

# DISTRICT COURT

STATE VS. ROBERTSON.

State Gets All Its Evidence in by 3:30 This Afternoon.

The case of the State of Minnesota vs. ex-county auditor George Robertson charged with misappropriation of public funds was tried Tuesday.

The grand jury brought in seven indictments against Mr. Robertson Thursday afternoon. On Saturday afternoon he pleaded not guilty to all of the seven indictments.

The seven indictments charged him with misappropriating the following money:

July 11, 1912, Dexter Village \$12.00  
 July 13, 1912, Waltham Village 100.00  
 May 9, 1912, Elkton Village 60.00  
 May 2, 1913, Vil. Sargeant 100.00  
 July 13, 1912, Adams Village 260.00  
 May 27, 1913, Elkton Village 70.00  
 July 22, 1913, J. R. Johnson 16.80

Total \$726.80

The moneys alleged to be misappropriated from the villages is ten per cent of the liquor license fees. The money from J. R. Johnson is a sum alleged to have been sent by the county commissioner to the auditor to pay into the county treasury.

Nineteen jurors were examined before the panel was complete and these men were chosen to try the case:

John Mickelson; E. E. Edwards; John Enright; L. O. Aldahl; Ed. Haugen; Ed. Knutson; E. D. Nelson; S. H. Simmonson; Wm. Beach; Anton Bolm; P. J. Sathre; N. Quast. The witnesses called were the Register of Deeds, County Treasurer, County Commissioner Hambrecht, the recorder and treasurer of the Village of Dexter. The testimony was to the effect that the recorder sent a village warrant to Mr. Robertson for the sum of \$120 and that he got the same cashed at the First Natl. Bank of Austin and did not deposit the amount with the County Treasurer.

Atty. Catherwood for the defense made a motion that the case be dismissed and the prisoner acquitted on the ground that there was a vital difference between the indictment and the proof. Judge Kingsley denied the motion and the case is expected to reach the jury by noon today.

The grand jury in the Harris case reported no indictment against De Witt Harris charged with manslaughter in the second degree.

In the case of Herman Meyer vs. the Mayville Creamery Co., the jury brought in a verdict for the defendant company.

Robert Haynes was indicted by the grand jury for theft of a certificate of deposit. He was sentenced to the reformatory for an indefinite period.

The jury in the automobile case of DeBurr vs. LaBar brought a verdict in favor of the defendant.

The Snyder vs. Smock case was held over to the next term of court. The case against Nels Peterson was dismissed and the jury discharged, the court finding that Jacob Fosse came to his death by his own voluntary act.

**OPENING ORGAN RECITAL AT BAPTIST CHURCH A GRAND SUCCESS.**

The opening of the new pipe organ of the First Baptist church was held last Wednesday night and to say it was a grand success is surely putting it in its mildest form. The program was advertised to commence promptly at 8:15 and fully an hour before that the people began to pour into the church so that every seat was taken by the time of opening.

Mr. Frederick P. Johnson, who so delighted his hearers in the Lutheran church last July where he played at the Luther League convention had been secured for this occasion.

Mr. Johnson had the assurance that Austin music lovers appreciated his ability as an organist, by the hearty round of applause with which he was greeted as he appeared before the organ.

His opening number was Sonata D. Minor by Guilman. This is a very heavy arrangement from one of the master pieces by this famous old writer, which was an excellent test of Mr. Johnson's skill as well as the resources of the organ.

Both seemed fully equal to the occasion and this number as well as all the succeeding selections were received with most hearty applause.

Mr. W. T. Hanscome who has so pleased Austin people with his excellent baritone voice gave "It is enough" from the oratorio Elijah by Mendelssohn and responded to an encore.

Mrs. J. A. Emanuel Naess whose clear soprano voice as well as her pleasing personal appearance is always highly appreciated, gave "The Omnipotence" by F. Schubert and also responded to an encore.

Mr. Johnson closed the program with the selection William Tell overture by Rossini and the large audience could scarce believe they had been sitting in their seats for over two hours.

**Too Short an Acquaintance.**

"Of course, I don't wish to put any obstacle in the way of your getting married," a mistress said to her servant, "but I wish it were possible for you to postpone it until I get another maid." "Well, mum," Mary Ann replied, "I 'ardly think I know 'im well enough to ask 'im to put it off."—London Standard.

**FARMERS MUTUAL CO.**

The Mower County Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company met yesterday at G. A. R. hall. Reports of officers show the society to be in a flourishing condition. The following directors were elected: Delos Turner, J. M. De Reamer and Frank Haney. The directors then met and elected J. J. Furlong, President; A. Hotson, Secretary and C. Proschel, Treasurer.

