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**Rebecca West Looks at America**

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 1.—Rebecca West, famous British novelist, who has just returned to England from a visit to the United States, lecturing in the packed Kingsway Hall before the Fabian Society recently, pictured the most people live in a place where the women perched high in the air where they can't keep a dog, much less families.

Lives of American women materially inclined thus become as tragic, she said, as those of peasant women in Europe who must have more children than they want.

Miss West said the wealth of America was being used to starve women in order to prevent their normal development and she asserted one of the most sinister features of American life is the emphasis that is placed on the woman criminal.

Pages and pages are devoted to blue-haired bandits and women murderers receive scores of letters proposing marriage, she said, adding that the attitude of the public often became hysterical over the women figuring in the sensational cases.

**ALIENS NEARLY DOUBLE BRITON MIGRANT TOTAL**

OTTAWA, Dec. 3.—During the first seven months of the current fiscal year 131,754 persons immigrated to this country. Of these 47,390 were British, 62,900 from foreign countries other than the United States, and 21,374 from the United States. In the corresponding period of 1927 the gross figures were 118,458, which represents an increase for 1928 of 11 per cent.

From April to October there were 20,854 native-born Canadians, 1,923 British subjects with Canadian domicile, and 766 naturalized Canadians who came back to this country from the United States.

English migrants continue to be in great majority, with 24,176 coming to Canada since April. Scotland furnished 12,868, Ireland 7,588 and Wales 2,758.

Of the "preferred" countries, apart from the United States, Germany provided the largest proportion with 9,710. Swedes were next with 2,649; Finland, 2,628; Denmark, 2,622; Norway, 1,885 and Holland, 1,183.

Ruthenians outnumbered others from the non-preferred countries, with 13,727. Poles numbered 7,244; Magyars 5,146; Slovaks 3,777; Jugoslavs 2,603; Jews 1,876; and Lithuanians 1,436.

**PACIFIC COAST TRIP DESCRIBED BY MR. PATON**

Word Pictures of Interesting Visit to Yellowstone Park, Prince of Wales Ranch and Other Places.

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Following is a continuation of Mr. James Paton's description of a recent visit of Mr. and Mrs. Paton to the Pacific Coast:

**VISIT TO YELLOWSTONE PARK**

After a journey from Chicago of two days and three nights we arrived by the Union Pacific train at West Yellowstone at 9.30 a. m., in an auto bus with nine or ten other passengers we left West Yellowstone for a five days' trip through the Park, said to be "the greatest museum of natural history in the world" the boundaries of the park embrace an area of 3,348 square miles, in which are the greatest geysers and canyons in the world. As we drove along we passed many wonderful and beautiful cascades, waterfalls, geysers and boiling paint pots, the latter being especially attractive. We were in the greatest of hot white paint all over the pond which produces sound like a whistling "pop-pop-pop" and every pop forming a different design on the surface. From this point we drove to Old Faithful Inn, built entirely of logs, at an altitude of 7,385 feet above sea level. This attractive hotel accommodates between four and five hundred guests. A few steps from here we find Old Faithful Geyser. Every hour, just varying a few moments, day and night, summer and winter, this wonderful geyser spouts up boiling water and steam to a height of from 120 to 200 feet, lasting for several moments. At night a powerful search light from the Inn roof sends the glare all over the active geysers. The illumination of Old Faithful in action is a sight we shall not readily forget.

The colourings of the numerous geysers cannot be described, beautiful shades of blues, greens, turquoise, red, yellow—all shades of the rainbow, the Morning Glory Pool being particularly lovely, with its shape like crater walls. The hot water is a beautiful transparent blue. The whole thing has the appearance of a large Morning Glory flower. The surface measures 23 feet in diameter, the temperature of water being 170 Fahrenheit.

A short auto drive from the Inn, we came to Daisy Geyser, and on the opposite side Bonita Pool, which acts as an indicator for the Daisy. The water in the Pool keeps continually rising and falling. When the water rises to its highest point, which occurs every 80 or 90 minutes, the Daisy throws boiling water and steam to a height of 70 feet.

