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REGULATION OF CHILD LABOR BURDEN OF ORGANIZED LABOR.

For Protection of Children and a Better Race, Says Mr. Swift—Politicians Do But Little For Working People—Endorses Our Position As Stated in Our Last Issue.

The following communication from Mr. W. H. Swift, secretary of the North Carolina Child Labor Committee, elicited by an article in our last week's issue, in which we stated that the child labor question was the burden of organized labor, and that those who were quibbling about "formulating" plans to restrict such labor in this State had better think fast and finish formulating or organized labor would come into her rights and see that our children are protected by restrictive legislation, we take as an endorsement of our position, and is of interest to our readers, especially those who are in favor of protecting the children of our State from abuses of the cotton factory operators and others who employ children:

"Office of the Field Secretary,
Greensboro, N. C., January 5, 1916.

"Editor Saturday Record:

"Your issue of January 1st, 1916, carries a discussion between myself and the editor of the State Journal. In this connection permit me to say that in our work for child labor reform we have uniformly found that organized labor is on the side for child protection and for a better race. If we had been able to bring the full sentiment of organized labor to bear on North Carolina legislators much might have already been done. My experience is that politicians do not do very much for working people or even for humanitarian reforms until they become fearful that the working man's vote may be lost. My further experience is that the worker, as a member of a class, has to be shown just what is for the good of himself and his fellow workers. For this reason and for many others I am thoroughly convinced that North Carolina has much to gain through the thorough organization of her workers.

"I am thoroughly familiar with the facts that any organization of labor for any practical purposes is decried in certain quarters, but this does not change my views in the least.

"As you have well said, if the Federal government does not regulate the employment of children a very large part of the burden of securing efficient State regulation will fall upon the shoulders of organized labor. I do not doubt but that they will bear it gladly.

"Yours very truly,
"W. H. SWIFT."

Mr. Swift is in a position to do much good for the workers in general of our State, aside from the children, and we think he can count on the support of all intelligently organized labor in his efforts.

Funeral of Mrs. Townes.

The funeral of Mrs. W. A. Townes, at St. James' Episcopal Church, Wednesday afternoon was attended by many friends. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. William H. Milton. There were many beautiful floral tributes. Following the impressive service at the church the remains were borne to Oakdale cemetery for interment.

The matter of retaining Farm Demonstrator Herring in his position which was brought up before the county commissioners at their meeting Monday night, at which time representative citizens strongly urged that he be retained in office, was referred to a special committee to be reported back Monday night, January 9th.

Mrs. Winifred Sackville Stoner gave a practical demonstration of her method of teaching children at the Boys' Brigade armory Monday evening and explained the principles of natural education to a large and representative audience.

The Young Woman's Auxiliary of St. James' Church have reopened the "Royal" tea room from 1 p. m. to 6:30 p. m., daily, and will be glad of the patronage of the public.

HANSON WINS FROM BULL MONTANA.

Threw Opponent Best Two Out of Three—Took Second and Third Falls, the Second in 7 1-2 and the Third in 4 Minutes.

Fritz Hanson won from Bull Montana in the wrestling match at Woolvin's Hall last night, taking two falls out of three.

Bull Montana took the first fall after wrestling 62 minutes with the favorite, but in the next two goes Hanson made quick work of it, taking the second fall in 7 1-2 minutes and the third in 4 minutes, the second with a head scissors and the third with a waist scissors hold.

H. E. Longley, referee.

In the preliminary, between Hill and Wood, Hill took both the first and second falls, with a crotch and half Nelson in the first and simply forced his opponent to the mat by "main strength" in the second, outclassing him in every way.

SOME LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Of the Week Boiled Down For the Busy Reader.

All the city schools opened last Monday morning with full attendance.

An entire block of frame buildings, near the A. C. L. Depot, was destroyed by fire on Monday at Vineland, N. C.

Mr. T. J. Ellie will succeed Mr. H. McD. Stanford as superintendent of the Swift Fertilizer plant.

Mayor Moore states that he is not a stockholder in the Wilmington Shirt Company, which is to start business soon, as was erroneously stated last week.

Charleston (S. C.) lightship arrived here Tuesday to go on the marine railway for repairs.

The British steamer Hostilius arrived in port Sunday with a cargo of 800 tons of fertilizer material which she discharged and proceeded for Northern ports.

