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THE WEATHER.

Fair and colder tonight with frost. Friday fair. Moderate northerly winds.

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FOUR AMERICANS SHOT TO DEATH

Mexican Court Martial Passed Sentence

Report of the Execution of Americans in Mexico, as Result of Drumhead Court Martial, Reaches Texas Town. Were Charged With Participating in the Insurrection.

San Antonio, Tex., March 23.—John Hamilton Dignowity and three other Americans were shot to death under order of a Mexican court martial, for participation in the insurrection, according to a dispatch received by members of the Dignowity family. The news was brought by Fred Dignowity, a cousin of the executed man. He had no particulars aside from the allegation that the execution was the order of a drumhead court martial. Dignowity was 30 years old and was engaged in the cattle and mining business in Chihuahua.

GOV. DIX SEEKS REPEAL OF INHERITANCE TAX LAW

Albany, N. Y., March 23.—Governor Dix has sent a special message to the legislature recommending the repeal of the progressive inheritance tax law, which he says "has caused the removal of capital from the State in alarming amount."

OPEN GAMING FOR WOMEN.

Such Conditions Caused a Clamping of the Lid in Hot Springs, Ark. Hot Springs, Ark., March 23.—The gambling lid has been clamped here, all clubrooms being dark. The action is in view of the grand jury sitting next week. Startling disclosures are expected then, since it has been predicted that the wide scope given the clubs recently was merely for accumulative evidence, which detectives from the prosecuting attorney's office have collected. Hundreds of indictments it is expected will result. So open has gambling been recently that the clubs have been frequented by hundreds of women from the hotels on sight-seeing trips. Many of the women took a chance at the games.

Opposed to Recall For Himself.

Cleveland, March 23.—Kenesaw Mountain Landis, Judge of the Federal Court in Chicago, said here today: "I might favor the recall of judges generally, but I do not favor any law that will apply the recall to me."

Aside from this, he said, he hasn't had time lately to formulate any theories of government.

"I've been on the shelf for six years and have withered up. Judges in Chicago don't have time to do much thinking about the uplift and things like that. I didn't come here to make a speech, and I'm not going to make a speech."

The Judge pushed back his mop of white hair and described a flourish with his cigar.

"I'm just on the shelf," he concluded; "the shelf—that's it."

LEGISLATION WANTED TO GOVERN THE WIRELESS

Washington, March 23.—The experience of Admiral Schroeder's battleship fleet Tuesday in trying to communicate to the Navy Department the results of the firing by the New Hampshire upon the San Marcos, as the test progressed, may have the effect to renew efforts of Army and Navy officers to secure legislation by Congress to regulate the wireless system of telegraphy. No message could be gotten through to Washington by Admiral Schroeder, although the air line distance from his fleet to the Navy Yard wireless receiving plant here is only about sixty or seventy miles. This was due principally to the "interference" of many private wireless outfits being operated by individuals in this vicinity. The incident demonstrates clearly to Naval experts the necessity for absolute Government control over all such plants in time of war.

Tom Johnson Continues to Improve. Cleveland, Ohio, March 23.—The condition of former Mayor Tom L. Johnson, who has been critically ill of cirrhosis of the liver, continues to improve.

CRACKED SAFE FIGHT ENSUED

Postoffice Near Columbus, Ohio, Robbed

Battle Then Took Place Between Citizens and Robbers and Two of Latter Wounded—Desperadoes Took Refuge in a Barn and Later Escaped.

Columbus, Ohio, March 23.—Following the robbery of a safe in the postoffice at Gahanna, ten miles northeast of Columbus, last night, a fight occurred between deputies and citizens, led by Mayor Dawson and five fleeing robbers. Two of the thieves were wounded. The robbers took refuge in a barn. They were surrounded and subjected to a steady fire, which they returned. The robbers later escaped in the darkness.

GREENE TO NEW YORK

Free From Prison He Left Atlanta This Afternoon.

Atlanta, Ga., March 23.—Benjamin D. Greene, convicted in the Savannah harbor frauds case, is today spending his first free day in over four years. This follows his taking of the pauper's oath, after the Government attorneys sought in vain to show that Greene possessed enough money to pay the \$575,000 fine imposed upon him. Greene left Atlanta this afternoon for New York. Later he joins his wife in Europe.

