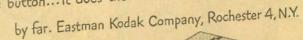
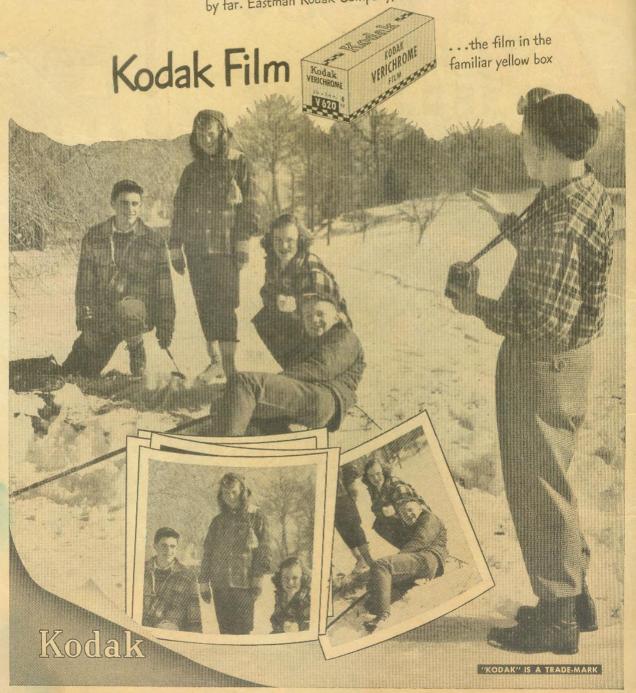
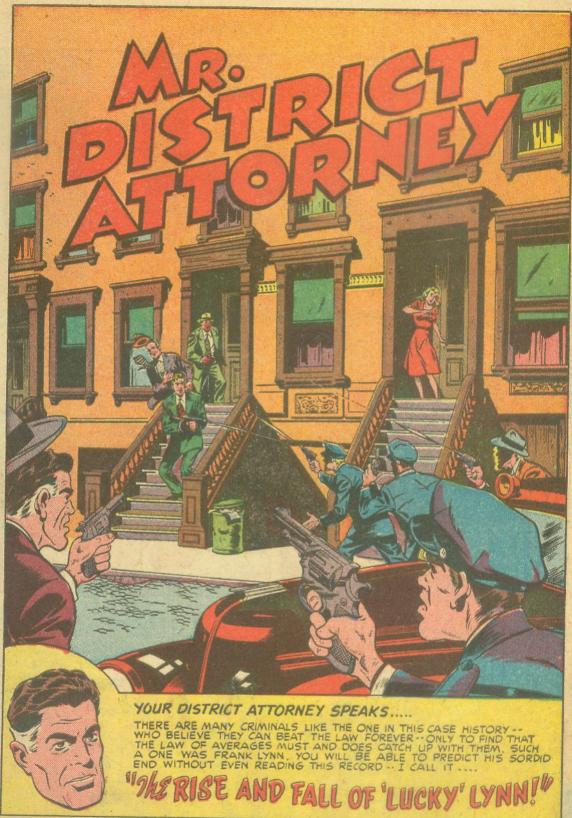


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THERE WERE SEVEN CHILDREN IN THE LYNN FAMILY. THEY LIVED IN THREE ROOMS SO AT AN EARLY AGE THE STREET BECAME FRANK'S PLAYGROUND...

HSST, AL, LOOK! I YEAH, GFE, FRANKIE, WHERE'D YOU SWIPE 'EM?

A PIECE FOR 'EM!

TO SMITTY'S GARAGE AND GET TWO BITS A PIECE FOR 'EM!

"THAT WAS THE BEGINNING... AT SIXTEEN, FRANK HAD GRADUATED FROM SWIPING CAR ACCESSORIES TO THE CARS THEMSELVES..."

GOT A NEW ONE FOR YOU, RINALDO. THE COPS CHASED ME, BUT I GAVE 'EM THE SLIP! DON'T TAKE TOO MANY CHANCES, KID. YOUR LUCK IS LIABLE TO RUN OUT!

"BY THE TIME FRANK WAS TWENTY ONE YEARS OLD, HE WAS RINALDO VARDY'S RIGHT HAND MAN. HIS LUCK HAD HELD AND RINALDO WAS ALARMED..."

THAT KID, FRANKIE, IS GETTIN' TOO BIG FOR HIS BRITCHES! HE MADE A DEAL FOR FIVE HOT CARS ON HIS OWN... I KNOW, NICK, TONIGHT I'M GOING TO SEE JUST HOW LUCKY HE IS!



