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JAIL BOXERS DAVIS AND DION

SETTLE \$26,000 DAMAGE SUIT OUT OF COURT

Amount Not Revealed
as Parties Get
Together

FIND LIQUOR

A damage suit resulting from an automobile crash at Dearborn avenue and Chestnut street the night of last Nov. 17 came to an abrupt close in circuit court late this morning after a jury had been hearing evidence for a day and a half.

The plaintiffs were Robert McKay, Kankakee garage mechanic, and Howard S. Johnson of Ottawa, formerly of Kankakee, who were represented by Attorney Richard Finn of Chicago and Attorney Samuel H. Shapiro of Kankakee.

Of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gilkinson of Mokena, McKay asked \$25,000 damages while the Ottawa youth asked \$1,000. The corporation by which the Gilkinsons were insured was represented by Attorneys Streeter & Blanche.

The settlement, terms of which were not revealed, came during a recess this morning.

Missing Pint
Explanation of the disappearance of a pint of liquor which was in Johnson's car the night of the accident was a humorous interlude during the trial yesterday afternoon. The pint, unopened, dropped out of the car after the accident and was seen no more.

Ray Riley, who lives near by, explained. He heard the crash, he said, came down in his pajamas, helped take care of the injured persons and afterward saw the bottle lying on the street.

He put it in his pocket, he said, and when he returned home he broke the seal and took a nip. "I finished it the next day," he explained. "It was good whiskey."

The 10-man jury consisted of Raymond Styc of Aroma, Elmer Kerouac of Manteno, William Webster, E. M. Curtis, Fred Boyd and William A. McGrew of Kankakee, Roy Arsenau of Bourbonnais, Charles Noble and Ambrose Keigher of Rockville, Joseph Dumas of Pilot.

Special Election in Baker District

A special election for residents of the Baker school district No. 110 will take place tomorrow in the schoolhouse with the polls open from 4 o'clock in the afternoon to 8 in the evening.

The proposal to be voted upon calls for an increase in the tax rate for educational purposes from 1 per cent to 1 1/2 per cent per \$100 valuation, and for an increase in the rate for building purposes from 3-8 of 1 per cent to 1-2 of 1 per cent.

Baccalaureate at Chebanse Sunday

The baccalaureate service for the graduates of Chebanse high school will take place in the school auditorium Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. The program will consist of a prelude by Mrs. M. S. Monson, selection by the high school chorus, scripture reading and prayer by the Rev. Winter, selection by the girls' glee club, prayer by the Rev. Winter and doxology by the audience.

Arrest Semi-Nude Man on Parade in Business District

Clad only in shorts, shirt and one sock, Harold Hite, Chicago salesman, attracted the attention of a large crowd of passersby as he walked unceremoniously through the business district shortly after 9 o'clock last evening.

Completely unaware of his state near-nudity, Hite perambulated under the 100 block on East Main street, south on Schuyler avenue and west on Station street, stopping to window shop at various points on his little jaunt.

Officer Jack Murphy came upon Hite at the Station street crossing of the Illinois Central railroad and



Coming Here

Lynn Waldorf, Northwestern university football coach (above), will give the principal address next Thursday evening at the father and son banquet at the First Methodist church. In three years, Coach Waldorf has established himself among the nation's outstanding football mentors. He went to Evanston from Kansas State and is the son of Bishop E. L. Waldorf of the Chicago area of the Methodist church.

THREE KILLED BY LIGHTNING DURING STORM

Various Sections of
Illinois Hit by
Heavy Rainfall

By the Associated Press
Three persons—two men and a seven-year-old girl—were killed by lightning yesterday when spring storms swept various sections of Illinois.

Oscar E. Perkins, 59, a Fayette county farmer, was struck and killed by a bolt as he ran across a field to seek shelter from a sudden storm. His two sons, Earl, 32, and Harold, 27, witnessed the tragedy.

Roscoe Kroeschel, 21, a timber clearing project worker, was killed by lightning six miles south of Grafton, Ill.

