

Long Calendar of Civil Cases

One Criminal Case: Grand Jury Expected To Find Other Indictments.

Eleven Would-Be Americans Make Application For Citizen's Papers.

The December term of the District Court which convenes next Tuesday, December 10th, promises to be an interesting term and will from present indications occupy the time of the Court for fully two weeks. 28 civil cases have been noticed for trial; one case is on the criminal calendar and Henry Kaping and Harris Wallin have been bound over to await the action of the grand jury. Eleven have filed applications for citizenship. They are: James F. Garrow, Joseph Gahner and Louis Shapiro, of New Ulm; George Rothmeier, Albert Koepke and Andreas Ubl, of Sleepy Eye; Gustav Richter and John Baptist Rojger, of Springfield; Peter Borenen Sveum and Ole Andrew Sennumstad, of Hanska, and Christian Hans Pedersen, of Evan.

The following civil cases will require the attention of the Court:

State of Minnesota, Ptf. vs. Lavis Larsen, Def.

State of Minnesota, Ptf. vs. Wm. Wender, Def.

Edward Pearson, Ptf. vs. Paul Gutknecht, Def.

World's Best Film Co., a corporation, Ptf. vs. Otto D. English, Dft., and Harry Lewis, Max Lewis and Philip Lewis, co-partners under the firm name and style of "Independent Film Exchange." Intervenes.

Ole T. Helling, Ptf. vs. Hanska Milling Co., a corporation and Henry N. Somers as Trustee, Defs.

Emma B. Nundahl, Ptf. vs. John C. Nundahl, Def.

Ida Klein, Ptf. vs. Ida Renner, Def. State of Minnesota, Ptf. vs. Geo. Hale, Def.

Emma Arndt, Ptf. vs. Lavis Larson, Def.

Margaret Mack, Ptf. vs. Chas. A. Engel, Def.

State of Minnesota, Ptf. vs. Wm. Wieland, Def.

Wolfgang Hacker, Ptf. vs. Geo. Tauer, Def.

Geo. Reiser, Ptf. and Resp. vs. W. E. Korth, Def. and Appl.

Sleepy Eye Land & Trust Co., a corporation, Ptf. vs. Otto Schreyer, Def.

Chas. Baltrusch, Ptf. vs. Burg Cigar Co. and Wm. H. Dempsey, Garn.

Albert W. Schmid, Ptf. vs. W. M. Anderson, Def.

Albert W. Schmid on behalf of Margaret Schmid, Ptf. vs. W. M. Anderson, Def.

In the Matter of the Estate of Chas. Feirer, deceased Joseph Feirer, PropONENT and Appellant vs. Herman Weber, Guardian of Anna Feirer, Contestant and Respondent.

Edward Berkner and Alfred A. Berkner, co-partners as Berkner Bros., Ptf. vs. Wm. Schmitt, Def.

Wm. Mueller, Ptf. vs. Axel Newdall, Def.

Carrie Anderson, incompetent by N. P. Nelson, her guardian, Ptf. vs. Thomas Larson and Emma Larson, Defs.

Albert A. Paffrath, Ptf. vs. Wm. Polkow, Def.

Bank of Perth, a corporation, vs. H. F. Berkner, Def.

Martin Neubauer, Ptf. vs. Joseph A. Neubauer, Def.

Edward F. Berkner and Alfred A. Berkner, co-partners as Berkner Bros., Ptf. vs. Martin Sherman, Def.

Edward F. Berkner and Alfred A. Berkner, co-partners as Berkner Bros., Ptf. vs. Dudley G. D'Evelyn, Def.

Alma Zellmer, Ptf. vs. Ernest Zellmer, Def.

Henry Mueller, appellant vs. Supervisors of Town of Courtland, Nicollet Co., Minn., Respondent.

William Diepolder who was indicted by the last grand jury will be tried at this term and this will be the only criminal action to be tried unless the grand jury finds further indictments which is highly probable.

Frederick Walther will leave for Los Angeles Saturday where he plans to spend the winter.

Hasenpfeffer Dance at Turner Hall.