"AND THAT NIGHT AT RINALDO'S LAVISH APARTMENT..."

KID, YOU BEEN HOLDIN'
OUT ON ME AND I DON'T
LIKE IT. BUT I'M GOIN'
TO GIVE YOU A



JUST THIS...RUSSIAN ROULETTE!
I'M PUTTING ONE CARTRIDGE
IN THIS GUN. YOU SPIN THE
CHAMBER AND POINT THE
BARREL AT YOUR HEAD.. IF
YOU'RE LUCKY, YOU'LL LIVE!



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"RINALDO'S SCHEME HAD BACKFIRED! WITH FRANKIE'S GUN TRAINED ON HIM, HE PICKED UP THE REVOLVER AND PULLED THE TRIGGER..."
THERE WAS A DULL REPORT!"













THE GREAT HARRINGTON
SPEAKS! LOOK, FLATFOOT,
THE DAY NEVER WILL COME
WHEN YOU WRITE MY
FINISH.. REMEMBER
THAT!

ANOTHER YELLOW
PUNK! YOU
REMEMBER THAT!



THE STOLEN CARS ARE TAKEN TO A GARAGE
SET UP FOR THEIR DISPOSAL... FIRST, THE
LICENSE PLATES ARE CHANGED, AND ALL
EXTERIOR FITTINGS REMOVED...

JOE, TAKE OFF THE FOG
LIGHTS AND GET RID OF
THE SPOTLIGHT, TOO!

RIGHT!

















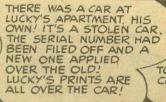




THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, D. A. THE TIRE FITS THIS CAST PERFECTLY.

THEN THIS DEFINITELY LINKS THE LYNN MOB TO THAT CHIEF THIS IS IT! HUACKING!





GOOD WORK, HARRINGTON SEND OUT AN ALARM FOR LUCKY LYNN ! WE'LL RETURN TO HIS PLACE AND CATCH HIM RED-



"MEANWHILE, LUCKY HAD REACHED HIS APARTMENT ...

I'VE GOT THE DOUGH! LEW, NICK! GRAB THE GUNS AND AMMO ...

LUCKY! THE COPS! THERE'S A MILLION OF 'EM DOWN









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NOT A TRACE SOONER OR OF THEM YET, D.A., BUT THEY LATER, THEIR NERVES WILL CAN'T GET CRACK! THEY'LL OUT OF THE MAKE A BREAK FOR IT AND WE'LL BE WAITING FOR



"NICK (WE KNOW NOW IT WAS NICK) STOLE A CAR AND HEADED OUT FOR MARSHALL ROAD, HE WAS DRIVING AT AN EXCESSIVE RATE OF SPEED

"DAYS PASSED AND NICK WAS THE FIRST TO CRACK ...

I CAN'T STAND THIS ... LOOK AT HIM LAYIN' THERE SLEEPIN' -- THAT BRIEF CASE CHAINED TO HIS WRIST ... WAIT A MINUTE! HIS WALLET ON THE TABLE .. IT'S FULL OF DOUGH!







"THE NEWS OF LUCKY'S DEATH MADE HEAD-LINES FROM COAST TO COAST..."

Daily Bugle

SO I'M DEAD! WONDERFUL! MY LUCK IS STILL GOOD! I'LL LET MY BEARD GROW AND LAM OUT OF HERE ... SOMEPLACE LIKE SOUTH AMERICA ... YEAH, THAT'S

AND WHEN HARRINGTON AND I ARRIVED ON THE SCENE ...

THE BODY WAS BURNED BEYOND RECOGNITION ... ALL BUT HIS WALLET WHICH WAS THROWN CLEAR OUT. WE THINK IT WAS LUCKY LYNN ALL RIGHT!

HMM ...YES, THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE MUCH DOUBT...



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"AND THAT WAS LUCKY LYNN'S LAST ACT OF BRAVADO... HIS LAST MISTAKE..."







"CORNERED, DESPERATE, LUCKY DID THE ONLY THING HE KNEW ... HE DREW HIS GUN!"



"BUT LUCKY HAD FORGOTTEN TO REPLACE
THE SHELLS IN HIS GUN AFTER PLAYING
RUSSIAN ROULETTE..."







