

# THE BOSSIER BANNER

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Nine months.....	.80
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BENTON, LA. . . . FEBRUARY 11, 1915.

## News Notes of the Week

The second week of a jury term of court usually draws a crowd, and Benton was flooded with visitors several days this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Cook, jr., of New Orleans, on the 23d, a girl. Readers of the Banner will remember Mrs. Cook as Miss Mamie Sibley, reared in this place. The little one is the first great-grandchild of Mrs. Margaret Caldwell of Plain Dealing.

Mr. N. M. Belcher left Monday for Crichton, the new town in one of the Red River parish oil fields, where he joined his brother, Mr. E. H. Belcher, who has just opened a drug store in that place. A little later in the season the first mentioned young man expects to handle ice in Mooringsport.

Rev. G. G. Woodbridge of Plain Dealing filled his regular appointments at the Presbyterian Church in this place Sunday. As usual, his sermons attracted good crowds. Announcement was made during the morning service of one accession to the church—Mr. E. A. Logan, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Logan of this place.

The production of "Diamonds and Hearts," a three-act comedy-drama, in this place last Friday night by young people from our sister town of Plain Dealing indicates that there is good talent in that place. The play was successfully performed and was well received. The attendance was not as large as was expected, which was no doubt due to the fact that the play has twice before been given here by local talent, and the condition of the roads.

Mrs. M. G. Swann was a visitor in Benton Sunday from her country home, "Swannhaven," on the river front. She was accompanied by her youngest son, Mr. Macon Swann, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Domengeaux. Mr. and Mrs. Domengeaux will reside permanently at Mrs. Swann's country home and have charge of it during her absence. They are natives of South Louisiana, but removed to this parish from Houston, Texas. We learned that Mrs. Swann is not in the best of health just now and expects to leave soon for an extended stay in Florida.

The seating capacity of the little Presbyterian Church in this place was taxed almost to its fullest yesterday evening by those who gathered to hear the address delivered by Rev. W. F. Junkin of Suisun Station, China. The strange customs of the people of that far distant land were freely discussed, particular attention being given to their inconsistencies, their unfounded beliefs, their mode of worship, and the discarding of idols here and there. Mr. Junkin has been a missionary to China for

nearly eighteen years, and his address was full of interest and elicited the close attention of all present.

Born last Thursday in Shreveport to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Wyche of this place, a boy. This is their second child, both boys.

Miss Jessie Wyche returned home Monday from Shreveport, where she spent a week as a guest of Mrs. Dallas Jones.

Mr. T. H. Ford of Rocky Mount was here Monday engaging sweet potatoes, and has since returned to deliver them. That's the way to make the little hill farm pay. Go to it, Mr. Ford!

Mr. John B. Adger left Sunday for his home in Gilliam after a short visit here with his mother, Mrs. Mattie C. Adger. Mrs. Adger, who came with him, proceeded to Plain Dealing Sunday evening and will visit relatives and friends in that community a day or so before proceeding home.

The pupils of the public schools throughout the parish are reminded that the R. J. Hancock Chapter, U. D. C., of this place, again offers a medal this year on a historical subject, that selected being, "Albert Sidney Johnston—the Man, the Citizen, the Soldier." The paper of the successful contestant will also be entered to compete for the Allison medal, known as the State medal. Last year both medals were awarded to a young lady resident of this parish—Miss Lilline Logan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Logan of Vanceville. Why can't it be captured by some pupil of Bossier Parish again this year?

## The Domestic Art Club.

One of the season's most delightful meetings of the Domestic Art Club was that of Wednesday, February 3d, at the home of Miss Lucille Edwards.

The guests were received by Miss Edwards and ushered into the spacious parlor, where a "jolly-good time" at rook and needle work awaited all.

Miss Edwards, becomingly gowned in a shade of prune, was assisted in the courtesies of the afternoon by her sister, Mrs. R. T. Stinson, who wore green, and her cousin, Mrs. J. A. Edwards, wearing black, and their attractive little sons, Ford and Jim, jr., not only afforded the guests much pleasure, but were the recipients of much admiration.

Just prior to the adjournment delicious refreshments were served.

The invited guests were Mesdames H. R. McCullough, C. O. Gayle, Belle Wise and J. H. Stinson. Children: Larrie Arnold Vance, Robert Stinson, Jennie Rae and Ababel Stinson.

