RATE OF POSTAGE America Should Aid Starving Russiá; Tax Exempt Lands Should be Pro-

CONTINUING DEFICIT IN THE POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT SAYS GENERAL HAYS.

MATERIAL DECREASE IN 192

Revenues For the Postal Service For the Fiscal Year, Ending Last June Totaled \$463,491,274.

Washington-Pointing to continuing deficits in his department, Postmaster be enacted as a result of the budget General Hays, in his first annual re- system assisting in rigid economy. port to the President, declared that readjustment of postage rates as will, together with the effects of increasing volume of business, produce sufficient revenue approximately to meet it."

Mr. Hays makes no specific recommendations as to the suggested adthat "if it were a question between dered commercial world. the best practical service on the one hand, and a poorer service with revenue meeting cost, on the other hand, decision should be resolved in favor conducted for a profit, but at a loss.

the fiscal year ended last June, Mr. ceipts of the preceding fiscal year. to co-operative marketing. Balanced against this were audited expenditures of \$620,993, 673 with the drift of population to the cities. total audited deficiency at \$157,517,-

penditures in two principal items interest uppermost. without any corresponding increase in sation to railroads on the basis of an lation order of the Interstate Commerce Commission, retroactive to November Russia by sending them 10.000,000 1, 1916, and \$41,855,000 for added com- bushels of corn and 1,000,000 bushels pensation allowed postal employes by of grain seed. Congress.

the Postmaster General tells the Pres- ment." ident that "the salaries provided by law for those in the department are too low to compensate those who continue in the service, or to attract and hold others of the ability required the conduct of such an institution." Pointing to the inconsistencies in the salaries of employes in the department proper and those who serve in the field. Mr. Hays says they "emphasize the importance and necessity of immediate legislation to readjust the departmental salaries throughout."

Prisoner Takes Charge of Pen. Little Rock, Ark.-Tom Slaughter, notorious bandit under death sentence for the killing of a trusty guard at the State prison farm at Tucker, es caped from the penitentiary here, taking six other convicts with him. For five hours prior to his escape, Slaughto all convicts who wanted it.

Chicago Raids Opium Den. Chicago.-Thirty Chinese were arrested thousands of dollars worth of drugs confiscated and one of the most elaborate opium-smoking establishments ever discovered in Chicago, broken up by a raid led by Inspector Williams and a dozen assistants.

Receivers for Rickard Named. New York.-Allen Lexow and John perts. Ringling were named by Supreme

Court Justice Guy as receivers for "Tex" Rickard, the Madison Square posited bond of \$100,000. U. S. Boat Released.

ing to advices received. Hold Up Paymaster. Augusta, Ga.-Two bandits entered

exciting chase and an exchange of City. Earthquake Shocks.

miles northwest of this city.

Governors Entertained. at the White House by President and vault, and escaped with cash and Mail from Doorn. Mrs. Harding.

\$80,000 Whiskey Haul. Tyrone, Ky.-Whiskey valued at by a band of 20 armed men, who held rific northwest storm off the New- but was dead when the ambulance ar- trains operating within Georgia in an up the superintendent and three foundland coast that swept a score of rived. His assailant has not been apporter issued here by the Georgia rail-

Young Man Receives Burns.

Quitman, Ga.-When he struck a match to light a cigarette, his clothes, boat Mabel, of Los Angeles, was seized shaped navy "blimp" proved the value have gained the upper hand over the which were partly saturated with about five miles off the Mexican coast of helium, the new non-inflammable bandits, who have terrorized the ingasoline, caught fire and Danny Tay- by a vessel of the Mexican patrol and gas discovered during the war. The habitants of the territory of Santa lor, 21, received burns that resulted another of American registry but great bag droned its way to Washing- Cruz. Colonel Varela reports the capin his death. department was advised.

Dr. Hadley Pays Death Penalty. Richmond, Va.-Dr. Wilmer Amos

hibited by the Constitution.

