

Good Meeting of County Convention

The Pickens County Democratic convention was held at the court house Monday morning, but it did not appear that as many were present as usual. However, the attendance was good and the interest and patriotism manifested was pleasing to all good citizens. Chairman G. F. Norris called the meeting to order and Rev. R. L. Holroyd of Easley offered prayer.

The temporary organization was perfected when L. H. Smith nominated W. T. O'Dell for president and E. P. McCravey nominated J. M. Jameson for secretary, and both were elected without opposition. The president appointed C. L. Cureton, C. T. Martin and J. R. Falls as a committee on credentials and their report was adopted. The temporary organization was then made permanent. Upon taking the chair Senator O'Dell thanked the people for the favors shown him and confidence placed in him and said he had discharged his duties conscientiously and as best he could. He asked now to be allowed to step down from active service.

The president next appointed J. N. Morgan, W. C. Smith and F. H. Clinkscapes as a committee to nominate six delegates to the state convention which will meet in Columbia May 15. The following delegates were nominated and elected: W. T. O'Dell, C. L. Cureton, L. H. Smith, O. R. Doyle, E. P. McCravey and J. A. Hinton. Each delegate was empowered to name his own alternate.

W. C. Smith nominated N. A. Christopher for chairman of the county executive committee and he was unanimously elected.

J. A. Hinton then nominated W. C. Smith as member of the state executive committee and his election was unanimous.

At the request of the people of King's section a new voting precinct was established at King's school house.

Regular business having been disposed of Mr. Sease of Clemson College in a few well-chosen remarks said that he thought the convention ought to go on record as endorsing the course taken by the United States as guided by President Wilson in this great war.

The following resolution was then introduced by C. E. Robinson and after some discussion was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved by the Pickens County Democratic Convention assembled in regular session,

1. That we heartily approve of the declaration by our government of a state of war existing between this country, Germany and Austria-Hungary, and of the vigorous prosecution thereof by our country under the able and courageous leadership of President Wilson.

2. That we heartily approve of the selective draft act by which our naval and military forces have been recruited and built up from every class of our citizens; and, in this convention we declare our unswerving sympathy with the governments of Great Britain and Canada in enforcing conscription within their domains.

3. We bitterly condemn the mobbing of American soldiers and sailors by disloyal Irish people who have declared their friendship for and sympathy with Germany.

4. We heartily favor vigorous prosecution and adequate punishment for disloyalty of every character in our country.

5. We declare our unwavering sympathy with the support of our officers and men in every branch of the military and naval service, and in every service that is contributing to the success of our arms; and we have heard with admiration and patriotic fervor of the splendid and gallant service being rendered by our men on land and sea, and express our utmost confidence in their effective endurance to a victorious end.

6. We express our unbounded admiration for the heroic deeds and endurance of our country's noble associates who have borne with such splendid fortitude and courage the horrors and brutalities of a war forced upon them, as upon us, by a ruthless and infamous foe.

We most heartily favor the prosecution of the war to a victorious peace by which the world shall be made safe for democracy and humanity.

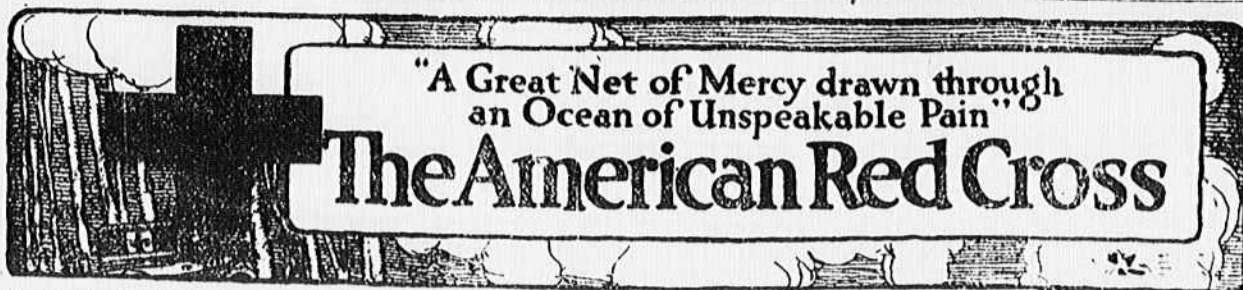
Resolved, further, that the delegates elected by this convention are hereby instructed to support the adoption of the resolutions by the state convention.

