

2 MURDER GANGS BARED BY THREAT

Italian Barber, Terrified by Death Warnings, Confesses to New York Police

SIX NOW UNDER ARREST

By the Associated Press
New York, Aug. 17.—Information which the police believe will clear up seventeen gang murders which have occurred in New York, Detroit and Avon-by-the-Sea, N. J., was given to detectives last night by Bartolo Fontano, an Italian barber. Terrified by secret threats of being "beaked in an oven," Fontano gave himself up to the police and was charged with homicide. Six other men were arrested on Fontano's information, five charged with homicide and the sixth held as a material witness.

Fontano told the detectives that the gang which had threatened him and of which he had once been a member, had a fund of \$300,000 to protect its members who were caught while carrying out its orders. He told the police, they said, that he had lived for most of the last two years in Detroit and that he had killed his former pal, Carmella Cozzo, on a farm near Avon-by-the-Sea on July 30 on orders from "the gang."

The murders, according to the police, have all occurred in Italian circles where a veil of secrecy has protected the criminals. The information provided by Fontano gave the police virtually their only clue for cleaning up the chain of crimes. Fontano is said to have designated a man known as Francisco Puma as "the brains of the gang."

Puma is one of those under arrest. Assistant District Attorney Brothers last night declared there was no evidence to show that the murders have any connection with "Camorra" activities. Police further supported his statement by declaring that the men arrested last night were members of a group known as "Bonventre Gang."

Besides mentioning the murders committed by the gang, Fontano gave the names of eight men who, he said, were slain in Detroit. Most of the Detroit murders, he said, had been committed within the last year.

Detroit, Aug. 17.—(By A. P.)—Detroit police today were at work on what they asserted was one of the first tangible clues to the wave of murder and bombing outrages that has been sweeping through the Italian colony in the last four years.

The arrest in New York yesterday of Bartolo Fontano, former Detroit barber, and the information he gave concerning the murder of eight Italians here, led the authorities to believe that some light might be shed on the seventeen killings which have been recorded in the Italian colony here since 1917.

Only five of the victims of the gang, with which Fontano is said to have admitted his connection, had been identified by the police today, but it was believed that when possible discrepancies in the names were cleared up the others also would be known.

Terms of Unpleasant Are Unacceptable

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able claims we would be ready to consider, and I for one would be ready to go a long way to give way to them, particularly to their sentiment, if we could get them to come with us and consider the interests of their own country and not be allying themselves with foreigners.

"We have no enmity to England. At least, if this question were settled, I believe there would be none. The only enmity is to that rule which Irish people hate to the narrow of their bones."

It was said, remarked the Republican leader, that the Irish question was a problem. It was a problem, he declared, of powerful, selfish persons wishing to encroach upon the rights of the property and the freedom of his neighbors. That was the fundamental problem to be settled.

Human nature had to be taken into consideration, he pointed out, and they who were working for a complete and final settlement were to see to it that relations must be adjusted on the basis of right. Therefore, in considering the problem, they who had right on their side, he said, must count.

Disagree on Ulster Question
An entirely fresh audience was in the Mansion House today for the session, it having been decided to issue new tickets each day so as to satisfy the

demands of the thousands who want to attend the sittings.

As soon as the applause given the members as they entered had died down the Dail proceeded to business. De Valera taking up the question of negotiations.

It was understood before the session that the members of the Dail were discussing privately the possibility of inducing Ulster to join Southern Ireland or, as an alternative, accepting the status of a separate dominion. A wide difference of opinion appears to prevail.

As to the press, the moderate organs among the newspapers refrain from passing opinion upon the terms, but quote freely from the American and English press.

Interest in the meeting of the Parliament continued unabated today, many people coming in from the country to witness one of the greatest events in the country's history. Dublin was as animated as it was last week, when the Horse Show was held, but today's visitors were of an entirely different class.

Last week horsemen and society folk were here, while the week previous, farmers, small shopkeepers from villages and Irish politicians crowded the streets.

Yesterday's rain, which lessened the enthusiasm of the people gathered about the Mansion House, ceased during the night, and throngs crowded the streets around the historic building. They appeared larger than ever, but were orderly.

MERE PRECAUTION, BRITISH DECLARE

London, Aug. 17.—(By A. P.)—Measures taken to recall British troops on leave to their units in Ireland, announced yesterday, were stated in official circles here today to be purely of a precautionary nature.

It was claimed that the move was not aggressively precautionary, because the last thing the British Government would do would be to take any steps to break the Irish truce. It was declared it was realized in official quarters that the firing of the first shot on either side was likely to mean the resumption of sporadic outbreaks of fighting throughout Southern Ireland.

As evidence of the Government's desire to offer no provocation, the scenes in Dublin yesterday were cited, it being pointed out that no British officers or soldiers were in evidence anywhere during the opening of the Dail Eireann.

The belief throughout British official circles is that the longer the truce lasts the harder it will be to break it.

