

SOCIETY

Miss Rideout Honored.
On Tuesday evening one of the most delightful of the younger set's parties was given by Mrs. G. B. Thompson in honor of her guest, Miss Rideout.

An ice course was served the following guests: Misses Carrie Fretwell, Mollie Horton, Eleanor Frank, Mary Stark Watkins, Lois Anderson, Helen Harris, Ruth Brownlee, Frances Anderson and Alberta Farmer. Walter Robinson, Walter Guest, Harold Sullivan, Dan Lottbetter, Ralph Smith, Roger Barton, Robert Burris.

Misses Wilhite and Colley.
Mr. and Mrs. John Sadler, who have at their guests Misses Katherine Aubrey Wilhite and Katherine Colley of Washington, D. C., entertained with a dancing party Thursday evening. The members of the younger set were invited to meet these attractive visitors.

Club Party.
Mrs. Louis Horton entertained the members of her card club Thursday morning. Auction was enjoyed for two hours after which the hostess served a tempting salad course.

Spent the Day Party.
Miss Marcella Guest entertained several of her friends Tuesday with a spend-the-day party at her home on McDuffie street. Games were played all the morning and after a most delightful dinner the hostess and her friends spent the afternoon at the movies.

Roof Garden Party.
The roof garden party given Thursday evening by Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Briggs, Jr., at the Townsend Apartments, was a charmingly unique entertainment for the hot weather week just ended.

Phlathea Party.
The Junior Phlathea class of the First Presbyterian Church held its regular monthly meeting Monday afternoon with Miss Linda Thompson as guest.

Moonlight Picnic.
Moonlight picnics are becoming more and more popular each week. Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sadler entertained a party to Portman Shoals.

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Mrs. W. W. Chisholm is in Charleston visiting relatives while Dr. Chisholm is in Rochester attending the National Dental Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holman.
Mrs. Arthur Holman is home from Saluda where she has been spending several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Evans.
Mr. B. O. Evans is home from a stay of ten days in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Reese.
Mrs. C. A. Reese of Rock Hill is here visiting friends. Mrs. Reese formerly lived in Anderson and this is her first visit back to her old home.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolle Cochran.
Miss Nolle Cochran has returned from a week's stay on the river.

BRITISH BOER WAR MINISTER ANSWERS CALL

JOS. CHAMBERLAIN, SPECTACULAR POLITICAL FIGURE, SUCCUMBS

UNEXPECTED END

His London Home Was Scene of Death With American Wife With Him

London, July 3.—Joseph Chamberlain, one of the most striking figures in British politics in the past generation, died at his London home late last night. His death came as a surprise. He had been suffering with paralysis, yet the condition of his health was not known to be any worse than it had been for the past three years.

Mr. Chamberlain, who never left her husband's side since he was stricken with paralysis seven years ago, and his son, Austen Chamberlain, were with him when death came. The event cast a gloom over the London season, which was at its height.

Mr. Chamberlain's last public appearance was at a garden party on the grounds of his Birmingham home on May 6 last, when, with his wife and son, he received several hundred constituents. He was wheeled out on the lawn in a chair and appeared very feeble when he lifted his hat to friends and neighbors in acknowledgement of their salutes.

The cause of Mr. Chamberlain's death was officially announced today as heart failure. Although he had been gradually sinking since Tuesday, members of the family had preferred that his condition should not become publicly known.

Chamberlain's Record.
The Right Honorable Joseph Chamberlain was the pioneer in Great Britain of Tariff Reform, and the great advocate of Imperialism. For thirty-eight years, with a brief interregnum, he represented Birmingham in Parliament. In 1906 his career of stormy activities was ended by a stroke of paralysis.

Since that day the strong fighter always with his loyal wife, daughter and son, he had been a pathetic, on-looker at the political game, pictured by W. C. Endicott, of Massachusetts, who was President Cleveland's secretary of war, beside him. His chief consolation was the growing political prominence of his son, Austen Chamberlain, and the loyalty of his constituents. Birmingham would not depose his leader, although he was no longer able to represent her up on the floor of the House of Commons.

For High Tariff.
While his greatest claim to fame was his determined and brilliant advocacy for years of a protective policy for Great Britain, the citadel of Free Trade, he will also be remembered as the bitterest and most forceful opponent of Gladstone in that statesman's efforts for Home Rule for Ireland; as one of the founders of the Liberal-Unionist party; and as the minister whose policy in South Africa approved his country in the greatest war it had experienced since the Civil War conflict, but bittered out the two Boer republics and made South Africa "all red."

He Had His Revenge.
He was a surly and quarrelsome old farmer and the only person of any importance who had managed to avoid classing with him was the mild-mannered war.

From the day he left University College, London, to enter his father's law firm, he was devoted to his best energies to "the principle of constructive reform." It was in 1868, just 29 years after the birth in London that he received his baptism of public life, as town councillor of Birmingham, later serving as mayor for successive terms.

