

# TRUCKMAN CONFESSES SLAYING 5

### Armando Boltares, 25, Says Old Grudge Reason for Murder Orgy—Club Used On Family—Bodies Decapitated and Buried in Shallow Graves—Policemen Find Bones.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Confessing that he killed five members of the Alvarez-Garcia family to satisfy an "old grudge," Armando Boltares, 24-year-old San Fernando, Cal., truck driver, today is held in the county jail on suspicion of perpetrating one of the most brutal murder orgies in the annals of southern California criminal history.

Boltares, arrested yesterday for questioning, confessed to Captain William Bright, of the Sheriff's homicide division, that he had beaten to death with a club Mrs. Florena Alvarez-Garcia, her son, Charles, 18, and two daughters, Carmelita, 12, and Elisa, 6, decapitated their bodies and buried them in shallow graves in Paloma canyon near San Fernando. He later traced Luciano Garcia, head of the family, to Azusa, Cal., shot him, and buried the body on the ranch where he was employed as a laborer.

Although the mother and three children were killed on October 9, and the husband on October 14, the slayings did not come to light until Thanksgiving day when picnickers discovered the grave of Charles Alvarez. The graves of Mrs. Garcia and the two girls were found next day, and Gar-

cia's grave was discovered by hunters after police had launched a search for him on the theory he might have slain his wife and stepchildren.

### Cites Old Grudge.

Boltares, who confessed shortly after his arrest, said the killings were the result of an old grudge. He said Mrs. Garcia two years ago induced him to draw \$1000 from his bank account, and since then she had been trying to poison him to get the money. He also said the woman tried to come between him and his sweetheart, Dolores Gulchapa.

"We have been enemies a long time," he said.

He said he killed Mrs. Garcia and the children after taking them on a ride with him in his truck. Five days later he located Garcia and shot him. He said he took his sweetheart to Azusa and showed her the grave where he had buried Garcia.

Miss Gulchapa, who is being held as a material witness, admitted to police Boltares had taken her to Azusa and pointed out a spot of newly spaded earth he said was Garcia's grave.

## NEIGHBORS SURPRISE LAKE CREEK COUPLE

LAKE CREEK, Ore., Dec. 5.—(SPL.)—Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Moore were very pleasantly and completely surprised last Saturday evening by a number of neighbors and friends. Music and games were enjoyed till a late hour, when refreshments were served. Among those enjoying the affair were Mr. and Mrs. Loren Barlow, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Jones, Marvin Raymond and Wallace Ragdale, Miss Betta Barlow, Hazel Wilhite, Donna Molina, Bill Almy, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Seefield and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hoeft and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hoeft and children, Gold Zandel, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cartwright of Medford, Ben Little, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Moore and their daughter Theima. The Ladies Community Sewing club usually entertain their husbands once every so many meetings, but this time instead they planned the surprise.

County forces at work relaying surface of road approaching Puting river bridge on Mt. Angel-Woodburn road.

## MORAL VICTORY OF PROHIBITION SEEN BY WILSON

### Greatest Moral Success of Any Adventure of the Age Says Dr. Wilson in Report to Methodist Temperance Board.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Prohibition was termed the "greatest moral success of any adventure of the age" by Dr. Clarence True Wilson, general secretary of the board of temperance, prohibition and public morals of the Methodist Episcopal church.

In his report to the annual meeting of the board, Dr. Wilson asserted that "America must show the world how to get rid of its two most dreadful scourges—rum and war."

### Lacked Fair Chance

"It has never had a fair chance until now," he said. "It never could have till we elected a strict and impartial and uncompromising observance and enforcement of prohibition, who will determine to call out all the resources of this republic before he will sit in the White House swivel chair and see the constitution of our country trampled upon by a gang of aliens who affect to despise us."

Dr. Wilson affirmed that the church "puts up no white flag today," and pointing to the last presidential campaign, said "it took its life and its popularity and its influence in its hands last year and went out to meet the Goliath of the liquor traffic and it won."

Looking into the future, with a program of moral suasion drafted for the church, he said with the retirement of lawlessness "a new generation of non-drinking, law-

abiding loyal Americans would be reared instead of the loose, low and level types we have inherited as the aftermath of the war psychology."

## POSTMASTER PRAISES HEALTH EMBLEM SALE

"Thousands of Christmas seals have already passed through the mails here in the few days that they have been in circulation," Postmaster W. J. Warner reported yesterday. Mr. Warner also took occasion to endorse the sale of seals which finances public health work in Jackson county.

"I heartily endorse the Christmas seals and the work they do," he said. "I understand the idea for a Christmas seal originated in a postoffice. To be sure that was in Denmark, but doctors say tuberculosis is the same disease the world over. No one joins more heartily in the seal sale as a movement than a postman. Help him to help the sale by putting the seals on the back of letters and packages. When put on the front it is confusing to the postal workers, and we are anxious not to slow up the handling of the mail during this rush season."

## POPULARITY CONTEST CLOSES, JACKSONVILLE

Additional prizes have been offered for the girls' popularity contest being carried on by the Jacksonville American Legion club at a series of winter dances the club is holding in the old United States Hotel. The contest has attracted nearly a dozen entrants and interest in their standings has reached a fever heat in Jacksonville.

The fourth of a series of the dances will be held next Saturday night and a change is expected in the standing of the contestants. The stage in the dance hall has been removed, providing more room, and the music, as usual, will be furnished by the Imperial orchestra.

Gold Beach. — Indian Creek salmon hatchery to start operations soon.

## GRAIN CO-OP IS SALVATION FOR INLAND EMPIRE

### Backing of Federal Farm Board Brings New Confidence—Northwest Wheat Industry at Low Ebb for Many Past Seasons.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 5.—(AP)—The "grain bin of the northwest" will be speedily emptied and quickly filled again with coin of the realm from now on, judging by sentiment expressed here, the headquarters of the new grain men's cooperative.

