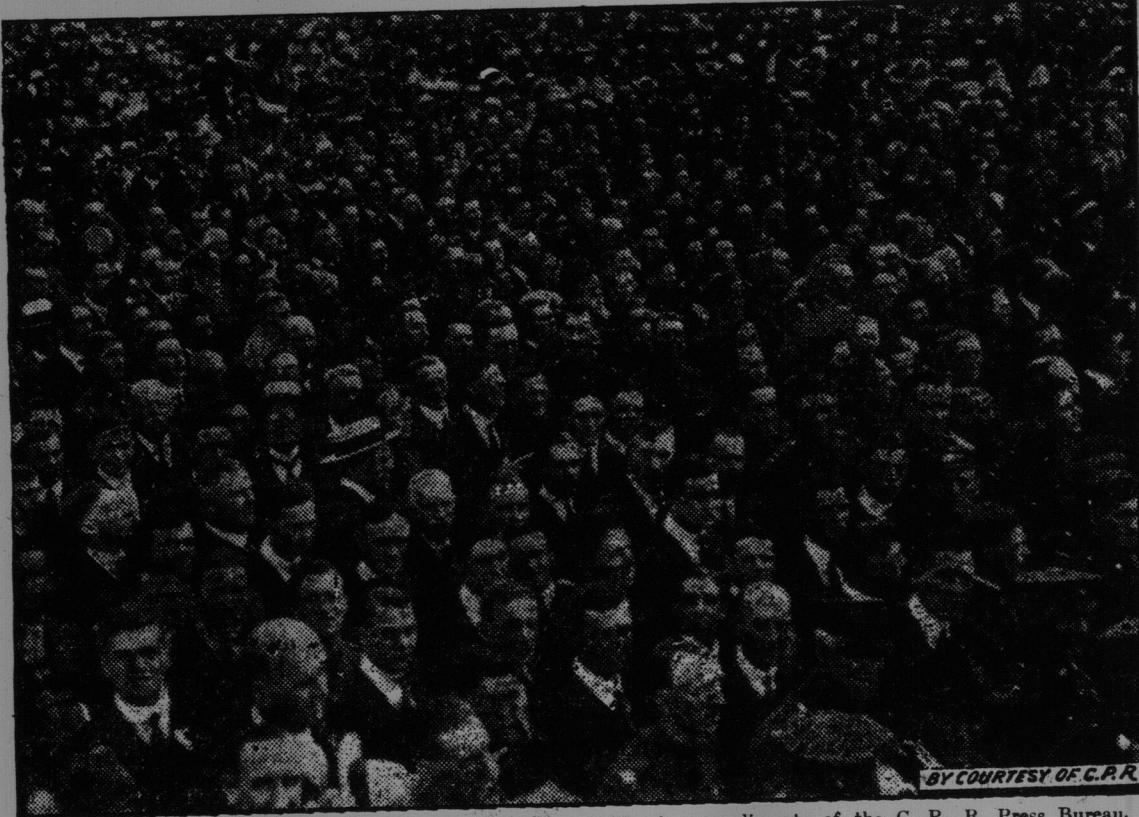


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THE PROFITEERS IN GERMANY

French And Italians Are Reaping Big Harvest

Englishmen Hold Aloof—But They Offer Cigarettes Which the Germans Don't Like—Swiss Traders Trick

Geneva, Aug. 30.—"Trading with the enemy" is a thing of the past, but this new commercial liberty is at present being exploited to an extent which should not be allowed to pass unchallenged, for it constitutes a serious economic and, consequently, a political danger to all nations which until lately were at war with Germany.

The vast economic vacuum created in Germany by the four years' blockade of her ports offers to the international profiteer unparalleled opportunities for the exercise of his particular talents, and all competent observers in neutral countries knew he would make full use of them as soon as the war ended.

According to responsible statesmen of all countries, an alarming general food shortage exists today throughout the entire world, and the unscrupulous activity of the profiteer in his German paradise is calculated to intensify this shortage and further to increase the cost of living in countries whose governments are striving to reduce it by every means in their power.

Let me say at once, to the honor of the British trader, that among the hundreds of advertisements I have collected during the last few weeks from German and Swiss newspapers, offering food and vital necessities of life to Germany, I have not found the name of a single English firm.

It seems scarcely credible in view of the fact that Italy lately almost succumbed to a revolutionary upheaval caused by the shortage and high price of food, that Italian traders should be selling vast stocks of foodstuffs to Germany, yet such is the case. I have lying before me advertisements, culled from the Frankfurter Zeitung in which Italian firms in Milan and Rome announce the wholesale exportation of fruit, vegetables, wines, sausages, and hams and meat of all kinds. Great quantities of food from Italy are being stored in Switzerland, particularly in Zurich and Basel, whence they are exported to Germany.

Food From France, Too.

Similarly from France a country where the cost of living has reached fantastic heights, enormous stocks of food are being sold to German speculators. This trade flourishes chiefly in German territories occupied by Allied armies, in Wiesbaden and other Rhenish towns. Frankfurt, likewise, is crowded with representatives of French firms. Parisian firms, advertising in German papers, offer for sale rice, lard, coffee, flour, tinned meats, margarine, condensed milk and every conceivable kind of food. Most of these firms have concentrated large stocks of foodstuffs also in Switzerland near the German frontier.

