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Fair and much colder tonight and Wednesday. Fresh to strong northwest winds.

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WANAMAKER DIES AT PHILADELPHIA

Led In Creation Of Department Store As An Institution In American Life

Philadelphia, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—John Wanamaker died at his home here today, where he has been confined since early in November with a heavy cold contracted at his country estate at Jenkintown.

John Wanamaker led in the creation of the department store as an institution in American life. At the outbreak of the Civil War in 1861 when he began business for himself in a humble way in Philadelphia, retail merchandising in this country was in a disorganized state, and, in the opinion of the far-sighted young merchant, it was suffering a rapid decline through practices that were then general. Aside from his ambition to make money, "my paramount purpose," said Mr. Wanamaker, "was to help save the mercantile profession from lowering its flag before other professions and occupations." There were in those days no fixed selling price for goods. Business then demanded a thirteen-hour day from all its employees. Customers spent hours price-baggling with salesmen. Mr. Wanamaker was impressed with this waste of time and to eliminate it he became a pioneer in fixing a selling price for goods. It was one of the beginnings of many mercantile reforms which today are so generally followed that the present generation can scarcely find anywhere a trace of the old practices.

Aside from establishing his one price policy and making a shorter business day, Mr. Wanamaker established in the new store two systems, one of sales and the other of organization. He learned it was cheaper to manufacture some classes of goods than to buy from manufacturers and he became one of the first retailers to do this. He found it difficult to get employees who were properly instructed in their duties and he organized training schools where his workers were taught the "Wanamaker system."

Mr. Wanamaker interested himself in many civic activities. He was the first salaried secretary in America of the Young Men's Christian Association, in 1858; one of the founders of the Christian Commission during the Civil War, and one of the organizers of the Centennial Exposition in 1876. In the latter year he began the development of his department store, establishing the house of John Wanamaker & Company on Chestnut street, Philadelphia, twelve years later established a similar business in New York as successor of A. T. Stewart. It is estimated that during his entire business career Mr. Wanamaker had distributed into American homes merchandise reaching nearly a billion dollars in value.

He was known as a great believer in advertising, in newspaper advertising above all other varieties. He spent millions of dollars in it. One of the features of his advertising campaign was his development of the "Store News Page," which he led with an editorial over his own signature, invariably written by himself, to keep the public in touch with the policies of his business. His friends often saw him writing such an editorial on his way to the store in the morning, scribbling it on the back of an envelope or any odd scrap of paper he had in his pocket.

Other public institutions which Mr. Wanamaker established were the Presbyterian Hospital of Philadelphia, and the First Penny Savings Bank. He also assisted in creating the many Young Men's Christian Association buildings in various cities, and contributed toward college missionary institutions in India, China and Japan. At the outbreak of the World War he was one of the first to assist in the relief of the stricken Belgians, supplying two ship loads of food for the invaded country.

Early in his career Mr. Wanamaker married Miss Mary B. Brown, a sister of his original partner, who co-operated with him in much of his philanthropic work. She died in August, 1920.

The second great tribute of his mercantile career was conferred upon him in 1921, to commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of his business. In a ceremony at Independence Hall, Philadelphia, he was presented with the freedom of the city, and later was the guest of honor at a luncheon attended by

American Consul Shot And Wounded

Singular Case Is That In Which Mrs. May Ford Is Charged With Attempted Murder

Veletta, Malta, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Mason Mitchell, American consul on the island Malta, was shot and wounded today. His assailant escaped.

Lumber Yards Burned And Business Block

Pontiac, Mich., Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Fire in Pontiac lumber yards today caused a loss estimated at a quarter of a million dollars before it was brought under control. The blaze is believed to have started from an overheated stove. The fire also destroyed a business block adjoining the lumber yards.

REFUSE TO SEAT WORKERS' PARTY

Cleveland, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—The first business before the session of the conference for progressive political action was a report of the committee on credentials which decided that "since the workers party of America was not in harmony with the principles of the conference, their representatives will not be seated." The report was adopted.

Organ Recital Tonight At The First Methodist

The public is cordially invited to the recital at the First Methodist church tonight at eight o'clock. U. G. Davis, the organist, will be assisted by Mrs. J. P. Greenleaf, soprano, and V. J. Menzel, violinist. An offering will be taken for the organ fund.

Ambulance Here Ready For Duty

The ambulance for the Community Hospital is practically ready for duty and will be delivered to the hospital authorities this afternoon or Wednesday morning.

The body arrived Saturday afternoon from the H. H. Babcock Company in New York and the work of assembling it upon a Ford chassis is being done by the Auto & Gas Engine Works.

British Freighter Aground In Danger

San Francisco, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—The British freighter, Orteric, carrying fifty-five persons is aground off Fish Rock on the California coast and is being pounded on a steep rock while the El Segundo, Standard Oil tanker, is rushing to her assistance.

MANCHURIAN RAILWAY IS TO BE IMPROVED

Tokio, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—A general policy of extension and improvement has been adopted for the South Manchurian Railway by Mr. Takeji Kawamura, the newly appointed president of the company. Funds for the work, he said, now are available although the company failed to raise a loan in America.

