

TELETYPE ALARM: HOMICIDE OF ALBERT ANASTASIA, OCT 25, 1957.

ALARM 19062            CODE SIG 53            AUTH 18 SQD            OCT 25-57  
ARREST FOR HOMICIDE /GUNS/  
NO 1- M W 40---5-8-180    APPELY ITALIAN    SALLOW COMPLEXION  
GREY SUIT DARK GREY FEDORA WITH 3 INCH BRIM    DARK GREEN  
LENS AVIATOR TYPE GLASSES WITH YELLOW METAL RIMS  
NO 2- M W 30---5-5-150    APPELY ITALIAN    LIGHT COMPLEXION  
THIN BLACK PENCIL MUSTACHE    DARK BROWN SUIT    LIGHTER BROWN  
FEDORA WITH 3 INCH BRIM    DARK GREEN LENS AVIATOR TYPE GLASSES  
WITH YELLOW METAL RIMS

UF 5184

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## COMPLAINT REPORT

(DO NOT FOLD THIS REPORT)

Complainant's Surname <b>People State Of New York</b>	First Name <b>People State Of New York</b>	Phone No.	8. Date and Time Reported <b>10:30am Oct 25, 1957</b>	A.M. P.M.	19. Precinct <b>18</b>	22. U.F. 61 No. <b>5184</b>
Complainant's Address <b>People State Of New York</b>	Apt. No.		11. Date and Time of Occurrence <b>10:30am Oct 25, 1957</b>	A.M. P.M.	27. Pct. Post <b>17</b>	30. C.C.D. No. <b>189794</b>
Referred to: Receipt Acknowledged	Received Time Date		Place of Occurrence <b>870-7th Ave</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inside <input type="checkbox"/> Outside	34. P.D. Code <b>110</b>	38. Amt. Code Larceny Only
Desk Officer's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>	Rank <b>7th</b>		Type of Premises <b>Barber shop</b>		41. (For S. & K. Bur. Use only)	
Investigating Officer's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>			Crime or Offense (if any) <b>Homicide</b>		42. Pct. of Arrest	45. Arrest Nos.
Investigating Officer's Name (Typed) <b>Det. Edward O'Connor</b>			Classification <b>Homicide (Murder)</b>	U.F. 61 File No. <b>1</b>	43. Pct. of Arrest	45. Arrest Nos.
Rank <b>Det</b> Shield No. <b>2248</b> Command <b>18 Sgd.</b>			Pct. of Pct. Sqd. Commander's Signature <i>[Signature]</i>	<b>18 Sgd</b>	Det. Sqd. Ser. <b>4571</b>	Status of Case <b>ACTIVE</b>

Details as Reported by Complainant: (LIST PROPERTY ON REVERSE SIDE ONLY)

At 10:30am **Umberto Anastasia, 75 Bluff Road, Palisade, N.J.** While being shaved in fourth chair of barber shop owned by **Arthur Grasso, 901-8th Ave** located in the **Park Sheraton Hotel, 870-7th Avenue** was approached from the rear by two unknown white males wearing black masks and fired 4 or 5 shots into the back of **Umberto Anastasia**. Pronounced D.O.A. by **Dr. Gestau of St. Clares Hosp.** Identified by brother **Tony Anastasia, 6320 - 11th Ave., Bklyn.** Recovered at scene one .38 Colt Revolver (See reverse side)

Aided # 3473

COD # 189794

Report of Investigating Officer: (LIST PROPERTY ON REVERSE SIDE ONLY) Date of This Report **Oct. 29, 1957**

On date and at time & place of occurrence one **UMBERTO (ALBERT) ANASTASIA, B#57939, 75 Bluff Rd., Palisades Palisades, N. J.**, was shot to death, while seated in a barber chair getting a haircut, by two unknown white males.

TT Alarm #19062 dispatched via **GD - Opr. Nolan**  
Two weapons, a .38 Calibre Colt Police Positive and a .38 Cal. Smith & Wesson - long - revolver, the alleged weapons, were found in the vicinity of the place of occurrence.

