

INTERNATIONAL HIGHER-UPS IN NEW ORLEANS PLOT

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New Orleans, La., Dec. 23.—That Hans Helm, alias Hans Helle, who is said to have confessed to the local police that he was one of a ring of conspirators who schemed to plant bombs on merchant ships of the allied nations leaving New York, has made disclosures involving "higher-ups" of international prominence, was the assertion this afternoon of Police Chief Reynolds, in charge of the investigation.

Investigation of the alleged ring disclosed that New Orleans was the centre of the gang's activities. From New Orleans, it is the claim of the police, bombs were to be sent to ports from which ships of allies were sailing. The plan for the mechanism of the bombs was so devised, according to the police, that they would explode only after the vessels picked for destruction had been several days at sea.

"Men of international prominence are involved," said Reynolds this afternoon. "When we are in a position to give out our information we will startle the country."

Work for Alien Enemies In the Northern Woods

Another batch of Austrian and German prisoners left the Union Station last night for the northern concentration camp at Hearst, where they will be employed in clearing the land. About 150 were in the party, which was in charge of an armed guard of some 50 men. The prisoners were well-equipped with winter wear and substantial overcoats.

BELGIAN AIRMAN KILLED.

Belgium, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Deschamps, one of the most famous of the Belgian military aviators, met a tragic fate yesterday. When returning from a flight to an aerodrome near the coast his aeroplane landed too heavily. The concussion exploded a bomb he was carrying and he was blown to pieces. About a dozen spectators were wounded.

