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# IMPORTANT NEWS THE WORLD OVER

Happenings of This and Other Matiens For Seven Days Are

What is Taking Place in the Southland Will Be Found in Brief Paragraphs.

Rain and wind storms were pretty teen persons are reported killed and more than a hundred injured.

age, passing after the first eleven months of traing to the first reserve for the next four years and one months of training to the first reserve and finally into the unorganized reserve until the age of 45 is attained. of Prussia after he had conquered Eu- marine warfare.

the town with the fury of the elements gone mad and spent itself

It is the opinion in New York that tion states. fruit will be much cheaper in the ployees of a sugar refining company re- ship Yarrowdale. sulted in the killing of one man and the refinery in Philadelphia.

Following many clashes between the police and women food rioters at the city hall in New York City and in congested tenement districts of the same ern department of the army. city, Joseph Hartigan, commissioner of weights and measures, announces zlehurst McAdoo to Ferdinand de Mohthat he is doing everything in his renschildt, second secretary of the Ruspower to stimulate the flow of foodstuffs into that city from all parts of

has reached such an acute stage that needs for coal and foodstuffs from the sion to meet the per capita consump- freight cars. tion of food in the United States.

New York City women have become over the food situation. They are setting upon peddlers and driving them to cover every time one shows himself on the street.

Onions are selling at 15 cents a pound in New York City and potatoes at 9 and 10 cents a pound.

The Mothers' Vigilance League of New York City has decided to keep the children out of school until the food situation is alleviated. It is asserted has been that of a soldier," says the that children can make no progress secretary. in school unless they are adequately

Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston, comuary 15, 1916, died at a hotel in San ment in Ireland, have been made. Antonio, Texas, a few minutes after while seated in the lobby of the hotel with a little girl when he fell un- ten million dollars. conscious. Death was almost instan-

matically succeed to the duties of things as apples, oranges and rye. commander of the southern department until an appointment has been their production curtailed to the minmade as the result of General Fun- imum anent the food situation and the

Three American duck hunters who port only essentials. ventured into Mexico are reported from Yuma, Ariz., to have been held izelos is a traitor to Greece, and that up by two Mexicans dressed in sol- food supply in that little Baltic kingdiers' uniforms and robbed of \$55 in dom can only last but a short while cash, two shotguns and a rifle, and one of them was threatened with France have attacked German posi-

# Washington

The purpose of the universal servlion men, ready to respond instantly yards. to a call to arms, somewhat on the order of the Swiss system.

ment that there are in the United wounded in an explosion of ammuni-States not less than five hundred tion at Archangel, Russia, February 4. thousand boys who become 19 years Two Americans were on board the of age annually, and this number would Norwegian collier Dalbeatie, from Glasailable for military training.

A dispatch from Halifax, N. S., says shell fire. that three women on board a ship

Canadanian women were allowed to go. France, the submarine was sunk. A Havana, Cuba, dispatch announces The allies report that they have adthat the veterans of the war independ- vanced on a front of 500 yards at ence endorse the stand President Wil- Ypres. son takes regarding the unsettled con-

Advocates of prohibition are divided all bunco. The question of hauling among themselves over the expediency down the flag at the American legaof the drastic prohibition measure just tion in that city has never been dispassed by congress. Some friends of cussed between the American ministhe cause declare so drastic a law will ter and the German administration. have a reactionary effect.

shall be respected, but is just as anxgium, warmly congratulates him on charges of combinations to control and the German submarine menace senate to avoid war.

Secretary Baker's army general staff universal service bill has been transmitted to the senate military committee. The administration forebore to make a definite expression on the gen-

eral subject of the specific proposal. Secretary Baker is anxious that wide publicity shall be given the army general staff universal service bill to the end that both congress and the war department can have the benefit of an enlightened, thoughtful public opinion upon the needs and wishes of the country.

The report now is that Robert Alen Haden, an American Presbyterian missionary, stationed at Foo Chow, China, perished when the French liner Athos was destroyed by a submarine, 210 miles east of Malta on February

The scaring cost of foodstuffs general throughout Alabama, Georgia throughout the country was the suband Mississippi February 23, and thir ject under discussion by the cabinet on February 23.

