Sacco and Vanzetti both stood their second trial in Dedham, Massachusetts for the South Braintree robbery and murders, with Judge Webster Thayer again presiding; he had asked to be assigned the trial. Anticipating a possible bomb attack, authorities had the Dedham courtroom outfitted with cast-iron shutters, painted to appear wooden, and heavy, sliding steel doors. Each day during the trial, the courthouse was placed under heavy police security, and Sacco and Vanzetti were escorted in and out of the courtroom by armed guards.

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Mugshot of anarchist Emma Goldman from when she was implicated in the assassination of President McKinley, 1901.

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1906: An Anarchist’s bomb explodes amidst Spanish King Alfonso XIII’s retinue. Several bystanders and horses are killed, the King is unharmed, and the Queen gets some spots of blood on her dress.

Members of *Chernoe Znamia* (Чёрное знамя or Black Banner in English), a Russian anarchist group formed in the early 1900s around the time of the First Russian Revolution. An Anarchist-Communist organization, that is, one which espoused Kropotkin’s goal of a free communal society in which each person would be rewarded according to his needs, however its immediate tactics of conspiracy and violence, inspired by Bakunin.

Chernoe Znamia attracted its greatest following in the frontier provinces of the west and south. Students, artisans, and factory workers predominated, but there were also a few peasants from villages located in the larger towns, as well as a sprinkling of unemployed laborers, vagabonds, professional thieves, and styled Nietzschean supermen. Although many of the members were of Polish, Ukrainian, and Great Russian nationality, Jewish recruits were in the majority. *A striking feature of the Chernoe Znamia organis...*
was the extreme youth of its adherents, nineteen or twenty being the typical age. Some of the most active Chernoznamenty were only fifteen or sixteen.

Nearly all the anarchists in Bialystok were members of Chernoe Znamia. The history of these youths was marked by reckless fanaticism and uninterrupted violence. Theirs was the first anarchist group to inaugurate a deliberate policy of terror against the established order. Gathering in their circles of ten or twelve members, they plotted vengeance upon ruler and boss. Their “Anarkhia” (Anarchy) printing press poured forth a veritable torrent of inflammatory proclamations and manifestoes expressing a violent hatred of existing society and calling for its immediate destruction. They were responsible for a number of bombings and assassinations during the Revolution and so dedicated to their beliefs that whenever one of them thought they were about to get arrested they would commit suicide instead. Those that were caught would usually deliver a rousing speech on Justice and Anarchy before they were executed, in the manner of Ravachol and Emile Henry.

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A young Luigi Galleani.
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Flavio Costantini was born in Rome, Italy, in 1926. He served in the Italian Navy before becoming a commercial graphic artist in 1955. He has illustrated several books including The Art of Anarchy (1974), The Shadow Line (1989) and Letters from the Underworld (1997).

More often than not it is the artist, writer or poet, rather than the historian or sociologist, who succeed in capturing the spirit of an age; in so doing, they make an important contribution to our understanding of society. Flavio Costantini is such a person. He sadly passed away on 20th May 2013.

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AN UNEXPECTED INTERVIEW

Conversation with the Untraceable Anarchist

A reporter who has long followed the socialist and anarchist meetings came last night to tell us that, in a café near one of our great stations, he had encountered the elusive Ravachol, after whom all the bloodhounds of the prefecture of police have been sent.

After we made inquiries about his identity, we thought we could welcome, at least on the grounds of curiosity, the details you are about to read:

— There are many reasons why they won’t pinch Ravachol any time soon: first, that name is not his own; second, the description that has been given of him is inexact; and third, it would be difficult to recognize in his new get-up the correct gentleman who went to deposit the little bomb [marmite] at 136 Boulevard Saint-Germain.

“So, comrade Ravachol did not appear the least bit worried about the result of the searches by the agents of Mr. Lozé, and it is while solemnly sipping an absinthe and sugar that he had the following interview with me:

— For one condemned to death, you don’t seem to be very worried.

— For one condemned to death, you don’t seem to be very worried.

— First, I am not condemned to death, and with the description they have given of me I do not risk being taken; unless I am sold out. And if, by some extraordinary chance, the police get their hands on me, it may perhaps cook them, for I have long since sacrificed my life to defend and propagate my ideas.

— Are you really the perpetrator of the explosion in the Boulevard Saint-Germain?
— It was me or it wasn’t. If it was me, I have not hidden myself because of it; if it was not me, while they mistakenly suspect me and look for me, the real culprit has time to reach safety and, in that case, I do not see the use in correcting these gentlemen.

— What do you think of the attack this morning, in the Rue de Clichy?

— It was very merry (sic). It is only regrettable that M. Bulot, the prosecutor, that the compagnon should especially aim for, was just the one who suffered least. No matter, since we will attain our goal all the same, which is to terrorize the judicial authorities. For long enough the judges have condemned for vagabondage poor devils who have committed the crime of not being millionaires; we want, in our turn, to reduce them to that state. There is a stock of dynamite distributed sufficient that each house giving shelter to a magistrate can have its turn.

“if the proprietors want to avoid damages, they will be forced to evict that category of tenants. Unless they sleep under the stars, these latter should join together to buy one or more houses where they will lodge together, and guard themselves in a very strict fashion, if they do not want the anarchists to seize this fortuitous occasion to blow them all up together.

— And he explosions in front of the Hotel de Sagan and the Labau barracks?

— That was kids’ stuff; the hands of the anarchists were certainly strangers to it. Anyway, whatever motive was obeyed by the person who inspired them, they have served their purpose. The noise made about them has opened eyes and demonstrated to us the excellence of the propaganda of the deed. It is on this side that the compagnons will now carry all their efforts.

— Doesn’t the way in which the explosion in the Boulevard Saint-Germain and that of the Rue de Clichy were carried out suggest to you some criticisms of the blunders of the perpetrators?

— My God! one does what one can. It is certain that, if the cartridges had been place in a room, instead of in the stairwell, the damage would have been more considerable; but, at heart, we are better lads (sic) than you think. You could even say that we do not want the death of the sinner, but his conversion; that is why, although we have enormous quantities of explosives at our disposal, we only use small amounts.

— So this will continue, then?

— It must. They hunt us; we avenge the innocents who have been unjustly condemned since the business at Montceau-les-Mines and the trial of Lyon, and the victims of the agents provocateurs that have been sent among us. It is the police who taught us to make use of explosives.

“During this whole conversation, Ravachol did not show the least emotion. Remorse is unknown to these fanatics of crime, and it is with a smile on his face that, after leaving me, he went to ask one of the policemen who were pacing up and down on the sidewalk, the shortest way to get to Pere-Lachaise!!!”

