

rected presumably against Roumania. Railroad traffic in northwestern Roumania is declared to have been suspended in favor of troop movements.

Reports of a frontier skirmish benear Fatorna have been confirmed of- forces have been striving to gain this ficially. An investigation was ordered.

German aeroplanes are reported to on from three directions upon Dvinsk be flying over Servian and Bulgarian and the railway on either side of the territory from Orsova, Hungary, to town. The Russians were forced back what territory each faction controls Adrianople. Each is loaded to its full to the lake district which the railcapacity with supplies for the Turks. way penetrates.

General Carranza's reply to the appeal of the United States and the Latin-American countries for a conference between the leaders of the various Mexican factions having in view nean ports.

an adjustment of Mexico's internecine struggle, is a polite but unequivocal

Domestic

In an after midnight session of the the allies trying to force the Darda-Alabama senate the bill providing for nelles. the abrogation of the convict lease The next big German effort, it is system in Alabama was killed, 21 believed in London, will be made Syndicate Will Receive Commission to 12.

At Corpus Christi, Texas, a verdict the Teutonic forces are hammering of guilty was returned in federal court savagely at the Russian lines west of credit loan to Great Britain and against five citizens of Nueces county Dvinsk. There is no waning in the charged with irregularities in the gen- heavy battles being fought all along eral election in November, 1914. The the eastern front, now stretching from can financiers and bankers who are jury returned a verdict of not guilty Riga on the Baltic to the Roumanian to receive a commission for their serin the cases of sixteen other defendborder. ants.

William Jennings Bryan announces that he has taken under advisement a suggestion from editors of foreign language newspapers published in the United States that he make a trip to Europe as a private peace envoy.

S. B. Burnett, the man who went to the home of Asa G. Candler, Jr., and Mrs. W. D. Owens, the daughter of Asa G. Candler, Jr., in Druid Hills, Atlanta, and demanded money, was tried in the police court and held in a \$5,000 bond for attempted black-

Cotton prices continue on the upward trend, prices having made new high records for the season on the New York City market. October contracts are selling as high as 10.88 and January 11.38, while next July deliveries have advanced to the 12-cent level.

From El Paso, Texas, comes the news that fourteen staff officers of General Urbina's forces were executed 500 routes in all now had been au with Urbina himself, as the result of thorized. Of these 288 are now in the visit of General Villa to Urbina's operation. ranch at Las Nievas. Mexico.

South Carolina has adopted statehe has exchanged national salutes wide prohibition to take effect Janu- with the Haitien shores batteries and ary 1, 1916, according to almost com- that he has called, with his staff, on plete unofficial returns gathered in the new president. Columbia.

ico, the chief battle ground between The Austro-Hungarian ambassador. Dr. Constantin Y. Dumba, summering the contending factions, have been adat Lenox, Mass., announces that he vised by the state department not only has requested his own recall, and to notify American citizens to withstates that when he gets back to his draw from the danger zones, but to ing a portion of the Russian army hative country he will make a person- leave Mexico themselves if conditions

roper. ed five miles a day, has now dimin-Unless the military situation ished to less than one mile a day. Mexico takes a decided turn within Another battering offensive has the next three weeks in favor of taken von Hindenburg to the Rovno- General Villa who has concentrated Petrograd railway between Vilna and his forces for battle with General Ob-

tween Greek and Bulgarian patrols Dvinsk. The whole Austro-German chief, at Torreon, most of the conferees were of the opinion that the railway since the fall of the Polish Carranza government would logically fortresses. The advance was carried be entitled to recognition.

> The several governments will endeavor to learn, however, not only but what promise of stability the factions give that aspire to recognition. The French steamer San't Anna is To determine exactly what is the reported on fire at sea, and is report- status of the different factions the ed in need of assistance. The vessel several governments will examine the is bound from New York to Mediterrasituation each in its own way. The United States will seek to form its

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The Russians are increasing their judgment through long and exhaustive activities in the Caucasus, and it is reports from its consuls supplemented believed the arrival of Grank Duke in personal conferences in Washing-Nicholas will be the signal for opera- ton between Secretary Lansing and tions that will be the signal for opera- representatives of all groups and eletions that will lessen the burden of ments.

UNDERWRITE BIG LOAN.

Also Securities.

New York .- The proposed mammoth France it was reported is to be underwritten by a large syndicate of Amerivices. The securities offered, it was

The central powers still have an said, will be British and French five overwhelming superiority in all the per cent government bonds, and the

material and equipment of war and price to the investor is to be par The amount of the loan it was rethe allies, to win, must put forth all their strength, is the statement made ported is as yet undetermined but by David Lloyd-Georgia, English min- will be between \$600,000,000 and \$800.ister of munitions. He states that af- 000,000.

