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HELD TO GRAND JURY.

Frank Nelson Charged With Burning Straw Stack.

HIS BONDS PLACED AT \$1000.

Was Examined as to His Sanity, but State Excluded Testimony. Dr Bond Appointed Guardian.

Frank Nelson, charged with the burning of a strawstack belonging to Frank Clauson on the morning of February 26, was tried before Justice McLennan last Thursday afternoon on a charge of venue from Justice Gulick's court and was bound over to the grand jury in the sum of one thousand dollars.

For some reason or other the farmers who were most active in pushing the prosecution at the time of the crime proved to be very stubborn witnesses, and the state experienced considerable difficulty in securing enough evidence to hold the defendant over. It is alleged that the defendant's grandmother, Mrs. Peter Beermaker, offered to pay all damages if the farmers would not proceed with the prosecution. But the county attorney is determined that if the young man is guilty he shall not escape justice in this manner and will push the prosecution to its conclusion.

From what little the witnesses could be persuaded to tell the court was able to ascertain that on the morning of the fire a number of the farmers proceeded to investigate the cause. Snow covered the ground here and there and tracks were found near the burning stacks corresponding to those leading to and from the Beermaker farm where the defendant lives, and to those made by the defendant. Another bit of evidence which tended to establish the guilt of the defendant was the discovery of a sack on the trial which the farmers were following containing mustard, a portion of whose contents had been thrown in the tracks. This evidence connected with the remark which the defendant was overheard to make that mustard would throw bloodhounds off the sent greatly assisted the county attorney in having the defendant bound over.

The defense called Dr Bond to the witness stand for expert testimony as to the sanity of the defendant but the state succeeded in excluding all such testimony from the court.

Frank Nelson is a young man about twenty-five years of age. His mind is not very strong, and since his arrest Dr. L. L. Bond has been appointed as his guardian. He has an open countenance and does not seem to be one who would do mischief with criminal intent. The defense called two witnesses to show that he had always been a person of good, moral character, and was never known to commit a crime of any kind. If it finally be proven that the defendant is guilty, it does not seem possible that he should have done so with criminal intent.

It will be remembered that several of the farmers in this neighborhood sustained losses by fire during the last few weeks, all apparently of an incendiary nature, but nothing developed during the trial which connected Nelson with them in any manner.

The front of U. G. Johnson & Co's. store is graced by a new awning.

Dr. L. M. Coon, of Arion, was in Denison on Friday.

SUCCESSFUL CONCERT.

Denison Orchestra Gives Best Concert Yet Given by Home Talent.

The best concert ever given by the Denison Orchestra in the opera house was given last Friday evening. There was not a hitch in the program which was composed of very classical music, and from the first piece, a march written by a Mr. Cory, of Sac City, and played for the first time by the Denison orchestra, to the very last there was not the least noticeable sawing back and forth, every member played his part right up in time, and with expression. Mr. Sibbert is deserving a great deal of credit, his orchestra deserves a very liberal patronage, and we trust that he may give more of such concerts as was given last Friday evening. In fact we do not see why a concert every month, or even every two weeks with an admission price of ten cents to adults would not be a good idea. In this way the interest would be kept up, the members would be encouraged, and the general public would be benefited.

The concert was not as well supported by the public as it should have been there being only about half a house. The program will rank with any presented by a foreign company and we can not understand why the people of Denison will not support their own home productions especially when their attention is not diverted by a lecture course.

The boys gave promise of an excellent program in the first number which was a march full of vim, with a good swing, and well executed. In fact every number showed excellent training and the hard work which had been put upon them.

Prof. M. C. Hover of the College delighted the audience with a tenor solo. Mr. Hover has a beautiful tenor voice of remarkably high pitch and his selection was delivered in a pleasing manner.

The cornet duet by O. W. Wheeler and H. Hulch was a delight to all, and the clarinet solo by Tommie Coates produced a hearty encore to which he graciously responded.

John Dunn Martin who never grows old to a Denison audience read a humorous selection entitled "Pro and Con" which was encored.

It is impossible to do justice to the program without making special mention of each number, which we cannot do for lack of space. Special mention should be made of the artistic work of Miss Essie Smith, who was the accompanist of the evening. The following is the program as carried out.

- PROGRAMME.
1. March—S. C. L. Cory
 2. Overture—Mireha Gounod
 3. Tenor Solo—Lullaby DeCoven M. C. Hover
 4. a—Intermezzo, Indolence, Matthews
 5. b—Under the Palm Tree, Haack
 6. Cornet Duet—Short and Sweet, Short
 7. O. W. Wheeler, H. Hulch
 8. Wedding of the Wind, Walters, Hall
 9. Reading—Monologue Pro and Con, Powers John Dunn Martin
 10. Selection—King Dodo, Farr, Anderson
 11. Clarinet Solo—Souvenir de Mozart, T. Coates
 12. March—The Banner, Voa Blon
 13. Miss Essie Smith, Accompanist.

Miss Tressie Balzke is still in Des Moines, where she is perfecting herself in mantua-making and designing under the instruction of Madame Stevenson. She expects to return to Denison by fall. Her many friends and patrons will be glad to see her return at that time, although disappointed that she could not be in Denison this spring.

Sid Green, the Dow City banker, visited Denison Friday.

THEY LEFT TOWN.

Two Undesirable Citizens Take Their Departure Friday.

INVITATION WAS WRITTEN IN RED.

Rufus Anderson, Colored and Lou Blain Receive Invitation Signed by "Citizens' Committee" and Accept.

Last Friday morning Rufus Anderson, the colored porter who has been working in Crandall's barber shop under the post office, and Lou Blain, who was at one time bar tender at the Northwestern Hotel, each received notices written in red ink and signed "Citizens' Committee," to leave town by six o'clock. The letters charged them with disgraceful conduct, the buying of liquor for drunkards and unmentionable crimes.