The members present were: Lucille Edwards, Irma Stinson, Marion Arnold, Lillie May Williams, Eula Hanks, Pauline Dawson, Daisy Story, Mesdames E. W. Doran, Mary Vance and Aylmer Wyche.

The club will be entertained Wednesday, the 17th, by Miss Caroline Irion. X

## Emma Dots.

Monday, Feb. 8.—Fair weather still continues.

Bodeau is still up and is going down very slowly.

The health of this community is very good at present.

Mrs. Jim Giles spent yesterday with Mrs. Bird Giles.

Mr. Jim McCann spent yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. John Coile.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas spent yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. Shelton.

Messrs. Tobe and Bird Giles made a business trip to Plain Dealing Saturday.

Mr. Will Logan and family spent Saturday night and yesterday with Mr. Bird Giles.

Mr. Bartley Coile and family have gone back to Texas, in which State they expect to make their future home.

Mrs. John Thomas and family spent part of last week with Mrs. Thomas' mother, Mrs. Black. She reports that her mother was very sick. HIOSHIDLE.

## Big Bargain Sale!

The biggest Bargain Sale ever held in Plain Dealing was inaugurated yesterday at J. P. KEETH'S STORE and will be continued for ten or more days, or until Mr. Keeth sufficiently reduces his large stock. The sale began at ten o'clock and within a few minutes thereafter there was a perfect jam of humanity. Notwithstanding there were more than a dozen extra clerks provided for the occasion, the rush continued until after dark to such an extent that only a few of the clerks could find time to snatch a hasty morsel of food. The customers evidently found what they wanted, if one could judge by their pleased expression as they left the store.

Save Money by Buying From Keeth of Plain Dealing

# First National Bank

Shreveport, Louisiana

United States Depository. Fiscal Agents of the State of Louisiana and Parish of Caddo

# First Savings Bank and Trust Company

Shreveport, Louisiana

Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits, \$800,000. Deposits, \$3,000,000. 4 per cent Interest Paid on Savings and Time Deposits

## Final Report of Grand Jury.

To the Hon. John N. Sandlin, Judge of the Second Judicial District Court, holding sessions in and for the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana.

We, the Grand Jury empaneled for this term of your honorable court, beg leave to report as follows: That we entered upon the discharge of the duties imposed upon us with a full knowledge of our responsibility and have discharged same with care and diligence.

We have inquired into all the infractions of the criminal law brought to our knowledge, being a total of sixty-one cases and, after examining all cases presented, we have returned twenty-nine true bills, found twenty-eight no bills, and four cases remain as unfinished business, wherein the District Attorney will file bills of information, if the law provides that he may.

We have examined the offices of the Sheriff and the Clerk and find them in good condition and well kept.

## Special Recommendations.

We recommend that the court room be rearranged so that the Judge's stand will be in the north end of the court room, on account of the noise and confusion that will be caused by the new opening to get to the new jail.

We also recommend that the doors to the court room and the entrances to the Court House be rehung so as to open from the outside, according to law.

We also recommend that the stairs at the south of the court room be rearranged so as to make same safe.

We recommend that the locks to the court and jury rooms be repaired, so as to remain closed.

We would especially urge the various justices of peace in the parish to exercise their discretion in the taking of affidavits and the issuance of warrants to the end that only well founded cases be brought before the court. We also respectfully ask to secure the names and addresses of all witnesses for the prosecution, and forward same with the papers to the proper authorities at Benton, La. We would also ask the constables of the parish to always execute and return to the proper authority commitment papers when they have placed anybody charged with a crime in jail, or have taken bond.

We cannot too strongly urge the good citizens of the parish to be constantly alert and vigilant in the suppression of crime and in the preservation of law and order, for upon them, after all, devolves the real responsibility for the enforcement of law and order.

We extend thanks to Your Honor and other officers for courtesies shown us during our labors.

Wherefore, we ask that this, our final report, be received and that we be relieved from further duties at this term of court. Respectfully submitted,

M. S. BOLINGER,  
Foreman Grand Jury.  
Benton, La., Feb. 4, 1914.

## In the New Oil Field.

As the readers of the Banner are aware, our neighboring parish, Red River, now has two oil fields—the Abington field, west of the river, and the Crichton field, on the east side. Just now the Crichton field, the last to be developed, seems to be attracting most attention. Mr. W. P. Belcher, who returned home from Crichton one day last week, reports that including the original producing well there are about twenty-six rigs within sight of the new town, and said to be more than forty in the field.

