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HOW ICELAND IS PROGRESSING

Growth of Trade With the United States Induced By the War

Iceland. From its very name people infer that Iceland is a cold, forbidding country and it is true that its climate and physical features are less inviting than those of countries of lower latitude, yet they are not so bad as is generally supposed. Despite the fact that it lies north of the southern boundary of the Arctic ice region the drift ice is usually kept a considerable distance to the north by the Gulf stream which encircles the island. It is in the summer season that the influence of the drifting ice masses are most strongly felt for at that time they are being swept southward by the Gulf stream.

In Iceland the winters are surprisingly mild while the summers are relatively cold. Records for 1912 show the mean annual temperature to have been a little higher than 39 degrees F. while for the four months of summer it was only a little less than 50. Heavy masses of clouds hang over the island for the greater part of the year, causing a great amount of vapor to arise from the ocean to be carried over the land.

According to Gudmundur Magnúson, a native of that country, the cold raw climate is unfavorable to the growth of forests and there are no trees except a few dwarf birch scattered sparsely over the island. Vegetation of all kinds is scant, the surface of the country is rough and mountainous and deserts of lava or drifting sand with large areas of territory perpetually covered with snow are abundant. For the most part the soil is incapable of supporting human inhabitants except in the coastal regions and in river valleys. The character of the people has been affected by the cold forbidding climate, for it has checked initiative and has given rise to a tendency to melancholy.

At present agriculture and fishing are the principal occupations. At one time agriculture was followed almost exclusively but only about half of the population is engaged in it now. Farming operations there are little different from those practiced for the last 1,000 years and are confined for the most part to a yard surrounding the house, although the tendency is to enlarge this a little each year. Cabbages and potatoes are the principal cultivated crops—grain will not ripen. Outlying fields are drained and irrigated for hay which is in great demand for feeding the live stock on which the farming population depends largely for its support. Icelandic horses are much sought after and England afford a profitable market for exports of butter.

The island's fisheries are important, at present producing some two thirds of its wealth. Most of the fish caught are dried and shipped to Mediterranean countries although steamers now carry fresh fish to England. Some months ago an Icelandic ship—the first since the days of Lief the Lucky—brought a cargo of dried fish from Iceland to New York and the proceeds from its sale were invested in grain to take the place of the supply of European grain cut off by the war.

It was recently announced that a new steamship line between Iceland and New York has been established to sail under the Norwegian flag. It will bring to the United States products which have heretofore gone to European customers and will carry back to Iceland food and other products which were formerly supplied by European countries. Iceland will now look to the United States to take the place of the countries with which it has previously maintained commercial relations. Merchants, bankers and other Icelandic business men are seeking to establish mercantile and banking connection in this country. It is proposed to make New York the foreign financial clearing house and to establish credits in the United States.

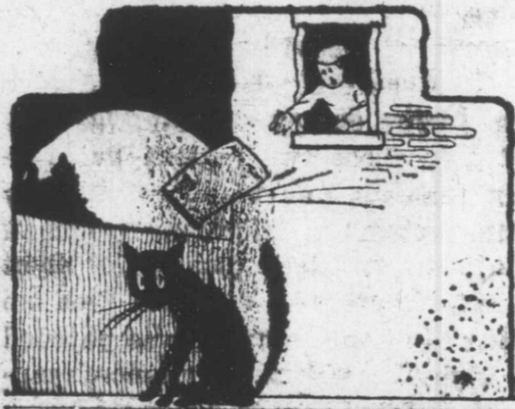
The most pressing need in Iceland at present, in the opinion of the above-mentioned writer, is better transportation facilities. The country's traffic is almost entirely carried by sea and the entire coast line is dotted with trading posts. Because of the dearth of transportation facilities the bulk of the population has been drawn from the fertile inland sections to the barren unproductive coast and this condition will probably obtain until railroads are built extensively. Despite all of its disadvantages and handicaps, however, Iceland is progressing. The annual income of the government has increased ten-fold in the past 40 years, the national wealth has doubled and extensive internal improvements, including roads, bridges, telegraph lines, etc., have been made and material financial advances are noticeable throughout the country. The population increased during the 19th century from 30,000 to 86,000 in spite of the migration of 30,000 persons to America.

The country is described as one of the most beautiful to be found in the world. Huge mountains, with their peaks perpetually covered with snow, rise from the ocean or from the level plain, mighty and beautiful waterfalls are numerous, and there are many great lakes and hot springs and glaciers still warm. The natural rugged scenery is softened and toned by some wonderful color effects, especially in the summer. When the country's attractions become better known it may be expected that the stream of tourist travel will be diverted toward it and there will be such an influx of wealth and prosperity as has never been known there before.

The hopes of a railroad on their island, long cherished by the people of Iceland are about to be realized for the althing, or parliament, has passed a bill authorizing the construction of a railway, the main line of which is to run from Reykjavik, the capital, to Thorsjaa, where it will divide, one branch going to the glaciers and the other to Derbak. The total distance to be covered by the road is about 12 miles and the system is estimated to cost \$1,000,000. The building of this road may be expected to bring about material improvements in commerce and to promote various industries that heretofore have been neglected or have merely remained stationary.

