

NO PROBATE RIGHTS FOR ALIEN ENEMIES

May Not Will Nor Receive Be- quests. Nor Administer Their Estates

No wills or letters of administration of any alien enemy or which name as beneficiary or creditor any alien enemy, may henceforth be probated or granted in Ontario without express permission of the Crown, according to provision made in an Order-in-Council which is published this week in the Ontario Gazette. This has regard to estates or assets located in Ontario.

A notice will be attached to all probates or letters of administration which will provide that "this grant is made upon the condition that no portion of the assets shall be distributed or paid during the war to any beneficiary or creditor who is a German, Austro-Hungarian, Turkish or Bulgarian subject, or other alien enemy, wherever resident, or on behalf of any person resident in Germany," etc.

Notices have also been prepared which will be posted in the offices of all surrogate registrars in the Province.

In case of any of the provisions of the order having been contravened, the probates or letters of administration granted in such cases will be at once revoked.

Provision is made, however, that in proper cases there will be no difficulty, on application to the Treasury, in obtaining sanction for the payment of moderate amounts out of assets, to beneficiaries or creditors who are alien enemies, provided that these were resident in Canada at the commencement of the war and have been since then.