Abdou le Fou

10 August 1966 - ?





Abdou le Fou (Abdou the Fool) earned his nickname at an early age thanks to his psychopathic and unpredictable character. He could stare at people so long that they would literally pee in their pants. Rumour has it he was able to set objects on fire just by looking at them. He hardly ever spoke but when he did he would whisper. He suddenly disappeared from the earth. Though some swear they saw his headless body walking around at the university campus of Leuven....

Jacobina Bienebol

8 July 1961





Jacobina Bienebol was brought up in a strict Protestant family in the rural town of Kruiningen. She was a preacher's daughter.

Her father, Ds. Dirk Bienebol (1922-1999), was a highly considered Minister and supporter of the Gereformeerde Gemeenten (The Reformed Congregations in the Netherlands). His twenty page treatise on the morals and traditions of the Christian Church De Tucht in de Kerke Christi (The discipline of the Christian Church) should be considered as his life's work.

Since his death in 1999 Jacobina dedicated herself to the work of her father. She was repeatedly spotted cruising around Kruiningen with her bicycle preaching loudly about the values of the Reformed Congregations to other cyclists and pedestrians. She was also seen regularly disputing with the local youth. Recently, Jacobina Bienebol was sued for the abuse of a lost dog. The animal was found by hikers. It had been tied several days to a block of concrete and was completely exhausted.

Under the block, a copy of De Tucht in de Kerke Christi was found wrapped in cellophane plastic. Jacobina Bienebol claimed to have nothing to do with the case. The dog had to be euthanized by a veterinarian.

A Fops 3





A Fops 3 was cloned from the excavated bones of a Middle Ages executioner. The authorities were in search of a hangman devoid of human feelings. One with no moral, psychological or physical side effect when executing the most cruel tortures imaginable. Earlier clones of the same medieval executioner, A Fops 1 and A Fops 2, had unsuccessful results. They were weak, immediately suffered from depression, and had to be eliminated quickly. However, with A Fops 3, the scientists succeeded in constructing a superior genetic structure. By injecting the clone with stem cells of a well-known German comedian, a being always ready to perform the most brutal tortures was created. The authorities often lend A Fops 3 to friendly nations. In the past year, for example, he was dispatched in South East Asia and Canada. His bluish skin color is the result of a chemical process that occurred during cloning. When A Fops 3 goes to work he always hums the same tune:

I'm Blue – da ba dee da ba dye, da ba dee da ba dye
Da ba dee da ba dye, da ba dee da ba dye
Da ba dee da ba dye, da ba dee da ba dye
Da ba dee da ba dye
I'm Blue – da ba dee da ba dye, da ba dee da ba dye
Da ba dee da ba dye, da ba dee da ba dye
Da ba dee da ba dye, da ba dee da ba dye
Da ba dee da ba dye
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Krikke & Trikke De Loos

Kristof De Loos (Krikke) 2 February 1968 - 17 October 1993

Patrick De Loos (Trikke) 2 February 1968 - 17 October 1993







Antwerp's nightlife has never known bouncers as good as Krikke & Trikke De Loos.

During the mid and late 1980's these identical twins managed the monopoly of security guards for mega dancehalls in and around Antwerp. Thanks to their bold approach and excellent interpersonal skills Krikke & Trikke always succeed in protecting the nightlife from suspicious individuals. They developed the STAFNA protocol for outdoor bouncers. STAFNA, which stands for See, Talk, Ask, Feel,

Negotiate, Attack, was an efficient method to recognize and deal with critical club clients by firmly and quickly removing them from the group. The first step was to visually select the "Target" followed by a brief conversation to understand his intentions. Then, a body search. If the result was positive a quiet departure from the club would be negotiated with the individual. If the subject reacted negatively the bouncer would switch into attack mode and use physical violence to distance him. Violent movies from Bangkok, that a friend would procure on a regular basis, were Krikke & Trikke's inspiration for the STAFNA system. Thanks to the efficiency of the STAFNA method, nightclub owners experienced a rapid increase in sales and a decrease in the number of incidents involving the security forces.

