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*...if you are anxious
to make a fight
I will go anywhere on earth
to make a fight with you...*

Wyatt Earp to Ike Clanton
Tombstone, Arizona
October 26, 1881

Wyatt Earp wasn't Deputy Marshall of Dodge City anymore. He left that town in Kansas for life as a saloon keeper in Tombstone. But on October 26, 1881 - after 30 shots rang out in 30 seconds - Wyatt found himself on the other side of the law, charged with murder.

Three men lay dead, including Ike Clanton's 19-year-old brother Billy. Wyatt didn't have to "go anywhere on earth to make a fight." He just had to go to the O.K. Corral.

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Wyatt Earp

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