

WEST VIRGINIAN IS COMING HERE

Rev. Thomas P. Allen Accepts Call to The Immanuel Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Thomas P. Allen, of Clarksburg, W. Va., has accepted a call to this city, the pulpit of which was made vacant when Rev. W. S. Crowley resigned as pastor early last spring.

The new minister comes to Immanuel church with the highest of recommendations. For the past several years he has been superintendent of some missions of Tygart's Valley.

It is announced that with the coming of Rev. Mr. Allen, Immanuel church will assume all responsibilities of the expense, relieving the First Presbyterian, that has, up to the present, been bearing part of the expenses of a minister at that church.

Rev. Mr. Allen has written that he expects to be in the city Saturday and should he arrive he will occupy the pulpit Sunday for the first time.

LAY CORNERSTONE DECEMBER NINTH

This Decision Was Arrived at Last Night—Knights of Columbus in Charge.

Saturday, December 9, is the date set for the laying of the cornerstone of Wilmington's new half-million dollar entertainment house, which will be done under the auspices of the Wilmington Council of the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. George P. Galvin, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, will actually lay the stone, assisted by the heads of the other societies that will participate in the exercises.

Mr. Galvin, chairman of the committee on arrangements, stated today that invitations would be extended to all government, city, and county officials, as well as all of the local fraternal and civic societies to participate.

One of the big features of the occasion will be the parade that will precede the laying of the stone. The details of this feature have not yet been worked out, but it is known that many organizations, societies, etc., will take part.

The committee arranging for the program of the exercises is composed of the following: Messrs. George P. Galvin, James Owen Reilly, Charles A. Rodgers, J. J. Allen, Irvin Corbett and Dr. Thomas B. Carroll.

JOHN BARRETT IS FIFTY YEARS OLD.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 28.—John Barrett, director-general of the Pan-American Union and the pioneer in the movement for a closer political and commercial relationship between the United States and the republics of South and Central America, celebrates his fiftieth birthday anniversary today, having been born November 28, 1866, at Grafton, Vt.

Turnips and Rye. Mr. L. Carter, one of the Sandhill's best farmers and who has charge of the Marston farm ten miles north of Hamlet, brought to our place thrice as pretty turnips as one could wish to see.

FISHERMEN MAKE STRONG PROTEST

Declare Target Practice is Driving Them From The Beach. One Boat Riddled.

Complaint has been voiced by fishermen relative to the target practice that is being engaged in supposedly by members of the Seminole's crew at Wrightsville Beach and Mr. J. M. Hewlett, who owns and operates a fishing boat with two others was in the city this morning exhibiting steel bullets that he declared were fired out of his boat after having been fired across the inlet.

The biggest damage seems to have been done on last Tuesday but no complaint was voiced because the fishermen did not know who was doing the shooting and as Mr. Hewlett expressed it all they could safely do was seek cover.

As Mr. Hewlett explained this morning the target practice would not interfere with the fishing if the targets were so arranged that the firing would be out to sea and not across the inlet as he contends it is at present.

HEARD STRONG SERMON.

Rev. John Jeter Hurt, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church, delivered a strong sermon at the Winter Park Baptist church last night on "Missions." Special emphasis was laid upon the words "go" and "so."

WILL PROBABLY REMAIN.

Rev. O. T. Mattox Extended Another Call at Adventist Church.

Rev. O. T. Mattox, who for the past several years has been pastor of the Advent Christian church, corner Fourth and Church streets, has been extended another call by the congregation of that church.

CONVENES TOMORROW.

Many Locals Will Attend Educational Convention in Raleigh.

This city and the eastern section of the State will be well represented at the annual session of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, which convenes in Raleigh tomorrow morning, and which will be in session through December 1st.

Mrs. Hattie E. Fennell, of this city, will address the Association of Grammar Grade Teachers and Principals at the Thursday morning session on the subject of "A Higher Grade of Grammar Grade Teachers."

YOUNG GIRL TO BE TRIED FOR ARSON.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 28.—A sixteen-year-old girl may be tried for arson, which is a capital crime, at the next session of the Superior Court in Atlanta.

Cleola Holbrooks, colored, has been bound over from the police court, on the evidence of neighbors, who say they saw her set fire to her parents' dwelling, the small house being almost burned down.