IT'S AMAZING, HARRINGTON, HOW JUSTICE IS SERVED. WE WEREN'T EVEN LOOKING FOR HIM. HE WAS THE MILLIONTH PERSON TO PASS THROUGH THESE GATES, HIS TICKET WON A PRIZE OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS... ALL WE WANTED TO DO WAS GIVE HIM HIS MONEY

YEAH, AND THE
ONLY REASON
WE'RE HERE IS
BECAUSE YOU WERE
INVITED TO BE ONE
OF THE COMMITTEES
IN CHARGE.. TALK
ABOUT LUCK..



"HARRINGTON AND I DROVE HOME FROM THE AIRPORT.. WE PASSED THROUGH THE NARROW RECESSES OF BLANCHARD

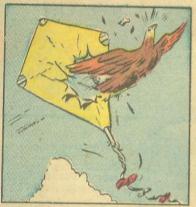
"IN THE DOORWAY OF NO.7, A CURLY-HEADED YOUNGSTER STOOD STARING INTO THE SOILED STREET ... HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN FRANKIE LYNN OF TEN YEARS AGO ... "



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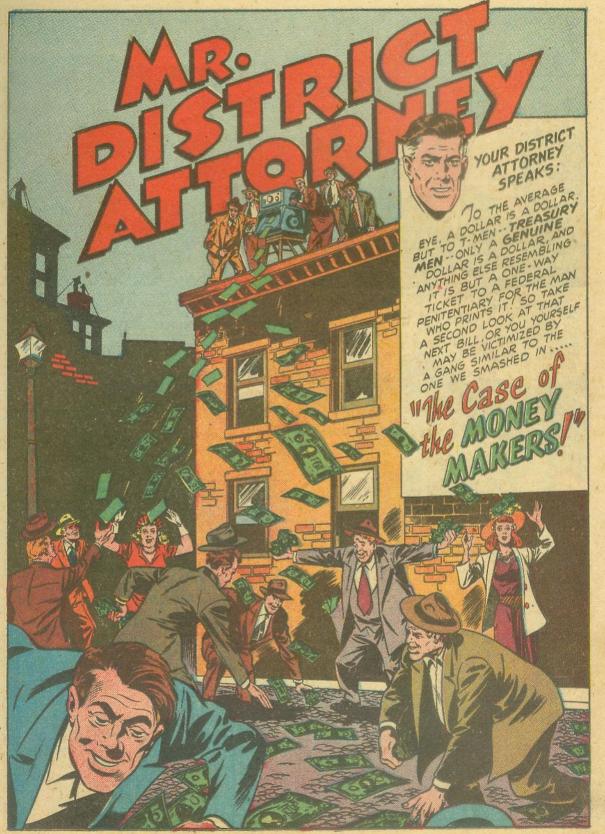
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THAT'S A FACT, CHIEF! PEOPLE ARE AFRAID THERE'S A CATCH TO IT!





A TREASURY AGENT CAN SPOT A COUNTERFEIT ON SIGHT-BUT THE AVERAGE PERSON CAN'T!
BUT ANYBODY CAN LEARN TO TELL A PHONEY! IT'S REALLY SIMPLE! I CAN SEE IT COMING, CHIEF.. IT'S THAT CASE WE BROKE -- THE CASE OF COUNTER- "YES, HARRINGTON! AND SOME CASE IT WAS! LET'S SEE -- IT BEGAN LAST JULY WHEN A WAVE OF BOGUS BILLS FLOODED THE CITY..."



I'M SORRY, MISS. BUT THIS WHAT? MONEY IS COUNTERFEIT!



"THE QUEER STUFF WAS BEING PUSHED EVERY-WHERE. AN EAST-SIDE FOOD MART REPORTED HAVING DETECTED AS MANY AS NINE SPURIOUS BILLS IN ONE DAY!..."



"WE WENT TO WORK AND STARTED TRACING THE BILLS -- BUT EVERY TRAIL WENT DEAD ... "

-- THE MAN WHO REPORTED THIS BOGUS BILL SAID HE GOT IT IN SOME CHANGE FROM YOU! WHERE DID YOU GET IT?

I'M SORRY, SIR, I CAN'T REMEMBER WHO GAVE IT TO HUNDREDS OF













"THE ONLY OBJECT OF ANY INTEREST FOUND IN THE WRECK WAS AN ANTIQUE -- A RARE CHANTILLY INKSTAND

BETTER CHECK WITH THE MUSEUM
ON THIS, IF CROOKS RISKED
THEIR LIVES FOR IT, IT
MUST BE WORTH A
KING'S RANSOM!

"MEANWHILE -- THOUGH WE WEREN'T AWARE OF IT AT THE TIME -- EFFORTS OF THE POLICE AND T-MEN WERE BEING LAUGHED AT BY A GROUP OF MEN IN A BASEMENT ENGRAVING PLANT..."



