

4 Children Burn to Death Near Camden

Camden, Sept. 30 — (Special) — Four Negro children, ranging in age from six months to three years were burned to death in a fire that leveled the home of Joseph and Katie Mae Taylor on the W. R. Capehart plantation seven miles from Camden this morning.

Up to noon three of the bodies had been recovered by firemen from the Camden fire department under the direction of Fire Chief Carl Hammond.

The victims were Katie Mae, 3. Thomas Joseph 2. Mary Alice age 1 1-2 and Louise age 6 months.

The cause of the fire, which destroyed the dwelling quickly, is unknown. Joseph Taylor, employed by the city of Camden in operating a power mower in the city parks, was at work here. He wife was in a cotton field picking cotton.

A salesman named Nichols, who had stopped at the Taylor place and seeing the flames, drove to a nearby farm to give the alarm, said that the building was quickly enveloped in flames.

Firemen sprayed the blazing rubble with water and were thus able to recover the bodies of Katie May. Thomas Joseph and Mary Alice, but not that of Louise. The bodies of the three mentioned were all in one group in a corner of what had been a room.

Coroner Purdy Lee said that he had not determined whether an inquest would be held.

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