# MARRIAGES

HARRISON—SPENCER.

Two of Le Roy's choice young people were united in marriage on Thursday, Jan. 7. Harold Harrison and Elsie Spencer. Precisely at noon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Spencer the words were spoken which joined for life the fortunes of these two. Mr. Robins performed the ceremony. Little Miss Lavila Spencer carried the ring. A simple service was used, but one which strongly emphasizes the seriousness and holiness as well as the happiness of the marriage union. Miss Ethel Harrison, the groom's sister, presided at the piano. The bride and groom were unattended by bridesmaid and "best man" but the parents stood on either side during the service, making a happy grouping. Following the ceremony a splendid wedding dinner was served, after which the happy couple in a well decorated auto departed for the home of the bride's brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Brooks, near Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison expect to make their home upon one of the Spencer farms in Le Roy, which they have purchased and upon which they expect to build as soon as the weather will permit. We are glad they are going to make their home among their old friends of this community.—Independent.

KIEFER—MEURER.

The marriage of John Francis Kiefer and Miss Gertrude Meurer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Meurer, occurred at Sacred Heart church in Adams village Tuesday forenoon, 12th at 9:30 o'clock. Rev. Jaegen being in charge of the services. The bride was attended by Miss Alchenich of Austin, and Jake Meurer, a brother of the bride was attendant for the groom. At the conclusion of the ceremony a wedding dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents, only relatives and a few intimate friends being present. This prominent young couple are among our best young people, and have the hearty congratulations and best wishes of a host of friends.

They will leave shortly for Callway, Minn., near which place the groom owns a farm, and where they will make their home.—Review.

GRIMES—DOHERTY.

Tuesday morning at ten o'clock at the Catholic church at Spring Valley the marriage of Miss Gladys Doherty to Henry Grimes took place. Father Gmeinder performed the ceremony in the presence of only the immediate relatives. After the ceremony a breakfast was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Keenan.

Both the bride and groom are Grand Meadow young people. The bride has a large circle of friends who think highly of her. Mr. Grimes has been the assistant at the depot for a couple of years in Grand Meadow village. He will probably be assigned to a station in a short time. The young people will make their home for a time in rooms in the Wheeler residence.

They left for the cities on a short wedding trip and will return this week to their home here.—Record.

PADELFORD-DUGAW.

Cecil Padelford, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Padelford and Miss Viola Dugaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dugaw of Moscow were married Friday afternoon at Mason City by the pastor of the Presbyterian church. The couple were attended by Irvin Jones and Miss Deardral. They returned to Austin Saturday and will go to housekeeping on the Padelford farm four and one-half miles southwest of Austin. We extend congratulations.

# MANNISH SUIT.

Fashioning Tailored Creation Suitable For Coaching or Driving.



GABARDINE SUIT.

The model pictured here is carried out in tete de negre gabardine. There is a three-quarter length coachman's coat, finished with large bone buttons, and a straight skirt buttoned in the front its entire length. Such a gown may be donned for walking, but it is an ideal costume for driving or for coaching when the spring season makes it possible to enjoy this sport.

# INDOOR PLANTS.

Dry Air May Be Artificially Moistened For Their Benefit.

One reason why many plants die in the house during the winter is because of steam heat. This is the driest of all kinds of heat, giving out absolutely no moisture, but quickly drying out all dampness in the air of a room. Even with the windows open the fresh supply of moist air coming in is not sufficient to combat the drying process of the steam heat.

To remedy this the plant owner must provide the moisture for the air. By laying wet cloths on the radiators the heat coming forth will be moist heat, which is not half so harmful either to plant or to person as the dry kind. These cloths will have to be re-moistened often. It depends largely on the amount of heat in the radiator.

This will do much to keep the indoor plants alive through the winter. The rest depends on the watering. One woman says she has always managed to keep her Boston ferns for at least a year by placing the jar in a small pan of water. She does not give them any water from above, but leaves this little pan below so that the plant draws up water as it needs it.

Another way, which has been adopted by many plant owners with great success, is to put the whole plant in the bathtub twice a week, let the water run until it just covers the top of the jar and then let it out, leaving the plant to drain off before resorting to its stand. No other water is given it through the week, just these two baths.

# ORANGE SEEDLINGS.

Must Be Grafted When About Two Years Old to Obtain Flowers.

Orange plants thrive in a mixture of rich loam and old manure, but care is necessary not to disturb them or to give them too much water when not in a growing state.

