

# FORMER EDMONTON LAWYER IS TAKEN PRISONER AS SPY

## Well-Known Sportsman Is Arrested on Pacific Coast

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VANCOUVER, Jan. 21.—Baron Carl von Mackensen, former officer in the Prussian Death's Head Hussars, and a nephew of General von Mackensen, who is now leading German forces in Russian Poland, together with Dr. Otto Redlich, a German lawyer, and Hans Merselick, a German reservist, have been arrested as prisoners-of-war and lodged in New Westminster jail. It is expected that they will be detained until the end of the war.

Von Mackensen, who is a young delicate-looking fellow, and Dr. Redlich were arrested a couple of weeks ago by the local provincial authorities and later released after they had made explanations. Von Mackensen at that

time showed a copy of a letter he had sent to the German consul at Seattle, refusing to obey the summons to return to the colors, and stated that before war was declared he had applied for naturalization as a British subject. Today the military authorities decided to rearrest and detain the men.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Jan. 21.—

Predicting that in a little while the German flag would wave over the courthouse here and declaring that he was about to start an insurrection among the Germans, a German, bearing the Irish name of Steve Burke, has been taken in charge by the police. He will be sent to Nanaimo military prison.

Burke was released on Thursday from the provincial gaol after serving a two months' term for flourishing a revolver in Vancouver shortly after the war broke out. After leaving the prison he declared publicly what he would do to the "dirty English." He also told people what German "kultur" was and how soon the citizens would be "kultured." In the midst of these declarations the city police marched him off to the lock-up.

Baron Carl von Mackensen, Dr. Ernest Edward Redlich and Hans Marcepich, the three Germans who have been detained in the provincial gaol, left this afternoon under armed escort for Nanaimo, B.C., where their case will be investigated by the military authorities. The three are suspected of having aided German reservists to cross into the United

States from the baron's ranch at Fort Kells, B.C.

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Dr. Redlich is well known in Edmonton. He had offices in the Tegler block at one time, and two years ago he was a member of the Edmonton Tennis club.