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This program is about unsolved mysteries.

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Whenever possible, the actual family members and police

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officials have participated in recreating the events.

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What you are about to see is not a news broadcast.

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In the 1940s, Elizabeth Short arrived in Hollywood

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with dreams of stardom.

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But at the age of 22, her life was snuffed out

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by a gruesome unknown killer.

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Nearly 50 years later, the death of the Black Dahlia

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remains one of the great unsolved murder

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cases of the century.

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When she was just 16, Brenda Merrill

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was abruptly thrust into adulthood,

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left alone to care for five younger brothers and sisters.

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But after surviving a harsh cold winter,

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Brenda could only watch helplessly

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as the children were taken from her one by one.

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And from Deadwood, South Dakota,

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will bring you the bizarre tale of a ghostly alliance

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between a psychic in England and the restless spirit

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of a legendary lawman.

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Join me for these intriguing stories

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on another edition of Unsolved Mysteries.

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The End

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Her looks were unmistakable.

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She had jet black hair and a pension

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for wearing black dresses and lingerie.

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Those who knew her best said she had a tattoo

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of an exotic flower on her inner thigh.

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Around Hollywood, she was known as the Black Dahlia.

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And in 1947, she became the centerpiece

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of one of the most celebrated murder

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investigations in American history.

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On a cool, crisp morning that January,

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the nude, mutilated body of 22-year-old Elizabeth Short

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was discovered in a weed-infested lot

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in the Crenshaw district of Los Angeles.

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What made the murder so unique was

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the barbaric nature of the crime.

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The Black Dahlia's body had been neatly severed in half,

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gutted, and drained of blood.

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You know, it looks like whoever did this

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rubbed her down, cleaned her up, and then just dumped her.

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00:03:00,200 --> 00:03:03,440

I mean, there's no absolute drop of blood anywhere to be found.

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00:03:07,600 --> 00:03:09,200

As you can see, the cuts on the body

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00:03:09,200 --> 00:03:11,640

are incredibly clean and precise,

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00:03:11,640 --> 00:03:14,800

almost as if it were done professionally.

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00:03:14,800 --> 00:03:19,440

Her face had been very brutally cut from ear to ear.

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00:03:20,400 --> 00:03:25,320

And a grin like this, her throat had been cut,

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00:03:25,320 --> 00:03:30,320

and she had been mutilated sexually.

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00:03:30,320 --> 00:03:35,560

And basically, she was the worst case of a sex crime

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in the history of Los Angeles County.

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It was in a quiet, peaceful neighborhood, not far from here.

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00:03:42,600 --> 00:03:45,280

The body of Elizabeth Short was discovered nearly half

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00:03:45,280 --> 00:03:47,400

a century ago.

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Ever since, the case has baffled law enforcement officials

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00:03:50,400 --> 00:03:52,920

and crime buffs alike.

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Today, Lawrence Sherb claims to have evidence

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which links the killer of the Black Dahlia

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to another notorious murderer, Cleveland's infamous Torso

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Slayer.

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He is best remembered for having evaded one of the country's

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most celebrated crime fighters, a man I came to know quite well,

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Elliott Ness.

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Between 1935 and 1942, Elliott Ness

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served as public safety director in Cleveland, Ohio.

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During his tenure, the city was terrorized

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by a string of sadistic, unsolved murders, which Lawrence

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Sherb believes are directly connected to the Black Dahlia

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case.

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How the life of the legendary lawman

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and the death of an obscure aspiring actress

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became intertwined is a story well worth exploring.

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00:04:41,160 --> 00:04:42,520

I just didn't have room for dessert.

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00:04:42,520 --> 00:04:43,480

Well, that's OK.

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00:04:43,480 --> 00:04:46,280

We can have dessert someplace else.

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What did you have in mind?

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Elizabeth Short's life was as sad as it was brief.

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Like so many other young women, she

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00:04:52,680 --> 00:04:56,240

had been lured to Hollywood with dreams of becoming a star.

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00:04:56,240 --> 00:04:59,840

But she soon discovered that fame was an elusive fantasy.

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With her career going nowhere and her money depleted,

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Elizabeth eventually drifted into prostitution.

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Can you take me home?

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00:05:08,920 --> 00:05:09,880

Yes, I will.

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00:05:09,880 --> 00:05:12,160

I need to ride all the way to Los Angeles.

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00:05:12,160 --> 00:05:13,600

Can you take me to Los Angeles?

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00:05:13,600 --> 00:05:14,400

Yes.

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00:05:14,400 --> 00:05:15,280

Oh, great. Thank you.

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00:05:15,280 --> 00:05:15,920

You're welcome.

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00:05:15,920 --> 00:05:19,280

Elizabeth Short's final days were shrouded in mystery.

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She seemed to be constantly on the move

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00:05:21,360 --> 00:05:24,120

and was last seen leaving a diner in San Diego

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00:05:24,120 --> 00:05:27,600

with a man who has never been identified.

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00:05:27,600 --> 00:05:30,880

She called him red when she spoke to him in the diner.

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And he did have reddish colored hair.

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However, the police were never able to positively

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00:05:35,600 --> 00:05:38,400

identify him, although some people felt that he might have

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00:05:38,400 --> 00:05:41,040

been Robert Manley.

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00:05:41,040 --> 00:05:43,160

Robert Manley was a hardware salesman

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00:05:43,160 --> 00:05:45,440

who had dated Elizabeth Short.

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00:05:45,440 --> 00:05:46,960

Police brought him in for questioning,

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00:05:46,960 --> 00:05:48,840

but cleared him of the crime.

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00:05:48,840 --> 00:05:52,320

Other men who were involved with Adalia were also interrogated.

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00:05:52,320 --> 00:05:55,560

But each, like Manley, had an airtight alibi.

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00:05:55,560 --> 00:05:58,080

The authorities were completely stumped.

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00:05:58,080 --> 00:06:01,760

Then a mysterious package was mailed to a local newspaper,

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00:06:01,760 --> 00:06:03,240

a package from the killer.

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00:06:05,680 --> 00:06:07,880

Take a look at what I found in the mail.

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00:06:07,880 --> 00:06:12,320

Here's Dali's belongings, letter to follow.

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00:06:12,320 --> 00:06:16,280

Inside the envelope, they found Elizabeth Short's address

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00:06:16,280 --> 00:06:19,560

book, which was in reality her trick book.

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00:06:19,560 --> 00:06:22,480

One of the pages in that book is missing.

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00:06:22,480 --> 00:06:25,280

And it is undoubtedly true that upon that page

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00:06:25,280 --> 00:06:30,040

was the name of the man who actually had killed her.

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00:06:30,040 --> 00:06:32,320

The package was the closest anyone ever

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00:06:32,320 --> 00:06:34,560

got to the Black Dalia's killer,

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00:06:34,560 --> 00:06:38,600

until Lawrence Scherb began to research the case in 1989

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00:06:38,640 --> 00:06:43,360

and connected it to the torso slangs in Cleveland.

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That investigation was a great unsolved case

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of Elliot Ness's career.

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In 1935, after Ness left the renowned crime-busting team

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the Untouchables, he was appointed public safety

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00:06:54,760 --> 00:06:56,080

director in Cleveland.

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00:06:56,080 --> 00:06:59,560

Can you throw any light on the Kingsbury run murders?

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00:06:59,560 --> 00:07:00,480

Not at this time.

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00:07:00,480 --> 00:07:01,380

That's enough questions.

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00:07:01,380 --> 00:07:04,360

Have the victims been identified?

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00:07:04,360 --> 00:07:07,520

Mr. Ness, they found a body late this morning.

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00:07:07,560 --> 00:07:09,280

The arms and legs had been cut off.

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00:07:09,280 --> 00:07:12,440

The scene of the crime diminished the looking.

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00:07:12,440 --> 00:07:13,440

Intercapitated?

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00:07:13,440 --> 00:07:14,120

Yes, sir.

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00:07:14,120 --> 00:07:19,160

Between 1934 and 1938, no less than 13 mutilated bodies

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00:07:19,160 --> 00:07:21,400

were discovered in the Kingsbury run district

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00:07:21,400 --> 00:07:23,760

and surrounding areas of Cleveland.

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00:07:23,760 --> 00:07:26,640

The victims were all prostitutes or drifters.

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00:07:26,640 --> 00:07:29,780

The killer had dismembered and bisected most of the bodies

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00:07:29,780 --> 00:07:33,320

with surgical precision, as would happen nine years later

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00:07:33,320 --> 00:07:35,840

in the case of the Black Dalia.

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00:07:35,840 --> 00:07:38,200

Let's go.

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00:07:38,200 --> 00:07:39,800

Pete, I want you and your foot men

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00:07:39,800 --> 00:07:42,400

to concentrate your surveillance in Kingsbury.

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00:07:42,400 --> 00:07:45,480

By the end of 1938, it had been several months

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00:07:45,480 --> 00:07:47,440

since the last Cleveland killing.

