

SILK ROBBERS IN BLUE EARTH JAIL

TRIO CAPTURED EARLY MONDAY BELIEVED MEN WANTED AT SPRINGFIELD

WERE CAUGHT WHILE ROBBING A STORE IN FARIBAULT COUNTY

Three burglars arrested at Blue Earth, in the capture of which one of the men was wounded by the sheriff of that county, are believed by Sheriff W. J. Julius and Deputy H. F. Jahnke to be the gang who some weeks ago robbed a store at Springfield of \$2,000 worth of silks.

In the Blue Earth job the burglars had gathered up silks valued at \$2,000 and were in a store there ready to depart when they were surprised by the sheriff and a posse. In an exchange of shots, one of the men who gave his name as Charles Larabee of San Francisco, was shot in the back and captured. The other two eluded the officer and a posse who had come to his assistance and escaped. Two suspects were later caught at Worthington and taken to the county jail at Blue Earth.

Member Henderson Gang.
One of the latter is declared from the description to be "Curley" Clause, a member of the Henderson-Murphy gang, who robbed the Erickson & Kasro store at Comfrey last October. Two members of the gang, James Henderson and James Murphy were convicted in the district court here in December and sentenced to terms at Stillwater.

Clause, who gave his name as Adams at Blue Earth, is said to have been in Springfield on the day of the silk robbery, since which time the officers have been on the lookout for him. The other prisoner arrested at Worthington gives his name as Murphy.

Goes To Blue Earth.
Sheriff Julius will go to Blue Earth today, in the hope of identifying Clause. It is possible the prisoners will be brought here for trial on the Springfield robbery charge, although that has not yet been definitely decided.

The local officers are unable so far to identify Larabee and Murphy from the descriptions given them over the telephone by the sheriff at Blue Earth.

Sheriff Julius will be accompanied to Blue Earth by Al. Thorsen, who saw Clause at Springfield.

GEORGE BLACK PLEASED WITH LIFE IN THE ARMY

George Black, a former New Ulm resident, but who has lately lived in Mankato, has enlisted in the United States army for service in the coast defense. He is now in St. Louis to be mustered into the service. From that city he has written the Mankato Free Press an interesting letter, a part of which follows: "I am now well settled in the Eighteenth company, and it is some life. I wouldn't come back if I could. We had four drills this morning of fifteen minutes each and ten minute intermissions, and now we are off for the remainder of the day, when we have a band concert every afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30 and it is some band. All the boys get out and dance on the campus. I like Minnesota better than Missouri. There are too many niggers and mules down here. But oh, boys, oh, boys you should see the handsome women. They come out to the barracks every afternoon for band concert. There are about 1,500 to 2,000 men examined every day so you can imagine the number of fellows around here. I expect to leave about Saturday. We go to either Washington, D. C., San Diego or Panama. I don't care where I go to. Tell the truth about it, this life sure appeals to me."

COMPANY A MEMBERS TO BE PAID FOR SERVICE

Capt. Adolph Klaus is busy making up the pay roll of the members of Company A, who served on the Mexican border, and the men will receive their money within a few days. The money was available Monday, but it was necessary to secure the signatures of the men before it is possible to make the payments. By an act of the last legislature the men are entitled to an extra 50 cents a day for the time they spent in Texas. The members of Company A, of Machine Gun company and of the Second Regiment band, who served the full 210 days will receive each \$105. It is estimated that nearly \$10,000 will be paid out in this city.

NICOLLET COMMISSIONERS TO MEET HERE VERY SOON

The Board of Commissioners of Nicollet county has promised to look over the Kuehn road, and also view the site of the Cummings bridge at Golden Gate and then hold a joint meeting with the Brown county commissioners, with a view to making necessary highway improvements connecting the two counties across the Minnesota river.

A large delegation visited St. Peter last Tuesday, when the Nicollet board was in session, and urged the necessity of prompt action, in conjunction with the Brown county commissioners, on these two projects. The delegates consisted of several members of the Brown county board, members of the commercial club, New Ulm aldermen, township boards of Nicollet and Brown county.

While the Nicollet county officials refused to commit themselves, they promised to look over the ground and hold a joint meeting with the local board. The date of the meeting was left with the visiting commissioners to designate.

CITIZENS TO HELP RECRUIT ARMY MEN

Committee of Ten Will Aid in Work of Building Up Company A.