As is usually the case in a new development in this industry, things are humping. A depot, begun last week by the Louisiana Railway, has just been completed, and, aside from its original store, the town now has a drug store and in course of construction several other store buildings, a hotel, two rooming houses, several restaurants and a moving picture theater. No doubt that does not enumerate all the contemplated new enterprises.

The original well at Crichton is a gusher of 5000 barrels capacity. Several other producers have since been brought in.

Crichton is on the Louisiana Railway some six or eight miles south of the Bossier Parish line, and about four or five miles northeast of Abington. Its surrounding territory thus far holds out ever promise of being exceptionally productive.

We are told that the well on a sand bar east of East Point and that at Poole, in this parish, have been abandoned as dry holes. The D. C. Richardson Company of Shreveport, who drilled the Poole well, will at once begin operations on a new location in that territory.

## Silver Tea.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church will give a silver tea Friday evening, February 19th, at the Knights of Pythias Hall. Refreshments costing from a silver dime up will be served, the proceeds to go for the benefit of the church. No charge will be made at the door. Games and other forms of entertainment will be indulged in. Hours, from six until eleven o'clock p.m. The public is cordially invited.

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## CORRESPONDENCE

### Haughton.

Monday, Feb. 8.—Mrs. Myrtis Elston is on the sick list.

Mrs. D. A. Horton spent Sunday in Allendale.

Madame Rumor reports that wedding bells are ringing.

Miss Evans spent several days with Miss Florence Madden.

Mrs. R. W. Collins has returned from pleasant trip to Tremont.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hickman spent Saturday in Shreveport.

Mrs. E. R. Connell and children spent this week with relatives.

Mrs. Edward Wiseman of Shreveport was a pleasant guest of relatives.

Messrs. C. K. McClanahan and E. R. Connell attended court in Benton.

Mr. Lynn Wiggins left for West Texas where he will make his future home.

Mrs. W. A. Owens of Shreveport is spending a few days with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Gibson of Bossier are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Oneal.

Mrs. J. E. Rooks and lovely little daughters spent Monday in Shreveport.

Mrs. L. H. Padgett spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Odum.

Mr. Henry Walton of Shreveport was a pleasant guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wilson.

Mrs. W. B. Hickman will entertain the "Needle Craft Club" Wednesday afternoon.

The many friends of Mr. Stillman Willis of Doyline were glad to welcome him among them.

Mr. F. F. Vickers of Bellevue attended the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons held in New Orleans.

A health program will be given at the high school auditorium Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edwards, Misses Dawson and Nicholson and Mr. P. M. Elston witnessed the production of "Poor Little Rich Girl," played in Shreveport.

### Adner.

Monday, Feb. 8.—We are having some fine weather at present and are all enjoying it. The farmers are all wearing smiles on their faces.

Mr. W. H. Farmer left Sunday for Benton to serve as a petit juror.

Several new families have moved into our settlement, and we give them a hearty welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Busbey spent yesterday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Rounsavall.

Misses Annie Pilkinton and Myrtis Rounsavall spent last Tuesday night with Mrs. R. O. Busbey.

Mr. Marion Finuf returned home Friday morning. He has been in Benton serving on the Grand Jury.

Mrs. S. S. Rounsavall and eldest daughter, May Belle, were visitors in Shreveport Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. C. W. Berry has recovered from her long spell of illness and is able to be out again to enjoy the beautiful weather.

Mr. Barker came in from Shreveport this morning. He has been there visiting his son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. Finuf.

The young people of Adner are practicing a play, to be given within a few weeks. The title is "The Deacon's Tribulations."

Mrs. Staffebach, who has been ill for several weeks, is now improving. Your correspondent hopes she will soon entirely recover.

### Red Land.

Tuesday, Feb. 9.—School is progressing nicely at present. Despite the fact that one teacher is absent, the attendance is large. An organ has recently been installed in the auditorium for use in the school exercises, and much interest is being manifested in school work.

Miss Elva Gibson spent the week-end in Vivian with her parents.

Mrs. J. J. Roberson, who has been quite ill for several days, is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. Lottie Norris entertained a number of boys and girls very pleasantly with a little party Wednesday night.

