princeton. Five brothers and two sisters also survive him, viz., John, Otsego, Minn.; Alvin, Swanville, Minn.; Samuel, Princeton; Nathan, Greenbush; Jefferson, Aitkin, Minn.; Mrs. Malinda Farrington, and Mrs. Anna Brown, Princeton.

As Rev. Heard truly said in his brief but eloquent tribute to the memory of the deceased, William M. Orton was an exemplary citizen and in every way an honorable man—it would be difficult to find in all this broad land a man more upright, honest and just. He was a neighborly man, kind, sociable and sunny natured—a man whom no one

could know without respecting. The writer has known him intimately for more than thirty years and we always found him to be square, manly and outspoken, one whose promise, in business or in politics, could be absolutely relied upon. In common with his legion of other friends we sincerely mourn his departure from among us.

Adolph Schimming.

Adolph Herman Ernest Schimming, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Schimming, died at the home of his parents in the town of Princeton on Thursday, April 15, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Bright's disease, from which the young man had been a sufferer for seven years, was the cause of death. Mr. Schimming was aged 25 years 5 months 18 days.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. George Stamm at the Princeton German Lutheran church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, and the interment was in the cemetery of that church.

Adolph Herman Ernest Schimming was born at Howard Lake, Minn., on October 20, 1883, and came to Princeton township with his parents in 1898, where he resided until his death. He is survived by his parents, five brothers and five sisters. The brothers and sisters of deceased are as follows: Fred, Anton, Elsie and Ernest Schimming, and Mrs. Chas. Jaenicke, Princeton; Henry and Lena, Minneapolis; Mrs. H. Reeka, Buffalo; Mrs. Albert Tyler, Decorah, Iowa; William, Great Falls, Montana; who, with the exception of three, were in attendance at the funeral.

Adolph Schimming had been a great sufferer during his seven years of sickness, although he uncomplainingly bore his pain. He was a young man possessing many good traits of character and who had many true friends.

Andrew Anderson.

Andrew Anderson died at his home in Wyandott on Monday from heart failure, aged 91 years. Mr. Anderson was born in Sweden and had resided in Wyandott a long time. He is survived by a wife, four sons and two daughters. Funeral services were held in the Mission church, Wyandott, on Tuesday afternoon and the interment was in the cemetery of that church.

Mr. Anderson was a successful farmer and a man generally respected.

Mrs. A. B. Whitcomb.

Annie, the wife of A. B. Whitcomb, died yesterday morning at 12:30 at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lundberg, three miles east of Zimmerman. The cause of death was tuberculosis, from which she had suffered for six months. Mrs. Whitcomb was 23 years of age and is survived by a husband, a daughter one year old, a father, mother, two brothers and three sisters. The brothers and sisters are David, Willie, Ester, Mable and Ruth Lundberg.

Mrs. Whitcomb was a good christian woman who leaves many friends.

Had a Close Shave.

While H. L. Mathis and Andrew Bullis were taking a little spin in the first-named gentleman's automobile early Monday morning, and when some distance on the other side of the East Branch bridge, the machine ran amuck and its occupants had a narrow escape from receiving fatal injuries.

It appears that the machine—going at an average rate of speed—had just passed a team of horses which became scared, and Mr. Mathis, turning around to ascertain the result, accidentally shifted the steering gear and the automobile plunged down a four-foot embankment. There it struck a post on a barbed-wire fence and threw Mathis about twenty feet.

Mr. Bullis jumped from the other side of the machine. Mathis' right leg was badly bruised and Andrew, in jumping, had the left sleeve of his coat ripped open and his arm badly scratched. But he does not mind this as much as a bruise which he received in his side, which is very painful.

After the accident Mr. Mathis, with the assistance of Gust Lind, who was passing at the time, managed to back the machine out of the ditch and, although badly damaged, it was run back to Princeton and Mathis made his mail trip in it the same day. The next day, however, he found himself so stiff that he could not leave his bed.

Mr. Mathis is an expert chauffeur, but occasionally the best of them become careless or, at any rate, meet with accidents.

See Extensions.

A Duluth dispatch, based on information obtained from a Soo official, is to the effect that the branch from Deerwood to Moose Lake will be built by another year, also that that road will have a direct route from Duluth to St. Paul via Frederick, Wis.

## A PRETTY WEDDING

Thomas J. Kaliber and Miss Mary R. O'Reilly Married at St. Edward's Catholic Church.

Many Persons Witness Impressive and Beautiful Ceremony Conducted by Rev. Levings.

