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## COURT TERM CLOSES

Last Case on Calendar is Disposed of and Judge Roeser Leaves for His Home in St. Cloud.

Jury in Number Ten Ditch Case Returns a Verdict in Favor of Plaintiff in Sum of \$200.

District court concluded its work at 9:30 o'clock this morning after being in session more than eight days, four of which were consumed in trying the No. 10 ditch case, and Judge Roeser left Princeton for his home at St. Cloud on the 10:42 train. Court Reporter Woodward autoed to St. Cloud last evening. Cases disposed of since Union went to press last week:

County of Mille Lacs vs. S. L. Kennedy and the National Surety company of New York. Action to recover \$1,000 for cost of preliminary survey of ditch No. 10. E. L. McMillan for plaintiff, J. F. D. Meighen for defendant Kennedy, and Henry A. Morgan for the defendant surety company. The jury, after being out all night, returned a verdict this morning in favor of plaintiff for \$200. A stay of proceedings for 60 days was granted.

A short history of the No. 10 ditch case from the time of its inception is hereunder given:

Ditch No. 10 was originally petitioned for in the fall of 1908 by Chr. Carl Eberhardt et al. In the spring of 1909 R. S. Chapman was appointed engineer and, after completing a survey of the proposed ditch, he filed his engineer's report with County Auditor Doane on May 23, 1911. The viewers appointed on this ditch by the board of commissioners were Jas. R. Edmunds, Peter Jensen and E. P. Olson, who proceeded to view the proposed ditch and assess the benefits and damages as required by law.

Engineer and viewers, in their report, found that the proposed ditch was feasible and necessary for the public benefit and utility, and recommended that the ditch be constructed according to said report.

The matter came on for final hearing before the county board on July 12, 1911. At said hearing all interested landowners along the proposed line of the ditch, together with the engineer and viewers, were present and the matter was thoroughly argued. It was brought out at the hearing that about three-fourths of the interested parties were opposed to the ditch on account of its being too costly. The board attempted to compromise on the proposition and, in so doing, lost jurisdiction as later advised.

New proceedings were then started by Chr. Carl Eberhardt et al. with a view of reducing the size and cost of the ditch to overcome the opposition which had developed at the first final hearing. The board then re-appointed R. S. Chapman as engineer on the ditch and he refused to serve in consequence of his being particularly busy at that time with state highway work.

The board then appointed S. L. Kennedy as engineer to make a re-survey of the proposed ditch in accordance with views brought out at the final hearing on the Chapman survey—the understanding being that the size and cost of the ditch was to be reduced.

Kennedy made a new survey and the same viewers who acted in the first proceeding were appointed and acted in the same capacity in the second proceeding. The engineer and viewers completed their work, filed their report, and the matter came on for final hearing before the county board on May 27, 1912. At this hearing it was brought out that Engineer Kennedy had extended the Chapman survey from its source about 4 miles additional and that his plans and specifications called for a dredged ditch, which it was estimated would cost \$11,000, whereas the Chapman survey called for about a \$4,800 ditch. The board rejected the Kennedy survey on the grounds that it was too expensive, too big a proposition, and not what the landowners wanted.

The county board then brought action against Chr. Carl Eberhardt et al. to recover on petitioners' bonds for costs of preliminary survey, and this case came up for hearing at the April, 1913, term of court, when defendants' motion for judgment on pleadings was granted.

At the present term of court the county board brought action against S. L. Kennedy and the National Surety company of New York to re-

cover for the cost of preliminary survey, amounting to about \$1,000.

Charles A. Geddes vs. Jacob Van Rhee and C. E. Erickson. Action to recover \$1,000 on land deal, plaintiff claiming that defendants acted as his agents and bought the land for \$1,000 less than they charged him for the same. On the other hand defendants claimed that they were independent dealers, or middlemen, and hence not liable to plaintiff for profit they made in the transaction. Z. L. McMillan for plaintiff, J. D. Sullivan for defendants. The jury returned a verdict for defendants.

H. M. Sigler vs. Glendora Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance company. Action to recover insurance on property where policy is claimed to have not been transferred. E. L. McMillan and S. P. Skahan for plaintiff, Olin C. Myron for defendant. Continued to next term of court.

