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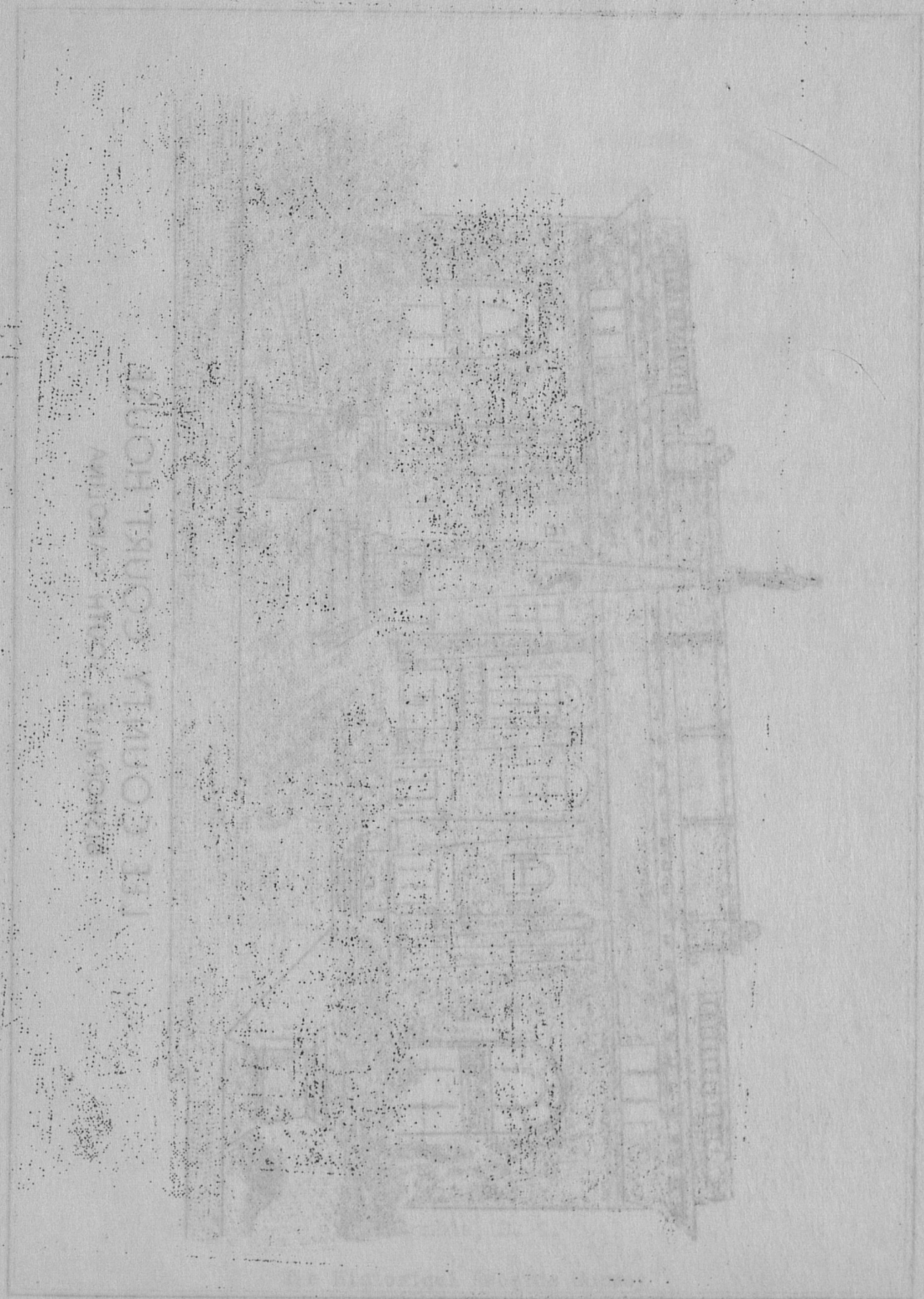
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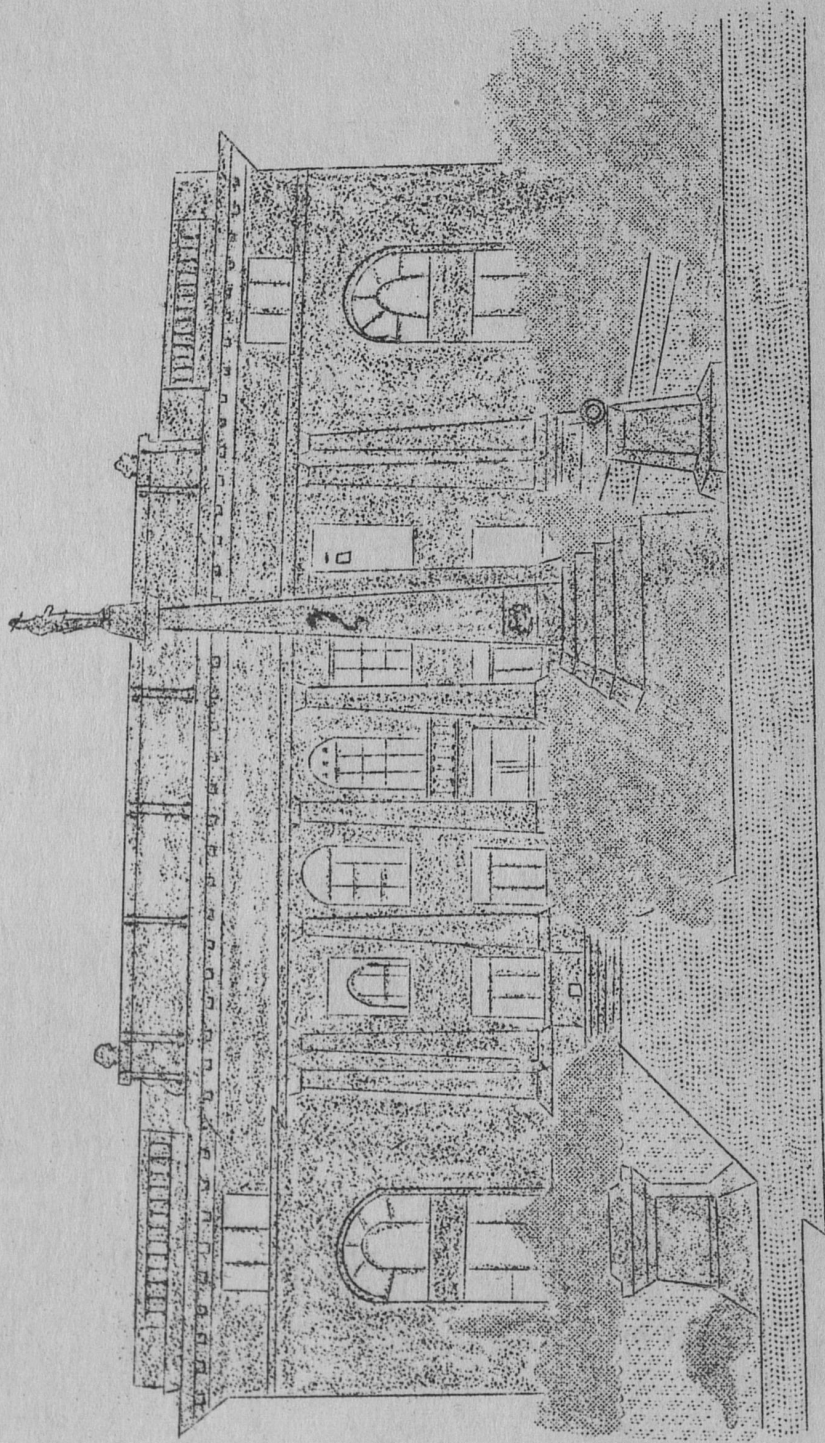
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PREFACE

The Historical Records Survey began in January, 1936; as a part of the Writers' Project of the Works Progress Administration, and became in October of that year an independent part of Federal Project No. 1. Under the national leadership of Luther H. Evans, formerly of Princeton, the Survey has inventoried state, county, city, church, and, to a limited extent, private records. At present, it is preparing for publication in a condensed form, descriptive lists of public records of the local units of government. In each state the counties are numbered in alphabetical order, and treated as separate units, each with an introductory section giving the historical background and a description of the present government and records system. All records are organized under the office of origin, which is carefully described as to history, functions, and required records. Each type of record is given a numbered entry showing the comprehensive dates for which it is extant, the quantity, an interpretation of contents, and details as to nature of recording, indexing and location. State, municipal, church, and other records will be described in separate publications.

The Historical Records Survey was begun in South Carolina on March 1, 1936. From the beginning it has had the active aid and cooperation of the University of South Carolina, thanks to Professor Robert L. Meriwether, head of the department of history. The Lee County unit could not be manned until late summer, when, after exhaustive canvass, Miss Harriet Byrd of Lynchburg was located. On August 31 she began work in the courthouse, under the supervision of Mrs. Mae Higginbotham of Florence, then acting as area supervisor. Mr. L. W. Moore, clerk of court, and Mrs. W. N. McLeod, his assistant, were particularly kind in explaining the records to the young worker. By October 14, the field work on county and town records had been completed, and Miss Byrd was transferred to Columbia as senior research assistant, to work in the state office of the Survey. The legal and historical research and the preparation of introductory material is the work of the state office.

The forty-six separate units of the Inventory of County Archives of South Carolina will be issued in mimeographed form for free distribution to state and local public officials and to a selected group of public and institutional libraries. Requests for information should be addressed to Dr. Anne K. Gregorie, University of South Carolina, Columbia.

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HISTORICAL SKETCH OF LEE COUNTY

The settlement of Lee County dates from about the year 1740, when pioneers of British stock began moving up into the region from Williamsburg. Loosely a part of the vaguely defined, unorganized Craven County, originally named by the Lords Proprietors, this area was placed in Camden District by the circuit court act of 1769. Later it was included in the subdivisions of Camden District when Claremont and Clarendon counties were created in 1785 (Stat. IV, 662). Portions of these two counties were cut off in 1792 and united into Salem County, with Lynches Creek, Black River, and "Scape Whore" Swamp as natural boundaries, on practically the same lines as modern Lee County. The commissioners named to fix the location of the court house and jail were James Dickey, Thomas Willson, John Singleton, Thomas Chandler, and John McKelveen (Stat. V, 216-17). In 1798, when Camden District was dismembered, Salem, Claremont, and Clarendon counties were combined into Sumter District (Stat. VII, 284). Salem court house was built (Stat. IX, 385, 388) and county courts presided over by justices of the peace and of the quorum, sitting as a group in regular sessions, were held (MS Minutes Camden District, 1795-99, pp. 36, 37) until the system was abolished in 1800 (Stat. VII, 291). Salem as a subdivision of Sumter District (R. Mills, Atlas of the State of South Carolina ... Baltimore, 1825) continued to exist (Stat. XI, 268), with local justices of the peace and of the quorum (Stat. V, 352, 673), road commissioners (Stat. IX, 385, 446, 527, 536), commissioners of the poor (*ibid.* 454), and tax collectors (Stat. VI, 426). Since justice was to be dispensed by the district, the county court records were directed to be removed to the Sumter court house (Stat. VII, 298), where the Salem County records were probably burned with those of Claremont and Clarendon in 1801 (Stat. V, 402).

Sentiment for a local governmental organization persisted, however, and an unsuccessful effort was made to revive old Salem County under the name of DeKalb (A. W. Dick, G. R. McElveen, L. M. Peebles. Lee County Economic and Social, Columbia, 1925. pp. 5-13). In 1897, an act was passed to create the county under the name of Lee, in honor of General Robert E. Lee. Boundaries were surveyed cutting territory from Kershaw, Darlington, and Sumter (Stat. XXII, 908-13), county officers were elected, and the legislative delegation was seated (Stat. XXIII, 211, 541). But Darlington County contested the legality of the act, and the state supreme court annulled it on the ground that the election had not been duly attested by the commissioners of elections (Columbia, S. C. State, Nov. 21, 1898; Jah. 7, 1899).

By law, no further effort could be made for four years; so it was not until February 25, 1902, that Lee County was formally established. The boundaries named Lynches River, Black River, Scape O'er Swamp, Sparrow Swamp, Long Branch, and Screeches Branch, but followed in the main artificial lines through Kershaw, Darlington, and Sumter, as surveyed in 1898 (Stat. XXIII, 1194-96). In 1914, a small area was restored to Sumter (Acts, p. 547); in 1921, Turkey Creek Township was enlarged at the expense of Kershaw (Acts, p. 239); and in 1925 the boundary was again shifted to return 1.58 square miles to Kershaw (Acts, p. 12). The act of 1902 named W. A. James, J. E. McCutchen, W. R. Shaw, Edwin Wilson, W. M. Kelley, A. E. Skinner, A. M. Lee, A. Johnson and J. F. Matthews as commissioners to mark boundaries

and provide court house and jail. The county seat chosen was Bishopville, an incorporated town, which, originating before 1814 as Singleton's Cross Roads, had been renamed by 1842 in honor of Dr. Jaques Bishop (James Jenkins, Experience, Labour and Sufferings of Rev. ..., n. p. 1842, pp. 172-3).

Elections in November 1902 named W. P. Baskin, clerk of court; J. Manley Smith, sheriff; J. T. Watson, coroner; J. O. DuRant, supervisor; John M. Smith, judge of probate; McDonald Davis, superintendent of education; T. G. McLeod, senator; B. Frank Kiley and G. M. Stuckey representatives. The governor commissioned C. W. Woodham, auditor, and G. F. Parrott, treasurer. The first court, with the late Judge G. W. Gage presiding, was opened March 2, 1903, in the Opera House, now occupied by Player and Hancock Furniture Company. The Opera House continued to be used as a court house until 1908, when the present building was erected on the square at the intersection of Main and Church streets, former site of the Bishopville Hotel.