MOVE PRISONERS TO THE STOCKADE

Will Complete Road From Winter Park to Wrightsboro Within Three Months.

The county's main construction gang, known as gang No. 2, that has been encamped at East Wilmington for several weeks has been moved to the county stockade for the winter where it will be possible to house the prisoners during the bleak winter months.

The gang has been cutting a road from Winter Park to East Wilmington, connecting the Wrightsville turnpike with the Scott's Hill road and continuing due north connects with the Gordon road.

The main gang is now working on the road at a point near the old Roger Moore brick yard. In fact they are engaged just now in the work of widening the old mill dam on Smith's creek near the Roger Moore brick yard.

County Road Superintendent R. A. Burnett is going ahead with the building of this road and is accomplishing wonders with his gang.

XMAS SEASON IS DRAWING NEAR

Santa Claus Appeared on Streets Yesterday—Delighted The Kiddies.

It was not necessary for Santa Claus to drill down Princess street yesterday afternoon to remind one that the Christmas season is almost upon us, but the appearance of the likeable chap, whose home is supposed to be in the cold, drear Northern regions and who visits all children yearly, with his bag of toys and candies, opened wide the eyes of the many children who happened to be on the streets and brought pleasant recollections to the minds of the grown-ups, for it has not been such an awful long while since they looked eagerly forward to the coming of Santa Claus.

As stated above, it was not necessary for Santa to appear in full regalia to remind that Christmas is almost with us, for there is that something in the atmosphere that denotes the approach of the happiest season of all.

The display windows of the various downtown shops are beginning to take on an appearance denoting the approach of the happy season and already counters and shelves are groaning under their burden of toys.

Superintendent R. E. Ranson, of the Southport schools, will address the Association of High School Teachers and Principals Thursday morning on the subject of "Legislation Needed in Behalf of the High Schools."

FOX HUNT THURSDAY.

Members Are Asked to Assemble at Carolina Beach Wednesday Night.

Mr. John Lewis Williams, secretary of the Wilmington Hunt Club, has issued orders that all members of the organization who intend participating in the fox hunt which is scheduled for Thursday morning, assemble at Carolina Beach Wednesday night where the night will be spent and an early start made.

MAINE MEMORIAL TABLET IN PLACE

Handsome Bronze Plate Commemorative of U. S. Battleship at W. L. I.

A handsome bronze memorial tablet of the United States battleship Maine, which was sunk in Havana, Cuba, harbor, February 15, 1898, has been placed on the walls of the entrance of the armory of the Wilmington Light Infantry, on Market street.

The metal of which the tablet is composed was taken from the wreck of the Maine that was raised a few years ago from its resting place, and was carried to the Washington Navy Yard, where it was recast into tablets to be given to military organizations, etc.

On the tablet is the following inscription: "Made of metal of the U. S. S. Maine, destroyed in Havana harbor, February 15, 1898." A figure of the Goddess of Liberty, with head bowed down with sorrow, is shown overlooking the wreck of the Maine.

PREPARING FOR HOLIDAYS.

Sub Stations For Handling Parcel Post Matter to be Established.

Postmaster H. McL. Green and his assistants are busy laying plans for the handling of the rush holiday business which is expected to exceed anything of a like nature in the history of the postoffice.

Sub stations, one in the First Ward and two in the Fifth Ward, for the handling of parcel post matter will be established about the middle of December and a couple of extra horses and wagons will be employed for the delivery of this matter during the busy season.

PREDICTIONS FULFILLED.

Sheriff-Elect Jackson Names Men Who Will Work With Him.

The predictions of The Dispatch relative to the changes in the sheriff's staff were fulfilled yesterday when Sheriff-Elect George C. Jackson named R. L. Harker as jailer and J. J. Rackley, as deputy sheriff to succeed J. M. Branch and Deputy Coley Reynolds.

OFFICER KILLED HORSE.

Animal Broke Hip When He Slipped And Fell Yesterday Afternoon. He was only a "plug," according to eye witnesses, but he was doing a well fed horse's work and when he slipped and fell at the corner of Grace and Sixth streets yesterday afternoon a broken hip was the result.

