

TWO MEN ARRESTED BY CITY POLICE ON SEDITION CHARGE

Alleged Utterances Against King George Overheard By Constable MacDonald

Leonard Van Hindsberg, a private in the 66th Battalion was arrested Thursday night by Constable McDonald, a hotel policeman, on a charge of using alleged seditious language in the bar of the Pennantia hotel.

While talking to a German-Canadian whose sympathies were with the Allies, and who stated that he preferred to be under King George's rule than the Kaiser's, he is alleged to have used the following sentences "You shouldn't say that, as the Kaiser gives you better protection than King George; ——— King George," contrary to section 134 of the Criminal Code.

On Thursday evening, the accused and the German-Canadian were conversing in a foreign language and shortly after the arrival of the constable, who was making his usual rounds, the accused is alleged to have uttered the sentence. He was placed in the hands of the military authorities, and this afternoon appeared before Magistrate Primrose, for preliminary hearing, being remanded until next Monday.

Hans Mueckhelle, a naturalized alien was also arrested Thursday evening by Constable McDonald on a charge of using alleged seditious language. Mueckhelle has previously been warned as to his general conduct, but his sympathies are so evidently pro-German it is alleged, that he has been in the habit of exhibiting a ring, loaned by the German government, with the following words inscribed: "Dem Alten Vaterland. Die Treue Zu Belveisen Gab Ich in Schwener Zeit Ihm Gold Fur Dieses Eisen." D.H.G. 1914, meaning, "The Old Fatherland my loyalty to prove. I gave in difficult times Gold for this iron." The ring is a specimen of hundreds which are now being worn in Germany, and is in the form of a signet, with the Iron Cross inlaid.