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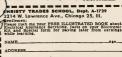
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Eighteen - yearold Carol Godfrey, a fireman's
wife, is carried
from her apartment, strapped
and chained to a
stretcher, after
she went "berserk" and allegedly held police
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DEVIL'S SISTER

She never flinched as she helped him carry out his terrible crimes in the

By WALTER BYRNE

A LTHOUGH a heavy rainfall had left the ground soggy, two men were out hunting for stray golf balls that might have been lost during the previous sesson. They plodded around in the mud, poking under masses of sodden leaves with their sticks.

sodden leaves with their sticks. They were searching in a lonely spot on the rim of the Eric, Pennsylvania, Golf Club course, about two miles off Route '99. After a victous hook or as tisce here, a player might have aband-ready of the property of the pro

March 6, 1946, when they approached a clump of trees. Suddenly their attention was drawn by a curious mound of mud and debris.

"That's a peculiar shape," one of the men said. He took a mashie by the shank and began prying at the mound, scraping

away the soggy covering with the head of his club. Then he recoiled. "It's a body!" he cried. "This guy was covered with mud and leaves, and the rain has washed most of it away."

"We'd better tell the police right away!" his friend said. "Come on. Let's get away from here."

 \mathbf{A}^{T} the Edinboro Road, they came across Troopers James Bartlett and

Joseph Lauteria, who were on traffic duty, and told them the news. The State Police officers radioed their barracks at Lawrence Park and hurried back to the scene with the two witnesses.

The first officials to arrive were Eric County Sheriff Paul Babbitt, Acting County Detective John Coates, Assistant District Attorney Damian McLaughlin and Sergeant John Mehallick of the State Police. Closely following came Deputy Coroner W. A. Firman.

They proceeded at once to dig out the rest of the body. Then, examining it, they said that it was a man between twenty-five and thirty years old, with closely-cropped, light-brown hair and greenish eyes, about five-feet-eight inches tall and weighing between 140 and 160 pounds.

The odd manner in which the man was dressed and the condition of his clothing bewildered the investigators. He wore what appeared to be Navy-issue shorts and an undershirt, mud-caked and blood-spattered. His dark trousers, beltless, were rolled down around his ankles.

He were no socks and only one tan, summer, web-type shoe. The only contents of his trouser pockets were sixtyfive cents in silver, a white handkerchief with a colored border and two keys.

WHILE Dr. Firman scraped the mud and leaves from the body and began his examination, Mehallick, noted for his success in criminal investigation, and Coates began exploring the scene.

On the summit of a small hill about a hundred yards away, they found evidence of a struggle. Not far away were deep tire tracks of two or more cars and a considerable churning up of the

The bloodstains Millie couldn't wash off. Officers examine spot in the basement where victim's head rested after he was murdered.





The swinging purse...the swaying hips...the sensuous body against the lamp-post
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WHEN THIEVES FALL OUT

Double-crossing two sets of double-crossers was bound to be fatal for Robert Fischer, above. Left, detectives with killer, seated.

turf, as though at least one of the cars had been stuck in the mud.

Mehallick and Coates followed a line from this spot to the makeshift grave and discovered marks which indicated that the body had been dragged. Closer to where the body lay was a bloodstained shift The prebland had been

cut away to remove the laundry marks. Walking closer to the body, Mehallick suddenly steoped and picked up a .25 caliber automatic pistol of Belgian manufacture. Five shots had been fired from its clip. "Looks like one of those war soovenins," the sergeant said. "There's quite a number of those things around these parts soot."

Doubt about that was instantly removed when Firman said five bullets were embedded in the man's head. In addition, the coroner said, the dead man had been given a very severe beating. He had suffered a number of injuries, any one of which would have caused death.

"Any clues to his identification?"
Mehallick asked

Firman nodded. "Twe just examined his teeth," he said, "and there is some very distinctive dental work. He has a prominent upper-front gold tooth and two porcelain-covered front teeth with gold inlay rims. Any dentist would rec-

ognize that work."
"That would be a helpful clue," the
sergeant said significantly, "if the victim came from around these parts, but
this job has all the earmarks of a gang
ride, with the usual disdain of this type
of criminal for the ability of the police.
It was careless to toss that gun away
near the body, but whoever did it may
have had no ace in the hole there. There

is a possibility that we may not be able to trace the weapon."

The mention of a gang killing stirred Sheriff Babbitt's interest. "This may be an offshoot of that Danny Meyers murder in Pittsburgh last week," he said. "Meyers was involved in a gang wat which extended into Kentucky. Three other unsolved murders are linked up

other unsolved murders are linked up to it."
"The Pittsburgh authorities should be notified about this at once," McLaughlin said. "I'll phone the prosecutor down

At the same time, County Detective Coates also had a suggestion. "A farmer from Cambridge Springs disappeared two weeks ago," he said, "and we've been looking for him since. He could

be this fellow."

McLaughlin admitted this possibility
and requested him to contact relatives
of the missing farmer and have them
attemnt identification.

"How long do you think this man has been here?" Mehallick then asked the coroner.

"Possibly since Monday night," Dr. Firman replied. "It's lucky we had all that rain since then. Otherwise he might have remained hidden under this cover of mud and leaves for an indefinite period."

The body was removed to the morgue at a local hospital where Corporal Bernard J. Moran of the Butler State Police barracks took the victim's fingerprints for comparison with Army, Navy and FBI records. Then the body was turned over to Dr. K. L. Burt, the institution's pathologist. for an authors

After the Lawrence Park barracks, commanded by Lieutenant John Bricker, assumed charge of the case, Meballick was joined by Sergeant William Schauers and Corporal C. M. Mathias.

This trio of experienced homicide investigators first took tire-print impressions at the golf course, then scanned the terrain for additional clues. Their search, however, did not turn up a single new lead.

Their next step was to turn the .25 caliber Belgian pistol over to C. W. Condon, of the alcohol tax unit of the Treasury Department. Condon reported that forry guns of Belgian make had been brought back from overseas and registered with him, and began checking the serial number with those on his like

MEANWHILE, County Detective Contex had made a significant discovery in connection with the Cambridge Springs farmer. According to this relatives, this man had once undergone a severe operation for mastoid touble. In checking with Dr. Burt, Coates discovered that the murdered man had no such scar. This teliminated

the misting farmer as the victim.

The local police and the district attorney's office likewise had made no
progress with their theory that the crime
might have been connected with the
slaying of Meyers. The Pittsburgh authorities had reported that they knew
of no gang suspects who fitted the victim's description.

At the height of the investigation Wednesday night, Eric Police Lieutenant Paul W. Schaaf at headquarters received a telephone call from a woman who said she wanted to report that a (Continued on page 40)



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by JACK LEEDS

ANICE Hansen Drake was blonde and lovely. She was beautifully built -small in the waist, and her silken thighs and shapely legs were breathtak-ing. She had a sweet, photogenic smile and a nice sway to her walk, and she won a lot of beauty contests. She had only one imperfection, but it was a flaw most men would be inclined to overlook.

unless they were the nervous type. For all the attractions that Nature had so generously heaped on her. Janice was a jinx. She was one gorgeous bundle of hard luck. Her capacity for bringing misfortune to others was, happily, lim-ited. Her power as a bad luck charm seemed to work most often on men who took her out to dinner. For certain men it was equivalent to breaking bread with Death. There were men immune to this whammy, notably ber own husband, Alan Drake, the night club comedian. But for others, it was "Eat tonight with Janice, and tomorrow you're gone, a corpse with bullet holes." It didn't happen every day, but it happened often enough to make a nervous man think twice about wining and dining the lovely

Plainly, Little Augie Pisano had no such qualms. He was a great man for horses-he reportedly once ran a stable of twenty for the late Al (Scarface) Capone-and yet he lacked the superstitions that generally dog the breed. Rumor had it he was seen in Janice's company frequently. He was a daring man, in his own peculiar way, and one might almost say he ate with her just to prove she couldn't iinx him.

But then he had a powerful antidote for whammies, his own native streak of good luck. Augie had been lucky, as he could tell you, since childhood. He was only a tot, scrounging around the streets of Brooklyn, when he had what he considered the good fortune to make friends with another tot-Capone. The friendship lasted a long time and largely because of it, Little Augie became a big man Not physically. His full height, even with elevator shoes, was only a shade above five feet.

A UGIE (his real name was Anthony E. Carfano) started his career run-

Little Augie, right, was proud of his association with Al Capone. It made him feel like a real lucky guy. At left is Capone, a broad grin on his face after arrest on a minor charge. Flanking him are two State's Attorneys.

JUST A COUPLE OF PALS TWO OF A KIND



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Forello H. LaGuardia, campaigning as a Republican, accused Augle of aiding Walker by using musclemen to intimidate Italian voters who might otherwise have favored LaGuardia. Augle blandly admitted he was an active worker for Walker, but called the other charges "hot air."

Little Augie weathered that storm, and his luck carried im through many others. On a hot July evening in 1930, half a dozen hoods, whose mob leader resented Capaces's properties of the contraction of the contraction of Fourth Avenue, in Brooklya, Like the one on Atlantic Avenue, it was owned by Little Augie. The place had been carefully cased. Little Augie dropped into it, to collect the take and to chat awhile with cronies. This always that the contraction of the contraction of the contraction of the and the hoods were certain he would be there-and they would be waiting for him. And when they were through, he would be dead. So they thought.

When they arrived, they discovered that Little Augie had been called away on business and had left only five minutes earlier. The hoods were so mad, they lined up everyone in the saloom-including several Capone mobsters-forced them to strip and took all their cash and valuables. But they said enough during the stick-up to left to bump off Augie, And from then on, Augie changed his routine and increased his bodyquard.

A month later, Kings County District Attorney George A. Brower sevend notice that all modesters in Brookhen had forty-cight boars to get out of the borough-said stay plan had forty-cight boars to get out of the borough-said stay. He was up in Stratoga, tenderly superintending Capone's stable. But he came down to Brooklyn next morning and stralled into Brower's office, accompanied, of Course, by which Augie asserted he was not in the beer, laundry, garbage or slot monther rackets, as some suspected, and that has moome was derived violely from racing his hories. He forces that the control of the contr

Augie no longer lived in Brooklyn and for a while no longer did business there. But a year later, there were insistent reports that he had moved in again, and what's more, had taken over a racket new to him, policy, which netted a take of \$50,000 a day for its sponsors.

A S he grew richer, Augie grew heavier. He acquired a bull neck. His eyes seemed, in the fat of his face, smaller and also colder. His tailor had more trouble givine him the swelte look.

Augie continued on to higher achievements. He joined forces with Louis (Lepke) Buchaller, who subsequently died in Sing Sing's electric chair, and together they died in Sing Sing's electric chair, and together they lettled Augie continued to go in of election slugging. A prostitute called him Brooklyn's vice overlord. There were charges that he was shaking down laundly operators and the subsequent of the

in the slaying by hoods of Police Sergeant James F. Knight. He was grabbed in Brooklyn, and the Jersey cops hurried over with a key witness. But the witness failed to identify Augie as one of the killers, and he was set free.

identify Augie as one of the killers, and he was set free. With prohibition's fall, Little Augie, like others of his kind, went into legitimate business, although authorities suspected he still kept his hand in whatever rackets survived. He had a fine home in Atlantic Beach, Long Island, and a wife and son, and lived the quiet life. On occasion, he went to the track or visited a night club in town. Winters, he sunned himself in Miami.

He became interested in a rising young comedian, to whom he occasionally gave a helping hand. This gets us back to Janice Drake, the blonde jinx, and how that jinx worked against Little Augse's luck...

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Photographs of Janice, with emphasis on the gams, of course, appeared in newspapers, and GIs began adorning their walls with them. She decided to get into show business. She landed a job as a dancer in New York's Latin Quarter. There she met a lot of interesting people, including underworld people, and was warned about this repeatedly. She would shrug her pretty shoulders and say, "I can take care of myself."

She met Alan Drake and married him, in 1945. They had a child, now thirteen.

Comedian Drake, who had started his career as a tax driver in Florida, had a close friend, old enough to be his father. Drake called him "Uncle Gus." "Uncle Gus." as abort, stocky man with graying hair and a genial facegerial, that is, until you got a good look at the eyes. "He was a great adviser," Drake once said of Uncle Gus. "He loaned me money to buy material. But he never took two cents from me. He told me I made him happy.

took two cents from me. He told me I made him happy, He said my silliness had intelligence to it. He said I should underdress—not try, to look flashy." Soon, Drake's wife got to addressing Drake's friend as

Uncle Gus. So did their son.
Uncle Gus was none other than Anthony Carfano,
alias Little Augie Pisano.

ANICE took off on her maiden vorpage as an afterdinner jins seen years ago. The first victim was all Nelson, a thirty-seven-year-lodd dress manufacturer. Nelson was quite a man with the womenfols, although he was now ago quite a man with the womenfols, although he was for the properties of the properties of the properties of his dress models, a pretty manufacturer of the properties of the properties of the properties of the Sandra Kelly once worder Nelson a message saying. What I am doing is your fault. Then she jumped from a hotel Nelson's assets were amiability and a fair for bigtime

Neison's assets were annability and a flair for bigitime spending. He was not one of the underworld characters against whom Janice had been warned, but he did have a business associate, James Palmieri, who had once served time for extortion.

JANICE—AN INNOCENT VICTIM OF GANGLAND MURDER?—OR A KNOWING ACCOMPLICE OF THE KING PINS OF THE UNDERWORLD?

"She was too trusting. Maybe that was her trouble," one friend said of Janice after she was killed. But D.A. O'Connor took another view. "She had been known to have consorted with known criminals all of her life. She is considered to have been top flight in the higher echelons of the underworld," he said.





AFTER IDENTIFICATION — TEARS FOR A DEAD WIFE

Left, Janice as she looked in a parade of Miss New Jersey contestants. Below, Alan Drake, her comedian husband, weeps for her after he identified her body in the morgue. "She was my drive," he said." She softened me."



On the night of February 9, 1952, Nelson took Janice to dinner. Then, with others, they launched on a gay count of night clubs. The party broke up in Greenweld, the country of the party broke up in Greenweld, they have been supported by the country of the following afternoon Nelson was found dead from the country of the country, which is still unsolved.

THE next man to encounter the whammy was none to ther than Albert Anattsia, a bigahot in the policy game and other nackets. A couple of decades ago, when the notorious Murder, Inc., gang flourished in Brocklyn, Anastasia was even more of a bigahot. He was known as Murder, Inc.'s Lord High Executioner.

At ten a.m., October 25, 1957, Anastasia entered the barber shop of Manhattan's Park Sheraton Hotel at Seventh Avenue and 55th Street, parked his bulk in a barber's chair and said, "Shave and a haircut." The barber wrapped a strip of gauze around his neck, then snapped a sheet over his body; in a matter of minutes, the sheet would become a shroud.

Under the spell of snipping scissors, Anastasia's heavy spelids cloud. Seconds later, as though impending down had cast a sudden chill on him, he opened his eyes. And there was doom. Two men flanked him. Both wore sunglasses and both carried guns. The quaking barber stood to one side.

Anastasin threw up his left arm in a protective gesture. Two bullets ripped into his left hand. Another tore into his left hip, He came out of the chair, stumbling, groping, eve dimming. Then suddenly he stopped sering, as a fourth bullet crashed into his skull. Before he fell dead to the floor, a fifth bullet plowed into his back. Yes, you guessed it. Only the night before, Anastasi had dired with Janice Drake. Little Augie was also presented.

ent, but there were no bullets for him.

A wiscr man, or a more superstitious one, would have shield away from Janice then and there. But Little Augie apparently had a lot of faith in his lucky star. He was convinced that when be died, it would be at a ripe old age and in a nice comfortable bed, at his home in Atlantic Beach, Long Island with maybe his wife and son, at the beckide—and no blonde jinx on earth could change it.

It was the night of September 26,1959, a clear, warmish evening. The sixty-one-year-old Augie, "underdressed," as he liked to put it, in a beautifully tailored durk-blue suit, drove up to the glittering Copacabana at 10 East 60th Sereet in his long black Cadibla. He beckmed to the 60th Sereet in his long black Cadibla. Cadibly comewhere mearby. Then he went into the club.

Purely by chance, he ran into an old friend-lean, grey-

ing Anthony (Tony Bender) Strollo, rackets boss of Greenwich Village. They exchanged small talk. Strollo mentioned that he was having dinner at Marino's Retaurant, five blocks away on Lexington Avenue south of 58th Street, and Augie said he was going there, too; he would see him there. Augie left Strollo and drifted over to the Copa bar, where he joined two women.

One was Janice, fetching in a black, off-the-shoulder cocktail dress, white gloves and stone marten stole. The other was the wife of a stockbroker who was president of a Wall Street firm reportedly under probe by the Stat Attorney General's office and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Auge and the ladies had a cocktail together and then walked out. Augie didn't want to fool around, waiting for the doorman to fetch his Cadillac, so he hailed a toxi. The trio went 10 Marino's, where they met the stockbroker husband of the other woman. Then they joined Strollo at his table.

Janice ordered filet of sole. Little Augie had a thick, juicy filet mignon, accompanied by a large side platter of spaghetti with clam sauce. He found the sauce so delicious, he called over the head waiter and asked for the recipe, which he carefully wrote down.

As they ate, Little Augie remarked that there was a pretty good fight on television at ten p.m. and he wanted to leave the restaurant in time to catch it. Apparently he intended to watch TV at Janice's flat at 63-60 102d Street in fashionable Forest Hills, Queens, Janice, too, wanted to leave early, because her young son was all alone. Her husband was in Washington, filling an engagement at the Lotus Club.

There was still plenty of time, though, and Little Augie and the others chattered away A waiter suddenly appeared and told Augie. "There's a phone call for you, sir. You can take it at the bar, if

you like."

"Okay," said Augie. He turned to the others. "Excuse Augie had acquired quite a polish since the old rough-and-ready days of beer-running

He strolled over to the bar, but there was nothing casual about him when he returned to the table. He was pale and agitated. "I gotta go now," he said. "I got a date

in Queens. I gotta go there in a hurry. With a brusque, imperious gesture, he dropped a fat wad of greenbacks on the table, to cover the entire tab and the tips. Apparently he intended to take a cab to the Copa to get his Cadillac, but as luck would have it, he spotted an acquaintance who was just about to leave and asked the man, a jewelry salesman, if he would be kind enough to pick up the Caddy and drive it back to Marino's. Augie and Janice said goodbye and went outside to wait. The black Cadillac appeared and stopped, and the salesman got out. Augie thanked him, and Augie and Janice got into the car and rode off.

The time was 9:45 p.m. LIGHTLY more than half an hour later, a man living S at 24-49 94th Street, Jackson Heights, Queens, was

enjoying a cup of coffee when he was startled to hear a shot. There were several shots, then silence. Another man, who also heard the shots, stuck his head out the window and saw a long black car parked in front of 24-50 95th Street. He also saw two men running from

the car. They disappeared into the night. He grabbed his phone and called police. When radio cops arrived at the scene, they found the long black car partly on the curb. It was a Cadillac. Augie's, and Augie was in it and so was Janice. Another dinner companion of Janice's had gotten bis, but this time Janice had gotten hers, too

Both were dead. Janice was seated stiffly upright, ur seeing blue eyes staring straight through the windshield. Little Augic was sprawled with his head in her lap, Each had been killed with three bullets. Each had two bullet wounds in the head and one in the back of the neck. Police believed the killers sat behind them when the guns were fired.

