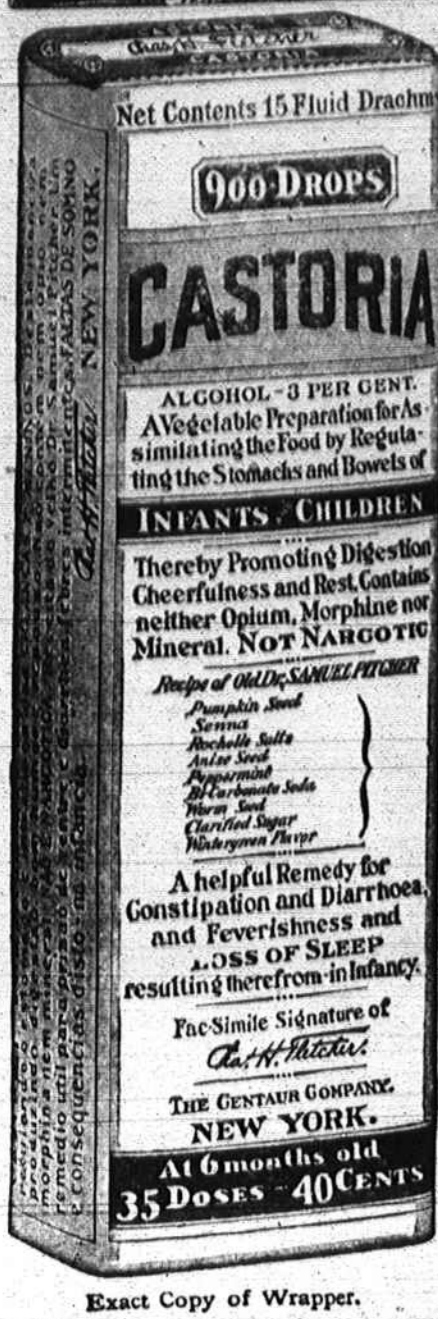


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Sunday morning as little Juanita Bennett, age thirteen, of Cheraw, was standing by the fire, her night gown caught

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HAD A MODEL GOVERNMENT

Permanent Settlement Around U. S. Nitrate Plant Presented Unusual Problems.

By GARRET SMITH,

The fourth largest city in Alabama, peopled with 25,000 souls of diverse races and religions, uprooted from far scattered communities in every part of the United States and Canada sprang into being almost overnight around the great new government ammonium nitrate plant down on the open cotton and corn fields at Muscle Shoals on the Tennessee River during the last year of the World War. Here was a problem in city building, municipal government and community welfare that has seldom been equalled and the success of its solution has never been excelled.

The job was in the hands of the Air Nitrates Corporation which had been organized under the direction of the Ordnance Department to build plant and city at Muscle Shoals. Early in January, 1918, this new town had a few temporary buildings and a population of 800. This had jumped by the middle of August to more than 21,000. A population multiplied by 70 in 7 months.

In the management of the new towns and army cantonments that sprang up during the war the old-time evils that attended the growth of mushroom cities have been avoided by the application of modern welfare systems. But nowhere were conditions more difficult than at Muscle Shoals. Here was a malarial region threatened at the same time with other deadly disease epidemics. Transportation was lacking. No nearby labor was available and the general labor shortage was at its most acute stage. Costs of labor and supplies were leaping over night. Furthermore, Muscle Shoals differed from all the other new war towns inasmuch as it was to be permanent.

### New Government Devised.

The managers, besides city government, had to handle the entire retail business of the town. A camp supervisor's department was put in charge of the maintenance of all buildings, fire protection and sanitation. The camp supervisor looked after everything from the mending of a lock to the remodeling of groups of buildings or laying sewers or steam mains. For the bachelor contingent a commissary department was necessary.

The business department managed the stores, canteens, motion picture theaters, pool parlors, tailor shops, dry cleaning establishments, barber shops, newsstands, a hotel, a vegetable farm and a hog farm where 1,000 hogs were raised on the wastes from eating places. It maintained a slaughterhouse where these hogs were put through the regular packing house course. It operated a laundry which cleaned 7,493 pieces a day. Then there was a real estate department that rented and managed the family quarters and a housing department which assigned to quarters everybody excepting the families.

Under separate jurisdiction from its community director were the police. The health department, in charge of a physician from New York city, started with a small office in one of the temporary buildings, and was soon full grown and splendidly equipped. Conditions were favorable to disease. The winter was the severest on record in northern Alabama. The men were compelled to work either in deep snow or mud above their knees. As a result a pneumonia epidemic developed among the Negroes that spring. Later in the year a typhoid epidemic was threatened. Moreover, the site of the plant was in the heart of the malaria district. But the pneumonia epidemic was checked, the typhoid threat nipped in the bud, and malaria stamped out.

### A Health Record Established

The little first-aid hospital presently grew to a complete modern institution with a nurses' home and a separate dispensary for dental, eye, ear, nose, throat, genito-urinary clinics and a surgical dispensary for first-aid work.

