

LEE COUNTY NEWS

Items of Interest Gathered From Bishopville Vindicator.

Joseph Scott McCutcheon, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McCutcheon, of Wisacky, died quite suddenly after only two or three days illness at his home on Sunday afternoon, the ser vices being conducted by his pastor, the Rev. Mr. Hammond. He was a bright, manly lad, not quite 17 years of age, and had a splendid future before him. He was an earnest, devout Christian, courteous, polite, true to his convictions and never failed to condemn the wrong and uphold the right. While only a boy in years, he was every inch the manly man in character and devotion to everything that was clean and noble and upliff ing. Young McCutcheon was one of the members of the tenth grade in the Bishopville High School where he was loved and admired by his classmates and teachers ago the members of this same grade were shocked and grieved over the death of another of their most beloved members, Willie Scarborough, The passing away within a month's time of two such splendid characters has east a gloom over the tenth grade, the school and the community.

The police force rounded up about twenty-five auto speeders for fast driving last week and made each put up \$5 for trial before Recorder Laney last Monday, We understand that not one appeared and so forfeited their bonds. Something had to be done, for several collisions had occurred in or near the town limits last week. If the rural police would do as well, fewer accidents would occur,

Miss Eva Lee, daughter of Mrs. A K. Lee, who was taken to a Columbia hospital last Monday for treat ment for appendicitis, died a few hours after she was operated on. She was just 13 years old and attended school last week. The whole school attended the funeral at Salem on yesterday. It was indeed a sad death and the bereaved family have the deepest sympathies of their friends.

We have been requested by Postmaster McCutchen to ask that the names of all young men who have volunteered from Lee County for service in army or navy be sent to him as early as possible. Parents, relatives or friends who can give this information are earnestly requested to do so at once. The Government is getting up an Honor Roll of the volunteers to be placed in the lobby of the post office, and it is the desire of officials that the roll be accurate and complete, no name being omitted through negligence of friends.

Last Wednesday night or during

the early hours of Thursday morning the store of Mr. J. B. Kelly was entered and goods amounting to several hundred dollars were stoken. The thief removed a large pane of glass from one of the back windows and got inside. After helping himself to 18 or 20 fine suits of clothing, about the same number of ladies dress suits and various other articles, he opened the oack door and quietly made his es-Mr. W. C. Rogers' car was taken that same night from his garage at his home and it is thought that the thief used that car to get away with the goods. At any rate Mr. Rogers' car was found next day near Sumter where it had been left because the gasoline had given out. Mr. Kelly immediately sent out telegrams to various towns and cities and also mailed out circulars and offered a reward. He received a telegram Tuesday from the Chief of Police of Jacksonville, Fla., that he had arrested a young white man with some of the goods. Mr. Kelly and a deputy left at once for

One night last week just after the rain storm, Messrs, George, Henley and Eugene McCutchen, with Mrs. Henly McCutchen and Henly, Jr., and George, J., left Mrs. Gus Cooper's after the rain. The night was pry dark and the party was divided as follows: Messrs, George and Henly McCutchen were in the first car, Mrs. Henley McCutchen and Henly, Jr., in second car and Mr. Eugene McCutchen and Geirge, Jr., in last car, Driving cautiously, everything went well until second car was crossing branch or swamp near Mr. George McCutchen's home. The lights were so dim the car struck the post to the railing of the bridge which threw the car off the bridge into water waist deep, the car turning bottom upwards in the water. The curtains were all up, but by some means Mrs. McCutchen and Henly both got out and neither hurt except a terrible shake-up and scare. In a few moments Mr. Eugent McCutchen passed and being in a closed 'car also did not see them in the water but heard the yells of Henley and soon got them all out. The occupants of first car did not know of the accident until they went back to see if anything had happened. With excep-tion of windshield being smashed, the car was not injured.

