

GERMAN IS ARRESTED

Otto Becker Will be Sent to Internment Camp.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Aug. 6.— Otto Becker, a German who for a number of years has made his headquarters in this city, was arrested on Columbia street by Immigration Officer Sholto McColl, of White Rock, and has been sent to the alien concentration camp at Vernon, B. C., where he will be held until the termination of the war. Becker has been under surveillance for some months, but seemingly the local authorities could never fasten anything to him, and it remained for the immigration officials, acting under instructions from Malcolm R. J. Reid, chief inspector of immigration at Vancouver, to effect his incarceration.

Becker was rather a prominent figure locally, as he operated a wholesale coffee and spice manufacturing plant back of the Dunsmuir hotel. Shortly after the outbreak of war he made numerous and earnest attempts to be made a citi-

zen of this country, but despite his utmost efforts, His Honor Judge Howay, before whom the application was made, invariably turned it down.

Since then Becker has been the subject of countless rumors. Last week he sold his coffee mill, and from information the authorities received fully intended to leave the country. His wife and child still reside in this city.