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## NEED PASSPORT FOR TRIP TO U.S.

Canadians Affected by New Washington Restrictions

Aliens Previously Exempt Will Require Visas After July 1

(Special Cable to The New York Times and The Gazette.) Washington, June 6. — The State

Department announced today that after July 1 passports and visas will be required from Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans and citizens of a number of other countries in this hemisphere wishing to visit the

new regulations would be modified regarding some 20,000 Canadians who daily commute to work in De-troit and other nearby American manufacturing centres. The same policy, it was understood, would be undertaken toward 4,000 to 5,000 Mexicans classified as commuters across the southern international border. Because passport requirements

border. Because passport requirements are customarily based on reciprocal arrangements, there was a cuestion whether citizens of the United States might require passports and foreign visas to visit the countries designated by the State Depart-ment order. This would, of course, affect thousands of Americans con-templeting vacations in Canada. affect thousands of Americans con-templating vacations in Canada, Mexico, the West Indies and else-where. The general impression here, however, was that should the coun-tries in question demand reciprocal passports, such action might not be pressed until the vacation sea-son has ended. Different regulations would be established, the department added, concerning persons who have enter-ed the United States for permanent

concerning persons who have enter-ed the United States for permanent residence on immigration visas and who may be returning from a tem-porary residence abroad. It was noted also, that the regulations do not affect Americans, visiting or returning, from the countries named. named.

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a number of other countries in this hemisphere wishing to visit the United States. In view of the "critical interna-tional situation, it has been found necessary to adopt a close supervi-sion over aliens entering the Unit-ed States," the Department announc-ed in this suspension of long-estab-lished rules that no passports or visas would be needed. The new rules will apply to: "Citizens of Canada. Newfound-land. St. Fierce and Miquelon, Mex-ico. Cuba. Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Panama. Bermuda, or of any British. French or Netherland possession in the West Indies, do-miciled therein, and British subjects domiciled in Canada, Newfound-land, Bermuda, or any British pos-session in the West Indies, French citizens domiciled in St. Pierre and Miquelon or any French possession in the West Indies, and Netherland subjects domiciled in any Nether-land possession in the West Indies, French citizens domiciled in St. Pierre and Miquelon or any French possession in the West Indies, and Netherland subjects domiciled in the West Indies, "The step was taken by the State Department under the executive order issued by President Roose-velt yestenday for tightening the immigration requirements in the broad program to check the fifth column menace. That order preven-ted the entrance of any alien whose presence would be contrary to the public safety, or who would be unable to establish a legitimate pur-po-e or reasonable need for his appearance here. Accordingly, the unable to establish a regiminate purpose or reasonable need for his appearance here. Accordingly, the State Department announcement further defined this objective. Despite the ruling on passports and visas, it was learned that the (Continued on Page 9, Col. 7).

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