At St. Edward's church in this village, on Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock, Thomas J. Kaliber and Miss Mary R. O'Reilly were united in marriage by Rev. Father Levings. Many of the young people's relatives and friends were in attendance to witness the solemnization of the nuptials.

As the beautiful strains of the wedding march from Lohengrin, played by Mrs. J. J. Skahen, poured forth from the organ the bride, leaning upon the arm of her cousin, Serenus Skahen, and preceded by Clair Kaliber and Fred Dugan, ushers, Miss Margaret Quinn, bridesmaid, and little Adeline Kaliber, ring bearer, proceeded slowly to the altar rail. There they were joined by the groom and his attendant, Dr. D. A. McRae, who came in by way of the vestry entrance. Serenus Skahen then sang a solo, "My Rosary," as the ceremonies proceeded, and during the impressive rites which followed he sang another solo, "O, Promise Me."

The bride's dress was of cream silk—a magnificent fabric manufactured in the Philippines and presented to Miss O'Reilly by her brother. The collar of the gown was of point lace with pearls. A rosary of pearls, also presented by her brother, was carried by the bride. This rosary, which is of great value, was found in Manila during the progress of the Philippine war. Miss Margaret Quinn, the bridesmaid, wore a dress of pearl grey satin and also carried a rosary. Roses were worn in the hair of both bride and bridesmaid.

Miss Elizabeth McAdams assisted the bride in preparing for the ceremony—in attiring her and arranging her coiffure.

Following the nuptials the bridal party proceeded to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Skahen, where a bountiful wedding breakfast was partaken of.

Presents in large number were bestowed upon the young people, many of which were brought by express. Silverware, cut glass, bronzes and other valuable gifts were among the articles received by them.

Among those who attended the wedding from abroad were Mrs. Clara V. Youngdale, nee Miss Lasher, who formerly taught school in Princeton, of North Yakima, Washington; Miss Margaret Quinn, Cloquet; Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Kaliber, Little Falls; Earl Kaliber, Wisconsin; Lawrence Kaliber, Bemidji.

Mr. and Mrs. Kaliber left on Monday evening for a short wedding tour, and will be at home to their friends in the Mabel Evans house after May 1.

Mr. Kaliber, the groom, is one of Princeton's best known and most industrious young business men, while his fair bride is a young lady of many accomplishments who has endeavored herself to a large number of friends. For ten years she was bookkeeper and assistant cashier for J. J. Skahen, and is an excellent accountant.

The Union is pleased to be afforded an opportunity to extend its congratulations to these worthy young people and to wish them uninterrupted happiness through life.

State Land Sale.

In another column appears a list of the state lands that will be offered for sale at 11 a. m. on Wednesday, June 2. There is not much state land left in Mille Lacs county and the sale next June will probably be the last that will be held here for several years to come, so any person who wishes to secure a piece of land on easy terms had better embrace the opportunity offered on June 2. The terms are easy: 15 per cent of the principal and a year's interest in advance at time of sale, the balance can run for 40 years at four per cent interest.

We notice that there are quite a number of tracts delinquent in interest. Unless interest is paid by date of sale the certificate holders will lose what they have invested, for the land will be resold. It is poor policy to get behind in interest payments. The penalty of 12 per cent on delinquent interest counts up fast and in a few years, the interest and penalty will amount to as much as the original unpaid principal. See that all back interest is paid before date of sale and avoid trouble, then pay your interest annually thereafter on or before June 1st.

## ELK RIVER BOYS WIN

Season's First Game Between High School Teams Was Snappy and Much Enjoyed.

Game Was Princeton's Up to Sixth Inning, When Elk River Made Spurt and Won Out.

The first baseball game at Princeton this season was played on Saturday between the two old-time rivals, the Elk River and Princeton high school teams, the visitors winning by a score of 11 to 9.

Up to the sixth inning it was Princeton's game, the score being 5 to 0 at the beginning of the inning, when three of the locals went into the air. Before they came down Elk River had scored six runs. Again, in the seventh the visitors sent four more scores across the plate, which proved sufficient to win the game, although they made another score in the eighth for good measure.

Al Angstman officiated upon the mound for the locals and, with good support, would have won the game. Jess Angstman was at the receiving end of the game and, as usual, caught well. This battery will be heard from before the season is over. The scores by innings were as follows:

Princeton	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	4-9
Elk River	0	0	0	0	6	4	1	0-11

Batteries: Princeton, Angstman and Angstman; Elk River, E. Davis and C. Anderson.

