

# NERLICH TAKES STAND



## Says He Only Assisted German to Pay His Debts

Toronto, June 10.—Emil Nerlich, on trial for high treason, today took the stand in his own behalf, after Mr. Justice Sutherland had given his decision against the motion of defence counsel, that the case should be taken from the jury. Mr. Nerlich testified that he was on the committee to find employment for Germans. Zirzow, who was sent to him to find work, never told him that he was going back to Germany, but to New York to look for work. His invitation to him to take lunch was on account of the fact that Zirzow had had no breakfast. He paid several small accounts for Zirzow as the latter was hard up. He told him he was going to New York to get work and on the strength of that witness gave some of his creditors \$10 to pay the debts owed by Zirzow.

Cross-examined, witness said he gave the money to be sure that the creditors would get what was owing.

"Is this man to hang because he bought that alien a fifty-cent dinner?" said Mr. Hellmuth, counsel for defence.

The Judge will deliver his charge to the jury tomorrow.