THE Homicide Squad was summoned, and a police official identified Little Augie on sight. A detective started going through the little racketeer's pockets. "Look he said, waving a scrap of paper. "A recipe for at this, clam sauce. I never thought Little Augie went in for

cooking-"Skip the gags," growled a police inspector, "and keep looking through his pockets. We need every clue we can

eet. These eang-style kills are never easy to crack The detective next came up with a silver money clip inscribed "From Joe and Jenny." It held \$1,500 in fiftyand one hundred-dollar bills and there was \$433 more

stuffed in another pocket. "That kills robbery as a motive," said the inspector, Finally, the detective produced a small red address book that turned out to be a Social Register of Mobland.

The names in it included: Tony Strollo.

Frank Costello, gambling king who narrowly missed assassination not long ago and at the moment was serving five years in a federal penitentiary for income tax evasion Vincent Mauro, a hoodlum said to be Strollo's chief licutenant

Frank Erickson, bigtime bookie who was recently inerrogated in the investigation of the promotion of the Patterson-Johansson heavyweight championship fight,

Mike Miranda, a delegate to the 1957 gang convention in Apalachin, New York Sol Cilento, labor racketeer Louis Saperstein, Newark, New Jersey, insurance broker. Saperstein was one of the few non-racket names in the book. In 1954, Saperstein, who reportedly made huge commissions in handling union (Continued on page 72)



TOMB FOR GANGLAND'S HERO...

Little Augue, left, had a hand in every racket known in New York City-slot machines, garbage, beer, laundry. Right, his wife and father-in-law leave his mausoleum after interment







Her Back-door Lover's **Double-Death Revenge**



T was only a matter of time before something went haywire, and what would happen then was anybody's

The whole business began simply enough, goodness knows, back in the summer of 1951. It was just-well, there was this guy, Dan Falcone, and this gal, Mildred Daneker, who worked in the same plant, and they kidded back and forth and had a lot of laughs. Dan was the foreman of the Palmer Shirt

by STAN FERRARI

Company in Palmerton, Pennsylvania, and Mildred had a job in the stamping room. It was a small outfit, and everybody knew each other. They all had to

admit that Falcone and Mildred were Dan came into the room where Mil-

dred worked one day, all efficiency and self-importance. He looked ready to snap someone's head off, and the work-

ers wondered uneasily what was eating him. Then, suddenly, Mildred turned

toward him, gave a mock salaam, and said, "Hail, O, Chief!"

Falcone, startled, had to work to keep a straight face, and he pointed a quivering finger at her and yelled, "Get three to work, slave pir!!" The act busted up the tension and set things right for the day, and from then on Falcone came into the stamping room, ready for Mildred's little sallies.



Because everyone in town knew the Danekers (photo right), public interest in the case ran high. Barred from hearing, crowds wait in street to see suspect (arrow).

They exaggerated courtesies by bowing deeply or saving "How do you do, sir,"-or madame-instead of "Hi," or "Hello," and when Dan showed her some new device or technique, she was excessively solemn during the demonstration. And when he looked up at her, he'd burst out laughing. Nobody thought anything more about it than that they were funny together. Why should they? Mildred was a woman of thirty-six who had a young son. She sang in the Congregational Church Choir, and her husband was Matthew Daneker, a church deacon and the town's justice of the peace. And Falcone, though married and divorced twice, was a former State Trooper who had recently been elected a borough councilman at Bangor, Pennsylvania. Who would think that their banter meant anything?

At fast, they didn't think so themselves. But the jokes, the harmless pleasanties, the mock flattery, the the head of the pleasanties, the mock flattery, the the broad winds to infectes a jest, began to be events each of them looked forward to on going to work in the morning, Mildred, who used to keep ower, now was prodeling him to henry up. And Dan, who thought he'd reached the millenium whon he was made fore man and councilman in the same yets.

THE detonator to the whole explosive romance was a joke on Fal-



cone that everyone in the stamping room laughed at. Dan turned to Mildred, who'd made the joke, and grabbed her hand and, in an imitation of Jackie Gleason, said, "Oh, you're ... a living ... doll!"

Dan was completely unprepared for what happened next. She squeezed his hand fixectly, trembling, and whispered, so that no one could hear, "I wish you meant that?" She (relaxed her grip, gave another sudden squeeze, as of understanding, and let his hand go.

Dan was rattled, and his lips were dry. He whirled away from Mildred as she bent over the work bench, and blurted some pointless question at the woman at the next bench. From then on, they both knew, and the secret romance was started in earnest.

ON September 25th, after a week of hungry looks and idle-seeming banter, Mildred was at her workbench during noon hour when Dan walked by. She called to him, and when he stopped, she opened her purse and showed him her driver's license. "This is where I live." she said.

Someone came in the door at that moment and Dan walked away, not quite believing what he'd heard. He knew Mildred's husband, and it seemed absurd to think that she wanted him, Dan, to come to her home to see her.

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MILDRED was a honey-haired honde with grey eyes, a hugh patrician note, and a wide, nof mouth patrician note, and a wide, nof mouth she had a dimple in her chia, a forestbuild. She was married to a man who was quite fat, and not at all goodlooking, and the hard-emacked and ing. He was fifty-one and looked years younger, and she seemed that he had been around plenty. Her note to him she if it is not to the she if it is not the she is the she

That was what he thought before hand, but after that first date the reland, but after that first date the calined that she'd gover even known what life was until she net Dan. The illicit part of their affair began that night at her house, and Dan left well been to Matthew's arrival home. The next day, which was Saturday, the got up draming dreams, forgetting all about Matthew, not hearing half the words he said to her that day. He saked if the was 311 and is he nodded absently

It wasn't until she sat down and wrote a letter to Dan that she began eget squared away. It was a lot she got off her mind. It was the first of a correspondence of ninety-six letters between the two lovers, all of which were, for some curious reason, keep by both of them, despite the danger of dis-

My beloved,

... I love you ... Ob, but my arms ache to be with you ... I could lie in your arms for hours, days, week, years, forever and ever ... It was such a thrilling experi-(Continued on bage 44)



Mrs. Fedon spotted fugitive when he bought cigarettes, and she quickly notified police.



The Daneker couple were headed for the Trinity Church steps when fired upon.

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Cpl. Barclay (left) holds fugitive, captured after hiding in woods more than three days. Police Chief W. L. Templeton and Rush Bowers, justice of peace, who caught Falcone.



The fire that ate her love rival's body roared for hours, but it could not consume all the murder evidence of the blonde's furious passions

by ARTHUR K. MARTIN

FITHE little four-year-old girl clapped her hands happily. "Mommy's taking us for a ride!" Her delight was duplicated by two younger children.

The car was old, but had been washed recently. The in-

side smelled strongly of cleaning fluid. The blonde woman with the stern face placed a toddler on the back seat and held the door open for the other two. "Don't let the haby fall," she warned as the children joyfully scrambled into

She closed and latched the doors and seated herself behind the wheel. With only a brief glance at the trim house on Bloomingdale Road in Cincinnati, Ohio, she drove away. The children eagerly pressed their faces

against the windows as the car passed smoothly along the city's traffic arteries and headed for the suburbs It was October 31st, and fall had colored the foliage with bright hues. The cool, brisk air was scented by a fragrant mixture of burning leaves and damp grass. The car moved steadily through the sunlit day.
"Ooh! Lookit all the trees!" the little girl squealed. Her

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"Ooh! Lookit all the trees!" the little girl squealed. Her pudgy fingers pointed at areas of timber growth. The other children took up the cry. "All right, quiet down!" the woman snapped. The children stopped for a while, then resumed their chattering. The woman ignored them. Her face was twisted into a thoughtful scowl.

went voluntarily to her own mother could







To prove her contention that the shooting of Betty Bergen was an accident, the woman on trial for her life re-enacted the crime with her attorney, William F. Hopkins. The jury was not convinced.

"I WAS AFRAID OF FINGERPRINTS"

Asked why she had burned the body, Edythe explained it was, "not so much to destroy it, but because I was so afraid of evidence that might point to me."

She was still acowling when she drove into the service station at Mount Washington. She took an empty can from the floor beside her and stepped out. "Be quiet," she admonished the children and walked to the pump. The young attendant took the can, "Fill this usp" he

The young attendant took the can. "Fill this up?" he asked.

The woman nodded and fumbled with a change purse.

The woman nodded and fumbled with a change purse.
"Gonna burn some leaves?" the youth asked, as he put
the nozzle of the pump hose into the spout. "It sure makes
them go fast. But you gotta be careful the fire don't

He went through a series of routine remarks about the dangers of burning fall leaves. The woman listened without comment. She watched the red fluid gurgle into the can. When the attendant had replaced the cap, she paid him and, without a word, went back to her car.

The inside of the vehicle reeked with the smell of raw gasoline. The blonde, however, was too preoccupied with her thoughts, and the children in the back sent were too busy watching the scenery, to care.

WHEN the car turned into the little-used country road, the children shrieked excitedly at the flaming colors in the trees around the research and the flaming colors in the trees around the through the stiffness of the countryside. Enough foliage remained to cut off most of the bright sunshine as the car rolled to a stop near some dense shadows.

Once more, the woman opened the door. The children

Once more, the woman opened use dool. In economics scrambled to follow her. "Say here!" she snapped. Three pairs of eyes with hurt expressions followed her as she walked around the auto. They peered out the rear window as she opened the trunk. The lid hid her movements from view until she had walked some distance toward the trees, carrying a burden. "Ook, look!" the little girl cried. "It's a big dolly."

"Oob, look!" the little girl cried. "It's a big dolly."

The boy beside her was a realist. "It's a lady," he pronounced positively.

THE woman and her burden disappeared into the shadows of the woods. She returned briefly to pick up the can of gasoline and to warm the children once more not to leave the car.

The children waited, bourced up and down on the sate combons, tried to sper a bird or a quirter all harfly wooded area where the blonde woman had disuppeared. When the came beak, wiping another form her eyes, the said examend her position behind the wheel. In thoughtful silence the drove along the country road until it approached Lake Cowan. At a wide point, the midd a proached Lake Cowan. At a wide point, the midd a proached Lake Cowan. At a wide point, the midd a proached Lake Cowan. At a wide point, the midd a proached Lake Cowan. At a wide point, the midd a proached Lake Cowan. At a wide point, the midd a law of the contract of the woods of the contract of the contract of the contract of the cut trunk into the woods—and the black clouds of sinche that for a few like the wise of a migral of their contract or contract of the cut trunk into the woods—and the black clouds of sinche that for a few like the wise of an angel of death.

THE smoke had long since blown away, but the smell day, when a pair of hunters marched through the air to be next day, when a pair of hunters marched through the wooded area near Lake Cowan. Their guns were carried across their bodies, cradled in their arms, and they peered shead of them for signs of game. The man in the lead was so intent on his observations that he almost tripped over the

charred corpse on the path. He leaped back with a cry.
"My God!" he breathed.
His companion came up behind him and studied the

blackened horror. "It's a body!" he gasped. The men turned and hurried to their car.

The men turned and hurried to their ear.
Their phone call brought Sheriff Floyd Foote of Clinton
County and Sergeant Tom Morgan and Patrolman Robert
Dunber of the Ohio State Highway Patrol. The officers
knelt beside the remains of what had once been a human

being.

Face and features were charred caricatures of the human form. A partly-burned pearl necklace caught the sheriffs eye. "Must be a woman," he commented.

sherill's eye. "Must be a woman," he commented.

Sergeant Morgan pointed to the two rings on one charred finger. "Probably married."

Other items gave no further information on the identity of the victim, nor did they suggest the true cause of death. They did provide the investigators with a hint of what had happened, however. A few feet from the body lay a set of car keys. They belonged to a General Motors car. But there was no car in the vicinity. Sheriff Foote silited the sahes with a stick. "The keys were probably in her purse,"

he commented. "It's sahes now."
The officers considered the possibilities. If the victim had driven to the spot and committed suicide in this bizarre fashion, then her car would be nearby. If the body represented the victim of a murder, then the murderer would have needed the keys if the car he used belonged to

would nave needed the keys it the car he used belonged to the victim.

"The only answer that seems to fit all the facts," Sheriff Foote concluded, "is that the victim was driven here in

The murderer, whoever he was, had successfully burned up all the evidence that might lead to the identity of the

Vectim.

THE Clinton County coroner examined the corpse and enalized immediately that local facilities were not good enough for a therough autopsy. The body was transferred to the well-equipped coroner's laboratory in Cincinnati.

enough for a thorough autops. The body was transferred to the well-equipped coroner's laboratory in Cincinnati. Meanwhile, the discovery was publicized, and the authorities boped for a quick identification between the authorities boped for a quick identification and a state to offer a clue to the time of death, the condition of the ground where it had been found, and the scattering of the ashes

by the wind, indicated that at least one day had passed since the flames roared in the area. "Somebody, somewhere, must have missed the victim," the sheriff mused.

NEWS of the discovery of the burned corpse received headline attention in the newspapers the following day, Sunday. The call that reached state police headquarters was from a man.

"Maybe I'm all wet," he said, "but I think I know who

He identified himself as a sales representative for a large soap manufacturing concern. "Last Thursday, the 30th, I talked to a woman who works for the Transit Company," the man explained. "She was wearing a pearl necklace and had two rings on one of her fingers." He said the woman was Mrs. Louise Bergen. She had

discussed with him the purchase of large quantities of soap products for the bus company, but their business was not completed that day. "She made an appointment to come see me the next day, Friday," the salesman went on. When Louise Bergen did not show up, he called her office. He was teld she had not reported to work that day. "I figured she had a cold or something," he told the state police. "But now." His voice trailed off to a hum-

"What makes you think the body we found is this woman's?" he was asked.

"Well, for one thing, the car keys. She was driving an

Oldsmobile, and that's a General Motors car."

"Hold on," the officer at the other end of the wire commanded. "I'm going to have the Cincinnati police contact you."

The soap company employee repeated his story to Lieutenant Orville Bakhause a short time later, and soon afterward, the investigators moved quickly to the home of Louise Bergen. Her address had been obtained from an official of the transit company, who was reached at his home. The woman who came to the door was elderly. A nine-year-old girl accompanied her.

"Is Mrs. Louise Bergen home?" the lieutenant asked.

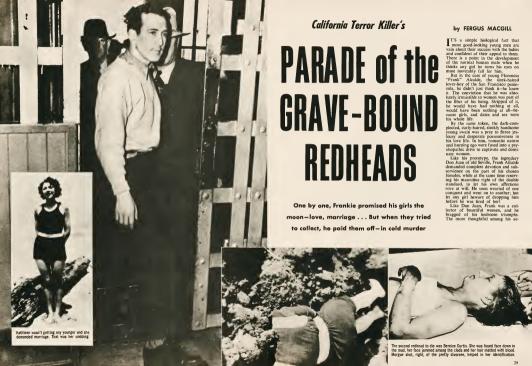
The woman shook her head. She looked worried. "I'm
her mother. Have you heard from her?"

THE story the woman told fitted the fast revealed by the teap seleman. She related that her daughter had not returned from work on the night of October 30th. AFE WES SEGRESS daughter, Linda Louise, went to bed, AFE WES SEGRESS AND SEGRESS AND SEGRESS AND SEGRESS Early next morning, she could no longer remain parts. She phoned her daughter's estranged bushead, William of matriage, the explained to (Cortinued or page 60) of matriage, the explained to (Cortinued or page 60)

ONLY AN APPEAL CAN SAVE HER NOW

The trial is over and the prisoner starts trek to the death house. With her is Garnetta Cook, matron.







Bernice Curtis' fellow employees identified clothing, held by Sheriff William J. Emig and Deputy Phil Cuffaro, as garments worn, from time to time, by the ill-fated, lovely redhead.

quaintances, however, may have realized that, like any philanderer, he was driven not necessarily by an imperious sex urge, but by a constant frantic necessity to reassure himself of his potency, of his irresistibility. Frank Alcalde's other dominant

characteristic, linked with his jealousy and possessiveness, was his inflam-mable temper. He flew into a hlind rage at anyone or anything that crossed him, that thwarted his arrogant career. And finally, an integral part of all this, and still another manifestation of the young Don Juan's hasic selfishness, was a certain shrewdness-a wary instinct for self-preservation that operated even in the middle of his violent flareups. Perhaps in the end it was this that provided the real key to his personality, and distinguished him from the legion of other young men of similar type-sleek, suave, insinuating, with large liquid eyes, long sidehurns and pencil-line moustache. Because, undeniably, something did distinguish Alcalde, did lift him out of his not-uncommon category and raise him to a duhious and grim eminence, after living on borrowed time for seven years. . . .

was the notorious wolf of the high school dances, and he had a formid able list of peninsula conquests to his record hefore he was twenty-one. And he had always managed, as a typical Don Juan, to steer clear of entanglements, though sometimes it was a narrow squeak. There was talk of an ahortion mess, and some ugly threats from fathers and hrothers. But

like the carefree Don himself, young Alcalde went right on his merry, promiscuous way.

He was twenty-two hefore he got really involved for the first time ironically, with a young woman as roving-eyed and as possessive as himself. Lovely, auhurn-haired Kathleen Rohinson-the tall, slim heauty with the mysterious Mona Lisa smile didn't helieve in the double standard. She thought freedom of romance should work hoth ways. Kathleen was a twenty-six-year-old

hachelor girl of a strong and independent turn of mind, who lived alone in a little apartment over a garage in suhurhan San Mateo. She worked in a laundry office, and she enjoyed life. The willowy redhead with the seductive figure and the husky, vihrant voice had had a steady succession of hoy friends, and had heen engaged three or four times before she met Alcolde

When they finally met, their similar and yet clashing temperaments soon struck fire. At first, Kathleen was just another conquest for the curly-haired Don Juan, and to her, he was just another escort to take her to the garish San Francisco night cluhs that were her life's hreath. But before long, the paradoxically-linked pair were tangled in a weh of passion, jealousy and what passed for love.

RANK vowed to Kathleen that he wanted to marry her, hut ohviously he couldn't do so till he found a steady joh. Just as ohviously, he wasn't looking for a job. His well-todo parents, with whom he lived in San Bruno, gave him spending money and let him use the family car. Frank worked desultorily around his father's restaurant, picked up an odd joh now and then, hut mostly spent his time loafing around the taverns and gambling joints Kathleen, who was getting no

vouseer, agreed that marriage might he a good idea. But till Frank could he more definite, she reserved the right to go out with other men when she felt like it. Frank railed and raged, swore dire vengeance on his rivals. But Kathleen, who knew there was small danger that her cautious lover would get involved in a duel, only smiled her tantalizing, slow smile. FRANK Alcalde, to his friends, was a Don Juan, even in his teens. He "You don't have any claim on me, Frank. I don't helong to any man. When you get around to giving me that ring, maybe things'll be different Her misfortune was that she didn't know this particular man well enough. didn't have the intuition to plumh fully the murky and frightening depths

of his violent nature. N Saturday, January 26, 1935. Frank and Kathleen had their usual Saturday night date to go nightclubbing on San Francisco's North Beach. Kathleen had some shopping to do in the afternoon, something to do with accessories for her evening outfit. At two p.m., Frank, who had dropped in at her apartment after lunch, put ber on the suburban streetcar, to the city.

A few minutes after nine o'clock that night, Frank, dressed in his sharp new black suit and pearl-grey hat, knocked at the door of Kaihleen's landlady, Mrs. Thelma Brewer. Sorry to disturb you, Mrs. Brewer, he smiled, "but I'm looking for Kathy. I was supposed to pick her up at nine sharp, but she isn't there, and her place

is dark. I thought maybe she left a message with you..." No, the Brewers hadn't seen Kath-

leen since morning. But about seven p.m., Brewer had noticed a light in the garage apartment, which was at the back of the lot, detached from the house. "Maybe she just stepped out for a few minutes, Frank. Why don't you come in and wait for her?"

Alcalde came in and sat chatting with the landlady and her husband. He kept looking at his watch, and as the time ticked by, his increasing anxiety communicated itself to them.

