

TWO MEN BURNED TO DEATH AT BESSEMER

Fire in the Underwood House at Bessemer City Results in Death of J. D. Hough and Mack Hopper.

TOTAL LOSS IS PLACED AT \$30,000

Another Man is Missing—Office and Cotton Warehouse of Gambrill and Melville Mills Also Burned.

Gastonia, Dec. 27.—Two men were burned to death and one is missing as a result of a fire which destroyed the Underwood boarding house and several other buildings at Bessemer City, near here, according to reports from there.

NEW YORK HAS DRY CHRISTMAS

New York, Dec. 26.—While police records show that yesterday was the "driest" Christmas in New York's history, six deaths were attributed to bootleg liquor.

URGES WOMEN TO EXERT THEIR POLITICAL RIGHTS

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Mrs. May Van Wye, wife of a professor and herself a former school teacher, was elected by republicans of Hamilton county to be one of the women who will represent this county in the Ohio legislature for the next two years.

YOUNG MAN STRUCK BY AIRPLANE AND KILLED

Winston-Salem, Dec. 26.—William Henry Melchor, aged 30 years, was killed here this afternoon when an airplane, driven by J. Shelly Charles, a local aviator, was landing.

INCREASE IN COTTON EXPORTS

Washington, Dec. 27.—Further increases in America's foreign trade were reflected today in figures compiled by the Department of Commerce showing exports of cotton and linters for November to have been 758,337 bales, valued at \$159,387,719.

PRE-INVENTORY SALE AT ELDR'S

The annual after Christmas Pre-Inventory Sale at Eldr's will begin on Thursday of this week and continue through Saturday of this week.

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THE FRADY TRIAL

Case in Come up at Miami.—Charged With Killing Wife. (By the Associated Press.) Miami, Fla., Dec. 27.—The contention that Mrs. Frady shot her husband during a struggle for possession of a pistol, was expected to be the defense in the trial of Edgar C. Frady, Chicago automobile dealer, under indictment for murder in connection with the killing of Mrs. Frady in a hotel at Miami Beach, last winter.

THE COTTON MARKET

Shows Renewed Strength and Activity Today.—Market Sold up For March and May. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 27.—The cotton market showed renewed strength and activity today. Liverpool a little more than responded to the local gains of yesterday, while reports of a firm tone in the early stock market seemed to encourage optimism among cotton traders.

HANNIS TAILOR DEAD AT WASHINGTON HOME

Was Former United States Ambassador to Spain and Recognized Authority on International Law. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 27.—Hannis Taylor, former United States Minister to Spain, and recognized authority on international law, died at his home here last night after an illness of a month.

BRITISH MISSION OFF TO UNITED STATES

Financial Mission, Headed by Stanley Baldwin, Leaves on Majestic For New York City. (By the Associated Press.) London, Dec. 27.—The British financial mission to the United States, headed by Stanley Baldwin, chancellor of the exchequer, sailed for New York this morning on the liner Majestic.

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FIVE PERSONS INJURED BY SWINGING CAR DOOR

Passenger Coach on No. 137 Side-swiped.—Little Property Damage. (By the Associated Press.) Salisbury, Dec. 27.—Five persons were slightly injured this morning when a swinging freight car door side-swiped a passenger coach attached to train No. 137 at Thomsville. The injured were met at Salisbury by several railroad doctors, and attention given.

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LAST APPEAL FOR THE WILSON FUND

The State is Now \$3,500 Short on Its Quota. Raleigh, Dec. 27.—In a statement addressed to "North Carolina believers in Woodrow Wilson," Mrs. Josephus Daniels, State chairman of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation declared that the State is within \$3,500 of its goal.

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