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# BELMONT, TISHOMINGO COUNTY MISSISSIPPI, February 26, 1926

#### THE BELMONT TIMES

#### J. L. HALLMARK—OWNER J. P. JOHNSON—EDITOR

#### Subscription Price \$1.00 Per Year

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# **GOOD ADVICE**

Don't be what you ain't, Jes' be what you is, Cause if you is what you ain't Den you ain't what you is If you is jest a little tad-pole Don't try to be a frog. If you is jest a tail— Don't try to wag the dog. You can always pass the plate If you can't exhort and preach, If you is jest a little pebble Don't try to be the beach Don't be what you ain't Jest be what you is Cause the man that plays square Am gwine to his Don't be what you ain't Jest be what you is Cause if you is what you ain't Then you ain't what you is. Ex.

Read the advertisement of S. L. & Downs Co., on the first page of today's paper.

Several new signs are adorning the fronts of some of our business houses on Main Street — another evidence of awakening pride in our town.

There is no place in Belmont for the "knocker." Our latchstring is on the outside to the booster, but the hammer artist is advised to keep on traveling.

The editor of *The Times* feels especially proud of the many nice compliments paid to our paper by members of different women's organizations of the town. No enterprise can fail when it has the endorsement of the pure Christian women of the community.

See announcements of our clubbing arrangement with *Memphis Weekly Commercial Appeal*, through which we are able to send that paper and *The Times* to any address twelve months for \$ 1.25 — twenty- five cents less than the former subscription price of *The Times* alone.

We have not had the space to speak our sincere thanks to the individual firms in Belmont who are so generously patronizing our advertising columns. They are all wide-awake, accommodating and reliable, and we will guarantee to our readers that when they patronize any one of these merchants they will receive fair treatment.

Our splendid railroad depot — the most handsome on the Birmingham division of the I. C. system; our \$20,000 to story brick hotel, steam heated and electrically lighted; our splendid high school building, second to none in northeast Mississippi, all bear witness to the enterprising spirit of our citizens, and strengthens our faith in the town's ability to do still greater things.

One good law has been passed, requiring the tax assessor of each County to give a 10 days printed notice in some County paper or by printed or written circulars that he will visit each district in the County on certain days and that the property owner must come to him and tell him of their personal and real holdings. At the proper time, the assessors will notify the people when they will make their rounds. — *Belzoni Banner* 

*The Belmont Times*, under its new management, reached us last week. Mr. J. L. Hallmark is the owner and Mr. John P. Johnson, editor. The paper presents a splendid appearance, and it is well edited and should have a liberal support from the Belmont people. No doubt the new management will keep *The Times* up to its former high standard. — *Booneville Banner* 

# LOCALS AND PERSONALS

John Hicks spent week-end in Corinth. Sam Allen of Iuka was in town Saturday. Arlin Davis of Burnsville was in town Monday. Finis Botts of New Site was trading here last week. C. C. Eason was a business visitor in Tupelo last Friday.

WANTED — 1000 men and women to subscribe to *The Times*.

Joe Horn of Booneville was here this week on business. John Pate of near Bonneville was trading here Saturday. T. T. Harris of Dennis Route 2 was shopping here Saturday. H. McNalley of Red Bay was in Belmont on business last week.

HAVE you seen the dress, hats and caps at the "Quality Store?"

L. P. Allen was a business to Fulton and Tupelo Monday. W. W. Crabb spent Saturday night with his parents in Prentiss County. Mrs. B. O. Hall spent the week-end with her husband in New Albany. Mrs. D. R. McDougal spent last week with her daughter, Eula, at Tremont. Miss Easter Holley was away from her work part of last week due to illness.

Supervisor T. C. Pharr has accepted a position with the Golden Saw Mill Co.

The Times is indeed grateful for the 32 subscriptions received last Saturday.

A. F. Ward who has been employed by J. E. Clement moved to Dennis Saturday. T. E. Bostick was in Corinth first of the week looking after business matters.

Several from here attended quarterly conference at Patterson's Chapel Monday.

C. L. Woodly, of Iuka, was in town Wednesday looking after business matters. Fayette Botts of New Site was in Belmont last week and while here bought a new car.

For Sale — Eggs from R. I. Red hens, 75c per sitting: home delivery. — J. L. Hallmark

Rev. E. Strickland returned Monday after a few days visit to Corinth and other points. Rev. J. M. Hardwick filled his regular appointment at Providence Church Saturday and Sunday. Harry Graham of Iuka was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bostick at the Belmont Hotel Saturday.

Two organs in good condition for sale at bargain prices at Bostick's, if not in, ask at Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Sims of Booneville were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Pounds Sunday.

The R. H. Horton Produce Co. had a car here last week and bought a large amount of produce.

