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125 Years Ago: From the *Shakopee Courier*

March 3, 1892

Anyone who attended the Marble entertainment could not help noticing the many strange faces that came into the hall, mostly all brought here by our manufacturing enterprises.

March 10, 1892

The following persons are intending to build in Shakopee this spring: Dr. Smith an addition to his residence, James Reynolds a residence, and John Dean an addition to his residence.

March 17, 1892

Saw Russ. Jones in Minneapolis last week. Thinks he sees light for the desk business in April. Hope it won't be April 1st.

March 24, 1892

H. F. Gross says he has finished his picture of "Liberty Enlightening the World," which he intends to send to the World's Fair at Chicago.

March 31, 1892

The Bierlein Bros. have completed six of their big machines, and are rushed with work.

125 Years Ago: From the *Scott County Argus*

March 3, 1892

The library of the Union School is soon to have an addition of about sixty volumes purchased by the Board of Education. The library is a very potent factor for good among the pupils of the school. It comprises about 300 books at the present time and doubtless this number could be swelled by individual contributions if the parents but knew of all its usefulness. Books at home once read are sometimes thrown aside to do no more good in the world. Contributions of such would be most gratefully received by those directly interested in the schools.

March 10, 1892

The two heaviest steers ever marketed in Shakopee were bought by Lins Bros. at Monday's Fair. Their combined weight aggregated 4050 lbs.

March 17, 1892

Dr. H. O. Smith has had plans drawn for practically a new residence. The front part of the present dwelling is to be torn

down and a handsome two story and a half house will be erected in its place. The new building will afford, beside the commodious living rooms, two large, roomy offices which the doctor has needed for some time. Mr. Aug. Bornarth is drawing the plans and it promises to make a comely addition to that part of the city.

March 24, 1892

As spring is likely to re-open now we would suggest to the street committee the availability of buying a carload of Jacob Ries's broken bottles to "improve" cross-walks with. Another needed improvement is a bridge or ferry along the west side of Holmes street from Second to Third street to enable people to go to and from the court house.

March 31, 1892

Peter Steinmetz, who has been acting as janitor of St. Mark's church for the past two years will give up that position on Friday next.

100 Years Ago: From the *Shakopee Tribune*

March 2, 1917

To Discuss Prohibition

Plans have been made so both sides of the proposed amendment to the State Constitution on the liquor question may be presented at the meeting in the opera house next Sunday evening, March 4th. Senator J. B. Ries, who voted against the amendment in the Senate has been invited to speak for the side he voted for and Mr. W. G. Calderwood will represent the dry side. It is not intended that his meeting shall be a debate on the issue, but each side may present their arguments for the benefit of the votes who have the responsibility of settling the question of the manufacture and sale of liquor in Minnesota after 1920. This is the people's meeting and all are invited to hear the addresses, free.

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March 9, 1917

A deal was closed on Tuesday whereby Daniel Frawley of Savage became the owner of the John Thole residence in east Shakopee. The price paid was \$3000. Mr. Frawley and family will move here about April 15th. Mr. Thole will build a new home, work to commence as soon as the weather permits.

March 16, 1917

The George Kopp home was placed under quarantine on Monday, Miss Edna being a victim of scarletina.

March 23, 1917

The mammoth production "Satan", which was to have been shown at the Gem, St. Patrick's day, will be shown next Tuesday, afternoon and evening. Mr. Dawson, the owner of the film was unable to get here, being snowbound at Heron Lake.

March 30, 1917

During the week Julius A. Collier appeared before the Senate Committee, with Representatives of the Federated Womens Clubs of the States, for the purpose of having included in the General Budget the sum of \$250,000 for the proposed Reformatory buildings.

Later—As we go to press we learn that Mr. Collier has received \$22,000 as first payment on the reformatory site, the Koeper farm. The balance of \$6,000 is to be paid within two weeks.

100 Years Ago: From the *Scott County Argus***March 2, 1917**

E. G. Dahl has re-purchased the stock of general merchandise which he sold to the late J. M. Spindler two weeks ago and the store was re-opened for business by Mr. Dahl the first of this week.

March 9, 1917

Supt. F. B. Harrington has tendered his resignation as superintendent of the high school to take effect at the close of the present school year.