Washington .- "No permanent readjustments can be effected without consideration of our inescapable relation-

ship to world affairs in finance and Other nations recovering from war may expect help of America only after COMPROMISE NOW EFFECTED they have in the main worked out their program of construction them-

Contributions of this republic to re- Centuries Old Quarrel Between Engstored world normalcy must come through initiative of executive branch of the government, but there will be no encroachments upon functions of

congress. Further reductions in taxation may

Failure to act on the foreign debt "if the present gauge of expenditures refunding bill would leave the execushall continue there should be such a tive branch of the government impotent to deal with the urgent need for readjustment of the foreign debt.

Enforcement of the provision of the Jones act for abrogation of commercial treaties would result in chaos of trade relationships and add indescribjustments, and declares emphatically ably to confusion of the already disor-

Early enactment of a "permanent" tariff necessary for stabilization of industry. Means for flexible rates should be provided by giving the presof rendering the service." He adds ident and tariff commission broader that the department should not be powers. American valuation should be modified to prevent prohibitive Revenues of the Postal Service for rates resulting from its operation. The remedy of the farmer's condi-

Hays says, totalled \$463,491,274, an tion lies in distribution and marketincrease of \$26,341,062 over the re- ing. Encouragement should be given Steps should be taken to retard the

Means should be found for preventing strikes, lockouts, boycotts and the The material increase in the defici- like through establishment of a code ency over that for 1920, Mr. Hays of practices in industrial disputes and states is due to large increases of ex- tribunals for adjucations with public

Arid and swamp lands should be re the revenues. The two principal items claimed to furnish new fields for are \$76,130,301 for increased compen- homes, to meet the increase in popu-

America should aid the starving in

Tax exempt bonds should be pro-Approving this added compensation, hibited by a constitutional amend-

Cotton Ginning Report Issued.

Washington. - Cotton ginned prior bales, counted as half bales; 22,058 bales of Sea Island, the census bureau

U. S. Submarine Goes to Bottom. Bridgeport, Conn.-The Lake submarine S-48 sank off this harbor and was submerged for twelve hours before the crew, by lightening the ballast the surface and escaped through the of the more than one hundred persons Japanese bureau of legislation. tanks, raised one end of the craft to torpedo tubes.

\$75,000 Paid For Outfielder. Buffalo, N. Y .- Charles O'Connell, of ter was in complete control of the the San Francisco club in the Pacific penitentiary yards and offered liberty Coast league, has been bought by Manager J. J. McGraw, of the New York Giants, it was announced here. The oners interned in Ireland. price paid for the outfielder was \$75,-

> Seeking Common Policy. London.-Negotiations for the establishment of a common policy by Great Britain and France in regard to Germany's war obligations opened with the arrival from Paris of Louis gions, and several French financial ex- ficulty in getting at the oil, stated Britain.

Denby Files Annual Report. Washington. - Secretary Denby, in Garden corporation and the Madison his first annual report, made public Square Sporting Club, Inc. They de- announced that he has "no recommenposed future policy for the navy is Utica Boys' Clothing company. San Pedro, Calif.-The American embodied in the American proposal to fishing boat Mabel, which was seized the arms conference, but Mr. Denby by the Mexican gunboat Tecate off omits any reference to this. His only Enzada, Lower California, recently, statement as regards the conference has been released and is proceeding is a recognition of "the arduous and Methodist Episcopal church, was elect- Kansas Court of Industrial Relations. up the coast to its home port, accord- excellent work" performed by the ed president of the Anti-Saloon league The gathering adjourned until the next navy general board.

Government Out in Guatemala. Washington. - Efforts are being the office of the Sibley Manufacturing made to constitute a "legal congress"

Ku Klux in Court. around the Lake of Bolsena, about 60 Ku Klux Klan, by A. J. Padon, Jr., through the elimination of federal the same as were used by the Chinese and Lloyd B. Hooper.

Bandits Rob Bank. Washington.-Governors of states, Grand Rapids, Mich. - Six armed Liberty bonds estimated at approximately \$20,000.

18 Lives Lost in Storm. more than \$80,000 was removed from St. Johns, N. F.-Eighteen lives are while he was taking a walk through Pullman berths and chairs was orderthe T. B. Ripy distillery, hear here, known to have been lost in the ter the city. He was rushed to a hospital, ed discontinued December 20, on vessels from the sea.