"It's odd she wouldn't call us to tell you she'd be late," Mrs. Brewer frowned. "Kathy's a very punctual

girl." When ten o'clock had passed without a sign of Kathleen nor any message from her. Alcade and the Brewers telephoned several friends of the
girl, but no one had seen her. Since
there had been a light in her apartment at seven, she must have returned
on schedule from her shopping trip
to the city. Mrs. Brewer took her key
and went back to the apartment, to
confirm that it was empty.

"Something's happened to her!"
Frank said. "Kathleen would never
stand me up like this! She was so
anxious to go up to the city tonight,
too-we'd been planning on it all
week-"

By eleven-thirty, the Brewers agreed it was time to call in the police. They drove Alcalde to the San Mateo station a few bicks away. The desk their story, After all, Kathleen was a grown young woman, and she'd been missing only two and a half hours or grown young word and the station of th

A LCALDE and the Brewers were still at the police station, just about midnight, when the call came





in from an excited citizen. He had just found the dead body of a young red-haired girl in evening dress, lying on the sidewalk of quiet Poplar Avenue, right around the corner from the Brower home.

"My God, that must be Kathleen!" Frank Alcalde exclaimed in wide-eyed

And so it was. The willowy gift with the Mona Lisa smile lay crumpled, face down, on the payments in part of the Mona and sedective perfume still hovering about her. She wore a sheer black chiften evening grown, cut low from siperary A gradient corsage was silppera. A gradient corsage was silppera. A gradient corsage was silppera to the silppera to

car.

"Looks like she was sbot from ambush as she walked down the street,"
Police Chief Thomas Burke summed up. "The killer could have been hiding in these bushes. Or else he could have

in from an excited citizen. He had come up behind her. Most likely she just found the dead body of a young never knew what hit her."

SCRUTINY of the slain girl's apartment yielded cryptic clues. On the stand beside the disordered bed were two glasses with dregs of white wine. There were two cigarette stubs in the eash tray, one of them smeared with

Frank Alcalde, sobbing and apparently on the verge of hysteria, had no idea what could have happened. He said he was sure the wine glasss and cigarents definitely hadn't been there, and the said he was sure the wine glass and cigarents definitely hadn't been the cigarent of the country of t

Could Alcalde name any suspect? Well, Frank frowned through his tears, he didn't like to get anyone in trouble, but there was one fellow, Dan Damone, to whom Kathy had once been engaged, who'd been hanging around. Not Ions ago. Kathy said Dan had threatened violence to her and Frank, if she didn't come back to him and drop Alcalde.

Alcaide himself seemed to be in the clear on the strength of his albib. He had dined with his folks in San Bruno, driven to San Mateo a little before seven, dropped into a couple of aversa and walked around the streets killing time while waiting behavior of the streets will be sufficed to the streets will be sufficient with the sufficient will be sufficient will be sufficient with the sufficien

positive the body hadn't been there
when he bad passed at eleven. And
Alcalde had been with the Brewers
since a few minutes after nine.

DETECTIVES went after young
Dan Damone. He had been out

DELECTIVES went after young all evening, and they picked him up weather for liquor. He admitted he might have threatened Kathleen in a moment of anger, but denied killing her. He was hazy as to his movements during the evening, and when they found a .32 automatic in his room, They checked his fineerorius. But

there were no identifiable ones on the wine glasses. Developments were rapid. The coro-

ner found that Kathleen had been killed with a 32, but tests proved she had not been shot with Damone's gun. The autopsy indicated that Kathleen might have been killed as early as eight or nine o'clock. And now a little girl came forward who said she had seen the body lying on the sidewalk at nine. Thus, Alealde's althi was blown un.

And at the same time, Dan Damone was able, step-by-step, to establish an alibi that cleared him. But Alcalde volubly maintained his innocence. He gave the police names of half a dozen other current boy friends of the slain

The police checked and rechecked Kathlen's past and questioned all her friends. They couldn't find anyone with whom she might have had the early evening date, of which the evidence in her room spoke eloquently. But by a process of elimination, they kept coming back to Frank Alealde, the fiery Don Juan, who everybody said was fleredy jealous and had left him. Kathleen's foster-mother was certain Alcalde was the killer.

A month after the murder, a rusty

girl's acquaintances bad been exhaustively checked out, and Chief Burke was convinced that Alealde bimself was the man who had shared the wine and cigarettes and Kathleen's bed with her at seven o'clock. He also noted that she had been fully dressed for her Saturday night date with Frank at the time she was killed. On the strength of all this, District Attorney Gilbert Ferrell, issued a complaint, charging young Alcade with murder. But Alcade retained a skillful criminal attorney, and at his perlainate attorney, and at his perlainate and the state of the state o

III's close brush with the murder rap appearently had a temporarily sobering effect on the handsome young laider man. He settled down to a construction job and stayed close to home for a long time. Eventually, he blossomed out again. As usual, he tried to steer clear of marriage, but since he was getting older, the romantic cards were now (Continued on page 52)



Questioned by Assistant D.A. Andreucetti (left), Dr. Burt Davis, autopsy surgeon, identifies Barnice Curtis's skull X-ray during the sensational murder trial of Frank Alcalde.



by ALLEN LEBROW

"Excuse me, I think my nose needs powdering," She got up, and the man at the table with her hurriedly rose, too.

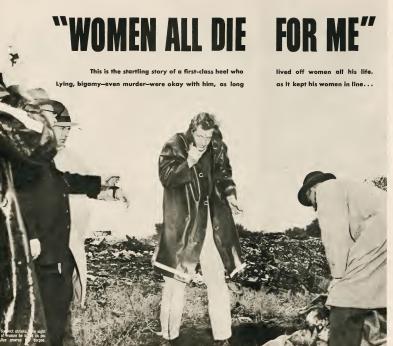
She returned his smile automatically, and she automatically swung her hips as she moved across the night-club floor. He watched her all the way. She knew he was watching. They could always be also be counted on to smile the same way and talk the same way and want the same thing The only trouble was most of them ended up the same way-getting jealous and making scenes and trying to run her life. (Continued on page 47)



"TOO MANY OTHER MEN," HE SAID ...

competition in love. He knew only one way to deal with it, with a loaded gun.







Look of happiness on bride's face faded soon after the wedding when she settled down to live with her husband's weaknesses.

by WALTER STRINGER

I a just wasn't Evelyn's day when she said, "I do" and latched onto Bob Boeseneilers for better or worse, until death should them part. That sealed things, of course, but since she'd made her yow in good faith, she wished she'd known in advance that there was going to be more "worse" than "hetter" in the marriage.

At that time, everything had seemed so set and certain and the time custodes so bright, but the way things turned use, he soon began to feel that way things turned use, he soon began to feel that the containers turned to the wall in anger, it was easy the containers turned to the wall in anger, it was easy behind amagnificant wedding cale, his hand resting on here as the cut into it. He looked manly and no hard that the containers are the cut into it. He looked manly and no hard that the conficulties of the containers are the cut into it. He looked manly and the containers are the containers and the containers are the containers and the containers are the containers and the containers are contained as the cut into it. He looked manly and the containers are contained as the containers are

That was six years ago, and if he'd been a doll then, he was strictly for the nursery still. Whatever determination he had at the beginning had disappeared, and he just couldn't seem to stick to a job. They bad a son five, now, and even he hadn't changed Bob's airy attitude toward responsibility.

Bob was pushing thirty-he was five years older than Evelyn-but he still had the same footloose and carefree attitude he had in his early twenties when he was a merchant seaman.

"Those were the day," he often told her, and though he spoke interestingly compal about his sexperiences in far-off places, she dreaded the implications of that far-away look. She was afrail, at first, as he lost one job after another, that he'd head back to sea once he had a bellyful of things not breaking right. But the last couple of years she realized that had been also been also been also been also also also as that pripred him was induled by job shifts, impulsive hauting trips, excepts drinking, and chasing after new and different women.

Twice he had actually gone down to Chicago to ship aboard Great Lakes freighters for a couple of some appears him generating. Each of couple of couple of the some state of the some state of the some state of the said. "I can get to work." He got to work, all right, but no one job seemed capable of holding his sustained interest, and soon he'd out or extred.

It was the story of his life, as Evelyn had been finding out more emphatically lately: it wasn't only a question of no one job interesting him, but it looked as though one woman wasn't enough for him,

She'b felt out of things for a long time, and wben be came home on May 12, 1956, without a present of any kind to indicate he'd remembered their wedding anniversary. Evelyn was heartsek, but she didn't say anything; She fixed dinner while Bob played with little Mike and unhappily reflected on what a series of disappointments their marriage

There were Bob's unexplained overnight absences, the handkerchiefs with their faint lipstick smears, his repeated arrivals home with bitter tales of how he'd lost his most recent job, and the furious scenes that occurred whenever she complained about not having enough money to pay the bills.

Well as less he was working now, he reasoned, as she put the final touches to the dinner and brought it into the dining room. She had on a new stress she'd made which looked just right on her lithe, slim figure, and she put on a bright face as he called to Bob and Mike to come and get it. She heistated about kidding Bob about forgetting their wedding anniversary because he was very touchy

wedding anniversary because he was very touchy these days, but she didn't have a chance to. A moment after he sat down, he said, "Well, I guess I better get it off my chest right away, Evvy. I'm through at Coffman's. The boss canned me

Evelyn's heart sank, and slowly she returned a forkful of food to her plate. "Oh, no, Bob," she said in a low voice, "not again."

Bob hydled defensively: "Oh, don't round so

said in a low voice, "not again."

Bob bridled defensively. "Oh, don't sound so tragic. I'll get another job."

"Crue" the said belloule "Regioning at the be-

"Sure," the said hollowly, "Beginning at the beginning again." It was a nice job hed had, as manager of the Coffman Bowling Alleys at the University of Minnescon, with good hours and a pleasant say of Minnescon, with good hours and a pleasant to get herself a job in town in order to make ends meet, and was still working, but it didn't really help much since she had to pay out so much for a woman to take care of Mike. Bob had been doing to well, and the said working the some side to able to Bob started to say something, but Evelyn sig-

POLICE FIND CORPSE, CLUES AND MOTIVE...

Deputy coroner with blanketcovered body which the police unearthed from the town dump in St. Paul, Minnesota

William D. Barrette, morgue-keeper, exhibits wire used to strangle Evelyn. Killer denied using it.





naled him to remember the boy. After they'd eaten and Mike bad been put to bed, Evelyn brought the subject up again.

"I DON'T know what we're going to do, Bob, but I can't go on like this. It's not just the jobs—it's other things, too—"What do you mean?"

"I think you know. Anyway, you've got to remember that Mike's five now, and you can't just play around with jobs any more. You've got to stick with one if we're ever going to get any place." She looked at him wonderingly. "What was the trouble this time?"

"None of your damn business" Bob explosed. "I'm sick of you talkin' to me like a Dutch uncle all the time-always so smag. You're never wrong, louder, but he neighbors weren't unused to angry voices coming from the Booseneiten', and Evelyn was insured to his tintess. "Perfect—field: He suppless with the second of the property of the

Evelyn had never said anything about her private suspicions, the evidence of the lipsticked handker-chiefs, and the rumors she'd been hearing from some of her girl friends. Now Bob had said it, so she said, "I figured that out for myself, Bob."

"There you go again!" he shouted, his voice almost a scream by now. "Miss know-it-all! Can't tell you a thing! Well, do you know I've got me a woman now that's worth ten of you? Do you knows he's got money, and she's crazy about me, and half the time I'm sleeping at her place and she satisfies me like you never could?" He put his face, red

with fury, close to hers, "Did you know that, Miss

Evelyn's face was white. She knew, somehow, this was no hoyish bragging, however juvenile his attitude toward women might be. She turned her face from his, sid over on the couch and get up. "No. I didn't. I didn't know that. It makes a difference, You fitting and playing around, I could take. You being infatuated—or in love with—one woman, that I can't take."

She turned to face him. "Who is it? Some kind of a tramp who can't wait to get her hands on somebody else's husband?"

Bob just laughed and turned away.
"Who is she?" Evelyn demanded.

"That's something you'll never know," he said quietly.
"We'll see about that!" she said and ran to her closet and took out her jacket.

"Where're you going?" he said, jumping up and going after her. "That's my business," she said. Bob grabbed ber arm and twirled her around to

face him. "What you do, is my business," he said grimly.

And so the battle raged. Only late that night did it subside. As the neighbors turned over in their beds and gratefully heard the lapse of sounds coming from the Boesencilers' apartment, not a few of them said. "Now, maybe, we can get some sleen."

This was a Saturday, and on Monday, Bob was phoning his mother-in-law, Mrs. Paul Manke, and asking contriety, "May I speak to Evvy, please? If-if she won't come to the phone, tell her I'm sorry, but try to persuade her to talk to me, will

"What are you talking about, Bob? Evelyn's not here."
"She's not? Then where-my gosh! Did she talk

to you at all?"
"No. I haven't spoken to her in days."
"We had an awful quarrel, and she threatened to

"We had a navili quarre, and size intractioned to walk out. I figured she'd gone to your place." "When did this happen?" Mrs. Manke asked. "And where's Michael?" "Yesterday morning. She walked out, and then I

got the landlady to take care of Mike-he's with her now-and I went out, just as mad as she was, and got drunk." Bob's voice broke. "Well, I guess I better try some of her girl friends."

Mrs. Manke get busy on the phone as soon as Bob had bung up, calling the firm where Evelyn worked and discovering side hadn't showed up. Her burn had been been been been been been been and the Manke got in touch with her hadsonad at his office, and together they called everyone they could think of, but no one had heard from Evelyn. The next had, who said the hadn't seen Evelyn since Saturday, and all through the day the Mankes winded for news of some sort, But there was none, and on the series of some sort, But there was none, and on the series in S. Paul to report his daughter missing.

THE Missing Persons Bureau swung into action fast, sending out a full description of Evelyn by teletype and radio as well as having her photo the property of the property of

today

MEET THE DEVIL'S SISTER (Continued from page 10)

relative, Robert Fischer, was missing, "Bob Fischer?" Schaaf said quickly, "He's probably made a getaway. We've been looking for him since last Saturday in connection with a stolen car job."

The women said she knew nothing about the stolen car, and insisted that Fischer would have no reason to run away. 'I don't think he would leave town,' she said and added that she was worried that something had happened to him.

Schaaf promised to start another search for the missing man. After he concluded the telephone conversation, the police officer was puzzled by the report of Fischer's disappearance and recalled the information Erie Police Chief George J. Cristoph received from one of his officers, Patrolinan Everett Ruska, on Saturday, March 2nd.

A few days before, an automobile had been stolen from a spot in front of one of the local clubs. Then Ruska had received a tip that the car was hidden in a barn, some nine miles east of Cambridge Springs. Since this was outside his jurisdiction, Cristoph turned the information over to the State Police.

formation over to the State Police. For months the Erie Police and the State Police had been attempting to build up a case around a gang of car thieves. The trail led toward six-footone. 245-pound Michael Bubna, the reputed head of the ring, but there was no direct evidence to prove this.

Mehallick and Mathias immediately went to work on the tip concerning the auto theft. They discovered that Robert Fischer had once lived in the vicinity of the Cambridge Springs barn, so they kept plugging. This made them most anxious to talk to Fischer.

Although the state and city police hunted for the thirty-four-year-old man the entire weekend, they were unable to find him. Then they decided to pick up one of the man's friends and "Big Mike" Bubna. Both men were arrested around midnight, March 5th.

The pair denied knowing anything about Robert Fischer, and hours of questioning brought no results. Both menwere released the following morning, the day the body was found near the golf course.

On that Wednesday night, however, when the Erie police received the query about the missing man, they did not connect it with the corpse found in the hastily-improvised grave.

THAT same night, Dr. Burt disclosed the results of his autopsy. He said

he had never seen a victim who had been so brustally mistreated prior to the actual killing. Five bullet wounds in the head caused death. "Both his eyes were blackened by

blows," the report stated, "and it appears that an attempt was made to strangle him by hand. Both thighs contained eigarette burns. The nose was broken and the skull fractured. All five bullets were fired into the right side of the head, at close range."

"The condition of the wounds indicates that he was beaten unconscious first, and then the bullets were fired into his head as he lay in the mud. It is impossible to determine the exact time

of the slaving, but it appears that it happened Monday night."

This report immediately sent Mehallick, Schausers, Mathias and several troopers back to the murder scene. They canvassed the entire district to find someone who might have seen the killers on the golf course, or heard the shots. Although they investigated thor-

oughly, their efforts were fruitless.
Wednesday night passed without the
victim's identity being established, but
on Thursday morning Corporal Mathias
received a telephone call from Robert
Fischer's friend, the same man who

had been picked up with Bubna.

"A man who said his name was Maguire just phoned me," the callet said.

"He said he had information about Bob, and he wants me to meet him at Thirteenth and Peach streets. He said a strange thing. He wants me to buy a morning paper."

The man hesitated for a moment and then continued, "I sent my wife out of r a paper, and I read about the golf course murder on the front page. My wife and I agree the description of that dead man sounds very much like Bob." Mathias spoke rapidly, "Don't meet

Maguire," he said. "We'll take care of that. Although Fischer and his wife are separated, please ask her to go with you to the Erie headquarters to identify the body. Tell Chief Cristoph about your suspicions. He'll permit you to see the body, though I must tell you it's in bad shape. Stay there until you hear from me."

Hanging up, Mathias apprised Mahallick and Schauers of the conversation and his plan to pick up Maguire.

THE three oncers means the might recognize him, and 18th and Peach was a basy intersection. After a few minutes' wait in the shadow of a building, bowever, they spotted a man walking furtively. The officers recognized him as Elbert Cottiss, a suspected member of the auto theft ring. They took him into custody.

"What's all this Maguire stuff?" Me-

hallick demanded when the man was seated among them at the Lawrence Park barracks.

Corliss, a thin-faced, shifty-eyed man, protested he did not know what the detectives were talking about. Mehallick decided to play a hunch. "The man you called on the telephone recognized your woice," Mehallick said calmly.

Corliss averted his gaze and shrugged. "Okay," he said, "I did make the call. Let me tell you why."

The detectives waited while he lit a cigarette.
"I was up in Portland, Maine," Cor-

I was up in Portiand, Maine, Colliss began. "When I got off the train at Etic this morning, I bought a paper. All over the front page, I saw an account of that murder the other night. Then I read a description of the dead man, and it sounded familiar to me. That's why I made the phone call."

Mehallick leaned back in his chair.

"And who do you think the dead man is?" he asked.

"Bob Fischer," replied the suspected car thief.

To the state police, Corliss' information came as a mild surprise. That is until Mathias told the others about the phone call he had received from Fisch-

er's friend, who was also suspicious.

"He's over at the morgue now, I believe," the corporal added. "If the dead man is Fischer, his relatives ought to

be able to tell us shortly."

Mehallick rose. "We'll hold Corliss in custody," he said. "We can get back to him later. Let's see if the body has been identified."

WHEN the officers joined the relatives of Robert Fischer at headquarters, they had conclusive proof of the identity of the victim. The wife, another relative, and the friend recognized the man's gold teeth and had definitely identified him as Robert Fischer.

"Do you know where he was going, and who was with him?" Mehallick asked.