"THE MAN HEADING THE GANG" AS WE WERE TO LEARN. WAS DUKE LAMPERT, FORMER RACETRACK TOUT NOW A SPECIALIST IN COUNTERFEITING ..."

WE DON'T PRINT PHONEY DOUGH! WE ONLY MAKE THE PLATES! UH- AS A SORTA HOBBY, EH? NOTHIN 'WRONG WITH THAT! WE'RE INNOCENT! HA, HA!



SURE -- A COUNTERFEIT, INC. SET- UP! NOTHIN'
SWEETER! WE MAKE THE PLATES -- THE GANGS
BUY 'EM FROM US -- AN' OUR HANDS ARE
CLEAN! HAW! WE'RE THE SMART BOYS
IN THE RACKET!



AND WE'VE GOT THE BEST PLATE - ENGRAVERS OUTSIDE THE U.S. MINT! HOW'S THAT FIVE JOB COMING; SCRATCHY?



"AS THE CASE HISTORY NOW REVEALS, THE ENGRAVING PLANT WAS LOCATED BENEATH AN AUCTION HALL ..."

I HEAR \$500! I HEAR

FIVE - FIFTY! I WANT THAT ANTIQUE FOR MY COLLECTION!



















"AGENT ALLISON SUBMITTED THE PLATE TO LABORATORY TESTS, THEN, ON TUESDAY, HE CAME TO MY OFFICE..."

PLATE -- IT'S BRAND NEW! NO INK-STAINS ON IT --- AND NO SIGNS OF ANY INK-WASHES HAVING BEEN USED!

WHICH MEANS?...



THAT WE GOT THE PLATE JUST AFTER IT WAS ENGRAVED!

THAT'S WHY THE CROOKS
MADE A RUN FOR IT! NOT
TO SAVE THE ANTIQUE -BUT TO SAVE THE PLATE!
ALL RIGHT, GREE -- WE SHOULD
SOON BE GETTING HARRINGTON'S
REPORT ON THIS ANTIQUE!



"HARRINGTON, WITH DETECTIVE HUGHES, HAD HEADED A SQUAD THAT QUIETLY CHECKED EVERY ANTIQUE SHOP IN TOWN BY ATTENDING AUCTION INSPECTIONS AS REGULAR CUSTOMERS. THEN, THAT NIGHT."

THAT NIGHT...

CHIEF, THAT TAG IS MARKED
FOR PURPOSES OF KEEPING A RECORD OF
EVERY ITEM AUCTIONED OFF! WE RUMMAGED
THROUGH ALL THE AUCTION HALLS IN TOWNAND FOUND THE ONE THAT USES THIS
PARTICULAR MARKING SYSTEM!



"A POLICE RAID MIGHT HAVE UPSET OUR PLANS, SO WE TOOK A CHANCE AND DECIDED ON ANOTHER METHOD..."

HARRINGTON! YOU'RE GOING TO AN AUCTION! DON'T LET ANY BODY OUTBID YOU!

GO SKY HIGH!





















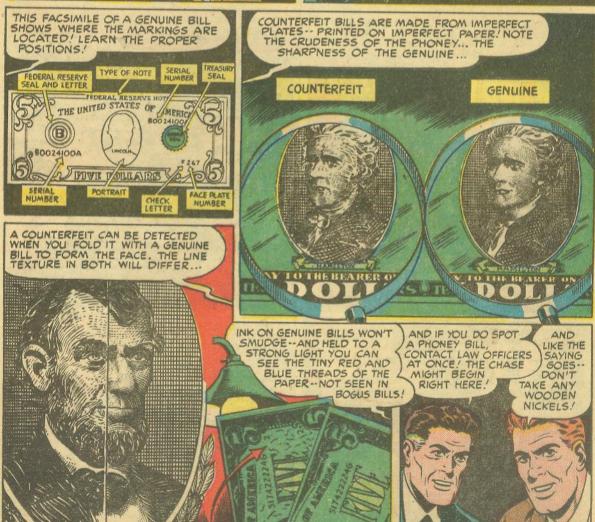




THAT'S BETTER, CHIEF! WHEW! HEY! I JUST REMEMBERED! EVEN I DIDN'T ONLY BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T STOP TO EXAMINE IT. NOW .. LOOK AT THESE ENLARGED BILLS -- ONE IS COUNTERFEIT, ONE GENUINE! ... AT FIRST, YOU'D HARDLY KNOW THE DIFFERENCE!







