

UNCLE SAM TAKES IN 48 ALIENS AS CITIZENS IN A DAY

Fifteen more persons received their citizenship papers in the United States district court Thursday afternoon, bringing the total for the day to 48, of which nine were ex-service men. Richard Sato, Japanese, also an ex-service man, was not admitted. Owing to present conditions, Judge Wolverton said he would dismiss the case without prejudice until a more definite ruling had been received from Washington. Sato served in the trenches during the war.

Several aliens claiming exemption under the draft experienced difficulty in explaining their views with regard to war. The court was not satisfied in every case, so hearings were postponed for a month. Others were not admitted because they could not read properly.

"We want an intelligent citizenship, one that can read and write our language," the judge said, "and for that reason I think it advisable for you to spend three months and possibly three months more after that in studying the language."

One applicant said he did not have time.

"If this is more important than your work you will take time," the judge responded.

William F. Hageberg of Norway found that the government keeps a good record on all applicants. He was recently fined \$250 for bootlegging. Hageberg promised the court before admission that he would hereafter be a law-abiding man and was given citizenship on the recommendation of friends of the family.

OTHERS BECOME CITIZENS
"One mistake should not forever be a bar," urged Haakon Lange, a witness for Hageberg. "He was raised by too fine a mother to go far wrong."

Others admitted were: Jivan Singh, India; Joseph Sirakow, Germany; Alois Haas, Austria; Salvatore Benvenuto, Italy; Wilhelm Finn Hagberg, Norway; John Joseph Powers, Newfoundland; John Hanlon, England; Max Anders Marhus Madsen, Denmark; Louis Joseph Schmary, Syria; William Von Pingel, Denmark; Jacob Compantiez, admitted as Jacob Camp, Russia; Ruth Helton Mary Pringle, England; Annie Kern, Ireland; Catherine Norris, England, and John Bernard Friberg, Sweden.

Chicken Thieves Busy
Oregon City, Dec. 17.—Chicken thieves were operating in the Mount Pleasant district Wednesday night, according to information received at the sheriff's office. A group of young boys is suspected. Many valuable fowls were taken.

CAKES DENIED GERMANS THIS CHRISTMAS

(By Universal Service)

Berlin, Dec. 17.—Germany will have a "cakeless" Christmas. The reichstag has passed a special law prohibiting under severe penalties the baking of any and all cakes, doughnuts and cookies by hotels, bakeries or cafes.

The ban includes the favorite coffee cakes and the famous New Year doughnuts, the eating of which is an old custom in Germany on the first day of the year.

Private families are not included in the ban. The purpose of the new law is to save grain and white flour for mixture with potato, rye, rice and other flours for bread, the scarcity of which is beginning to cause alarm that the confiscation of all bread and cereals will be ordered.

The Cafe Proprietors' association immediately called a meeting to consider the situation, as the order prohibiting the making of cake threatens to ruin their business.

Lumbermens Trust Buys Yakima Bond Issue of \$250,000

Yakima, Dec. 17.—Yakima county commissioners sold \$388,000 worth of bonds Thursday. One issue of \$250,000 went to the Lumbermens Trust company of Portland at par, 6 per cent interest with 3 1/4 per cent handling charges. Commissioners reserve the right to limit this issue to \$100,000 if they decide the price is not favorable, but in case they do the handling charge will be 3 per cent.

While decision as to the amount is not yet made, the bid is being considered favorably and it is likely the whole issue will be sold.

The Lumbermens Trust company also received the contract for \$7000 worth of drainage bonds at \$93.35. Another issue of \$1,000 worth of drainage bonds went to the Blythe-Wittier company of Seattle and to Carstens & Earle, both firms going in on the bid, at \$93.50 for the issue.

A Philadelphia woman has patented a sheet of paper so perforated that, when torn apart, it forms a pair of cuff protectors for a desk worker.

URGES BRIDES TO DECLARE "STRIKE" FOR DISARMAMENT

By Winifred Van Duzer

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New York, Dec. 17.—Feet planted on a springy automobile seat and body braced against the wind that tore around the Stock Exchange building, Mrs. Jessie Hardy Mackaye today told Wall street about the new famous "bride strike for disarmament" which she advocated before a Milwaukee audience recently.

The strike is one of the devices, she said, with which the Women's Peace society proposes to "stir up militancy against militarism."

"It is true I called upon the women of the United States to go on strike. I urged them to use the only weapon they have—motherhood and wisdom—in a sex urged as weapon."

This is what Mrs. Mackaye flung at the astonished brokers, financiers, industry heads and their clerks, stenographers and office boys who quickly blocked Broad street in eagerness to hear.

"Why should women marry and bear sons for a state which the government has not yet made safe to bring them up in? What matter if mothers teach their boys to hate war? They will be conscripted. Daughters as well, for there is talk of conscripting women for the next war."

"The more successful a woman is in bringing up a healthy specimen of manhood the more likely she is to see him taken. All she could do under the present system would be to commit sabotage and bring up unhealthy boys."

