

whether or not you or Harry C. Walters made any improvements on the land after you took possession of same.

FOURTH INTERROGATORY:

Give as full a statement as you can of all the facts attending the purchase of the land involved in this suit and whether or not said land was paid for by yourself and Harry C. Walters and if you say the full amount of the purchase price has not been paid for the land then state the amount of balance due on the purchase price and why same was never paid.

FIFTH INTERROGATORY:

State whether or not you or Harry C. Walters ever went into possession of the property involved in this suit, if you say yes then state whether or not you ever made any improvements thereon and the amount you paid out in making improvements on the land, also state whether or not you are now in possession thereof by tenant, care-taker or otherwise.

Charles Hall
Solicitor for Complainant.

TO THE RESPONDENTS IN THE ABOVE STATED CAUSE:

You will please take notice of the filing of the foregoing interrogatories to the witnesses whose names and residences are there given, and also that the party to be appointed as Commissioner to take the depositions of the said witnesses is Edgar L. George, whose address is suite 605, No 35 N. Dearborn St. Chicago, Illinois.

Charles Hall
Solicitor for Complainant.

I hereby accept service of within inter-
rogatories. This Oct. 27th 1925 -

M. H. Naukhis
Guardian Ad Litem for
Theodore and Lois Meek,
Minors

Frank L. Bates, as Guardian of

Theodore Meek and Lois Meek,

minors, Complainant.

vs.

Theodore Meek and Lois Meek,

Minors, respondents.

No. 462.

In the Circuit Court of Baldwin County,

Alabama, In Equity.

Cross-interrogatories to be propounded to Harry C. Walters and Rose B. Walters, who reside at 7631 Merrill Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

First Cross-Interrogatory.

State how long you had known M. T. Post, previous to December 28, 1920?

Did you know Emma Meek, and if so, how long had you known her on said December 28, 1920?

Second Cross-Interrogatory.

At the time M. T. Post made a contract or agreement to sell certain land to you, if such an agreement was made, did you or either of you know that the said M. T. Post had a power of attorney from Emma Meek to sell this land? Did you or either of you ever see this power of attorney purported to have been given to the said M. T. Post?

Third Cross-interrogatory.

If you say that M. T. Post executed to you a contract on the 28th day of December 1920, please state what time during that day the said contract was delivered to you? Do you know when Emma Meek died? Was it not on this same day, December 28, 1920?

Fourth Cross-Interrogatory.

If you have not already done so, please state fully all the conversation leading up to and during the execution of the said contract, stating who was present, what was said by M. T. Post about his authority to sell and the physical condition of Emma Meek?

Fifth Cross-interrogatory.

If you say you made a contract to buy this land, please give the amount you were to pay for the land, and how much cash was paid.

Please state also, how much you have paid on this land, and how much you still owe?

Sixth Interrogatory.

If you know this land, please give a description of same, and state

the condition of same, when you bought, number of acres improved, and the value of said farm.

Please state to whom you paid any money under this contract and how much, and if you have receipts? How much more do you owe on said land?

If you have not already done so, please state fully all you know about the contract you had with M. T. Post, circumstances surrounding the execution of said contract, and what you have done toward carrying out the terms of the contract? Have you stated all you know about this transaction, if not please do so.? If you say that you have been in possession and are now in possession of this land, please state the character of your possession and how long you have been in possession? What improvements are on the land now, and what improvements have you made on this land? State fully.

W. S. Hawkins

Guardian Ad Litem for Theodore Meek
and Lois Meek, Minors.

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Edgar & George
30 N. Jefferson Street
Chicago, Illinois

State of Alabama
Baldwin County } ss

in the Circuit Court of
Baldwin County Alabama
No 462

Frank J. Bates, as Trustee of
Theodosius Greek, vs
Theodosius Greek, his heirs, minors,
and his wife, minors.

Edgar & George
Commissioners



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Special Order of Court
Dec 29, 1872

Wm. D. Richerson
Register of the Circuit
Court of Baldwin Co
Bay Minnett,
Ala.

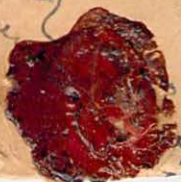


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In the Matter of the Guardianship)
of Theodore Meek, and Lois Meek,)
Minors.

This to certify that, I, the undersigned, am the duly appointed and qualified Guardian of the said minors, that as such Guardian, certain real estate situate in Baldwin County, Alabama, to-wit: The East One half of the Southeast Quarterx of the Southwest Quarter, Of Section One (1) Township Five (5) South of Range Three (3) East, the same being property inherited by said minors by virtue of A Will of D.C.Meek, deceased, was assigned to me in trust, by the County Court of Boyd County Nebraska, subject to a contract of sale executed by Emma Meek, the Widow of said D.C.Meek, who had been empowered by the terms of said will, to sell any, or all real estate belonging to the D.C.Meek estate, but dieing soon after said contract was executed, the fulfilment of the conditions, as stipulated for as to receiving the payments and making the conveyance of title became my duty as decreed by the Boyd County Court.

That agreeable to the terms and agreements contained in the contract entered into by and between Emma Meek, by M.T.Post, her Attorney in fact, and Harry C.Walters and Rosa B.Walters, for the sale and purchase of the aforesaid real estate, which was entered into on the 28th day of December, 1920, and duly acknowledged by the parties thereto before W.Percy Hall Notary Public, I have received from the said Harry C.Walters and Rosa B.Walters, through M.T.Post, acting as Attorney for the D.C. and Emma Meek estate, the sum of \$1180.00 in Cash and Liberty Bonds, and the accrued interest as provided for in the notes No.1 to 4 inclusive which were given by the said Harry C. Walters, and Rosa B.Walters, and made payable to Emma Meek, now deceased. Said funds are in my possession and are held by me in trust for the sole use and benefit of the aforesaid minors.

Dated, May, 12th, 1924.

F L Bates
Guardian

State of Nebraska,)
Boyd County.)

I, F.T.Post, a Notary Public, in and for said County, and State, hereby certify that Frank L.Bates, whose name as Gaardian is signed to the foregoing receipt, is personally known to me to be the Guardian of the person and estate of the said Theodore Meek and Lois Meek, Minors, that the contents of the foregoing receipt was read by him and he executed the same voluntary as such Guardian, this 12th, day of May, 1924.

F T Post
Notary Public.



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PROMPT SERVICE. LOWEST PRICES.

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All Bills Must Be Paid Within 30 Days

To Legal ad for Meek heirs -
Estate Frank Bates
299 words @ 4 1/2

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ABNER J. SMITH, PROPRIETOR

DEVOTED TO THE INTEREST OF BALDWIN COUNTY AND HER PEOPLE

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ADVERTISING RATES ON APPLICATION

TELEPHONE No. 7, LOCAL AND LONG DISTANCE

BAY MINETTE, ALA.,

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF ALABAMA,
BALDWIN COUNTY.

