

NEW IMMIGRATION BILL ENDS PICTURE BRIDES

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Feb. 23.
—The woes of the "picture bride" were revealed here yesterday in connection with the perennial immigration bill fight, with its threat of international complications, that is near in the House. Chairman Burnett of the immigration committee said that the proposed legislation would eliminate among other things the Japanese "picture bride" practice which he says is a growing evil.

The "picture bride" is a woman who pretends to marry by proxy in Japan and then comes to the United States or its territories to meet her husband, whom frequently she has never seen.

Statistics filed with the committee show that 2,000 "picture brides" entered Hawaii last year and 18,000 came to the United States. Friends of the literacy test measure, which probably will be brought on the floor late this week, boasted yesterday that they had enough votes to pass it over a veto by the President, which is confidently expected if the bill ever reaches him.