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00:07:47,440 --> 00:07:49,560

In December, the city police chief

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00:07:49,560 --> 00:07:52,200

received a letter which gave the first indication

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that the torso slayer had moved west.

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00:07:54,440 --> 00:07:58,560

A letter from Los Angeles, and it's from the butcher Elliot,

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00:07:58,560 --> 00:08:00,680

says he's killed a woman there.

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00:08:00,680 --> 00:08:03,400

In that letter, the torso killer

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00:08:03,400 --> 00:08:07,600

describes the fact that he has left Cleveland

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00:08:07,600 --> 00:08:12,480

and has come to California, as he described at sunny California,

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00:08:12,480 --> 00:08:15,040

and is now performing medical experiments

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00:08:15,040 --> 00:08:19,880

upon his guinea pig victims here in Los Angeles.

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00:08:19,880 --> 00:08:21,120

Excuse me.

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00:08:21,120 --> 00:08:23,680

Can you direct me to Crenshaw and Fort?

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00:08:23,680 --> 00:08:26,480

Yeah, about three blocks down, straight ahead.

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00:08:26,480 --> 00:08:28,240

In the letter, the killer bragged

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00:08:28,240 --> 00:08:30,240

that he had already murdered one victim

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00:08:30,280 --> 00:08:33,960

buried their head in a gully in southwest Los Angeles.

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00:08:33,960 --> 00:08:35,880

The butchered body of the Black Dalia

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00:08:35,880 --> 00:08:40,040

would be found in that same area eight years later.

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00:08:40,040 --> 00:08:46,560

The last Cleveland torso murder was committed in 1938.

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00:08:46,560 --> 00:08:50,880

So when he describes coming to Los Angeles in late 1938,

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00:08:50,880 --> 00:08:54,840

that does correspond chronologically with the fact

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00:08:54,840 --> 00:08:57,200

that the torso killer had stopped killing

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00:08:57,200 --> 00:09:00,160

earlier that year in Cleveland.

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00:09:00,160 --> 00:09:03,400

In the letter, the killer referred to himself as a DC,

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00:09:03,400 --> 00:09:05,440

a doctor of chiropractic.

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00:09:05,440 --> 00:09:09,200

He said, quote, I felt bad operating on those people,

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00:09:09,200 --> 00:09:11,760

but science must advance.

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00:09:11,760 --> 00:09:14,040

However, the letter is just the beginning

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00:09:14,040 --> 00:09:18,200

of the torso slayer Black Dalia connection.

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00:09:18,200 --> 00:09:23,040

The killer apparently had a fetish for cleanliness

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00:09:23,040 --> 00:09:27,560

and cleaned the Dalia's body very carefully with water,

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00:09:27,560 --> 00:09:31,640

washed it very carefully, shampooed her hair,

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00:09:31,640 --> 00:09:34,880

and scrubbed her with a bristle brush so severely

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00:09:34,880 --> 00:09:38,520

that he left bristles embedded in her skin.

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00:09:38,520 --> 00:09:41,320

The Cleveland victims also indicate

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00:09:41,320 --> 00:09:45,600

that there were attempts to clean bodies,

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00:09:45,600 --> 00:09:49,240

and he was attempting to get rid of trace evidence.

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00:09:49,240 --> 00:09:54,840

A butcher knife was used to bisect the Dalia,

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00:09:54,840 --> 00:09:56,520

and a butcher knife was definitely

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00:09:56,560 --> 00:10:00,360

the weapon that was used to dismember,

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00:10:00,360 --> 00:10:04,840

decapitate, and bisect victims in Cleveland.

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00:10:04,840 --> 00:10:06,240

Police determined that Elizabeth

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00:10:06,240 --> 00:10:09,160

shot had been held captive and tortured for several hours

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00:10:09,160 --> 00:10:11,000

before being killed.

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00:10:11,000 --> 00:10:13,560

She had wounds on her neck, arms, and legs

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00:10:13,560 --> 00:10:16,480

that indicated she had been tied with ropes.

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00:10:16,480 --> 00:10:19,200

Several of the Cleveland victims had exactly the same type

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00:10:19,200 --> 00:10:22,760

of marks, suggesting that they had been tortured in exactly

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00:10:22,760 --> 00:10:24,720

the same manner.

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00:10:24,760 --> 00:10:26,680

Also, the Dalia's body had been arranged

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00:10:26,680 --> 00:10:29,360

in a sexually suggested position.

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00:10:29,360 --> 00:10:32,320

The same was true of some of the torso slayer's victims.

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00:10:34,920 --> 00:10:37,760

However, there was one significant difference.

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00:10:37,760 --> 00:10:41,280

The Dalia, unlike most of the torso slayer's victims,

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00:10:41,280 --> 00:10:43,480

was not decapitated.

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00:10:43,480 --> 00:10:47,640

The torso killer killed other victims in other places

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00:10:47,640 --> 00:10:50,800

in the 40s, and he did not decapitate some

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00:10:50,800 --> 00:10:53,320

of those victims either.

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00:10:53,320 --> 00:10:56,120

So it is not necessarily true that the mere fact

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00:10:56,120 --> 00:11:00,640

of decapitation sets all the victims of the torso killer

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00:11:00,640 --> 00:11:04,120

apart, and that if he didn't decapitate the Dalia,

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00:11:04,120 --> 00:11:05,560

that means she could not possibly

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00:11:05,560 --> 00:11:07,240

have been killed by the same man.

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00:11:07,240 --> 00:11:11,160

All he did was simply change his MO in a rather small way.

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00:11:13,800 --> 00:11:16,360

Many people believe that Elliot Ness actually

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00:11:16,360 --> 00:11:19,800

knew the slayer's identity, but never had enough evidence

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00:11:19,800 --> 00:11:21,960

to prove it in court.

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00:11:21,960 --> 00:11:26,400

In 1947, Elliot Ness retired from public life.

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00:11:26,400 --> 00:11:29,120

He later told his biographer, Oscar Freili,

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00:11:29,120 --> 00:11:31,800

that after he developed a profile of the killer,

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00:11:31,800 --> 00:11:34,040

he had been approached by a member of Cleveland's

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00:11:34,040 --> 00:11:36,160

high society.

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00:11:36,160 --> 00:11:39,920

This lady, socialite, who was working with him,

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00:11:39,920 --> 00:11:42,400

came to him and said, the member of one

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00:11:42,400 --> 00:11:46,320

of our influential families fits your profile.

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00:11:46,320 --> 00:11:49,120

So Elliot said, that's fine.

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00:11:49,120 --> 00:11:49,760

Let's meet him.

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00:11:51,960 --> 00:11:58,720

Hello.

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00:11:58,720 --> 00:12:00,040

Hello.

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00:12:00,040 --> 00:12:01,360

Thanks for coming.

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00:12:01,360 --> 00:12:03,200

You're welcome.

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00:12:03,200 --> 00:12:05,120

May I ask what this is regarding?

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00:12:05,120 --> 00:12:08,120

Your officer would not tell me.

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00:12:08,120 --> 00:12:10,800

Brian, would you bring the gentleman a seat, please?

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00:12:10,800 --> 00:12:14,920

This man admitted that he had been to medical school.

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00:12:14,920 --> 00:12:18,360

So Elliot thought surely he had the guy.

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00:12:18,400 --> 00:12:22,120

Have you ever been to Kingsbury Run after sunset?

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00:12:22,120 --> 00:12:22,880

No.

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00:12:22,880 --> 00:12:26,120

Ness said he gave the man two lie detector tests.

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00:12:26,120 --> 00:12:29,440

Both times, the suspect failed.

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00:12:29,440 --> 00:12:32,400

Do you live in Cleveland?

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00:12:32,400 --> 00:12:34,480

Yes.

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00:12:34,480 --> 00:12:38,080

Ness then directly confronted the suspect and said to him,

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00:12:38,080 --> 00:12:40,240

I think you are the killer.

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00:12:40,240 --> 00:12:43,160

And the suspect said, well, think it.

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00:12:43,160 --> 00:12:44,840

You have to prove it.

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00:12:44,840 --> 00:12:48,560

Have you ever paid for the services of a prostitute?

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00:12:48,560 --> 00:12:49,880

No.

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00:12:49,880 --> 00:12:52,000

Soon after he took the lie detector test,

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00:12:52,000 --> 00:12:55,800

the suspect voluntarily committed himself to a hospital.

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00:12:55,800 --> 00:12:59,000

Lawrence sure believes this act was part of a complex deal

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00:12:59,000 --> 00:13:03,000

a killer made to keep his family name out of the newspapers.

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00:13:03,000 --> 00:13:06,440

Around that time, the torso slings in Cleveland abruptly

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00:13:06,440 --> 00:13:08,040

stopped.

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00:13:08,040 --> 00:13:11,080

Ness believed that this would be the end of the case

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00:13:11,080 --> 00:13:13,960

because the suspect was so deranged

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00:13:13,960 --> 00:13:17,000

that he would probably remain in a mental institution

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00:13:17,000 --> 00:13:20,040

for the rest of his life.

