

U. S. CLARIFIES STAND IN GIVING JOBS TO ALIENS

Roosevelt Says None Should Be Denied Work Solely Because They Were Born Abroad

WASHINGTON, July 11.—(AP)—President Roosevelt declared today that persons "should not hereafter be refused employment, or persons at present employed discharged," solely because they are aliens or former nationals of another country.

NO LEGAL BARRIER.

He pointed out that there were no legal restrictions on the employment of any person in non-war industries, and "even in war industries, if the particular labor is not on 'classified' contracts, which include secret, confidential, restricted, and aeronautical contracts."

Stephen Early, White House press secretary, said the new policy, designed to classify aliens, both friendly and enemy, with a view to greater utilization of their services in war production, would be put into effect immediately by Chairman Paul V. McNutt of the War Manpower Commission (WMC).

OBTAIN PERMISSION.

Where the laws provide that in certain special instances involving Government contracts an employer must secure permission from the War and Navy Departments to employ aliens, the President ordered the departments concerned in passing on applications for such permits to give "special and expedited consideration to nationals of United Nations and friendly American republics, and any other aliens, including enemy aliens, who come within the following categories:

"A Aliens who have served in the armed forces of the United States and have been honorably discharged.

"B. Aliens who have, or who have had, members of their immediate family in the United States military service.

"C Aliens who have resided in the United States continuously since 1916 without having returned to the country of origin within the last ten years.

"D. Aliens who have married persons who, at the time of marriage, were citizens of the United States and who have resided in the United States continuously since 1924 without having returned to the country of origin within the last ten years.

"E Aliens who have declared their intention to become citizens of the United States and who had filed petitions for naturalization before Dec. 7, 1941."