Baldwin, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the FOREMAN of THE BALDWIN TIMES, a Weekly Newspaper published at Bay Minette, Baldwin County, Alabama; that the notice hereto attached of

Frank Bates Et Parte - etc

Was published in said Newspaper for 4 consecutive weeks

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Ordered, adjudged and decreed, on to before the undersigned

this 18th, day of August, 1924.

T. W. Richerson

October

1924.

Register of Circuit Court of Baldwin County Alabama.

R. D. Vail

Foreman.

Owner

Charles Hall attorney for Complaint.

Public, Hall in Co. Ala

ORDER OF PUBLICATION NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANTS

Ex Parte Frank L. Bates,
As Guardian of Theodore Meek and
Lois Meek, Minors..

No. 462 In the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, State of Alabama. In Equity.

It being made to appear in the above cause from the sworn bill of complaint that Theodore Meek and Lois Meek are defendants to the bill of complaint in said cause and are non-residents of this State and is believed by affiant to reside at Ayshire, in the State of Iowa; and further that in the belief of said affiant said defendants are under twenty-one years of age; it is now ordered, adjudged and decreed that said defendants, Theodore Meek and Lois Meek, appear in this Court and answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause before the twenty fourth day of September, 1924, lest on their having failed so to do at the expiration of thirty days from said date a decree pro confesso will be taken against them; and it is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the register of this Court have this order published with as little delay as may be in the Baldwin Times, a newspaper published at Bay Minette, in Baldwin County, Ala. once a week for four consecutive weeks; and further that within twenty day from the making of this order, he post a copy of this order at the door of the Court house of this County and send another copy thereof to each of said defendants, namely, Theodore Meek and Lois Meek, to their address as aforesaid.

Ordered, adjudged and decreed, on to before the undersigned this 18th, day of August, 1924.

T. W. Richerson

Register of Circuit Court of Baldwin County Alabama.

Charles Hall attorney for Complaint.

Public, Hall in Co. Ala

LAW OFFICE
M. T. POST & SON
MONOWI, NEBRASKA

Febr. 22nd, 1926.

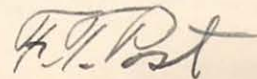
Mr. T. W. Richerson, Rrg. Circuit Court,
Loxley, Ala.

Dear sir:- In Re: Meek V. Walters.

At the request of Chas. Hall we are sending you certificate from our county judge, certifying that Frank L. Bates is now the guardian of Lois Meek, minor and that Theodore Meek has come of age.

We have notified the state Bank of Loxley to send you the \$170.00 note and we are sending you a quit claim deed from Theodore Meek to Mr. Walters, also a certified copy of the receipt from Theodore Meek to the guardian for settlement in full for all his share in the estate, so that this \$170.00 belongs to Lois Meek alone so you can send the proceeds to the guardian.

Yours truly,



Enc. q.c. deed, certifiacate, and receipt.

DAVID K. COCHRANE
MASTER IN CHANCERY
SUPERIOR COURT

EDGAR L. GEORGE

COCHRANE & GEORGE

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS
SUITE 605, No. 35 N. DEARBORN ST.
TELEPHONES
RANDOLPH 2875 CENTRAL 5238

CHICAGO February 3, 1926.

Hon. T. W. Richerson,
Register, Circuit Court, Baldwin County,
Bay Minette, Alabama.

Dear Sir:-

We are sending you herewith check on New York exchange payable to your order for \$221.80. We are sending you this check as directed by letter of Attorney Charles Hall who represents Mr. Harry C. Walters of this City, in a certain action pending in your County, namely, Walters vs. Emma Meek and others.

We wish you would confer with Attorney Hall in this matter and he can give you instructions with reference to a decree which he expects to have entered in this matter directing a deed to be issued to certain real estate involved in this suit.

Yours very truly,

COCHRANE & GEORGE,
BY *Edgar L. George*

ELG:N

BOND OF GUARDIAN

In the County Court of Boyd County, Nebraska.

In the Matter of the Guardianship of
Theodore Meek and Lois Meek, Minors.d.

Know all Men by these Presents: That we Frank L. Bates as principal and American Surety Company of New York, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York as surety are hereby held and firmly bound unto Robert Ford, County Judge of Boyd County Nebraska and his successors in office in the penal sum of Four Thousand (4000) dollars lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid unto said Robert Ford, County Judge and his successors in office, to the payment whereof we do bind ourselves and each of us, our, and each of our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Whereas, the above bounden Frank L. Bates has been appointed by the County Court of Boyd County, Nebraska, guardian of Theodore Meek and Lois Meek, Minors.

Now the Condition of this obligation is such, that if the said Frank L. Bates as such guardian shall well and truly perform, observe and keep the following conditions, to wit:

- 1st. That he shall make and return to the said County Court within three months a true and perfect inventory of all the real and personal estate of the said wards that shall come to his possession or knowledge.
- 2nd. That he shall dispose of and manage all such estate and effects according to law and for the best interests of said wards, and faithfully discharge his trust as such guardian.
- 3d. That he shall render an account on oath of the property in his hands including the proceeds of all the real estate which may be sold by him, and of the management and disposition of such property within one year after his appointment and at such other times as said County Court shall direct.
- 4th. That he shall at the expiration of his trust, settle his accounts with the County Court, or with said wards or their legal representatives, and pay over and deliver all the estate and effects remaining in his hands or due from him, on such settlement, to the person or persons who shall be lawfully entitled thereto.

Then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect.

Dated this 23rd day of July 1921.

Signed in presence of
F. T. Post.

Frank L. Bates.
American Surety Company of New York
By J. D. Frazee, Resident Vice President
Attest: R.E. Cheseborough, Resident Assistant
Secretary, at Omaha, Nebr.

State of Nebraska
Boyd County

I hereby approve the foregoing bond this 23rd day of July 1921.

SEAL

Robert Ford, County Judge.

THE STATE OF NEBRASKA,

County of Boyd } ss.

In the County Court in and for Boyd County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska to all to whom these Presents shall come, and especially

to Frank L. Bates GREETING:

Know Ye, That whereas, application has been made in due form to the County Court of

Boyd County, Nebraska, for the appointment of a Guardian of the person and estate of

Theodore Meek and Lois Meek minors. (State whether person is a MINOR or is an INCOMPETENT or is INSANE)

and it appearing to the Court that it is necessary to appoint such Guardian, and the said

Frank L. Bates having been suggested for said trust, and approved by this Court; and

Whereas, the said Frank L. Bates has taken and subscribed to the oath of office, and having given bond as required by law and the order of this Court, which has been approved, filed and recorded by this Court;

Now Therefore, trusting in your fidelity and care, I do hereby constitute and appoint you, the said Frank L. Bates as such Guardian, hereby authorizing and empowering you to take and have the custody of said above named persons and the care of their education, and the care and management of their estate until they have attained their majority, or until you shall be discharged according to law.

