ORDERED FROM CANADIAN PORT

German Vessel Receives Command to Hurry to American, or Neutral, Zone

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Action Prevents First Austrian Contingent From Canada Returning Home

NEW YORK—That Germany considers herself on the absolute brink of war with Britain is indicated by the action of shipping firms, which not only cancelled sailings today, but ordered the North German Lloyd line steamer Willehad to leave Montreal, where she is now docking, and go to an American port so as to be in a neutral zone. This action prevents the return home of the first lot of Austrian reservists from Canada. More than 200, called to the Austrian colors, had engaged passage on this vessel.

The steamers Friederich Der Grosse, which sailed from Baltimore on July 29, and Neckar, which sailed from Galveston the same day, are recalled by wireless.

Call Given Twice

The steamer Grosser Kurfuerst, which sailed from this port Thursday, was again instructed by wireless to return.

The Friederich der Grosse and the Neckar were given the option of putting into either New York or Baltimore, whichever happened to be the nearer, upon their return. The Grosser Kurfuerst was ordered back to New York.

Officials of the line said that the Willehad had been ordered to leave Montreal for Boston, because the former is a British port, and in the event of hostilities between Germany and England it would be necessary for the vessel to be in a neutral port to avoid seizure.

Line Now Tied Up

With the issuance of these orders today the tie-up of the North German Lloyd fleet plying between American ports and Europe has been practically completed. The sailing of the Hamburg-American line vessels had been suspended on both sides of the water. The Vaterland, which was to have sailed today with 3,000 passengers; the Kronprinz Wilhelm, scheduled to sail next Tuesday; the Prinzess Irene, scheduled to sail today, and the Barbarossa, scheduled to sail August 6, all have cancelled their sailing and will remain at dock here.