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This program is about unsolved mysteries. Whenever possible, the actual family members

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and police officials have participated in recreating the events. What you are about

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to see is not a news broadcast.

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For over 100 years, the residents of a tiny Texas town have witnessed mysterious lights

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hovering in the distance. They call them ghost lights. And tonight, for the first time,

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we present evidence that these ghost lights are real. A quarter of a million dollars of

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platinum vanished from the Pennsylvania factory. And so did security guard Dale Kirstetter.

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Video cameras recorded the robbery. Was Kirstetter abducted? Was he in a compass?

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We'll ask you to join the war on drugs with the profile of Salvador,

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Carolina, ahead of a drug smuggling thing. It allegedly possesses information that could

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put major organized crime figures behind bars. On a previous broadcast, we told how during

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the 1920s, hundreds of orphans from the streets of New York were put on trains and taken to

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the Midwest to begin new lives with new families. In many cases, brothers and sisters were separated.

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Tonight, thanks to our viewers, the heartwarming reunion of two orphaned trainsheds who haven't

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seen each other for 60 years. Join them. You may be able to help solve a mystery.

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Saturday, September 12, 1987 began as a typical

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work day for Dale Kirstetter. The 50-year-old security guard and maintenance man had worked

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for 27 years in the Corning Glassworks plant in Bradford, Pennsylvania. At 11 p.m., Kirstetter

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began his shift as a weekend security guard. That night, a quarter of a million dollars

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worth of platinum pipe vanished from the plant, and Dale Kirstetter was never seen again.

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Pound for pound, platinum is one of the most precious commodities in the world. It is even

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more expensive than gold. In addition to its beauty as jewelry, platinum was widely used

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in manufacturing. After Dale Kirstetter and a fortune in platinum pipe disappeared from

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the Corning factory, authorities were mystified. Was Kirstetter the unwitting victim of a robber

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or had he engineered the heist himself? Dale Kirstetter grew up in Bradford, and except

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for his years in the Air Force, lived there all his life. Kirstetter had been divorced

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for 10 years, and his teenage son still lived with him. Four of his five daughters also lived

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in Pennsylvania. He was very compassionate, honest, liked to have fun, loved the outdoors.

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He was very faithful to everybody, and he hated a lie. He never believed in lying.

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He's just a great father. I mean, there wasn't a kid in the world that wouldn't want to have

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him as their dad.

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Dale was a marginal employee. Yeah, he was a slow worker, and yeah, we had some problems

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with him occasionally, but at the same time, we're looking at an employee who, at the risk

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of his own life, probably saved half a dozen lives and hundreds of thousands of dollars

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of property value. We had an incident several years ago where a forklift that accidentally

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rolled underneath a stream of hot molten glass, and the glass was actually pouring down onto

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the propane tank in the back of the forklift. Dale immediately jumped onto the forklift

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and drove it out from underneath the hot stream of glass. So you can look at him one

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side and see where you might get involved in something like this. At the same time,

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maybe you wouldn't.

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Sunday morning, September 13th, when security guard John Lindquist arrived at 7 a.m., he

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expected to find Dale Kirstetter waiting to be relieved. He is usually sitting right

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inside the door, and he wasn't there, so I walked into the cafeteria, and I see his

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lunch pail sitting on the table. I happened to pick up the newspaper, and there the keys

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were. So I looked in his lunch pail, and I see it was all, everything was there, he

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had an aide.

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Later Sunday morning, Kirstetter's new pickup truck was discovered in the parking lot, and

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the police were called to investigate. The truck yielded a number of clues that suggested

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Kirstetter had not disappeared voluntarily. His keys were in the ignition. He had left

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behind a full carton of cigarettes, an empty holster from his .22 caliber pistol, and his

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day pack. On Sunday afternoon, the sheriff's came and it was brought into track Kirstetter

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in the 112,000 square foot factory. Police were concerned that Kirstetter might have

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suffered a heart attack, or fallen and injured himself somewhere in the vast building.

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The dog led police to the second floor. This was a site of the plant's glass kiln, also

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known as the tank. Although the tank contained valuable platinum pipe, it was not normally

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on Kirstetter's security rounds. Kirstetter's set was found at the tank, but he was nowhere

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in the building.