Witness my official signature and the seal of the County Court of

Boyd County, Nebraska, this 23rd day

SEAL

of July A. D., 1921

Robert Ford, County Judge.

By

STATE OF NEBRASKA, }
..... County, } ss.

I
Judge of the County Court for said County, and ex-officio Clerk thereof, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of Letters of Guardianship with the original record thereof now remaining on file in this office and have found the same to be a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original Letters. And I further certify that the same are still in full force and effect.

Witness my official signature and the Seal of the County Court of
said County this day of 19.....

.....
County Judge.

Letters of Guardianship

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF

..... County, Nebraska.

APPOINTMENT OF

.....
Guardian.

Filed this day

of 19.....

.....
County Judge.

W I L L .

I, D. C. Meek of Monowi, Nebraska being of full age and sound mind do make publish and declare this my last will and testament hereby revoking all wills by me at any time made.

Par I. I direct my executrix hereinafter named as soon as may be after my decease ~~to~~ pay all my just debts including those of my last sickness and funeral.

Part II. I give devise and bequeath all the use, rents, income and profits of all the property that I may own at the time of my decease, both real and personal and wheresoever located to my beloved wife, Emma Meek and provided further that if the use, rents etc of said property as above provided should not be ample and sufficient for the proper care, comfort and maintenance of my said wife then and in that event I direct that such further sum shall be appropriated to her use from any of my property as shall be necessary for the full and proper maintenance of my said wife. And I further provide that my said wife Emma Meek shall have full power and authority to manage and sell and convey all the property of my estate that I may own at the time of my decease.

Par. III. Subject to the foregoing provisions I now give devise and bequeath all the balance and residue of my property of every kind and description and wheresoever located to my two adopted children, Lois Meek and Theodore Meek equally and share and share alike.

Par. IV I hereby appoint and constitute my wife Emma Meek to be executrix of this my last will and testament, without bond.

Par. V I hereby explain that the provisions made herein for the care and maintenance of my wife Emma Meek are to continue during the entire period that she survives me.

In witness whereof I have to this my last will and testament consisting of about fifty-two lines of writing subscribed my name the 22nd day of July 1915.

D . C. Meek

We hereby certify that on this 22nd day of July 1915 at Westfield, Plymouth County and State of Iowa, D. C. Meek to us personally known did in our presence sign the foregoing instrument and declare the same to be his last will and testament and we at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other do hereunto subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

W. T. Kidd residing at Akron, Iowa

W. J. Bunner, residing at Akron Iowa

Florence Ervin R. N. Residing Akron, Iowa

E. C. F. Mohr Residing at Westfield Ia/

DECREE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

In the County Court of Boyd County, Nebraska.

In the Matter of the estate of Dellano C. Meek, Deceased.

Now on this 15th day of December A. D. 1916 at the hour of one o'clock P. M., that being the hour given in the notice of final settlement this cause came on for hearing.

Present Robert Ford, County Judge and M. T. Post attorney for the executrix, and representing the said executrix, she being unable to be present; And it satisfactorily appearing to the Court from the proof on file and the evidence that the heirs and all persons interested in this estate have been duly notified as required by the orders of this Court and as required by the Statutes and the laws of the State of Nebraska, and thereupon this cause came on to be heard upon the duly verified account of the executrix and the pleadings and the evidence.

And now having heard the proof and all gations of the parties and the evidence and maturely considering the same the Court proceeds to make a final settlement in this cause.

FIRST FINDING: That all notices have been given as required by the laws of the State of Nebraska and as required by the order of this Court and the Court finds that all debts, claims and demands against said estate have been fully paid, with the exception of a mortgage of six hundred dollars in favor of the Nebraska Building and Loan Association, payable in installments of Nine dollars per month, and which is to be paid by the heir named in said will and it is further found and adjudged by the Court that if there are any claims or demands against said estate, that have not been presented the same are forever barred.

SECOND FINDING. The Court finds that the deceased, Dellano C. Meek died leaving a last will and testament and that at the time of his death he was a resident of Monowi, Boyd County, Nebraska, and that the will of Dellano C. Meek has been duly probated in this Court and that the provisions of said will disposing of the real and personal property are in words and figures as follows: Par II I give devise and bequeath all the use, rents, income and profits of all the property that I may own at the time of my decease, both real and personal and wheresoever located to my beloved wife, Emma Meek and provided further that if the use, rents etc., of said property as provided should not be ample and sufficient for the proper care, comfort and maintenance of my said wife, then and in that event I direct that such further sum shall be appropriated to her use from any other property as shall be necessary for the full and proper maintenance of my said wife; and I further provide that my said wife, Emma Meek, shall have full power and authority to manage and sell and convey all the property of my estate that I may own at the time of my decease. Par III. Subject to the foregoing provisions, I give, devise and bequeath all balance and residue of my property of every kind and discription and wheresoever located to my two adopted children, Lois Meek and Theodore Meek, equally share and share alike!

THIRD FINDING: The Court find that Emma Meek widow of the deceased, and his two adopted children Lois Meek and Theodore Meek are the only heirs of the said Dellano C. Meek and that the said Emma Meek, widow of the testator is the foster mother of said Lois Meek and Theodore Meek and has and is now furnishing said adopted daughter and son with a good home, providing them with all the necessities and comforts due their station and educating them by her own efforts and means; that the said Lois Meek and Theodore Meek are minors; that they are the only heirs entitled to inherit any portion of the residue of the estate of Dellano C. Meek deceased, that may exist after the death of the said Emma Meek; that the said will of Dellano C. Meek leaves all of his property both real and personal of whatsoever kind to the said Emma Meek, to be be disposed of as she sees fit; but should the said Emma Meek die leaving any property devised to her by the terms of the said will then in that case said property

is to revert to the said two adopted children, Lois Meek and Theodore Meek, equally share and share alike.

FOURTH FINDING: That the executrix be charged with the sum of \$1314.73 as stated in her final report; And the executrix be credited with the sum of \$1315.08 paid out as shown by her final report.

The Court finds that all personal property has been disposed of and that no personal property remain in the hands of the executrix.

FIFTH FINDING: The Court finds that the testator, Dellano C. Meek died seized in fee simple title of the following real estate, to-wit:

Lots No (12) (13) and (14) Block (9) village of Monowi, subject to a mortgage of \$600.00;

The SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 32 and S $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section (33) Township 106 Range 74 West of the 5th P. M. in Lyman County, South Dakota.

The E $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section (1) Township (5) Range (3) East St Stephens Meridian in Baldwin County, Alabama.

And the Court find that all of the above real estate is devised to the above named devisees Emma Meek in fee simple.

It is therefore considered by the Court that the said account of the executrix be and the same hereby is approved and is allowed as found in the findings herein and as the final account of the executrix.