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to fattening the big gobbler. There is a combination of things going on just now that impresses one most forcibly that the time is drawing near when the stockings will be hung before the open fireplace in anticipation of Santa's visit, for already the children are beginning to pen letters to the one who stands before daddy and mother at Christmas time.

CONDENSED STATEMENT TO THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE CONDITION OF The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON NOVEMBER 17TH, 1916. ASSETS: Cash \$315,733.34, Stocks 8,850.00, Bonds 25,993.50, Building 50,000.00, Real Estate 2,300.00, Invested Trust Funds 84,300.00, Loans 2,653,467.17. LIABILITIES: Capital 100,000.00, Surplus 200,000.00, Undivided Profits 97,801.02, Discounts Unearned 10,000.00, Reserved for Interest Due Depositors 16,000.00, Building Reserve 11,000.00, Dividends Unpaid 181.50, Deposits 2,705,661.49.

DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS NAMED

Stockholders of Carolina Packing Company Met at Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. W. W. Love was elected president of the newly chartered Carolina Packing House Company at a meeting of the stockholders of that concern, held at the Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon and in addition to electing a board of directors permanent organization was effected.

Persons subscribing for stock in the company will be called on for 25 per cent. of their subscriptions on or before December 10th in order that the plans for the building of the proposed packing house plant may be pushed to an early completion.

DEPUTY COLLECTOR BACK.

Attended Meeting of Custom Officials in New York City.

Mr. W. S. Clayton, special deputy collector of customs in the Wilmington district, has returned from New York after attending the annual meeting of the custom officers of the United States.

An enjoyable feature was a banquet given on Wednesday evening of last week at the Waldorf-Astoria by the Hon. Frank M. Halstead, chief of customs for the port of New York.

The directors then elected Mr. W. W. Love as president, Mr. J. W. Brooks as vice president and Mr. Milton Calder as secretary-treasurer.

The officials of the newly-organized company are enthusiastic on the packing house proposition because their decision to locate such a plant in or near Wilmington was reached after a careful investigation of existing conditions and was not arrived at hastily.

The following were elected directors: Messrs. W. W. Love, D. L. Gore, L. W. Davis, Milton Calder, J. W. Brooks, W. A. McGirt, T. E. Cooper, L. B. Sasser, all of Wilmington; O. L. Clark, of Clarkton; E. A. Hawes, of Atkinson; E. W. Taylor, of Winna-

GONE VERY DRY.

Virginia Does Not Want Whiskey Carried Through the State.

Residents of this State have learned to their sorrow that Virginia no longer looks with favor upon the wine when it is red, nor does she chuckle and glance in another direction when the word whiskey is mentioned.

Charles Purcell, colored, of Hamlet, N. C., and several South Carolina negroes were tried in police court the other day in Richmond charged with illegal possession of liquor and were forwarded on to Hastings Court by the trial judge.

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Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, price 75c. Take Hen's Family Pills for constipation.

DOLLAR FOUNTAIN SYRINGES THIS WEEK 88 CENTS ONLY.

We have bought heavily of Syringes and at the figure named above you can get an excellent Syringe—something that every family needs. Phone us for one of them, or any other drug store item.

JAMES M. HALL, Druggists, 5th and Castle Streets. Phones 192 and 193.

Thanksgiving Sale of Table Linens—See Window Display. We take this occasion to express our thanks for the liberal patronage that you have accorded the new store since its inception a few months ago. Come and buy Linens for less, and make Thanksgiving a time to be truly thankful. 75c Mercerized Table Damask, good quality, 72-in. wide; special at yd 64c. \$1.50 all Linen Table Damask, 72-in. wide; special at, yard \$1.39. \$1.75 all Linen Table Damask, 72-in. wide; fine grade; special at yd. \$1.59. \$1.25 Mercerized Napkins, 18x18 in.; special at, dozen \$1.15. \$1.50 Union Linen Napkins, 20x20-in. special for dozen \$1.39. \$3.50 all Linen Napkins, 21x21 in.; special, per dozen \$2.98. \$4.00 Derryvale Table Covers, 70-in. square, circular design; special at \$3.69. Phone 2500 Bon Marche Closed Thanksgiving (Incorporated.)