

**WEATHER**  
\* Cloudy tonight and  
\* Thursday. Probably rain  
\* Thursday. Moderate to  
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## PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR NEW YEAR

### Can Have It, Declares Secretary Job, If Just A Little Extra Effort Is Made

"Christmas is coming," says Secretary Job of the Chamber of Commerce, "and you are thinking of a Christmas present for a friend, or for a needy one."  
"But what about a Christmas present for your community?"  
"We have here in the Chamber of Commerce rooms the beginning of a public library for Elizabeth City. There are in the library now in the neighborhood of 400 volumes."  
"Between now and Christmas look over the books on your own shelves and see if there are not some you would like to donate to Elizabeth City's public library. And then make a Christmas present to your town of the books you have read but are willing to part with."  
"With your co-operation we'll be able to open this library the first of next year."

## STRANGE THIEF HAUNTS RANCH

### Two Bachelor Brothers Find All Their Buttons Cut Off Their Clothes

Nanaimo, B. C., Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—A strange mystery is causing much speculation in the district near Cassidy's Ranch, six miles south of here. William and Edward Cassidy, brothers, living together on the farm, a few weeks ago discovered that all the buttons had been cut off of their best clothes. Despite careful watch, this happened 14 times.

Once when Edward planned to attend a dance in the neighborhood, he carefully tied up his best suit and hid it behind the stove. The next evening the buttons were gone, and the dance date was cancelled.

Then a brother-in-law, Mr. Malnearing, visited the boys with the intention of attending a dance at Granby Mine, nearby. His dress suit was mysteriously stripped of its buttons, and another social engagement had to be abandoned.

This was the last straw. The provincial police were called in. Constable Bradner prepared to spend several days at the ranch, systematically running down clues.

He did not find anything tending to indicate the operations of a criminal, but on awakening bright and early one morning he found every button on his suit had been cut off.

The police are still working on the case. Meantime, special locks on all doors have put at least a temporary stop to the button thefts.

## CONSOLIDATE SAYS BROWN

### Has Plan For National Defense Uniting War And Navy Departments

Washington, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—Consolidation of the War and Navy Departments into a department of National Defense designed to function under cabinet members with assistants in charge of the army and navy respectively was definitely recommended to the President by Walter Brown, head of the commission appointed to prepare a plan of governmental reorganization.

## NOVEMBER COTTON REPORT

There were 4,497 bales of cotton ginned in Pasquotank County, from the crop of 1922, prior to December 1, 1922, as compared with 2,634 bales ginned to December 1, 1921. Camden County to same dates, 1922, 2,573 bales; 1921, 2,118 bales, reports N. A. Jones, special agent.

## FUNERAL J. W. GILBERT

James W. Gilbert of Plymouth died at his home Sunday night about eleven o'clock at the age of 67 years. His body was brought to Elizabeth City Tuesday afternoon and interment made in Hollywood Cemetery, the burial service being conducted by Rev. H. E. Myers. Mr. Gilbert is survived by his wife and two children, a daughter, Mrs. Blanche Midgett of Norfolk, and son, Lloyd Gilbert of Plymouth, also two nephews, Charles and Bert

## OTHER COUNTIES WANT MISS MARCIE

### Other Sections Of State Know What Good Work She's Done And Offer Her Jobs

Sitting sedately in its own little corner, Pasquotank County killed home demonstration work and dismissed without the courtesy of "giving notice" the Home Demonstration Agent, and thought it was its own business, and that was that.

But last week the Farm and Home Demonstration Agents met in Raleigh to discuss matters of concern to their counties and to put their heads together to solve common problems, and some one hopped up in meeting and said: "Where's Miss Marcie Albertson from Pasquotank County? You know she makes such good suggestions. Let's ask her. But where is she?"

Then the news came out, and one way and another the news went 'round that Miss Marcie wasn't at work just now.

That's just the first chapter. The next thing that happened was this: A certain county, and then another, that had heard what a good demonstration agent Pasquotank had, hastened with all speed to offer Miss Marcie a job and urge her to accept. And the old grouch—he couldn't have really meant it, could he?—who pretended to think that home demonstration work in Pasquotank was just an excuse to get Miss Marcie a job, has got another think coming his way, if his brain will work that fast.

There are some more chapters. The story isn't finished yet.

But the moral is plain. Miss Marcie can get jobs, plenty of 'em. But the women of the County—and the women and children are mostly what count in life anyhow—don't propose to let Miss Marcie leave Pasquotank. Why should they?

The last thrilling scene in this drama will be enacted—Well we shall see what we shall see.

