

SIX AMERICAN PAPERS AND MANY PAMPHLETS
HAVE BEEN DEBARRED FROM CANADIAN MAILS

Dr. Coulter, Deputy Postmaster-General, Answers Complaint and Explains the Difficulties of a Strict Censorship on Pro-German Publications.

INITIAL APPEARANCE OF OBJECTIONABLE PAPERS OFTEN IS QUITE UNAVOIDABLE

But Prompt Attention is Given to Complaints From Any Source as to Such Publications—List of Papers Excluded by Department

From a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 8.—There has been some criticism of the Government for not having barred more papers and publications of the United States which are pro-Teutonic, from the Canadian mails. Dr. Coulter, Deputy Postmaster-General, in answer to a letter complaining about a certain publication, explains the difficulties of the department in establishing a strict censorship. He points out that there are six American papers which have been refused the mails, while seventeen pamphlets and other publications issued in the States have also been barred.

Dr. Coulter, in his letter, explains: "I am sending you forthwith a list of newspapers and periodicals that have been refused the privileges of the mails in Canada, also one in regard to pamphlets, etc., which have been excluded, and beg to say that we are at the present time examining the paper to which you called attention yesterday, in regard to the article of the 25th. When I made inquiry I found that a translation was being made of the papers, and I hope to have the matter settled today, and will communicate with you again.

Prompt Consideration.

"It is an easy matter for newspapers on seeing an article immediately to criticize it, and ask why the paper containing it has not been excluded, but we cannot exclude the paper until the article entitling us to do so has come to our attention, and a newspaper sees it as soon as we do and clamor for information as to why the matter has not been dealt with, while probably it is really being dealt with at the time. This has occurred in several instances.

"I may say that anything that has been brought to the attention of the department by the press or from any other source has received immediate consideration. Of course the department is not always able to take the view of the individual making complaint, as there are many questions involved other than the taste of the individual."

The "Black List."

The periodicals published in the United States which have been barred the mails are as follows:

"The Fatherland," the paper founded when the war broke out, by

Germans to carry on a German propaganda.

"The Vital Issue," a weekly paper published in New York.

"The New Yorker Staats-Zeitung," the oldest American-German paper, which is edited by Hermann Ridder, and published in New York.

"Forward," also called "Vorwärts," a Jewish daily paper published in Yiddish in New York city, which apparently is backed by the German Jews.

"Lincoln Freie Presse," a German weekly paper published in Lincoln, Nebraska, the home of Hon. William J. Bryan.

"The Peoples Post," published at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Other Publications Barred.

Other publications which have been barred the mails are as follows:

"Truth About Germany, Fact About the War," published in New York.

"The absolute truth in regard to the causes of the European World war," published by A. A. Strauss, New York.

"The Catechism of Balaam," published by Hugh H. Masterson, New York.

"The Hornet," published by Sigmund Krausz, Chicago.

"The Open Court," published by Edward Hegeler, Chicago.

"England and its relation to the present European War," published by F. A. Schulze.

Pamphlets published by the Germanistic Society of Chicago.

Pamphlets published by the Austrian Defence Co. of Los Angeles.

"Truth and Facts about the war devoted to Germany and Austria-Hungary's Cause."

"Waltkrieg," published in New York.

Pamphlets published by the German-American Literary Defence Committee of New York.

Pamphlets from Dr. H. J. Boldt, New York.

"The War Horror, its lesson to America," published by R. M. McCann, New York.

"The Crucible," published at Richmond, Va.

"Thou Shalt Not Kill," published in New York.

"Your Affairs," published by John Brisben Walker, New York.

"Private Profit and the Nation's Honor," published in New York.