Andrew Milne vs. Edna B. Hull. Action to foreclose on mechanics' lien. J. C. King and E. L. McMillan for plaintiff, G. A. Will for defendant. Continued by stipulation of parties.

Philomene Kennedy vs. John Kennedy. Divorce. J. D. Sullivan for plaintiff, E. L. McMillan for defendant. Tried by court and decree ordered for plaintiff.

J. H. Hoffman vs. J. M. Johnson and J. C. Olson. Action to recover value of a harness. E. L. McMillan for plaintiff, S. P. Skahan for defendant Johnson. Settled by stipulation.

### Court Notes.

Deputies Tom Kaiher, William Cordiner and Peter Olson all performed their duties with credit.

Attorneys Henry A. Morgan and John F. D. Meighen of Albert Lea were among the out-of-town lawyers attending court this week.

Bob Clark, who as special deputy has officiated for over 30 terms of court, was on the job at this term rendering his usual valuable services.

The boys at the court house missed the presence of Philip Woodward, jr., at this term. He has accompanied his dad upon several occasions and is a general favorite.

Bob King, clerk of court, is a most experienced official and a gentleman at all times willing to impart information to those who seek it. Bob is well versed in court procedure.

In E. L. McMillan, county attorney, the county has an experienced and valuable man. His cases are all conducted in an able manner, and there are but few of them in which he does not win.

Miss Carrie Hansmeyer, deputy clerk of court, is a valuable assistant to her chief, Bob King. Being thoroughly familiar with court work, she performs the duties of that office in a manner satisfactory to everyone.

Philip Woodward, court reporter, was officiating at this term and he has numerous friends in Princeton who are always pleased to greet him. Philip is a genial, obliging gentleman besides being an expert court reporter.

As sheriff of this county Harry Shockley has always made good. He is not one of the officious, notoriety-loving sort of public officers, but performs his duties quietly and well. When he goes after a man he usually gets him, but he is unostentatious in his method of so doing. Mille Lacs county has an efficient sheriff in Harry Shockley.

At every term of court a deal of amusement is created in the process of naturalizing aliens. For instance, the judge asked an aspirant for citizenship whether he knew anything about the constitution of the United States. "I ban knows nuttin abote de constepashuns of de Junited Stets," was his answer, "but ju was tew smart, I tank." "Were you ever arrested?" asked the judge. "Yah, yudge," replied the fellow questioned, "I ban in yall once." "For what?" asked the judge. "I ban scrap a feller," was the reply, "and I scrap him tew a standup, I tank."

Judge John A. Roeser of St. Cloud, who presided at this term of court, is not only a most able jurist but an affable gentleman. When practicing as a lawyer Mr. Roeser gained a wide reputation for ability in his profession and as a judge his popularity is rapidly growing, for he is absolutely fair and just in all his decisions. The people of the Seventh judicial district are particularly fortunate in securing him as a successor to Judge Myron D. Taylor. In Princeton village, although this is only the second term of court over which Judge Roeser has presided here, he has made many friends.

### AT NORTHWESTERN HOSPITAL.

Alonzo Kessler of North Dakota was operated upon yesterday morning for appendicitis, Thos. Tellefson of Blue Hill for appendicitis, and Mrs. Chas. Nordstrom of Foreston for cancer of the breast.

Henry Papenhausen underwent an operation on Sunday for the removal of a gangrenous ruptured appendix. He was ill three days and very little hope was entertained for his recovery, but his condition has greatly improved.

Mrs. L. J. Spech of Elk River entered the hospital on Tuesday for medical treatment.

Sven Johnson of Greenbush, who was operated upon last week for appendicitis, is convalescent.

Clara Strand, aged 2 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Strand of Santiago, who entered the hospital on Tuesday, is very ill.

### Ready to Go to the Front.

Bob King is a genuine patriot. He says that should the United States be called upon to take up arms against Mexico he is willing to operate a gatling gun although he is not very good on forced marches; and Jim Hartman, another patriot, declares that within a few days—as soon as he eradicates the excrescences from his feet—he will be ready to start for the front. The Union force—including "the old man" and Snips—is also prepared to close up shop and go into action. Down with Mexico!

