

# FEDERAL SEARCH BEING MADE FOR BOMB PLOTTERS

Attack on Philadelphia Judges Leads to Wide Investigation of Activities of Seditious.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 31.—Shrapnel shells, loaded with nitroglycerin or T. N. T., were exploded late last night at the homes of three men prominent in public life. There was considerable destruction of property, but no one was killed.

Revenge against the judicial and police authorities for enforcing the law against sedition and the display of the red flag of anarchy in this city, the police officials said, furnished the motive.

The houses attacked were those of Justice Rovert Von Moschzisker of the Pennsylvania supreme court; Ernest T. Trigg, president of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, and William B. Mills, acting superintendent of police. Eight houses adjoining these residences were damaged by the explosions. The three homes are in widely separated sections of the city. The authorities believe the Trigg bomb was intended for the home of Municipal Court Judge Gorman, who resides next door.

The entire police force of the city is working on the case, but the officials absolutely refuse to tell what clues they have, if any. All

federal agencies are co-operating with the police. One theory is that one party of men, using an automobile, had committed all three outrages.

**Anarchists Issue Defi.**

At the scene of the explosion the police picked up circulars which contained the defi of the bomb throwers. The heading read: "To the exploiters, the judges, policemen, the priests, the soldiers." This was followed by 200 words of a harangue on the rights of the people.

Justice von Moschzisker today expressed the belief that his home was attacked simply because he is the highest court officer in Philadelphia.

"This bombing outrage, to my mind," said the justice, "is simply the work of misguided, hysterical persons affected by conditions of the times. I do not believe there was any personal animosity in the attack on my house. So far as I can recall, there has been no case before me in which a decision would have affected any of the class of persons who apparently directed these efforts at frightfulness."

Since the outbreak of the war Justice von Moschzisker has been active in securing relief for the distressed people of Poland. Early today Mayor Smith and Superintendent of Police Mills visited the home of the justice. They found the entire front wrecked, and the drawing room with all its furniture in ruins. Windows in every house in the block were shattered.

**Due to Bolshevism.**

Superintendent Mills said today: "There is no doubt these outrages are due to a combination of bolshevism and the Industrial Workers of the World because of the activity shown by the police and the courts enforcing the laws against sedition during the war."

# The Abandoned Room

By Wadsworth Camp

**CHAPTER XLIII.**  
**What Made the Noise.**

Robinson's hesitation was easily comprehensible. If Paredes were responsible for the abnormalities they had experienced at the Cedars he might find it simple enough to trick them now, but the man's mocking smile brought the anger to Robinson's face.

"Of course he can't get away. See if there's anything on his clothes. Rawlins. He ought to have the hatpin. Then let him go."

The detective, however, failed to find the hatpin or any other weapon.

"You see," Paredes smiled. "That's something in my favor."

He stepped back, brushing his clothing with his uninjured hand. He lit a cigarette. He drew back the coat sleeve of his left arm and readjusted the bandage. He glanced up as heavy footsteps heralded Doctor Groom.

"Hello, Doctor," he called cheerily. "I was afraid you'd nap through the show. It seems the bloodhounds of the law left us out of their confidence."

"What's all this?" the doctor rumbled.

Paredes waved his hand.

"I am a prisoner."

The doctor gasped.

"You mean you—"

"Young Blackburn caught him," Robinson explained. "He was in a position to finish him just as he did Howells."

"Except that I had no hatpin," Paredes yawned.

The doctor's uneasy glance sought the opening in the wall.

"I thought you had examined all these walls," he grumbled. "How did you miss this?"

Robinson ran his fingers through his hair.

"That's what I've been asking myself," he said. "I went over that paneling a dozen times myself."

Bobby and Katherine went closer. Bobby had been from the first puzzled by Paredes's easy manner. He had a quick hope. He saw the man watch with an amused tolerance while the district attorney bent over, examining the face of the panel.

"An entire section," Robinson said—"the thickness of the wall—has been shifted to one side. No wonder we didn't see any joints or get a hollow sound from this panel any more than from the others. But why didn't we stumble on the mechanism? Maybe you'll tell us that, Paredes."

The Panamanian blew a wreath of smoke against the ancient wall.

"Gladly, but you will find it humiliating. I have experienced humility in this hall myself. The reason you didn't find any mechanism is that there wasn't any. You looked for something most cautiously concealed, not realizing that the best concealment is no concealment at all. It's fundamental. I don't know how it slipped my own mind. No grooves show because the door is an entire panel. There isn't even a latch. You merely push hard against its face. Such arrangements are common enough in colonial houses, and there was more than the nature of the crimes to tell you there was some such thing here. I mean if you will find that it has fewer coats of paint than the one leading to the corridor, that its frame is of newer wood. In other words, it was cut through after the wing was built. This panel was the original door, designed with the private stairway and the hall, for the exclusive use of the master of the house. Try it."