NATIONAL BANK SUSPENDS

One in New York Town Goes to the Wall.

Oneonta, N. Y., March 23.—The First National Bank suspended business today. The bank has \$800,000 resources and \$500,000 deposits, with an equal amount of loans and discounts. It is expected the bank will pay depositors in full.

WISCONSIN LEGISLATOR WOULD MAKE WOMEN MARRY

Madison, Wis., March 23.—The bill to tax \$5 annually every unmarried woman over 25 years old, and to create a "Matrimonial Commission," consisting of the Governor, Superintendent of Public Property and Chief Clerk of the Assembly, was introduced in the Assembly by Assemblyman Hansen, of "Trousersette" fame today. The Matrimonial Commission is charged with the duty of bringing together kindred souls, when application is made for an affinity by any love sick maiden.

FREAK CAREER ENDS.

"Pushmobile" Finally Burned Up Much to the Relief of Many.

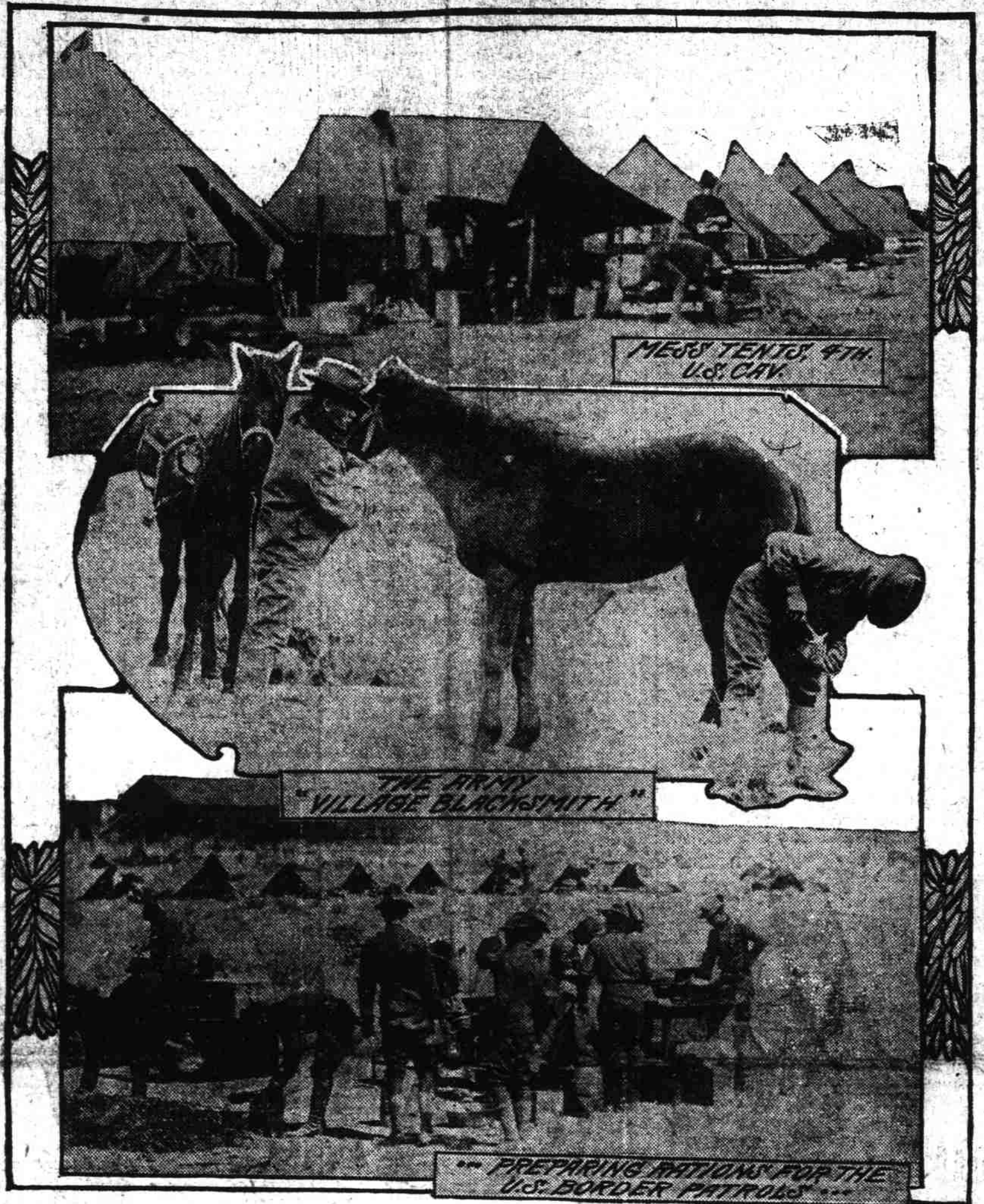
Greenwich, Conn., March 23.—A big automobile, owned by the fashionable Ely School, called the "pushmobile," because it generally pushed everything out of its way, ended its eccentric career when it suddenly burst into flames while occupied by seven young women students and the chauffeur. It was stopped just in time to allow the young ladies to scramble out before the whole car was aflame.