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00:13:20,040 --> 00:13:23,400

But if the torso slayer was locked away in an Ohio hospital,

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00:13:23,400 --> 00:13:25,080

how could the murders have continued

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00:13:25,080 --> 00:13:28,920

in other parts of the Midwest and later Los Angeles?

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00:13:28,920 --> 00:13:31,400

Perhaps one crucial point was overlooked when

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00:13:31,400 --> 00:13:34,360

the killer entered the hospital.

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00:13:34,360 --> 00:13:35,360

Darling.

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00:13:39,360 --> 00:13:40,480

How are you?

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00:13:40,480 --> 00:13:41,280

I'm well.

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00:13:41,280 --> 00:13:43,640

Sorry I was late, sweetheart.

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00:13:43,640 --> 00:13:45,000

But we can leave now.

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00:13:45,000 --> 00:13:47,240

Come along.

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00:13:47,240 --> 00:13:51,240

If one is voluntarily in a mental hospital,

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00:13:51,240 --> 00:13:54,960

you are free to legally walk out any time you want.

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00:13:54,960 --> 00:13:57,680

And I think that's exactly what he did.

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00:13:57,680 --> 00:14:01,320

I think he used the mental health system most of his career.

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00:14:01,320 --> 00:14:04,200

When things got tough or investigations heated up,

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00:14:04,200 --> 00:14:07,080

he simply checked himself into a mental institution,

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00:14:07,080 --> 00:14:09,880

waited until they cooled down, and then checked himself out

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00:14:09,880 --> 00:14:11,760

again and departed and continued killing.

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00:14:14,640 --> 00:14:18,360

Elliott Ness never publicly identified the suspect

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00:14:18,360 --> 00:14:22,160

and took the name with him to the grave.

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00:14:22,160 --> 00:14:26,240

It bothered Ness a great deal that the mad butcher was

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00:14:26,240 --> 00:14:29,480

able to escape punishment.

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00:14:29,480 --> 00:14:33,520

Elizabeth Short was simply one of a number of victims

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00:14:33,520 --> 00:14:36,280

who were slain by the same killer.

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00:14:36,280 --> 00:14:39,080

He was the most prolific mass murderer

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00:14:39,080 --> 00:14:41,480

in the history of the United States.

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00:14:41,480 --> 00:14:45,000

And to this day, his true identity remains unknown.

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00:14:52,760 --> 00:14:54,720

Next, the poignant story of a woman

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00:14:54,720 --> 00:14:56,640

looking for her three youngest siblings

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00:14:56,640 --> 00:14:58,160

whom she hasn't seen in years.

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00:14:58,160 --> 00:15:14,040

On a September afternoon in 1961, outside Lawrenceville,

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00:15:14,040 --> 00:15:17,160

Pennsylvania, a woman named Betty Nickerson

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00:15:17,160 --> 00:15:19,920

made a decision that would forever alter the lives

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00:15:19,920 --> 00:15:21,640

of her six children.

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00:15:21,640 --> 00:15:23,600

Just leave that stuff right there.

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00:15:23,600 --> 00:15:26,400

Betty, who was twice divorced, had moved the children

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00:15:26,400 --> 00:15:29,280

to her remote farmhouse, leaving her teenage daughter,

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00:15:29,280 --> 00:15:31,840

Brenda Merrill, in charge.

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00:15:31,840 --> 00:15:33,600

I'm going to ride into town with the movers.

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00:15:33,600 --> 00:15:35,960

So you have to take care of your brothers and sisters.

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00:15:35,960 --> 00:15:38,000

Well, aren't you coming back up here tonight?

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00:15:38,000 --> 00:15:40,120

Betty herself planned to live in town,

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00:15:40,120 --> 00:15:42,360

where she had just bought a restaurant.

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00:15:42,360 --> 00:15:44,640

But, Mom, I can't take care of the kids all by myself.

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00:15:44,640 --> 00:15:47,160

Brenda, we've already discussed this.

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00:15:47,160 --> 00:15:48,600

I'm not going to argue.

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00:15:48,600 --> 00:15:50,040

Now, you go fix those children some dinner.

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00:15:50,040 --> 00:15:55,040

She said either the kids would have to go to a home,

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00:15:55,040 --> 00:15:59,040

or I could quit school and take care of them.

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00:15:59,040 --> 00:16:02,400

And I couldn't see the kids going, then, you know.

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00:16:02,400 --> 00:16:05,480

So I said I would quit school.

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00:16:09,080 --> 00:16:13,280

I never thought my mother would do things like that.

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00:16:13,280 --> 00:16:17,760

It was a deep hurt, you know, of the children.

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00:16:17,760 --> 00:16:20,280

A deep hurt, you know.

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00:16:20,280 --> 00:16:22,080

Like, what did I do to deserve this?

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00:16:25,080 --> 00:16:27,920

That day was the beginning of a frustrating, difficult year

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00:16:27,920 --> 00:16:30,640

for 16-year-old Brenda Merrill.

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00:16:30,640 --> 00:16:32,560

Still a child herself, Brenda was

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00:16:32,560 --> 00:16:36,360

forced to take on the burden of parenthood virtually alone,

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00:16:36,360 --> 00:16:39,960

to experience many of the traumas of raising young children,

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00:16:39,960 --> 00:16:42,480

but also to experience some of the precious joys.

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00:16:43,080 --> 00:16:45,400

Does that look nice in the dress?

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00:16:45,400 --> 00:16:47,760

Brenda took over her mother's role completely,

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00:16:47,760 --> 00:16:51,760

with all five of her siblings, Glinda, Keith, Butch,

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00:16:51,760 --> 00:16:53,320

Linda, and Eric.

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00:16:53,320 --> 00:16:54,240

Which one?

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00:16:54,240 --> 00:16:56,600

That looks really pretty.

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00:16:56,600 --> 00:17:00,080

The children ranged in age from two to nine.

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00:17:00,080 --> 00:17:03,720

The oldest boy, Butch, was deaf, and none of them, except Brenda,

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00:17:03,720 --> 00:17:07,520

had ever been to school.

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00:17:07,520 --> 00:17:09,000

God is great.

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00:17:09,000 --> 00:17:10,000

God is great.

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00:17:10,000 --> 00:17:11,000

God is great.

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00:17:11,800 --> 00:17:13,840

God is good.

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00:17:13,840 --> 00:17:16,600

Let us thank Him for our food.

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00:17:19,320 --> 00:17:22,600

The children's mother, Betty, never once visited the farmhouse,

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00:17:22,600 --> 00:17:26,400

even though her business was thriving.

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00:17:26,400 --> 00:17:28,400

Occasionally, Brenda's boyfriend brought up

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00:17:28,400 --> 00:17:31,640

food from Betty's restaurant.

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00:17:31,640 --> 00:17:34,120

Brenda supplemented their meals with vegetables

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00:17:34,120 --> 00:17:36,320

from the garden.

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00:17:36,320 --> 00:17:38,880

I was just like a normal family, because I

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00:17:38,880 --> 00:17:40,680

was like their mother, you know.

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00:17:40,720 --> 00:17:41,400

It just went.

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00:17:41,400 --> 00:17:42,920

You washed clothes.

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00:17:42,920 --> 00:17:43,880

You did the dishes.

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00:17:43,880 --> 00:17:45,720

You got their dinner, and you got their breakfast,

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00:17:45,720 --> 00:17:47,320

and you got their supper.

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00:17:47,320 --> 00:17:49,280

And you get them scrubbed up for bed, you know,

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00:17:49,280 --> 00:17:52,320

and you sing them songs before they go to sleep,

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00:17:52,320 --> 00:17:55,280

you know, like a normal household.

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00:18:00,640 --> 00:18:02,800

As cold weather came on, Brenda was forced

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00:18:02,800 --> 00:18:06,480

to hot small game to feed the children.

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00:18:06,480 --> 00:18:09,000

Memories of her old life began to haunter.

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00:18:11,400 --> 00:18:14,120

There was a time that you think, why can't I go out dancing?

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00:18:14,120 --> 00:18:17,360

Or why can't I go out bowling?

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00:18:17,360 --> 00:18:19,000

Or why can't I just go out with the kids

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00:18:19,000 --> 00:18:20,040

and have a good time?

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00:18:20,040 --> 00:18:22,440

But, you know, after you leave school and you quit,

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00:18:22,440 --> 00:18:23,800

you have no friends no more.

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00:18:23,800 --> 00:18:26,520

So I didn't have no friends after that,

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00:18:26,520 --> 00:18:29,760

because there was nobody up there to be friends with.

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00:18:29,760 --> 00:18:32,200

So the kids were my friends.

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00:18:32,200 --> 00:18:34,200

You know, they were my life.

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00:18:41,400 --> 00:18:44,240

Brenda and the children made it through the winter.

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00:18:44,240 --> 00:18:48,680

And just as a damp chili spring arrived, their fuel ran out.

