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First Baptist Church. H. M. CRAIN, Pastor. Divine worship every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. S. W. DAY, Supt. Prayer Meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Ladies' Auxiliary second and fourth Thursday's of each month. MRS. J. W. TANNER, Pres.

Methodist Episcopal Church. J. A. CAERETH, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. E. C. WILLARD, Supt. Junior League, 3 p. m. Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Class Meeting first Sunday of each month at 11:30 a. m. Prayer Meeting every Thursday at 7:30 p. m. Choir Rehearsal every Friday at 7:30 p. m.

Congregational Church. PAUL LEEDS, Pastor. Preaching every second and fourth Sundays 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School every Sunday at 10:00 a. m. Junior Endeavor, 3:00 p. m. Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m. The Mary's and Marthas meet monthly at the homes of the members.

Presbyterian Church. REV. R. T. PRICE, Stated Supply. Preaching every Sunday 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. Junior Endeavor, 3:30 p. m. Senior Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting Thursday 7:30 p. m.

The Endeavor meeting last Sabbath was an interesting and important one, in that the society was put into a more complete organization. Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Read were appointed delegates to the convention at Jennings.

There was a good Junior Union organized at the Baptist church last Sunday. Eighteen were present and entered into the organization. Francis Carr was elected president, Bonnie Belle Doan vice-president, Harrold Shipman secretary and Faith Sargent treasurer.

The Baptist Young People's Union organized last Sunday evening and started out with a large and enthusiastic attendance. The officers elected were Miss Eldia Goodreau president, Miss Nettie Shaw vice-president, Sidney Hubener secretary, Elmer Goodreau treasurer. The leader for next Sunday is Sidney Hubener.

The second regular meeting of the minister's conference was held Monday morning at the M. E. church. Rev. R. T. Price, of the Presbyterian church, was gladly welcomed into its fellowship. Rev. C. R. Calkins was absent, being unwell, and his absence was very much felt by the conference.

After a discussion of the general work in Welsh, a paper was read by Rev. Paul Leeds, on "The Minister's Calling, its Character and Dignity." Following is its contents:

"Taking Jesus, the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, as a pattern, we found that the first thing to be considered was our personal life. Jesus' personality was the true interpretation of His own message, so we must live the Word we preach. Next, our doctrine. As Jesus spoke only the words the Father gave Him, though He was the Eternal Logos, so we have a message given us in the bible, and must proclaim it as given to us. Next, being ambassadors for Christ, we have all the dignity and authority of the heavenly kingdom back of us, and we should speak with authority and maintain that dignity. As Jesus was in much prayer with the Father, so we should keep unbroken communication with Divine Headquarters. His sorrow, joy and reward must have place in our life and labors, and to make our ministry a success, the same anointing that was poured upon Jesus is ours if we abide in Him. It was agreed that next Sunday night the regular union gospel temperance meeting should be held at the Baptist church, and Rev. R. T. Price should preach the sermon. This meeting of the conference was very pleasant and helpful.

The regular fortnightly service was held at the Congregational church Sunday morning. The pastor preached on "Love's Labor Finished" from the scriptures in Zeph. 3; 17, looking forward to the time, when after weary ages of hard effort to save men, God should "rest in His love." The regular collection for the Church Building Society was taken, amount-

ing to \$6.36. No preaching service was held at night, the congregation joining the M. E. church in their special evangelistic service.

Saturday afternoon from three to five o'clock the Junior's will meet with Mrs. F. D. Calkins for a social time. All the members are urged to be present.

Quite a few delegates are attending the annual district Y. P. S. C. E. convention at Jennings this week.

Roanoke News.

Mrs. Boland was in Lake Charles Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Metzger, spent Monday in Lake Charles.

Geo. Naggs is visiting at the home of his uncle, D. W. Gunn.

Mrs. Jos. Berry is recovering from a severe attack of la grippe.

Ben Gabbert of Welsh, visited friends in Roanoke, Saturday.

Miss Flora Compton has been unable to attend school for several days on account of sickness.

Mrs. Payne and daughter, Mrs. Thomas, of Louise, Texas, are visiting relatives in Roanoke.

S. Scoggins has recently purchased a handsome piano for his home, from J. B. Hull, of New Iberia.

Rev. Brigham and family moved to Mayville Saturday. Mr. Brigham expects to raise a crop of rice this season.

Scoggins Bros. are now working on R. A. Berry's new irrigating well, having finished a fine well for E. F. Robinson.