Mrs. Mackaye, who is a sister-in-law of Percy Mackaye the playwright, is a little vivid woman with flashing eyes and restless gestures. When she had climbed down from her airy perch and a pair of policemen had disentangled her from the crowd which besieged her for "non-resistance" leaflets, she was asked if her organization will make any attempt to have birth control information dispensed.

BIRTH CONTROL DENOUNCED
She replied by denouncing birth control and said she would like to engage in debate with Margaret Sanger, exponent of that teaching.

"I am a graduate nurse and student of biology," she told me, "and with all respect to woman, I wish to state that she is the only female creature who uses the reproductive instinct for any purpose save that of reproduction."

"Besides, what leverage upon the situation would women maintain by employment of birth control?"

"Abstinence! The women of this civilization are never compelled to submit body without spirit. Nor does such a course menace the safety of the home."

When husbands see their wives are in earnest they will lose no time in seeing war measures and appurtenances done away with."

Mrs. Mackaye said that many young women had declared their intention of joining her "strike" both in postponing marriage and in refraining from child bearing.

READY FOR ARREST

"A certain magistrate in this city said the whole idea is horrible," she continued. "But I ask if it is horrible for men and women to give up their right to fruit and go into convents as nuns and priests? They dedicate themselves to a great ideal and everyone thinks such a venture is worthy of honor, even women who take the veil for disarmament."

A member of the National Woman's party which is headquartered in Washington, she said that she was one of the women who picketed the White House; also that she had been arrested three times in one day for her convictions.

"I am ready to be arrested as many times again for what I believe," she said. "Because we women are non-resistant pacifists, none believe that we are passive individuals. We are going to throw bombs, but they will be intellectual bombshells."

Howland Drive Head

Oregon City, Dec. 17.—A. C. Howland was appointed chairman of the Oregon City district for the European Relief drive, to open here next week by the county executive committee. The Ore-

gon City district has a quota of \$3900 and includes, in addition to the city proper, 238 school districts adjacent. Other chairmen named are: W. H. Blair, Canby; H. C. Stephens, Estacada; W. W. Everhart, Molalla; W. A. Fretter, Sandy; Philip Streib, Milwaukie, and Joe Thornton, Wilsonville.

France Is Relenting In Indemnity Fight Waged by Germany

(By United News)

Paris, Dec. 17.—There are indications that France is relenting somewhat in her attitude on the German indemnities.

She is not relenting through any desire to lighten the burden imposed at Versailles on the Germans, but because she feels it difficult, if not impossible, to reach an agreement with the other allies unless she agrees to some concessions.

However, the foreign office looks optimistically toward the coming economic conference at Brussels, feeling that the indemnity problem will at last be definitely settled, paving the way for economic stability throughout Europe.

The French delegates will be given great freedom of action, but will be ordered to block any attempt by Germany to slide out from under her obligations entirely.

CARUSO DROPS ONE NOTE; FEARS END OF REIGN IS NEAR

By Sydney P. Whipple

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New York, Dec. 17.—For 17 years Enrico Caruso has had undisputed sway at the Metropolitan. It is a long reign—longer than Jean de Reszke's; longer than Tamagno's; longer than Bonci's; almost as long as that of the other tenor, Campanini.

But the seventeenth season finds him worried, ill at ease, temperamental—more temperamental than ever. Fear is making its inroads. Fear, coupled with a series of incidents, some serious, which have confirmed his belief that he is being pursued by an operative jinx.

WORRIES OVER THEFT
His greatest worry is the fact that he, the great Caruso, has for the first time in his life dropped a note. He failed on the A natural in an aria of "Pagliacci,"

and it is this that brings to his mind the supreme fear of all—that the time is coming when fate will beckon him to the wings and whisper to him—"abdicata!"

Caruso's worries began with the still unsolved robbery of \$500,000 in jewels from his Long Island country home. Caruso told his wife not to worry. But his friends say that he himself took the burden of worrying on his own shoulder. Then one of the pillars of the temple in "Samson et Delilah" fell on those same broad shoulders, during a recent performance of the Saint Saeens opera, knocking all the arias out of him for several minutes at least.

It was shortly after this that the tragedy of the A natural occurred. And Enrico threw himself on the stage steps as the curtain went down.

Then came the bursting of a blood vessel in his full throat, contributing a picture of the robust tenor struggling through his songs, coughing and choking at intervals, visibly bleeding at the mouth, and fighting hard for every note.

And last—this being the least of his troubles—his cook, one Carlo Ragosini, has sued him for \$500 back pay and has haled him into the lowly municipal court. Caruso's reply was that if Carlo had even been able to cook spaghetti he would have been content to let him remain as the Caruso chef. But inasmuch as he could not cook even those squirming, wriggling strings of pasta—Corpo di Bacchio!—he was no cook. So he fired him after two weeks of struggling with his terrible culinary efforts.

But whatever Caruso's troubles—and they are many—the least of his worries is keeping in print. The series of mishaps have kept Enrico's name before the public as all the golden notes of his voice could not do. And when the gold voice turns to tin he will at any rate have the satisfaction of knowing that he is the best advertised tenor of all time.

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