

Amite County Historical and Genealogical Society

Dawn Taylor, President Wayne B. Anderson, Secretary Allen Terrell, Council-at-large Wayne B. Anderson – Newsletter Editor June 2016 Without a past, there is no future

Next meeting:

The next meeting will be the annual meeting with election of officers for the next fiscal year. Final voting and counting of votes will follow the regular business meeting. A field trip arranged by VP Greg Barron will follow the meeting and election.

Future Meeting Schedule

June 11, 2016 — Annual meeting with election of officers in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

July 2016 — Traditionally the society has not met in July. If this should change, appropriate changes will be made in this schedule.

August 13, 2016 — Regularly monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

September 10, 2016 — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

October 8, 2016 — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS. **November 12, 2016** — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

December 3, 2016 — Annual Open House. Details to be announced.

January 14, 2017 — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

February 11, 2017 — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

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Minutes of the May 7, 2016 meeting Draft

The brief May meeting was called to order at 8:45am. Mary Ann Gerhardt represented the Nominating Committee and presented the slate of officers. No nominations from the floor were made. The Nominating Committee recommended: President--Dawn Taylor; VP--Greg Barron; Treasurer--Gay Blalock; Secretary--Wayne Anderson; Board Member at Large--Allen Terrell. A motion to accept the slate of officers was made by Sam King and second by Terry Ferguson. The motion carried. A motion to adjourn meeting was made by Sam King and second by David Dryer. The motion carried.



Field Trip Following June Meeting

Following the June business meeting and conclusion of the election, interested society members are invited to participate in a field trip for viewing and dating a home for a Mr. Hughes. The home is located near Ebenezer Church.

There has been much speculation by members about this home and genealogical heritage. The visit will hopefully prove or disprove certain details.

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BITS AND PIECES OF AMITE COUNTY HISTORY

This month we take a look at some things that were considered newsworthy in the **Southern Herald's** final issues in each of the years 1899 and 1900. These years were considered to see if the passing from the nineteenth to twentieth centuries had any discussion of ideas or superstitions akin to those seen in the Y2K phenomena. Both years were checked since there is always disagreement on when a new century begins, that is, did the twentieth century begin with 1900 or 1901?

Apparently no one thought the advance of time into a new century was significant since no mention of it in ether issue.

A few interesting things were found though, and are either reproduced as scanned graphics or transcribed below.

From the December 29, 1899, issue

Editor's comment: Was L. M. & F. C. the Liberty Male & Female College?

PUBLIC DEBATE The Young Men of the L. M. & F. C. Will Entertain the Public on the Night of the 1st.

There will be a public debate in Liberty on Monday night, Jan. 1st, 1900, between the boys of the L. M. & F. C., on the subject "Resolved that the Southern states had a right to secede from the Union." The affirmative side will be represented by Messrs. L. M. Causey, E. M. Causey and J. D. Lea, while the negative side will be represented by Messrs. V. O. Stewart, R. D. Causey and Lamar Webb. The debate will commence at 7:30 o'clock p. m. Everybody is cordially invited to attend. Admission is free.

You Are A Democrat and, of course, want a democratic newspaper. THE CH1CAGODIS. PATCH is the Great Democratis Werkly Newspaper of the Constry, It advocates the readoption of the Chicago platform and the renumina. tion of William Jennings Brian. There has never been a political campaign that will equal in importance that of the one to be fought next year. The republican party, backed by the money power of this country and Europe, is alert andag. gressive. Flushed with the victory of three years ago it will seek by every means in its power to main. tain its supremacy.

Editor's Note: Apparently Chicago was a hotbed of Democrats even back at the beginning of the twentieth cen-

Democrats must be up and doing. They must wage an unceasing war upon their enemies. In no better and more effective way can this be done than by the circulation of good, sound democratic newspapers. The publisher of THEDISPATCH will send to every new subscriber for three months a copy of THE CHICAGO DISPATCH for ten cents. If you are not already tak ing this great political weekly, send ten cents at once. You should not only do this yourself, but you should induce all your friends to join with yon. By a little effor you can easily raise a club of tent twenty subscribers. THE CHICAGO DISPATCH indorsed by William Jenning Bryan and other Democratic lead ers, Address

