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Union camp in Summersville, Nicholas County, 1861. *West Virginia Archives & History*

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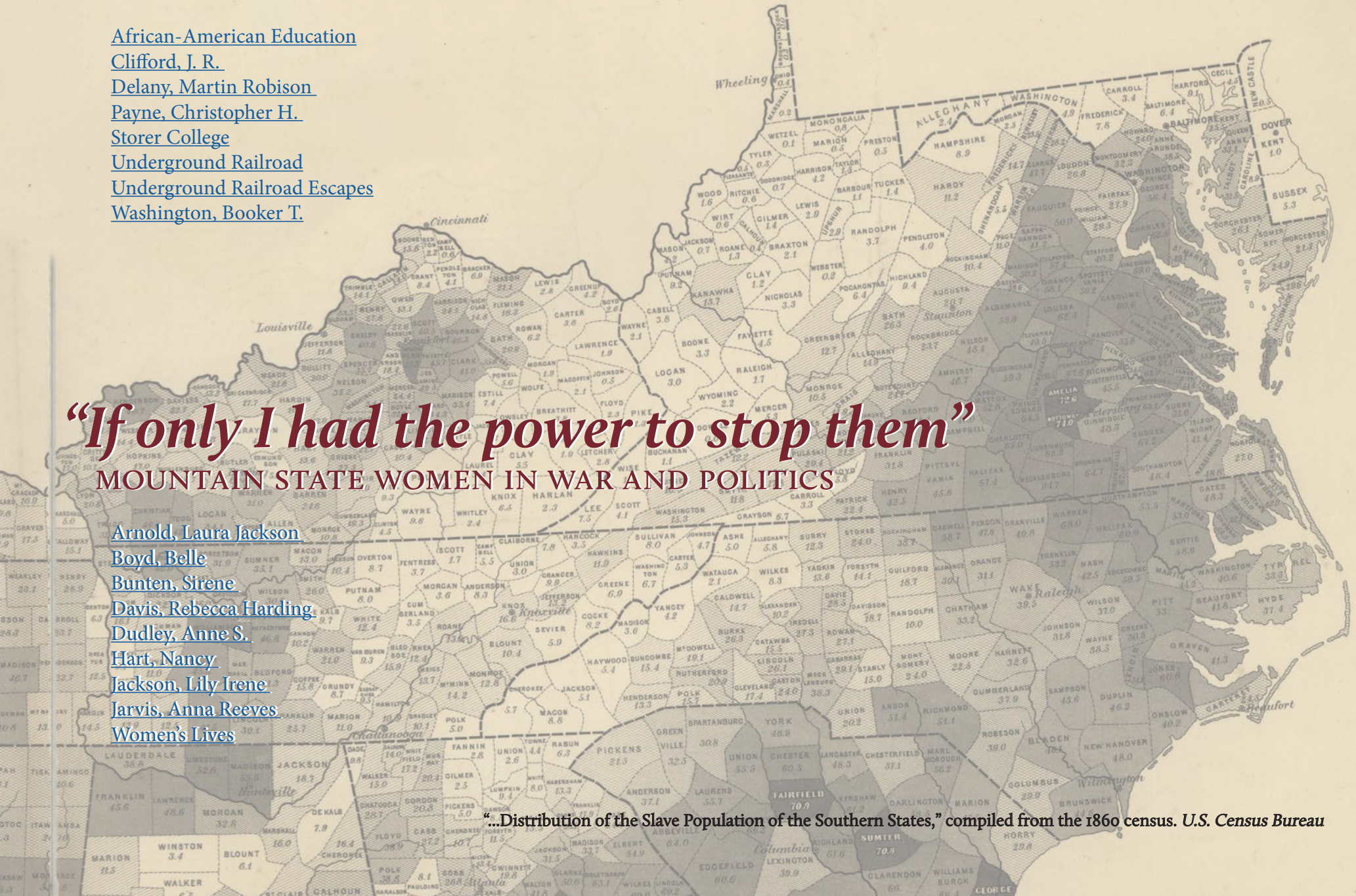
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Confederate reenactors at Droop Mountain Battlefield State Park. *Courtesy of WV Tourism*

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Observation tower at Droop Mountain Battlefield State Park, which overlooks the Union approach route in the valley below. *Courtesy of WV Tourism*

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