

Unearth Huge Murder Industry In Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, May 12 — Detectives investigating a gang suspected of 200 murders found evidence this week that murder had reached the competitive industry here. Instead of one gang, there were two, one specializing in arsenic, the other in anarchy, one murdering for a percentage of insurance profits, the other for a flat fee.

The murders have been going on for 10 years or more. The investigation, which began inauspiciously last summer, is now producing new, startling disclosures almost every hour.

24 OF GANG NOW ARRESTED

So far, only the so-called "murder for insurance" gang had been suspected. From that gang, in the past few weeks, 24 persons were arrested, charged with or suspected of murder. Most confessed. One man admitted 21 murders. Three tried to commit suicide. It had been established that the gang catered to women who might be induced to poison their husbands or have them poisoned, for their insurance.

These disclosures extended to five Eastern States and brought scores of doctors, druggists, undertakers and insurance agents as well as "recently bereaved" widows under suspicion.

Today it was reported that a second gang had been uncovered which murdered for a fee but did not bother with the insurance frauds.

The two gangs were rivals, according to the reports which detectives, already overwhelmed and overworked by the mass of evidence before them, refused even to discuss. Presumably, the trials of these two murder corporations crossed somewhere and the second had been discovered accidentally.

Enough of this murderous enterprise was known already to place it among the great mass crimes of history. Thirteen widows are among the prisoners. Eleven have been charged with murder, eight have confessed, two were arrested only last night.

Appallingly to investigators was the belief that the murders were still going on. Gaetano Peno, 35, of Salem, N. J., died this week in a hospital here, where he had been taken May 2. His symptoms indicated poisoning. His stomach was being analyzed today. He had been suspected of being one of the few male clients of the murder company; his wife was among those poisoned. The suggestion was that the conspirators, turning their devices against their clients now that police were on their trail, had poisoned him. Also, there was much to be learned

of the operations of this murder service, and who its leading directors was. Those arrested so far have been mostly obscure persons without funds. Somebody apparently profited hundreds of thousands of dollars from the murders, at the expense of insurance companies. The money has not been found nor has the conspiracy been traced to a central authority. Detectives said they had a person under surveillance who might have been a "banker" for the conspirators, but whether he was suspected of being their leader was not disclosed.

Leading suspects so far were: Herman Petrillo, spaghetti salesman, one of the gang's executioners who confessed 21 murders and reportedly named three other executioners, the first suspect to be tried. Convicted on one murder he threatened to starve himself to escape the electric chair which is mandatory under his conviction.

Dr. Horace D. Perlman, physician accused of having supplied arsenic to the gang, who set fire to the mattress of his jail self in an attempt to burn himself to death.

Mrs. Rose Carina, the so-called "professional widow with the kiss of death," suspected of five murders, indicated but still at large. She was being hunted at Asbury Park, N. J., where she formerly worked in a laundry and from where she sent a letter to Judge Harry S. McDevitte, who presided over Petrillo's trial, protesting that one of the state's witnesses had falsely called her a "Borgia."

Morris Bolber, a life-long criminal suspected of having had a leading part in the conspiracy.

BELIEVE CIANO STOPPED NAZI POLAND BLASTS

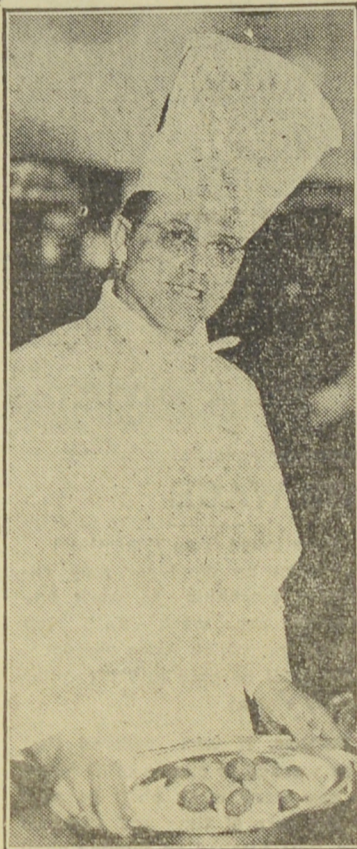
BERLIN, May 12 — A sudden subsidence of "terrorisation" charges against Poland in the closely-controlled newspapers of Germany was interpreted in diplomatic quarters this week to mean that Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, might have induced Joachim von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, not to precipitate a crisis over Danzig.