Henry R. Heimer, suspected of disloyalty, was hanged by a crowd of 50 men at Collinsville, Okla., Friday night, but after he had swung 15 seconds and had become semi-conscious the police persuaded the would-be executioners to cut him down on the promise that he would be given a trial by the county council of defense

CLUBS TO MEET THIS WEEK.

Delegates to County Conventions Will Be Chosen On Saturday.

Columbia, April 22. — Democratic clubs of the state will meet on or before next Saturday and elect delegates to the forty-fifth county conventions which will contene Monday, May 6th. The attendance at the club meetings will determine the political faction in South Carolina that will control the State convention, which will meet in State convention, which will meet in Columbia Wednesday, May 15.

Ex-governor Blease and the leaders of the so-called "Reform" faction have been stressing the necessity of their people attending the club meetings in force, in an effort to capture the May convention, so that, as their preach ments run, the primary election will be conducted "honestly and fairly." If their admonitions have had any ef-fect on the voters of either side, surface indications do not so point, as there is an apparent apathy among the electors.

It appears certain that the voters of the State will be a unit on one thing: No man will be sent to the county and state conventions whose loyalty is under a shadow and who is not wholeheartedly in favor of the national administration in the conduct of the war. South Carolina, as a whole, has implicit confidence in President Wilson and the club meetings will emphatically show this, provided the patriotic voters attend the meetings,

The clubs will each elect one delegate to the county conventions for every twenty-five members and one for a majority fraction. The county conventions will each elect double the number of delegates to the state convention in Columbia as the county has numbers in the General Assembly. This will make the personnel of the state convention 338 members.

The necessary qualifications for membership in any Democratic club in this State and for voting in the primary elections are: The applicant for membership, or voter, shall be twentyone years of age, or shall become so before the succeeding general election and be a white Democrat. He shall be a citizen of the United States and of this state. No person shall become a member of any club or vote in any primary election unless he has resided in the state two years and in the county six months prior to the succeeding general election and in the club district sixty days prior to the first primary following his offer to enroll. Públic school teachers and ministers churches are exempted from these provisions.

In addition to the effort to capture the state convention the Bleaseites will ment, as were Howard and Youtsey endeavor to get a majority of the state (Youtsey decided not to appeal his executive committee, which has abso-lute control of all election appeals. ers' friends put up a determined op-Each county convention elects a mem- position, and the court of appeals reber of this committee and the state versed the finding. A second trial chairman is selected by the state con- was held in 1901 and Powers was vention. The state chairman now is again convicted of murder in the ex-Governor John Gary Evans, of Spar- list degree. Again the case was aptanburg. The friends of the various pealed and reversed as before. Judge gubernatorial candidates also will try James E. Cantell had refused to vato "land" the state convention, the se- cate the bench for the second trial curing of which will be indicative of and upon this a new trial was granthow the votes are turning.

proving the war against Germany and days, ended in a verdict of murder Austria-Hungary and will endorse the national administration.

An important matter which will prowill be the county-to-county canvass in the federal prison at Newport beprior to the primary elections. There fore a fourth trial was granted. This is an agitation each year for its abol- time the jury stood ten for acquittal ition, but the state convention has never seen fit to discard the sysfem. The sentiment this year is against its continnance, except among politicians who as well. think their power will wane if the canvass is thrown into the discard.

The county-to-county canvass is never representative. Its drawing power except in large centers of population has been negligible during the past-few years. The itinerary is arranged during the planting season, when it is a sacrifice for the farmer to leave his

As the Australian system of ballot ing will be put in operation in the next primary elections in the cities, and some of the towns of the state, it is probable that the state convention will take up the matter of additional primary election reforms.

The electors of the state will have to re-enroll on or before the first Tuesday in June of this year. The voter must write on his club roll his full name and immediately thereafter his age, occupation and postoffice address, and if in a city or town shall write the name of the street and the numher of the house in which he resides, if such designations exist.