A "Hasenpfeffer" dance has been arranged at the Turner Hall Gymnasium for Friday evening, December 6th. It will be an invitation affair but the Committee in charge desires us to state that if any of the Turner classes should be overlooked by some mischance in sending the invitations, the secretary, Geo. Hogen, will be only too glad to remedy the oversight. The party has been arranged so hurriedly that there is a chance that some of those who enjoy attending the social affairs held at Turner Hall may be missed in getting out the invitations and if such should be the case it is only necessary to notify Mr. Hogen and the invitation will be promptly sent. The proceeds of the dance will be used to defray the expenses of the class which will participate in the Turnfest at Denver next June. The admission price has been set at 35 cents a person including lunch. The dance promises to be one of those enjoyable informal affairs similar to the ones given last winter that were so popular. That there will be good music goes without saying and the efforts of the twenty-five hunters who spent last Sunday in a soaking rain were rewarded by a net result of 44 rabbits and another party of hunters will scour the country today to add to the number so that all who attend the dance will be sure of a generous portion of the "Hasenpfeffer."

Eckstein-Berg

Holy Trinity Church was the scene of three High Church weddings the last week before Advent the third one being that of Miss Mayme C. Berg and Arthur W. Eckstein, two young people who have spent the greater part of their lives among us and are well known and liked by a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. The bride is a daughter of County Treasurer and Mrs. Henry J. Berg and the groom a son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Eckstein now of Clear Lake, Minn., but formerly residents of New Ulm for many years. Miss Berg for the past few years has followed the profession of a nurse and has been located at St. Peter Hospital from which she graduated recently.

The marriage was performed during the service of Solemn High Mass at which Rev. Father Schlinkert, assisted by Rev. Wagner and Rev. Schott, officiated. The bridal party entered to the music of Mendelssohn's Wedding March played by Miss Caecilia Eibner. The bride was escorted by her brother, Edward Berg. Her two bridesmaids, Miss Dorothy Berg and Miss Florence Eckstein and the maid of honor, Miss Florence Schneider, preceded her to the flower-laden altar. Roman Eckstein was his brother's best man and Oscar Baer and Raymond Pfeifferle served as ushers.

The bride was gowned in white satin with lace over dress and veil made in cap effect. She carried a white prayer book. Her maid of honor carried the bride's flowers which were chrysanthemums, carnations and lilies of the valley. Miss Schneider wore blue crepe di chine. Miss Dorothy Berg wore lavender saine silk over pink and carried white chrysanthemums. Miss Eckstein wore a blue silk poplin and her flowers were yellow chrysanthemums. The maids all wore lace caps fashioned with bands of tiny flowers.

After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served to the close relatives at the home of the bride's parents on North Broadway. Mr. and Mrs. Eckstein left on the afternoon train for St. Cloud where Mr. Eckstein is engaged in the profession of medicine. He has built up a very fine practice since establishing himself there last June and has been remarkably successful and the future looks bright for the young couple. They will not at present make a trip but plan to do so later. They will be at home after December 5th in St. Cloud. Out of town guests who attended the wedding were the parents of the groom, Mr. Pietrus of Sleepy Eye and Mr. W. Mueller of St. Peter.

Poultry Show in Watonwan Co.

The Third Annual Show of the Watonwan County Poultry and Pet Stock Association will be held at St. James, Minn., Dec. 16-18, 1912. Elmer Gimlin, of Taylorville, Ill., a judge of wide experience, will score the birds. The list of special prizes will be large, including two loving cups, one for the highest scoring pen of any variety and one for the highest scoring bird in the show.

A Cheap Campaign

Running for office is a cheaper pastime under the corrupt practices act than it was in the good old days when candidates spent hundreds and even thousands of dollars for the privilege of serving the people and some of them spent it lavishly and went down to defeat besides. But this has all been changed, to judge from the following expense accounts as filed with the County Auditor by the victorious as well as the defeated candidates: Albert Pfander, \$53.65; E. J. Buehrer, \$13.25; Louis G. Vogel, \$136.40; J. L. Kiefer, \$1.65; Henry J. Berg, \$103.89; Henry Vedder, \$3.75; Albert J. Schramm, \$85.50; Theo. Torgimson, \$1.69; Geo. Ross, \$90.00; W. J. Julius, \$15.00; A. O. Ecklund, \$17.60; Ad. Fredericksen, \$223.77; W. H. Dempsey, \$268.50; R. B. Kennedy, \$45.00; Dr. G. F. Reineke, \$11.75; Dr. Otto J. Seifert, \$30.75; F. D. Minium, \$10.00; Dr. J. P. Graff, \$16.75; Geo. A. Tauer, \$5.00; John Henle, \$25.50; Otto Wiedenmann, \$6.75; Herm. Polkow, \$15.00.

