

COTTON MILLS LAST MONTH MORE ACTIVE THAN MONTH BEFORE

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INCREASE OVER PREVIOUS YEAR Active Spindle Hours for November Totalled 8,080,410, or Average of 227 Hours.

Washington, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The cotton spinning industry continued its activity during November, with a larger average number of spindles in operation than in October this year...

CLAIM FORSTHE STRUCK HEAD ON WATER HYDRANT

Defense Lawyers Claim Hydrant Is Clayton Shows Blood and Human Flesh. Raleigh, Dec. 21.—(AP)—A fire hydrant spotted with alleged particles of flesh and blood was injected into the Forsythe case today by defense counsel as "probable solution of the death mystery."

ANOTHER BASEBALL SCANDAL TO LIGHT

Commissioner Landis Says Speaker and Cobb Mentioned in the Latest Scandal. Chicago, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker were linked today in an investigation conducted by Baseball Commissioner Landis...

Record and regulations of the American Automobile Association are now officially recognized by the International Automobile authorities.

Rain

Probably rain tonight and Wednesday, colder in central and west portions Wednesday. Fresh southwest winds.

SAYS SMITH HAS DECIDED TO GO TO SENATE NOW Chicago, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The Chicago Daily Journal in a copyrighted news story today reported the acceptance of Colonel Frank L. Smith of the appointment by Governor Len Small to the unexpired term of William B. McKinley in the United States Senate.

AUTOMOBILE SALES ECLIPSE ALL RECORDS

Makes the Need for Still More Good Highways More Urgent. Raleigh, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Automobile sales this year have eclipsed all records. Sign of prosperity, says the average man, dismissing the subject. Sign of more congestion unless road-building keeps pace with the tremendous popularity of the motor car...

Conference on Motor Legislation Continues

Raleigh, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Conference on proposed motor legislation between representatives of the North Carolina Automobile Trade Association, Commissioner of Revenue R. A. Doughton and Highway Commissioner Frank Page continued today.

How Could the Revenue For a Rural Patrol Force Be Raised?

Raleigh Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Dec. 21.—That there is considerable difference of opinion as to how revenue for a state highway patrol force is to be raised between the members of the board of directors of the Carolina Motor Club and the two state departments most directly concerned, namely the department of revenue and the highway commission...

THE PAN-AMERICAN PLANES START WITH WEATHER PERFECT

Five Planes Hop Off From Kelly Field on Journey That Will Take Them to Twenty Countries.

EVERYTHING FINE FOR THE START

Major J. A. Dargue, in Command, Occupied the First Plane, Using Ship New York.

Kelly Field, San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Kissed by wives and mothers, and carrying the benediction of the nation, pilots of the army's Pan-American air group departed today from Kelly Field to blaze a trail of friendship into the hearts of twenty nations...

Sentence of Good Bath Is Imposed

Winston-Salem, Dec. 20.—After Henry Bates, a white man, had been declared guilty of trespassing in the municipal court today, Judge Watson imposed a three-year suspended sentence, with the request that the jailer proceed to give the defendant a good bath.

TO BE NO MOVES FOR AN INCREASE OF TAXES

No General Trend Toward a Definite Increase of Taxes. Raleigh, Dec. 21.—There just naturally isn't going to be any move for an increase in taxes in the forthcoming legislature. Of course there may be some slight adjustment of tax schedules here and there...

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THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Advance of 4 to 12 Points.—January Up to 12.26. New York, Dec. 21.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at an advance of 4 to 12 points on covering and local buying, which appeared to be influenced by the steady showing of Liverpool and reports of heavy rains in some sections of the belt...

Have We a Job or Not? Say the Prohibition Agents

(By International News Service) Charlotte, Dec. 21.—"Have we a job or not?" That is the question that is giving considerable worry to some thirteen prohibition agents in North Carolina. The forces of the new district will be completed about January 1st, he said. It is certain that some of the North Carolina officers will have to be dropped from the list, due to orders from the higher ups for a reduction not only in this state, but throughout the country.

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Charity Ball Tonight

Ball Room Hotel Concord 10:00 To 2:00 Hotel Charlotte Orchestra Dancers \$2.50 a Couple Spectators 50 Cents

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GETS DATA FROM OTHER VESSELS

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BASKETBALL Tonight

DOUBLE HEADER Concord "Y" Team vs. China Grove Athletic Club Wincoff High School vs. Kannapolis Junior "Y" FIRST GAME 7 P. M. ADMISSION 25 CENTS

OTIS ELEVATOR CO. PAYS \$4,250,000 TO STOCKHOLDERS

New York, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Other substantial holiday gifts to industrial corporation today were made to common stockholders of the Otis Elevator Company, the directors authorizing a stock dividend of 25 per cent. on the common stock amounting to about \$4,250,000.

FIVE YEAR SENTENCE FOR USING "SMOKE SCREEN"

At Least This Is What the Users May Get.—Deviser May Be One of Many. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 21.—All of them may not know it, nor particularly care, but those rum runners who have a way of using a "smoke screen" to shield their whiskey cars from officers, are liable to a five year sentence in the penitentiary. What's more, if the smoke screen was proved to be deadly—they, the defendants, would be liable to as much as ten years behind the bars.

ERNEST BOSWELL AGAIN ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

For Second Time Within Year Wilson Man Faces Murder Charge in Court. Wilson, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Ernest Boswell went on trial on a charge of murder here today for the second time within a year. Boswell, convicted of second degree murder in connection with the death of Clayton Beaman here in February 1925, but was allowed a new trial by the Supreme Court. The high court found that the trial judge erred in admitting certain letters as evidence. His attorneys contended that without the letters he could not have been convicted.

With Our Advertisers.

Home-made candy for Christmas at the Cabarrus Candy Co. Prices run from 15 to 30 cents a pound. Phone 939. At 31 South Church street. See new ad today of the Cabarrus Creamery Co. 105 South Union street, Phone 292.

Dr. Adam A. Klutz Dies at Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill, Dec. 20.—Dr. Adam A. Klutz, a prominent figure in the life of the university community for the last forty years, died suddenly at six o'clock this evening. He had been ill for several days and Mrs. Klutz and his friends were considerably alarmed about his condition, but death came suddenly. Only two or three minutes before he breathed his last he was joking with his friend, M. C. S. Noble.

HEEZA HOBO

HOPES FREE LUNCH COUNTERS WILL COME BACK INTO VOGUE FOR CHRISTMAS 4 DAYS LEFT TO YOUR SHOPPING