London newspapers, even those that have most warmly supported Irish aspirations, today viewed with considerable regret the statements made by Eamon de Valera at yesterday's meeting of the Irish Republican Parliament.

There was, however, reluctance to regard his speech as expressing Ireland's last word, and some editorials declared confidently that if the issue was placed before the Irish people the British terms of settlement would be accepted.

Considerable prominence was given extracts from editorials appearing in American newspapers, most of them earnestly advising the Irish not to reject the Government's offer. The Daily Telegraph, commenting upon these editorials, said:

"Americans are deeply impressed with the dramatic act of generous renunciation by the British Government in the pursuit of peace. They perceive, if some Irishmen do not, what an immense moral sacrifice the Government has made rather than see the ruin of Ireland consummated, and they feel that some yielding should be apparent on the other side."

ROYAL ORDER OF SNEEZERS GETS AWAY TO FLYING START

Hay Fever, or "Autumnal Catarrh," Here Again — Usual "Experts" on Cures on the Job, Too

It is here. The persistent, irritating aggravating peace-disturbing "hay fever" or, as known in up-to-date medical parlance, "autumnal catarrh."

Already the universal order of the Royal Order of the Sneezer and Sneezers are hieing away to mountains and seashore to escape from the discomfort wrought upon them in neighborhood and other places otherwise habitable, except during hay fever season.

The sufferers not so well endowed are forced to have recourse, and they do with childlike faith, to home remedies and trick remedies which every one so kindly proffers them. Whether they, the self-appointed doctors, know anything about the diseases doesn't matter, because hay fever is one complaint which every one feels well qualified to give out free advice.

Not Caused by Eating Hay
A well-known physician after listening to some of the remedies which patients had tried, remarked "That they would seem to be based on the assumption the disease was caused by eating hay."

Hay itself is not the cause of the disease, nor does it produce the worst of the exciting poisons. As defined by Dr. J. L. Goodall, "Hay fever is a term denoting a form of anaphylaxis in which the body is sensitized to plant poisons."

The name itself is in reality a misnomer, except that about this time of year and later, haying time, the fever has a very wide prevalence.

It is quite generally known that the fever and the asthma, which so often accompanies in the mucous membrane, all of which means that certain elements in plants cause this troublesome sneezing and sneezing.

Trouble in the Air
It must be a source of wonder to sufferers of the fever how the poisons of plants can affect them when the only vegetable life with which they come in contact is that hauled around in carts and wagons. Literally their trouble is in the air. For them, every little wind which blows about the earth carries with it trouble in form of pollen and for the keeping up of the fever. These pollens are detached from plants by the breeze, and others are discharged into the air by the plants, and in a lesser measure through the agency of insects pollen is extracted from plants.

Daisy, goldenrod, aster and other

PASTOR CAPTURES THIEF

Seranton Priest Surprises Man Robbing Poor Box in Church

Seranton, Pa., Aug. 17.—Following a stiff battle in the church sanctuary yesterday, the Rev. A. G. Lekancoski, pastor of St. Anthony's Catholic Church, managed to hold a man in the pulpit until police came to his rescue.

Reardon is charged with having robbed the poor box of the church. The prisoner is also suspected of other church robberies in this section. He was committed to jail in Throop, where he made an unsuccessful attempt to escape later in the afternoon. The priest says he nabbed the man just as he was ready to make his getaway.

PROUDEST BOY IN TOWN

Joseph F. Berry, of Harrisburg, Has Bicycle to Show His Chums

Joseph F. Berry, of 440 South Fourteenth street, Harrisburg, Pa., who signs his letter, "Your great big friend," has received his Black Beauty bicycle and is now the center of an admiring group of kids, he writes.

Joseph has decided "it is the nicest wheel I ever saw."

Margaret B. MacIntyre, of 1327 Walnut street, Chester, Pa., is only nine years old, but she is not too young to ride her Black Beauty bike, which she won by obtaining thirty-five subscriptions to the Evening, Morning and Sunday Pussac Ledger.

"I received my bicycle and am very proud of it," she writes in her letter. "I have lots of envious friends, and although I am only nine years old, I certainly enjoy riding. I got my subscriptions to six weeks. At first I was going to give up, but I am very glad now that I kept trying and won out."

NAVAL CRUISES CURTAILED

Final Trip for Reservists Will Begin on Saturday

Announcement was made yesterday by Rear Admiral Nulton, commandant of the Philadelphia Navy Yard, that the last destroyer cruise arranged for the benefit of Naval Reservists this month has been canceled because of requirements by the destroyer force operating out of Newport, R. I., which make the use of the vessels for reserve training impossible after September 1.

As a result of the announcement the final destroyer cruise for Reservists this summer will begin on Saturday and the lists for applications will be kept open until the last minute. As a result it is expected an unusually large number of the "citizen sailors" in the district will take this last cruise.

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