

SUE TO COLLECT ON 'JOKE' NOTE

Wright County Man Signs Bogus Name to a Note for \$100 and is Sued on It.

DEFENDANT TO FIGHT Gave "Note" in Payment of Pavilion Stock at Rowan.

A Clarion man is being sued on a note to which he signed a bogus name, done, as he claims, as a joke. Says the Clarion Clipper:

Queer cases occasionally get into court, but one of the queerest filed in district court of Wright county for many a day has just been instituted by the Wright and Franklin County Sale Pavilion Company at Rowan, which is suing R. E. Lee Aldrich to collect on a \$100 note given by Mr. Aldrich and signed "James Lord-Bennett." Mr. Aldrich declares that the note was never intended as a valid one; was given as a joke and that he repeatedly told the sale pavilion promoters he would not subscribe for stock in the proposition.

The story is that in September, 1919, he was in a Rowan store and was again solicited. He refused to subscribe. Then it is alleged the crowd said to him: "You can't go before you subscribe." Then he signed the \$100 stock pledge and note, not with his own name, but with the bogus name. He did so in a joking way, he insists, and when notified of the suit he engaged attorneys and intimates that he will spend several times the hundred dollars to resist payment.

The outcome of this suit will be awaited with considerable interest. There was no attempt at deceit on Mr. Aldrich's part, for he is too well known in the county over to have many people mistake his recognition. He is not the type of man to try to avoid a debt. His defense will be that the note was a "joke" note, and so understood, we understand.

Start the Baby Chicks Right.

By feeding Ryders Chick Starter and growing mash. Has no equal. Sold by Webster City Mills or by your grocer. 4067111

Seliger Bound Over.

Oliver Seliger, who underwent a preliminary hearing before Justice Biernatzki Saturday afternoon for his part in the tire thefts, was bound over to the grand jury on a \$1,000 bond. He is now in the city jail awaiting trial.

Federal Board Man Tomorrow.

James J. S. Mitchell, an official of the federal board of vocational training, of Des Moines, will be at the Red Cross rooms in this city tomorrow. He comes here for the purpose of talking with any ex-servicemen who are getting compensation and may wish vocational training.

Petitions Filed in Court.

The following petitions have been filed in the district court:

Garr Scott & Company vs. A. B. Miller, a claim for \$129.80.

Spyco Smelting & Refining Company vs. L. M. Jacobson, a claim for \$24.18.

Neva L. Timmons vs. Ralph K. Timmons, petition for divorce.

W. D. Allen Mfg. Company vs. Central Heating Company, claim for \$175.50.

Western Electric Company vs. Central Heating Company, claim for \$286.00.

John P. Olson vs. Amelia Olson, request for guardian.

Real Estate Transfers.

Ellsworth Cooperating Creamery to Andrew Hinderaker—tract in nw nw 23-87-23—\$225.

B. J. Nelson to Michael Mickelson—w 1/2 sw 17-86-23—\$30,000.

L. M. G. King and wf to Erick N. Challe—e 1/2 se and se ne and se of R. R. in ne ne 32-87-24—\$18,115.26.

Erick N. Challe and wf to Erick E. Challe—e 1/2 se 32-87-24—\$12,150.

E. M. Christanson and wf to James Hannah—sw 35-89-23—\$56,298.

Michael Mickelson and wf to O. N. Hoveland—sw 19-86-24—\$54,681.

Andrew Christanson and wf to Bertha C. Tjernagel—S a tract in ne ne 36-86-24—\$2,000.

Eric Rehlum and wf to Charley E. Gustafson—lots 2 and 3 blk 7 Ross Add Stratford—\$2,800.

C. D. Doolittle and wf to D. M. Kelly—lot 2 blk 102 D. & P. Add W. C.—\$1.

W. F. Hunter and wf to Geo. S. Lane—lot 9 and w 1/2 lot 10 blk 53 W. C.—\$1,000.

Frank G. Snyder and wf to Adele Foval Deedrich—w 200 ft lots 8 and 9 blk 4 Add to Jewell—\$2,650.

