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DETROIT RAISES PASSPORT HOWL

2,000,000 Shoppers a Year Af- fected, Business Men Cry

Michigan Senators Asked to Appeal to Hull on New U.S. Ruling

Detroit, June 9. — (AP) — The State Department's new order requiring passports for Canadians entering the United States has created a furore here, and a cry for help has gone to Washington.

For long and peaceful years citizens of both sides of the Detroit River, which divides the two nations, have crossed and recrossed between Detroit and Windsor, Ont., as matter-of-factly as visiting the grocer on the next avenue.

On a holiday or on business, a Windsorite seldom experienced trouble, or red tape, in coming to Detroit. The interrogation from customs and immigration men has usually been limited to "Where do you live?" and "Where were you born?" and "Why are you going?"

Simple as that. But come July 1, the United States will demand to see a passport.

All the international traffic adds up to considerable commerce, the Detroit business men pointed out. Something, they decided, has to be done about it.

Protesting that the order would affect 2,000,000 shoppers a year, the Board of Commerce asked Michigan's Senators Arthur Vandenberg and Prentiss Brown to take it up with State Secretary Cordell Hull in the interests of "amicable business relations of years standing."

Harvey Campbell, secretary, said the board understood that "every precaution" was desirable but was ready to show that this could be otherwise assured.

In Windsor Marshall M. Vance, the United States consul there, expressed the opinion that 1,000 Canadians with permits regularly com-

muting to Detroit would be exempt, but said he was awaiting clarification from Washington.

"All other aliens, including Canadians, must obtain passports and visas, however, to visit the United States for any purpose whatsoever," Vance said. "This would include shoppers going to Detroit as well as Canadians going to visit relatives or friends."

Ottawa Studies U.S. Ruling

Ottawa, June 9.—(P)—A departmental conference was held during the week-end to consider what steps may be taken in connection with the ruling of the United States Government requiring Canadians visiting that country to have passports after July 1.

The conference was attended by officers of the Transport and External Affairs Departments and the Customs branch of the National Revenue Department. No announcement was made following the meeting.

Speaking in the House of Commons last Friday on the new United States ruling, Prime Minister Mackenzie King said the Government might effect "something in the nature of reciprocity" in the matter.

Mr. King said representations already had been made to Washington and the Canadian Government would continue to take up with the American Government different questions as they arose.