The woman nodded, Bob Fischer, she

The woman nodded. Bob Fischer, she said, had arrived at her house in an intoxicated condition about eight o'clock. Although she and her husband had



separated, they were still on friendly

terms Continuing, she stated that Fischer was grumbling about some money due him. He spoke about \$500 which was owed him. Then he made several phone calls. She did not know anything about his financial affairs, and added that she did not hear with whom he was talk-

About nine-ten, after he had concluded his calls, Fischer said he was going to see the man who owed him the money. This time, he intended to collect it. When the woman told the officers the

address, they looked at each other in surprise. The three-story house at that address on 26th Street had long been under suspicion as the headquarters of the stolen car ring. Its present occupants were "Big Mike" Bubna and his sister, Mrs. Millie Thomas, a sloe-eyed brun-

But "Big Mike," Mehallick recalled, had previously denied knowing anything about the missing Fischer. "Wonder what he's going to say now?" the sergeant said. Then, turning to Mathias and Schauers he added, "Bring him in, along with Mrs. Thomas and anybody

else you find in that house." WITH County Detective Coates, Mehallick went back to the barracks to talk to Corliss, Lieutenant Bricker

joined them as they interviewed the prisoner. "That was your pal, Fischer, all

right," Mehallick told Corliss, "What do you know about it?" Corliss did not seem surprised about the identification. "You heard me tell you I was in Portland," he said. "I

went there Sunday, and I just got back today. How would I know anything?" Mehallick was far from convinced. particularly since Corliss seemed to be

setting up a pretty fair alibi for bimself. This alone was sufficient to arouse the officer's suspicions.

Deciding to crack down on the case and get all the available information, the state officers revealed their knowledge of the auto theft ring and Corliss' suspected connection with it. The officers did not know whether it was because the man sought to evade responsibility in a murder or not, but their plan worked. Almost immediately he began to "sing.

Corliss revealed the set-up of the stolen car racket, naming Bubna, Fischer and himself as three of the members. He told how machines were lifted in Erie and transported into Maine, where they were fenced. In all, Corliss said he had participated in about twenty such deals.

The man admitted stealing the car from in front of the club on the previ-CONFIDENTIAL DETECTIVE CASES

ous Saturday, adding that it was he who hid it in the Cambridge Springs barn. "But I didn't take it to Maine with me," he said. "You can register a car up there without having the car with you. But I ran into some trouble. and I came back to straighten it out. That's when I read about the murder."

Mehallick nodded. "Who was in the deal with you on that car?" he asked. "Just Bob Fischer," the man replied "He and I were working it alone. We

dealt the other out." The serreant pondered this piece of information, but he did not reveal his conclusions to Corliss. Instead he said, "Give me a list of all the people who

called at that 26th Street house." The prisoner recalled only a few by name, but among these was one Hal Foster, who was on the police list as another suspected car thief.

As Mehallick finished his notes, he asked Corliss, "That was a gray 1940 Pontiac sedan you stole, wasn't it? The man nodded. "A nice job, too. It

should still be out in the barn." "It's not," Mehallick said. "We looked." Corliss jerked upward in his chair.

"It's not there?" he said increduously. "Then who took it?" The screeant leaned forward, "Maybe Bob Fischer," he suggested. "He could have double-crossed you, just as you and he were dealing out the others. Maybe that's the reason why he was

killed. That would have given you a motive.

Corliss scowled in anger. "I got an alibi!" he flared. "You can't pin that on me. I was in Portland."

We'll see," Mehallick came back, ordering the prisoner back to his cell.

A FTER Corliss' departure, the ser-geant told Bricker, "We're getting close to the motive. Fischer could have been killed when he and Corliss had a falling out, or he might have been erased for double-crossing the gang on that car deal. Better still, the mob might have felt he was hot, since we were looking for him, and put him on the spot so he wouldn't talk." Bricker nodded. "We'll see what Big

Mike has to say." When Bubns and his sister, Millie Thomas-along with another woman relative of Bubna's who was found in the 26th Street house-were brought to headquarters, they denied any knowl-

edge of the Fischer murder. Confronted with evidence that he headed a stolen car ring in Erie, Bubna shook his head. "You can't prove anything like that," he said. "I know nothing about it. I'm refusing to talk until

I see a lawver." Millie Thomas was likewise uncommunicative. Her flippancy indicated that any questions she might answer would reveal no information. Realizing that he would have to play a waiting game

OVER YOU GO!



Unruly motorist Edgar Whitehead is held firmly over the motorcycle of Officer David Ansuriza, as the policeman tries to radio for help. It is reported by San Francisco police that Whitehead attacked Ansuriza as he was writing out a speeding ticket for him. The hard-tohandle speeder is charged with ignoring a siren, resisting arrest and assault and battery.

before requestioning the suspects, Bricker ordered them to be locked up.

Bubna and his sister went to the county jail, whereupon the state police detectives began looking for other memhers of the suspected car-theft ring, as well as persons Corliss named as visitors to the 26th Street house. Although a number of suspects were taken into custody, no trace was found of Hal Foster.

LATE on the day following the discovery of Bob Fischer's body, the case took a sensational turn, when state police laboratory experts who were inspecting the terrain at the golf courseincluding the tire tracks—determined that a car had been stuck in the mud not far from where the shirt and pistol had been picked up. Furthermore, there was evidence to show that a tow-track had pulled it out.

"Canvass the garages and find out who sent a truck out there Monday night," Bricker ordered.

The city police proved cooperative in this task, and before nightfall results were obtained. Three garage employees told canvassing officers that they had responded to a call Monday night and hauled a mired gray Pontiac coach from the mud at the golf course.

This car corresponded to the description of the one stolen from the front of the clubhouse Saturday and subsequently, according to the statement made by Corliss, hidden in the Cambridge Springs barn.

The garage employees said that a slim, dark-faced man called at the garage late Monday night and asked that a tow truck be sent to the golf course. The trio responded, extricating the vehicle. Then the slim man paid the charges, and drove off.

When he received this information, Mehallick said, "That sounds like Cor-

liss. There goes his alibi."

However, when the garage employees were brought face to face with the

prisoner at the jail, they shook their beads. "He's not the man," they said. Bubna likewise drew a clean bill of health from them, although he did not answer their description of the Pontiac driver. The police were certain that the man who had procured and paid for the two trucks was connected with the killing of Robert Fischer. Likewise, it was logical to assume that the stolen Pontiac was the murder car.

MEHALLICK went through the files and produced pictures of every member of the auto ring, plus those of several persons known to have visited the mob's headquarters on 26th Street. After these photos were mixed with shots of others not connected with the case, they were shown to the garagemen

 who were asked to select anyone who looked familiar.
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The trio were pointing to a picture

of Hal Foster. The picture now became clear immediately to the police. Foster, one of the visitors to the 26th Street house, connected with Egg Milee Buban's activities, had apparently driven Robert Fischer to the golf course, and had mired his car in an attempt to leave the scene. Three garage employees swore he

his car in an attempt to leave the scene. Three garage employees wore he had arrived at that place of business in another car and asked to have his own car towed out. The workers returned with him, extricated the Pontiac, were paid, and saw Foster drive off. The employees were positive about the identification.

Despite this information, the state

police did not believe that this eliminated Corlis. They had also learned that someone was with Foster when the latter came to the garage. It could have been his associate in the car-stealing racket who claimed to have been in Fortland. When the garage men were asked about this, they could not identify Foster's companion of the murder night because they had not seen him cleatly. The state police immediately let it be

known that they wanted Hal Foster. News that he was being sought, however, was withheld from Corlin, Bolson. Source and the source of the control of the c

Mong's officers learned Foster had been friendly with a girl named Leona Mae Shayrock.

When the police sought this girl, they discovered the also had left town on Monday night. This coincided with the time of the murder and Foster's departure from the city, and the police immediately doubled their efforts to get

a line on the pair.

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they obtained significant information.
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South to be on the watch for Foster and the gray Pontiac car.

MEANWHILE, in Erie, the State
Police sought to tie up the loose
ends. Shots fired from the Belgian pistol
disclosed that this was the murder gun.
It was traced to a relative of the murder

Queried about the weapon, the relative said, "Elbert Corliss took that pistol from my house several months ago."

Corliss was then confronted with this fact and admitted it. "But," he said,
"the gun was taken away from me."
When questioned further, he refused to say who took it.
All evidence to date pointed to Fos-

ter as the killer and Corliss as a possible accessory. With this in mind, the police thought at expedient to throw this accusation at the confessed auto thief.

Corliss instantly denied the charge and insisted he had been in Portland. "Why, I made several phone calls back to Erie," he declared. "They'll prove where I was and at what time I was there."

The police realized that Corliss might be telling the truth, though they were not overlooking the possibility that someone else might have made the phone calls in his name. After a full statement concerning his complete alibi was taken from Corliss, a thorough check-up was started.

NOTHING was heard about Foster during the rest of Thursday, but early Friday, in Savannah, Georgia, an FBI agent started to comb the city's hotel lobbies and eating places for someone resembling the fugitive. All he had was the Pennsylvania State Police description of the suspected killer.

About noon, a tall, curly-haired man passed the agent on the street. The Gman mentally checked his description and decided he had found the Eric fugitive. He caught up with the pedestrian and tapped him on the shoulder.

"You're Hal Foster, of Erie, Pennsylvania," he said, quickly. Caught off-guard, the suspect whirled and weakly nodded his head. He

was immediately taken to headquarters. Questioned by the FBI, Foster told where Leona Mae Shayrock and the gray Pontiac might be found. The car, he said, had broken down at Savannah as he and the girl were headed for Florida.

In response to further questioning, Foster, said the Pontiac belonged to Big Mike Bubna, who had lent it to him for the Florida jaunt. When the name of Robert Fischer was injected into the conversation casually, the Erie suspect said he knew nothing about the man, either alive or dead. The G-men decided to refrain from telling him about the

murder to see how Foster would react

to a general interrogation.

After Foster apparently had answered questions frankly, he was held in custody while officers located Leona Mes Shayrock. When they questioned her, the story she told was far different from Fosters. At the end of an hour, the G-men informed her that they did not believe a word she hold that they did

While she was taken to headquarters, the Pontiac was searched, and marijuana was found secreted in the door pockets, under the seats and in a rear spare tire. This injected a new angle into the case, one which the police had not suspected previously.

The G-men likewise found suspicious stains in the machine and decided to tow it to Washington for an examination by their laboratory experts.

by their laboratory experts.

Foster was under arrest on suspicion
of car theft. Because she had been found
behind the wheel of the gray Pontiac,
the Shayrock girl faced a charge of
transporting a stolen vehicle. Both
agreed to waive extradition back to

Erie. Notified of their arrests and statements, Lieutenant Bricker immediately dispatched Sergeant Schauers and Corporal Mathias to return the pair. They left for Savannah that same night, ac-

companied by Caunty Detective Coates. When these arrests were made, Erie newspapers hinted that the mander of Robert Fischer would soon be solved, and that a huge marijuana ring would be expeed in consequence. However, it was not revealed that the police were rapidly building up an incriminating case against the mole in connection with these lides of the result of

Bubna, Fischer, Corliss, Foster and at least two other men comprised the mob which had built up an enterprise of considerable proportions from car

thefts and drug-peddling.

Hal Foster was not informed of a murder charge until he arrived back in Erie on March 14th. Then, in the office of Assistant District Attorney McLaugh-

lin, he was told of the accusation.

Almost immediately the investigation received an entirely new reaction from the man who had so willingly confessed the theft of cars. It was plain he wanted out and Hal said so.

After the officers gave Foster a complete breakdown of their suspicions against him, the prisoner began shaking his head. "You missed by a mile," he said. "That murder didn't take place up at that golf course."

This statement came as a complete surprise to the investigators. What seemed to be the strongest premise in the case against Foster, the assumption that Fischer had been taken for a ride and slain, now was being contradicted. Could this mean that the entire theory had been all wrong from the beginning? "All right, then," Mehallick finally

asked, "where did it happen?"
For a moment, Foster hesitated. It was obvious that he realized the seri-ousness of his own position. Unless he told the truth, all evidence pointed to him as the killer. He shifted uneasily in his seat and then said slowly, "In the basement of the house on 26th

Street."

The effect was electrifying. This was a new angle, a promising one.

Ouickly, following up this lead, Mc-

Laughlin asked, "You killed him there?" Hall Foster shook his head. "Not me," he said. "Big Mike and Millie did it. They killed Fischer because he tried to collect \$300 due to him on a stolen car."

Although this information seemed incredible, Mehallick quickly pointed out that it fitted in exactly with his original theories about the motive.

"Let's have it from the beginning."

"Let's have it from the beginning," the sergeant told Foster, "including how that man's body got up on the golf course."

The confessed car thief nodded. "I can clear that up first," he said. "Fischer's body got there because I took it there in the gray Pontiac, on Buhna's torders. He also told me to get out of g

town with the stolen car, so the police wouldn't talk to me."

wouldn't talk to me."

To Mehallick, this all seemed logical.

He could see the pieces dropping independent place. Fischer, bot in connection with the rapidly approaching show-down with the auto ring, had been suppressed so be could not squeal. Since Big Milke Bell and been bell and the same than the same bulked large at the man while the best motive for mutufer.

FOSTER'S story of the actual crime was one of the most grucsome the investigators had ever heard.

It began when Fischer, drunk, came to the back door of the house on 26th Street on the night of March 4th, and demanded to see Buhna. Foster, Leona Mae Shayrock, Millie Thomas, Buhna and a relative of Big Mike's were in the house, according to Foster.

Bubna, the informant said, was always a playful chap, given to practical jokes." The butt of these in the past had been Robert Fischer, but Fischer, was not feeling up to it that night and began to "tell Big Mike off," Foster stated and added that Bubna reacted to his tirade with fury.

"Mike became furious," Foster said,
"and began slapping Fischer around
with his big paws. Then he told Millie
to take Leona out of the room. This is
going to be messy, Bubna said." And,



HORROR CRIME ...

Grim-faced deputies (I. to r.) Carl Sears, Mike Melovich and Bolden Bridges examine body of twelve-year-old Loma Lax (inset) of Kentfield, California, who was stabbed and hanged in the play area she called her "fort." A fiftenvear-old box. Ciliford Forther, allezedly confessed crime. according to Foster, he added, "I don't want her to see it."

When Leona Shayrock was led to a bedroom, Bubna called for a pair of scissors, the story continued. Then Big Mike dragged Fischer down the basement stairs into the concrete-floored cellar. Foster said he went to the stairs and looked down.

"Bubna had been pummeling Fischer's bead against the concrete floor until the man was unconscious. Then Bubna took a gun out of his pocket and fired five shots into Fischer's head."

A stenographer, summoned by Mc-Laughlin, was transcribing the story. Mehallick interrupted to ask what Millie was doing. In response to this, Foster stated that she had been cutting off Fischer's hair. Then, after taking a wallet out of his back pocket, she began throwing his clothes into the furnace.

throwing his clothes into the furnace. Continuing the story, the prisoner stated there was blood in the kitchen and basement, but Millie scrubbed it up after Buhna told Foster he would have to take the body some place and bury it. "He gave me the gun and said," 'Cet rid of that, too."

Leona Mae Shayrock, questioned as new and shown Foster's statement, now changed her story completely. She verified everything Foster had said. She added that Millie Thomas had come to her in the bedroom and said that she and her brother had killed Fischer. The girl added that at the saw the body and the bloodstains in the cellar, and while he was in the bedroom, she heard four

A FTER these statements were completed, the police rushed to the murder house and discovered complete verification of Foster's story. Blood-

t stains were found on the kitchen and basement floor, although attempts had a been made to eradicate them. Near the furnace, they discovered several hairs

which were later identified as Fischer's.

In the furnace ash can were remnants of clothing and the wallet. The murder car, when examined by the FBI, was found to contain bloodstains of Robert Fischer's type.

found to contain bloodstains of Robert Fischer's type.

Hall Foster took the investigators over the entire crime route, reenacting personally what he saw and did. The man

so thate this to saw and did. The man pointed out the spot where he had dug the grave and named two people who gave him a lift to a garage when his car became stuck in the mud. These people were unaware of the crime and had no connection with the case. Elbert Confus, the police soon learned,

had told the truth about his trip to Prottand. What the mun did not be the mun did not be prottand. What the mun did not be crossed him, as he and Fischer had double-crossed him, as he and Fischer crossed him, and had re-moved the Prottine from the barn double his absence from the city, it was from his absence from the city from Big Milke. Fig. 10 to collect \$100 from Big Milke. But Babna, he give wise to the fast, give a better before the collection of the first best before counted out on several collection of the first best before counted out on several collections.

had led to his death.

Big Mike Bubna and his sister, Millie
Thomas, refused to talk about Fischer's
death. McLaughlin noted that they did
make incriminating admissions and
both lacked alibis for the time of the
murdet, set between nine-thirty and
ten on Monday night. But neither com-

fessed the actual killing.

McLaughlin prompely filed murder charges against Bubna, Mrs. Thomas and Hal Foster. The trio were arraigned before Alderman William Heisler, who

held them without bail for a preliminary hearing on March 28th.

On that day, both Hal Foster and Leona Mae Shayock retold their stories for the benefit of the count. At the conclusion of the hearing, at which Mc-Laughlin presented most of his damaging evidence, Heisler found probable cause and turned the case over to the grand jury.

Leona May Shayrock was held in high bail as a material witness, and the stolen car charge against her was dropped. Corliss found himself detained behind bars on two counts of automobile larceny.

The grand jury acted on schedule, retutring first-degree murder indictmenso against Bubna and Miller Thomas and an accessory-after-the-fact count against that foreer. The next day, an indictment was brought in charging Corlus with car thefit. Pollowing his plea of guilty, he was sentenced to a term of eighteen months in the state penietristary.

On May 21st, Make Bubna and Millie Thomas were brought to trial in Eric County Superior Court. Speedily found guest for the Superior Court. Speedily found guest beautoned Millie to life imprisonment and Mike to die in the electric chair. The execution took place on October 20th.

guilty of the accessory charge and was promptly sentenced to a five-year term in the state positionizary, due consideration having been shown him by the state for his aid in constructing the people's case. Leons Mae Shayrock was released.

Note: The names Elbert Corliss, Leona May Shayrock and Hal Foster are pseudonyms.

BACK-DOOR LOVER'S REVENGE (Continued from page 23)

ence last mgbt . . . nothing ever happened like that in my life . . . Being a man, Falcone didn't go overboard emotionally the way his newfound mistress did, but with doubtful wisdom, he replied to her letter in a

fairly unrestrained way.

My dear, he wrote: I have been thinking since Friday. I keep pinehing myself
to see if I am alive. It was so thrilling
to be there. I empoyed everything. You
have such a mice little love nest. I i
should be there to share it with you.

At the plant, the two lovers were very careful about concealing their feelings. It was hard for Mildred to put on an act, but she continued greeting him in the presence of the others with the same badinage as usual. Sometimes

they'd catch a look in each other's eyes, and they ached to be alone, to give some physical expression to the deast within. Whether it was love or passion, it unnerved them both, and they tried to contrive crands or excuses that would bring them together in some room, or corridor ell, or behind some packing case, just to touch one another for a moment.

MILDRED needed the reassurance of Day's touch. She didn't want bim to think she was cheap or easy or promiscoust. Though morally she was a goner, like most illicit lovers she wanted him to know that their was a special case, that hers was a beautiful lowe, and that because the didn't make a babit of behaving like a cheap tan femilie. And an, quickly, since she didn't get the chance to talk to him close, she sublimated in the only she

knew. She wrote:

Beloved, It seems forever since we

saw each other. You know Hove you...
I was afraid you'd think hadly of me...
I was very young and without it could have leathed. Then I met and marched Matthew. I mover pretended to be in love with him.

Hardly had she gotten that letter written, when the same day, feeling apparently that she had left something out, she set about writing him another

"Dear One, I bet you think I am a dumb country gri . . . I was brought up right . . . it was my love for you that caused me to want you to come to the house Friday might . . It was so

a wonderful . . ."