On October 17, 1993 Krikke & Trikke's heavily severed bodies were found in a ditch along the E19 motorway towards the Netherlands. It is probable that they were the victims of drug criminals from Rotterdam who saw their sales fall because of the STAFNA system. The culprits were never found and the investigation was abandoned in 2013, twenty years after the fact.

The brothers were buried in the cemetery of Merksem, where they grew up. More than seven hundred people attended the memorial service, including the Mayor of Antwerp.

Idi Amin Dada

1925 - 16 August 2003





He was referred to as:

His Excellency, President for Life, Field Marshal Al Hadji Doctor Idi Amin Dada, VC, DSO, MC, Lord of All the Beasts of the Earth and Fishes of the Seas and Conqueror of the British Empire in Africa in General and Uganda in Particular.

Amin was born around 1925 in Koboko County in the West Nile district, home of the Kakwa tribe. His father had spent much of his life in southern Sudan where the Kakwas, an Islamic people, had originated. His mother was from the ethnically related Lugbara tribe. Early Victorian explorers observed violence and bloodletting to be particularly marked among these Sudanic-Nubian peoples; the homicide rate of the region is still one of the highest in Africa to this day.

The death toll during the Amin regime will never accurately be known. The best estimate put the number killed at 500,000. Amin's downfall came in 1979. He was briefly exiled in Tripoli before moving to Saudi Arabia where he was given a villa in Jeddah. From that moment on he gave no interviews and stayed close to home. His life appears to have been a dull routine of sports events, gym sessions, and massage parlours. He had a Range Rover, a Chevrolet Caprice, and a powder-blue Cadillac that were used for shopping trips and visits to the airport in order to clear the parcels of cassava and other food items sent by relatives in Uganda through customs.

Some quotes of Idi Amin Dada:

- "I have to keep law and order and it means that I have to kill my enemies before they kill me."
- "If we knew the meaning to everything that is happening to us, then there would be no meaning."
- "I propose getting rid of conventional armaments and replacing them with reasonably priced hydrogen bombs that will be distributed equally throughout the world.

De Belder Guido

14 March 1939 - 20 October 2004





De Belder Guido grew up in Tienen. His mother was a pianist during the silent movie era. From an early age he would go to the cinema and dream of one day working in 'the factory', meaning Hollywood. In the 1980's, De Belder played 'the bad guy' in some German and Belgian productions, including a few films by De Gruyter & Thys. After getting divorced, he went to live with his mother in a social housing building in Leuven. De Belder was also a talented singer.

De Jappie

7 July 1960





De Jappie grew up in the outskirts of Antwerp, close to the Schelde river. He did not know how to relate with others and could only shout or hit. Many persons were beaten up by him. He also had the compulsive habit of spitting on the floor when he shouted. Needless to say these habits became much worse when he was drunk. He was always surrounded by a group of 'friends' who were forced to laugh at his sexist jokes. One of these 'friends' was Abdou le Fou.

Maurice De Wilde

25 November 1923 - 22 September 1998





Maurice De Wilde was an investigative journalist for the BRT (Belgian Radio & Television). He was nicknamed the "The Pit Bull of Flemish Television" and used to be so fierce even his employers would feel uneasy. He was also known as "The Inquisitor" and "The Duke of Alva of Flemish Television". During his career he shot 60 episodes about Belgian collaborators of WW 2. He interviewed these collaborators, as well as members of the resistance. This caused a lot of controversy, especially within the royal family. Legend says that a collaborator from Antwerp transmitted the following message to the BRT: "He did not want to leave. I had to kick him out of my courtyard like a dirty dog". De Wilde would often enrage his superiors by speaking in "rough and insulting" terms about the resistance during the Second World War. Although De Wilde had a great aversion for Nazis and their collaborators, he discredited the other side by calling anyone involved in the resistance a "bastard". In 1988 De Wilde reached the age of retirement, but continued to work until 1991. He had prepared another twenty episodes on collaborators that never aired. Not long after, he died. He was 74.