At Monticello, Ill., Barbara Louise Benjamin, 7, was killed when a bolt struck a tree under which she was playing in the yard of her home. Two playmates suffered slight shock.

Property Damaged
Many cities in the state reported damage from Wednesday night's storm which, in some sections, reached tornado proportions. Telephone and electric lines were temporarily disrupted in several localities.

At Alton, power service to the Alton state hospital was disrupted. Beardstown, Havana, Jacksonville, Lincoln, Carlinville, and Taylorville bore the brunt of the storm.

Big trees were uprooted, wires were torn down, and a large section of fence at Douglas baseball park was wrecked at Rock Island where a storm assumed proportions of a tornado. Several homes were damaged by falling trees.

Former Local Man Held for Forgery

Donald Gaines, 28, of Maunie, Ill., formerly of Kankakee, was arraigned this morning before Justice Fred R. Smith on a charge of forgery.

The case was continued for further investigation while Gaines was ordered back to the county jail in default of \$1,000 bond.

By Deputy Sheriff Edward Imming on a warrant issued at the request of Urban Fortier of Kankakee. The latter claims that his purported signature on a note by which the defendant obtained \$126 from a finance company is not really his signature.

NEW HOME FOR QUINTUPLETS AND DIONNES

All Will Be Housed
Under Same Roof
in September

NEW DWELLING

North Bay, Ont., May 20.—(Canadian Press)—Papa Oliva and mama, the quintuplets and the seven other little Dionnes at last are to live under one roof as one family.

Thus will be ended the cause of much resentment by the senior Dionnes, who have wanted their famous five at home with their other children since the quintuplets became wards of the king and set up house in their own nursery.

The quintuplets will be four years old May 28.

There now has begun "a new spirit of cooperation," said Father Dionne's attorney, who will be J. A. Vallin, chairman of the quintuplet board of guardians, announced the projected set-up.

Plans are to be drafted at once for a new home at Corbiel, five miles north of the present house and the nursery at Callander. It will house all the Dionnes and should be ready by September.

Quint's Money Used

Near millionaires with earnings from their movie and advertising contracts, the quintuplets are to pay for their new abode, which will be so constructed that it can be halved to isolate them in the event of illness.

Dr. A. R. Dufour, who helped bring the quintuplets into the world, will continue as their doctor and will hire their nurses. Duncan McArthur, deputy minister of education for Ontario, will supervise the addition of any teachers.

Father Dionne twice may force discharge of a nurse or teacher but after that may only recommend dismissals to be acted upon by the other guardians.

Young Magician Mystifies Rotary

John Wahlbe, amateur magician of 441 South Osborn avenue, entertained members of the Rotary club Thursday noon in the Hotel Kankakee with rope, card and handkerchief tricks.

Five Rotarians who had birthdays last month and this month were awarded gifts by Harry Spielberger. They were Roy Wilcox, Dr. C. A. Perrodin, N. J. Ziener, Louis Beckman and the Rev. M. I. Johnson.

Four members reported on the district conference at Evanston recently. These were President John Willis, Whitney Ferris, John Maybaw and B. F. Hertz. Eugene Anderson reported on the Sportsmen's club meeting which he attended as Rotary's delegate Tuesday evening and the club officially adopted a resolution favoring the conservation project in Pembroke township.

Irving Munson announced that next week's luncheon meeting would be held in the Kankakee high school cafeteria where the youths who have been junior Rotarians during the year will act as hosts to the club. Guests yesterday included Ed Reno and Ralph Scott.

MARRIED LAST NIGHT

Paul Tatrow, 25, and Vera Diercouff, 19, both of Kankakee, were married at the courthouse last night by Justice Fred R. Smith with Kenneth and Nellie Diercouff as witnesses.

THE WEATHER

(Friday, May 20, 1938)
Hourly temperature readings from 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon to noon today are:

High at 2 p. m. 81, low at 5 a. m. 64.