The underwriting syndicate, it was reported, will be the largest of its land could not have honorably kept out | kind ever established in the United nearly all national banks, trust com-

panies and state banks that may care It is announced that the Austrian to participate. Elimination of the reported differgovernment will recall Ambassador ence in opinion between American

financiers and members of the Anglo-Secretary Daniels ordered all submarines of the F-4 type out of commiss French Commission over the manner sion for a thorough examination. His of placing the loan apparently has reaction was taken upon the report of sulted in a victory for the American a board of inquiry which ascribes the financiers. Previous reports were to the effect that the commission's views F-4 disaster to a bateery explosion. Use of automobiles on rural delivery were that the loan should be placed routes has improved the farmer's mail by subscription and that there should and express facilities, according to be no underwriting syndicate.

postal officials who announced that Confederate Naval Monument. Washington .- A Confederate naval monument to cost not more than \$150,000 is proposed in the annual re-Rear Admiral Caperton reports that port of the Vicksburg National Mili-

tary Park Commission just submitted to the Secretary of War.

Decisive Battle Near Vilna.

American consuls in northern Mex-

Carolina, and among other things enin the present war and to perpetuate acted:

"It shall be the duty of the Insursources to send ships and armies 3,ance Commissioner and Superintend-000 miles across the sea to attack ent of Public Instruction to provide the natio nwith more potential power as far as practicable for the teaching than any on earth. After this war is of 'Fire Prevent' in the colleges and over I think the world will be tired schools of the state, and if the way of war and we will have an age of be open, to arrange for a textbook peace.

adapted to such uss. Also by adding "In my opinion the president of the to said section as section four thou-United States and his advisers have sand and twenty-one (b) the followa proper conception of this situation, ing: "The ninth day of October of and are ready to urge congress to each and every year shall be set aside adopt any measure necessary to proand designated as Fire Prevention vide for our defense, and to assert in Day, and the Governor shall issue a every way the rights and dignity of proclamation urging the people to a our country and of all the citizens. proper observance of the said day, "With great respect for your orand the Insurance Commissioner shall ganization and for the ability and the bring the day and its observance to patriotism of the men who are promotthe attention of the officials of the ing it. I think that it is unnecessary municipalities of the state, and espe- and may tend to engender in this cially to the firemen, and where pos- country a spirit of militarism that sible arrange suitable programs to be would burden our people with a trefollowed in its observance." mendous expense for war equipment

"Now, therefore, I, Locke Craig, and create a desire for war rather Governor of North Carolina, in ac- than hope that we be at peace with cordance with this statute, do issue all the world.

"A spirit of righteousness to all this my proclamation, and I do set aside and designate Friday, the 9th men, and just consideration to all day of October, 1915, as Fire Preven- nations has been the diplomacy tion Day, and do urge all the people adopted by the president of the Unito a proper observance of this day in ted States. It has won magnificently. obedience to the law of North Caro- It has given this country a higher lina. I urge the public schools of the place than she would have had if her state, and the municipal officers there- policy had been one of arbitrary dicof to give proper and formal recog- tation backed by force."

nition of the day and its meaning, and

request the citizens generally to give New Enterprises Chartered. Star Theatre Company of Louisburg special attention on that day to the condition of their premises to the end with a capital stock of \$20,00. Subthat the waste and loss of propery scribed stock \$1,000. Incorporators and life by fire may be reduced in this P. S. Allen, K. K. Allen and W. H. Allen, all of Louisburg. state.

Chadbourne Tobacco Warehouse of "The loss by fire amounts approxi-Chadbourne. Capital stock! \$25,000. mately to three million dollars a year Subscribed stock \$3,000. Incorpora-States and probably will be open to in North Carolina. A large per cent tors Brown Mercantile Co., E. J. Britt of this loss is unnecessary and can and J. E. Konee, all of Chadbourne. be prevented. Human life too is need-Chapman Manufacturing Company, lessly sacrificed. of Morven, Anson county, Capital

"We should remedy the conditions stock, \$125,000. Subscribed stock, that ential this enormous expense and \$300. Incorporators, J. M. Chapman, loss suffered only by those whose Morven; J. P. Mahon, Charlotte; E. property and lives are destroyed, but E. Chapman, Hickory. by all citizens in the high rates of in-

surance caused by unnecessary fires. The prevention of the needless destruction of the fruits of our labor,

by economy and humanity.