Only two of the candidates seem to have had a personal campaign committee. F. W. Johnson, acting as campaign manager for Mr. Dempsey, reported that he had expended no money whatsoever. A similar report was filed last Saturday by Kurt Winkelmann, who acted in a similar capacity for Mr. Buehrer. The report should have been filed sooner, but Mr. Winkelmann was under the impression that no report was necessary because he had handled no funds, and he made his report as soon as his attention was called to his delinquency.

The socialist county campaign committee expended \$114.98 of the \$146.50 collected and the republican committee collected \$125 and had an expense account of \$119.95. Owing to some discrepancies in the report of the democratic committee the same was returned for correction and the figures were not available at this writing.

Fire at Winthrop.

The city of Winthrop was the scene of a destructive fire Sunday morning November 23rd which destroyed the hardware stock and building owned and occupied by Streseman & Lofthus and came near costing a number of human lives.

The firemen responded promptly to the alarm and made use of the chemicals at first, but this proving ineffective, the water was ordered turned on. Shortly after the men had taken their stations at the front and side of the building, a terrific explosion took place which wrecked the building, and hurled millions of fragments of glass and brick into the air. The firemen who were near the building were thrown back several feet and many were cut about face and throat with flying glass and some of the onlookers also were hurt in like manner. It is nothing short of a miracle that none were fatally injured.

It is thought that a keg partly filled with gunpowder, and combustion caused by the compressed air brought on the explosion, as no gasoline or kerosene were kept on the premises. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The owners of the hardware store estimate their loss at \$8,000 with \$4,000 insurance. The building was valued at \$2500 and was covered by insurance to the extent of \$1200.

Civil War Veteran Dies.

Capt. Orlando P. Brennessoltz, aged 72 years and brother of John Brennessoltz, of Nicollet county, died at the Lutheran hospital in Mankato early Wednesday morning, November 27th. About two weeks ago he fractured his hip and was taken to the hospital for treatment and this injury was the immediate cause of his death.

Mr. Brennessoltz was a captain in the civil war, being with the 28th regiment Indiana Volunteers. For some years after the close of the war, he was engaged in farming in Nicollet county. Up until a few months ago he had been a resident of California, but recently he came to Minnesota to live with his daughter in Mankato. The deceased had been married twice. His first wife was a sister of Mr. Nixon, of Mrs. William La Framboise and of Mrs. John Brennessoltz. One daughter was born to them. His second wife lived but a year. The remains were brought to New Ulm Friday morning and interment was made in the Ft. Ridgely cemetery Friday afternoon. Funeral services were held at the little church near the cemetery, Rev. Berger of the Methodist Church at Fairfax officiating.

The Neumann Trophy

Work in English in our High School should receive an impetus from a trophy which has been put up by Prof. John X. Neumann of the University of Wisconsin in the shape of a beautiful silver loving-cup which is to go to the Literary Society which shows the greater proficiency in English during the year.

For a number of years past as well as this year, the members of the High School have been divided into two Literary Societies. The work done by the pupils for the Literary programs given once a month was made a part of the regular requirements for marks and there has developed a healthy rivalry between the Thallians and Athenians as the two societies are styled. The interest is bound to be materially increased by the offer of a substantial trophy for the Society which stands highest in a year's events.

Prof. Neumann realized that the greatest difficulty to be combated in New Ulm schools is a deficiency in the proper use of the English language in speaking and writing owing to the fact that in our city English is not spoken so generally as is German. This difficulty is one that takes patient striving and never ceasing vigilance on the part of the school instructors to overcome and even after great effort results are far from satisfactory. The offer of the Neumann Trophy as the cup is called will operate as an incentive to better scholarship in English and as an encouragement to teachers in our schools.

The cup is a handsome one of bright silver, gold lined, and stands eight inches high. It is plain in design and the only lettering it bears now is the name "Neumann Trophy." A space is provided for the engraving of the name of the winning society with the year and the society which wins the cup three years out of five is to retain it permanently.

