Perry Milek Collection
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Biography

"Perry "The Scholar" Millik was the son of a Nazi soldier who died defending Berlin in 1945. His mother was an interpreter for the German Air Force and fluent in five languages. After World War II, she migrated with her small son to south Minneapolis where they lived in poverty with relatives.

"In a battle to escape grueling hardship, Millik scavenged his neighborhood for odd jobs. While still in grade school, he formed a street gang of eight boys who ran a significant shoplifting and fencing operation. By the time he was in junior high school, Millik had become a major Minneapolis drug dealer.

"Considered an accomplished fighter, Millik was sent to reform school after attempting an extremely violent robbery. Yet he managed to graduate from high school with honors. This was no small feat given he was running a commercial burglary ring at night. Millik was committed to the Minneapolis Workhouse immediately after high school. After doing his stretch, he joined the United States Army, served proudly and was honorably discharged.

"He then entered college, earning two degrees. In an ironic twist, Millik accepted a position with the corrections department. He might have stayed on the right path if not for the release of Deuce Casper from prison. The two decided there was more money in crime than legitimate commerce, so Millik put his brilliant mind to work devising ways to beat the system. He eventually owned over one hundred buildings in the Twin Cities area and engaged in massive real estate fraud and drug manufacturing houses. Millik also acted as the front man for the Lebanese Alexander Brothers who sent a cut of their porn and prostitution profits to the old Genovese crime family in New York.

"Married with two children, Millik was intellectual, and authored "5000 Years of Graffitti, Philosophy, and Humor."

"Millik died in 2003 under mysterious circumstances and, according to "Minneapolis Organized Crime 1900-2000," his ashes were scattered from atop the Foshay Tower in downtown Minneapolis."

Source: "Minneapolis Underworld" by Elizabeth Johanneck, 2012.

Description of Collection

Collection consists of several publications written by Milek, sometimes under a pseudonym:


Administrative Information

Publication Information
James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library September 12, 2014

Related Materials

Related Materials
See also these cataloged titles:

Minneapolis organized crime (1900-2000), by E.J. Johnson (Minneapolis, E.J. Johnson, 2004, Rev. 2012)
5,000 of Graffiti, Philosophy and Humor by Perry Milek (Minneapolis, E.J. Johnson, 2002)
Beatnik Writers : (the best of) by Perry Milek (Minneapolis, E.J. Johnson, 1992)

Controlled Access Headings

Subject(s)

- American poetry -- 21st century
- Beat generation -- Poetry
- Landlord and tenant
- Paraphilias
- Real estate management
- Rental housing -- Management
- Residential real estate -- Management
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