A year ago today, high 66, low 43.	
1 p. m. 80	1 a. m. 66
2 p. m. 81	2 a. m. 66
3 p. m. 76	3 a. m. 66
4 p. m. 76	4 a. m. 66
5 p. m. 77	5 a. m. 64
6 p. m. 77	6 a. m. 66
7 p. m. 74	7 a. m. 70
8 p. m. 71	8 a. m. 71
9 p. m. 70	9 a. m. 72
10 p. m. 69	10 a. m. 72
11 p. m. 68	11 a. m. 70
Midnight 68	Noon 69
Sunset today at 7:08, sunrise Saturday at 4:24, sunset at 7:09, moon rises at 11:43 p. m. today.	
Unsettled tonight and Saturday, probably local showers and thunderstorms; cooler tonight, except in the extreme south; cooler Saturday in central and south.	

W. Dennison Mows Lawn, Drops Dead

William A. Dennison, 64, of 412 South Schuyler avenue, dropped dead, apparently from a heart attack, late this morning while mowing a lawn.

At 10:30 o'clock about an hour after he started work on the lawn at the Edward Manau home, 317 South Rockwood avenue, he was found lying near the garage by Mrs. Manau.

She called Dr. S. W. Lane, who came immediately but to no avail. The body is at the Phillips and Friday funeral home. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Coroner A. E. Kerger will conduct the inquest at the courthouse tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Mr. Dennison, well known in Kankakee, is survived by the widow Bertha, a son William and a brother Fred of rural route 3, Kankakee. Another brother Gene died suddenly several years ago.

Although he had not been under the care of a physician, Mr. Dennison had complained of late of "spells" of sickness.

4,847 LETTERS SENT BY PLANE FROM KANKAKEE

Postoffice Deluged
with Air Mail
Thursday

A total of 4,847 air mail letters was sent through the Kankakee postoffice yesterday on the occasion of the first air mail run in the history of the community.

The service includes those delivered from postmasters throughout the county to the city office for air handling.

The scene yesterday at the Court street office was comparable to the Christmas rush. Three extra sorting clerks had to be pressed into action because the air mail letters demanded special service. Postal clerks had orders for this occasion to follow all instructions of senders.

For instance, an air mail letter posted at Bradley was sent to a Bradley address by way of San Diego, Calif. Many such letters were so marked, it was said. Normally, the rules of the postoffice require handling by the shortest and quickest route.

Escape Mishap
All of the local pilots arrived safely at their destinations and returned without mishap, although Delbert Koerner's plane was endangered in a storm after he landed at Chicago. Had it not been for his co-pilot, Margaret Wagner, hanging onto the wing near the hangar, the ship would have been damaged in the wind.

One other incident occurred which delayed W. F. Brandenburg's takeoff for St. Louis by 15 minutes. The fenders which cover the wheels on his ship became clogged up un-

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5 Kankakee Band Players Win High Honors in Nation

Five members of the Kankakee high school band won top honors in region 3 of the National School and Orchestra association contest at Elkhart, Ind., it was learned this morning. The contest opened yesterday with more than 2,000 high school musicians from Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Michigan competing. Grading will continue through Saturday.

Ranked in first division of marimba soloists was George Gates. The local ensemble entry, a trombone quartet composed of Barrett O'Hara, Vernon Offerman, Edwin Taylor and Thomas Johnston, was also given first division rating. All were trained in Kankakee bands, directed by George Pierzol, and won the state event.

In bass clarinet solos, Dorothy Berger of Gibson City placed in the fourth division.

School Play for Mokena Tonight

"A Full House" is the play selected for presentation by the senior class of Mokena high school at 8 o'clock tonight and tomorrow night in the high school auditorium. Roy Heis is directing the production which concerns a burglary, a love story, blackmail and many funny situations.



Coroner Designates Tomorrow "Straw Hat Day"

Saturday is "Straw Hat day" in Kankakee by decree of Coroner A. E. Kerger, shown above with Mayor Albert F. Hattenburg and Donald Hartquist. Kerger, in white jacket, became irked at the mayor's delay in setting the official date for donning the grass bonnets and summoned Hattenburg to a local morgue. There he divested the mayor of his old felt hat and placed it reverently upon the mortician's slab while Hartquist presented the city executive with a new summer skimmer. The mayor accepted the new headpiece and asked for his old one back. "Nothing doing," Kerger said, "this lid is legally dead now and we're going to bury it." Hattenburg intimated that Kerger's eagerness to bring on the straw hat season may be due in part to the fact that he sells them.

