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SPENCER'S A MAN'S SHOP

SCHNEIDER INQUIRY POINTS TO SUICIDE

PENDLETON, Jan. 29.—All evidence in the hands of investigators today pointed to the suicide theory as the inquiry into the death of Henry Schneider, 58, continued. Police had decided he committed suicide by firing a charge from a shotgun into his chest. Later murder hints were heard and the investigation opened. A bloody stick with a nail in it was found near the body. It had been used to press the trigger of the shotgun. Investigators said the man had been in financial trouble.

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several days ago from Williston, N. D., where he had been held for safekeeping since his arrest. He and his father were to have been arraigned here tomorrow on first degree murder charges for the Haven slayings.

All of the men wore masks and some were armed. They gathered quietly at the jail, and then, using timbers, battered down the front door of the place. No shots were fired.

Sheriff Thompson, who lives two blocks from the jail, was seized when he came to investigate the noise of the timbers breaking down the doors.

Murders Confessed
Confession by Charles Bannion early in December that he had slain Mr. and Mrs. Haven and their four children climaxed one of the most sensational crimes in North Dakota's history.

Bannion had been employed on the Haven farm, near Schafer, which is in northwestern North Dakota. Last February, he told authorities that after a quarrel, he shot and killed first one, and then another of the Havens and buried their remains in a barn on the place.

Stolen Hogs Sold
He told friends and neighbors that the Havens had left the farm and had gone to live in Oregon. No suspicion attached to him until late in November when he was arrested on a charge of selling property that did not belong to him—hogs from the Haven farm.

He was questioned repeatedly about the whereabouts of the Havens. Choking in Oregon failed to locate them. Finally he told authorities he had helped bury a baby which he said Mrs. Haven had killed during a fit of insanity.

He led the officers to where the body was buried. Further questioning and search eventually led to all the bodies and a confession that he alone was responsible.

Authorities continued a search for his father, James F. Bannion, who was wanted for questioning in certain details. He was arrested December 13, near Toledo, Oregon, at a tourist camp and returned to North Dakota. He has denied any connection with the killings.

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off Case's regular route.

AVIATOR FRED W. SAUER DROWNED IN COLUMBIA
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29.—In the third airplane accident within a week, Fred W. Sauer, 25, Portland aviation instructor was drowned late Wednesday and Marion Razezy, 21, student flier, narrowly escaped a similar fate when a Rankin flying service ship fell into the Columbia river a half mile east of the Interstate bridge.

Razezy suffered only minor injuries. The harbor patrol recovered Sauer's body. His nose was broken, indicating that the crash had thrown him against the cockpit. Sauer's safety belt had been unbuckled, but he had not been able to free himself of the heavy parachute apparatus. Friends said he could not swim.

MELLON'S STAND ON BONUS PLAN SCORED

Governed by His Personal Views, Declaration of Vets' Spokesman.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—While Secretary Mellon today was voicing again his objections to cash payments on veterans' compensation certificates, his recommendations were attacked by Representative Patman as being tempered by personal views.

The Texas democrat in testimony before the senate finance committee, said "we all know Secretary Mellon has been against veterans' legislation."

"His feelings naturally cause him to make estimates in accordance with his opinions," Patman said. "His feelings are such that his mistakes are always against veterans."

Patman added he did not mean to imply Mellon "is dishonest or there is any corruption."

The secretary, who appeared yesterday before the senate committee, reiterated before the house ways and means committee his objection to cash payments now.

Deficit Causes Anxiety.
Under-Secretary Mills followed and said the treasury is very much concerned over an anticipated \$375,000,000 deficit for the year.

Mills said, however, "we are not recommending an increase in taxes at the present time."

The treasury official made the statement in an argument with Democratic Leader Garner of the house over interpretation of the provisions of the veterans' compensation act.

In reply to a question by Chairman Hawley as to the amount of money available in the treasury for payment on the certificates Mills said:

"Not a penny."

Plan Left to Congress.
J. Thomas Taylor, legislative representative of the American Legion, said before the senate committee his organization had taken on the question of whether the full face value on the current value of the certificates should be paid.

Taylor presented the resolution passed by the national executive committee of the Legion at Indianapolis last Sunday.

Members of the committee asked what the resolution meant by endorsing "the principle of immediate cash retirement" but Taylor said he could not interpret the phrase.

"It means it rests with congress what method should be adopted," Taylor said.

Representative Connery, democrat, Massachusetts, described the resolution as a "straddle."

"Like the Wickersham report," Senator Watson, republican, Indiana, interjected.

Thomas Kirby, National legislative chairman of the Disabled American Veterans, told the committee enacting the certificates would not only benefit the veterans but would be "an extremely valuable method of meeting the national depression."

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The American note was dated January 29 and read as follows: "Excellency:

"I have the honor to express the deep regret which this government feels at the reflections against the prime minister of Italy in the authorized speech of Major General Smedley D. Butler, United States marine corps, at Philadelphia, on Jan. 19.

"The sincere regrets of this government are extended to Mr. Mussolini and to the Italian people for this discourteous and unwarranted utterance by a commissioned officer of this government on active duty.