March 16, 1917**Playground for Shakopee**

Through the hearty cooperation of the citizens of Shakopee, the Playground and Recreation Association of America has practically completed arrangements for a term of field service during 1917. Work will be started as soon as one of the field secretaries can be spared from present engagements.

I wish personally to thank those who have helped make this possible and to further bespeak your cooperation as the work gets under way.

If the work is to be effective and permanent, every one

will need to be a booster.

Alice Marion Olson
1201 E. 55th Street,
Chicago, Illinois

March 23, 1917

At a recent meeting of the Board of Education of Independent District No. 1 Supt. E. E. Howard of Glenville was elected to succeed Supt. Harrington who resigned.

March 30, 1917**Cheese Factory for Shakopee**

Messrs. Hauer and Kaup, the enterprising young proprietors of the Shakopee Produce Co., are making extensive improvements in their building and installing new machinery preparatory to branching out in their business to include the manufacture of cheese. This part of the produce business is entirely new to them and will be tried out as an experiment in connection with their well-established creamery. They are installing a press, a 700 gallon milk vat, and have engaged the services of Ben Wiskow of Neillsville, Wis., who will take exclusive charge of the work. The cheese factory will open for business about the middle of April and the proprietors have an announcement elsewhere in our columns of interest to farmers.

75 Years Ago: From the *Shakopee Argus-Tribune***March 5, 1942****Kite Fliers Warned of Electric Line Dangers**

Warning of the dangers of flying kites in the vicinity of power lines, R. C. Condon, city electrician, has asked the Argus-Tribune to urge parents to caution their children about trying to retrieve kites which become entangled in electric lines.

Greatest danger lies in the use of fine copper wire as leads on kite strings, Mr. Condon said. It is far better, he insisted, to lose the kite than a life, and advised against making any attempts to climb power poles to free kites which end their flights by becoming enmeshed in electric power wires.

The safest way, he said, is to fly the kites in open areas away from all wires.

March 12, 1942**New Industry To Be Located in Shakopee**

Practically assuring the location of another new industry in Shakopee the City Council, by unanimous vote Tuesday night, passed a resolution providing for the eventual conveyance of a portion of the old foundry site in West Shakopee to the in-coming firm.

Under the terms of the resolution the city is to deed all of block 38 and the north half of block 37 to the firm known as Page and Hill Company, manufacturers of pre-fabricated

houses...

In its agreement with the city, the manufacturing company proposes to erect a large addition to the present structure on the site conveyed to them, increasing the floor space to cover an area 100 feet by 400 feet.

The building to be conveyed was formerly the enamelling plant of the old stove company and is not in use by the Kienzle & Merrick company which occupies the foundry machine shop and major portion of the old stove plant...

March 19, 1942

Young Red Cross Workers Lauded

That the Junior Red Cross chapter of Scott county is really doing things in the present emergency, is revealed in a letter received this week from the station hospital at Camp Wolters, Texas.

The letter, received by Miss Cora Huber, county chairman of the Junior Red Cross, is the result of the first project undertaken by the juvenile organization—the making of sick tray favors for hospital patients. The favors were used on Washington's Birthday...

March 26, 1942

Firemen Discuss Convention Here

Plans to make the 1942 state firemen's convention here in June one of the most interesting, entertaining and successful ever held by the organization (and incidentally the biggest event ever staged in Shakopee) were formulated at a dinner meeting of state and local officers held at the Rock Spring cafe Tuesday noon.

The session, conducted by George Ring, state president and local chief, was attended by Fred Pfaender, state secretary, New Ulm; Charles Gehrke, state fire warden, St. Paul; A. J. Stang and H. J. Pass II, local committeemen.

According to the program set up by the committee the three-day convention will open Monday, June 8, with the registration of more than 800 delegates. Meetings, conferences addresses, informative demonstrations and motion pictures are all on the list of activities for the three days...

50 Years Ago: From the Shakopee Valley News

March 2, 1967

Case Clothing Plans Expansion To Include Present Theatre Space

Harold Case, owner of Case's Clothing store and the Shakopee Theatre, announced Tuesday of this week plans of completely remodeling and enlargement of their present store facilities, located at 120 East First.

The remodeling will include some 5,000 square feet of floor space with provisions to be made for an additional 3,600 square feet, which may be added at a later date.