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The investigation next focused on the three security cameras that monitored the factory

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around the clock. Personnel manager Patrick Foley was surprised and disturbed by what

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the cameras had recorded. We have recreated the key sequences found on the tapes.

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The first thing I saw was a masked man in the back of the plant in the one-way street.

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When I saw the masked man on a tape, I was very alarmed. At first I thought, well, obviously

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this person has been some foul play. Dale's involved in foul play and he probably is missing.

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And then Dale Kirstetter came back and met this masked person in the back of the plant.

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I guess I would say I had a very empty feeling in my stomach. I said, what on earth? And

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then as I continued to review the tapes and I saw the masked person come back out and

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go up to the tank area, then I was extremely anxious because at that time I realized that

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not only do we have a missing employee, we also, there was good possibility that we had

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missing platinum in the plant. Whoever removed the platinum from the tank was extremely familiar

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with the plant. Everything in the plant, they knew exactly where to go. You have to remember

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that this transpired late at night. There were very few lights on in the plant, yet this

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person knew exactly where to go, where to find bags that they needed, tools that they needed,

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how to go up to the tank and move back out of the tank area.

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The most perplexing moment in the tapes is this interaction between the guard and the

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intruder. His Kirstetter being coerced, or simply pretending to be coerced. At one point

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he looks directly into the camera. Was Kirstetter secretly signaling for help or was he coolly

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flaunting his crime?

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If he was involved, why would he willingly walk in front of a camera? Knowing that it

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was there, he knew the camera was there. Why wouldn't an attempt have been made to cover

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the camera? It just doesn't make sense.

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I think the fact that he did everything in front of the cameras was once again just Dale

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Kirstetter to say to us, look, hey, here I am. I'm taking your platinum and there isn't

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a thing you can do about it.

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If he had planned on taking off anywhere, why would he bother packing lunch? I mean just

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little things like that and a whole carton of cigarettes and he smoked all the time.

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I mean he would have taken off cigarettes.

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Kirstetter's daughters believe he was an innocent victim. According to their theory, Kirstetter

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heard or saw the masked intruder and went to investigate. The intruder, fearing discovery

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and intent on his robbery, may have murdered Dale Kirstetter. One camera showed the intruder

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wheeling out a heavy bag on a manual forklift.

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There's a very good possibility that bag could contain the platinum or there's a very good

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possibility that bag could contain the body of Dale Kirstetter.

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Everybody says oh keep up hope. But if he was ever in on any of this, this thing that

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happened, he's out of his mind.

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A second thing places Kirstetter at the center of a bold and premeditated robbery.

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Dale was happy as a trades worker. Unfortunately prior to this incident he had just been cut

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out of the trade shop which entailed about a probably a five to seven thousand dollar

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cut for him. He was not a happy person at the time of this theft.

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Through our investigation we determined that Dale Kirstetter was approximately thirty to

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forty thousand dollars in arrears on various payments, trailer payments, vehicle payments

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and different bills which he had owed throughout the area.

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He had children that could take care of him. I was in a financial position to take care

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of him. He had stock in morning. He had money invested. If it got to the point where he

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really needed money there was too many ways he could have obtained the money, legally.

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I think that Dale Kirstetter was a very intelligent man in a crafty sort of way. I think that

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if he did not plan this thing by himself and do it with an accomplice I think he was indirectly

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involved.

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Dale Kirstetter's family is anxious to know if he is alive. Whether he committed the crime

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or not, his family wants to know the truth.

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I don't care whether he was involved. That's not going to make me think any less of him

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or love him any less. What I want to know is what happened. Was he involved? Did he

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get away with it? Is he dead somewhere? Was he abducted?

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I don't think he'd do it unless he planned on coming back someday. If he's alive, which

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I think he is, he's either in Canada or I'd say in Australia. And I free her in seven

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years when the statute of limitations up, they'll come back scot-free and they won't be able

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to touch him.

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I can't believe that. I can't believe he was in on that at all. No way. Shape or form.

