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Without a past, there is no future

Next meeting: The next meeting will be a regular business meeting on **November 10, 2012, at 10:00 am** in the meeting room of the **Liberty Library**. Planning will be done for the **December open house**. **No formal program is scheduled due to the Wirt Adams reenactment (see special note.)**

AMITE COUNTY HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Minutes of October 13, 2012 meeting

Due to the special program on the 7th Mississippi Infantry and the Confederate Memorial Service, there was no business meeting.

Wirt Adams' Raid on Natchez

Dawn Taylor has invited all members to attend the annual reenactment of Wirt Adams' Cavalry raid on Yankee forces at Natchez. The actual reenactment is at 2:00 pm on Saturday but the overall event runs from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm on both November 10 and 11, 2012 on the grounds of historic Jefferson College at Washington. Attendees should bring lawn chairs and appropriate headwear to block the sun.

A small group has already committed to go and plan to eat lunch as a group in Natchez prior to the reenactment. They would be glad to have you join them.

You can get more details from Dawn Taylor at the meeting.

Future Meeting Schedule

November 10, 2012, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

December 1, 2012, Anticipated date of Open House. Details to be determined.

January 12, 2013, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

February 9, 2013, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

March 9, 2013, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

April 13, 2013, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

May 11, 2013, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

June 8, 2013, 10:00 am — Annual meeting with election of officers in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

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BITS AND PIECES OF AMITE COUNTY HISTORY

THOMAS JEFFERSON "TOM" JACKSON, MD

1. Dr Thomas Jefferson "Tom" "Tommy" Jackson was born on 7 Nov 1828. (Glen Huff's cemetery record shows birth as 13 Jul 1829 and died on 10 Mar 1895.) Thomas Jefferson "Tom" "Tommy" Jackson was the son of Willey Jackson and Amelia Holiday. (Amelia's first husband was Stephen McElwee.) Dr. Tom Jackson 's father Willey married twice, and Tom was the son of the second marriage. (Colonel Moses Jackson was the youngest son of Willey's marriage to Mary Robinson, daughter of James Robinson and Mary Whitehead.) Dr Thomas Jefferson "Tom" "Tommy" Jackson and Sarah Ann Daniels Jenkins were married on 31 May 1860. Sarah Ann Daniels, daughter of John M Daniels and Eliza B Jackson, was born in 1830 and died on 20 Jul 1894. Both were buried in Dr Thomas Jackson Cemetery, Berwick.

When Eliza Jackson Daniel Ratcliff, Wiley Jackson's sister, died at thirty, and left four small children to the care of their stepfather of less than a year and were in need of a better home, Willey brought the children to his home at Berwick. Tom was about the same age as Sarah Ann Daniels and they were very close during those years. Following Willey's death, when Tom and Sarah were about thirteen, Sarah and her siblings went to live with the William Causey family. At eighteen, Sarah married Remsen Jenkins. Tom sold the couple the farm he had inherited from his father and went off to Louisiana, where he bought land, and from there to medical school. After Remsen's death, Tom sold his place in Louisiana and came back to Mississippi, bought back his land from the widow Sarah Daniel Jenkins, and began courting her in earnest. She and her children were living in the home of her cousin, William Causey.

MINUTES OF BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, AMITE CO, MS - OCTOBER 29, 1848. Miss Sarah A Daniels applied for membership and being examined, she was received and baptized the same day by Rev J A Smylie. Closed with prayer.

US Census Amite Co, MS 1860 - No 430 - Thomas J was 32 yrs , Physician, real estate valued at \$2,100; Sarah Jackson 31 yrs; Ada Jenkins 10 yrs; Ella Jenkins 7 yrs; Wiley Jenkins 4 yrs. No 429 was Amelia Jackson; No 431 was Moses Jackson.

US Census Amite Co, MS 1870 - T J Jackson, 41 years, Physician, real estate value \$900; S A, 41 years, Keeping House; Ellen Jenkins, 17 yrs; W J Jenkins, 14 yrs, M; S T Jackson, 4 yrs, F; R D Jackson, 1 yr, M; A J Jackson, 75 yrs, F, real estate value \$200.

Transcript of License, No. 343, Issued to Dr. Thomas J Jackson, 27th day of April A. D. 1882 by Wirt Johnston, Secretary Mississippi State Board of Health. Dr. Thomas J Jackson was born in Amite County, Mississippi, Fifty three years of age, who resides in Amite County and whose postoffice address is Liberty, Miss. and who has spent four years in professional studies under the supervision of Dr. Justus Heard MD - decd as preceptor, and who attended one course of Lectures at University of Louisville, two courses University Pennsylvania Medical Schools, who did graduate at University of Pennsylvania Medical College, and who has spent one year in hospital and has practiced medicine thirty years, and has chosen as his School of Practice that of the Regular Physician. His moral character references were: W. B. Kinebrew MD and J. K. Parker MD

Coming back to Amite County, he established the practice of medicine in the community in which he was reared but later moved to Liberty and offered 'his professional services to the people of this community. Patronage solicited. Office in the Shirk House.'

Southern Herald, March 1881 - Dr T J Jackson located here and opens office in Liberty.