The North Pacific Grain Growers, Inc., composed of wheat men of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and western Montana, is backed by the federal farm board in its program of disposing of inland empire grain to the best advantage of the farmers.

Prevailing sentiment among farmers and business men, says the "farm trio" of agriculturists' magazines, is one of "confidence in the program because of its strong government backing, and conviction that the plan may mean the salvation of the northwest wheat industry which for many past seasons has barely received cost of production."

### Aids Marketing.

W. O. Willbur, Rosalia banker, says "the bankers in general are for it. The present program is primarily one of marketing wheat and not establishing new credit sources. If the cooperation can succeed in establishing a higher price for wheat, this will be reflected in greater prosperity throughout the wheat community."

Many wheat men join in declaring that "the present marketing act has wide powers and great possibilities," even if nothing could result but organization of the wheat growers of the nation.

Stock in the regional cooperative here will be sold to local cooperatives on a per-bushel basis. The locals will sell their stock to the farmer members. The regional cooperative, capitalized at \$1,000,000, will own stock in the national grain cooperative. The farmer may sell his wheat to the local, which passes it upward and the national will get the best possible price for it. Coming downward from the federal farm board will be federal funds for loans to farmers at low interest rates.

## BERRYDALE HOME NURSING CLASSES MAY START SOON

Efforts are still in progress for the establishment of home hygiene and home nursing classes to be opened by the county health unit at the Community Health House in the Berrydale district under the direction of Miss Augusta Glover, county nurse. The classes will be open only to a limited number of persons and those interested are requested to signify their desire of joining by seeing Miss Glover as early as possible.

The Red Cross standard course in home hygiene and care of the sick each require a minimum of 20 hours instruction. For girls and women without practical knowledge in home-making, a greater number of hours for class work is needed in order to lay the foundation which experience has taught the women with such responsibility.

The number and length of class periods vary from one to five a week and from forty minutes to two hours, according to the conditions under which the instruction is given.

The course offers much to the mother in the home, the teacher in the school and to the domestic employe—to all of those who contribute to the civilization and the national strength by the rearing of children. For these it not only provides instruction, valuable for their own efficiency, but also a specific training in methods necessary for the maintenance of health throughout the growing period. The course contributes to wholesome living and to the happiness of the entire family group.

Of great importance is the fact that it teaches to adult groups the simple, safe and effective means of meeting the many special problems of sickness and the emergencies which may arise in any home.

For this week in Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick the American Red Cross has set a standard. Its certificates are not issued broadcast, nor do they go automatically to those who have completed the course. They are awarded only to those students who have achieved the standard. An American Red Cross certificate in Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick therefore means something to its possessor. She has a right to be proud of it.

It is the outward sign of the fact that she has set herself to gain knowledge of health principles so as to benefit herself and her home, to be a public benefactor in her community and a citizen contributing to the well-being of the nation. Her certificate is there to prove she has attained her object. Individual students, to be eligible to take the final test for the certificate, must have covered the

subject matter and have attended not less than twenty out of the minimum twenty-four hours instruction, or twenty-four out of thirty, or have an average of 75 per cent in attendance if a greater number of hours is included in the

course. Certificates are issued through the Red Cross chapter for distribution. Preliminary work started toward construction of new bridge across Wahauna river north of here. Bills to be opened latter part of December.

Warrenton. — Rooms formerly occupied by fire department to be remodeled for permanent home of Warrenton Library.

# Ward's AFTER-SALE THANKSGIVING SALE

Seldom are you offered such substantial savings on the smartest styles at the very beginning of the Winter season! At our regular prices—these Winter Fashions were OUTSTANDING VALUES but NOW—prices have been sharply reduced for clearance and you may pocket additional savings by buying now. Come tomorrow—first big day—for first choice of the smartest styles and the most unusual bargains!

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## Winter COATS Reduced!

With several weeks more of Winter ahead, you'll still secure plenty of service from a new Winter coat . . . and these low prices make buying now for next Winter a foresighted move. Here are stylish Winter coats smartly trimmed in fur . . . and in all the styles that Fashion has marked authentic.

Values to \$14.75 <b>COATS</b> <b>\$9.90</b>	Values to \$19.75 <b>COATS</b> <b>\$14.75</b>	Values to \$24.75 <b>COATS</b> <b>\$19.75</b>	Values to \$39.75 <b>COATS</b> <b>\$29.75</b>
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We ask you not to judge these attractive, serviceable coats by the low price. Sturdy chinchillas, warm-toned tweeds and novelty mixtures.

Women who buy these coats will be justly proud of their instinct for values! Fur-trimmed dress coats, swagger "roadster coats" and smart sport coats.

Styles a bit more distinctive and furs of finer quality. Silky piled fabrics, sleek broadcloth, and beaver-like fur cloth.

The most outstanding successes of the season in this most interesting group. Quality fabrics embellished with flattering furs.

## Winter Hats!



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New off-the-forehead styles, beret, skull and turban types—also trimmed models.  
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**\$2.98 to \$3.98**



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**\$19.95**  
**\$9.75**



## Dresses - A Sale

Our entire stock of Winter frocks is included in this sale! You can have two dresses for the price you would ordinarily pay for one! Whether for informal bridge parties or formal afternoon teas there is an appropriate dress here for you!

ATTEND TOMORROW  
Values to \$6.95  
**\$4.95**  
Values to \$9.75  
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Silk crepes and wool jerseys to be worn now and in Spring, too! For everyday wear at office, school or home. Amazing values.

Ward's sale enables you to have that extra dress to freshen your wardrobe. Frocks for business, afternoon, and evening in this group.  
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