

BRITISH OFFICERS NOW BUSY ROUNDING UP ALIEN PEOPLE

Germans and Austrians Willing To be Interned Rather Than Face Mobs.

London, May 17.—Internment of forty thousand Germans and Austrians in Great Britain was begun last week by Scotland Yard and special "war constables" working under the direction of the home office. Many women and children and men too old for military service will be deported.

At present some 40,000 unnaturalized aliens, of whom 24,400 are men, are at large. Some 19,000 non-naturalized alien enemies are already interned.

Thousands of policemen lined up at various stations during the morning to whom were given lists of names of aliens to be interned. These lists were previously prepared by the government.

Aliens Seek Protection

Internment order is effective for the checking of anti-German riots. Throughout the day crowds of Germans and Austrians, men and women alike, gathered at the police stations voluntarily giving themselves up for protection.

The station yards are piled high with baggage of all descriptions, for aliens carried all their portable effects with them. Many of the hotels and restaurants that had relied exclusively upon German help have lost their whole staffs.

Crowds of British gathered in the streets and jeered at the aliens, and in some instances personal attacks were made, but Germans and Austrians were accorded good police protection.