And it is ordered, adjudged and decreed that the real estate as found in the findings herein be and the same is herein assigned to the said devisee, Emma Meek.

It is further adjudged and decreed that the executrix be and the said executrix hereby is discharged and her bondsmen released.

SEAL

Robert Ford, County Judge.

In the County Court of Boyd County, Nebraska.

In the Matter of the Estate of Emma Meek, Deceased.

DECREE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Now on this 23rd day of July A. D. 1921 at the hour of one o'clock P. M., this cause came on for hearing and it satisfactorily appearing to the Court from the proof on file that all of the heirs and all persons interested in this estate have been duly notified as required by law and as required by the orders of this Court.

Comes now into Court, Frank Bates, the administrator, Robert Ford, County Judge and W. T. Wills attorney for the administrator, and thereupon this cause came on to be heard upon the verified account of the administrator, the petition for final settlement and the pleadings and the evidence.

And the Court having heard the proofs and the allegations of the parties and having carefully examined the final report and having heard the evidence and maturely considered the same, the Court proceeds to make a final settlement in this cause and the Court finds as follows:

FIRST FINDING: The Court finds that all notices have been given as required by law and as required by the statutes of the State of Nebraska and as required by the orders of this Court and the Court further finds that all debts, claims and demands of every kind and nature against said estate have been fully paid and satisfied as required by law and as required by the orders of this court, and the same are of record in this Court. And it is further found and adjudged by the Court that if there are any claims that have not been presented the same are forever barred.

SECOND FINDING: That the administrator be charged as stated in his final account with the sums therein shown and that he be credited with the amounts as shown in his final report. And the Court finds that he has administered upon all the property belonging to the estate of the deceased and has paid out the same as per the orders of this court and has turned all sums remaining in his hands over to parties entitled to receive the same. And that he has taken receipts therefrom and filed the same in this court and the Court finds that there is no money or other personal property remaining in the hands of the administrator and the Court finds that there is nothing further for the administrator to do and his report has been approved and that he should be discharged.

THIRD FINDING: The Court finds that Emma Meek was the widow of Dellano C. Meek and as such widow was entitled to the use and benefit of all property left by Dellano C. Meek during her life-time as provided in the will of Dellano C. Meek and the Court finds that after the death of Emma Meek all of the property remaining was bequeathed and devised to Theodore Meek and Lois Meek. And the Court finds that said Theodore Meek and Lois Meek are entitled to inherit all of the property left by Emma Meek both real and personal and mixed. And the Court finds that under the provisions of the will of Dellano C. Meek that the widow, Emma Meek, had the power to dispose of any of the property left by Dellano C. Meek and had the power to sell and convey any and all real estate left by Dellano C. Meek and all real estate sold and disposed of by Emma Meek is hereby approved and the Court further finds that any and all property and real estate left by Dellano C. Meek that was undisposed of is now the property of said Theodore Meek and Lois Meek in fee simple.

FOURTH FINDING: The Court finds that Emma Meek departed this life in Boyd County, Nebraska on or about the 28th day of December A. D. 1920 and at the time of her death she was an inhabitant and a resident of Boyd County, Nebraska and died intestate.

FIFTH FINDING: The Court finds that at the time of the death of Emma Meek the heirs at law and the only heirs at law of said Emma Meek are, Theodore Meek, age sixteen, residence Monowi, Nebraska, an adopted son; Lois Meek, age fourteen, residence Monowi,

Nebraska, an adopted daughter. And that there are no other heirs at law or next of kin of the said Emma Meek, deceased.

SIXTH FINDING: The Court further finds that Dellano C. Meek was the husband of Emma Meek and departed this life on or about the seventh day of October 1915, leaving a last will and testament which was duly and legally probated in the County Court of Boyd County, Nebraska on or about the 26th day of November 1915. That he devised and bequeathed all of his estate to Emma Meek during her lifetime as provided in the will of said Dellano C. Meek with power to sell and dispose of any and all real estate and upon the death of said Emma Meek any real estate remaining unsold was bequeathed and devised to the said Theodore Meek and Lois Meek and by virtue of the provisions of said will all property belonging to the estate of said Dellano C. Meek and not disposed of is now subject to the provisions of said will and is the property of said Theodore Meek and Lois Meek by virtue of said probated will.

SEVENTH FINDING: The Court finds that the following real estate was left by the said Emma Meek and Dellano C. Meek: The East one half of the Southeast quarter of SW quarter of Section One, Township Five South of Range Three East containing twenty acres in Baldwin County, Alabama, and that said property is now the property of said Theodore Meek and Lois Meek, jointly share and share alike. And that said property prior to the death of Emma Meek who held the fee title was sold under contract and the deed was not made by her that said contract is in full force and effect and subject to be carried out by the orders of the Alabama Court, conveying said property to the purchaser as provided in said contract.

And also the following real estate was left and is subject to the will of Dellano C. Meek and the estate of Emma Meek: Lots 12, 13 and 14 in Block 9 in the village of Monowi, Nebraska, and that said property now descends to said Theodore Meek and Lois Meek jointly by virtue of will of Dellano C. Meek.

It is therefore considered by the Court that said account of the administrator, Frank Bates, be and the same hereby is allowed as found in the findings herein and as the final account of said Frank Bates and it is adjudged and decreed that all claims debts and demands of every kind and nature be and the same are hereby forever barred. And it ordered and decreed and adjudged that the real estate as found in the findings herein is assigned to the said Theodore Meek and Lois Meek, share and share alike, that is to say, To Theodore Meek an undivided one half interest, subject to the contract, in the East one half of the southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section One, Township 5, South of Range 3, East containing twenty acres in Baldwin County, Alabama, and also an undivided one half interest in Lots 12, 13 and 14 in Block 9, in the Village of Monowi, Boyd County, Nebraska and, To Lois Meek an undivided one half interest, subject to the contract, in the east one-half of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section One Township 5, South of Range 3, East containing twenty acres in Baldwin County Alabama; and also an undivided one half interest in Lots 12, 13 and 14 in Block 9 in the village of Monowi, Boyd County, Nebraska.

It is further ordered and decreed that the administrator be and he hereby is discharged and his bondsmen released.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and year above written.

SEAL

Robert Ford, County Judge.

C E R T I F I C A T E .

State of Nebraska,

County of Boyd

ss.

I, Robert Ford, County Judge, in and for Boyd County, Nebraska, do hereby certify that I am by law the custodian of the records, books, documents and papers of, or appertaining to the County Judge's Court of said County, and the foregoing are true and correct copies of the original papers appertaining to said Court, and on file and of record in the office of said Court, to-wit:

Will of Dellano C. Meek, deceased;

-Decree of Final Settlement in Dellano C. Meek estate;

-Decree of Final Settlement in Emma Meek Estate;

-Bond of Guardian Theodore and Lois Meek Estate;

Letters of Guardianship Theodore and Lois Meek, estate.