Frau Epp

2 January 1946





Hildegard Epp lives in Hamburg together with her husband Hans. Hans suffers from post traumatic stress syndrome. He suffered abominable experiences when he fought with the foreign legion in Algeria. As a result, he is regularly depressed. Hildegard and Hans run a small fruit and vegetable store. Things go so well that they hired an extra person to help them out with the business. However, Hans' depression cast a shadow over their lives. Hans and his family don't get along. His mother disdains him, she finds his life one big failure and never misses the chance to express it. Hans' self-image is therefore very low. Hildegard can't do anything about it. She is powerless as she watches Hans' past destroy their present. She is slowly fading into an immense sadness. The customers wonder what is going on when they see her drying her tears at the back of the store. They shake their heads and feel sorry for the fate of Frau Epp. They can do nothing to help her. In the meantime, Hans drinks himself dead at the café.

Gringo

1 July 1977





Gringo is a cheesy guy from the West of Barcelona.

He knows how to please everyone with jokes, pranks and crazy dance parties.

In the summer Gringo loves to hang out in the Ramblas entertaining young tourists.

A selfie with Gringo is priceless and, thanks to social networks, his name is known to the whole world. Gringo calls himself an internet phenomenon. He is a welcome guest at the clubs of Ibiza where famous DJ's enthusiastically announce him to ignite the crowd.

With the arrival of the calmer autumn months Gringo retires to his cottage in Navarra.

There he fills his days with his favorite hobby: driving around with a quad.

Together with his friends he goes for risky tours of the desert landscape.

Last year, one of his friends had an accident and remained paralyzed for the rest of his life.

Gringo blamed his friend for his recklessness and never visited him in the hospital.

He sent him a selfie from Phuket in Thailand, where he moves to in the winter to avoid the desolate and grey weather. In the selfie Gringo is amongst a group of young people who are waving their arms up in the air, delirious with joy because Gringo is with them.

Ramzan Kadyrov

5 October 1976





Ramzan Kadyrov is the president of Chechnya. Many consider him a hero, others consider him a tyrant

Some facts:

Kadyrov is known for owning a lion cub, a gift for the birth of his first son. He also has a tiger and various fighting dogs, and in the past, was the owner of both a wolf and a bear.

When his first son was born in November 2005, the whole of Chechnya was granted a national holiday. The event was celebrated with machine gun fire that lasted the whole night. Citizens hid in their basements. Ramzan possesses a number of black Hummer cars which are eye-catchers in Chechnya. He only attended primary school for a few years, yet, he is an honorary member of the Russian Academy of Sciences. The companies owned by Kadyrov include a boxing club named Ramzan and Terek Grozny, Grozny's (Chechnya's capital) football team. Mike Tyson, the controversial American boxer, was Kadyrov's guest of honour at a boxing match in Goedermes. Politically, Ramzan has his own laws. When his sister, Zuluy Kadyrova, was arrested near to Dagestan for corruption, Kadyrov showed up with an army of 150 men. According to the mayor he surrounded the building where his sister was held and forced the local officers to stand against a wall. He had two of them beaten up and then left the building with his sister, shooting up into the air as winners do. Ramzan is beloved by the people. His portrait is visible everywhere in the streets. There is even a lullaby dedicated to him. In the text little children are told about the big bad world. But they need not to fear as Ramzan, their hero, protects them.

The song is sung in an old Chechen dialect:

Ramzanje, Ramzanje nje boetsji plajanje kak choeli rasmjeliev bachaljoe kazjelev

Ramzanje, Ramzanje Ramzanje, Ramzanje Ramzanje, Ramzanje

Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach

13 August 1907 – 30 July 1967





Alfried Felix Alwyn Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach, often referred to as Alfried Krupp, was an industrialist, a competitor in Olympic yacht races, and a member of the Krupp family, which has been prominent in German industry since the early 19th century.

