

HOUSE OF MARRIAGE SEIZED FOR MURDER

Mrs. Otto Ludke, Mother of 8, Now Accused With Gall of Killing Rancher.

CONSPIRACY IS ALLEGED

Confessed Assassin Incriminates Woman, 49 Years Old, but Authorities Delay Arrest Pending Verification of Charge.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 9.—(Special.)—Mrs. Archie Leonard, 49-year-old widow of Otto Ludke, who was murdered at the home of Axel Alvin the night of November 29 by Edward Gall, a Russian, who shot him through the head and neck with a shotgun through a window, was arrested today by Sheriff Cresap, of Clarke County. She is lodged in the women's ward of the jail here, charged with the murder of her husband, as being an accessory before the fact. Mrs. Ludke has eight children, the oldest being 19 years old and the youngest about 6 years.

Under the new law there is no distinction between a principal and an accessory before the fact, and under the law an accessory may be tried as a principal. The old law made a distinction between a principal and an accessory.

Gall Implicates Woman. Edward Gall was arrested December 29. Gall at first insisted that he was innocent, but when Sheriff Cresap and Detective Archie Leonard of Portland found a web of evidence around him, telling him they knew he murdered Ludke and described how he proceeded, step by step, he collapsed and confessed. In his confession Gall implicated Mrs. Ludke, and the woman was immediately put under surveillance. Mad Mrs. Ludke, who is 49 years old, as she has since, Gall would have been arrested the night of the crime, the authorities say.

In the information against Mrs. Ludke she is charged with "willfully, unlawfully, feloniously and with premeditated design, to effect the death of Otto Ludke, a law counsel, incite and induce Edward Gall to kill and murder him."

Gall, in his confession, said that Mrs. Ludke had kept him informed of her husband's movements at different times and had suggested the possibility of killing him. Gall is only 33 years of age, 15 years younger than Mrs. Ludke.

ARREST IS DELAYED

The authorities debated long upon the advisability of arresting Mrs. Ludke, at first finding it difficult to believe the mother of eight children could be guilty of a conspiracy that led to the murder of her husband. Further investigation convinced them that Mrs. Ludke did know something of the crime, and they were positive that she was an accessory after the fact, keeping secret many things that she should have told the night her husband was killed which had shielded the slayer.

CONFESSION IS REPORTED

Mrs. Ludke is said to have admitted Plot Against Husband. RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Jan. 9.—(Special.)—Arrest of Mrs. Otto Ludke at her home near here today for alleged complicity in the murder of her husband by Edward Gall, was not surprising, as the woman had been under surveillance long, and as it was common report in Ridgefield that she had confessed.

Authorities here say that Mrs. Ludke confessed at the home of A. A. Knox, in the presence of Sheriff Cresap, of Clarke County, Oregon, and the sheriff, of Portland; County Attorney Burnett, of Clarke County; R. L. Stevens, ex-Sheriff of Multnomah County, Oregon, who are in charge of the Knox ranch. It is understood that Mrs. Ludke admitted that she had listened to several proposals made by Gall to murder her husband, and that she had agreed to them in the belief that Gall did not really intend to kill Ludke. She confessed, it is reported, that she had modified her of a plot to shoot Ludke at a dance a few months ago and that this plan failed because Ludke had taken a seat which was not intended to be shot. It was then plotted by Gall to kill Ludke at the next dance. Mrs. Ludke is said to have confessed that Gall had notified her of the plot and that she had told him her husband would be at the home of Axel Alvin November 29. At the time Mrs. Ludke was arrested she was charged with the murder of her husband.

Mrs. Ludke is said to have prefaced her confession by complaining that her husband was extremely cruel to her. This was substantiated by other reports, and the fact that Ludke's own brother was not on speaking terms with him for years was related as evidence that Ludke was incompetent.

SUBSTANCE OF RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED YESTERDAY BY OREGON IRRIGATION CONGRESS.

Legislation is urged to levy one-half mill tax on all property in state for irrigation development. Constitutional amendment giving state authority to issue bond for irrigation development is recommended. Legislature asked to memorialize Congress, urging law permitting all natural Federal resources within the state to be used for sole purpose of raising funds to co-operate on dollar-for-dollar basis with the state in developing these resources. Federal Government urged to give Oregon its just share of reclamation fund.

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Present system of stream measurements and topographic maps approved and further appropriation and investigation urged. Lower desert project, Tygh Valley-Wamie project, Peninsula district between Deschutes and Crooked River, 50,000 acres, Malheur Warm Springs reservoir project, Dead Ox Flat district, Ochoco and other districts. Legislation making possible early completion of north canal unit of Central Oregon project urged.

Thinks extended to Government and state engineers for "complete and efficient" report on Deschutes River. Thanks extended to engineering and construction staff of Tumalo project. Thanks extended to retiring officers of the Congress, members of the Legislature, the Canadian delegates, the railroads for reduced rates, the press for liberal treatment, citizens generally and especially Portland Commercial Club for splendid courtesy and Imperial Hotel management for many courtesies.

HALF-MILL TAX FOR IRRIGATION SOUGHT

Oregon Congress Ends Session After Requests for Legislation. STATE AID STARTS FIGHT

Committee Instructed to Bring in Resolution Instructed to Bring in Resolution Against Adoption—Ferris Bill Opposed.

