

Canadian Legal Tender Note Specimens on Market



Offered for sale in list no. 4, November 1983, of C. P. Stocker Limited, P.O. Box No. 130, London SW17 7BB, are three specimen Dominion of Canada legal tender notes for use by banks only. According to Stocker, they are unrecorded in Pick but not unknown (in the Bank of Canada Collection). The three large note specimens are approximately $7\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ inches. The \$5,000 is dated 2nd. Jany. 1901; the \$50,000, Jany. 2nd 1918; and the \$1,000, 2nd Jany. 1924. The obligation is the same on all three: "On demand to bearer, being a bank to which 'The Bank Act' of Canada applies on the conditions mentioned below, at the office of any assistant Receiver General of Canada. This note is good only in the hands of a bank to which 'The Bank Act' of Canada applies and will be redeemed only when presented by one of such banks."

The offer is unpriced; interested parties are invited to contact Stocker.

1929 1935 NATIONAL BANK NOTE VARIETIES

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The First National Bank of Little Rock, Iowa, Charter 8119, was established in 1906. It was located in the north-western corner of Iowa in Lyon County. The bank was capitalized at \$25,000. The original officers were M.D. Bilsborough, president; W.N. Burton, vice-president; and Charles C. Carter, cashier. The bank closed on October 31, 1933, having been placed in receivership. It was the last bank to fail in Lyon County. The Little Rock Branch Bank of The Rock Rapids State Bank has served the banking needs of Little Rock's 535 inhabitants since then.

We are indebted to Arly Lindaman of Little Rock for the following information: Her father, W.F. Lindaman, whose

signature appears on the note shown here, was appointed Conservator when the bank was placed in Conservatorship on March 31, 1933, and held that position until the bank was placed into receivership. The bank issued only 792 - \$20 Type-I notes. This is the first such note to surface and was in a recent Lyn Knight Sale of notes from the Amon Carter collection. (This note will appear in Supplement XIII.)

Arly has also furnished us with details regarding the bank structure. It was constructed at the time the bank was established in 1906 and now houses a laundromat on the first floor and professional offices on the floor above. The remaining clue that a bank occupied the structure is the bank title—"First National Bank"—inscribed in the stone panel above the arched doorway, and long since partially obliterated with the passing of time, but still visible with a little imagination.

Little Rock is looking forward to 1984 when it will be celebrating its centennial! Our congratulations on their accomplishment!

Bunco, Bogus and Bank Robbin'

A Sorry Record Compiled by BARRY WEXLER, SPMC #5000

"Found A Counterfeit Cave"

Henry S. Gloe, an Orangeville (N.Y.) farmer, while remodeling his house, discovered a cave under the foundation which years ago had been the headquarters of a band of counterfeiters. On one side of the cave was a large collection of moulds, some made of metal and others of plaster of paris, while sheets of hammered metal the size of silver dollars, half dollars, quarter, and dimes were scattered around the floor. All moulds bore the date 1853, and it is believed by the old Wyoming County settlers that the cave and outfit were left by a man named Weaver, who fifty years ago had resided in that section, and was known as a counterfeiter of great skill and cunning. (November, 1902, No. 11, "Dickerman's Counterfeit Journal.")

On the lighter side, this joke, also from the November 1902 edition:

"A Frank Confession"

An ambitious Philadelphian who wished to start in business for himself applied to a wholesale woolen merchant and obtained credit for \$400. The salesman asked him what he manufactured.

"I mek pants," he replied.

"How do you want to buy these goods?"

"The best vey I can," was the answer.

"How will you pay for them?"

"Vell, I gif you my note for four mont's."

"Is your note good?"

The buyer looked around, winked to the salesman, and put his finger on his nose. "My vrend," he said, with the air of one who is about to impart a confidence, "if my note vas goot, I vould make notes, not pants!"