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Self Confessed Spy Tells Story of the Berlin System

Robert Rosenthal Gives Thorough Details to the Police How Fraudulent American Passports Are Obtained

London, June 17.—Captain von Prieger of the German admiralty office who is head of the German spy system at Berlin, has a perfect equipment for manufacturing fraudulent American passports, according to a startling confession made by Robert Rosenthal, now under arrest on a charge of espionage. Rosenthal's confession was made to the military authorities in London. It is the first definite confirmation of a suspicion long held here that fraudulent American passports actually had been issued by some one acting under the authority of the German government. The confession leaves no room for doubt regarding the accuracy of the information. His explanation is thoroughly definite and detailed in all facts. The information thus placed in the hands of military authorities has been communicated to the American embassy and already has been transmitted to Washington.

Von Prieger's Agency
There is little doubt but that Carl Hans Lady had a stolen passport obtained from Captain von Prieger's agency. Rosenthal himself was equipped with an emergency passport issued in Berlin at the beginning of the war. He pretended with great assurance when arrested that he was an American citizen travelling in Europe, even mentioning as evidence in support of this assertion his activities in Berlin in assisting the American relief commission in their relief of Americans caught in Germany. His story seemed to be further supported by a decided American personality, his familiarity with American cities and his assertion that he was travelling agent for a patent gas mantle concern. He explained his presence in Berlin, at the Hague in Copenhagen, and other cities satisfactorily.

Letter Intercepted
But, fortunately for the British military authorities they had intercepted a letter sent by Rosenthal by Copenhagen to Captain von Prieger under a name which the authorities knew von Prieger had been using for years. The letter was apparently an innocent business communication, saying that the writer was proceeding to London to promote the sale of the gas mantles and hoping that business would be good. He expected to appoint an English agent to sell the mantles.

The Game Up
After the letter had been produced, with other details, Rosenthal dramatically rose to his feet, gave a military salute and said the game was up.

"I confess," said he, "that I am a German sent here to spy by Captain von Prieger. He then made a complete confession. He said that he had been in England on a previous occasion for the purpose of spying and that he had used the same passport. Then came the most important part of his confession, so far at least as the United States is concerned.

Bundles of Blanks
"I was doubtful," said Rosenthal, "about coming to England again; but Captain von Prieger said, 'if you have any fear about travelling on a passport under your own name I can give you another passport.' He then opened a safe in his office and took out a bundle of American passport blanks, printed in the proper form on the correct parchment. He showed me forged dies with which the seal of the United States could be produced.

"I can fit you out," said he, "with a passport in any name you wish—a passport that will pass inspection." Rosenthal explains that he ultimately decided to take a chance on the passport he had already obtained and which he had used in England some time before. He said that he was on British soil with this passport when Anton Kuefferle, a German spy who recently committed suicide during his trial here, was arrested. Rosenthal was on the point of leaving England when he was caught.

Attempted Suicide
After the confession he broke down and later made a desperate attempt to commit suicide by strangling himself with the bed cloths. He was discovered in time, however, and prevented.

He will be tried by a military court martial, as will other spies in the future. Your correspondent has every authority for stating that Rosenthal's confession, particularly the part bearing on Captain von Prieger's use of fraudulent American passports, has been entirely corroborated by incontrovertible evidence.

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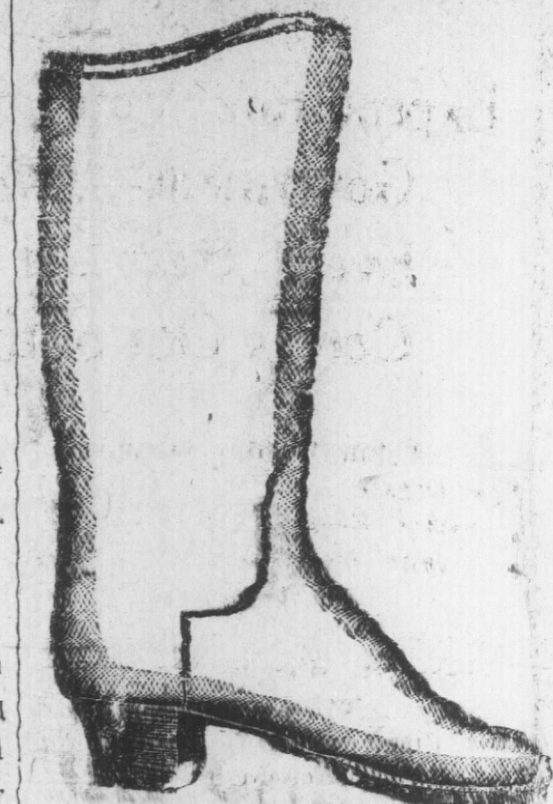
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