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KINSELLA, JOHN E.

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John E. Kinsella was born in Huron City, Michigan, March 10, 1864, son of Stephen and Mary (Neville) Kinsella.

Stephen and Mary (Neville) Kinsella had migrated from Renfreu, Canada. John E. attended the public schools of Huron City, Michigan, and Red Wing, Minnesota, until he completed the eighth grade. In 1882 John with his parents came to Red Wing, Minnesota. Their stay there was of short duration, for they moved to Sauk Centre in 1883. There John was employed at various odd jobs until 1905 when he came to St. Cloud, Minnesota. In St. Cloud he entered the Real Estate and Insurance business. From 1917-1919 he was associated with A. C. Carlson, and since 1919 with his son, Gerald.

John E. Kinsella was married in Forest City, May 12, 1894, to Anne McCarthy. To John E. and Ann (McCarthy) Kinsella were born four children: Irene E. is married to Phillip Collignon; Reverend Austin Kinsella of Bandon, Minnesota; Gerald, of St. Cloud; and Kathleen at home.

Ann (McCarthy) Kinsella died suddenly in 1919.

In 1924 John E. Kinsella was married to Hannah (Douris). Throughout the years of his residence in St. Cloud Mr. Kinsella has been interested in all civic movements and active in several paternal societies. For many years he was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Order of Foresters. John E. Kinsella died November 5, 1936. He is buried in Calvary Cemetery at Sauk Centre.

Mrs. Hannah (Douris) Kinsella makes her home at the family residence at 1621-St. Germain Street.

Interviewed: Gerald Kinsella & Mrs. Hannah  
(Douris) Kinsella

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