The newly-renovated structure will take up the space now occupied by the Shakopee Theater and Case's Clothing. Case further stated that the Theatre will remain open until all present clothing store stock is liquidated...

March 9, 1967

Fluoridation of water is now being effected with the City of Shakopee's water supply with equipment...now installed at the pump house on Tenth Avenue adjacent of Shakopee Public High School. Shakopee Public Utilities installed the necessary equipment at the cost of \$1,000 a pump, or \$2,000 for both wells after the Common Council by ordinance approved this treatment of the water after receiving petition and holding public hearings...

March 16, 1967

93 Women At Home Council's 'Let's Do Some Banking' Day In Shakopee

A group of 93 women from the Scott and Carver County Home Councils attended a program with the theme, "Money in a Woman's World," held Monday of this week, March 13, at the Community Room, First National Bank of Shakopee.

March 23, 1967

First Services To Be Easter At New Presbyterian Church

First services in the new edifice of the First United Presbyterian Church of Shakopee are to be this Sunday on Easter, March 26.

The first service at the new location, at the end of Shakopee Avenue on Scott County Road No. 17 (Spring Lake Road) will be at 6 a.m. Easter Sunrise service this Sunday, March 26...

March 30, 1967

600 Participate In Jaycees' First Easter Egg Hunt

More than 600 participants turned out for the first Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the Shakopee community staged last Saturday afternoon, March 25, at Memorial Park, just off Highway 101 at the east edge of Shakopee under the auspices of the Shakopee Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Lucky finder of the "bronzed" egg to win claim to the grand prize was Ann Panek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Panek, 806 East Seventh...

25 Years Ago: From the Shakopee Valley News

March 5, 1992

School Board OKs phone system study

The Shakopee School Board has hired a consulting firm to develop a telecommunications analysis and plan for the district.

A contract with Elert & Associates of St. Paul, at a cost not to exceed \$6,173, was approved by the board Monday.

According to Administrative Services Director Ronald Ward, the district's telephone system is 15 years old and is experiencing a variety of problems, from overloading to equipment failures. Ward told the board there were times when the telephone system had to be shut down...

March 12, 1992

Teen group pushes for responsible decisions from peers at school

You don't have to drink or smoke to be cool. Not all teens who go to parties drink. Many teens welcome the opportunity to make responsible decisions.

Those are the messages that SWAPP – Students Working Against Peer Pressure – at Shakopee High School is trying to send to the public.

The group formed at the beginning of the school year and meets about twice a month...

About 20 students, ranging in age from 10th- to 12th-graders, have been meeting and arranging ways to put their ideas into practice...

March 19, 1992

City orders environmental report on mine expansion

The Shakopee City Council on March 10 authorized the hiring of the engineering consulting firm Orr-Schelen-Mayeron & Associates, Minneapolis, to prepare an environmental assessment worksheet (EAW) for a proposed westward expansion of the J. L. Shiely Mining Co.

The mine, which opened in 1961, is located south of Highway 101 and east of Valley Park Drive. Its first conditional-use permit was issued in 1984 and has been renewed or amended several times.

In September, the company applied for an amended permit to allow for expansion on the western 85 acres of its property.

In November, the city's Planning Commission continued a public hearing on the permit amendment request to allow for the completion of the EAW, which is required under state statutes.

The city is the unit of government responsible for conducting the EAW. The company is responsible for EAW and permit costs.

March 26, 1992

Equity in sports offerings district goal

The Shakopee School District offers eight sports each to boys and girls at the high school level.

And although only one girl has participated on the golf team, the district continues to try to attract more females to

the sport, according to Activities Director Dale Vaughan.

Lorie Schulstad, equal educational opportunity compliance specialist with the Minnesota Department of Education, says that Shakopee has taken a step in the right direction in attempting to achieve equity in the number of sports offered to boys and girls.

According to a 1991 report by the state Department of Education (which was compiled before a girl joined the Indians' boys' golf team), Shakopee was one of 169 districts offering one fewer sport for girls. There were 143 districts reported to be offering an equal number, while 90 reported offered two or more fewer sports for girls...



Workers stand next to an automobile at an auto repair shop located on the south side of First Avenue between Lewis and Sommerville streets.

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