**AT SEATTLE**

On the evening of this day we left for Seattle, Washington, a journey by train which took two nights and almost two days. Here we met many friends. Since our last visit to this city fourteen years ago, the population has about doubled, it being now five hundred thousand. The control of traffic is the best we have seen on the west coast of the Atlantic. The "stop and go" system is operated by electricity—red light with the word "stop" green light with the word "go." Foot passengers, also drivers of autos and teams have to obey the warning or run risk of being severely punished. At almost all crossings there are small red spot lights with the word "stop" here's all that vehicles have to remain for a few seconds. This means of regulating traffic should have the attention of our council in our own city.

We had the pleasure of attending the opening session of Washington University in Mennie Hall. A very interesting and instructive address to the students was delivered by the president, M. L. Spencer. There are about eight thousand students in this University. To provide funds for their training a very large percentage of the young men and women work during their vacation and in their spare hours. The budgeting of time suggested for students' meals, 2 1/2 hours, for exercise, 1 hour, 2 hours, physical exercise, 1 hour, social activities, 1 hour, mental recreation, 1 hour, student activities, laboratory study 8 hours. The stadium in connection with the University has the shape of the letter U and is situated on the shore of Lake Washington. The open end of the U, facing the lake, affords a magnificent view of the snow-capped Cascades. The stadium has a seating capacity of thirty thousand. By the use of a magnavox a speaker can be heard from all parts. We had the pleasure of witnessing a football game played by Washington and Pacific coast students.

We made a visit to the Canals Locks second in size to the Panama. The Canal from Puget Sound to Lake Washington is about eight miles long, and gives access for ocean shipping to the non-tidal fresh water harbors of Lake Union. The right of way is 300 feet wide, the channel, 100 feet wide, the depth being 38 feet. There are two locks at Puget Sound entrance of the Canal. The concrete walls of the largest is 66 feet high, 50 feet wide at base and 8 feet at the top. The largest chamber is 825 feet long, and holds a depth of water 50 feet. Ocean going steamers take about twenty minutes to go through. The total cost of the locks etc. was \$5,000,000.

We had pleasure in attending Sunday service at first Presbyterian Church. This church has the largest Church membership in the United States, having no less than seven thousand eight hundred and eighty-six on its roll. Rev. M. A. Matthews, D. D., L. L. D., the principal Pastor, is an orator of high reputation.

There are numerous beautiful gardens, parks, and drives in and around Seattle. The City is very hilly. During our stay in the State of Washington we had a great many auto trips, some taking two or three days. The roads throughout Washington State are in splendid condition, wide and safe, making auto travel easy and comfortable. Our first auto trip from Seattle to Edmonds crossed Puget Sound by Ferry, two hours run to Port Ludlow then by road to Port Angeles. Here we stayed at an hotel for the night



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and early after breakfast, started for Forks, a small town not far from the Pacific Coast. Here we dined and rested, later in the afternoon we made our way to La Push a Valley and Camping ground. Quite near is an Indian Reservation. After lingering here inspecting Lodges and wandering on the Pacific Shore, we returned to Forks, resting for the night at a newly built comfortable hotel. The following morning we started early, taking a different route from the previous day and arrived in the evening at a Port d'Anceles where we remained a short time and later moved on to Port Ludlow. Here we stayed for the night, and returned to Seattle the following morning. I wish it were possible to give a full description of this outing, travelling through Forests of fir and cedar trees, of great size in circumference and height with Sunlight and Shadows chasing one another among the beautiful woods. Added to this magnificent sight, are the Beauties of Crescent Lake, the Cozy Camps, good Hotels and other interesting spots, where fishing and hunting can be had, all offering inducement for tourists. Such are some of the things we saw and enjoyed.

