

;; COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE ;;

BONNE TERRE

Mrs. Cartee and children attended the opening sale at Tucker's on Wednesday. Miss Irene Boyer of Festus is spending the week with her uncle and cousins, Cyprian Boyer and Miss Sidney and Mrs. Peter Johnson, and family, and her brother, Weston Boyer, of this place. Mrs. Austin Pratte was a visitor in Flat River Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clark spent Wednesday and Thursday in Desloge with home folks. Rev. M. T. Sevcik spent Tuesday and Wednesday in St. Louis. Miss Josephine Hertz left Wednesday for St. Louis, where she will spend the remainder of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hertz, and family. Miss Irene House spent the week with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Murphy. Miss Nellie Porrier of St. Louis attended the funeral of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Bertha Porrier. Mrs. Peter Mouser and daughter, Miss Agnes, were doing shopping in Desloge on Thursday. Mrs. Harry Semands entertained her Sunday School class, of the Centenary Methodist church Thursday afternoon. All reported a most enjoyable afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Cloud and little son attended the funeral of Mr. Cloud's brother, E. A. Cloud, which was held Thursday afternoon in Farmington. Mrs. Edw. Cunningham and sister spent Wednesday in Elvins with relatives. Walter Cook of Desloge spent Thursday in our city on business. John Vargo of St. Louis is visiting his brother, Michael Vargo, and family. Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Kuntz and little daughter, Margaret, spent Saturday in Flat River. Miss Alice Kirkpatrick and Miss Josephine Scott spent Thursday in Rivermines. Miss Iva Hipes accepted a position in Elvins with the Miller Bros. store as bookkeeper and stenographer. Miss Sidney Boyer and Verna Carrow motored to Desloge Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence and daughter of Flat River were visitors here Sunday. Miss Hilda McClanahan of St. Louis is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McClanahan, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Brennon returned home after a visit in St. Louis with Mrs. Gertrude Blades and family. Irvin Gilliam spent Wednesday and Thursday in Flat River seeking employment. Percy Strausberg of Flat River was a visitor here Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maurice. Lester Scarlett spent Saturday in Valles Mines. J. P. Spence and Robt. Eaves were visitors in Desloge Wednesday. Henry Pratte spent Sunday in our city with his son, Peter Pratte and family. Miss Matilda Cunningham spent the week in St. Francois with relatives and friends. Mrs. Joseph Wideman and Miss Rosa were Rivermines visitors this week. Misses Margaret and Gertrude Baugh, Ruth Madden, Mabel Hudson, Cora Airmann and Mrs. Verna Dinwiddie were in Desloge Saturday. Miss Louise Cunningham spent Wednesday in Herculaneum with her sister, Mrs. Raymond Williams, and family. Mrs. Ed Porrier died at her home on Jan. 8, leaving a husband and five children. She was buried Tuesday morning in the Catholic cemetery. Rev. Moser conducted the funeral services. Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Wells left Monday for Florida to spend the remainder of the winter. Arthur Rickard and sister, Dorothy, of Ste. Genevieve spent Sunday in St. Louis with relatives. Miss Okla Roberts and Edwin Brennon were married Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Linus Eaker officiating. They were attended by Miss Virgie Phillips and Monroe Spitzmiller. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daley Roberts and the groom a son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Brennon. The happy young couple will make their home in this city. Frank Vallo and Johnnie Mucho were Rivermines visitors Saturday. Mrs. Dempsey and daughter and son of Flat River were visitors here Sunday. C. H. Williams was an Elvins visitor this week. T. L. Ferguson was a visitor in St. Francois Wednesday. Mrs. Fenton Millen was a visitor here Thursday. J. T. Dinkins of Flat River was a visitor here this week on business. Misses Maude and Leota Son were Flat River and St. Francois visitors week. Lester Scarlett spent Wednesday afternoon in Silver Springs on business.

