



**George “Dutch” Anderson:** Anderson’s real name was Ivan Dahl von Teller, and was believed to have been born in Denmark. There is some contradictory information that may indicate that he was actually from Germany. He came to the United States in about 1900 and became known as a criminal soon after that. He had many aliases and was involved in numerous con games and robberies. He was most famous around St Louis, but operated throughout the eastern half of the country, including several places in Ohio.

In 1913 he was using the name George Brown when he and four other men attempted to rob a diamond merchant by the name of Philip Present in Rochester, New York. The robbery was primarily unsuccessful because they failed to open a safe containing about \$300,000 in diamonds. They only managed to steal about \$3,000 worth of jewelry.



Dutch managed to avoid capture until December of 1914 when he was arrested in Illinois. After serving a term in Joliet prison in Illinois, Dutch was taken to Rochester where he faced charges relating to the Philip Present robbery. He was sent to Auburn Prison in New York on April 25, 1917, where he met Gerald Chapman.

Anderson was killed in a gunfight with a policeman on October 31, 1925, in Muskegon, Michigan. The policeman, Charles Hammond, was also fatally wounded in the confrontation as he and Anderson fought over Anderson's gun. At the time Anderson was being sought for the murders of Ben and Mary Hance (August 14, 1925) near Muncie, Indiana.