Robinson braced himself and shoved against the panel. It moved in its grooves with a vibrant stirring.

"Rusty," he said.

Katherine started.

"That's what I heard each time," she cried.

Above his heavy black beard the doctor's cheeks whitened. Robinson made a gesture of revulsion.

"That gives the nasty game away."

"Naturally," Paredes said, "and you must admit the game is as beautifully simple as the panel. The instrument of death wasn't inserted through the hedging as you thought inevitable, Doctor. Suppose you were lying in that bed, asleep, or half asleep, and you were aroused by such a sound as that in the wall behind you? What would you do? What would any man do first of all?"

Robinson nodded.

"I see what you mean. I'd get up on my elbow. I'd look around as quickly as I could to see what it was. I'd expose myself to a clean thrust. I'd drop back on the bed, more thoroughly out of it than though I'd been struck through the heart."

"Exactly," Paredes said, with the familiar shrug of the shoulders.

"You're sensible to give up this way," Robinson said. "It's the best plan for you. What about Mr. Blackburn?"

Graham interferred.

"After all," he said thoughtfully, "I'm a lawyer, and it isn't fair, Robinson. It's only decent to tell him that anything he says may be used against him."

"Keep your mouth shut," Robinson shouted.

But Paredes smiled at Graham.

"It's very good of you, but I agree with the district attorney. There's no point in being a clam now."

"Can you account for Silas Blackburn's return?" the doctor asked eagerly.

"That's right, Doctor," Paredes said. "Stick to the ghosts. I fancy there are plenty in this house. I'm afraid we must look on Silas Blackburn as dead."

"You don't mean we've been talking to a dead man?" Katherine whispered.

"Before I answer," Paredes said, "I want to have one or two things straight. These men, Bobby, really believe, think me capable of crimes in this house. I want to know if you accept a theory. Do you think I had any idea of killing you?"

Bobby studied the reserved face when even now was without emotion.

"I can't think anything of the kind," he said softly.

"That's very nice," Paredes said. "If you had answered differently I'd have let these clever policemen lay to their own ghosts."

He turned to Robinson.

"Even you must begin to see that I'm not guilty. Your common sense will tell you so. If I had been planning to kill Bobby, why didn't I bring the weapon? Why did I put my hand through the opening before I was ready to strike? Why did I use my left hand, my injured hand? I was like Howells. I couldn't consider the case finished until I had solved the mystery of the locked doors. I supposed the room was empty. When I found the secret tonight, I reached through to see how far my hand would be from the pillow."

(To Be Continued.)

# U. S. Warships Go to Baltic Ports for Sick Soldiers

Copenhagen, Dec. 31.—The American cruiser Chester, which arrived here yesterday with the American destroyers Wyckes and Alwin, left here today for Danzig, the port of German Poland. The destroyers

have gone to Lubeck, also a German Baltic port. The warships will take on board sick Americans.

The situation in Posen is extremely critical, according to the reports of Berlin. The German government has been asked to send troops there and Herr Landsberg, secretary of publicity, art and litera-

# Block in Tyndall Burns

Tyndall, S. D., Dec. 31.—Fire of unknown origin early today destroyed an entire business block here, resulting in a loss estimated at \$150,000.

# Transport Arrives

Newport News, Va., Dec. 31.—The transport Aeolus arrived here today from France with 2,900 officers and men, most of whom had been wounded or gassed.

## DRUG MAKER ARRESTED IN ASPIRIN CASE

Analysis Shows Talcum Powder Chief Ingredients of Tablets of Which \$94,000 Were Seized

Blank Diplomas for Dentists Discovered in Brooklyn Raid—J. M. G. Kukay Held in \$1,000 Bail

More than 394,000 alleged aspirin tablets were seized yesterday in Brooklyn. The manufacturer was arrested. He gave his name as Joseph M. G. Kukay. He said he was head of the Verandah Chemical Company, of the Verandah place, Brooklyn.

The arrest followed the analysis of the tablets. They were found to be devoid of aspirin. Talcum powder was the principal ingredient of the tablets. It was found to consist of seventy per cent "innate material," sugar water and salicylic acid were also used.

Health Commissioner Copeland said that thousands attacked by influenza or pneumonia had recourse to aspirin tablets. He said:

"There is no doubt but that many thousands of persons rushed to aspirin as soon as they had a little cold. It certainly did not help those people if they happened to get talcum powder into their systems, and it appears that many thousands of these tablets were sold throughout the country."