ELVINS

Ed Larned moved his family to Leadwood the latter part of last week. Mrs. Joe Propat was called to the bedside of her mother Friday of last week. Arthur Ivester went to St. Louis Sunday to seek employment. Mr. and Mrs. H. Becket and son, of Bonne Terre, visited friends here Saturday and Sunday. Erman Williams is reported on the sick list. Miss Violet Hampton was a Flat River visitor Saturday. Ben Sparks of Desloge was visiting friends and relatives here Saturday and Sunday. Arthur Tucker, Hazel Cozean, Dora Larue and Lawrence Dix motored to Fredericktown Sunday. Joe Miller is now visiting his home folks at Doe Run. He will leave soon for Pennsylvania. Miss Mary Lee Dunn is on the sick list. Ed Leonard of Leadwood was an Elvins visitor Sunday. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Watts, Jan. 18th, a girl. Little Mary Elizabeth Doss, daughter of Rev. Doss, was born Sept. 30, 1910, and died Jan. 16, 1921, age 10 months, 16 days. She leaves a father, mother, three brothers. Funeral services were held at the M. E. Church at 2 o'clock Tuesday, by O. H. Duggins, and the remains were laid to rest in the Masonic cemetery. Many friends extend sympathy. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Clinton, Jan. 12th, a son. Mrs. Frank Woodruff has been suffering this week from heart trouble. Little Lela Brown, who has been very sick for several weeks, is improving. Sam Burch is moving his family to Bismarck. The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Tapek, who has been very ill, is improving. Sam Burch was a Farmington visitor Monday. Mrs. Wm. Moore is on the sick list. Mrs. Jim Newkirk is recovering from her recent illness. John Leonard of St. Louis was called here Sunday on account of the illness of his mother, Mrs. Leonard. Milton Bremster of Flat River was an Elvins visitor Monday. John Burch, who has been in the army, came here Monday to visit home folks. ROUTE 3 W. E. Coffey spent Sunday with his niece, Tom Coffey, who is in the Bonne Terre hospital. Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Harter and son, Burl, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Basler of Coffman. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Miller spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joel N. Hammors. Paul Boyd spent Saturday night and Sunday with Ralph Boyd, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Boyd, Sr., Mrs. Wm. Gegg and Ralph Boyd, Sr., spent Sunday with Mr. Boyd's sister, Mrs. Sarah Jane Allen, and son, Thos. Allen, of this route. Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Harter and Mrs. Jennie Cowley spent Friday in Flat River. Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hammors moved to their farm on this route which he left about two months ago. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Loker of Farmington spent Monday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Bowling. Mrs. S. W. Thomure was called last Monday to the bed side of her sister, Mrs. Mary Rowe, who is seriously ill with spinal meningitis. CROSS ROADS Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tresreau spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lenz. Mr. and Mrs. Ozro Tucker of Leadwood are guests of relatives here at this writing. Mrs. Wm. Lenz, who has been on the sick list for the past week, is reported to be improving. Several from here attended church at Womack last Sunday. Josie Pirtle, who has been staying at Fredericktown, is the guest of her parents. Corena and Palu Lenz of Fredericktown passed through here Friday enroute to their home at Womack to spend the week-end. James Ferguson was a business visitor at Fredericktown last Monday. Mabel Barron, who is teaching the Rockwell school near Womack, spent the week-end with her parents here. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lenz of near Rockcreek spent Sunday with their uncle, Wm. Lenz, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Emery Tucker entertained with a party on last Saturday night in honor of Stella Sands. The evening was spent in playing games. Refreshments, consisting of apples and candy, were served, and all enjoyed a most pleasant evening. Those present, besides the family, were: Misses Jane Matthews, Dora Lenz, Josie and Gladys Pirtle, Anna Meredith, Mabel Barron, Iva Sands, Edith Danf, Naomi Laughry, Thelma Hawthorne, Lalla Watts, Ruth Moore,

YUM-YUM, THE SAP'S A-RUNNING, FOLKS



The United States is the greatest maple sirup and sugar producer in the world, and many folks, says the American Forestry Association, have producing trees on their places and do not know it. So look around folks and if you have some hard maples more than eight inches in diameter, make preparations for tapping them for the first and sweetest run of sap, which usually starts Feb. 1 to 15. Pictures show how to tap with a 13-33 inch bit—not deeper than 1-2 inches—a hole slanting slightly upward.

Grace Lewis; Paul Barron, Theo. Pirtle, Geo. Tucker, Chas. Rhodes, Clarence Dann, Marvin Mitchell, Gus Vessels, Perry and Guy Haney, Henry Hawthorne, Paul Lenz, Roy Gale, Roy Shaw, Clifford and Tony Wright, Noah and Will Umflett, Alonzo Barron, Frances and Floyd Watts, Harvey and Effie Meredith, Virgil Moore, Oliver and Odas Laughary, Willie Ballard, Will Covington, Fred and Pete Lewis, Mrs. Ozro Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Lewis and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tucker and family, and Henry Tucker.