L. B. Mayhall has accepted a position with R. S. Mayhall and will be pleased to serve his friends.

Messrs. O. P. Davis and Sam Whitfield of Burnsville, visited relatives here last week, and enjoyed a fox hunt Friday night.

Miss Grace Baker, teacher in the Tishomingo Agricultural High School, accompanied her nephew, Tom Baker, to Booneville Sunday. Young Baker was injured in a basket ball game between Cherokee, Ala., and Tishomingo, sustaining a broken shoulder. After receiving treatment at the hospital they returned Monday. — *Booneville Banner* 

Messrs. M. A. and W. A. Shook are attending the Masonic Grand Lodge meeting at Meridian this week.

Rev. E. H. Cunningham of Corinth preached an interesting sermon at the Methodist church Sunday night.

# **CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank the ones who helped in the shower given us, after the loss of our home by fire. — Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Jackson

Mrs. Jennie James has opened an up-to-date millinery store in Golden, where she will be pleased to serve her old friends and customers. She is displaying a splendid line of ladies hats and dresses.

Ladies, don't forget the place to buy your dress goods, fresh, clean stock. Belmont Mercantile Co.

For Sale — Thirty-three and one-half acres of land; house, good well, orchard, good pasture with running water; near Belmont High School. If you want a bargain, write or see John H. Shook, Belmont, Miss.

Mrs. J. C. Green, who has been ill at Hattiesburg for several days, returned with her husband to Belmont last Sunday. Her many friends are proud to note that her health is rapidly improving.

R. C. Deaton of Route 1 was in town Saturday and while here subscribed for *The Times* for himself and his niece, Mrs. Beatrice Rushing of Paden.

Quite a number from here attended the Colonial Tea at Red Bay, Monday night, given by the Missionary Society of the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Quinn moved to Belmont last week, and are occupying the cottage of W. T. Davis. We welcome these people to our town.

John Dobbs and wife, accompanied by Miss Easter Holley left Monday for Booneville, where Mrs. Dobbs will have a minor operation.

Shoes — "Brownbilt" for men and ladies, "Buster Brown" and "Brownwelt" for boys, misses and children. Belmont Merc. Co.

G. B. Warren, of Marietta, a progressive merchant of that little city was in Belmont Monday and favored this office with a call.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Elledge formerly of Belmont, now of Amory, were the guests of relatives here last week.

M. B. Bostick of Route 1, Dennis was here Saturday and ordered *The Times* sent to his address.

W. L. Warren, of Paducah, Ky., a colored boy who was raised in this community, but who has been in Kentucky for several years, was visiting his relatives here this week, and asked us to send *The Times* to him for a year.

BEES WANTED — I want to buy a few hives of bees and will pay a good price for same. Address or call Sixty Yarber, Belmont, Miss.

The Colonial Silver Shower given by the Woman's Missionary Society of Red Bay Methodist Church, last Monday evening, at the home of Rev. Balch, and was attended by the following from here: Mesdames D. D. Johnson, S. S. Strickland, J. C. Hallmark, J. E. Pilley, B. L. Hicks, T. O. Shook, L. E. Gamble, K. L. Whitehead, M. L. Shook, T. e. Bostick, S. L. Downs, J. W. Hallmark, Misses Mae Bess Green, Clara Yarber, Erma McInnis, Bertie Hallmark. Messrs. J. W. Hallmark and S. S. Strickland.

# LONG-GOBER

At noon last Friday, at the Baptist Parsonage, Rev. A. M. Nix reading the ceremony, Miss Eva Gober, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gober of this place, and Mr. Richard Long of Corinth, were united in marriage. Mrs. Young is a young lady of charming personality and has a host of friends her who wish for them a long and happy married life. They will make their home in Corinth.

# NOTICE

To the members of the Belmont Chapter O. E. S.: there will be a school of instruction at Iuka, Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. All members are urged to attend if possible, all members who are going, please call the Worthy Matron or Secretary.

By order of the Worthy Matron IDA L. PILLEY, Secy.

# DON'T FORGET

# REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY TO KEEP IT HOLY, Ex. 20:8

We extend a cordial welcome to come and worship with us at the Baptist church Sunday, February 28. Sunday School 10 a.m. preaching at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. M. B. Y. P. U. at 6 p.m. We want to see your face and shake your hand. Don't disappoint us. — A. M. Nix, Pastor

# **METHODIST CHURCH DIRECTORY**

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 o'clock, Epworth Leigh, every Sunday night. Preaching, 1st Sunday at 11 a. m. Preaching, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 11 a. m. and at night. We want to greet you at each and all services.

D. R. McDougal, P.C.

# **FROM PADEN**

Mr. J. A. Smith, 73 years of age, died 17<sup>th</sup> inst. and was buried the day following in Mackey Creek cemetery. "Uncle Jim" as he is known to everyone was one of Prentiss counties oldest and most highly respected citizens.

