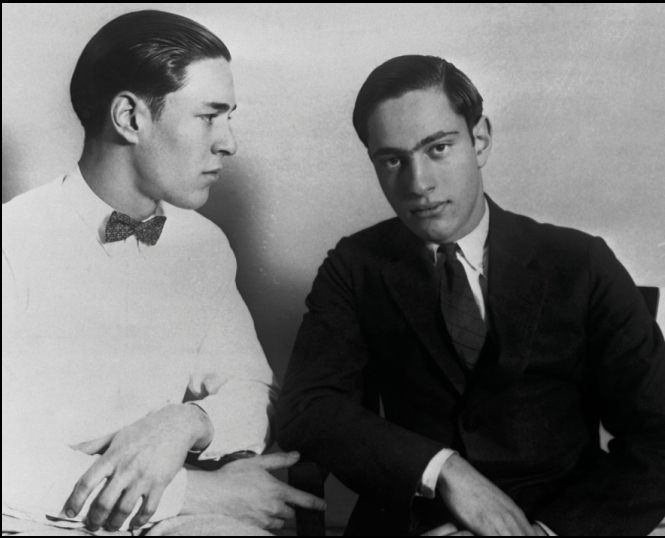


IN WITH THE DARKNESS:

Leopold, Loeb and their Quest to Kill in Jazz Age Chicago.



In 1924, two University of Chicago students killed a 14-year-old boy "for the thrill of it." The trial that followed was one of the most infamous in Chicago history. The two killers, Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb, have long been remembered as intellectuals who murdered as a type of science experiment. Such a legacy is mistaken. Leopold and Loeb were actually budding serial killers with a violent, sadistic past. During the trial, both the prosecution and defense agreed to keep quiet about these past crimes. "In with the Darkness" brings audiences back to the glamour of the 1920s where evil lurked among the South Side elite.

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