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(the Duke of Devonshire), G. J. Goschen and others high in the Liberal party who saw in their former leader's home rule proposals and propaganda a menace to the integrity of the empire, formed a new party to resist them. They called themselves Liberal Unionists and anti-home rule tenet. Lord Hartington was the first leader, but when he was elevated to the peerage through the death of his father, Mr. Chamberlain was chosen the party's chief.

Meanwhile Mr. Chamberlain had visited the United States, November 1887 to February 1888, as the head of the British Representatives upon the American-British joint high commission which was to negotiate a treaty for the settlement of the long standing fisheries dispute.

A treaty was signed but the United States Senate refused to ratify it. Late in 1888 Mr. Chamberlain returned to the United States, this time to be married. Having been twice a widower he took as his third wife Miss Mary Endicott, daughter of William C. Endicott, President Cleveland's secretary of war.

During the campaign of 1892 Mr. Chamberlain worked with great effect and subsequently in the Commons he was to the forefront in all the assaults on the Irish Government Bill, and clashed frequently with Mr. Sturgeson. The Home Rulers considered him a renegade and this ranking he aggravated by his rasping tactics. During debate on the bill, one night in July, 1892, Mr. Gladstone nearly compared him with "the devil's advocate." The next night, in debate Mr. Chamberlain retorted so caustically that "P. O'Connor yelled at him 'Judas! Judas!'" followed presently by a free fight on the floor between several members—a rare outbreak in probably the most staid legislative body in the world—accompanied by vigorous hissing by the galleries.

The Birmingham man with the monocular and long aquiline nose (both the delight of the English caricaturists), the keen head and the forceful tongue, he faithfully and fashionably attire topped off invariably with a white orchid, in the coat lapel was now a commanding figure at Westminster. On the formation of the coalition (Conservative and Unionist) ministry, in 1895 he took office under Lord Salisbury as Colonial Secretary. In this position his remarkable powers were severely tested by events beginning with Jameson's hare-brained raid, and ending, when Lord Kitchener had worn down the stubborn Boer resistance, with the Treaty of Vereeniging—but he stood the test. His enemies too, however, assailed him as being the adroit tool of the Rand gold mine owners and his course toward the Afrikaners was a leading factor in the campaign of 1900 and during 1901. But he was the object of great popular demonstrations before his visit to South Africa late in 1902 on a mission of conciliation and observation and also on his return early in 1903.

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NO DISPENSARY IN ANDERSON COUNTY

PETITIONS DID NOT CARRY A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF SIGNATURES

ONLY 50 PER CENT SUPERVISOR ANNOUNCES HE CAN NOT ORDER ELECTION ON QUESTION IN COUNTY

(From Saturday's Daily.)
General satisfaction will be felt in Anderson county over the announcement that there is to be no county dispensary established here.

Announcement to that effect was made yesterday by J. Meck King, county supervisor.

It will be remembered that the whiskey people presented petitions to the supervisor in accordance with the law, and then Mr. King was facing the problem of how to arrive at any definite idea of whether or not the petition carried the names of one-fourth of the registered voters of Anderson county.

Following his decision in the matter yesterday, Mr. King made a statement to The Intelligencer in which he said: "I am a democrat and I believe in the policy of always allowing the people to express their wishes in a matter, when there is any necessity for any such action, but in this instance there can be no possibility of the petitions carrying sufficient signatures to warrant my ordering the election and I therefore state that there will be no election held on the dispensary question in Anderson county at this time."

When the petitions were presented Mr. King finally mapped out a plan for canvassing them by which he would choose three men—one member favoring the establishment of the dispensary, one anti-dispensary man and the third member to be J. S. Ackler, to represent the supervisor. Mr. King chose for members of this committee A. S. Fant and T. W. Norris, while Mr. Ackler consented to act as the third member. They have been absolutely conscientious in discharging their duties and no word of criticism can be offered concerning the way in which the work has been done.

Official figures given out yesterday by Mr. King go to show that the petitions bore 1,826 signatures. Of this number 598 were compared with the county registration books and it was found that 358 were registered voters while 360 were not registered, giving a percentage for the petition of about 49 per cent registered voters. Mr. King said that he was unwilling to consider anything less than 6,000 for the minimum number of registered voters in Anderson county and any sane man would admit that there can not be less than that number of registered voters in the county.

Estimating upon that basis the committee determined that not more than 900 of the signatures appearing on the petitions are registered voters and 900 is one-fourth of 3,600. Any voter in the county knows that there are more than 3,600 voters in this county and Mr. King says that the basis of 6,000 is too small if anything.

