

THIRTEEN ARE MISSING

Finds Out Why 't Begin Right Now

WHITE HOUSE MOVES TO PARIS



rat, his beautiful wife, and their town house which President Wilson is culture, an interior view, shows one of the luxuriously appointed drawing

s Paris, was noted for its many splen- ried Prince Achille Murat. The pres- did receptions held there prior to the war. It is doubly interesting to President Wilson because it contains many interesting souvenirs of Pres- dent Washington, whose niece mar-

ent Prince Joachim Murat, who was born in New Jersey in 1831 and who was a descendant of Napoleon's sister, Carolina Bonaparte.

'WHO'S WHO' OF GERMANY; KEY TO MUDDLED POLITICS OF NATION

FIRE STARTS IN BERTH OCCUPIED BY FAMILY PARTY IN TOURIST COACH— SPREADS TO OTHER SECTIONS.

(By the Associated Press.)

WINNIPEG, Manitoba, Dec. 17.—Advices received here today tell of the destruction by fire of a tourist coach on a Canadian-Pacific train which left here at 9:10 p. m. for Toronto, and say that 13 passengers aboard the coach are missing.

The fire, it was indicated, started in a berth occupied by a family party and quickly spread to the rest of the coach. Other cars on the train escaped damage.

ASK QUARANTINE INSTEAD OF THE PRESENT FLU BAN

Theaters and Business Establishments Plan to Present Petitions.

Petitions are being circulated by a number of local business men, including theater men, asking the board of health to remove the influenza ban and substitute for it a quarantine of all influenza cases.

Those responsible for the petitions stated this afternoon that more than 10,000 names will be presented to the health board tomorrow morning.

"So great has been the demand for petitions that we have been unable to supply all who have called for them," said Manager E. Clarke Walker of the Pantheater theater, today. "Business houses and theaters are asking patrons to sign the petitions, and the reports we have this afternoon indicate that already several thousand names have been affixed."

"Those petitions will have as much effect on me as water on a duck's back," said Dr. J. B. Anderson, city health officer, when told of the petitions.

"I will stand pat, absolutely. The ban will stay on until early in January, unless higher authority than myself intervenes."

"The people circulating and signing the petitions might just as well save their ink."

"A dollar is good, but it is no good for a dead man."

"The situation is gaining nicely. Why not let it continue?"

Twenty-One New Cases.

At 11 o'clock this morning there had been 21 new cases of influenza, two of pneumonia and four deaths reported to the health department.

"The improvement in the epidemic situation is steady and continuing," said Dr. Anderson. "The ban will remain until after the first of the year, however."

Dr. Frederick Epplen, president of the county medical association, stated this morning that in his opinion the situation is improving to a great extent and that all indications are that the improvement will continue.

TRUCE DOES NOT HALT BRUTALITY

SANTA CLAUS WORKERS GET RIGHT ON JOB

School Teachers to Help
Old St. Nick in Taking
Care of Kiddies.

SANTA'S FIRST LETTER

"Dear Santa Claus: I am 9 years old. Please bring me a pair of overshoes and a cap and a cork gun and a tin soldiers game and some checkers and checkerboard and a book or two and some candy and nuts and I got a little sister and I got a brother. Please remember them too."

Signed by a lad living on Martin street.

Announcement was made today by Mr. S. Claus of the names of those appointed to handle all mail addressed to him between now and December 25.

The jolly old saint didn't get busy any too soon, either, because a half dozen letters from little folks of Spokane already were waiting for him and others by the dozen are being spelled out by kiddies of the city who are just a little bit afraid of Santa or mother won't have the money to buy them presents this year.

A group of public school teachers will handle the mail addressed to Santa Claus and investigate the needs. Miss Helen C. O'Neill, principal of the Lowell school, will head the committee. Mrs. H. L. Sickels of the Y. W. C. A. board will have charge of buying and collecting gifts and Gus Meese of the "Globe" will direct the distribution Christmas day.

The work was organized at a conference Monday afternoon at the Y. W. C. A. The Santa Claus folks will work with the Good Fellows and the Social Service bureau. The Good Fellows, Chronicle editorial room, will be glad to receive contributions of toys or money especially for distribution through Santa's headquarters.

DUTCH ANXIOUS TO MAKE FRIENDS OF ENTENTE NOW