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00:18:48,680 --> 00:18:51,680

In desperation, Brenda chopped the children's rubber

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00:18:51,680 --> 00:18:54,760

tire swing into pieces and fed the pieces

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00:18:54,760 --> 00:18:58,000

into the old wood stove.

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00:18:58,000 --> 00:19:01,240

I don't know where, how I even got it, or who told me

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00:19:01,240 --> 00:19:04,240

that if you put tires in with your wood, it'll burn good.

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00:19:04,240 --> 00:19:05,880

You know, you get good heat.

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00:19:05,880 --> 00:19:07,040

So that's what I did.

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00:19:07,040 --> 00:19:10,200

And boy, did I get good heat.

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00:19:10,200 --> 00:19:13,800

Brenda, there's something burning.

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00:19:13,800 --> 00:19:15,800

I thought, oh, my word.

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00:19:15,800 --> 00:19:17,000

You know, get the kids out.

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00:19:17,000 --> 00:19:18,800

That's all I could think of was get the kids out of here.

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00:19:18,800 --> 00:19:19,800

It's going to blow.

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00:19:23,640 --> 00:19:25,200

The second floor of the farmhouse

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00:19:25,200 --> 00:19:27,200

was completely destroyed.

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00:19:27,200 --> 00:19:29,520

But for Brenda, it was a blessing in disguise.

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00:19:34,360 --> 00:19:36,200

I really felt relieved that I would never

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00:19:36,200 --> 00:19:37,360

have to go back there again.

379

00:19:40,520 --> 00:19:48,040

It was a great relief in my chest, you know.

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00:19:48,040 --> 00:19:51,080

Mom will have to take some responsibility for these kids

381

00:19:51,080 --> 00:19:55,120

when I get them off the hill, you know.

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00:19:55,120 --> 00:19:58,120

Reluctantly, Betty took her children in.

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00:19:58,120 --> 00:20:00,840

The man Betty lived with assumed that the three youngest

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00:20:00,840 --> 00:20:03,080

were Brenda's.

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00:20:03,080 --> 00:20:06,040

A few weeks later, Brenda married her boyfriend.

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00:20:06,040 --> 00:20:08,920

They moved to Corning, New York, 28 miles away,

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00:20:08,920 --> 00:20:11,600

and took Eric with them.

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00:20:11,600 --> 00:20:15,520

Betty immediately began to farm the other children out.

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00:20:15,520 --> 00:20:19,320

Linda went to live with the family across the street.

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00:20:19,320 --> 00:20:23,120

Butch was enrolled in a state school for the deaf.

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00:20:23,120 --> 00:20:24,960

Linda and Keith were kept together

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00:20:24,960 --> 00:20:27,080

and sent to live with an acquaintance of Betty's.

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00:20:34,040 --> 00:20:36,240

A week later, Brenda and her new husband

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00:20:36,240 --> 00:20:38,120

took Eric to visit Linda and Keith.

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00:20:41,400 --> 00:20:46,240

Brenda was horrified by the children's living conditions.

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00:20:46,240 --> 00:20:47,840

There was just a blanket on the floor

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00:20:47,840 --> 00:20:50,320

with the kids laying on the floor.

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00:20:50,320 --> 00:20:53,360

And there was cockroaches crawling over.

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00:20:53,360 --> 00:20:54,680

I got furious.

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00:20:54,680 --> 00:20:56,000

Linda, Keith, get up.

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00:20:56,000 --> 00:20:57,240

I'm getting you out of here.

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00:20:57,240 --> 00:20:58,520

What do you think you're doing?

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00:20:58,520 --> 00:20:59,920

I'm taking the kids.

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00:20:59,920 --> 00:21:01,240

What the hell you are?

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00:21:01,240 --> 00:21:02,640

I'm calling the cops.

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00:21:02,640 --> 00:21:04,960

I said, that's just what I want you to do, call the cops,

407

00:21:04,960 --> 00:21:07,920

because I know they want these kids laying this mess.

408

00:21:07,920 --> 00:21:09,040

Well, go on.

409

00:21:09,040 --> 00:21:09,880

Take them.

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00:21:09,880 --> 00:21:10,780

Get out of here.

411

00:21:10,780 --> 00:21:13,200

I don't want no trouble.

412

00:21:13,200 --> 00:21:14,360

So that's what I did.

413

00:21:14,360 --> 00:21:15,560

Come on, you two, get up.

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00:21:15,560 --> 00:21:16,480

I took the kids.

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00:21:16,480 --> 00:21:17,880

I'll get out of here.

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00:21:17,880 --> 00:21:19,720

BANGS ON DOOR

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00:21:19,720 --> 00:21:21,920

Brenda went straight to her mother's house.

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00:21:24,680 --> 00:21:25,960

What do you want?

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00:21:25,960 --> 00:21:28,600

What are blended Keith doing here?

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00:21:28,600 --> 00:21:31,200

I just took him out of that pig's die where you left him.

421

00:21:31,200 --> 00:21:33,080

It's time he started taking care of them.

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00:21:33,080 --> 00:21:35,240

Brenda, take those kids right back there now.

423

00:21:35,240 --> 00:21:36,400

I will not.

424

00:21:36,400 --> 00:21:39,040

I wouldn't keep a dog in that place.

425

00:21:39,040 --> 00:21:41,080

I can't do anything about that right now.

426

00:21:41,080 --> 00:21:42,320

Right now?

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00:21:42,320 --> 00:21:44,040

You never took care of them.

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00:21:44,040 --> 00:21:46,560

Though he's been too busy catting around to take care of them.

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00:21:46,560 --> 00:21:48,360

Brenda, don't talk to your mother like that.

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00:21:48,360 --> 00:21:50,480

Why don't you mind your own business?

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00:21:50,480 --> 00:21:52,120

Her boyfriend brought back his hand

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00:21:52,120 --> 00:21:55,200

and was going to hit me for calling my mother names.

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00:21:55,200 --> 00:21:58,720

And I said, you better stop and listen before you strike,

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00:21:58,720 --> 00:22:00,320

because these are my mother's kids.

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00:22:00,320 --> 00:22:02,600

These are not my kids.

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00:22:02,600 --> 00:22:04,120

These are Betty's kids.

437

00:22:04,120 --> 00:22:05,040

Betty, is that true?

438

00:22:08,760 --> 00:22:11,480

Look, we're taking the kids with me tonight.

439

00:22:11,480 --> 00:22:13,840

But you better tell mama to do something about him tomorrow.

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00:22:16,480 --> 00:22:18,000

I hated my mother for that.

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00:22:18,000 --> 00:22:21,480

I hated her bad right then.

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00:22:21,480 --> 00:22:23,640

I really felt like I'd like to hurt her.

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00:22:23,640 --> 00:22:26,520

You know, I really wanted to hurt her.

444

00:22:26,520 --> 00:22:29,120

Because I felt she took a lot of my young life away.

445

00:22:33,120 --> 00:22:36,120

You two are going to find the nice lady, aren't you?

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00:22:36,120 --> 00:22:38,480

Betty notified the child welfare department

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00:22:38,480 --> 00:22:40,960

and that Glendon Keith placed in foster care.

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00:22:43,960 --> 00:22:46,360

Brenda thought it was only a temporary measure,

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00:22:46,360 --> 00:22:49,120

but Glendon Keith never came back.

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00:22:49,120 --> 00:22:50,020

Bye-bye.

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00:22:50,020 --> 00:22:54,860

The following week, Brenda was forced to turn Eric over

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00:22:54,860 --> 00:22:58,620

to foster parents as well.

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00:22:58,620 --> 00:23:00,660

I said, nobody's taking Eric.

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00:23:00,660 --> 00:23:01,980

And she said, yes, they are.

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00:23:01,980 --> 00:23:03,060

They'll have legal papers.

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00:23:03,060 --> 00:23:03,860

They'll show you.

457

00:23:07,020 --> 00:23:08,380

You take good care of him, OK?

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00:23:08,380 --> 00:23:09,300

Don't worry, honey.

459

00:23:09,300 --> 00:23:10,260

We'll take care of him.

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00:23:10,260 --> 00:23:11,180

OK?

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00:23:11,180 --> 00:23:12,180

I'll take care of him.

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00:23:12,180 --> 00:23:13,080

OK?

463

00:23:13,080 --> 00:23:13,980

I'll take care of him.

464

00:23:13,980 --> 00:23:14,780

OK?

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00:23:14,780 --> 00:23:15,780

I'll take care of him.

466

00:23:15,780 --> 00:23:16,680

OK?

467

00:23:16,680 --> 00:23:17,580

OK.

468

00:23:17,580 --> 00:23:18,480

OK.

469

00:23:19,040 --> 00:23:19,940

Don't worry, honey.

470

00:23:19,940 --> 00:23:22,880

We'll take good care of him.

471

00:23:22,880 --> 00:23:24,720

Let me give you this, too.