Journey Continued

From Seattle to Bellingham through the Government Reservation and Larabee Gardens was another delightful drive, quite as interesting of somewhat different scenic nature from our previous trip. As we went our way round the many curves climbing up the Mountains, every turn brings to view new and attractive scenery, we might tell of several other Auto trips—but will finish our Seattle visit by repeating one more. About 10 a.m., we left Seattle for the Pacific Beach, our route being through Tacoma, Olympia, Aberdeen, and Hoquiam. We broke our journey for an hour or two at Olympia the Capital of the State of Washington; and visited Parliament building, a most beautiful structure. In place of going directly to the Beach, we decided to turn from the main road and go to Quinalt, in the Olympic National Forest, a most beautiful spot among the Western foothills of the Olympic. Situated close to Quinalt Lake is a cozy hotel. As we entered we were charmed with the comfortable place. A big log fire was burning brightly. Chairs and lounges all seemed to invite strangers to remain. When morning came we were loath to leave, without throwing a line on the lake where there is an abundance of speckled trout.

However time did not permit, so we proceeded on our journey to the Pacific Beach, where we enjoyed ourselves fully and arrived back in Seattle just at midnight. We might say a great many nice things about our visit to this hilly and busy city; for the present we say good bye and sail by C. P. R. Steamer, Princess Kathleen, through Puget Sound Admiralty Inlet, across Strait of Juan-De-Fuca and Georgia Strait to Vancouver. The day was all that could be desired—bright sunshine clear crisp air, a real health giver. On our way the Steamer called at Victoria, remaining for an hour. This time we spent enjoying an Auto trip around the City. About 8 p.m. we arrived at Vancouver. Within the past few years Vancouver's population has greatly increased and is now somewhat in the vicinity of 300,000. Men and Women from our own Garden of the Gulf, have done their share in bringing up the figures to what they are at present. During our sojourn in this City, not a day passed without taking an Auto drive to some place of interest. When rain falls in Vancouver, natives and some Islanders who have moved to this city, tell us, the rain does not wet. This was not our experience, we found the same kind of rain there as we have in Charlottetown. The population is a very mixed one, a great many Japanese, Hindus, and in one part of the city the inhabitants are all Chinese, conducting every conceivable business.

We had a very interesting interview with one of Vancouver's oldest citizens (a native of England) Mr. Charles Quick, better known as Dad Quick, one hundred and eight-years old. With the exception of being slightly hard of hearing, all his faculties are good; he still works at his trade of harness making. In his early years Mr. Quick was interested in the invention of the first sewing machine made by Howe, and was the first man to make sewing Machine needles. The old gentleman told many stories of his past life. Although "Dad" never attended school, he speaks four different languages. I asked him: "How do you account for the good health you have enjoyed?" he answered, "Hard work; Working hard will keep a man in good health." On the 30th of October "Dad" was given a birthday party by the Devon Cornwall and Somerset Association. At the party there was the following: Solomon Mutch, 100 years (born in P. E. I.) W. H. Higgins, Marpole, 101 years, Jim McIntosh Kamloops, 110 years, Dad Quick 108 years, Mrs. Avantly, Kefour, 115 years. Dad's birthday cake was decorated with 108 candles. When the music started and the young folks danced, Dad could not resist and stepping out on the floor making the remark, "God bless the Calico!" and took part in the dance.

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were in position. The Chancel one tells the story of the great sacrifice, and glory of Young Canadian manhood, facing this is the "all Canada" window telling in pictures the making of Canadian history. He also pointed out where the Book of Remembrance will be placed. Just as we were about saying good-bye, he remarked "Isn't it beautiful Stone in the building? Every bit of it was brought by a Scotchman." Vancouver has many very lovely parks and gardens, Stanley Park being the principal one, laid out

with good roads, flower gardens, and roses of all description and colors. There are totem poles, bowling greens and last but not least a square similar to a checker board made on the ground with black and white marble slabs. The checkers are quite large and handled or rather moved by means of a small hook on the end of a rod. We were interested in watching two men playing the game.

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