

Man Who Quit U.S. Citizenship For Russia Has Change of Mind

Moscow — (UPI) — Nicholas Petrulli, 38, a Long Island, N.Y., sheet metal worker who renounced his American citizenship, said today he wanted to give up his plan to become a Soviet citizen and return to the United States.

His former wife, Helen, who operates a candy store in Los Angeles, received the news with joy and said she would welcome him back.

In Washington, a State Department official called the request unprecedented. He said the question revolved around whether the act of renouncing citizenship is complete when a person signs it or when it finally is approved and accepted by the State Department. The official said this would be decided on the basis of what is presented and what the circumstances are, noting the renunciation of citizenship is a "pretty serious act."

Rests With Officials
Petrulli's future appears to rest, however, with officials in Washington.

Petrulli renounced his American citizenship here Sept. 3. "I have just realized I have done a stupid thing," he told reporters today.

He went to the U. S. embassy here today and inquired about the possibility of stopping action on his citizenship renunciation papers or possibly returning to the United States as an alien.

Petrulli said he was told that chances of returning from Moscow as an alien were vir-

tually hopeless. He said he was told the Soviet quota for immigration to the United States was over-subscribed for years in advance.

Petrulli obviously was disheartened today. He seemed like a man whose dreams had been shattered by reality.

Embassy officials said the papers on his renunciation of citizenship constituted a legal act and not a mere administrative formality. Thus they could not be withdrawn, the officials said.

The papers on which Petrulli signed away his American citizenship were being sent to Washington today and were expected to arrive there Saturday.

Inquest Planned In Gunshot Death

Ontario, Ore. — (UPI) — Coroner George C. Beechler planned to conduct an inquest today into the gunshot death of Santiago Martinez, a migrant worker, early Sunday.

State police said Crescencio Chavez, another migrant worker, was being held in the county jail at Vale for investigation.

A brother of the victim, Esteban Martinez, was hospitalized for treatment of a bullet wound in his abdomen. The brothers were shot during an argument on a county road north of here.

Observers here considered that if Petrulli had an outside chance of straightening out his legal problems, it would lie with some type of decision on his case in Washington.

Los Angeles — (UPI) — "I'm so glad, I had a feeling that this would happen and Nicholas would turn around and wake up."

A joyously tearful Mrs. Helen Petrulli, informed by United Press International that her former husband had changed his mind about becoming a Soviet citizen, said she would welcome him back.

"I'm very happy about that and so glad to hear the news," Mrs. Petrulli said. "He is really disturbed but basically he is a good person."

"I do like him and if he would just stay on the job and be a good husband and father to our daughter Rebecca, 5, I would want him back. He didn't know what he was doing."

No Effort to Help
The woman who was divorced by her husband two years ago in a default decree said she had been absolutely "in the dark" about Petrulli's plans.

"He made no effort to help here or had no interest in hearing from me," she said. "He is like a child, emotionally he is not mature. If he got well he would be a very active and very good person," she said in explaining her attempts to help her husband.

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OSC Professor Back After Stay in India

Corvallis — (UPI) — Dr. Paul O. Ritcher, head of the Oregon State College department of Entomology, has returned to the OSC campus here after a one-year assignment in India. Dr. Ritcher served as visiting professor at the India Agricultural Research Institute at New Delhi.

The Washington monument weighs 81,120 tons.

Record Number of Girls Competing in 'American' Pageant

Atlantic City, N.J. — (UPI) — A record stable of manicured, preened, primed and thoroughly trained beauties entered the starting gate over the weekend for the 32nd running of the nation's biggest glamor stakes—the Miss America Pageant.

A total of 55 beauties, representing all 50 states plus Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Canada, Chicago and New York City, will devote what may be the most grueling week of their young lives to try for the "Miss America" title and the nearly \$100,000 in money and prizes that go with it.

For the first time in the history of the pageant, every state will be represented. Not even when there were 48 states did every one enter a contestant in any year. This time, in honor of the two new states of Hawaii and Alaska, all are participating.

Final Lap
Official contest registration Monday marked the beginning of the final lap in a race for which the entries have been in rigid training. Some began learning to sing, dance or play the piano years ago in the hope they might some day be sent to Atlantic City by their home states. Nearly all have been at work all summer, exercising and reducing; taking modeling, charm and make-up courses and rehearsing like troupers for their talent presentations.

The girl who is crowned Miss America next Saturday night must look trim in a bathing suit and glamorous in an evening gown. She must present a stage act that amuses the judges, and she must be able to conduct a breakfast table conversation with charm and poise.

Some of the contestants have gone to great lengths to be able to do their states proud.

Dancing 11 Years
Susan Diane Bronson, 19-year-old, green-eyed blonde, "Miss California," from San Lorenzo, has been a dance student for 11 years. She spent the final weeks before the contest being groomed by movie experts in Hollywood in makeup, dancing, poise and personality.

Both "Miss Chicago" and "Miss Illinois" went to modeling schools to prepare for the nightly ordeal of walking down the long ramp in Atlantic City's Convention hall. Carol Rubin, 18-year-old Queen of Chicago's beauties, has been training at the Patricia Stevens modeling school in Chicago. "Miss Illinois," Suzanne Ingeborg Johnson, 21, also of Chicago, has been taking charm and modeling courses at another All of the state winners have become veterans at making public appearances since they were crowned earlier this year. Esther Olney, 18, "Miss Delaware," of Newark, has made at least 150 appearances in her home state and in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New York since she was chosen last May.

She also has taken voice lessons, kept frequent appointments with a hairdresser and a figure consultant and attended a class for models. Her schedule has kept her busy every weekday and night and sometimes on Sundays.

Joan Arolyn Sipes, 18 "Miss Nebraska," of Columbus, is one of the contestants who went to work on her figure. She said she exercised and dieted to attain a perfect 36. She added an inch to her bust and took a half-inch off her waist and hips.

West Virginia's Janet Marie Hill, 22, of Nitro, said she started studying dramatics last year so she would be

Morse Continues Delaying Tactics as Adjournment Nears

Washington — (UPI) — The Senate super-highway construction bill came to work today in an effort to meet its week-end adjournment goal despite Sen. Wayne Morse's (D-Ore.) slow-down campaign.

The chamber was expected to give final congressional approval to a measure to permit higher interest rates on series E and H government savings bonds. This is one of seven major bills standing in the way of adjournment.

Morse Continues Tactics
Morse, angry at what he considers Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson's (Tex.) "dictatorial" management, kept up his delaying tactics at a long Labor Day session. He reaffirmed his intention to hold the Senate to strict observance of its rules and block all short-cut procedures.

Senate leaders stuck to their goal of adjourning this week end. But some lawmakers believed Morse's "parliamentary war" would force Congress to meet into next week.

Other congressional news:
Public Works: Democrats planned to push through the House by nightfall a secondary \$1,185,309,093 public works money bill which carries funds for all 67 projects which caused President Eisenhower to veto an earlier measure.

Gasoline Taxes: The House may give final congressional approval to a one penny hike in the 3-cent-a-gallon federal gasoline tax to finance inter-

state highways, she said, has been to bone up on current events by reading the newspapers. "It's an important part of the training for Miss America," she said. "The girl who represents New York must know what's going on in the world."

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