I further certify that said Letters of Guardianship are now in full force and effect.

I further certify that the County Judge's Court is a Court of Record and Probate in and for said County and State, that I am the sole presiding Judge thereof and custodian of the records of said Court that the Seal hereunto affixed is the official seal of said Court; that the signature hereinto subscribed is genuine, and that this attestation is in due form, and by the proper officer.

Dated this 21st day of March 1924.

Robert Ford
County Judge.

State of Nebraska Boyd County ss.

I, F. E. Ford, Clerk of the County Court of Boyd County, Nebraska, hereby certify under the seal of this office that Robert Ford, is the duly elected, qualified and acting County Judge of Boyd County, Nebraska that the above is his true and genuine signature.

Dated this 21st day of March 1924.

F. E. Ford
Clerk of the County Court.

State of Nebraska Boyd County ss.

I, Robert Ford, County Judge of Boyd County, Nebraska, hereby certify under the seal of my office that the above signature of F. E. Ford, is the true and genuine signature of the Clerk of the County Court of Boyd County, Nebraska.

Dated this 21st day of March 1924.

Robert Ford
County Judge.

CUSTOMER'S DRAFT



PONCA VALLEY STATE BANK

MONOWI, NEBRASKA

April 26 1926

AT SIGHT WITH EXCHANGE PAY TO THE ORDER OF

F. L. Bates, guardian

\$ 221

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Two Hundred Twenty One

50/100

DOLLARS

VALUE RECEIVED AND CHARGE THE SAME TO ACCOUNT OF

TO

T. W. Richerson, Reg. of Circuit Court.
of Baldwin Co. also.

Bay Minette, also.

Frank L. Bates
guardian of Theodore Meek &
Lois Meek, minors

Monowi, Nebraska, April 1926.

Received from T. W. Richerson, as Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, the sum of two hundred and twenty one and 50/100 dollars for the use and benefit of Theodore Meek and Lois Meek, minors, being the amount ordered to be paid the undersigned as Guardian of said Theodore Meek and Lois Meek by Hon. John D. Leigh, Judge of the twenty-first Judicial Circuit of the State of Alabama on the 8th day of February, 1926, as per decree in case No. 462 on the records of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity.

Frank L. Babin

AS Guardian of Theodore Meek and Lois Meek, minors.

April 17, 1936.

Mr. Frank L. Bates

Monowi, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

IN RE: WALTERS VS MEEK ESTATE.

I inclose you form of receipt to be signed by you as Guardian of Lois Meek and Theodore Meek for the \$221.50 ordered to be paid to you by a decree of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, in Equity. Please sign this receipt as Guardian of said minors and draw a draft on T. W. Richerson, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, at Bay Minette, attach your receipt to the draft, place the draft and receipt in your bank and have the bank to send the draft and receipt to Baldwin County Bank at Bay Minette, Alabama and Richerson will call at the bank and pay the draft and take up the receipt. Do not change the form of receipt and sign your name thereto as Guardian of both of said minors as they were both minors at the time the suit was commenced.

I inclose you copy of the decree of the Court which is self-explanatory.

Yours truly,

CH*RM.

Charles Hall.

*Original Mailed to Charles Hall
to the Guardian*

Copy

Monowi, Nebraska, April 1926.

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AS Guardian of Theodore Meek and Lois Meek, minors.

*original mailed by Lehas, Hall to
Frank L. Bates - Guernsey*

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Ex parte Frank L. Bates as Guardian etc.

Complainant

vs.

Defendant

To Hon. W. H. Hawkins, Guardian ad litem,

or

Solicitor of Record:

You are hereby notified that interrogatories have this day been filed by

Hon. Chas. Hall, in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of

County, to be propounded to W. L. Hauptli,

witness for the Petitioner, in the above stated cause. A copy of which

interrogatories may be had upon application to said Clerk; and you can file cross-interrogatories, if you think proper, within ten days after service of this notice, at the expiration of which time a commission will issue to take

the deposition of said witness. The witness reside in Wellington Colorado,

in the County of Baldwin in the State of Alabama,

and the Commissioner proposed by the Petitioner, to-wit: Glenn A. Etter

Wellington, Colorado.

reside in Wellington in the County of

in the State of Colorado.

Witness my hand, at office in Bay Minette Ala., this the 28th, day of

August, 1925.

Register.

Original

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Ex parte Frank L. Bates

as Guardian, etc

Complainant.....

vs.

Defendant.....

NOTICE OF INTERROGATORIES.

To Hon. W. H. Hawkins,

Received in office this.....

day of..... 19.....

Sheriff.

Executed on this.....

day of..... 19.....

by leaving a copy of the within notice

with.....

Solicitor of Record for.....

Sheriff.

In the matter of the Guardianship)
of Theodore Meek and Lois Meek)
minors.)

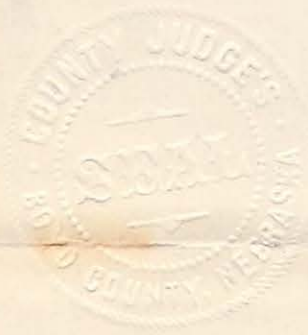
Certificate.

To T. W. Richerson, Register of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County,
Alabama.

I, J. A. Adamson, County Judge of Boyd County, Nebraska, hereby
certify that Frank L. Bates is now the legal guardian of Lois Meek,
minor, and is qualified as such guardian of said minor to receive
the money due Lois Meek.

I further certify that Theodore Meek became of age on the 16th
day of August 1925 and that final settlement was made with
him and the guardian discharged.

Dated at Butte, Nebraska this 20th day of February, 1926.



J. A. Adamson
County Judge.

In the matter of the guardianship)
of Theodore Meek and Lois Meek,)
minors.)

Receipt.

Rrceived of Frank L. Bates, guardian, the sum of \$1050.06
as settlement in full for all of my share of personal property
including all money, notes, bonds, ect.

Dated this 21st day of Oct. 1925.

Theodore Meek

State of Nebraska,)
) ss.
Boyd County.)

I, F. T. Post, a Notary Public in and for said county, hereby
certify that the above receipt is a true copy of the original receipt
signed by Theodore Meek and delivered to Frank L. Bates.

Dated at Menowi, Nebr, this 22nd day of Febr., 1926.

F. T. Post

Notary Public.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Baldwin County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Ex parte Frank L Bates as
Guardian etc.

Complainant

vs.

Defendant

To Hon. W. H. Hawkins,

or

Solicitor of Record:

You are hereby notified that interrogatories have this day been filed by

H on Chas Hall, in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of
Baldwin County, to be propounded to M.T. Post and Frank L. Bates,

witnesses for the ~~Complainant~~ Petitioner in the above stated cause. A copy of which
interrogatories may be had upon application to said Clerk; and you can file cross-interrogatories, if you think
proper, within ten days after service of this notice, at the expiration of which time a commission will issue to take
the deposition of said witnesses. The witnesses reside in Monowi Nebraska,
in the County of _____ in the State of Nebraska,

and the Commissioner proposed by the Petitioner, to-wit: R.L. Studly
Monowi Nebraska,

reside in Monowi in the County of _____
in the State of Nebraska.