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"A GOOD FATHER ALMOST ALWAYS GOES STRAIGHT. I VISITED HARRY MALONE'S



"HARRY MALONE GOT HIS PAROLE, AND HE'S BEEN DOING OKAY SINCE. QUITE A DIFFERENT CASE WAS OLD GENTLE-MAN JIM FARTHINGTON, ARRESTED FOR FORGERY IT TIMES IN 45 YEARS..."



"BUT GENTLEMAN JIM MADE A PLEA THAT CONVINCED US ... "

I'VE BECOME CRIPPLED
WITH CHRONIC RHEUMATISM.
I CAN'T HOLD A PEN IN
MY HANDS ANY MORE.
YOU SEE, GENTLEMEN,
I'VE GOT TO REFORM!

"MOST OF THE PAROLEES RETURN TO USEFUL LIVES. SURE, ONCE IN A WHILE WE MAKE A MISTAKE. LIKE SAMMY "THE TRIGGER" WESTON, WHO WENT BACK TO HIS OLD WAYS THE WEEK WE RELEASED HIM.



"PAROLE OFFICERS SUPERVISE PAROLEES AFTER
THEIR RELEASE, WE CAN ROUND THEM UP IF WE
HAVE TO, WE PUT THE TRIGGER' AWAY FOR











AN OLD-TIMER, USED TO PRISON
LIFE, MIGHT FEEL INSECURE OUTSIDE.
BUT JOE BEAL IS YOUNG... HE'S GOT
EVERYTHING TO LIVE FOR... A
GOOD JOB AND SWEETHEART
WAITING FOR HIM
OLITSIDE ...

I INSTRUCTED THE PRISON CLERK TO BRING ME THE FILE
ON JOE BEAL PREPARED BY OUR FIELD STAFF, AND HIS
COMPLETE PRISON RECORDS...

EVENING STANDARD

JOE BEAL SENTENCED

DISININ IN SUCIOUS IN





























"IT WAS FRANK BEAL, MY OWN KID BROTHER, WHO HAD BEEN BRINGING THE PAYROLL MONEY FROM THE BANK...NOW HE WAS DEAD..."



"THE WAY IT TURNED OUT, THOUGH, THE ONLY ONE WHO PAID WAS ME, BECAUSE A COUPLE OF WEEKS LATER..."
YOU'RE CRAZY... THAT'S NOT WHA

I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING THE EVIDENCE SAYS.

ABOUT THIS.

I'M TAKING YOU IN,

JOE BEAL.



"THE EVIDENCE WAS BIG AND BLACK IN THE HEADLINES FOR EVERYONE TO SEE..."

> PAYMASTER MASTERMINDS ROBBERY OF HIS OWN PAYROLL!

S / PAYROLL BRIEFCASE WAS RECOVERED FROM BEAL'S ROOM WHERE GUMMAN GABRIEL MCCABE, ASSISTANT PAY, MASTER, TIPPED OFF POLICE.

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WIFE SAYS I'M

TOO INACTIVE:





HA, HA, MAYBE SHE'S RIGHT, YOU KNOW, ENVERS, I'VE GOT THAT SHORE FRONT DEAL ALL SEWED UP. WE'RE SIGNING THE PAPERS BLUFFING, WELLS.
BUT NO GOOD.
I'VE REALLY GOT
IT SET FOR TOMORROW.
BUT I WILL SAY YOU'D
HAVE GOTTEN IT
IF I HADN'T.

WELLS GOT A JOLT!

FAR FROM BLUFFING ENVERS OUT OF THE DEAL























Wells says HIS TROUBLES ARE OVER!

TRUE OR?

WILL HE ENJOY
THE FRUITS OF
HIS CRIME?
OR WILL THE
LAWS IRON
HAND SEIZE
THIS COLDBLOODED
KILLER?







