

# Southwest Mississippi Genealogical Society

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## Enterprise-Journal Archived

Recently various versions of the McComb newspapers were digitally archived by Newspapers.com. So far the list includes the Enterprise-Journal (1959-2017), The McComb City Enterprise (1918-1922), McComb Daily Enterprise (1940), McComb Daily Journal (1935-1945), the McComb Enterprise-Journal (1936-1959), and the Semi-Weekly Journal (1927-1935).

These papers can be accessed thru the Enterprise Journal website ([enterprise-journal.com](http://enterprise-journal.com)) for a fee of \$4.95 monthly. Click on the Archives button at the bottom of the page on the left. They are also available along with many other newspapers at [newspapers.com](http://newspapers.com) for a monthly fee of \$19.99. They do offer just a one month subscription but be sure to follow the instructions to turn off the automatic renewal to avoid subscribing on a continuous monthly basis.

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Taken from the November 14, 2018 issue of The McComb City Enterprise:

"The biggest celebration ever held in the history of McComb took place Monday afternoon and night when the citizens of McComb and a large number of people from surrounding towns and country cut loose on a celebration of the ending of war, which was remarkable for the genuine enthusiasm displayed and the long continuation of the enthusiastic outburst. The news of the ending of the war reached McComb at ten minutes past three Monday morning and by noon the streets were crowded with hundreds and hundreds of people who were joyously making every imaginable racket with tin cans, horns, drums and anything else which had noise making possibilities. Railroad shop men organized a parade of the shop employees and at 1:30 marched down Main Street about fifteen hundred strong, with flags and banners flying and the Kaiser's corpse, which was later burned with much pomp and ceremony, occupied a very prominent place in the procession. After the parade the celebration continued without any sign of abating until the speaking program started at 6 o'clock when a large part of the crowd quieted down while Congressman Quin, Rev. Father Igoe, Mayor Quin and a number of other prominent residents spoke. Hon. H. M. Quin of Meridian was among the speakers and made a very interesting talk. After the speaking the crowd cut loose with noise making with renewed vigor

and kept up the din until late in the night. Monday will long be remembered as the most joyous day in the history of McComb."

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Congressman Quin would, of course, be Percy Edwards Quin for whom Percy Quin State Park was named. He served in congress from 1913 until his death in 1932.

The Rev. Father John J. Igoe was pastor at St. Alphonsus Catholic Church and is credited with designing the church building.

Mayor Quin is O. B. Quin who served as McComb Mayor intermittenly from 1891 to 1918 for a total of 17 years.

Hon. Hillrie Marshall Quin served in the House of Representatives from 1907-1916 and ran unsuccessfully for governor.

All three Quins are descendants of Peter A. and Judith Robinson Quin.

## Amite H&G Society March 18 NOLA Trip Update

There were only 7 seats left as of March 1, so if you want to go be sure to get your registration form in. The cost is \$81.00 with a buffet lunch on the boat or \$67.00 without the buffet.

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## Our Remaining 2016-2017 Meeting Dates

May 30 (End of our fiscal year is May 31)

## January Meeting

**March 28, 2017 at 6:00 PM**

at J. J. White Church  
(Use last door on Third Street side)

The program is a "Round Table Discussion" so members can share information on their research, genealogy events they've attended, etc.

## President's Corner

..... Rick Penick

Our January meeting was well attended, and members really enjoyed Kathy Goss of the South MS Genealogical & Historical Society's presentation on dating pictures from the subject's clothing and items in the background.

She emailed those of us who provided her our email address a magazine article on dating photos and a list of websites to go to for help. If you weren't at the meeting and want a copy emailed to you, just let me know.

As a side note, the South MS Society has all the genealogy books that were formerly in the Hattiesburg Public Library in their private library. It seems the librarian at the time didn't want to devote any space to genealogy books! It's open to the public on Saturdays from 10-2. Check their website for further information: <http://smsghs.tripod.com>

Several of our members went to the MS Genealogical Society seminar in Jackson and report they really enjoyed it. They found Josh Taylor to be a good speaker, and he provided some excellent handouts. The Genealogical Society asked each attendee (around 200 people) to turn in 5 names that they're researching and put them into a spread sheet to pass out at the meeting. It contains the name and email address of the researcher. We may be able to email those out, too, if anyone is interested.

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### Genealogy on TV

"Who Do You Think You Are" starts its new season on March 5 on the TLC Channel. Guests this year are Jessica Biel, Julie Bowen, Courteney Cox, Jennifer Gray, Smokey Robinson, John Stamos, Liv Tyler, and Noah Wylie.

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### RootsTech

Recorded video presentations from the RootsTech convention held February 8-11 in Salt Lake City are available on their website, [rootstech.org](http://rootstech.org). They include one by Judy G. Russell (The Legal Genealogist) on Tracing Female Lines, two presentations on DNA, a presentation on how to add MetaData tags to your scanned pictures, and the entertaining keynote addresses by the Scott brothers (Drew & Jonathan of The Property Brothers), Buddy Valastro, Donnie Osmond and others.

They will only be available for a short time so if you're interested, check them out as soon as possible.

## Port Gibson 'Whispers in the Cedars' Cemetery Tour

Friday, March 31 - performance at 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00 and 8:30.  
Saturday, April 1 - performances at 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00 and 8:30.  
Golf cart rides available for those with mobility issues on the 6:00 pm and 6:30 pm tours only.

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### Spring Pilgrimages

Natchez: March 18-April 18  
See: [www.natchezpilgrimage.com](http://www.natchezpilgrimage.com)

Vicksburg: March 23-April 9  
See: [www.vicksburgpilgrimage.com](http://www.vicksburgpilgrimage.com)

Gulf Coast: April 9-12  
From Moss Point to Diamondhead  
See: <http://springpilgrimage.com>

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