

FAGYAS, Mary
N.S. Citizen (woman)

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THE FIFTH WOMAN, by M. Fagyas
(Doubleday). Detective Inspector
Lajos Nemetz, a Hungarian counter-
part of Inspector Maigret, moves
inexorably through the bloody and
abortive Budapest revolt of 1956 in
search of the man or woman who
shot the wife of a prominent sur-
geon and dumped her body on a pile
of Russian-tank victims. The crime,
like the setting, turns out to be a
most uncommon one, and since the
author also takes a good deal of care
with Inspector Nemetz and the peo-
ple who cross his path, the result is
a *roman policier* of high and un-
usual quality.

New Yorker, Feb. 1-1964
p. 100

② # "The widowmaker" (Tizazug)
1966 (Crime Club) 232p (prison story)
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