

FAVOR YEAR HALT ON ALIENS

Immigration Bureau Will Recommend Immediate Ban by Congress.

FEAR RADICAL WAVE Europe Apparently Eager to Dump Undesirable Subjects Here.

The Bureau of Immigration will recommend to Congress that all immigration, except of persons who come of "compelling necessity" be suspended for a period of at least a year, it was learned here yesterday. Chairman Albert Johnson of the House committee on immigration said that if a bill is not passed by Congress before March 4 it will be necessary to suspend immigration until formal action can be taken by the bureau.

The reasons advanced for such radical action are the ever-growing wave of extremism, the increasing unemployment in the United States, the menace of the housing shortage, and the danger of lowering the American standard of living, which inheres in the present practically unrestricted immigration of European peoples, especially from the countries of southern Europe.

"Compelling necessity," as interpreted by the Bureau of Immigration, means cases in which the wife or children, the father or mother, or some other dependents of persons wishing to emigrate to the United States, are suffering for lack of the necessities of life, which can only be supplied by the immigrant in American surroundings.

Unless the present rush of immigration is checked there is every indication that the total immigration will reach a fiscal year 1921 more than twice as great as in any year heretofore, and is regarded as a reflection of conditions of unprecedented severity in Europe.

Both members of Congress and immigration officials assert that action must be taken immediately to prevent America from becoming the dumping ground of the most undesirable elements of Europe.

Europe Is Powerless.

European countries, they assert, have proved totally unable or unwilling to limit immigration to desirable persons, and that there is good reason to suspect that European governments are endeavoring to increase the emigration of their most undesirable elements to America.

Official emigration figures show that within the past twelve months 698,000 persons have been admitted from various foreign countries. At least one-third have come to the United States. It is pointed out that the utmost efforts of the United States cannot prevent the entrance here of undesirable unless it has the cooperation of foreign nations. So far this co-operation has not been forthcoming. On the contrary, European nations seem only too willing to dump their trouble-makers on America.

Figures Not Yet Available.

The rush of immigration has been so great that complete figures are not available. It is significant, however, that while 33,959 aliens were admitted during July, the number has steadily increased until in October 19,600 came in through New York alone.

Officials of the American Federation of Labor regard the question as one of the most important with which they are confronted, second not even to unemployment or the open shop question. In a recent number of the Federationist, official organ of the federation, the following statement appears:

"With 2,000,000 idle and thousands of immigrants pouring into the country every day, the dangers ahead of labor are so serious that even the enemies of labor are fearful of its future.

"It is absolutely necessary for every national and international union, State and city, and local union, to impress upon members of Congress that American labor as well as all the people should be protected from the menace of excess immigration."

High School Teams May Sever Relations After Row

FREDERICK, Md., Nov. 27.—Athletic relations between the Frederick and Hagerstown high schools have reached the breaking point as the result of the football game which was to have been played between the two teams in Hagerstown.

After an alleged improper decision by the local team, ordered his team from the field. Following this the members of the eleven were stoned, while cabbage and other missiles were hurled at the spectators to reports. They took refuge in a nearby house. It is understood that the Frederick Chamber of Commerce and the County Board of Education will probe the occurrence.

Mexico Rescinds Order Against Fall's Visit

MOBILE, Ala., Nov. 27.—G. Prieto Laurens, Mexican consul here, today announced receipt of a telegram from the Mexican ambassador at Washington stating that U. S. Senator A. B. Fall, of New Mexico, representing President-elect Harding, will go to Mexico with the governors of Texas, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Alabama, Arizona, Mississippi, North Dakota, Wyoming, Missouri, New Mexico, Colorado, Mississippi and others to the inauguration of President-elect Obregon on December 1.

Barge on Rocks in 80-Mile Gale.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 27.—Fears for the safety of the steel barge W. J. Pirrie and the 15 persons aboard were expressed in shipping circles here today. The Pirrie, flying the Chilean flag, went ashore during the night on James Island off Quilayute, Wash. Rescue was almost impossible today because of the giant waves dashing over the jagged rocks. An eighty mile gale was blowing.