Among those from Roanoke, who attended the opera in Jennings Tuesday night were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Compton, Mr. Fowler and Miss Robinson and Willie Compton.

Iowa Items.

Miss Ada Findley has been quite ill since Saturday with La Grippe.

Mr. I. N. Jones left Saturday to attend Mardi Gras at New Orleans.

Rev. Louis May filled his regular appointment at Bell City Sunday.

Emilie McCoy is seriously ill with an acute attack of stomach trouble.

Mrs. Reese visited Saturday and Sunday with friends in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Heygood are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby boy.

Mrs. J. J. Irwin is now taking treatment of Dr. Howe of Lake Charles.

Mrs. Louis May has been quite sick with La Grippe, but is now able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Abell and Raymond spent Sunday with Mr. John Wright and family.

Rev. R. C. McCoy is in Jennings attending the annual convention of the Christian Endeavor, southern district.

Mr. Jacob Longenbach arrived in Iowa last Thursday, and will remain a few weeks disposing of the remainder of his rice.

The Jones Bros. are making active preparations toward improving and putting in a rice crop on their land north of town.

Mr. Allan DeWolf and family visited Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jones Saturday and Sunday. Mr. DeWolf now resides at Orange, Texas.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF CALCASIEU.

Charter of the Bell City Mercantile Company, Limited.

Be it known, that on this 16th day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred and seven, (1907) before me, the undersigned Notary Public, in and for the said parish and state, duly commissioned and qualified, and in the presence of the competent witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, on this day personally came and appeared Paul W. Daniels, Placide Derouen, Isaac Derouen, and Stephen E. Stine, who declared unto me in the presence of the said witnesses, that availing themselves of the provisions of the laws of Louisiana in general providing for the formation of corporations, they have formed and organized, and by these presents do form and organize and constitute themselves and such others as may hereafter become associated with them, into a corporation for the objects and purposes, and under the terms and conditions and stipulations hereinafter set forth.

ARTICLE I.

The name and title of this corporation shall be "Bell City Mercantile Company, Limited," and its domicile and principal place of business shall be at Bell City, in the parish of Calcasieu, and state of Louisiana.

Under its said corporate name it shall have power to contract, sue and be sued, to make and use a corporate seal, and the same to break or alter at pleasure; to hold, receive, purchase, improve, convey, sell, borrow, pledge, mortgage and hypothecate under its said corporate name, property, real, personal and mixed; to name and appoint such officers, directors, agents, managers and employees as the interest or convenience of said corporation may require; to make and establish by-laws, rules and

