

# Continental Op (To Dashiell Hammet)

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There's a body in the bay  
The cops are taking it away  
They said this case was closed  
It only shows you that never knowSo who they gonna get  
When the troubles got to stop  
Here's my card  
I'm the Continental OpJane Doe in the bay  
Now that's exhibit 'A'  
Bloodstains on the dress of the millionairess  
But I saw you leavin' town  
I'm gonna have to track you downJust like a hound  
You slipped through the web  
And you might have dodged the Feds  
But who they gonna get when you've outfoxed the copsHere's my number  
I'm the Continental Op  
Call the agency, we never close  
First consultation is free  
Check my reputation, check my poseBut first check my fee  
There's a menace on the streets  
Offering infants sweets  
Don't give this man a ride  
Lock your car from the insideHe's suspect No. 1  
But I guess his race is run  
He left a set of prints  
He's not as smart as he thinks'Cause who they gonna get  
When the trouble's gotta stop  
Here's my card  
I'm the Continental OpThere's a body in the bay  
The cops have taken it away  
They say this case was closed  
It only shows that you never knowBruises 'round the neck  
When they did a body check  
I saw you leaving town  
I'll track you down like a hound  
Who they gonna get when you've outfoxed the copHere's my card  
I'm the Continental Op  
Yeah, who they gonna get  
When you've out foxed they copsHere's my badge

I'm the Continental Op

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