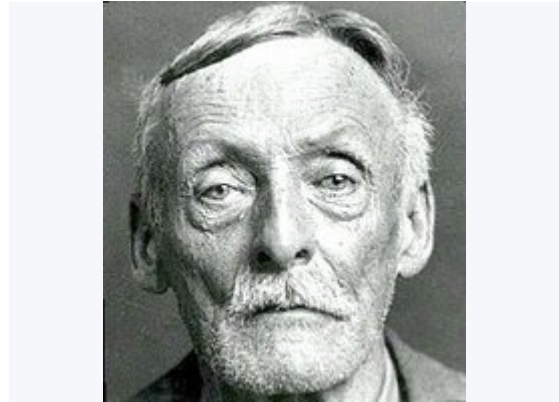


Albert Hamilton Fish

"Gray Man, Werewolf of Wysteria, and possibly Brooklyn Vampire"



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Date	Age	Life Event
05/19/1870	0	Born in Washington, DC as Hamilton Fish
1870	<1	Father, Randall Fish, died of heart attack
1875	5	Mother put him in orphanage, where he was beat and learned he enjoyed physical pain, (got erection and was teased). Nickname Ham and eggs. Wished to be called Albert after dead sibling.
1879	9	Mother got government job was able to take him home
1882	12	1st homosexual relationship
1882	12	Introduced to drinking urine, coprophagia, and voyeurism
1890	20	Became male prostitute, visited male brothels
		Began raping young boys
1898	28	Had marriage arranged by mother

	28	Had six children
1898	28	Became a house painter
1903	33	Arrested for embezzlement and grand larceny, incarcerated in Sing Sing
		Had sex with men in prison
1910	40	Mutilating and torturing to death a mentally retarded boy in New York
1910	40	Attack of child Thomas Bedden in Wilmington Delaware
1917	47	Wife left him for another man, began to hear voices, asked children to participate in sadomasochistic games
1919	49	Stabbed mentally retarded boy Georgetown Washington DC
1927	57	Billy Gaffney kidnapped, molesting and killing four year-old William Gaffney in 1929
1927	57	Identified as being seen with Billy on the day of disappearance
06/03/1928	58	Kidnapped Grace Budd, posed as Frank Howard
1930	60	Married Estella Wilcox
1930	60	Divorced after a week
1930	60	Arrested for sending obscene letters to a black woman, Admitted into Bellevue Psychiatric Hospital
1931	61	Sent back for observation following arrests
1932	62	Killed Mary O'Connor
11/11/1934	64	Wrote anonymous graphic, letter to Grace's parents
03/11/1935	65	Trial for murder of Grace Budd, pleaded insanity, claimed he heard voices from God telling him to torment and castrate little boys, found sane and guilty.
		Confessed of Francis McDonnell strangling to death on Long Island in 1934 and later confessed to mother of Billy Gaffney that he killed him.
01/16/1936	65	Put to death, Electric chair, Sing Sing Correction Facility. Oldest inmate to be executed

General Information

Sex	Male
Race	White

Number of victims	Convicted of 1 suspected of 5, admitted to hundreds
Country where killing occurred	United States
States where killing occurred	New York, District of Columbia
Cities where killing occurred	New York, New York; Greenburgh, New York; Washington, D.C.
Type of killer	Serial Killer
Height	5'5"
Childhood Information	
Date of birth	May 19, 1870
Location	Washington DC
Birth order	Youngest
Number of siblings	3
XYY?	NA
Raised by	Mother, orphanage
Birth category	Youngest
Parent's marital status	Married
Family event	death of parent, father
Age of family event	1875, put in St. Johns orphanage in Washington till age 9
Problems in school?	N/A
Teased while in school?	N/A
Physically attractive?	Small, gentle looking man who appeared kind and trusting
Physical defect?	No
Speech defect?	NA
Head injury?	NA
Physically abused?	Describe beat repeatedly in orphanage
Psychologically abused?	Teased

Sexually abused?	NA
Father's occupation	Boat captain, fertilizer manufacturer
Age of first sexual experience	While in orphanage NA age
Age when first had intercourse	12
Mother's occupation	Government job
Father abused drugs/alcohol	NA
Mother abused drugs/alcohol	NA
Cognitive Ability	
Highest grade in school	Very little formal schooling
Highest degree	N/A
Grades in school	N/A
IQ	N/A
Source of IQ information	N/A
Work History	
Served in the military?	No
Branch	N/A
Type of discharge	N/A
Saw combat duty	N/A
Killed enemy during service?	N/A
Applied for job as a cop?	No
Worked in law enforcement?	No
Fired from jobs?	No
Types of jobs worked	Handyman, painter- His defense lawyer later argued that all his years as a painter caused Fish to develop lead colic
Employment status during series	Handyman, painter
Relationships	

Sexual preference	bi
Marital status	married, divorced, remarried
Number of children	6
Lives with his children	When they were young, then lived w/ son till kicked out
Living with	Himself
Triad	
Animal torture	N/A
Fire setting	N/A
Bed wetting	N/A
Killer Psychological Information	
Abused drugs?	NA
Abused alcohol?	NA
Been to a psychologist?	yes
Time in forensic hospital?	yes
Diagnosis	Disturbed but sane
Killer Criminal History	
Committed previous crimes?	Yes, embezzlement, grand larceny, violating parole
Spend time in jail?	yes
Spend time in prison?	yes
Killed prior to series? Age?	NA
Serial Killing	
Number of victims	5-15
Victim type	Children
Killer age at start of series	40
Date of first kill in series	1910 a man in Wilmington Delaware

Date of final kill in series	1934
Gender of victims	Both male and female
Race of victims	Caucasian, African American
Age of victims	7-11 or 12
Type of victim	Children
Method of killing	Choked, cut up, beat
Weapon	Meat cleaver, saw, and butcher knife
Was gun used?	No
Type	NA
Did killer have a partner?	No
Name of partner	N/A
Sex of partner	N/A
Type of serial killer	Sadomasochist, Sexual Predator, Cannibal, lust killer
How close did killer live?	Different each case
Location of first contact	At there home, outside playing
Location of killing	New York , Washington DC, Delaware
Killing occurred in home of victim?	No
Killing occurred in home of killer?	No, would be killed in a abandoned building
Victim abducted or killed at contact?	Abducted
Behavior During Crimes	
Rape?	Yes
Tortured victims?	Yes, beat to tenderize meat
Stalked victims?	NA
Overkill?	yes
Quick & efficient?	no
Used blindfold?	No

Bound the victims?	The boys he tied up in the closet
After Death Behavior	Cook and eat parts of the body
Sex with the body?	Yes
Mutilated body?	Yes
Ate part of the body?	Yes
Drank victim's blood?	Yes
Posed the body?	No
Took totem – body part	Yes, to eat
Took totem – personal item	No
Robbed victim or location	no
Disposal of Body	
Left at scene, no attempt to hide	Yes, would take pieces of their body home to eat
Left at scene, hidden	yes
Left at scene, buried	Yes
Moved, no attempt to hide	Hid the bodies until he was done with them
Moved, buried	No
Cut-up and disposed of	No
Moved, too home	No
Sentencing	
Date killer arrested	December 14, 1934
Date convicted	March 21, 1935
Sentence	Death
Killer executed?	Yes electric chair
Did killer plead NGRI?	yes
Was the NGRI plea successful?	no
Name and state of prison	Sing Sing Correctional Facility

Killer committed suicide?	No
Killer killed in prison?	No
Date of death	January 16, 1936

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