[Source: La Gaulois, March 28, 1892, 1; working translation by Shawn P. Wilbur]

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check out the awesome class war shit going on in 1913
“anarchist shoots at king of Italy”
“outlaws shoot judge dead on the bench in court”
“convict mutiny at Nebraska jail”
“miners reject terms of peace in coal fields”
All on the same front page.

(via albatrossanarchy)
March, 1921, Spanish Prime Minister Eduardo Dato was gunned down by three Catalan anarchists, Lluis Nicolau, Pere Mateu, and Ramon Casanelles, who were riding a motorcycle. Pictured above is Dato’s car, riddled with bullet holes, in the aftermath of his assassination. Dato was the second Spanish Prime Minister to be slain by anarchists within a decade.

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February 10th, 1916, a high society banquet to honor Archbishop George Mundelein was held in Chicago. Unbeknownst to the 200 some attendees, however, was the ill intent of the chef, Nestor Dondoglio aka “Jean Crones”. A fervent anarchist of the Galleanist persuasion, Dondoglio had poisoned the soup with arsenic. However, in his haste, Dondoglio had added too much poison, inducing his victims to vomit up the mixture and thus killing no one. Though over a hundred diners became violently ill, the Archbishop remained unscathed, having passed on the soup.

“Jean Crones” was able to escape the scene and into hiding. Police later raided his apartment, discovering the would-be assassin’s true identity, Nestor Dondoglio, a German immigrant, as well as a score of carefully prepared poisons (see bottom image) alongside a variety of “anarchist materials”.

From hiding, Dondoglio sent taunting letters to the New York Times boasting of his plot, saying “I am sorry that all or not at least 100 got killed for the world would be better without them”. He promised to strike again and laughed at the feeble attempts of the police to find him. He was never caught.

TOP: The University Club kitchen where Dondoglio prepared his soup.
BOTTOM: Investigators search Dondoglio’s apartment.

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Sophie Parovskaya (1853-1881)
Participant in the Russian anarchist-nihilist group Narodnaya Volya’s numerous conspiracies to assassinate Tsar Alexander II. On March 1st, 1881, Parvoskaya’s careful planning paid off when co-conspirator Nikolai Rysakov tossed an explosive beneath the Tsar’s carriage. Ryakov’s explosive succeeded only in killing one of the Tsar’s men and wounding others in his entourage, due in part to the armoring of the Tsar’s bulletproof carriage. However, Tsar Alexander II stepped from his protective shell to inspect the damage, whereupon another conspirator, Ignacy Hryniewiecki shouted “It is too early to thank god!” and threw a second explosive. Both Tsar and Hryniewiecki were killed in the blast.

Though Parovskaya was able to escape the scene of the crime, Nikolai Rysakov was arrested and tortured until he gave up the names of his fellow conspirators. On April 3rd, 1881, Parovskaya and four others, including Rysakov, were led to the gallows dressed in black with the word “Tsaricide” on placards hung around their necks.

Further reading on the life of Sophie Parovskaya:
http://www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/RUSperovskaya.htm

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Galleani himself gave the example in words and deeds. His ultimate aim was Anarchist Communism, more or less according to the Kropotkin philosophy. He knew, however that before the ultimate aim could be realised much was to be done in order to pave the way. So he used to insist more on the details of a social order he very passionately wished for but could hardly hope that he would have a hand in shaping. “Our children will see to that,” he used to say. “Our task is to bequeath to them an environment as free as possible from the hindrances of private property and political power. No free construction is possible unless preceded by thorough destruction.”

Raffaele Schiavina, A Fragment of Luigi Galleani (via becoming-vverevvolf)

(tumblrete)

Bonnot gang
(via eternal-decay)

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No busqué afirmación social, ni una vida acomodada, ni tampoco una vida tranquila, para mí elegí la lucha. Vivir acomodado, no es vivir, es solamente vegetar y transportar en forma ambulante una masa de carne y de huesos. A la vida es necesario brindarle la elevación exquisita del brazo y de la mente. Enfrenté a la sociedad con sus mismas armas, sin inclinar la cabeza, por eso me consideran, y soy, un hombre peligroso.

Severino Di Giovanni

(via aflameoffreedom-blog)

NOVEMBER 24, 2013
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"Hurrah for Anarchy! This is the happiest moment of my life!"

Adolf Fischer, Haymarket Martyr, his last words as he stood in the gallows with a rope around his neck, hooded and in chains.
Can any one feel any respect for a government that accords rights only to the privileged classes, and none to the workers? We have seen but recently how the coal barons combined to form a conspiracy to raise the price of coal, while at the same time reducing the already low wages of their men. Are they accused of conspiracy on that account? But when working men dare ask an increase in their wages, the militia and the police are sent out to shoot them down.

For such a government as this I can feel no respect, and will combat them, despite their power, despite their police, despite their spies.

George Engel, Haymarket Martyr, speaking in his own defense at his trial, 1886

(via madcapcat)
"They killed the poor wretches because they, like you, had the courage to disobey the supreme will of your bosses. They killed them to show you 'Free American Citizens' that you must be satisfied with whatever your bosses condescend to allow you, or you will get killed. If you are men, if you are the sons of your grand sires, who have shed their blood to free you, then you will rise in your might, Hercules, and destroy the hideous monster that seeks to destroy you. To arms we call you, to arms."

August Spies, Haymarkey Martyr, Revenge! Workingmen to Arms! 1886.
Maria Nikiforova, affectionately thought of as the “anarchist Joan of Arc,” widely known as Marusya.

She was born in the Ukraine in 1885 and by age 16 she was a self described terrorist, staging bombings and expropriation missions. She was sentenced to life imprisonment in Siberia in 1910 but broke out after possibly organizing a prison riot. She traveled to Japan to the US to Paris, meeting many fellow anarchists and anarchist-communists along the way and served in the Macedonian front. When the Russian revolution broke out she organized and spoke at anarchist rallies in Kronstadt.

In 1917 she escaped back to her home in Alexandrovsk and organized a force of Black Guards to terrorize city authorities, especially army officers and landlords. Marusya played an important role in overthrowing Ukrainian nationalists in her city. Throughout the time Free Territory was secured she worked very closely with leader Nestor Makhno, and in fact was far more famous than him when they first met. She was also appointed assistant deputy to the revolutionary committee of her city, though this tie was broken when in August of 1917 she robbed a military storehouse (executing all captured officers) and passing the spoils to Makhno’s Black Guards rather than the Red Army.

In 1919, she was put on trial for pillaging and insubordination by the Bolsheviks (although she had sometimes allied with them, she had expropriated from Red storage at some points because she didn’t think Soviet state banks were actually the peoples’). She was banned from holding any political position afterwards, though she still gave speeches alongside Makhno.

