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## THREE MEN KILLED IN A FIGHT AT FLORENCE MINE

### Attempt to arrest an Italian for fighting precipitated a bloody conflict between State Constabulary and foreigners barricaded in a house.

After two members of the State Constabulary were killed and three wounded, the remaining twenty-one constables, assisted by the police force of Punxsutawney, surrounded the house and in the darkness of night for six hours poured volley after volley into the besieged building. When dawn broke twenty pounds of dynamite was exploded under the house; fire broke out and at 8.30 Monday morning only a heap of smoldering ashes marked the scene of the night's deadly conflict.

The most thrilling and sanguinary tragedy in the annals of Jefferson county happened at the little mining town of Florence, eight miles from Reynoldsville, Sunday night, September 2nd. In the darkness of night, while rain descended in torrents, a pitched battle was fought between a detachment of twenty-six members of the State Constabulary and a few desperate Italians fortified in a boarding house. When dawn came, two valiant constables and an Italian desperado were cold in death, one more constable injured fatally, two wounded by buckshot, and the house which had sheltered the Italians was reduced by dynamite and fire to a heap of ashes. This in brief is the tale of that bloody night's work—a tale paralleled only in ferocity by deeds of actual war.

Along about the middle of Sunday afternoon Sergeant Joseph Logan, dressed in citizen's clothes, wandered out to Florence on the lookout for a foreigner accused of slaying a fellow countryman, on the Walston road the day before. While standing talking to Dr. Bodenborn, a fist fight started near the Mahoning Company store between two Italians. He started for the fray and attempted to arrest one of the participants, Salvatore Walsoch. Walsoch backed into an Italian boarding house and Logan followed. The men were barely inside the door when a scuffle was thrust at Logan, presumably by another Italian named Jim Timbone, alias Trabone and Malbone. Logan retreated without his man. When a short distance from the house fire was opened on him by someone in second story of the house. He replied with revolver shots, but neither party was injured. Logan promptly phoned to the barracks in Punxsutawney for assistance and five men were sent to Florence by trolley, being Privates Chambers, Henry, Mcllvain, Mullen and Koch. Together they started to charge the house, Henry in command. Twenty feet from the house a shot rang out from the second story and Henry fell in the road. He rolled over with an awful groan and expired. Appalled, his comrades stopped and two, Chambers and Mullen, attempted to carry Henry back. In the act a deadly fire of buckshot was opened on them, from the boarding house and both were wounded, Chambers fatally. It was almost an hour before Logan, Mullen and Koch were able to rescue the dead and injured men. Another call was sent in to the barracks and this time twenty mounted troopers under command of First Sergeant Lamb were galloping over the hills to the scene. This was about half past six in the evening. When the mounted constables arrived, another attempt was made to enter the house under cover of fire from part of the troop. Six men burst in the door and three of them started to ascend the stairs. A fusillade of bullets met them and one man, Francis Zehringer, fell back on his comrades, shot. The others retreated, leaving Zehringer's body lying in the doorway.

The desperation of the situation now fully dawned on the constables. The knowledge that two of their company had been shot in cold blood and a third fatally wounded, goaded them to the severest measures. The police force of Punxsutawney, under Clayton Palmer, came to the scene and the whole troop, stationed on all four sides, commenced to pour a merciless fusillade of bullets into the house. On the side of the house the firing never ceased. It is said that over a thousand shots were exchanged during the night. It is the marvel of the constabulary how the imprisoned Italians managed to keep up such a continuous fire and to shoot with such deadly effect whenever a head appeared anywhere within range. At one time it rained in torrents, but every man stood his post and the battle went on. At two o'clock in the morning the firing ceased and all was quiet until about half past five in the morning. Then it was determined to dislodge the Italians by dynamite and Captain J. F. Robinson himself placed nearly twenty pounds of the explosive stuff under one side of the house. It went off with fearful effect, shattering one side of the house and breaking numerous windows in the houses roundabout. Immediately the troopers charged the house and in the second story found the dead body of Jim Timbone, a gun by his side and ammunition near him. It is probable that he had been shot about two in the morning by volleys from the troopers, at the time the firing ceased. Shortly after flames broke out in the building and in a few minutes it was reduced to a heap of ashes. Whether it was set on fire by the explosion of dynamite or by other means is not certainly known.

While the firing was in progress, its rapidity and the fact that a large number of men were known to board there, gave the constabulary reason to believe that the house was filled with a score or more of desperate men. If it was so at the beginning of the fracas, they must have escaped under cover of night, for when the troopers entered after the dynamiting they found only the cold body of Timbone. Two other Italians were arrested, near the house, who had possibly been in the cellar, but the reports of this are conflicting. The other arrests made in connection were those of three Italians near the trolley station and two who were noticed running along a railroad embankment near the house. There was no direct evidence against them, save that they were all armed. All were taken to the Punxsutawney lock-up and incarcerated until Tuesday when they were given a hearing.