It has been suggested in certain offi-Under the suggested universal mili- cial quarters that, in view of the food tary training plan, all will be liable to rise in prices the government pura call to the colors until 32 years of chase ten million dollars' worth of necessities and dispose of them at

actual cost There is a variety of opinion expressed as to the cause of the increasing cost of living. Some hold that the prices are intertwined with the This is somewhat on the order of the alleged car shortage, and others that National Civic Federation. system Napoleon permitted the queen prices are affected by the German sub-

Absolute prohibition legislation took Two killed, a number injured, one its longest forward stride in the naof whom is dying and thousand of dol- tion's history when the house, after lars' worth of property laid to waste, two hours of uproarious debate, apwas the toll taken by a tornado which proved by a 4 to 1 majority a senate descended upon Lithonia, Ga., Febru- measure which would raise an ironclad ary 23. The tornado raged through barrier against importation of liquor the necessity of co-ordinating civilian into prohibition territory.

A provision of the "bone dry" legisagainst a little mountain three miles lation of congress is a provision inhibiting liquor advertisements in prohibi-

The United States in a note trans-

It is generally conceded in Washthe serious injury of nine others when ington that President Wilson will adthe police and strikers clashed near dress congress again on the German crisis.

> formally appointed to succeed General Funston as commander of the south-The engagement of Miss Nona Ha-

sian embassy, is announced, Drastic measures of precaution have been adopted by the chief railroads of The food situation in New York City | the east to meet carrying emergency

there are calls for the establishment Mississippi river to Maine, due to the by congress of a food control commis- acute shortage and congestion of Major General Funston's sudden death is a great shock to high offi-

desperate in some parts of the city cials of the army and to President Wilson himself. He was one of the most distinguished commanders of the

Secretary Baker of the war department is particularly grieved at the loss of General Funston, "His death is a loss to the army and to the country. During the trouble on the Mexican border his work has been difficult, exacting and delicate. His conduct

## European War

More arrests of members of the mander of the southern department Gaelic League, an Irish organization of the United States army since Feb- operating against the British govern-

The largest iron and machine works he had finished diner. He collapsed in Europe, located at Seraing, Belgium, have been wrecked by an intalking with friends, and was playing cendiary fire. The loss is placed at

David Lloyd-George, prime minister of all England, announces that the Major General Pershing, who has United Kingdom faces a serious food been in command of the El Paso dis-situation, and that in future no attrict since the withdrawal of the puni- tempt will be made to import non-estive expedition from Mexico, will auto- sentials. Under this head comes such

> The breweries in England will have decision of the prime minister to im-

The Greek king announces that Ven-Again the British forces fighting in tion at several points and been re-

warded for their efforts by an aggregate gain of more than 1,150 yards. South of Armentieres the German ice bill is to constitute a first reserve line is reported to have been penetratwith a srtength of one and a half mil- ed deeply on a front of about 650

It is reported from Copenhagen, by way of Berlin, that fifteen hundred per-It is estimated by the war depart- sons were killed and three thousand gow to Gibraltar, which was sunk by

In a forty-minutes battle between which sailed for Europe were permit- a German U-boat and the French line ted to continue the voyage, but no steamship Guyane, on the coast of

The report that the American flag ditions in the "Gem of the Antilles." had been ordered down at Brussels is

The president is fully determined Belgium, communicating with Brand ed by President Wilson, who directed uation with which the Nation is faced, that the rights of the United States Whitlock, American minister to Bel- that particular attention be given to owing to the shortage of food stocks ious as any member of the house or his relief work, and expresses the food prices. The Department of Aghope that he will continue it.

COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED BEING APPOINTED TO AR-RANGE PROGRAM.

# NATIONAL DEFENSE COUNCIL SUGGESTS WIDE PUBLICITY LAWSON CHARGE UNGROUNDED HOUSE VOTE WAS 4 TO

Will Co-operate in Organizing Industrial and Civilian Activities of Nation "In View of the Critical Situation."

