

# CANADA'S MOVEMENT OF ALIENS BEGINS

## Hundred Are Shipped Away From Vernon Camp.

Associated Press by Leased Wire.

VERNON, B. C., Feb. 20.—The first contingent of interned aliens to be deported from the Vernon Camp left today. There were 100 of these prisoners, principally Germans and Austrians of the laboring class, who went out this afternoon under charge of an officer and guard of 20 men.

It is stated that 50 will go direct to England and from there be deported to their homes, while the other 50 will remain for some time in an eastern internment camp.

This leaves about 250 prisoners still interned here.

### Minister's Statement.

TORONTO, Feb. 20.—If aliens now in Canada will be admitted to their home countries and if shipping facilities can be placed at their disposal at Halifax or St. John, it is the intention of the Minister of Labor, Hon. Gideon Robertson, to arrange land transportation for a few thousand aliens in southern Ontario who are waiting and are anxious to pay their transportation home. This is the substance of a letter from Hon. M. Robertson, read at a meeting of the Toronto district Trades and Labor Council tonight.