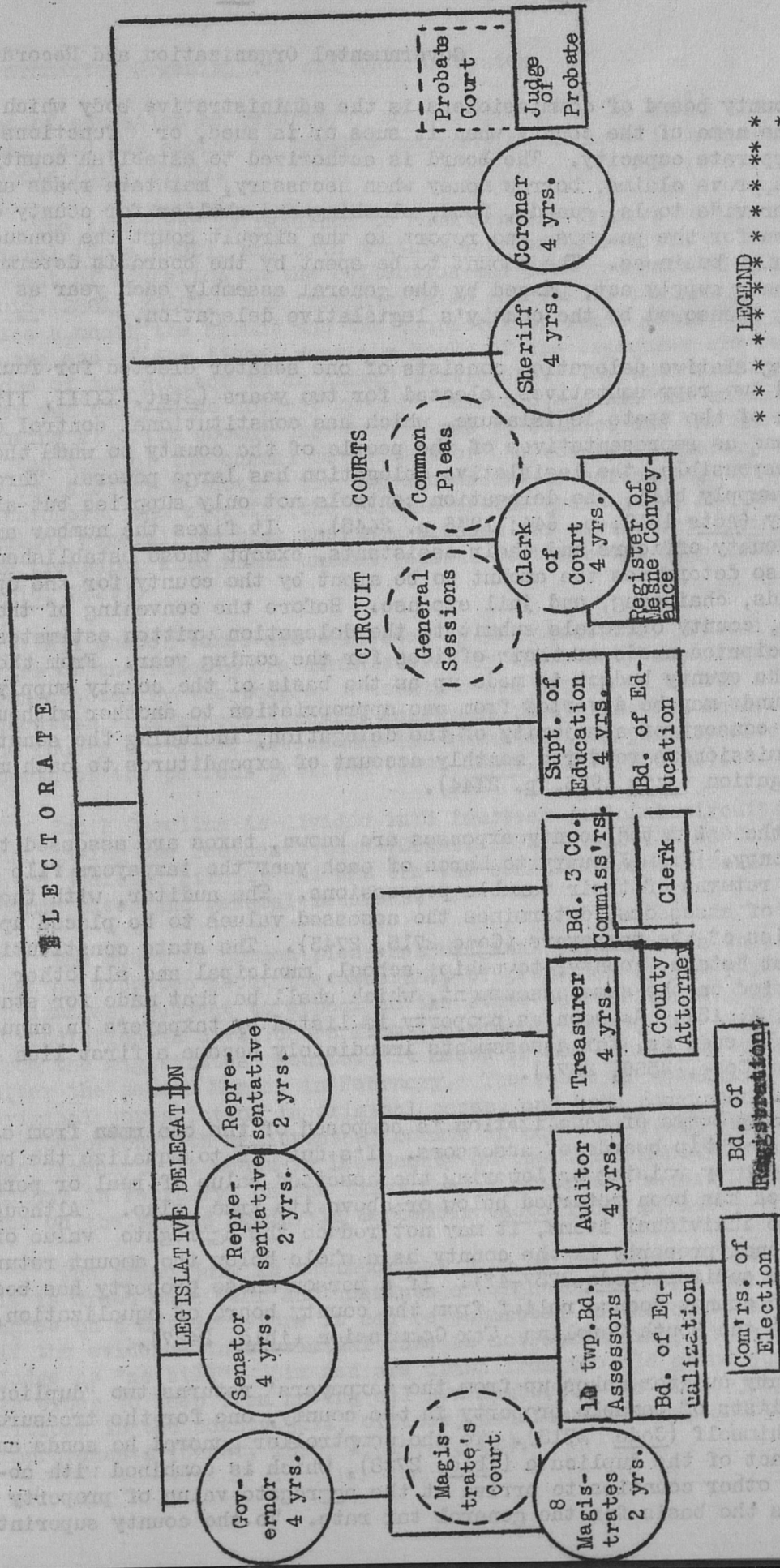
Lee County comprises 410.5 square miles and has a population of 24,096 persons, whose chief occupation is agriculture. There is much tenant farming. The sparseness of settlement accounts in part for the small quantity of public records.

GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND RECORDS SYSTEM

Counties are creations of the state legislature and subject to its alteration, provided that all questions relating to their formation, names, county seats, and boundaries, are first submitted to the electorate in the area affected. When one-third of the qualified electors in any area petition the governor for the creation of a new county, giving the boundaries, and complying with the requirements of article 7, South Carolina Constitution of 1895, the governor orders an election to decide whether or not the new county shall be formed, what shall be its name, and what its county seat. If two-thirds of the registered voters cast their ballots for the new county, the legislature establishes it at the next meeting. A new county must contain not less than one ~~one-hundred-twenty-fourth~~ one-hundred-twenty-fourth of the population of the state, and at least \$1,500,000 in taxable property. The parent county may not be reduced to less than 500 square miles or \$2,000,000 taxable property, or 15,000 inhabitants. It may not be cut within eight miles of its court house building, and boundaries must avoid passing through an incorporated city or town. In shape, neither the new county nor its parent may be more than four times as long as the least central width (Code 3028).

The general assembly may provide for the consolidating of two or more counties, for the organizing of other townships than those already established, and for changing their boundaries. It can group the various counties into judicial circuits and congressional districts, and establish or alter the voting precincts. Each county constitutes one election district and is a body politic and corporate.

Lee County complied with all regulations when it was created by act of the general assembly in 1902. The accompanying chart shows its government.



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CHART OF IEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT

The county board of commissioners is the administrative body which acts in the name of the county when it sues or is sued, or functions in its corporate capacity. The board is authorized to establish county expense, approve claims, borrow money when necessary, maintain roads and bridges, provide tools, guards, food, clothing and shelter for county convicts, care for the paupers, and report to the circuit court the conduct of the county business. The amount to be spent by the board is determined by the county supply act, passed by the general assembly each year as a local law, sponsored by the county's legislative delegation.

The legislative delegation consists of one senator elected for four years, and two representatives, elected for two years (Stat. XXIII, 1195). As members of the state legislature, which has constitutional control of the counties and as representatives of the people of the county to whom they are directly responsible, the legislative delegation has large powers. Through the county supply bill, the delegation controls not only supplies but also the tax levy (Acts 1919, p. 644; 1936 p. 2445). It fixes the number and salary of county officers and their assistants, except those established by law. It also determines the amount to be spent by the county for the upkeep of roads, chaingang, and jail expense. Before the convening of the legislature, county officials submit to the delegation written estimates of the anticipated needs of their offices for the coming year. From these estimates the county budget is made up as the basis of the county supply bill. No funds may be diverted from one appropriation to another without the written consent of a majority of the delegation, including the senator; and the commissioners render a monthly account of expenditures to each member of the delegation (Acts 1936, p. 2444).

After the estimated county expenses are known, taxes are assessed to raise the money. From January to March of each year the taxpayers file with the auditor returns of their taxable possessions. The auditor, with the township boards of assessors, determines the assessed values to be placed upon the properties of the taxpayers (Code 2715, 2743). The state constitution provides that "state, county, township, school, municipal and all other taxes shall be levied on the same assessment, which shall be that made for state taxes" (Art. X, 15). As soon as property is listed by taxpayers in annual returns to the auditor, tax assessments immediately become a first lien on the property (Code, 2569, 2571).

The county board of equalization is composed of the chairmen from each of the ten township boards of assessors. Its duty is to equalize the burden of the taxation by raising or lowering the assessed value of real or personal property which has been returned below or above its true value. Although it may reduce individual items, it may not reduce the aggregate value of real or personal property in the county as a whole below the amount returned to the county auditor (Code 2737-47). If a person whose property has been over-assessed cannot secure relief from the county board of equalization, he may appeal to the South Carolina Tax Commission (ibid. 2427).

The county auditor makes up from the taxpayers' returns two "duplicates" or complete lists of taxable property in the county, one for the treasurer and one for himself (Code 2713). To the comptroller general he sends an annual abstract of the duplicate (ibid. 2728), which is combined with abstracts from other counties to arrive at the aggregate value of property in the state, as the basis for the general tax rate. To the county superinten-

dent of education he reports by school districts the names listed for poll taxes, and the amount of taxable property when there is a special levy for schools (Code 2708).

The treasurer is required to make monthly reports to the comptroller general (Code 2802), and both monthly and annual reports to the superintendent of education on the collection and disbursements of all school taxes (ibid. 2801, 2828). The treasurer also reports to the county commissioners twice a month the amount and the character of funds collected for the county. At the end of the fiscal year the books of the treasurer are balanced with those of the auditor in an annual settlement. The amount of taxes the treasurer was charged to collect must be balanced against the amount collected, showing also the amount the sheriff was to collect and the amount collected. At the time of the annual settlement of the county treasurer, it is the duty of the auditor to notify the superintendent of education, the board of commissioners, the sheriff, the foreman of the grand jury, and the state comptroller general, so that they may witness the settlement (ibid. 2838-39). The treasurer also makes annual reports to the court of general sessions (ibid. 2829).

All school taxes are collected by the treasurer. Fiscal and other affairs of the schools are administered by the county superintendent of education elected by the people, a county board appointed by the state board of education, and school district boards of three trustees each, appointed by the county board. Trustees may be nominated in a primary election if one fourth of the patrons petition (1927, Stat. XXXV, 950-51).

South Carolina is divided into fourteen judicial circuits (Code 50), each having one resident judge (Const. 1895, V, 13). Lee County is in the third judicial circuit and has the two constitutional circuit courts of common pleas and general sessions.

The court of common pleas has original jurisdiction in civil cases, such as disputes about the ownership of property, or the payment of debts or damages, subject to appeal to the state supreme court. It has appellate jurisdiction in civil cases from the probate court, and in minor civil cases from the magistrates' courts. It meets in Lee County on the ninth Monday after the second Monday in February. The court of general sessions has original jurisdiction in criminal cases, and both concurrent and appellate jurisdiction with magistrates' courts in cases of riot, assault and battery, and larceny. It meets in Lee County on the third Monday after the second Monday in February, on the first Monday after the second Monday in June, and on the second Monday in September. (Acts 1934, p. 1466).

The grand jury is an important part of the court of general sessions. It is drawn each year and consists of eighteen members, twelve of whom must agree on a matter before it can be submitted to the court as a "true bill". If the evidence in a criminal case is not convincing, it is returned to the judge as "no bill". Six men are drawn from the old grand jury each year, in order to keep from having all new members. The grand jury inspects conditions in the county jail, offices, and institutions, and recommends needed improvements (Const. 1895, I, 17; V, 22).

Details of drawing the grand and petit juries are delegated to the jury commissioners, composed of the auditor, the treasurer, and the clerk of court. The last has the custody of the jury box, in which the names of electors and the box of talesmen are secured with three different locks so that it cannot be opened except in the presence of all three commissioners (Code 607, 609).

There are eight magisterial districts in Lee County (Acts 1934, p. 2065). A magistrate has jurisdiction in civil cases involving property valued at not more than \$100, and in criminal cases where the penalty does not exceed a fine of \$100, or thirty days in prison. His warrants are served and orders are executed by his constable. The magistrate usually settles his cases without a jury, but either the plaintiff or defendant may demand a jury of six. Magistrates hold their courts in the magisterial districts where offenses are committed, but they have concurrent jurisdiction, civil and criminal, throughout the county (Acts 1914, p. 556). Judgment is not final, and the case may be appealed to the circuit court. Each magistrate must return to the clerk of court all papers pertaining to the court of general sessions, with a report of the case, the names and addresses of witnesses, and a summary of all testimony (Code 944).

The probate court is a statutory civil court of record for the official proof of wills, having original jurisdiction in all matters testamentary and of administration and in business pertaining to minors, allotment of dower, cases of idiocy or lunacy or of persons not mentally able to take care of their affairs (Code 206, 208). The probate court must hold a session on the first Monday in each month at or near the court house (ibid. 205), but the judge of probate appoints other times and places when necessary (ibid. 224). The court of common pleas has appellate jurisdiction of matters within the jurisdiction of the probate court (ibid. 228).

The sheriff is the arm of the courts. He carries out their orders, and summons jurors and witnesses. The jailer is responsible to the sheriff and lives in the jail. The rural policemen are under the sheriff's control, and must assist in collection of delinquent taxes (Acts 1931, p. 119; 1933 p. 530). When the solicitor requires, they must furnish him a file of testimony in any case. Under certain conditions the coroner may act as sheriff. The principal duty of the coroner is to make inquests into cases of violent death. The original inquisition, with testimony and finding of the coroner's jury, must be returned to the clerk of court within ten days after the verdict. Should the coroner be sick, or absent, or at a greater distance than fifteen miles from the place of inquest, any magistrate in the county may act as coroner (Code 3556-67; 3561-64).

On a whole, the records of Lee County conform to the patterns of the Code, although some of the clerk of court's records have been transferred from required volumes to other books: for example, Fines and Forfeitures are now entered upon the General Sessions Journal, and File Docket has been substituted for Rule Book. The county has provided an Enrollment Book of Confederate Veterans, but the veterans have passed away without their services having been put on record in it. The Confederate pension roll and receipts for pension payments are entered upon the general record of miscellaneous receipts called Record of Receipts. Naturalization Record, Registry of Torrens Title, Issue Docket and General Sessions File Docket have become obsolete. In all, the clerk of court has fifteen volumes which have never

had an entry. Guardian Ad Litem hardly justifies the expense of purchasing a separate volume, as few occasions occur for its use. The indexes of mesne conveyance records prior to 1911 are in bound volumes; since that date the loose-leaf index has been instituted, with the two-fold advantage that entries may be typed and that the index expands indefinitely. The judge of probate does not record commitments of incorrigible children to reformatories. Such papers as he has kept are not filed together. The sheriff conforms to state-wide practice rather than the Code in not filing in his office mesne and final processes and bonds. He also fails to keep the defendant index for Execution Book and the double indices by plaintiff and defendant for Sales Book. County commissioners have had several ledger systems for their records. During 1926-30 the clerk set up a system of keeping records by machine on cards, filed alphabetically by account. Some people could not understand this system and thought it a waste of money, but the clerk was allowed to continue it as long as he remained. When the present clerk came into office he abandoned the card system and put in his own. The record systems of the auditor, the treasurer, and the county superintendent of education are prescribed by the state comptroller general. The paper is the best quality of heavy ledger, made especially for public records, and the ink is supposed to be waterproof and permanent. As this is a young county, all books are in good condition, and some have had new canvas put on them recently.

