



How It Overtook Bill Rudolph After One of the Most Remarkable Man-Hunts in Criminal History—Story of the Terrible "Yen" Secret Organization.

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The camera ne'er lies. The photograph is the best means on earth for the identification of a person, whether criminal or not. Written descriptions are expressions of a mind's eye picture and must be translated to the understanding of the reader. Photographs are instantaneous and mirror-like likenesses that need no translation. Descriptions may omit details—small but important, the camera netter does. In my career, I have never yet been unable to identify a man by his photograph.

AS WAS strikingly proven by the identification of "Bill" Rudolph, Union bank robber and murderer of Detective Schumacher, the eye of the camera is the laws most powerful aid in the apprehension of a criminal. But for the camera Rudolph would still be digging coal in the mine of the Lane-Mg. Kan. penitentiary, safely hidden under the alias of "Charles Gorney," and reasonably certain that before the expiration of his sentence of from five to ten years for robbing a small safe at a remote railway station, he and his greater crime would be forgotten. The camera found Rudolph. It saw through his alias, regarded not the small mustache he had raised and the changes that he had made in his dress and hair, and penetrated to the secret which his human captors had failed to discover. It showed his features in merciless comparison with those it had seen and recorded before his escape from the St. LOUIS jail, and carried its tale of identification to detectives who for six months had been pursuing a relentless quest. Its first tale was not believed except by the limited few who had seen the photograph of "Charles Gorney." There were doubters in the ranks of the public. "It cannot be Rudolph," they said. "Why, this fellow surrendered without a shot. Rudolph would never have done that." "Bill" Rudolph's sister was one of the seefere. "It isn't 1,3111," she faked. "They could never capture Bill without a fight." Detectives and policemen who had not yet seen the picture shared the belief of the noble and the bandit's sister. "It wouldn't be like Bill to surrender without making a fight," they said, with the memory of Schumacher's murder in their minds. When George Collins, Rudolph's partner, etcetera heard of the circumstances of the capture, declared it was not Rudolph who had been taken. "It ain't Bill's way to give up so easy," he said. Then the camera convinced the public, "lei Post-Dispatch secured (coin the earl 'Meals at Paola, Ken., where "Cherlee Gorney" was concealed and from whence he was sent to the penitentiary, photographs of the prisoner taken there. Then it was the Lansing penitentiary officials the photographs taken of him after he had been admitted to Illinois'.

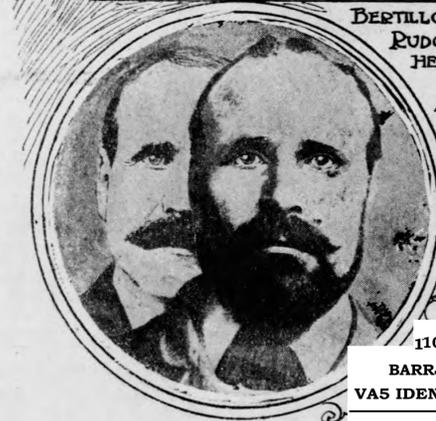
to his superintendent in St. Louis, 11. W. Minette that Rudolph was captured. The news came to the Post-Dispatch at the same time, and 11:15. Minster showed the Post-Dispatch the message he had received from his chief. But there came also to the Post-Dispatch the news that "Gorney" denied that he was Rudolph, and for three days the prisoners' identity was not fully proven. Then came the publication in the Post-Dispatch of the three sets of photographs—and the doubt was dispelled. Next day final proof was given by the publication of the two preile photographs, one placed partly over the other so that the lines of the face were brought into exact comparison; and the belief in "Gorney's" identity was made a certainty.

"YIGGS" [CRET SOCIETY] Its Formidable Nature Learned During the Pinkerton Hunt for Rudolph.

Until the imprisonment of William Rudolph as the "Missouri Kiel," his Lansing, Kan., penitentiary, there has come to an end one of the most wonderful and extensive criminal careers ever conducted by the great Pinkerton Detective Agency of New York. Hundreds of shrewd detectives were involved, thousands of three of country were traversed and hardships such as only fail to the lot of Patagonian, or hoboes were endured by the officers of the law. The "Missouri lid" must be enough: spare no expense, so said the American Bankers' Association to the Pinkerton & the United Mo., bank had been robbed of \$114,000 in December, 1942. Disguised as a hunter, Charles J. &hamachi r. one of the shrewdest and bravest of the Pinkertons, located Rudolph and his partner, George Conine, a month later, in a shanty near Stanton, Mo. In the ensuing fight Schumacher was shot to death by Rudolph and Rudolph, again escaped. Trailing them with ties persistence of bloodhounds the detectives again located the two men in Hartford, Conn. Collins was arrested without resistance, but it was only after a terrific fight with Rudolph that he was subdued by Supt. George S. Dougherty, one of the most powerful men in the Pinkerton service. Handcuffed to the detectives, the prisoners were taken to St. Louis and imprisoned in the Four Court. Two months later, during a fight which was improvised for the occasion between two prisoners, Ru-



BERTILLON PICTURES OF RUDOLPH BEFORE HE ESCAPED.



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rode with tramps on brake beams, in the ends of blind baggage cars, in freight cars, on the hog—that is to say, on hog and livestock trains—on cow-catchers and in the crevices of lumber cars. Gradually front various parts of the country the reports of the men began to drift into headquarters. From these reports the following facts were gathered: The "Yeggs" were originated some years ago by a trump burglar named John Yeager, whose band robbed and burglarized along the length of the Reading railroad. Their numbers increased and their operations extended from reflected to the east and from state to state until they had put the regular city burglars out of business. They formulated a code of signals and a thieves'argon, which even a city burglar could not unriddle. To them the detective, at a crowd called "Butte." When they break open cash drawers they "eft a chip." Wee: it are scared ewm from a job it or -get rerable. A man with chlske is referred to as having "seeded." They are biexiling open cases in freight cars. The discovery and arrest of (Bill) Rudolph became a matter of pride to the Pinkerton Association, and they were able to lag up the Pinkerton in Cleveland, Mo. The gang was hotly pursued and finally forced to separate. The John Yeig aid one of his companions were found in Kansas City and arrested by a she: if and pore. Is their possession were found a part of nitroglycerin and 21: Weer of fuse, with a coneto. They were photographed and the photographs were sent to the New York City.

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I regard the hunt after William Rudolph as one of the most remarkable we have ever undertaken. Almost every railroad in the United States and Canada was "hoboed" by our men. The "yeggs," as they exist today, are far more dangerous than the old-time burglars. Where it took the old timer all night to crack a safe these tramps will do a similar job in two hours, and get away with it. Instead of carrying heavy kits of tools, all they need is a pint of nitroglycerin, or "soup," a detonating cap, and the smallest kind of crevice in the safe door. The "yeggs" are a dangerous menace to law and order and should be broken up.

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