### Quick Meal Range Demonstration.

The demonstration of the Quick Meal range at the Caley Hardware company's store attracted many people this week. William Rose, direct from the factory at St. Louis, is demonstrating this range—of which there is none better made—and waitresses are serving coffee and biscuits to whomsoever desires a light luncheon. The demonstration will continue throughout the week, and since the opening 15 ranges have been sold.

### The Quail Season.

In response to many inquiries regarding the shooting of quail, the law provides that they may be killed during the months of October and November. Partridge, ruffed grouse and pheasant may also be shot during the same period. The law also provides that only one deer can be taken by each person during the season, which opens on November 10 and continues to the end of the month.

### Returned to Asylum.

Raymond Davis of Milaca, aged 40 years, was brought before Judge of Probate Sanford on Saturday and re-committed to the state hospital for the insane at Fergus Falls. On October 9 Davis was discharged from the asylum after being an inmate for three years, but he became violent and it was found necessary to return him. Sheriff Shockley took him to Fergus Falls on Sunday.

### His Prayers Answered.

After praying for 14 consecutive nights for snow, Charley Gaulier told us on Tuesday that he was glad his prayer had been answered, as his knees were getting mighty sore and he was growing impatient. "I always pray for snow early in the fall," said Charley, "for snow destroys the infernal grasshopper eggs."

### Hard Fall on Roads.

This has been an exceptionally hard fall on roads on account of so much rain. The only roads that stand up in all kinds of weather in clay, gumbo or sandy soil are the roads that are well drained, properly rounded up and surfaced with crushed rock or gravel. It will require time to build such roads but a good beginning should be made next year.

### Abrahamson-McGuire.

Sam A. Abrahamson of Greenbush and Rose M. McGuire of Santiago were married by Rev. John A. Levine at his residence yesterday afternoon. The witnesses were Tellef Tellefson and Anna Lofty. The young couple have gone to the state of Washington, where they intend to reside.

### Big Sale on Millinery.

Commencing on Saturday, November 1, and lasting 10 days, I will hold a cut-price sale on trimmed hats, fancy feathers and shapes. Come in and look over my line before buying elsewhere. 45-1tc Mrs. E. C. Meyer.

## WINS ANOTHER GAME

Princeton High School Football Team Skunks the Hinckley Eleven by a Score of 32 to 0.

Team Goes to Elk River on Saturday to Take a Second Whack at the Boys of That Place.

Last Saturday's football game at the local fair grounds between the manhandlers from the Hinckley high school and the athletes of the local institution of learning proved to be a one-sided, jug-handled affair and a clean-cut victory for the home boys by the score of 32 to 0. The Princeton backfield men proved too fast for the Hinckley defense and skirted the ends for large gains and plowed off tackle for considerable yardage, as the dredge men would say.

When the Hinckley defense started to tighten up and hold the feet-footed Princeton backs Mons. Umbecker, commonly known as Dave, would display good generalship by opening up the drawn-in defense by a series of well-executed forward passes that netted many yards for the orange and black and brought about several of the touchdowns. The Princeton line also did some stellar work in this game. When in possession of the ball they held back the enemy sufficiently long for the backfield men to get their plays going in good shape, and when on the defense they charged low and hard and broke up many of the Hinckley plays before the interference could even get started.

At the end of the first half the score stood 12 to 0 in favor of the locals, they having scored two hard-won touchdowns during this period of play, one coming in the first quarter and the other in the second. Hinckley played their best game in the first half and made the locals extend themselves to the limit to get their two touchdowns. In the second half Hinckley began to weaken and before the game was over Princeton had scored three more touchdowns, two of which Umbecker converted into goals, bringing up the final score, Princeton 32, Hinckley 0.

On the coming Saturday Princeton will journey down to Elk River to play a return game with the Sherburne county lads, whom the locals met and defeated 12 to 0 earlier in the season. With Elk River playing on their home grounds and before their home crowd, they may prove a hard nut for the locals to crack, but Coach Davis and his band of husky warriors will entrain for Elk River next Saturday with the firm determination of giving the Elk River lads the game of their lives.