"The 20,000,000 yen repayment which falls due in December," he said, "has been renewed and when the proposed new loan of 10,000,000 yen is floated the company will not require any more capital this year."

ON DUTY AT HOME

Mrs. J. H. Thayer is ill at her home on Burgess street, and James Henry Thayer, Jr., has measles, so Dr. J. H. Thayer, pastor of Blackwell Memorial Baptist church is kept at home on duty instead of attending the Baptist State Convention this week as he had expected.

VERDICT NOT GUILTY FOR GOVERNOR RUSSEL

Oxford, Miss., Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—A verdict for the defendant was returned in the Russell case Monday. The jury was out 28 minutes.

ATTENDED FUNERAL

Those attending the funeral of Dr. J. H. McMullan at Edenton from this city were Dr. T. S. McMullan, Buxton White, Rev. C. B. Calbroth, Mac McMullan and Dr. John Saliba.

Husband Must Pay For Wife's Defense

Detroit, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Ney J. Ford, wealthy Wayne County farmer, today faced the prospect that he would be required to pay for the defense of his wife, who is charged with attempt to hire a gunman to kill him.

Attorneys of Mrs. May B. Ford planned to enter a motion that Ford advance \$1,000 for preliminary attorneys fees and \$3,000 for expense of the defense should the woman be held for trial.

The financial support of the defense, attorneys contend, is the husband's legal obligation.

Motive Of Murder Mystifies Police

Richmond, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—The police are seeking the motive in the killing last night of Mrs. Thelma Richardson, stenographer, who was shot through the heart.

Thomas Pollard, her employer and real estate man, is under \$10,000 bond on the charge of shooting her, and J. Mosby West, with whom the woman went to Pollard's home, is under \$500 bail as an accessory.

The police say the woman was killed with the revolver she took with her to the Pollard home to seek an "understanding."

FUNERAL DR. McMULLAN

Edenton, Dec. 11.—The funeral of Dr. J. H. McMullan was conducted Monday afternoon at Edenton Methodist church by his former pastor, Rev. H. I. Glass of Raleigh, assisted by Rev. J. V. Knight. The church was crowded, and stores and banks closed during the service. Interment was made in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Dr. McMullan was 73 years old and much loved throughout this section, in which he had practiced medicine and taken a prominent part in public life for many years.

His death occurred at St. Vincent's Hospital, Norfolk, Sunday morning at three o'clock.

Four daughters and two sons survive him: Mrs. J. Norfleet Pruden, Mrs. W. O. Elliott and Miss Jessie McMullan of Edenton, Mrs. William Bond, Jr., of Denver, Colorado; J. H. McMullan, Jr., of Edenton and Harry McMullan of Washington; also two sisters, Mrs. George Newby and Mrs. K. R. Newbold, both of Hertford.

The honorary pallbearers were: Doctors H. M. S. Cason, M. P. Whitchard, J. W. Warren, E. J. Griffin, Richard Dillard and H. E. Nixon.

The active pallbearers were: C. H. Wood, M. G. Brown, Julien Wood, Sr., Joe R. Nixon, W. A. Leggett, Walter S. White, T. H. Shepard and E. I. Warren.

RECOMMENDS GRADING AND STAPLING COTTON

Washington, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Grading and stapling cotton under Government supervision was recommended by William M. Steuart, director of the census, in his annual report today. Quarterly reports from all leaf tobacco dealers regardless of the amount held in stock was also recommended.

MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION HOLDING A CONFERENCE

Raleigh, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—The North Carolina Municipal Association is holding a conference here today to formulate a program of legislation to present to the General Assembly when it convenes in January.

Among the chief subjects discussed by the representatives from many cities in the State is the State's highway program as it relates to the cities and the taxation and financial system.

RUSSIAN GRAND DUKES HOLD CHRISTMAS REUNION

London, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Maria Fodorovna, the dowager empress of Russia, who now resides in Denmark, has agreed to a meeting of all the Russian Grand Dukes to be held in Copenhagen at Christmas time. All the Grand Dukes, who are now scattered over the world, will be notified and they are expected to attend the court of the dowager queen.

A number of prominent Russian monarchists in Berlin and Munich also have been invited to attend the meeting.

Four Bandits Hold Up And Rob Bank Runner

Chicago, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Four bandits today held up the Logan Square Trust & Savings Bank's messenger and robbed him of \$19,000 in the busy business district here.

IS TAXED WITH COSTS FOR FAILURE TO DIP

Joe Banks, Pasquotank farmer, was let off with the costs in police court Tuesday morning on conditions that he comply with the law as to the dipping of his cattle.

Thank Best City For Assistance

Secretary Job Has Letter From New Bern Relief Headquarters Today

With the Red Cross at work among the manufacturers of the city, contributions to the New Bern relief fund continued to come in to the New Bern Relief Commission's headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday.

However, the fund did not leap upward as was the case on preceding days, as the Red Cross committee was the only one that seemed to be actively at work Tuesday. All contributions reported from manufacturers were secured by the Red Cross.

