

### 22 FOOD ARTICLES JUMP 1 PER CENT

#### Increases Here in Month Shown—Figures in Fifty Cities.

Prices of twenty-two articles of food increased during the thirty-day period from November 15 to December 15, 1919, 1 per cent in Washington, according to an announcement by the bureau of labor statistics today. In all but four of the fifty cities from which prices were recently secured by the bureau, prices of food increased from one-half of 1 per cent to 5 per cent. Minneapolis, Omaha and St. Paul being the cities in which the greatest increase occurred.

Prices in Fall River, Boston, Norfolk and Richmond decreased less than five-tenths of 1 per cent. In Columbus, Dallas, Louisville, Memphis, Mobile, New Haven, Providence and Washington the increase was 1 per cent. Prices increased in Birmingham, Bridgeport, Charleston, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Jacksonville, Little Rock, Newark, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Salt Lake City, Seattle and Springfield 2 per cent each; in Buffalo, Butte, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, New Orleans, Peoria, Portland, Ore., Rochester, San Francisco and St. Louis 3 per cent each and in Atlanta and Portland 4 per cent each.

### 103 Per Cent Jump in Six Years.

During the year period from December, 1918, to December, 1919, the three cities showing the greatest increase in prices were: Minneapolis, 103 per cent; Omaha, 12 per cent; and Mobile, 10 per cent. Baltimore decreased 1 per cent; and in only one city, Chicago, showed a decrease as compared with December, 1918. Food prices in Washington increased 103 per cent in the six-year period from 1913 to 1919.

During 1919, the bureau's statement said, monthly retail prices of twelve basic commodities for forty-four food articles from fifty cities.

During the month from November 15 to December 15, 1919, the prices of these forty-four articles increased in price as follows: Cabbage, 26 per cent; onions, 17 per cent; granulated sugar, 18 per cent; fresh milk, 11 per cent; cream of wheat and potatoes, 19 per cent each; raisins, 5 per cent; flour, 4 per cent; butter and storage eggs, 3 per cent each; fresh milk and canned salmon, 2 per cent each; lamb, evaporated milk, oleomargarine, cheese, macaroni, rice, canned beans and bananas, 1 per cent each. Rib roast and chuck roast increased 18 per cent; beef strictly fresh, 10 per cent; tea and prunes, 3 per cent each; sirloin steak, round steak, bacon, ham and dry beans, 1 per cent each; and corn and cranberries, 1 per cent each. Plate beef, nut marmalade, bread, cornmeal, rolled oats, cornflakes, beefed ribs, fresh corn, canned tomatoes and coffee remained the same in price as in November.

### Increases During 1919.

During the year period from December, 1918, to December, 1919, nineteen of the twenty-nine articles for which prices were secured on both dates increased. The greatest increase was 103 per cent; prunes, 53 per cent; coffee, 51 per cent; raisins, 48 per cent; flour, 4 per cent; butter and storage eggs, 3 per cent; buttermilk, 2 per cent; fresh milk, 6 per cent; cream and oranges, 5 per cent; and tea, 3 per cent each; hens and lard, 2 per cent each, and cheese, 1 per cent.

The ten articles which decreased in price during the year were: Navy beans, 21 per cent; plate beef, 18 per cent; bacon, 17 per cent; chuck roast, 11 per cent; pork chops, 8 per cent; ham and round steak, 6 per cent; beef strictly fresh, 5 per cent; sirloin steak, 3 per cent, and lamb, 2 per cent.

During the six-year period from December, 1913, to December, 1919, six of the twenty-four articles for which prices were secured in December, 1913, and upon which this comparison can be based, increased 100 per cent and over. Rice increased 103 per cent; corn meal, 115 per cent; lard, 121 per cent; potatoes, 128 per cent; flour, 141 per cent; granulated sugar, 185 per cent. All the other articles increased 50 per cent or over with the exception of tea, which increased 27 per cent, and plate beef which increased 42 per cent.