When the resolutions committee, however, had turned down the tax proposal already and the convention failed to change its attitude. Committee Report Unfavorable. When the committee reported it included a copy of the tax resolution with a recommendation that it "do not pass."

Frank Sloan, of Stanfield, and O. Laurgaard, of Laidlaw, submitted a minority report adverse to the tax. O. Laurgaard moved that the minority report be substituted. Joseph T. Hinkle, of Hermiston, who will be a member of the next Legislature, quickly seconded it.

W. W. Brewer, chairman of the committee, presented C. C. Chapman as the man selected to defend the adverse majority report. "It is how to get money for irrigation purposes," said Mr. Chapman, "is the question before us."

Our committee considered many plans in its mind, among others, the millage tax. That system virtually makes the taxpayer the capitalist for financing our irrigation work. Mr. Chapman spoke earnestly on behalf of another resolution, temporarily tabled, providing for state credit.

Good Will of Public Advocated. He repeated that the irrigators should aim to attain and maintain the good will of the people and advised that one way not to get that good will is to thrust a tax upon them. A score of men were upon their feet when Mr. Chapman concluded his remarks, which were eloquent in the extreme. J. T. Hinkle was recognized.

Switzerland Has Wheat Monopoly. PARIS, Jan. 9.—According to a dispatch to the Havas Agency from Bern, the Swiss government has decided to make its production of wheat a government monopoly for the duration of the war.

The London County Council, in its statistical abstract for 1912-1913, furnishes the following concerning London: Population, 4,521,000; inhabited houses, 873,000; rate, 24.5 per 1,000; death rate 13.6 per 1,000; ratable value, \$225,000,000.

WOMAN WHO SEES HUSBAND AS BRIDE

Mrs. Vada Grier, Acquitted of Murder, Weds Man Who Was Indicted With Her.

KNOT TIED IN PORTLAND

George D. Solomon, Named as Co-Respondent in Divorce Plaintiff, and Freed Widow Are Married at Courthouse.

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Poisoning Pays

Beware of Cocaine and Arsenic

I am unalterably opposed to the use of cocaine and arsenic in the practice of dentistry. Their use should be made a criminal offense. Because I know by years of experience good dentistry—scientific, permanent, modern, painless dentistry—can be done without poisoning the public with these dangerous and insidious drugs.

I am in a better position to know the facts about this matter than any dentist in America. Every year myself and associates in my various offices treat more patients than does any other dentist. The very nature of our practice brings to us hundreds of the most difficult dental cases for treatment—those who have unsuccessfully been treated by other dentists.

I know the effect of these drugs on the human system when used in dental operations. I have seen these drugs used under all kinds of conditions and in all forms, and have studied their therapeutic effect. I have had the full realization of their great injury and suffering to patients brought home to me in a thousand ways.

I honestly believe their use is a moral crime against the human race. No patient should knowingly submit to their use, and anyone would be justified in protesting with violence rather than permit any dentist to use them.

Statistics show that Americans are rapidly becoming a race of "dope" fiends. Our insane asylums and hospitals are crowded with men and women started there because some physician or dentist is responsible for the useless and reckless application of some "dope." Infants are born stunted and defective, both physically and mentally, because of "dope" habits. Police stations in our large cities are almost nightly glutted with human delinquents—victims of "dope" habits.

No sane person ever deliberately acquires a "dope" habit. How has this curse come upon us as a people and why cannot we stop the plague when all realize our danger? POISONING PAYS. That is the answer. Read the following editorial from the Saturday Evening Post of December 5:

A LOATHSOME TRADE. Now and then you read in a newspaper that the warden of such and such a prison is making heroic efforts to break up a systematic sale of cocaine to the inmates; that the police have raided an opium joint; or that an old offender in the way of illicit traffic in drugs has been arrested again.

The best way to stop the sale of this drug is to stop creating the habit by its reckless use in dentistry and medicine. There may be cases where a physician can use cocaine, but as a physician, as well as dentist, I know that there are no cases in which a harmless substitute cannot be used with equal success, and there is no excuse for a dentist ever using either cocaine or arsenic in any form.

LAW TO GIVE JOBS UP

WASHINGTON EMPLOYMENT AGENCY PLAN IS ANNOUNCED.

Legislation to Place Superintendent on Salary Basis in Each City For Relief Is Due. OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 9.—(Special.)—The text of the proposed law, worked out by a special commission of employees, employers and legislators appointed by Labor Commissioner E. W. Olson, to provide a state system of free employment agencies, was made public today.

The measure provides for a government board of seven members, three employers and three employees, to be appointed by the Governor. They are to select the seventh member. The complete board will select a director as chief executive officer, with a salary of \$3000.

The director will appoint superintendents of employment agencies, who are to receive salaries of \$1500 in first-class cities and not to exceed \$1200 in second-class cities. Establishment of agencies in first-class cities is made compulsory and in second-class cities discretionary.

Both first and second-class cities are to be required to furnish quarters, janitor services, heat and telephone, while the state is to pay salaries and other expenses.

PAINLESS PARKER

BE PRETTY! TURN GRAY HAIR DARK

Try Grandmother's Old Favorite Recipe of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also ends dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair.

Do not say gray! Try it! No one can possibly tell that you darken your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application, or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy.

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