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He had six kids, two grandkids. They'd do something like that and take off and not call

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any of them. You know, just take off and never talk to your kids again. I just, I just

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can't believe it.

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In the months that followed the theft, Corning sold his Bradford operation and the new owners

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of Informer's of Platinum is no longer used at the facility. Dale Kirstetter's family

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continues to hope that he is safe. And if he is alive, Pennsylvania State Police want

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to question him about his involvement in the events of September 12th, 1987.

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Last August we featured a story about New York City orphans who between 1854 and 1929

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were put on trains and taken to the south and midwest in search of adoptive families.

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One of the orphan train riders profiled in our story was Sylvia Wemhoff. In 1921 at the

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age of three, Sylvia got off an orphan train in Columbus, Nebraska, where she was adopted

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by the John Mick family.

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When I was about 17, 18 years old and I began to question my mother Mick, whether I had

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any brothers or sisters. And if so, I wonder if we could ever get together.

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When Sylvia located her birth certificate, she learned that she was born Stephanie Vogue

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and that she had an older sibling. For the next 52 years, she searched for the brother

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or sister she never knew.

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The day after our broadcast Sylvia's search came to an end, she learned that her brother's

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72-year-old Joseph Vogue was living in New York City. Vogue's stepdaughter had seen our

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broadcast and recognized the names on Sylvia's birth certificate. On September 25th Sylvia

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flew to New York and met her brother Joseph for the first time.

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Joseph, your sister Sylvia is here.

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Are you?

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I'm Sylvia.

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Sylvia.

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I'm so glad.

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I'm so happy to see you.

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We hugged each other and we were just really thrilled and happy that we finally, finally

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got together.

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I had heard I had a sister and I was awfully pleased when I saw her and thankful, thankful

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to God.

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Yes, that's me on there.

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Brothers and sisters grew up sharing their lives together, but for Sylvia and Joseph,

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the love and memories are just beginning.

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The next man we will meet is Francis Murphy. In 1928 when he was 11, he too rode the orphan

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train. His baby sister Margaret and his mother, who was too poor to take care of him, were

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both left behind.

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When I got on the train I didn't really feel that I was being wrenched away from somebody.

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I didn't know that much about my mother so that it wasn't a matter of tearing me away

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from her because I was away from her all the time anyway.

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It was a big adventure more than anything else. As a kid in New York you have to remember

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that we didn't know the West and what we knew was from the picture shows we saw of

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cowboys and Indians and baby engineers and going that direction, that was the biggest

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thrill that a kid in my time could really expect.

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Francis' excitement soon turned to sadness.

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Hello, I'm Camille Mitchell of the Children's Aid Society. I brought your boys.

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Up after stop potential adopted parents would be waiting to pick their child from the crowd

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but not all the children found new parents.

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Francis who had boarded the train in New York with such high hopes began to realize that

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none of the families along the train's route wanted him.

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Fourteen or fifteen children that were leaving and you got off the train with their belongings

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and it's only Francis who's just staying on the train.

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And he would see the crowd and get smaller and smaller until finally he was the only

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child left on the train.

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Bye bye.

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Bye bye.

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Bye bye.

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Francis never was adopted. He went from family to family as a foster child.

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In spite of his early hardships Francis' life turned out well.

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He became a high school teacher, married and had five children and six grandchildren.

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Francis Murphy who rode the orphan train sixty years ago developed heart disease in 1987

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and sadly he died soon after we filmed his interview in November.

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Francis' wife and family have continued his search and they ask that we present his story

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despite the fact that he is gone. They hope to unite the family who still loves Francis

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with a family he never knew and wanted so desperately to find.

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It was extremely important to Francis to go ahead with this interview. He'd been looking

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forward to it for literally months and just the hope that he would find somebody, particularly

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his sister, was important. He didn't know much about love growing up.

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And he found out as he got older and had a family of his own. I think his finding,

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Margaret, would be an extension of that love.

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It's still very important to us that we finish what he tried to do.

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1883, planes of central Texas near the town of Martha. A hundred years ago, cattle by the

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thousands were herded by cowboys across this arid country. One evening during a roundup,

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a cow hand named Robert Ellison noticed a strange glow off in the distance.