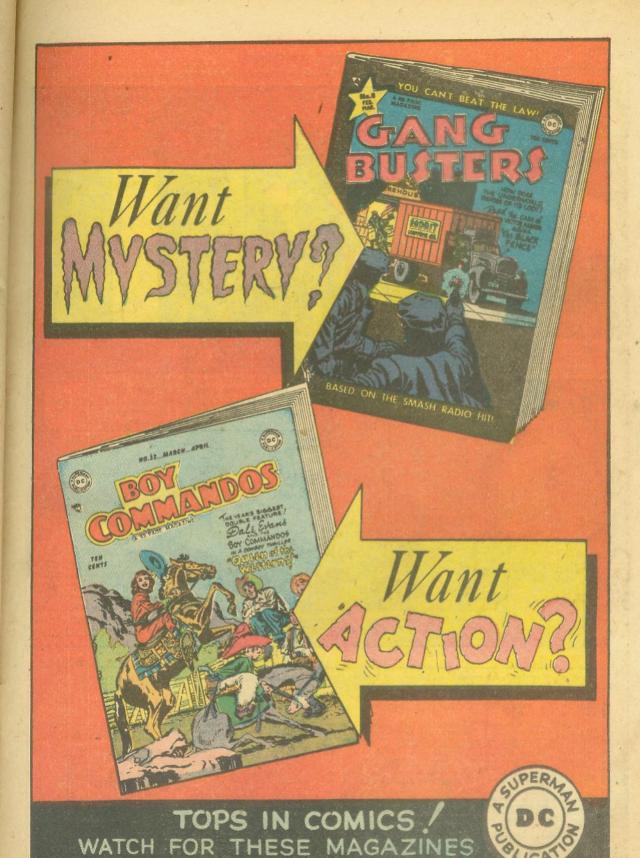












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THE CRIME FILE

THE SCOTLAND YARD STORY

AMONG the world's most famed lawenforcement agencies, which include our F.B.I. and the French Sureté, is England's Scotland Yard.

How the Yard earned its name goes back to a short street off Whitehall in London where, from 1829 to 1890, stood the head-quarters of the Metropolitan Police. This building had been a palace, where medieval Scottish kings lodged when visiting the city. When police headquarters was moved to a new site in 1890 on the Thames Embankment, it came to be known as New Scotland Yard.

Despite the fact that movies, radio and novels have dipped into the Yard's activities for years, few have hewn closely to the facts. A branch of the Metropolitan Police, the Yard has no jurisdiction over all England but is confined to London proper: Nonetheless, it is not a police station but a sleuthing, agency. For instance, if someone were slain in its offices, the killer would have to be booked across the way in the Cannon Row police station.

HUMAN NATURE VS. SCIENCE

Scotland Yard is composed of top officials of the 20,000 constables and 650 detectives of the London police; the communications center of the force, its criminal records, finger-print files, Rogues' Gallery, crime laboratories, and several special units, such as the C.I.D.—the famed Criminal Investigation Department.

The soundness of the Yard's theory that a knowledge of human nature is more important to the detective than elaborate laboratory apparatus is attested by its superb record. Among its vast archives are its Personality Files, which catalogue criminals' personal habits, traits, and eccentricities as well as their physical descriptions. Often, these have proved to be of immeasurable value.

An excellent example is the Henry Batton case. A constable patrolling his beat one wintry morning was attracted by the open windows of a room inhabited by an unpopular recluse. Investigation revealed the body of the hermit in the ransacked room. Obviously, theft motivated the murder because a one-pound note, which the slayer had overlooked, still clung to the bottom of the cookie jar that had been rifled.

Despite the killer's precaution of wearing gloves, he had failed to note that the seam of one of them was sufficiently torn to leave a fragmentary fingerprint. Also, it was fairly obvious that, having committed his heinous crime, he had paused long enough to brew some tea and eat some of the oatmeal cookies from the jar he had emptied.

Further examination yielded two other choice bits of evidence. The door had been forced open with a tool commonly used by shipwrights; mud, obviously scraped from the killer's shoe, had been smeared across the floor. With their customary thoroughness, Scotland Yard men soon narrowed the partial fingerprint down to seven suspects. The mud came from the region of Finchley.

But the coup de grace for the murderer was

delivered by the Personality Files. Several criminals were described as being unusually fond of oatmeal cookies. Combining the three clues—the fingerprint fragment, the shipwright tool, and the oatmeal cookies—it was fairly simple for Scotland Yard to stalk their man in Finchley.

Confronted with this overwhelming evidence, the suspect—one Benjamin Herndon, a convict with a record—quickly confessed. He was ultimately hanged for the murder of Henry Batton.

ALWAYS THE GENTLEMAN

It is the Yard's contention that science and the laboratory can help but never replace the resourcefulness and ingenuity of an experienced detective. While American police rely more on scientific analysis of evidence, the English manhunters prefer to base their efforts on human nature and its various characteristics. This is motivated by the fact that England's insular position as an island makes escape for criminals difficult.

Threats and intimidations are not in the vocabulary of the Yard. Citizens are treated with utmost respect and humility by officials who never fail to regard themselves as servants of the people. This attitude has earned the Yard the gratitude, and, frequently, the cooperation of the public.