> Mexicans Seize American Boat. Washington.—The American fishing Washington. — "C-7," a big cigar-

Bill Hart is Married. Hadley, physician at the base hospital Los Angeles, Cal.-William S. Hart, Sanger, assistant secretary of war at West Hampton in 1918, paid the motion picture actor, was married here from 1901 to 1903 and an authority on penalty of death in the electric chair to Miss Winifred Westover who has militia affairs, died in a hospital here. for the murder of his wife, Sue Tinsley been included in his supporting com- Colonel Sanger, who was in his 68th pany for some time.

MUST HAVE HIGHER SOLDIER BONUS UNMENTIONED IRELAND HAS BEEN GIVEN FREE TITLE

HAVE SAME STATUS AS CANADA, AUSTRALIA AND OTHER OVER-SEAS DOMINIONS.

land and Ireland Was Ended, as Has Been Hoped.

London.-The centuries old quarrel ended, as has been feverently hoped, ing China," Dr. Tyau said. Great Britain and Ireland, consisting of eighteen articles, giving Ireland the title of the Irish Free State and the same constitutional status as Canada, Australia and other overseas dominions.

legiance to the constitution of the Irish China's rights as a sovereign nation. Free State and "be faithful to His Majesty the King."

rial parliament has been summoned opened in state by the King, who has rights as a sovereign nation. taken the closest personal interest in the Irish negotiations since he practically instigated them when he opened the Ulster parliament.

government has an overwhelming maposition of Ulster is less certain. Evi- offices in China." dence comes from Belfast that the treaty will be subjected to the most searching examination before receiving assent, and doubtless many modi-

fications will be proposed. The King hastened to send the prime minister a telegram congratulating him on the success of the negotiations and declaring, "I am overjoyed to hear the splendid news." The King will come to London purposely to December 1 amounted to 7,640,870 to preside over the privy council to running bales, including 121,859 round approve the proclamation summoning proclamation.

The treaty was signed by all the rise to some disturbances. nembers of the British and Irish delegations participating in the negotiations, the Irish delegates signing their Gaelic names.

Hundreds Killed by Explosion. killed in the explosion at the Nobel lynamite works at Saarlouis, Rheinish Prussia, have been recovered.

Orders Release of Prisoners.

Approximately 3,400 interned persons are affected by the release order, which relates to all persons under internment as distinguished from those who have been tried and convicted.

Oil Prices to Advance.

Frank Haskel, president of the Tidal Oil company.

Girls Overcome by Gas Fumes. dations to make at this time relative ers made ill when fumes of ether ecutive committee and officers were to the naval establishment." A pro- spread through the workrooms of the re-elected and after an open session,

> Elects New President. for the next two years.

Dr. Lorenz to Return Home. New York .- Dr. Adolph Lorenz, the return to Vienna.

Large Saving With Result. taxes.

Former Kaiser Denies Report. London.-Denial was given at the

Former Grand Vizier Shot. Rome.-Former Turkish Grand Vizprehended.

Proves Value of Hellum. manned by Mexican soldiers, the state ton from Hampton Roads, Va.

> Colonel Sanger Dead. New York. - Col. William Carey year, was born in Brooklyn.

None of the Ten Points Advanced b China Required Delay in Action, Being Based on China's Rights.

Washington. - Philip K. C. Tyau, secretary general of the Chinese delegation to the Washington conference and minister to Cuba, cabled to Pe king his resignation as a member of the delegation in protest against the "negative results" thus far achieved

concerning China's demands. Dr. Tyau told the Associated Press that in resigning he acted without consulting the three Chinese delegates and his action represented his personal views. The delegation was notified after the cablegram had been sent to the Chinese government.

"I personally do not feel that any actual results have been achieved by between England and Ireland was the Washington conference regardby the signature in the prime minis- have been negative in actuality, exter's cabinet room of a treaty between cept in principle. Everything has been agreed to in principle and then turned over to sub-committees."

