

WHY SUCH FREEDOM TO ENEMY ALIENS?

Halifax Authorities Courting Danger—Internment of All is Urged

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Halifax, July 5.—Since the sinking of the hospital ship *Llandovery Castle* The Halifax Herald has been carrying on a vigorous editorial campaign against enemy aliens, who have been enjoying the freedom of the city since the outbreak of the war. Enemy aliens, The Herald alleges, who have no regular occupations, are in constant association with sailors and soldiers, watching marine movements.

The interest of this campaign has been so intense that at a meeting of the City Council yesterday a resolution was unanimously passed to take the matter before the Board of Control.

At a meeting of the Board of Control it was decided to wait on the military authorities and urge the rounding up and internment of all enemy aliens.

Direct Courting of Danger.

In the course of a leading article, The Herald will say to-morrow in part:

"This newspaper was informed yesterday that a woman, a native-born of Germany, whose husband is also a German and at the present time a prisoner in the internment camp at Amherst, is allowed to parade the streets of Halifax, to enjoy every freedom of the city, and is associating with naval and military men. This is not the only case which could be cited. To allow this state of affairs to continue is an outrage on commonsense. It is a direct courting of danger.

"For what conceivable reason are enemy aliens allowed their untrammelled freedom in this city?

Menace to Lives and Ships.

"The authorities must throw off all lethargy in this matter and co-operate with the civic authorities in rounding up these dangerous, loafing aliens, whose presence constitutes so great a menace. British lives are precious. Our doctors, our nurses and our men surely have the first and every claim upon us. Ships, too, are of exceedingly great value to the allies.

"Why in the name of all that is sane and reasonable should lives and ships be jeopardized because the authorities allow Hun spies the free run of this city?

"The local spies must go. Halifax must be purged of treachery."