Finally, in June 1919, anarchist armies were outlawed. The Reds had essentially thought they were useful while still fighting the Whites and other anti-revolutionary groups, but were now a threat to soviet State power. Marusya then intended to form terrorist cells (rather than traditional fighting) and took part in a sabotage mission against the Whites, where she was recognized, arrested, and sentenced to death on September 16, 1919.

Despite the impact she held in the revolution, Nikiforova is widely ignored by Soviet historians.

Required reading:
- *Atamansha: the Story of Maria Nikiforova, the Anarchist Joan of Arc*
- *Kontrrazvedka: the Story of the Makhnovist Intelligence Service*
I must live my life. I have the right to live, for every man has the right to live and since your idiocy and criminal social scheme claim to prevent me from doing so, well so much the worse for society. So much the worse for you all!

The last testament of Jules Bonnot, as found in his pocket following his fatal standoff with the French Police, April 28th, 1912.

A French postcard shows the siege of Jules Bonnot’s hideout by law enforcement and citizenry, April 28, 1912. Armed with only three Brownings and a Bayard pistol, Bonnot briefly succeeded in holding off 500 armed police, soldiers, firemen, military engineers and a lynch mob of local citizens.

By noon, after sporadic firing failed to extract Bonnot from the house, Paris Police Chief Louis Lepine ordered the building bombed, using a dynamite charge. The explosion demolished the front of the building. Barely conscious, lying underneath a mattress, Bonnot was shot ten times in the upper-body before Lépine shot him non-fatally in the head. Afterwards police had to prevent the spectators from lynching Bonnot. They simply told the crowd that Bonnot was already dead.

He succumbed to his wounds later the same day.

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Alexandre “Marius” Jacob (September 29, 1879–August 28, 1954), an illegalist anarchist and founding member of the Night Workers. Jacob operated with a principled criminality and refused to associate with anarchists in the worker’s movement, preferring to surround himself with criminals and like-minded illegalists. Between 1900 and 1903, operating with groups of two to four people, Jacob was responsible for over 150 burglaries in Paris, surrounding provinces and even abroad. During a botched robbery on April 21, 1903, Jacob shot and killed a police officer in order to escape. However, Jacob and two accomplices were arrested and he was later sentenced to a lifetime of hard labor in Cayenne.

While in Cayenne, Jacob attempted to escape 17 times, each time failing. However, following the country wide ban on forced labor (c. 1924), he was able to relocate and attempt to reintegrate himself into French society as best he could. Until his Death Jacob remained forever an anarchist.

#marius jacob #the night workers #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history #illegalis
The arrest of Ravachol, perpetrator of three separate bomb attacks directed towards representatives of the French judiciary, March 1892.

#ravachol #propaganda by the deed #expropriation #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history
This day in Anarchist history October 31, 1926 Anteo Zamboni a 15-year old anarchist tries to assassinate the fascist dictator Benito Mussolini in Bologna, by shooting at him during the parade celebrating the March on Rome. Zamboni, whose shot missed Mussolini, was immediately attacked and lynched by nearby fascists.

Let every dirty, lousy tramp arm himself with a revolver or a knife, and lay in wait on the steps of the palaces of the rich and stab or shoot the owners as they come out. Let us kill them without me and let it be a war of extermination.
Lucy Parsons
(via lumpenfag)

War, Class war, and you were the first to wage it under the cover of the powerful institutions you call order, in the darkness of your laws. There will have to be bloodshed; we will not dodge; there will have to be murder: we will kill, because it is necessary; there will have to be destruction; we will destroy to rid the world of your tyrannical institutions.

Excerpt from Plain Words (1919), a leaflet authored by Galleanists and distributed with a series of parcel bombs. The text was later traced back to a print shop operated by two anarchists, Andrea Salsedo, a typesetter and Roberto Elia, a compositor. After their arrest, Salsedo committed suicide, and Elia refused an offer to cancel deportation proceedings if he would testify about his role in a Galleanist organization.

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People gather outside the home of Attorney General Alexander Mitchell Palmer, June 2nd, 1919 after a Galleanist bomb was detonated on his doorstep. This was the second of two attempts on Palmer’s life - the first device was intercepted and defused in April of the same year.

The second attack, whose aftermath is pictured, failed to seriously injure Palmer and his family, though it demolished his home. Anarchist Carlo Valdinoci, an editor of Galleanist paper, Cronaca Sovversiva, was killed by the premature blast. Future president Franklin Delano Roosevelt and wife Eleanor, who lived across the street from Palmer, had walked in front of the Palmer house minutes before the explosion, narrowly escaping certain death.

This attack, one of many in a wave of Galleanist parcel bombings, became the motivating factor for the Palmer Raids, a coordinated attempt to arrest and deport radicals in the United States, and anarchists in particular.

#Palmer Raids #Alexander Mitchell Palmer #Galleani #galleanists #propaganda by the deed #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history
Jean De Boe and Eugene Dieudonne, convicted members of the Bonnot Gang, board a ship destined for the French penal colony in Guyana to serve their respective court-ordered sentences in exile, 1913. Both later managed escape - De Boe in 1922, and Dieudonne in 1926.

#Bonnot Gang  #Jean De Boe  #Eugene Dieudonne  #anarchy  #anarchist  #anarchist history

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When Sam Mazzone, a janitor carried a 20-pound bomb into the Central Police Station on November 24, 1917, he did so for the good of his parish, the Italian Evangelical Church, 535 No. Van Buren Street. Shortly after its arrival at the station, the bomb exploded, killing nine officers and one civilian in the worst tragedy in the history of the Milwaukee Police Department. Although the police bore the brunt of this tragedy, the officers were not the target of the bomber, whose identity was never discovered. The bomb was meant to destroy a small Italian church located in the Third Ward and its outspoken, patriotic pastor, Rev. August Giuliana.

Josie Spicciatti, the 10-year old daughter of the cleaning lady at Italian Evangelical, discovered the bomb in a narrow passage next to the church. She carried the package into the church, knowing that inside the paper wrapping was a bomb. She did not remove the wrapping and continued working until 11:30AM. She first went home and then in search of Miss Maude L. Richter, a worker at the church. At about 4PM, Miss Richter dragged the bomb to the church basement, banging it on the steps along the way. “I saw the vial, which contained a brown fluid (sulfuric acid) and took it out,” she told a reporter. “In the hole, where it had been placed, was a yellow substance like powder.” But then Miss Richter carefully reassembled the deadly device, believing that things should be left as they are found. At 6PM, Miss Richter sent Mazzone, the church janitor to the police station with the bomb. Mazzone briefly explained to Desk Sergeant Henry Deckert that the bomb may be linked to a near-riot several months ago, that two Italians were killed and five wounded, including two police officers.

Lieutenant Robert Flood was just finishing roll call and the policemen on duty were told that a bomb was in the stationhouse, available for their inspection, should they be so inclined. Apparently, not all the officers believed the innocent looking package was a real bomb, for some of them joked about it.