Dan's replies to these letters assured be that he didn't think she was a dumb to country girl, and that he did think she was abrought up right. Very philosophic-eally, he wrote that "I' jow nent wrong, at was temptation." Hardly had he gotten that be of wisdom into the United States malls when another letter arrived, in which Mildred said that she

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would be heartbroken if he thought for a moment that she was bad. These first letters were printable-

well, almost-in their entirety, but Mildred's particularly kept referring to Dan's technique of love-making, re-living their moments together. Her letters grew progressively more candid, though it is doubtful that Dan, a man of the world, was embarrassed by them. She said exactly what she meant in a way that was flattering to her lover.

She kept referring to herself as naive and untutored until he came along That she didn't know what love was until he taught her. From the content of the letters, however, it's apparent that her instincts on the subject were very sharp, indeed. She was way shead of him most of the time. "My own beloved," one note read:

"I am looking torward to this weekend. I can't think of anything else . . . to feel your arms around me, pulling me against your throbbing body

Falcone was always in her thoughts, according to her correspondence with him. She went into quite graphic detail about the inadequacies of fat little Matthew, and wondered whether it was quite fair to Dan that she should permit her lawful husband to be a busband to her. Mildred's ethics on this subject were appalling, and if it is true that marriages are made in heaven, then the devil really had quite a hand in illicit

Dan's reply to that situation was to advise her to pretend with her husband. and not to change things too radically, or he would become suspicious. "You said if you had never married Matthew you would never have met me . . That's something."

I can never say

THE craziest part of their behavior was their complete recklessness. Dan would call Mildred at six-thirty s.m., to wake her and tell her he loved her. The call coincided with the time the completely punctual Matthew was in the bathroom, shaving. When he heard the bell ring, he was puzzled and later asked who would call at that

"Oh, darling," she told him, "Tve asked one of the girls at the plant to wake me in the morning," and dropped the subject. What Dan would do if Matthew picked up the phone by chance was something neither of the lovers thought of. Hang up? Then what would Matthew think?

They didn't leave much margin for error in their clandestine affair. A few weeks after the date on a Friday, which was a convenient night because Matthew always had a council meeting, events didn't proceed quite according to plan. "Beloved," Mildred hastily wrote Dan

the next day, "... that was a close call last night ... Matthew never came home that early before . . . I am scared . . . We will have to get some other place .

She could say that again, as far as Dan was concerned. It was comfortable and convenient to rendezvous at Mildred's, but as he wrote in reply, "Your bome is too dangerous . . . we found that out last night. I don't like crawling through a window."

The next few dates, therefore, were impromptu things, set up hastily over the phone, just so they could see each other. They met in the garage, and sometimes, after careful arrangements, he picked her up on some distant street corner and they drove off into the

Mildred didn't want to risk stopping at motels or hotels. She had to be seen only once to have her life wrecked. She had no relatives nearby whom she could tell Matthew she was going to visit, giving her a chance to stay out overnight. Matthew was, anyway, the kind of dear, devoted husband a woman having an affair hated to be saddled with. If she did go away, he was just the type to call her on the phone, at the place where she was supposed to be, to wish her goodnight and pleasant dreams

THE pressure was on Mildred, Neigh-Dors and friends who used to drop in unannounced she now regarded with suspicion. Her best friend, who never bothered to knock or ring the bell when

she came in, got angry accusations of smooping from Mildred. She was fidgety, temperamental, and the only things that could calm her were her letterwriting and her meetings with Falcone. She was a mental libertine, as well as a physical one, because she would write about love-making, recalling all the clinical details.

The time had to come when Matthew would start asking questions. "That made me mad," she wrote Dan, "I laughed. He say: I am laughing in his face. I know I'm sare, he know: the

husband's suspicions in the next few. Matthew had started catechizing her, starting with those doubting questions, "Where were you? Who were you with?" Midred was convinced that be knew all about Dan, but that he wanted

to hear it from her.

It didn't make Falcone rest any easier when one day he got this letter: "Be-lored, I am seared for you. . . He knows now that I am seeing you. . . the threatened to do something to you,

iomething terrible."

Falcone acted righteous about the whole thing, like a self-appointed protector to his illicit love. "I drapprore of Matthew trying the third degree on you to get things out of you," he had the gall to write.

A MOST a year went by during which the affair filamed, and exposure threatened a dozen times. Matthew, out of pride, never mentioned his suspicious to anyone but Mildred, and dufn't attack Falone as threatened. He was a patient man, and perhaps he sented that the inevitable would hape sented that the inevitable would hap the standard of the sentence of the period of the sentence of the sentence

again. The first inkling Dan had of it was when she began breaking the Frisky might dates which she had been "un-able to live without." Her letters became more moderate in tone, though occasionally she would flare out in written recollections of their once-ardent love. She spert more time cautioning Dan, telling him about Marthew's Dan, telling him about Marthew's proposed of the control of th

That Mildred's enthusiasm was waping was reflected in a letter which
began, "Befored" but which contained
such phrases as these: "I'm afraid I'm
not the type to carry on an affair and
get away with it; Perhapt the time util
come when we will regret giving in to
our love: It sare is longh not seeing
you and wondering how you are.

I'm sorry I couldn't say yes about tomorrou . . . But I must break away . . . I spent . . weeks . . . trying to make up my mind to break away from you . . ."

The group part of this deal for Dan.

I falsone was that Mildred had been the emotional aggressor in the beginning, and he the colerant, sensible, and a sensible of the colerant problem of the col

Trouble was beginning to catch up with him.

Falcone had been giving Mildered money, during their relationship, as a kind of loan so that she could buy clothes to look peetly for him. Early in 1953, be suffered some losses in the stock market and had to berrow from the falcone of the falcon

". Since I sold you I was cleaned on, though shore cleaned," he wrote, and the more he thought about it, the more bitter he became. Midded was no fool, though. She didn't break things off too fast. If love was gone, passion wasn't, and she still had use for Dan. They continued to see each other, the longer, and then, one day, she wrote: "But it must not. My bear at breaking," But it must not My bear at breaking,

yet I must be treng and fem."

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". . You must accept reality. I couldn't be happy at the expente of seeing somebody else unhappy." Falcone, facing the inevitable, replied: "For your take, I'll let you alone."

He received no more letters from her. Months back, he had been forced to give up his job at the shirt factory because he was afraid that he would let the cat out of the bag each time he looked at her. Sometimens, now, he'd park the car down the street from her house, just to catch a glimpse of her. And then, on January 25th, 1954, he wrote his last letter to hear the letter for the property of the street from her house, just to catch a glimpse of her.

"Dear Millie: I'm writing you your birthday gift. Rest in peace. I'll not disturb your peace any longer. I am fading away . . . Please forgive me for everything."

SHE never received that particular letter, however, because Dan forgot to mail it, and long afterwards it was found beneath the seat of his mind. He was picked up a couple of times by cops for crusting past the Dancker house on Lehigh Steet, and finally, thinking the couple of the

Everything was fine—or seemed to be
—when he got back. He was given his
old job as foreman again, and it was
a tragic mistake. Mildred still worked
there. She ignored him for a while, but
the vixen in her made her incapable of
resisting one of those old, teasing looks
occasionally. Falcone almost went wild
with design.

One night, outside the factory, he ran into her, and she brushed him off. He became so angry, he threatened to kill her.

THREE days later, the whole mixedup affair exploded. It was Sunday, October 3rd, and Dan was scheduled to take off at four-thirty a.m. from his borne in Bangor for a hunting trip with some of his buddies. He begged out at

the last minute, and spent the day reading Mildred's letters.

Late in the afternoon, he went to the Fourth Ward Citizens Club and drank half a dozen glasses of wine, and then

told someone he was going to Palmerton.

Falcone reached Palmenton just as a worshippers were entering the Trinity Church, and he pasteed his car down Milded Dancker were arriving in their car, and they pasked in their customary place, not far from where Dan sat brooding in his car. It was dark, and when Falcone got out, no one passing when Falcone got out, no one passing can be to the control of the property of the neath the front flap of his heavy out.

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He was standing there, in front of the church, quite trashy, when Matthew and Mildred walked up to the church entrance. Dan called her by name, and when she turned, alarmed, and Matthew turned with her, Falcone fired again and again. There were screams from all sides, and the Danckers fell to the side-walk. Falcone whiteled and an off, with half a dozen men in pursuit, but the vanished in the darkness.

SHERIFF Charles Neast and Deputy Sheriff James McElmoyle knew, soon enough, whom to look for, and the next morning they headed a posse that surrounded Falcone north of Wind Gap and brought him back to Palmerton.

the He was brought to trial, charged with murder, on January 21st, 1955, and er found guilty. Days later, Falcone was extended by Judge James A McCready to life imprisonment. It is unknown whether his letters were returned to the property of the property of the will afford cold comfort for the long wears abased.

JEALOUS FURY KILLS NIGHT-CLUB HOSTESS

(Continued from page 35)

Still, she got a big kick out of men. You could tell that from one look at her, just as you could tell she was the kind of girl who was sure to provoke a man's attention. She was in the bad a neaf figure that was sensious as soon as the moved. She wore ber make-rip well, not too much of it, either. Nevertheless, she bad the look of a young woman who had look of a young woman who had pensive and good-looking, but it fitted tighter than most glowes and

pensive and good-looking, but it fitted tighter than most gloves and outlined every inch of her figure.

Her name was Mildred Spiegel Carl, and she was ideally suited to her job as a hostess in that Union City. New Jersey, night spot, the

Club 13.

When Mildred walked into the powder room, she found her friend and co-worker, Helen Reilly, there, repairing her make-up.

"Hi. what's new?" Helen asked

without stopping.
"I bad to get away for a minute.
I've got a real eager beaver, and I'm
dead tired," Mildred replied.

She sat down and started putting on fresh lipstick.

"I spent most of last night arguing with this guy I've been going out with, and I didn't get any sicep," she went on. "Why won't they ever believe you when you say something is through?

"Bill, this guy, insisted on coming over with a bottle of brandy to have a couple of drinks because he was dying to see me, be said. Then, as soon as be got there, he started to yell at me and pull this big jealousy act. I got fed up. So I told bim I didn't want to see him any more. Then he began to beg and apologize

Then he began to beg and apologize and argue-and it went on all night."
"You really have a lot of trouble with your men," Helen sympathized. "Well it's settled now, as far as I'm concerned," Mildred declared. "To-

concerned," Mildred declared. "Tonight I want to get some sleep. All I've got to do now is fight off the guy I'm with and coavince Jimmy Stearns that this is not the night for him to take me home."

Jimmy Steams was a young man who worked at the Club I3 and who was much taken with the blonde Midred. He was about Midred's age in years, but as far as sophistication was concerned, he was like a boy compared to her. Still, be bung around ber as much as she'd tet him and begged for a date any time she might feel like letting him take her

out. He was a nice-looking, eager-toplease young man. Mildred sometimes favored him with her attentions. She liked variety.

The need for variety in male companionship was what had prompted Mildred Cart to break up ber marriage with Fred Carl a few months before. She had been married to him for six years. After the first two years, she bad begun to take a few days off every once in a while to go out with other men. Finally, the had stayed sway from him permabed stayed sway from him permaon grounds of desertion. Their fourwar-old son lived with Mildred's parvase-old son lived with Mildred's par-

After that, Mildred had all the men she wanted to choose from And there was a big turnover among her sweethearts, because her choice changed frequently. That was what upset them. Mildred tired of men quickly and became interested in new ones.

That night, though, she was interested only in sleep, so it was a quiet night.

The next day was Friday, January

21, 1949. Mildred slept late, then went out for a while in the after-moon. The early darkness of the winter evening was just closing in when she returned. Her high heels clicked on the steps as she climbed to the

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She unlocked her door and walked in. She dropped her Persian lamb coat across a chair and switched on a light. Then she paused in front of a mirror to look at herself and pat her hair. Still admiring herself in the mirror, she began to disrobe. She took off the tailored suit and stepped out of her shoes. She peeled off her lace-trimmed slip and paused again to look at her reflection. Clad only in her filmy underthings, she eyed her lithe figure critically. Finally satisfied, she went into the bathroom to draw a tub of water.

If she had gone to the closet, she would surely have seen him lurking there, watching her through the ever so slightly open door. But she did not. She might even have smelled the cigar smoke in that part of the room. but she did not. She had no hint of his presence until she came out of the bathroom and saw him facing her with the gun in his hand and his broad face twisted up with tense emo-

tion She tried to ask him what he wanted, but she choked on the words, She did not panic, however. Without hurrying, she picked up a robe and slipped it around her. She noticed

his gaze on her shapely body and thought that might help distract him. She started talking to him, trying to calm him, offering promises, ca-joling, flirting. He talked emotionally about how much he loved her and

couldn't bear to be without her. The gun wavered in his grasp. If only you'd been true to me. If

you hadn't cheated on me, Mildred . . ." he said. She protested her innocence with a trembling voice. There was nobody else, she insisted. It was just that he'd made her mad, just a little argument

between the two of them, and it could be patched up. "Can't we make up . . , you for-

give me? So it can all be like it used . ." she sobbed. The clenched fury in his face be-

gan to relax. His expression softened. "I wanted it to be like it was . . . I loved you . . . but you said no . . ." he stammered. "Too many others . . 'No others . . . they didn't count

" she pleaded desperately The barrel of the pistol dropped a little. Doubts and conflicting emotions were visible in his changing expression. His heavy shoulders sagged a little as some of the intense emotion abated. His powerful, ham-like hands clenched and unclenched. The pistol dangled loosely. His eyes clung to the attractions of her body, only half-hidden by the sheer robe. burning anger in his eyes was melting, and a look of agonized longing was replacing it.

THE blonde beauty saw her chances gaining. Fighting down her hysterical impulse to scream with all her might, she kept pouring out soothing, seductive words in a frantic stream. Yet she kept her voice in a low, hoarse whisper. She was straining to sound soft and persuasive, but she spoke with machine-gun rapidity -repeating vows of love, pleas for forgiveness, intimate reminders and lurid promises of pleasure, one after

another Afraid to go toward him, she begged him to put down his gun and embrace her. Both siren and suppliant, she begged with one breath, tried to inflame his desires with the next. He swayed toward her, torn be-

tween his conflicting drives. Then it happened. The sound of the buzzer shocked them both into silence. Again, insistently, her doorbell cut the tense air. Somebody was ringing Mildred's doorbell-standing a few feet away in the hall outside of her apartment, pushing repeatedly on the bell.

Fury and fear again swept over the face of the man with the gun. Threateningly, he leveled it at Mildred's head. He jerked the barrel up slightly with a quick, ugly eloquence that made it plain that any outcry from her would bring instant death-She saw his face and knew the mood was broken, her chance was gone. Silently, she cursed the person outside as she choked back a sob.

"Go away, go away! For God's sake go away!" she pleaded under her breath There was still one bit of doubt in the wild eyes of the man with the gun, and she knew what it was. He was listening intently to ascertain whether the person out at the buzzer was a chance visitor like a neighbor or a peddler, or whether it was an-

other date, a man Mildred was twotiming him with Mildred Carl knew then that if any word was spoken by a man outside her door, that word would be her

death warrant. The buzzer was silent for a moment. Then a voice, a vouthful, mas-

culine voice, was heard "Come on, Mildred. Answer me. You know how much I want to see you. . . You said we could have a date . . . Come on . . ."

The boyish plaint was repeated several times, and then given up. The pair inside the apartment heard the receding footsteps in the hall. The face of the man with the gun was knotted into a mask of wild jealousy and murderous hatred. Before the horrified Mildred could

Crying hysterically, twenty-nine-year-old Mrs. Betty Lou Moore is led into a Harrisonville, Missouri courtroom by Sheriff John Steplen, left, and Deputy Kenneth Wimsatt. She was arraigned on a first-degree murder charge for the fatal shooting of her husband and two



children while they were asleep in their Belton home. Moore was a gas-station attendant.

out. The blonde siren fell with both bullets in her brain.

WITHIN a few minutes after the shots rang out on Summit Avenue, a phone rang in Union City Police headquarters. "Somebody's been shot at 1605

Summit Avenue in Apartment Three. You better get an ambulance over there," said a man's voice. Before the police operator could

reply, the caller hung up. Detective-Lieutenant Arthur Stanton, Detective John Little, and Union City Deputy Chief Edward Mescall found Mildred Carl's door locked when they arrived. They forced it open and hurried to the crumpled form of the blonde hostess, but she was already dead.

Money in her purse immediately climinated robbery as a motive. The locked apartment with no signs of force applied to door or window latches told the detectives the killer had either come in with Mildred, been let in by her, or had a key to the apartment.

Pathologist Dr. Frank Spano examined the body and declared, "She's only been dead about half an hour." Stanton pointed out a half bottle of Parmentier brandy on the kitchen ta-

ble with two glasses. One of them had lipstick on it. "Here's our lead," he declared. "Check it for fingerprints, and find

out who sells that kind of brandy in this area," he told an assistant. "Even if there are no prints, that brandy should help us, because it's an off-beat brand, not much sold around here." Looking through Mildred Carl's closet, Mescall stopped and sniffed, then motioned to the others. Stanton

and Little joined him. "Cigar smoke," Little said after sniffing among the dresses. Stanton agreed. "And that

means some man was hiding in the closet a little while ago-unless we find out she smoked cigars." Tracing the phone call, the detec-

tives soon discovered that the only phone in the building was in an apart ment belonging to a family that had been out all evening. "Then the call must have been

made from some place very near here," Stanton observed, "because it came in about 7:35, only about five minutes after she was shot, according to Dr. Spano's estimate.'

DRUGGIST at the corner remem-A bered a young man running into his shop and making a call about that time, and dashing out again. But he couldn't recall in which direction the

man had gone afterwards. "But he was around that black Cadillac that's still parked across the street," the druggist said, pointing to

the car "We'll have to check that car out," Arthur Stanton said



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cept some belonging to the victim and no weapon had been found. In-vestigators rushed to work on the clues they had, afraid that if the trail cooled, the murderer might never be

A neighbor remembered seeing young man around who identified himself as Mildred Cari's husband some months before. Police immediately traced Carl's address and found it, not far away.

"If we find the man who made the call. I think we've got our man, Stanton said as he and Mescall drove to Carl's home.

"The druggist is sure he can iden tify him," Mescall said.

THE officers found Fred Carl home. He looked genuinely shocked when they told him of the shooting "I haven't seen her since the time the divorce became final last September," he said. "And I've been here at home all evening."

He had witnesses to prove it, and he regretted he had no lead to give the officers. So the detectives headed back to Summit Avenue to get the

serted Cadillac, which had been towed in for complete investigation. The ownership had been traced to a man named Rocky Willis, they

were informed. That's the guy who owns the club where the Carl woman worked." Lit. tle said

Stanton looked at his associates and nodded, "Let's go see him right now

They could not locate Willis until the next morning, however. By that time, he had heard about the murder of Mildred Carl, and said he expected

"I can't tell you much, though," he declared at the outset. "She was pretty quiet around work, but she knew an awful lot of men. Too many, I guess. Too bad. She was a nice kid "Were you one of her men friends?" Stanton asked him.
"Me? No, not on your life," Wil-

lie cold Where was your Cadillac last night? Do you know where it is now?

Stanton shot the questions at Willis "One of my employees borrowed it, a boy named Jimmy Steams," Willis answered. "Talk to him."

THE officers got Jimmy Stearns' ad-dress and within the hour had picked him up. He tried to deny knowing anything about Mildred Carl, but the druggist immediately identified him as the man who had made the telephone call in the booth at 7:35. The police officer who had taken the call identified Stearns' voice as the one he'd heard on the phone.