Although wine has become very scarce and dear in France, numerous wine merchants from Bordeaux offer in German papers, claret, burgundy and champagne in limited quantities. Most strange of all, it appears that the food profiteers encounter their most serious difficulties, not in obtaining permission from their home authorities to export their wares, but in persuading the German government to allow their importation into Germany.

All international adventurers who thrive in Switzerland, as in all neutral countries, during the war, by smuggling and illicit trading naturally, also are now engaged in supplying Germany with the things she so long was forced to do without. The exportation of Swiss cigars especially, lately has assumed gigantic proportions, and is beginning seriously to alarm the Swiss smoker, who fears a cigar famine may soon set in. Some of the profiteers in Switzerland have hit upon a particularly ingenious plan in their dealings with Germany. They offer foodstuffs to municipal authorities of German towns in lots of 100 cartloads each. These lots are sold sealed, and the buyer may know only in a general way what they contain. Each lot of ten cartloads costs about 300,000 francs. German newspapers complain bitterly that when cars arrive in Germany about half of them are found full of chestnut flour, canary seed and similar appetizing products, for which the Frankfurter Zeitung plaintively remarks Germany has no pressing need. One such consignment of ten cars was found to contain no less than two cartloads of canary seed and but five cartloads of real food, such as American bacon, Spanish olive oil and Swiss chocolate. A swarm of western profiteers descended upon Germany the instant the blockade was raised, and have been received in the Fatherland with enthusiasm by German members of the brotherhood.

Western Europe Drained of Food.

Western countries of the European continent literally are being drained of food, which they urgently require for themselves by the combined efforts of this profiteering Cananilla. Unscrupulous traders are realizing vast profits, which are estimated by experts here at many millions, for German speculators willingly pay prices twice and three times as high for food as those obtaining by the profiteer in his own country. So, this form of profiteering, as I already have said, is not carried on to any great extent from England. The only British products that are being thrown on the German market in great quantities at present are cigarettes. For these Germany is, by the way, anything but grateful. A recent issue of the Frankfurter Zeitung contains the following amusing outburst:

"Cases of poisoning, caused by smoking English cigarettes are being frequent in Germany. The tobacco of these cigarettes appears to be saturated with some opiate, which causes sea sickness, indigestion, and dizziness. It is a scandal that Germans should prefer these injurious opium cigarettes to German cigarettes, and thereby injure not only their health, but one of Germany's national industries."

Some of the old chivalric spirit lurks behind this denunciation of the English cigarette as "poisonous," for German cigarettes for some time, have been manufactured from the leaves of the forest, and contain no tobacco at all. Nevertheless, the Workmen's Councils of Berlin recently issued an appeal to German workers to boycott English and American cigarettes.

The Russ, the organ of the Agricultural Co-operative Societies, commenting on the position of the All-Russian Government of Admiral Kolchak, says:

"Every day brings new symptoms of patriotism awakened in our people. A new power is growing behind the army in these critical days. Volunteers are flowing to the colors and various classes and parties are uniting themselves to support the army in the fight for the regeneration of Russia."

According to a Bolshevik wireless despatch picked up by the Intelligence Bureau of the Serbian General Staff,

the Bolshevik, feeling that they have not succeeded in Europe, intend to develop their propaganda in an easterly direction, with Asia as its special object. The Siberian newspapers, commenting upon the despatch, say such a movement would have most serious consequences for the world. The ground for Bolshevik propaganda in the East is well prepared, the newspapers assert, for China since 1900 has been in a state of unrest, and the civil strife between southern and Northern China could be used to advantage by the Bolsheviks in their endeavor to incite the hundreds of millions of the Chinese population.

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HATS PARIS WOMEN WEAR

Effects Known as Berets Are Now Particularly in Favor

The recent chilly weather abroad has driven Parisian women to seek the solace of velvet hats, according to the Paris correspondent of the Retail Millinery Association of America. Particularly in favor, she says, are effects known as "berets." In part, her latest letter to the association says:

"Although the name of the beret reminds one of a sort of rounded and slightly draped unimportant thing with a pin stuck in it, those actually seen are not a bit similar to the old-fashioned things. The fashionable berets are, in fact, just as much hats as they are berets. There is a brim which, although not apparent, subsists all the same, and is

very short at the back, slightly 'off the face' at the front, and of remarkably broad effect at the sides. The velvet overlaps the brim on both sides, is soft and draped and simply gathered where the head enters. The crown just fits the head, and is not very apparent.

"Most of these berets seem to be different from one another, and yet it only depends on the way they have been draped on the customer's head, for all the ideas are similar to the above, where the sewing work is concerned. It does not need much trimming—just a sort of thin arrow in mother-of-pearl going right through the velvet at the front, or any other ornament. Mother-of-pearl looks attractive enough on black velvet, and is expensive enough not to become too common.

"There is a new embroidery work which consists of little knots placed at regular intervals round and round the hat, and being of different colors, they remind one (in their whole, mixed with a soft colored velvet) of the shades of

any cashmere material, and are most attractive.

"For larger hats there is a new double velvet brim effect. Between the two velvets there is usually a taffeta or faille of a different color, which accentuates the double-brim effect. All these hats are supplied. Blocked shapes have momentarily disappeared, and draped and soft ideas (milliner's own work) hold the field.

For three years several hundred linguists and commercial experts have been at work on a new cable-message code system, and have completed a code book that makes possible decoding in nine languages without translation. The languages are English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, German, Dutch, Japanese, and Russian.

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