Examination for Carriers and Clerks. A Civil Service examination will be held at Columbia, S. C., on May 8th for Clerks and Carriers in the Columbia, S. C., postoffice. The examination is open to men and women from 18 to 45 years, regardless of their residence. As the examination is of only moderate difficulty and the prospects for appointment of those who pass are better than they have ever been, this examination affords qualified persons an excellent opportunity to secure a government position. Very few applications have been received for the Columbia. S. C., office up to the present Information and application blanks can be obtained from the Secretary, local civil service board at Columbia, or the secretary, Fith Civil Service District, Atlanta, Ga.

Last Child of Tom Watson Dead. Thomson, Ga.-The funeral of Durham Watson, last surviving child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Watson. occurred here today, following his death at his father's winter home at Hobe Sound, Flat on Monday. The deceased was just 37 years of age. He had represented McDuffle county in the legislature, and for a number of years had been business manager of The Jeffersonian and had assisted his father in the editing of the paper. Besides his parents the deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. Jessie Watson, and a daughter, Georgia Watson.

The Watsons lost their daughter little less than a year ago.

John Callahan, a negro soldier from McCormick, bas been killed on the bat-

CALEB POWERS RETIRES Central Figure in Famous Kentucky Murder Case Quits Politics.

Barbourville, Ky.-Caleb Powers. for three terms Congressman from the eleventh Kentucky district in the United States has withdrawn from the race for renomination, leaving a clear field for his opponent Judge J. B. Robison. Congressman Powers, in an open letter from a Baltimore hospital, gives ill health as the reason for his withdrawal.

Caleb Powers, thrice convicted for complleity in the murder of Governor William Goebel on the streets of Frankfort, Ky., on January 29, 1900, and who spent eight years in various prisons durng his trials, being finally pardoned by Governor Wilson, a republican executive, was elected to the house of representatives in 1908.

The record of the Powers case constitutes a page of American history as unique as it is amazing. Caleb Powers was a young mountaineer, lawyer, and Kentucky's secretary of state under Governor W. S. Taylor. Goebel and Taylor were rival candidates. Taylor was given the cer-tificate of election; Goebel made a

contest. The legislature of Kentucky had just decided in Goebel's favor On the morning of January 30, 1900 William Goebel, accompanied by Col. Jack Chinn, the well-known fighter, entered the capitol grounds at Frankfort to take the oath of office. Just as Governor Goebel reached the steps leading into the building two shots rang out, and Gocbel fell, mortally wounded. The shots were fired from the office of the sec-

retary of state. Caleb Powers was arrested at Lexington on his way to his home in the mountains. He had in his pocket at the time of his arrest a pardon signed by Governor W. S. Taylor, Taylor fled the state immediately. Powers was held, and \$100,000 was offered by the Kentucky legislature for the apprehension and conviction of the murder or murderers of William Goe-

James Howard, a mountaineer, known to be a dead shot, was in Power's office at the time. Henry E. Youtsey, Taylor's stenographer, was also in the office at the time. Powers declared he was in Louisville at the time of the killing, having left Frankfort on an early morning train. Powers, Howard and Youtsey were arrested and tried.

On his first trial Powers secured a change of venue to Georgetown, Ky., in charge of regularly organized and on August 19 the jury brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree and Powers was thereupon sentenced to life imprison-

It is practically certain that the state onvention will go on record as ap- James E. Robbins. It lasted forty-one The third trial was before Judge in the first degree, and Powers wa sentenced to die on November 1903. Powers' influential friends did bably come up before the convention not desert him and he spent five years and two for conviction, and Governor Augustus Wilson granted a pardon not only for Powers, but for Howard

> The governor issued an open letter to the people of the state, in which he said that he was convicted that Youtsey alone had been responsible for the murder of Governor Goebel

MORE NITRATE ON THE WAY.

Congressman Stevenson Gives Out Interesting Information to Farmers.

