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ORIGINAL

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PETITION FOR NATURALIZATION

No. 427
The Honorable the District Court of Valley County, Montana hereby filed, respectfully sheweth:

The petition of Courtnor Luff, First. My place of residence is Culbertson, Montana (Give number, street, city or town, and State.)

Second. My occupation is Farming.

Third. I was born on the 1 day of January, anno Domini 1867 at Constantinople Russia (Name and place of birth).
Fourth. I emigrated to the United States from Yokota, Canada on or about the 1st day of April, anno Domini 1901, and arrived in the United States, at the port of Portl, North Dakota on the 9 day of April, anno Domini 1901. (If this date is earlier than by read, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given.)

Fifth. I declared my intention to become a citizen of the United States on the 27 day of May, anno Domini 1907, in the District Court of Valley County, Montana. She was born Constantinople, Russia, and now resides at Culbertson, Montana (Give number, street, city or town, and State.)

Sixth. I do not married. My wife's name is Christina Luff, and was born Constantinople, Russia, and now resides at Culbertson, Montana.

Seventh. I am not a disbeliever in or opposed to organized government or a member of or affiliated with any organization or body of persons teaching disbelief in or opposed organized government. I am not a polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy. I am attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and it is my intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce absolutely and forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and to my Emperor George V King of Great Britain and Ireland, of whom at this time I am a subject, and is my intention reside permanently in the United States.

Eighth. I am able to speak the English language.

Ninth. I have resided continuously in the United States of America for the term of five years at least, immediately preceding the date of this petition, to wit, since the 9 day of April, anno Domini 1907 and in the State of Montana, continuously next preceding the date of this petition, since the 15 day of April, anno Domini 1907 being a residence within this State of at least one year next preceding the date of this petition.

Tenth. I have not heretofore made petition for citizenship to any court. (If made petition for citizenship to the _____, on the _____ day of _____, anno Domini _____, and the petition was denied by the said court for the following reasons and causes, to wit: _____, and the cause of such denial has since been cured or removed) _____.

Attached hereto and made a part of this petition are my declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States and the certificate from the Department of Commerce and Labor, together with my affidavit and the affidavits of the two verifying witnesses thereto, required by law. Wherefore your petitioner prays that he may be admitted a citizen of the United States of America.

Courtnor Luff
(Unusual and true signature of petitioner)

Declaration of Intention and Certificate of Arrival No. 18703 from Department of Commerce and Labor dated this 30 day of January, 1913
Note to Clerks or Clerks—If petitioner arrived in the United States on or before June 20, 1906, strike out the words reading "and Certificate of Arrival No. _____ from Department of Commerce and Labor."

AFFIDAVITS OF PETITIONER AND WITNESSES.

State of Montana
County of Valley } as:

The aforesaid petitioner being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the petitioner in the above-entitled proceedings; that he has read the foregoing petition and knows the same to be true; that the said petition is signed with his full, true name; that the same is true of his own knowledge except as to matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and that as to those matters he believes it to be true.

Courtnor Luff
(Unusual and true signature of petitioner)

Geo. Zeno Bruegger occupation Merchant, residing at Culbertson, Montana
Ottie Waldow occupation Farming, residing at Culbertson, Montana
being respectively duly, and respectively sworn, deposes and says that he is a citizen of the United States of America; that he has personally known the petitioner above mentioned, to have resided in the United States continuously immediately preceding the date of filing the petition, since the 15 day of April, anno Domini 1907, and in the State in which the above-named petition is made continuously since the 15 day of April, anno Domini 1907; and that he has personal knowledge that the said petitioner is a person of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and that the petitioner is in every way qualified, to his opinion, to be admitted a citizen of the United States.

Geo. Zeno Bruegger
(Signature of witness)
Ottie Waldow
(Signature of witness)

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Sworn and sworn to before me by the above-named petitioner and witnesses this 30 day of January, anno Domini 1913.

Walter Shockey
Deputy Clerk

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