New York .- A tentative program for mobilization of the industrial and civilian activities of the Nation "in view of the critical situation," will be outlined by a committee of 100 national leaders of capital, labor, agriculture, and organizations of citizens of foreign descent, it was announced here by V. Everet Macey, president of the

The committee which is now being appointed, will co-operate with the committee on industrial mobilization of the National Council of Defense. Its formation was authorized at the try." recent meeting in this city of the Federations executive council at night members of the defense council urged activities with those of the nation, states and municipalities.

question of how far the government shall enter into private industry until 32 years of age, and then would United States in a few days, due to the mitted to the Berlin foreign office through the stress of war necessity," pass into the unorganized reserve unfact that Great Britain will import through the Spanish Ambassador, has Mr. Macey said in a statement out- til 45 years of age. nothing but essentials in the future. again demanded the release of the lining the scope of the committee's A riot by the wives of striking em- Americans made prisoners on the prize program. "But it is the duty of American economists, business men, labor and agricultural leaders to take care that this is done as an 'emergency war measure,' so to speak.

"In the event of war with the Cen-Major General Pershing has been problems never faced by any other country, growing out the fact that 33,000,000 of its population are either foreign-born or of foreign or mixed parentage and that 28,000,000 came from the countries now at war, many having transferred to our shores their hatreds and sympathies.

"These transplanted antagonisms will produce their own peculiar problems, the solution of which will call for understanding, tact and patience.'

#### EXPLANATION MADE BY THE GERMAN LEGATION

#### As to "Relative Safety" Promised Dutch Vessels Navigating the English Channel.

The Hague.-The statement issued by the German legation here to the effect that the torpedoing of the seven Dutch merchantmen was due "to an extremely regrettable coincidence of but was beyond our control," contains | Presidio. also an explanation, made, it says, "to prevent erroneous impressions."

It states that in view of the situation of Dutch vessels in English ports the sailing time for these ships was first fixed for February 5, then for February 9, and then for midnight of February 10. Finally "for reasons for state. At the depot and along the ary 22 or March 17. The only date of memory of the gallant soldier who would have possessed instructions in earthquake. regard to these vessels. Even then, safety from mines could not be guaranteed, shippers having been warned on Feb. 6 that the danger zone had been mined extensively. For the same reasons, the statement says, until Mar. 5, relative security, meaning safety dethe channel to the west of Denmark through which Dutch trans-Adlantic shipping must pass.

## FODDER DESTROYED:

MUST KILL CATTLE The Hague, via London.-A large amount of fodder was on board of the merchantman torpedoed on last week. In consequence, it will be necessary to kill a large part of Holland's cattle.

## FOUR KILLED AND THREE INJURED IN BIG WRECK

Philadelphia.-Four persons were killed and three injured, two seriously, under Colonel Pujol have been delayin a double wreck on the New York ed in their advance against Camaof two cars of thoroughbred horses beand was destroyed.

#### LOWER HOUSE VOTES FOR FOOD INQUIRY.

Washington.-The House adopted, as an amendment to the sundry civil appropriation bill, an appropriation of the House of Commons his program \$400,000 for an investigation by the for coping with the problem of short-Federal Trad? Commission of the age of shipping space. The speech high cost of food. The vote was 83 | was a serious and grave effort, the The German governor general of to 51. The investigation was orderriculture was asked to assist.

# FIGHTING FORCE

BIG ARMY WOULD BE PROVIDED PROBERS INTO LEAK ON PEACE UNDER UNIVERSAL SERVICE BILL,

Secretary Baker Wants Benefit of a Thoughtful Public Opinion.-Bill is Sent to Senate By Secretary of War.

Washington.-The Army General Staff universal service bill was transmitted to the Senate Military Committee by Secretary Baker without a definite expression by the Administration either on the general subject or the specific proposal.

The Secretary suggested that wide publicity be given the staff plan "to the end that both Congress and the War Department can, in any subsequent consideration given to the subject, have the benefit of an enlightened, thoughtful public opinion upon the needs and wishes of the coun-

In round numbers, the staff plan 000,000 men with one year of intensive military instruction. It is estimated by the War College that approximately 500,000 boys in their nineteenth edge will be requisite to deal with the annually. They would, under the plan, be liable to call to the colors

A second reserve of equal size, but only partially equipped, would require gressional press galleries. some time to take the field. Eventually, there would be 1,000,000 additral Powers, this country would face tional men ready to fill in gaps at the

In addition, there would be a regu-29,000 the frontier forces, the remain- which reached its office. der composing the permanent training personnel which could take care of the instruction of reserve recruits annually. If the proportion of available men for training was greater than estimated the permanent training force would have to be proportionately increased.