472

00:23:24,720 --> 00:23:27,880

I just had that feeling, you know, a mother's instinct,

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00:23:27,880 --> 00:23:31,040

let's say, that you're not going to see your child again.

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00:23:31,040 --> 00:23:31,940

You know?

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00:23:34,480 --> 00:23:35,600

And I never did.

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00:23:39,600 --> 00:23:42,520

Two years later, the house was torn down.

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00:23:42,520 --> 00:23:45,160

Eric and his foster family disappeared.

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00:23:45,160 --> 00:23:47,560

What?

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00:23:47,560 --> 00:23:49,360

That's it.

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00:23:49,360 --> 00:23:51,760

That's right.

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00:23:51,760 --> 00:23:52,800

I was about 16.

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00:23:52,800 --> 00:23:54,640

30 years have passed.

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00:23:54,640 --> 00:23:56,600

Brenda has been reunited with her sister

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00:23:56,600 --> 00:23:58,240

Linda and her brother, Butch.

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00:23:58,240 --> 00:24:00,000

Austin Burd.

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00:24:00,000 --> 00:24:03,000

Their mother, Betty, is now 78 and in a nursing home.

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00:24:03,000 --> 00:24:04,000

Yeah, he was.

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00:24:04,000 --> 00:24:05,680

He was, but he was low.

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00:24:05,680 --> 00:24:06,580

Who's that?

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00:24:06,580 --> 00:24:07,480

Me, yeah.

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00:24:07,480 --> 00:24:08,600

But Brenda, Butch, and Linda, the search

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00:24:08,600 --> 00:24:12,640

for their younger siblings has deep and varied meaning.

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00:24:12,640 --> 00:24:13,560

Yep, OK.

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00:24:13,560 --> 00:24:14,280

Yep.

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00:24:14,280 --> 00:24:17,880

It's hard to explain missing somebody

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00:24:17,880 --> 00:24:22,080

and not being able to see them.

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00:24:22,080 --> 00:24:24,400

It takes, when you love somebody and you lose them,

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00:24:24,400 --> 00:24:26,880

it's like losing your whole life.

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00:24:26,880 --> 00:24:29,760

You have nothing more to go.

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00:24:29,760 --> 00:24:31,200

You have no place to go without them.

501

00:24:35,000 --> 00:24:38,360

Butch Erskine also has a message for his lost sister

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00:24:38,360 --> 00:24:39,120

and brothers.

503

00:24:42,360 --> 00:24:43,040

I love you.

504

00:24:44,560 --> 00:24:47,400

And I miss you.

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00:24:47,400 --> 00:24:47,920

I do.

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00:24:50,400 --> 00:24:51,000

I do.

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00:24:58,200 --> 00:25:01,480

Brenda hopes that when Eric, Linda, and Keith are found,

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00:25:01,480 --> 00:25:05,200

she can finally make peace with her mother.

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00:25:05,200 --> 00:25:09,880

I feel if they can forgive her, then I can forgive her.

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00:25:09,880 --> 00:25:13,960

Because I'm still here and they're gone.

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00:25:13,960 --> 00:25:17,920

And I feel if they can forgive her, I can do.

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00:25:17,920 --> 00:25:20,120

On the evening of our broadcast, Brenda Merrill's

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00:25:20,120 --> 00:25:23,280

single-minded determination to bring her family back together

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00:25:23,280 --> 00:25:25,520

finally began to pay off.

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00:25:25,520 --> 00:25:27,640

An hour after Brenda's story aired,

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00:25:27,640 --> 00:25:30,000

a man named Keith Robinson of Hornel, New York

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00:25:30,000 --> 00:25:33,520

contacted our telecenter and said that he was Brenda's

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00:25:33,520 --> 00:25:35,760

long lost brother.

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00:25:35,760 --> 00:25:39,360

Brenda called me that same name like five minutes later.

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00:25:39,360 --> 00:25:40,320

And we was talking.

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00:25:40,320 --> 00:25:42,520

And I mentioned about having a photograph

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00:25:42,520 --> 00:25:45,080

that she had aired on the program.

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00:25:45,080 --> 00:25:48,160

And I basically told her in detail for detail

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00:25:48,160 --> 00:25:52,800

what was in the photo so she knew that I was her brother.

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00:25:52,800 --> 00:25:56,800

On December 19, 1992, just in time for Christmas,

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00:25:56,800 --> 00:25:58,800

Keith Robinson and his wife and children

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00:25:58,800 --> 00:26:00,720

traveled to Montur Falls, New York

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00:26:00,720 --> 00:26:04,120

for an emotional reunion with his sisters, Brenda and Linda,

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00:26:04,120 --> 00:26:05,960

and his brother, Butch.

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00:26:05,960 --> 00:26:10,480

He had not seen them in more than 30 years.

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00:26:10,480 --> 00:26:13,320

I thought a lot about what they were going to be like.

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00:26:13,320 --> 00:26:15,840

If they were going to love me for just being their brother

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00:26:15,840 --> 00:26:18,920

or love me for what I am now today,

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00:26:18,920 --> 00:26:22,160

if they were going to accept my family under their hurt.

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00:26:22,160 --> 00:26:25,320

Because it's over a 30-year period of waiting and looking.

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00:26:28,320 --> 00:26:32,120

It's a great Christmas present you don't know.

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00:26:32,120 --> 00:26:33,880

He is the greatest Christmas present,

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00:26:33,880 --> 00:26:36,160

especially his wife and kids too.

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00:26:36,160 --> 00:26:37,880

He has a nice wife and kids.

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00:26:40,760 --> 00:26:44,120

For everyone involved, the reunion was bittersweet.

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00:26:44,120 --> 00:26:45,800

Their joy tempered by the knowledge

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00:26:45,800 --> 00:26:49,520

that one brother was still missing.

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00:26:49,520 --> 00:26:51,320

Eric Nickerson was still a toddler

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00:26:51,320 --> 00:26:53,760

when his family was split apart.

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00:26:53,760 --> 00:26:56,320

Just five weeks after we filmed this update,

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00:26:56,320 --> 00:26:59,360

he too was found.

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00:26:59,360 --> 00:27:01,200

Eric's name is now Richard Moore,

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00:27:01,200 --> 00:27:05,800

and he lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma with his wife and two children.

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00:27:05,800 --> 00:27:09,520

In February of 1993, he was reunited with his sisters,

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00:27:09,560 --> 00:27:14,200

Brenda and Linda, after more than 30 years of separation.

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00:27:14,200 --> 00:27:16,800

Brenda Miller's long search to find all her brothers

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00:27:16,800 --> 00:27:18,640

and sisters was finally over.

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00:27:22,360 --> 00:27:25,760

When we return, a ghostly tale of the Wild West.

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00:27:35,680 --> 00:27:38,400

Some ghost stories, no matter how unbelievable,

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00:27:38,400 --> 00:27:41,200

are just too good to pass up.

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00:27:41,200 --> 00:27:44,480

We next have the unusual tale of a legendary lawman,

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00:27:44,480 --> 00:27:48,120

a psychic in England, and a small town of South Dakota,

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00:27:48,120 --> 00:27:50,560

where fact, fantasy, and history have come together

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00:27:50,560 --> 00:27:52,960

to tease the imagination.

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00:27:52,960 --> 00:27:55,080

It all began more than a century ago.

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00:27:58,000 --> 00:28:02,200

In the late 1870s, South Dakota was booming with gold fever,

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00:28:02,200 --> 00:28:05,480

attracting outlaws, gamblers, and swindlers.

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00:28:05,480 --> 00:28:08,040

Mining towns dotted the landscape,

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00:28:08,080 --> 00:28:10,480

perhaps the most infamous was Deadwood.

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00:28:12,160 --> 00:28:15,120

It was here that Wild Bill Hickok was shot to death,

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00:28:15,120 --> 00:28:17,440

and Calamity Jane practiced her trade

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00:28:17,440 --> 00:28:18,880

in a house of ill repute.

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00:28:20,200 --> 00:28:22,600

It was a wild and woolly town.

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00:28:22,600 --> 00:28:26,760

The miners just absolutely were raising hell in this town.

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00:28:27,720 --> 00:28:32,720

Most towns are 95% solid citizens and 5% characters,

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00:28:33,440 --> 00:28:35,560

and Deadwood the reverse is true.

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00:28:36,400 --> 00:28:40,280

Finally in the summer of 1876,

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00:28:40,280 --> 00:28:42,760

a call went out for a man who could bring law and order

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00:28:42,760 --> 00:28:44,360

to the community.

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00:28:44,360 --> 00:28:46,600

The call was answered by Seth Bullock,

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00:28:46,600 --> 00:28:49,880

who had come into town from Montana a few months earlier.

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00:28:49,880 --> 00:28:52,240

He became Deadwood's first sheriff.

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00:28:53,320 --> 00:28:58,320

From what I have read, he didn't have to use a gun, actually.

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00:28:59,080 --> 00:29:04,080

The story is that one look from his very penetrating gauge

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00:29:05,800 --> 00:29:08,480

was enough to quit almost law breakers.