### Good Roads Prevent Disease.

Few persons, on first thought, would see any possible connection between good roads and good health. Yet the state board of health of Kansas says that good roads can and will prevent disease. How? By the removal of weeds and trash. Weeds and trash prevent the prompt evaporation of moisture and promote retention of ground water. This makes ideal breeding spots for mosquitoes, flies and other insects, which are known as disease carriers, not to mention chinch bugs, hoppers and other insects which are crop damage. Furthermore, an undergrowth of weeds invites the dumping of garbage and manure by offering concealment, of which fact careless and thoughtless people are prone to take advantage, thus increasing the facility of insect breeding and providing these insect carriers with proper material for disease transmission. Good roads also prevent disease by providing good drainage. Many farms have no means of drainage except by ditches along roadways. Open ditches, clear of brush and debris, with hardened surface and proper fall, afford these farms the opportunity of ridding themselves of many a stagnant pool. The removal of weeds, proper road grading and surface hardening insures prompt drainage of all pool, ditch and surface water, removing the possibility of insect breeding, for none can multiply without moisture. Road oiling in itself is destructive of insect larvae, especially mosquitoes—a well known fact. Dry roads offer pedestrians, and notably children who are compelled to walk to and from school, dry shoes and feet. While colds are due to specific germs, yet it is a well known fact that cold, wet feet and chilled limbs lower the resistance of individuals and make

them more favorable subjects for infections of the respiratory passages, including pneumonia and tuberculosis. Good roads prevent disease by setting an example to adjoining farm premises. Good roads promote travel and set an example to the farmer whose premises are bordered by them. The comparison of a well-graded, clean highway with an unkempt and trashy barnyard adjoining is sufficient to stimulate every landowner to a clean-up. Pride compels him to offer to passers-by a neat-appearing and attractive house and barnyard. Results are only too obvious. Good roads are active disease prevention agencies, aside from their financial and commercial value.—Press Bulletin American Medical Association.

### Arthur Granger Making Good.

Mr. A. H. Granger, a graduate of Hamline university, and well known to many Princeton people, has started something at Brownton, where he is principal of the village schools, that well might be instituted by other school principals throughout the state, as witness the following special to the Minneapolis Tribune: "Brownton, Minn., Oct. 20.—Friday was a gala day for Brownton when the public schools, under the principalship of A. H. Granger, gave the first school fair ever held in McLeod county. The spacious new city hall was used for the occasion and it scarcely furnished sufficient room for the large and varied amount of exhibits supplied by the children of the local schools.

"Everything that is usually shown at the country fair was on display—even the prize pumpkin showed up conspicuously. Work done by the various grades was nicely displayed besides an elegant showing of fruits, vegetables, pastry, fancy work and poultry, in fact everything that goes to make a complete fair.

"The hall was thronged throughout the day and at times it was almost impossible to gain entrance, so eager were the residents of this village and surrounding community to see what the children of the public schools were capable of showing for their criticism. Two competent judges from the state agricultural school were present and marked the exhibits. Nearly \$100 was awarded in prizes, this amount having been liberally subscribed by the business men of Brownton.

"The day wound up with a fast basket ball game between the Brownton and Glencoe high schools, the local boys winning by a score of 25 to 13.

"In the evening a fine program was given which was arranged by the teachers, and this also was very largely attended."

### Rev. Dr. Forbes Dead.

Rev. Dr. Robert Forbes, corresponding secretary of the board of home missions and extension work of the Methodist Episcopal church of the United States, died on Saturday evening at Dr. Graham's hospital, West Duluth.

Dr. Forbes was born in Ontario, Canada, in 1844, and has been prominently identified with the Methodist church in this state for many years. He was presiding elder of the Duluth district for several years and made frequent visits to Princeton. He was also pastor of the leading Methodist churches in Duluth, St. Paul and Minneapolis.

Dr. Forbes was one of the most prominent churchmen in the country, beloved by all the thousands who knew him for his many noble traits of character, his genial, kindly wit, his never-failing cheerfulness, his broad humanity and his impressive personality. He was highly respected and admired for his great ability and wide knowledge. As a preacher and orator he ranked with the foremost between the two oceans and was always in constant demand. Love of his work and his faithfulness to duty hastened his end.