By law, there are two records which may be destroyed at stated intervals. Original Returns for Taxation are kept by the auditor for only five years, as they are entered upon both the auditor's and the treasurer's duplicates, which are kept as permanent records. Duplicate Tax Receipts are destroyed after a period of ten years. No storage could be devised that would be adequate for these two bulky records.

HOUSING, CARE AND ACCESSIBILITY OF RECORDS

The court house, financed by two bond issues, \$40,000 in 1907 and \$35,000 in 1908 (Stat. XXV, 301-6; 1455-38), was designed to house the records of the county for a hundred years. It is a well-constructed modern building of white pressed-brick upon a stone foundation, with outside dimensions of approximately 100' x 28' x 60'. The style of architecture is good, showing Greek influence in the four round columns and four square pilasters at the main entrance. The county offices are on the first floor, and the court room, with rooms for judge and jury, occupies the second floor.

All of the offices have fireproof vaults, with cork-padded floors and steel roller-shelves. All except the auditor's have steel desks. The treasurer and the auditor share a large office, and store their non-current records in the same vault. It is large enough to accommodate one worker, but has neither chair nor table for his convenience, and the steel shelves and filing apartments are inadequate, some of the records being on a table and some on the floor. In the treasurer's part of the office there is a shelf for records under the desk-counter, with two small steel cabinets at each end, two desks, four tables, two counters, two adding machines, two typewriters, five chairs, one safe, and one filing cabinet. Visitors may be accommodated at a high desk with stools.

The vaults of the judge of probate and the clerk of court are the only ones large enough to accommodate more than one outsider at a time. The clerk's office is ample for at least another generation, and is adequately furnished with three desks, one table, an adding machine, a typewriter and four chairs. The vault is the largest in the court house, and merely needs new equipment for the records now in a wooden cabinet and on the floor of the balcony. Those who wish to examine the records will find two chairs, a desk counter, three stools and two tables. The office of the judge of probate has one table, a desk, and five chairs. The vault has a table, and there is room for chairs if necessary.

The vault of the board of commissioners is used for storing their old records. Current records are in the office in desk drawers, filing cabinet and on the table. Two filing cabinets in the vault are filled with old records, but the majority are merely piled on the floor, although there is room for expansion by putting in shelves. The office equipment is one table, a desk, an adding machine, three steel filing cabinets, and seven chairs. They are adequate for the commissioners, but there is no provision for visitors, either in the office or in the vault.

The sheriff has three tables, a desk, four chairs, a stool file cabinet, and a wooden cabinet. The few non-current records are piled on the floor of the vault. All current records are kept in the office. Here too expansion may be had when needed by putting shelves in the vault. The sheriff's current jail records are not required by law and are kept in the jailor's bed room.

It is to be regretted that the coroner does not use the office intended for him at the court house. He keeps his current Inquisition Book at his home and courteously brought it to the court house for inclusion in the survey. His non-current records are kept in the clerk of court's office.

The vault of the superintendent of education is small but will house his records for many years if equipped with shelves. At present the records are piled on the floor, some are in boxes, and others on tables. The office has one desk, two tables, five chairs, an adding machine and typewriter; and an outsider may be accommodated at one end of a long table.

The health unit is a very small organization, housed temporarily in a jury room, and has been operating only a little over a year. There are very few records, and equipment is adequate at present, consisting of two desks, a table, a filing cabinet, seven chairs, a pair of scales and a typewriter.

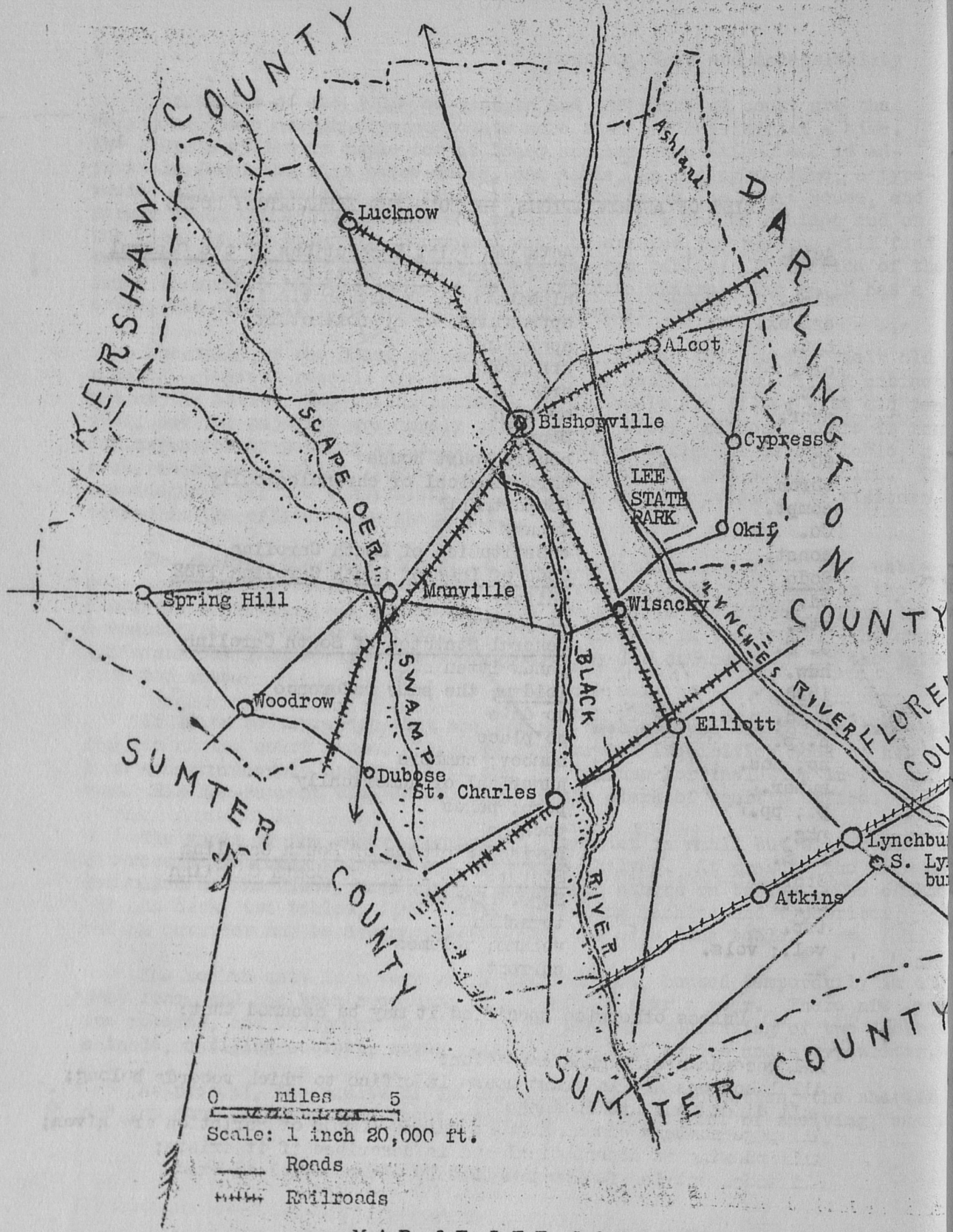
At present, the vaults of the superintendent of education, the sheriff and the commissioners need about twenty-seven linear feet of shelving, each.

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

<u>Acts.</u>	<u>Acts and Joint Resolutions of the General Assembly of South Carolina</u>
alph.	alphabetical or alphabetically
approx.	approximate or approximately
apt.	apartment
arr.	arranged
art.	article
aver.	average
Bd.	Board
CC	county court house
chron.	chronological or chronologically
compt.	compartment
Co.	County
const.	constitution of South Carolina
<u>Code</u>	<u>Code of Laws of South Carolina 1932</u>
ed.	editor
etc.	et cetera
G. S.	<u>General Statutes of South Carolina</u>
hdw.	handwritten
<u>ibid.</u>	<u>ibidem; the same reference</u>
n. d.	no date
n. p.	no place
no; nos.	number; numbers
numer.	numerical or numerically
p.; pp.	page; pages
pkg.	package
R. S.	<u>Revised Statutes of South Carolina</u>
<u>Stat.</u>	<u>Statutes at Large of South Carolina</u>
Supt.	Superintendent
tp.	township
vol.; vols.	volume; volumes
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Unless otherwise specified it may be assumed that:

- All records are in good condition;
- All locations are in court house in office to which records belong;
- All dimensions are in inches;
- All page numbers are an average unless limits of variation are given;
- All indexing is alphabetical and is described if it exists;
- All index entries follow immediately the material indexed.



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I. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The number of county commissioners has varied from nine in 1902 named in the act creating the county (Stat. XXIII, p. 1196), to two in 1927 (Acts 1917, p. 461; 1919, p. 405; 1921, p. 85; 1927, p. 34). The county supervisor, as administrator of county business, was also provided in the act creating the county. Elected for four years, he served as chairman of the board of commissioners, with general supervision over roads, bridges, ferries, paupers, and matters pertaining to taxation and disbursement of county funds (Code 3818, 3820, 3827-29). The office was abolished in 1928 (Acts pp. 1239-41), when the number of commissioners was fixed at three, appointed for two-year terms by the governor upon recommendation of the county senator. In 1933, the law was again altered; the county was divided into three commission districts, each to name a commissioner in the Democratic primary, to be appointed by the governor for a four-year term (Acts, pp. 592-93). The commissioners elect one of their number to preside over their meetings, a clerk to perform the clerical duties of the office (Code 3823), and a county attorney to give advice. The board administers the fiscal and other general business of county government and it functions in close touch with the legislative delegation. If necessary, the board may borrow in advance of tax collections (Code 3881). It examines all claims for ordinary county expense, and it issues for those approved, numbered warrants upon the treasurer. The clerk keeps minutes of board meetings, a file book of claims, (Code 3872), stubs of warrants, and such ledgers or other financial records as may be prescribed by the comptroller general (Code 3876). All records are open to inspection by the public (Code 3867), and the office is kept open three days a week. At the first term of court each year, the board submits an itemized report to the presiding judge, who in turn submits it to the grand jury (Acts 1896, p. 247).

Under the former state dispensary system for the control of liquor business, a county dispensary board was formed in 1907, to hold its meetings in the office of the county supervisor (Acts pp. 466-81). All purchases were upon bid. In August 1909, the county dispensary was voted out, and the supervisor was directed to receive such assets as were not converted into cash within sixty days after the approval of the resulting law in 1910 (Acts pp. 934-35).

Minutes

1. MINUTES, 1898--. 4 vols., 40 sheets. Proceedings of board meetings, including those of the unsuccessful beginning of the county in 1898. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. 235 pp. 10 x 6 x 1/2, 16 x 12 x 2 1/2; sheets 8 x 10 1/2. 3 vols. 1903-30, vault; 1931--., 40 sheets in desk drawer, office; 1 vol. 1898, auditor's vault.

Warrants and Claims

2. COUNTY WARRANT BOOK, 1903--. 62 vols. 1912-14, 1936 missing. Title varies: Checks Supervisor. Stubs of warrants on the county treasurer, issued for county expense, show-

ing serial number, date, name of persons to whom issued and amount. 1919-28 carbon copies. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed form. 200 pp. 8 x 4 x 1, 17 x 14 x 1. 50 vols., 1903-31, vault; 12 vols., 1932--, office

3. (PAID CLAIMS), 1906--. 14 file boxes, 3 compts., 10 file drawers
4 paper boxes. Missing 1903-5.

Approved claims paid by county. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. File boxes $10\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \times 12$; compts. $10 \times 10 \times 14$, $15 \times 17 \times 18$; file drawers $16 \times 11 \times 27$; paper boxes $12 \times 16 \times 10$. 1906-31, vault; 1932--, office.

4. CLAIMS AUDITED, 1903--. 8 vols. Title varies: Voucher Book,
Journal; often referred to as Settlement Book.

File book of claims against the county. 1903-29 shows the date, serial number, name of payee, amount, and distribution. 1926--, shows only the date, number, payee, and amount. Arr. chron. and by no. of claim. Hdw. on printed form, 1903-29; hdw. on printed ruled form 1926--. 50 and 136 pp. $14 \times 8 \times 1$, $38 \times 16 \times 1$. 6 vols., 1903-25, vault; 1926--, office.

5. LEDGER, 1903--. 5 vols.

The general ledger for ordinary expenses, listing disbursements on various county accounts for which appropriations are made, showing date, name of account, name of payee, number and amount of warrant. 1926-30, ledger account kept by bookkeeping machine on cards. 1905-25, 1931--, indexed by name of account; 1903-5, 1926-30, no arr. or index. 1903-25, 1931--, hdw. on printed form; cards typed, 1926-30. 436pp. $14 \times 11 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; cards, 10×6 . 1903-30 vault; 1931--, office.

See entry 153.

6. INVOICES, 1905-6. 1 vol.

Original invoices sent to county commissioners by various firms selling supplies. Arr. chron. Typed and pasted in vol. 300 pp., 6 used. $18 \times 12 \times 2$. Vault.

7. (PURCHASE ORDERS), 1931--. 10 vols.

Carbon copies of orders signed by clerk or commissioners authorizing the purchase of materials for county uses. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. 150 pp. $9 \times 7\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$. Office.

Bonds

8. REGISTER COURT HOUSE BONDS, 1907-8. 1 vol.

Record of bonds issued for the construction of Lee County court house, showing 1907-- coupon number, to whom issued, when issued, denomination, interest date, interest due and paid. Made up in 1907 for interest and principal payments at maturity (1937), abandoned 1908. Arr. by no. of bond. Hdw. on printed form. 300 pp. $14 \times 8 \times \frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

See entry 152.

Reports

9. (TREASURERS REPORT), 1903-15. 1 file box.

Monthly reports from the treasurer on the financial condition of the county. Arr. chron. $10\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

Paupers and Chaingang

10. (PAUPERS' CERTIFICATES), 1907-8. 1 vol.