All last week and at the beginning of this week the newspapers blazoned under scare headlines allegations of Polish "atrocities" against Germans. Yesterday the campaign was halted abruptly, if only for the time being, and there were but a few scattered anti-Polish items.

This was taken in some quarters to mean that Adolf Hitler might have decided to use "wearing down" tactics against Poland instead of a frontal attack, and it was suggested that at their Milan meeting Ciano had persuaded Ribbentrop that this was not a favorable time for an open anti-Polish campaign.

Diplomatic quarters were inclined to discount rumors of a possible rapprochement between Germany and Russia.

CHEF FOR ROYALTY



ROGER CUCHE, assistant chef at the Chateau Laurier Hotel Ottawa, who has been selected as chef for Their Majesties, King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, at Jasper Park Lodge where the Royal Party, will stop on June 1 and 2 for a rest during their 3,239 miles journey, from Vancouver to Niagara Falls, Ont., over the Canadian National Railways. The well known Rocky Mountain resort will be held exclusively for the use of Their Majesties and members of their retinue. The public opening will be on June 3.

DESCRIBES HITLER AS 'INSANE MYSTIC'

CHICAGO, May 12 — Adolf Hitler was referred to as an insane mystic, whose concentrated desires, springing from "perverted impulses," have brought about reactions which afflict whole nationalities and alter the direction of cultural progress, by Dr. Richard Hutchings, of Utica, N. Y., in his presidential address before the American Psychiatric Association.

Dr. Hutchings did not mention Hitler by name but he left no doubt with his audience, made up of the country's leading students and healers of insanity, that he had the Nazi Fuehrer in mind.

"The wars and threats of wars bring home to us the conviction that the need of mental hygiene in the management of public affairs for the guidance of those citizens with the responsibility for the conduct of nations, is now as great as it ever was," Dr. Hutchings said.

Later Dr. Hutchings did not deny that he had in mind Hitler's periods of retirement to his mountain retreat at Berchtesgaden, Germany. Translated into plain language, Dr. Hutchings said "the insane mystic who retires to his mountain retreat to commune with himself returns with fresh concentrated desires, of perverted origin to change the world."

Doing the... World's Fair at New York

If for financial reasons you have been putting off that operation the doctor has been recommending, we suggest that you pack up right now and sail for Sweden. And while you're there, it might be a good idea to have them cut out everything that might some day need cutting out for it will cost you just sixty cents a



day while you are Byron M. Fisher in the hospital, regardless of how much sawing the sawbones do. But that is just one of the many advanced forms of social service which makes us suspect Sweden is the place where all good people go when they pass from this life.

Take housing and slum conditions, for instance. The Government examines all houses and if they are found to be unfit for human habitation they are condemned and assistance is given the tenants in finding a more acceptable abode. The newly married couple are permitted to borrow 1000 kronor (about \$250) for home building on very easy terms. Free land for building is often provided by the municipal authorities. Labor laws which have proven hugely successful and have made strikes almost unheard of in the country protect the interests of investor and worker alike. (Incidentally, we were amazed to find that the Swedish Labour Act is almost identical with New Brunswick's Labour and Industrial Relations Act, save for a few minor differences.)