“It looked like a big dinner pail and innocent enough.” According to Captain of Detectives John T. Sullivan account of the event. But Desk Sergeant Deckert determined otherwise and took the bomb into the office of Lieutenant Robert Flood, poin toward Detective Arthur Burns and said, “Look at the new kind of bomb I’ve got.” Flood, who was in charge the station, said, “Get that thing out of here. Don’t fool around with anything like that!” Deckert then brought bomb into the squad assembly room, where the group of detectives examined the device.
In the flash of an instant, the bomb exploded, rocking the station and wreaking deadly havoc. Edward Spindler, working the switchboard on the second floor, was killed at his desk when a piece of shrapnel blasted through the floor, passing between the seat and arm on his chair, entering his body at the waist and exiting through his head. The other eight officers killed were in the assembly room, as was Catherine Walker, who had come to the station with a complaint against her boyfriend. Spared were the 18 terrified prisoners in the city jail above.

Amid the destruction that stripped walls of plaster were bodies and parts of bodies scattered everywhere. One detective’s wedding band was blown from his finger, a shoe dangled from the laths in the ceiling, a hat hung on a piece of glass in a broken window. Another detective’s watch was found faceup on a windowsill. Its hands were stopped at 7:33PM. Nothing of Deckert’s body was found, he finally was identified by the stripe on his trousers leg.

In one single incident, the most police officers were killed at one time, and in the safety of their own station house.

(Top) 1917 Milwaukee, WI headlines following the unintentional bombing of the central police station.

(Center) The room in which the explosion occurred.

(Bottom) Officers load the corpse of a colleague into an ambulance.

August Vaillant, Ravachol and Emile Henry

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Artists’s depiction of the assassination of William McKinley at the hands of Leon Czolgosz.

#Leon Czolgosz #William McKinley #attentat #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history

Mugshot of Rirette Maitrejean, collaborator in the French illegalist anarchist paper, L'anarchie, and accomplice to the Bonnot Gang. Best known for her anarcha-feminist and "free love" writings, as well as for standing trial in 1912, alongside her partner, Victor Serge, accused of participating in the criminal escapades of the Bonnot Gang.

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Members of the “Girochin Sha” (Guillotine Society), a Japanese illegalist-anarchist cell formed in 1922. In addition to robbing banks in order to fund their activities, Girochin Sha twice attempted the life of General Masataro Fukuda - the party responsible for the murder of the most prominent anarchist writer in Japan at the time, Osugi Sakae.

In the first attempt, one of Osugi’s old comrades, Kyutaro Wada, shot Fukuda but succeeded only in wounding him, while in the second, Fukuda’s house was bombed, by Genjirop Muraki and Furuta, but he was not at home at the time.

In 1924, Girochin Sha member Tetsu Nakahama (among others) attacked the president of Kanebo Co. and were arrested. Nakahama and fellow Girochin Sha member, Daijiro Furuta were later executed (1925) for their “anti-government acts”, including a 1923 bank robbery, and for plans to assassinate Prince Hirohito. Kyutaro Wada committed suicide in his cell, facing life imprisonment.

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The Chicago Daily Tribune, September 8, 1901, attempts to link Emma Goldman to Czolgosz’s attentat of William McKinley.

Czolgosz was “set on fire”, as he later told prosecutors, after a speech Emma Goldman gave in Cleveland, Ohio. Approaching her afterwards as Goldman boarded a train, Czolgosz left a poor impression. Indeed, his awkward nervousness and intensity would later lead many anarchists to believe he was a police informant. The Free Society newspaper ran a misled warning:

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“The attention of the comrades is called to another spy. He is well dressed, of medium height, rather narrow shoulders, blond and about 25 years of age. Up to the present he has made his appearance in Chicago and Cleveland. In the former place he remained but a short time, while in Cleveland he disappeared when the comrades had confirmed themselves of his identity and were on the point of exposing him. His demeanor is of the usual sort, pretending to be greatly interested in the cause, asking for names or soliciting aid for acts of contemplated violence. If this same individual makes his appearance elsewhere the comrades are warned in advance, and can act accordingly.”

After the assassination of William McKinley, the vast majority of vocal anarchists did everything in their power to disassociate from the actions of Czolgosz, many going so far as to outright condemn him and his violent deed. This group even included Goldman’s husband, Alexander Berkman. However, Goldman could not be counted amongst these ranks, as she spiritedly defended Czolgosz in direct defiance of government repression.

The mugshots of Jean De Boe, an accomplice to the Bonnot Gang. For his criminal activities, De Boe was sentenced February 1913 to 10 years of hard labor in French Guiana. He managed to escape to Belgium in 1922, where he continued his practice of anarchist agitation until his death in 1974.
Gennaro Rubino, an Italian anarchist, makes an unsuccessful attempt on the life of King Leopold II of Belgium, November 1902. Rubino fired three shots from a revolver at the King’s procession as it passed down the Rue Royal in Brussels.

Immediately arrested, Rubino stood trial in 1903 where he remained unrepentant. He was sentenced to life and died in incarceration in Leuven, Belgium, March 1918.

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In January 1918, following the deaths, arrests and persecution of Milwaukee anarchists, Gabriella “Ella” Antolini, age 19, undertook the task of transporting, from Youngstown to Chicago, a black leather case containing thirty-six sticks of dynamite and a .32 caliber Colt automatic that were to be used to carry out revenge attacks for entroubled Milwaukee anarchists.

After a suspicious porter alerted the authorities to Antolini, she was arrested on her arrival in Chicago. She was charged with illegal possession of dynamite and placed in jail on $20,000 bail. Throughout her intensive interrogations, Antolini refused to cooperate with authorities. She not only maintained a false identity as long as possible, but denied personal associations with unwavered persistence.

However, she never relented her anarchism, boldly declaring before the court: “I don’t believe in god, government or laws. I do not care what they do to me”.

Antolini quickly gained folkloric standing as “Dynamite Girl” and was celebrated by fellow anarchists, enthusiastically proclaiming “she never talked!”.
Shrapnel used in the carriage bombing of Wall Street, April 1920. 500 pounds of cast-iron sash weights were added to the 110 pounds of dynamite in order to extend the viciousness of the explosion.

The suspected author of the attack, Mario Buda, is believed to have acted in revenge for the arrest and indictment of fellow Galleanists, Sacco and Vanzetti.
The preserved skull and brain (bottom) of anarchist Giovanni Passannante (top), where they were held on display in the Criminal Museum of Rome for over 70 years, until their removal in 2007.

On November 17, 1878, as the carriage of King Umberto I of Italy passed by, Passannante attempted to stab the ruler in the chest with a dagger wrapped in a red rag on which was written: “Death to the King! Long live the Universal Republic! Long live Orsini!”

