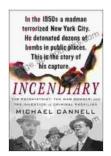
The Psychiatrist, the Mad Bomber, and the Invention of Criminal Profiling



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In the aftermath of World War II, New York City was terrorized by a series of bombings. The police were baffled, and the city was on edge. Enter Dr. James Brussel, a psychiatrist who developed a new technique for profiling criminals. Using his groundbreaking methods, Brussel helped the police track down the bomber and bring him to justice.

This is the story of the psychiatrist, the mad bomber, and the invention of criminal profiling.

The Mad Bomber

The Mad Bomber was a serial bomber who terrorized New York City from 1940 to 1957. He planted over 30 bombs in public places, including schools, churches, and transportation hubs. His bombs killed four people and injured dozens more.

The Mad Bomber's motives were never fully understood. He left behind no manifesto or ransom demands. He simply planted his bombs and disappeared into the night.

The police were baffled by the Mad Bomber's crimes. They had no leads and no suspects. The city was on edge, and people were afraid to go out in public.

Enter Dr. James Brussel

Dr. James Brussel was a psychiatrist who had developed a new technique for profiling criminals. He believed that by studying a criminal's behavior, he could learn about their personality and motivations.

Brussel was contacted by the police to help them track down the Mad Bomber. He agreed, and he began to study the bomber's crimes. Brussel quickly realized that the bomber was a highly intelligent and organized individual. He was also a sadist who enjoyed inflicting pain on others.

Brussel's profile of the Mad Bomber was remarkably accurate. He predicted that the bomber would be a white male in his 30s or 40s. He would be a loner with no close friends or family. He would be intelligent and well-educated. He would also be a meticulous planner who would take great care to avoid detection.

The Capture of the Mad Bomber

The police used Brussel's profile to narrow down their search for the Mad Bomber. They eventually identified a suspect named George Metesky. Metesky was a disgruntled former employee of Consolidated Edison, the company that provided gas and electricity to New York City.

Metesky was arrested in 1957. He confessed to planting the bombs and was sentenced to life in prison. He died in prison in 1994.

The Legacy of Dr. James Brussel

Dr. James Brussel's work on the Mad Bomber case helped to revolutionize the field of criminal profiling. His techniques are now used by law enforcement agencies around the world to track down and apprehend criminals.

Brussel's work also helped to change the way that we think about crime. He showed that criminals are not simply born bad. They are often the product of their environment and their experiences.

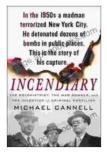
Dr. James Brussel was a pioneer in the field of criminal profiling. His work has helped to make our world a safer place.

Call to Action

If you are interested in learning more about the Mad Bomber case and Dr. James Brussel's work, I encourage you to read his book, "The Psychiatrist, the Mad Bomber, and the Invention of Criminal Profiling."

In this book, Brussel provides a gripping account of the case and his role in tracking down the bomber. He also discusses the history of criminal profiling and its application to other crimes.

I believe that this book is a must-read for anyone interested in crime, psychology, or history.



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