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## PRINCETON GOES DRY

By a Vote of 207 to 198, for the First Time in Its History, Princeton Goes Dry.

The Friends of License Have Themselves Largely to Blame for Tuesday's Outcome.

Very few voters failed to exercise the right of suffrage at the village election Tuesday. For several weeks prior to election an effort was made by a few to agree upon a compromise ticket. First it was thought that the so-called progressive faction might agree on C. S. Neumann for president, and in that event the other faction would endorse him. The progressives were to select another man for trustee; the other wing was to select two trustees; Mr. Hatch for recorder and Mr. Herdlika for treasurer were agreeable to all factions. It was understood that Messrs. McRae and Hummel of the old council were to represent the old guard. But Mr. Neumann failed to get the indorsement of the progressives, then his dander was up and he was bound to run in any event. Mr. Hummel was objected to by the progressives, and Mr. Wheeler, who was the progressives' candidate for president, wanted Mr. Ernest Moeger for his running mate. After much palavering the ticket agreed upon was Wheeler for president of the council and McRae, Miller and Kallher for trustees. This ticket was not agreed upon until Saturday morning. In the meantime Mr. Neumann announced his candidacy for president of the council, but on Sunday he consented to go on a ticket headed by W. H. Ferrell, although both of them knew there was small chance of their winning.

If, as the Union suggested, a general caucus had been held, candidates might have been selected upon whom all could have united and there would have been but one ticket in the field, and strife and bitterness might have been avoided.

The license question was supposed to be the main issue. When the ballots were counted it was found that 207 votes were recorded "against license" and 198 "for license." A change of six votes would have resulted in a victory for the license men, as it required a majority of all the votes cast to carry license. The friends of license have themselves largely to blame for the result. Had they devoted their efforts purely to the question of license or no license they would have won. But many of the advocates of license seemed to be more interested in the election of a president of the council than they were in carrying license. There were two candidates for president of the council—M. L. Wheeler and W. H. Ferrell. The license people generally were opposed to Mr. Ferrell, although, over his own signature, he had pledged himself to grant license if a majority of the voters declared in favor of license. Mr. Ferrell had twice before been elected president of the council and had, as far as he was concerned, carried out the wishes of the voters, and there was no earthly reason to presume he would have done otherwise had he been elected Tuesday and had a majority of the voters declared for license. Mr. Ferrell's friends, naturally enough, resented the bitter fight that was waged against him by the friends of license.

There was a medley of tickets in circulation—gotten up for the express purpose of befuddling the voters. The Australian ballot law should be made to apply to village elections. The names of all candidates should be printed on one ballot, the same as at the general election in November.

The candidates elected were as follows: President of the council, M. L. Wheeler; trustees, D. A. McRae, W. H. Miller and T. J. Kallher; recorder, E. W. Hatch; treasurer, J. C. Herdlika; justices of the peace, C. A. Dickey and F. C. Foltz; constable, Frank Blair.

Here is the vote in detail:

Against license.....	207
For license.....	198
Unmarked ballots.....	2
Total vote cast on question.....	407
For President of the Council:	
M. L. Wheeler.....	228
W. H. Ferrell.....	164
C. S. Neumann.....	12
For Trustees:	
D. A. McRae.....	287
W. H. Miller.....	275
T. J. Kallher.....	190
C. S. Neumann.....	144
J. H. Hoffman.....	76
Joe Whitcomb.....	24

For Recorder:	369
E. W. Hatch.....	369
For Treasurer:	363
J. C. Herdlika.....	363
For Justice of the Peace:	385
C. A. Dickey.....	385
F. J. Darragh.....	77
F. C. Foltz.....	199
For Constable:	366
Frank Blair.....	366
Fred Young.....	37

Milaca Village—President, S. H. Olson; trustees, C. F. J. Goebel, A. T. Tufty, W. A. Erickson; recorder, J. H. Sundt; treasurer, C. H. Dahlstrom; justice, C. F. J. Goebel; constables, H. H. Bane, F. R. Harlin.

Onamia Village—President of council, L. E. Balow; trustees, S. L. Lund, Alos Dalgren, E. W. Davis; recorder, Olof Wasenius; treasurer, James Warren; justice, R. E. Harrington; constable, Oren Love. For license, 68; against license, 37.

Onamia—Supervisor for three years, Geo. Meyers; for one year, August Olson; clerk, G. H. Carr; treasurer, M. P. Pierson; justices, G. H. Carr, Ed Price; constable, Robert Swedberg.