Witness my hand, at office in Bay Minette Ala this the 28th, day of
August, 19 25.

[Handwritten Signature]

Register.

Original

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

Baldwin.....County.

CIRCUIT COURT, IN EQUITY.

Ex parte Frank L. Bates,
as Guardian etc.

Complainant.....
vs.

Defendant.....

NOTICE OF INTERROGATORIES.

To Hon. W. H. Hawkins,

Received in office this.....

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Sheriff.

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with.....

Solicitor of Record for.....

Sheriff.

PETITION FOR ADOPTION.

In the County Court of Boyd County, State of Nebraska.

In the Matter of the Adoption of Theodore Panke, A Minor. Petition/
To the Hon. Judge of said Court:

Now come D. C. Meek and Emma Meek his wife and show to the Court that they desire to adopt as their child Theodore Panke a minor aged 8 years on the day in March 1913 and that this application is made under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the legislature of the State of Nebraska entitled "An Act to provide for the adoption of minor children and to repeal Sections 796, 797, 798, 799, 800 and 801 of Chapter two (2) title twenty five (25) of the Code of Civil Procedure of the State of Nebraska" and that we each severally, freely and voluntarily adopt the said minor child.

Your petitioners further state that they have had the said child in their home 3 months and that they have become attached to it and that they desire now to adopt it under the provisions of said act, and that the relation of said child to them shall be that stated in section nine (9) of said act.

And they further represent to the Court that they were married on the 30 day of October 1904 and that they are now residing at Monowi, in the County of Boyd in the State of Nebraska; that they are possessed of personal and real property of the value of about \$4500 and are able and willing and anxious to adopt said child under and by virtue of the provisions of said act.

They further represent to the Court that the said child was surrendered to the Nebraska Children's Home Society by Dakota County Court and the legal guardian of said child, on the 24th day of March 1913; and your petitioner now agree and undertake to suitably provide for said child until it arrives at the age of majority, and to properly educate and nurture said child, and in all respects to treat the said child as they would their own son or daughter.

WHEREFORE, your petitioners pray that your honor will enter a decree

of adoption and will order, adjudge and decree

1 that the said Theodore Panke shall sustain and have bestowed upon
2 said Theodore Panke equal rights, privileges and immunities with
3 children which are born in lawful wedlock and that your petitioners
4 shall sustain the relation of parents to the said child, and shall
5 have all the right and be subject to all the duties of that relation
6 and that your petitioners and the said minor child may have all the
7 rights and privileges provided for in section nine (9) of said act,
8 and for such other relief as may seem proper.

9 D. C. Meek.

10 Emma Meek.

11 State of Nebraska Boyd County ss. D. C. Meek and Emma Meek being
12 first duly sworn say that they are the persons who have signed the
13 above and foregoing petition, and that the facts alleged in said pet-
14 ition are true, and that the said petition expresses their desires
15 and intention in reference to the adoption of said minor.

16 D. C. Meek

17 Emma Meek.

18 Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 16th day of
19 Sept 1913.

20 SEAL

W.L. Hauptli, Notary Public.

21 COPY COURT'S ORDER AND CERTIFICATE.

22 In the County Court of Dakota County, Nebraska.

23 State of Nebraska County of Dakota, ss.

24 To the Nebraska Children's Home Society of Omaha, Nebr.

25 Whereas on the 24 day of March, the following minors: Theodore Panke
26 whose ages are respectively 8 years and each of whom is of sane mind
27 and each and all of whom are residents of Dakota County, Nebraska,
28 were each and all found and adjudged by me D. C. Heffernan, County
29 Judge of Dakota County Nebraska to be dependent, neglected and with-
30 out parental care or guardianship, and

31 Whereas the father of said minor child Theodore Panke has been found
32 guilty by me of cruelty and neglect toward said child Theodore Panke

1 and is unsuitable to have the care and custody of said child Theodore
2 Panke and

3 Whereas, each of said minors is growing up under such circumstances
4 as would tend to cause him to lead vicious and immoral lives and where
5 as said child is wholly without proper parental care and protection
6 and is a proper and fit subject to be committed to some suitable in-
7 stitution or society as guardian thereof, whose purpose and object
8 is to care for and obtain homes for dependent or neglected children,
9 and, Whereas, the Nebraska Children's Home Society of Omaha is a prop-
10 er and suitable institution or society to receive such child Theodore
11 Panke and to provide and obtain a suitable home for him and is a prop-
12 er and suitable institution to act as guardian of said child, Theodore
13 Panke and

14 Whereas it is ordered by me as follows: That said minor child Theodore
15 Panke be committed to the care, custody and guardianship of the Nebr-
16 aska Children's Home Society of Omaha and that said minor child Theo-
17 dore Panke become ward of said Society and that said Society has the
18 full authority to place said minor child Theodore Panke in some suit-
19 able family or institution and said Nebraska Children's Home Society
20 of Omaha is hereby authorized as guardian of said child, Theodore
21 Panke to consent to the adoption of said minor child Theodore Panke
22 or otherwise provide for them.

23 Now therefore, in the Name of the State of Nebraska, I, D. C. Heffer-
24 nan County Judge of Dakota County, do hereby appoint you the Nebraska
25 Children's Home Society guardian of Theodore Panke, minor child, I
26 and hereby authorize you to receive said minor child Theodore Panke
27 into your Society and to provide him with suitable family home and
28 to consent to his adoption in pursuance of sub-section 7, Section 797,
29 Chapter 11, title xxv, Compiled Statutes of Nebraska for 1911.

30 In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the
31 County Court of Dakota County, Nebraska, at my office in Dakota City
32 in said County and State this 24th day of March A . D 1913.

SEAL

D. C. Heffernan, County Judge.

1 In the County Court of Dakota County, Nebraska.

2 State of Nebraska County of Dakota, ss.

3 I, D. C. Heffernan County Judge in and for Dakota County, Nebraska do
4 hereby certify that the instrument to which this certificate is attached
5 is a true copy of the proceedings had in the matter of the
6 guardianship of Theodore Panke age 8 years old as the same appears
7 of record in my office.

8 In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the official
9 seal of my office this 24th day of March A. D. 1913.

10 SEAL D. C. Heffernan, County Judge.

11 State of Nebraska Boyd County ss Filed in the office of the County
12 Judge September 17th 1913. Lucius Leslie, County Judge.