## Dr. Van Dyke Writes About Visit To State

### Tells Secretary Jule Warren Had Delightful Time At Teachers Convention

Raleigh, Dec. 13. (By The Associated Press)—"It is very pleasant to talk to people who know something and who are in the habit of thinking," Dr. Henry van Dyke says in a letter received today by Jule Warren, secretary-treasurer of the North Carolina Education Association.

The letter expressed appreciation of Dr. Van Dyke's recent visit to Raleigh as the chief speaker during the teachers' convention.

"I had a delightful time in Raleigh and liked the audience the teachers gave me there," he writes. "I know something about audiences, and can assure you that one composed of teachers is about the best in the world."

## BAINES-JONES

Miss Mertie M. Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Jones, of Nixonton, and Larry C. Baines, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Baines, of Simonds Creek, were married Tuesday at three o'clock by Rev. E. L. Stack at his home on Ehringhaus street. Mr. and Mrs. Baines will make their home in the neighborhood of Eureka church.

## Motion Defeated For Third Party

Cleveland, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—Delegates to the second conference for progressive political action left their homes today to protect state organizations for nomination and election of candidates either through the primaries of old parties or independent political action as set forth in the program adopted at the two day convention. Formation of a third party was defeated at the closing session after a prolonged debate in which speakers characterized the Democratic and Republican parties as owned and financed by Wall Street.

## Gompers Says Labor Will Assist Keller

Washington, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—Samuel Gompers frankly told the House Judiciary committee today that the executive committee of the Federation of Labor had authorized the employment of counsel to assist Representative Keller in prosecuting impeachment

## Youthful Evangelists At Atlanta



The four children of Luke Rider, nationally known evangelist, conducted a series of revival meetings in Atlanta, Ga., recently. The children are ardent churchgoers and accompany their father, no matter where his literary may lead him. From left to right, they are, Luke, Blanche, Paul and Dan.

## Senator's Grandson And Bride



Yes, next to Niagara Falls, Washington, D. C., is the mecca for honeymooners, for what could be more romantic than sight seeing in the Nation's capital during a honeymoon? Of the latest prominent honeymooners are Mr. and Mrs. Cummins Rawson, Cummins Rawson being the grandson of Senator Albert B. Cummins of Iowa. Mr. Cummins was formerly Miss Ruth Gotchell of Des Moines.

## TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

New York, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—Bids at 11:45 a. m. were: December 25.21, January 25.37, March 25.58, May 25.64, July 25.25. Steady.

New York, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—Cotton futures opened steady today. December 25.05, January 25.95, March 25.29, May 25.31, July 24.97.

New York, Dec. 12 (By The Associated Press)—Cotton closed today at a sharp advance. December 25.16, January 25.14, March 25.35, May 25.41, July 25.02. Spots Modelling 25.39. Tone strong.

## FRENCH CABINET IS FOR POINCARÉ

Paris, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—The French cabinet today approved the attitude taken on reparations by Premier Poincaré at the recent London conference of premiers.

## LYNCHED FOR MURDER

Perry, Fla., Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—Arthur Young, negro, held in connection with the murder of Ruby Hendry, was lynched yesterday.

Charlie White, another negro, was lynched last week on the same accusation.

## Woman Is Missing In Chicago Fire

Chicago, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—Mrs. Hulda Smith is reported missing after an apartment house fire which drove forty families into the street in night attire. The

## RELIEF FUND IS GROWING

### Red Cross, Kiwanis And Rotary At Work—Bedding And Clothing Given, Also

With the ladies of the Red Cross still at work among the manufacturers and with committees from the Merchants Association and the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs beginning a canvass of the merchants, today's report by Secretary Job shows a considerable list of contributors, with cash contributions for the day amounting to more than \$100.

Most of the donations reported Wednesday were from manufacturers or merchants, though one private citizen brought ten dollars to The Advance Wednesday morning, asking that his name be withheld and that the gift be credited merely to "a friend."

In addition to cash subscriptions, merchants and others are making liberal contributions of clothing and other things needed by the sufferers.

Three beds, complete with mattresses and cover from Dr. Saliba, a box of clothing from Mitchell's and sweaters and clothing from Rucker & Sheely Company are among the larger donations of this sort. The box at the foot of the stairs leading up to the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the Community Building continues to receive daily donations of clothing from unsolicited contributors.

