WEATHER REPORT: Rain tonight and Saturday. Somewhat warmer in central portion tonight. Moderate variable winds.

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CONFERENCE TO STOP PRICE RAISE OF CLOTHING BE HELD NEXT MONTH

Aim Is To Stop Extravagance In Buying By Standardizing Production, Qualities And Garments

MAY HAVE FAR-REACHING EFFECT

Washington, Dec. 19.—Steps looking to the closing of price of clothing will be discussed at a conference to be held here next month.

Persons interested in the production of wearing apparel from the raw material to the consumer will attend the conference, it was announced here by Assistant Attorney General Frey, who said that in addition to effecting economy in clothing it is planned to promote the production of standard qualities and place garments at reasonable prices as an assurance to the public to stop extravagance in purchasing.

CARE IN INFANCY MAY INCREASE LIFE

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AMERICANS REMEMBER, PRINCE OURS—NOT YOURS SAYS LONDON GLOBE

Appreciates Welcome Extended to Prince of Wales

CEMENTS FRIENDSHIP

London, Dec. 19.—The warmth of America's welcome to the Prince of Wales moved The Globe to remark humorously: "Americans will please remember that he is our Prince, not theirs." The paper explains that the Americans gave the Prince such a reception that "everybody might be excused for forgetting that there had some unfortunate incidents in view."

The Prince's welcome in New York, the Globe added, "was the real thing coming from, perhaps, the most warm-hearted people in the world. They have hitt of the friendship which cannot break but to touch chords which is necessarily [illegible]

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ARMISTICE—BIG BLUNDER, SAYS GENERAL HARRIES

"Many Blunders But Greatest Was Signing Armistice"

FEATS NULLIFIED

Summit, N. J. Dec. 19.—"There were probably many blunders made by the Entente during the war, but in all probability the greatest blunder was the signing of the armistice," said Major General George H. Harries, who, until his return to the United States a short time ago was in charge of the American troops in Berlin. He spoke before a large audience in All Soul's Church here.

"Many of the allied troops would have been killed before they they compelled Germany to surrender, but there would also have been many of the Germans left on the battlefield. The feats of our army were nullified by those who had other things to think about than war."

CUPID STEALS COOK FROM THE WHITE HOUSE

Washington, Dec. 19.—Cupid scored a direct hit on the White House when Miss Sigfrid Charlotte Nilson became the bride of Sergeant Christian Iversen. For four years Miss Nilson had been preparing dainties for the President and his family and had accompanied them to Europe & on other trips.

CHILD TRESPASSERS SHOT BY OFFICERS TOILET

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FORMER MILLIONAIRE BROKE, SHOOTS SELF

Wiener, Former Army Captain, Near Death In Hospital

WASTED $2,000,000

New York, Dec. 19.—Clarance L. Wiener, a former captain in both the American and British armies, Harvard graduate and once possessor of a fortune of more than $2,000,000, is near death in the New York Hospital following an attempt to commit suicide.

Captain Wiener shot himself just below the heart at the Hotel Imperial.

The former army officer had spent his wealth and was in debt. He left a note to a friend telling of financial difficulties and referring to failure of an uncle, J. L. Ketterlinus, a Philadelphia millionaire, to come to his aid.

Captain Wiener was a polo player of note, and figured in many matches on both sides of the ocean.

WARNS DRY VIOLATORS LAW BE ENFORCED

Chicago, Dec. 19.—"No quarter will be shown to violators of the prohibition law, regardless of their influence," said Attorney General Palmer, who arrived here to attend a conference on the high cost of living.

"The law is on the statute books; the law must be obeyed and enforced. The Volstead Law will be enforced. The government is ready and prepared to do its part."

HEAVILY ARMED GUARDS ON EN TRAIN

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DESPERATE ESCAPE FROM A LARGE RIOT

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MILLERAND SLATED FOR FRENCH PREMIER

Paris, Dec. 19.—Alexandre Millerand is mentioned as premier of the French cabinet, succeeding Georges Clemenceau, who resigned yesterday. Millerand is now president of the Senate in Paris.

Quotations in reports it is asserted that Millerand will, in addition to being premier, hold the portfolio of minister of foreign affairs, Stephen Pichon, the present foreign minister considering retirement on account of his health, it is said.

EXPERTS CAN'T FIX REPARATION FOR SCAPA FLOW SCUTTLING

Some Disposed To Accept Newly Built German Ships, Others Want German Light Cruisers

MAY COME TO AGREEMENT TODAY

Paris, Dec. 19.—Allied experts have not agreed what demands should be made on Germany for reparation for the scuttling of the Scapa Flow fleet, according to Le Matin.

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Paris, Dec. 19.—The first section of the German Commission, charged with the preparation for putting the Peace Treaty into force and effect, are expected to reach Paris tomorrow.

Rome, Dec. 19.—A definite settlement of the Fiume question is to be reached at the coming conference of Premier Nitti and the foreign ministers of the allied nations, says the Giornale D'Italia.

INTERNATIONAL FORCE TO MAINTAIN ORDER, MAJOR DAVIES' IDEA

Would Prevent Fresh Armaments Or New Inventions

OBJECT—STOP WARS

London, Dec. 19.—Creation of an international police force is advocated by Major David Davies, a member of Parliament. He told the Grotius Society that each nation should have a sufficient army to maintain internal order and furnish its quota when the League of Nations required it, that no nation should employ it for purpose of war; and that each nation should provide the League of Nations with an aerial force for immediate use.

The nations should be concentrated in different parts of the world, the aerial portion supplying [illegible] Poison gas, heavy bombs, and tanks should be [illegible] the League to form [illegible] nations [illegible] and [illegible] made [illegible] war [illegible] war [illegible] war