LEADWOOD

Emmett Mason was visiting in Bonne Terre Sunday afternoon. Ernest Mason and wife, of Bonne Terre, were visiting in Leadwood Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. Prof. J. W. Reeves has bought the A. E. Aldridge property and will move to his new home within a short time. Dr. Dailey Appleberry will move into the house Prof. Reeves vacates. Prof. Bland Seabough and J. F. Poston were in Bonne Terre Sunday afternoon. J. C. Fields was in Bonne Terre Sunday afternoon. Roy VanLear and wife were called to Bonne Terre Sunday by the serious illness of his brother, Lynn VanLear, who is at the Bonne Terre hospital. Rev. O. H. Duggins, of Farmington, preached a very interesting sermon to a large audience at the Methodist church Sunday night. We notice in several of the county papers that Senator Spencer has said that, after March 4th, all Missouri postmasters holding offices would lose them. That would be kind of the Republicans, in view of the fact that the Republicans were allowed to serve out their full commissions after the Democratic administration had taken hold in 1913. Here at Leadwood Mr. Sumpter held the office until August, 1915, one month more than his commission called for. The service to the people has been increased fully 75 per cent under the present postmaster at Leadwood. J. R. Stretesky, of Bonne Terre, had business in Leadwood Saturday in connection with the firm of Stretesky & Stapp Lumber Co. The boys' basket ball team of the high school here were defeated by the Esther team at the Y. M. C. A. at Flat River by the close score of 14 to 9. The Leadwood boys had not had any practice the previous week, and two of their players had been sick the greater part of the week before, which left them in poor shape to play in their best form. Miss Katherine Jackson, of Desloge, was visiting her sister, Mrs. M. G. Mason, Sunday. Evangelist Oscar S. Taylor and Singer Fred Probst, of East Alton, Ill., began a protracted meeting at the Baptist church Monday night. They come well recommended as strong workers in the Master's vineyard. Wm. Craft and family attended the funeral of Jacob Humphrey at the Big River cemetery Sunday. Mr. Humphrey was one of our boys who lost his life in the world's war in France. L. R. Reid, of Flat River, was transacting business in Leadwood Monday. Lynn VanLear, who has been in the Bonne Terre hospital for more than a week, is in a much improved condition as to what he was last Saturday night, when they thought he was dying. The people of Leadwood are truly glad to hear that one of its most respected citizens is in a fair way to recovery. The mail service between Leadwood and Frankley has been temporarily suspended, on account of the smallpox at the latter place. Dr. Aubuchon reports the condition at Frankley is much improved since the strict quarantine has been in effect. The club house owned by the St. Joseph Lead Co. caught fire Monday, and but for the quick action of the fire department of the company at the plant, the building would have been destroyed. The school board has had this building rented for the last three years for two of the grades. Ben Olive, our local picture man,

reports that he will open a picture show at Bismarck Saturday night. He aims to show three nights each week at Bismarck, and the remainder of the time at Leadwood.

SUGAR GROVE

Those who spent last Wednesday with Mrs. T. F. O'Bannon were: Mrs. D. E. Hartshorn, Mrs. John Haynes, Mrs. R. C. Martin, Mrs. John Ryon, Mrs. Ed Williams and Helen Haynes. Howard Haynes has just completed his new phonograph. The following were entertained at his home a few evenings ago: Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Williams and daughter, Fannie, Mrs. John Haynes and family, C. Hornstein and family and Mrs. R. C. Martin. They all agree that Howard's phonograph is a fine piece of furniture. Mr. and Mrs. John Gossett are improving from their several weeks' illness. "Grandpa" Sylvester has been on the sick list but is better at this writing. Mrs. R. C. Martin spent last Saturday at the home of Mrs. John Haynes. Last Saturday morning Mrs. Mary Hunt had a narrow escape from being seriously burned. She was standing in front of the fire and in some way her clothing caught fire. Fortunately, her brother was near and by using some sound judgment prevented her from being seriously burned. Mr. and Mrs. C. Hornstein and family and Stanley Haynes spent the evening at the home of Mrs. R. C. Martin last Saturday. Miss Ethel Byington, who is at the Bonne Terre Hospital, is getting along very nicely. Those who spent Sunday with Mrs. L. T. Hunt were: Mrs. John Haynes, Mrs. R. C. Martin, Misses Helen, Mary and Lucy Haynes, Velma and Dorothy Rion. Roy Haynes has purchased a 45-70 Springfield rifle. We are patiently waiting to see what he intends doing with it. Stanley and Ray Haynes spent Sunday evening at C. Hornstein's. A. J. Perryman visited Joe Byington last Monday. Mrs. Henry Hahn has been on the sick list. Mrs. John Haynes and daughter, Helen, spent Tuesday at the home of Mrs. R. C. Martin. Dan Haynes made a trip to Desloge last Monday on his motorcycle. The little snow that fell last week opened up the season for rabbit hunting, and a number of the boys near Sugar Grove took advantage of it.