A committee of ten citizens will make an effort to recruit Company A to its maximum strength. This was decided at a meeting at the Commercial Club rooms Monday night.

H. N. Somsen and Ferdinand Crone, who visited Colonel Mollison at Faribault last Saturday, reported in detail their interview with the commanding officer of the Second Regiment. They said the colonel was extremely cordial, and promised all possible aid in retaining the New Ulm company in the regiment. He said, however, that Luverne now had a company of 100 men recruited, officered and ready to step into New Ulm's shoes.

Wants Company in New Ulm.

The colonel said, tho, that he preferred to have the company remain where it is. He is willing that all necessary time be taken to recruit and bring it up to a membership that would make a good showing when the company is called to Fort Snelling, which is liable to be at any time now.

Phillip Liesch, chairman of the committee appointed a week ago to see what could be done to reorganize Company A, reported but little progress beyond that of the attempt to get matters straightened out, and for which committees were sent to interview Governor Burnquist and Colonel Mollison.

Mr. Crone, Mr. Liesch, Charles Hauenstein and others urged the necessity of retaining Company A here.

Situation is Unfortunate.

"It is unfortunate that affairs should have come to such a pass at this time," said Mr. Crone. "It causes people who do not know the inside history of the present conditions, to believe it is because this is a German community that has caused the company to go to pieces. We should all remember that we are American citizens, and get busy; I have heard so much of 'militarism' in the past few weeks that I'm sick and tired of it. What we need is less talk and more work, or give it up entirely. What does it matter to us whether the officers are popular with the men or not? There is no way to remedy this any way. There is no more electing of officers, for they are now appointed by their superiors."

Appoints Committee

President Ottomeyer late yesterday appointed the committee to recruit for Company A. The members are as follows: P. Liesch, Ferdinand Crone, H. N. Somsen, E. Metzinger, Charles Vogel, Adolph Meile, Charles Stolz, Albert Pfander, Adolph Klaus, B. Groebner, L. G. Vogel, Alfred Puhlmann.

PRISON COMMITTEE A RELIEF SOCIETY

TO BE AFFORDED OPPORTUNITY FOR EFFECTIVE ACCOMPLISH- MENT OF AIMS

The National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor has been recognized as a Relief Society by the War Department and will be afforded facilities for the effective accomplishment of their humane purpose in accordance with the Provisions of the Hague Convention of 1907.

Work is Humane
A Relief Society, according to the Hague convention, which is properly constituted, "in accordance with the laws of the country and with the object of serving as the channel for charitable efforts for themselves and their duly accredited agents, every facility for efficient performance of their humane task within the bounds imposed by military necessity and administrative regulations."

The Washington Bureau of the National Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor announces that it is prepared to distribute relief and to perform the duties and functions of a Relief Society in the United States during the war. Joseph D. Sears, Secretary of the Bureau, said that agents are being recruited and that this organization is prepared to meet the exigencies arising out of the internment of prisoners of war in this country.

Officers of Organization
The committee on internment of the national committee on prisons and prison labor of which Adolph Lewisohn is president, consists of William Hamlin Childs, chairman, Raymond B. Fosdick, Frederick A. Gootze, Sam A. Lewisohn, George W. Wickersham, E. Stagg Whitin, and Joseph D. Sears, secretary.

RED WING ENTERTAINS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

County Treasurer Henry Berg and Carl P. Eichten returned from Red Wing Wednesday morning, having gone there as representatives of St. Patrick Council, Knights of Columbus, at the state convention which was held in that city on last Tuesday. J. J. Moriarty was the other delegate from the local council.

There was an attendance at the convention of about three hundred delegates at which considerable business was transacted, including the re-election of all the old officers of the state organization. Next year's meeting will be held at St. Cloud. A resolution expressing the loyalty of the Knights of Columbus members of the state of Minnesota to the United States, was unanimously adopted. The delegates were royally entertained by the citizens of Red Wing, the entertainment including a steamboat excursion on Lake Pepin during the afternoon.

MORE WATER, PLAN OF CITY COUNCIL

WELL MAY BE SUNK IN GERMAN PARK TO SUPPLY 200 GALLONS A MINUTE.

CLERK AUTHORIZED TO ADVER- TISE FOR BIDS FOR ITS SINKING.