The Choral society will meet tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock with Mrs. O. J. Henderson.

MRS. G. E. JOHNSON, AGED 67 YEARS, DEAD

Was Mother of Mrs. J. E. Burnstedt and Lived With Daughter.

Mrs. G. E. Johnson died at 11 o'clock this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Burnstedt, on Bank street. She suffered a stroke of paralysis six years ago and had been in poor health ever since.

Mrs. Johnson was past 67 years of age. She was born Dec. 15, 1853, near Fairfield. For a long time the family lived at Ottumwa and the body will be taken there for burial. Mrs. Burnstedt was the only child. The husband, aged 71, a brother and three sisters also survive.

\$45 set sterling silver knives and forks, only \$29.45, at Downard's jewelry reduction sale. 40271

P. T. A. Meeting Postponed.

The meeting of the Parent-Teachers association, to have been held tomorrow afternoon, has been postponed a week on account of the absence from the city of so many of the teachers—this being vacation week.

Mrs. M. E. Ruffcorn of Independence, who has been in the city for the past three weeks caring for her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Kramer, who has been seriously ill, returned home today.

TO BUILD NEW CHURCH; BUY AUTO FOR PASTOR, TOO

(By The Associated Press.)

Iowa City, Iowa, April 4.—Iowa City is to have a new Baptist church, to be erected within the next three years at a cost of \$100,000, according to plans recommended by the board of trustees of the First Baptist church. In addition there will be erected a parsonage at a cost of \$15,000.

Temporarily the old church is to be redecorated and a building will be erected to house the Sunday school, and will provide a place for the offices of the young people's societies and social gatherings.

In outlining the program of the church for the next few years the board recommended the purchase of an automobile for the use of the pastor, and a weekly budget for the church of approximately \$350.

ROCKEFELLER IS TO SUPPORT THE "YONKERS PLAN"

Cornwall, On Hudson, N. Y., April 4.—Pledges from John D. Rockefeller Jr., and others of financial support of "the Yonkers plan" of enforcing the national prohibition amendment were announced here by William H. Anderson, head of the Anti-Saloon league of New York, at the annual state conference of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Anderson, in the course of an address in which he formally opened the campaign of the Allied Citizens of America to nationalize the method of law enforcement which has given Yonkers wide publicity, declared that in New York alone 200,000 persons are back of the movement to introduce it into other states.

New York Pianist is Winner Grand Prize

Columbus, Ohio, April 4.—Paoli Gallico, New York artist pianist and teacher, is announced as this year's winner of the \$5,000 grand prize offered by the National Federation of Musical clubs for the oratorio "The Apocalypse." In earlier announcement from committee headquarters mention was made only of the finalists, Pauline Arnoix McArthur and Henri Pierre Roche, also of New York.

Performance of the successful composition will be given at the twelfth biennial convention of the federation June 6-14 at the tri-cities of Davenport, Iowa, Rock Island and Moline, Ill.

The award was made in the seventh biennial prize competition held for the encouragement of American composers.

Rich German Buying up Austrian Press

(By The Associated Press.)

Vienna, April 4.—According to reports current in newspaper circles Hugo Stinnes, the great German capitalist, is buying up the Austrian press on a big scale. It is said that he has acquired three papers in Vienna (The Tagblatt, Mittags Zeitung and the Oct Uhr Blatt) one in Linz and one in Graz and has started a new paper in Klagenfurt.

F. A. Boysen, dentist, Second St.

SIMPLICITY OF DRESS SPREADS

Movement Similar to That Started in Webster City is Sweeping Over Iowa.

GINGHAM POPULAR

"Make-up" Beauty Banned. —Natural Loveliness the Thing.

Webster City young people will be interested in learning that the movement for simpler dresses and against extremes, the ban on rouge, etc., started here last week, is spreading over Iowa, as indicated by the following Associated Press dispatch.

A High School Movement.