Stubs of paupers' certificates, showing date issued, to whom issued, address, condition, age, allowance. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. 100 pp., 27 used. 3 x 10 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

11. COMMITMENTS AND DISCHARGES, 1905-16. 1 file box.

Commitments and discharges of prisoners sentenced to chaingang maintained by county for road work. No arr. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

Correspondence

12. LETTERS, 1903-8. 1 file box.

Letters received by supervisor concerning official business. Arr. alph. by name of sender. 12 x 12 x 3. Vault.

13. LETTERS, 1905-6. 1 vol.

Letterpress record of letters sent by supervisor and county attorney. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of addressee. Typed. 500 pp., 91 used. 12 x 10 x 1. Vault.

Dispensary

14. (BIDS FOR DISPENSARY), 1908. 3 pkgs.

Bids offered by manufacturers and wholesalers of liquor, wine, or other intoxicants, for supplying the Lee County Dispensary. Typed. 10 x 4 x 4. Vault.

15. (PURCHASES BY DISPENSARY), 1907-8. 1 vol.

Record of purchases of wines, liquors, and other alcoholic goods by the Lee County Dispensary Board, showing page on invoice book, date, from whom purchased, residence, barrels, cases, page on ledger, total value, consumers' value. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 pp., 31 used. 15 x 21 x 1. Vault.

Map

16. MAP OF LEE COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA, 1934. 1 map.

Map of Lee County showing miles of paved road, improved highways; county lines, school districts, power lines and railroads. Drawn by A. E. McCall, Federal Emergency Relief Administration Project. Manuscript. 1 inch = 3000'. 4 x 8 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Office.

II. CLERK OF COURT

The clerk of court is a constitutional official elected for a term of four years (Const. 1895, V, 27). As clerk of the two circuit courts of common pleas and general sessions, he is custodian of all papers filed in civil

or criminal actions; he keeps a record of all orders, judgments, and sentences of the courts (Code 3585-86); and he reports to the sheriff the names of all who do not obey them. He collects and delivers to the county treasurer all fines, forfeitures, and money for licenses; and he is required to make written monthly reports to the auditor and the treasurer, giving accurate statements of these collections (Code 3612). He files sheriff's returns (ibid. 744), original inquisitions of the coroner (ibid. 3564), and papers for cases sent up by magistrates (ibid. 3721).

The code of laws requires the clerk of court to be custodian of a number of miscellaneous enrollments: the roll of magistrates and constables (Code 3586), of notaries public (ibid. 3461), of county officers (ibid. 3622), of physicians and surgeons (ibid. 5153), of Confederate veterans (ibid. 3623-24), and of enlisted men discharged from the service of the United States (ibid. 8893). He keeps a record of public bonds issued (ibid. 8891), he was formerly required to register automobile ownership (Acts 1906, p. 79), and he issues licenses to potholes (Code 7120). He is custodian of the records of vital statistics, for which no provision has yet been made by the health department. By law he is also responsible for the registration books of the qualified electors when the records are not in the custody of the board of registration (ibid. 2285). In 1917 he was required to file cancelled liquor permits (Acts pp. 69-70).

The clerk of court is also register of mesne conveyance, charged with the recording of deeds, mortgages and other papers relating to ownership of real or personal property. For this he is entitled to fees. Before he records a real estate deed he must send it to the auditor to register so that the change of ownership may be entered upon the tax duplicate (Code 3629; 3632-35).

Since the office of master does not exist in Lee County (Acts 1913, p. 116; 1914, p. 667), the duties are devolved upon a referee, by the consent of parties concerned. The clerk of court as referee may administer oaths, take depositions, affidavits, and renunciations of dower; he may sign orders of reference, and when not contested, he may grant orders in partition and dower (Code 3590). He also may make sales under court order in granting equitable relief (ibid. 740).

General Sessions

17. CRIMINAL ROLLS, 1903--. 20 file boxes, approx. 60 bundles to a box. (1-1160). Original papers of criminal cases, including indictments, arrest warrants and sentences. Arr. by no. of case. File boxes 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

18. SESSIONS INDEX, 1903--. 1 vol. Index to criminal rolls, showing name of defendant, offense charged, disposition of case, term when ended, and number on file, year. Arr. alph. by name of defendant. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 279 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. Vault.

19. GENERAL SESSIONS FILE DOCKET, 1913-18. 1 vol.

Record of papers (such as arrest warrants, testimony, order for bail, petitions for writ, and appearance recognizance) filed in connection with criminal cases, showing no. of cause, no. of term, name of parties, cause of action, name of prosecutor, defendant's attorney, papers filed, disposition of papers. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 199 double pp. 16 x 12 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

20. SESSIONS DOCKET, 1903--. 2 vols.

List of criminal cases, showing no. of case, no. of term, prosecutor, prosecuted, cause of action, plaintiff's and defendant's attorneys, order of last court, event of suit. Arr. by no. of cause under term of court. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 double pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

21. CONTINGENT DOCKET, 1906--. 1 vol.

Record of criminal cases which have been ordered transferred from sessions docket for various reasons, yet which may be called on motion of the solicitor, showing no. of cause, no. of term, plaintiff, defendant, cause of action, plaintiff's and defendant's attorneys, order of last court, event of suit. Arr. by no. of cause under term of court. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 159 double pp. 14 x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

22. GENERAL SESSIONS JOURNAL, 1903--. 3 vols.

Record of all criminal court proceedings, containing presentments and findings of the grand jury on bills, sentences of the court on parties convicted, orders of estreat, and fines imposed. Arr. chron. Hdw. 682 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

23. INDEX TO GENERAL SESSIONS JOURNAL; 1903--. 1 vol.

Shows name of defendant, kind of case, page, number, book, term, year. Arr. alph. by name of defendant. Hdw. 300 pp. 21 x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

24. FINES AND FORFEITURES, 1903--. 1 vol. Last entry 1931.

Record of fines and forfeitures collected by the clerk of court, showing name, cause of fine, when fined, by whom, amount of fine, to whom due, where collected, by whom, why not collected, when paid over, to whom paid. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 159 double pp., 5 used, 16 x 10 x 1. Vault.

25. WRIT OF VENIRE FACIAS, 1903--. 1 file box.

Writs issued to summon grand and petit jurors. Arr. chron. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

26. JURY BOOK, 1903--. 2 vols.

Record of jurors in attendance at court, showing no., name, days, miles (traveled), term, year, amount and remarks. Arr. chron. by term of court. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 pp. 14 x 8 x 1. Vault.

27. JURORS PAY BILLS, 1907--. 8 vols. (2-7, 7A). 1903-6 missing.

Stubs of pay bills for jurors, constables and porters, showing date, name, time, mileage and total. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed form. 250 pp. 17 x 14 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. 1907-30, balcony, vault; 1930--, vault.

28. WITNESS PAY BILL, 1908--. 3 vols. (2-4) 1903-7 missing. Stubs of pay bills issued by clerk to state witnesses in criminal cases, showing date, name, case, time, miles, and total. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed form. 250 pp. 17 x 14 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. 1908-30, balcony vault; 1930-vault.

29. PARDONS AND PAROLES, 1905--. 1 file box. Signed original pardons received by clerk from secretary of state. Arr. chron. Typed on printed form. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

30. RECORD OF PARDONS, 1905--. 1 vol. Record of prisoners pardoned, showing name, date of conviction, date of pardon, offense for which convicted. Indexed by name of prisoner. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 100 double pp. 14 x 8 x 1. Vault.

31. INQUISITIONS OF CORONER, 1903--. 1 file box. Last entry 1929. Original coroner's inquisitions, consisting chiefly of verdicts signed by the jurors, with some testimony and recognizance for appearance in general sessions court. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. and hdw. on printed form. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

32. RECORD OF FORFEITED WEAPONS, 1913--. 1 vol. Last entry 1917. Shows by whom forfeited, date, article, make, brand, caliber, no., other description, and remarks. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 133 pp. 17 x 11 x 1. Balcony vault.

Common Pleas

(See also entries 100-102)

33. CIVIL ROLLS, 1903--. 108 file boxes. (Cases 1-3658). Original papers of civil cases tried in court of common pleas. Arr. by enrollment no. of case. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.
See entries 35-36.

34. ABSTRACT OF JUDGMENTS, 1903--. 2 vols. Abstract of judgments filed in civil rolls; shows enrollment no., name of parties, date of judgment, amount of judgment, time bearing interest, how obtained, attorney, clerk, sheriff, witness, total cost, kind of execution, date of filing, sheriff's returns, when renewed, satisfaction. Arr. chron. and by enrollment no. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 248 double pp. 20 x 14 x 2. Vault.

35. DIRECT INDEX TO ABSTRACTS OF JUDGMENTS, 1903--. 2 vols. Title varies: Direct Index to Judgments. Index to abstracts of judgments and civil rolls, entry 33, showing plaintiff defendant, book, page, roll no., year. Arr. alph. by name of plaintiff. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 550 pp. 16 x 11 x 3, 21 x 9 x 3. Vault.

36. CROSS INDEX TO ABSTRACTS OF JUDGMENTS, 1903--. 2 vols. Title varies: Cross Index to Judgments. Index to abstracts of judgments and civil rolls, entry 33, showing defendant plaintiff, book, page, roll no., year. Arr. alph. by name of defendant. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 550 pp. 16 x 11 x 3, 21 x 9 x 3. Vault.

37. PLEADINGS AND JUDGMENTS, 1903--. 26 vols. (1-26).

Transcripts of civil rolls, entry 33, showing complaint, answer and judgment of case wherein judgment has been signed, and proceedings in dower, partition, and escheat. Arr. chron. Hdw. 1903-11, 1915--; vol 4, 1912-14, hdw. and typed. 900 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Vault.

38. INDEX TO PLEADINGS AND JUDGMENTS, 1903--. 2 vols.

Shows plaintiff, defendant, roll, book, page and year. Arr. alph. by name of plaintiff. Vol. 1, 1903--, hdw. on ruled form; vol. 2, 1927--, hdw. on printed ruled form. Vol. 1, 300 pp. 21 x 8 x 2; vol. 2, 600 pp. 16 x 11 x 3. Vault.

39. FILE DOCKET (Rules Book), 1903--. 2 vols.

Record of papers filed in civil suits, showing number of case, parties, attorneys, nature of action, date, date papers filed, orders made, proceedings and remarks. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of plaintiff and defendant. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 250 pp. 16 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2. Vault.

40. COMMON PLEAS CALENDAR 1, 1903--. 2 vols.

List of civil causes on issues of fact to be passed on by the jury, showing number of cause, term, plaintiff, defendant, cause of action, date of note of issue, plaintiff's and defendant's attorney, disposition of last court and remarks. Arr. by no. of cause under term of court. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 250 pp. 16 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2. Vault.

41. COMMON PLEAS CALENDAR 2, 1903--. 3 vols. (1-3).

List of civil causes on issues of law to be passed on by the court, showing number of cause, term, plaintiff, defendant, cause of action, date of note of issue, plaintiff's and defendant's attorneys, disposition of last court and remarks. Arr. by no. of cause under term of court. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 300 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

42. COMMON PLEAS CALENDAR 3, 1903--. 1 vol.

List of civil causes not defended, wherein judgment goes by default, showing number of cause, term, plaintiff, defendant, cause of action, date of note of issue, plaintiff's and defendant's attorneys, disposition of last court and remarks. Arr. by no. of cause under term of court. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 300 pp. 16 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2. Vault.

43. BAR DOCKET, 1905--. 1 vol. Last entry 1910.

Record for use of bar of all civil cases in court, showing number of cause, number of term, plaintiff, defendant, cause of action, plaintiff's and defendant's attorneys, order of last court, event of suit. Arr. by no. of cause under calendars 1, 2 or 3, by term of court. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 159 pp. 14 x 10 x 1. Vault.

44. LIS PENDENS, 1913--. 3 vols.

Record, entry upon which constitutes notice of pending action that affects title to real estate; transcript, 1913-28; abstract, showing date of filing, defendant, plaintiff and description of property, 1928--. Arr. chron. 1913-17, indexed by plaintiff and defendant in a tiny memo book within covers of record book. Hdw. 1913-27; hdw. on printed ruled form, 1928--.

579 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. Vault.

45. INDEX TO LEVIES ON REAL ESTATE, 1926--. 1 vol.
Record of mortgage owners to be notified of sheriff's levies upon real estate for unpaid taxes, showing name of mortgagee, post office address of owner of mortgage, name of grantor or mortgagor, kind of instrument, book and page of recordation, date filed with sheriff, sheriff's receipt, clerk's certificate of sheriff's notice to mortgagee. Arr. alph. by name of mortgagee. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 150 double pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

46. RECORD OF ATTACHMENTS, 1928--. 1 vol.
Record of attachment proceedings, showing date of warrant, plaintiff, defendant, sum demanded, date of return, and return of constable or other officer. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of plaintiff and defendant. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 123 double pp. 3 used. 14 x 9 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

47. COMMON PLEAS JOURNAL, 1903--. 3 vols. (1-3).
Record of court proceedings in civil cases, including reports of sales by sheriff and referee, orders, answers, and jurors' expenses by terms. Arr. chron. For index see entries 48, 51. Hdw. 714 pp. 16 x 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

48. INDEX TO COMMON PLEAS JOURNAL, 1903--. 1 vol.
Shows plaintiff, defendant, roll, book, page and year. Arr. alph. by name of plaintiff. Hdw. 300 pp. 31 x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

49. RECORD OF MISCELLANEOUS PROCEEDINGS, 1913--. 1 vol. Last entry 1929.
Record of miscellaneous proceedings: bankruptcy, naturalization, discharge from United States Marine Corps. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of persons concerned; also separate index, entry 51. Hdw. 548 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

50. (MISCELLANEOUS FILE), 1913-17. 1 file (Pkg. no. 1-18).
Original papers of naturalization proceedings, appointment as deputy clerk bankruptcy cases, appointment as deputy sheriff. Arr. chron. Typed and hdw. on printed form. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

51. MISCELLANEOUS INDEX, 1913-29. 1 vol.
Index to record of miscellaneous proceedings also to a few entries re-indexed in index to Common Pleas Journal, showing date, name, matter, file book, and page. Arr. alph. by name of persons concerned. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 500 pp. 21 x 9 x 3. Vault.
See entries 47, 49.

