

MANHUNT.

Birmingham is a shocked city, lying under the shadow of the most gruesome killing for many years. In the nation-wide hunt for the maniac murderer the people everywhere are asked to co-operate with the police. At the City police headquarters, Detective Chief Superintendent Haughton gladly gave the Press all the information he had.

In Edgbaston, Birmingham's best suburb, the murder was committed at a YWCA hostel. 29-year-old Stephanie Baird was the victim. The maniac escaped by bus, so it is believed. The conductor saw a blood-stained man on his bus. That man was most likely the killer.

It happened on the early evening before Christmas Eve. Since then there has been an intensive search for the murderer, on buses of number eight route and throughout the city. Numerous passengers have been asked if they saw anything of the blood-stained man.

To Paddington a train brought the bus conductor and two women who may be able to recognize the murderer. One was another girl attacked in the hostel in the same evening, Margaret Brown. In addition came Mrs. Evelyn Peake. They went to see "Regies" Gallery" pictures at Scotland Yard. Meanwhile the police in Birmingham model the dead girl's clothes, in case the killer was seen following her. They also superimposed a picture of the victim's face. To arrest Stephanie's killer no effort is being spared.