The struggle to maintain the health of the populace is a steady and unrelenting one, and disease-fostering microbes find barriers of defence facing their attack that would make the Maginot Line look like a demolished tangle of barbed wire. In 1928, when King Gustaf V reached his 70th birthday his subjects wished to pay their respects with lavish ceremonies. The King asked that, instead of spending money in this way, the people subscribe the sums that would have been allotted for the purpose to assist in fighting cancer. Last year, he made the same request in the interests of the war on infantile paralysis. Children receive free breakfasts in school during the early grades; women and girls pay into a motherhood fund and during confinement receive remuneration according to the amount paid. If they have not been able to pay anything, they are still given about \$20 by the state.

There are many other unique public services in Sweden, and especially in the capital, Stockholm. The Stockholm mother who wishes to make sure little Olaf gets to classes on time, instead of pestering central with "Correct time please," dials a given number. Automatically she is connected with a phonograph record which is constantly revolving and repeating the "correct time" at that particular moment. Children may be left all day in the charge of trained nurses and instructors, and the charge is 18 cents. If a child's father is dead or crippled, he receives regular allowances from the Government until he reaches sixteen. "Study circles" provide thousands of young Swedes who could not otherwise obtain an education with an opportunity to improve themselves. "People's Colleges" (usually on year courses along practical lines) serve the same purpose on a little more elaborate scale.

The Laplanders provide for Sweden a problem very similar to that facing Canadian Governments with the Indians. The Laplanders form a small minority of a different race. They are nomads and this increases the difficulty of completely civilizing them. However, Governmental schools "follow" the wanderers as they go.

Like the Scandinavian countries we recently visited, Sweden is a land of books. State-aided libraries loan 15 million volumes a year (the country's population is only 6 million). And for anyone within a certain community, that town's library services are free.

Many of the exhibits illustrating the country's industries are unique in design. An imitation pine forest, consisting of a number of actual trees reaching from floor to ceiling, with a wall photo of others as a background, gives the illusion of a great wood, and emphasizes lumbering as the nation's most important industry. Gold, silver, copper and lead are mined, especially in the far north—400 miles within the Arctic Circle. Agriculture is third, and while

WINNING CONTRACT

By the Four Aces

(David Bruce Burnstone, Merwin D. Maier, Oswald Jacoby, Howard Schenken, world's leading team of four, inventors of the system that has beaten every other system in existence.)

GRAND SLAM OR DOWN FOUR

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable
♠ K Q 3
♥ J 4
♦ A K Q 2
♣ K 8 6 5

Mr. Lightner
♠ 6 4
♥ 10 9 8 7
♦ J 10 8
♣ 5 2

The bidding:
South West North East
1♠ Pass 3♦ Pass
3♥ Pass 5♠ Pass
4♠ Pass 6♠ Pass
7♠ Pass 7♠ Pass

Today's hand, which prompted Question No. 130, undoubtedly wins the palm for the prize hard luck hand of the year. It was played in a Rubber Bridge game at the Regency Club in New York City, with Theodore A. Lightner, who sat West, guessing the correct opening lead of a heart. Mr. Lightner took no credit for this since he had a choice of only two suits, the trump lead being definitely ruled out.

"If Declarer held five hearts—a not unreasonable assumption," Mr. Lightner explained, "dummy would have to have only two for my partner to be void. For me it was one of the luckiest hands I have ever seen. After trumping the heart, my partner naturally returned a club and we cross-ruffed the first four tricks, setting the contract 400 points.

"My partner said that he would

there has been a movement from country to town, Sweden has been able, by progressive methods, to keep farm production at its former level. But printers' forms are bulging again, so with our blonde Swedish guides, Misses Heid Hedstrom and Kersti Guettler, we say: "Pa ater-seende," (which happens to mean, "See you later").

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have doubled to get me to make an unusual opening except that he was afraid the opponents would run out to seven notrump. He was right, for South said later that if he had been doubled, he would have sensed that something was wrong and bid seven notrump, which would have been made."

You were Oswald Jacoby's partner yesterday and held:

♠ x x
♥ 10 9 3 x x x
♦ J 10 x x x
♣ —

Both sides were vulnerable and the bidding was:

Burnstone	You	Schenken	Jacoby
1♠	Pass	3♣	Pass
3♥	Pass	5♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	6♠	Pass
7♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

What do you lead?