ESTHER

Mrs. Oliver Johnson and Mrs. W. Cummings spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Hubbard. Mrs. Cecil Fender has been very ill the past week but is better at this writing. Supt. D. E. Abernathy and the high school boys and a number of Esther people went to Flat River Friday night, where they played the Leadwood high school boys on the Y. M. C. A. court. The Esther boys walked off victors, the score being 9 to 13. The game was well played and Leadwood seemed to realize our boys can play ball. They have walked off with the outdoor games, but we hope to see Esther come to the front in the indoor games. Esther has lost only one game so far during the indoor season. Miss Clara Rosenstengel spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks at Doe Run. Misses Jeanette Cummings and Irene Beasley spent Sunday with Miss Rigg Ball. Miss Cynthia Gruner spent Saturday in Farmington on business. Mr. and Mrs. Julius Crader of Flat River spent Sunday with Mr. Crader's mother. John Beasley and family are visiting relatives in Esther until work begins in Granite City, Ill. Miss Ollie Porterfield spent the week-end at her home in Bonne Terre. Mr. Raglin, Misses Gruner, Backler, Porterfield, Sullivan and Rosenstengel, teachers here, attended the

ball game at the "Y" in Flat River Friday night. Miss Esther Center spent Sunday night with Anna Belle Hardy. Miss Nelle Humphrey was called home Friday evening. Her brother's body arrived Saturday and the funeral services were held Sunday. The American Legion of Flat River had charge of the services. Mr. Humphrey gave his life in the world war. We extend sympathy to the family. S. Robinson took charge of the Third and Fourth grades Monday. Miss Van Ness Topping of Flat River substituted for Mr. Robinson the first of the school year. Mr. Robinson fell and broke his hip but is now able to take up his work. Thrift Week is being observed in our school this week. Mrs. Viola Blackwell of Desloge spent Monday with her sister, Miss Humphrey. The Esther High School boys will play Farmington Friday night.