However his blow was deflected, and having barely managed to wound the arm of his intended victim, he was promptly arrested.

The next day, in Florence a group of anarchists threw an explosive into a crowd celebrating the King’s survival. Another bomb exploded in Pisa with no casualties, and in Pesaro a barrack was assaulted.

Passannante was sentenced to death on March 29, 1879, although capital punishment was expected only in case of regicide, but his penalty was commuted in life imprisonment.

The anarchist was imprisoned in Portoferraio (Tuscany), in a small and dark cell below sea level, with no toilets and in complete isolation for years. Day after day, his mental conditions became critical, as he couldn’t talk to anyone and was brutally tortured. He fell ill with scurvy, struck by the taenia solium, lost body hair, his skin discolored, his eyelids reversed on the eyes and, according to some witnesses, he came to eat his own feces. Every night seamen who passed near his prison could hear Passannante’s screams of pain.

Passannante was later transferred to Montelupo Fiorentino, a mental facility, where he was described as “little more than a jelly”. He remained at Montelupo Fiorentino until his death at the age of 60.

#Giovanni Passannante #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history #attentat
American political cartoon, 1919, depicting the perceived threat of “European anarchists” to the integrity of the United States.

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Severino Di Giovanni (bottom left) appears in court, 1931.

Di Giovanni authored numerous anarchist publications in Argentina, including his own paper *Culmine* (est. 1925). However, he is best known for a series of coordinated attacks carried out in the name of solidarity and vengeance for Sacco and Vanzetti, including one ambitious attack that destroyed the US Embassy to Argentina. His actions then, as now, continue to be mired in controversy.

He was executed by firing squad, 1931.

It is suggested that one might read “Anarchism and Violence” by Osvaldo Bayer, on the subject of Severino Di Giovanni.

#Severino Di Giovanni
#propaganda by the deed
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#anarchist
#anarchist history
On September 11th, 1926, anarchist Gino Lucetti attempted to assassinate Italy’s fascist leader, Benito Mussolini by throwing an explosive at the Duce’s passing vehicle. The attempt was unsuccessful, and Lucetti was arrested and imprisoned on June, 1927 with a sentence of 30 years.

In 1943, Lucetti managed to escape, but was killed shortly afterwards in the German bombing raid on Ischia.

#flavio costantini #costantini #Gino Lucetti #Mussolini #anarchist #anarchy #anarchist history #attentat #propaganda by the deed

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Wall Street lays in ruins after a carriage loaded with 110 pounds of dynamite was detonated September, 1920. Though 38 lay dead, and another 143 were injured, the intended target, J.P Morgan, was not counted among them. Indeed, he was reportedly in Scotland, golfing. A leaflet was found claiming, “Remember, we will not tolerate any longer. Free the political prisoners, or it will be sure death for all of you. Signed, American Anarchist Fighters.”

It is popularly believed that Mario Buda (alias “Mike Boda”) was responsible for the attack. His alleged motivation: the arrest and trial of fellow Galleanists, Sacco and Vanzetti.

This short film, in its first part, is a recreation of the murder of Joseph Canalejas at the hands of Manuel Pardinas. It then shows scenes of the Canalejas’ funeral procession and burial.

The President of the Council of Ministers and Liberal Party leader Jose Canalejas was killed October 12, 1912 at 11 and 25 am, while looking at books displayed in the window of the Library St. Martin in the corner of the Puerta del Sol with Carretas street, in Madrid.
The assailant, Pardinas Manuel Serrano, who was not in the police record of listed anarchists, fired three shots in Canalejas' back. Moments later, he was struck by a police truncheon and feeling cornered, shot himself twice.

Canalejas died before arriving at the headquarters of the Ministry of the Interior.

#ManuelPardinas #josecanalejas #attentat #anarchy #anarchist #anarchisthistory

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Explosion at the police station on the Rue des Bons-Enfants, Paris, 1892. On 8 November 1892, an anarchist named Emile Henry deposited a bomb at the offices of the Carmaux Mining Company in Paris. The bomb was discovered, seized and transported to the police station located on the Rue des Bons-Enfants, where it exploded, killing five police officers.
A rather odd, and at the same time gruesome, “anarchist confrontation” right at the border station at Jeumont between Belgium and France in 1904. It took place after an act of Propaganda Of The Deed in the Belgian town Liège where a Belgian artillery officer were killed. One of the anarchists, the French-born Philipp (marked with the number 1 in the photograph), fled to Paris where he was arrested. The others were arrested in Belgium. However, the French laws prohibited extradition of French citizens to Belgium, but the French still wanted to help the Belgians out. So they met up with the Belgians exactly at the border, where they interrogated the arrested French anarchist and one of the Belgian anarchists named Lambin (marked with the number 2 in the photograph).

When the article that these pictures were taken from were written, the journalist did not yet know the outcome from the trials. But the cruel reality is that the French authorities tried the French anarchist for the crime in Belgium, and he probably got sentenced to death. Had he not fled to France, he probably would have survived since Belgian law did not have the death sentence at this time.

You have hanged in Chicago, decapitated in Germany, garroted in Jerez, shot in Barcelona, guillotined in Montbrison and Paris, but what you will never destroy is anarchy. Its roots are too deep. It is born in the heart of a society that is rotting and falling apart. It is a violent reaction against the established order. It represents all egalitarian and libertarian aspirations that strike out against
authority. It is everywhere, which makes it impossible to contain. It will end by killing you.

Emile Henry, defense speech, April 1894

#emily henry #anarchist #anarchy #anarchist history #propaganda by the deed

Michele Angiolillo faces the garrote after his attentat of the Prime Minister of Spain, Antonio Canovas, 1897. This is a real photo of a person being executed by the state for their deeds carried out in the name of “anarchy”. Take that as you may.

#Angiolillo #Canovas #anarchist #anarchy #anarchist history #attenat #propaganda by the deed
Etievant procures his revolver while confined.

#Georges Etievant #Anarchist #anarchy #anarchist history #ACAB #FTP #attentat #propaganda by the deed

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7 NOTES
The execution of Sante Caserio.

#Sante Caserio #Caserio #Sadio Carnot #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history #attentat #propaganda by the deed

SEPTEMBER 28, 2013

13 NOTES
The corpse of Jules Bonnot.

Bonnot #bonnot gang #illegalism #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history

Plain Words (1919)

'Plain Words' was found at the site of a series of bombings against capitalist targets in 1919, including billionaire John D. Rockefeller and Attorney General Alexander Palmer. The primes suspects were Galleanists, followers of insurrectionary anarchist Luigi Galleani (1861-1931), founder and editor of the newspaper 'Cronaca Sovversiva.' Published for over 15-years almost entirely in Italian, the magazine made a strong case for "propaganda by the deed," that is: revolutionary violence as opposed to simply propaganda by the word. The Galleanists tried to put the ideas into practice; for example, a Chicago chef added arsenic to the soup for 200 at a banquet to honor Archbishop Mundelein (no one died - he added too much poison and it was all vomited back up). The June 1919 bombings did kill three - one of the bombers, a woman walking by, and a night watchman; in contrast, from 1914 to 1918, tens of millions were maimed or killed in the capitalists’ first World War.

