

SMALL JOY FOR IMMIGRANTS AT LIBERTY'S GATE

Tears of Humiliation Blur First View of U. S.

The following article is the ninth of a series by Miss Genevieve Forbes, a member of The Tribune staff, who has just returned to America, passing through Ellis island as an Irish immigrant girl:

BY GENEVIEVE FORBES.
"Of course you've got to have rules, but why can't they treat us as if we were decent when they enforce them?" asks a little English girl, between sobs, as she puts on her clothes after inspection at quarantine early Monday morning.

Compelled from infancy to obey laws and to observe rules, we, even some of the most rebellious or stupid of us, have left our native countries believing in the necessity of strictly enforced regulations. But when we see, at the threshold of our new home, petty officials using a bit of gold braid, a uniform, or a subordinate title as a means of insulting women, shaming girls, frightening children, and infuriating men, we cease to reason and begin to argue emotionally, often hysterically. Law enforced with dignity, even with imperial rigor, we are willing to respect. We have just seen laws enforced with brutality, impudence, arro-

FRANCE CAN NEVER FORGET U. S., FOCH SAYS; PRAISES ARMY

BY HENRY WALES.
[Chicago Tribune Foreign News Service.]
PARIS, Oct. 20.—On the eve of his departure to the United States, Marshal Foch gave the following exclusive statement to The Chicago Tribune: "I am delighted to go to the United States and see America in her peace activities after having admired the effort made by that great trans-Atlantic nation and appreciated the importance of the help she gave us on the battlefield during the days when she did so much to bring about victory for the allies."
"America helped us enormously with men, materials, and money. The young American army which came to our aid from such a distance may be justifiably proud, for from the moment its first blow was struck, it displayed military qualities of the highest class and admirable characteristics of youthful enthusiasm, courage, and heroism."
"France has not forgotten, nor can it ever forget, the generous help and prodigious effort made by the whole American nation, nor can we forget America's sacrifice of 75,000 of her children who fell in the struggle, fighting side by side with our soldiers, to insure the victory of liberty and right."

gance. We are not to be blamed if we come to hate all law.
"But we have little time to theorize. Get in line, there; what's the matter with you?" The question is punctuated with a few pushes and once more we are in line, this time to pass before the United States officers.
About forty of us are absent from breakfast, taking the obligatory "dehousing" bath or shampoo ordered by the inspectors.
There are many protests from pas-

sengers thus classified who claim they were clean when they boarded the ship, but have suffered from association in congested quarters with unclean traveling companions.
Particularly definite are the charges of this sort made by one young woman with lovely looking hair which "needs attention" and a clean cut fellow whose hands, face, and neck have been badly bitten.
"A system which harms in order to protect," they call it.

"Buying" Immunity.
Most of the girls, I learn, have given these inspectors tips, varying from 25 cents to a dollar, for the rumor is well established among the "greenhorn girls" that immunity may be bought. Many of these girls, we must remember, have less than \$5 exclusive of their landing money draft.

Bridget Barry, who gave one of the officials 50 cents, not as a gratuity but as a "fear tax," had to borrow the money with which to wire her sister in New York City to meet her. It is impossible to trace down the author of this rumor regarding shakedowns. But there are many persons in a position to stop the rumor, but they do not.

After breakfast we are herded back on the deck, there to dodge workmen busy dismantling the ship, unloading and loading cargo. Every half hour a new portion of the small deck is roped off as forbidden territory. By noon there is scarcely room for us to stand, one against the other.

At last it is time for the American citizens in the steerage to go ashore. Not more than five out of the eighty

are natural born Americans. The majority are foreign women married to American men. We hear of the various maneuvers used by many in order to escape the ordeal of the island.

Some of the ship's employes are kind, reassuring us with the news that since there are only two or three ships ahead of us we stand a good chance of getting to the island in the morning.
About 5 in the afternoon 100 immigrants are returned to the ocean liner docked next us. Their inspection is not over and since Ellis island is filled to capacity they are brought back, a dejected looking lot, to spend the night on the boat on which they came over. We are worried, for this group will get priority in the morning and we will be delayed.

There is much talk of quota regulations. Three immigrants from Yugoslavia are making the trip for the second time this season.

In Line Again—More Lines.
Another evening of soap and water and worry. A bit of potential but significant scrubbing of knees, for knees, so runs the wild rumor, are to be specially examined on the morrow. Eternally hating to prove one's cleanliness is not only humiliating it is making us morbidly self-conscious.

Tuesday we are up again at 5. By 7 we are in line, loaded down with baggage, standing, waiting, wondering. Crying, peevish babies; sick, nervous girls; cranky men; rough, impatient, swearing officials.

Retarded every few yards by an in-

pector, pushed here and there, yelled at, commanded, we proceed to the dock. An hour or so trying to find our belongings, a fight or two with the colored man who guards the entrance, a pleasant experience with customs men who are not afraid to be polite to steerage passengers and who refuse to take any tips from us, a bag of peanuts eaten on lines, forming now here, now there, and at last we are aboard the tender for Ellis island.

DIES PRAYING IN CHURCH.
George C. Mehl, 4315 West Adams street, died last night while kneeling in prayer beside his sister, Mrs. Mary Condon, in St. Mel's Roman Catholic church, 4300 Washington boulevard.

Glady's Vanderbilt's Husband Will Be Envoy

BUDAPEST, Oct. 20.—[By the Associated Press.]—The appointment of Count Laslo Szechenyi, who married Glady's Vanderbilt, as Hungarian ambassador to the United States will be published soon.

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BY ARTHUR SE Washington, D. C. (Special.)—Any attempt to force immigration question into the hands of the courts will be thwarted as the conclusion from introduction of irreparable harm to the administration today. This was made clear in a statement today by immigration and Citizenship controllers, who ground that such a move would be tantamount to a challenge to the authority of the executive branch. The views of the courts were elicited following reports from Tokyo that the Japanese government would bring before the immigration and Citizenship controllers, who ground that such a move would be tantamount to a challenge to the authority of the executive branch. The views of the courts were elicited following reports from Tokyo that the Japanese government would bring before the immigration and Citizenship controllers, who ground that such a move would be tantamount to a challenge to the authority of the executive branch.