"Done at our City of Raleigh, this the sixteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and in the one hundred and fortieth year of our American independence. that the pardon is recommended by the solicitor, by the trial judge and "LOCKE CRAIG,

Historical Asociation Meeting. Fate of "Woman Notary Case." There is no indication yet as to Indications now are that the anwhen the fate of the petition for a nual meeting of the North Carolina rehearing in the case of State vs. Mrs. State Literary and Historical Asocia-

that the advances they have ordered were necessary in the interest of their existence. They have no retiesequality of taxation between the counties and to bring all more nearly on a level in the burden of taxation. There was no intimation by the commissioners as to what final disposition will be made of the appeals for reduction of the assessments, the hearings being understood to about complete a series for which dates have been set.

Indeed, it was said at the offices of the commission that the indications are that nearly, if not all, the exceptions that are to be made to these assessments have been heard. Furthermore, there is the strongest sort of an intimation that the members of the commission are determined to stand by their equalization assessments. They point out the fact that they gave definite notice to the county assessing authorities at the very outset that substantial increase in assessments over those of four years ago was necessary and would be required and that there should be no hestiation about putting property at adequate tax basis of valuation under the impression that this would not be the case in other counties. The commissioners say that it is the fixed purpose of the commission, in its work of equalization, to strike a real basis between the counties, which they are insisting that they have done in the best possible manner in the increased assessments ordered.

Contract Let For Cotton Mill.

Concord .- The contract for the erection of the Norcott Mill has been awarded to T. C. Thompson & Brother of Charlotte. Under the terms of the contract the mill is to be completed January 15. The firm plans to begin work at once it is understood. The building, which will be located near the Brown Mill, will be 210x106 feet, half two stories, the other half

three. The cost of the mill will Le \$175,-000. It will contain 12,000 spindles, 6,000 to be placed in operation in January and 6,000 six months later.

Food Crops Increased.

Washington .- The crop report for September 1, this year, issued by the department of agrictulture, shows large increases in food crops for North Carolina over 1914. The following increases over last year are SDOWD:

Corn, 2,085,000 bushels; oats, 1,-009,000; peaches, 92 000; potatoes, 1,313,000; sweet potatoes, 53,000; rice, 1,000; tobacco, 19,374,000 pounds; hay, 105,000 tons.

Big Signs Begin "Talking." Winston-Salem. - Winston-Salem's mammoth electric talking sign, the second of its kind in the South Atlannotary public" test case, will be an- tion will be held in this city Novem- the people of the city and section a lows: Chief persons 1, David, Joab, nounced by Justice W. A. Hoke of ber 2 and 3. However, anounce few nights ago. It is estimated that Abishai, Absalom; 2, David, Bath-

of the oustanding facts regarding these rulers, also of Nathan and Elijah, though the last will more properly come later as there are yet several lessons about that great prophet. These kings can be classified as good and bad, though the greatest of them all (David) suffered a most terrible fall. From these lessons the great facts of sin, grace, prayer, the word of God, faith, salvation and unbelief are all to be emphasized.

For the older classes a most interesting study can be made of the development of God's people materially and the religious development also, as well as a study of the causes for the division of the kingdom.

The tendency in both kingdoms was downward towards the destruction of the northern one and the captivity and impoverishment of the southern.

A good method of review would be to take up each of the different characters and give a summary of his life and of its effect upon the nation. It will be profitable to answer such questions as: What do the events of the past quarter teach us about the character of God? What great teachings have we had presented on the subject of prayer? What peculiar manifestations have been seen in the development of sin? In this quarter's lessons what emphasis has been made relative to the word of God? What moral duties and obligations have been emphasized? If a good crayon artist is available prepare on the blackboard 12 circles, five above; five below, and one at each end of a rectangle. In this last place the Golden Text for the day and in each of the circles, beginning in the upper left hand corner, either a sketch

or some other suggestion of each of the several lessons. Another suggestion for use upon the blackboard would be to draw two panels or columns on either end of the board and connect the tops by an arch. Divide the arch into five divisions and in the top, the keystone of the arch, place the name of good King Asa, to the left Absalom and Adonijah, and to the right Elijah and Ahab. On the left panel write "The Word of God" and on its capstone "David." On the right panel write, "Obedience," and on the capstone "Solomon." Then underneath the arch and between the panels first the names of the remaining chief

characters belonging to Israel, and below, but separate, those from without whose names have been considered during the past quarter. This arrangement of names might be so made as to call attention to the separated kingdoms of Israel and Judah, using the arch for the names of the characters affecting the kingdom before its division.

