

USES SEDITION REMARKS; RUSSIAN IS FOUND GUILTY

Accused Claims He Is a Douk- hobor—Pleads Liquor Was Cause of Indiscreetness

A charge of sedition against John Post was heard in the supreme criminal court Wednesday, before Mr. Justice Walsh. Post, who is a Russian, was at the Jasper hotel, and in the company of other Russians. It is alleged that he tried to persuade them to go to Saskatchewan and work in preference to joining the recruits. He was charged with saying "Germany and Austria are going right along and I think they are going to beat Russia. I am sure they will beat them; they ought to beat them. Anyone enlisting in the Canadian forces is crazy and if he needed work he could go to Saskatchewan and get all the work he wanted."

The accused said in court that he was under the influence of liquor at the time he was accused of making the statements, and if he had said the words of which he was accused he did not remember. He also went on to say that he was a Doukhobor and that the Russians had oppressed his people.

Mr. Justice Walsh found him guilty and remanded sentence to be dealt with at the time Alexander and Penn found guilty of theft, receive their sentence.

E. G. Cogswell, K.C., prosecuted for the crown, and Gordon Winkler acted for the accused.