He was convicted after World War II of crimes against humanity for the way he operated his factories. He served three years in prison, and was pardoned. The family company, known formally as Friedrich Krupp AG Hoesch-Krupp, was a key supplier of weapons and materiel to both the Nazi regime and the Wehrmacht during World War II. In 1943, Krupp became sole proprietor of the company, following the Lex Krupp ("Krupp Law") decreed by Adolf Hitler. Krupp's wartime employment of slave labor resulted in the "Krupp Trial" of 1947–1948, for which he served three years in prison. After his death, his son Arndt waived his inheritance. However, he agreed to receiving a yearly

allowance of 2 million DM which allowed him to fly constantly between Miami and Marrakesh. The son died of an overdose at the age of 48.

L'Avvocato

21 October 1934





Born in Calabria, l'Avvocato grew up in Rome, where he worked as a lawyer. In 1971 he became acquainted with Silvio Berlusconi, the construction magnate and media mogul who later became Italy's Prime Minister. In 1972 l'Avvocato became the sole guardian of a nineteen year old girl whose father, the Marquis Casati Stampa, had committed suicide after murdering his wife and her lover. A few years later this infamous incident, l'Avvocato convinced the orphan girl to sell her villa in Arcore to Berlusconi for 500 million lire. A third of the property's actual value. The sum was paid in form of shares of companies belonging to Berlusconi.

L'Avvocato always stood by the side of Berlusconi earning the reputation of a ruthless, but extremely capable lawyer. He owns a beautiful house on the coast of Tuscany from where he can see the Island of Monte Christo, a small island that is only inhabitated by black rats.

A human being wouldn't last long on Monte Christo.

Genevieve Lhermitte

16 November, 1966





On the 28 of February 2007 Genevieve Lhermitte murdered her five children.

Depression and psychological problems drove her to commit this atrocity.

Lhermitte believed her family was terrorized by Doctor Schaar (meaning 'scissors'), a GP who lived with the family. Doctor Schaar always denied these accusations and claimed his sole intent was to assist the family financially. He was also the godfather of one of the children. Lhermitte's husband, who would often stay abroad, shied more and more away from family life. In a fit of insanity Genevieve Lhermitte took her children one by one as they sat watching the movie Spy Kids 3 and killed them. She was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Ludwig II von Bayern

25 August 1845 -13 June 1886





The Bavarian King Ludwig II is one of Bavaria's, and even Germany's, most glamorous celebrities. It was his love of grandiose architecture that helped put Bavaria well and truly on the map. King Ludwig's palaces are considered works of art created to fulfil his own personal dreams.

His fairytale palace of Neuschwanstein was modelled on the legendary castle of Gralsburg as a symbol of Germanic heroic sagas. Ludwig's nickname of "The Fairytale King" dates back to this time. His fascinating life came to a tragic and mysterious end on 13th June 1886 in Lake Starnberg. To this day the cause of his death remains unsolved.

Alexander Lukashenko

30 August 1954





Alexander Grigoryevich Lukashenko is one of the most famous politicians in modern Belarus. In the past he did not belong to the Communist Party or any government nomenclature, nor did he hold any posts within the power hierarchy.

In 1995, Lukashenko was accused of making a remark that has been construed to be in praise of Adolf Hitler: "The history of Germany is a copy of the history of Belarus. Germany was raised from ruins thanks to firm authority and not everything connected with that well-known figure of Hitler was bad. German order evolved over the centuries and attained its peak under Hitler."

Lukashenko believes that the president should be a conservative person and avoid using modern electronic gadgets such as an iPad or iPhone. He used to play bayan and football, but abandoned both during his presidency. He is a keen skier and ice hockey forward, who played exhibition games alongside international hockey stars. His two elder sons also play hockey, sometimes alongside their father. Lukashenko started training in cross-country as a child, and in the 2000s competed at the national level.

Luka Rocco Magnotta

24 July 1982





Luka Rocco Magnotta (born Eric Clinton Kirk Newman) is a Canadian murderer.

