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CONCORD, N. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1923

THE LATEST BIG NOISE IN THE POLITICAL BAR NYARD

Seventeen Known to Have Perished in Asylum Fire

all of the Victims of Blaze SINCLAIR'S PROTESTS DO Were Inmates in Illinois at Dunning, near Chicago.

SOME OF INMATES

Has Been Identified.

of unascertained origin side

mately 600 mildly insane patients. were epileptics, and they aided nesses. had given the alarm,

Attendant battled to nd windows of other buildings. quiet them. For an hour the was truly one of belam. More an a dozen Chicago fire departments nded to the general alarm, but their great difficulty the fire was tought.

insane at Dunning are known to have Angel Flores, governor of Sinaloa, a burned to death or suffocated in presidential candidate. a fire which destroyed a frame structure

have perished.

About 50 of the patients left the hospital grounds during the confusion. Many of them returned and others were picked up by passing motorists and reof seven buildings housing 3,500 pa-

The woman who perished is believed

VENIZELOS WILL DIRECT

former Premier Consents to Take Helm 35.70; October 29.46. Until Country Returns to Normalcy. Paris, Dec. 25.-Former Premier

has decided to return to and is leaving Paris for Greece

decision was taken after a delehad delivered to him this morning he legislative Assembly elected last today, will come to his duties as soon to discount to the course of the soon for the course of the soon to his duties as soon as the course of the soon to his duties as soon to he can reach here. nent and save the country. M. Venizelos was told that the electrepresentatives of 19 electoral dis-

were away in the provinces the 396 constituting the As- fice here today.

e country as thus expressed, M. Venimed General Danglis, head of sions that he could not refuse to nd his help to the country, but declarpolitical action would only a temporary character. The former Blackwelder, of Kerr street. added that he had no intention ing a Cabinet under his presiand that his entire efforts would toward bringing the country normaley and then considering work to be done.

He will reach Athens before the new essembly convenes early in January.

Lad Accidentally Kills Sister.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 27 .- Aaron t. aged 11, while playing with a at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart, in Clemmons, morning in some way discharged the on, the entire load taking effect in head of his seven-year-old sister, killing her instantly.

State Hospital for Insane ordered to Give Details of All Teanstetions in Dealing in Wyoming Oil

protests of Harry F. Sinclair, oil op-MADE GET-AWAYS erator and holder of the leases to the naval oil reserves in Wyoming the Senate Public Lands Committee today voted Several of Those Still Free to require him to give details of all Are of Dangerous Types—transactions in the stock of the companies, formed in connection with that Only One of Dead Bodies lease and organization of syndicates organized to market the stock

Dec. 27.—Seventeen persons time Harry F. Sinclair flatly refused d last night when a swiftly today to tell a Senate committee the in an old wooden pavilion known transactions in floating the Mammoth Oil Death House" at the State hos- Company, organized to develop the Sin-

head are known to have been pa- ed last March when the Lafollette oil in stages of insanity, vestigating committee sought unsuccess E. J. Carriker and his fully to compel him to answer certain attendants, and Lowell, their eight- questions about oil stock deals, Mr. Siaclair told the Senate public lands com-Only one patient has been identified. mittee today he was in the right of busi bodies of the others were burned ness privacy when he declined to reply thirty-five of the patients, in answer, but there was no very clear in several of a violent type, broke dication of how the order was to be put the excitment of herding more into effect. An indefinite adjournment om most sommut one until was taken when Mr. Sinclair's attorneys al were taken back to the institu- declared there was not sufficient authorhard struggles with the po- ity in the committee to place any witut a dozen, supposedly dangerous ness under compulsion. Information on were reported still at some features of the transaction in question was given freely by the witness institutional fire in however, and he declared in a statement The building, - wit- that he drew the line only in such dis ned to go up in one closures as would pry into the affairs o

Death House when it was the During today's session the committee of Cook county, because of its received a statement prepared by Alconstruction, it was said. It bert B. Fall, who was Secretary of the feet long and 400 feet wide, Interior when the Teapot Dome lease was story high at one end, and two signed, giving the details of his New It housed approxi- Mexico cattle holdings, a subject brought A into the hearing by testimony of wit

PEACE TALK IS AGAIN

renzied patients back from the Rumors Come as Federal Troops Plan . Big Offensive Movement.