52. GUARDIAN AD LITEM, 1902--. 1 vol. Last entry 1914.
Record of orders appointing guardians to represent minors temporarily in certain suits or actions. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of guardian. Hdw. 484 pp., 52 used. 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

53. RECEIPTS FOR PAPERS, 1903-26. 1 vol. of 104 receipts.
Receipts for papers taken from clerk of court's vault by attorneys, showing title of case, date, name of paper, signature of attorney, with note by clerk when returned. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed form. 200 pp. 14 x 8 x 1. Vault.

Miscellaneous

54. ESTRAYS, 1908--. 1 vol. Last entry 1908.

Record of stray animals taken up, showing name of magistrate, appraisers, valuation, by whom taken up, when sold, disposition of proceeds, date of entry, kind of entry, description by appraisers, name of appraiser. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 double pp. 16 x 10 x 1. Vault.

55. LIQUOR PERMITS, 1917. 1 file box.

Cancelled liquor permits returned by express company to clerk of court. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. $10\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ x $13\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

See entry 123.

County Officers

56. NOTARY PUBLIC, MAGISTRATE AND CONSTABLE ROLLS, 1903--. 1 vol.

Register showing name, date of qualification, office, expiration of term, genuine signature, by whom appointed, name of sureties. Arr. alph. by name of officer. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 99 double pp. 13 x 18 x 1. Vault.

57. RECORD OF COUNTY OFFICERS, 1913--. 1 vol.

Record, showing name, office, date of commission, date of qualification, by whom appointed, genuine signature, expiration of term, and remarks. Arr. alph. by name of officer. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 150 pp. 17 x 11 x 1. Vault.

58. ASSESSORS, 1913-31. 1 file box.

Official notices from secretary of state, signed by secretary and governor, of appointment of township board, of assessors, filed with oaths of office taken by appointees. Arr. chron. No index. Typed and hdw. $10\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ x $13\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

Licenses

59. HAWKERS AND PEDDLERS LICENSES, 1910-28. 1 file box.

Record of fees set by county board of commissioners for itinerant vendors and salesmen. Arr. chron. No index. Typed. $10\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ x $13\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

60. HAWKERS AND PEDDLERS LICENSES, 1913--. 1 vol. (licenses 1-69).

Stubs of county licenses issued to hawkers and peddlers. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. 200 pp. 10 x 12 x 1. Vault.

Professional

61. RECORD OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS, 1903--. 1 vol. Last entry 1928.

Registration of certificates issued by state boards of medical, dental and pharmaceutical examiners, showing date of filing, name of physician, residence, place of birth, whether practicing by diploma or license, date issued, by whom granted, verified by oath or affirmation before. Arr. alph. by name of licensee. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 150 double pp. 16 x 11 x 1. Vault.

County Bonds

62. BOND ISSUES, 1919--. 1 file box (pkgs. 1-37).
Original papers relating to the issuance of bonds, such as petitions, form of bond, ballot, plat, etc. Arr. chron. Hdw. and typed. $10\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ x $13\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

63. RECORD OF PUBLIC BOND ISSUES, 1916--. 1 vol.
Record of bond issues of city, county, and county sub-division, showing no., bond issued by, plat filed (of bonded area), petition filed, no., of free holders and resident electors signing petition, proof of no. of each, date filed, signed by, notice of election, advertised, form of ballot, results declared, resolution fixing form of bond, amount of issue, length of issue and interest. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of unit issuing bond. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 213 double pp. 2 used. 18 x 12 x 2. Vault.

Motor Vehicles

64. AUTOMOBILE RECORD, 1910-17. 2 vols. (certificates 1-574). 1918-missing. Since 1925 this record kept by state highway commission. Record of applications for certificates of registration as owners of motor vehicles. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of owner. Hdw. on printed form. pp. 8 x 8 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

65. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES, MOTOR VEHICLES, 1913-18. 1 file box (certificates 161-574).
Applications of owners for certificates of registration as owner of a motor vehicle, also typed sheets from state highway department showing no., name street no., post office, make of car and fee. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed form, 1913-17; typed, 1918. $10\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ x $13\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

Vital Statistics

66. BIRTHS, 1915--. 600 pads.
Duplicate birth certificates, showing name of child, place and date of birth, name and occupation of father and mother, certificate of attending physician or mid-wife. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. 50 pp. 8 x 7 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Balcony vault.

67. INDEX TO BIRTHS, 1915--. 1 vol.
Shows name of child, father, mother's maiden name, date of birth, book, page. Arr. alph. by name of child. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Vault.

68. DEATHS, 1915--. 21 pkgs. in 1 cardboard box.
Duplicate certificates of death, showing name of deceased person, mother, father, date of death and cause. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. $10\frac{1}{2}$ x 10 x 9. Balcony vault.

69. INDEX TO DEATHS, 1915--. 1 vol.

Shows name of deceased, father, mother's maiden name, date of death, book and page. Arr. alph. by name of deceased. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Vault.

Military Records

70. OFFICIAL ROSTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND MARINES, 1917-18. 2 vols.

Official war record of all soldiers, sailors and marines from South Carolina who were in the World War. Arr. alph. under counties, by name of veteran. Printed. 1 vol. for white and 1 vol. for colored. 693 pp. and 1072 pp. 11 x 7 x 2. Vault.

71. PENSION ROLL, 1909-19. 1 file box, 10 bundles.

Roll of Confederate veterans, with notes and letters concerning payment of pension. Arr. chron. No index. Typed. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

Voters and Elections

72. REGISTRATION LEDGER, 1904, 1918. 2 vols.

Record of registered voters, showing no. of certificate, name, age, place of residence, polling precincts. Arr. by certificate no. under twps., 1904; arr. alph. by name of voter, 1918. Hdw. 50, 500 pp. 16 x 11 x 3/4, 18 x 12 x 3. Vault.

73. REGISTRATION BOOK, 1892, 1903, 1928. 64 vols.

Record of registered voters by precincts, showing name, age, place of residence, remarks. Arr. alph. by name of voters under precincts. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 25 pp. 16 x 12 x 1/2. 1892, 1903, balcony, vault; 1928, vault.

74. DEMOCRATIC CLUB ROLL, 1914, 1916, 1934. 39 vols.

Record of enrolled voters of the Democratic party, showing name, witness to mark, age, occupation, address, street and no. Arr. alph. by name of voter under precincts. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 25 pp. 17 x 14 x 1/2. 2 vols. 1914, commissioners' vault; 13 vols. 1916, clerk of court's vault; 24 vols. 1934, auditor's vault.

75. (CERTIFIED COPIES OF DEMOCRATIC CLUB ROLL), 1918-28. 1 file.

Transcripts of precinct club rolls, certified by the county chairman. Arr. chron. Names arr. alph. by precincts. Typed. 12 x 10 x 2. Balcony, vault.

76. GENERAL ELECTION (Returns), 1912-28. 1 file box.

Statements and returns of votes in general election for state offices and constitutional amendments, showing distribution and returns of votes. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 13 $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

Mesne Conveyance

Deeds and Plats

77. TITLES TO REAL ESTATE, 1902--. 28 vols. (A-Z, A1, B1).

Title varies: Deed Book.

Transcripts of contracts and all types of deeds for conveyance of real estate, timber rights and rights of way; also divorces. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Vault.

78. INDEX TO DEEDS, 1902--. 5 vols. Title varies: Grantor Index to Deeds.

Shows year of record, grantor, grantee, book, page; description, 1902-10; shows grantor's family name, given name, grantee's, book, page, no. of acres, brief description; loose-leaf Cott system, sub-indexed by family name, 1911--. Arr. alph. by name of grantor. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 1902-10, 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2; 1911--, 300 pp. 9 x 15 x 2. Vault.

79. INDEX TO DEEDS, 1902--. 5 vols. Title varies: Grantee Index to Deeds.

Shows year of record, grantee, grantor, book, page; description, 1902-10; shows grantee's family name, given name, grantor's, book, page, no. of acres, brief description, 1911--. Arr. alph. by name of grantee. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 1902-10, 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2; 1911--, 300 pp. 9 x 15 x 2. Vault.

80. PLAT BOOK, 1907--. 4 vols. (A-D).

Manuscript maps, and plans of towns, estates, rights of way, city lots, and other real estate. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of landowner. Hdw. and handdrawn. 156 pp., books A, C, D, 15 x 21 x 2; book B, 18 x 24 x 2. Vault.

Mortgages

81. MORTGAGES, 1902--. 38 vols. (1-38). Title varies: Real Estate Book, Real Estate Mortgages.

Transcripts of real estate mortgages. Arr. chron. 1902--, hdw.; 1902--, hdw. on printed form. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Vault.

82. MORTGAGOR INDEX, 1902--. 5 vols. Title varies: General Index to Real Estate Mortgages; Grantor.

Shows year of record, mortgagee, mortgagor, book, page, description, 1902-10; 1911--, date of record, grantee's family name, given name, grantors, book, page, no. of acres, brief description. Arr. alph. by grantee. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 1902-10, 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2; 1911--, 500 pp. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 15 x 2. Vault.

83. MORTGAGEE INDEX, 1902--. 5 vols. Title varies: Grantee Index to Real Estate Mortgages.

Shows year of record, mortgagee, mortgagor, book, page, description, 1902-10; 1911--, date of record, grantee's family name, given name, grantor's, book, page, no. of acres, brief description. Arr. alph. by grantee. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 1902-10, 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2; 1911--, 300 pp. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 15 x 2. Vault.

84. MECHANIC LIENS, 1902--. 1 vol.
Record of claims filed upon real estate for unpaid bills for labor or building materials, showing owner, against whom claimed, claimants, date of notice, (with hour), building, amount claimed, what proceedings have been had. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of owner. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 548 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Vault.
85. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, 1903--. 82 vols. (1-82). Title varies: Invoices, Crop Liens and Chattel Mortgage Book.
Record of mortgages on crops and personal property in various forms, such as sales agreement, purchase money mortgages, conditional sales contracts and government crop loans. Arr. chron. Hdw., typed, hdw. and typed on printed ruled form, pasted. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Vault.
86. LIENS AND CHATTEL MORTGAGES, 1903-9. 8 vols. (1, 3-6, 8-10). Title varies: Liens and Mortgage Book, Liens and Crop Mortgages Book. Books 2, 7 omitted.
Record of mortgages on crops and personal property, majority of instruments recorded being crop liens. Arr. chron. 1 vol. 1903; hdw.; 7 vols. 1904-9, hdw. on printed form. 900 pp. 14½ x 8½ x 2½, 18 x 12 x 2½. Vault.
87. DIRECT INDEX TO CHATTEL MORTGAGES OVER \$100, 1903--. 6 vols. (1-6). Title varies: General Index to Personal Property, Over \$100, Grantors; Direct Index to Record of Chattel Mortgage.
Index to chattel mortgage book, and lien and mortgage books, showing year, name of grantor, grantee, book, page. Arr. alph. by name of grantor. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 pp. 16 x 11 x 2½. 3 vols. 1903-15, balcony, vault; 3 vols. 1916--, vault.
88. CROSS INDEX TO CHATTEL MORTGAGES OVER \$100, 1903--. 6 vols. (1-6). Title varies: General Index to Personal Property, Over \$100, Cross Index to Record of Chattel Mortgage.
Index to chattel mortgage and lien and mortgage series, showing year, grantee, grantor, book, page. Arr. alph. by name of grantee. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 pp. 16 x 11 x 2½. 3 vols. 1903-15, balcony, vault; 3 vols. 1916--, vault.
89. INDEX TO CHATTEL MORTGAGES, \$100 AND LESS, 1902--. 17 vols. (1-17).
Record of chattel mortgages for sums of \$100 and less, showing year, date of presentment for record, mortgagor, mortgagee, date of mortgage, date of maturity, amount, character of debt, date of settlement, description of chattels pledged. Arr. alph. by mortgagor. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 410 pp. 14 x 15½ x 2, 18 x 12 x 3½. Vols. 1-14, balcony, vault; vols. 15-17, vault.
90. INDEX TO LIENS, 1903-21. 8 vols.
Record of agricultural crop liens, showing date of filing, maker of lien, in whose favor, date of lien, what given for, rent or advances, etc., with brief description of lands cultivated, and amount. Arr. alph. by name of maker. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 430 pp. 16 x 9 x 2. Vault.

91. RECORD OF INSTRUMENTS FILED, 1912-26. 3 vols. (1-3).
Record of instruments filed for recording, showing date of filing, mortgagor, grantor or obliger, mortgagee, grantee or obligee, nature of instrument. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Balcony, vault.
92. BONDS, 1913-27. 2 file boxes.
Bonds of rural police, game wardens and cotton seed weighers, for faithful and true performance of duty. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. $10\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ x $13\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.
93. RECORD OF BONDS, 1903---. 1 vol.
Record of county officers' official bonds for faithful performance of duties. Arr. alph. by name of officer. Hdw. 548 pp. 18 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.
94. THE CONTRACT BOOK OF TOBACCO GROWERS COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION, 1924.
1 vol.
Record of contracts and association agreements. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of grower. Hdw. on printed and typed form. 50 pp. $14\frac{1}{2}$ x 9 x 1. Balcony, vault.
95. THE CONTRACT BOOK OF S. C. COTTON GROWERS COOPERATIVE ASS'N., 1921-30.
1 vol.
Record of contracts between grower and South Carolina Cooperative Association, showing name of member, contract number, address, date of contract, date recorded. Arr. alph. by name of member. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 300 pp. 11 x 8 x $1\frac{1}{4}$. Balcony, vault.
96. INDEX LABOR CONTRACTS, 1908-28. 1 vol.
Record of labor contracts, showing date of index, date of contract, laborer, employer, date of term of contract, date and name of place where service is to be performed. Arr. alph. by name of laborer. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 150 double pp. $14\frac{1}{2}$ x 9 x 1. Vault.
97. RECORD OF INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS OTHER THAN CORPORATIONS, 1918---.
1 vol.
Record of mercantile establishments, showing date, name of establishment, town, owner or partners, address, retired, remarks. Arr. alph. by name of establishment. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 250 pp. 18 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.
98. (MERCANTILE ESTABLISHMENT STATEMENT), 1918-23. 1 file box.
Statement showing name and ownership of mercantile establishment as required by statute. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed form. $10\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ x $13\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.
99. REPORT BOOK, 1903-14. 1 vol. Since 1915 reports recorded in Common Pleas Journal, entry 47 or Pleadings and Judgment books, entry 47.
Record of reports by clerk of court or referee. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of plaintiff. Hdw. 640 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Vault.

