

At Large: a True-Crime Tale of the Internet Age

**By David H. Freedman
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At Large is the astonishing, never-before-revealed tale of perhaps the biggest and certainly the most disturbing computer attack to date, with ominous implications for the Internet, the digital highway over which much of the nation's business is now conducted. For two years a computer break-in artist known only as "Phantom Dialer" seized control of hundreds - perhaps thousands - of computer networks across the country and around the world. Frightened network administrators watched helplessly as the intruder methodically slipped into universities, corporations, banks, federal agencies, and military facilities, including top-secret weapons-research sites. Working up to twenty hours a day, Phantom Dialer obsessively broke into one network after another - and no one knew who he was or what he was after. Was he a spy? Was he laying the groundwork for a single, massive theft? As the number of victims mounted, Phantom Dialer became the subject of the first major investigation of the FBI's new computer-crime squad and one of the biggest manhunts in the history of electronic crime. But when FBI agents finally burst into Phantom Dialer's house, they were stunned and dismayed by what they found. The decision was made not to prosecute but instead to keep the story quiet. The story of Phantom Dialer demonstrates the vulnerability of the global network: anyone can break in almost anywhere. Indeed, though few recognize it, the massive crime wave has already begun.

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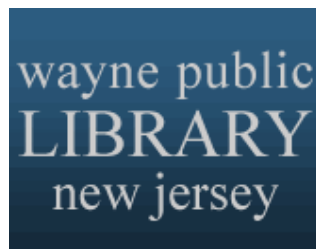
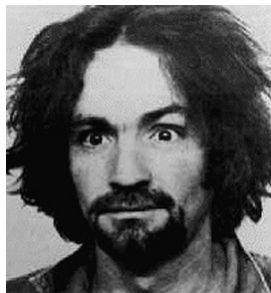


Helter Skelter: the true story of the Manson Murders

By Vincent Bugliosi

In August of 1969, the nation was shocked to learn of the brutal murders of actress Sharon Tate and six other innocent victims-all shot, stabbed, and bludgeoned to death in a two-day rampage of terror. The murderers were young men and women from middle-class families, followers of the now-notorious serial killer Charles Manson. How did Manson convince his "family" to kill? What actually happened that fatal night at Sharon Tate's Hollywood home? Prosecutor Vincent Bugliosi takes readers behind the scenes of the longest trial in American history-and inside the mind of one of America's most compelling criminals.

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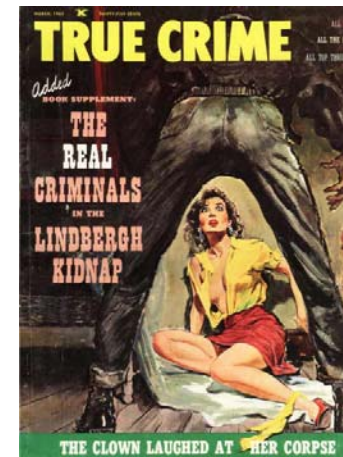
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Many who resort to crime ultimately can't read or write.

~ Wally Amos

Crime is the price society pays for abandoning character.

~ James Q. Wilson

Almost all crime is due to the repressed desire for aesthetic expression.

~ Evelyn Waugh

In a closed society where everybody's guilty, the only crime is getting caught. In a world of thieves, the only final sin is stupidity.

~ Hunter S. Thompson

**Portrait of a Killer:
Jack the Ripper Case Closed**
By Patricia Cornwell

Crime fiction writer Cornwell adds yet another volume to the Jack the Ripper literature. She argues that the serial killer had to be the painter Walter Richard Sickert (d. 1942) and that the killings continued beyond the 1888 murder spree. She presents a portrait of Sickert as deranged by genital deformations and points to clues in his paintings and his biography as giving weight to her description of him as psychopathic. Explorations of the physical evidence, including DNA tests commissioned by Cornwell are presented and new clues are sought in the accounts of the murders of the Ripper's victims.

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**The Bobbed Hair Bandit:
a True Story of Crime and
Celebrity in 1920's New York**
By Stephen Duncombe

On January 5, 1924, a well-dressed young woman, accompanied by a male companion, walked into a Brooklyn grocery, pulled a "baby automatic" from the pocket of her fur coat, emptied the cash register, and escaped into the night. Dubbed "the Bobbed Haired Bandit" by the press, the petite thief continued her escapades in the months that followed, pulling off increasingly spectacular robberies, writing taunting notes to police officials, and eluding the biggest manhunt in New York City history. When laundress Celia Cooney was finally caught in Florida and brought back to New York, media attention grew to a fever pitch. Crowds gathered at the courts and jails where she appeared, the public clamored to know her story, and newspapers and magazines nationwide obliged by publishing sensational front-page articles.

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**No regrets and Other True Cases:
Ann Rule's Crime Files**
By Ann Rule

A ship's pilot legendary for guiding mammoth freighters through the narrows of Puget Sound, Rolf Neslund was a proud Norwegian, a ladies' man, and a beloved resident of Washington State's idyllic Lopez Island. Virtually indestructible even into his golden years, he made electrifying headlines more than once: after a ship he was helming crashed into the soaring West Seattle Bridge, causing millions in damages; and following his inexplicable disappearance at age 80. Was he a suicide, a man broken by one costly misstep? Had he run off with a lifelong love? Or did a trail of gruesome evidence lead to the home Rolf shared with his wife, Ruth? On an island where everyone thought they knew their neighbors, the veneer of the Neslunds' marriage masked a convoluted case that took many years to solve. And, indeed, some still believe that the old sea captain will come home one day. "The Sea Captain" is a classic tale as blood chilling as murder itself. Along with six other equally riveting, detailed accounts of destruction and murder committed without conscience or regret, Ann Rule takes readers into frightening places they never could have imagined in *No Regrets*.

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**The Poet and the Murderer: a
True Story of Literary Crime
and the Art of Forgery**
By Simon Worrall

Even among master forgers, Mark Hoffmann possessed an unmatched audacity. During his relatively brief career, he fabricated more than 1,000 historical documents, ranging from manuscript letters of Daniel Boone and Mormon founder Joseph Smith to the long-vanished 17th-century printed broadside "Oath of a Freeman." He even penned an original poem supposedly by Emily Dickinson, although he himself was only a mediocre writer. Hypnotized by his own brazenness and by the ease of his success, Hoffmann created Ponzi schemes for financial backers. Finally, caught between anxious creditors and bank deadlines, he scrambled for extreme solutions. Finally, he turned to murder by means of homemade bombs.

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**Donnie Brasco: My
Undercover Life in the Mafia**
By Joseph D. Pistone

Author Pistone narrates this thrilling account of his own experiences as an undercover FBI agent who successfully infiltrated the dangerous world of the Mafia. During a six-year period in the 1970s, Pistone adopted the persona of Donnie Brasco, a successful jewel thief who was looking to "get connected." He slowly and carefully ingratiated himself with the Mafiosi and was about to be initiated as a member when his assignment ended. Successfully earning the trust of many high-ranking "wise guys," he was able to expose the activities of several important families, including the Bonannos and the Colombos. Though it reads like a thriller, this work also provides listeners with much concrete information about Mafia financial and familial operations. Pistone's narration and the inclusion of excerpts from actual FBI surveillance tapes bring the events of this tale chillingly to life.

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