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00:29:09,600 --> 00:29:10,880

Take your hands off me!

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00:29:10,880 --> 00:29:11,720

Yeah!

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00:29:11,720 --> 00:29:13,800

Yeah, I did have to work!

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00:29:13,800 --> 00:29:15,560

All right, boys, what's going on?

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00:29:15,560 --> 00:29:17,560

I don't need this.

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00:29:28,760 --> 00:29:31,000

Sheriff Bullock took his cleanup campaign

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00:29:31,000 --> 00:29:32,520

throughout the territory.

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00:29:33,520 --> 00:29:37,120

One afternoon in 1887, he encountered three men

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00:29:37,120 --> 00:29:39,960

whom he took at first glance to be cattle rustlers.

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00:29:41,360 --> 00:29:42,640

What the hell's going on here?

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00:29:42,640 --> 00:29:44,320

What are you boys doing in these parts?

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00:29:44,320 --> 00:29:45,960

We're looking for a horse, Steve.

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00:29:45,960 --> 00:29:47,240

What's your name?

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00:29:47,240 --> 00:29:48,440

My name's Theodore Roosevelt,

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00:29:48,440 --> 00:29:51,120

and I'm the deputy sheriff of Billings County.

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00:29:51,120 --> 00:29:53,560

Who are these other fellas you got with you?

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00:29:53,560 --> 00:29:55,840

Sheriff Bullock and Theodore Roosevelt

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00:29:55,840 --> 00:29:58,320

went on to become the best of friends.

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00:29:58,320 --> 00:30:01,800

When Roosevelt formed the Rough Riders, Seth joined up.

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00:30:01,800 --> 00:30:04,400

Teddy, of course, would later be elected president,

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00:30:04,400 --> 00:30:08,320

and in 1905, Seth was an honored guest at the inauguration.

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00:30:10,480 --> 00:30:12,800

But even in Deadwood, not many people knew

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00:30:12,800 --> 00:30:15,760

that when President Roosevelt died in 1919,

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00:30:15,760 --> 00:30:17,920

the sheriff arranged to have this memorial

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00:30:17,920 --> 00:30:21,520

called the Friendship Tower, erected just outside of town.

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00:30:22,440 --> 00:30:25,880

Nine months later, Seth Bullock himself passed away

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00:30:25,880 --> 00:30:28,680

and was buried at a gravesite overlooking the monument.

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00:30:32,560 --> 00:30:34,760

Today, Deadwood is once again a boom town

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00:30:34,760 --> 00:30:36,920

thanks to the passage of the law legalizing

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00:30:36,920 --> 00:30:38,800

low stakes gambling.

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00:30:38,800 --> 00:30:42,160

The Bullock Hotel, founded by Seth in 1895,

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00:30:42,160 --> 00:30:45,440

has been revitalized, and according to some,

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00:30:45,440 --> 00:30:48,240

the spirit of Seth Bullock can occasionally be seen

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00:30:48,240 --> 00:30:50,320

meandering through the hallways.

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00:30:51,800 --> 00:30:54,520

At this point, over 30 employees

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00:30:54,520 --> 00:30:58,680

and a handful of hotel guests have had experiences here.

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00:30:58,960 --> 00:31:01,800

To the point where it's commonplace,

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00:31:01,800 --> 00:31:05,480

to the point where we laugh about it and just take

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00:31:05,480 --> 00:31:09,800

kind of a lot of fun in the fact that we feel

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00:31:09,800 --> 00:31:11,400

that we're not alone here.

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00:31:13,600 --> 00:31:16,920

Norm Stevens, a slot machine supervisor at the hotel,

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00:31:16,920 --> 00:31:19,400

says that one morning he was working in the basement

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00:31:19,400 --> 00:31:22,480

when a mysterious shadow fell across the wall.

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00:31:22,480 --> 00:31:25,880

It was a figure of a man, but when Norm turned,

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00:31:25,960 --> 00:31:26,960

the shadow vanished.

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00:31:31,040 --> 00:31:34,160

A few weeks later, operations manager Joey George

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00:31:34,160 --> 00:31:36,440

had his own ghostly encounter.

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00:31:36,440 --> 00:31:38,480

He claims that when he walked by the bar,

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00:31:38,480 --> 00:31:42,960

after closing time, all of the stools were lined up in a row.

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00:31:42,960 --> 00:31:45,080

Joey stepped into the office, then heard

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00:31:45,080 --> 00:31:45,880

unusual noises behind him.

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00:31:48,880 --> 00:31:50,880

He returned to the bar.

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00:31:50,880 --> 00:31:53,840

All of the stools had been moved to the building

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00:31:54,240 --> 00:31:56,080

All of the stools had been moved.

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00:31:58,680 --> 00:32:00,640

But both of these mysterious incidents

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00:32:00,640 --> 00:32:03,320

paled in comparison with another hotel worker's

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00:32:03,320 --> 00:32:06,520

experience in 1989.

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00:32:06,520 --> 00:32:10,000

We had a young employee who was, I think, about 18

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00:32:10,000 --> 00:32:14,520

at the time, and he was working in the back, which

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00:32:14,520 --> 00:32:16,080

is the restaurant now.

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00:32:16,080 --> 00:32:18,520

And he came flying out of the back room,

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00:32:18,520 --> 00:32:21,120

and he was just ghost white and said

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00:32:21,200 --> 00:32:25,800

that he saw a figure in Western attire

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00:32:25,800 --> 00:32:28,520

with jeans tucked into the boots.

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00:32:28,520 --> 00:32:31,880

And what he had seen scared him because he

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00:32:31,880 --> 00:32:33,840

felt that it wasn't real.

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00:32:33,840 --> 00:32:36,520

And he was very, very much afraid,

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00:32:36,520 --> 00:32:38,720

and he would never go back into the kitchen by himself

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00:32:38,720 --> 00:32:40,520

after that, and thereafter quit.

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00:32:43,360 --> 00:32:45,160

The people of Edward always assumed

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00:32:45,160 --> 00:32:48,880

it was a ghost of Seth Bullock who was haunting the hotel.

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00:32:48,920 --> 00:32:52,480

Then in April of 1991, a pair of confirmation

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00:32:52,480 --> 00:32:54,600

came from a most unlikely source.

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00:32:57,360 --> 00:33:00,280

5,000 miles away, in Dorset, England,

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00:33:00,280 --> 00:33:01,960

a man who claimed to be a psychic

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00:33:01,960 --> 00:33:05,520

said he began receiving messages from beyond the grave.

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00:33:05,520 --> 00:33:10,120

By pure coincidence, the psychic's name was Sandy Bullock.

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00:33:10,120 --> 00:33:13,200

Occasionally, various people pop through,

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00:33:13,200 --> 00:33:15,320

and the name Seth Bullock, I thought,

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00:33:15,320 --> 00:33:18,440

perhaps it was an ancestor that was coming through to say hello

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00:33:18,480 --> 00:33:20,360

or something like that.

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00:33:20,360 --> 00:33:23,360

And I rather dismissed it.

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00:33:23,360 --> 00:33:26,560

But the spirit of Seth Bullock did not go away.

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00:33:26,560 --> 00:33:28,760

Sandy claims that Seth communicated with him

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00:33:28,760 --> 00:33:30,560

through a Native American guide who

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00:33:30,560 --> 00:33:33,360

issued a warning to the people of Edward,

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00:33:33,360 --> 00:33:35,880

a period of lawlessness loomed on the horizon.

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00:33:35,880 --> 00:33:40,240

It may happen in 1993.

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00:33:40,240 --> 00:33:45,040

It could happen again in Edward in 1993.

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00:33:45,040 --> 00:33:46,760

Beware, Edward.

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00:33:46,760 --> 00:33:48,880

The psychic warning seemed so urgent,

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00:33:48,880 --> 00:33:51,080

that Sandy immediately wrote an open letter

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00:33:51,080 --> 00:33:54,120

to the proprietors of the Bullock Hotel.

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00:33:54,120 --> 00:33:58,080

I thought if I write to someone in this place called

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00:33:58,080 --> 00:34:00,800

Edward, they would just think I'm a nutty old Englishman

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00:34:00,800 --> 00:34:04,720

and forget it, you know, throw it away.

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00:34:04,720 --> 00:34:06,760

A few weeks later, Sandy's letter

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00:34:06,760 --> 00:34:09,280

arrived at the Bullock Hotel, which at the time

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00:34:09,280 --> 00:34:12,400

was undergoing extensive renovations.

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00:34:12,400 --> 00:34:15,080

All information at the time, as I read it, I thought to myself,

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00:34:15,080 --> 00:34:19,120

well, he found a book someplace on Edward, read it,

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00:34:19,120 --> 00:34:20,480

and wrote to me.

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00:34:20,480 --> 00:34:23,160

But at the very bottom of the letter,

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00:34:23,160 --> 00:34:27,400

it mentioned that Seth says he can't haunt the hotel right

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00:34:27,400 --> 00:34:30,280

now because of all the banging that's going on.