Under grilling, the youth broke down and admitted making the call and leaving the Cadillac on Summit Avenue. "But I'm not involved in the killing," he cried. "I didn't even see her last night. I went by for a date with Mildred and rang her bell a long time, but she wouldn't answer. Then I heard some shots in the apartment when I was leaving the building. so I ran to the phone and called for help. I just ducked out because I was afraid of getting involved

The notice listened skentically, and then locked Stearns up despite his plaintive insistence that he was innocent The brandy bottle would determine who was inside the apartment. they knew. But they felt sure that they already had their man

PHAT certainty disappeared, how-ever, when they talked to Helen Reilly later in the day. She repeated Mildred's words about the quarrel with a boy friend named "Bill" and the reference to him bringing brandy

over two nights before she was killed. It began to look like the case was collapsing. But as Stanton had predicted, the brandy was the key clue. The distributors for Parmentier were the Vintage Importers in Jersey City. and their records showed only one case had some out in recent weeks. A dealer who had gotten half the case was located in Jersey City.

He was the first dealer the police checked, and he provided the big break. He had sold only one bottle. and it had been to a regular customer. The customer was a Jersey City truck driver named Balbo, and Balbo's first name was William.

As soon as they heard the name, the investigators exchanged significant looks. They got Balbo's address from the liquor dealer and burried away to find him. But he was not home, and hadn't been there since Thursday night. his landlady told police.

Stanton checked his trucking company only to be told: "He basn't been here for several days. Don't know what's happened to him.

For two days, the police searched in vain for Balbo. Then on Tuesday morning two men walked into the office of Horace K. Roberson, Union City Prosecutor. One was a stocky. heavy-shouldered man with big hands. "I'm William Balbo," he announced. "I hear you're looking for me. What

They questioned him, but Balbo was tough, cool and defiant. He insisted he had simply gone on a four-day drunk and didn't remember where he had been. The bottle of brandy he bought had been finished and tossed in a garbage dump somewhere, he said. The man Balbo had brought along was his lawyer, and the lawyer protested loudly when Balbo was held on suspicion of murder.

HE police released Jimmy Stearns. Tand set to work frantically to find more evidence than the circumstantial brandy bottle to substantiate their case against Balbo. The bullets which killed Mildred Carl had come from a .38 calibre German Mauser, but they could not locate the gun.

At last, they found a cab driver who CONFIDENTIAL DETECTIVE CASES

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remembered picking up a man who looked like Balbo four blocks from Mildred Carl's apartment at eightfifteen on Friday night.

"He was in a big hurry to get to the the Bayonne County Park bulkhead on Newark Bay," said the cabbie. "He threw the gun in the bay, said Stanton. "Let's look for it."

Before the afternoon was over, divers had brought up a .38 calibre German Mauser from the muddy bot-tom of Newark Bay. A truck driver who worked with Balbo identified it as belonging to him. Later in the week a key maker was found who had made Balbo a duplicate of a key like

the one to Mildred Carl's apartment Balbo was indicted for first-degree murder, and went to trial June 6, 1949. When the trial opened he pleaded innocent and refused to talk. But as he listened to the charges being read, the burly killer suddenly stopped the trial and had his lawyer change his plea to guilty. On June 24th, Hudson County

Judge August Ziegener, after listening to the defense attorney beg for clemency because Balbo had a heroic record in World War II, sentenced the defendant to twenty to thirty years in the state penitentiary. Despite long probings into the de-

tails of the murder, Balbo refused to the last to testify as to motive or to the grim particulars of what went on in Mildred Carl's apartment that violent night. However, from bits of information

he divulged during the earlier investigation and from other evidence gradually pieced together, the grim story of the passion killing in the throes of violent jealousy was finally filled in. With tragic irony, the fickle blonde with the magnetic appeal died as she lived, surrounded by sweethearts vying for her affections. William Balbo, her jealous lover, died in jail on January 30, 1959.

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GRAVE-BOUND REDHEADS

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heavily stacked against the Don Juan. When he couldn't dodge it any longer, Frank married a demure and pretty young local girl with whom be had gone to school. They settled down in a modest cottage in San Mateo, and soon there was a curly-haired little Alcalde. With the outbreak of World War II. Florencio went to work at the big shipyard of Western Pipe and Steel in South San Francisco. Frank had never been a particularly devoted nor faithful husband, and now

that he found himself making more WHITEN DULL DISCOLORED money than he had ever made in his life before, he really blossomed out. The wartime boom brought not only industrial prosperity to the San Francisco Bay region, but a pervasive atmosphere of excitement, vergiog on hysteria, that the now twenty-nine-year-old Don Juan found peculiarly suited to his promiscuous taste.

With thousands of men and women pouring in from all over the West to work on wartime jobs, money flowed as freely as liquor; moral laxity and a live-for-today spirit were in the air. Romancing the eager-eyed girls he met in the peninsula taverns, Alcade felt almost as though he were back in his carefree high-school days again. Serious-faced little Mrs. Alcalde put

up with Frank's philandering for the sake of their child. Frank had come to scorn his unassuming, patient wife, who no longer had what it took to kindle the fire that was awakened so readily by the strange and exciting women he met at the cocktail hars

O one knows just how Frank Al-calde met Bernice Curtis, the buxom, red-haired, thirty-year-old divorcee who had come out from Chicago in the fall of 1942 to clerk in a big San Francisco tobacco shop. Neither does anyone know what brought them together, and just what they saw in each other.

Bernice who formerly operated a Chicago beauty parlor, had divorced her husband about four years before. Recently, she had been engaged to a young salesman, but they broke un. He had gone to Mexico City at the same time she came to California, Vivacious, fun-loving Bernice was lonesome, and ripe for romance and marriage. Her sister and some other relatives lived in San Francisco, but Bernice, who cherished her independence, preferred to room with another

working girl. Frank's self-preservatory caution had increased with the years, and his affair with Bernice was far less open than that with Kathleen Robinson had been.

ARLY in November, 1942, just about a month after she had come West. Bernice confided to her married sister that she thought she was in love. She proudly showed her sister a snapshot of her new boy friend, a sleek. nattily-dressed fellow with black curly hair, moustache, and large liquid

"Frank's the handsomest man I've ever met," the red-haired divorces enthused. "He's so sophisticated-you know I've always gone for them. He's been divorced, and he's lonesome-

the same as I am." If Bernice mentioned Frank's last oame, her politely interested sister promptly forgot it. A couple of times, Bernice was scheduled to bring him to dinner, but something came up at the last minute. Frank similarly dodged meeting her landlady or roommate. TEETH



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to her mother in Chicago, to whom she had previously mentioned her steady dates with a man named Frank, whom she identified only by his first name: "He wants to marry me, but I'm afraid!" She didn't give any explanation of why she should be afraid. On Sunday night, November 22 1942, Frank called for Bernice about seven o'clock as usual, and as usual, she was all ready and hurried downstairs at his ring, so that he didn't

have to come up As their evening was later reconstructed, the couple had dropped into a couple of bars down the peninsula. and dined and danced at a night club in San Jose, fifty miles south of San Francisco. They got to talking to an other couple at an adjoining table. exchanged partners for several dances, and at about eleven o'clock, the four left together.

A T eight-thirty, Monday morning, a passing motorist spotted the sprawled body of a woman lying in a plowed field at Diss Road and Alma Street, on the outskirts of Palo Alto near the Stanford University campus. His excited call to the constable brought Sheriff William J. Emig of Santa Clara County up from San Jose with a crew of eager deputies.

the mud, her face jammed among the clods, and her auburn hair matted with blood. In grotesque contrast to the dreary autumn morning and the bleak surroundings, she wore a highstyle black silk dress, and expensive jewelry gleamed on her hands. The back of her head had been heaten in with savage blows of some heavy

Her bedraggled fur coat was found on the road a short distance away, and one high-heeled slipper was discovered in the field. Chief Criminal Deputy Phil Cuffaro, Emig's identification man, took a plaster cast of tire marks close beside the fence, over which the body had apparently been hoisted from an automobile. He also found the partial print of a man's shoe, and part of a little green feather, the kind that men wear in their hathands

Then a bus driver came forward who had seen the fur coat lying in the road at 12:45 that morning and had noticed a green 1936 Chevrolet sedan standing close to the fence, with its headlights on and a door open. Fearing a hold-up trap, he had driven on, but his evidence established the time the body had been dumped in the field, and checked with the coroner's estimate that the young woman had been killed around midnight.

The murdered woman's battered face and broken fingernails gave evidence of a fierce struggle. She had not been the victim of a sex attack. The only clue to her identity was a large gold initial brooch, "B.C.," on the front of her dress.

Late that afternoon, a San Francisco deputies learned Florencio Alcalde was tobacconist who read the description known as Frank. They secured nic-

of the murdered redbead in the newspapers, called Emig and identified the woman as his clerk, Bernice Curtis.

OON, the identification was posi-Silve, and San Jose and San Francisco detectives were interviewing the murdered divorcee's relatives and friends. They swiftly got on the trail of the mysterious "Frank," but found that no one knew his full name or his address. Bernice's sister recalled only

that he worked in a shipyard. The landlady at the slain redhead's room on San Jose Avenue disclosed that Frank had telephoned about nine o'clock that morning, asking for Ber-

nice. He expressed surprise when he was told that she hadn't been home all night, and said he'd call later. Bernice's snapshot of her bandson sweetheart couldn't be found in her room. Evidently, she had carried it in

her purse, which wasn't found with the body. But the homicide men obtained a good description of him from one of the girls at the cigar store who had been watching several times when he picked up the divorcee in his green Chevrolet sedan.

When Bernice's boy friend didn't turn up by morning, the sheriff was certain of his guilt; if be were innocent, Frank would surely have come. The young woman lay face-down in The landlady's alertness produced

another clue. In her garbage pail, she found the discarded box in which Frank had brought Bernice a corsage of violets for their Saturday night date, as was bis weekly custom. The florist on Valencia Street remembered him well, and was positive be would able to identify him.

With the cooperation of Sheriff James J. McGrath of the adjoining San Mateo County, Emig began a tedious check of peninsula shipyard workers named Frank, who drove old green Cheyrolets.

FRANK Alcalde had covered his tracks well, but not well enough. It was Patrolman August Truggani of South San Francisco who came up with the vital tip, on Thanksgiving

"This fellow you're looking forhe told Deputies Cuffaro and George Pync, "-I know a fellow who fits that description to a T, and he drives a green '36 Chevvy. I've stopped him a couple of times for speeding. I see him drive past every morning-be works over at Western Pipe and Steel. His name isn't Frank, hut-The moment they heard the name

Florencio Alcalde the deputies remembered the Kathleen Robinson case and the youth who had gotten away with murder

yard and checked the cars in the parking lot. One of the tires of Alcalde's old green sedan matched exactly the cast that Cuffaro bad taken at the murder scene. The rest was homicide routine. The

tures of him from the shipyard personnel office, which the florist, Bernice's sister and the cigar girl instantly identified.

When they picked up the startled Don Juan at his job on the hull of a Liberty Ship and brought bim to San Jose, he sullenly denied everything, He claimed he'd never even known Bernice Curtis.

He said he had been playing cards at his hotel in South San Franciscohe'd moved out on his long-suffering wife two weeks before-all Sunday evening, and that his car had been parked outside the hotel all night. But the other card-players said he had left early, and a policeman was sure the car hadn't been parked behind the

hotel till one or two a.m The florist who had sold Frank the violets identified him to his face, and other pieces of evidence swiftly clicked into their grooves. Alcalde's frightened wife handed over a pile of clothing he had left with her Tuesday night, and lab tests showed bloodstains on the garments. Among them was a grey hat with a broken green feather that fitted the broken piece found near the body. San Francisco Police Criminologist

Francis X. LaTulipe, working with Cuffaro, found fragmentary prints of Bernice's hands and fingers in Frank's car, and established that the nattern of the floormat matched the scratches on her knees. And witnesses were found who had seen the couple together at various places during Sunday evening,

A LCALDE was still protesting bis innocence when he went to trial before Superior Judge William F. James at San Jose. But testimony of the identification witnesses and the lab experts left no room for doubt of his guilt. Assistant District Attorney Ameglio Andreucetti theorized that Bernice had found out Frank was a married man, and accused him of betraying her. On March 10, 1943, the jury found

Alcalde guilty of murder in the first This is a dirty deal!" he shouted as

Judge James sentenced him to die in the gas chamber at San Quentin. The sleek Don Juan was unnonular with the other men in Death Row, who hung a sign, "Lover Boy," over his cell door. The State Supreme Court turned down his appeal from the death sentence. A week before his scheduled execution, Alcalde sent for Chief Deputy Phil Cuffaro. He admitted to Cuffaro that he had known Bernice Curtis, but named another man as her murderer, a man who, he claimed, had framed him. Cuffaro investigated and satisfied himself that there was Now they hastened over to the shinnothing to the condemned man's story.

Cursing and sobbing as they dragged him to the death chair. Frank Alcalde died in the gas chamber on August 18, 1944. The lawmen believed his execution was seven years late. Note: The names Thelma Brewer

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Spark plugs! That was the joke. The Colonel and I were on our way to his downtown office where I was scheduled to intervew him for a magazine story. The subject—spark plugs.

You see, Col. Fred Dollenberg is the seventor and manufacturer of a device which is designed to allow

automotries to run without spark plugs! Later, sitting in his top floor office, with the drages ted to reveal the exciting lower Manhattan skyline. got a more lessurely look at the Colonel I wondered and asked about his smashed nose, -the war maybe!
-and he amiled and said no, just an opposing tackle with a very hard head. Collenbers was a star fullback *1 St Joseph's in Philedelphia before he joined the degree as an engineer 'After war was declared against Japen and Germany, he saw enough action to later receive the Inquirer Hero Award as Philadelphia's most tero Al (Pride of the Mannes) Schmid. He was one of the first to personally plot Gen. Douglas, MacArthur Evidently there was considerable billiance to this young fighter, he started the climb up to the brain brass, and some of the military manuals he was charged with preparing are still used by the Air Force. (Only part of this did I drag out of Dollenberg, Indeed it was only through reading a newspaper file that I learned of the Colonel's outstanding combat record?) force of seasoned P-40 pilots that a gnm incident took

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by Harry Mayer
As told to lum by
Colonel Fred P. Dollenberg

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Well, there he was — with a little money left from the debacle, a family, and a living to make for them He turned his attention once more to the anachronism of modern origins — the spark plug. Startung again from scratch, he reviewed the problem.

"I'm ready quite semple." said Col. Dilenberg. "An engine privides power for a which being passive, sorriged into the cylinder, is ginted by a part. When ignifed the gastione burds pushing in partial down with the cylinder. The right of partial down with the cylinder. The interest process of the cylinder and more force, the more power obviously, therefore, the larger the spack the more pass ignified and burned with the west safet was a much larger spark. a big, list white we were after was a much larger spark a big, list and the cylinder was a series of the cylinder of the cylinder was a series of the cylinder of the cylinder of the cylinder of the cylinder of partial cylinder of the cylinder

"And the conventional spark plug can't provide it?"
"No, it cannot. Every mechanic knows that."
"And the lod in the plane?"

"The P-60! What killed him was insufficient fire-a spark too skinny to ignite sufficient gas to give the engine instant power to climb up end over those trees."

engine instant power to cimb up and over unow trees."
"Why can't the spark plug give a fat spark?" I persisted.
The colonel spoke simply, "Because of its besic

demonstrate agent enemants are seen of 11 to 100 of 20 of an inch-and the spark is no larger than the gas. No larger and 1 say? Only when the plays are brain meets the spark even as larger deal of 100 of 1

The arriver to the spark plug was an ignore which had no argap—which contained no write electrodes—whose tip would not foul—which would not blow out even at the highest compressions, which would never need a replacement for the life of the angine.

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Colonel Collenberg went to Washington.

The Navy didn't accept him with open atms. The principle — finel Let's see it work. And Dollenberg made it work Affer the most exhaustive tests, he have the was in His 15-702 proto (Continued on next page).

Cleaning)	SPARK PLUGS	RE SAVING \$100 A 1	SAYINGS
Gapping }	severel times a year	never	\$10 per yeer
Ges Consumption Additional gost	\$50 gallons	465 gallons not a cent	\$40 per year \$50 per year
of premium gas		TOTAL SAVINGS	= \$100 per year

type was approved for U. S. Navy high compression engine use

If that had been it, it still would have made a good story — the revolutionery change that a former fighter pilot had effected in military aircraft. But that wasn't all. Dollenberg turned to the field

For more than 40 years the old-fash-soned sperk plus hed been the standard gas igniter for every car made. Ouring that time engine power had soared from less than 20 horse to more than 300. Every year the puny spark plug with its skinny little flame became less able to do its job. The new high compression engines were now burning out spar plugs in a few thousand miles of driving 1958 Americans paid more than 500 million dollars merely to replace wom-out spark plugs. To provide what sperk plugs could not do, the big oil companies began to produce super and than super super gas - at super norest Not only re car owners spending a huge sum for plugs each year - they were also spending a fortune in premium cas for the privilege of keeping spark plugs in their engines. And even et that they were not getting their money's worth, as

the new cars they bought very soon be came sluggish ones. If ever there was a call for a modern, efficient ignition mechanism to go with the modern automobile, this was it. Doi: lenberg heard the call I LECTRA FUEL IGNITERS He merketed the

There were problems. Little ones like designing the arroraft igniter to the same size and shape as the conventional auto mobile spark plug it was to replace And big ones such as getting a small voice leard in the towering widerness of the Detroit automobile kingdom. Dollenberg was helped by the shrowdness of Seet erators whose business depended upon triple shift around the clock installed the Fuel Igniter and reported a 10-20% in creased gas mileage per car! Truck ow followed suit-and then the motorist. In less then 12 months, sales of the Lectra fuel igniter zoomed into the million dollar stratospherel

I asked Dollenberg ebout the Lectra dvertising claim that had joiled advertising claim that he motorists all over the country. d joited you've made the guarantee that LECTRA you've made the guarantee that LECTICA FUEL IGNITER will save a car owner \$100 a year or that you will take beck the upiters and refund their money. How do you arrive at that one hundred dotters figure?

"It's based on the average of 10,000 miles of driving in one year. First there will be a sewing of from \$10 to \$12 a year in eliminating spark-plug cleening. gapping, and adjusting at 5,000 miles recipement at 10 000 mile

Does that mean that the Fuel Igniter will need no cleaning or replacing for a whole year?"

"It means that the Fuel Igniter will



mean that we guarantee that it will out last the life of any ear! Not only that we are elso gueranteens that the fuel is niter will squeeze up to 6 - maybe 8 more miles out of every gallon of gas purchased the first year and every year —or we will replace them free until they do That's a siving of \$40 per yeer And it will do this using regular gas onomy gas-not the super gas bought et such warloging prices. That means e saving of \$50 each yeer. And the lignotes will do this every year of the car's ide-they improve with age. They never

. As Dollenberg talked I drew up a chart You can see it at the too of this page.

I said to Dollenberg, "Colonel, to a person like myself — a guy who dinies a car well but knows next to nothing the car runs better after it's had a wash —how sell I know right away Eve really got something after Eve switched from spark plugs to Fuel Igniters?"