The secretary's report for the day and the total contributions to date follows:

W. W. Sawyer, plumber . . .	\$ 25.00
Central Filling Station . . .	1.00
Salem Baptist Church . . .	15.85
J. C. Brooks . . . . .	5.00
George Brothers . . . . .	2.00
Miss Bertha Brothers . . .	1.00
A. W. Lane . . . . .	1.00
L. S. Sawyer . . . . .	1.00
Dr. Z. Fearing . . . . .	2.00
Joe Pinner . . . . .	1.00
John Haley . . . . .	1.00
W. E. Dunstan . . . . .	1.00
Owens Shoe Co. . . . .	5.00
Cash . . . . .	1.00
A Friend . . . . .	10.00
Apothecary Shop . . . . .	2.00
Woolworth Company . . . .	5.00
M. P. Gallow Company . . .	5.00
M. G. Morrissette Co. . . .	2.00
J. B. Flora Company . . . .	5.00
C. W. Stevens Co. . . . .	5.00
E. J. Cohoon . . . . .	2.00
The Gas Company . . . . .	2.00
D. R. Morgan Company . . .	5.00
Buxton White Seed Co. . . .	10.00
T. A. Commander & Son . . .	10.00
N. Howard Smith . . . . .	5.00
Sharber & White . . . . .	5.00
Cash . . . . .	.50
Auto & Gas Engine Works . .	5.00
Banks & Hughes . . . . .	2.00
Quinn Furniture Co. . . . .	5.00
Previously reported . . . . .	1318.11
Total to date . . . . .	\$1466.46

## REFUSES ASSIGN ARMENIANS HOME

### Ismet Pasha Declares This Would Be Another Attempt To Dismember Turkey

Lausanne, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—Turkey refused at the Near East conference to assign any special part of Turkey as a national home for the Armenians.

Ismet Pasha declared that this would mean a new attempt to dismember Turkey.

## SOUTH MILLS BRIEFS

South Mills, Dec. 13.—Mrs. D. E. Williams is spending the week in Edenton with her brother, J. B. Webb.

The Elizabeth City Glee Club gave a musical program in the high school auditorium Friday evening.

The young people of the Methodist and Baptist churches are busy rehearsing for Christmas entertainments.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hewett of Princess Ann, Va., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Julia Stafford.

Rev. G. P. Harrell, pastor of the Baptist church, is attending the Baptist State Convention at Winston-Salem.

Miss Helen Williams spent the week-end with friends in Smithfield, Va.

Miss Ethel Sipe of Bridgewater, Va., is the guest of Mrs. W. T. Stafford on Canal avenue.

The "Live Moving Picture" show that will be given in the high school auditorium December 21 by members of the senior class is provoking

## SEARCH RUINS FOR DOZEN BODIES

### Many Dead And Half Of The Seriously Injured Are In A Critical Condition

Havana, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—Deaths from the boiler explosion may exceed thirty, according to latest press and official reports. The condition of half of the twenty-nine seriously injured is said to be critical. Seventeen are known dead and more than a dozen are believed to be still in the smoking debris.

Camaguey, Cuba, Dec. 13. (By The Associated Press)—Search continued of the Estrella sugar plant, wrecked yesterday by a boiler explosion, for six bodies still believed hidden in the wreckage from which 11 dead and 50 injured have been removed. The death here of two injured brought the toll of fatalities to 19 today, with a number of the injured still expected to die.

## House Of Commons Votes For Relief Unemployed

London, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—A supplementary estimate of one million pounds sterling for relief of the unemployed was agreed to today by the House of Commons.

## Christmas Checks For Cotton Growers

### Co-Ops Announce That These Will Go Out Saturday—Last Two Weeks Busy

Raleigh, Dec. 13.—The first batch of "Christmas Checks" from the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association are due to go out Saturday. These checks will represent a second advance of \$25 on each bale of cotton delivered to the association up to December 1st.

The last two weeks has been the busiest that the headquarters of the Tar Heel cotton co-operative has had. In addition to having to prepare for sending out thousands of checks to growers, the association has been receiving cotton right along at the rate of nearly a thousand bales a day. There has been a considerable let-up in deliveries since the close of November. It is stated, but receipts are still heavy.

The association headquarters report receipts to date of more than 125,000 bales on which advances totaling more than six million dollars have already been made and on which more than three million dollars will be advanced within the next few days.

The physical task of handling thousands of accounts with members will prevent all checks from going out on December 15th, but they will begin moving then and the various batches will follow each other in quick succession.

It is safe to say that there will be no Christmas presents this year that will be more gladly welcomed than these advance checks.

## WOULD LIMIT SMALL VESSELS

Washington, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—The request that President Harding seek to broaden the scope of the naval limitation agreement so as to include limitation of construction of smaller types of war vessels and on aircraft were included in the annual naval bill as reported by the House appropriations committee today.

## Cuba Rich In Mines Of Copper And Iron

Havana, Cuba, Dec. 13 (By The Associated Press)—Immense and rich deposits of iron and copper exist in Cuba, declared President Alfredo Zayas in his message at the opening session of the current Congress, and the government proposes to aid their development in every way possible.

From the copper mines at Matahambre, Pinar del Rio, he points out, there were mined in the first six months of this fiscal year, 84,353 tons of 23 per cent copper, and the field has only been scratched. Prospecting for oil and mineral is going