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JACOBS, JOHN

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John Jacobs was born in Trier, Germany, March 29, 1865 son of Nicholas and Elizabeth Jacobs.

John had nine brothers and sisters and a livelihood was a matter of hard work on a small farm.

In 1870 John came to America with his parents, who settled on a homestead near Rockville Stearns county, Minnesota. John attended the normal school at St. Cloud and Business college. After finishing this educational process John taught school for thirty-five years in the locality of Stearns and Meeker counties.

On April 17, 1899 John Jacobs was united in marriage to Margaret Bachus at Richmond, Minnesota.

To John and Margaret (Bachus) Jacobs were born seven children; Clara, Veronica, Marie, John, Roman, Norbert, and Helen.

Clara married Nick Schmidt and lives at St. Nicholas.

Veronica married Arnold Kost of Paynesville.

Marie joined a convent and John Jr. is a priest ordained at St. John's July 16, 1933.

Helen married Frank Schlanger of Richmond, Minnesota.

Roman resides in St. Paul and Norbert is living at home.

John Jacobs Senior has been prominent in public affairs, serving as town clerk of Munson for four years and postmaster at Richmond for four years. He also served as senator from the 46th district from 1931 to 1935.

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