## SAN FRANCISCO HONORS MEMORY OF FUNSTON.

Remains of Hero Lie in State Until Interment at Presidio.

San Francisco.-The body of Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston, who died in San Antonio, Texas, last Monday night, arrived here over the Southern circumstances which is unfortunate, Pacific Railroad for interment at

A drizzling rain fell on Army officers and four companies of coast artillery who stood at attention under arms as the flower-covered casket was taken from the ar into a hearse. The funeral cortage marched to the

City Hall where the body is lying in which England was to blame," the line of march, crowds of civilians sailing date was postponed to Febru- stood, heads bared in the rain, in sailing for which absolute safety from | won the hearts of all San Franciscans, submarines could be guaranteed was for what he did for them when they March 17, the statement says, as by were homeless and panic-stricken in that time all German submarines the chaotic days of the 1906 fire and

## VILLISTAS CONCENTRATING

IN VICINITY OF JAUREZ. El Paso, Texas .- Villa troops are reported to be concentrating in the angle formed by the Mexican Central pendent on good fortune, will apply to and Mexico Northwestern Railroad, south of Juarez, in the Guerrero and in the St. Andres district west of Chihuahua City. The State Capital again is threatened with attack, and residents of Juarez fear that city will be beseiged by Villa troops. Villa's main command was reported to have reached San Andres, Chihuahua.

Wounded Carranza soldiers were brought across the border, following the fight at Ruidosa, Chihuahua.

### CUBAN GOVERNMENT FORCES ARE DELAYED.

Havana.-The Government forces division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, guey, Capital of the Province of Camnear Bristol, Penn. All of the victims | aguey, and still another day has passwith the exception of J. R. King, an ed without any serious fighting. Colengineer, were attendants in charge onel Pujos reports from Gasvar that the rebels have been offering reing shipped from Center Hall and Wil- sistance to his advance, blowing up liamsport, Pa. Seven of the horses bridges and culverts and removing all were killed. The wreckage caught fire stock from the zone through which he must pass.

#### PREMIER GIVES PLAN TO COPE WITH U-BOAT MENACE.

London.-David Lloyd-George, the British Prime Minister, presented to Premier emphasizing the serious sitproducts and curtailment of imports

# OFFICIALS ARE VOTED CONGRESS PASSES OF FOUR MILLION FREE BY COMMITTEE THE 'BONE CRY' BILL

ABSOLUTE PROHIBITION MAKES NOTE HAVE COMPLETE REPORT.

Fails to Substantiate Charges Against the Government Officials.-Short Selling on New York Exchange is Criticized in Report.

Washington. - Vindication of all public officials whose names were brought into the investigation of charges that there was a leak to Wall Street on President Wilson's peace note was voted unanimously by the House Rules Committee. The report has been put in final shape after certain additional records of New York brokers have been examined.

"It is understood the committee finds that Thomas W. Lawson's sensational charges were not substantiated; that R. W. Bolling, brother-inlaw of the President, had nothing to do with a "leak" and that advance would supply a trained force of 4. information concerning the note was furnished to brokers by J. Fred Essary and W. W. Price, local newspaper men, who connected deductions with facts obtained in conversations "Concerted effort, poise and knowl- year would be available for training with other reporters who had been told in confidence by Secretary Lansing that a note was coming.

In connection with violations of newspaper ethics, the report says a sub-committee has been appointed to The bill's purpose is to constitute confer with the standing committee respond instantly to a call to arms. changes shall be made in the rules regulating the admission to the con-

No recommendations are made, but the practice of selling short on the New York Stock Exchange was criticised. F. A. Connolly, a local broker, is censured for his testimony before lar army of 24,400 officers and 285,- | the committee and E. F. Hutton and 886 enlisted men. Of these, 97,000 Company for failing to produce copies would form the oversea forces and of all mesages concerning the note

### ALL WOMEN WITHDRAW FROM INAUGURAL PARADE.

Controversy With Chairman Harper Because State Foats Were Ruied Out.

