

# TREASON CHARGE— HOPES FOR MODERATION

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BRIDGEBURG, Ont., Jan. 11.—What is declared to have been the first high treason charge in 75 years will be staged this week at the Ontario criminal Court at Toronto, when Corp. Paul Mazur, of the 48th Canadian Regiment, who enlisted from Port Hope, Ont., will be tried. His arrest, compassed by Immigration Inspector Albert E. Seaton of Fort Erie, when he, with three Austrian reservists, attempted to leave Canada for the States, via Buffalo, is declared to have been a clever piece of work on Inspector Seaton's part.

Mazur had furnished, it is stated, his three companions with instructions to pass themselves off as Russians, and but for Inspector Seaton's suspicion of a card showing that they had been placed on parole as Austrians at a previous inspection, the men would have undoubtedly got through.

Mazur's trial is attracting province-wide attention. His attorneys, it is expected, will bring to bear powerful efforts to have the charge moderated. That is the first point to be considered in their case. The penalty for high treason is death.