Referee

100. RECORD OF RECEIPTS, 1903--. 3 vols. (1-3). Title varies:
Receipt Book.

Receipt Book 1, shows receipts for distribution of Confederate pension fund, receipts for copies of Code, acts and similar books, and receipts from sale when clerk acts as referee. Books 2, 3 contain receipts from county treasurer for fines and licenses, for Confederate pensions, and receipts from various parties in settlement of judgments when the clerk acts as referee. Arr. chron. No index. 1903-12, hdw.; 1913--, hdw. on printed form. 500 pp. 16 x 10 x 2. Vault.

See entries 71, 122.

101. RECORD OF SALES BY CLERK, 1903--. 1 vol.

Record of sales of property by clerk of court, showing title of cause, attorney, term and date of decree, interest of parties, amount of sale, costs, fees, etc., cash from sale; also receipts for money paid to clerk of court in settlement, with pasted newspaper clippings of notices of sale; also records of referees' sales and accounts, containing lately little description of property, and showing date of decree, sale, entry and conveyance. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of defendant with plaintiff in next column. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Vault.

III. JUDGE OF PROBATE

The judge of probate is a statutory official elected for a term of four years (1870, Stat. XIV, 432; Code 3640). His title is derived from his duty to prove or test the genuineness of the wills brought to the court and he officially approves them before they can be recorded. His duties are concerned with domestic relations as well as with transmission of property. All proceedings are instituted by petition, and the state supreme court makes the rules of practice in all cases not provided for by law. Upon petition and after publication of citation, he grants letters authorizing certain persons to act as executors of wills, as administrators of estates of persons dying without wills, or as guardians of orphaned minors. He also appoints committees to manage the affairs of lunatics and idiots. When no other guardian can be found, the law requires him to act as public guardian (Code 3623). Under certain conditions he may commit insane persons to the State Hospital (ibid. 6227), or incorrigible children to reformatories (ibid. 247). Once a year he makes a full report of all affairs in his charge to the court of common pleas, to which he is responsible for performance of his duties. From 1919 to 1937 he served as clerk of the county pension board and board of honor, disbursing pensions to veterans, widows, and faithful servants of the Confederacy (Acts, 1919, p. 277; 1920, p. 1100; 1923, p. 107; State, June 10, 1937). From 1917 to 1919 (Acts 1917, pp. 70-71; 18th amendment U. S. Const.), he was responsible for issuance of permits to import intoxicating liquors. Since 1882 a record of lands devised has been required (Stat. XVIII, 131). Suits for partition of real estate were placed under the jurisdiction of the court of common pleas in 1882 (Stat. XVII, 982), but the judge of probate still is required to keep a record of proceedings and orders relating to sale or division of real

estate (Code 3648). Since 1911, he has issued marriage licenses and kept a marriage register (Stat. XXVII, 131-33). Since 1922 he has been required to keep an inheritance tax record and to make returns of estates to the state tax commission (Acts, 1922, pp. 800-15; 1924, pp. 902-16).

Transmission of Property

102. (ESTATE PAPERS), 1903--. Pkgs. 1-1043 in 33 file boxes (1-38: nos. 10, 31, 24, 26, 28 omitted, none missing).

Original wills, petitions, orders, bonds, letters, inventories, appraisements, returns, and all papers pertaining to settlement of estates. Arr. in pkgs. chron., and numer. by no. of estate. $10\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ x $13\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

103. GENERAL INDEX, 1903--. 1 vol.

Index to estate papers, showing name of estate, name of executor, administrator or guardian, office, number of apartment, number of pkg. Arr. alph. by name of estate. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Office.

104. WILL BOOK, 1903--. 2 vols.

Transcripts of wills admitted to probate, and certificates of proof. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of estate. Hdw. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Office.

105. BOND RECORD, 1903--. 4 vols. (1-3).

Transcripts of administrators' and guardians bonds. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of estate. 1903-22, hdw.; 1913--, hdw. on printed form. 473 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Office.

106. LETTERS, 1903--. 4 vols. Title varies: Letters of Guardianship, Letters of Administration, Letters Testamentary.

Transcripts of letters of administration, of guardianship, testamentary and dismissory. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of estate. 1903-13, hdw.; 1913--, hdw. on printed form. 575 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Office.

107. INVENTORIES, APPRAISEMENTS AND SALES, 1903--. 1 vol.

Transcripts of inventories, appraisements, and sales to settle estates. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of estate. Hdw. 548 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Office.

108. RETURNS, 1903--. 1 vol.

Record of receipts and disbursements by executors, administrators and guardians, including final settlements. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of estate. Hdw. 548 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Office.

109. CASH BOOK, 1903--. 1 vol.

Record of accounts with estates for which the judge of probate has received any money, bonds, notes, stock, choses in action, or other property, as well as all charges and costs; chiefly a record of fees. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of estate. Hdw. 548 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

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110. INDEX TO LANDS DEVISED, 1903--. 1 vol. Last entry 1913. Record of lands bequeathed by wills, showing name of devisors, name of devisees, descriptions of lands devised, date of will, where recorded. Arr. alph. by name of testator. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 400 pp. 13 x 11 x 2. Vault.

111. RECORD OF TAXABLE INHERITANCE, 1922--. 1 vol. Record of estates subject to state inheritance tax showing name and title, address, file no., dates of filing qualification, copy of will, inventory and appraisement, reappraisement order by court, and account filed with commissioner, extension of time by court for payment of tax, date of payment of tax to State Treasurer, remarks. Arr. alph. by name of estate. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 double pp. 14 x 17 x 1. Vault.

Court Procedure

112. PROBATE COURT DOCKET, 1902--. 1 vol. Record of hearings, fees, filing of papers, and wills, 1902-17. Record of estates settled by judge of probate, 1917--, showing fees, costs, distribution of funds, all under the following headings: number of case, parties' attorney, nature of process, date of service, date of hearing, proceedings, orders, etc., fees. Began as a docket of papers filed, now an account book of costs and fees. Cases numbered and entered in chron. order. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 199 double pp. 16 x 11 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

113. FILE DOCKET, 1903-15. 1 vol. Record of papers filed and orders made, showing number of case, parties, attorneys, nature of action, papers filed, orders made and proceedings, remarks. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 double pp. 91 used, 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

114. JOURNAL, 1903--. 2 vols. Record of orders, applications, decrees, and petitions of probate court; also two divorces. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of estate. Hdw. 548 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

115. PETITIONS AND ORDERS, 1922. 1 vol. Record of (form 1) petition for letters of administration and orders for citation to issue, and (form 2) record of petitions to prove will in common form of law and for letters. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. 523 pp. 13 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

For prior and subsequent records see entry 114.

116. REAL ESTATE, 1905--. 1 vol. Last entry 1926. Records of orders, answers, petitions, and proof of service, in probate court cases relating to the sale or division of real estate. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of estate. Hdw. 548 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

117. INDEX TO MONEY DECREES, 1914, 1922--. 1 vol. of two entries. Index to money decrees enrolled to give them the force of judgments against estates, showing number of box, number of pkg., names of parties, and estates, attorneys, cause of action, amount to be paid, cost, date of enrollment, date of execution. Arr. alph. by name of plaintiff. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 250 double pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

Lunacy

118. LUNACY PAPERS, 1903--. 1 file box.
Applications, medical certificates of insanity, and receipts for delivery of patients to State Hospital. Arr. chron. 11 x 5 x 23. Vault.

119. RECORD OF LUNATICS, 1903--. 1 vol.
Index to lunacy papers, showing name, residence, apt., file, remarks. Arr. alph. by name of insane person, 1903-28; arr. chron. 1928--. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 248 pp. 14 x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 1. Vault.

Marriage

120. MARRIAGE LICENSES, 1911--. 9 file boxes.
Original marriage certificates and licenses. Arr. chron. 11 x 5 x 23. Vault.

121. MARRIAGE REGISTER, 1911--. 2 vols.
Record of marriages, showing file no., name and residence of man, age, color, name and residence of woman, age, date of issue, name and title of minister or officer celebrating marriage, date of marriage, date of return, remarks. Arr. alph. by man's name. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 500 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Vault.

Pensions

122. DISTRIBUTION OF STATE PENSION FUND, 1916--. 1 vol.
Record of Confederate pensions paid by state, showing no., check no., name of recipient, date check delivered, name and location of bank drawn on, date, amount of check, class in which pensioner belonged, is pensioner dead, date of pensioner's death, name and address of party with whom pensioner lived at time of death, how was check delivered, remarks. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 201 double pp. 17 x 15 x 2. Vault.
See entries 71, 100.

Liquor Permits

123. RECORD OF LIQUOR PERMITS ISSUED, 1917-19. 3 vols.
Record of permits to import a quart of intoxicating liquor, showing date, certificate, no., name of applicant or consignee, office, carrier, amount and kind of liquor, remarks. Arr. alph. by name of applicant. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Vault.
See entry 55.

IV. MAGISTRATES

Magistrates are constitutional justices appointed by the Governor with the consent of the senate for a term of two years (Const. 1895, art. V, 20). Lee County magistrates are nominated in the Democratic primary, and each candidate must be a resident of the magisterial district for which he offers.

The number of districts has varied from five to eight (Acts 1902, p. 1199; 1921, pp. 299, 482), the present districts being Bishopville, Cypress, Ionia, Lucknow, Lynchburg, Spring Hill, St. Charles, and Stokes Bridge. Each magistrate appoints a constable to serve his warrants and execute his orders, except at Bishopville, where the rural policemen perform these duties (Acts 1934, p. 2070). All magistrates hold court in their respective districts but have concurrent jurisdiction in civil and criminal matters throughout the county (Acts 1914, p. 556). Jurisdiction may be prescribed by statute provided it does not extend to civil cases where property in dispute exceeds one hundred dollars in value; or to criminal cases where punishments exceed a fine of one hundred dollars or imprisonment for thirty days. They may sit as an examining court, administer oaths, take depositions, and renunciations of dower (Code 3714). They may bind to keep the peace not to exceed twelve months (Const. 1895, art. V, 21). Proceedings are instituted in criminal cases by information under oath (Code 930). Trial may be by a jury of six (Code 3711), and cases may be appealed to the circuit court (ibid. 266, 1024). In certain cases the magistrate may act as coroner (ibid. 3562). The magistrates make monthly reports to the treasurer and to the auditor (ibid. 3723). Their accounts are audited by the board of county commissioners, to whom they submit their dockets at quarterly meetings (ibid. 3719, 3750).

124. MAGISTRATES CRIMINAL DOCKET, 1903--. 12 vols.

Record of criminal trials or cases brought before the magistrate's court showing date, title of case, offence, witness, jurors, officers, magistrate's cost, fines, constable's cost, verdict and disposition of case. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 50 double pp. 16 x 11 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Dockets for 6 courts, with dates of dockets varying widely, all in the commissioners' vault except the following: Lynchburg, 1931--; magistrate's office; Bishopville, 1917-19, clerk of court's vault; 1923--; magistrate's home; Cypress, 1907-15, auditor's vault:

125. MAGISTRATES CIVIL DOCKET, 1902-15. 2 vols.

Record of civil cases tried before M. B. McCutchen, magistrate at Bishopville, showing no., date, title of case, cause of action, witness, attorneys, officers, disposition of case, jurors, amount claimed, cost. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 40 double pp. 16 x 11 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Commissioners' vault.

V. SHERIFF

By the constitution of 1895 (Art. V, 50), the sheriff is elected for a term of four years. He is allowed to appoint as many deputies as he may require (Code 3486, 3489), subject to the approval of the county delegation. The sheriff is required to attend every session of the circuit courts (ibid. 3519) and he has charge of the jail and all prisoners (ibid. 1938). He or his deputy serves and executes all processes, writs, precepts, and orders issued by the courts, and directed to him (ibid. 3520). It is his duty to see that the peace of the county is preserved, and if necessary in so doing, he may call to his aid any person (ibid. 1952). He collects delin-

quent taxes under execution from the county treasurer (*ibid.* 2853-56), he makes judicial sales (*ibid.* 3542), once a month he has a "sale day" at the court house (*ibid.* 9073). Every sixty days he has a settlement with the county treasurer (*ibid.* 2856, 3547), and once a month he makes written statements to the auditor and to the treasurer of fines and moneys collected (*ibid.* 3544).

See entries 45, 46, 143, 144.

126. WRIT BOOK, 1902--. 2 vols.
Record of every summons, subpoena, rule, injunction or other mesne process from the courts received by the sheriff, showing parties, attorneys, kind of action, when lodged, by whom served, how and when served, miles, sheriff's cost. Arr. chron. Indexed by plaintiff. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 250 double pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Office.

127. EXECUTION BOOK, 1902--. 2 vols.
Record of every final process received by the sheriff, showing kind of process, when lodged, original entry, parties, debt, interest and cost, attorneys, amount received, date of levy, receipts. Arr. chron. Indexed by plaintiff. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 246 double pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Office.

128. SALES BOOK, 1902--. 2 vols.
Record of sales made by sheriff under order, decree, execution, or final process of any court of this state. Book 1 shows name of parties, description of property, when and to whom sold, amount of sale, name of sureties etc., bond due, how applied. Book 2, shows title of cause, attorneys, term and date of decree, clerk in account with this cause, interest of parties, amount of sale, cost, fee, etc. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 199 double pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Office.

