The Crippen, Lawrence Investment Company, and the same person who executed the foregoing instrument of writing, and duly acknowledged the execution of the same, for and in behalf of himself and The Crippen, Lawrence Investment Company. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal the day and year last above written.

(L.S.)

John C. Feldwisch,
Notary Public.

My commission expires November 16th 1903.
Recorded Mch. 16, A.D. 1901, at 10 o'clock, A.M.

~~G.H.~~ Forman
Register of Deeds.

This indenture, made this 23rd day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and one between Addison T. Sheppard and Martha J. Sheppard his wife of Palmyra Tp. in the county of Douglas and State of Kansas of the first part, and J.P. Bell of the second part, Witnesseth, that the said parties of the first part, in consideration of the sum of Seventeen hundred Dollars, to them duly paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell and mortgage to the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns, forever, all that tract or parcel of land situated in the county of Douglas and State of Kansas, described as follows, to-wit: The north half of the south east quarter of section thirty one (31) Township Fourteen (14) Range Twenty one (21) - with the appurtenances, and all the estate, title and interest of the said parties of the first part therein. And the said parties of the first part do hereby covenant and agree that at the delivery hereof they are the lawful owners of the premises above granted, and seized of a good and indefeasible estate of inheritance therein, free and clear of all encumbrances whatsoever. This grant is intended as a mortgage to secure the payment of the sum of Seventeen hundred dollars, according to the terms of one certain coupon note this day executed by the said parties of the first part to the said party of the second part payable March 1st 1906 with interest at 6% per annum payable annually, with the privilege of paying the entire loan at any interest payment. And this conveyance shall be void if such payment be made as is herein specified. But if default be made in such payment, or any part thereof, or interest thereon, or if the taxes on said land are not paid when the same become

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