

Leech Lake line

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Hill to Executive Committee, New York

"Our engineers have succeeded in finding a good line between Milaca and Brainerd with a maximum grade of .6/10% without very heavy work. The greater portion of the country is through hard wood timber with good land, although comparatively unsettled. We expect to put engineers in the field next week between Brainerd and Leech Lake and to commence within two weeks our construction at the point where work was discontinued last year east of Crookston towards Leech Lake. The large amount of prairie country being

opened by our projected lines makes it very desirable and important that we should have the benefit of the cheap supply of timber which we expect from the Leech Lake line."

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