Mr. Robinson, J. P. Carey, Jr., and E. P. McCravey all made patriotic talks urging the adoption of the resolution.

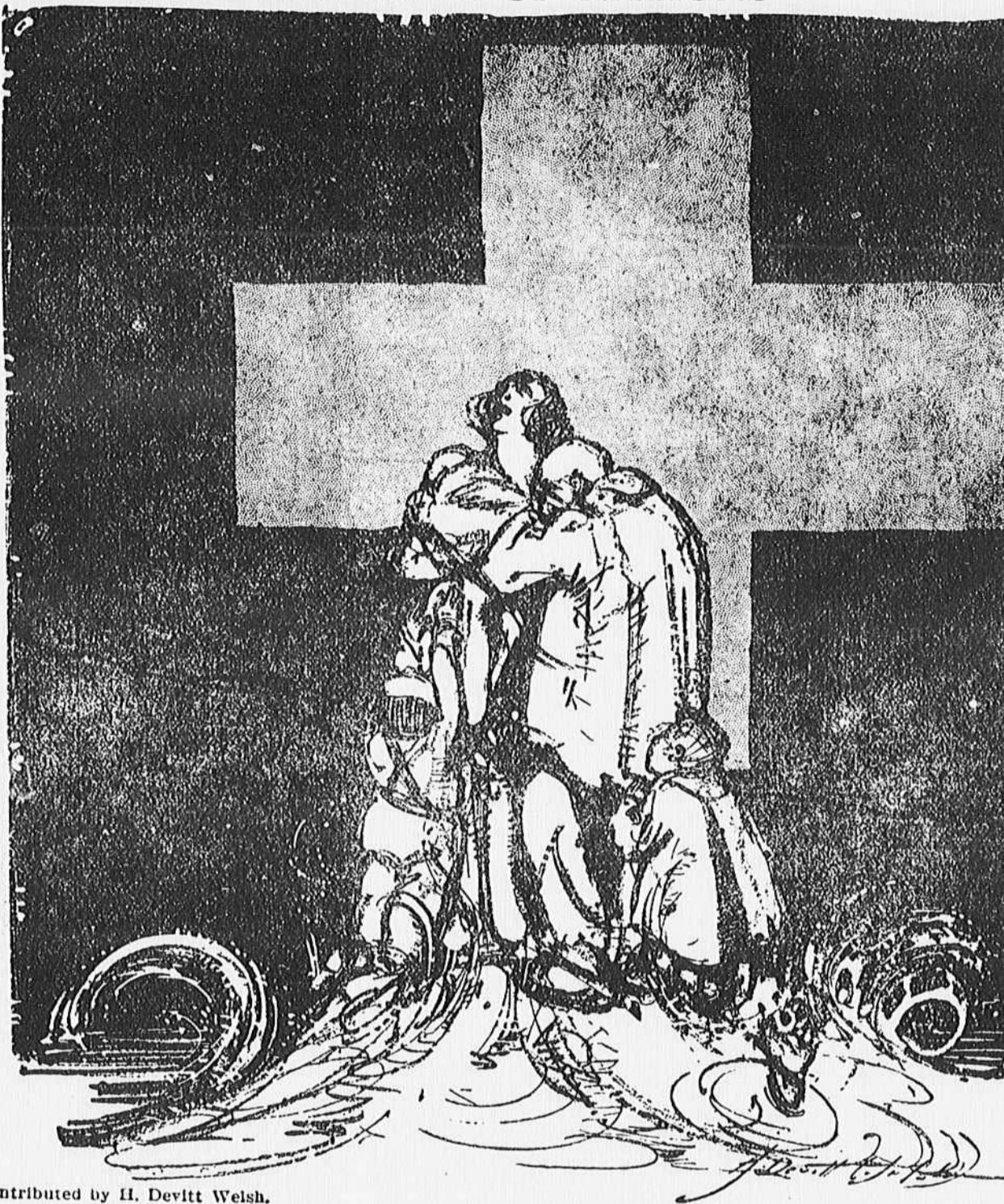
Upon motion of J. P. Carey, Jr., three cheers were given for President Wilson.

Representative W. L. Pickens then introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, that we, the members of the Pickens County Convention in regular session assembled, do hereby pledge our powers and our influence to uphold the hands of the president of the United States, if, at the close of this war he shall ask that the manufacture of arms and explosives by private citizens or incorporations be an illegal act;



THE HOPE OF NATIONS



Contributed by H. Devitt Welsh.