Throws From R. R. Train Step.

FREDERICK, Md., Nov. 27.—Russell Hood, 25, was seriously injured at Brunswick when he was knocked from the step of a train in the B. & O. yards. He has a fractured skull and concussion of the brain. He is a fireman on a Hagerstown, Md., train.

Film Star Begins Long Legal Fight



GOMPERS HITS AT EMPLOYERS Shall Not Break Down Industrial Democracy, Declares Labor Head.

Organized labor stands ready and willing to fight any attempt "to break down the democracy already achieved in industry," Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, asserted yesterday in an editorial "Reaction in the Saddle," in the American Federationist.

He denounced organized labor men who supported the Republican ticket and defended the "non-partisan" campaign conducted by officials of the Federation. Referring to a recent statement in the Wall Street Journal in which it was declared that "no free country can afford an irresponsible central organization like the American Federation of Labor," Mr. Gompers said:

"It will be proper now for some of the 'leading' labor men to take comfort from the course they have pursued in view of the illuminating editorial in the Wall Street Journal, and it is eminently fitting for them to consider the viewpoint expressed in that editorial that the election of Mr. Harding and so many representatives of the 'Old Guard' constitutes a mandate to outlaw the normal activities of the working people.

"But if reaction considers the election a mandate to destroy human freedom, it is mistaken and it will discover its mistake."

Seek Dead Oil Man's Wife; Inquest May Be Ordered

ARDMORE, Okla., Nov. 27.—Search for Mrs. Clara Smith Hamon, wife of the late J. L. Hamon, millionaire oil operator and republican national committeeman, who died here yesterday was vigorously prosecuted today. Authorities declared they are convinced the woman has fled to California. County officials were told, however, that the woman was seen here.

County Attorney Brown announced today no further legal action would be taken until after the funeral. An inquest may be ordered. Hamon's body will lie in Convention Hall until Monday morning. Oil drillers in field and overalls mingled with millionaire oil operators, politicians and women in the hall early today paying respects to the dead man.

Sisters Have Narrow Escape In Fleeing Burning Home

EASTVILLE, Va., Nov. 27.—Misses Margaret and Mary Jarvis had a narrow escape from death early yesterday morning when they were awakened from their slumbers by the crackling of flames and found their home on fire. The women just had time to escape the building while scantily attired.

The fire, which is supposed to have been caused by a defective fuse originating in the attic. An alarm was sounded, but as the women without fire protection nothing could be done to save the building from destruction. The offices of Dr. C. W. Holland, located in the building, were also destroyed. Loss is estimated at \$10,000.

Fined for Hunting on Sunday.

FROSTBURG, Md., Nov. 27.—John Grace of Eckhart was arrested by State Deputy Game Warden H. E. Wagner, charged with hunting on Sunday and fined \$25 and costs by Justice John R. Workman. Daniel and Raymond Blank and Thomas Lewis were charged with night hunting. Lewis was found not guilty, while the Blanks were dismissed by paying the costs after being reprimanded.

Montgomery County

ROCKVILLE, Md., Nov. 27.—Amos West, 78 years old, one of the best-known citizens of Darnestown district, died early this morning at his home. He had affection for his heart and his death was not unexpected. He is survived by his wife, and two sons—Dr. Reginald West, of Baltimore, and Edwin West, of Darnestown. The funeral will take place at 11 o'clock Monday morning. West was a life-long resident of this county. He was a brother of Chief Justice John E. West, of the orphans' court.

PICKFORD CASE BACK IN COURT

Long Legal Battle in Film Star's Divorce Suit Opened in Nevada.

MINDEN, Nev., Nov. 27.—Mary Pickford, actress, yesterday testified in her divorce suit from Owen Moore. Attorneys for the State and defendant, following a motion to quash the action, argued today in superior court here, that they intended appealing whatever decision is handed down.

The action against Mary Pickford was on the ground that she and her former husband conspired to obtain their divorce. Judge Langan, who granted the divorce, heard arguments today for a change of venue and for overruling the action on the ground that the State was not a proper plaintiff.