Farmer's Leg Run Over Two Times by Same Tractor

Watseka, May 20.—(RN Special)—James Slater, 24, farmer residing 3 1/2 miles east of Watseka, sustained a broken and mangled right leg when a tractor ran over it twice yesterday afternoon.

The young man is a patient at Iroquois hospital where physicians expressed the opinion this morning that his leg may be saved. He was operating a tractor in a field near his home Thursday afternoon and another farmer, Bert Ellison, was also running a similar machine nearby.

During the rainstorm, the motor on Ellison's tractor died and he called Slater over to crank it. The transmission had been left in a forward gear and the tractor knocked Slater down, passing over his leg. Excited, Ellison tried to stop the machine quickly and he shoved it into reverse gear, with the tractor then backing over the leg again.

Murder Trial Here is Set For May 31

Albert LaVance, 38-year old colored man of Grand Rapids, Mich., who is under indictment for murder, will go on trial before Circuit Judge W. R. Hunter and a jury May 31.

He is accused of the fatal shooting of John Blevins, 21-year old Yellowhead farm hand, the night of Aug. 22, 1935, near Grant Park. Four counts of murder were voted by the recent grand jury. Blevins was a member of a vigilante organization of farmers attempting to stop thefts of farm livestock.

Francis J. Householder, young attorney who will be trying his first contested circuit court case, recently was appointed by the court, at LaVance's request, to represent the prisoner. The prosecution will be by State's Attorney Samuel H. Shapiro and his assistant Victor Lauridsen.

MELBOURNE OBSERVATORY RECORDS SEVERE QUAKE

Melbourne, Australia, May 20.—(UP)—A severe earthquake, its epicenter about 3,100 miles from here but in an undetermined direction, was recorded at the Melbourne observatory today.

No. 11 Tomorrow

Volume No. 11 of the New Standard Encyclopedia, offered to Kankakee-News readers through the book-a-week coupon saving plan, will be available for readers tomorrow on presentation of this week's set of coupons at the business office of this newspaper.

Unidentified Man Brought To Hospital

The unidentified man who wants to die was brought to Kankakee state hospital last evening by Sheriff Phil Brown of Watseka after sitting for five days in a cell at the Iroquois county jail without uttering a word and without eating or drinking anything.

Twice foiled in his attempt to die beneath the wheels of an Illinois Central train, he was arrested Sunday evening by Iroquois county authorities at Chebanse. No one, so far, has been able to trace his identity. Fingerprints have been sent to FBI headquarters in Washington and no report has yet been received.

The man, who appears to be about 35 years old, obeys instructions except when they concern his fast and silence. When brought before County Judge Jessie Sumner at Watseka yesterday, he placed his fingers to his ears in order not to hear her questioning. During the trip to the state hospital here, he put his head between his legs so he could not see.

Physicians at the infirmary said this morning they would feed him by force, through a tube, if necessary.

Bank Loses Suit Against Erdlitz

Robert W. Erdlitz, 4158 South Myrtle avenue, superintendent of the Kroehler plant in Bradley, yesterday was adjudged the winner in a \$3,983.30 suit brought against him by the First National bank of Huntington, W. Va., his former home.

An eight-man jury, eight because there were not enough jurors to fill the 12 seats in the jury box, took the case at 10 o'clock yesterday morning and returned a "no cause for action" verdict at 2:10 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

According to report, the first vote of the jury was 7 to 1 in favor of Erdlitz.

The West Virginia bank sued the Kankakee man for payment of notes drawn seven years ago, these notes being renewal of the balance due on a \$10,000 loan upon which \$7,200 had been paid. It was represented by Attorney Donald Gray.