Photographic Unit - Det. Vincent Perrino - Sh. #1375, Ballistics Squad - Det. Joseph Reich - Sh. #2197 & Sgt. Fahney - Police Lab. nftd. & present at scene.

All concerned notified.

Request Case Active.

NUMBER OF ARRESTS		ARRESTS MADE BY:		50. TYPE OF PROPERTY		52. Value of Property Lost or Stolen		57. Value of Property Recovered	
Male	Female	(Check One)		1. Autos Stolen or Recovered Locally					
Adults		Uniformed	Detective	2. Autos Recovered by Other Auth's.					
Juveniles		Force <input type="checkbox"/>	Division <input type="checkbox"/>	3. Autos Recovered F. O. A.					
If an alarm is transmitted enter the following information:									
ALARM NUMBER	DATE TRANSMITTED	TIME		THIS REPORT CONCERNS: (CHECK ONE)		4. Currency			
<b>19062</b>	<b>10/25/57</b>	<b>3.30 PM</b>		Lost Property <input type="checkbox"/>		5. Jewelry			
				Stolen Property <input type="checkbox"/>		6. Furs			
Is a Communication Required? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						7. Clothing			
If Yes, forward copy of this report to Correspondence Bureau						8. Firearms			
						9. Miscellaneous			

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Complainant's Surname <b>People State New York</b>		First Name		6. Date and Time Reported on Form U.F. 61 <b>October 25, 1957 10.20 AM</b>		A.M. P.M.		19. Precinct <b>18th</b>		22. U.S.E. of No. <b>5184</b>	
Complainant's Address				Date and Time of Occurrence <b>October 25th, 1957 10.20 AM</b>		A.M. P.M.		27. Det. Post <b>17</b>		30. C.C.D. No. <b>129794</b>	
FOLLOWING QUESTIONS PERTAIN TO THIS COMPLAINT REPORT				Crime or Offense Reported <b>Homicide (Own)</b>		30. P.D. Code		39. Amt. Code Larceny Only		41. (For S & R Bur. Use only)	
				Crime or Offense Changed to		42. Pct. of Arrest		45. Arrest Nos.			
Was this complaint previously cleared by an arrest?		Answer Yes No		Investigating Officer's Signature <i>Raymond W. Grath</i>		Investigating Officer's Name (Typed) <b>Raymond W. Grath</b>		43. Pct. of Arrest		45. Arrest Nos.	
If yes, is this an additional arrest?				Rank <b>Det</b>		Shield No. <b>2227</b>		Corporal <b>MVHS</b>		Det. Sqd. Ser. <b>4571</b>	
Were identified persons wanted previously reported?				Signature of C.O. of Investigating Officer <i>Det. M. V. Miller</i>		Rank <b>Det</b>		Name <b>M. V. Miller</b>		Corporal <b>MVHS</b>	
Was any stolen property previously reported?				Report of Investigating Officer: (LIST PROPERTY ON REVERSE SIDE ONLY)		Date of This Report <b>October 27th, 1957</b>		Status of Case <b>Active</b>			
Was this stolen property previously reported?											
Was any property recovered previously reported?											
Was this recovered property previously reported?											
Was complainant advised of action taken?											

**DECEASED: ANASTASIA Umberto**  
**75 Bluff Road Palisades N.J.**

**SUBJECT: AUTOPSY REPORT.**

1. On October 25th, 1957, cause of death was determined by Ch. Med. Examiner Dr. Halpern.

1 38 cal. gunshot wound, back of head that lodged in the left side of brain. Also the following wounds were present. 2-38 cal. wounds on the left hand, and a 32 cal. thru the right side of hip. a slap wound evident caused by a ricochet bullet on the back of neck that did not penetrate also a 38 cal. wound back of chest upper left side near the mid-line that took a downward course and lodged in the left flank, after penetrating Kidney, Lung, and spleen. The only powder marks found by the Medical Examiner were on the apron (Barbers) near left hand. Three (3) bullets were recovered and given to the Ballistics Unit.