The first skirmish was a dry technical affair and did not touch the ability of the State to annul divorce. Judge Langan announced when court adjourned he probably would rule on the motion to quash Monday morning. Date for the trial of the suit will not be set until after the ruling on the motion.

The little Minden court, without a claim to fame until Mary's marital troubles attracted attention, was crowded to the doors during today's session.

Farmers and miners from Nevada's far corners brought their wives and families into Minden, prepared for a protracted stay. Many from nearby neighborhoods drove into the county to be fortified with food for their horses and themselves, against the rigors of legal delays.

Mob Meets After Accused Is Spirited to Another Jail

It developed yesterday that the "tip" received by Gov. Ritchie, of Maryland, Thursday night, that a lynching party was organizing in Montgomery County to lynch Guy Thompson, arrested in connection with the blowing up of the home of James Bolton, near Germantown, last week, which resulted in the death of Bolton and three children of his housekeeper, Mrs. Hattie Shipley, was not a "false alarm."

It has become definitely known that lynching arrangements had been made and that Friday night was the time agreed upon. The mob was to consist of fifty residents of the vicinity of Germantown and Rockville. Everything had been provided to make a success of the undertaking.

The fact that Sheriff Nicholson had acted on information received from Gov. Ritchie and removed Thompson to the Baltimore City jail, where he now is, did not become known to the mob until after the lynching party and several of them met in Rockville before they set out for their part.

States to Contest Road Rates in Supreme Court

Attorneys for the railroads and State utility commissions yesterday prepared to go to the U. S. Supreme Court for a decision as to the authority of the U. S. C. to increase railroad rates inside State boundaries in violation of State laws.

Pastor Dead at 78; Son Is St. John's Vice President

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Nov. 27.—News was received here today of the death at his home on Long Island of Rev. John Ripper, 78 years old, a retired Methodist clergyman. He was a native of England and is survived by a widow and six children, among whom is Dr. John Ripper, vice president of St. John's College.

Accidental Explosion Of Bombs Rocks Town

MILAN, Nov. 27.—Violent explosions at frequent intervals were continued to shake the town of Vergiate, forty miles distant, where bombs were accidentally detonated at the Hotel Powder factory.

Restraints Higher New York Fares.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Temporary injunctions restraining every railroad from raising fares were issued today by Justice Crosey in the Brooklyn Supreme Court, to remain in effect until after disposal of applications for permanent injunctions. The railroads had planned to raise fares in accordance with the order of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Death and Injury Follow When Jinx Hits Busy Corner

DURHAM, N. C., Nov. 27.—The "jinx" hovered around one of Durham's busiest corners today. Accidents followed swiftly.

George White, a young negro boy, was killed when his bicycle collided with a Texas Oil Company auto truck at a busy corner here. Henry Page, another negro boy, injured when he was struck clear. The driver is being held under \$1,000 bond.

Fifteen minutes later William P. White, a young negro boy, was slightly injured when a delivery truck hit the bicycle. He was riding one block from the scene of the first accident.

URGES LAYING OF U. S. CABLE

Senator Jones to Ask for Appropriation for Pacific Wire.

Passage of the bill creating a government commission to begin at once the laying of a government cable across the Pacific ocean will be sought by Senator Jones, Washington, who introduced it last week. Jones declared the urgent need of the cable makes it necessary for the government to lay it.

"We were told that private corporations contemplated such a cable," said Jones, "and were urged not to authorize a government cable for that reason. But nothing has been done, and I believe the government should act."

G. W. U. NOTES

"Relations Between North American and South American Students" will be the subject of an address in Spanish by Abel Rodriguez Larrain, representative in this country of the Federation of College Students of Peru, at 6 o'clock tomorrow evening in Lisner Hall, of George Washington University, 2023 G Street northwest.

Senior Larrain is a graduate of the University of San Marcos, at Lima, Peru, the oldest university in the Western Hemisphere.

Professor Henry Gratton Doyle, of the department of romance languages at George Washington, is in charge of arrangements for the address.

Jean Boardman, of Sigma Phi Epsilon, recently attended a district conference of the fraternity, held at Richmond, Va.