The checked career of the Ely car has long been one of the wonders of Greenwich. It was purchased second hand a little over a year ago. What peculiarities it may have shown prior to that time is not known, but almost weekly since its arrival in town it has cut up some prank. At one time it shied at a train while left alone at the Greenwich station and ran down the stoop of the Plaza sidewalks and smashed the iron drinking fountain erected by the Animal Protection Society.

Only last Friday it hooked into the wheels of a carriage, causing the breaking up of a funeral procession, by frightening a pair of horses attached to a hack, in which were some of the mourners. The horses were stopped only by running them into a telegraph pole.

When only a few days out of the repair shops after the accident at the station, the car turned twice around on the pavement in front of St. Mary's church and leaned up against a trolley pole heavily enough to break the pole off two feet from the ground. Once it removed a heavy ice wagon from the highway by getting behind it and pushing horses, wagon and load of ice to one side, throwing the driver of the wagon out on his head. Twice before it had grappled with moving objects and got the best of it.

Photos From Fort Bliss, Tex., Showing Camp Life Of United States Cavalrymen Who Guard Border.



Napoleon once said something about an army fighting on its stomach, and other generals have testified to the fact that the best fed soldiers are the ones that win victories. Uncle Sam is learning how to feed his soldiers. For one thing he is cutting out the embalmed beef that made the Spanish war famous. Herewith is shown the Fourth cavalry preparing meals and at "mess" at Fort Bliss, near El Paso, Tex., likewise attending to the important duty of shoeing the cavalry horses. The cut is made from photos taken in the field by specially commissioned photographers. The Fourth has been patrolling the Mexican border. Recently a squadron was detached from it to do police duty at Camp Sam Houston, San Antonio.

'PHONE EARNINGS

Report of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company for Last Year Filed—Collected Nearly Two Hundred Million Dollars in Tolls.

New York, March 23.—The American Telephone and Telegraph Company's report for 1910 shows that during the year \$15,600,000 gross revenue was collected by the Bell system from the public for service. The number of the company's telephone stations, the report states, aggregate 5,882,719 and the total wire mileage was nearly twelve million miles.

ADDRESSES STUDENTS.

Theodore Roosevelt Today in Oakland, California. Oakland, Cal., March 23.—Theodore Roosevelt arrived today to give the annual Charter Day address to University of California students.

BIG MEAT PACKING PLANT BURNS IN BALTIMORE

Baltimore, March 23.—The meat packing establishment of Christopher F. Kurrie, in North Baltimore, burned today, entailing a loss of fifty thousand dollars. Two thirds were insured.

RACERS TO EUROPE.

Belmont Will Send Most of His Horses Across the Pond. New York, March 23.—One of the first consequences of the Jockey Club's decision closing the race tracks of New York State the coming season is the announcement of August Belmont that he will ship to England his best two-year-olds. Most of his racing hereafter will be in England and Canada. Belmont will not withdraw from this county entirely.

FAMINE IS NEAR

One State in Mexico is Filled With Suffering and Famine Threatened—Farmers Are Off to the War.

Sinaloa, Mexico, March 23.—Suffering prevails in this State, the food supply being curtailed. In some instances the supply was cut off. No farms are being planted and a famine is threatened. A majority of the farmers are going into the war. Many Americans are leaving.