The powers that be make no secret of their will to stop, here in America, the world-wide spread of revolution. The powers that be must reckon that they will have to accept the fight they have provoked. A time when the social question’s solution can be delayed no longer; class war is on and can not cease but with a complete victory for the International proletariat.

The challenge is an old one, oh “democratic” lords of the autocratic republic. We have been dreaming of freedom, we have talked of liberty, we have aspired to a better world, and you jailed us, you clubbed us, you deported us, you murdered us whenever you could.

Now that the great war, waged to replenish your purses, and build a pedestal to your saints, is over, nothing better can you do to protect your stolen millions, and your usurped fame, than to direct all the power of the murderous institutions you created for your exclusive defense, against the working multitudes rising to a more human conception of life. The jails, the dungeons you reared to bury all protesting voices, are now replenished with languishing conscientious workers, and never satisfied, you increase their number ever day.

It is history of yesterday that your gunmen were shooting and murdering unarmed masses by the wholesale; it has been the history of every day in your regime; and now all prospects are even worse.

Do not expect us to sit down and pray and cry. We accept your challenges and mean to stick to our war duties. We know that all you do is for your defense as a class; we know also that the proletariat has the same right to protect itself, since their press has been suffocated, their mouths muzzled; we mean to speak for them the voice of dynamite, through the mouth of guns.

Do not say we are acting cowardly because we keep hiding, do not say it is abominable; it is war, class war, and you were the first to wage it under cover of the powerful institutions you call order, in the darkness of your laws, behind the guns of your bone-headed slave.

No liberty do you accept but yours; the working people also have a right to freedom, and their rights, our own rights, we have set our minds to protect at any price.

We are not many, perhaps more than you dream of, though but are all determined to fight to the last, till a man remains buried in your Bastilles, till a hostage of the working class is left to the tortures of your police syst and will never rest until your fall is complete, and the laboring masses have taken possession of all that rigi belongs to them.

There will be bloodshed; we will not dodge; there will have to be murder: we will kill, because it is necces: there will have to be destruction; we will destroy to rid the world of your tyrannical institutions.
We are ready to do anything and everything to suppress the capitalist class; just as you are doing anything and everything to suppress the proletarian revolution.

Our mutual position is pretty clear. What has been done by us so far is only a warning that there are friends of popular liberties still living. Only now we are getting into the fight; and you will have a chance to see what liberty-loving people can do.

Do not seek to believe that we are the Germans’ or the devil’s paid agents; you know well we are class-conscious men with strong determination, and no vulgar liability. And never hope that your cops, and your hounds will ever succeed in ridding the country of the anarchistic germ that pulses in our veins.

We know how we stand with you and know how to take care of ourselves. Besides, you will never get all of us * * and we multiply nowadays. Just wait and resign to your fate, since privilege and riches have turned your heads.

Long live social revolution! Down with tyranny!

THE ANARCHIST FIGHTERS.

Leon Czolgosz sits in jail after his killing of William McKinley, 1901. Though obscured by the bars of his cell, note the obvious disfiguration of his face, ostensibly caused by police beatings.
SEATTLE, Wash., April 28.—An infernal machine of sufficient power, according to the police, to blow out the entire side of the County-City Building, was discovered in mail addressed to Mayor Hanson and opened at his office yesterday morning. It failed to explode, although the glass container holding sulphuric acid designed to set off the bomb broke in unwrapping. The bomb, according to the postmark, was sent from New York.

NY Times, April 29th, 1919 after alleged Galleanists attempted to destroy Mayor Hanson of Seattle, WA for his role in the dissipation of the Seattle general strike of the same year.

Anarchist Georges Etievant refuses arrest, stabs a policeman.

July 27, 1892, he was sentenced to five years in prison for theft of dynamite used in the attacks Ravachol. Despite Ravachol’s denial of association, Etievant was sentenced alongside three companions. Later, he was again sentenced to five years for a series of articles published in The Libertarian. Actively pursued by authorities, he stabbed a police officer January 19, 1898. Sentenced to death June 15, 1898, his sentence was commuted to life imprisonment. He died a few years later in a prison in Guyana.

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Marius Jacob and the “night workers” (c~ 1900-1903), a band of anarchist burglars as depicted by artist Flavio Costantini.

The night workers were united under three principles:

1. one does not kill, except to protect his life and his freedom from the police;
2. one steals only from those considered to be social parasites - bosses, judges, soldiers, and the clergy - but never from the professions considered useful - architects, doctors, artists, etc.;
3. finally, a percentage of the stolen money was to be invested into the anarchist cause

#marius jacob #the night workers #illegalism #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history #flavio costantini #the art of anarchy

SEPTEMBER 24, 2013

119 NOTES
After Chicago policemen killed several anarchists and labor activists following a violent dispute with factory scabs, May 3rd, 1886 (the day before the infamous Haymarket affair), August Spies printed his famous circular, “Revenge”. Copies of the notorious print flooded Chicago, increasing the tensions that would produce conflict the following day. Spies was later indicted, and executed, by the state for antagonism precipitating the infamous violence of Haymarket.

#Haymarket massacre #haymarket affair #august spies #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history

== SEPTEMBER 24, 2013 ==

4 NOTES
Simón Radovitzky, a Ukrainian immigrant and anarchist activist, made history as an 18-year-old when he killed Colonel Ramón Falcón, the chief of police who on 1st May 1909 had ordered the brutal repression of a popular demonstration in the streets of Buenos Aires. Radovitzky would spend the next 21 years of his life in prison, in almost complete isolation. Although many refused to justify his crime, his idealism and boldness earned him the admiration of leftist groups, and he became a cult legend in the eyes of some activists and workers.

Falcón was a fearsome character. He was a military man of the old school, a priest of law and order: severe, intrepid, incorruptible. He was also a widower with no children and, as it was once said, “he has neither vices nor luxuries, Falcón does not sleep.”

Radovitzky decided it would be a good idea to eliminate him, and when he learned that Falcón was going to be returning from a funeral in a horse driven carriage, he devised a home-made bomb. José Fornes, who was driving a car behind Falcón, spotted a young man sprinting after the coach carrying the chief of police and 20-year-old Alberto Lastigua, his private secretary. Before anyone was fast enough to react, Radowitzky ran up to the coach, threw a package into the compartment and fled before a terrible explosion shook the scene. A chase ensued, and the Ukrainian was pursued by a number of Falcón’s entourage.