Definite steps were taken by the city council Tuesday evening relative to providing another well for the water works department. City Clerk William Backer was directed to advertise for bids for the sinking of a fourth well, from which it is expected to procure at least 200 gallons of water a minute. The bids will be opened at a special meeting to be held by the council on Monday evening, May 28.

Gives Council Advice.

John Wille, of the Layne & Wille company, who was here recently looking over the ground relative to investigating conditions, left without making a satisfactory report as to his findings. At Tuesday evening's meeting Matt Holland of Cannon Falls was present at the request of some of the aldermen and gave valuable information as to location, the kind of well necessary, etc. Mr. Holland, who has been engaged in the business for many years, and has sunk wells in this city and other places through Southern Minnesota, said that in his opinion the best location for the well would be in North German park, and that a 12-inch well, constructed of standard tubing would furnish the necessary water supply.

City Hall Committee.

President Behnke announced the following joint committee to decide on a location for the new city hall and to make preliminary arrangements: From the council—Fred Hamann, Christ. Filzen and Carl Aufderheide; fire department—Henry Engel and Fred Pfander; citizens—Dr. J. P. Graf, Charles Vogel, Ferdinand Crone and H. N. Somsen.

A report from the street committee relative to using gravel from the Union hospital grounds gave the information that there was 1,248 yards available for nearby streets, which could be had for the hauling at a cost of 15 cents a yard. Alderman Filzen reported that he, with the city attorney, had visited the camp of the clam fishers on the public landing property, near the East Primary school. He said the clam fishers were willing to pay a reasonable license or rental, and agree to keep the grounds in a sanitary condition. The council decided to charge the fishers \$25 for five months rental, \$15 of which is to be returned to them providing they keep their grounds in a sanitary condition and leave them so at the end of the season. They are liable to eviction, however, should there be complaint from the health or police department at any time during the summer.

Paint for Building.

The Battery building at the corner of Washington and First South streets is to receive a coat of paint. The committee on buildings and grounds was instructed to make the arrangements. An application for an extension of the electric light lines to the Wallaceh district has been received, several residents of that section wishing to install the lights in their homes. The electric light committee was instructed to investigate and report at the next meeting of the council.

PARALYZED MAN SENT TO ST. LOUIS BY ST. PETER

A stranger dropped down beside the road near St. Peter a few evenings ago. The sheriff was notified and that officer found the man to be partly paralyzed. He was taken to St. Peter and it was found he was unable to talk or write. He was confined in the jail for several days when his case was presented to the county commissioner. A map and list of cities was shown to him, and when the name of St. Louis, Mo., was shown he gave signs of interest. The commissioner gave the sheriff instructions to buy a ticket for that place and send him there, which was done Wednesday.

DECORATION DAY PLANS ARE NEARLY COMPLETED

Jacob Klossner, Jr., commander of Hecker Post, G. A. R., together with the committee, has the plans for the observance of Decoration Day nearly completed. L. G. Vogel will be the marshal of the day. The procession will form at the Indian monument at 9 o'clock, promptly, on the morning of May 30, and march to the cemeteries where the exercises will take place.

W. H. Dempsey will deliver the English oration, altho the German orator has not yet been secured.

The committee in charge urges every one who can do so to join in the procession at the monument.

SANE FOURTH SAVES MONEY.

The saving that would result from a non-explosive observance of the Fourth of July thruout the United States this year is no minor consideration. It would be very great, and the money that would be applied to better purposes. But there are other and still more important considerations, so well understood as to require no explanation. The holiday should be quiet, save for such pleasant noises as may result from the general employment of the spade, rake, hoe, wheelbarrow, and garden hose.—*Christian Science Monitor.*

MANY CIVIL CASES IN DISTRICT COURT

ONLY CRIMINAL TRIALS IN SIGHT FOR TRIBUNAL OF JUSTICE.

SESSION TO CONVENE NEXT MONDAY MAY BE OF SHORT DURATION.

An echo of the famous Sleepy Eye "cow case" is to be heard in the district court, the May term of which opens in the court house in this city next Monday, Albert F. Gieseke, who claimed that his reputation had been injured to the extent of \$1,000 because of a story that he had stolen a cow, accusing Otto Friton of circulating the story. Gieseke sued Friton, claiming \$1,000 damages, the trial taking place at the December term of court, which was decided in favor of Friton, the jury returning a verdict of "no cause of action". While the case was in progress the grand jury indicted Gieseke, charging him with actually stealing the cow. The case was put over until this term.