Erdlitz, represented by Attorney Harry S. Streeter, contended that the debt was more than satisfied when the bank sold stock he had placed with it as collateral.

ONE DUELIST JABS OTHER; A TAME AFFAIR

"Affair of Honor"
Fails to Settle
French Tiff

Paris, May 20.—(AP)—Edouard Bourdet, director of La Comedie Francaise, was wounded in the right arm today by Henry Bernstein, veteran playwright and duelist, in an "affair of honor" that failed to settle their quarrel.

The principals left the dueling field without reconciliation. The attending physician said the wound was not serious.

The duel, with dull-edged but needle-pointed spears, consisted of two two-minute periods of fighting for which Bernstein, adjudged the injured party, chose the weapons. It was Bourdet's first duel, Bernstein's ninth.

A note, signed by the referee, witnesses and the attending physician, formally announced the result of the encounter. It said in part: "After two exchanges, a body attack by Bourdet was halted by a thrust by Bernstein which touched Bourdet in the right arm, piercing the biceps and stopping at the bone."

Physician Halts Bout
"Bourdet wanted to go on but the physician and the witnesses were in full agreement with the director of the duel and stopped the meeting."

Bernstein, tall and hook-nosed, and Bourdet, director of the Comedie Francaise, fought their affair of honor on the Fauchot-Margon estate at Neuilly, a suburb northwest of Paris.

Bernstein, charging Bourdet with failing properly to rehearse his curtains.

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Woman's Club Presents Oil Painting to Kankakee School

(Picture on Page 16)
Harry LaRoche, gifted young artist and pupil in the Departmental school, won honors for himself and his school in an art contest sponsored by the Kankakee Women's club, the Eighteenth District Federation of Women's clubs and the state federation recently.

Presentation of an oil painting valued at \$150 and painted by Othmar Hoffler, an outstanding modern artist, was made to the school Thursday morning in the assembly by Mrs. A. W. DeSelm, president of the 18th district and a member of the state board of the Illinois Federation of Women's clubs.

GOLDEN GLOVES CHAMP HELD ON GIRL'S CHARGES

Davis Beats Two
Men Who Attempt
Rescue Act

DION DRUNK

The pugnacity of two local boxers landed them in jail on serious charges last night following a series of events which included an attempted rape of a 16-year-old girl and an auto crash with a high tension pole which sent one to the hospital and darkened the General Foods plant and the villages of St. Anne and Aroma Park for one hour and 20 minutes.

Verle Davis, 23, of 324 North Center avenue, Bradley, was held on a warrant charging him with attempted rape and George Dion, 22, of 377 North Indiana avenue, was jailed for operating a motor vehicle while under influence of liquor.

Davis was taken into custody by Officers Don Bleu, Jack Murphy and Gilbert Bowden at 11:10 p. m. in the 100 block on East Station street after he had allegedly assaulted and attacked Opal Riddle, 16, of 505 West Broadway avenue, Bradley, during an auto ride a few minutes previously. Dion was held first as a material witness and then later served with a state warrant by H. A. Behen, state highway patrolman, after the crash.

Calls For Davis
Earlier in the evening, Dion had a group of girls out for a ride. He had taken them all home except the Riddle girl. Dion parked his car and she waited while he went into the Commercial bar to get a drink. There he met Davis, according to testimony at the preliminary hearing in the court of Police Magistrate Edward Hoennicke this morning.



VERLE DAVIS

Davis came out with Dion and both got in the latter's car with Dion driving in the front seat and Davis sitting with the girl in the rear seat. They drove south of town and Davis made advances toward the girl. She resisted. This continued and she ordered Dion to drive her back to town so she could get her bicycle at Close's garage and go home.

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Momence Academy Play on 2 Nights

Winnifred Derrico and Velda Prairie, senior students of St. Patrick academy, Momence, have taken part in the play, "Tempest and Sunshine," to be presented June 5 and 6 in the Momence high school auditorium.

The girls will have abundant opportunity to display their thespian talents, since the parts allow each character to run the gamut of emotions.