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He saw a ghostly light shimmering in the darkness. It appeared to be a few miles away and it

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hovered just a few feet away. He saw a ghostly light shimmering in the darkness. It appeared

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to be a few miles away and it hovered just a few feet away.

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They thought there was probably a campfire, Indians or other travelers, but they just

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kept seeing them. The next night they were there, the next night, the next week, the

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year, and I'm sure they began to wonder what on earth were those lights.

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In 1916, Hallie still well was 18 years old when she witnessed the same phenomenon.

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We had decided to come to Martha to attend to a little business. We were just visiting

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and talking and all of a sudden we saw lights over on the Shennaudi Mountains.

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It couldn't be any kind of car lights and we first thought probably it was a campfire

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of Indians or Mexicans or ranchers, but it didn't act like a campfire at all.

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Do you think they're campfires? It can't be a fire, it's moving.

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They were peculiar. I'd never seen anything like them before.

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And of course none of us knew anything about it. We were not scientists or anything like

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that. So we said, well, it couldn't be anything but a ghost. It's just ghost lights. And

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from then on we mentioned them as ghost lights.

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In 1943, the mysterious lights were seen again near Martha's Army Air Base.

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When we saw the Martha lights the first time, there was no vehicular traffic at night.

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Fuel was rationed. Lights were a phenomena in themselves in those days because there

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were no lights. And the moon is out, it's beautiful. When the moon is not out, it's

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so dark, it's awesome. We saw something that was totally foreign to anything in and around

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the air base. When we did see the lights, we were very curious and we inquired in the

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village of Martha about strange things. Yeah, sure, we've got little lights. So what else?

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Over the years, explanations for these mysterious lights have ranged from ball lightning to St.

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Elmo's fire to jackrabbits with glow worms attached to their tails. And the lights were

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used by the Nazis. Native superstition even has it that the lights are the ghost of an

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Apache chief who refuses to give up his desert home.

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The lights have been continually seen near the small town of Martha, but surprisingly

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the witnesses aren't frightened of these ghost lights. In fact, most see them regard them

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with affection. I know they exist. I've seen them several times. Two of the four of us

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saw the lights. Two did not. And we were looking in exactly the same spot. Now I can't explain

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that. I know they're there. There's no doubt about it. Some nights I see them better than

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other nights, though. When I was a child, of course, you have a lot of childlike curiosity.

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And my first thing was I want to find out what those are. I mean, this is my Loch Ness monster.

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I'm going to catch it and find out what it is. And so I just, in that moment on, decided

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I was going to try to solve the mystery. Looks like we need to head southeast toward the

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Sinaites. A few years ago, my brother and I got the idea that the reason no one had ever

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gotten close to the lights was because they were using motor vehicles, like airplanes or

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jeeps or cars. So we thought if we took out on foot across the desert, we could sneak up on them.

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So we got our gear together in a camera and just took out walking across the desert and

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walked for about four hours to walk up close to them. And we never could get real close to them.

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It was almost like a mirage. It just kept moving a little further and further away from you.

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It says almost like they knew what we were doing and we're just going to tease us and stay a little

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bit ahead of us. But distance is so deceiving out here, we couldn't tell if we were looking at a

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light as big as a tire or if we were seeing a light as big as just a cantaloupe. And so we couldn't

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get close enough to really get a good idea of how big they were.

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In July of 1989, we asked three scientists from the local observatory and university to conduct a

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formal investigation into the lights. One investigator was a professor of chemistry, another

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geologist and the third an astronomer. I wonder if we're not pushing just troughs of hot air up on

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either side of Chinati down here. With them were 11 other technicians and observers.

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Almost exactly. You're calling it 34.

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The lights have been seen near the Chinati mountain range. The radio beacon is also visible in front of

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the peaks. A highway winds its way through these mountains in order to prevent the

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misidentification of headlights. Two marker lights are placed at the borders of the road.

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If any lights are spotted outside these markers, the scientists cannot explain their source.

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Then investigators can be certain that they are observing the ghostly phenomena.