Mexico City, Dec. 26-via Laredo Junction-(By the Associated Press) .-Upon the eve of federal offenses against the rebellious forces commanded by Gen apparatus was stalled in mud of the Estrada and Dieguez in the State of was with Jalisco and Generals Maycotte and Casto in the state of Oaxaca, reports are Dec. 26.—Fifteen patients ment. The reports say the author of of the Chicago state hospital for the new effort toward peace is General

paper Excelsior, Judge Manuel Tellez, and later to Montreal. revolt at Vera Cruz. Details of the Harrill was an automobile agency. reported peace proposal could not be learned.

THE COTTON MARKET

Movement.

Attendants said possibly a score had vance of 16 to 32 points, with January Hamlet. perished but believed the number would selling up to 35.93 or 23 points net higher, shortly after the opening, while other have been his companion on the trip No. 3 of the frame annex where the May at 36.60. These prices attracted re- be in a sanatorium suffering with tu- the recent report of the board where the men patients were at the sup- what irregular, but the undertone was let several days prior to the departure steady to firm on reiterated reports of of Langston. She was formerly an emsituation in the South.

Father as Commissioner.

Raleigh, Dec. 26.—Governor Morrison tonight announced the appointment of MACABEES ANNOUNCE William Alexander Graham, member of the state senate from the Lincoln disarrived from Athens last the state senate from the Maj. W. A. A. W. Frye to Become Supreme Comdenment signed by 270 members of Graham, as commissioner of agriculture Mr Graham, who is burying his father

Michael Owens Died Suddenly, Owens, one of the best known men in was announced here today. Announce time the document was drawn up the glass industry in the United States, ment of the complete recorganization of the glass industry in the United States, the fraternal body on a 100 per cent leads to the fraternal body of the fraternal body on a 100 per cent leads to the fraternal body of the fraternal bod the glass industry in the United States, which thus was and inventor of the Owens bottle-makand inventor o

Before the overwhelming sentiment of It takes less effort to make good impressions than to re-make bad impres-

> Miss Jessie Greeson, of Greensboro, is spending several days with Miss Ethel American Museum of Natural History tionists in Mexico. Mr. Burns declined

WHAT SAT'S BEAR SAYS.



Washington, Dec. 27 .- Overriding the

Sinclair Still Silent. Washington, Dec. 27.—For a second

leaff House at Dunning, in the clair lease of the Teapot Dome, insane at Dunning, in the clair lease of the Teapot Dome. Fourteen Taking the same position he maintain-

LANGSTON IS HELD BY SYRACUSE POLICE

Formerly Lived in Hamlet.

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Eugene

According to unconfirmed reports, and Mrs. Harrill met at Petersburg, must have escaped. used as a dormitory for tubercular pa- which are given prominence in the news- from where they went to New York City They came to At least three others are believed to heading a commission from Sinalea, has Syracuse on November 14th and regisarrived in Mexico City with the Flores tered at a hotel, the next day moving to One of the bodies removed from the peace proposal. After conferring mith the rooming house where they remained ruins of the building was that of a Gen. Estrada at Guadalajara, Judge according to the proprieter, occuping woman. It was at first thought all of Tallez is reported to have been in wire- separate rooms under their own names the patients had been removed. About less communication with General May- until their arrest. Langston was work-600 patients were in the building when cotte and De La Huerta, leader of the ing in a jewelry store here and Mrs.

