

MORTENSEN ONLY GIVEN FOUR MONTHS AND A HALF BY JUDGE

Will be Returned to Canadian
Side and Tried on More
Serious Charge

The two Austrians who were witnesses in the Mortensen case have been brought to the city and are being held in the county jail until the immigration authorities take them over for deportation. Mortensen, who was sentenced Thursday, got a much lighter sentence than was first reported by Inspector Ross, who appeared at the trial last week and who believed Mortensen would get six months. But Judge Sessions sentenced him to four and a half months beginning Aug. 4, 1915 when he was arrested. He will serve the rest or about three months here.

Nels Mortensen was arrested on a charge of bringing aliens into the country. He confessed to bringing 13 Austrians across from his farm on the Canadian shore near Point Aux Pins to the American shore, landing them above the locks. Mortensen carried a number across at different times and charged them as much as he could get. He had an Austrian by the name of Jan Koro-

uk working as an agent for him. Koroik would round the foreigners up down town and then take them up to Mortensen's farm for which he would charge them \$3 or \$4. At the termination of his sentence Mortensen will be deported, when he will probably be taken over by the Canadian authorities on the much more serious charge of treason. Judge Sessions probably had this in mind when he sentenced the man.