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Well, there was a light right on the horizon. We have to do something.

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The investigators are using special nighttime viewing equipment.

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In this instance, a camera films two headlights moving slowly from left to right past the radio beacon light.

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11.59 p.m. An unknown light appears.

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Doctor, look up there on the hill. To the right of marker three.

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I see it. It's off to the right. It's about the same distance.

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The camera pans past the radio beacon.

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Unit three, can you verify if you have any traffic lights off to the west or northwest?

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It continues past the right marker light.

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In the middle of an empty park, a ghostly glow can be seen.

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A video camera also recorded the same light.

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Do you see us getting...

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We're going to verify the light we're seeing off to the west.

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Observers were certain that the light did not come from a man-made source.

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It's beginning to fade, isn't it?

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It's going way down.

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Yeah. It's gone completely out now.

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It's almost like it imploded.

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Negative, we do not have any lights.

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Like a unit one, could you also verify if there's any?

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Here it comes.

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Can you see it?

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Yeah, it's coming back just as bright as it was before.

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Same place.

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It's beginning to fade out again. There it goes.

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It's extremely bright though when he was showing there.

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What was it that the cameras recorded?

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We know the lights there. We know it is something of natural origin.

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It is not man-made.

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Now the next question is, how do you explain them?

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There is something in addition to car lights.

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People are seeing real activity in the atmosphere.

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One scientist thought the lights might be refracted starlight.

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Another luminous gas is produced by small earthquakes.

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But they are not sure.

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And all they could say for certain is that it was a natural phenomenon

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and is yet unexplained by science.

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What's that over there?

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I don't know.

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Most of the people in Marvel have grown up and lived with the lights.

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They don't really need any explanation as to what they are.

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The fact they exist at all, bringing a touch of magic

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into their day-to-day lives, is all they need to know.

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It's a phenomena that's not explained and so,

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let's play that game.

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All I know is they're there.

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Let's don't find out what they are.

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Let's just leave them a mystery.

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I'm not going to try to solve it.

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I'm going to be content with Ghost and let the Ghost take care of them.

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Next, the story of an innocent young couple

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whose romantic weekend was shattered by a sadistic and elusive killer.

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November 18, 1987.

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Jay Cook and his high school sweetheart Tanya Van Kylan

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took the ferry from Victoria, Canada to Washington State.

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Jay was 20 years old.

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Tanya was 17 and they were in lava.

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This was to be their first trip together

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and they had planned on a romantic weekend.

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Jay and Tanya had been going out together for about six months, I think.

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He was either there or she was here.

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I think she was quite special to them.

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They certainly seemed to be good for each other from everything that I could gather.

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I certainly had no apprehension about Tanya being with Jay.

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I felt very comfortable with that.

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But sometime during their journey,

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Jay and Tanya's peaceful vacation turned into a violent nightmare.

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The couple's trip began in Victoria, Canada

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where they took the 4 p.m. car ferry to Port Angeles, Washington.

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Jay had borrowed his father's hand

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and after they disembarked from the ferry,

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they were seen twice heading south on Highway 101.

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Once in the Washington town of Hoods,

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ported approximately 8 p.m.

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and an hour later at Allen,

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it is believed they were headed towards a second car ferry

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from Bremerton to Seattle.

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Jay and Tanya were expected home the following day,

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but when they hadn't returned or called by the next evening,

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their families began to worry.

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If Tanya was late for anything,

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which was not unusual,

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but she would phone, she would always phone.

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So when Tanya did not phone,

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the next evening when they were supposed to be returning,

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my wife became apprehensive.

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So I tried to downplay it for my wife's sake

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and probably to reassure myself that everything would be okay.

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However, the following day when she didn't call,

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we knew there was something wrong.

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Tanya's body was found partially clothed.

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She had been raped and murdered.

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We found some wire ties

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that you would bundle wires together with,

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laying alongside the road.

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We assumed that they were used to secure Tanya in the van.

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Well, we didn't know what to think then

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because they hadn't found Jay

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and for a while, it looked like Jay might even be a suspect.

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They told us to be prepared for that.