In no single case China has presented for settlement on the basis of the ten points proposed by the Chinese delegation at the beginning The question of allegiance, which of the conference, Dr. Tyau said, has up to the last moment threatened to anything more than justice to China wreck the negotiations, was sur been involved. None of the ten mounted by permitting the members points required delayed action, he of the Irish parliament to swear al- said, because they were based on

Referring particularly to the withdrawal of the foreign postoffices The treaty has yet to run the gaunt- from China, Dr. Tyau said the action let of the Ulster government and of of the conference in agreeing to acthe imperial parliament. The impecede to this demand by China only after long investigation by a commisto meet on December 14, and will be sion was in direct violation of China's

"If we attach our signatures to any such proposition," he added, "we would be in the position of condoning highway robbery on the part of Approval by the imperial parlia- the powers. The powers have been ment is a foregone conclusion, as the guilty of highway robbery of this source of revenue, and instead of jority in the house of commons favor- China pleading for restoration of the ing its Irish policy, and the action of control of all postoffices on Chinese the British representatives in reaching soil, China should demand indemnity the agreement has already been unani- for all the revenue she has been robmously endorsed by the cabinet. The bed of by the powers maintaining post-

> Government's Land Holdings. Washington.-An untapped wealth estimated at a minimum of one hundred and fifty billion dollars is contained in the more than 400,000,000 acres of land still held in the public domain

Villa Leads Peace Movement. Mexico City.-Francisco Villa, one time bandit, has taken the leadership parliament, as the constitution re- of an agrarian league in the Laguna bales of American-Egyptian, and 2,915 quires a six days' notice by the royal cotton district in the state of Durango where wide unemployment has given

> Startles Peace Envoys. Washington.-Racial equality looms as a dark cloud over the proceedings of the armament conference, as the result of an address delivered here by Berlin.-The bodies of only thirteen Sennosuke Yokota, president of the

Berlin.-According to The Zwoelfuhrblatt, former Emperor William has decided to marry again. The lady of his choice, the newspaper says, is London.-King George issued a proclamation releasing all political pris-

Breathing Spell for Huns.

Paris.-Establishment in Berlin of an Allied control commission to supervise budgetary reforms and armed with powers to bring about other financial changes during a three-year Chicago. - Crude oil and its by- tions payments is provided in a plan products, including gasoline, will cost under consideration by the repara Loucheur, minister of liberated re- more in the future because of the dif- tions officials of France and Great

Governors Close Convention.

Charleston, S. C. - The thirteenth annual conference of the house of Utica, N. Y. - Twenty-five girls governors was officially concluded were overcome and one hundred oth- with a closed session at which the exat which Gov. Henry J. Allen delivered an illuminating address on the sub ject of "Industrial Peace in Essential Washington.-The Right Rev. Thos. Industries," in the course of which he G. Nicholson of Chicago, bishop of the told of the workings of the famous

Fifteen Killed in Wreck. Philadelphia.-Fifteen persons lost famous Austrian surgeon, announced their lives and twenty-five or more in-Company here, held up the paymaster to carry on the government in Guate- that, in view of opposition to his pro- jured are in hospitals as the result of and the mill secretary, gathered to- mala, following the overthrow of the fessional activities in this country a head on collision between two pasgether in a sack the payroll of \$8,000 regime of President Carlos Herrera, from the medical profession, he would senger trains on the Newton branch and fied. They were captured after an according to advices from Guatemala discontinue further free clinics and of the Philadelphia & Reading rail-

Interesting News. Atlanta,-Two more damage suits New York,-Shippers and travelers New York,-Physical exercises pre-Rome.—Serious earthquake shocks of 50,000 each were filed here against on the New York Central railroad will scribed for men over 50 years of age have been reported from the regions E. Y. Clarke, imperial kleagle of the save approximately \$12,000,000 in 1922 by present-day medical experts are

over 5,000 years ago.

Lloyd George May Not Come. New York.-The statement that it who attended the annual conference bandits robbed a branch of the Grand home of former Emperor William at was "unlikely that Lloyd George will of state executives at Charleston, S. Rapids Savings bank, locked three Doorn, Holland, of the report of his come to the Washington conference" C., were entertained at a dinner given employees and two patrons in the betrothal, says a dispatch to the Daily was made by a member of the British delegation of the conference.

> Surcharge Off in Georgia. Atlanta, Ga.-The railroad surier Said Ali Pasha was fatally shot charge of 50 per cent on fares for road commission.

> > Government Forces in Control. Buenos Aires.-Government forces ture of about 500 of the outlaws, with 3.000 horses and quantities of arms and ammunition.