Is a Charlotte Woman.

turned to the asylum which consisted Showed Renewed Firmness Owing to cuse, N. Y., with Mrs. Gertrude Harrill, Higher Liverpool Cables and Buying left Hamlet November 10th, supposedly to do his Christmas shopping. New York, Dec. 27.-The cotton mar- is the last word his wife heard of him to have been on attendant who went ket showed renewed firmness early today except that she received, several days fundamentalist league today announced into the building to rescue patients as owing to higher Liverpool cables and a after his departure, a batch of papers it would insist upon a thorough investithere were no women patients in the continuation of yesterday's buying move- from him, among which was one turning gation of the reports that Baptist ment. The opening was firm at an ad- over to her the bulk of his property in foreign missionaries are preaching

Mrs. Harrill, who is supposed to denomination.

lotte. Cotton futures opened firm: January | The couple went from here to Peters GOVERNMENT OF GREECE Cotton futures opened itin. Sanday burg, Va., from which point Langston addressed the last communication to his addressed the last communication to his wife. Mrs. Harrill is believed to have William A. Graham, Junior, Succeeds made the trip to Petersburg alone and to have joined Langston there.

mander of the Organizatino.

Detroit, Dec. 27 .- D. P. Markey, for 33 years head of the Macabees, has resigned as supreme commander, effective January 1, to be succeeded by A. W. Toledo, O., Dec. 27.—Michael J. Frye, supreme liuetenant commander, it time, Mr. Markey to remain in charge of Attempt to Smuggle Arms Into Mexico the reserve fund.

Beneficent Bees.

New York, Dec. 27.—Specimens Entomology.

Highly individualized, these bees produce varying grades of honey from that ! bite nor sting but eject a fluid which vue Hospital. burns the human skin.

Nests containing as many as 75,000 common holse fly and have prominent rated attendance of 2,000 Masons from Mrs. Anna McBee, of Facsifern, Dies. J. W. Wallace, secretary-treasurer. gauzy wings, were found in Panama by er tonight and in east portion Friday. hoarding its honey in secret places.

LOSS OF THE DIRIGIBLE - DIXMUDE NOW ADMITTED

HEARD IN MEXICO CITY Is Charged With Violation of Mann Act. There Is Still Hope, However, That the An Average Per Capita of \$18.01.—As

Members of Her Crew Escaped. Paris, Dec. 27 (By the Associated) Nent Langston, a jeweler of Hamlet, N. Press).—The loss of the dirigible Dix- the state of North Carolina for the year C., was arrested here yesterday by an mude is now reluctantly admitted, al- 1923 amounted to \$47.678.332, an agent of the Department of Justice, though hope for the safety of her crew average of \$18.01 for each person in the charged with violation of the Mann Act of fifty officers and men has not yet been state, according to an announcement charged with yiolation of the Mann Act of fifty oncers and men has not yet been in eloping with Mrs. Gertrude Harrill. relinquished. It is considered certain made here tonight by the Department of wife of Rev. Benjamin Harrill, and bringing her to this city. Mrs. Harrill was not arrested.

After his arrest Langston made a wrecking the wireless apparatus. Even 576; poll taxes \$903.151; licenses and statement to police giving datally of assuming such a crash, it does not follow.

After his arrest Langston made a statement to police giving details of their relopment, and making it uneccess their relopment, and making it uneccess low that the crew perished for the Dix sary to take Mrs. Harrill as a witness. According to the statement, Langston and some of her men, it is pointed out.

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NEPHEW OF KING TO MARRY AMERICAN GIRL King Christian's Nephew to Wed Miss Eleanor Margaret Green, of New

Copenhagen, Dec. 27 (By the Asse consented to public announcement of the engagement of his young kinsman Prince Viggo and Miss Eleanor Margaret Green, daughter of Dr. J. O. Green, of Hamlet, Dec. 26.-Eugene D. Langs- New York City. The Prince, a nephew ton, prominent jeweler, arrested in Syra- of the king, has renounced the rights of succession to the throne

Baptists to Probe Missionary's Acts. New York, Oec. 26.—The Baptist doctrines contrary to the faith of that

Dr. John Roach Straton, pastor of The fire is supposed to have been months showed net advances of 26 to 39 north, is a Charlotte woman, the wife of Calvary Baptist church, here is presicaused by an everheated boiler in Ward points, with March selling at 36.43 and Rev. B. H. Harrill, who is now said to dent of the league. The league rejected flames first burst through into the rooms alizing and later fluctuations were some- berculosis. Mrs. Harrill came to Ham- managers of the Baptist foreign mission society that evidence that contrary doc trines were being preached was insuffirm government reports of a firm spot playe of the P. and N. railroad at Char-ficient to justify drastic action. The anaquincement said the league would soon issue a statement giving the evidence on which it would base its demand.

