

REFUGEE POSE FAILS ENEMIES

At Least 750 Axis Agents Kept Out Because of U. S. Vigilance.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 (U. P.) — Vigilance of government officials has prevented at least 750 enemy agents from entering the United States in the guise of refugees, it was disclosed today.

The information was contained in a transcript, published of recent hearings before a House Appropriations subcommittee.

Avra M. Warren, chief of the department's visa division, testified that examination of 12,000 visa applications had revealed "750 open-and-shut cases that were bad."

The 750 persons were "enemy agents attempting to enter the United States in the guise of innocent persons seeking refuge or asylum here," he said.

"Do you think you have been foiled on any of the cases that were let in?" asked Rep. Albert E. Carter (R. Cal.).

"Not yet," Mr. Warren replied. Mr. Warren told of the strict examination given all applicants for entrance visas. The great amount of additional work has been fully justified, he said, by the detection of "bad cases."

Mrs. Ruth B. Shipley, chief of the passport division, told the subcommittee that substitution of the

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TIRE RATIONING RULES REVISED

Changes Thursday Cover

Distribution of New Rubber, Retreads.

By RICHARD LEWIS

Revised rationing regulations covering the distribution of new tires and rubber for retreaded and recapped tires will go into effect in Indiana and the nation Thursday.

Under the new Office of Price Administration rationing rules, clergymen will be eligible for new tires. Otherwise, new tire eligibility classifications will remain the same.

Defense executives and workers, traveling salesmen for essential services and goods, taxi-fleet operators, construction engineers, technicians and workers and essential government employees will be eligible for retreaded and recapped tires.

OPA to Study Supply

However, no rubber for retreads or recaps will be available from Thursday until March 2.

The purpose of freezing this rubber for this period is to enable the OPA to determine how much rubber is available for rationing throughout the nation and to fix quotas for the states and counties.

Thursday is the deadline for getting back tires previously sent to retreading establishments.

The new regulations set up two eligibility classifications for tires to

be known simply as "A" and "B." The "A" class includes persons already eligible for new tires—physicians, public safety and health personnel and operators of farm equipment—plus the clergymen.

The "B" class includes those made eligible for retreads and recaps.

The new rules specify that A class eligibles must take new tires and cannot get retreads until the new tire quota is exhausted for the month.

The purpose of confining A class eligibles to new tires is to make as many trade-in tires as possible

available for sale as retreads to B class eligibles.

Eligible for retreads and recaps are:

Licensed taxicabs and jitneys;

cars used to transport workers

executives, engineers and technicians

to and from essential construction

jobs; cars used to transport Federal, State or local officials on official or industrial equipment, or foods or medical supplies.

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