

HAVE 300 GERMANS ESCAPED TO STATES?

Investigations Under Col. Grasett Indicate That Paroled Alien Enemies Have Escaped by Wholesale. — Some Heard of in Detroit — Regulations May be Tightened

That more stringent regulations should govern alien enemies now on parole is the conviction of plainclothesmen of different city divisions who have been endeavoring to locate 300 paroled alien enemies since the Chief of Police, Colonel Grasett, became the Registrar of Alien Enemies. Got Away to Detroit.

Living as many of them do in shacks on the outskirts of the city, and in congested structures in more central parts of the city, there is the possibility that they are still in Toronto, but evidence in the shape of a letter from two of them to the proprietor of their former boarding house on McCaul street shows that they had no difficulty in escaping to the United States. Writing from Detroit, the men say that they safely reached the United States without difficulty.

An examination of the books of the former Registrar after the police took charge showed that many alien enemies had not kept their parole. Since that time efforts have been made to locate them, but these have not met with success.

Some Now Interned.

Some of those who have not kept their parole have been interned. The arrest of Samuel Kalafa, 49 Walton street, and Louis Bernstein, 183 McCaul street, was the result of a search on the part of Plainclothesmen Scott and Greenlee of Agnes street police station for these men, to obtain an explanation from them of their failure to report to the office of the Registrar. One said he was too busy to come, while the other paid little attention to the questions put to him.

Treat Parole System Lightly.

The officers who have been detailed to work of this nature state that Germans and Austrians treat the parole system lightly. Some are daring. They say that the Government is afraid of Germany and fears to intern them. Others treat the matter with indifference.

From their knowledge of existing conditions at the border, the police say that it is more than possible that others of the missing 300 or more have reached the United States in the same manner as the former roomers in the McCaul street house.