In 2003, when Magnotta was 20 years old, he began to appear in pornographic videos, occasionally working as a stripper and a male escort. He appeared as a pin-up model in a 2005 issue of Toronto's Fab magazine using the pseudonym 'Jimmy'. In 2007, he was an unsuccessful competitor of OUT tv's reality series COVERguy. Magnotta had multiple cosmetic surgeries and auditioned for the Slice network television show Plastic Makes Perfect in February 2008.

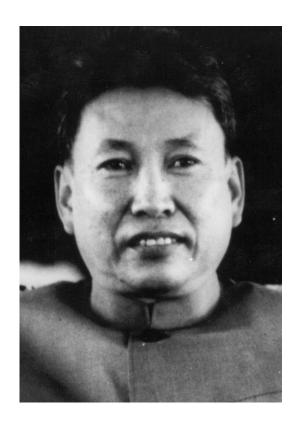
In 2012 Magnotta killed and dismembered Lin Jun, a Chinese university student, and mailed Jun's hands and feet to elementary schools and federal political party offices. This act gained international notoriety. After a video depicting the murder was posted online in May 2012 Magnotta fled Canada, becoming the subject of an Interpol Red Notice and prompting an international manhunt. He was caught at an Internet café in Berlin while reading news about himself in June 2012. After eight days of deliberations a jury convicted him of first-degree murder on December 23, 2014.

He was previously sought by animal rights groups for uploading videos of himself killing kittens.

Pol Pot

19 May 1925 - 15 April 1998





Pol Pot was a political leader whose communist Khmer Rouge government led Cambodia from 1975 to 1979. During that time, an estimated 1.5 to 2 million Cambodians died of starvation, execution, disease or overwork. One detention center, S-21, was so notorious that only seven of the roughly 20,000 people imprisoned there are known to have survived. The Khmer Rouge, in their attempt to socially engineer a classless communist society, took particular aim at intellectuals, city residents, ethnic Vietnamese, civil servants and religious leaders. Some historians regard the Pol Pot regime as one of the most barbaric and murderous in recent history.

Under Pol Pot, the state controlled all aspects of a person's life. Money, private property, jewelry, gambling, most reading material and religion were outlawed; agriculture was collectivized; children were taken from their homes and forced into the military; and strict rules governing sexual relations, vocabulary and clothing were laid down. Pol Pot was a great admirer of classical music and romantic French poetry, with the work of Paul Verlaine being among his favourites.

Poppo

4 November 1956





Poppo is the living embodiment of the industrial age.

For years, he worked as a chimney sweeper and as a steam train technician. When diesel made its entry in the market Poppo smoothly adapted to it and became a specialist of diesel locomotives. Similarly, he later became a pro of electric railways. He was the man effortlessly connecting high-voltage cables through which millions of volts flowed. He got electrocuted several times but, after short medical check ups, he would quickly get back to work. Since the advent of green electricity Popo is inactive. He does not believe in climate change and thinks back with nostalgia at the time of fossil fuels. His black face is a trace of the time when his first love dominated the world: coal. Occasionally, he is spotted walking on the heaps of the closed coal mines around Charleroi. He rolls thick cigarettes and stares into the distance.

Rudes

10 August 1955





Rudes was originally named Rudy De Smet but, as he discovered his talents as a singer and writer, he became a singer song writer and changed his name to Rudes. Which means nothing. People say he was born in a community centre and raised via Microsoft Excell. His most famous song is called 'Women bite differently than in the past.'

Saphrax 2

23 March 1980 - 29 February 2015





Saphrax 2 was a microbiologist. Together with his twin brother Saphrax 1 he studied at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. They were considered as one of the most important pioneers in human cloning technology. They both signed an agreement in which Saphrax 2 was allowed to kill Saphrax 1 on only one condition: Saphrax 2 will clone himself. Saphrax 3 will then kill Saphrax 2 and will clone himself. Saphrax 4 will then kill Saphrax 3 and will clone himself. Saphrax 5 will then kill Saphrax 5 and will clone himself. Saphrax 7 will then kill Saphrax 6 and will clone himself. Saphrax 8 will then kill Saphrax 7 and will clone himself. Saphrax 9 will then kill Saphrax 8 and will clone himself, and so on, and so on. Recently Saphrax 9 stated to the press that he was very proud of how fast things were going and added as a joke: 'I am so happy I could commit suicide!'