The second literary of the High School year proved even a greater victory for the Thallians than the first one had. At the October program the score stood 5 to 1 for the Thallians and last Wednesday they succeeded in getting every point, giving them a lead of 10 points over their rivals—Mr. Held, Mrs. Beecher and Rev. Wheeler had been chosen as judges but a slight mishap prevented Mr. Wheeler's attendance and Mr. Peterson took his place.

Walter Pfander had an essay on "Minnesota Forests" which won the point. His opponent was Mattias Antony who described the making of artificial ice. Aurelia Klause's recitation on "The Abandoned Elopement" proved amusing. Her opponent, Janet Massapust, gave "Her First Appearance" but had not thoroughly mastered her lines and that caused her loss of the point. Leona Mayer had an original story on "A Literary Star" which pleased her listeners and won the judges approval. Earl Seiter read the other original story, "At Home; Between Here and Salt Island" which pictured the differences of a husband and wife in the matter of an abiding place. The "Literary Star" told of the difficulties an unknown poet met in getting her poems accepted.

The debate was on the subject of a ship subsidy policy for the United States. The negatives represented by Ben Rolwes and Janet Russell and opposing a ship subsidy were awarded the decision as they had their facts lined up more conclusively than the affirmatives represented by Ben Seifert and Mabel Hanson did. There was no music for the program. The visitors present were Mrs. Engel, Mrs. Massapust, Mrs. Vogel, Mrs. Howard, Herbert Dittbenner, Ezra Durbahn, Miss Bonnie Schneider and Miss Esther Alwin.

Fatal Accident at St. James

While cleaning a revolver and pulling the trigger to see if it worked all right, Elmer Anderson of St. James shot and instantly killed his eight year old cousin Alvin Anderson, a week ago Sunday. Anderson supposed that he had removed all the cartridges from the magazine, but one had evidently been overlooked and the shell exploded just as the little boy entered the door, the bullet striking him above the heart and severing an artery, causing his death almost immediately. The coroner, after a thoro investigation decided that it was an accident and held no inquest.

Fred Schweppe of St. James spent several days visiting with New Ulm friends the past week.

Bowling Events

The bowling team of the St. Joseph's Society went down to defeat before the St. John's team last Tuesday evening at the bowling alleys in the Catholic school-house. The challenge had been issued by the St. John's team, and they won out with 119 points. The following scores were made:

St. Johns		
J. H. Forster	154	146
Dr. A. V. Seifert	133	158
Rev. Wagner	160	124
A. J. Ochs	149	117
Dr. J. P. Graff	152	126
	748	671
	747	
St. Joseph		
John Heale	124	126
Geo. Henle	145	150
Wd. Eibner	114	158
Jos. Seubster	154	146
Alex Rauweiler	166	124
	703	704
	640	
St. Johns		2 66
St. Joseph		2047
		119

The K. C. Bowling team went to Mankato Monday evening to try a round with the Mankato K. C. team. The result was not very gratifying to the New Ulm players as they lost three games. The fast condition of the alleys proved their undoing. The New Ulm players were R. Pfeifferle, P. Eichten, P. Esser, E. Berg and Dr. A. V. Seifert. The Mankato men were Landhammer, J. Huettle, Otto Lamm, L. Huettle and Dr. Weyer. Otto Lamm had the two highest scores to his credit, 196 and 200 pins. Seifert scored a total of 511 in the three games, being second high, Lamm having 566. New Ulm's total for the three games was 2162 to Mankato's 2326. The two last games showed a difference between the teams of only 10 pins in the total scores.

"The Third Degree."

Charles Klein, author of "The Third Degree" and other successes, makes no secret of the manner in which he endows his characters with virility and life. He admits frankly that he takes them from real life. He graciously acknowledges that "Mr. Brewster," the impressive and elegant constitutional lawyer in his latest play, "The Third Degree," is none other than Joseph H. Choate, the well known New York lawyer and late United States minister to England. Then, too, it is an open secret that Annie Jeffries, the heroine in the same play, has her prototype in a young woman employed in a paper box factory in Boston, who was discarded by her wealthy husband because she was not sufficiently polished for his set. As for the gruff, unrelenting Police captain, his double can be found in almost any large city.