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The next day, Jay's van was found 90 miles away

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in the city of Bellingham.

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There we go.

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There's one of the ties.

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There's one of the ties that was just like with Tanya down to seeing.

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There it is.

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There's another one.

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Oh, we got some blood over here, it looks like.

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At the time, nobody was certain exactly what had happened.

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But our concern was heightened a couple more notches

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once the van was found.

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Two blocks away from the van,

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under the porch of a tally,

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police found more plastic ties.

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The keys to Jay's van, Tanya's driver's license

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and a half-empty box of ammunition.

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Significantly, they also found a pair of plastic surgical gloves.

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He leaves us behind as basically a sign to the police

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that you needn't look for fingerprints because I wore these gloves.

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And he has confidence that there's nothing

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that's going to connect him with these crimes.

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Even after they found Tanya, we hoped,

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against hope, that maybe they were going to find Jay.

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I mean, alive.

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I guess you know it's not very likely,

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but you have to keep holding.

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Jay's body was found on Thanksgiving Day.

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He had been definitely murdered, it was very obvious.

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We found that Jay had died due to strangulation.

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He had been beaten.

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His hands had been bound with some electrical tie wraps,

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plastic tie wraps.

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We think the way that Jay died was indicative of things

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that we've seen before inside the prison walls.

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And the things we found on Jay certainly raised a suspicion

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that the person or people who did this

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have been in the prison system before.

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Without telling you anything else,

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that's definitely a possibility.

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Police believe it most likely that Jay and Tanya

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made their fatal roundover with a killer

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on the 10.20 p.m. ferry from Bremerton to Seattle.

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We don't know the killer's intentions

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when he first met these two.

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We feel that he was out to do some harm.

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And certainly to assault both Jay and Tanya.

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And from what we have found, I think we can say

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that he had set his sights on Tanya.

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And Jay was in the way.

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Nothing. Just be light.

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Let's get light.

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How you doing?

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Hi.

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Hey, what's up?

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Not much.

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You guys going to Seattle?

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00:34:20,360 --> 00:34:21,360

Mm-hmm.

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Yeah? How about you?

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They were friendly.

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They were young.

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On their first trip.

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And I think easily fooled.

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An easy mark.

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I wonder if you could do me a favor.

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It's pretty cold out there.

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I only live a couple of miles from the ferry deck.

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Can you give me a ride?

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00:34:42,360 --> 00:34:44,360

A person could make contact with them

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in the lounge on the ferry boat.

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Just asking for a ride across the Puget Sound.

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I think it's safe to say that by the time they exited

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the ferry in downtown Seattle,

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they probably were in the company of the man that killed them.

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It would seem to me that it's logical that the person

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has committed crimes like this in the past

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and been successful at them.

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And having been successful, I would certainly say

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that it's likely that he'll continue to do them.

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He does not want to be caught.

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He uses gloves, for example, to not leave

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obvious, forensic fingerprints.

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That makes him very dangerous, in my view.

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But the killer might have made one mistake.

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He may have taken Jay's black waist-length ski jacket

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with red piping on the sleeves,

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and Tanya's olive drab day pack.

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And there is a chance that someone may have noticed him

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with these incriminating items.

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Hi, Miss Skirt. How's the holidays?

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00:35:47,360 --> 00:35:48,360

Great thing.

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Good. See you tomorrow.

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Yeah, bye-bye.

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One final note on this sad story.

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Over the Christmas holidays, just four weeks after

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the murder of their children, Jay and Tanya's families

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each received a morbid greeting card.

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These cards were filled with taunting descriptions

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of the murders, and their author claimed

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responsibility for the killings.

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To date, 19 of these greeting cards have been mailed

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over three different holidays.

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The writer remains a complete mystery.

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Postmarked from New York, Los Angeles, and Seattle,

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all of these cards were written by the same author.

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The handwriting in these letters and the cards

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is very distinctive,

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and there are some phrases that are very distinctive also.

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Hallelujah, Bloody Jesus is a favorite phrase of his.

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We have not found something as of yet

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in these greeting cards that would tell us

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absolutely for sure that the person who sent them

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is sending them is the killer.

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We don't know.