Irmgard Speck

26 May 1960





Irmgard Speck's life wasn't a linear one. She was born in Eschweiler, near Aachen. Her parents had a tire and muffler shop: Speck Reifen und Schalldämpfer (Speck Tires and Mufflers). From a very early age Irmgard suffered from heavy depressions, she would constantly cry. Sometimes she cried for weeks. Unnerved, her parents would lock her up in an isolated room in the garage. Through a persistent therapy in Dortmund, Irmgard Speck battled her depression and, in 1980, she married Hakan Hak-Is, a man of Turkish origins who managed several grocery stores in the Ruhr area. The marriage caused a fracture between Irmgard and her parents who could not accept their daughter lived with a stranger. Hakan was thirty years older than Irmgard. They had two sons, Ömer and Gökhan, who were both employed in their father's stores. Around the end of the 90's Irmgard's depressions returned. She again cried for long periods of time and would often disappear from the marital home. Sometimes for a few days, sometimes for several weeks. All the attempts to cheer up Irmgard failed and her marriage to Hakan suffered heavily from this. During a holiday in Antalya, home of the Hak-Is family, a dramatic event occurred. Irmgard's sons, Ömer and Gökhan, discovered their mother had featured in pornographic movies on the internet. The Hak-Is clan was infuriated and rejected Irmgard from the family. Irmgard returned to Eschweiler and found a place to stay near her parents, with whom she slowly rekindled the family tie. She remarried with her childhood friend Eckerd, and together they continued Mr. Speck's business. Thanks to Eckerd's fresh contribution Speck Reifen und Schalldämpfer became a staple of Eschweiler. Recently, clients can also find supplies to repair hybrid and electric cars. While waiting for a quick repair they can get a coffee and talk about life with Irmgard Speck.

Van Der Maelen

1 April 1962 - 20 January 2018





Van Der Maelen lived on the first floor of an apartment block on the Bist in Wilrijk close to Antwerp. He was a computer expert and had a sexual relationship with the inventor of Excel. During the years he helped to develop Excel 95 (v7.0) and later Excel 2010 (v14.0). The relationship stopped because Van der Maelen became a vegan. He still had a working relationship with the inventor of Excel. Both were working on a new version with 10485764467932 rows, and 1638476977720 columns. It will come out in the winter of 2019.

Once he had a hamster that he taught how to speak.

Van Der Maelen disappeared all of a sudden. He was missing from work. The shutters of his apartment on the Bist were closed. When the police broke in a few months later they found him in the kitchen. He was sitting at the table with a smile on his face. It took a few minutes for the officers to realize he was dead. His body had not decomposed. The computer was still on.

Freddy Van Gaever

19 June 1938 – 15 December 2017





Freddy Van Gaever was a businessman from Antwerp. In 1963 he founded the transport company Freddytrans. By the end of the decade, thanks to the growth of the Port of Antwerp, Freddytrans, which had started with only two trucks, counted more than thirty in its service. In the early 1970's Van Gaever launched himself into aviation. He bought two old planes and managed four daily freight flights from Deurne (near Antwerp) to Amsterdam, a journey of 200 kilometres. The company was called FreddyAirTrans, or FAT. It was a childhood dream come true. But not a long-lasting one. The airline was far from profitable and FAT, after just a few months, was overtaken by SABENA, the national airline of Belgium. Van Gaever was resentful of the national politics and became an ardent supporter of the Flemish militant movement. In addition to the militant movement Van Gaever embarked on a new project: the VLM, a Flemish aviation company. The VLM operated flights from Deurne to London City and Basel in the 80's and 90's, mainly serving the Jewish community of diamond dealers whose headquarters were in Antwerp. The fact that the clientele of the VLM was mainly Jewish and that Van Gaever was affiliated with the militant Flemish movement (Nazi collaborators during WW II) never posed a problem. Freddy Van Gaever mastered the art of negotiation. For some years the VLM knew reasonable success, but the growing competition in the aviation market weakened the company. In recent years Freddy once again tried his chances in aviation. He purchased a large aircraft from a bankrupt company and had his name painted on it. V.G. Airlines. The flight went from Brussels to New York.

