

LANDES, DELL

3207 Westmont st.

Funeral services for Dell Landes, will be held at 1 p. m. Saturday afternoon at the Estes-Leadley Colonial chapel. Rev. Arla Cummings will officiate with interment at Deepdale cemetery. Mr. Landes survivors include, the wife, Adelene, four children, Yvonne, Marilyn, Rodger and Dawn, his father, Alva D. Landes of Vermontville, two brothers and two sisters. Bearers will be Allen Stewart, Gordon Harper, Robert Butler, Lyle Dickey, Laurits Dunham and John Braman.

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hallucinations and a persecution complex.

She told officers she killed her husband because she feared he would send her back to a mental hospital.

During their attempts to question her Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Landis blamed noted Hollywood screen stars as instigators of a plot to kill her husband, and then launched a tirade against the state of California.

Detectives said that during their interview with the woman Wednesday afternoon she told how she hid in a bedroom with the loaded shotgun and fired two shots at her husband a few minutes after he walked into their home.

She explained that her husband had hidden the shotgun and a deer rifle under the sofa in the living room but she had discovered their hiding place.

When her husband came home at 10:40 p. m. Tuesday, she said, he removed his coat and looked under the sofa where the guns had been hidden.

Finding one gone, he started toward their bedroom. About the same time, Mrs. Landis said she walked out the door and fired one blast at him. She told police she fired a second time "because he didn't die."

DEAD ON FLOOR

Detectives Montgomery and Murphy learned that Landis punched out at the Motor Wheel factory at 10:30 p. m. Thirteen minutes later, police received a report of the shooting and found him dead on the living room floor.

Interviews with the couple's four children revealed that after the first blast from the shotgun they heard their father cry out, "Don't do it, don't do it," then they heard the second shot.

Marilyn Landis, 12, told detectives she was the first to come out of the children's bedroom, saw her mother standing in the door of the hallway to the living room holding the shotgun.

She said she pushed her mother aside and looked to find her father lying face down in blood on the floor.

The other three children and a fourth neighbor child who was staying overnight with them, also said they came out into the living room and saw Mrs. Landis with the gun and saw her leave the house.

Marilyn and her older sister, Yvonne, 13, turned their father over on his back and put a pillow under his head, they told police.

Police arrived minutes later after Mrs. Landis had gone to a neighbor's home across the street and told them she had killed her husband.



KENNEDY



EVENES

Mrs. Marion Wirt
Mrs. Marion Wirt, 82, of 311 N. Deerfield st., died Friday at a local hospital. She was born in Vermontville, and was a resident of Lansing for 12 years. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. G. C. Brainerd of Lansing and Mrs. Glenn Wickham of Charlotte; and a son, Herbert Wirt of Kentucky. Funeral services will be held at Gorsline-Runciman funeral home at 10:30 a. m. Monday, Rev. Evelyn Smith of the Lower Light Rescue Mission officiating. Burial will be in Freemire cemetery, Sunfield.

Harold Clark
Harold Clark, 55, of Tappan, died...

Mrs. Maude L. Sackett
MULLIKEN, Jan. 8—Mrs. Maude L. Sackett, 75, died Thursday in a Charlotte hospital following a short illness. Surviving are two sons, Noble Sackett of Mulliken and Charles Perry of Buffalo, N. Y.; a sister, Mrs. Hazel Grassie of Nokomos, Fla., and a brother, F. V. Rubarry of Mexico City. Funeral services will be held at 2:20 p. m. Sunday at the Barker funeral home and burial will be in Welch cemetery in Sunfield township.

Guy Smith
Guy Smith 73, died...

Local Obituaries

Warren F. Bennett
Warren F. Bennett, 79, of 115 Bowers st., a retired carpenter, died unexpectedly yesterday. An Eaton County native, he had resided here since 1921. His marriage ended in divorce. Surviving are a son, Ivan H. of 320 Electric ave.; three sisters, Mrs. Eva Lozier of 1020 E. Columbia ave., Mrs. Okel Deer of 125 Electric ave., and Mrs. Dan (Jessie) Johnson of 108 Bowers st.; a brother, Orwell, of Vermontville; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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