The dead constables and the Italian desperado were removed to undertaking rooms in Punxsutawney. The wounded men, Chambers and Mullen, were sent to Adrian hospital. Sergeant Logan's injury was not serious. During the progress of the fight lurid reports of the engagement were sent broadcast over the country. Florence was believed to be the headquarters of a gang of members of the infamous "Black Hand" and it was supposed that the constabulary had rounded up a gang and had them penned up like rats in a trap. Since the fight, however, the coolest heads have arrived at the opinion that there never was more than three Italians in the house after the firing commenced and possibly only one, the desperate Timbone. This man, who was about forty years of age, has a record behind him which frequently before brought him in conflict with the officers of the law. At Yatesboro and Kittanning he had been under arrest and not very long since he had been confined in the Jefferson county poor home at Brookville. It is said that he was at that time believed to be weak minded. It is certain that he had a grudge of long standing against the officials whom he considered his persecutors, which doubtless goaded him to

### THE DEAD AND WOUNDED AT FLORENCE MINE.

**Dead.**

JOHN HENRY, private in the State Constabulary; aged 26; home in Philadelphia. Is survived by one sister. Body taken to Philadelphia for burial. Henry was unmarried. Had seen service in the Spanish-American war.

FRANCIS ZEHFRINGER, private in the State Constabulary; aged 33 years; home in Conshohocken, near Philadelphia, where body was taken for interment. Unmarried. Zehringer was an unusually fine specimen of physical manhood. Had served in the regular army seven years and was a veteran of the Spanish-American war.

JIM TIMBONE, also known as Trabone and Malbone. An Italian about 40 years of age. Boarded in house attacked and it is not known that he had any relatives.

**Wounded.**

HOMER C. CHAMBERS, private in State Constabulary; aged 34 years; home in Allegheny City. Was taken to Adrian hospital for treatment.

WILLIAM A. MULLEN, private in State Constabulary; home in Harrisburg. Shot in thigh but will recover.

JOSEPH LOGAN, sergeant in State Constabulary. Shot in foot.

insanity in his last desperate moments. The house, which was attacked, is located across the railroad tracks from the power house in Florence. It was an ordinary two story affair, divided into three apartments and on first floor a store was kept by Laboria Walsoch and wife, Marie Asuntaero, two old people who disappeared the day after the fight. The boarding house in same building was run by Antonio Cerreo, and he had from eight to fifteen Italians boarding at his place. In the building also lived Felice Muzza, married to a daughter of Walsoch's wife. A number of the boarders in this house and at least one of its residence have made claims for damages, claiming that they had trunks full of personal property and much cash destroyed in the fire.

The Italians who were arrested under suspicion of being in the affair were as follows: Raffaele Petecco, Antonio Gordenio, Peter Cantofio, Joseph Esco, Frank Martine, Joe Leone, Joseph Sigeo and Gulseppi Sigeo. All were carrying concealed weapons. Monday Chief-of-Police Palmer placed two more under arrest as suspicious characters. They were given a hearing before Burgess Brown the same day and fined \$24.00, their weapons being confiscated.

Investigation of the bullets and shot fired by the Italians showed that three different kinds of weapons had been used. A shot gun was in continuous play and bullets were found from a Winchester rifle and 38-caliber revolver.

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Pittsburg Exposition.

Judging by the manner in which greater Pittsburghers flocked to the Exposition on the opening night to hear Creator and his band and witness the scores of new features which have been introduced this year, Manager T. J. Fitzpatrick may well feel proud of the youthful days of the eighteenth season. If the opening night is taken as a criterion of the succeeding days, the season which ends October 20 will go down in Pittsburgh's amusement and instruction history as the banner year of all.

Each succeeding year brings something new to the Exposition—something entirely different from that seen the year previous. That's what makes the old Point show ring with popularity. Coupled with the favorite musicians which have visited the Expo from year to year—Creator, Sousa, Herbert and Damrosch—is another band leader equally as popular this year. Creator opened the season on Wednesday night. After a stay of ten days, he gives place to the Theodore Thomas Orchestra from September 10 to 15. Then comes the March King—John Philip Sousa—for a week. Then comes Ellery's band, one of the most successful in the country. Damrosch who opened the season last year, will have the honor of closing the season, the weeks of October 8 to 20 inclusive, having been set aside as Damrosch weeks. With such an array of musical talent, is it any wonder that the Exposition music hall grows in popularity each year.

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**Tuesday Excursions to Niagara Falls and Toronto.**

Every Tuesday, to and including September 25th, the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Ry will sell excursion tickets from Falls Creek to Niagara Falls and Toronto, good for return passage any time within fifteen days from date of sale at fare of \$7.45 to Niagara Falls and \$8.90 to Toronto. For full information consult agents of the company.

**Stockholders Meeting**

There will be a stockholders meeting of the Reynoldsville Water Company at the office of M. M. Davis, Secretary, on September 24, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of receiving reports from the officers, the election of officers and to transact any other matter or business required of the stockholders, deemed necessary.

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