Foreston—President, Geo. H. Deans; trustees, Swen Collin, Ed Stromwall, Jas. Chisholm; recorder, Sylvan C. Sheets; treasurer, F. T. P. Neumann; justices, P. C. Lynch, A. Morehouse; constable, J. Kniffin.

Wahkon—President J. N. Thorsted; trustees J. L. Gerrish, Manuel Mattson, Frank Morneau; recorder, Harry Fox; justices, L. K. Dann, J. L. Bezanon; constable, Ed Kallher. For license, 39; against license, 27. Total vote cast 66.

### J. M. Johnson's Residence Burns.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnson, with the whole of its contents, was consumed by fire on Sunday morning. The fire was discovered by W. C. Doane shortly after 5 o'clock—a lurid light shining through the windows of his house attracting his attention. He immediately turned in an alarm, but by the time the fire department arrived—although it responded promptly—the air spaces in the walls of the brick-veneered house were one mass of flame. The two story and a half building was constructed in such manner that nothing could stop a fire in the walls after it had attained a headway.

It is supposed that the fire started from the furnace in the basement, or from one of the pipes leading therefrom, and spread through the spaces of the walls, eventually finding an outlet at the gable of the roof. It was impossible for the firemen to enter the building as it was a mass of seething flames, but the boys battled heroically, having plenty of water at their command, until noon on Sunday, when nothing but ruins remained.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and Miss Mildred Rutherford were visiting at Mora at the time of the fire and returned on Sunday after being notified of the occurrence.

Mr. Johnson carried an insurance of \$8,083 on the building and \$5,600 on the furniture.

The Johnson home was built in 1896 by I. E. Burgan and bought by M. S. Rutherford in 1900.

### Have Road Drags Ready.

Every town board should provide road drags or road planers for use on the roads this year. There will be a fund in each town for road-dragging purposes, and that fund cannot be used for any other purpose than providing drags and dragging the roads. The law provides that, "The town board in each town, on recommendation of the town road overseer, shall enter into contracts for the dragging of the roads of the town, giving preference to the main traveled roads and roads constituting mail routes." There is no cheaper or better way of keeping roads in good condition, especially clay roads, than by the systematic use of road drags. Supervisors and road overseers should remember that the provision of the law with reference to the dragging of roads is not directory, IT IS MANDATORY.

### "Girls of the Sixties" Entertained.

"The Girls of the Sixties" were entertained at the residence of S. S. Petterson last Saturday afternoon by Mrs. Watie Petterson and Miss Huse and the usual good time was enjoyed. The decorations were red and white tulips, while the place cards contained an appropriate, original verse and were adorned with miniature candles. The favors were dainty little raffia baskets filled with overflowing with delicious confections. It was late in the evening when the joyous "girls" departed for their homes in a happy frame of mind.

## TOWNSHIP RESULTS

Princeton Town Meeting, Held in Village, is Well Attended by Representative Farmers.

Election Returns From Various Points in the Counties of Mille Lacs, Sherburne and Isanti.

Being a balmy, springlike day, there was a good attendance at the town meeting for Princeton township, held over the Caley hardware store on Tuesday—representative farmers from all parts of the township were there to take part in the proceedings in which they were interested. The proceedings were carried out in a systematic manner, which goes to show that the farmers are well posted on the laws which govern such conventions.

Hereunder is given the township ticket, with the number of votes cast for each candidate:

Supervisor, 3 years—	
Fred Eggert.....	73
Henry Marpe.....	59
Harry Mott.....	5
Theo. O. Ziemann.....	24
Town Clerk—	
Albert Kuhfield.....	136
Treasurer—	
Dave Wetter.....	108
H. F. Holthus.....	47
Justice of Peace—	
Wm. Lipp.....	107
Fred Miller.....	2
Constables—	
Henry Uglem.....	88
Carl Rick.....	33
Total vote cast 153.	

At 1 o'clock in the afternoon the business meeting was called to order by August F. Meyer, who usually acts as moderator upon such occasions, and who is a man well qualified to fulfill the duties required. While it is a tedious job, August invariably comes out all right.

The first matter which came before the meeting was the poundmaster proposition and it was decided to appoint none. It was also decided to make no change either in the location of bulletin boards or guide posts.

