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IN MEMORY OF
JAMES LAURENCE DORMON

James Lawrence Dormon, was born at Old Sparta, the parish seat of Bienville Parish on January 17, 1874. He was the son of James Alexander Dormon, an honorable and distinguished lawyer and of Caroline Sweat; a member of one of the old and best families of North Louisiana.

He was married October 23, 1905 to Ruth Marsalis of Arcadia, Louisiana, whose ancestors were pioneers and prominent people in the early history of Louisiana.

He died at his home near Shreveport, in Caddo Parish Louisiana, on June 29, 1945 after an illness of more than four years. He is survived by his widow, one daughter, Mrs. E. C. McClanahan, and two grand-daughters, Adelaide and Elizabeth McClanahan, all residents of Shreveport, Louisiana, and two sisters Mrs. Virginia Miller and Miss Caroline Dormon of Saline, Louisiana.

He graduated from E. A. Seminary Male College of Arcadia, Louisiana, in June 1892. After study in his father's law office, he passed the bar examination in 1895 and was licensed to practice law in the State of Louisiana. From that date until 1898, he was associated in the practice of law with the firm of Dormon and Reynolds until ¹⁹⁰⁵ 1895, when he moved to Crowley. He continued in the practice there until 1912, when he moved to New Orleans and practiced with Mr. F. Rivers Richardson. In 1919 he moved to Shreveport and opened a law office in partnership with the late Donaldson Caffrey, under the firm name of Caffrey and Dormon.



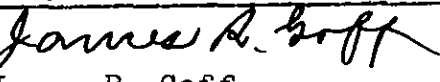
While he was first and at all times a lawyer, he was interested in geology, mineralogy and chemistry and in these studies he attained considerable distinction. He is credited with the discovery of a salt dome in Bienville Parish, now known as the Prothro Dome. As a result of this discovery there

is at this time great activity in the production of oil and gas in this area.

He also discovered the lime deposits in Bienville Parish, which are being developed and worked by the State.

During World War I, he perfected a process for making potassium carbonate and bicarbonate of U. S. P. grade, which was used extensively in the United States and Canada.

In the practice of his profession, he was always honorable, just and ever zealous for the interests of his clients. He left a good name, which is more to be treasured than great riches.


/s/ Ben F. Roberts
Chairman

/s/ Chris Barnette

/s/ James R. Goff

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Clerk's office, New Orleans, October 10, 1945

/s/ Louis K. Nicklaus
Clerk, Supreme Court of Louisiana