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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a letter from my camp to the Board of Co. Com. That explains itself. I went up there one day with my crew and my saws and the water was so high that it was hard to do anything. Please let me know when the Commission meet next month and we will try to have the report in at that time. Trust you are well and happy. Yours truly
J. E. Egan

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The Honorable Board of Co. Commissioners,

Anoka Co., Minn.

Gentlemen:--In reference to the Public Ditch in your county, for which you have appointed me engineer. I beg to report as follows:-- That owing to the very high state of water in the low lands through which the ditch passes it has not been practical to set stakes and make a final report to you at this time. I have established a line of levels on ditch No. 41, known as the Swanson Ditch and find there is sufficient fall to drain the land intended by this ditch. I have traveled over the entire length of this ditch on two different occasions and at both times the entire meadows were entirely covered with water, averaging from one to two and one half feet ^m deep. It will be seen from the above, that it is very necessary to establish this ditch. And I feel confident that this land can all be reclaimed by making the ditch large enough and carried down to the proper grade.

I trust the water will have receded sufficiently so that I can make a final report to you at your meeting next month. No work has been done on ditch No. 40 and I cannot say as to the advisability of the making of this ditch, but from an engineering stand-point, ditch No. 41, is entirely feasible and is certainly very necessary. I wish to thank you for your kindness in appointing me to this position with out my solicitation. I am,

Yours very faithfully,

W. E. Egan

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Alden W. Haggerty
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