

# German Professor Wants Britain to Win

Toronto, Dec. 24.—Today, for the first time in local history, objection was made to the granting of naturalization papers to a citizen of a country at war with the empire. A. R. Hassard, acting for A. A. Gray, photographer, 561 Queen street West, appeared in court to object to the naturalization of Prof. Mueller, lately of Toronto university, but now off the staff though still receiving salary. Prof. Mueller has been in Canada for twenty years, but never became a British citizen.

Mr. Hassard based his objection on the grounds that it was contrary to law to grant citizenship to persons of countries now at war with Britain; that the statute only refers to times of peace.

"Whom do you want to win this war?" was a question asked Prof. Mueller.

"It is not a fair question," protested the professor.

"I think it is quite fair," said Judge Coatsworth. "Do you want to see Britain victorious?"

"Yes," replied the professor.

The court reserved judgment in the application, and will render it later.