Based on the average price for the year 1912 as 100, the retail price index number for the twenty-two articles of food for the United States was 192 for November and December, making, as stated above, an increase of 25 per cent in the month.

### EX-SLAVE GIVEN LIFE JOB AT CONFEDERATE HOME

ATLANTA, Ga., January 23.—Bill Yopp, ex-slave, who for ten years has collected dimes and bought Christmas presents for his former master and other veterans at the Confederate Soldiers' Home here, has been given a life-time job at the home at a meeting of the trustees.

### Duncan Brown of Macon Dies.

MACON, Ga., January 23.—Duncan Brown, prominent Macon business man, died Wednesday night at Asheville, according to a message received here.

Make "Home Creation" Your Occupation.

### LINE OF DUTY CLUB NOW NUMBERS 192

#### Contributions to Fund for Family of Slain Policeman Total \$1,000.

The Line of Duty Club passed the thousand-dollar mark with contributions for the McKimmie family today and the list of membership rose to 192. The total is now \$1,002.50.

Organizations are swinging into the line of membership. Individual contributions and membership pledges arrived in flood.

A total of approximately \$5,500 has been raised throughout the city from other sources for the benefit of Mrs. McKimmie, the widow of Policeman O. A. McKimmie, who fell in line of duty Saturday night, when a fleeing burglar shot him.

R. F. Noyes, marketmaster at the municipal fish wharf and market, was the vehicle through whom the dealers at the market showed their appreciation for the work of Policeman McKimmie, and their sympathy for the bereaved family of a widow and three children.

A letter with an enclosure of \$116.50 arrived from Mr. Noyes today. The letter reads:

"Please add to the fund being raised for the benefit of the family of Officer McKimmie, slain in the line of duty, the sum of \$116.50, the following amounts contributed by the dealers and employees of the District at the municipal fish wharf and market."

Then follows a list of names, which will be printed in the concluding paragraphs of this article.

### 500 From Night Watchmen.

Another envelope arrived this morning bringing with it a check for \$500 and the following message:

"Enclosed you will find a check for \$500 drawn on the National Citizens Association for the relief of the late Officer O. A. McKimmie.

"This is in addition to the amount contributed by the individual members through their respective police precincts."

The South Washington Citizens Association also made a contribution. The letter in which \$25 was inclosed reads as follows:

"Enclosed find check for \$25, payable to the order of Mrs. Marian McKimmie. This sum was appropriated by the South Washington Citizens Association at the regular meeting Wednesday, January 21, for the relief of the widow of Policeman O. A. McKimmie, killed in line of duty."

### Letter From a Friend.

Here's a letter from a subscriber: "My sympathies go out to my patriotic friends, the Fathers in Heaven may be kind to you, I shall remember you in my prayers. With deep sympathy and a prayer for your and your family's recovery, Unknown Friend."

Several other letters were received, signed and not reproduced. But the attitude of the Washington public in this preliminary stage of contribution indicates that when a policeman or fireman is killed "in line of duty" fighting for the protection of the lives of citizens, leaving a family in want as the result of his devotion to his duty, the public employing him will not allow his deed to go without reward of those whom he left behind.

The latest members and contributors are:

Dealers and employees at the municipal fish market as follows: William E. Neitzel, 10; Thomas W. Power, 10; Buckroe Fish Company, 5; W. F. Pendleton, 5; William Gibson, 5; J. C. Barry, 5; Stanford Brothers, 5; Roberts number Company, 5; L. A. Clark & Son, 5; J. Taylor & Bros., 5; John Kinney, 5; J. T. Brannon, 5; J. W. Vansiver, 5; J. Tucker, 5; R. Sheaffer, 5; J. H. Chivell, 5; F. A. Biddle, 5; Edward Watson, 5; J. E. Edwards, 5; William E. Reynolds, 5; D. M. Faunce, 5; M. S. Abel, 5; Thomas F. Doyle, 5; E. B. Coakley, 5; Evans & White, 5; Johnson & Co., 5; Riley Carroll, 5; George Sheaffer, 5; George Trader, 5; Golden & Co., fish department, 10; J. J. Morris, 5; William E. Harty, 5; B. P. Noyes, 5; J. O. Buck, 5; R. V. Ragan, 5; John J. Allen & Co., 5.