2. **IDENTIFICATION:** By Umberto Anastasia Jr. 75 Bluff Road, Palisades N.J. and Nephew Robert Anastasia 1146-73rd Street Bklyn. Dr. Halpern, Weinberg and Ptl. Costello 18th Pct., present at 4.30 P.M. October 25th, 1957.

3. **UNDERTAKER:** A. Torregrossa 1305 79th Street Bklyn Body released at 7.10 P.M. October 26th, 1957.

4. **Bullets** that were recovered were found as follows. 1 in the underpants of deceased, 1- in the brain, 1 in left flank.

**CASE ACTIVE.**

ENTER IN SPACES BELOW ONLY THAT INFORMATION NOT REPORTED PREVIOUSLY ON EITHER U.F. 61 OR D.D. 5

NUMBER OF ARRESTS		ARRESTS MADE BY: (Check One)		50. TYPE OF PROPERTY		52. Value of Property Lost or Stolen		57. Value of Property Recovered	
Male	Female	Uniformed	Detective	1. Autos Stolen or Recovered Locally		[Barcode]			
Adults		Force <input type="checkbox"/>	Division <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Autos Recovered by Other Auth's.					
Juveniles				3. Autos Recovered P. O. A.					
If an alarm is transmitted enter the following information:				THIS REPORT CONCERNS: (CHECK ONE)		4. Currency			
ALARM NUMBER	DATE	TRANSMITTED		Lost Property <input type="checkbox"/>		5. Jewelry			
		TIME		Stolen Property <input type="checkbox"/>		6. Furs			
Is a Communication Required? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>						7. Clothing			
If Yes, forward copy of this report to Correspondence Bureau.						8. Firearms			
						9. Miscellaneous			

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MANICURIST

Pg. 1

JEAN WINBERGER  
110-26 63 AVE. 2ND FLOOR  
FOREST HILLS  
TW 6 4848

DATE OF BIRTH 4/1/16

CRIMINAL HISTORY Claims none

## STATEMENT

I was sitting at my table facing the door leading to the lobby. ( This is verified by Ragone & Davis.) I saw Anastasia, about 10 A.M., leaning on the counter of the Ticket Booth talking to, I believe, three men. One of these men, the short one, I believe I have seen many times talking to Anastasia. The other two one of which was a M W 30-35 yrs. 5'6-7" 170 lbs. Brn hair, Suburban Black & White Tweed Coat, could be Italian and had features which could have been those of a fighter. ( This has been established as Johnny Bueso ) the man with him by Bueso's statement was Andrew Alberti. Bueso didn't admit to talking to Anastasia.

Anastasia came in and took Chair #4 and I believe this short man came in with him and took Chair #5. I have seen him take Chair #5 several times. He is M W 30 - 35 5'1-2" thin bld. Dk. Brn wavy hair, thick eyebrows, good head of hair, course features, Italian, dark complexion, no accent, usually wears browns, clean dresser, business like in dress, long face, Could be "Jockey Type".

Mr. Grasso sat down to talk to Anastasia, while he was getting his hair cut. One gunman was firing at Anastasia from behind his chair, the other, the other was standing by the closed & locked glass doors. (55 St. door). When they finished, they tried to run out of the locked door, then ran out through Lobby door. Smaller of the two tried to get out of the locked door first. I don't think they ran when they reached the lobby.

This little man in #5 as I said I have seen several times. Two Weeks ago I believe he and Anastasia was in the shop three times in a row. He would wait for Anastasia, if he came first. After the shooting was over he said, "Let me out of here".

The Wednesday before Friday, day of shooting, in the A.M. Irving Butlein, Gotham Health Club, spoke to Anastasia the little man was with him at the time. Anastasia had been serviced by Tony and the Little Man had been the customer of Joey #5.