ILLINOIS SENATE PASSED THE REFERENDUM TODAY

Springfield, Ill., March 23.—The woman suffrage bill, with the referendum amendment, passed the Senate today by a vote of 31 to 10.

STOCKS TODAY.

New York, March 23.—Wall Street—The trend of prices was upward in the opening sales of the stock market. Gains were mostly confined to small fractions. The market was dull. Small selling orders were executed in Hill stocks and Amalgamated Copper. They went off a fraction. The general run of active stocks were virtually unchanged.

NORTHWEST GALE HITS GOTHAM IN FURIOUS MANNER

New York, March 23.—A roaring northwesterly gale, that blew away all touches of Spring that have lingered in the air, and at times reached a velocity of fifty miles an hour, played many curious pranks here during last night and early this morning. Plate glass windows were torn from their frames and shattered by the force of the gusty blast, vessels in the harbor strained at their anchors, and river craft navigated with difficulty.

"Fritziana." New composition dedicated to Mr. John F. (Fritz) Kneisel, by Al Morton, Grand Theatre orchestra today. 1t

TWELVE GO UP

Record Breaking Flight for Airship With Passengers Made Today in France—Eleven Passengers Carried Two Miles.

Douai, France, March 23.—Aviator Louis Breguet made a record performance today, carrying eleven passengers in his monoplane, a distance of two miles.

The flight was made at a height varying from fifty to seventy-five feet. The total weight of the twelve was 1,315 pounds. The combined weight of machine and its occupants was 2,602 pounds. The best previous performance of this kind was made by M. Le Martin February 2nd taking up seven passengers on a five minute flight.

SHIPPING INTERESTS AGREE.

Conference in Berlin Reached a Friendly Agreement. Berlin, March 23.—It is announced that the Trans-Atlantic shipping representatives, who have been in conference at Cologne since Tuesday, have reached a friendly renewal of the Atlantic conference pool agreement.

HURT BY ODD ACCIDENT.

Middletown, N. Y., March 20.—William Steadler of Ellenville, an employe of a knife factory in that village, was working over a wheel when a four-inch knife blade he held flew out of his hand and pierced his chest just below the heart. The blade punctured one of his lungs. Surgeons quickly arrived, and there is hope of his recovery.

NOT TILL NEXT YEAR.

Buenos Ayres, March 23.—Vice President de la Plaza, who is now Acting Executive in the absence of President Saenz Pena, has postponed until 1912 his proposed visit to Washington at the head of a delegation bearing the Argentine Government's thanks for the visit of the American Embassy at the centenary of Argentine's independence.

"Take Me With You, Cutey." Sung by Mr. Henry—Grand Theatre today.

PARKER GIVES OUT DENIAL

Not in Race for New York Senatorship

Refutes the Story That He is One of the Six Candidates for Whom Thomas F. Ryan's Influence Was Bought—Ryan's Son Talks.

New York, March 23.—Regarding the United States Senatorship, over which the New York legislature is deadlocked, Alton B. Parker, William F. Sheehan's law partner, denied today the statement that he is one of the six candidates for whom the influence of Thomas Fortune Ryan was sought indirectly. "I deny," he said, "that any one, with my consent or knowledge, sought Ryan's influence, or that of any other person at any time, to secure for me the United States Senatorship. I made it as clear as I could both before the election in public speeches and the day afterward, in interviews, that my obligations were such that I could not accept the Senatorial office. From that day to this there has been no change in my position. Allen A. Ryan, through whom it is supposed his father's influence was sought, refused to deny or confirm the interview accredited to him. My advice to Sheehan," he said, "and to the Democratic party, if they hope for future success, is to stand by the choice of the caucus, which is Sheehan."

ELEVEN BATTLESHIPS ARE BACK FROM RECENT TEST

Norfolk, Va., March 23.—Eleven ships of the Atlantic battleship fleet have returned to Hampton Roads from Tangier Sound, where the officers observed the armor and gunnery tests, to which the second class battleship San Marcos, or the old Texas, was subjected Tuesday and yesterday, with the result of the complete destruction of that vessel, which now lies on the mud, a battered and twisted hulk of steel, with no hope or reason for her ever being raised. The ships of the fleet will remain in these waters until April 1st, when the regular spring maneuvers and practices begin on the Southern drill grounds.