Individual and other contributions: J. Costigan, 5; J. Paul Green, 5; A. L. Schultz, 5; A. P. McKay, 5; Mary A. Clark, 5; T. M. Denty, 5; Mrs. Dorothy A. Gravelle, 5; Charles S. King, 5; Lieut. Col. C. D. Herron, 5; Mrs. C. A. Kenyon, 5; M. B. Seal, 5; E. Reznick, 5; Thomas W. Power, 5; L. Jacobs & Co., 5; an unknown friend, 5; Night Watchman's Association, 500; South Washington Citizens Association, 25; H. Randall Webb, 5; Maria Ingle Webb, 5; W. S. U., 5; Mrs. M. E. Berg, 5; M. B. D., 5; S. V. H. P., 5; M. E. K., 5; Clarence G. Allen, 5; C. H. German, 5; John M. Trant, 5; John H. Hogan, 5; Mrs. D. J. Kaufman, 5; E. T. Bingham, 5; M. A. W., 5; C. Tozolo, 5; Mrs. H. C. Browning, 5; D. J. Callahan, 5; S. B. Lovells, 5; Thomas Gaynor, 5; Charlotte Jennings, 5; M. D., 5; Elsie Fowkes, 5; Fannie A. Jackson, 5; Mrs. N. Endus, 5; J. P. Sherman, 5; Miss Pauline Baum, 5; L. F. Houghton, 5; Pat Dempsey, 10, and Mrs. N. Allen, 5.

### NEW POSTAL STATION IN SOUTHWEST SECTION.



Branch post office at 416 7th street southwest, which was recently opened. The staff of clerks conducting the business there are shown in the picture. Left to right: John H. Muirhead, Miss E. K. Byrnes, E. S. Lemman and J. D. Rollins.

### THE LINE OF DUTY CLUB.

Enclosed find my subscription for \$..... for the family of Policeman O. A. McKimmie, killed in line of duty. This subscription also pledges me automatically to membership in the Line of Duty Club, and in future cases similar to this my contribution of not less than \$1 will be forthcoming.

Signed .....

Address .....

Clip this out. Put it in an envelope, with the contribution, and mail it to the cashier of The Evening Star today.

### INDIANA UNIVERSITY ALUMNI MEET HERE

Institution's Centennial Celebrated by Reception at College Women's Club.

The Indiana University Alumni Association celebrated the centennial of the Indiana University at an informal reception and dance last night at the College Women's Club, 1822 I street northwest. Representatives of the Chicago Alumni, was elected president of the Washington Alumni Association. Miss Maebeth McCullough was chosen secretary and Joseph A. Arnold of the Department of Agriculture, treasurer. There are approximately 200 members of the association in Washington.

Representative Sanders related his experiences as a student in the Indiana University.

Indiana University was compared with other institutions by Representative Sanders, who has attended five others in addition to it. He said he was happy to note the progress that had been made.

Representative Bland related the early struggles of the educational institutions in the state. It was explained that there were at first many church schools in Indiana which were opposed to any legislation providing for state schools.

Dr. Amos Hershey said there was too much radicalism in the United States. He made an appeal to the college men and women to use their influence opposing radicalism. He said there were many unfortunate circumstances connected with the peace treaty and that the people did not realize what a large undertaking it had been.

A telegram of congratulations was sent William Lowe Bryan, president of the university, by George M. Cook, complimenting him on his successful administration.

### UNIVERSITY FOR SHANGHAI.

\$5,000,000 Commercial Institution Is Planned.

SHANGHAI, January 1 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—An industrial university to cost \$5,000,000 will be erected in Shanghai if the plans of Chinese educators and industrial leaders are attained. The idea was suggested by Prof. C. W. Woodworth of the University of California, one time a lecturer at Nanking University.