"Uncle Pete" Dean is still quite feeble. He is 84 years of age.

Miss Holloway, one of the teachers in Paden School, is quite sick this week. Mrs. Artie Timbes, is teaching in her stead.

John H. Mack's condition is much improved, and it is hoped he will soon be thoroughly well again.

Lester E. Pace, who has recently returned from Florida, was visiting in Paden a few days ago.

O. E. Owens of Tishomingo, popular life insurance agent, was here first of the week.

W. T. West and Ben Shackelford have their tractor saw mill ready to operate.

W. S. Stephens has unloaded a car of fertilizer at Paden and will soon be distributing it among the farmers of the neighborhood.

PADEN SCRIBE

# EASTERN STAR CELEBRATES

The James Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of Red Bay, Ala., celebrated their  $6^{th}$  Anniversary on Tuesday evening, the  $16^{th}$  at which time Belmont Chapter were guests of honor. The hall was beautifully decorated with candles and cut flowers.

After the beautiful opening march, the visitors were introduced. An appropriate address of welcome was given by Sister Bertha Clay, Worthy Matron. It was responded by Sister Nina Shook, Past Matron of Belmont Chapter, who was given a seat in the East. Short papers were read by Brother E. A. Smith on the "Duties of the Worthy Matron's Husband," and by Brother W. M. Clay on "The Fault of the Secretary," both of which were very much applauded.

The anniversary cake was covered with twelve candles, one for the Worthy Matron and Patron of each of the six, and as their names were called they were asked to come forward, light their candle, and cut the cake. This was beautifully done, and on account of the absence of some of their past matrons, Sister Grace Bostick and Sister Nina Shook were asked to fill these places. A beautiful red carnation was given to these.

The guests were then asked to find places at the table, where a delicious twocourse menu was served. During intermission, Miss Dixye Dexter recited "A Red Headed Girl," "Ma's Tools," by Annie Mae Smith, and "Matrimonial Experience," by Mary Nell Smith, all of which were thoroughly enjoyed. Short talks were made by Dr. A. E. Bostick, M. Arthur Shook and E. A. Smith.

Presiding officers were Mrs. Bertha Clay, Worthy Matron; Dr. Weatherford, W. P.; Mesdames Ollie Weatherford, Associate W. M.; Florence Copeland, Secretary; Exie Whitfield, Treasurer; Elitha Robinson, Cond.; Geneva Smith, Asso. Cond.; Reba Killingsworth, Marshal; Connie Elledge, Adah; Mabel Lantrip, Ruth; Lester Smith, Esther; Golda Weathersby, Martha; Ruby Hall, Electra; Nora Brooks, Warden; John Yieling, Sentinel.

The visitors were: Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Bostick, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shook, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Bostick, Mrs. J. W. Hallmark, Mrs. J. E. Pilley, Mrs. Kelvy Whitehead, Mrs. T. J. Moore, Mrs. Roxie Gamble, Mrs. L. P. Allen, Miss Dixye Dexter, Miss Maude Hodge, and Mrs. Bert Whitfield.

# FROM COTTON SPRINGS

Our school is progressing nicely at present.

Little Miss Maudie Castleberry, who has been ill with pneumonia, is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. Milford Hardy spent Friday with Mrs. Clifton Stedham. Misses Berdie Davis and Beatrice Allen were in Belmont shopping Saturday. Mrs. Anna Stedham and children, spent Saturday at Mrs. Jessie Davis' home.

Roy Davis has just gotten a new basket ball. He says he hopes to win all the games now.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harris and children visited in the home of Mack Harris Sunday. Misses Nadine and Beryl Sandy and Miss Nina and Troy Harris visited Miss Reba Wynn, at Valley, Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Browning spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Ward. Misses Hazel and Remell Ward spent Sunday with Miss Faye Sandy.

There will be a box supper here Saturday night, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> with everybody invited.

# A. B. M.

J. A. Pounds, of New Site, was visiting relatives here Monday, and was a pleasant caller at *The Times* office. W. B. Pharr, of Vina, Ala. was transacting business here last week and while here he subscribed for *The Times*.

# SCHOOL ITEMS

(By O. C. Miller)

The country field meet will be at Belmont, Friday March 12<sup>th</sup>. The committee has made several changes in the former plans. One Change is that the literary work is 60 per cent of the total with reference to points, and the athletic events 40 per cent.

The examinations will be held on February 27<sup>th</sup>, at Iuka, Burnsville, Tishomingo, Paden and Belmont. The examinations will cover two-thirds of the year's work in high school subjects, and five months work in the public schools. The banners will be awarded at Belmont at the field meet.

The basketball tournament will be played off on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at Iuka and Belmont.

It is hoped that every school will give its pupils and opportunity to compete in some of the features, especially in the literary work.