Washington .- A controversy over what part women shall take in the inauguration ceremonies came to a head with an announcement by Mrs. James H. Boggs, president of the Women's Wilson Union and a member of the Inaugural Committee, that because of a ruling barring from the inaugural parade a section of state floats being organized under her direction, she had declared "the withdrawal

of all women from the parade." Robert N. Harper, chairman of the committee, replied to the announcement with the statement that Mrs. Boggs had no authority to declare such a withdrawal. He said women were wanted in the parade, and that the state floats had been barred only because the plans for them were in so uncertain a stage that he feared they could not be completed in time to conform to the committee's stand-

The decision to withdraw, Mrs. Boggs declared, had the endorsement of the executive board of the Wilson Union, including the wives of many Senators and Representatives and other public officials and would receive the backing also of millions of women throughout the country.

#### ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL PASSED BY HOUSE.

Washington.-The Army appropriation bill, carrying about \$250,000,000, was passed by the House without a record vote. An attempt to add universal training legislation was defeated by a point of order.

In the Senate, an effort will be made to attach as an amendment either the universal service bill already favorably reported by the Senate Military Committee, or the measure just completed by the Army General Staff.

#### RESOLUTION TO POSTPONE DATE OF "BONE DRY" BILL

Washington .- Postponement of the effective date of the "bone dry" prohibition amendment to the postoffice bill which has just been adopted until October 1, 1917, is proposed in a concurrent resolution introduced by Representative Moon, of Tennessee, chair man of the Postoffice Committee. Mr. Moon announced he would press it through as soon as the postoffice bill itself is finally disposed of.

## AMERICAN CLUB HOLDS PLEASANT MEETING IN PARIS.

Paris.-The banquet of the American Club of Paris on the occasion of Washington's birthday was a patriotic demonstration. The principal speaker was Rene Besnard, Under-Secretary of State, who represented the French Government and whose remarks evoked great applause. Among the other speakers were William G. Sharp, the American Ambassador, and Laurence Benet, President of the American

# RIDDICK FORMALLY

AND M. COLLEGE TAKES OATH OF OFFICE.

Measure Has Already Passed the Senate and Will Shut Off All Shipments of Whiskey Into States Now Dry.

Washington.-Absolute prohibition egislation took its longest forward stride in the Nation's history when the House, after two hours of uproarous debate, approved by a four to one majority a Senate measure which would raise an iron-clad barrier against importation of liquor into proaibition states. It is expected to reeive the approval of President Wilson within a week, adding immediately to 'he "bone dry" territory about one-

LONGEST STRIDE IN

HISTORY.

hird of continental United States. The provision is said to be the most 'ar-reaching that could be enacted by he Federal Government, and as eweeping as would be possible until any method short of a National prohibition amendment. It would cut off entirely liquor importations, amounting now to millions of dollars annualty, into the large number of states which have forbidden manufacture or sale, but have permitted importation

for personal use. Advocates of prohibition divided hemselves over the expediency of the tep, some friends of the cause delaring so drastic a law would have a Farm Loan Board. eactionary effect. In the same way those who have opposed prohibition were not unanimous in opposition when the vote was taken. The roll call brought cheers and cries of "bone 'ry" from all parts of the House, however, and the result was greeted with noisy demonstration.

The vote as officially announced was 321 to 72, but a recheck of the roll hanged it to 319 to 72. Party lines were completely broken down, and numerous Representatives from promipition states were recorded in the negative. So large a vote seldom is ecorded on any measure.

A provision barring liquor adverisements from the mails in states hat prohibit such advertising is included in the measure, which came before the House as a rider to the annual postoffice appropriation bill, inserted by the Senate last week on moion of Senator Reed, by vote 55 to 11.

## RAYS MENACE OF SUBMARINES

WILL SOON BE SOLVED. Great Britain's Navy at Grips With German U-Boats, Declare Carson. London.-In introducing the naval stimates in the House of Commons, Sir Edward Carson, First Lord of the Admiralty, said the vote for 400,000 men which the government was asking demonstrated the strength of the navy. He expressed the opinion that the country was extremely fortunate in having Admiral Jelico at the head of the Admiralty. Admiral Beatty, continued Sir Edward, was now commanding the greatest fleet which ever sailed the sea, and had the complete confidence of the officers and men.