A MESSAGE FROM FRANCE

Spirit of This War Pictured by French Schoolgirl in Letter Received by John H. Finley.

THIS letter is one of the many messages which have been received from the schools of France in response to the messages from American universities and schools, carried to them by John H. Finley, Commissioner of Education and President of the University of the State of New York. It is reproduced here and comes from a pupil in the Lycee Victor Durny in Paris, which he visited last May, and there heard the pupils singing "The Star Spangled Banner" in French and crying in chorus, "Vive l' Amerique." It is doubted if there has been a more graphic or poetic expression of that which separates the men in the opposing trenches or of that which brings America and France together.

"It was only a little river, almost a brook; it was called the Yser. One could talk from one side to the other without raising one's voice, and the birds could fly over it with one sweep of their wings. And on the two banks there were millions of men, the one turned toward the other, eye to eye. But the distance which separated them was greater than the stars in the sky; it was the distance which separates right from injustice.

"The ocean is so vast that the sea gulls do not dare to cross it. During seven days and seven nights the great steamships of America, going at full speed, drive through the deep waters before the light-houses of France come into view; but from one side to the other hearts are touching."

it being our honest opinion that such manufacturers are subversive of peace and good will in the world; and, further, that we believe that the quantity of such manufactures should be limited and controlled by an international commission to be determined by the different governments upon a basis of population.

Mr. Pickens spoke for the resolution, while C. T. Martin, John P. Smith and W. E. Findley spoke against its adoption. Mr. Pickens and Joel H. Miller were the only delegates who voted for the resolution and it was lost.

Upon motion of C. L. Cureton the

meeting adjourned.

The meeting was very harmonious and we could not complete this article without saying that the convention was composed of men of the highest type of citizenship this county and state affords.

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Simmons—Reece

On last Sunday evening at 6 o'clock Mr. James F. Reece was happily married to Miss Bessie Simmons at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Bob) Simmons, Rev. B. G. Field officiating. After the ceremony was performed a most delightful supper was served. The couple has the congratulations of their many friends.

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Pickens Subscribed \$66,300 to Loan

Pickens subscribed \$66,300 to the third Liberty Loan, thus exceeding its quota by \$23,300. There were 134 subscribers. Pickens county also subscribed more than its quota, but we are unable to give the exact figures now. Every county in South Carolina went "over the top."

The following subscribed thru the Pickens banks since the other list was published last week:

- H A Townes
- T R Allen
- W J Bridgman
- Mrs J L O Thompson
- Miss Alice Thompson
- W J Acker
- Ben T Day
- F V Clayton
- C B Parsons
- John Terry (col)
- Mr and Mrs J D Holder
- Norman Oliver
- T F Chastain
- J A Cannon
- R M Lusk
- W H Field
- J N Hallum
- J A Hunnicutt
- E G Childress
- A C Gravelly
- J E Kessler
- A J Jewell
- J J Lee
- C M Gravelly
- Mrs A C Sutherland
- J S Bagwell, Jr
- Baptist Church
- G W Brazzell

These are the names as given us by the banks. If anyone has been overlooked we would like to have our attention called to it.

Henry J. Lewis Dead

News of the death of Henry J. Lewis which occurred at his home near Sunset on Tuesday, April 30, was a shock to many friends. He had been seriously ill only a short time and death was due to heart dropsy. Funeral services were conducted at Mountain Grove church Wednesday, conducted by Rev. C. B. Atkinson.

Mr. Lewis lacked only one month of being seventy years old and was one of the best known and best liked citizens of the upper part of Pickens county and he was known far and wide for his hospitality. He was born and reared in this county and will be greatly missed and mourned for by many friends. He was a member of Holly Springs Baptist church.

He is survived by his widow, who was Miss Josie Stewart before her marriage; two daughters, Mrs. Joel Griffin of Norris and Mrs. R. K. Lewis of near Pickens, and one son, Ernest Lewis who stayed with his parents. Two sisters, Mrs. J. M. Nimmons of Williamston and Mrs. Jane Edens of near Liberty also survive him. The deceased was a brother of the late Rev. John T. Lewis of this county.

To the bereaved family we extend our sympathy.

