



Albert Fish

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Background Info

The serial killer Albert Hamilton Fish was born in Washington D.C on May 19, 1870. His father was a Riverboat captain. The elder fish passed away from a heart attack. His parents treated him and his siblings horribly. All three of his siblings passed away because of what his parents did to them. Albert Fish(Gray Man) is a cannibal, he enjoys receiving and giving pain. Many members of his family had mental illnesses, and one of his family members suffered from religious mania. Albert Fish had three siblings: Walter, Annie, and Edwin Fish. Over the years he grew up in a orphanage because his mother couldn't take care of him and he also wished to escape the nickname Ham and Eggs and to be called Albert after his dead sibling . He was frequently whipped and beaten there, and eventually discovered that he enjoyed physical pain. He started a homosexual relationship when he was 12 years old.

Legal Troubles

He was a male prostitute. (1890)

His mother got him married to a woman he had six children.

He was arrested for embezzlement and was sent to incarceration in Sing Sing in 1903.

He molested children of the age six or younger.

Fish committed what might seem to be his first crime in 1910 in Delaware where he attacked a young boy. After that he stabbed a mentally retarded boy around 1919. His victims would be mostly mentally retarded people or african americans because he believed that they wouldn't be missed.

Legal Troubles

On June 3, 1928 Fish took 12 year old girl named Grace Budd to his cottage in White Plains, New York from her home in New York City. He did this by telling the family that he is taking her to a party and they allowed it. When he got there he strangled the helpless girl, decapitated her and used a saw to cut her in half. He ate bits of her flesh in a stew later and drank some of the girl's blood.

Military Service

No military services



Arrest Records

Albert Fish attempted to abduct Beatrice Kiel on July 11 in New York City.

Albert Physically and sexually assaulted Beatrice, then strangled her with a pair of suspenders.

Albert Fish had been jailed for grand larceny.

He also got arrested for sending obscene letters and petty theft

Albert fish was charged with the Budd Case, and the

Trial lasted 10 days, jury found him guilty in one hour.

Jan. 16, 1936- Fish was electrocuted.

Forensic Techniques

Detective King noticed the handwriting on the letter that Albert sent to Mrs. Budd was the same handwriting from the letter the kidnapper sent to the western union messenger six years ago. The envelope had an important clue on it. It was tracked down to the New York private chauffeur's benevolent association. Detective king checked the handwriting of every member of the association but none of them matched. Detective king asked them if anyone gave an envelope to another person or seen anyone take an envelope. A janitor told the detective that he took a couple envelopes to the board house where he lives. Detective king then asked the landlady about the description and it matched the suspect Albert Fish. On December 13, 1934, the landlady called detective King and told him that Albert Fish lives there, they got him and found out that it's the same handwriting as the letter he sent. Detective King then came in and, Fish pulled out a razor blade out of his pocket. King then twisted his arm and arrested him.

Modus Operandi

Albert Fish targeted children of both sexes from ages 4 through 10. He would abduct them using a scheme and take them some place private, where he would mercilessly torture them, often using homemade tools. McDonnell and Budd both died of strangulation, but Gaffney, based on Fish's graphic description of the murder, apparently died of the torture itself. Both his male victims were also raped. After he would kill them, he would cut their body in half and into pieces and eat them. After that he would take their blood and cook it with their meats and make soup.

Status Today

Albert Fish was executed in an electric chair in Sing Sing prison in New York the year of 1936, January 16.



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