Des Moines, Iowa, April 4.—Democracy in dress is the keynote of a movement being simultaneously introduced in the high schools of Iowa. Girls of the younger sets have declared war on georgette, invisible hosiery, short

DAILY MARKETS

Furnished by the E. W. Wagner company, Fort Dodge, H. M. Sharpe, manager. Phone 5700, Webster City exchange.

Chicago, April 4.—The United States bureau of markets today furnishes the following market review:

Grain: Prices fluctuated rapidly the first half of last week but trend was lower. The only advance during the week was on the 28th, due to apprehension of damage to growing crop by freezing weather. On the 30th liquidation in coarse grains for country account started a decline that continued down to the close of April 1. Private reports estimate winter wheat crop about 100,000,000 bushels greater than harvested last year after allowing for abandoned acreage. Country holders in Kansas and Nebraska liquidating cash wheat. Cash wheat at Minneapolis down 3-10c on the first; reports state almost impossible to sell at that reduction. In Chicago cash market, No. 2 red winter wheat and No. 2 hard 9-10c over Chicago May; No. 3 mixed corn and No. 3 yellow 4-5c under Chicago May corn. For the week Chicago May wheat down 6 1/2c at \$1.34 1/2; May corn 4 1/2c at 59 1/2c; Minneapolis wheat down 9c at \$1.28 1/2; Kansas City May 7 1/2c at \$1.27 1/2; Winnipeg May 12 1/2c at \$1.65 1/2.

Dairy Products: Butter markets unsettled. Prices in eastern markets down more than 2c early in the week but later recovered and closed 1 1/2c higher than week ago. Chicago market has held steady with practically no decline and a sharp advance on the first. Supply domestic butter barely taking care of demand. Closing prices: 92 score N. Y. 49; Chicago 47; Philadelphia 49 1/2; Boston 49. Danish butter in liberal supply N. Y., but prices firmly held.

Live Stock and Meats: Chicago hog markets declined 50c-\$1.10 per 100 lbs. the past week. Beef steers and butcher cows and heifers steady to 25c lower. Veal calves down \$1-\$1.25. Fat lambs down about \$1; feeding lambs 25-50c. Fat ewes 75c to \$1; yearlings 50c. April 1 Chicago prices: Hogs, bulk of sales \$8.75-9.75; medium and good beef steers \$8.25-9.05; butcher cows and heifers \$5-9.25; feeder steers \$7.50-9.4; light and medium weight veal calves \$7-9.50; fat lambs \$7.50-10; feeding lambs \$7.50-8.75; yearlings \$7-9; fat ewes \$6-7.25. With the exception of pork eastern wholesale fresh meat prices declined rather sharply. Veal declined \$2-4. Lamb \$1-2; beef 50c to \$1.50 per 100 lbs. Mutton practically unchanged; pork loins up \$1-2. April 1 prices good grade meats: Beef \$14.50-17; veal \$15-18; lamb \$17-21; mutton \$12-15; light pork loins \$21-28; heavy loins \$18-22.

DAILY MARKET REPORTS.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Corn				
May	.602	.602	.594	.594
July	.632	.632	.622	.622
September	.654	.654	.642	.654
Oats				
May	.37	.371	.362	.371
July	.381	.381	.372	.382
September	.394	.394	.387	.394
Wheat				
May	1.36	1.387	1.354	1.384
July	1.16	1.167	1.13	1.15

LIVESTOCK RECEIPTS.

28,000 hogs. \$10.25.
1,500 cattle.
1,900 sheep.
1,542 hogs over.

LOCAL MARKET.

Corn	23
Oats	24
Wheat	1.25
Barley	30
Butter	32
Eggs	17

sleeves and skirts and low necks, as well as other finery.

Extreme modes of all kinds, the use of rouge, and all "make-up beauty" is under the ban, experience having taught that the artificial "looks" only hid the natural loveliness of the sex, according to proponents of the democratic idea.

Gospel of Good Health.