During the eight months when the death rate was not affected by the influenza and pneumonia epidemics the general health rate was 12.4 per thousand per year, which is lower than in most cities in the same latitude and climate, and the pneumonia death rate during the epidemic was lower than in most army cantonments.

Much of the success of the health administration is due to the establishment of the Muscle Shoals sanitary district by the United States Public Health Service.

The education and welfare department also had a vital work to perform. There was a school population of over 1,000. The Secretary of War created the community organization branch of the Ordnance Department which, with advice and aid of some of the greatest school men of the country, prescribed the courses of study and recruited teachers from the best established systems.

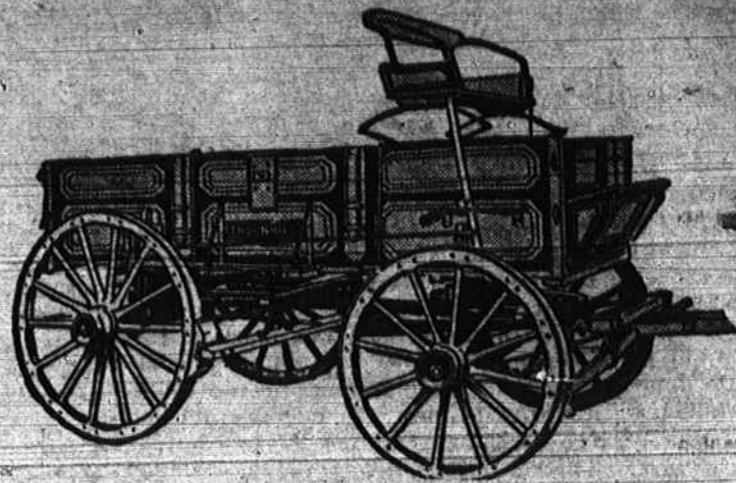
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### LEE COUNTY NEWS

#### Items of Interest Gathered From Bishopville Vindictor.

Supervisor C. T. Evans has been his custom for several years and with a heart full of sympathy for the unfortunate in chains, gave a big Christmas dinner to the convicts consisting of roast pig, rice, coffee, fruit, candy, cigars and other dainties that was indeed a treat to the poor unfortunates. He also gave them three days for Christmas as holidays, which with the 4th of July and Thanksgiving day make five holidays during the year. Mr. Evans says that by showing this mercy and kindness to them the county loses nothing for better service is rendered and their behavior is so much better for this kindness and consideration.

The new Plicker pipe organ for the Presbyterian church has been set up in place for several months, but was not connected with the power plant until last week. Although about two hundred and fifty of the pipes were not connected up, yet it was used last Sunday for the first time at church service. Its tone is soft and sweet and with the deft touch of the keys by Mrs. Legsters the congregation was delighted with it. It was all connected up this week and tuned by Mr. James Paine of Augusta who has been in that business for over fifty years. It was thoroughly tested and tried out Wednesday afternoon and gave perfect satisfaction. It has nearly one thousand pipes and a set of sweet sounding chimble built by Henry Pichers Sons, Louisville, Kentucky, and has the reputation

of being among the best that is made. The congregation is proud of their new organ that the church was so much in need of.

Every citizen of Lee county is invited to attend this conference at the Court House in Bishopville on Friday January 16th, 1920, at eleven o'clock. The object of this conference is to bring about full and open discussions of those problems that are facing the country during the year 1920 on account of the presence of the boll weevil. Farmers, business men, specialists representing the Extension Service of Clemson College and the U. S. Department of Agriculture, as well as others interested, will take part in the conference.

On Monday December 29 a marriage of much surprise was that of Miss Doyle Mildred Barrett to Mr. William Caldwell Whaley of Charleston, S. C. The Rev. W. V. Dibble performed the ceremony. Mrs. Whaley was one of the most popular girls of the High School. She will be missed greatly by her classmates.

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Leave Calls at Commercial Hotel

Mr. Whaley is operator at the Elland Theatre and has a host of friends in Bishopville.

Mr. L. O. Bond who was the office manager at the ice plant here last year, has severed his connection with it and will give his time now to selling and placing machinery for making ice by the quick process. He has bought the Watford house and has moved his family into it. Mr. Richardson of Bennettsville has charge of the ice plant and has moved his family into the house that Mr. Bond vacated.

### RUPTURE EXPERT HERE

Sealey, Famous in This Specialty, Called to Columbia.

F. H. Sealey of Chicago and Philadelphia, the noted truss expert, will personally be at the Jefferson Hotel and will remain in Columbia Sunday and Monday only, Jan. 18th and 19th. Mr. Sealey says: "The Spermatic Shield will not only retain any case of rupture perfectly, but contracts the opening in 10 days on the average case. Being a vast improvement over all former methods—exemplifying instantaneous effects immediately appreciable and without any strain or position. This instrument received the only award in England and in Spain producing results without surgery, injections, medical treatment or prescriptions. Mr. Sealey has documents from the United States Government, Washington, D. C., for inspection. All charity cases without charge or if any interested call, he will be glad to show same without charge or fit them if desired. Business demands prevent stopping at any other place in this section.

F. S.—Every statement in this notice has been verified before the Federal and State Courts.—F. H. Sealey.

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