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## The Cigarette Girl from Mosselprom (Papirosnitsa ot

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A comedy filmed cheerfully in the streets, The Cigarette Girl from Mosselprom involves the related adventures of a beautiful cigarette vendor, an unemployed cameraman who loves her, a bumbling accountant who also loves her, and a fat American capitalist who arrives on the scene. The location shooting in the streets gives the film a very fresh quality, even today. The star, Yulia Solntseva, later collaborated with her husband Alexander Dovzhenko on his great classics and went on to direct her own films.

Directed by Yuri Zhelyabuzhsky. Written by Alexei Faiko. Design by Sergei Kozlovsky, Vladimir Balliuzek. With Yulia Solntseva, Igor Ilinsky, Anna Dmokhovskaya, Nikolai Tseretelli. (1924, 101 mins, Silent with Russian intertitles and live English translation, 35mm, Print from PFA Collection)

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