ACCIDENTAL MURDER

A town in an eastern state was shocked to find, one Summer morning, the battered body of a local manufacturer. Casual examination by any stranger would have indicated at once that the victim had been struck by an onrushing train, judging by its position near the railroad tracks. But the truth of the matter was that he had been brutally murdered.

The sheriff soon questioned the deceased's

grieving brother, who had been visiting him for the Summer. Under constant attack, he confirmed the sheriff's suspicion. As sole heir to his brother's factory and fortune, he had slain him.

Then, to simulate death by accident, he had driven the body to the town's outskirts, which were threaded by railroad tracks, and deposited it nearby.

If the murder had been committed in any other town, it might have been accepted as an accident. But the killer had made one fatal mistake—for himself, as well as his victim, because he was executed later. No train had run on those railroad tracks for almost two years!

COOL IDEA

It was a scorching day in Florida, and Detective Monroe Bailey waited patiently for someone to reply to his ring. At last, the suspect opened the door, invited him in. At the precinct, he had allowed himself to be frisked for the stolen gems. And now, again, he blandly agreed when Detective Bailey said he had come to search the apartment.

With the deftness that comes with years of experience, Detective Bailey went through desk and bureau dressers, complete wardrobe, in fact, examined every nook and cranny of kitchen, bedroom, and bath.

At the door, he was about to mumble an apology when he was gripped by a sudden thought. Dashing to the kitchen, he opened the refrigerator and withdrew a large, green head of lettuce. Resting among the leaves were the missing jewels!







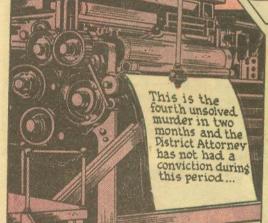






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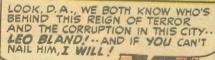


"HARRINGTON AND I READ EDITOR BOB STEVENS' EDITORIAL WITH MIXED FEELINGS..."

YES, HARRINGTON, I READ STEVENS' ARTICLE IN THE GLOBE - NOT VERY COMPLIMENTARY I'M AFRAID. HE'S A GOOD MAN BUT A LITTLE HASTY! YEAH, A REAL CRUSADER --ONLY HE'S MAKING US LOOK BAD WITH THIS STUFF!



"THAT SAME AFTERNOON, WE HAD A VISITOR FROM THE GLOBE -- BOB STEVENS, THE EDITOR, HIMSELF!"



YOU'RE A
GOOD
NEWSPAPER
MAN, STEVENS,
BUT YOU'RE
NOT THE POLICE



THE POLICE? DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!
WHEN I NAIL BLAND, THERE'LL BE SOME
CHANGES MADE IN THAT DEPARTMENT-AND IN YOURS, TOO! READ ABOUT IT IN
THE GLOBE, D.A.?













"HARRINGTON, WITH THE TRAINED NERVES OF A POLICE OFFICER, HIT THE FLOOR EVEN AS I YELLED - STEVENS STOOD TRANSFIXED STARING AT THE ONCOMING BLACK OBJECT --





"THROUGH THE ACRID SMELL OF POWDER SMOKE AND THE ROARING IN MY EARS, I COULD HEAR A VOICE CRYING OUT..."



HARRINGTON, I WANT SEARCH WARRANTS . FOR EVERY GAMBLING JOINT IN TOWN! BRING IN SIDEARM JONES!

YOU RECOGNIZED HIM, TOO, EH, CHIEF? HE WAS KICKED OUT OF THE BIG LEAGUES LAST YEAR FOR GAMBLING!





EXACTLY.' I'D KNOW HIS WIND-UP ANYWHERE IF WE CAN TIE HIM IN WITH BLAND-

HE HANGS AROUND FARO'S NIGHT CLUB, AND BLAND HEADS THE GAMBLING SYNDICATE IN THIS TOWN-THIS IS THE BREAK WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR, CHIEF!











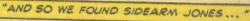












HE WAS SHOT WITH A 45 CALIBER GUN -- AND THE MARKINGS MATCH PERFECTLY WITH THE BULLET THAT KILLED MARTIN JOHNS-

IT WON'T BE LONG NOW, HARRINGTON, WE'LL HAVE BLAND RIGHT WHERE WE WANT HIM!



"MEANWHILE EDITOR STEVENS OF THE GLOBE, THOUGH TEMPO-RARILY BLINDED, HAD MADE A REMARKABLE RECOVERY AND WAS BACK AT HIS TYPEWRITER, SAVAGELY DENOUNCING LEO BLAND AND THE INEFFECTIVENESS OF OUR POLICE ..."

