

## ***American Beaten by Nazi Trooper, a Tenant; Is Victim of Hitlerites for the Second Time***

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BERLIN, Jan. 16.—A brutal attack on an American citizen in Berlin by a uniformed Nazi storm trooper yesterday was reported to the Prussian police authorities today by Raymond Geist, acting United States Consul General.

The victim of the assault was Max Schussler, an American owner of several apartment houses in Berlin's West End. He was severely beaten in his office in the Friedrichstrasse by a Nazi named Friedel, a tenant of his, who resented being reminded of his rent delinquencies.

Mr. Schussler advised Friedel to discuss the justification of the rent summons with his superior officer in the storm troop division, whereupon Friedel shouted, "I'll be my own judge!" He then assaulted Mr. Schussler and when set upon by the latter's office force proceeded to extend his attack in all directions until he was taken into custody by the police.

Mr. Schussler had to be taken to a hospital for immediate treatment

and was later removed to his home. He will be obliged to remain in bed for at least a week.

The circumstances attending the attack were stated to be of such a flagrant and convincing nature that the Prussian police authorities promptly assured Mr. Geist that Friedel would immediately be turned over to a summary court for conviction.

This was Mr. Schussler's second such contact with Nazis. Last March he and his wife were the victims of an invasion of their apartment by armed men, two in Nazi uniform, who at point of revolvers demanded that he withdraw an eviction complaint obtained against one of his Nazi tenants who had boasted that he no longer intended to pay rent "to the American Jew."

Yesterday's was the first assault on an American citizen in Germany since Oct. 17, when Chancellor Hitler promised Ambassador Dodd that molestations of Americans would cease.