

# WOULD INTERN ALL GERMAN CITIZENS

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**Mr. N. Roelants Says They Did  
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**ESCAPED BEFORE SIEGE**

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**Naturalized Germans Get War  
Contracts While Canadians  
Fight**

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All naturalized Germans living in Canada should be interned, in the opinion of Mr. N. Roelants, a Belgian who escaped from Antwerp just before the bombardment. His father, mother, brothers and sisters are prisoners there.

"There is no doubt you will have innocent and well-meaning naturalized Germans in Canada, but the few good ones will have to suffer for the many bad," he said. "Did the Germans have pity for the poor innocent women and children of Belgium, killed or buried alive? What will your naturalized Germans think of the hundreds of honest Belgian girls who have been wronged? The Canadians don't want all the naturalized Germans shot or buried alive. No, they only ask that all naturalized Germans should be made harmless, should be interned. This ought to be done while there is yet time. I think it is senseless to see the Germans here making thousands of dollars profit on war contracts while Canadians are giving up their business to go to the front.

"When the Belgians in Antwerp decided to intern the naturalized Germans, there were some sad cases. For instance, there were Germans who had been living in Belgium for many years, married to Belgian girls, with children born in Belgium. I remember a case of an old German walter who had two sons, the eldest fighting in the Belgian army. Both were born in Belgium. The father was forced to leave the country. The eldest son was recalled from the trenches and, in company with his brother, he was sent to Ghent. In many cases where the father was German and the mother and children Belgians, the father was interned or sent to Germany. The mother and children could join the father or stay in Antwerp. There were very difficult cases, but the naturalized were always interned or sent back to Germany."