Agreement Made With Irish. London.-It is officially announced that the government officials and the representative of the Dail Eireann have reached an agreement.

CHARGE OF HIGHWAY ROBERY GLYNN ENGINEERED PEACE CONFERENCE

BY REQUEST OF THE BRITISH PREMIER, NEW YORK'S EX-GOVERNOR ACTED.

THE STORY TOLD IN DETAIL

Work on the Matter Started in Rome in Meeting With Bishop Mannix of Australia and Others.

Albany, N. Y .- It was my good fortune to be honored by Lloyd George, when I was in London last May, to extend to Mr. De Valera the invitation to come to London and discuss a setlement of the Irish meetings. That invitation led to the meetings between the prime minister of England and President De Vafera which have brought about this settlement. All the details of my conference with Lloyd George I am not at liberty to divulge.

As long as the proposed settlement of the Irish question is satisfactory to the leaders in Ireland, it will be satisfactory to the Irish the world over. I believe any settlement proposed by Collins, Griffith and their fellow commissioners will be greeted with acclaim everywhere.

My work on the matter started in Rome in a meeting with Bishop Mannix, of Australia, and others. Bishop Mannix and I also were together in London and worked together there. Archbishop Hayes, of New York, did great work for the cause in Rome. Some day I will write the details of the mission, but now is not the time.

But this will say: Through me Llyod George invited De Valera to come to London and try to settle the Irish question without exacting promises or making conditions. He said that if Mr. De Valera would accept the invitation on these terms, the Irish question could be settled, not in one meeting, but in a series of meetings. Mr. De Valera accepted and it turned out that Llyod George was right.

The prime minister held that a series of conferences would lead to a settlement without Ireland going out of the British empire and yet taking its place among the nations of the world.

When I told Bishop Mannix the terms of Lloyd George's offer and the invitation he could hardly believe his ears. He said that if it had only been made two years sooner the question could have been quickly settled. Now it would take more time. But he believed that under fair discussion, with a reasonable spirit of give and take and a mutual desire to reach a solution, the proposed terms would bring about an end to the age-old fight betyeen Ireland and England.

Foch Bids Capital Farewell. Washington.-Ferdinand Foch, marshal of France, bade Washington a final farewell in a fleeting 15-minute

Jailer and Son Killed.

Jackson, Ky.-Jailer Albert Allen and his son, Deputy Jailer Robert Allen, are dead, and Mrs. Margaret Allen and Mrs. Mary Allen, wives of the failer and deputy failer, respectively, cessation in Germany's cash repara- are perhaps fatally wounded following a mob's attempt to take two convicted murderers from the Breathitt county a wagon. A gun lying in the wagon

> Expenses of Veterans Increase. Washington.-Government expenses for vocational training of world war veterans increased by two million dollars between the months of September and November, according to a statement issued by Director Forbes of the veterans' bureau.

> Quadruple Agreement Announced. Washington. - A new quadruple agreement to preserve peace in the waters of the Pacific was announced to the world by the United States, Great Britain, Japan and France.

> Marines in Fight. Managua, Nicaragua.-Four policemen were killed and one wounded while breaking up a street fight here between several American marines and a party of civilians. Two marines were wounded. The Americans were off duty at the time.

Shorter President Dead. Rome, Ga.-Dr. A. W. Van Hoose, president of Shorter college, died at a local hospital, following an operation ten days ago for an abscess on the liver.

Mob Gets Negro. Fort Worth, Texas.-Fred Rouse, a negro packing house employe, who shot two strikers, was taken by a mob from the city-county hospital, after

overpowering Miss Essie Slaton, the

Jury Consumes Evidence. Lockport, N. Y .- A jury deliberating on the case of Mrs. Anderson, charged with liquor violations, drank the quart bottle of whiskey which was held as evidence and returned a verdict of not guilty.

Canadian Official a Suicide. Ottawa.-R. E. Rourke, comptroller of currency in the Dominion government, took his life by swallowing poison. The comptroller's office is the highest post in the Canadian department of finance under civil service regulation.

Rich Haul of Liquor. Washington. - Four thousand cases of whiskey, said to be valued at 500 .-000, was stolen from a distillery in Baltimore, according to a report to the Washington police.