In announcing that he had received reports of 40 encounters with submarines in the first 18 days of February, Sir Edward said: "The fact that we got to grips with

## was an enormous achievement." ONE DEAD, NINE HURT AS RESULT OF RIOT OF WOMEN.

them more than 40 times in 18 days

Philadelphia, Pa.-A riot by the wives of striking employes of the Franklin Sugar Refining Company, rasulted in the killing of one man and the serious injury of nine others when the police and strikers clashed near

the refinery. The dead man fell before a police volley fired as the rioters showered bricks on reserves rushed from city hall. Mounted Police Sergeant Jolly's iaw was broken by a brick, and a spectator was shot in the stomach by a patrolman.

#### FARM WORK IS BEING SERIOUSLY CURTAILED.

Lynchburg Va.-Farm work is being seriously curtailed for want of tools due to freight emborgoes on farm supolies, it was declared in the convention here of the Virginia and North Carolina Implement Dealers' Associaion, and a telegram appealing for reief was sent the Interstate Commerce Commission. President Graves Smith. the convention, which continued feeting the profession of optometry through Friday.

#### STEVENSON WINNER IN SOUTH CAROLINA RACE.

Columbia, S. C .- W. F. Stevenson, of Chesterfield, was elected to Congress from the Fifth South Carolina District for the term beginning March 4, according to returns received here. The total vote gave him 2,000 votes over his opponent, C. N. Sapp, of Lancaster. Both Stevenson and Sapp are Democrats, and were seeking election to fill the term for which the late Representative David Edward Finley. Democrat, was re-elected.

HEAD OF NORTH CAROLINA A.

# GLARK ADMINISTERS THE OATH

Gov. Bickett Presided and Ceremonies Were Very Impressive.-Dr. Drinker of Lehigh Speaker.

Raleigh.-Wallace Carl Riddick was impressively inducted to the office of president of the . North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, succeeding Dr. D. H. Hill, who has for six months been devoting his energies and talents to the preparation of "The History of North Carolina's Part in the Civil War."

The ceremonies were most successful and inspiring, opening with the academic procession consisting of 11 divisions, and including college faculty, student body, alumni, state officers, trustees, delegates from societies, from universities and colleges the country over, and the staffs of the State Department of Agriculture and Experiment Station and Extension Service.

Governor Bickett presided at the inaugural exercises in Pullen Hall, and made a brief and forceful speech on the scope and responsibility of the college in its relation to the state. There were addresses by President Drinker, of Lehigh University, and Dr. Herbert Quick, of the Federal

The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Walter Clark, and the formal induction to office was by Governor Bickett. President Riddick spoke comprehensively of the work and aims of the college-the training



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in agriculture, in textiles and in engineering and other avocations, of the special short courses to meet the needs of the great army of boys and grown-ups who cannot take the regular college training, but have time for a few weeks each season to better fit themselves for life. He laid down a broad platform for liberal education. and high technical training, seasoned and elevated by the Christian culture that makes for the well rounded and

polished manhood. There were greetings by President E. K. Graham, of the State University; Dr. W. L. Poteat, of Wake Forest; Dr. J. Y. Joyner, for the public schools; Editor Clarence Poe, of The Progressive Farmer; Major W. A. Graham, Lieutenant Governor O. Max Gardner, James Edgar McDougal, for the senior class and others. The invocation and benediction was by Rt. Rev. Joseph Blount Cheshire, Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina.

After the ceremonies there was a sumptuous luncheon served the special guests and the members of the Legislature and state officers.

Optometrists Hold Annual Meeting. Greensboro. - The North Carolina Scientific Section of Optometry held its regular monthly meeting here in Dr. J. W. Taylor's office. This being the time for the annual election of officers, the following were chosen: President, Dr. A. P. Staley; vice president, Dr. A. G. Spingler; secretary-treasurer, Dr. J. Fred Tesh. After the transaction of business the section went into a scientific session, many subjects aftheoretical and applied optics made.

Union Continues Club Work.

Monroe.-The Girls' Canning Club of Union county has been assured for another year. The county commissioners have donated \$100 toward the work, the county board of education \$100, the Chamber of Commerce \$100 and the county board of agriculture \$100. The State Department of Agriculture having given an equal amount to the county, that of \$400. This work is in charge of Mrs. B. H. Griffin, of Marshville, and has been one of the greatest developments of Union coun-