Council Gives Its Sailing Orders.

The council met in adjourned session on Thursday evening, April 15, for the purpose of starting the village off right under the new regime—giving the sailing orders, etc. Among the business disposed of was the following:

S. A. Cravens was re-elected marshal at a salary of \$50 per month flat. The village scales were ordered closed until next fall or such time as the council deemed it advisable to again operate them.

A representative of a coal company was present and offered to send a 20-ton car of two kinds of coal, with an engineer, to give a practical test of what it would accomplish. The offer was accepted.

The liquor bonds of Fred Holm and Sjoblom Bros. were approved. Councilman Whitney suggested that the liquor licenses be increased, but upon motion the amount was fixed at \$800, as heretofore.

President Ferrell stated that he was opposed to raising the license so long as the number of saloons remained the same as at present—he believed in giving the proprietors an opportunity to make a living without having to resort to selling liquor on Sunday or other unlawful acts. He would, however, favor a higher license if the number of saloons were cut down to four or five.

E. L. McMillan was elected village attorney at a salary of \$100 per year.

President Ferrell then addressed the saloonkeepers, who had been summoned to appear before the council. He said that the council had decided upon a course which he believed would benefit all concerned. He told them that some of the things which the council asked them to do could not be enforced under any state law, but he was of opinion that they would cheerfully co-operate with the council in carrying out its request. If not ordinances would be passed which would enforce compliance. The requirements of the council, in brief form, are as follows:

That no women shall be permitted to hold forth in saloons.

That all tables shall be removed from saloons.

That all gambling devices such as slot machines, dice boxes, etc., shall be removed. This to apply also to candy stores, barber shops, drug stores, cigar stores, etc.

That saloonkeepers shall not clean up their places of business on Sunday, but an hour and a half would be allowed for this purpose on Saturday or any other night suitable after the regular closing hour. The saloon doors must, however, be locked during this time and no patrons allowed therein.

That minors shall not be allowed in saloons and if such minors attempted to secure drinks the saloonkeepers shall eject them from the premises.

That fellows on the black list and intoxicated persons shall under no condition be sold or given liquor. That gambling rooms in connection with saloons would not be tolerated under pain of having the license revoked. Other persons found running gambling rooms, clubs or blind pigs would be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

The saloon men all appeared

pleased with the demands of the council and expressed their willingness to comply with the requirements. Mr. Ferrell created a very favorable impression by the manner in which he gave his sailing orders. He did not dilly-dally or hem and haw in delivering the instructions, but gave them in a clear manner which everyone could understand.

The matter of sprinkling the streets was brought up and the recorder appointed a committee of one to ascertain how many business houses would agree to pay for such service.

Benjamin Soule was present for the purpose of ascertaining the disposition of the sprinkling question and was ready to water the streets if the council so desired. Mr. Soule said he did not consider it right that the village should engage in business of any kind. In this he was supported by President Ferrell, but, said Mr. Ferrell, as the old council saw fit to purchase horses and a sprinkler I don't know what else we can do but make use of them.

This concluded the business.

County Commissioners.

On Tuesday the board of county commissioners met in adjourned session and disposed of such business as was brought before it. Its work consisted in large part of hearing petitions, a synopsis of which follows:

E. L. Hawes made application for a reduction of assessment and taxes on personal property in the town of Isle Harbor. The application was refused.

A petition to annex township 41, range 25, to the town of Isle Harbor was presented and final action deferred until the next meeting of the board.

A similar disposition was made of a petition to annex township 40, range 26, to the town of Hayland.

Petition to annex township 40, range 27, to the town of Page was granted.

A petition for the formation of a new school district consisting of sections 19, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33—except the east half of the southeast quarter of the last mentioned—in township 39, range 27, was granted.

The village council of the village of Milaca petitioned to have the books of the recorder and treasurer of said village investigated by the public examiner. The matter was laid over.

A petition to change the course of the county road in the town of Isle Harbor was deferred.

Five individual petitions to be set off from school district 11 to 13 were disallowed.

License to sell intoxicating liquors in the town of Isle Harbor was granted to D. H. McCuaig.

Andrew Mattson presented a petition praying to be set off from school district 29 to 20 and a hearing was ordered for May 20.

Individual petitions of Alfred Nelson and Christ Hogan to be set off from school district 11 to 8 were laid over.

The board gave orders that notice be served on the Great Northern Railroad company to put in two crossings on the state highway in the town of Bogus Brook.

