

SHOESHOP TEMPEST CAUSED BY CLAIM OF LOWER PRICES

NEW YORK, April 27.—Recent action by the New York Retail Shoe Dealers' association, for limitation of profit on "standard" footwear that is shoes selling for \$10 or less a pair and which do not carry a luxury tax, has created what might be called a "tempest in a shoe shop" all over the United States.

The tempest was caused by a little item wired from New York on March 22, to the effect that the federal authorities had announced they had been informed by John Slater, president of the local retail dealers' association, that "standard" shoes would be reduced during the spring and summer. It was published in many newspapers and water and mater familias, with lots of little fest to be shod, chuckled over the glad, good news at many a supper table. The item read:

"NEW YORK, March 22.—Prices of standard shoes will be reduced during the spring and summer, John Slater, president of the Retail Shoe Dealers' association, announced today, in a communication to Arthur Williams, federal food administrator. Retailers at a recent meeting decided to be content with a smaller margin of profit, Mr. Slater said. Reductions, however, will not apply to all kinds of fancy and ultra-fashionable footwear."

"The action of the retail shoe dealers, Mr. Williams said, probably presaged the beginning of a general narrowing of profit margins in other wear-in apparel."

The news spread in the trade, however, and soon dealers, jobbers and manufacturers began to bombard Mr. Slater with inquiries as to the basis for his assertion. Meanwhile, Mr. Slater had been interrogated here by the Associated Press regarding the correctness of the statement attributed to him and he declined to comment on it. Whereupon Mr. Williams, formerly Federal Food Administrator, and Fair Price Commissioner, was visited, and he confirmed the statement sent out by the Associated Press.

Mr. Williams explained that early this spring the federal authorities made an effort to reach an understanding with New York retailers concerning the profits on footwear. In his official capacity as Fair Price Commissioner, he said, he received on March 22 last, a communication from Mr. Slater as president of the New York Retail Shoe Dealers' association containing a proposal for limitation to a maximum of 21 to 35 per cent of retail profits on shoes selling at \$10 or less per pair. Mr. Williams said he referred the proposal to United States Attorney Caffey. No action on it has been taken by the department of justice. Mr. Williams has since resigned and no successor has been appointed. Meanwhile the retail price of standard shoes in New York remains as high as ever.

AMERICAN WOOLEN COMPANY MAKES A KILLING IN 1919

NEW YORK, April 27.—Net profits of the American Woollen company for 1919 amounted to \$15,513,415, less reserves for taxes and contingencies, according to the annual report issued today.

Payment of dividends on \$2,800,000 of preferred stock and \$3,200,000 on common and depreciation of \$3,733,611 left a balance of profit for the year of \$5,779,804.

Surplus for 1919 amounted to \$12,029,804, which added to that of 1918 brings the total surplus to \$31,754,426.

Reviewing the activities of the company for 1919, President William W. Wood said in part:

"The year 1919 has been a successful one considering the very unusual and disturbed conditions, and the readjusting of industry to a pre-war or civilian basis. At the first of the year the cancellation of government contracts with no civilian orders in sight left a great deal of our machinery."

"One of the features of the year has been the great demand for fine wool and cloth made of fine stock. This unprecedented demand for fine wools has resulted in tremendous increases in prices of fine stock. Since February, 1919, prices of these wools have risen thirty per cent to forty per cent and at the close of the year were still advancing."

Referring to the foreign business of the company Mr. Wood said its export agency and subsidiaries had maintained branch offices in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Peru, Cuba, Mexico and the countries of northern Europe as well as in England, France, Belgium, Spain the Philippines and South Africa.



ETHEL CLAYTON VIEWS ON THE IDEAL WIFE

Ethel Clayton is one of the few motion picture stars who takes a deep interest in the preparation of her pictures into continuity form. She has an expert knowledge of motion picture technique and while the scenarist was adapting her latest film, "The Thirteenth Commandment" from Rupert Hughes' famous novel of the same name, Miss Clayton was frequently consulted. In this way the pretty favorite became intimately acquainted with the story before she started work on the picture. Incidentally she developed some pretty definite ideas of her own with regard to the heroine, whom Mr. Hughes sets up as the ideal modern wife.

"Mr. Hughes decries the idle and extravagant wife," said Miss Clayton recently, "who forces her husband into debt in order to satisfy her whims and considers it enough to look pretty and dress well. Dephane, the heroine, is a woman like that at first, but she sees the light, starts a little shop of her own, and comes to her husband-to-be only on condition that she be financially independent, and continue to earn her own way."

"The Thirteenth Commandment" is shown at the Liberty theatre for three days, commencing today.

"Shore Acres" at Rialto.

"Shore Acres" the immortal stage play of New England life that made James A. Herne famous the world over, will be the feature attraction at the Rialto theatre, beginning tomorrow for the remainder of this week. This unusual feature is a picture of rural life in a sleepy New England village on the coast of Maine, and introduces Alice Lake as a star in her first starring vehicle. The management assures its patrons of unusual entertainment in this extraordinary feature which is a faithful picture of New England sea-coast life, tense with stirring drama and tender pathos.

U. S. MEMORIAL SERVICES TO BE HELD IN FRANCE

PARIS, April 27.—Memorial day exercises will be held at American cemeteries in France by Paris post, American Legion. This organization has 100,000 francs in its treasury and expects contributions from the United States to assist in the purchase of flowers and provide for other expenses of the day.

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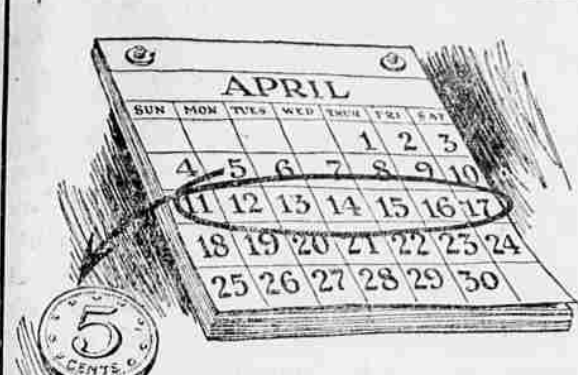
COMMUNITY BUYING IS TRIED EASTERN CITY

WATERBURY, Conn., April 26.—Experiments in community buying

are to be tried here through the assistance of public-spirited citizens, and based almost entirely on the excellent record of a public market which was maintained for a six-months' period last year. The public market was more or less an exchange place for farm and garden products. The value of commodities exchanged

was placed by an agent of the United States department of agriculture at more than \$1,000,000. In August, 1919, alone, \$292,000 worth of food was sold at prices under the current list which governed retail dealers.

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Margaret Anglin is always good,—and always surprising. She is good because she is a natural and finely trained artist; she is surprising because she never appears to be what she is,—a high tension dynamo of dramatic emotion. Her appearance is not so much disappointing as misleading; she has none of the physical embellishments that go to make up the conventional sex tragedienne, so the first acquaintance always expects the very reverse of what he finds,—and is invariably mystified thereby.

That is he is mystified when he wakes up. He wonders how she did it. Certainly she hasn't the languorous eye, the pantherine lines, the lips of romantic experience, nor even the orthodox wardrobe or physical proportions,—but how she puts it over! Not only puts it over but rubs it in, and sends the onlooker out into the night under the distinct impression he has just come thru a new and rather appalling experience.

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In the Woman of Bronze, Miss Anglin not only has a part which peculiarly suits her but is surrounded by a company of artists who at all times render her position secure and commanding,—the sort of support that enhances the chief role by perfect characterization subordinated to it. The playwright of course, contributed a large share to this.

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