Again the board may be ruled into two columns, one to contain the names of the "chief persons." and the other the "chief facts," Divided according tic States, was formally introduced to to lessons they will be about as fol-

Governor Pardons W. F. Stinnett. A pardon was granted by Governor and of human life is a duty dictate? Craig for W. F. Stinnett, Guilford county, who has served 10 months of a 20-months sentence for selling whiskey. The governor explains that Stinnett is crippled, having one arm and one leg, that he has done much valuable, work for the county since he has been serving the sentence and

the county officers and many others. "Governor."

London .- The Germans have occupied Vilna, and by a wide sweeping movement to the north, have succeeded in almost if not entirely surround-

against Vilna and Dvinsk. Already

ter twelve months of war his convic-

tion is stronger than ever that Eng-

of the war.

Washington

Dumba for "consultation."

 The requested his own recall, and states that when he gets back to his native country he will make a person al report on the situation in the United States. Two companies of infantry have burried out of Brownsville, Texas, for San Benito and Lyford, on reports that there was danger from Mexican bandits near those places. Eight Mexicans have been found dead. Engineer Carson E. Lanier of Temille, Ga, is dead from scalds and in ternal injuries received in a railroad wreck at Alcorn, near Dublin, Ga. The negro fireman had his arm broken, and an express messenger was bruised. When the war broke out in Europe, Mrs. Nancy Brooks, 72 years old, lost her husband, an officer in the British army. Aeroplane attacks subsequently destroyed her home in California, and found him hopelessly insane, because recruiting officers had refused to permit him tenlist under the Canadian colors. 	Russian forces in this district either must fight their way out eastward or retire in a southwesterly direction, for the only railway left entirely in their hands is that which runs from Vilna to Lida, and thence to Barane- vithehi. Fire Prevention Day. New Vork—The Safety First Fed- eration of America announced that Saturday, October 9, the anniversary of the Chicago fire, had been desig- nated as National Fire Prevention Day, with plans for a general obser- vance in many cities throughout the country. The governor of each state, has been requested to usue a procla-	consideration. It is learned, however that the costs in the original appeal to the supreme court, aggregating 40- odd dollars, has not been paid and that it is a practice of the court to take no action until these costs have been paid. Governor Craig Refuses Pardon, More than 100 citizens, of Roxboro and Person county, headed by Victor Bryant, B. S. Royster, W. L. Foushee and other counsel, pleaded in vain to Governor Craig for a pardon for Dan H. Andrews, aged 60, a wealthy Per- son county man, who is now in jail waiting to begin a Sentence of six months for having 40 gallons of whis- how in his sutomabile	 made by secretary R. D. W. Connor within the next day or two. It will certainly be within that 10-day period as it is about this time that Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane has indicated that he could come to deliver the principal address. Tucker Estate Is Appraised. Franklin McNeill, as special appraiser, has appraised the Tucker estate here at \$920,796 for inheritance taxation under the inheritance tax clause of the revenue act in force from 1905 up to 1913, this being a step in the process of the winding up of the case brought by the corporation commission to test the issue as to whether the inheritance tax law applied to real estate as wel as per- 	High Point and other nearby cities were present on the court house square when the huge sign was light- ed for the first time. One of the fea- ture sof the evening was the band concert. Big Catawba County Fair. Hickory.—Catawba fair directors planned a home-coming for the first day of the fair to be held here Novem- ber 3, 4 and 5, educational day the second day and hvestock and poultry day for the last day of the fair. It was also decided to have an aero- plane here to make two flights each day which will be a drawing card, weather permitting. It is expected to have prominent educators here edu-	Queen of Sheba; 6, Rehoboam, old and young men; 7, Jeroboam; 8, Azariah, Asa; 9, Elijah, Ahab and the widow of Zarephath; 10, Elijah and prophets of Baal; 11, Elijah and God; 12, Ben- hadad, Ahab, young men. Chief Facts—1, failure; 2, anoint- ing; 3, choice; 4, prayer; 5, wisdom, 6, division; 7, sin; 8, reform; 9, provi- dence; 10, testing; 11, discourage- ment; 12, defeat. Thus by careful and prayerful preparation a review of each lesson can briefly but profitably be presented. The material for a successful re- view along any of the lines suggested will demand careful preparation on the part of the teacher, but will be well worth while in fixing the chief	
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