One Murder Case.

The most important criminal case to be tried will be that in which Matthew H. Lang is accused of murdering Miss Mayme Ganske, who was shot dead on a public street of Sleepy Eye on the afternoon of April 14, by Lang. The latter, who was a rejected suitor of the young woman, had been convicted more than a year ago of having attempted to kill Miss Ganske.

The list of civil cases is fairly long, something more than a dozen having been continued from the December term. These include the following: Jacob Klossner, et al, vs. Amanda Wicherski, et al.

In the matter of the Guardianship of Anna Rosina Hoehne, incompetent; appeal from probate court.

Nick L. Jutz vs. Albert Guth.

H. C. Nundahl vs. Christ M. Nundahl.

Joseph Schloegel and Anna Schloegel, his wife, vs. Wenzel Schloegel and Barbara Schloegel, his wife.

State of Minnesota vs. Alex. Deinken.

In the Matter of the Guardianship of Margaret Rieger, a minor.

Anna Zupfer vs. London Guarantee and Accident company.

Andrew Steinmetz vs. Fischer & Youngman.

Anna Peterson vs. the Mystic Workers of the World, a corporation.

William Oetting, as executor, vs. John Vierling and Maggie Vierling.

Wants Sleepy Eye Money.

Vinzen Ziemler vs. the City of Sleepy Eye, a municipal corporation. Ziemler claims damages from the city because the cess pool from the city's sewer is located so near his farm that he says the stench is a nuisance to such an extent that the health of himself and family is endangered.

Charles Betcher Lumber company, a corporation, vs. Jacob L. Hoy, et al.

New cases on the calendar are as follows:

In the Matter to Enforce Collection of Taxes on the First Monday in January, 1917; Brown county, vs. Albert G. Anderson.

W. J. Dyer & Bro. vs. C. J. Woodmansee.

Charles Stuebe and Gustav Stuebe, co-partners as Stuebe Bros., vs. the Minneapolis & St. Louis Railroad company.

John H. Grant vs. Anton Anderson.

O. J. Olson vs. Edward F. Berkner. Appealed from the municipal court of Sleepy Eye.

Noel C. Hoffmann vs. E. W. La Gow. Appealed from the municipal court of Sleepy Eye.

George Tauer vs. Town of Mulligan, Brown county, Minnesota.

Oren Case vs. D. S. Edenburn.

Resists Fire Marshal Order.

State of Minnesota vs. Edward F. Berkner. Appealed from notice of the state fire marshal. The case grows out of an order by the fire marshal notifying Berkner to demolish a building that he owns at Sleepy Eye.

Estate of P. D. Beckwith, incorporated vs. E. D. Swayne.

Amelia L. Pollei vs. Otto Pollei.

Hazel C. Barnes vs. Theo. J. Vollmer.

J. M. Hindermann vs. Gustav Wischstadt.

Joseph Wartha, a minor, by John Wartha, guardian ad litem, vs. John Bartl and Alfred Brey.

Henry N. Somsen, Joseph M. Arbes and Charles L. Arbes, vs. Fred A. Schrupp.

Catherine Defel vs. Anton Steffen.

Annie Faas, an insane person, by F. H. Krook, guardian, vs. A. N. Faas, et al. Courtland Creamery association vs. Daniel L. Williams.

J. B. Nesestuen vs. F. A. Gilbert.

Emil P. Golinick, et al, vs. Fred William Loeffelmaier, et al.

Robert Fensmaier vs. Paul D. Stratton.

State Bank of Sleepy Eye, a corporation, vs. R. A. Kahn and Cora Kahn.

August A. Petrich vs. Edward F. Berkner.

Wilhelmina Lent vs. Henry E. Lent. Carl Dittbenner vs. Ferdinand Gluth. K. B. Nelson vs. Edward F. Berkner. John Reese and Charles Berg are held to the grand jury, charged with robbing box cars at Sleepy Eye.

JOINS FORESTRY SERVICE

Walter Pfander, son of Postmaster and Mrs. Fred Pfander, who has been attending the State Agricultural College during the past year, has joined the United States forestry service, and is now in the northern part of the state.

LUVERNE IS LIKELY TO GET COMPANY A

Delegation Sees Governor and Secures Ten Days' Extension.