13 AFFIDAVIT.

14 State of Nebraska,

15 County of Douglas, ss Affidavit,

16 E. P. Quivey, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the
17 State Superintendent of the Nebraska Children's Home Society, for the
18 State of Nebraska and in the performance of his duties as such State
19 Superintendent, he has in his possession and in his control, all of
20 the papers and records relative to said Society, and especially all
21 papers and records relative to the release of the said Theodore Panke
22 to said society by Dakota County Court.

23 The affiant further states that he has examined and compared the at-
24 tached papers, which purport to be a true and correct copy of the orig-
25 inal instrument releasing the said Theodore Panke to said Society, and
26 that the same is a true and correct copy of the original now in poss-
27 ession of the affiant as said State Superintendent.

28 E. P. Quivey, State Superintendent

29 Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 11th day of
30 September 1913.

31 SEAL Josephine Mc Caffree, Notary Public

32 State of Nebraska Boyd County ss Filed in the office of the County

Judge September 17th 1913. Lucius Leslie, County Judge.

CONSENT TO ADOPTION.

In the County Court in and for the County of Boyd, State of Nebraska
In the Matter of the Adoption of Theodore Panke, a Minor.

Consent to Adoption.

Comes now Alfred C. Kennedy Pres. of the Nebraska Children's Home
Society of the State of Nebraska and shows to the Court that heretofore to wit, on the 24th day of March 1913 one Dakota County Court who was the legal guardian of Theodore Panke a minor child of the age of 8 years and who then has the care, control and custody of said minor child, did by a writing duly signed and acknowledged (a copy of which writing is hereto attached) surrender said child and the control and custody thereof to the Nebraska Children's Home Society, and did thereby relinquish all right and claim to said child during minority, And it is further provided that the said Society might procure for said child legal adoption by such persons as might be chosen by said Society or its authorized agents.

And whereas, said Society desires that said minor child shall be adopted by D. C. Meek and Emma Meek of the County of Boyd aforesaid.

Therefore, this is to witness that the said Nebraska Children's Home Society does hereby voluntarily relinquish all right to the custody of and power and control over said child Theodore Panke, and all claim and interest in and to the services and wages of such a child to the end that such a child shall be fully adopted by the said D. C. Meek and Emma Meek and consent to such adoption upon terms and conditions provided for in section nine (9) of Chapter ninety four (94) of the laws of 1897.

And the said Nebraska Children's Home Society under the authority and the power contained in aforesaid writing does hereby make a similar relinquishment for and on behalf of the said Dakota County Court the legal guardian of said child and hereby enters its appearance in said proceedings and waives the service of all notice in this matter.

Josephine McCaffree SEAL Nebraska Children's Home Society,
E. P. Quivey. By Alfred C. Kennedy, President

State of Nebraska Douglas County ss. Be it remembered that on this
11th day of September 1913 Alfred C. Kennedy, president of the Nebraska
Children's Home Society appeared before me a notary public in and for
said county and acknowledged that the foregoing consent of adoption
was signed by him as the president of the Nebraska Children's Home
Society and the same is the free and voluntary act of the Nebraska
Children's Home Society made for the uses and purposes therein named.

Witness my hand and notarial seal this 11th day of September 1913.

Josephine McCaffree, Notary Public

State of Nebraska Boyd County ss. Filed in the office of the County
Judge September 17th 1913. Lucius Leslie, County Judge

WAIVER.

In the County Court of Boyd County, Nebraska.

In the Matter of the Adoption of Theodore Panke, a minor.

Appearance of Nebraska Children's Home Society and Dakota County
Court Parents of said Minor.

Now come Nebraska Children's Home Society and Dakota County Court the
parents of said minor by Alfred C. Kennedy their attorney who is also
a duly authorized agent of the Nebraska Children's Home Society and
hereby waive the issuance and service of notice and of all process
herein, and hereby enter our appearance and the appearance of each of
us in said cause and in every part thereof and release all errors and
waive all right to appeal from the judgment of the court herein.

S
E Nebraska Children's Home Society and Dakota County
A
L. Court by Alfred C. Kennedy, their attorney.

State of Nebraska Boyd County ss Filed in the office of the County
Judge September 17th 1913. Lucius Leslie, County Judge.

ORDER FOR HEARING IN ADOPTION (Original)

The State of Nebraska Boyd County ss.

In the County Court, Boyd County, Nebraska.

1 In the Matter of the Adoption of Theodore Panke, a Minor.

2 The State of Nebraska to D. C. Meek and Emma Meek his wife and the
3 Nebraska Children's Home Society for the State of Nebraska.

4 Greeting: - Take notice that on September 17th 1913, the said D. C.

5 Meek and Emma Meek his wife, duly filed in said Court their duly veri-

6 fied petition for adoption in the premises also the consent to adoption

7 of the said Nebraska Children's Home Society for the State of Neb-

8 raska and located at Omaha, Nebraska together with further instruments

9 evidencing the full and legal authority of said Home to give such

10 consent, said petition and consent showing to the Court that said D.

11 C. Meek and Emma Meek his wife desire and intend to adopt the said

12 Theodore Panke, a male child born in the month of March 1905, fully and

13 absolutely as their own child; and that said Nebraska Children's Home

14 Society in the manner required by law and with legal authority so to

15 do, has and does consent to such adoption.

16 WHEREFORE, it is duly ordered: That said matter be and the same is

17 hereby set down for hearing upon the said petition and consent and

18 evidence on the 11th day of October 1913, at one o'clock P. M., stand-

19 ard time, at the County Court House in Butte, Boyd County, Nebraska

20 at which time and place you, and each of you, and all parties inter-

21 ested in said matter are hereby notified to appear of any objection

22 you have to said proceeding; and that said D. C. Meek and Emma Meek

23 his wife, with said minor child, do then and there be personally

24 present in and before said Court.

25 ORDERED FURTHER, That notice of the pendency of said hearing be given

26 by personal service upon said D. C. Meek, Emma Meek, his wife and the

27 Nebraska Children's Home Society of Omaha, Nebraska not less than

28 fourteen days prior to said date assigned for said hearing herein.

29 In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal

30 at Butte, said County and State this 17th day of September A. D. 1913.

31 SEAL

Lucius Leslie, County Judge.

32 I, Alfred C. Kennedy president of the Nebraska Children's Home Society

of Omaha Nebraska, do hereby accept service of the above and foregoing order for and on behalf of said society and do hereby waive any and all further or other service in said matter, and consent that same be heard on October 11th 1913, as provided in said order: All voluntarily done in Omaha, Nebraska this 20th day of September A. D. 1913.

SEAL Nebraska Children's Home Society of Omaha, Nebraska, by Alf C. Kennedy, President.

We, the undersigned, do hereby voluntarily accept service of the above and foregoing order, waive any and all further service in said proceedings and consent that said hearing be had on October 11th 1913 as provided and assigned in said order. Done at Monowi, Nebraska this 18th day of September A. D. 1913.

D. C. Meek

Emma Meek

State of Nebraska, Boyd County ss Filed in the office of the County Judge September 22nd 1913. Lucius Leslie, County Judge.