Lee, Mass., March 23.—A woodchuck which went into its hole near Quigley's Corner in the heart of the town on August 26th, 1910, and has not reappeared, is responsible for the posting of several times the amount of Berkshire county money wagered on the Jeffries-Johnson fight. Even money is offered that the woodchuck will come out in due time; money has been placed at 10 to 8 that it is not in the hole, and there is a brisk business in 10 to 6 bets that the animal is dead.

NEVADA'S GOVERNOR SIGNS "DEAD EASY" DIVORCE LAW

Carson Nevada, March 23.—Governor Oddie has signed the "Time Lock" divorce law, stipulating six months' continuous physical presence of the plaintiff in the United States as the sole requisite upon which to base jurisdiction in divorce proceedings. Formerly divergent views on residence, based upon intent, caused a confusion among the Judges of the various districts.

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SECOND DAY OF BIG MEETING

Helpful Session of State Missionary Union

Great Enthusiasm Shown at This Morning's Session and Splendid Work Accomplished—Number of Able Papers Read—Yesterday Afternoon's Session.

The second day of the great woman's convention opened this morning under somewhat unfavorable auspices as to weather, but in spite of this the enthusiasm of the host of the good women of North Carolina who are here, as is plainly manifest in every meeting, not for pleasure and pastime, but on the "King's Business," was great.

The house was fairly well filled at the early hour of 9:30 and the meeting started off with a very commendable earnestness and devotion with a spiritually uplifting prayer service conducted by Miss Heck, the presiding officer, who is admirably fitted for the position which she occupies by culture, thoughtfulness and consecration. The opening prayer was led by Mrs. Trueblood. Women may not debate as well as men, but when it comes to the matter of prayer there is a tenderness and pleadingness that makes one feel that they are in right relationship to Him who answers prayer, and this opening prayer was an earnest plea for the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit in the work of the day. After singing "Sweet Hour of Prayer," Miss Heck spoke in very high terms of the women and men of Wilmington and the beautiful and hospitable way in which they were entertaining the convention, and stated that one thing which all good women could do to repay their kindness was to invoke God's blessing upon them, and called on Mrs. Reddish to lead in prayer for the homes that were so delightfully entertaining us. She prayed beautifully, earnestly and tenderly that every act of the visitors while here might be so guarded and directed as to make better and happier the homes in which they were entertained. At the close of this sweetly and tenderly devotional meeting, the regular work of the morning was taken up and the following recommendations of the central committee were adopted by a unanimous vote: Recommendations of the Central Committee. Believing that much greater mission service lies before the Baptist women of North Carolina, the Central Committee of the Missionary Union of North Carolina recommend for the year 1911-1912: 1. That our watchword be, Looking Unto Him. 2. That the annual session be the fourth week in March, the quarters of our financial year closing May 31st, August 31st, November 30th, February 28th. 3. That the money aims for the year be divided between the associations at the annual session, the Association Vice President dividing these aims among the societies of their respective associations as soon after as possible, using for this purpose appropriation cards prepared by the Central committee. 4. That the present plan of setting an aim for each quarter be continued. 5. That missionary institutes be held in four of the divisions of the State. 6. That the vice presidents and officers of Woman's Missionary Societies, Young Woman's Auxiliaries, Sunbeams, and Royal Ambassadors continue to press the duty and privilege of tithing, using the Tithing cards and forming Tithing Bands in their societies. 7. That the "Every Member Campaign" be continued with the aim of a twenty-five per cent increase in membership. 8. That each society study the religious and physical conditions of its neighborhood and conduct some form of personal service for the uplift of their own communities. 9. That the Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions, the Week of Prayer for World-wide Missions in January, the Week of Prayer and Gifts to Home Missions, the first week in April, and State Mission Day in September be yet more widely observed. 10. That Mission Study classes be continued and increased. 11. That we "give attention to reading," making use of Our Mission Fields, the Foreign Mission Journal, the Home Field, and the Biblical Recorder for mission information. That we urge the societies to subscribe to Our Mission Fields, published quarterly by the Woman's Missionary Union. (Continued on Sixth Page.)