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regulations for the management of its affairs as may be deemed necessary and proper, and the same to change, and alter at pleasure, and generally to do all other acts and things permitted by law, or shall or may be deemed necessary and proper to carry out the objects and purposes of said corporation. Said corporation, unless sooner dissolved in accordance with law and the provisions hereinafter set out, shall exist and continue, as such for a period of ninety-nine years from the date hereof. ARTICLE II. The President, or in his absence the Vice President, shall be the proper person or persons upon whom citation or other legal process shall be served. ARTICLE III. The objects and purposes for which this corporation is organized and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are declared to be to own, operate, and conduct a general retail mercantile business, and as such to buy, sell and otherwise deal in general merchandise of all kinds, including hardware, groceries, dry goods, clothing, shoes, hats, farming implements, hay, corn, cotton, rice feed, and all feed stuffs, to own and operate a warehouse, and to do a general warehouse business, and generally to do any and all things necessary and proper for the successful carrying on of said business. ARTICLE IV. The authorized capital stock of this corporation shall be Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars, divided into and represented by one hundred (100) shares of the par value of one hundred (\$100) dollars per share, which stock shall be paid for in cash at the time of subscription, or the same may be issued at not less than par, in payment for property or rights actually received or purchased by said corporation, or the same be issued full paid for money advanced, or for such other valuable consideration or services, as the Board of Directors of said corporation may determine, provided that no stock shall be issued until the consideration therefor shall have been received by said corporation. This corporation is authorized to commence business as such as soon as twenty shares of its capital stock, aggregating Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars has been subscribed and paid for. The stock of said corporation may be transferred, provided such transfer thereof be made upon the books of said corporation, and on surrender of the certificate thereof. No transfer of any fractional part of a share shall be made. Any stockholder may sell, assign or transfer his stock in said corporation, provided ten days prior written notice of such intention to sell, assign or transfer the same be given the company, and the other stockholders thereof shall have the first privilege of purchasing the same at the market price thereof; after said ten days notice, the said stock may be sold to any purchaser in open market. The Board of Directors shall have the right to determine how much and when the capital stock of this corporation shall be issued. ARTICLE V. The corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors, composed of four stockholders, three of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business the affairs of said Board to consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and Treasurer, the office of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by one and the same person at the same time. The following persons shall constitute the first Board of Directors, to-wit: Isaac Derouen, President; Stephen E. Stine, Vice President; Placide Derouen, Secretary and Treasurer, who with Paul W. Daniels shall constitute the first Board of Directors. No person shall be eligible as an officer or director in this corporation who is not a stockholder thereof. During the absence of the President, the Vice President shall act and preside in all matters in his place and stead. The said Board of Directors shall continue in office until the second Tuesday in January 1908, on which date, and annually thereafter, a Board of Directors shall be elected, unless the same shall be a Holiday, when the election shall be held on the next legal day thereafter. Notice of such election shall be given by at least ten days continuous publication immediately preceding each election, in one of the weekly newspapers published in the parish of Calcasieu, and State of Louisiana. Any failure from any cause whatever to elect a Board of Directors on the date named for said purpose shall not dissolve the corporation, but the directors then in office, as well as the officers of said corporation shall hold over until their successors are chosen. At every election and meeting of the stockholders, each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock registered in his name, and may vote by written proxy. The election of directors shall be by ballot, and the majority in amount of votes cast, each share of stock voted upon to be counted as one vote, shall elect the person or persons for whom they shall have been cast. Immediately after the election of each Board of Directors the newly elected directors shall meet and organize, and shall elect from their number the officers of said company. ARTICLE VI. The Board of Directors shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number caused by death, resignation or otherwise, from among the stockholders of the corporation. The said Board shall have full control of all of the property of this company, and shall conduct, manage and use the same as in their discretion they deem it not inconsistent with the objects for which this corporation is organized, or which is the welfare of the same. The said Board shall have full power to frame and adopt such by-laws, rules and regulations as the affairs and business of the corporation may require, provided the same shall not conflict with this charter, or of the laws of this State, or of the United States. Said Board shall elect or appoint a Secretary, and such other officers, agents, servants and clerks as it may deem necessary for the proper management of the business of the corporation. It shall fix the compensation, term of service, and shall have the right to dismiss them at said Board's pleasure, and the said Board shall have the right to fix and determine the salaries of the several officers herein provided for. ARTICLE VII. In case of the dissolution or termination of this corporation either by limitation of its charter, or from any other cause, the liquidation of its affairs shall be conducted by two commissioners selected from the stockholders at a regular annual meeting, or at a specially called meeting for said purpose, according to law. The election of said commissioners to be by a three-fourths vote of the stockholders present and participating in said meeting. Said commissioners shall remain in office until the affairs of said corporation shall have been fully liquidated, and in the case of the death of one or more of said commissioners, the survivor or survivors shall continue to act and complete the liquidation of its affairs. ARTICLE VIII. No stockholder of this corporation shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts or faults thereof, in any further sum than the unpaid balance due the company on the shares of stock subscribed for or owned by him, nor shall any informality in organization have the effect of rendering this charter null, or of exposing a stockholder to any liability, beyond the unpaid balance, if any, of his stock. This done and passed at Lake Charles, Louisiana, in the presence of Leland H. Moss and U. A. Bell, competent witnesses, who herein do sign as such, together with said parties and me, Notary, on the day and date first herein above written after due reading. Stephen E. Stine, Paul W. Daniels, Isaac Derouen, Placide Derouen. Witnesses: Leland H. Moss, U. A. Bell. Wm. H. Wilcox, Notary Public, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana. (Seal) Recorded in my Notarial Record Book, pp. 143, 2d sec., Lake Charles, La., January 16th, 1907. Wm. H. Wilcox, Notary Public. (Seal) State of Louisiana, Parish of Calcasieu, Office of Clerk & Ex-Officio Recorder: I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a certain Charter, filed for record in this office on January 16th, 1907, and duly recorded in Book No. 10 of Mortgages, on page 473, on the 17th day of January, A. D. 1907. In testimony whereof, witness my official signature and seal at Lake Charles, La., this 15th day of February, A. D. 1907. M. E. Crawford, Dy. Clerk & Ex-Officio Recorder. (Seal)