The annual report of the board of audit was then read by Albert Kuhfield, town clerk, which gave in detail the receipts and expenditures of the township and showed in a clear manner every financial transaction. The financial statement, in synoptic form, follows:

Mar. 4, 1913, balance in treasury.....	\$463.22
Received—	
Apr. 4, 1913, county treasurer.....	516.88
July 14, 1913, county treasurer.....	1178.10
Dec. 5, 1913, county treasurer.....	685.61
Sept. 29, 1913, Otto Lueck, half damages for cartway.....	23.75
June 12, 1913, unorganized towns.....	200.00
Total.....	\$3067.05
Orders paid to March 3, 1914.....	\$3069.45
Total receipts for year ending March 3, 1914.....	3067.05
Overdraft from combined fund.....	\$31.80
Overdraft in town fund March 4, 1913.....	\$30.00
Disbursements from town fund for year ending March 3, 1914.....	\$571.91
Total overdraft on Mar. 3, 1914.....	\$234.89
Received by town officers for year ending March 3, 1914.....	
Albert Kuhfield, services as clerk.....	\$7.53
Geo. Schmidt, services as supervisor.....	41.10
Henry Dalchow, services as supervisor.....	39.00
Wm. Klinghoffer, services as supervisor.....	47.00
Aug. F. Meyer, services as supervisor.....	2.00
Aug. F. Meyer, services as assessor.....	74.00
Dave Wetter, treasurer's fees.....	52.00
Total.....	\$333.61

Moderator Meyer, following the reading of the financial statement, then announced that the board of audit had suggested that \$484 be levied for current expenses and \$3,000 for road and bridge purposes.

Louis Rust thereupon made a motion that the road and bridge fund be placed at \$2,000 and the motion carried.

Val Sauser, who voted neither for or against, then suggested that the matter be reconsidered, and the moderator gave the gathering ten minutes to discuss the proposition—giving in the meantime his views as to the advisability of voting \$3,000. He thoroughly explained the situation, and it was later demonstrated that the voters did not fully understand Rust's motion.

Henry Marpe then moved to reconsider Rust's motion and Marpe's motion prevailed.

H. Reys then made a motion that \$3,000 be designated as the amount for road and bridge purposes, and the motion carried by a large majority.

The amount suggested by the town board of audit—\$484—for the current expense fund was unanimously agreed upon.

A discussion as to the condemnation,—removal or repair of the Sadley bridge resulted in a decision that the town board exercise its discretion in the matter.

Albert Kuhfield, town clerk, had

no opposition at this election. It is well, for Mr. Kuhfield has proved himself to be a competent man. He is well posted on the duties devolving upon him and he has performed those duties faithfully. In Dave Wetter the town has also had an efficient treasurer.

Greenbush—Supervisor, Peter Peterson; clerk, Oscar Erickson; treasurer, John Teutz; justice, Frank Reibenstein; constables, N. P. Olson, George Wilhelm. For road and bridge purposes, \$2,352, \$600 of which is to be expended on state roads Nos. 4 and 5, work of improving to commence at town line of Princeton on state road No. 4. For town purposes, \$300. Well done, Greenbush.

Borgholm—Supervisor, Noah Johnson; clerk, George Hulbert; treasurer, Carl Eckdal; justice, J. P. Billings; constable, Nelse Hoglund. For road and bridge purposes, \$2,086; for town purposes, \$400.

Bogus Brook—Supervisor, Henry Dalchow; clerk, A. J. Franzen; treasurer, A. Nelson; justice, P. C. Van Someren; constable, Lucas Slagter. For road and bridge purposes, \$3,000; for town purposes, \$300.

East Side—Supervisor, Peter Kass; clerk, Oscar Anderson; treasurer, Ole Engstrom; justices, Carl Haglund, Will Meyer; constables, M. C. Johnson, A. Wallin. Road and bridge, \$459; town revenue, \$259.

South Harbor—Supervisor, Peter Peterson; clerk, F. W. Miller; treasurer, F. Bauer; justice, W. S. Massen; constable, William Brandt. Road and bridge, \$800; town revenue, \$200. Total vote cast, 44.

Kathio—Supervisor, W. H. Genereux; clerk, E. E. Dinwiddie; treasurer, William Anderson; justice, J. H. Milton; constable, Peter Evans. Road and bridge, \$1,000; town revenue, \$250. Total vote cast, 15.

Milaca—Supervisor, Louis Seaman; clerk, N. A. Merbach; treasurer, Daniel Nelson; assessor, Geo. Mathison; justices, Emil Matson, B. B. Kjalien; constables, Olof Nelson, John Nelson. Road and bridge, \$1,200; town revenue, \$375; sanitary fund, \$100.