BISMARCK

Walter Coxy spent Monday in Flat River on business. The Bismarck Motor Co. received a carload of Ford cars Monday. Mr. Johnson of Fredericktown was a Sunday and Monday guest of his son, H. C. Johnson, and family. Geo. Keathley made a business trip to Flat River Monday. Dr. F. W. Gale made a professional trip to St. Louis Saturday night. Miss Florence Houck spent Sunday in Iron Mountain. Theo. Horton left Sunday evening for Madison to seek employment. Elmer Strausser of Madison, Ill., spent Saturday and Sunday here with home folks. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fatchett and children of Jackson, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Wallace and daughters, Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Townsend; Mr. and Mrs. Summermann of Mt. Vernon, Ill., and Mrs. Provina and daughter of Leadwood were here Sunday to attend the funeral of "Grandma" Wallace. Wm. Hartenback of Iron Mountain was on our streets Tuesday. Geo. Stell is erecting an amateur wireless station. Everett Roome and Charley Brown were visitors here Tuesday. Miss Ilhah Leggett spent Tuesday in Irondale. Henry Graham of Fredericktown spent Wednesday with friends here. Mrs. Held of Cape Girardeau began teaching English in the high school Monday. We now have a full corps of teachers and hope to have for the rest of the year. Charley Conrad of Iron Mountain was here Wednesday. The Geo. Henderson family, who had been on the sick list the fore part of last week, are all able to be up at present. Mrs. J. F. Ellis of Leslie, Ark., has returned to her home, after an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Creager. Mrs. I. A. Rainwater is on the sick list. Mrs. J. P. Gilliam of Ironton came here last Wednesday to spend a few days with her daughter, Mrs. G. J. Goeltz. Mrs. Gilliam came here from Hot Springs, where she had been on a visit. Henry and Lydia Burch and Marion Jones of Elvins came here Wednesday to see about Sam Burch's farm. Mrs. London went to Loughboro Thursday to join her husband, J. P. London, who is teaching school at that place. M. P. Moes of St. Louis spent the week with friends here. Miss Carrie Tullock spent the past week in St. Louis. Dr. and Mrs. G. B. Williams of Flat River, members of the State Board of Health, were over here Thursday and made an inspection of the school pupils. We are proud to know that Bismarck school is one of the healthiest in the county. Byron Boss of St. Louis spent the week with friends here. Cecil Lightfoot of Irondale, one of Uncle Sam's sailor boys, was here Thursday on his return to his place of duty. Private Leslie Penberthy returned to Camp Pike, Ark., Wednesday, after spending a 15-days' furlough with homefolks. Wm. C. Shirley of Irondale was here Thursday. Dr. F. W. Gale made a professional trip to Leadwood Tuesday night. H. C. Johnson, district manager of the Mutual Life Insurance Co., made a business trip to Potosi Monday and Tuesday, and to Fredericktown Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bisplinghoff returned to their home at Fredericktown Friday, after spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bisplinghoff. The many friends of Miss Lorraine Bisplinghoff were surprised to learn of her marriage to V. L. Sewell at Tampa, Fla. C. C. Odell spent Friday in St. Louis on business. Mr. Chilton of Ironton spent the week with his daughter, Mrs. George Lindsey, and family. "Grandma" Wallace died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lew Zimmermann, of Mt. Vernon, Ill., at the age of 74 years. She leaves two sons and two daughters, a number of grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn her death. Rev. Wm. England preached at the Baptist church in Bonne Terre Tuesday. John Ham of Elvins spent the week at the Penberthy home. While Mrs. M. N. Wallen was milking the cows last Wednesday evening one of them kicked her and broke her arm. Rev. Linza of Irondale was a visitor here Thursday. Assorney Cayce of Farmington was here Thursday on business. Mr. Thompson of Iron Mountain was here Saturday. Norman White of Caledonia was a visitor here Saturday and Sunday. Prof. M. W. Baker made a trip to Leadwood Saturday. C. Y. Sherrill of Flat River spent Saturday evening with relatives and friends here. Ed Curlee of Elvins was here Sunday morning. Rev. Longreach, pastor of the Methodist church, filled his regular appointment at Irondale Sunday. Sunday afternoon he conducted the funeral of Jake Humphrey, a Flat River boy who gave his life in the late war. The funeral was strictly military and a large crowd was present to pay respect to the dead hero. T. J. Erchenberger of Irondale was here Sunday. L. C. Woodrow and daughters, Misses Bessie and Louise, and sons, Gansen and Robert, and Elmer Callahan were Irondale visitors Sunday. Harry Dace was an Ironton caller Sunday. Misses Frieda Berthold, Esther Schulz, Ilhah and Lulu Leggett and Messrs. Geo. Leggett, Henry Berthold and Ernie Schulz attended a musical recital at Farmington Sunday. A young lady by the name of Miss Hammors died at the home of her father, who resides on the Iron Mountain claim west of Bismarck. Death was caused by tuberculosis. Burial was made Saturday near Farmington. Miss Pearl Zimmerman of Leadwood came here Saturday to join her sister, Miss Madeine. From here they went to Farmington and spent Sunday. Mary and Geo. Munger of Piedmont spent Saturday and Sunday at guests of their sister, Miss June Lee Munger. They took part in the entertainment program last Saturday evening. S. L. Burch and wife of Elvins were visitors near here Sunday. Miss Ruth Creager and brother, Julius, and C. G. Welker were Saturday visitors at Flat River. Elmer Tucker and Dewey Hensley were Iron Mountain visitors Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stevenson spent Sunday with friends and relatives here. Misses Ruby Ward and Dorothy Henderson were Irondale visitors Sunday afternoon. Miss Florence Tetley spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks in Farmington. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ward and son, Robert, Jr., were Irondale visitors Sunday. Wm. Bogue of Caledonia was a visitor here Sunday. Miss Ethel Halls spent Saturday and Sunday at Loughboro. Little Leilah Short, who is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. McCloud, is on the sick list. Charley Parsons of Iron Mountain has moved here and put up a blacksmith shop. James Starkey returned Sunday, after a two weeks visit at Marquand where he had been called on account of the serious illness and death of his father. Clarence Houck and Henry Master were Farmington visitors Sunday. Mrs. Chas. Watts of Cape Girardeau spent Sunday at the W. H. Forshee home. Coroner C. J. Hill of this city was called to Flat River Sunday to hold an inquest over the body on an infant.

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