> Nine Killed in Gun Fight Over Cracker Hazard, Ky., 26 .- Of nine men who participated in Perry county shooting affrays over Christmas tonight find five o fthem dead, one wounded and said CHANGE IN OFFICERS to be in a critical condition and three nen unscathed.

Jerry Dunn, storekeeper, was the last of the five to die, succumbing today to wounds he received at the same time J. D. Matthews, a barber, and Lester Hays, a miner, were killed. These men all inside Dunn's store, were shot by deputy sheriffs who passed the building when a firecracker was said to have exploded at their feet and they took it as an indication they were being fired upon

New Orleans, Dec. 21.-United States District Attorney L. H. Burns announced today he intended to effect the of arrest of a group of American and Mexi-'social" bees, which bite, but do not cans who have been attempting to smugsting, have been acquired for the gle arms and ammunition to the revolufrom the Canal Zone by Dr. Frank E. to go into details, nor would be inti-Lutz, curator of the Department of mate the identity of those concerned.

Two More Victims of Bootleg Liquor. New York, Dec. 27.-Holiday bootleg

Sudan Temple Opens Cerelonial.

New Bern, Dec. 27 .- With an esticasion.

STATE REVENUE FOR \$1923 WAS \$47,687,332

sessed Valuation \$2.521,115,274.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Revenue of owns of over 2,500 population over the year 1912.

elated Press).-King Christian today of \$69.03 and in 1912, \$14.88. The in- found in the ruins. rease in the ten years was 432 percent. The assessed valuation of all property has begun an investigation. subject to general property tax, accord-

\$4.33 in 1912 to \$13.98 in 1922. DEATH IN FIERY FLUE FATE OF MISSING MAN

Draft Swept Powerhouse Worker Into Smokestack Pit. New York, Dec. 25.—Burned almost beyond recognition, the -body of Fernando Mendes, a coal passer, who disappeared Monday, was found to lay in pit at the foot of a flue in the power- where his wife and lived. nouse of the Pennsylvania Railroad,

ong Island City. When Mendes failed to return to his had not checked out.

Gustavo returned today and search was continued. Martin Walzer, water tetnder, found a small door leading into a flue on the third floor was open. The flues lead to the smoke stacks. Mendes apparent'y had entered the door and the strong draft had blown North Carolina Has 1,474 Alms Houses.

im from a ledge. The temperature in the ffue was about cremated

heat and two firemen got the body.

Furniture Show at High Point. High Point, Dec. 21 .- The Midwinter here on January 14, according to an an- in its institutions. councement made here by Charles F. Long, manager. The show will last two

Reports from local furniture manufacturers indicate that the demand for their products in increasing with the approach of the new year.

Coolidge Headquarters in Chicago. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27.-William M. Butler. Massachusetts member of the Republican national committee, is to open headquarters tomorrow in this next June.

eastern North Carolina, the mid-winter Asheville, Dec. 26.-Mrs. Anna Mc-Dr. Lutz. He found another species of ceremonial of Sudan Temple was to open Bee, assistant principal of Fassifern bee, miserly and so distrustful of its here today. Potentate R. C. Dunn was School for Cirls at Hendersonville, died Prosperity Lutheran Church next Sun- both outside and inside and that the Local rains tonight and Friday, warm-brethren that it refuses to colonize, on hand early today in charge of the oc-suddenly last night at St. Augustine, day afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. C. wants of the inmates are cared for ex-Fla., according to word received today. P. Fisher.

ATTEMPTS TO KILL State LABORARY SENTENCE DENOUGH PRINCE REGENT OF JAPAN ON STREETS

Youth 20 Years of Age Ar- Former High Official in Orrested After He Had Fired at Prince Hirchito, Japanese Ruler.

