

# COURT TO TEST ALIENS ESTABLISHED

Norris Selects Judge Myers as  
Chairman — Inquiry Sessions  
to Begin at 185 Lombard St.  
Monday.

Alien enemy subjects, or persons born in alien enemy countries, will have a chance, beginning Monday, to establish before a legally constituted court of inquiry, whether they are, and were during the war period, loyal to the Allies' cause.

Those who can prove they are loyal will be given credentials to this effect, and in the future it is believed the failure of an alien to produce such a certificate of character will effectually prevent him from obtaining a job in Manitoba.

Announcement of the establishment of the court was made by Premier T. C. Norris in the legislature Friday.

The court will comprise three persons, with Judge R. Hill Myers, senior county court judge, as chairman. The other members, yet unnamed officially, will represent returned soldiers and labor. Comrade A. E. Moore is expected to be the soldier member.

That the government would take immediate action in this regard was exclusively forecast in *The Tribune* Thursday.

In making the announcement Premier Norris said the cabinet had come to the conclusion that such a court was essential if the alien problem was to be solved satisfactorily so far as local jurisdiction went.

"Insofar as the deportation of undesirable aliens is concerned," he said, "jurisdiction lies wholly with the federal government, and the solution of the entire alien enemy problem, I am satisfied, goes beyond that, and that it assumes international importance and will be dealt with by the conference now in progress in Paris.

"Knowing that our jurisdiction is limited in this matter, however," he continued, "we have made arrangements to handle this problem with a view to immediate alleviation of the situation in a manner that will be favorable to the returned men, and favorable to such persons of alien enemy birth who during residence in Manitoba have become good citizens.

"The court of inquiry," he added, "will comprise three members with Judge Myers as chairman. The other two members have not yet been appointed, but will, insofar as possible, represent returned soldiers and labor.

The court will be located at the old headquarters of the Returned Soldiers' Manitoba Commission, 185 Lombard st.

In conclusion Premier Norris spoke in glowing terms of the conduct of the huge returned soldiers' delegation which waited upon the government Monday evening. It was a most important delegation, he said, and one which he was highly pleased to receive and hear.

Friday's sitting of the legislature witnessed the conclusion of the throne speech debate. A. E. August, Dufferin, and R. N. Lowery, North Winnipeg, Seat A, were the last speakers.

The house adjourned until Monday evening at 8 o'clock.