

HILLCREST MINERS DEMAND INTERNMENT OF ALIEN EMPLOYEES

Follow Suit of Fernie Men in Refusing to Work With Austrians

Hillcrest, Alta., June 16.—British and Italian miners here have followed suit of those at Coal Creek in refusing to work in the mines with the German and Austrian employees, and last night practically the entire operation of the mines here was held up as a result. Negotiations are being conducted with the Ottawa officials by wire by a citizens' committee, with a view to having Austrians and Germans interned, as was done at Fernie. The miners refuse to go back to work until this is done.

There are about 150 Germans and Austrians in the mines here, many of whom are married. It is expected that the authorities will take steps to intern all single aliens. In the meantime the mines are practically shut down.

Torpedo Boat is Sunk in Collision

Cherbourg, June 15, via Paris, June 16.—The French torpedo boat No. 331 sank today after a collision with the British steamer Arleya. Six of the warship's crew were drowned. Others were rescued by torpedo boat, No. 337.

TO INVESTIGATE

Washington, D.C., June 16.—Published charges that Dr. Anton Meyer Gerhardt, for whom the United States arranged a safe conduct with the Allies that he might return to Germany with a personal message from Count von Bernstorff, German Ambassador, was in reality Dr. Alfred Meyer, chief of the supply department of the German army, who had been secretly in the United States States buying munitions of war, are to be investigated by the State department.