

West Prussia, according to dispatches received here, five military prisons have been opened and the inmates set at liberty. It is said, and street fighting is reported.

BRITISH TAKE HOLIDAY

Christmas-Week Will Find London With Many Persons Gone. LONDON, Wednesday, Dec. 18.—If President Wilson arrives in England Thursday of next week, as it is intimated, he will find a general holiday aspect as the day after Christmas is "Boxing Day." Throughout the United Kingdom business will be at a standstill December 27.

PROTECTION ASKED

Estonian Government Places Republic Under Wing of Allies. LONDON, Dec. 18.—The Estonian provisional government, controlling the territory covered by the former Russian Baltic Province of Estonia, has placed its Republic under the common protection of the Entente Powers pending the decision of the peace conference.

PLANS MAY BE CHANGED

Probability of Early Return to Washington Speeds Up Visit. PARIS, Wednesday, Dec. 18.—The reason given for President Wilson's desire to make an early visit to England is understood to be that he found it might be necessary to return to Washington much sooner than he expected. Whether this means a change in the President's entire program, including his journey to Italy, is not known.

PLEA TO BE MADE

Belgium's Plea for More Territory Will Be Put Forth. PARIS, Dec. 18.—Belgium's plea for more territory, which, according to reports, will be set forth at the peace conference, was supported by the Matin today.

NEWS MEN CONFER

Peace Commissioners Hold Meeting With Press Correspondents. PARIS, Dec. 18.—The American Peace Commissioners conferred with American newspaper correspondents for the first time today. All other correspondents were excluded. It was stipulated that none of the announcements to be made were for purposes of publication, being only for the guidance of the correspondents.

PLANS ARE REVAMPED

The date of the first meeting of the Inter-Allied Conference has not been determined nor has the date of the first assembling of the Peace Congress. It has not been determined whether the actual sessions will be open. President Wilson's inclination is said to be that the sessions be open as far as is possible, but it is expected that it will develop that much of the work will be done confidentially, and then perfected openly.

MOVING PICTURE FUNNIES

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CANTEEN WORKERS WASH FOR TROOPS

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—How American women in France helped to lighten the cares of American soldiers, feeding them with sweets, cooking for them, dancing with them—while washing dishes and scrubbing floors—was told today by Mrs. Vincent Astor. After 13 months service in canteen and welfare work while her husband was serving with the overseas naval forces, Mrs. Astor has just returned from Bordeaux, where she was in charge of a division of Y. M. C. A. women. One of her fellow workers was Mrs. Henry Russell, formerly Ethel Jordan Hartman, who was married in France.

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Greatest Bluff of War Is Revealed

(Copyright, 1918, by New York World, By Special Cable to The Birmingham News.) LONDON, Dec. 18.—The story of the greatest bluff of the war is told by The Manchester Guardian, a well informed newspaper. When her submarine campaign began in earnest, Germany was getting many submarines through the straits of Dover despite all that the British anti-submarine boats could do against them.

A wonderful fixed barrage was then designed for the straits—only designed with extraordinary electrical appliances, alarm signals, contact mines, electrical wires and dozens of new secret devices. By some means these devices fell into the hands of German secret agents. It was said Germany paid \$20,000 for them. Then there was peace in the straits of Dover. The new barrage on paper was too formidable and complete for the German submarines in that stage of their development. Germany knew—or thought she knew—when she was beaten, and for months that six weeks there was no attempt to break through the barrage.

There was, however, no barrage except as it existed in the designs which had been foisted upon Germany. England had neither the right mines, nor the mechanism to make them ready at the time. This story is not surprising, however declares it is not more astonishing than some authenticated naval legends of the great war.

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Horoscopes

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18.

The Mutual aspects again point to a day of important events and signal achievements, particularly in the way of large enterprises in transactions with established or corporations, or with elderly persons, this owing to the trine with Saturn—a brilliant conjunction bringing success and satisfaction generally, and this reassuring prospect is emphasized by the trine with Jupiter as well. There is some probability of understanding these auspicious conditions by an impulsive, a rashness, or a tendency to discontent excited by the opposition of Moon to the turbulent and fiery Mars. There should be some caution as to signing papers, and it would also be well to guard against deception or fraud in all important matters.

Those whose birthday it is, may have a successful year, with promotion or recognition in employment. They should show guileless and law, and be discreet in all dealings. A child born on this day will be clever, industrious, prudent and persevering, but should be taught to beware of treachery or fraud.

EASTMAN IS HONORED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Joseph B. Eastman, of Massachusetts, has been chosen by President Wilson to succeed George V. Anderson as a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Clergymen Given Cut Rate On Trains

Clergymen and all others engaged in purely religious work may travel at a cut rate on all railroad lines operated by the United States Railroad Administration, according to information received by H. H. Freeman, Assistant General Passenger Agent. The new ruling is effective January 1.

PRISONERS ARRIVE

Lieut. White and Donaldson Return from France After Many Adventures. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Among the 2,275 captives who arrived here from the British transport, Capt. White and two American aviators, who escaped from German prison camps just before the signing of the armistice, are Lieut. White, of Cleveland, O., naval aviator, and Lieut. John Donaldson, of New York, an army aviator. The latter wore the distinguished flying medal in token of his prowess in having shot down nine German machines.

Why Run From the "Flu"? Says Mr. J. B. Robson



J. B. ROBSON.

In conversation with Mr. Walton, expert at Norton's Drug Store, he said:

"Mr. J. B. Robson, 615 State Street, Springfield, Mo., came into the drug store in that city which Mr. Walton was demonstrating in, and said: 'I was East when the "Flu" struck the United States; got terribly scared in Virginia; went over to Cincinnati, found it just as bad; from there I hiked to St. Louis, still the same, and here I am in Springfield, still scared. I met a doctor on the train and he said that he believed that if a person kept the bowels open, the system above par and did not get scared they ran a good chance of not getting it. I took Lax-a-Tone two years ago in Bridgeport, Conn., and received such good results think I will take three bottles for "Safety First." I know I feel better when I take it.' "Try Harbison Lax-a-Tone as a good tonic; it will correct that constipation and stomach trouble, and maybe ward off a spell of sickness. See Mr. Walton at Norton's Drug Store. He will tell you all about it.—Adv.

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Broker's \$50,000 Sale of

- The following names are listed in a column on the right side of the page, including names like The Colma, Killebrew, and others.