Thirty-five Per Cent, the Minimum Quota That Was Assigned to the State is Now Under Contract,

Fiorence.-The contract for South Carolina growers to sell their tobacco through the Tri-State Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Marketing association will be closed Wednesday night December 21, officers of the South Carolina Tobacco association announced from headquarters in Florence This announcement marked the term ination of four days' campaign, which covered the entire state belt. It indicates fairly both the success of the campaign to date and the independ ent position of the Tri-State association looking to the future of its organization. A minimum of 5,000,000 pounds was signed durng the past four days in the 60 meetings of the campaign.

Campaign officers of the association stated they believe the final direct results will show much more, while the indirect result of the four days work will run much larger. The contracts are being compiled now and the results probably will be announced

Cooperative marketing of the bright tobacco of South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia next year is positively assured. F. C. Shelton, campaign manager, stated approximately 60 per cent of the combined production of the three states is under contract, which requires about 50 per cent to make it valid and binding.

Charleston.-Concluding an inter esting meeting, the Charleston convocation of the Woman's auxiliary of the Episcopal church decided in the affirmative the question, "Shall women be admtted to those councis of the church to which laymen are admitted?" The convocation did not favor putting this principle into effect by establishing a national house of churchwomen in equal co-ordination with the existing house of the general convocation, but did approve the admisson of women to the house of deputies.

Sumter. - Sumter's first wireless telephone receiving set has been set up and is in operation. This is the property of J. C. Brown who installed it himself in his home on Calhoun street. Now with his family and friends seated comfortably around him, he is able to reproduce in his parlor, concerts, meetings and so forth all over the country. If one of the big cities, is not furnishing entertainment enough for Mr. Brown and friends, he switches to another station and hears what that has to offer. This equipment is in touch with two stations with which a turning may be made any night, these are at Pittsburgh and Newark.

Columbia.—Believed to have been catapulted from the Seaboard Air Line tarin, on which she was traveling to New York, while passing either to or from the dining car, being killed by the impact, the dead body of Mrs. Sarah Seibels, member of one of the most prominent of Columbia families, was found on the right of way, the purpose of setting out a large about six miles north of McBee

Gaffney .- A great holiday drive will be made in Cherokee county in the effort to stamp out tuberculosis. Mrs. George Garrett Byers has been appointed county chairman, and will prosecute the work with her usual vigor and energy.

Conway. - Mrs. Sarah Norris of near Conway had a most peculiar and painful accident. She had been on a hunting and fishing trip with Charlie and Jack Norris and was returning in was discharged by the jolting and the of the streets of Gaffney on their way load took effect in her inflicting a very painful wound.

Spartanburg.-Cottage prayer meeting, which is preliminary to the Billy Sunday campaign has started, services being held in a number of homes. Prayer meeting will be held every Tuesday and Friday nights in various parts of the city until the campaign actually begins.

St. George.-Meeting here in annual conference South Carolina Methodists instructed the finance committee to insure the life of each member of the

conference in the sum of \$2,000. Southern Power Company Busy. Chester. - This has been a busy week with the Southern Power company at Great Falls, with preparations house the new hydro-electric plant No. erating capacity of 60,000 horsepower, using three generating units of 20,000 | making whiskey. horsepower each. The digging is being done by means of hydraulic power, a six-inch steel pipe hurling out 1,500 gallons a minute.

Many Farmers Disappointed. Gaffney .- Much to the disappoint-

ment of the farmers of Cherokee county they have received information to the effect that the price of tobacco has gotten so low, owing to excessive production, that it will not pay to plant and cultivate the weed here. This disappointment is intensified because of the fact that experts had assured the farmers that the soil is peculiarly adapted to the raising of tobacco, and those who have been planting cotton were delighted.

Member of Hunting Party Killed. Florence.-Fay Poston, 18, was killed, and his brother, Alger Poston, ville when they and other members of a hunting party are said to have been new officers were elected as follows: fired upon in trespassing upon a farmer's land. Other members of the party was said to have been wounded. Jim Benton, accused of the shooting, was surrounded in a swamp by a

posse of citizens. Deputies were sent at once to investigate, at the request of citizens Sumter and arrangements have been of Johnsonville.