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00:34:30,280 --> 00:34:32,520

And I thought to myself, what's driving me crazy too.

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00:34:32,520 --> 00:34:37,000

So but he also said that he'll be back

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00:34:37,000 --> 00:34:40,920

and you'll know it's old Seth quote unquote.

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00:34:40,920 --> 00:34:43,440

And that is when, again, the hair stood up

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00:34:43,440 --> 00:34:46,680

on the back of my neck because that was my aunt's pet

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00:34:46,680 --> 00:34:48,240

name for Seth.

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00:34:48,240 --> 00:34:50,680

Anytime something strange would happen,

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00:34:50,680 --> 00:34:53,960

Jerry would say, old Seth is up to his tricks again.

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00:34:56,560 --> 00:34:59,960

Local journalist Rena Webb was intrigued and decided

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00:34:59,960 --> 00:35:02,800

to write back to Sandy Bullock.

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00:35:02,800 --> 00:35:07,360

And in this letter, I said to him, I am categorized,

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00:35:07,360 --> 00:35:11,440

I suppose, neither as a believer or a non-believer.

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00:35:11,440 --> 00:35:14,800

I will treat your story with the utmost respect.

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00:35:14,800 --> 00:35:16,280

However, I have a lot of readers who

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00:35:16,280 --> 00:35:19,760

will be totally skeptical about your story.

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00:35:19,760 --> 00:35:22,040

Because of the skepticism, I would

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00:35:22,040 --> 00:35:26,520

like to pose to you a test question.

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00:35:26,520 --> 00:35:31,920

Who was the well-known person who was a close friend of Seth

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00:35:31,920 --> 00:35:33,440

Bullock's?

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00:35:33,440 --> 00:35:37,120

And how is Bullock's grave positioned

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00:35:37,120 --> 00:35:39,120

in relation to that friendship?

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00:35:41,440 --> 00:35:45,720

When I got his letter in response to my test question,

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00:35:45,720 --> 00:35:53,000

he said, tall trees block the view from his old bones.

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00:35:53,000 --> 00:35:56,520

But Teddy and he still meet in the afterlife.

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00:35:56,520 --> 00:35:58,960

And I said, whoa.

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00:35:58,960 --> 00:36:01,520

And I still get goose pimples when I think about that.

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00:36:04,080 --> 00:36:05,760

Rena believes the message referred

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00:36:05,760 --> 00:36:07,760

to a stand of pine trees, which now

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00:36:07,760 --> 00:36:10,440

obstructs the view of Theodore Roosevelt's monument

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00:36:10,440 --> 00:36:14,080

from Seth Bullock's grave site.

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00:36:14,080 --> 00:36:16,400

It was a story that was not well known.

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00:36:16,400 --> 00:36:20,840

And there was no way Sandy Bullock sitting in Dorset, England,

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00:36:20,840 --> 00:36:22,960

could have researched this.

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00:36:22,960 --> 00:36:24,560

I mean, it's just not possible.

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00:36:27,320 --> 00:36:30,800

There's just too much evidence of Seth's presence

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00:36:30,800 --> 00:36:34,200

in this town, and particularly at the Bullock Hotel,

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00:36:34,200 --> 00:36:36,160

to discount it.

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00:36:36,160 --> 00:36:39,680

Perhaps other people might feel differently.

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00:36:39,680 --> 00:36:44,000

All I know is the evidence seems to point very strongly

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00:36:44,000 --> 00:36:48,920

in the direction of Sheriff Seth Bullock still

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00:36:48,920 --> 00:36:51,800

being on the job in Deadwoods after Dakota today.

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00:36:56,480 --> 00:36:58,720

Now, about Seth Bullock's dire prediction,

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00:36:58,720 --> 00:37:01,400

we just have to wait and see.

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00:37:01,400 --> 00:37:03,840

Curiously, in 1993, there are plans

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00:37:03,840 --> 00:37:07,480

to raise a gambling stakes from the present \$5 limit.

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00:37:07,480 --> 00:37:08,840

Now, some fear this will introduce

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00:37:08,840 --> 00:37:11,320

a new criminal element in Deadwood.

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00:37:11,320 --> 00:37:14,560

Perhaps that is what prompted Old Seth's urgent warnings.

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00:37:27,320 --> 00:37:30,160

Friday, March 1, 1991.

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00:37:30,160 --> 00:37:33,520

For most of the patrons at a biker bar in central New Jersey,

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00:37:33,520 --> 00:37:37,200

it seemed like the start of an ordinary weekend.

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00:37:37,920 --> 00:37:40,240

However, Gloria Brown, a friend of the owners,

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00:37:40,240 --> 00:37:42,840

would soon become a key witness in a bizarre missing

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00:37:42,840 --> 00:37:44,440

person's case.

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00:37:44,440 --> 00:37:46,440

She was helping out behind the bar

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00:37:46,440 --> 00:37:52,280

when a young woman, a stranger, drifted in at about 3.45 PM.

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00:37:52,280 --> 00:37:54,080

Can I get you something, honey?

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00:37:54,080 --> 00:37:56,120

No thanks.

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00:37:56,120 --> 00:37:57,560

I'm sorry if you're going to sit here

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00:37:57,560 --> 00:38:00,120

if you have to order something.

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00:38:00,120 --> 00:38:03,000

I don't have any money.

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00:38:03,000 --> 00:38:05,160

Do you want a soda?

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00:38:06,160 --> 00:38:09,000

She seemed very depressed.

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00:38:09,000 --> 00:38:10,680

She didn't smile.

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00:38:10,680 --> 00:38:13,560

She didn't hardly speak.

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00:38:13,560 --> 00:38:15,840

And very strange, very strange.

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00:38:18,600 --> 00:38:22,040

Several days later, Gloria Brown saw this flyer.

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00:38:22,040 --> 00:38:25,360

She was startled to realize that the sad young woman strongly

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00:38:25,360 --> 00:38:28,160

resembled Dee Dee Rosenthal, who had vanished

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00:38:28,160 --> 00:38:32,880

under peculiar circumstances the week before.

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00:38:32,920 --> 00:38:35,520

Gloria Brown's account was a first indication

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00:38:35,520 --> 00:38:37,800

that Dee Dee might still be alive.

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00:38:37,800 --> 00:38:40,760

But before police could talk to the stranger in the bar,

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00:38:40,760 --> 00:38:42,320

she too had disappeared.

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00:38:45,520 --> 00:38:47,680

The uncertain fate of Dee Dee Rosenthal

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00:38:47,680 --> 00:38:51,400

has left her family heartbroken and authorities baffled.

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00:38:51,400 --> 00:38:54,080

Dee Dee's trail is obscured by conflicting clues,

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00:38:54,080 --> 00:38:58,320

unexplained phone calls, and not one but two alleged sightings.

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00:38:58,320 --> 00:39:01,280

Nothing about the case makes any sense.

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00:39:01,280 --> 00:39:03,440

Dee Dee Rosenthal hardly seemed the type

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00:39:03,440 --> 00:39:06,000

to be at the center of an unsolved mystery.

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00:39:09,520 --> 00:39:13,200

32-year-old Dee Dee Rosenthal was a highly regarded therapist

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00:39:13,200 --> 00:39:15,520

who worked with autistic children.

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00:39:15,520 --> 00:39:20,280

When she failed to show up at her clinic on Monday, February 25, 1991,

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00:39:20,280 --> 00:39:22,280

her colleagues naturally became concerned.

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00:39:27,440 --> 00:39:30,000

One of Dee Dee's coworkers notified police

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00:39:30,000 --> 00:39:31,480

and met them at Dee Dee's apartment.

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00:39:35,480 --> 00:39:38,480

Immediately, it was clear that something was wrong.

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00:39:38,480 --> 00:39:41,320

The front door was unlocked, and the Sunday paper

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00:39:41,320 --> 00:39:42,480

was still untouched.

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00:39:45,800 --> 00:39:48,120

Inside everything seemed to be in order,

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00:39:48,120 --> 00:39:51,560

without signs of ransacking or a struggle.

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00:39:51,560 --> 00:39:54,080

However, investigators discovered that Dee Dee was

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00:39:54,080 --> 00:39:56,320

being evicted from her apartment.

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00:39:56,320 --> 00:39:58,240

She apparently spent money freely

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00:39:58,280 --> 00:40:01,680

and occasionally went into debt.

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00:40:01,680 --> 00:40:03,560

The missing girl had been having

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00:40:03,560 --> 00:40:06,480

some financial difficulties.

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00:40:06,480 --> 00:40:10,000

So it kind of gave rise to the belief

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00:40:10,000 --> 00:40:12,960

that maybe it became overwhelming,

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00:40:12,960 --> 00:40:15,480

and she left of her own volition.

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00:40:15,480 --> 00:40:18,720

Dee Dee just would not be the person just to take off.

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00:40:18,720 --> 00:40:22,000

If she was going to take off or was going to go away,

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00:40:22,000 --> 00:40:25,160

she would either call her mom or she would call me.