Company A is very likely to be moved to Luverne within a week. This would have happened the first of this week but for the visit to St. Paul Saturday of some New Ulm citizens. The fact developed that such action had been recommended by Col. W. L. Mollison, regimental commander, when L. G. Vogel, Major Albert Pfander, Capt. B. Groebner and L. B. Krook appeared at the office of Governor J. A. A. Burnquist, Saturday.

Given Ten Days' Extension.

When the delegation arrived at the state capitol the members were informed that it had been decided that unless the company was recruited up to peace strength by that day, the recommendation of Colonel Mollison would be carried out forthwith. Later in the day a ten days' extension of time was allowed.

It was explained, however, that this would be only a temporary arrangement as the company would later be returned to New Ulm. After considerable persuasion the governor consented to hear the arguments of the delegates, when it was explained that this city had been misunderstood in the matter; that the only reason it had been impossible to recruit, the blame being laid upon the conditions in the Second Regiment. In fact the unfairness of Colonel Mollison was held responsible for the inability of the officers and citizens of New Ulm to instill any enthusiasm into the prospective recruits for the company.

Delegates See Mollison.

H. N. Somsen and Ferdinand Crone constituted a committee that went to Faribault, yesterday, to confer with Colonel Mollison. They were given his side of the story.

Capt. W. F. Rhinow, military aid to Governor Burnquist, communicated with Colonel Mollison by telephone, notifying him of the extension.

In the meantime it is up to New Ulm to secure some twenty recruits this week or it will lose the company.

The New Ulm delegates learned while in the governor's office that the Second Regiment band would be stationed at Mankato and that the Machine Gun company goes to Faribault.

SCHLEUDER IS IN NAVY.

Victor H. Schleuder, who with three other New Ulm young men went to Minneapolis, Friday, to enlist in the United States navy, was the only one of the four accepted. He has returned on leave of absence until the recruits are to be sent to join the colors. In the meantime he is engaged in recruiting others for the service.

PROGRAM IS READY FOR GRADUATION

UNUSUALLY LARGE CLASS WILL BE SENT OUT TO CONQUER NEW WORLDS

Every body around the school buildings are now looking forward to the last day of school which occurs on Friday, June 1. These include, not only those who are to graduate and leave the school forever, but the scholars down to the lowest grade, and it wouldn't be at all surprising if the members of staff, from the superintendent down, are not slyly counting the days between now and June 1.

Forty-Three Graduates

The graduating class, this year, numbers forty-three students, in three courses, Latin, Scientific and English. There are four in the first, fourteen in the Scientific and twenty-five in the English class.

The commencement day exercises will be held at the Turner theater on Friday evening at 8 o'clock following is the program:

- Overture High School Orchestra
- Salutatory Wilhelmine C. Puchner
- Essay with Valedictory Honor: Woman and the War Aimee E. Krook
- Valedictory Henrietta W. Kogge
- Music Girls' Glee Club
- Address: Foundations of Success Dr. James Parsons
- Presentation of Diplomas
- Music Girls' Glee Club

CLASS ROLL

Josephine M. Fredericks, Aimee F. Krook, Elda L. Jahnke, Ellen M. Ochs.

Scientific Course

Agnes I. Bastian, Joseph A. Epple, Regina L. Esser, Hans Hauenstein, Ludwig C. Hofmeister, Henrietta W. Kogge, Carl Edward Leonhardt, Emanuel C. Manderfeld, William J. Pfander, John T. Scheiderich, George Jacob Schoch, Caroline K. Stolz, Juanita Caroline Uhlhorn, Walter V. Wiedenman.

English Course

*Lydia Anderson, *Louise A. Augustin Jeanette Rose Bartl, Hilarius H. Berg, Elton A. Dehn, Roy William Fenske, Max A. Freitag, Eleanor Frey, Ella Elvira Hartman, Henry F. Herzog, Armin E. Koehler, Herbert G. Kogge, Wenzel Joseph Kral, *Gertrude E. Meisinger, *Phyllis T. Neumann, *Olga M. Olson, *Adela J. Ouren, James Arnold Ouren, *Wilhelmine C. Puchner Ernest A. Schleuder, Lucile I. Schleuder, Erwin John Schmid, Henry George Schnobrich, Gerwin A. Strelow, *Tilda L. Torgrimson.

Also completed Teacher's Training Course.

