

# Otto Geiler to be Interned Till February 15; Settlement Reached

**Amicable Agreement in Alleged Treason Case—Accused Will  
Be Free After Date Set by Court—Counsel for the De-  
fendant Accepts Ultimatum**

(Western Associated Press.)

WINNIPEG, Man., Jan. 9.—By arrangement between counsel a settlement which is satisfactory to the accused has been made in the case of Otto Geiler, who was charged with treason:

Counsel for the accused made application for a writ of habeas corpus, and the same was granted. Under military guard Geiler was brought before Mr. Justice Metcalfe this morning. Edward Anderson, representing the military authorities and the minister of justice submits the following letter to the court which explains the agreement:

"In this matter, if your client, Geiler, will submit to be interned as a prisoner of war until February 15, I will agree on behalf of the military authorities of district number ten and the minister of justice that Geiler will then be released, and that his liberty will not be further interfered with as to any past alleged treasonable offenses for which the said Geiler is now detained.

The authorities will expect the said Geiler to report to them from time to time as he may be called upon. The return to the writ of habeas corpus is to be adjourned until February 15, on which date if Geiler is not given his liberty you are free to move for the same under the writ.

(Signed) "EDWARD ANDERSON.

"His consent to the foregoing is not to be taken as an admission of guilt by your client."

On behalf of his client, Mr. Elliott said he accepted the proposal in the letter. No consideration of guilt had influenced the acceptance. But the preparation of the defense would have cost Geiler more than he could afford; he would in all probability have had to stay in jail until the trial, and finally, even though innocent, he desired to save his family the anxiety a continued suspense would entail.

Geiler will be taken to Brandon and there interned until February 15. Mr. Anderson said he thought the case would never come into court again.