129. SHERIFF'S TAX EXECUTION BOOK, 1902--. 23 vols.
Record of delinquent taxes turned over to the sheriff for collection under execution of county treasurer, showing no. of execution, name, date of payment, no. of acres, lots, and buildings, value of realty, value of personalty, total value, total tax, taxes and penalties, executions collected and paid to county treasurer, executions nulla bona, treasurer's cost, sheriff's cost, mills and remarks. Arr. alph. by twps. 1902-18; by school districts, 1919--. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 double pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Vault.

130. JAIL BOOK, 1917--. 2 vols.
Record of prisoners committed to jail, showing no., name of person, date admitted, color, age, sex, offence, by whom committed, sentence, release, on bond, chaingang, penitentiary, paid fine, hospital for insane. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 251 double pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Bedroom of jailor, in jail on Railroad Avenue, Bishopville.

VI. CORONER

The coroner is a constitutional official elected for a term of four years (Const. 1895, art. V, 30). His duty is to make inquest into cause of sudden or mysterious death. His office is historically closely related to that of the sheriff; he is the only official authorized to arrest the sheriff (if necessary), he must act as sheriff during a vacancy of that office, and he is not allowed to act under any order or appointment of the sheriff (Code, 3559, 3566). The coroner is required to keep a book of inquisitions (ibid. 3563), and to file original inquisitions with the clerk of court (ibid. 3564).

See entry 31.

131. CORONER'S INQUISITION, 1902--. 2 vols.
Record of testimony and verdicts of coroner's inquests into sudden or violent death. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of deceased. Hdw. 446 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Clerk of Court's vault.

VII. AUDITOR

The auditor is a statutory official for the assessment of taxes (1868, Stat., XIV, 28-67; XV, 777-78). The governor with the consent of the senate appoints for a term of four years (Code, 2698) the candidate nominated in the Democratic primary. The auditor is assisted in his duties of discovering and evaluating property by the township boards of assessors, whose chairmen form the county board of equalization (Code 2715, 2743). From January 1 to March 1, the auditor receives the sworn returns of taxpayers (ibid. 2702-3). From these returns, he compiles the information into tax duplicates for himself and the treasurer (ibid. 2713). He keeps a permanent record of all abatements of taxes (Acts 1900, p. 307), and a record of conveyances of real estate (1882, Stat. XVII, p. 1016). He also sends an abstract of the duplicate to the comptroller general (Code 2728), who prescribes the system of book-keeping and examines his books annually (ibid. 2731-32). The auditor, the treasurer, and the clerk of court as register of mortgage conveyance, constitute the forfeited land commission of the county, for whom the auditor buys in at distress sales all lands for which no bid is offered equal to the amount of taxes due (Acts 1926, p. 920; 1929, pp. 125-27; 1933, p. 212). These lands are sold again by the commission as soon as it can be done advantageously, in order that they may be returned to the tax books and again yield revenue.

Assessment

132. RETURNS FOR TAXATION, 1931--. 15 vols.
Sworn statements of taxpayers, showing name of taxpayer, school district address, real estate and personal property. Arr. alph. by name of taxpayer, under school district. Hdw. on printed form. 700 pp. 15 x 10 x 5. Office.

133. AUDITOR'S DUPLICATE, 1902--. 35 vols.
Schedule of all taxable property, real and personal, in Lee County, itemized

in detail, showing name and address of taxpayer, no. of acres and value of buildings in rural area; no. and value of lots and buildings, in cities, towns and villages; amount and value of each kind of personal property, total value of all taxable property, total tax and levy. Arr. alph. by taxpayer, under twps., 1902-18; under school districts, 1919--. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 500 double pp. 18 x 25 x 3. Vault.

134. ABATEMENT BOOK, 1923--. 10 vols. Last entry 1933.
Record of abatement of taxes on over-assessed or erroneously assessed property; showing tax duplicate charges and abatements allowed, name of taxpayer; fiscal year, total value and no. of lots, buildings, personal property, total taxable property, state tax, county, school, special taxes, total taxes charged, abatement date, no. of acres and value, lots, buildings, personal property, total taxable property, state tax, county, school, and special tax, polls, abated by county auditor, remarks. Arr. by no. of school district. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 100 double pp. 17 x 14 x 1. Vault.

135. RECORD OF CONVEYANCES OF REAL PROPERTY, 1902--. 2 vols.
Record of transfer of real property by deeds, showing date of sale, date of entry, seller, purchaser, property outside of cities and towns, no. of acres, no. of buildings, price paid, valuation, valuation property in cities and towns, lots, houses, price paid, assessed value, percentage of valuation, remarks. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 404 double pp. 16 x 19 x 2. 1902-34, vault; 1935--., office.

Settlement Records

136. RETURNS TO AUDITOR OF LICENSES, FINES, PENALTIES ETC., 1902-11.
1 vol.
Record of collections by treasurer, showing date of return, name of officer, office, name of payer, date of payment, licenses, fines, penalties, forfeitures, total, remarks. Arr. chron. 100 pp. 13 x 8 x 1. Vault.

137. (ABSTRACTS AND SETTLEMENTS), 1928--. 3 bundles.
Abstracts of all kinds, and settlement sheets. Arr. chron. 8 x 4 x 6. Vault.

138. COUNTY WARRANTS, 1919--. 50 file boxes.
Cancelled school claims, county checks, bonds and bond coupons paid by county treasurer. Arr. chron. No index. Hdw. on printed form. 10 x 3 x 14, 16 x 12 x 14. Vault.

Correspondence

139. (CORRESPONDENCE), 1919--. 10 files (Wall hook files).
Letters received and sent by the county auditor in connection with official business. Arr. chron. Vault.

Forfeited Land Commission

140. FORFEITED LAND COMMISSION BOOK NO. 1, 1936--. 1 vol.

Record of purchases by the auditor, and sales, of real estate forfeited for non-payment of taxes, licenses, and paving assessments, showing no. of execution, name, no. of acres, lots and buildings, value of realty, date, total taxes and penalties, amount of sale. Arr. chron. under school districts. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Office.

VIII. TREASURER

The treasurer is a statutory official appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate for a term of four years (1868, Stat. XIV, 66; Code 2789). His office is open from September 15 to December 31 for the receipt of taxes (ibid. 2795), which are levied for state, county, school, and special purposes. He transmits to the state treasurer all taxes for state purposes, and he disburses by county checks all money for the county, upon warrants signed by the appropriate boards or officials. Since the treasurer is responsible for the safety of all county funds, he is under the most rigid regulations of all county officers, and his bond may not be for less than \$20,000 (ibid. 2789). The comptroller general prescribes the system of bookkeeping (ibid. 2732), and his books must be examined at least twice a year. Each month he sends the comptroller general a complete statement of total collections to date (ibid. 2802), he reports to the county commissioners the amount and character of funds collected for the county, and he reports to the county superintendent of education his collections and disbursements of poll tax and other school funds (ibid. 2801, 2828). Once a year he has a settlement with the comptroller general, signed by the auditor, sheriff, superintendent of education, chairman of the county commissioners and himself, and approved by the foreman of the grand jury (ibid. 2840-41).

When Lee County was created, it assumed a share of the debts of its parent counties, Sumter, Darlington, and Kershaw. The auditors and treasurers of those counties were ordered to make up separate books, to take separate tax returns, and to keep separate tax collections until those officials had been appointed and qualified for Lee (Stat. XXIII, 1200-1201). See entries 9, 137, 166.

TAX Collections and Receipts

141. TREASURER'S DUPLICATE, 1902--. 35 vols.

Record of taxable property, showing no. of tax receipt, name of taxpayer, address, date of payment, no. of acres, lots and buildings, value of all taxable real estate, value of all taxable personal property, total of all taxable property, total tax levies, poll tax, total for collection. Arr. alph. by taxpayers, under twps., 1902-13; by school districts, 1919--. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 249 double pp. 18 x 12 x 2. 20 vols. 1902-22, auditor's vault; 15 vols. 1923--., office.

142. TAX RECEIPTS, 1925--. 112 vols.

A carbon copy record of tax receipts issued by the treasurer for taxes, levied as shown in treasurer's duplicate. Arr. numer. by receipt no., alph.

by taxpayers name, under school district no. Hdw. on printed form. 200 pp. 17 x 12 x 1. Sheriff's vault.

143. TREASURER'S TAX EXECUTION, 1904--. 27 vols. 1917, 1919 missing. Record of delinquent taxes turned over to sheriff for collection, showing no. of execution, name of taxpayer, date of payment; no. of acres, lots, and buildings, value of realty, value of personalty, total value, total taxes and penalties, poll, penalty on polls, dogs, capitation road tax, total tax and penalties, executions collected and paid to the county treasurer, executions nulla bona, treasurer's and sheriff's cost, and remarks. Arr. alph. by taxpayer, under twps., 1904-18; under school district, 1919--. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 198 double pp. 18 x 12 x 2. 15 vols. 1904-23, auditor's vault; 12 vols. 1924--., office.

144. SHERIFF'S REMITTANCE BOOK, 1926-35. 1 vol. Record of sheriff's collections remitted to county treasurer, showing year, district, poll, road, and dog taxes, total amount paid. Arr. under no. of school district. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 167 double pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Office.

145. (ROAD TAX COLLECTIONS), 1904-21. 1 vol. Record of road tax collections, showing receipt no. and name of taxpayer, also 1915-21, record of gross monthly collections of magistrates turned over to treasurer. Arr. alph. by taxpayer's name, under twps.; magistrates, arr. chron. under magistrate's name. Hdw. on ruled form. 200 pp. 12 x 7 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Auditor's vault.

146. (MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS), 1902-30. 1 vol. Record of collections from miscellaneous sources, such as school library, bond issues, insurance, dispensary, fines, marriage licenses, gasoline account, and borrowed money. Also record of court expenses and 1903-4 abatements. Arr. chron. Indexed by name of account. Hdw. on ruled form. 407 pp. 14 x 9 x 1. Auditor's vault.

147. (DOG LICENSES RECEIPT BOOK), 1923. 1 vol. (501-1000). Carbon copies of receipts issued to dog owners, on payment of license fee for the year 1923. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. 125 pp. 10 x 7 x 1. Auditor's vault.

148. MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS OF TREASURER, 1920--. 7 vols. Carbon copies of receipts issued by treasurer for miscellaneous collections, such as magistrate's fines, state aid, marriage licenses. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed form. 150 pp. 9 x 7 x 1, 16 x 8 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. 5 vols. 1920-28, auditor's vault; 2 vols. 1929--., office.

Cash Books, Ledgers, and File Books

149. CASH BOOK, 1903, 1902-23. 1 vol. Record of tax collections; showing date, road tax, dog tax, value of property, special school tax, poll tax, total amount of all tax. Arr. chron. 1902-16; by school districts, 1917-23. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 558 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Auditor's vault.

150. CASH BOOK, 1931--. 1 vol.

Record of receipts and disbursements summarized monthly, showing date; name; no. of receipt, explanation; state, county, school, total; date, name, no. of claim, state, county, school, total. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 double pp. 16 x 11 x 1. Office.

151. LEDGER (County Borrowed Money), 1931--. 1 vol.

Record of money borrowed by county on notes, showing date, source, amount, and payment. Arr. chron. Hdw. on ruled form. 472 pp. 12 used. 14 x 9 x 2. Office.

See entry 146.

152. LEDGER (Court House Bonds, School Bonds), 1931--. 1 vol.

Record of bonds for school and county, showing by issues, district, date, withdrawals, interest, deposits, balance. Arr. by school district no. Hdw. on ruled form. 176 pp. 14 x 9 x 1. Office.

See entry 8.

153. COUNTY DISBURSEMENTS (General Ledger), 1902--. 6 vols. (1-5).

1908-13 missing. Title varies: Petty Cash.

Record of accounts of the county commissioners, such as, chaingang, roads and bridges, salaries, vital statistics, contingent fund; Petty Cash 1, 1902-7; contains also general cash account, school serial no. record; Petty Cash 4, 1923-25, contains county serial no. record of paid claims. Arr. chron. under accounts. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 400 pp. 14 x 10 x 2, 16 x 11 x 2. 3 vols. 1902-25, auditor's vault; 1 vol. 1926-31, commissioners' vault; 2 vols. 1931--, office.

See entry 5.

154. DISBURSEMENTS (County Checks), 1931--. 2 vols.

File book of county checks issued by county commissioners and paid by county treasurer, showing date, no., payee, amount; 1902-7 in Petty Cash 1, 1923-25 in Petty Cash 4, entry 153. Arr. chron. and by no. of claim. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 402-pp. 14 x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 2. Office.

School Accounts

155. SCHOOL DISTRICT LEDGER, 1902--. 6 vols. 1907-23 missing.

Title varies: Disbursement School, Cash School Fund.

Record of school expenditures, 1902-34, showing date of payment; date of approval, claim no., payee, amount; 1934-36, showing date, name, no. amount of expenditures, amount of receipts, balance, remarks. Arr. numer. by school district no. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 400 pp. 16 x 11 x 2, 18 x 12 x 2. 2 vols. 1902-7; 1927-30, auditor's vault; 1 vol. 1923-27, commissioners' vault; 3 vols. 1930--, office.

156. DISBURSEMENTS SCHOOL SERIAL NUMBER, 1903-14, 1925--. 4 vols.

Title varies: Ledger.

File book of school claims, 1925-35, showing date, no., payee, district, amount; 1935--, date approved, date paid, no., payee, amount. Ledger, 1925-30, contains also 1903-14 a miscellaneous brief record of Lee County in account with sinking fund commissioners on account of jail and past indebtedness, also record of taxes summarized yearly. Arr. chron. and by no. of

claim. Hdw. on ruled form 1925-35; printed ruled form 1935--. 425 pp.
14 x 9 x 2. Office.

See entry 153.

Drainage District Records

157. REPORT OF THE BOARD, 1924. 1 vol.
Report of Atkins Drainage district board, showing owner and description and property assessed, no. of acres and amount of damages assessed, no. of acres to be taken for right of way, holding basin, etc., value of property to be taken and remarks. Arr. alph. by name of landowner. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 50 double pp. 12 x 11 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Office.