Four of the students were tied for first honors, Henrietta W. Kogge, Aimee Krook, Wilhelmine Puchner and Elton A. Dehn. They drew lots for places on the program. Mr. Dehn is absent at present, but will return to receive his diploma on commencement day.

TRADING IN WHEAT FUTURES STOPPED

RESULT IS DROP OF 32 CENTS IN PRICES OF GRAIN IN LOCAL MARKET.

MILLERS QUIT BUYING EXCEPT IN SMALL LOTS OFFERED BY FARMERS.

Wheat prices slumped off 32 cents Monday, closing that much lower in the local market than on Saturday. The cause is assigned to the action taken by the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce and other grain exchanges thruout the west and northwest.

Hard on Millers.

"The action makes it bad for the millers" said Charles Vogel, secretary and general manager of the Eagle Roller Milling company, yesterday. "That is because we are unable to buy wheat except as we sell the flour. I believe it was the buying by the millers that has caused wheat to go up so rapidly in price lately. It has been the custom of the mill owners to buy futures to make sure of having the wheat when needed at a later date. In case of an oversupply they were able to unload their options. "We are not buying any wheat now in car lots. Of course we take whatever is offered by the farmers, either at the mill or at our elevators."

The Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce will permit trading in futures only to cover open trades.

Announcement by Directors.

The directors announced their action in the following resolution: "Resolved, that until further notice the use of the exchange room and its facilities is withdrawn, so far as the making of future contracts, as distinguished from cash transactions, is concerned, except for the purpose of closing open future trades, and no member shall make purchases or sales of wheat or rye for future delivery, for the purpose of closing open trades, at a price higher than the price prevailing at the close of business Saturday, May 12."

This resolution was posted on the floor of the Chamber about 12:45 p. m. As the market then was well under Saturday's close, it had no effect on the transaction of business for the remaining half hour.

Three members of the Minneapolis board were sent as delegates to a meeting in Chicago to devise a method of curbing the runaway tendency of grain prices.

The effect of the Chicago board of trade directors' order was to make Saturday's closing price temporarily the maximum. Trading still was permitted there to liquidate existing contracts. Sales were still permissible, and buying was allowed on the basis of the Saturday close.

May wheat closed 27 cents lower yesterday than on Monday, a net loss of 59 cents in two days.

ALLEGED CHECK RAISER MUST WORK IN FUTURE

Edward Schultz, who early last winter cashed a worthless check at Metzinger's store, and was later allowed to go, must find honest employment or spend three months in jail. A few days after being released from jail here Schultz hired a team of horses at a Lake Scitz livery stable, which he failed to return. He left the team at a neighboring town and started to walk to Albert Lea. He was captured by the Blue Earth county sheriff and taken to the jail at Mankato, where he has been until a few days ago, when he was arraigned before Judge W. L. Comstock.

The court imposed a jail sentence of three months, which was suspended on condition that the young man secure work and stick to it.

GOT HIS SOLDIERS.

Ed. Bertrand of Cobden recently wrote to County Auditor L. G. Vogel that he wanted a mill in his village and he wanted a guard of soldiers to protect his property; that other mill owners were supplied with soldiers and he wanted some forthwith. Mr. Vogel had a dozen "tin soldiers" made and forwarded by parcel post to the anxious Cobden man. Now he's satisfied.

NEW ULM BOYS FOR NAVY

Three New Ulm young men, Victor Schleuder, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Schleuder; Peter Herrian and John A. Groebner, applied last week to Postmaster Fred Pfander to enlist in the United States navy. The boys left Friday afternoon for Minneapolis where they will take the physical examination, and if they pass will be enrolled at once for service.

FORT RIDGELY DEFENDER DIES AT RICHFIELD HOME

Everett F. Irwin, a pioneer resident of Minnesota, died at his home in Richfield, Hennepin county last Saturday. Mr. Irwin had lived in Minnesota since 1856, and was a member of the Minnesota Territorial association. He was one of the defenders of Fort Ridgely in the Indian uprisings in 1862, and was well-known to the pioneers of this part of the state.

Mr. Irwin was also prominent as a breeder of Holstein-Friesian cattle, and because of his efforts to improve dairy cattle he recently received honorable mention by the University of Minnesota. Herds owned by Mr. Irwin and his son, John B. Irwin, a few weeks ago were valued at \$500,000.