### Would Tax Tobacco to Build Roads.

Rochester, Minn., Oct. 27.—The building of 50,000 miles of federal road at the expense of the tobacco users of this country is the plan of the National Highway association, which is being presented in Rochester by G. P. Bethel, organizer for the association, who is meeting with good success in securing members.

In addressing a meeting of the Commercial club Mr. Bethel declared that the program of the association was the only feasible solution of the construction of federal highways. At the last session of congress, he said, sixty-three bills had been presented from different sections, all favoring sectional interests for the construction of high-

ways, but all met with failure.

The National Highway association purposes to ask congress to pass a bill for the creation of a fund of \$500,000,000, \$50,000,000 of which is to be spent each year upon the building of 50,000 miles of road, which will touch every congressional district in the country. The association proposes an ad valorem tax upon tobacco to raise the amount.

Mr. Bethel stated that the country had about completed the building of the great canal at an immense cost, that annually large sums were spent on rivers and harbors, promoting the sectional interests only, and that now it was time for the nation to join in the movement for good roads which affects every section of the country. He believed that good roads are great factors in education, citing the fact that in the isolated districts, in the mountain countries, where good roads were unknown, are found the communities of greater ignorance.

### Bunged Up the Machine.

George Palthen was arrested on Saturday upon complaint of A. S. Mark, on a warrant issued by C. A. Dickey, charging said Palthen with taking Mr. Mark's car from the barn which he rented from Palthen and greatly damaging the same. Upon several occasions, says Mr. Mark, he had found his machine out of running order and had accused his son, Bert, of overindulgence in joy rides, which Bert denied, but at this particular time he caught Palthen red-handed. Palthen, he says, took out the car on Friday night, broke the connecting rod and coil, burned out the engine, lost the lamp, horn and one tire, and appropriated the core-plug from Tom Kaiher's machine—which is of similar make—as that on the Mark machine had been removed as a precautionary measure.

Palthen was brought before Justice Dickey on Saturday evening, waived examination and was released on his own recognizance to appear for a hearing upon the following Wednesday—yesterday. In the meantime the wife and mother of defendant called upon Mr. Mark and, with tears in their eyes, pleaded for leniency, promising to see that Palthen was removed from Princeton onto a farm. Having known the family for a number of years and feeling sorry for the wife and mother of defendant, Mr. Mark promised them that he would let the case drop.

### Farewell Party.

The "Girls of the 60's" were invited to partake of the hospitality of Mrs. Eva Keith at her cosy home last Saturday evening, the special occasion for the assemblage being a farewell to Mrs. Mary Rines, who has now left for the west to repeat her sojourn of a year ago in Los Angeles. Not all the members could be present, but those who were so fortunate as to be there report a most enjoyable time. The hostess is justly famed for the excellence of her cuisine, and the refreshments, both as to quality and manner of serving, were faultless.

Just "visiting" was the order of the evening and this was enjoyed to a late hour. Indeed, the "edge" of the Sabbath was almost in view when the company finally dispersed with a "speed the parting guest" to the sister who, though absent through the coming winter, will return with the birds and the flowers of the balmy springtime.

### New Farm School Schedule.

A new plan is to be tried in giving the farmers' short courses at the state agricultural school. Tentative plans are to give one week's instruction in horticulture, poultry and bee keeping, to devote another week to crops and seed testing, another to dairying and veterinary work, and still another to animal husbandry and farm management. Formerly the various subjects have been carried through the entire four weeks, whereas, under the new plan, if a student desires to get instruction only in one of the subjects to be offered in the short course he may attend the farm school that week.

### Quentin is 'All and 'All.

We should love to publish your letter, "Dutch," anent our complimentary to an Irish girl the other day, but as our paper is not asbestos we are afraid of conflagration. We hasten to assure you, however, that as to the two noble nations our sympathies are exactly half and half. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays our middle name is Dutch—on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays it is Irish. On Sundays? Well on Sundays we rest.—Quentin in Minneapolis Tribune.