Under present conditions, the term this year will be five and one-half months. Last year there was an average of 40 pupils more in school each day with a sixmonth term than there was the year before with a five-month term. This proves conclusively that a six-month term is practicable.

# **MINERIAL SPRINGS**

Health of this community is very good, with the exception of a few cases of bad colds.

The entertainment in the home of Huey Wells last Saturday night, was enjoyed by a large crowd.

Mrs. Jennie Prestage visited Mrs. Bertie Trollinger last Sunday. Mrs. M. E. Dean is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. R. B. McRae. Miss Hattie Ryan and Clarence Moore were visitors in the home of Ed. Ginn Sunday afternoon.

The will be a preaching at Mineral Springs school house the fourth Sunday in this month. Let us have a good congregation.

Floyd Brown spent Saturday night with Owen Ginn. Mrs. J. E. Ginn and little daughter spent one day last week with Mrs. Wm. Prestage. Miss Lealia Martin visited Zelma Ginn one day last week.

The school here is planning to put on a concert the last night of the term.

Miss Jessie Milstead was a visitor to Belmont last Saturday. Earnie and Miss Annie Belle Moore were guests of Mrs. Milstead Sunday.

The singing in the home of Carol Brown last Sunday night was enjoyed by a large crowd.

Mrs. Janie Credille visited Mrs. A. L. Vinson last Saturday.

**BLUE JAY** 

# **BELMONT ROUTE ONE**

S. L. Russell, J. G. Ezzell and Miss Pearl Ezell are on the sick list this week.

Lucy Malone and her children spent Saturday in the home of Mrs. Ella Ezzell. C. W. Thorn and wife were visitors to W. L. Russell and family first of the week. Mrs. Jessie Daniel and her children of Pleasant Site were guests of Mrs. Lillian Russell last Saturday. Miss Eunice Gaza visited friends here last week. Laura Thorn visited her sister, Nannie Thorn, last week. Lurcy Ferrell, with his wife and baby, were guests of J. G. Ezell Saturday night. W. L. Russell and his wife and two little sons, spent one night last week in the home of Lee Russell. Mrs. Bert Thorn of near Pogo was the guest of Mrs. Jessie Thorn one day last week. Mrs. Sallie Russell was a visitor in the home of Ella Ezell first of the week. Virgie Paden, of Pogo, was visiting with her mother, Mrs. Jessie Thorn, Thursday. Fannie Ferrell spent one day the first of the week in the home of Mrs. A. J. Barnett.

Early gardeners have been busy the past week, setting out cabbage plants, onion sets, etc. A few of our farmers are doing some early plowing, getting ready for another crop.

Misses Alta and Vera Russell and Flora Barnett spent Monday night with Eunice and Jessie Gaza.

The public health nurse visited the Pogo School Wednesday and vaccinated several students against typhoid. There will be a play at the Pogo school house Saturday night, February 27. Everybody invited, and a good time is promised.

W. L. Russell, wife and daughter and Nannie Thorn visited relatives near Iuka last Sunday. W. W. Ferrell and wife, and A. J. Barnett and wife and daughter, Flora visited J. G. Ezell and family Sunday afternoon. W. L. Russell and wife and daughter spent Saturday night with L. D. Thorn and wife.

# **RAINBOW AND NANCY**

# **MOORE'S MILL**

There is some sickness in this community at present — several cases of flu and on or two cases of chickenpox. Troy Harris and Nona Moore are confined to their homes with sickness.

A. K. Hall has purchased a new Ford truck.

Farms are beginning to get ready for another crop.

The Moore's Mill school is progressing nicely. Several students are absent this week.

Oner Harris was a guest of her cousin, Ola Harris, Monday last. Archie Sparks was visiting Troy Harris last Saturday.

The entrainment in the home of John Brown a few evenings ago was very much enjoyed.

Cleston Hardwick visited with Frank Oswalt last Sunday. Luther Sparks and Henry Clay motored to Tennessee last week.

Bro. W. P. Hamilton will preach at Red Bud next Sunday. Hope to see a large crowd present.

LONE STAR

#### **HOW'S THIS?**

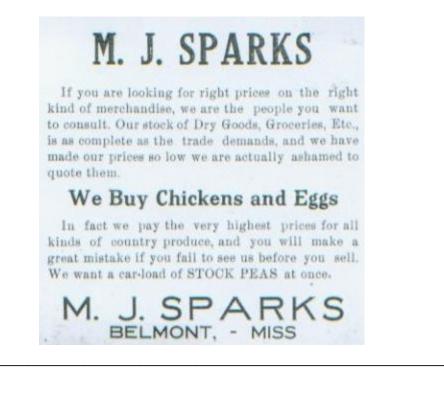
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# THE TIMES HAS CHANGED HANDS

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R. S. MAYHALL

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