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In this paper, I explore the murder of Christian H. Schindeldecker and how the police were able to find and prosecute the murderer, Edward Gottschalk. I recount the actions of Chief of Police John O'Connor and his men as they follow the clues and with a little luck connect the dots of the mysterious murder. Thirteen days after Schindeldecker was murdered, Gottschalk was arraigned for murder. Solving the murder of Christian Schindeldecker was one of the best cases of detective work ever done in Minnesota. Following the firsthand account of Chief Deputy Sheriff Frank Robert Jr., court papers, and contemporary newspapers, the unfurling of the case was done.

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