## RETAILERS

## A REPLY TO THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSIO

The woods are full of amateur economists who claim that the priceo Clothing, Underwear, Dry Goods, Groceries, Meats, Shoes, Furniture Hardware, Drugs and Sundries will shortly return to pre-war leve

## WILL THEY? YES, THEY SURELY WIL

> When railroad fares are back to normal When modern houses rent for $\$ 20$ a month When a square meal is back to a quarter When gasoline is back to $\mathbf{1 5} \mathrm{c}$ a gallon When a shoe shine is back at 5 c

When telephone rates are back to $\$ 125$ a month When skilled labor, now $\$ 1$, is back at 35 cand and 45 c an hour
When shaves are back at 15 c and haircuts 25 c When freight rates are back to normal When milk sells at 5 c a quart

Aren't we Americans all in on this proposition? Haven't we got to fight it ou together? Well then, haven't we, the retailers, gone much faster than the average in reducing prices and making readjustments

## WE CERTAINLY HAVE

We're ahead--far a head of the procession. Now let the railroads, the Standard Oil, the Rent Hogs, the
Coal Barons, the Candiestick Maker, and the vast multitudes of others catch up with us
When we can secure merchandise on better terms our customers will be given full advantage of changed conditions
We are doing our part to get conditions back to normal. To prove it and to enlighten those people who con tinually insist that prices are not coming down the following comparative articles (and there are many more) are given


## THE MERCHANTS OF ONTARIO

