

Notes on People

Immigration Chief to Do Duty

Traditionally, the men who have headed the Immigration and Naturalization Service have avoided taking a position on the issue of whether immigration should be curtailed, expanded or allowed to stay as is, preferring to act strictly as administrators. The new immigration commissioner, Leonard F. Chapman Jr., who has been on duty only two weeks, plans to change all that. He intends to tell Congress what he thinks immigration policy should be, the former commandant of the Marine Corps said, because "I think it is one of my duties." The question, he said, has two sides—the "open door" tradition of admitting almost anyone who wants to live here, and what General Chapman called "the other end of the spectrum—haul up the gangplank." He hasn't formed his own position, he said.

The newest feud along Publishers Row involves William Safire, who has written a book about his experiences as an aide to President Nixon, and William Morrow & Co., which has rejected his manuscript and demanded the return of an \$83,000 advance payment.

Mr. Safire's contract with Morrow called for an eventual payment of \$250,000 for his book, "Hurry to Be Great." When he turned in the manuscript last month, he said yesterday, the editors at Morrow rejected it as "unacceptable to the publisher." Morrow still owes him the balance of the \$250,000, he said.

"The real reason they turned it down is because they don't like its politics," said Mr. Safire, who is now a columnist for The New York Times. "When Morrow contracted for the book, President Nixon's fortunes were riding high. As Nixon's fortunes fell, so did the faces at Morrow. The change in the climate of opinion changed their minds about wanting to publish the book. This is a pernicious kind of censorship, one that doesn't want an unpopular view on the marketplace."

Lawrence Hughes, president of Morrow, said in a statement: "It is true that there is a dispute between this company and William Safire about a book-publication agreement. The matter is now in arbitration, and we feel it is inappropriate to make fur-

ther comment at this time."

"We wouldn't think of moving; it's a very friendly neighborhood," said Mrs. Gerald R. Ford, wife of the new Vice President, letting it be known the Fords intend to stay in their seven-room home at 514 Crown View Drive in the Washington suburb of Alexandria, Va. The Fords built the house in 1955, at a cost of \$34,000. The brick and clapboard dwelling is now assessed at \$66,000. It has four bedrooms, and there is a 20-by-40-foot swimming pool built in the backyard in 1961 for \$7,500. The Fords's two-car garage has been taken over by the Secret Service. They have not considered moving, Mrs. Ford said, because "the children would have a fit if we did."

To hear Mrs. Helen McCain Smith tell it, the sole reason the 14-man Yale University singing group, the Whiffenpoofs, canceled an appearance at a White House worship service scheduled for tomorrow is that the singers faced semester examinations and needed time to study. Well, that was part of the reason the Yale men won't be backing up the Rev. Billy Graham at the worship services, but there was another one, and it was political in nature, it may be news to Mrs. Smith, who is Mrs. Richard M. Nixon's press secretary.

According to Richard Masimilian, the 21-year-old business manager of the Whiffenpoofs, he was unable to receive unanimous assurance from members of the choral group that "they would take no action to embarrass themselves or the Whiffenpoofs at the White House." It seems the foremost dissenting gentleman songster from Yale is Randy Tucker of Alexandria, Va., who said "I just couldn't see myself singing in the White House without doing something to protest what President Nixon's done in office."

In Springfield, Ill., Dakin Williams, brother of the playwright Tennessee Williams, filed to oppose Senator Adlai E. Stevenson 3d for the Democratic nomination in next March's primary. Mr. Williams said he would challenge Mr. Stevenson on such issues as liberal abortion statutes, gun-control legislation, bus-

and no-fault automobile insurance. All of these are favored by Mr. Stevenson, said Mr. Williams, while he finds himself in the opposite corner.

Joyful as the rekindling of an old love may be for the two people involved, it can spark problems for others. Take the case of Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton, who, apparently reconciled and scratching plans for divorce, flew from Naples to Venice yesterday so that Mr. Burton could continue work on a movie. They were both smiling and happy, but some of the people charged with settling their presumably now-canceled divorce problems were in a quandary.

For example, a friend of the couple said in Hollywood that "there's a hold on selling Elizabeth's jewels until further notice." And in Auburn, N.Y., Paul W. Lattimore reports that he had been asked to find a buyer for the Burtons' 140-foot yacht, and "I had two real purchasers." Now, he said, "it appears all sales are off, but its more important that two great lovers love again than for me to make a couple of yen."

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