PRINCE RIDING IN AUTOMOBILE

Windows of Machine Were Clarke Says Present Organi-Smashed and Bullet Narrowly Missed the Head of the Prince.

Tokio, Dec. 27 (By the Associated Washington, Dec. 27.—E. Y. Clarke, Press).—A youth dressed as a laborer formerly high in the councils of the Ku ly after he had fired at Prince Regent day, offering to co-operate with the Exec-Sirohito in an attempted assassination, utive in ending the activities of "an ele-The youth is 20 years old. The police ment" which is converting the Klan into believe he is insane. The shooting has an organization vastly different from that aroused; intense excitement and feeling planned by its founders. Clarke also anis high throughout the city.

regent was in an automobile on the way the organization. the upper house composed of peers. La-than a year ago. ter he convened the Diet with the custom- Various charges were made in the letary ceremonies, after which he returned ter against the activities of the organizato the imperial palace under a heavy tion, in regard to which "high ideals,

investigation. They are of the opinion characterized as "keen disappointments that others may be implicated. Viscount Tameori Iriye, member of

lain to the prince regent, was slightly in- which is rightly mine, as having been jured by flying glass.

Home Minister Goto resigned later, assuming responsibility as home minister for the attempted assassination. Baron Gote's home and all socialist centers are anti-socialist outbreneks.

Cremated in Ruin of Blazing Home.

In 1922 the entire debt of North John Snow was exhumed early today ulative longs are chiefly conspicuous by arolina and its political subdivisions from the solitary grave where it was their absence. Spot advices from the less the sinking fund assets set aside to buried yesterday and placed in the cot- south average very bullish and a hopeneet such debt was \$182,711,045, con- tage where he killed his wife and two ful feeling is reported among mills as other women Saturday. The house then to the future of trade after the holidays. 34,343, or an average percapita in 1922 was set on fire. The charred body was Foreign trade advices are also rather

ng to the report was \$2.521.115.274 in wen it was learned that Snow, after contain a strong promise of realization 1922 as compared with \$747,500,632 in killing the wife and son of Deputy 1912, an increase of 237 per cent. The Sheriff Frank C. Jewett, at their home in that will come to pass without reactions percapita assessed valution increase Whitefield had come to the cottage in some of which may be severe. The best from \$323.90 in 1912 to 952.46 in 1922. This town, a mile from Cooper's Mills, where his wife, her aunt and her grand-that occur to make purchases and to mother lived, and had shot all three be- use caution in following advances unfore he ended his own life. Although the less those are well supported by a medical examiner characterized the marked increase in the activity in the murders as "the work of a madman," goods marnets. threats that Snow's body would be burn-

d. were heard the next day. The authorities refused permission for the burial of Snow's body in the cemetery and it was interred without

Snow, a native of Poland, came to this paper. this country a few years ago and married a Jefferson girl. Her grandmother, tome, his brother, Gustavo, sought him Mrs. Ruel Brann, helped him financialat the plant. His time card showed he ly, but he never was successful in any at the Browns-Cannon Co. kind of work. When his cruelty comthe pelled Mrs. Snow to complain to the by the Ritchie Hardware Co. authorities last summer she left him and since then had lived in her grand- Starnes-Miller-Parker Co., the new jewmother's cottage. Her aunt, Mrs. Eva elry store. Eaton also lived there.

Washington, Dec. 27.-North Caro- articles. lina had the second largest number of 1000 degrees, but the soot in which the persons in its almshouses on December Car Cuts Railroader in Two at Gastonia. body was buried prevented it from being 31, 1922, according to a report made here today by the department of com-The powerhouse officials lessened the merce. The report covered a compari-Mianesota, Montana, Nebraska, New oclock this afternoon. son of seven states as follows: Georgia, New Jersey was caring for the High Point, Dec. 21.—The Midwinter ginia. New Jersey was caring for the Southern Furniture Show will open in the greatest number in its almshouses with Southern Furniture Exposition building 1.764 while North Carolina had 1,474

Washington, Dec. 27 .- Authority to three submarines will be sought of Con- his body, causing instant death. gress by the Navy Department in the near future, according to information re- P. and N. for a long term of years. He ceived by members of the House naval committee.

