

## INTERN THE DANGEROUS: GOVERNMENT'S PLAN

### Provision Will be Made for Maintenance

### NOT TO BE IMPRISONED

**Wives and Children May Remain With Them—Those Not Likely to Aid Enemy May Leave Country; Others Given Limited Liberty.**

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

Ottawa, Oct. 28.—The Government has announced a plan for handling the **Austrian** and German residents of Canada. The presence of a large number of these people, many of whom are army reservists, has caused considerable anxiety. Under present regulations Germans and **Austrians** who attempt to leave Canada are liable to arrest. Many of them are without means or employment, and with winter coming on their plight is desperate. It is feared that they may abandon the law-abiding attitude they have maintained as a rule up to the present.

#### Will Intern Possible Soldiers.

The Government has therefore decided to intern those who might become useful to the German or Austrian armies should they leave Canada, and those who it is decided would not become dangerous will be allowed to leave.

#### Registration Ordered.

To give effect to this plan the Government announces that "where persons of alien enemy nationality may be found in considerable groups regular offices shall be established and registrars appointed." Within a month after proclamation that such offices have been opened it is made the duty of such persons to report themselves, and the registrar will inquire as to their "nationality, disposition and intentions, and their power to provide for their maintenance."

#### Who May Have Liberty.

When satisfied that there is no danger of a person "aiding the enemy," he may "grant to such person a permit to leave the country." Those to whom he feels it would not be safe to grant such permits, but who are in a position to maintain themselves and appear willing to behave, may be allowed liberty subject to the obligation of reporting regularly to the authorities.

#### Provision for Those Interned.

Those whom the registrars find cannot be safely allowed to leave Canada, or to have liberty within the country, or if given liberty would not be in a position to maintain themselves, "are to be interned as **prisoners** of war." But "such persons while under guard are not to be imprisoned in any penal institution, and provision will be made for their maintenance. In case of men of this class who have wives and children dependent upon them, the latter may be permitted to remain with them if they so desire, and will be provided for in the same manner."

The Dominion Police will have charge of registration, and the militia of internment. Aliens desiring naturalization will have to obtain the approval of registration officers. The order will be gazetted at once.