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He just continues to make life miserable

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for these parents who have lost their children.

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It's important that this individual be caught.

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Next, the search for Salvatore Michael Caruana,

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a career criminal who masterminded

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a multimillion-dollar drug smuggling ring.

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Hey, guys, let's move in.

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May 23, 1987, Broughton, Connecticut.

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Agents from the FBI, the Drug Enforcement Administration,

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and U.S. Marshals Service,

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cracked a fugitive to a local motor inn.

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Better wages for the war.

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The drug enforcement agency is in charge of

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the drug enforcement agency.

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The drug enforcement agency is in charge of

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the drug enforcement agency.

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Better wages for the war.

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When they entered the room,

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the man they were looking for had vanished.

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Salvatore Michael Caruana is a suspected narcotics smuggler

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who allegedly has ties to organized crime.

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Since 1984, he has been the object

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of one of the most intensive manhunts

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in the history of U.S. law enforcement.

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Caruana is currently on the U.S. Marshals

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15 fugitives list.

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They also believe he is being sought by the New England mob.

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When the federal agents found Caruana's room

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at the motor inn empty, they at first suspected

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that he might have been the victim of a contract hit.

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However, the authorities also believe it is possible

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that Caruana staged his own disappearance

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to look like a contract killing

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so he could throw law enforcement off his trail.

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Caruana's criminal history dates back to 1954,

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when he was charged with armed robbery

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and possession of firearms.

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By the late 70s, he had moved into narcotics

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as a mob soldier with the Raymond,

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Patriarca family in New England.

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Mr. Caruana was involved in the distribution

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of approximately \$40 million worth of marijuana.

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We have testimony from just one distributor.

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They did one particular operation in 1979.

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He himself brought \$4 million to Mr. Caruana.

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He's sparky. Let me see what we got going here.

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In these marijuana operations, Caruana was involved.

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He was with the supervisor.

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Caruana would show up on the scene himself at the stash house

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before the marijuana was sent out

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and talked to his people, make sure it was weighed correctly,

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make sure the quality was good.

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He would then tell his distributor

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that I want X amount of dollars

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for each pound of marijuana that's here.

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I think it'll be good. What do you think?

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Two fifty a pound, right?

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Freddy? Don't keep me waiting. Be there.

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He carried guns, bigwood guns.

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He was big with threats.

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He would threaten to kill you.

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There was no question. If you messed up,

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he threatened to kill you.

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Caruana was finally arrested on November 27, 1983.

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His smuggling operation had begun to collapse

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with the arrest of several key associates,

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whose testimony led to an 11-count

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secret grand jury indictment against him.

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Caruana was charged with drug trafficking

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under the Kingpin statute,

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a federal law which could have meant life imprisonment.

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Straight ahead?

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Bail was set at \$500,000.

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Caruana easily raised \$50,000 to post bond

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and release the same day.

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Caruana, you mean why? Just in time.

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On April 2, 1984,

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two days before his trial was to begin,

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Salvatore Michael Caruana disappeared.

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Two of his close associates signed agreements

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with the government to cooperate and testify.

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I think he felt that our case was much stronger

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with these two witnesses coming into the case

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to testify against him.

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And I believe he just didn't want to come in and face that,

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because I think he felt that he would face

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some serious time in jail.

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What do we have on this guy's whole firing?

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In 1985, a multi-agency task force was established

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by the Drug Enforcement Administration,

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the IRS, the FBI,

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and the U.S. Marshals Service

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exclusively to investigate the Caruana case.

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They confirmed the smuggling drugs was only the facade

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for a vast criminal abode.

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Caruana was laundering enormous amounts of money

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and was himself a multi-millionaire.

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Checking on the medical update.

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On February 6, 1987,

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federal agents and local police

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raided Caruana's home in Peabody, Massachusetts.

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The house is like a fortress with elaborate security systems

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and several hidden vaults crammed full of weapons

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and financial papers.

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Agents found evidence that Caruana was using

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the alias of John Michael Hurley.

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Armed with this information, investigators were able

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within days to track Caruana

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to an East Hampton, Connecticut condominium.