It flew once. There were no passengers on board. Only Freddy Van Gaever. Shortly after he died.

Kate Webster

1849 - 29 July 1879





Irish woman Kate Webster carried out one of the most notorious and savage murders of 19th century England when she killed and dismembered her employer, Julia Martha Thomas.

Born Catherine Lawler in Killanne near Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford in 1849, young Kate gained a reputation for theft from an early age, no doubt causing shame for her poor but respectable parents. She was imprisoned for larceny in Wexford at the age of 15. After her release, she continued to steal until she raised enough money for a ticket to Liverpool in 1867. At some point she took the name Webster (one of many aliases), and claiming to have married a sea captain of that same name and had four children by him, only to have all five of them die. However, given her propensity for lying, it's questionable whether they ever even existed. Webster got a job as a domestic servant to twice widowed Julia Martha Thomas in Richmond. She started on January 29, 1879 but Mrs Thomas soon became critical of Webster's work and gave her notice to finish on February 28. Webster asked for the notice period to be extended until March 2. On that day the pair quarrelled before Mrs Thomas went to church. On her return they again rowed and, according to Webster's confession, she threw Mrs Thomas down a flight of stairs before choking her. Other reports claim she initially attacked her employer with an axe."I chopped the head from the body with the assistance of a razor which I used to cut through the flesh afterwards," said Webster in her confession. "I also used the meat saw and the carving knife to cut the body up. I filled a pot with water and as soon as I had succeeded in cutting it up I placed it in the pot and boiled it to prevent identification. I opened the stomach with the carving knife and burned as many of the parts as I could." Webster packed the body pieces (except for the head and one foot) into a box and a bag before throwing them into the Thames. The foot was soon found on a rubbish tip in Twickenham. It took much longer to recover the head though. Detective Inspector David Bolton, who examined the case in 2010, said: "A few days after the murder, some boys said that Kate Webster had offered them some food and said 'here you go lads, I've got some good pig's lard which you can have for free'. The boys ate two bowls of lard, which was unfortunately Mrs Thomas."

While the box containing some of Mrs Thomas' remains was recovered, as well as the severed foot in Twickenham, the head was not found until 131 years later – in TV presenters David Attenborough's back garden.

Witse

23 March 1946





Hubert Daemen is a Belgian character actor performing under contract to the National Broadcasting Network. He's best known for "Witse", the main character in a series about a police inspector mainly active in the neighbourhood of Halle and the Flemish region around Brussels.

Thanks to his lifelong contract with the National Broadcasting Network Witse is considered a civil servant. He's not concerned with a mediocre performance as he's protected by the trade unions. In this position, Witse allows himself to abuse the film crew whenever he's in a bad mood. His behaviour often takes tyrannical forms. Once, he attacked and heavily assaulted an intern on the film set because his coffee was too hot. The trainee filed a complaint for aggression and abuse at the National Broadcaster but, in reaction to this, Witse's supporters in the trade unions threatened a general strike.

The intern was fined and fired. Witse's filming takes about three times as long as a typical tv series because Witse strictly complies with the regulations of the contract he signed with the trade unions and the National Broadcasting Network. At 4 pm the day wraps. Evenings and weekends are paid double. The catering on set must be organic, fruits and vegetables must only be of local origin.

Witse earns 7,000 Euros net per month. His benefits also include a car and meal vouchers.