GOOD THING I CAN TYPE BY TOUCH SYSTEM!...WHO IS IT? WHAT DO YOU WANT?



20 YEARS AGO WHEN
I WAS A CUB REPORTER
IN WILSON, OHIO, I
COVERED THIS GUY'S
TRIAL...HE WAS
CONVICTED OF MURDER,
HE ESCAPED ON THE WAY
TO PRISON...HIS NAME
THEN WAS LEO CONNERS... DO YOU MEAN?















AND GRANT TALKED AND WAS PAID OFF-IN

ODDS, CHIEF, HE WAS SHOT WITH THE SAME GUN THAT DISPOSED OF JOHNS AND SIDEARM! RIGHT, HARRINGTON. GRANT WAS ONE OF STEVENS' REPORTERS... LET'S GO SEE EDITOR STEVENS!



"808 STEVENS WAS THOROUGHLY SHAKEN UP BY THE NEWS OF GRANT'S DEATH

YOU WERE RIGHT, D.A.I'M NOT THE POLICE-IF I HADN'T BEEN SO BULL-HEADED-I-I'LL HELP IN ANY WAY I CAN ...

GOOD MAN - FIRST, I WANT YOU TO GET OUT AN EXTRA RIGHT NOW - AND TONIGHT YOU'RE GOING TO WORK LATE - ALONE!



"AND WITHIN MINUTES AFTER BOB STEVENS'

"TOMORROW MORNING, A WELL KNOWN RACKETEER WILL ANSWER FOR A SERIES OF CRIMES COMMITTED IN THIS CITY. THIS SAME HOODLUM IS ALSO WANTED ON A 20 YEAR OLD MURDER CHARGE GRANT TOLD THE TRUTH! I'VE GOT TO GET BOB STEVENS TONIGHT!





MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY



OH-OH

WE

DIDN'T COUNT ON

THIS ...



BLAND HAD TIMED HIS MOVEMENTS PERFECTLY. EVEN AS WE RAN FOR-WARD, THE SUBWAY DOORS SLAMMED SHUT ...

"AND LATE THAT NIGHT AS 808 STEVENS WORKED AT HIS DESK ...

EXPRESS .. IT WON'T STOP UNTIL IT HITS 182ND ST. COME ON, GET TO OUR CAR BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!



"A WAITING CAR PICKED UP BLAND AND HIS CAPTIVE AND DISAPPEARED WITH THEM INTO THE NIGHT!"





"AND AN HOUR LATER, ON A LONELY ROAD...

OKAY, STEVENS, THIS IS THE END OF THE LINE ! TOO BAD YOU HAD TO STICK YOUR NECK OUT.

IS THAT THE SAME GUN YOU MURDERED JOHNS AND SIDEARM AND GRANT WITH?







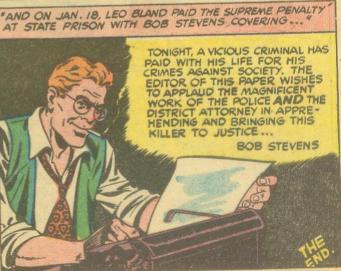


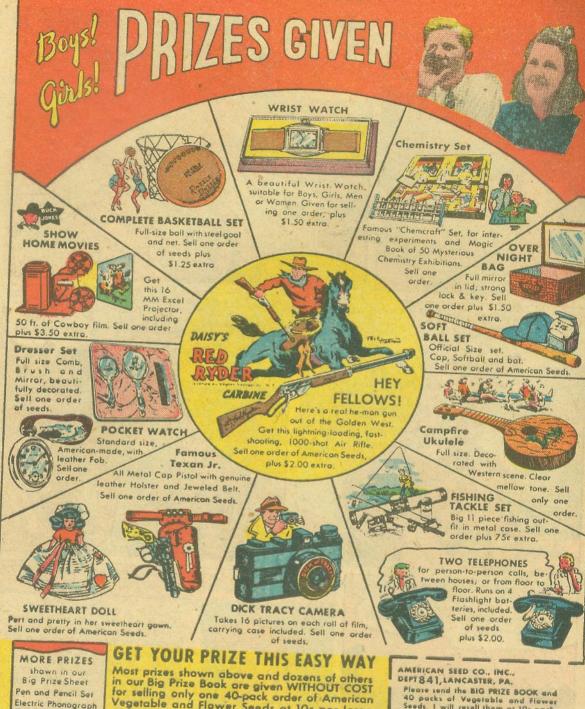












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