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00:40:25,600 --> 00:40:30,160

Disquieting evidence hinted that Dee Dee had met with foul play.

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00:40:30,160 --> 00:40:34,000

Her purse had been left behind with her keys, identification,

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00:40:34,000 --> 00:40:35,920

and credit cards inside.

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00:40:35,920 --> 00:40:38,240

One discovery in particular suggested

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00:40:38,240 --> 00:40:41,440

that Dee Dee might have been abducted.

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00:40:41,440 --> 00:40:42,920

There's a cat out here, John.

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00:40:47,400 --> 00:40:52,920

Dee Dee would not have left her cat, her most loved possession.

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00:40:53,280 --> 00:40:55,440

She took her cat everywhere where she went.

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00:40:55,440 --> 00:40:58,280

She would never have let alone alone in the apartment,

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00:40:58,280 --> 00:41:00,240

but let alone sitting out on a balcony.

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00:41:00,240 --> 00:41:03,280

She would not have put it out the door and say, all right,

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00:41:03,280 --> 00:41:04,800

goodbye, I'm leaving.

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00:41:04,800 --> 00:41:07,000

That's not, that's totally out of Dee Dee's character.

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00:41:09,800 --> 00:41:13,080

Police found Dee Dee's car parked in this usual spot,

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00:41:13,080 --> 00:41:16,320

but oddly, her briefcase with all her client records

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00:41:16,320 --> 00:41:18,560

had been left in the car.

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00:41:18,560 --> 00:41:21,720

If Dee Dee were to take her car,

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00:41:21,720 --> 00:41:25,000

if she were to take off on her own,

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00:41:25,000 --> 00:41:29,200

why wouldn't she take her car?

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00:41:29,200 --> 00:41:34,800

I knew something was horribly wrong with this scenario.

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00:41:38,240 --> 00:41:40,760

The evidence of foul play was mounting.

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00:41:40,760 --> 00:41:43,400

The investigation raised the distinct possibility

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00:41:43,400 --> 00:41:46,280

that Dee Dee Rosenthal had been kidnapped and perhaps

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00:41:46,280 --> 00:41:50,120

murdered sometime between 10 PM Friday and dawn Sunday.

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00:41:52,520 --> 00:41:54,840

That conclusion was bolstered by an account

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00:41:54,840 --> 00:41:56,800

from one of Dee Dee's neighbors.

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00:41:56,800 --> 00:41:59,760

The woman was awakened around 3 45 AM

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00:41:59,760 --> 00:42:02,880

Sunday morning by strange sounds coming from Dee Dee's

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00:42:02,880 --> 00:42:03,800

apartment.

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00:42:08,280 --> 00:42:12,960

She heard what sounded like a scream followed by a thud,

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00:42:12,960 --> 00:42:17,360

and she likened it to someone falling out of bed

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00:42:17,360 --> 00:42:18,600

and being startled.

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00:42:22,720 --> 00:42:28,880

Five hours later, at around 8 30,

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00:42:28,880 --> 00:42:31,240

the same neighbor heard the balcony door open

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00:42:31,240 --> 00:42:33,880

and assumed Dee Dee was at home.

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00:42:33,880 --> 00:42:36,640

However, no one can be certain whether it was Dee Dee

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00:42:36,640 --> 00:42:38,480

or an assailant in the apartment.

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00:42:41,640 --> 00:42:43,360

But unexpected evidence of Dee Dee

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00:42:43,360 --> 00:42:46,120

might still be alive surfaced a week later

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00:42:46,120 --> 00:42:49,160

when the woman who resembled her wandered into the New Jersey

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00:42:49,160 --> 00:42:50,800

biker hangout.

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00:42:50,840 --> 00:42:53,440

If it was, in fact, Dee Dee, she was pitifully

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00:42:53,440 --> 00:42:55,120

confused about her identity.

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00:42:58,720 --> 00:43:00,560

I do believe it was her.

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00:43:00,560 --> 00:43:02,120

I really do.

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00:43:02,120 --> 00:43:05,520

She looked so much like the picture.

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00:43:05,520 --> 00:43:10,200

If she had only smiled, I would have known definitely.

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00:43:10,200 --> 00:43:13,240

But it looked like her.

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00:43:13,240 --> 00:43:14,800

Hi.

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00:43:14,800 --> 00:43:16,320

Hi.

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00:43:16,320 --> 00:43:19,640

You're not from around here, right?

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00:43:19,640 --> 00:43:21,600

The young woman said her name was Lori

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00:43:21,600 --> 00:43:24,000

and that she was trying to get to Florida.

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00:43:24,000 --> 00:43:27,320

She left with one of the bikers who is not a suspect.

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00:43:27,320 --> 00:43:29,520

He told police he dropped her off the next day

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00:43:29,520 --> 00:43:31,400

at a liquor store near a major highway.

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00:43:37,480 --> 00:43:40,000

Just one week later, Dee Dee's aunt Celia

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00:43:40,000 --> 00:43:42,760

was startled by a mysterious phone call.

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00:43:42,760 --> 00:43:44,080

Mama?

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00:43:44,080 --> 00:43:45,360

Who is this?

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00:43:45,360 --> 00:43:46,360

Mama?

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00:43:46,360 --> 00:43:47,800

Mama?

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00:43:47,800 --> 00:43:49,080

Dee Dee?

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00:43:49,240 --> 00:43:50,400

OK.

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00:43:50,400 --> 00:43:51,200

Dee Dee, is that you?

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00:43:53,800 --> 00:43:55,280

Celia called me.

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00:43:55,280 --> 00:43:58,440

She was very excited.

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00:43:58,440 --> 00:44:02,640

She told me that she just received a phone call

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00:44:02,640 --> 00:44:06,360

from someone that she swore was my sister Dee Dee.

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00:44:09,200 --> 00:44:11,800

Five weeks went by with no more news.

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00:44:11,800 --> 00:44:13,880

Then Dee Dee's brother received a tip

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00:44:13,880 --> 00:44:16,800

that his sister was in Florida.

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00:44:16,840 --> 00:44:20,640

Approximately April 15, I received a phone call

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00:44:20,640 --> 00:44:25,360

from a male party who asked me if I was Blaine Rosenberg.

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00:44:25,360 --> 00:44:27,960

I was her brother, which I said yes.

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00:44:27,960 --> 00:44:31,040

They said we've seen Dee Dee or we spotted Dee Dee

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00:44:31,040 --> 00:44:35,040

in the Fort Lauderdale area.

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00:44:35,040 --> 00:44:37,520

As I started talking, the phone disconnected.

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00:44:42,320 --> 00:44:44,240

A year passed and Dee Dee's family

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00:44:44,240 --> 00:44:47,960

still had no idea whether she was dead or alive.

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00:44:47,960 --> 00:44:51,800

Then on September 5, 1992, the woman who called herself

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00:44:51,800 --> 00:44:54,240

Laurie returned to the biker bar.

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00:44:54,240 --> 00:44:56,440

She had dyed her hair blonde and claimed

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00:44:56,440 --> 00:44:59,480

to have been in Florida.

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00:44:59,480 --> 00:45:03,360

My impression was that she had had a nervous breakdown.

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00:45:03,360 --> 00:45:05,360

Excuse me.

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00:45:05,360 --> 00:45:07,400

Is your name Dee Dee?

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00:45:07,400 --> 00:45:09,440

No, it's Laurie.

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00:45:09,440 --> 00:45:11,400

Well, if you are Dee Dee, you better

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00:45:11,400 --> 00:45:12,400

get in touch with your mother.

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00:45:12,400 --> 00:45:13,400

She's pretty upset.

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00:45:16,400 --> 00:45:19,680

I believe that she just turned away from me

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00:45:19,680 --> 00:45:22,800

because she didn't want to have anything

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00:45:22,800 --> 00:45:27,560

to do with what I was saying because I knew.

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00:45:27,560 --> 00:45:28,720

And she knew that I knew.

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00:45:33,440 --> 00:45:36,360

The woman known as Laurie was last seen at a Lakehurst New

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00:45:36,360 --> 00:45:38,440

Jersey Tavern, where she was dropped off

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00:45:38,440 --> 00:45:41,280

by a patron of the bar.

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00:45:41,280 --> 00:45:44,000

Once again, she disappeared before she could be interviewed

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00:45:44,000 --> 00:45:47,240

by police who were skeptical that Dee Dee and Laurie are

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00:45:47,240 --> 00:45:49,360

one and the same person.

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00:45:49,360 --> 00:45:52,040

Today, investigators still lack sufficient evidence

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00:45:52,040 --> 00:45:54,360

to determine whether Dee Dee was murdered

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00:45:54,360 --> 00:45:59,000

or is wandering the streets uncertain of her own identity.

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00:46:11,280 --> 00:46:31,160

Join me next time.

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00:46:31,160 --> 00:46:33,880

Perhaps you may be able to solve a mystery.