The Colonel bunkled at me in sum pathy. "Twe always telt it a pity they don't teech mechanics to all school chil dren. J think I know just how you feel Anyway - very seriously - please listen to this. The first time you press the starter after you've installed the ignities (very simple - by the way), you'll hear and feel an instant clean throb and immediate even roar of the engine. I tell you, you'll be astonished. Even on the oldest morning you'll get a thrill, ing to your engine kicking over instantly and then settling muckly into a smooth purr As for stalling in traffic, like that fel low did this afternoon, that won't happen to you. Stalling is almost always traceable to a faulty spark—and the Igniter will not fault. Climbing and passing? Even a big 325 horsepower car can and does fater on a hill or when it tries to pass if sud denly the spark plugs aren't burning sufficient gas. That won't happen to instead you'll climb and pass more swiftly than you've ever known because you'll be bushing gas, not wasting it. You've heard about the simple exhaust test? Try it First, with the spark pluss in place, let the engine sile and shiff a hall of white absorbent cotton into the mouth of the exhaust. It will come out soeking with unused gasoline. Then try it with Igniters replacing the plugs. The cotton ball will be almost dry. The gas burned instead of escaping through the exhaust. Or here's something else. Again with spark plugs in the car go into gear - or in drive if you have an automatic trans mission. Don't touch the accelerator Now note how much the car moves for ward - if et all. Then unscrew the plues and put back the igniters. If you stood still with spark plugs you'll move forward om 4 to 6 miles an hour with the lo iders while not touching the gas ped The gas that was required with spark plugs in your car merely to idle your notor without being able to move it orward, carries you forward up to six nites an hour with Igniters in the engine One more final thing - with sperk plugs

a car must be looked over and adjusted several times a year. You know that from your own expenence. But can you so preciate the concept of never, never having to remove or change spark plugs because you don't carry any? The con-cept of Fuel Igniters becoming permanent installations in your engine - for 'Yet, with all this-believe it or not-

I still haven't fully answered your quer How you'll use more air and less ces . the savings on your batters ned RPM . . how cerbon — the increased RPM enemy of spark plugs - actually in enemy of spark plugs — actually in creases the efficiency of Fuel Igniters But what I've tried to say is that the spark plug is as intenor to the Fuel is niter as the wagon is to the modern mobile And sust as out dated. Auto mechanics know this row. The ordinary motorist is learning about it tast.

"One last question What about Or troit, Col. Dollenberg? Do you feel you're fighting a crusade Dollenberg looked out of the windo out into the dusk of the city. There wa

a reflective quietness about him as he ught of his reply. Then he said we don't believe we're fighting the big spark plug manufacturers Oh, there's cause it's a matter of only a short time before these curris will all scrap their vestments in the obsolete spark and turn to the manufacture of fuel of ners. Meanwhile - to put it purte can didly-there is, of course, that huge in vestment in stocks of spark plugs to liquidate and while the big tellows are attempting to unload, LECTRA will be booming along." The grin came out again as he said. "I hope they take their about it. At the rate we're

I got up to go, convenced that Gollen berg's quiet confidence was wellright for each other Here's an incident which impressed me A short time ago. LECTRA ran e mai order advertisement in the solver New York Times. One of the replies they got was from a gentleman in Pennsylvania who gut it to LECTRA right on the line Said the Pennsylvania ma "I've read your ad in the New York

Times. What I want you to do before order a set is for you to send me e copy of that ad through the United States mails Then if your Fuel Igniters won't some through with all those fancy prom ses - end if you don't send my money back if they don't perform as you say -I'll have Uncle Sam on my side while I go after you." The hard-bitten Pennsyl vanue man was sent the ad through the mais, all right. And he ordered a mais, all right. And he ordered a set of Fuel Igniters. LECTRA wasn't fearful that Uncle Sam would be after them. Because—and here was the locker—Uncle is a LECTRA customer! Many military in stallations have field-tested the ignifier. As a result of these field tests purchased by these government un

many thousand Fuel leniters have been So that's the story of The Buy Fat flame I'm leaving a little space for a message from Coi Quilenberg Mean while I'm on my way outside to the garage with my set of Fuel Ignters I can't wet to get rid of those spark plugs! we'll be big enough to take care of our

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one of self-recrimination. "It was my fault, I know," be said, "and I think she went away, just to teach me a lesson. She'll be back, though. Don't worry."

But a week went by, and Evelyn wasn't back, and by this time Missing Persons bad referred the case to Homicide, convinced that no one could have vanished so completely unless there were foul play Ligutenant Ethan Allen looked over the available data and had Detectives Carl Salaba and Melvin Plummer check out some of the more curious aspects of the case.

"Find out." Allen said, "if she had a how friend Or if her husband had a girl friend. Her husband was fired from his job last Saturday-find out wby. Ask everyone in the neighborhood whether any of them saw her leave the house. And the landladytell her not to be polite about the Boeseneilers but to tell everything she knows about their married life And maybe some of her girl friends had her confidence. I want to know everything about her and her husband "

EVERYONE questioned protested the suggestion that Evelyn might have had a boy friend. She was, as soon became apparent, a devoted mother, a faithful wife, and a hard worker. The landlord and his wife did say, however, that lately the young couple had been quarreling a great deal. They added that they'd never seen anything to indicate that Bob had been playing around with other women, however,

When Detectives Plummer and Salaba talked to Bob's boss at the Coffman Bowling Alleys, he was reluctant to tell the reason for Boeseneiler's dismissal, but finally admitted it was because there was a shortage of \$600 in his accounts.

"Why didn't you press charges against him?" Plummer asked. "He promised to make good the money," the owner said, "and he did. Just a few days after I dis-missed him."

"He didn't mention where he got it, by any chance?" Salaba asked. "No. That was none of my busi-

ness." From others around the Alleys, the investigators learned that Bob was quite a guy with the ladies, and was rumored to have several girls on the string. One of them was reputed to have money, and to have given Rob a number of expensive presents.

WHEN the two officers made their report to Lieutenant Allen, he

decided that it would be interesting to know where Boeseneilers had notten the money to pay back Coffman. A quick check showed there had been no loan made at any bank or finance company, and Bob had nowhere near that amount in his own account. The police learned he had an insurance policy but he had horrowed up to the limit on that some time previously. Deciding that Rob had gotten the money from friends. Lieutenant Allen was anxious to find out specifically which friends they were. He was intensely interested in

the rumor of the wealthy girl friend. Once again. Plummer and his partner began their lee work. Soon they were talking to one of Bob's friends who, with three others, had contributed \$350 to keep their buddy out of

"Have any idea where he got the rest of the money?" Plummer asked. "He didn't steal it, if that's what you're thinking!" the friend said. "We're not making any guesses," Plummer said. "We're trying to find out facts. It would help both him and us to know where he got the money "Okay, then," the man said. "He got it from a woman he goes with who lives over in Golden Valley. She's a divorcee, and she really goes for Bob. You'd find it out sooner or later, anyway, so I don't feel I'm lettin' him down by telling you. Her name's Mrs. Ruth Strand, and you'll find her name in the book."

THE detectives found the address. and that afternoon were talking to Mrs. Strand in the living room of her comfortable ranch house. She was a voluntuous blonde of thirtyfive and she showed annovance at

Plummer's question about the money. "Sure, I lent Bob \$250. Why?" "We're just checking out tangents in an investigation," the detective answered. 'We're trying to find out everything we can about Boeseneilers, because his wife has disappeared under very suspicious circumstances Mrs. Strand frowned, puzzled. "His wife? You mean his ex-wife, don't

you?" "Didn't he tell you he was married?" "No, not any longer. He said he was divorced." Plummer coughed, then asked,

"Did you-er-have any understanding with him?" 'Yes. We planned to get married,"

she said. When Plummer revealed that Boe-

seneilers was still very much married the chagrined divorcee revealed that she'd known Bob about three months, and he'd spent a great deal of time with her. Here, the detectives figured, was motive enough for murder: a lovely woman who was obviously well-off. It was the ideal set-up for a guy who was a chronic job-loser. After they left the house, the detectives walked around the grounds,



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which Mrs Strand had said Rob ner of it One look at Boeseneilers' helped her to keep in shape, looking for freshly-turned earth that might be a grave. Finding nothing, they returned to Headquarters to report to Lieutenant Allen

THE lieutenant came to the point bluntly, after listening to the re-

"I think it's about time we searched Boeseneiler's house and asked him some questions. Nabody saw his wife leave the house, and no one's seen her since a week ago last Saturday Her parents haven't heard from her. and there isn't a single reason she should have run away. She was in good shape mentally and physically. Her folks and her doctor have said that. I'll get a warrant, and we'll take a look around his house right

A swarm of detectives and technicians descended on the house and grounds, but didn't, at first, find anything suspicious. Boesencilers arrived in his car just as they were finishing the search, and wanted to know what

was going on

came in with them.

"Your wife is missing," a detective said, "and we're looking for clues to her disappearance. Plummer had been having a last look through the bedroom, and in the closet, he suddenly found some thing suspicious. It was a woman's khaki iacket, and on the right sleeve were some rust-brown stains. When he called to the others. Boeseneilers

"Looks like it might be blood," Plummer said, indicating the jacket.
"No, it couldn't be," Bob said. nervously, and Plummer noted that he darted a glance at the double bed.
"Why couldn't it?" Plummer asked. 'She might have cut herself sometime." Slowly, he walked across the room and over to the bed. He flune back the coverlet and saw that the linen was snowy clean and freshunused. Then he pulled a pillow slip off and saw tiny brown snots on the ticking. He made no comment as he walked out of the room carrying the jacket and pillow. The others followed. In the living room he said to

Bob, "I'd like to look at your car." Boeseneilers led him to the car and opened the door of his Pontiac. On the floor in the rear was a pair of shoes, caked with mud, which Bob explained he'd muddied while he'd visited his in-laws in Cottage Grove. When Plummer asked for the key to the trunk, Bob said he'd lost it, but an officer opened it with a tire iron. Inside, Plummer found a shovel and what appeared to be the bedroom wastebasket, in which was a white purse, spattered with what looked like blood, a brassiere, a brownstained rolling pin with a broken bandle, and two spotted pillow cases. The trunk was full of dried mud,

blood-stained towel tucked into a cor-

white face was enough to prompt the next question "All right," said Plummer, "what

did you do with her?" "N-nothing. I-I don't know anything. I don't know how those things got in my car."

"What you need is time to think," said Plummer, "And you'll have time to think while we ride down to Headquarters. There are going to be an awful lot of questions

I' wasn't until the next day that Boeseneilers cracked. In the interim, detectives once more went through the house, this time finding certificate of divorce granted in 1952 from a woman Bob had married in Florida in 1946. He had, then been a bigamist when he married Evelyn in 1950. When he finally decided to talk, all Boeseneilers said at first was, "I did it. Now let me take you to where I buried her. At his direction, he was driven to

a spot on the outskirts of Cottage Grove, only a couple of miles from his inclows' house. It was to the edge of the town dump that he led the officers, some equipped with shovels and indicated an area where there'd been recent digging. Soon the policemen had dug down and found the body of Evelyn, shrouded in a lavender blanket and wearing a pink nightgown. A handkerchief was stuffed in her mouth, a wire looped taut around ber neck, and ber forehead was one ugly bruise

A FTER returning to headquarters, Bob dictated a fourteen-page confession, stating that after lengthy quarrels on Saturday night he'd struck her with a rolling pin, but swore he hadn't strangled her with the wire.

She was dead, however, when he placed her body in the bed alongside his sleeping son. In the morning he got Mike dressed, took him out to Mrs. Strand's, and together they went to Mother's Day services at the church in Golden Valley When he and the boy got home,

he put his wife's body into the blanket and tucked it into the trunk of the car. For a day be kept ber body there, then on Monday night drove to the dump and buried her. It was at this time be lost the key, and although he knew he should get rid of the items in the trunk, he was afraid to force open the trunk because it might throw suspicion on bim-

On October 3, 1956, Bosseneilers went on trial, charged with first-degree murder. He was found guilty after only a few hours of deliberation. The next day be was sentenced to not less than seven and no more than thirty years in the Minnesota State Peniten-

tiary at Stillwater. Note: The name Mrs. Ruth Strand like the shovel, and there was a is fictitious to spare an innocent person unnecessary embarrassment

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police, but no divorce papers had been filed vet. "I can't imagine where she could be." William Bergen said.

"Won't you call the police?" the mother asked him. Bergen had hesitated. Perhaps, he suggested. Louise had spent the night with a friend. Creating a fuss might

embarrass her. "Let's wait until her office opens, and I'll try to reach her there." he suggested.

Shortly after nine o'clock, Bergen was on the phone, talking to his wife's boss at the transit company. Louise Bergen had not come to work. The last time that anyone saw her, she was driving out of the company's parking lotat five o'clock the evening before, in a company-owned Oldsmobile

Bergen's 'next call was to the Cincinnati police. A check of hospital and morgue reports showed no one of his wife's description. But before a missing persons alarm was made, the police suppested a twenty-four-hour wait, on the chance that the woman might still appear with some simple explanation for her absence. The next day, Bergen did not call again. In the press of other work the matter of the disappearance of Louise Bergen was forgotten by the police. Not that it would have mattered much either way.

LOUISE Bergen was dead. Her sobbing mother stood beside the charred corpse and admitted she could not identify the remains. "But those are her rings, and she was wearing that necklace the last time I saw her," the griefstricken woman went.

This was identification enough for the police who launched a full-fledged investigation. Colonel Henry Sundman, chief of Cincinnati detectives, sent De tective-Sergeant Wilbert Earl and two men to Clinton County to examine the scene where the body was found. He assigned Detectives Eugene Moore and Wilbert Stagenhorst to investigate Louise Bergen's movements before she disappeared. They were also to try to unearth a possible motive for her death.

THE detectives began with a study of several items found in her room. There were a number of love letters among her papers, and snapshots, taken with several men at a beach. Mrs. Berwith several men at a beach, surs, per-gen's mother said her daughter had lived in Norfolk, Virginia, until three years before when she and her husband had

moved to Cincinnati. "Where is her husband living now?" Moore asked. "He moved away when they split up,

sobbing mother said. She supplied the street and house number, and the officers set out for it. The address given was at a neat brick home with a white doorway on Bloomingdale Road A man peered out at them through a

liam Bergen.

large living-room window. He came the door and acknowledged be was Wil-

"It's about your wife," the detectives informed him, introducing themselves.

Bergen's face reflected the shock of the news he had heard a short time before on the telephone. He was pale. "Do you have any idea of what could have happened to her?" Stagenhorst asked. "Who could have killed her?"

Bergen shook his head. In answer to questions, he pointed out that he and Louise had been separated for some time. "But it was all friendly," plained. "We just agreed to disagree. There had been no bitterness on either sale, it seemed. Nor had there been any question of bitter jealousy. Each was free to lead his and her own life. Bergen told them.

"Isn't there anyone you suspect?" Moore asked. "I can't dream of anyone who would want to do that to Louise," Bergen replied.

By his willingness to answer questions and his cager volunteering of information, the husband showed he was anxious to help.

MEANWHILE, detectives out at Lake Cowan, in Clinton County, were trying to pinpoint the probable time of Louise Bergen's cremation. The medical examiner in Cincinnati, Dr. Frank Cleveland, reported that his autopsy could not determine the exact cause of death because of the condition of the body. The skull of the victim had been fractured twice, possibly from blows. The gasoline fire, that had all but consumed her body, must have burned for at least two hours to produce the degree of charring that had taken place. But there was no way of fixing the time of death or the time the fire was ignited. The degree of concentration of carbon monoxide found in blood samples taken from the body indicated that Louise Bergen may have been alive at the time of her cremation.

Some workmen had been in the area near the lake until three o'clock on the 31st of October. Any car coming into hour would have been noticed by them. So would the plume of smoke from the fire. Therefore, it was assumed that the burning must have taken place after that hour. Much more investigating had to be done, however, before police could get a glimmer of the truth.

N Cincinnati, Stagenhorst and Moore In Cincinnati, Sugenison and Italian traced the last-known movements of the dead woman in the hope of turning un some vital bit of evidence. At the office of the transit company where she worked, the officers questioned Louise Bergen's fellow-employees carefully Since her separation from her husband Louise Bergen had dated two men. She boasted repeatedly about the many times she went out with them "She tried to make everybody think she was so nonular," one girl in the office remarked cattily.

Another pointed out an alternative reason. "It was like whistling in the dark." she explained. "When a woman's marriage breaks up, she sometimes goes out with other men just to prove to herself and everybody else that she's still

But when police checked with the two men she dated they heard a different story. Each man admitted dating her once or twice. But that was all. moreover, that Louise Bergen

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Bergen's deception, it added complicating factors to the case. Her casual dating and lack of interest in any one man could lead to jealousy between suitors. Each might think she preferred the other. Some man who wanted to marry her might have become enraged by her failure to make a decision in his favor exclusively. He might then have killed in a fit of fury.

s police talked with Bergen, a small As police taixed with suggest of the room. The officers were startled. "Do you room here with a family?" one of them asked Bergen.

"Yes," he said. He lived in this house with Mrs. Edythe Klumpp. She was, he explained, a teacher of sewing to adults at evening classes in several city high schools

When a child's cries from the kitchen interrupted the questioning, Detective Moore raised an eyehrow. "How many children does she have?" he asked.

Bergen explained the complex situa tion. The youngsters in the house at the moment, he said, were not Mrs. Klumpp's own. She had been married and divorced twice and had four children of her own. None of these lived with her, however. All were cared for by relatives. The three youngsters in the

"Did Mrs. Klumpp know your wife?" Moore asked. Yes, Bergen admitted, the two women knew each other.

Mrs. Klumpp was questioned. Three hours of going over every detail of the complex relationships among the three people-William and Louise Bergen and Edythe Klumpp-failed to produce any evidence of any significance.

HE discovery of Louise Bergen's car a I few days later helped fill in some hlank spaces in the tentative schedule of her movements just before she disappeared. On Tuesday. November 4th, it was spotted in a lot at the Swifton shopping center hy Patrolman Charles Wat-kins as he was comparine license numhers of parked vehicles with those on a stolen-car list. Scientific examination of the Oldsmo-

hile revealed no signs of blood or evidence that any violence had taken place in it. A folder containing transit com pany papers was found and returned to ouise Bergen's superior. The man explained that while the auto registration still listed the company as owner, the car was in the process of heing transferred to Louise Bergen.

"She was going to pay for it, out of her salary in regular installments," he said. Since the shopping center was from both her home and her office, it was apparent that Louise Bereen had

gone there expressly to meet someone and had gone off in another car. Ohviously, she had not expected to he gone long. The papers she had left behind were too important to her job to he ahandoned thoughtlessly.

"Whoever it was she met," Chief Sundman summed up, "it was someone she knew." No homicidal stranger could have forced the woman into a car against her will. In the husy shopping center, her cries would have brought help. The killer had to be someone she trusted Detectives returned to the stories of veryone they had questioned so far-Carefully, they checked and re-checked each account for signs of some discrepancy or inconsistency that could provide them with an opening wedge that would break the case. It was hard to check alihis, however

There was no way of knowing exactly when the woman died. Chief Sundman advanced the theory that Louise Bergen had ridden from the shopping center some unknown spot where the fatal at-tack had taken place. Then her hody had heen carried to the scene of crema-tion near Lake Cowan, either by the killer or a confederate.

WEEK after the disappearance of Lou-A week after the disappearance of a see Bergen, a pair of glasses and a shoe were found in a gravel pit a few miles from the spot where the hody had been found. Both items were identified by the dead woman's mother as belonging to Louise. The eyeglasses matched her optical prescription. There was no way of knowing, however, whether these items had been dropped during a struggle with her killer or had been thrown from a passing car after the crime was police nearer to a suspect-but something else did.

In the course of heing re-questioned, William Bergen repeated his story with no damaging inconsistencies. He repeated that he was quite fond of his wife and would have welcomed a reconciliation. "She didn't file for a divorce all this time," he pointed out to police. "I think maybe she was figuring we ought to get together again, too.

Louise Bergen's intentions toward her hushand suddenly assumed major im-portance. If she intended to go hack to living with him, her decision might have provided someone with motive for violence. The police spotlight fell on the ed .

THESE two men stuck to their original stories doggedly. Although they were questioned independently, they told much the same stories. Neither of them felt Louise Bergen had been really interested in him. Her dates led to no ro-

"She said she wasn't interested in a reconciliation with her hushand," one of the men admitted; then he added thoughtfully, "but just the same, I think that's what she really wanted.