Mrs. L. C. Keoun spent Saturday and Sunday in Shreveport on business and visiting her brother, Mr. R. C. Keoun.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Garrett, who resided in Plain Dealing during the past year, have moved back to Red Land, and will make this their home.

Mr. W. A. Fortson of Benton, Parish Superintendent of Schools, is visiting our school to-day and inspecting the work. Also, a business meeting with the board of trustees is being held while he is present.

Quite a number of the residents of this community have been attending the services conducted by Rev. Willbanks at Bolinger this week and have very

much enjoyed the sermons, and have been greatly benefited by them.

Miss Gertrude O'Gee from Taylor, Ark., is visiting relatives and friends residing here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Deas, former residents of this community, but now residing at Felsenthal, Ark., are visiting relatives here and are being given a hearty welcome by old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Simpson of Pine Bluff, Ark., came in Friday to visit their sister and brother, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Stewart. Mr. Simpson returned home Sunday, but Mrs. Simpson and little daughter, Lila, will remain several days longer.

Rev. Waller filled the pulpit at the Baptist Church Sunday morning. Following the service two deacons, Messrs. E. C. Dodson and J. H. O'Daniel were ordained. A basket dinner was spread and all present enjoyed a feast. In the afternoon Rev. Hinson gave an excellent talk on Sunday schools.

### Bossier City.

Tuesday, Feb. 9.—The farmers are glad to see the warm, sunny days and are beginning their farm work.

Miss Lyde McCranie and Mr. C. H. Wallace were guests of Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Whittington Sunday.

Rev. Hickson filled his appointments at the Baptist Church Sunday morning and evening. Rev. Pierret also filled his appointments at the Methodist Church that day.

The Dramatic Club of Bossier City is preparing to give "Billy's Bungalow," for the benefit of the library and athletics of the Bossier City High School. The date of the performance will be Friday, the 26th.

### Cottage Grove.

Tuesday, Feb. 9.—Pleasant weather for the past few days.

Mr. Lee Peace made a business trip to Shreveport Saturday.

Mr. Thomas J. Voss made a business trip to Belcher yesterday.

Mr. Grayham Swindle returned home last Monday from Gilliam.

Mr. J. H. Peace made a business trip to Benton one day last week.

Mr. S. W. Hart of Hosston was a business visitor in Dixie Cross Roads a few days last week.

Mr. L. L. Linton, accompanied by his brother, made a business trip to Shreveport yesterday to carry pork.

Mr. Leonard McLeish of Collinsburg spent last Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Brannan have removed from Dixie Cross Roads to the Durbin home, where they will reside this year.

Friends of Miss Maud Smith of Dixie Cross Roads regretted to learn of her illness, but are pleased to know she is recovering.

### Princeton.

Sunday, Feb. 7.—Mr. W. A. Holloman of Shreveport visited here to-day, and also at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. Harrison of Bellevue.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Burrage went to Shreveport yesterday.

Mr. E. E. VanArsdel is in Warren, Ark., visiting his brother.

Mr. and Mrs. VanArsdel spent last Tuesday in Minden visiting friends.

Mr. Marion Rushing went to Shreveport yesterday to get acquainted with his little niece, Miss Mary Elizabeth Wilkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Brown of Hutchinson, Kans., have bought a home near Bellevue. Their parents, Rev. and Mrs. O. Harrison, are also permanently located here.

On the roll of honor of the Princeton School appears the following names: Kent VanArsdel, Homer VanArsdel, Ennis VanArsdel, Mary VanArsdel, John Burrage, James Burrage, Chester Burrage, John Watson, Paul McVey, nearly all having made over 90 per cent in their monthly tests.

### Atkins.

Monday, Feb. 8.—Misses Winnie Cahill and Katie Prince visited friends in East Point yesterday.

Messrs. Cline and Penfield were visitors in our town Friday.

Messrs. Lake Connell, Chenvert and Greene were visitors to Shreveport last week.

Mr. George Atkins of Shreveport spent last week here looking after his farming interests.

Mrs. T. D. Connell went to Shreveport Saturday to see the play, "The Poor Little Rich Girl."

### Plain Dealing.

Tuesday, Feb. 9.—Bright, sunny days again.

The cackle of the industrious hen is heard in the land.

Miss Lillie M. Stamper of Carterville has accepted a position in the store of Mr. J. P. Keeth.