The man who stood by #3 chair was M W 40 yrs. 5'10-11" on the slim side, 175 - 180 lbs. Blondish hair with a pompadour, fair complexion, no hat & no glasses, maybe wearing a gaberdine coat and wearing on rt. hand a blk. rubber glove. Right Handed

Man by the door was M W 45 yrs. 5'7" stocky bld. grey slouch hat, gray tweed raglan topcoat, blk rubber glove, no glasses, med complexion, may have been Italian or Jewish.

Mr. Botwin, Gotham Health Club, states Wednesday, 10/23/57 Anastasia was in shop & had a fd. in Chair #5. Small man, much younger than Anastasia, Blk. Hr. Italian, "nice wavy blk. hair" sitting UP in chair. probably getting haircut.

Botwin vouches for Jean, states her son breakdown in USN in & out VA hosp.

## SUPPLEMENTARY COMPLAINT REPORT (DO NOT FOLD THIS REPORT)

#44

Complainant's Surname <b>People of State of New York</b>		First Name		6. Date and Time Reported on Form U.F. 51 <b>10:30 a.m. Oct. 25, 1967</b>		A.M. P.M.	10. Precinct <b>18</b>	22. U.F. 61 No. <b>518</b>
Complainant's Address		Date and Time of Occurrence <b>10:30 a.m. Oct. 25, 1967</b>		A.M. P.M.		27. Pct. Post	30. C.C.D. No. <b>12971</b>	39. Aml. Code Larceny Only
FOLLOWING QUESTIONS PERTAIN TO THIS COMPLAINT REPORT		Answer Yes No		Crime or Offense Reported <b>Homicide</b>		34. P.D. Code		41. (For S & R Bur. Use only)
Was this complaint previously cleared by an arrest?				Crime or Offense Changed to <b>Same</b>		42. Pct. of Arrest		45. Arrest Nos.
If yes, is this an additional arrest?				Investigating Officer's Signature		43. (For S & R Bur. Use only)		46. Arrest Nos.
Were identified persons wanted previously reported?				Investigating Officer's Name (Typed) <i>Sgt. Gerald Williams</i>		47. Pct. of Arrest		47. Arrest Nos.
Was any stolen property previously reported?				Rank <i>Sgt.</i>		48. Pct. of Arrest		48. Arrest Nos.
Was this stolen property previously reported?				Signature of C.O. of Investigating Office <i>Sgt. Gerald Williams</i>		49. Pct. of Arrest		49. Arrest Nos.
Was any property recovered previously reported?				Rank <i>Sgt.</i>		50. Pct. of Arrest		50. Arrest Nos.
Was this recovered property previously reported?				Name <i>Gerald Williams</i>		51. Pct. of Arrest		51. Arrest Nos.
Was complaint advised of action taken?				Continued		52. Pct. of Arrest		52. Arrest Nos.

Report of Investigating Officer: (LIST PROPERTY ON REVERSE SIDE ONLY) Date of This Report **October 26, 1967**

In connection with subject investigation Mr. Frank Costello was interviewed at 4:30 p.m. this date at 115 Central Park West by D.O.I. Byrnes and D.I. Lussen. Mr. Costello stated that he had no comment with reference to this case, on advice of his counsel, Mr. Bennett Williams.

Case Active.

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NUMBER OF ARRESTS		ARRESTS MADE BY: (Check One)		50. TYPE OF PROPERTY	52. Value of Property Lost or Stolen	57. Value of Property Recovered
Male	Female	Uniformed Force <input type="checkbox"/>	Detective Division <input type="checkbox"/>			
Adults				1. Autos Stolen or Recovered Locally		
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Is a Communication Required? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>						
If Yes, forward copy of this report to Correspondence Bureau.						

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Subject: ALBERT ANASTASIA HOMICIDE, CASE NUMBER 4571057, 18TH SQUAD AND U.F. 61 NUMBER 5184057, 18TH PRECINCT

1. This report is predicated upon a request by Assistant District Attorney Gerald Fogarty, Homicide Bureau, New York County District Attorney's Office, on September 6, 1965, that the writer submit to him a memorandum outlining the people still to be investigated and interviewed relative to this case.