When the committee began its labors it first took up all names beginning with the letter "A" and every one of these was checked with the registration books. Next the letter "B" was taken up and all these were carefully checked. The other letters were examined in part, that is, in every certain number were selected and canvassed, the following being the number taken:

Letter	Signed	Total	Reg. Not
C	49	24	10
D	16	9	7
E	11	5	6
F	17	7	10
G	22	12	10
H	43	19	24
I	2	1	1
J	22	10	6
K	15	9	6
L	10	6	13
M	39	16	23
N	4	2	2
O	4	2	2
P	17	6	11
Q	1	0	1
R	19	5	14
S	79	42	37
T	24	8	16
U	4	2	2
V	46	21	20
W	2	0	2
X	2	0	2

Total 562. The committee went to work on this undertaking 14 days ago and it has been a very tedious job. It may seem to some people in the county that this was a long time to take on the work but it should be understood that the signatures did not show what part of the signer resided in and it was therefore a very hard matter to locate the names on the registration books. Had the petitions also shown where he resided it would have been a very simple matter to turn to that precinct in the books and ascertain at a glance whether or not he was a registered voter.

It is not believed that the whiskey people will question Mr. King's decision in the matter as they appreciate that the work has been done very thoroughly. There will be no dispensary in Anderson county.

DASH INVESTMENT OF RAILWAYS.
During the six fiscal years 1908 to 1913, inclusive the steam railways of the United States class I invested in their road and equipment cash to the amount of \$3,019,331,341.

Railway of Class I as designated by the Interstate Commerce Commission, are those which possess operating revenues of over \$1,000,000. They include about 90 per cent of the mileage, receive more than 96 per cent of the revenues and handle more than 98 per cent of the traffic.

This cash investment of the operating railways of Class I of the Eastern District during the six years was greater than the amount of capital securities issued by them during this period and was 19.9 per cent of the aggregate of their capital securities outstanding June 30, 1913; of the railways of the same class of the southern district it was 21.1 per cent, and of the railways of the same class of the western district it was 23.2 per cent, of the aggregate of their capital securities outstanding June 30, 1913. That is, the cash actually expended by these railways during the last six years upon their properties used in transportation amounts to more than one-fifth of their total capitalization at the close of the last fiscal year. This is at the rate of \$68,387,561 per year.

These figures are obtained through a compilation made by the Bureau of Railway Economics from the reports of the railways to the Interstate Commerce Commission, and have not heretofore been collated.

HEAD-ON COLLISION.
Macon, Ga., July 3.—Six persons were seriously injured and more than a score of others hit late today when a Fourth of July excursion train on the Georgia Southern and Florida Railroad collided head on with a Macon and Birmingham Railroad local passenger train seven miles south of here.

Neither of the trains was running more than twenty miles an hour, according to witnesses, and it is believed this prevented the wreck from being more serious. The engines met on a 30 foot trestle and almost completely telescoped each other. Both trains, however, remained on the track.

BENNETT KILLED PLANS OF DEATH FOR HIS FAMILY

Concealed Body and Lured His Mother-in-Law to Spot—Triple Crime

Atlanta, Ga., July 3.—Three victims of murder and suicide were found in a wooded area, unattended locally near here today. The dead were F. Bennett, a carpenter about thirty years old, Mrs. Flossie Bennett, his 17-year-old wife, and Mrs. Mattie Tolbert, 49 years old, the dead man's mother-in-law.

Notes found in Bennett's clothing and investigation by the police and coroner indicated he had forced his wife to drink poison and then strangled the dead girl's mother, to then lured and killed her with a shot gun after showing her the body of her daughter, and finally shot and killed himself. One of Bennett's notes said his wife had taken poison, but the authorities do not credit it.

Wednesday afternoon Bennett took a walk with his young wife to the wooded section where the bodies were found. He later returned here alone and yesterday induced his mother-in-law to accompany him to the locality, saying he wished her to identify some clothing a negro laundry woman had refused to return to his wife. His notes indicated that after killing her he spent last night at the scene of death and then shot himself early today. A single-barreled shot gun was found tied to a stump near his body.

One of Bennett's notes addressed to Samuel Tolbert, his brother-in-law, said that the triple tragedy was the result of interference in Bennett's family life by his mother-in-law and others. The couple had been separated several times since their marriage about a year ago. It was Bennett's second marriage.

OCONEE NEWS.
From the Keowee County.
Court will convene in Walhalla next Monday morning.

James Driscoll, who for a number of years lived in the Dugan place on the summit of Stump House mountain, died last Sunday and was buried in Stump House mountain cemetery.

Recent fire alarms have produced sensations here. On the morning of one, Harry R. Hughes jumped into an automobile and headed for the engine house, where an entrance was forced, a number of tools and the chemical engine moved out of the way and with other assistance of other firemen, the car to the old fire engine and yanked it down town faster than a steam train.

Master Frank Sloan, young son of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Sloan, had the misfortune to fall and break his left leg bone last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Higgins left this morning for Charleston where they will spend a set of ten days with relatives and friends. A part of the visit will be spent also with relatives at Mount Pleasant and South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Vance, Columbia, Va., who is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Spencer, will leave today for the yard, and the same day for the yard, and the same day for the yard.

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KIDDIES MISSED ONE BIG TRICK.
Rain Drove the Crews From Celebration.

(From Sunday Intelligencer.)
Many an Anderson County child has noted last night that the fireworks celebration which was to take place in North Anderson was postponed.

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