Capt. Mahlon Ashford, U. S. M. C., formerly an active member of Sigma Phi Epsilon and at one time vice-president of the Washington Association of Theta Delta Chi, has been awarded a gold medal and \$300 in cash offered by Henry S. Wellcome, an American living in London, for the best essay in a medical subject. Capt. Ashford's essay was entitled "Practical Organization of Medical Reserve Officers."

Woodward Ocott, member of the Sigma Nu fraternity from Delaware, was a recent visitor at the local chapter house.

Pete Steltz, of Sigma Nu, who was in business in Akron, Ohio, for two years, has returned to Washington.

Delta Pi chapter of Sigma Nu held its annual Thanksgiving dinner at the chapter house on Thursday evening.

Zeta Chapter of Sigma Kappa fraternity held a pledge service recently for Marion Bowker, Ethel Doyle, Bernice Kelsey, Ruth Kunkle, Lucille La Varre, Pauline Lindsay, Margaret Ramsay, Maxine Ralle, and Genevieve Wagner.

Miss Dorothy Seaton, of Sigma Kappa fraternity, has gone to California to christen a new battleship.

Members of Theta Lambda Sigma held an informal social evening and stunt party recently in honor of the chapter's pledges.

Theta Lambda Sigma gave a tea recently at the College Women's Club, 1822 I street northwest. In the presence of society members and faculty members, Mrs. Hays and Miss Daisy Watkins were hostesses.

Dr. Helen Perkins has been added to the list of patronesses of Theta Lambda Sigma sorority.

SHOP IN THE MORNING, D. C. MERCHANTS' PLEA

Do your shopping in the morning. This is the appeal of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association, in a statement issued last night.

"It is the plea and the prayer of business houses," read the statement, "that the shopping public so far as is possible will do their shopping in the morning hours, in order to permit the business houses to render the ultimate in service."

Alumni Is at Mt. St. Mary's.

A series of round table luncheons, for the purpose of stimulating interest in their alma mater and discussing topics of the day, will be held by the Washington alumni of Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Md., at the City Club. The first luncheon will be held tomorrow at 12:30 p. m. T. Emmet Halligan, president of the alumni association here, will preside.

Dr. Benjamin Perry Named As County Commissioner

ROCKVILLE, Md., Nov. 27.—Governor Ritchie has appointed Dr. Benjamin C. Perry, of Bethesda, county commissioner for the fourth collection district of this county to fill out the unexpired term of Henry J. Hunt, also of Bethesda, who yesterday resigned. Under the appointment, he will serve until the fall of 1923, when a successor will be chosen for a full term of four years.

Accidentally Shoots Girl Companion.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Nov. 27.—Mary Armstrong, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Bruce Armstrong, was shot through the leg by a companion, Jack Jackson, when he accidentally discharged his shotgun he was cleaning.

\$3,000,000 TAX LOST DUE TO A BLUNDER

DANVILLE, Va., Nov. 27.—Real estate holders in Danville will lose several thousand dollars as a result of what is said to be a blunder made by the local board of review, which passed on the assessment of city realty. After the assessors had set the local values at \$15,000,000 the board of review, composed of the assessors and the city auditor, later reduced the assessment 20 per cent, bringing it to \$12,000,000. But instead of sending their findings to Richmond, they deposited their resolution in the office of the clerk of the court. In the meantime, the six-day time limit for correction expired, and now the city attorney holds the original assessment cannot be corrected. The discovery was made after three hundred real estate holders had vehemently protested against the high rate and after the council had voted to sustain the high rate.

Maryland Farmers Send Exhibits to Chicago Show

COLLEGE PARK, Nov. 27.—Exhibits of hay and grain, grown in Maryland, have been sent to Chicago to represent this State in the hay and grain show which is held in connection with the International Livestock Exposition from November 27 to December 4.

Train Strikes Auto, Killing One.

CAPE CHARLES, Va., Nov. 27.—Struck by the Norfolk southbound express train while crossing the tracks in an auto at Mason this afternoon, James M. Parke, 50, of Olney, was killed and William E. Matthews, 22, of Rue, Va., was perhaps fatally injured. The men are prominent farmers.

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