2. The names of the below identified people are submitted with a brief explanation as to their involvement in this investigation. The completeness of this list is based solely on the best recollection of the writer.

A Witnesses present in the Barber Shop

- 1 Arthur Crasso - Owner of the shop who was talking to the victim as he was being murdered. He hasn't been re-interviewed nor have the apparent discrepancies in his tale been questioned in the last six years.
- 2 Barber Arbisi - Chair 4, serving the deceased
- 3 Barber Vella - Chair 5, serving Squillante
- 4 Barber Zarvas - Chair 6, serving Dr. Weiner

It has been determined by interrogation and the polygraph that Numbers 2, 3 and 4 are with holding information pertinent to this crime.

- 5 Dr. Weiner, Boston, Massachusetts - Has never been reinterviewed. Reports indicate he saw the perpetrators.
- 6 Daniel Oberman - Customer waiting to occupy Chair 1. Although he denies seeing anything he has admitted seeing a man with a gun.
- 7 Samuel Salerno - Information received by the writer and Criminal Intelligence Bureau alleges he was at the Barber Shop while this crime was being committed. Criminal Intelligence Bureau further alleges that he was brought there by Squillante to meet with Anastasia. The writer believes he is the missing witness who occupied Chair 1. Two barbers could identify him as this witness. This man has never been questioned relative to this crime.

**B Witnesses in the lobby of the hotel**

8 Andrew Alberti - Major Narcotics Violator - Admits to being in the lobby and talking to Anastasia. States that two men came up and spoke to the victim. Refused to identify these men or to give any information whatsoever. He has never appeared before the Grand Jury.

9 Moha Russo - Was with Alberti in the lobby.

10 David Mazur - December 9, 1962 he identified Ralph Mafrioli and Joseph Giorelli as the perpetrators of this crime. He has not been re-interviewed or contacted since that date.

11 William Belaskia - Errand Boy for Anastasia and Cappolla. Left the state minutes after the killing. Should be interviewed only if events immediately prior to the killing are considered important.

**C Witnesses not present at the scene**

12 Santo Trafficante - Delegate to Appalachin - Stayed with the victim in the Warwick Hotel. Left this city only hours before the murder. Was the victim's partner in Cuban Gambling. Used the victim's suite in the hotel. Used an alias while here and departed, hurriedly, just prior to the killing. He has never been interviewed by anyone about this case. Was Joseph Bilisi's partner. ( Joe Rivers)

13 Carl Rykert - Originally bought the murder weapons and had control of them for years.

14 Earl Powers - Assistant Manager Warwick Hotel - Anastasia's contact there. Locked Anastasia's suite minutes after the killing.

15 Anthony Zangoglia - Joseph Valachi gave information, according to the New York County District Attorney's Office, that a Anthony Zangarra was involved in this crime. Limited investigation disclosed that he is probably referring to this man.

16 Carlos Gambino - Allegedly replaced Anastasia

**D Alleged perpetrators**

17 Joseph Gallo - Currently in States Prison

18 Anthony Camerona - Currently in States Prison

19 Frank Illiano - Currently at liberty.

20 Ralph Mafrioli - Identified by Mazur as one of the perpetrators. He is currently in States Prison.

21 Joseph Giorelli - Identified by Mazur as one of the perpe-

trators. He is carried as a Missing Person, by this department. He is believed to have been murdered.

22 Jiggs Morlano - alleged to have been involved in the "contract". It has been established that he rewarded all of the alleged perpetrators after the killing.

25 Pat Lenders - Girl Friend of Joseph Gallo for many years, possibly as far back as when this crime was committed. As to her present situation questioning, at this time, may be fruitful.

5 This report will not deal with the question of motive as it is felt that sufficient motive has previously been established.

William E. Gruff  
Detective, #1484  
18th Squad Det.

cc - A. D. A. Fogarty  
Man. South Hon. Sqd.

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