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BLUE MOUNTAIN NOTES

Mrs. M. L. Berry, who has been in Memphis for a little while undergoing a course of treatment, has returned to the village for the present, but will go back to the city within a few days to complete her system of treatment. Mrs. Berry is greatly missed during her absence from the College, and it is hoped that she will soon be back to her post to stay.

Cashier A. A. Graham of the local bank spent a part of last week in Memphis, returning Friday. During his absence, the bank was in the hands of B. S. Guyton, who is at home for a few days from Mississippi College, Clinton.

COTTON PLANT NEWS

Paul J. Kainey has a poultry farm of nearly four hundred hens and several hundred pheasants north of town. Mr. Hanks has charge of the chickens. Two men from England will arrive soon to see after the pheasants.

P. A. McBryde left a few days ago for a business trip through Texas.

RIPLEY NEWS

The pastors of Ripley, seeing the need for a united effort of all the pastors in the county, called a meeting which was held at the Ripley Methodist Church on the last Tuesday of January, 1907. Rev. Dean of St. Louis preached an able sermon on "The Lost Sheep" and several professed conversion. Prof. B. G. Lowrey discussed the subject of "Why so few young men are candidates for the ministry". Bro. J. G. Munnally discussed the subject "Missions".

The second meeting of this body was held at the Ripley Baptist Church... and seemed to grow more interesting as the meeting progressed. Dr. John K. Murry stated that he had taken a census of the state prison and found that only three in a hundred convicts were total abstainers from intoxicating drinks, and that on two different occasions he found that only one in every hundred had had early Sunday School training.

The next meeting will be held in April at Dumas. (Rev. W. J. Epling, Sec.)

COUNTY CEMETERY SURVEY NEARS COMPLETION

Birth and death dates from grave markers in about 90 cemeteries in Tippach County have been recorded by Don Martin and Tommy Lockhart. To be done are approximately 30 family type cemeteries in somewhat remote locations. Here are a few interesting facts which have been discovered in the cemetery survey in Tippach: (Mike Cox lived to be 114 years old. He was born in Ireland in 1796 and died in Tippach county in 1910. County Line Cemetery in the southeast corner of the county. Oldest date on a tombstone: Elizabeth Gassaway, died 1838 age 86. Oak Plain Cemetery east of Cotton Plant. Earliest birth date recorded: 1748, died 1838. Old Hickory Flat Cemetery. Highway 2 west of Blue Mountain. (Part of old Tippach County). Plans are under way for publication of the complete findings on grave stones. Information to be included will enable anyone to locate a particular cemetery. An effort will be made to include a county map to simply even further the best route to a particular cemetery.

This publication will be under the sponsorship of the Tippach Historical Society.

Tommy Lockhart has recorded heads of families in Tippach County from the 1840 Census Records on file in the State Department of Archives and History, Jackson. This same information from the 1850 census has been compiled previously and is available in Jackson.

Comments and suggestions for the Society's NEWSLETTER will be appreciated by the Editor.

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