158. LEDGER (Atkins Drainage District), 1934--. 1 vol.
Record of bonds issued by drainage district, showing serial no., date of maturity, and amount; a record also of coupons cancelled, (pasted in book). Arr. numer. by bond no. Hdw. on ruled form. 272 pp. 14 x 9 x 1. Office.

159. STATEMENT OF TAXES DUE ATKINS DRAINAGE DISTRICT, 1924-35. 1 vol.
Record of taxes owed in 1935, summarizing period 1924-35, on drainage district assessments, showing name, serial no., tract no., no. of acres, one column for tax each year, 1924-35, total, date, amount paid. Arr. alph. by name of taxpayer. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 150 pp. 7 used. 17 x 12 x $\frac{1}{4}$. Office.

160. ATKINS DISTRICT CASH BOOK, 1929--. 1 vol.
Record of collections of drainage district tax, showing date, name, receipt no., amount (by years), total. Arr. chron. Hdw. on ruled form. 188 pp. 12 x 7 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Office.

161. ORIGINAL DRAINAGE TAX BOOK, 1924-28. 1 vol.
Record of executions against property owners for unpaid drainage district tax, showing name, account no., description of property, amount of tax and penalty, date of payment, remarks. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 100 double pp. 12 x 12 x 1. Office.

162. DRAINAGE TAX BOOK, 1924-30. 11 vols.
Record of taxes assessed property owners of the Atkins Drainage District, showing name of owner, description of property, tract no., no. of acres, amount of taxes levied. Arr. alph. by name of owner. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 150 double pp. 12 x 11 x 1. Office.

163. DRAINAGE TAX RECEIPT BOOK, 1925--. 10 vols. 1926, 1928 missing.
Record of tax receipts issued on payment of Atkins Drainage District taxes, showing name, value of property, amount of property, date, amount of taxes. Arr. alph. by name of taxpayer. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 200 pp. 11 x 10 x 1. 9 vols. 1925-35, sheriff's office; 1936-- office.

IX. SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

The superintendent of education is a statutory official, elected for a four-year term (1896, Stat. XXII, 156; Code 5308). It is his duty to look after the financial affairs of the schools of the county. He is clerk and chairman of the county board of education, which acts with him as adviser and as a court in all controversies that may arise in school districts about school matters, and also appoints trustees for school districts where no other method is prescribed by statute. The superintendent is required to visit the schools in the county, inspecting them and making helpful suggestions for improvements. He keeps a record of all of his official acts; a ledger in a form printed as a uniform series for the state, showing a complete record of receipts and disbursements of school funds (Code 5276); a record of school district bonds (ibid. 5311); a record of the names, addresses, age, sex, color and date of certificate of all teachers and applicants for teacher's certificates (ibid. 5349); record of pupils enrolled in the district schools as well as all transfers (ibid. 5372-73). He submits an annual report to the grand jury of all claims filed, audited and paid, and keeps a register for these (ibid. 5321). At the end of each school year he files a standardized annual report with the state superintendent of education giving a complete statistical record of all schools in the county (ibid. 5274, 5378).

Minutes and Reports

164. MINUTES COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, 1903--. 1 vol:
Record of transactions at board meetings. Arr. chron. Hdw., 1903-20; typed and pasted in book, 1921--. 500 pp. 12 x 8 x 2. Vault.
165. ANNUAL REPORT, 1909--. 6 vols., 1 file.
Duplicates of reports made annually to the state superintendent of education: 1909-21, 5 sheets per year, showing receipts, disbursements, bond account, attendance for both white and negro schools; 1930--, showing for white and negro enumeration, enrollment by grades, total daily, and average attendance, promotional and non-promotional record of elementary pupils, assessed valuation, mills voted, bond and short term notes, receipts for support of school district funds only, report of expenditures, district funds only, white and negro; value of all school property according to the purpose for which it is used, report on transportation of pupils; no. of teaching positions; no. and kinds of libraries; academic and professional training of teachers, miscellaneous information. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 50 double pp. $9\frac{1}{2}$ x 15 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.
166. (MONTHLY REPORTS), 1921--. 1 file. 1903-20 missing.
Monthly reports of school funds collected by treasurer, showing district, county unit, constitutional, bond, special, poll and dog tax, also superintendent's report to treasurer on the distribution by districts of the school funds. Arr. chron. Hdw. on ruled form. 23 x 13 x 5. Vault.

School Accounts

167. SCHOOL CLAIMS, 1902--. 108 file boxes.
Duplicates of school claims approved by superintendent of education and signed by trustees. Arr. chron., and within each year alph. by school districts.

$4\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ x 10. 1902-35, vault; 1936--, office.

168. CHECK BOOK, 1912--. 3 vols. 1903-11 missing.
File book of all school claims approved, showing amount of claim, date, no. of school district, no. of school claim, to whom payable, by whom received. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 316 pp. 14 x 9 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

169. COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S LEDGER, 1902--. 23 vols. Title varies: Cash Book, Record, 1902--, (Cash Book) of disbursements of school funds, showing amount of warrant, date of approval, school district no., school trustee no., school commissioners' no., name of payee; name of person presenting, purpose of expenditure, no. of pupils enrolled, aver. attendance, sex, branch of studies pursued; 1911--, record of receipts and disbursements of school funds, showing date, source, amount, payee, purpose of expenditures, amount. Arr. numer. by school district no. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 100 double pp. 17 x 16 x 1 ; 20 x 18 x 1 . Vault.

School Bonds

170. RECORD OF SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS, 1903--. 1 vol.
Shows date of issue, amount, name of school district, maturity, denomination, date of interest, interest due period, sale price, date of payment. Arr. alph. by school districts. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 99 double pp. 14 x $8\frac{1}{2}$ x 1 . Office.

171. COUPON BOOK, 1933--. 2 vols.
Cancelled coupons clipped from school bonds, pasted in book. Arr. chron. 25 and 500 pp. 12 x 9 x 3 , 12 x 14 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Vault.

Teachers' Certificates

172. RECORD OF TEACHERS CERTIFICATES, 1902--. 2 vols.
Shows no., grade, date, name of teacher, address, age, sex, color, remarks. Arr. chron. Hdw. on printed ruled form. 208 pp. 11 x 16 x 1 . Vault.

X. HEALTH UNIT

County health work is administered through several agencies financed in whole or in part in the county supply act. The county physician attends prisoners and paupers (Code 3847, 3849). Birth and death certificates are made by local registrars of each township under the bureau of vital statistics of the state board of health (*ibid.* 5132-33). The dental clinic operates under the superintendent of education because of its work with school children (*ibid.* 5384). The health unit functions under the director of rural sanitation and county health work of the state board of health. It was organized in 1935 with two nurses, an office assistant, and a doctor who comes in twice a week from another county. The nurses visit in the county and hold clinics at the schools. The unit makes regular reports to the state depart-

ment. As it is primarily for service rather than record keeping, such records as it has are on cards filed in boxes in the office (Code 5005-5052).

173. PHYSICAL RECORD OF SCHOOL CHILDREN, 1935--. 1 box.

Shows date, name of child, age, height, weight and general physical condition. Arr. alph. by pupils name under school. Hdw. on printed form. 12 x 12 x 24. Office.

174. SURVEY CARD OF CRIPPLED CHILDREN, 1935--. 1 box.

Record of crippled children, showing name of child, physical disability, educational status, economic condition. Arr. alph. by name of child. 12 x 12 x 24. Office.

175. WASSERMANN TEST, 1935--. 1 box.

Record of persons taking Wassermann test for syphilis, showing blood infection, patient's name, doctor, date taken, received at laboratory. On state form. Arr. alph. by name of person taking test. 12 x 5 x 4. Office.

176. PRENATAL CASES, 1935--. 1 box.

Nurses' record of prenatal cases. Arr. alph. by name of patient. Hdw. on cards. 12 x 5 x 4. Office.

177. MIDWIFE RECORD, 1936--. 1 box.

Register of midwives, showing name of midwife, race, age, address, date of last successful vaccination, certificate issued, renewed, Wassermann made, result, treatment, name of instructor, remarks. Arr. alph. by name of midwife. Typed and hdw. on cards. Office.

178. REPORT OF HEALTH UNIT SERVICE, 1935--. 1 box.

General report of all work in office. Arr. chron. by months. Typed on printed form. 12 x 12 x 24. Office.

XX. BOARD OF REGISTRATION

The board of registration consists of three persons appointed by the governor with the approval of the senate for a term of two years (Code 2269). It conducts the registration of qualified voters; and persons denied registration have a right to appeal to the courts (Code 2273). The board keeps two copies of a book for each precinct, showing name, age and place of residence of each voter. At the time of elections these are turned over to the commissioners of election to be distributed among the managers of election. They are returned to the board of registration after the election (Code 2236). The board also keeps a register of persons who were qualified to vote January 1, 1898, who do not have to fulfil all of the present day requirements (Code 2271). All records and books are deposited with the clerk of court for safekeeping (Code 2285).

For records see entries 72, 73.

XII. COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTION

At least thirty days before an election the governor appoints two commissions of three persons each, one to conduct the election for state, circuit and county officers and the other the election of members of congress and presidential electors. These commissioners in turn appoint three managers (Code 2299), and provide the boxes for each polling place in the county (Code 2306). After the election each commission becomes a county board of canvassers. A statement of each protest as well as the total vote for each candidate must be filed in the office of the clerk of court. Copies are also sent to the governor and the secretary of state (Code 2310-15). The commissioners audit and pay the expenses of the election (Code 2316).

For records, see entry 76.

XIII. COUNTY BOARD OF CONTROL

The state dispensary went into operation July 1, 1893. There was a state board of control which appointed county boards of control, consisting of three persons each. These provided for the location of dispensaries and kept records of petitions and permits (Stat. XXI, 68-70). In 1894 the county supervisor was made a member of the county board of control but in 1896 this plan was done away with. In 1900 the law provided that the county board of control be appointed by the state board on the approval of the members of the senate and house of representatives from the respective counties (Stat. XXIII, 440). In 1907 the state dispensary was abolished but local dispensaries were allowed in the counties under county dispensary boards. In Lee County the board consisted of three members appointed for a term of two years by the governor on the recommendation of a majority of the legislative delegation (Stat. XXV, 466). In 1909 the local dispensary was voted out in Lee County (Annual Report of Dispensary Auditor 1909, Reports and Resolutions 1910, III, 264).

For records, see entries 14, 15.

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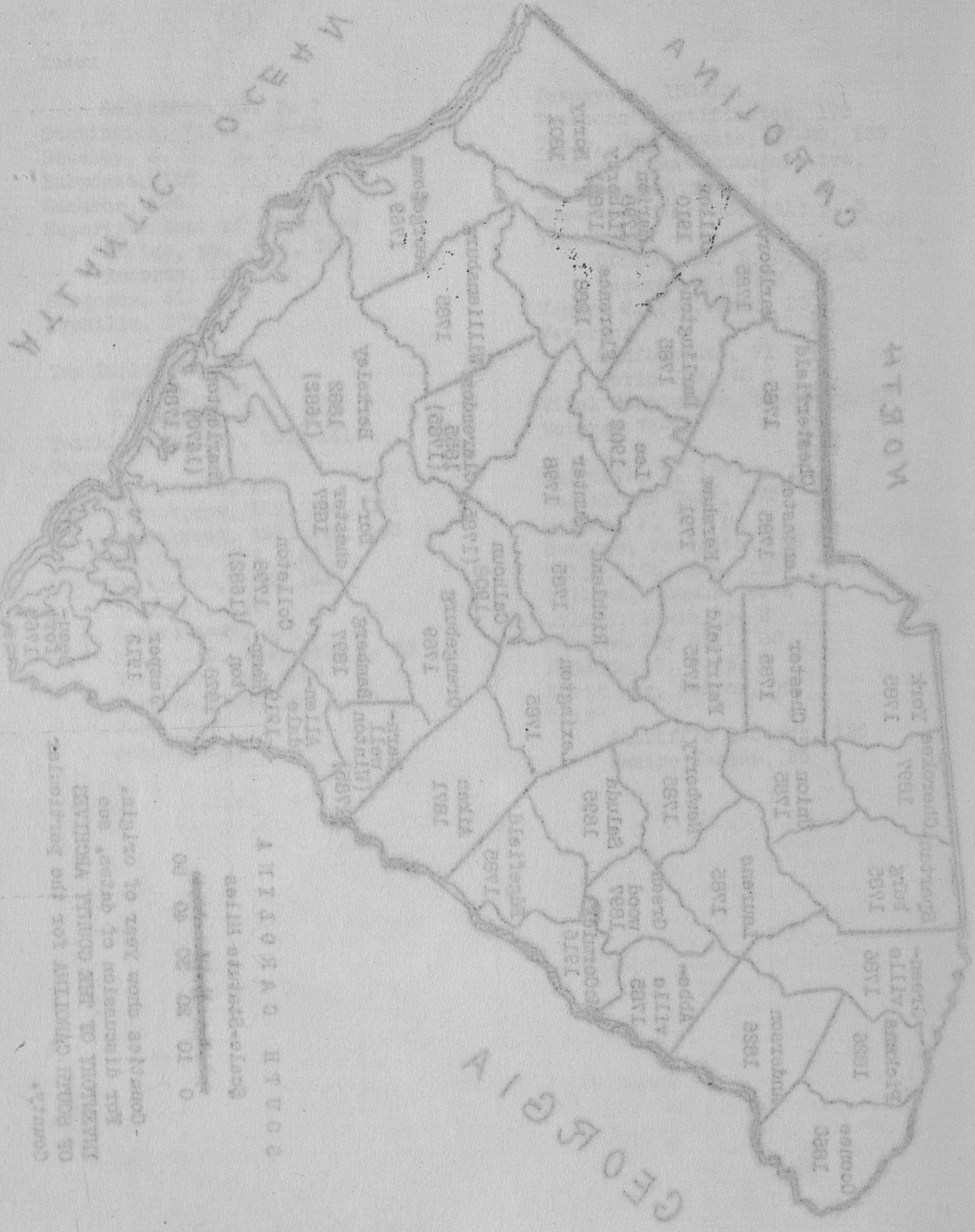
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