Hayland—Supervisor, F. Eranseke; clerk, Chas. Willis; treasurer, Ole J. Harstad; justice, H. W. Harter; constable C. O. Olson. Road and bridge, \$2,000; town revenue, \$350.

Page—Supervisor, B. D. Williams; clerk, August Anderson; treasurer, Chas. Isaacs; justice, Carl Sholin; constable, Axel Anderson. Road and bridge, \$2,200; town revenue, \$300.

Milo—Supervisor, N. E. Anderson; clerk, R. N. Atkinson; treasurer, G. H. Strating; justices, R. L. Danger, M. E. Northway; constable, O. J. Amlie. Road and bridge, \$2,125; town revenue, \$200. The town voted to accept the proposition of R. C. Dunn to expend \$500 of state money on state road No. 5.

Isle Harbor—Supervisor, Frank Burroughs; clerk C. M. Haigren; treasurer J. L. Gerrish; justices T. E. Potts, G. Sharp; constable, Ed Kallher. Road and bridge \$3,058; town revenue, \$600.

### Sherburne County.

Elk River Village—President, Chas. S. Simen; trustees, Ed Keegan, Elmer Scott, F. M. Plank; recorder, W. F. Chadbourne; justice, H. C. Hastings.

Lake Fremont Village—President, H. J. Mickelson; trustees, E. H. Foley, R. F. Brown, Bert Nash; recorder, W. R. Hurtt; treasurer, A. R. Berglund; justices, Bert Briggs, G. N. Stendahl; constable, Albert Burget.

Blue Hill—Supervisor, H. J. Craft; clerk, H. B. Pratt; treasurer, John Olson; justice, Hartman Camp. Road and bridge, \$1,000; town revenue, \$200. Total vote cast, 75.

Baldwin—Supervisor, Everett Hamilton; clerk, P. A. Chalstrom; treasurer, Martin Rossing; constable, W. A. Foote. Road and bridge, \$1,000; town revenue, \$300; ditch, \$100; building, \$100.

### Isanti County.

Wyanett—Supervisor for three years, Albert Johnson; for one year, Louis Palm; clerk, Emanuel Lundgren; treasurer, Dan Findell; justice, Geo. Tomlinson; constable, John Jarden. Road and bridge, \$1,500; town revenue, \$300.

Spencer Brook—Supervisor, M. C. Scanlan; clerk, O. W. Blomquist; treasurer, F. W. Goodwin; justice, P. B. Peterson; constable, Earl Thompson. Road and bridge, \$2,000; town revenue, \$150.

### Farms Wanted.

I am making up my list of farms for this season and would like to list several farms at reasonable prices.

Robt. H. King.

## BASKET BALL GAMES

Local High School Quint is Defeated by Anoka Highs by the Decisive Score of 23 to 13.

Company B Team of Anoka Goes Down to Defeat Before the Swift Princeton Quint.

The Anoka high school basket ball team defeated the quint of the local high school at the armory last Friday night by the score of 23 to 13. The game was a fast, clean exhibition of the great indoor sport and both teams went at it hammer and tongs throughout the forty minutes of play. The visitors proved too much for the locals, however, and their floor work and basket shooting was of a very high variety—in fact they played the strongest game that any of the high school teams have exhibited on the armory floor this year.

The score at the end of the first half was 6 to 9 in favor of Anoka, and in the latter part of this first period of play the Princetonians were playing a stronger game than the visitors but were unable to overcome the early lead that the Anoka lads grabbed off right at the start of the game. Anoka negotiated three baskets and one free throw in the first half, and Princeton scored three field goals and no free throws.

One of the Princeton scores was ruled out, however, on account of dribbling before the basket was made. This was according to the agreement made before the game relative to this feature of the play, and this antebellum provision worked havoc with the play of the orange and black, for they were used to the style of play that permits dribbling, and the sudden shift in the rules made their play uncertain and hesitating at times.

The second half was merely a repetition of the first, with both teams playing a hard, grinding game, and fighting bitterly for every point. The heavier and more experienced players proved too big an obstacle for the local athletes and the count at the end of the game showed Anoka 23 and Princeton 13.

Although defeated, the Princeton team can well feel proud of their excellent showing made against this fast Anoka team, for every player on the Princeton team is playing his first year of basket ball, whereas several of the Anoka lads have been at the game for three or four seasons.

Princeton played a hard, scrappy game, and made up in determination and grit what they lacked in experience and polish. The Anoka team played a clean, gentlemanly game and made good use of their superior knowledge and ability to shoot baskets.

