

A. L. WILL GIVE BETTER SERVICE

Delegates Highly Pleased With Assurances Given By General Manager Lake.

Messrs. J. G. McCormick, and J. E. Perdue, representing the Chamber of Commerce and John W. Bloome, representing the local council of the United Commercial Travelers, returned from Charlotte, early this morning, after attending the conference there yesterday afternoon in regard to better service on the S. A. L., between Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherfordton, and they report that General Manager Lake, of the Seaboard assured the delegates that an improved service would be inaugurated as soon as practicable.

YOUNG MAN DROWNED

Allan Hewett Met Death By Small Boat Capsizing.

When a small boat was upset by coming in contact with a cable in the water, Allan Hewett, a white man about 21 years of age, employed on the government dredge Henry Bacon, was drowned yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock. The news was received in Wilmington late in the afternoon.

HOPES TO HAVE A NATIONAL PARK

Congressman Stedman to Press His Bill at This Session of Congress.

(By George H. Manning.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Congressman Charles M. Stedman hopes to have Congress pass at this session a bill to establish a National military park at the battlefield of Guilford Courthouse.

WANT DOMESTIC SCIENCE

Board of Education Asked to Inaugurate It in Schools. The Principals of Isaac Bear, William Hooper, Cornelius Harnett and other schools appeared before the county Board of Education, in regular monthly session yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and advocated the introduction of domestic science in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades of their schools.

BURNETT ELECTED SUPERINTENDENT

Declared Elected When Mayor Moore Breaks A Tie Vote. Rumors Afloat.

At a special meeting of City Council, held yesterday afternoon, Mr. Charles S. Burnett was elected to fill the vacancy of superintendent of streets, caused by the resignation of Mr. J. J. Furlong, following the Councilmanic hearing on Thursday night.

TO BUY MUCH LAND IN THIS STATE

Forest Land to Be Acquired on Mountain Ranges of North Carolina.

(By George H. Manning.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—The government made purchases of 113,112 acres and authorized the purchase of 278,878 acres more of forest lands in the North Carolina mountain ranges under the Weeks forestry law during the fiscal year 1916, according to an announcement made today by the Department of Agriculture.

MRS. J. R. RACKLEY DEAD.

Delgado Lady Passed Away Yesterday—Funeral Tonight.

Many friends will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. J. R. Rackley, which occurred at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at her home, No. 14 Delgado, aged 65 years. She had been in declining health for some time and her death was not unexpected.

ANNUAL SERMON.

Knights Templar Will Hear Dr. McClure Tomorrow.

Plantagenet Commandery, Knights Templar, will attend St. Andrew's Presbyterian church in uniform tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, for the annual service to be conducted by Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor of the church. Captain-General James H. Taylor will command the Knights and Commandery.

HANSON THREW TURNER EASILY

Little Swede Showed Marked Superiority By Securing Straight Falls.

In a cleanly contested and exciting match last evening at Woolvin Hall, Fritz Hanson, the clever local welterweight, easily proved his marked superiority over "Bumps" Turner, of Washington, D. C. The event was witnessed by a large crowd of interested fans and everyone present was entertained with the high-class exhibition as furnished by the skilled athletes.

GOVERNOR HAS A BIG PROBLEM

Trying to Settle on Lawyer to Succeed Judge Cooke—Bailey Declined.

Raleigh, Dec. 16.—Governor Craig is struggling with what in all probability will be his last big appointment—the selection of a judge for the Seventh District to succeed Charles M. Cooke, resigned.

ROBBERIES AGAIN BAFFLE POLICE

Quantity of Fresh Meat Carried Away From Grace Street Market—No Clue.

The city's blood-hounds again demonstrated their ability to follow trails in streets and alleyways where myriads of tracks crossed each other, when this morning they were taken to the meat market of Mr. Edward Orrell, corner Eighth and Grace streets, and lost the trail of a person who robbed that place of business last night, after following it a few feet in the street.

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