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It was this month that the famous Grundy County dog case took place. The judge who had traveled 60 miles to hear the case, an appeal from the verdict of a Justice of the Peace, was surprised when he arrived to find the plaintiff, defendant, 40 witnesses, eight lawyers and the dog, "Sharp, " all present.

After six days, the jury awarded the plaintiff \$2.50, but court costs amounted to \$320 to be shared by both parties. The case was kept in court for more than five years when both men went bankrupt.

No one seems to be able to identify the plaintiff or defendant, but one source believes they were both Nunleys.