The executive committee of the North Carolina Synod of the Presbyterian Church, will meet in Fayetteville on January 11th.

The British steamer Kylemohr arrived in port from Glasgow, Scotland, Monday with a cargo of sulphate of ammonia for fertilizer material.

Grace Methodist Church observed the World's Week of Prayer the past week and services were held each night. There were large attendances at the meetings and impressive sermons were preached.

Judge Stacy's first case was decided on Tuesday when he ordered that a restraining order against the town of Whiteville be dissolved.

The new management of the Evening Dispatch has taken over the plant, made some needed improvements and is on its year's voyage with our friend Cowan at the helm.

"Diamonds and Hearts," a play, will be given at the Masonboro school house under the auspices of the school tonight. There will be a small charge for admission. You are invited.

Allen Pearsall, the escaped negro convict, was brought back on Wednesday from New York by Sheriff Cowan and Jailer John Branch and will serve his sentence on the roads of which he had only served a few days when he made his getaway.

James Edward McIntyre, a colored boy about 12 years of age, was accidentally shot Sunday afternoon at Tenth and Queen streets while examining an old revolver. He died half an hour after being shot.

BASKETBALL AT THE BOYS' BRIGADE.

Beginning of Second Series—Seminole Forfeited to the Dodgers—Reds Put One Over on Braves, by Score 43 to 42.

At the Boys' Brigade Armory last night, in the first game of the second series, the Seminoles forfeited to the Dodgers, as they had one man sick and two others did not report, but Captain Sholar says he will have full teams for next week's games.

The second game was very interesting and exciting. The stars in this event were Griffith for the Reds and Ellis for the Braves, scoring 21 and 24 points, respectively.

The first half was a walkover for the Reds by a score of 30 to 15, the fast team work and the goal throwing of Griffith being responsible.

In the second half the Braves awakened and put over a score of 27 against the Reds' 13.

Ellis "went wild" for the Braves, scoring 17 points, and every man worked like a Trojan. The Braves tied the score once, but the Reds shoved one point over on them in the wind-up.

FRIDAY NIGHT LEAGUE.

STANDING OF TEAMS.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Dodgers	1	0	1.000
Reds	1	0	1.000
Braves	0	1	.000
Seminole	0	1	.000

RESULTS LAST NIGHT.

Dodgers, 2; Seminoles, 0.
Reds, 43; Braves, 42.

The funeral of Miss Eliza Williams, an aged and highly respected lady who died Tuesday, was held on Wednesday from the home of Mrs. R. B. Clowe, her cousin. The services were conducted by Rev. M. T. Plyler, pastor of Grace M. E. Church.

Capt. C. S. Ridley, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., has given notice that the restrictions on the number of vessels in tow of one tug while passing any dredge in the Cape Fear river is again suspended until March 31, 1916, inclusive.

Mr. M. L. Starkey had an automobile partially burned on Tuesday night at Fourteenth and Red Cross streets.

The Levering Manufacturing Co. is having its plant, on Smith's Creek, which was burned some months ago, rebuilt on a larger scale at a cost of between \$25,000 and \$30,000.

Mr. Charles W. Kunold, who for many years served the city in a very efficient manner as a police officer, will be a candidate for constable in the coming election. He feels confident of a strong support as he has many friends.

The Feast of Epiphany, the 12th day after Christmas, commemorating the coming of the Wise Men to Christ at Bethlehem, was observed with appropriate exercises in all the Protestant Episcopal churches in Wilmington Thursday.

Mr. Thomas J. Gore and family, who have been living in Philadelphia, Pa., for more than a year, from which place they traveled extensively, have returned to their old home again to locate permanently. Mr. and Mrs. Gore have traveled in Canada and Mexico since they left home, and also took a trip to the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

A bold mulatto entered the premises of Mr. W. A. Furlong, No. 2 Postoffice avenue, on Thursday morning and after frightening Mrs. Furlong very badly when she discovered him he leisurely walked away.

Two fast snappy games of basketball were played at the Y. M. C. A. by Commercial league teams on Thursday night.

The regular meeting of the Dorcas Society of St. Paul's Lutheran Church was held Thursday at 3 o'clock in the Luther Memorial building. The annual banquet was held at 4 o'clock.