### Company B Team Vanquished.

Before the record crowd of the year the Princeton basket ball team took the measure of the Company B team of Anoka at the armory last Tuesday night, the final count being Princeton 61, Anoka 9. These same two teams had previously played a 30 to 30 tie and the second game decided the tie, and the contest was looked forward to as a battle royal. However, the battle royal didn't materialize, as the Princeton bunch got the jump on the visitors right at the start of the game and simply played circles around the orange and black athletes throughout the forty minutes of play. The locals played a hard, smashing game and never for a minute did they let up. Anoka's attempts to stem the tide of defeat proved futile and their offensive play was quickly analyzed and broken up by the locals. In one way the game was a disappointment, for the crowd had gathered with the idea in mind of seeing a real close game. However, the fast, sure work of the Princetonians in getting the lead and holding it throughout the game and the decisive score rolled up took this touch of disappointment out of it and left no doubt in the minds of the spectators as to which team was the better.

The score at the end of the first half was 21 to 6 in favor of Princeton, and in the second half the locals garnered in 40 more points, and the best the visitors could do was to get one field goal and one free throw from a foul. During this second half the home team simply romped away from the Anoka lads and scored basket after basket almost at will—even the Princeton guards came down and took shots at the Anoka basket.

The whole Princeton squad was in

action during the play, several changes being made in the line-up in order to give them all a chance. The team played the first half with Smith and Vondemair at the forward positions, Heinz at center and Morton and Doane playing guards. This proved a strong combination, and at the end of the first half they had a 15 point lead over their opponents. In the second half Art Roos and Wilkes were put into the line-up, and they kept up the good work of the players whom they replaced. Suffice to say that each wearer of the Princeton colors did his share towards administering a severe drubbing to their old-time rivals from down river.

As a curtain raiser to the big game the Princeton Juniors, or eighth-graders, played the Princeton Tigers, and the antics of the little fellows kept the crowd in an uproar. Incidentally the kids gave a good exhibition of the great indoor sport, and several of them bid fair to develop into first-class players. The Juniors proved too much for the Tigers and defeated them 14 to 11.

The Citizens' band was also on the job and kept things going by playing stirring tunes before the game and during the intermissions. When not playing the members of the band were rooting for the home team, and in general added to the gaiety of the occasion wherever opportunity offered. Village election returns were also announced from the stage by Grover Umhoecker, and the excitement was kept going from start to finish.

### Silver Wedding Celebration.

Those good people, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Beneman of Princeton township, on the evening of Thursday last celebrated their silver wedding in a most appropriate manner. It was indeed a very pretty event and enjoyment reigned supreme throughout the evening and into the early morning of the next day.

Attired in a becoming dress of silver grey and wearing a wreath of silver flowers, Mrs. Beneman at 8:30 o'clock approached an improvised altar, and there she was joined by Mr. Beneman, who wore a boutonniere in the lapel of his coat. Rev. Eugene Ahl then read the impressive marriage service of the German Lutheran church. Mr. and Mrs. Beneman then received the congratulations of almost a hundred friends who were present and were also the recipients of many beautiful gifts in silver as mementoes of the occasion.

Little Theresa Beneman's fifth birthday anniversary was also celebrated jointly with her parents' silver wedding and she received a large number of pretty presents.

At 12 o'clock the guests were invited to enter the dining room, where, upon a table prettily decorated with a floral centerpiece, an excellent supper was served. It was, indeed, a jolly party that participated in the feast.

The Union congratulates Mr. and Mrs. Beneman and hopes they may live to celebrate their golden wedding.

### The Band Concert.

The members of the Princeton Citizens' band certainly were at their best last Thursday evening when they gave a concert at the armory. Professor Heinemann, the band's instructor, was the director, and it is unnecessary to state that he is one of the best conductors in the northwest.

A program consisting of three parts was presented, and every number on this program was executed in a manner which would have done credit to professionals. As to the solo parts it can be said for them that they were exceptionally good and did credit to the performers.

The dance, which followed the concert, was well attended, and the music, by Potter's orchestra, of the very latest.

### Kindergarten to be Started.

A kindergarten will be started April 6—the commencement of the spring term. This will be run in connection with the normal department. All children who will become 6 by June 1 next may join this class. The children will attend each day from 9 to 12.

Those having children who are eligible to attend should hand in their names to Miss Tompkins at the Whittier building not later than March 25. We can accommodate only 30 children and so, of course, would reserve the right to exclude any of the less mature in case there are too many applications.

This will be an excellent preparation for the children when they enter school next fall.

J. C. Marshall, Superintendent.