Both men indicated that the few times they met the victim they had not time to become emotionally with her. Certainly, to the trained eyes of the detectives, neither of them seemed to reveal that intensity of feeling which is invariably present prior to an act of violence. But then, neither did anyone else they had questioned in connection with the crime show unusual signs of emotion

Mrs. Klumpp, in fact, admitted that she not only knew Louise Bergen, hut had offered to act as amhassador of good will between the couple if they ever decided to get together again. As a matter of routine, the police checked on Mrs. Klumpp's background.

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as sewing teacher, she had worked for the State Police at Lunken Airport, and in her off hours, she was employed by the airport restaurant as a waitress. In addition, she always boarded children at her home. Although she never had more than four youngsters at a time in her care, as many as a score would pass through her home in the course of a

A check by Moore and Stagenhorst at the schools in which Edythe Klumpp taught evening sewing classes revealed she had not missed a session recently and certainly not on the evening of Octoher 30th, the last day on which Louise Bergen was seen alive. But one of her pupils made a surprising remark that was to change the entire course of the

"I didn't know her name was Mrs. Klumpp," the student confessed. "What did you think it was?" Stagenhorst inquired Bergen, Edythe Bergen,

When the newspaper accounts re-ported Louise Bergen's death and her pupils commented on the similarity of names, Mrs. Klumpp explained she was married to the dead woman's former

THE picture of a love triangle was vivid The picture of a love triangle was in the minds of the detectives as they pondered the implications of what they had learned. They presented the outline of their suspicions to Chief Sundman at police headquarters.

Then, acting on instructions from Sundman, Detectives Moore and Stagenhorst began to re-question everyone concerned in the case. They went back to the house on Bloomingdale Road and sked William Bergen if he would permit them to give him a "lie detector" test.

Bergen readily consented, Mrs. Klumpo just as anxious to clear her name "I've told you everything I know," she said. "But if William is willing to take the test. I am too.

N Wednesday, November 19th, Wil-On Wednesday, November 1988. He liam Bergen faced the polygraph. He answered questions about his relationship with Edythe Klumpo. He had met the slim, forty-year-old blonde while she was a waitress at the airport restaurant. He had dated her several times during the period when his marriage with Louise Bergen was going on the rocks. To the question of whether he had killed his wife, he answered with a firm, The polygraph chart indicated he was

telling the truth. Mrs. Klumpo sailed through the test with equal confidence. The questions used to establish her pulse pattern,

breathing rate and the other factors that go into the graph were simple enough But when she was asked, "Did you kill Louise Bergen?" the needle leaped wild-Panic shone in her blue eyes for the

first time. "I shouldn't have let you put this machine on me!" she gasped. "Did you kill Louise Bergen?" the question was repeated. With trembling lips, Edythe Klumpp began to confess . .

"Louise called me a little before five lo'clock on October 30th," she re-lated, "and said she wanted to talk to lated, "and said and wanted to meet me-it was important. I agreed to meet her at the Swifton shopping center Mrs. Bergen left her own car behind. and the two women drove in Mrs Klumpp's car to a quiet spot in Hartwell where they parked. Then, according to this account, Mrs. Klumpp went into the back seat of her car. A soda pop bottle was on the floor. She bent to pick it up and looked up to see Mrs. Bereen point-

ing a gun at her.

"I grabbed for the gun," Mrs. Klumpp told police. "We kind of wrestled around, and the gun went off—it was pointed up under her chin. The blood gushed out-I was panie-stricken."

She said that she then put Louise Bergen's body in the trunk of her car and returned home. The next day, she and returned nome. The next day, she drove with three of the children boarding with her to a filling station where she bought a gallon can of gasoline. Then she described the drive to the snot near Lake Cowan where she dragged the body into a clump of bushes saturated it with the gas and set it on fire. With the sequence of events now made

clearer, the medical examiner was able to offer the possible explanation that the carbon monoxide in Louise Bergen's blood stream came not from the fire. but was inhaled during her last dying breaths in the car trunk. Exhaust fumes from the car would account for the presence of the deadly gas. The story told by Mrs. Klumpp led to further examination of the dead woman's skull. Small pieces of metal were found in it. It was now obvious these had come from a shattered bullet.

WHEN Edythe Klumpp was charged with first-degree murder, she persisted in savine the shooting was an accident. She explained the burning of the body as an afterthought, "not so much to destroy it. but because I was afraid of fineerprints or some other evidence that might point to me." The authorities had reason to The authorities had reason to believe that the murder was premeditated, however

The shocked and stunned William Ber-gen admitted he owned a .22-caliber pistol which his estranged wife had given to him the Christmas before, while they were still living together. When he moved out, he took it with him. He had shown Mrs. Klumpp how to use it, and it was kent in her house

After further questioning on this point, Mrs. Klumpp admitted that this was the gun that had killed Louise Bergen. She had taken it with her to the appointment with the estranged wife of the man she loved. It was a telling point in the prosecution of her trial.

Her protests that, "I'm no monster . . .

It was only an accident. I'm not a hot tempered woman," was countered by the manager of the sirport restaurant where she had worked. She used to like to sit with the customers after her work was over, he recalled. When the official ruled that as an employee she must not mingle with the patrons, Edythe Klumpp, the man reported, had threatened to kill him The only witnesses to the events on the 31st of October-the three tots boarding with Edythe Klumpp-were too young to testify to the horror their uncomprehend ing eyes had seen. But the evidence pro duced by the police more than offset this

Justice, in its slow but inexorable way brought the blonde killer to trial almost year later. On September 3rd, 1959, Mrs. Klumpp rode the 111 miles from Cincinnati to the Ohio State Penitentiary in Columbus. There she became a res dent in death row, to sit it out till December 15th, the day the court has set for her electrocution for the murder of Louise Bergen.

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haired, dill-haired, and you had to be a genius to make them attractive, but they had it made. They dish't have to wait to be a support of the support of them, had been fulfilled. And look at the Pretty face. Swelf figure. Goly alcame a beautician-or hair tylist, as the preferred to be called-whe had been bermaid, and look of goty made a play to the support of t

N right at promises, with notating in it. That was what she got for being a one-main dame. She had been engaged to him for the last five years, since she was twenty-three and still engaged, and still dumb. If she had any brains, she would drop him. Forget him. Plenty of guys around. Drop the burn. The blonde could have him...

The blonde . . . Diane Bennett . . . She's as bad as I am, the redhead thought, her mouth becoming more bitter. She's always after him, phoning his apartment. And him insisting he was through with Diane. In a pig's eye. If he was through with them why did she keep calling? If he was through with her, why didn't he tell her off?

Yes, the smart thing to do was break
with him, once and for all. Okay, So the
blonde would have him. So what 'He
was no prize puckage. Let her have him.
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about him. Can't give him up, ever, ever,
ever. Oh, God, when's he going to stop
promising to marry me? When's he going to really marry me? When's he.

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Maybe. There were no guarantees. For all she knew, if she stood him up, he would call the Bennett dame. Well, let him. If he wanted the blonde, he could have her. Good riddance. Stand him up. That's it. Conceited rat like that needed a little come-uppance. Do him almost see it. He would be there at the bar on Mulberry Street, having his scotch and soda, and chewing the fat with the bartender and smiling, talking easy, talking baseball, and then just before eleventhirty, he would look at the clock and say to himself, "She'll be here any min-And the clock would finally say eleven-thirty and he would look at it and he would look at the door and the door wouldn't open. And then his heavy black brows would knit together, puzzled and annoved. And then he would say to himself, "Aw, it's nothin'. She's late,

that's all. Just like a dame. She'll be here."
But he would be wrong. The clock
would say 11:45, and then it would say
Hidwight, and then he would would be
he would blow his top. Ho would blow
his galss with the secth hi it and three
it at the clock, and all the time she would
be back home in the hot tub, laughing
and laughing.

at the velocit that evening of May 34, 1959, Decorby, Chabvids, arrived at the home of her sister. At about eleven, the departed, Her home was at 347 Mc-Donald Avenue, Brooklyn, but the didn't not here. She went to Minhattun, to the Street, She got there right on the button, eleven-fluiry pan. He was at the button, eleven-fluiry pan. He was at the value of the single shock of the sin

the ment was various rolling, and there were some things she knew about him, and many things she didn't. He was forty, handsome in a dark, rugged, thickbrowed, butted-nose way. He had a neat head. He was muscular and mowed like some jungle animal. He dressed beautifully. And he ran a peanut-vending machine business.

He had a criminal record. He had

the had a criminal record, he had been arrested a number of times. In 1943, he was grabbed for hijacking \$30,000 worth of whiskey. He did seven years at Elmira for that. In 1950, he was charged with felonious assault, but all he get for that was ninety days.

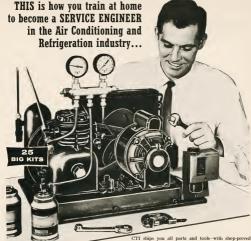
In addition to operating his peanut ma chines, which paid a pretty penny, Perino was a part-time driver and bodyguard for Michele (Mike) Miranda Miranda was a portly, genial man who dressed like a prosperous businessman and claimed, not without a touch of graveyard humor, that he was a salesman specializing in used ambulances and hearses Actually, he had long been chief lieutenant to Vito Genovese, the nation's top racketman. Not long ago Genovese was sentenced to fifteen years in Federal prison and fined \$20,000 as a key figure in a huge international narcotics combine, and the word went out in the underworld that Mike Miranda was taking over. Genovese got sprung in \$150,000 bail pending appeal, but the word was that since his fate was still up in the air, Miranda was still taking over as boss of the rackets.

A real nice fellow, Miranda, According to testimony a year earlier, before the U. S. Senate rackets committee, he was responsible for the assassination of Carlo Tresca, anti-Fascist newspaper editor, in New York on January 11, 1943. Reportedly, Miranda knocked off Tresca as a con the lam in Baly and currying favor with No. 1 Fascist, Benito Mussolini, Just what Perine drove for Miranda

Just what Perino drove for Miranda wasn't clear-hearsso or plain automobiles. But whatever he drove, the fact that it was for Miranda put Perino in the big time. In the circles in which he traveled, Perino was known familiarly as "Jumpy." This did not connote that Perino had frayed nerves. Far from it. The boys called him "Jumpy" because he was so quick to fight. He loved a fight.

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years carlier. Derothy Chadwick was only one year old when the wedding took place. So was the blonde, Diane Bennett. Like Dorothy, Diane was twenty-three. Like Dorothy, she was a beautician. And like Dorothy she believed she and Perino were engaged. But he reportedly still lived with his

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throw from the bar where he and Dorothy were now having a scotch and soda. How much, if anything, Dorothy knew of his marriage is a mystery. Perina, soil of discretion, had two addresses. The one he reserved for his extra-curricular lady friends was an eighty-dollar-a-month, one-room-and-kitchnettle studio apartment at 2017 Cropsey Ayeug. Brooklyn.

DONOTHY and Perino stayed in the bar until closing time, three a.m. They had been there a longish time, but neither drank much. Neither was high when they headed for Brooklyn. They went to the studio flat on Cropney Avenue. After a while, the phone on the night

After a while, the phone on the night table beside the bed rang. Perino picked it up. According to Dorothy's account of the affair, related later to Kings County Assistant District Attorney Losis Ernst. Perino's caller was his blonds 'Ennes.' Diane. Perino tried to cover up who was calling but Dorothy, who had the sharp perception of all jealous women, was able to figure it out.

The blonde, evidently, was peeved about something. Perino talked soothingly to her. Then suddenly he said testily, "What's the matter? Did you lose money?" Then he hung up.

If he thought that by shaking the

If he thought that by shaking the blonde he was out of hot water, he was sadly mistaken. There was now the redhead to contend with. She began grilling him about Diane. How come Diane was calling if he was through with her? He shrugged.

Why was he so nice to the blonde? He was only being polite, he explained. He didn't "like to be antagonistic." In sudden fury, Derothy strode to the door and went out. She hailed a taxi, got in and rolled swiftly away. She knew it, she knew it now, she shouldn't have met him. Him and his lies. Well, he would never see her again. Never.

Bur never is a long time. The cub had been rolling only a matter of minutes when she told the driver to halt near a garage. She got out and went into the garage, where there was a pay phone, and dialed a number, Perino's number. He asked her to come book to him right away. He swore he would never see the blonde again.

And Dorothy fell for it.

And Dorothy fell for it.

She went back to his little hideaway, and he fed her his patented line of softsoap. "I'm gettin" a new apartment," he said. "A new phone. Then that dame won't know where to call me."

The phone rang again.

You know who it was. He talked in riddles, but adept as he was at it, Dorothy knew who was calling.
"I felt I was being made a fool of," she was to say later.

She went across the thick, flowered rug to the kitchenette. There was a knife in the kitchenette, a six-incher, and she found it. She listened a moment. He was still on the phone, soft-soaping. She was a big gal, but now she moved like a cat, soft in her steps as his voice was soft.

She came face to face with him. He was still chattering away with the blonde. With a swift gesture, Dorothy Chadwick drove the knife into his chest, up

wick drove the knife into his chest, up to the handle. He sank to the bed. She yanked the phone from his hand. She yelled into it: "I hope you're satisfied! I killed him!

You'll never see him again!"
He was moaning now She cried into
the phone, "Listen to him moan!" Then
she put the phone down, close to his
death-pale lips.
The blonde distinctly heard him gasping for breath, She dressed hurriedly and
rashed from her home.

PURING grouned, and pleaded for help.
Then hysteria and anger left Dorothy,
Chadwick, She ran upstairs to the apartment of the landiady, Mrs. Lillian Colletti. Mrs. Colletti phoned the police
Dorothy hurried back to Perino's aparttic She.

letti. Mrs. Colletti phoned the police. Dorrothy hurried back to Perino's apartment. She didn't want him to die. She wanted him to live. He was still breathing. The handle of the knife rose and fell with each breath. She couldn't bear that. She went to him and with an effort clutched the handle of the knife and pulled it out.

of the knife and pulled it out. The police arrived. Perino was removed to Concy Island Hospital was Detectives Thomass Grassinetti and Detectives Thomass Grassinetti and like station tried to question him. Perino stayed alive just fifteen minutes more. Steadfastly, he refused to put the finger on the reflued. Either out of gallantry we in deference to gangland's cold, to be the control of the control of the properties of the control of the policy of the control of the properties the the properties the properties the properties the propertie

pack at the apartment, as police were being partially provided by the moment the two women saw each other, hate leaped into their eyes. They closed in on each other, and there was a scuffle, but police quickly pulled them apart.

At the station house, Diane related what she had heard on the phone. She told the police that Perino had been seeing her four times a week, intended to marry her and proved it by getting her an engagement ring. She added that Derothy was a woman driven by jealousy. Dorothy contessed the knifting, police announced, and was booked on a homicide charge.

Detectives searched Perino's hideaway and reported finding papers; indicating that the hood had obtained a Mexican divorce less than a fortnight previously from his thirty-nine-year-old wife, but Bela Perino swifty poot-poohed that. We were not divorced!" she exclaimed. We were not divorced!" she exclaimed with the property of the p

"I sind of figured he was fooling around. He used to go to the Turkish boths an awful let. But the point was, a vider. Look at my house I don't wan for anything. Neither do my kids."

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to a grand jury which indicted her on a charge of murder in the first degree, which could mean death in Sing Sing's electric chair, if she were convicted. The girl, held at the Women's House of De-Abraham Brodsky, another prisoner ac

cidentally broke a window and Dorothy grabbed one of the fragments of glass and proceeded to slash herself with it.

But the suicide attempt was foiled.
"I love him," she wailed to the lawyer

death sentence when Kings County Judge

later. "I still love him." The State negated any possibility of a

tention, seemed unafraid of death. One day, according to her attorney,

Hyman Barshay, with the concurrence of Assistant D.A. Ernst, accepted her plea of guilty to first-degree manslaughter on October 19th On December 7th, Dorothy was sen-

tenced by Judge Barshay to three-and-ahalf to ten years at Westfield State Farm for Women. The judge said there were extenuating circumstances. Perino was a petty mobster, he said, worthless to any one else, but a treasure to Dorothy. Still a life was taken and the law can't over-

Note: The name Diane Bennett is fictious.

MOB LEADER AND THE BLONDE MURDER JINX

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welfare funds, testified to a New York grand jury probing welfare fund rackets. His singing produced a seventeen-count bribery conspiracy indictment against Little Augie, Scalise and Cilento, a who had become trustee for the social security fund of a distillery workers' union. At the time District Attorney Frank Hogan charged Saperstein paid out \$299,000 in kickbacks to Augie, Scalise and Cilento. The indictment, however, was dis-

missed on a technicality. Saperstein was kept under police guard, but the broker. who was something of a playboy, evaded the guard and went out stepping with a blonde one night. Saperstein got a loud on. He parked his convertible on a Newark street, and he and the blonde dozed off. A dark sedan parked nearby Out leaped a gunman who fired four bullets into Saperstein's face. Somehow, by a miracle, Saperstein recovered.

Augie, Cilento and Scalise were Augue, Ciento and Scalife were grilled, but authorities let them go and turned their attention to the Midwest on the possibility that some characters there whom Saperstein had named in his kickback testimony might have had something to do with the shooting. The inquiry got nowhere

Queens investigators, working on the double murder of Augic and Janice, questioned several racketers whose names appeared in the red book, but they might as well have talked to a stone wall. Police were convinced that the phone call that threw Little Augic into a dither at Marino's had two purposes: (1) to establish where he was, so that he could be tailed, and (2) to send him on a wild-goose chase into a se-cluded spot where the tailers could dispatch him with as little trouble as pos-

At the outset, police were inclined to believe that Janice was murdered merely because she happened to be with Augic when he got knocked off. The killers shot her, they assumed, to prevent her from identifying them. The theory that there couldn't po-

sibly be a deeper motive for Janice's murder was bolstered by what friends and relatives said about her. "She was a sweet, decent kid," said one friend. When it was pointed out that she had

been seen in questionable company, the friend shrugged and replied, "She was one of those persons who see good in everyone.

"There wasn't a bad bone in Jan's body," said another. "She was so trusting-maybe that was her trouble. Janice's grief-stricken husband, who flew back to New York as soon as he was notified of her death, furiously denied that his wife and Ausic were on a clandestine date when they were killed. To her, Augie was just "Uncle Gus. "Janice met him through me,"

Drake. "She knew he was giving me a boost in show business, and she was grateful "She was my drive. She used to soften me down and lower my anger. I was born an angry kid, grew up an angry

guy. I'm going to see a psychiatrist again. I've got such a guilt complex. I got her acquainted with all these peo-

After digging further into the case, authorities came up with a new theory about Janice. "I don't think she was an innocent observed Oueens District Attor-

ney Frank O'Connor, "She was involved directly and deeply with Pisano, and if we can find out why she was shot, will have the key to the murders. We know that they met by appointment and their meetings were not coincidental She had been known to have consorted with known criminals all of her life

Asked if the blonde was "in the higher echelons of the underworld," O'Connor replied, "she is considered to have been topdight He added that his office was confer-

ring with the FBI about her "possible role as a narrotics courier who allegedly delivered messages and money as well as narcotics to and from ranking mobsters However, he said, the murders might have been linked with "the labor field. connection. investigators

pointed out that Superstein had testified he had once made a union welfare fund payoff to Aurie in Janice's bedroom. The investigators, plainly floundering in the dark, also tackled the more legitimate aspects of Little Augie's business ventures, among them a lathing company in which he was a partner However, as of this writing, none of Little Augie's activities, legitimate or otherwise, have offered a single concrete clue to the mystery of his and Janice's

Only this was for sure-the good luck that had stayed with Little Augie so many years had broken at last-against the power of the jinx known as Janice. In fact, she was a jinx so potent she finally iinxed herself.



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