It is intended to conduct the university on American lines, with equipment and instructors from the United States.

### SAYS "MIDDLE" CLASSES ARE ON ROAD TO RUIN

LONDON, January 6 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—Sir H. Rider Haggard, the author, believes the middle classes of England are on the "road to ruin." This opinion he expressed in a letter to the general secretary of the Middle Classes Union, regretting that other work prevented him from assuming the presidency of a branch of the union.

He declared that against these classes the profiteer is given a free hand, and that "under pretense of a nebulous anti-dumping bill they are now threatened with the loss of the blessings of free trade, which alone enables many with fixed or dwindling incomes to live at all." He said that only combination to protect themselves and their interests could save them.

"If the middle classes remain divided and in consequence are bullied and plundered to death, as happened to the Curiales before the fall of the Roman empire, I am sure that with them will disappear the wealth and the ancient greatness of our country," he concluded.

### WOOL MEN FAVOR LEAGUE.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, January 23.—Resolutions commending the action of the federal government in arresting and deporting undesirable aliens and declaring in favor of a league of nations and a peace treaty that will uphold the American Constitution were passed at the final session of the convention of the National Wool Growers Association Wednesday.

At the election of officers Frank J. Hazenbarr of Salt Lake City was re-elected president, and Dr. F. R. Marshall of Washington, D. C., assistant animal husbandman, secretary, to succeed Dr. S. W. McClure, resigned.

Other important resolutions passed and adopted against the "dumping" of foreign wools into the American market, and urged passage of laws requiring manufacturers of woolen cloth to mark the per cent of virgin wool.

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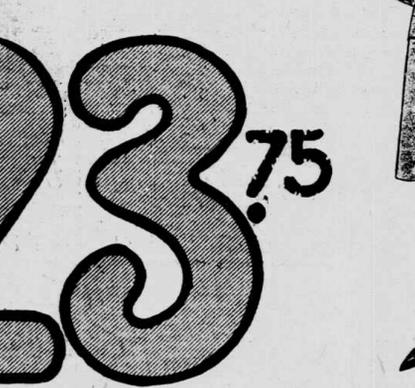
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### MAINTAIN ALLIANCES, MILLERAND'S SLOGAN

#### New French Premier Announces Policy—Sure of Support in Chamber.

PARIS, January 22 (by the Associated Press).—Maintenance of "the alliances that have saved the world" will be one of the chief aims of the new cabinet in France, Premier Millerand announced in his ministerial declaration of policy today.

The declaration began with a graceful reference to Georges Clemenceau, the retiring premier. Millerand pointed out that he had been called "to the formidable honor of succeeding a ministry presided over by a great patriot, who, in the eyes of the world, is the incarnation of victory."

The declaration continued: "The execution of all the clauses of the treaty of Versailles will be law to us. We shall pursue it without violence or feebleness—with unshakable firmness. It includes the close and cordial maintenance of the alliances which have saved the world. Without our allies, those of the first of the last hour, what trial would not have been in store for us? What would have been the fate of our allies if France had not served four long years as the cover to civilization?"

Assured of Support.

(Cablegram to The Star and Chicago Daily News. Copyright, 1920.)

PARIS, January 21.—As leader of the "republican bloc," Alexandre Millerand, the new premier, is sure of overwhelming support in the chamber of deputies and probably will follow much the same policies as those of M. Clemenceau both at home and abroad.

The most striking feature of his cabinet is the number of new men and specialists in it. Out of thirteen members of the former Chamber of Commerce, M. Marhal, minister of finance, is a prominent Parisian banker, and M. Sarraut, minister of colonies, is a former governor of Indo-China. Well informed observers say that this tendency toward new blood is due largely to the desire of the chamber, as expressed in the election of Paul Deschanel as president. M. Clemenceau failed because of his desire to continue governing year after year with the same subordinates.

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