TUBACCO GROWERS RESPOND DANCE LEADS TO WRECK AND RUIN

SOCIAL SCIENCE COMMITTEE OF THE BAPTIST CONVENTION SUBMITS THEIR REPORT.

TIME RIPE FOR INTERVENTION

Committee Thinks Much Advancement is Being Made in Right Direction in Present Social Orders.

Greenville.-That the modern dance is leading many to wreckage and ruin; that the motion picture industry is not seriously undertaking its own reformation; its possibilities for good and also for dire evil are great; that familiarity between the sexes among the people of all ages is increasing, and that there seems to be a breaking down of the finer spiritual sensibilities among the people, which permits of the dicussion of topics freely which would not have been mentioned in society as recently as six years agostatements to this effect and others regarding public morals of today were made by Dr. R. C. Granberry, of Gaffney, chairman of a committee on social service and public morals, in a report to the State Baptist convention here.

Adoption of this report on public morals, together with a strong sermon by Rev. J. Dean Crain, featured the three sessions of the day. Several hundred Baptists from all parts of South Carolina were in attend-

Dr. Granberry, in his report, said that he and his committeemen are not pessimists, because they believe in Jesus Christ, and stressed the fact that much advancement in the right direction is being made in the present social orders. Regarding the modern dance, motion pictures, the laxity of relationship between the sexes and other matters, however, he urged that the time was at hand for the church to take a hand.

"I know that it is customary for church people to quietly acquiesce in the dance situation," he said, ',but

that must change." Prohibition, the committee declared, is a great success, notwithstanding the fact that the fight with the liquor traffic is not yet finished, increasing profanity and improper observance of the Sabbath were also discussed.

The convention adopted the report of the committee.

Chester .- That Chester county is making a start in the direction of fruit growing as a measure rendered necessary and advisable in the campaign to get away to as large extent as possible from cotton and the boll weevil, was demonstrated at Loweryville when Dr. James Land bought the Davis G. Anderson lands, consisting of practically 100 acres, for peach orchard.

York. - The downward trend of York county real estate values was reflected in the public sales by the clerk of the court here, farm lands selling at prices that have not obtained here in several years. Presence of the advance guard of the boll weevil, coupled with the low price of cotton, is responsible for the declining land values.

Gaffney .- As the two daughters of G. T. Floyd were passing along one home from a drug store, they were accosted by a young man named Charles Kendrick, who, according to the statement of one of the girls, struck her a severe blow across the lips and then struck her again on the

back of the head. Chester.-Sheriff D. Gober Anderson and Magistrate Haynes have made an important capture at Flopeye, at Granite Falls, when they seized a big truck, the property of a Columbia concern, and 1,728 bottles of ginger compounds, extracts, etc. The truck will be advertised for sale in a

few days.

Still and Men Captured. Camden-Sheriff Grover Welch and Deputy Henry McLeod of Camden, accompanied by Sheriff Hunter and Deputy Montgomery and Chief of going forward for excavating for the Police Bell of Lancaster, went on a foundation of the structure which will joint raiding expedition and captured a complete liquor outfit of about 50 2, which will have a maximum gen- sallons capacity and confiscated some meal, sugar and molasses used in

Two negro men, Mungo brothers, were arrested and as the still was on the Kershaw side, they were placed

in the Camden jail. Prisoners Fall to Escape. Columbia. - An attempt at escape from the state prison was nipped when the hiding place of Harry Gates serving five years from Marlboro county, and C. D. Cooper, a life-termer from Spartanburg county, was discovered beneath the roof o the tub reulosis hospital at the prison in the search for the two men.

Cooper and Gates were found to be missing when a brother of the former called at the penitentiary to see him. They had been in hiding for some time. To Have Club Rooms.

Sumter.-The Sumter post of the American Legion has decided to esprobably fatally injured near Johnson- tablish club rooms for the use of its members. At a recent meeting Post commander, Joseph S. Chandler: vice commander, J. H. Forbes; adjutant, Zach K. Darr; historian, W. H. Bowman; veterans' bureau officer, Dr. J. H. Mills, John B. Duffle was appointed to look into the formation of a woman's auxiliary to the post in made to establish one.