Oranges raised from seed will not flower for several years unless budded or grafted when about two years old. Plants propagated from cuttings can be stuck in sand with gentle bottom heat and will flower and fruit much sooner than any others, but scarcely ever attain a large size.

Florists would pot two inch orange plants in thumb pots. These dry out quickly, and the amateur grower will probably do better by potting two or three plants in a three inch pot, later repotting separately when the plants are larger. It will do to pot them separately then if desired in three inch pots.

Keep the foliage clean by frequent spraying or washing and watch for scale and lice.

**Airing Ironed Garments.**

The importance of a thorough airing of clothes after ironing cannot be overemphasized—not only on the score of health, but on those of appearance and economy. Clothes put away damp do not look smooth and well finished when taken out for use, and there is a danger of their becoming damaged by mildew.

**Cheap Cushion Fillings.**

Clippings from cloth garments make excellent fillings for cushions. They should be finely shredded.

### Condition of the Banks of Mower County, Minnesota, Dec. 31, 1914.

	Capital and Surplus	Deposits	Total Resources	Loans and Discounts
First National, Austin	\$250,000 00	\$1,398,682 28	\$1,806,618 51	\$1,031,555 91
Austin Nat'l. Austin	60,000 00	544,867 67	681,868 78	472,819 85
Farmers & Merchants State, Austin	30,000 00	204,168 94	237,601 58	184,889 13
First State, LeRoy	35,000 00	231,275 07	272,021 99	191,154 55
First Nat'l, LeRoy	30,000 00	259,467 83	320,652 82	197,944 54
Exchange State, Grand Meadow	38,000 00	249,918 63	292,250 57	239,473 37
First Nat'l, Grand Meadow	35,000 00	164,027 39	242,543 32	176,380 64
First Nat'l, Lyle	33,500 00	285,581 39	331,398 35	199,493 20
First Nat'l, Adams	35,000 00	319,901 73	396,730 31	265,072 29
First State, Rose Creek	14,500 00	195,748 43	214,149 10	141,163 53
First State, Dexter	14,000 00	127,626 44	147,326 44	127,034 63
Racine State Bank, Racine	18,000 00	83,272 01	103,433 14	79,546 36
State Bank, Brownsdale	12,000 00	90,919 54	105,219 54	77,822 95
Waltham State, Waltham	13,000 00	95,390 59	110,794 57	86,910 15
State Bank, Sargeant	12,250 00	37,862 45	50,999 25	40,167 49
First State, Taopi	11,000 00	39,470 88	51,605 88	34,381 39
Farmers State Bank, Elkton	12,500 00	37,452 30	49,952 30	38,900 33
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$653,750 00</b>	<b>\$4,367,633 57</b>	<b>\$5,414,166 45</b>	<b>\$3,584,670 31</b>

# PROPOSALS FOR BRIDGE MATERIAL FOR MOWER CO., MINNESOTA.

Sealed proposals will be received by the county Board of Commissioners of Mower Co., Minn. at the office of County Auditor until 2 P. M. Friday, Feb. 5th, 1915 for the following Bridge Material:—

More or less than 240,000 lbs. of re-enforcing bars in car load lots, the sizes to be in the following percentages:—1 1/4"—23 per cent.; 1 1/2"—9 per cent.; 3/4"—9 per cent.; 5/8"—26 per cent.; 1/2"—33 per cent.

Bids will be compared on the basis that more or less than 240,000 lbs. will be purchased, and must specify price per lb. or unit price for each size. All bars to be square deformed and cut to length according to plans that will be furnished later. The quality must comply with the specifications of the State Highway Commissions of Minn.

More or less than 3000 Bbls. of cement in car load lots. The cement is to be of any Standard Portland Cement complying with Standard specifications of the American Society of Testing Materials, and be subject to test. Bids must specify price per barrel.

All the above materials to be delivered between April 1st and Nov. 1st, 1915 at any station in Mower Co., nearest and most convenient to proposed bridges as ordered by District Engineer and at such times between said limits as ordered by the District Engineer.

Each bid is to be accompanied by a certified check for Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), payable to the County Board of Mower Co., Minn. said to be returned to the bidder unless he fails to execute the contract should it be awarded to him.

The County Board of Mower Co. reserves the right to reject any and all bids.  
 W. H. GOODSSELL,  
 Chairman of County Board.  
 O. J. SIMMONS,  
 County Auditor.  
 Jan. 5th, 1915.

**Common Failing.**  
 How many people apparently prefer to remain morally ignorant rather than know that truth which would make them morally uncomfortable!