It is reported that Falcón did not lose consciousness as a result of the explosion, and that he insisted his secretary be helped before him. Both were tended to with makeshift bandages, but neither was in a good way. The bomb had ripped through their legs, and the bleeding was severe. They later died in hospital.

Radovitzky was caught after falling in the street and was described as “disagreeably pale with a small, rather wispy, reddish moustache, bony features, the jaw of a boxer, watery eyes, and large lampshade ears. Undoubtedly Russian.”

He was taken to the nearest police station where confusion ensued about his real identity and age. He claimed to be 18 and therefore ineligible for the death penalty. Regardless of the fact that the government wanted him to suffer for his crime, the most they could do was put a life sentence on his head, which they did. In 1930 President Yrigoyen pardoned Radovitzky with the condition of permanent exile, outraging the establishment.
Prosecutor: Are you an anarchist, M. Fénéon?

Felix Feneon: I am a Burgundian born in Turin.

Prosecutor: Your police file extends to one hundred and seventy pages. It is documented that you were intimate with the German terrorist Kampfmeyer."

FF: The intimacy cannot have been great as I do not speak German and he does not speak French.” (Laughter in courtroom.)

Prosecutor: It has been established that you surrounded yourself with Cohen and Ortoz."

FF: One can hardly be surrounded by two persons; you need at least three.” (More laughter.)
Prosecutor: You were seen conferring with them behind a lamppost!"

FF: A lamppost is round. Can Your Honour tell me where behind a lamppost is?” (Loud, prolonged laughter. Judge calls for order.).

Transcript from “The Trial of the Thirty” in which Felix Feneon was forced to testify. Lasting from 6 August-31 October in 1894, The Trial of the Thirty, indicted 30 French and foreign anarchists on charge of “criminal association”. The trial aimed to legitimize lois scelerates (“villainous laws”), which outlawed advocacy and apologism for “propaganda by the deed”. Enacted after August Vaillant’s bombing, lois scelerates and the ensuing Trial of the Thirty aimed to dissolved anarchist activity in France.

The execution of Leon Czolgosz, American anarchist who fatally shot President William McKinley in Buffalo, NY, 1901. Facing death, he stated “I killed the President because he was the enemy of the good people – the good working people. I am not sorry for my crime.”

This is not an authentic video of Czolgosz’s execution, but a reenactment carefully constructed to portray his final moments in as accurate a manner as possible.

Emile Henry tosses an explosive into Cafe Terminus, Paris, 1894. Art by Flavio Costantini.
Narodnaya Volyna ("The People’s Will") succeed in assassinating Alexander II of Russia after many failed attempts, Saint Petersburg, 1881.

#narodnaya volyna
#the people's will
#anarchist
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#nihilists
#nihilism

SEPTEMBER 23, 2013

29 NOTES
alammusdrenim:
Raymond Callemin, a founding member of the Bonnot Gang, said on ascending the scaffold before being guillotined: “It’s beautiful, huh? - the agony of a man…”
(via alammusdrenim-deactivated201311)

SEPTEMBER 22, 2013
98 NOTES
Members of Chernoe Znamia (Чёрное знамя or Black Banner in English), a Russian anarchist group formed in the early 1900s around the time of the First Russian Revolution. An Anarchist-Communist organization, that is, one which espoused Kropotkin’s goal of a free communal society in which each person would be rewarded according to his needs, however its immediate tactics of conspiracy and violence, were inspired by Bakunin. 

Chernoe Znamia attracted its greatest following in the frontier provinces of the west and south. Students, artisans, and factory workers predominated, but there were also a few peasants from villages located near the larger towns, as well as a sprinkling of unemployed laborers, vagabonds, professional thieves, and self-styled Nietzschean supermen. Although many of the members were of Polish, Ukrainian, and Great Russian nationality, Jewish recruits were in the majority. A striking feature of the Chernoe Znamia organization was the extreme youth of its adherents, nineteen or twenty being the typical age. Some of the most active Chernoznamentsy were only fifteen or sixteen.

Nearly all the anarchists in Bialystok were members of Chernoe Znamia. The history of these youths was marked by reckless fanaticism and uninterrupted violence. Theirs was the first anarchist group to inaugurate a deliberate policy of terror against the established order. Gathering in their circles of ten or twelve members, they plotted vengeance upon ruler and boss. Their “Anarkhiia” (Anarchy) printing press poured forth a veritable torrent of inflammatory proclamations and manifestoes expressing a violent hatred of existing society and calling for its immediate destruction. “They were responsible for a number of bombings and assassinations during the Revolution and so dedicated to their beliefs that whenever one of them thought they were about to get arrested they would commit suicide instead. Those that were caught would usually deliver a rousing speech on Justice and Anarchy before they were executed, in the manner of Ravachol and Emile Henry.

#anarchy #anarchist #anarchism #anarchist history #russian anarchists #Chernoe Znamia

≈ SEPTEMBER 22, 2013
VIA AFLAMEOFFREEDOM-BLOG
In the great city of Paris,
There are well-fed bourgeois,
There are the poor,
Who have an empty stomach:
The former are greedy,
Long live the sound, long live the sound,
The former are greedy,
Long live the sound
Of the explosion!
Let’s dance the Ravachole
Long live the sound, long live the sound
Let’s dance the Ravachole
Of the explosion!

Ah ça ira ça ira ça ira
All the bourgeois will taste the bomb
Ah ça ira ça ira ça ira
We'll blow up all the bourgeois
We'll blow them up!
There are sell out magistrates,
There are big-bellied financiers,
There are cops,
But for all these scoundrels,
There's dynamite,
Long live the sound, long live the sound,
There’s dynamite,
Long live the sound,
Of the explosion!
There are the feeble-minded senators,
There are the rotten deputies,
There are the generals,
Murderers and executioners,
Butchers in uniform,
Long live the sound, long live the sound,
Butchers in uniform,
Long live the sound
Of the explosion!

… … …
Ah, goddamit, it's time to put an end to this,
We've moaned and suffered long enough,
No half-way war,
No more cowardly pity,
Death to the bourgeoisie!
Long live the sound, long live the sound
Death to the bourgeoisie!
Long live the sound
Of the explosion!

*La Ravachole.* Sung to the tune of the song of the French Revolution, la Carmagnole, La Ravachole became a popular song amongst the French working class following the execution of Ravachol.

#LaRavachole #Ravachol #anarchist #anarchy #anarchisthistory
Emile Henry is arrested following his bombing of a bourgeois Parisian restaurant, Cafe Terminus, 1894.