In addition to cash subscriptions reported, the Red Cross received a donation of \$10 worth of hose from the Standard Manufacturing Company.

Another set back occurred by reason of the fact that inadvertently Union Methodist church was on the list of contributors twice Monday, thus making the total reported Monday \$19.20 more than it should have been.

Here are the contributions to date:

Previously reported (less error)	\$1220.86
Cartwright's Bakery	2.00
Coca Cola Bottling Works	3.00
Pepsi-Cola Bottling Works	1.00
Elizabeth City Buggy Co.	2.00
Elizabeth City Iron Works	2.00
Crystal Ice & Coal Co.	5.00
Colored Welfare Committee	10.00
First Methodist Church (additional)	3.00
Mrs. Myra T. Jenkins	1.00
Miss Ella V. John	1.00
Cash	1.00
Young Men's Bible Class of Berea Church	6.25
Elizabeth City Brick Yard Company	25.00
Pritchard Bean Harvester Company	5.00
Scott Bean Harvester Co.	5.00
Elizabeth City Fire Co.	25.00
Total	\$1318.11

The money is being forwarded to New Bern as fast as it is turned in to Secretary Job. The following letter is an indication of New Bern's appreciation of Elizabeth City's neighborly help.

Farmer And His Wife Are Found Murdered

Middletown, Ind., Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—William Schaffer, farmer, and his wife, were found murdered today, the wife's head cut off and the husband's split wide open. The couple had been dead several days when found in the home by passers by.

W. O. W. ELECTS ITS OFFICERS MONDAY NIGHT

Juniper Camp, No. 11, W. O. W., met Monday night and elected the following officers: J. B. Jenkins, past consul commander; W. S. White, consul commander; E. Ehringhaus, banker; C. C. Bailey, clerk; H. C. Grice, escort; W. J. Broughton, watchman; C. S. Ives, sentry; Dr. H. D. Walker, physician; Dr. J. H. White, auditor for one year; T. B. Wilson, auditor for two years; M. R. Griffin, auditor for three years.

It was unanimously voted to send \$25 to the New Bern sufferers.

FUNERAL LEROY JERNIGAN

The funeral of Leroy Jernigan was conducted Monday afternoon at Halls Creek Methodist church at three o'clock by Rev. E. L. Stack. Interment was made near the church. Mr. Jernigan died Sunday morning about two o'clock after a long illness at the home of his half brother, F. C. Sawyer, in the Corinth section. He was 21 years old and is survived by his brother, F. C. Sawyer, and a half sister, Mrs. Eva McLennon of Norfolk.

MIDSHIPMEN EXPELLED

Washington, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Midshipmen Bruce Robinson of Arizona and Stuart Hawkins of Massachusetts have been ordered dismissed from the Naval Academy as the result of hazing trials, with the President's approval.

TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The Hollywood Cemetery Society will meet at the home of Mrs. N. S. Leary on Pennsylvania avenue Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock. A large attendance is desired.

STEWARDS TO MEET

There will be a called meeting of the board of stewards of the First Methodist church at the church tonight immediately after the recital.

Barges Efficient Carriers Road Building Materials

Plying Down The River To Glover's Cut Wharf With Loads Of Cement They Hasten The Completion Of Most Expensive Three Thousand Feet Of Road In The State Of North Carolina

Former Policeman Held In Norfolk Jail

Charged With Sending Threatening Letters To Bankers In That City

Norfolk, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Charles W. Browne, former member of the police force here, is in jail on a Federal charge growing out of the alleged attempt to demand money by threatening letters from two of the city's leading bankers.

The technical charge against Browne is that he devised a scheme to defraud and mailed letters to W. A. Godwin, president of Norfolk National Bank and Clearing House Association, and J. B. Moss, president of the Seaboard National Bank, demanding money under threat of bomb and dagger at the end of each letter.

"BOX OF MONKEYS" GIVEN FRIDAY NIGHT

On Friday night at eight o'clock the senior class of the Elizabeth City High School will present a delightful farce, "A Box of Monkeys." Practices have been going on for some time and those who attend Friday night may look forward to an evening of real entertainment.

The proceeds from this play will be used to wipe out the Annual and Library deficits of last year.

Suspect Arrested Says She Isn't Clara

Casper, Wyo., Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Belief that the local police succeeded in apprehending Clara Phillips, convicted of slaying Alberta Meadows with a hammer, who escaped from Los Angeles jail December 6th, was thought today to have been exploded when the suspect arrested last night declared that she was Beatrice Craig of Kirby, Wyoming.

Proceed With Hearing According To Keller

Washington, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—The House Judiciary committee today voted in executive session to proceed with the hearing of impeachment charges brought against Daugherty by Representative Keller in the manner insisted on by Keller.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

New York, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Eleven forty-five a. m. bids; December 24.75, January 24.85, March 25.05, May 25.04, July 24.69. Steady. Total production for the year, it was announced today, was 9,960,000 bales or 4,767,262,000 pounds.

New York, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Cotton closed today at a sharp advance. December 25.10, January 25.14, March 25.35, May 25.41, July 25.03. Spot: Middling 25.30. Tone strong.