Mr. Klein says that whenever he sketches a character from life, it lends a tinge to nature, which a mere creation of the dramatist's brain cannot possibly accomplish.

The characters in "The Third Degree" stand out as human beings for the simple reason that they are one and all transplanted to the dramatic stage of human existence. It would indeed be difficult to conceive a more charming, convincing and natural heroine for any play than Annie Jeffries, the splendid specimen of young American womanhood in Mr. Klein's justly celebrated masterpiece, "The Third Degree," which comes to the Turner Theatre next Saturday evening, December 7th.

Tracy Depot Hotel to be Wrecked

The owners of the Tracy Depot Hotel have advertised for sealed bids to be received till Tuesday, Dec. 3rd at 6 p. m. for the three story 34x102 foot Depot Hotel of that village. Everything will be sold except the furniture. The successful bidder is expected to enter into an agreement to have the building wrecked or removed within three weeks after his bid has been accepted.

Improvements at the Gem.

The Gem Theatre people have been remodeling their stage and have installed new scenery and curtains so that they are now in a position to stage any vaudeville act which they may desire to engage. The improvements consist of a new front curtain and a second one having a street scene to be used as a setting for vaudeville acts. In addition to these changes there are new wings provided so that the entire stage setting can be changed thus adding greatly to the equipment of the place.

Queer Business In Ill. Courts

Alexander Returns To New Ulm After Enforced Visit To Windy City.

Eberhart To Be Asked To Investigate Chicago Collection Methods.

Simon Alexander, the stock buyer whose arrest caused some stir and who was taken to Chicago last week, returned to New Ulm Saturday evening accompanied by his wife. It develops that there was no one to press the alleged charge of "confidence game" against him and it would seem that the entire proceeding was brought simply for the purpose of obtaining the collection of a civil debt, just as had been claimed by Mr. Alexander and his attorneys before his arrest and trip to Chicago.

On their arrival at Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander state that they were taken to a hotel where attempts were made by the attorney of the complainant, a Mr. E. Page to get Alexander to settle for the notes held against him by Page. He was told that he might go back to New Ulm upon the next train after settling. Alexander demanded that he be taken to court where he might face his accusers and have his trial. Finally, he claims, he was taken to jail and held in "durance vile" instead of being taken to court. He saw that there was no use in standing out any longer so he "forked over" some cash and a check for \$300 and was set at liberty, the return of the notes being promised him, which promise, however, has not been kept.

Immediately upon the payment of the money the detectives and officers disappeared and Mr. Alexander applied to the Municipal Court of Chicago, where the complaint is alleged to have been filed, and was there told that the case had been dismissed and he could go home. He finally succeeded in getting a so-called "discharge" from the Clerk of Court which looks like a fake transcript.

Mr. Alexander's story would sound almost incredible if it were not for the fact that he is in possession of a receipt signed by the attorney for Mr. Page for \$300 and also of the so-called discharge bearing the seal of the Municipal Court and the signature of the Clerk. The whole affair is ridiculous to contemplate because the payment of the entire debt could undoubtedly have been secured through the usual legal channels.

Mr. Alexander states that he will ask Governor Eberhart to lodge a complaint with the Governor of Illinois and ask for a thoro investigation of the whole proceeding.

Men's Club Activities.

The First Annual Ball given by the Machine Gun Company last Thursday evening at Turner Hall proved to be a success from the standpoint of attendance, financial returns and enjoyment. More than 150 tickets were sold and this will net the company a neat sum for use in building up the organization. The evening was entirely given over to dancing with the exception of one speech made by Major Jos. A. Eckstein, an honorary member of the Company. Major Eckstein spoke in a humorous vein, telling the company that they would not be a complete organization until they secured "mooles" for the transportation of the machine guns. He said New Ulm would not be entirely alive to the fact that we have so important a branch of the service in our midst until the sound of the "E-ah" is heard in one of our military parades. Mr. Eckstein further said he was proud to be an honorary member of the company and promised that he could and would be as mush as any of them.

The Young Men's Club of the German M. E. Church held a meeting Monday evening at the church parlors. Capt. Albert Steinhauer had been asked to address the club on the subject of "Petty Crime." He spoke for about half an hour and the talk was followed by a discussion of the subject.

W. A. Martell of Minneapolis was a week-end visitor in New Ulm.