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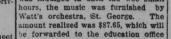
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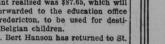
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Conditions of Agreement with Neutral Relief Commission respected by Germany

When the Belgiau Relief Commission was organized, Britain insisted that Germany guarantee not to touch a particle of the food imported by the Com-mission for the Belgians. This guarantee, given to the American business men who are the executive heads of the Commission, has been respected— probably because its violation would be reported at once and would rouse the whole neutral world.









In this foresight and generosity of the British Government lies the reason why rubber alone, of all the great staples, has not gone up in price—why rubbers and overshose, in spite of as ever, while shoes are costing several dollars a pair more. Wearing rubbers or overshoes through this winter to protect these expensive shoes is more than practical thrit—it is grade-ful patriotism, for in thus saving leather we make it easier for the Government to secure the absolutely necessary supplies of this alarmingly scarce material for our soldiers.



