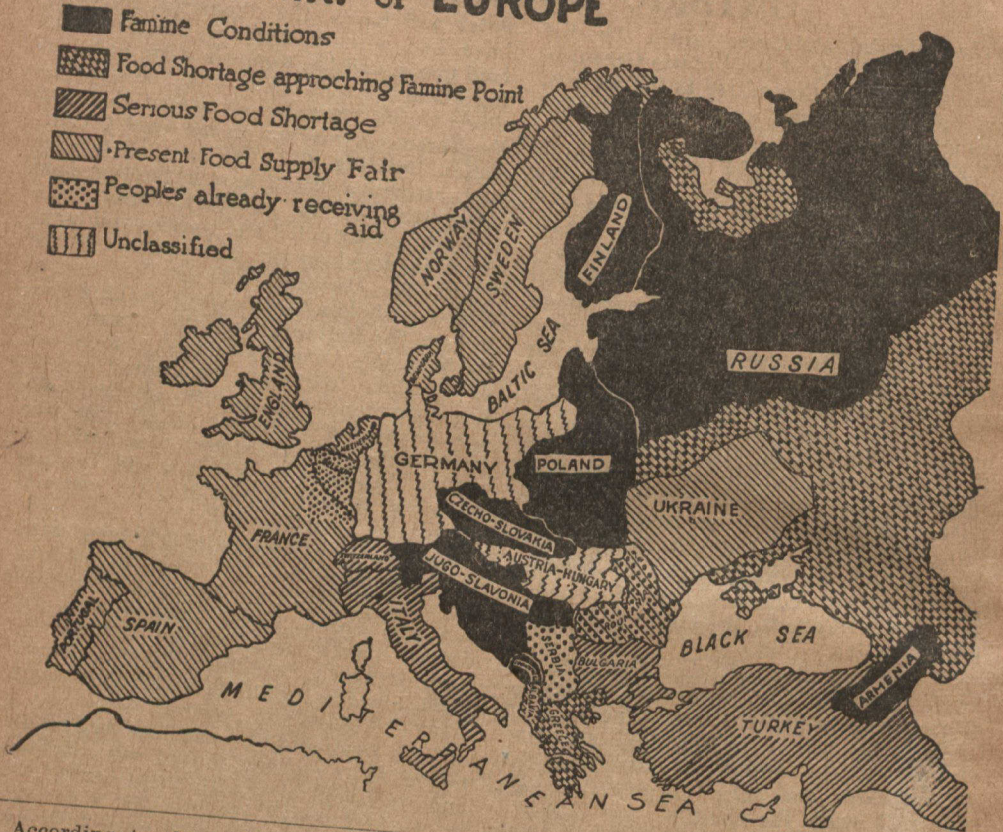


HUNGER MAP of EUROPE



According to the bulletin on crop prospects in sugar issued by Willett and Gray there will be a falling off in the world's production of sugar of some 74,158 long tons.

Russians who were prisoners of war in Germany and who have returned through the Bolshevist lines, declare that the rations of the Bolshevist troops is a considerable quantity of black bread and three dried herrings daily to each man.

Because the meat ration was specially doubled for the week preceding Christmas in England and Wales, and for the New Year in Scotland, the Food Controller also decided to raise the ration of nut butter for vegetarians by 4 ounces per coupon.

The arrival of the first steamer carrying food supplies for the Serbians at Trieste, and the sending of a special mission to Warsaw to organize food relief in Poland and another to Vienna to investigate food conditions there, were announced in a cablegram on December 31. A commission also has left for Belgrade to take charge of the food situation.

It was reported on December 27 that food is very scarce in Moscow, and even the Bolsheviki are unable to obtain enough of it for themselves.

According to the final figures available, the total wheat harvest in Australia for 1917-18 is 121,772,000 bushels, as against 152,420,189 bush. last year.

The captain of a Swedish steamer, which has just reached a Swedish port from Petrograd, reports that the men engaged to load his ship were so emaciated they could hardly work six hours daily. They were so hungry that they eagerly seized food from garbage barrels.