For Law and Order in Iredell.

Statesville, N. C., Dec. 21.-Iredell city, where, with the assistance of county citizens are determined to have Raleigh, Dec. 24.-Chatham county's and artually poisonous, which they store bringing the list of dead since Christmas former Congressman James W. Wood of law and order in the county. A law and new county home is described as one of Day to seven, when James Marahan and Iowa, he will renew the campaign which order league was formed at a recent the best in the State by Roy M. Brown, shape and size. Some of them neither Edward Churchill, laborers, died in Belleabout the nomination of President of the Pressley Memorial Associate Re- lic Welfare. Mr. Brown recently vispresident. Dr. J. M. Clark and W. D. two miles from Pittsboro. Turner were chosen vice-presidents and The home has been constructed dur-

THOSE CONTROLLING KLAN AT THIS TIME

ganization Sends Letter to Coolidge Giving Views on Present Leaders.

WRONG VIEWS ARE BEING FOLLOWED

zation is Not What Founders Hoped For-Willing to Help Change Conditions.

was arrested by the police today short- Klux Klan, wrote President Coolidge to-Another youth who was with the aster element" either to take hold and The attack occurred while the prince "remedy the existing evils" or to disband

to a session of the Diet. The assailant The President was told by Clarke that used a "cane-gun." The windows of the there had been a "steady withdrawal" machine were smashed. The bullet nar-from the Klan itself, or from participarowly missed the head of the prince regition in active control, and that he had lent. He continued on his way to the "voluntarily severed his active official meeting of the Diet, but took refuge in connection" with the organization more

principles, and purposes," for which it The authorities are conducting a rigid was formed, and these activities Clarke

"I am perfectly willing," the letter the House of Peers, and chief chamber- said "to assume moral responsibility chiefly instrumental in building the Klan. The prince regent read a speech to In justice to myself and hundreds of the members of the House in a calm voice thousands of high grade men who have and then retired without an indication that anything unusual had occurred. declaration of ideals and principles, I None of those present at the session cannot and will not rest passive and siwhich he addressed was aware of the lent and sit idly by in the face of such

Post and Flagg Cotton Letter. New York, Dec. 26 .- The imm excess of the supply and the market proved the amazing spectacle of advance OF SUICIDE-SLAYER in face of about the heaviest tender on record for a single day. The influence is Man Who Killed Wife and Four Others that the underlying strength exceeds Jefferson, Me. Dec. 25.—The body of most ardent bulls and also that spec? more cheerful and the export movement County Attorney Weston M. Hilton Continues largely in excess of last year.

Predictions of further important ad-The whole countryside was stirred vances are freely made and appear to though it should not be expected that

POST AND FLAGG.

With Our Advertisers. W. B. Smith, of Marshville, will on Saturday, December 29th, at 11 o'clock ceremony in a rude grave on the farm sell at public auction at Midland, a car load of horses and mules. See ad. in

> Hats to brighten up dark coats and dresses at Specialty Hat Shop. Handsome line of overcoats for \$35.00 Read about the Yale door closers sold

Elgin watches, the favorite, sold by The Parks-Belk Co. has begun a gen-

eral clean-up sale of all winter goods on

the second floor. Sweeping reductions

are being made on all winter wear and

Gastonia, Dec. 26.-Robert Sparge, car operator, for the P. and N. railroad lost his life in the local yards at

Jersey, North Carolina and West Virhad completed the work, and his helper Spargo had been draining an oil tank, had given the signal for the train to move. Those who witnessed the accident stated that Spargo had stepped clear of the train and had ample room to allow the car to pass him, but his foot caught between the two rails in some manner and he fell across the rail just as the onstruct eight 10,000-ton cruisers and car reached him The wheel ran across

Spargo had been in the employ of the is survived by four brothers, John, Will, now in Detroit; Ernest and Atwood Spargo.

Chatham's New County Home.

ing the past year and can accommodate forty persons. Mr. Brown declares There will be preaching services at that it presents a cheerful appearance