Answer: Lead a heart. Since the declarer (Mr. Burnstone) bid hearts at one stage and may easily have five of the suit, there is a chance that your partner is void.

Score 100% for a heart, 60% for a diamond, 0 for a trump.

Question No. 131

Howard Schenken is your partner. You hold:

♠ x x
♥ x x x
♦ J x x
♣ 10 x x x x

The bidding:

Schenken	Maier	You	Burnstone
1♠	Dbl.	Pass	Pass
Redbl.	Pass	(?)	Pass

What do you bid? (answer tomorrow.)

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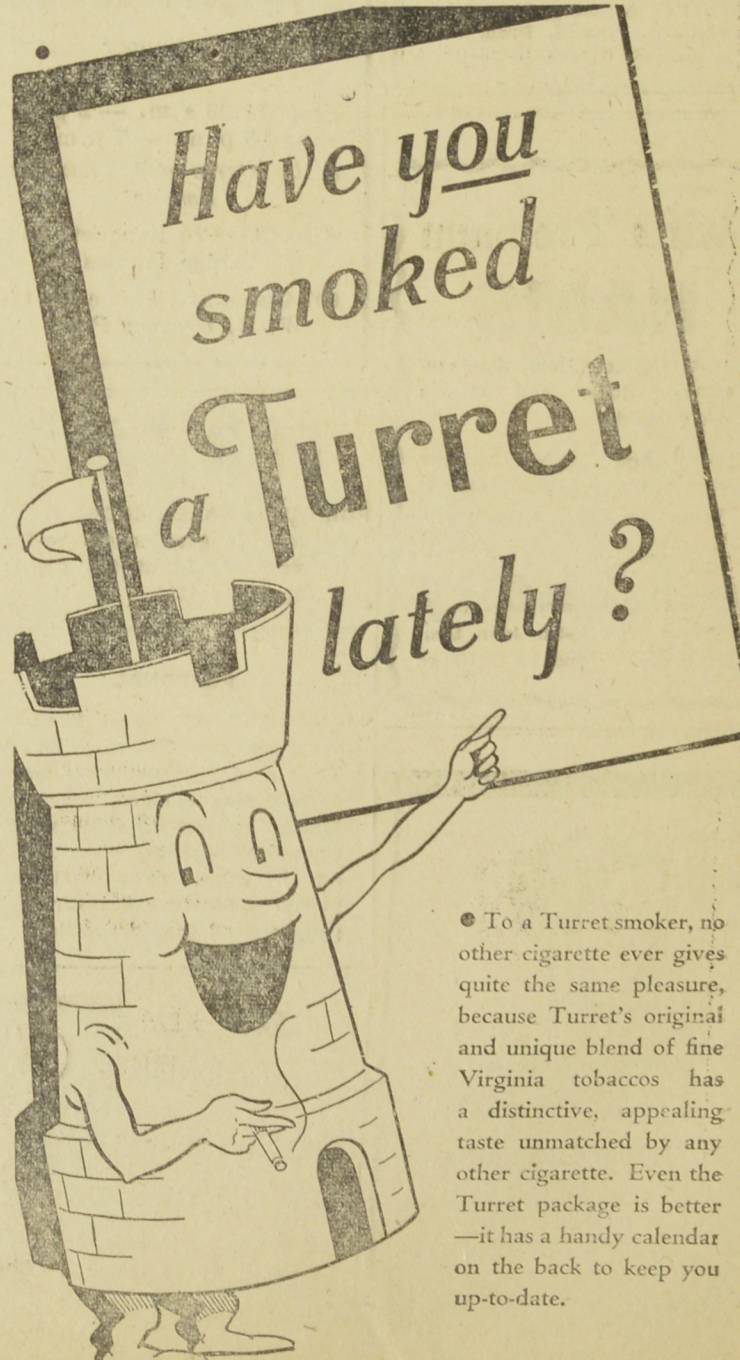
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