It was voted to pay to the village of Princeton the sum of \$1 per month for street sprinkling.

Commissioners Cater, Dalchow and Uglem were appointed a committee on court house repairs with power to order such improvements as were necessary.

The Silver lake ditch petition was heard and the prayer of petitioners granted.

An adjournment was taken yesterday afternoon to May 20.

Mrs. Wm. Neely Surprised.

On Thursday evening a number of ladies assembled at Mrs. C. A. Dickey's and proceeded to the home of Mrs. William Neely for the purpose of surprising her upon the anniversary of her birthday and—they succeeded. They found Mrs. Neely en dishabille—she had been cleaning house and was working in the kitchen. The hours of the evening were pleasantly whiled away with games and music, and at 11:30 a delicious luncheon, with which the ladies had gone prepared, was served. Mrs. Neely was presented with a silver pie fork by the visitors, and as they left all wished her many happy returns of the day. It was, indeed, a happy social gathering.

No Reapportionment.

For another two years at least the 45th legislative district—Mille Lacs, Sherburne, Anoka and Isanti—will remain intact, as the Johnson reapportionment bill which passed the house was defeated in the senate. In the early part of the session the Union predicted there would be no reapportionment.

## ADJOURNED SINE DIE

Thirty-Sixth Legislature Has Closed Its Labors With Some Good Laws to Its Credit.

No Vicious Legislation Enacted and the Tax Levy Has Been Reduced Half a Mill.

Special St. Paul Correspondence.

St. Paul, April 22.—It is all over and the thirty-sixth Minnesota legislature is now history. As they say, is speaking of the deceased, the end came quietly at noon today and for another two years at least the state will be free from the disturbing influences of its biennial law-making body. That it was worth the price, something like \$200,000, remains to be seen, and that the bills it enacted into laws were worth the effort time alone can judge. That the usual amount of trash got by goes without saying; in fact, frankness compels the statement that the majority of it was trash; but still the session was not without its good things. Quite a few important laws will be found on the statutes when the full list is published.

The finish today noon, when the gavel of the two presiding officers announced adjournment sine die, was without incident. Wednesday night, which marked the closing period for the passage of bills, had exhausted the solons, and little in the way of frivolity was permitted. They awaited the end quietly. With the approach of the midnight hour Wednesday there was the usual fun. With boyish enthusiasm decorum was thrown to the winds. Spit balls flew thick and fast, waste paper filled the air and, when it was not available, most any thing handy was used. Everybody was in a good humor and jokes were taken good naturedly. To the spectators in the gallery it was a show well worth the price of admission.

Well, it is all over, and northern Minnesota can rest in peace and prosperity for another two years, thanks to one man who had the courage of his convictions. Gov. Johnson vetoed the Borge tonnage tax bill Tuesday. There was no bombast about it, just the simple sentence disapproved and a brief message saying that he believed it was against public policy. Silence prevailed during the reading and then came a ripple of applause from the opposition to the bill that later grew into cheers and prolonged hand clapping. The telephone and the telegraph were worked overtime in conveying the glad news to friends, and with that task finished the balance of the time was given over to joking those who had voted for the measure. Many took it good naturedly, but there were others who made no bones regarding their disappointment, and they showed it in remarks calculated to discredit Gov. Johnson. All around it was a happy day for the Duluth contingent and their friends, and they made the most of it.

Politics is allright, and your correspondent has no apologies to offer when the Grand Old party is involved, but he would be a small-bore proposition indeed who would allow his political sympathies to bias any credit coming to the democratic executive as a result of his veto of the tonnage tax bill. In this matter Gov. Johnson has set right above party and, while some of the leaders may disagree with him in the action he has taken, he has earned the gratitude of one section of the state that will not be forgetful of the favor given. In time the whole state will come to see the wisdom of his veto.

Following the tonnage tax veto, which reached the house Tuesday noon, quite a few were heard to express the opinion that the question was settled for all time; that the veto, backed as it was by the overwhelming force of public sentiment, would bring about a revulsion of opinion that would simply mean the political death knell of any one attempting to revive it. Gentlemen, you are wrong. Tonnage tax will be revived next session and it will be one of the topics four years from now. Education only, and strict attention to the men sent to represent the various districts in the Minnesota law-making body, can head it off. When conservatism slumbers radicalism raises its hooded head and, under our primary system, its power to control is greatly enhanced. Gov. Johnson's veto of Tuesday would not have been necessary had the Iron Range country busied itself following the defeat of the question two years ago. It might