Miss Zola Keoun, a popular teacher in one of the Shreveport public schools, spent the week-end here with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. N. Leoun.

On January 30th Mr. J. A. Mitchell, a former well known resident of this place, but now residing in Texarkana, Ark., was united in marriage to some young

lady in that place, but whose maiden name your correspondent has been unable to learn.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Garrett have removed from Plain Dealing to Red Land.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Perry have as a guest Mrs. Perry's sister, Miss Underwood of Pine Bluff, Ark.

The Bible Study Class grows in interest. Meetings, which are being largely attended, are held at three o'clock each Sabbath afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wright, formerly of Plain Dealing, the former now holding a responsible position in Shreveport, are being congratulated over the advent of a son, born on the 4th.

Mrs. William King, mother of Mrs. A. W. Heifner, who has been living in Shreveport for some months, together with her younger children, are new residents of our town, to the delight of many friends. They are occupying the J. L. Crawford residence.

The R. E. Lee Literary Society held another interesting session Friday afternoon. Because of the absence of some of the pupils and the further fact of not having the proper facilities for a quick change of scenery, the play by Jimmie Wyche was postponed until some future date. These events are greatly enjoyed by all who attend.

Mr. H. D. Kelly left Saturday morning for New Orleans to undergo surgical treatment by a specialist at the Presbyterian Hospital in that city. Mr. Kelly has been suffering rather severely and his physicians thought best for him to secure relief from a specialist. He stood the trip well, and his friends are hopeful that he will find immediate relief in the operation and soon return home fully restored to health and vigor.

The following inscription, neatly written, was found yesterday at an abandoned camp, seemingly just vacated: "St. Louis Shorty, wire worker, and New York Shorty, Southbound. February 7, 1915." On another sheet of paper was a neat drawing of the camp, showing the surrounding scenery, and worded as follows: "Hobo camping in the pine woods of Louisiana." These two shorties are evidently artists in their line and deserve a better fate.

TRAGIC DEATH OF A GOOD MAN.—Announcement of the death of Mr. Crigh-ton Hillborn, a former resident of this section, was made here at an early hour last Friday morning. His death occurred in Shreveport the evening before and was occasioned by his coming in contact with a live wire. He had been a member of the Shreveport Fire Department for some years, and served in the capacity of hoseman. While helping to fight a disastrous fire at the warehouse of the Enders Furniture Company of that city the accident occurred which cost him his life. Mr. Hillborn was noted as being a cool pains-taking man; and was held in high esteem by all who came in contact with him. He leaves a widow, and a little son but slightly more than a year old. Mrs. Hillborn's maiden name was Willie Morris, a daughter of Rev. Morris, a Christian minister located in this place for some years, and where she attended school. Friends of the family will be pleased to learn that by reason of an insurance policy, recently arranged for by the City of Shreveport, her necessities will be provided for. She will receive some \$4000 from the policy, and \$15 per month as long as she remains unmarried. The little son will receive \$6 per month until he arrives at the age of sixteen. Mr. Hillborn had a W. O. W. policy in the Henderson Camp of that order, domiciled at Rocky Mount.

### WEDNESDAY.

Rev. W. F. Junkin, a missionary to China for nearly eighteen years, lectured at the Presbyterian Church last night, the seating capacity of the building being taxed. His message was given undivided attention, and, as expressed by some one present, was altogether too short. Rev. Junkin is thoroughly familiar with the Chinese character and explains the natural characteristics of the race so that one can form an intelligent opinion of their character and customs. At nine o'clock yesterday morning he addressed the pupils of Plain Dealing High School and was listened to with wrapt attention. At three in the afternoon he delivered another address, to the ladies, at the Presbyterian Church, which was said to be the best of his series of talks. He left at five o'clock for Benton, and residents of that place will have an opportunity to hear him lecture to-night.

### THURSDAY.

Miss Jeffie Jackson of Lewisville, Ark., is a guest of Mrs. W. P. Allen.

Mrs. M. C. Wright spent last week in Shreveport with her little grandson, the child of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wright.

Mrs. J. W. Hoeser (and little girl) of Benton spent the day here yesterday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Gladney.

Mr. D. M. Morrison of the Ivan community, one of the members of the "thin gray line," was a welcome visitor here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Lowe of Shreveport were visiting at the home of Mr. J. A. Lowe the past week. The two gentlemen are brothers.