I tell you frankly and openly, I am for force. I have already told Captain Schaack, “if they use cannons against us, we shall use dynamite against them.” I repeat that I am the enemy of the “order” of today, and I repeat that, with all my powers, so long as breath remains in me, I shall combat it. I declare again, frankly and openly, that I am in favor of using force. I have told Captain Schaack, and I stand by it, “if you cannonade us, we shall dynamite you.” You laugh! Perhaps you think, “you’ll throw no bombs”; but let me assure you I die happy on the gallows, so confident am I that the hundreds and thousands to whom I hav
spoken will remember my words; and when you shall have hanged us, then—mark my words—they will do the bombthrowing! In this hope do I say to you: I despise you. I despise your order, your laws, your force-propped authority. Hang me for it!
Louis Lingg, 1887
#louis+lingg

Execution by hanging of alleged ‘members’ of Russian nihilist group, Narodnaya Volna ("The People’s Will"), c~1884-1890.
LONDON, Aug. 21.—The Spanish Government has prohibited the publication in Spain or the telegraphing abroad of the details of the execution at Vergara yesterday of Michele Angiolillo, the Spanish Anarchist, who shot and killed Señor Canovas del Castillo, the Premier of Spain, on Sunday, Aug. 8.

Letters, however, have been received here containing details of the execution. The writers say that the Anarchist slept but little during Thursday night, owing to his having partaken of coffee during the evening, which kept him awake. But his pulse was quiet and unaltered. The prisoner took a cup of coffee at 8 o'clock on Friday morning and drank a cup of bouillon at 10 o'clock.

At 10:53 A. M. Angiolillo firmly ascended the steps of the scaffold and donned the black gown and cape, placing the cross of the latter at the back of his head. He calmly regarded the spectators, asked to be allowed to speak, and uttered clearly the word “Germinal.” (Germinal was the term given to the seventh month of the French Republican calendar, 1792-1806, which began March 21 and ended April 19.) The assassin then sat down on the bench of the garrote while the executioner adjusted the iron collar around his neck. As the executioner was about to cover the prisoner’s face Angiolillo asked him to leave it uncovered. The screw of the garrote was then turned, the collar tightened, and Angiolillo was put to death. His corpse was exposed until 6 o’clock in the evening, when it was buried. All the spectators were greatly struck by the Anarchist’s attitude.

The New York Times
Published: August 22, 1897
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Michele Angiolillo, an Italian anarchist, assassinated the Spanish Prime Minister, Antonio Canovas, 1897. Angiolillo sought vengeance for the imprisonment and execution of five Spanish anarchists accused of bombing the Corpus Christi procession in Barcelona, 1896. Following the bombing, 400 anarchists were rounded up, tortured and imprisoned during an unprecedented wave of Spanish repression, directly supervised by Prime Minister Canovas himself. Having traveled from France under an assumed identity, Angiolillo gunned Canovas down outside the thermal bath resort of Santa Águeda. He was subsequently arrested, interrogated (to no avail) and executed by garrote twelve days after the attentat.

#attentat  #propaganda by the deed  #Michele Angiolillo  #anarchist  #anarchy  #anarchist history

Alexandros Schinas, a Greek Anarchist, assasinsates King George I of Greece in Thessaloniki, 1913. Later, while imprisoned for his deed, Schinas either jumped, or was forced from the window the gendarmerie, whereupon he met his death.

#propaganda by the deed  #attentat  #anarchist  #anarchy  #anarchist history  #anarchism  #Alexandros Schinas

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November 7, 1893 – The Spanish anarchist Santiago Salvador throws two Orsini bombs into the orchestra pit of the Liceu Theater in Barcelona during the second act of the opera Guillaume Tell, killing some twenty people and injuring scores of others.

#propaganda by the deed #anarchist #anarchy #anarchist history #santiago saldador

Never miss a post!
Si tu veux être heureux,
Nom de Dieu !
Si tu veux être heureux,
Nom de Dieu !
Pends ton propriétaire,
Coup'les curés en deux,
Nom de Dieu !
Fous les églis'par terre,
Sang-Dieu !
Et le bon Dieu dans la merde,
Nom de Dieu !!
Et le bon Dieu dans la merde,
Sang-Dieu!!

(If you want your happiness,
Goddamn!
If you want your happiness,
Goddamn!
Hang your proprietor,
Hack the priests in half,
Goddamn!
Fuck church into the dirt,
God's blood!
And good God in the shit,
Goddamn!!
And good God in the shit,
God's blood!!)

As sung by Ravachol as he approached the guillotine.

#ravachol #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history

SEPTMBER 19, 2013
Anarchist histories documenting the illegal, the attentat and propagandas by the deed. Courage comrades! Long live anarchy!

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GREYING BY GABRIELLE WEE.
POWERED BY TUMBLR.
Shortly before nine o'clock in the morning, the day before the scheduled execution, **Louis Lingg** apparently used a cigar to light the fuse on a detonating cap that he had placed in his mouth. The source of the cap, like that of the bombs found in his cell, and where he concealed it, is not known. When the terrified jailers reached the cell, they found Lingg’s head slung over the edge of his bed, bits of teeth, flesh, and bone on the walls and floor, and blood everywhere.

A terrible gurgling sound indicated that the prisoner was still alive. They carried him to a nearby bathroom and summoned physicians, who did what they could to comfort and revive him. Lingg remained conscious but unable to speak, and he twice wrote out requests to be propped up so he could breathe better. He somehow lasted a full six hours, finally passing away around three o’clock.

The image, titled “Horrible Suicide of Lingg,” is from the *Pictorial West* of November 20, 1887.

#Haymarket #chicago anarchists #louis lingg #anarchy #anarchist #anarchist history
The corpse of illegalist anarchist Jules Bonnot, after his murder at the hands of French police, April 1912. His last testament was later found in his pocket - it reads:

“I must live my life. I have the right to live, for every man has the right to live and since your idiocy and criminal social scheme claim to prevent me from doing so, well so much the worse for society. So much the worse for you all!”

#jules bonnot #bonnot gang #illegalism #anarchist #anarchy #anarchist history
The Bonnot Gang rob a bank at Chantilly, killing two staff members.

#bank robbery
#jules bonnot
#bonnot gang
#illegalism
#illegalist
#anarchist
#anarchy
#anarchist history
#criminality
The assassination of French President Sadi Carnot at the hands of anarchist Sante Caserio.

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The dagger with which 19 year-old anarchist Sante Caserio slew the French President, Sadi Carnot, on the 24th day of June, 1894. During trial, he explained:

“I heard the "Marseillaise" and the cries of "Viva Carnot!" I saw the cavalry come up. I understood that the moment had come and I held myself ready. On seeing the President’s carriage I drew my dagger and threw away the sheath. Then, when the carriage was passing close by me, I sprang forward to the step, supported myself by resting my left hand on the carriage, and with my right hand buried the dagger in the President’s breast.”

He was executed by guillotine during the August of the same year, proclaiming "Coraggio cugini—evviva l’anarchia!" ("Courage, cousins—long live anarchy!").

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