

# Man in bomb probe arrested for larceny

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A Quincy man whose name surfaced during an ongoing probe into a Roslindale bomb blast that killed a Boston Police officer was arrested yesterday on an unrelated charge.

Al Trenkler, 36, a satellite maker, was arrested at about 4:30 p.m. on Boylston Street in Boston on an outstanding warrant charging him with larceny over \$1,000 in Warwick, R.I. in 1989.

He is being held at the Area D police station pending rendition to Rhode Island.

Trenkler was arrested by Boston Police Detective Brendan Craven, who is among the investigators probing the Oct. 28 blast that killed Boston Police Bomb Squad Officer Jeremiah J. Hurley Jr. and seriously wounded his partner, Officer Francis K. Foley.

The bomb squad had been called to 39 Eastbourne St., Roslindale by Thomas L. Shay, 47, who reported a suspicious box in his driveway had fallen from under his car.

Shay's 20-year-old son, Thomas A. Shay, emerged as a suspect during an intensive probe by Boston Police and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Last month, the younger Shay

claimed investigators believe he tried to kill his father and enlisted Trenkler to build the bomb.

Shay insisted he had "nothing to do with the bombing" and accused investigators of targeting Trenkler because his name was in Shay's address book and he's mechanically inclined.

Trenkler was charged with unlawful possession of an explosive in 1986 after a bomb was found under a Quincy fish company truck. The charge was reportedly dismissed a year later.

This week, the younger Shay told the Herald he had a "gut feeling" his father planted the bomb in a bid to make it appear the owners of a Dedham service station were trying to kill him. The elder Shay is suing the men for \$400,000.

"I had nothing to do with it," said the younger Shay. "My father says it was me. I say it was my father."

The elder Shay declined to comment on his son's charges but his lawyer, Alan J. Pransky, said "It is totally crazy that the father would do this to himself. This appears to be false allegations from the son. This is the third time he has announced he solved the

crime."  
Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul V. Kelly, who is presenting evi-

dence about the blast to a federal grand jury, couldn't be reached for comment yesterday. No one has been charged with Hurley's murder.

The younger Shay is currently being held on \$100,000 cash bail on charges of common streetwalking and telephoning a false bomb threat to the Back Bay MBTA station in November 1990.

He was also charged yesterday in Brighton District Court with telephoning a bomb threat to a Brighton woman April 5 from the Suffolk County Jail, where he is being held.

During a hearing in Boston Municipal Court yesterday, Shay's lawyer, William C. McPhee, argued his client isn't competent to stand trial and urged a judge to send him to Bridgewater State Hospital for psychiatric evaluation.

"My client has a history of psychiatric illness based on IQ tests and an extra Y chromosome. There is a possibility he is slightly mentally retarded," McPhee said. McPhee insisted Bridgewater State doctors who found Shay competent last fall hadn't reviewed his psychiatric history.

Boston Municipal Court Judge Anthony Sullivan scheduled a competency hearing Wednesday.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Church anno management

A reorganization of senior management of Christ, Scientist was announced yesterday with the termination of operations at the Monitor Television Channel 7.

Hallock G. Davis, an international executive officer of Monitor Television in Newport Beach, Calif., was named to succeed Tony Periton, who will assume the role of trustee. Harris, chairman of the church's board, announced a statement yesterday. A third trustee will be named.

The channel essentially ceased operations. About 400 employees were laid off. It will be through June 15.

Jack Hoagland, who asked to resign as trustee March 13, has now also resigned as executive officer of Monitor Television. The Monitor Syndicate effective April 1.

Hal M. Friesen will leave as chairman of the Christian Science Publishing Society. He is signed as executive producer for radio and television. He will continue as president of Monitor Television during the transition period. David Cook has been named as executive producer of Monitor Broadcasting.

### 350 missing in bo

LAGOS, Nigeria — Up to 356 people were missing after two boats collided in high seas before the News Agency of Nigeria said.

NAN, quoting a survivor, said 350 people aboard the two vessels from Cameroon had been rescued in the incident. Maritime officials were not available for comment in an area where vessels ply the coast.

The independent Daily Sketch reported that 350 Nigerians and Cameroonians were returning home.

### Writer Turow to spe

Scott Turow, whose experiences in the courtroom are the groundwork for his book, "One