Public health nurses are becoming interested in the movement and are directing the energies of the kinetic democracy into the channels which are safe and sane and they are already busy preaching the gospel of good health and sensible living as an aid to beauty, even a greater aid than make-up.

Club women are adding their influence to the revolt, and all the militia of argument and persuasion are being enlisted to aid in the overthrow of artifice and to place simplicity in the white house of fashion.

Simplicity's Cabinet.

Forming simplicity's cabinet has become a question of moment, also. Well founded rumors would indicate that gingham is to be secretary of state; voile has been mentioned for the postmaster-generalship; percale is known to be the choice of the president-elect for the treasury post. Little is yet known of selections for the other posts, but members of the cotton groups are considered as certain to be selected in the formation of the various bureaus, filling the places of under-secretaries and aides.

Gingham has become so popular that in several schools prizes are being offered for the best example of a gingham dress made by its wearer. Workmanship, attractiveness and suitability are the qualities upon which the awards will be made, the stipulation being made that the dress must be inexpensive.

Thus in the cities. But—revolt of revolts—in the rural districts and smaller places the sunbonnet, or its prototype, is coming back. Yes, truly. They are talking of gingham hats.

Miss Claire Criswell of Oskaloosa, formerly bookkeeper in the Eichman store, has returned to this city and will give violin lessons in the studio of Miss Carrie Snow.

FOUND—shovel off cultivator. Call, pay, take. d1f1

This coupon is worth **FIVE DOLLARS** to you to apply on the Cash Purchase on any suit from April 2nd to April 9th. Be sure to bring coupon

The Above Coupon is Worth Cutting out

It means \$5.00 saved, but more than that it means that you can buy the best Clothing at present for less money than inferior clothes elsewhere.

Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes
Are the best Clothes in America
Make us Prove it
Julius Bermann

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81-inch Full Bleached Sheeting April Selling Event 39c Yard

"The Big Store"
WEBSTER CITY MERCANTILE CO.

Yard-Wide Good Quality Bleached Muslin April Selling Event 12 1/2c Yard

This is National Gingham Week

All brands and qualities of gingham are being afford at special prices for this week. Purchase now for housedresses, aprons, school dresses, etc, and start your spring sewing.

April Selling Event Prices on Ginghams

Choice 12 1/2c Yard	The standard for years, extra serviceable in small, medium and large checks of fast colors, 27 inches wide, yard 12 1/2c.	Golden Rod Ginghams, Toile Du Nord Ginghams in a wide range of the seasons newest patterns and colors, there are nearly fifty different patterns for your selection. Colors are fast, the smooth even weave of these known qualities make them deal for all women's and children's dresses for street, school or dress wear, yard 23c.	Choice 23c Yard
Tissue Ginghams, new spring patterns, yard 75c	32-inch Dress Ginghams, excellent quality, yard 39c	32-inch Zephyr Ginghams, beautiful patterns, yd. 75c	Yard wide Percale, good quality, yard 19c
			40-inch Dress Voiles, all colors, yard 49c

Muslinwear at April Selling Event Prices
Envelope Chemise—finest, soft finish muslin with dainty lace and ribbon trimming. All sizes \$1.98
Envelope Chemise—made from soft finish muslin of extra quality trimmed with fine lace \$1.39
Muslin Petticoats—a great variety of dainty trimmed skirts all placed in one big lot for this April Selling Event—the values are from \$2.50 to \$3.00—\$1.98
Muslin Gowns—V neck and long sleeves of extra grade muslin yoke and sleeves edged with embroidery—regular sizes \$1.39 Extra sizes, 18, 19 and 20 as above \$1.48

An Invitation— to see **"Spidora"** in all her glory In Our East Window

Bungalow Aprons
One big lot of light and a few dark colors gingham and percale aprons. All made from extra quality materials and in all sizes—Special while they last \$9c
Ladies Wash Waists
One lot of slightly soiled waists. The styles are good and the materials are good but they have been on display and become wrinkled and some are soiled a little. The regular prices were \$2.00 and \$2.50—while they last \$9c

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