DECREE OF ADOPTION.

In the County Court, in and for the County of Boyd, State of Nebraska In the Matter of the adoption of Theodore Panke, A minor.

Decree of Adoption.

And now, at this time, the above entitled cause coming on for hearing before the said court and it appearing to the court that the care, custody and control of the said Theodore Panke, a minor child, has been duly surrendered to the Nebraska Children's Home Society by Dakota County Court a legal guardian and that the said Nebraska Children's Home Society has duly filed in this court a consent to the adoption of said child, and a waiver of the service of process in this proceeding, and that no other person is interested in said proceeding, and that said minor is under fourteen years of age, it is ordered by the court that the hearing proceed upon papers now on file in this Court without any further service or publication.

And thereupon the petitioners and said minor child being personally

1 present in court, this matter came on for further hearing before the
2 court, and having heard all the evidence adduced in favor of the pet-
3 itioners, and upon the part of the Nebraska Children's Home Society
4 representing the said minor and the court being fully advised in the
5 premises, finds that the petitioners, D. C. Meek and Emma Meek are
6 husband and wife, and are living together, and are residents of Boyd
7 County in the State of Nebraska that they are proper parties to adopt
8 said child and that they are able to discharge the duties which will
9 *be incumbent upon them, and that it*
10 be for the best interests of said minor that he should be so adopted.

11 The Court further finds that this application is made under and by
12 virtue of the provisions of an act entitled " An act to provide for
13 the adoption of minor children and to repeal sections 796, 797, 798
14 799, 800 and 801 of Chapter two (2) title twenty five (25) of the
15 Code of Civil Procedure, of the State of Nebraska;" being chapter
16 two, title twenty five, compiled statutes of Nebraska for 1905.

17 And it appearing also to the court that the custody and control of
18 said minor has been surrendered to the Nebraska Children's Home Soc-
19 iety by a written surrender thereof, signed and executed in the manner
20 required by section two (2) of said Statute the court, finds from all
21 the evidence introduced in court that the said Nebraska Children's
22 Home Society has now at this time the custody and control of said
23 minor child, and is fully authorized to consent to the adoption of
24 said child, and that it has filed in this court a written consent to
25 adoption, and has relinquished all right to the custody of and power
26 and control over said minor child and all claim and interest in and
27 to the services of said minor child to the end that said child might
28 be adopted by the petitioners, and that said consent has been duly
29 executed as required by Section six (6) of said act.

30 It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that said
31 Theodore Panke, minor be and is hereby constituted and made the adopt-
32 ed child of D. C. Meek and Emma Meek the petitioners herein, and that
hereafter the said minor and the said petitioners shall sustain the

1 relation and perform the duties enjoined upon them severally under
2 Section nine (9) of said act, said child to be hereafter known as
3 Theodore Meek and that the parents of said minor child and the Nebr-
4 aska Children's Home Society shall stand relieved of all duties to-
5 ward, all responsibility for the said minor child and have no right
6 or power over it henceforth.

Dated October 11th 1913 at Butte. Boyd County, Nebraska

SEAL

Lucius Leslie, County Judge.

State of Nebraska Boyd County ss Filed in the office of the County
Judge October 11th 1913. Lucius Leslie, County Judge.

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STATE OF NEBRASKA }
COUNTY OF BOYD } ss

In reAdoption of Theodore Panke, a Minor
by D. C. Meek and Emma Meek, his Wife.

I, Robert Ford, County Judge, in and for Boyd County, Nebraska, do hereby certify that I am by Law the Custodian of the records, books, documents and papers of, or appertaining to the County Judge's Court of said County, and that the foregoing are true and correct copies of the originals of papers appertaining to said Court, and on file and of record in the office of said Court, to-wit:

- Petition for Adoption.....
- Copy Court's Order and Certificate.....
- Affidavit.....
- Consent to Adoption.....
- Waiver.....
- Order for Hearing.....
- Decree of Adoption.....

~~I further Certify that said Appointment and letters of~~

~~are~~ in full force and effect.

I further certify that the County Judge's Court is a Court of Record and Probate Court in and for said County and State, that I am the sole presiding Judge thereof and custodian of the records of said Court, that the Seal hereunto affixed is the official Seal of said Court; that the signature hereunto subscribed is genuine, and that this attestation is in due form, and by the proper officer.

Witness: Robert Ford, County Judge, and the seal of the County Judge's Court of Boyd County, State of Nebraska, this the 16th day of July A. D. 1924.

Robert Ford
County Judge

Due June 1, 1924

No. 5

Int. to 25th to 6/1/22

\$ 170.00

Bay Minette, Ala.,

December 28th 1920

June 1st, 1924

after date without grace we promise to pay to the order of

Emma Meek - - - - -

One Hundred and seventy and no/100 - - - - -

Dollars

for value received, in gold coin of the United States of the present standard weight

and fineness with interest from date at 6% until paid

Payable to Monowi State Bank, Monowi, Nebraska.

The parties to this instrument, whether maker, endorser, surety or guarantor, each for himself, hereby severally waive as to this debt, or any renewal thereof, all right to exemption under the Constitution and Laws of Alabama, as to personal property, and they each severally agree to pay all costs of collecting, or securing, or attempting to collect or secure this note, including a reasonable attorney's fee, whether the same be collected or secured by suit or otherwise. And the maker, endorser, surety or guarantor, of this note severally waives demand, presentment, protest, notice of protest suit and all other requirements necessary to hold them, and they agree that time of payment may be extended without notice to them of such extension. The bank at which this note is payable is hereby authorized to apply on or after maturity, to the payment of this debt any funds in said bank belonging to the maker, surety, endorser, guarantor, or any one of them.

Witness *W. P. Hall*

Harry C. Walters

Witness *Mrs John E. Price*

Rosa B. Walters

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March 19th. 1926.

Mr. T. W. Richerson,
Bay Minette, Ala.

Dear Sir:-

At the instruction of Mr. F. T. Post,
of Monowi, Nebraska, we are enclosing note of
Harry C. and Rose B. Walters,

Yours very truly,



Cashier

cc to M.T. Post & Son.

RETURN RECEIPT.

Received from the Postmaster the Registered or Insured Article, the original number of which appears on the face of this Card.

Louis Meek

(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

Date of delivery, *8/30*, 192*4*.

Form 3811

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J W Richerson

(NAME OF SENDER)

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Post Office at _____

State _____

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE
TO AVOID PAYMENT OF
POSTAGE, \$300.

POSTMARK OF DELIVERING
OFFICE

AND DATE OF DELIVERY



RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED ARTICLE NO. 149 8-22, 1924

From LW 18 fee _____ class postage paid.

Addressed to Lois Mabel
Weymouth

Return receipt desired yes

Delivery restricted { To addressee in person _____
To addressee or order _____ Postmaster, per _____