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Dr. Thomas Jefferson "Tom" "Tommy" Jackson and Sarah Ann Daniels had the following children:

1.1. Thomas Smylie or Smylie Thomas Jackson was born on 7 Apr 1864 in Amite Co, MS. He died on 8 Jan 1934 in Hattiesburg, Forrest Co, MS. Thomas Jackson was a founding partner in a Hattiesburg store, which became the Merchants Company. Thomas Smylie Jackson and (1) Sarah Caroline "Carrie" Causey were married on 23 Dec 1886 in Amite Co, MS. Sarah Caroline "Carrie" Causey, daughter of Henry Rufus Causey and Victoria Hilton, was born on 9 Oct 1868 in Amite Co, MS. She died on 31 Jan 1914 in Hattiesburg, Forrest Co, MS. Both were buried in Oaklawn City Cemetery, Hattiesburg, MS. Thomas Smylie Jackson and (2) Talullah McMillian were married.

1.2. Isadora A "Izzie" Jackson was born on 17 Sep 1866 in Miss. She died on 21 Mar 1949 and was buried in Antioch Cemetery, McIntyre, near Minden, Webster Co, LA. Isadora A "Izzie" Jackson and William Lovelace Cage were married on 19 Dec 1889 in Amite Co, Miss. William Lovelace Cage, son of William L Cage and Josephine M P Posey, was born on 16 Mar 1868 in Woodville, Wilkinson Co, MS. He died of a heart attack on 28 Apr 1943 at his home near McIntyre, LA. and was buried in Antioch Cemetery, McIntyre, near Minden, Webster Co, LA.

1900 census - Lovelace Cage was a mail carrier, living in 2nd district of Amite Co, Miss. The Cages moved to Louisiana in 1914 and near Minden in 1917.

1.3. Robert D Jackson was born on 7 Dec 1869 and died in Jan 1904.

1.4. Bankhead Jackson was born about 1871. He died on 30 Jul 1905 and was buried in Dr Thomas Jackson Cemetery, Berwick.

1.5. Harry L Jackson was born on 15 Nov 1872 and died on 5 Apr 1942, Liberty, MS. Harry L was a druggist and was sheriff of Amite County, MS from 1924-1928. Harry L Jackson and Rochie Kinabrew were married on 26 Jun 1901 in Amite Co, MS. Rochie Kinabrew, daughter of William Bradford Kinabrew MD and Sarah "Sallie" E Perkins, was born on 26 Mar 1878 and died on 2 Sep 1967. Both were buried in Liberty Cemetery, Liberty, MS.

From Norma Jackson Whittington's memories of her mother:

As a child Mama's schooling was a bit erratic; there was not always a school in the neighborhood, and when one was held the roads were frequently too heavy for travel. For a while she was taught by Mrs. Lansdell, wife of the pastor of Ebenezer Church, who had a few pupils in her home. Later Mama went for a short time to the Grange School, several miles away, at Rose Hill, and then to Forrest School, where Mr. Charlie Shaw taught. When she was fourteen and had gone as far as Mr. Shaw could take her, a momentous decision was reached, she was to go to college. The Liberty Male and Female College, had opened at Liberty a few years earlier, but it was decided to send Rochie to Blue Mountain Female College, at Blue Mountain, Mississippi. The college already had a considerable reputation, and Grandpapa admired the staunchly Baptist Lowrey family, who owned and operated the institution. It was about as far away as one could go and still be in the state, being near the Tennessee line, but in order that the young ladies should not have to travel so far alone Dr. Lowrey or some other trusted member of the faculty each fall and spring made expeditions over the state, collecting and depositing the students. Since the Christmas holiday consisted of one day only and there were no others, there was no travel during the term. A communication from the college states. We give no vacations during the ten months session, and it is a great disadvantage to your daughter's studies for her to visit home at Christmas or at any other time during the session. I am not sure whether any of the Smith girls from the next farm went that same year, but several of them Kate, Irma, and Nina, did go at some time during mama's four years, as did Miss Gertie Toler from Gloster.

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More historical and genealogical data will be included in the next Amite County Mississippi Historical & Genealogical Connections booklet.

Share your genealogy and Amite County stories by sending to Frances Phares, PO Box 1639, Clinton, LA or phrances@att.net Your corrections and additional information solicited.

DVD of October 13 Events Available

The video of the 7th Mississippi program as well as the Confederate Memorial Service has been edited, titled, credited, and converted to a format viewable with a standard DVD player. A limited number of copies will be available for sale at the November 10 meeting but more can be made once interest is determined. Due to the cost of the blank DVDs and the labeling, the cost per DVD is estimated to run between \$5 and \$10. A final cost will be set by the time of the meeting.

On the Confederate Memorial Service, the sound is very low due to the speaking participant demurring the use of the wireless PA system. Even with a TV set at very high volume, it can't be guaranteed that all the voices can be understood.

The 7th Mississippi program has been edited into four parts for viewing on YouTube for any who prefer that. The videos may be viewed by going to YouTube and searching for "Wayne Anderson Channel." In the search result, find the listing that shows the ACHGS logo and open that channel. The videos will be listed in order from newest to oldest.

There is also a short video for the general public explaining what the society is all about.

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