"Accept, excellency, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration. (Signed)

"Henry L. Stimson.
"His excellency,
"Scalabrino Giuseppe de Maritano,
"Royal Italian Ambassador."

Major General Fuller, marine commandant, today informed General Butler of the order, and told him to confine himself to the limits of his station at the marine barracks, Quantico, Virginia.

BUTLER SAYS STORY TOLD TO HIM BY THIRD PERSON
PORTLAND, Jan. 29.—Major-general Smedley D. Butler of the marines, for whom a court martial was ordered today, really got his story of Mussolini's "reckless driving" from "Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr.," according to Clarence H. White, general manager of the Edison White Lyeum.

The United States government has apologized to Mussolini for General Butler's statement that the Italian premier ran down a child and did not stop.

White said he was present in New York when Vanderbilt described the incident to General Butler and others in November, 1930. The story was told by General Butler, White said, is true to the description given by Vanderbilt.

Ran Over Child
White quoted Vanderbilt as having told of a drive the premier and he were taking. "Mussolini preferred to drive his own machine, usually a very fast automobile, according to Vanderbilt," White said.

One day while driving at a high rate of speed they came to a sharp turn in the road with a high wall facing them. Despite the speed Mussolini made the turn and escaped the wall. Just as they swung around the turn a little girl ran out into the road. The machine ran over her, Vanderbilt said, and Mussolini continued on.

"Vanderbilt protested and suggested that they stop, Mussolini passed it off with a gesture and

remark that they did not have the time," or something similar to that."

Press Scores Butler
ROME, Jan. 29.—Italian newspapers, incensed at a speech attributed to General Smedley D. Butler of the United States marines, in which he was reported to have made remarks derogatory to Premier Mussolini, today printed editorials characterizing the speech as impudent, insolent and ridiculous.

La Tribuna in a headline, uses the words "Insolent and ridiculous," declaring in an editorial, "This is not the first time General Butler has created incidents for his government with his impudent, fantastic speeches."

REPUTED INFORMANT OF BUTLER WON'T COMMENT
PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 29.—Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr., quoted by various persons as the source of a story representing Premier Mussolini as a hit-and-run driver, declined to comment today.

"Who are they?" he asked, when told Clarence H. White of Portland, Ore., and P. MacInnes Neilson of Pittsburgh had identified him as having related the story.

"Oh, yes," he said, when they were identified. "Well, I have no comment to make about that."

"But, Mr. Vanderbilt," his questioner protested, "do you not feel you are putting yourself in a peculiar position by remaining silent at this time?"

"I have nothing whatever to say about any of it. You can say I decline comment, I won't talk, or anything you like. I don't care what they say about me. I have no statement whatever at this time."

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he located an office, waiting room, rest rooms, etc.

The commission will call for bids for the construction of the building as soon as the plans are adopted. It is believed that the structure can be erected for about \$2,000.

Oil Firm Asks Lease

A report was submitted at last night's meeting covering the work done on the runways and the installation of the lights, and the commission's approval was given the work so far done.

On stand on the oil companies, which is not yet ready to announce its complete plans, presented an application for a lease for a filling station. A building will be erected for housing oil, and an underground tank and filling pit will be provided at a place to be designated by the commission.

The commission is preparing an ordinance which will regulate the use of the field by individuals and commercial concerns. The ordinance will specify the charges to be made for storage of planes, will provide for the collection of a tax on gasoline and oil, this money to be applied to the maintenance of the airport, and will fix charges for the use of the field by pilots carrying passengers for hire. It will provide also, that no passenger service can operate unless licensed planes and pilots are provided.

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The commission met with A. H. Pike, local pilot, who plans the operation of a ground flying school for students, together with a passenger service, and who is applying for the position of superintendent of the field, and entertained his proposal, but no action has yet been taken.

A meeting will be held in the near future to adopt the plans for the building and receive bids for construction.

PORTLAND MUSEUM BEQUEATHED \$100,000
(Associated Press Leased Wire)

PORTLAND, Jan. 29.—Miss Henrietta Felling, 70, who died here Jan. 14, bequeathed \$100,000 of her fortune to the Portland art museum. Henry Felling Cabell, a nephew, will receive \$100,000, and the remainder of the property will be left to executors in trust. A sister, Mary Forbush Felling, will receive the net income of the estate during her lifetime. The will was probated yesterday.

PLATTEVILLE, Wis.—An English Bible, 384 years old, is owned by Rev. E. Meier of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church here. The book, printed in old English, was translated from the original Greek. The Rev. Meier bought the book 30 years ago.

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COLUMBIA BOATS COLLIDE IN FOG
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29.—Minor damage was suffered by the steamer Charles L. Wheeler Jr., last night when she collided with the steamer John C. Kirkpatrick in the Columbia river near Astoria. Several plates in the Wheeler's bow were dented.

The Wheeler was bound downstream and the Kirkpatrick was enroute for Portland. Both continued. The collision was accounted for by dense fog.

Both vessels are operated by the McCormick Steamship company.

JURY EXONERATES DEATH CAR DRIVER
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