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By the time they arrived,

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Caruana had cleaned the place out and vanished.

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For the next three months, he continued to elude the law.

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He's a very smart guy.

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He's probably one of the most cunning and sly fugitives

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that we've come across in a very long time.

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He knows what he's doing.

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He keeps himself up to date on all the new things

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that are coming out.

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He's a very smart individual.

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Look at those numbers, Jampa.

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Agents discovered that while Caruana was in hiding,

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he used computer technology to launder money

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and communicate with his business associates and his wife.

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He used things like computer bulletin board systems

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that he knew was very difficult for us to get into.

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He would talk to his wife up in Massachusetts from Connecticut

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and they would go through these computer bulletin board systems

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and she would take the message, decode it,

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and then it would be wiped off that bulletin board system.

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Finally in May of 1987, an anonymous tip led authorities

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to the motor inn in Grottin, Connecticut.

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We had determined he was using the alias Vincent Spurrto

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and based upon the information we received from the manager

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and the fact that the alias name was registered there at that motor inn,

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we used that as probable cause to get a search warrant

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to enter the apartment.

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You're the one that you're the four.

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You're the four-go.

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Four you're in the best position. What do you think?

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What's going on, Joy? Anything?

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Still nothing.

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Nothing's going on.

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Okay, we've given enough time. Let's move in, guys.

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When we first got into the room, it appeared like,

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jeez, he just got up to get a newspaper

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that he could be coming back any minute.

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Okay, we can cure, all right?

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All secure.

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But once we started looking at specific items in the room

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such as the newspaper and spoiled food,

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it looked like he hadn't been there for a couple of weeks.

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Yeah, look at this newspaper. It's dated May 9.

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We found clothes in the closet.

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We found the John Michael Hurley identification.

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We also found a sawed-off shotgun with four shells up in the barrel,

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so it was ready to be what we call combat loaded.

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We also located a briefcase.

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Guys, got a gun here.

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In the briefcase was a semi-automatic .22 and cash.

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From what we found at the motor,

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and you could assume that he had been killed

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by organized crime people who thought that if he was caught,

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he might talk or he had all these records

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that could implicate them in different illegal transactions.

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But we don't have the body.

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And if it was an organized crime hit,

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I would think that they would want to leave the body behind

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so that we wouldn't keep poking our noses into his business,

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which eventually would lead back to them.

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Who's got the paperwork? I've got it.

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Carolina's van was missing.

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So were the keys to the van, his wallet,

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and a camera case he was known to carry with him at all times.

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In the camera case, reportedly, he carried an Uzi submachine gun.

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A month later,

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Carolina's van turned up at a police impoundment lot.

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It had been abandoned at a Connecticut truck stop.

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When Marshall's dusted for fingerprints,

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they found the van had been wiped clean.

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He could very well have been killed in May of 87,

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but we really don't have anything to point to that.

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We don't have anybody coming forward and saying,

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yes, I saw him abducted from the truck stop.

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When you chase fugitives that are this complex,

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one of the things they like to do is leak the word out to you

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that, hey, this guy's dead,

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so that you don't continue looking for him

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as hard as you were if you knew he was alive.

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It appears that he's done the very smart thing.

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He hasn't maintained contact with the people

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that he knew before we were chasing him.

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What we're looking for is somebody to come forward

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and tell us that they have seen Salvatore Carolina alive

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after May of 87.

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Salvatore Michael Carawanna is 51 years old,

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six feet tall and 175 pounds.

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He has brown eyes and graying black hair

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and has been treated for a hyperthyroid condition.

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He has used the alias as John Michael Hurley,

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Vincent Sparito, and Face.

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Carawanna is a licensed airplane pilot

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and a computer and electronics expert.

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He should be considered armed and extremely dangerous.

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Carawanna allegedly holds damaging information

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about many highly placed organized crime figures,

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and the federal authorities hope they get to him

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before the mob does.

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Tonight we have seen four stories without endings,

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four stories in which ordinary people

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have been thrust into the center of an unsolved mystery.

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Perhaps someone tonight can help them.

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Perhaps they were watching.

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Perhaps it's you.