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## OREGON CITY SUICIDE

### Ross L. Spencer Blows His Brains Out.

#### TRAINROBBERS MISS A BIG HAUL

#### Suicide of a Barkeeper While on a Drunken Spree—Wholesale Poisoning in a Hospital.

OREGON CITY, Oct. 22.—Ross L. Spencer, constable of this precinct, shot and killed himself here this morning. He went to the sheriff's office about 9 o'clock and borrowed a revolver from the sheriff. He then went down to Justice Dixon's court and finished up some work he had to do. About 10 o'clock he was found with a bullet hole clear through his head and the revolver by his side. He was still alive, but unconscious. A physician called, who, upon examination, pronounced the wound fatal. He lingered until noon, when he died without having regained his consciousness. Mr. Spencer was about 60 years of age, and leaves a widow and six children. He was elected constable on the populist ticket last June, and has made a very efficient officer. He has been quite despondent lately, saying the office did not pay enough to support his family. He owned a house and lot at Canemah, where he resided.

#### A Fatal Fire.

NYACK, N. Y., Oct. 22.—Four grandchildren of Rev. William Taylor, Methodist missionary bishop of Africa, perished in the burning of the elegant house of their father, Ross Taylor, at South Nyack, early today. In addition one man was so badly burned he can scarcely recover, and two others were seriously injured.

It was a little after 4 o'clock when Mrs. Taylor was awakened by smoke. She aroused her husband, Rev. Ross Taylor. He found the halls filled with smoke, the fire having obtained great headway. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor groped their way through the suffocating smoke to the outer air, without having been able to extend a helping hand to their six children or others of the household. As Mr. and Mrs. Taylor emerged, the fire department arrived. The energies of all were directed toward the rescue of those who remained in the doomed structure. The two eldest Taylor children, Stewart and William, were aroused and, jumping from the window, were caught without being seriously injured. Harriet, aged 11; Ada, 8; Arthur, 7, and Schultz, 5, perished. Their bodies were recovered two hours later. Michael Mulady, laborer, and Edward Link and William Ruth, house decorators, sleeping in the third story, jumped for their lives. Mulady was fatally hurt; Ruth and Link sustained serious injuries, but will probably recover. The house had been recently built, and the interior decorations were still incomplete.

The funeral of the four children was held at 11 a. m. today. The four charred bodies were placed in one casket. Rev. J. B. Taylor officiated, and Rev. Ross Taylor, the bereaved father, made a few remarks, telling several pathetic incidents.

#### Wholesale Poisoning.

COLUSA, Oct. 22.—Twenty-two inmates of the county hospital were poisoned yesterday by strychnine in their coffee. One man died. No further deaths have resulted from the poisoning of the inmates of the county hospital. Mrs. Ingram, wife of the superintendent, is still very sick, but will recover. The accepted theory is a discharged Chinese cook, who had trouble with the steward, entered the hospital during the night and put the strychnine in a can of ground coffee. No arrests.

#### Suicide of a Drunkard.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 22.—Jacob Vogell, a barkeeper, became intoxicated in Careyville last night, and going home began to abuse his family, and a policeman was called. Vogell, when sober, is the best of husbands and fathers. He had been arrested once or twice before. When the police came they walked him to the station. They were followed by Vogell's 12-year-old daughter, Emma, who went to Policeman Calvin and

told him her father had threatened suicide, and just before he was arrested she had seen him take something white. The policeman laughed at the child. In her agony of fear the little girl got down on her knees and begged him to send her father to the hospital, but she was again refused. Afterwards the policeman went back. Vogell was in the cell half clad and suffering. The policeman went to call a patrol. Ten minutes later it came and in the cell dead on the floor lay the man whose life his little girl had pleaded for in vain.

#### The Crop of Suckers This Year Seems to Be Very Large.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 22.—The news of the closing up by the police of the "public stock and produce exchange" and the "discretionary pool" concern on Saturday brought great crowds of investors from the country into town, showing how wide spread have been the operations of these concerns. The Delarneys, who operated the "public stock and produce exchange," secured a release on bail for a hearing this evening. At the office this morning they announced to their clients that, as their books were in the hands of the police, they would be unable to pay out money or do business except to receive notices of the withdrawal of deposits. All the discretionary pools have a clause in their agreements by which they can insist upon 30 days' notice of withdrawal. The Consolidated Stock & Produce Company, another discretionary pool, did not open its doors today. Hundreds of investors, who went to the office to withdraw their deposits, were confronted with a notice that the firm had temporarily suspended. Washington Force, the manager, was not there, and so one appeared to know of his whereabouts. Warrants have been issued for him. Other pools are expected to suspend at any moment, and excitement among investors is running high. By the books of the Delarneys it is shown that over half of the investors were women, most of them domestics and washerwomen, who fancied they had found an easy road to wealth.

#### Sixty Were Killed.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 22.—Captain Higgins, of the coffee bark Dom Pedro II., now in port, gives a graphic description of a dynamite explosion that occurred in Rio a few days previous to September 6, when his vessel sailed for Baltimore. Sixty persons were killed. A Brazilian soldier discovered, near the English cemetery, a subterranean magazine, in which the insurgents of the recent rebellion had concealed a large quantity of gunpowder cartridges and dynamite shells which they evidently intended using against the government. The soldier reported his find to the general commanding, and a rough cart drawn by two mules was sent to the scene to remove the contents of the hidden magazine to a place of safety. A detachment of soldiers accompanied the cart, and a curious crowd of citizens followed it to the little hill which had been dug out to hold the explosives. A quantity of shells had been placed in the cart and a pile of others had been passed out close behind it when one of the soldiers, while in the act of handling a shell, dropped it among the others. The same second an explosion shook the earth, a sheet of flame shot upward and a cloud of whitish smoke hid everything from view. The vessels in the harbor rocked at their moorings and the entire city was thrown into wild excitement. More than a ton of dynamite has exploded from the dropping of the shell. The soldiers and mules were blown in fragments and only the iron tires of the cart-wheels were found.

#### A Bloodthirsty Youth.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 22.—Eugene Meneini, 19 years of age, who was recently discharged from Granucci's butcher shop on Stockton street, went to the shop this morning and demanded to be reinstated. His demand was refused, whereupon the youth whipped out a revolver and fired two shots at Granucci and an employe named Harant. After their flight, neither being hit, Meneini shot himself in the head, dying instantly.

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The Flood Jury Disagree.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 22.—The jurors in the Flood embezzlement case were discharged this morning, standing nine for conviction and one for acquittal, after being out since 4 o'clock Friday afternoon. Flood was arraigned in the police court on charges of making false entries in the books, but the case was continued for several weeks.

#### Attempt to Kill Italians.

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., Oct. 22.—As the result of feeling engendered by frequent conflicts between Irish and Italian laborers employed on the sewers here, Patrick Reilly last night put nine dynamite cartridges upon a shanty in which 100 Italians were sleeping, and was in the act of attaching a galvanic battery to the cartridges when discovered. Reilly is held for the grand jury.

#### A Noted Bandit Killed.

GUADALAJARA, Mexico, Oct. 22.—Mounted police report that they overtook Antonio Sanchez, the noted bandit chief, in the mountains and shot him to death. Several of his desperate band were wounded and captured.

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