Proclamation by Gov. Manning

In order that the laws of the state and nation against espionage, sedition, traitorous conduct and desertion from the army and navy of the United States may be properly enforced, and in order that the people of South Carolina may know that in every locality there are agents of the government whose duty it is to take cognizance of and promptly report all violations of law affecting the national security:

Now, therefore, I, Richard I. Manning, governor of South Carolina, do hereby especially charge all members of the South Carolina Council of Defense, all county chairmen, and all members of the county councils of defense in their respective counties of the state, to take cognizance especially of the above mentioned offenses against the state and federal laws, reporting the same to the chairman or secretary of the State Council of Defense at their office in Columbia, or Dr. P. S. Porter, member of council in Pickens county.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state to be fixed at Columbia, this 20th day of April, in the Year of Our Lord 1918, and in the one hundred and forty-second year of the Independence of the United States of America.

RICHARD I. MANNING,
Governor.
By the Governor:
William Banks Dove,
Secretary of State.

Advertising in The Sentinel pays big.

Good Town of Central Goes "Over the Top"

The Central has only about 1,200 inhabitants, she is as patriotic as any town in the United States.

Our quota for the third Liberty Loan was \$21,600. Last Saturday night at the expiration of the time of the Third Liberty Loan, the two banks here had sold \$31,800 worth of bonds. Many of the business men of Central made themselves a committee to see just as many as possible and induce them to buy bonds, and in this way, many bonds were sold that would not have been otherwise. While the sons of America make red the soil of France with their blood, while they fight for our liberty and freedom as well as theirs, we must make every sacrifice possible to help them lick Fritz. Every person who fails to buy Liberty Bonds, give to the Red Cross, eat corn bread, have meatless days, sacrifice till it hurts, ought to hang their head in shame when they meet an American soldier who has sacrificed all for the freedom of his country. When the American soldiers come marching back from France, playing "Dixie" and the "Star Spangled Banner" after they have licked the Germans and put down Kaiser Bill, I would hate to be one who would have to say "I have had no part or lot in the winning of this great victory."

Since we have gone "over the top" in Liberty Bonds, let's get ready for the big Red Cross drive which will be on from the 20th to 27th of this month. Get ready—make up your mind what you are going to give. Don't wait to be persuaded to help your own boy, your brother, your sweetheart, for if you haven't any in camps or France now, you soon will have. Come on—let's go "over the top" on this and show Fritz that we mean business—to the last dollar, if necessary. One plan we have on is that every one give their wages for one day out of the seven days during the big drive. Look out, you will hear from us later.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Hopkins of Seneca visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Falls last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Robinson spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Allen of Lowndesville.

Miss Christine Clayton, who is teaching at Lawrenceville, Ga., spent a few days here with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. L. G. Clayton last week, and while here visited her brother, S. W. Clayton who is stationed at Camp Sevier in Base Hospital corps.

F. B. Morgan made a business trip to Greenville last Thursday.

Mayor J. H. Ramseur and wife and Mrs. F. P. Folger motored to Greenville one day last week.

H. E. Seaborn, Ralph Ramseur and Burt Morgan were recently elected school trustees here.

Among those who went to the State Sunday School Convention at Greenwood last week were Dr. Bedford, W. A. Mathews and J. P. Byars.

The First Baptist church has installed electric lights.

The Wesleyan College is putting in electric lights this week.

Candidates for Governor and Senate

Asbury P. Lever, congressman from the Seventh congressional district of South Carolina, has announced his candidacy for the United States senate from this state. Rev. J. E. Mahaffey, pastor of the York Methodist church, has also announced that he is a candidate for the senate.

This makes five candidates for the senate and there may be others yet. Those already announced are Senator B. R. Tillman, Ex-Gov. C. L. Blease, N. B. Dial, prominent Laurens business man, Congressman Lever and Rev. J. E. Mahaffey.

Ex-Senator John I. McLaurin also announced last week that he would be a candidate for governor this year. Other candidates so far announced for this office are R. A. Cooper, John G. Richards, Thos. H. Peoples, Lieutenant Governor Bethea, and W. A. Stucky.

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. William Walter Robinson of Easley, announce the engagement of their daughter, Frances Hoke, to Dr. Samuel L. Ledbetter, Jr., the wedding to take place the latter part of June. Miss Robinson is a prominent member of Easley society and is an accomplished young woman. Dr. Ledbetter is a prominent surgeon of Birmingham, Ala.