



**"The streets were
dark with something
more than night..."**

*Raymond
Chandler*



"...WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO CONVINCE THE CITY OFFICIALS THE USE OF CRIMSON COAL COULD ONLY BRING DOWN ENERGY BILLS FOR EVERYONE".



"NO, WE HAVEN'T REACHED ANY CONCLUSIONS YET. OUR PRIORITY IS THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND..."



"... THE SAFETY OF CENTRAL CITY'S CITIZENS. WE ARE NOT GOING TO ALLOW ANY FURTHER TALK ABOUT ..."



... EXPLOITING CRIMSON COAL'S RESERVES UNTIL WE GET A FULL SCIENTIFIC REPORT ON ITS EFFECTS.



WE INTERRUPT THIS PROGRAM FOR SOME BREAKING NEWS.



AN ATTEMPTED ARMED ROBBERY AT CENTRAL BANK EARLIER TODAY HAS LEFT ONE PERSON DEAD AND THREE WOUNDED.



COMMISSIONER DOLAN OF CCPD TOLD THE PRESS THAT THE THREE ROBBERS ARE STILL AT LARGE AND TO BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.



TURN IT OFF!

A REWARD HAS BEEN SET FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ANY INFORMATION OR TIP...



YOU NEED TO
CALM DOWN,
PETE...

CALM
DOWN?!

THE ROBBERY WENT
TOTALLY WRONG. WE GOT
THE **LAW** LOOKING FOR US,
AND **VINCE** DIDN'T
SHOW UP!

WHAT IF THE
COPPERS GOT HIM?
WHAT IF HE TOLD
THEM ABOUT
THIS PLACE?

click



VINCE WOULDN'T
SNITCH ON US.



HOW YOU
KNOW
FOR SURE?

EVERYONE
HAS A **BREAKING**
POINT, MIKEY.



HE WOULDN'T.
HE **KNOWS** A FAMILY
MEMBER OF HIS
COULD **GET HURT**
IF HE DID.



WELL,
EXCUSE ME IF I
DON'T HAVE THE
SAME CONFIDENCE
AS YOU...



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