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DEAR FOOD

Reports compiled by the Department of Labor in Ottawa show that food prices in Canada advanced 25 per cent during the year 1916. Such a compilation was not necessary to convince anyone that such an advance had taken place; it has been too painfully apparent when it came to buying food for a family, while clothing and practically every necessity of life has advanced in like proportion.

In order to alleviate suffering through the enormous increase in the cost of living, the government passed an order-in-council permitting municipalities to make a careful enquiry into the relative cost and selling prices of any commodities which seemed to be high in price, and, where there was any sign of a combine amongst the merchants with a view to raising prices, a report was to be forwarded to the Minister of Labor, who, in turn, would take the matter up with the provincial attorney-general. This is the full extent of the measures of the government to probe the high cost of living.

Several municipalities, including Prince Rupert, have passed resolutions pointing out that the root of the matter is not to be found amongst the retail merchants and wholesale distributors, all of whom are having a struggle to make a bare living, but that the government must go deeper to find the cause of the trouble, in fact that it must take the matter up in a heart-to-heart manner with the miller and the manufacturer and that the government must consider very carefully just to what extent the enormous protective duties imposed in this country are responsible for the enormous prices of the necessities of life.

It is a notorious fact that the dividends paid by some of the big milling companies have steadily advanced since the outbreak of the war, and these increased dividends have come out of the pockets of the consumer, who, in war times and peace, pays the piper to the uttermost cent every time. The

manager of one of the leading milling companies in Canada has stated that there is no combination amongst millers for the fixing of prices. That may be so, though it is rather a remarkable coincidence that flour prices move with unfailing regularity all along the line. The millers advance and retire prices, generally the former these days, with the cohesion of an army. They keep step splendidly, when it comes to recording an advance in prices. Instead of shelving this very important matter on to the shoulders of the municipal bodies, the government should get busy on its own and dig up the facts at first hand. Of course, if it does make a move, it will probably be by way of a commission, which will have an expensive suite of offices; many highly paid officials and a big staff of clerks, who will take voluminous evidence over a period of years which will be filed away in Ottawa with due ceremony some two years after the war is over and prices have returned to normal.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

The Japanese Embassy in Rome asserts that there is a perfect understanding between Japan and the United States. It is only extremely foolish people who believe otherwise, though there is no telling what the future may bring forth.

To use a vulgar expression, President Wilson's peace speech seems to be regarded in Europe as so much "hot air." Woodrow's intentions are undoubtedly of the very best, but he is unfortunate in saying the right thing at the wrong time. His speech to the Senate would sound magnificent, after Prussian militarism is no more.

Reports show that there are fewer cases of unbalanced mentality as a result of the strain of the war than occur in normal times from poverty. Probably most of the unbalanced cases are amongst newspaper men who tried to pronounce the names of



some of the places on the Galician front.

The Tories are hailing Seign's victory as a tremendous blow at Laurier's prestige. This is clearly another case of the wish being father to the thought, but the Tories have another think coming.

Sir Thomas White put the case for the Allies in a nutshell when he said that "Anglo-Saxon freedom and Prussian militarism cannot both survive."

If President Wilson wants to do something for humanity at large while he is waiting for the Allies to put Prussian militarism out of business, he might devote himself to getting Germany to stop making slaves of the poor Belgians.

SPLENDID FOX DRAMA AT THE WESTHOLME THEATRE

"The Family Stain," the six-act Fox feature at the Westholme last night, and which will be repeated tonight, is one of the most thrilling dramas of the screen. It is founded upon "The Widow Lerouge," one of the most exciting stories ever written and one of Gaboriau's greatest. The widow is found murdered in her home in a small community and the local police find the case too complicated for them. Detectives are called in and one of the most remarkable stories develops. The widow is killed because she is possessed of a secret involving the family history of a prominent man. The play is splendidly staged and is produced by a strong company. Last evening the Westholme orchestra rendered a splendid musical program, including "Thais," "Lohengrin," "Elsa's Dream," "Pastorale" and "Berceuse."

PENALTY MONIES TO PATRIOTIC FUND

At the close of the city council meeting last night, Ald. Casey, seconded by Ald. McEae, moved that the city solicitor draw up a resolution to be presented to the council next week providing that the penalty monies resulting from the indemnity bylaw regulations be handed over to the Patriotic Fund. This carried unanimously.

SUN AND TIDE

Wednesday, January 31st.
Sun rises.....8:52 a. m.
Sun sets.....4:28 p. m.
Low water.....1:3 a. m. Ht. 9.7
High water.....7:50 a. m. Ht. 18.8
Low water.....2:30 p. m. Ht. 7.2
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NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION ACT.

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AND TAKE NOTICE that after the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication of this notice the said Hume B. Babington and Norman R. Brodhurst will under section 7 of the said act apply to the Minister of Public Works at his office in the City of Ottawa, Province of Ontario, for approval of the said site and plans and for leave to construct the said wharf.

DATED at Prince Rupert, B. C., this 27th day of December, A. D. 1916.
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THE MAILS

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From the East.

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From Vancouver.

Tuesdays, 4 p. m.
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The Islands.

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LAND ACT

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LEO STANLEY BURDON.
NOVEMBER 8, 1916. F. 6.

MINERAL ACT

Notice to Delinquent Partners.

To Grant Mahood and Patrick Daly.
TAKE NOTICE that whereas we have done and caused to be done assessment work by surveys on the Daly, Sullivan, Edith and Lois Mineral Claims, situated in the Salmon River District, Portland Canal Mining Division, for the year 1916, and have paid for said work and recording the same the sum of \$250.00, unless you pay to us the sum of \$255.00 for your share of said assessment work, together with the cost of this advertisement, we shall at the expiration of ninety (90) days from the date hereof, apply to the Mining Recorder at Stewart, B. C., to have your interests in the said Daly, Sullivan, Edith and Lois mineral claims vested in us, in pursuance of the provisions of the Mineral Act.
Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 15th day of November, A. D. 1916.
JAMES McDONALD.
F. 24. FREDERICK C. WINKLER.

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