

the first nine months of the operation of the law, has nearly been 164,000 in round numbers, or 17,000 less than shown for the fiscal year under review. Ninety-two thousand petitions for naturalization were heard by the various courts exercising naturalization jurisdiction, and of these 10,891, or 11.72 per cent, were denied for various causes.

The secretary of labor, in the report, calls especial attention to the work of the various bureaus, and the plans for extending the work during the coming year. Particular stress is laid on the activities of the department in connection with mediation work, and its efforts to bring employers and employees into closer relations when differences arise.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

NEW SERVICE AND REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENTS

A new series of publications known as "Service and Regulatory Announcements" has been inaugurated by the department. The object is to issue periodically in convenient form full information as to rulings, decisions, instructions, etc., in the enforcement of the food and drugs act, the meat-inspection law, the insecticide and fungicide act, and the various other quarantine and regulatory provisions. The new announcements will be issued separately by each bureau or board charged with law enforcement. They will be issued monthly or less frequently as occasion warrants, and each will contain a complete statement of the regulatory activities of its bureau for the period covered by each issue.

Extracts from letters establishing important precedents, all food and drug decisions, notices of seizures and notices of judgment will be printed in service and regulatory announcements of the bureau of chemistry.

The monthly service announcements heretofore issued by the bureau of animal industry will be changed to conform to the new plan and will cover matters relating to the meat inspection, live-stock quarantines, and other phases of the administrative work of the bureau.

The same procedure will be followed in making public all regulatory and service announcements of the insecticide and fungicide board, the federal horticultural board, the forest service, and other branches of the department charged with quarantine or other regulatory matters.

As far as possible the free circulation of the service and regulatory announcements will be limited to public officers, persons or firms who have official relations with the department, and persons whose knowledge of the contents will aid in the enforcement of the various acts. As a rule only one copy will be sent to each person. Persons not coming within the foregoing classes, or who want a large number of copies or wish to obtain notices of judgment in individual form, can subscribe for the periodicals, or purchase additional copies or large supplies from the superintendent of documents at the government printing office, Washington, D. C.

NEW IDEA IN FARMERS' PUBLICATIONS

The department of agriculture has taken a lesson from the commercial book publishers and hereafter will announce its publications in such a way that the public will know at once whether it is a bulletin designed for popular reading or information for professional use or of service only to a special class of manufacturers or to a specific geographical section. These publications can be obtained free on application to the division of publications, United States department of agriculture, Washington, D. C., as long as the department's supply lasts. Thereafter they may be obtained from the superintendents, if the request is accompanied by the price stated.

NEW PURE FOOD ACT PROCEDURE

On February 24th, it was announced that in those cases where the department decides not to prosecute a manufacturer after he has been cited and has appeared for alleged violation of the food and drugs act, prompt notice will be given to the parties interested.

Heretofore, those manufacturers who have been cited and appeared before the department have had no knowledge that there was to be no prosecution if such a decision was reached. The result was that many manufacturers did not know where they stood, and experienced difficulty in regaining the confidence of the public in their products.

Under the new plan of the department the manufacturer will be notified promptly of the decision not to prosecute.

Working for a Congressional Victory

The following friends have signified their willingness to assist in the work of helping to elect a democratic congress this fall, and have ordered subscription cards for the purpose of disposal among voters in their districts:

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