Inspector W. F. Cummings, of the Brooklyn Food and Drug Division, with his chief, Walter B. Drennan, made the raid on the Verandah Chemical Company.

Chief Drennan said:


"We seized 394,000 tablets, on the strength of the diagnosis made, and believe the whole lot consists of talcum powder. The manufacturer seems to have done a great out-of-town business, and I estimate his monthly shipments were no less than 500,000 tablets. He declares he is a Spaniard and has been doing business for several months in Verandah place. Just how many millions of these tablets he has sold as aspirin tablets I cannot state."

An interesting phase of the seizure of the drug was the discovery of a printing press and blank diplomas for dentists. Dr. Copeland intimated there would be an investigation of this also.

Kukay was held in \$1,000 bail, charged with violating the Health laws.

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From New York City Newspapers of December 21, 1918

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### Aviator in Aerial Mail Service Burned to Death

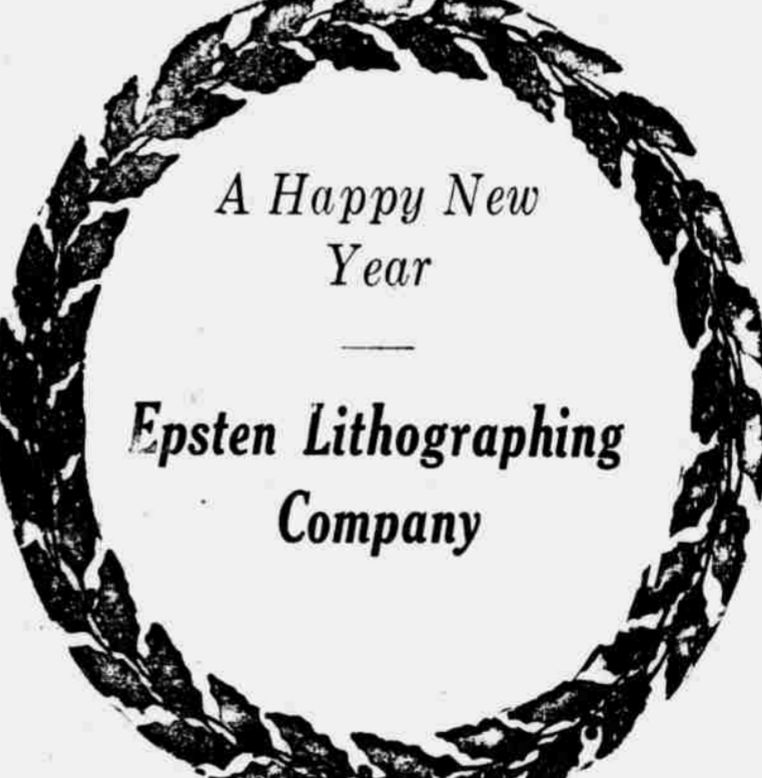
Rockville Center, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Cuthbert Mills, aviator in the aerial mail service, was burned to death two miles north of this place today, when, just after leaving Mineola, his airplane fell from a height of 3,000 feet and caught fire. The plane was being tested before being turned over to the Postoffice department.

### One Dead and Score Injured in Collision in Peoria

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 31.—A head-on collision of a west bound Lake Erie and Western passenger train and a Toledo, Peoria and Western stock train resulted in the death of Engineer Patrick E. Hogarty, Tipton, Ind., and the injury of a score or more of train men and passengers in the east Peoria yards tonight, none seriously.

### To Release Sinn Feiners

London, Dec. 31.—The release of all the Sinn Feiners interned in England is expected virtually at once. Count Plunkett, one of the Sinn Feiners elected to Parliament in the recent balloting, already has been released.



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## New Year's Greetings

It gives us, at this time, no little pleasure in extending to everyone a hearty New Year's greeting—one that carries with it not empty words, but words of sincerity, trust and confidence.

The year over which life's curtain has just been drawn has been a year full of anxiety, waiting and much sorrow for the boys over-seas, as well as for the merchant and artisan at home, who have had to meet the world's ever-changing conditions. 'Twas a condition that tried the man of millions as well as he who carried home a salary wage each week and to each goes an equal honor as both were patriotic, willing—yes, even anxious to stem the tide of militarism and in its place see the allied flags of democracy float majestically.

To the women too much praise cannot be given, as they too have been steadfast, true and brave, facing each new issue as it would arise with a confidence beyond comparison, in that right over might would in the end prevail and the peoples of the earth would be endowed more generously with God's good gifts.

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