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## THE GOZY THEATRE

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Show every night  
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 Admission 5c and 10c always

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 Lust of the Red Man in 3 parts

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Coming next Tuesday  
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 New York's Greatest success  
 Tickets now selling

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 Jan. 28-29-30

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# John Stern will sell at AUCTION

Having sold my farm I will sell at auction on the farm 2 miles south and 4 miles west of Dexter; 1 mile north, 9 miles east of Austin; 1-4 mile west of Seebach church. 6 miles north, 2 miles east of Rose Creek, the following described property, on

## Wednesday, Jan. 27

Sale starts 10:30 o'clock sharp  
**BIG FREE LUNCH AT NOON.**

- 5—HORSES—5.**  
 1 Black mare 10 years old wt 1400 in foal. 1 gray gelding, 7 years old, weight 1300; 1 black Percheron mare, two years old; 2 colts coming 1 year old.
- 10—CATTLE—10.**  
 5 choice milk cows some fresh now, balance fresh in spring; 2 two year old steers; 1 two year old heifer; 2 yearling heifers; 7 sheep with lamb.
- MACHINERY.**  
 1 9-ft. Monitor seeder good as new; 1 7 ft Buckeye seeder; 1 McCormick Binder 7 ft cut good as new; 1 McCormick Binder, 7 ft right handle; 1 McCormick corn binder; 1 Deering mower 7 ft cut, good condition; 1 hay rake; 1 Moline gang plow, 12 in., good one; 1 Johnson & Smith Breaking plow; 1 4-section Johnson & Smith Harrow; 1 Ohio spring tooth cultivator; 1 6-shovel cultivator; 1 disc; 1 high wheel wagon; 1 truck wagon; 1 platform spring buggy; 1 top buggy; 2 set heavy harness, 1 platform scale, 2500 lbs. capacity; 1 farming mill, 1 corn sheller, 1 Economy Chief separator; 1 grindstone, 1 Diamond feed mill 6 in. burr; 1 gas engine, 5 H. P.; 1 hay rack, new; 1 hard coal heater. Household goods and many other articles too numerous to mention.

**TERMS: 1 years time on approved notes on all sums over \$10 at 7 per cent, Sums under \$10 cash. No property removed until terms are complied with.**

**T. B. O'Halloran, Auctioneer**  
**H. L. Banfield, Clerk**

Sales listed with me receive attention from date of listing to date of sale. List your sale with me.

**JOHN STERN, OWNER**

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She extends to Americans a hearty invitation to settle on her FREE Homestead lands of 160 acres each or secure some of the low priced lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

This year wheat is higher but Canadian land just as cheap, so the opportunity is more attractive than ever. Canada wants you to help to feed the world by tilling some of her soil—land similar to that which during many years has averaged 20 to 45 bushels of wheat to the acre. Think what you can make with wheat around \$1 a bushel and land so easy to get. Wonderful yields also of Oats, Barley and Flax. Mixed farming is fully as profitable an industry as grain growing.

The Government this year is asking farmers to put increased acreage into grain. Military service is not compulsory in Canada but there is a great demand for farm labor to replace the many young men who have volunteered for service. The climate is healthful and agreeable, railway facilities excellent, good schools and churches convenient. Write for literature and particulars as to reduced railway rates to Superintendent Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, or to

**R. A. Garrett, 311 Jackson St. St. Paul, Minn.**  
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**Advertised Letters.**

List of letters remaining uncalled for in this office for the week ending Jan. 16, 1915.

Atwood, Harry; Erickson, Wm. C.; Flanders, Lloyd; Hicks, Allen; Kelley, J. T.; Nelson, Hilbert; Rhoades, Ralph; Dickson, Mrs. Mabelle; Tracy, Mrs. Tom; Turner, Miss Mary.

These letters will be sent to the "Dead Letter Office" Feb. 1, 1915 if not delivered before.

In calling for the above, please say "Advertised," giving date of list.

O. J. SIMMONS, Postmaster.

**England's Oldest Port.**  
 Falmouth is probably the oldest port in England. It was used by the Phoenicians at least twenty-five hundred years ago.

**MARKETS**

RECORDED BY ALEX CAMPBELL  
 Jan. 19, 1915.

Wheat No. 1 per bu. \$1.21 to \$1.25  
 Corn per bu. 42 to 45  
 Corn per bu (ear) 55 to 60  
 Rye per bu. 90 to 95  
 Barley per bu. 50 to 55  
 Buckwheat per cwt. \$1.40