The two men were badly scared, and went at once to the county attorney for advice. Mr. Klinker told them he thought the committee meant business, and the best thing for them to do was to leave as soon as possible. They immediately packed their belongings and hauled their trunks to the Illinois Central, intending to take the afternoon train west. But to their distress they found that the train had been taken off, and that the next train would not leave till eight o'clock. Much frightened they sought the mayor's office, and he promised them his protection till their train should leave. So, from six o'clock till eight these men stayed in the mayor's office, guarded by special police appointed by the mayor for the purpose. They left town without molestation.

The contents of the notices are sufficient explanation as to why they were ordered out, and Denison is well rid of them.

It is rumored there are other tough characters here who will receive like notices if they do not take the hint and leave sooner.

Later—On Monday Tom Lentz and Vernon Clark received notices from the same committee to leave town by six o'clock. They talked at first as if they would resist the order, and Clark threatened to shoot the first man that touched him after six o'clock. Late in the afternoon, however, they weakened, and at 5:55 they took the North-bound Central train.

CHRIS CHRISTIANSEN INJURED

Has a Fall, Breaking his Leg in Two Places. Will be Laid up for Six Weeks.

Mr. Chris. Christiansen, the blacksmith, sustained a very severe injury last Thursday night. He fell and broke his leg in two different places, which will keep him at home for at least six weeks.

Mr. Christiansen had only recently removed to a residence up near the old high school building, and not being acquainted with the street in that vicinity, he had started down town, and when near Mr. Northum's place he stepped off a steep bank, falling some five or six feet, the fall breaking one of his legs in two different places, and in one place the bone was pushed through the flesh. He laid where he had fallen for almost twenty minutes, before his cries attracted the attention of the neighbors, and suffered terribly. When he was found he was carried to his home, and a physician immediately called who set the injured leg, and put it in splints. The injury will detain Mr. Christiansen at home for a long time.

SUSTAINS A BAD SPRAIN.

Tom Morris, the Carpenter, Sprains an Ankle.

On Saturday morning Mr. Tom Morris sustained a severe sprain in one of his ankles, and was compelled to secure a carriage to be taken home in. The sprain required the attention of a physician who is doing all he can for it but Mr. Morris will be incapacitated from work for some time.

Geo. Menagh & Co.

The highest market value paid in CASH for your Butter and Eggs. No trading done by us in PAPER CHIPS. A full line of Staple and Fancy Groceries.

Geo. Menagh & Co.

The Record, a newspaper published at Ida Grove, has suspended publication thus leaving only two papers in Ida Grove. That two good papers will be sufficient for a town the size of Ida Grove we have no doubt. Both of the present publications are good properties and we predict that the business men of that city will give them the best of patronage.

Mrs. A. F. Barber was elected president of the P. E. O. society at a recent meeting. Mrs. C. J. Kemming was elected vice president. At this meeting delegates were chosen to attend the head meeting which will be held at Atlantic, Iowa, the first part of May. Those elected were: Mrs. A. F. Barber, proxy; Mrs. C. L. Voss; Mrs. B. F. Philbrook, proxy; Mrs. G. L. Caswell.

An election contest is up in Iowa township. The election was for a director, Henry Schade was chairman and Mike McMahon secretary. The election polls opened at 9 o'clock and closed at 12. The secretary declared the election was illegal and would not permit the counting of the ballots. He contended the chairman had only resided in the district seven days.

MACHINERY

I do not pretend to have the largest stock of Machinery in Crawford county, but I have a full line of the

"CANTON GOODS"

that have for years given satisfaction, and that is what counts. First-class goods at prices you would pay for inferior grades. See me before you buy. I will do you good. Agency Goodhue and Aermotor windmills

E. T. COCHRAN

SEED POTATOES

A Car of Fancy Early Ohios, Northern Nebraska Seed.

In quantities \$1.15 per bushel. Get them early. Wont last long.

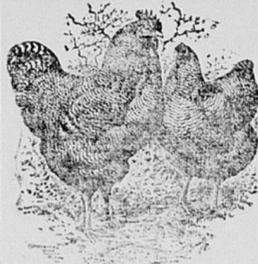
"THE BOYS"

RIBBONS.

ALL THE NEW WEAVES AND COLORS

ALL BOWS TIED FREE OF CHARGE AT

SARACHON SISTERS



MRS. EVA GIRARD, Barred Plymouth Rock Chickens.

The following is a list of my matings for 1904

Four Grand Breeding Pens.

PEN NO. 1—COCKEREL MATING—This pen consists of 12 large dark 2-year old hens. I have mated to them a cockerel scoring 92 points. He is large boned, well marked, and a shade lighter color than the hens—all evenly barred. Eggs from this mating will produce some fine winners.

PEN NO. 2—COCKEREL MATING—Consists of 10 large hens, all of good shape and color; weight 7 to 8 pounds each; splendid combs, beaks, eyes and legs. They are 2 years old and mated to a cock bird scoring 92 points; he weighed 10 pounds and is as fine a bird in every respect as I ever owned. Eggs from this mating will produce some fine birds.

PEN NO. 3—COCKEREL MATING—Two large, narrow barred cockerels, splendid shape, strong in under barring and color of wings and tail. To them I have mated 20 pullets, all as near the same shade as I can get. All large, evenly barred birds in this pen, and will produce some fine exhibition birds.

PEN NO. 4—PULLET MATING—This pen is made up of ten pullets and hens, all of exhibition color. Mated to them a cockerel of good shape, splendid comb, perfect in beak, eyes and leg; rather light in color of plumage with narrow barring and will produce fine pullets.

Eggs from all of my pens \$2.00 per fifteen.