Congressman Stevenson has given to The Chronicle the following statement. relative to nitrate of soda, from information just furnished by the Agricultural Department: To date 21,536 tons have been de-

livered and unloaded at Savannah. Charleston and Wilmington, and more than 17,000 tons have been shipped to the farmers. On account of port conditions, the railroads have not been able as yet to move about 2,822 tons for which shipping instructions have been given, but will do so very soon. The remaining 2.000 tons will be delivered to the farmers very soon. Two ships, carrying 16,000 tons, will be discharged this week at Mobile and Norfolk, and five additional ships, carrying 26,500 tons, are on their way to Chili for loading, and a sixth ship. of 7,000 tons, has been assigned for carrying nitrate, making a total of 72,000 tons, either delivered or for which transportation has been arranged for this country. The Department has assurances that the remainder of the 120,000 tons contracted for will come forward as speedily as possible.

War demand for shipping has been very great, but it is now believed that the arrangements which have been made will enable the Department substantially to meet all orders received from farmers up to the date when applications were closed, and it is believed that, in the absence of unavoidable developments, all the nitrate contracted for will be secured and delivered. Any representatives to the contrary are said by the Department to be unwarranted and mislead-

Death of Mr. L. L. Fraser. Mr. Lawrence L. Fraser died this morning at his home near DuBose Cross Roads, after a long illness. The funeral services will be held at Hebron Church at 11 o'clock tomorrow. Mr. Fraser was about fifty-five years old and a son of the late Capt, L. L. Fraser, of the Mechanicsville section of Sumter county. He is survived by his wife and four children, Mr. Du-Bose Fraser, Mrs. Henry Rembert, Mrs. D. J. Rembert, Jr., and Miss Janie Fraser; two brothers, Messrs. W. D. and J. M. Fraser, three sisters, Mrs. W. R. DuBose, Mrs. J. P. Booth, and Mrs. T. J. Kirven.-Friday's Samter Item.

COTTAGE-CHEESE WORKER

Department Sends Woman to Encourage Production of Substitute.

Washington, D. C., April 22.—The Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States Department of Agricul-ture has named Miss Elizabeth Forney, woman county agent of Anderson, S. C., to encourage in South Carolina the production of cottage cheese on farms and also to stimulate its use in homes Miss Forney, one of 47 women agents named for as many States, is to co operate with Federal and State agrieultural and home-demonstration agents. Miss Madge Reese, formerly State home-demonstration agent in home-demonstration Alabama, is the leader in the cottage-

cheese work for the Southern States, The work in South Carolina will be part of the Department of Agriculture's national campaign, in coopera tion with the United States Food Administration, to encourage the use, as well as the production , of cottage cheese, which experiments by the de partment have shown is equal in food value to meat. Cottage cheese can be made from skim milk or buttermilk, now largely wasted or fed to animals, and its extended use is expected to save a large amount of meat which can be used by the armies and allies of America.

Dr .R. B. Rhett Captured.

Charleston, April 18.—Notification was received here today by relatives that Dr. R. Barnwell Rhett, a young physician generally known and beloved here, and a son of the late Dr. Barnwell Rhett, has been captured by the Germans on March 29, while attending to the wounded at the front, There were no more details given, the letter notifying relatives having been written by the Colonel commanding the British unit to which Dr. Rhett was attached. So far as is known, h is the first Charlestonian captured by the Huns in the great war, Dr. Rhett has been several months in France, most of this time being spent with British forces, in field and base hospital work, and in trench first aid duty. Dr. Rhett has written home frequently in the past weeks, and told interesting details of his life at the front. He was graduated from the Medical College of South Carolina in 1914 and not long after opened practice in this city, later being associated with Dr. Maybank. Dr. Rhett entered army service last year and prompt ly went to France. He attached him self to a British unit. The fact that he has been with the British at the front recently explains readily how duty would mean his capture while attending wounded, with the lines constantly shifting as they are.

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