

importation, and such determination by the Secretary of Labour to be reached after a full hearing and an investigation into the facts of the case.

“ Provided further that the provisions of this law applicable to contract labour shall not be held to exclude professional actors, artists, lecturers, singers, nurses, ministers of any religious denomination, professors for colleges or seminaries, persons belonging to any recognized learned profession, or persons employed as domestic servants.

Provided further that whenever the President shall be satisfied that passports issued by any foreign Government to its citizens or subjects to go to any country, other than the United States, or to any insular possession of the United States, or to the Canal Zone, are being used for the purpose of enabling the holder to come to the continental territory of the United States to the detriment of labour conditions therein, the President shall refuse to permit such citizens or subjects of the country issuing such passports to enter the continental territory of the United States from such other country, or from such insular possession, or from the Canal Zone.

“ Provided further that aliens returning after a temporary absence to an unrelinquished United States domicile of seven consecutive years may be admitted in the discretion of the Secretary of Labour, and under such conditions as he may prescribe.

“ Provided further that nothing in the contract-labour or reading-test provisions of this Act shall be construed to prevent, hinder, or restrict any alien exhibitor, or holder of concession or privilege for any fair or exposition authorized by Act of Congress, from bringing into the United States, under contract, such otherwise admissible alien mechanics, artisans, agents, or other employees, Natives of his country, as may be necessary for installing or conducting his exhibit, or for preparing for installing or conducting any business authorized or permitted under any concession or privilege which may have been or may be granted by any such fair or exposition in connection therewith, under such rules and regulations as the Commissioner-General of Immigration, with the approval of the Secretary of Labour, may prescribe both as to the admission and return of such persons.

Provided further that the Commissioner-General of Immigration, with the approval of the Secretary of Labour, shall issue rules and prescribe conditions, including exaction of such bonds as may be necessary, to control and regulate the admission and return of otherwise inadmissible aliens applying for temporary admission.

“ Provided further that nothing in this Act shall be construed to apply to accredited officials of foreign Governments, nor to their suites, families, or guests.”

American Citizens.

All American citizens proceeding to the United States and foreign countries are required to present their passports for verification in the same manner as aliens. They are not, of course, subject to the provisions of section 3 of the Immigration Act of the 5th February, 1917, nor are they obliged to make a declaration similar to that required by alien immigrants.

No Fees payable.

No fees will be collected by American Consular Officers for the visa of foreign passports or passports of American citizens.

No fees will be collected for or in connection with declarations sworn to by departing aliens.

ROBERT P. SKINNER,

London, England, 10th October, 1917.

American Consul-General

No. 12.

New Zealand, No. 19.

MY LORD,

Downing Street, 22nd January, 1918.

In continuation of my despatch, Dominions No. 794, of the 11th December, I have the honour to state that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have represented to me that it would be desirable if the Governments of the Dominions and Colonies could arrange in respect of all ships of 1,600 tons gross tonnage or upwards to which they have granted licenses for wireless apparatus that provisions should be applied similar to those contained in Defence of the Realm Regulation No. 37B.

2. I shall be obliged if Your Excellency will bring their Lordships' wishes in the matter to the notice of your Ministers.

I have, &c.,

WALTER H. LONG.

Governor-General His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool,
P.C., G.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.