

# Opinions Of Others

All communications sent the News Tribune for publication should be written on one side of the paper and signed by the writer, whose name will be withheld if desired. The correspondence published under this heading is just what it states—"The Opinion of Others," which may be a long way from our own.

Vorbanich is not an Austrian—Austrians are Law-Abiding and the Austrians Now in Prisons Practically Number None.

To the Editor of the News-Tribune:

The publication in your issue of this date relative to the conduct of one Peter Vorbanich, at or near Biwabik, Minn., only again explodes the utter ignorance of the writer of the article of geography and history.

Every criminal for whom no other nationality can be found by the Duluth papers is simply styled "AUSTRIAN."

With the exception of the natives of Bohemia, it would be an easy matter to count all the Austrians residing in the state of Minnesota and especially at and about Duluth.

If Vorbanich is a naturalized citizen of the United States, then he is no Austrian and cannot be styled such, but the name itself discloses that he is not a native of Austria, although he may be such of Croatia or other province of Hungary.

With the exception of the subjects of Bohemia, the number of Austrians confined in the prisons throughout the United States can be today counted by any person on the fingers of one hand, although he may have lost two of the usual number.

There is no use to style everybody an "Austrian" when it is easily ascertainable from what country he comes, if he is not a naturalized citizen, and it is unfair in the extreme to call them such unless they do come from that country.

Most sincerely yours,

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Ironwood, Mich., May 23.