> THE CHICAGO DISPATCH, 102 and 122 5th Avenue,

From page 3, left-most column—local news briefs

The Southern Herald	The public debate which was to have taken place at the College last Friday night was postponed until Monday night, Jan. 1st, 1900.		
 Liberty, Miss., December 29, 1899			
The Christmas Tree was quite a success.	The tax books of the town of Liberty are now open and all parties are re-		
Mr. Sitman Stewart is spending the Holidays at home.	quested to come forward and pay their taxes. Chas. Carroll, Mayor		
Mr. Robt. A. Robinson, of Gloster, was in town Tuesday.	Misses Bessie Bates and Lizzie Stew- art are spending the week in Jackson,		
Mr. Robert Dixon is spending the week in McComb City.	Miss., this week, the guest of Miss Stewart's sister, Mrs. A. W. McLelland.		
Mr. Odis Jenkins, of Gloster, visited relatives this week.	Miss Stella Ratcliff and Mary Webb and Mr. Merrick Ratcliff, of McComb		
Mr. and Mrs. N. Smylie and children are visiting relative in Jackson, La.	City; Mr. R. W. Brown of Fernwood; and Mr. E. A. Causey of Magnolia, all formerly of Liberty, spent Sunday and		
Mrs. Bessie Butler is spending the holidays with the "old folks at home."	Monday with relatives and friends here.		
The young people have enjoyed them- selves at several social gatherings this week.	Revs. R. A. Breland and J. F. Gray returned last week to Vicksburg, where they have been attending the Methodist Conference which has been		
Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Turnipseed of McComb are spending the week with (<i>unreadable</i>).	in session at that place. We are pleased to say that they will serve the people of this district another year.		
Mr. W. H. Carroll, wife and child of Gloster, spent Sunday and Monday with relatives here.	C. A. Snow & Co., Patent Lawyers opposite the United States Patent Of- fice, Washington, D. C., who have actual clients in every city and town		
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Havis (?) and children, of Vicksburg, are visiting relatives in and near our town.	of the United States and Canada re- port that never before in their 25 years practice has the work of the Office been so well up-to-date. They claim that patents can now be procured in less than half the time formerly re- quired.		
Mrs. R. F. Owens was quite sick the early part of the week, but we are glad to state that she is much improved.			
Miss Jessie Johnson, the efficient mu- sic teacher of the L. M. & F. C., is spending the week in Gloster visiting friends.			

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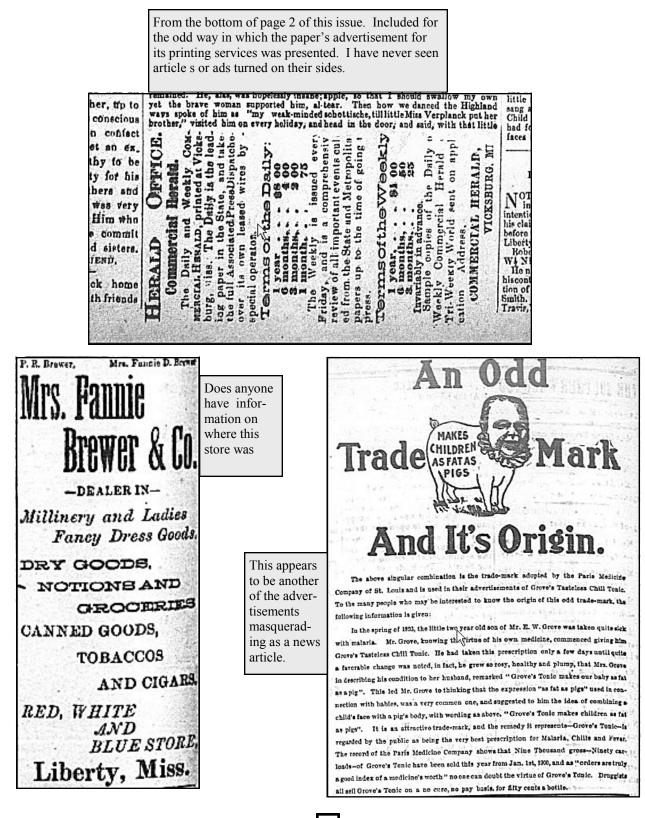
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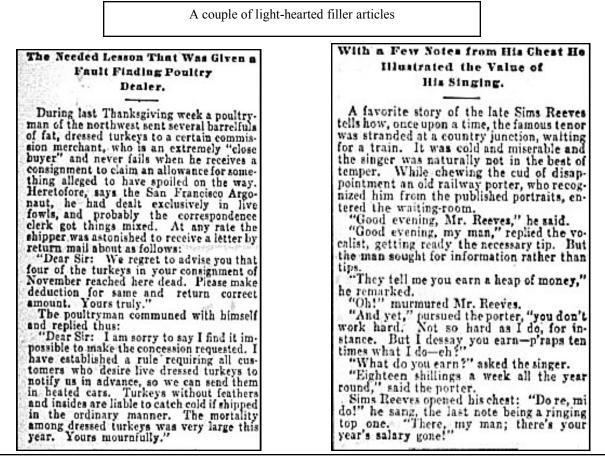
Eucouraging.

We have cause for sincere gratitude to God for another good year's work with the Baptist church of Liberty. Congregations have been good indeed, and the general interest most gratifying. The church pays a good salary and has adopted the plan of quarterly payment for the coming year. Frequent expressions of approval and satisfaction are made concerning the pastor's work, for which he is devoutly thankful and which he greatly appreciates. May showers of blessings continue to fall on these good people, together with every soul in town and community. 12-18.'99) T. C. SCHILLING.

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From the December 28, 1900, issue





Contributions

If members have information they would like to contribute, please feel free to offer it by contacting me at one of the addresses shown in the box on page 2. I will not be able to accept/use just anything submitted. If information is sent by e-mail, it must be in the body of the message, in a *MS Word* document, or in a PDF document. If images of documents are sent they must be in JPG format so that I can attempt to convert them to text via an optical character reading application. If information is sent by postal mail, it should be in typewritten text, not handwritten, and should be a copy that doesn't have to be returned. Since about half our members receive the newsletter by print copy and the copying process will not adequately display photos, I cannot illustrate text write-ups. If photos are sent, do so only by electronic files in JPG format but don't assume the photos will appear in the newsletter. Photos sent in this manner may sometimes be put on the society's Facebook group page if they are likely to have wide appeal. I realize these criteria may prevent the sharing of some information; however, I must place some limits on the amount of time I devote to the newsletter each month since I have other projects including another monthly newsletter that I work on periodically.

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