

The Brass Bullet.

U. S. NAVY PRESS NEWS.

WASHINGTON: By a vote of seventeen to three the House Agricultural Committee tabled Gallivan Bill today for the repeal of war time prohibition which settles for the time all efforts to repeal war time prohibition. Legal efforts to make invalid the constitutional prohibition amendment effective January 16th were started in the Supreme Court today when New Jersey retail dealers asked the Court for permission to file bill testing validity and seeking injunction to restrain officials from enforcing Volstead law in New Jersey.

ATLANTIC CITY: Mrs. Esther Blake today repudiated the statement that two negroes overpowered her and kidnapped her five year old son last Friday night. It might have been a delusion, she is quoted as saying. She is under arrest, charged with murder of her little boy, whose body was washed up on the beach several days ago. She has been suffering from nervous exhaustion for several years, and authorities believe that she threw the lad from the piers into the sea in a fit of insanity, harboring the delusion that the child was a barrier between her and her husband.

PARIS: A burst of speed of approximately two hundred and twenty-six miles an hour was scored by Sadilecornte noted French Aviator, in officially timed airplane test today. Also holds French height record and previous speed record.

LONDON: Thirteen hundred British troops in Persia have been wiped out by hostile population, according to a Moscow dispatch. Troops constituted garrison of town of Meshed.

COLUMBIA, S. C.: Dr. J. H. Pratt, prominent Physician, his brother-in-law John Bell, and Royall Cotton of Charleston were killed in pistol fight near St. Stephens, Mr. Bell's country home, last Sunday, according to reports received here. Dr. Pratt returning from evening church found young Cotton at house. Had warned him to stay away. Shooting that followed, all three men were fatally shot.

WASHINGTON: President Wilson today spent more than an hour on the south portico of the White House in spite of the severe cold.

LONDON: Bolsheviks have captured town on Trans-Siberian railroad, says wireless from Moscow which states that they took five thousand prisoners, several guns, and several Kolchak's Generals. General advance by Bolshevik on all fronts is claimed.

SAN ANTONIO: Gaston de Wrida, young sportsman, known in various American cities, who with companion

left New York with intention of capturing Villa for reward of fifty thousand dollars that has been offered, was taken and executed by the rebel leader according to the newspapers here. Report not verified, but considered reliable.

EREST: Roughts attacked three American Naval Officers last night as they were leaving a concert. Lieut. John C. Glone was seriously wounded and Lieut. Charles Nevin received a bullet in the leg.

NEW YORK: Theft of nine barrels of sacramental wine was reported to police last night by wholesale liquor dealer. He declares the wine was drawn from his basement by seventy-five foot pipe. He had special permit to sell it for religious purposes.

TELEGRAMS

ST. CROIX STATION.

Paris, Dec. 13th.—Georges Carpentier today issued a challenge to Jack Dempsey for the championship of the world.

London, Dec. 13th.—Despatches received here from Stockholm say the conference between the Baltic States' representatives and the Bolshevik has been adjourned until the end of the month.

Christiania, Norway, Dec. 15th.—The Norwegian coal mines in Spitzbergen have been sold to a British company for two hundred thousand pounds. The sale was made subject to approval of the shareholders.

Paris, Dec. 13th.—As a result of the conference being held by Mr. Lloyd George and M. Clemenceau, the United States Government will be notified that in order to facilitate a compromise between adverse parties in the American Senate the Allies are ready to accept to, as great an extent as possible, some of the reservations to the Versailles Treaty made by the Foreign Relations Committee, according to the "Matin". It is said that the Allies will do everything in order that America may participate in future conferences. Important problems, the newspaper says, shall be settled by a Council of the Premiers of Great Britain, France and Italy. This Council will meet sometimes in Paris and sometimes in London, and will examine principally Russian and Turkish problems. In the presence of United States Ambassador, Mr. Davis, it is said Mr. Lloyd George and M. Clemenceau assured Signor Scialoja, Italian Foreign Minister, that there was a necessity for an early settlement of the Fiume problem and indicated that Great Britain would intercede with the United States for Italy. Signor Scialoja will leave for Rome today to lay the matter before his Government. The spirit

which prevails at the London conference, the "Matin" says, is good, and the necessity for close co-operation by the Allies, is recognized.

Paris, Dec. 11th.—Austria must have help from the Allies in order to save her from famine and bankruptcy, Chancellor Karl Renner, of the Austrian Republic, said today, in explaining his presence in Paris, where he came to present to the Supreme Council, the situation which he declared, faces the country. "When I left Vienna we had only 9,000 tons for six and three quarter millions of people, a supply for six days only", said Dr. Renner. "Children are dying of cold and hunger in Vienna, and eightyfive per cent of those between nine months and three years of age are suffering with rickets. The loss of weight on the part of nursing mothers is seriously resulting in the diminution of their nursing capacity. For these reasons it is of the utmost importance that supplies go forward at once".

Paris, Dec. 13th.—Paul Menier, the former Republican Deputy charged with intelligence with the enemy, was arraigned before a Court Martial yesterday afternoon. He challenged the jurisdiction of the Military Court and asked for trial by a Jury. Menier was arrested in November while conducting his electoral campaign in the Aube Region. This arrest created a sensation throughout France. He was defeated in his elections for his seat in the Chamber of Deputies.

Paris Dec. 14th.—The newspapers generally express satisfaction over the Clemenceau-Lloyd George Conference, and see in their presence, at the London meeting of Representatives of Italy, the United States and Japan, proof of closer collaboration among the Allies. The "Petit Parisien" says: "The French Government will make at about the same time as the English Government, a detailed statement concerning the Conference at London. The communication will touch specially upon economic questions". "Le Matin" says: "The English Government is said to look favourably upon the project of a French Loan by England". "The Syrian Question is said to be settled according to the legitimate aspirations of France. Publication of a communication determining the Russian Policy of the Allies is expected shortly".

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Flour, Blended Clear St. Lawrence Brand
pr. brl. \$12.00

Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs \$3.75

New Season's Pork per brl. \$45.00

Heavy Mess Pork per bbl. \$46.50

Sugar---Crystals (Confirmed by Brokers)
per 100 lbs. \$7.28.

Molasses 89° test pr 100 lbs. no quotation
Cotton, Middling Upland, at Liverpool per
lb. 26 25-100d.

Exchange, New York and London, 60
days' sight \$3.66