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FASTER, WHITE FLASH...
FASTER! WE HAVE TO GET
TO THAT WAGON TRAIN BEFORE
COYOTE THAT HOWLS AND HIS
WAR PARTY ATTACK!



AS THE GREAT PRAIRIE RANGER KEEPS
URGING HIS MOUNT ON, HE THINKS GRIMLY
OF THE HIGH STAKES INVOLVED IN THIS
GRIM RACE AGAINST TIME...HOW, TWO HOURS
AGO, IN RESPONSE TO AN URGENT SMOKE-
SIGNAL, HE HAD ENTERED THE ENCAMP-
MENT OF HIS OLD FRIEND, CHIEF WALKING
BEAR...

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WHAT'S UP
CHIEF? WHERE ARE
ALL YOUR WARRIORS?



MY WARRIORS RIDE WITH COYOTE THAT
HOWLS, THE SHAMAN WHOSE HEART IS
FILLED WITH HATRED AGAINST ALL PALE-
FACES! WITH WORDS LIKE POISON-DIPPED
ARROWS HE HAS STIRRED HATE-FIRES
INSIDE THEM!
THEY RIDE NOW
TO ATTACK THE
WAGON TRAIN!



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THUNDERATION! THAT TREATY YOU JUST SIGNED OPENED THE LAND HERE FOR SETTLEMENT! THAT'S THE FIRST WAGON TRAIN TO COME IN! IF YOUR WARRIORS STOP IT, THE ARMY WILL TAKE OVER... AND THERE'LL BE A FULL SCALE WAR... HAVE TO CONTACT THAT WAGON TRAIN!

BUT YOU ARE ALONE! WHAT CAN ONLY ONE MAN DO AGAINST A WHOLE WAR PARTY?



AND NOW, TWO HOURS LATER...

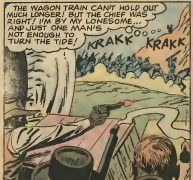
UH-OH! TOO LATE! THAT'S SUN-FIRE DEAD AHEAD!

KRAKK
KRAKK



THE WAGON TRAIN CAN'T HOLD OUT MUCH LONGER! BUT THE CHIEF WAS RIGHT! I'M BY MY LONESOME... AND JUST ONE MAN'S NOT ENOUGH TO TURN THE TIDE!

KRAKK OOOO KRAKK



A SHORT TIME LATER...

UH?

A PALEFACE RELIEF PARTY HAS SURROUNDED US! THEIR FIRE COMES FROM ALL SIDES!

KRAKK



FALL BACK! WE ARE SURROUNDED! FALL BACK!



THAT GIVES US A BREATH! PUMPING SOME SHOTS RIGHT AMONG THEM, AND RICOCHETING OTHERS OFF THAT FAR WALL - MADE THEM THINK THE BULLETS WERE BEING FIRED FROM EVERY-WHICH-WAY!



IT'S TEX RITTER! YIPPEE! HE SAVED US ALL BY HIS LONESOME!

IT'S TOO EARLY FOR BREATHING EASY, MISTER! COYOTE THAT HOWLS ISN'T THRU YET!



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WHAT DO YOU THINK THE INJUNS' NEXT MOVE WILL BE, RITTER?

I WISH I KNEW! BUT IT'LL BE SOMETHING... AND RIGHT-SOON TOO! COYOTE THAT HOWLS HAS TO SAVE FACE PRONTO...

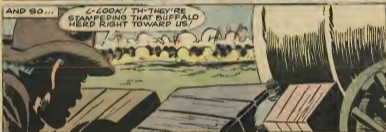


... BEFORE THOSE WARRIORS HAVE A CHANCE TO START FEELING SORRY THEY EVER LET HIM TALK THEM INTO DISOBEYING THEIR CHIEF!

BEHOLD WHAT THE WAR GODS HAVE SENT US, OH WARRIORS...



-- A BUFFALO HERD TO SPEARHEAD OUR NEXT ATTACK!



AND SO...

L-LOOK! TH-THEY'RE STAMPEDING THAT BUFFALO HERD RIGHT TOWARD US!



NOTHING CAN SAVE US NOW! RECKON YOU WERE TOO LATE AFTER ALL, RITTER!

IT WILL BE TOO LATE IF WE JUST STAND HERE OPEN-MOUTHED, MISTER! NOW LISTEN HARD! HERE'S WHAT I AIM TO DO...

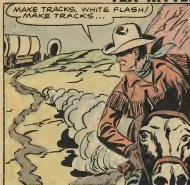


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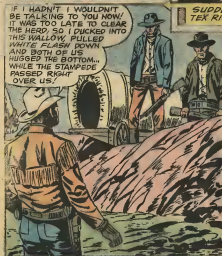
RITTER'S PLUMB LOCO! IT'LL NEVER WORK!

NO MOUNT COULD EVER CUT CLEAR ACROSS THE PATH OF THAT HERD! RITTER'S GOING TO BE TROMPLED... THAT'S FOR SURE!

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SUDDENLY... THEY ARE STARTLED AS TEX RISES FROM THE BUFFALO WALLOW!



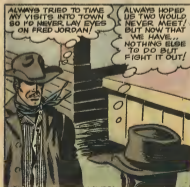
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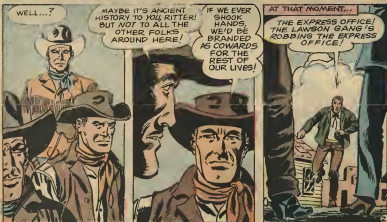
THE BOUNDARY DISPUTE BETWEEN THE BRADLEYS AND THE JORDANS WAS SETTLED BY THE COURTS LONG AGO! BUT THE SHADOW OF THE OLD FEUD LIES DARK AND COLD OVER MAIN STREET TODAY, AS YOUNG TOM BRADLEY AND YOUNG FRED JORDAN STALK FORWARD GRIMLY, THEIR HANDS POISED OVER THEIR HOLSTERS...



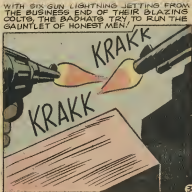
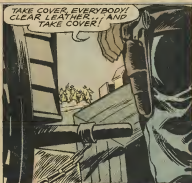
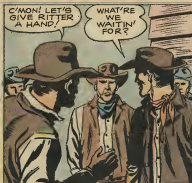
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WITH SIX GUN LIGHTNING JETTING FROM THE BUSINESS END OF THEIR BLAZING COLTS, THE BADHATS TRY TO RUN THE GAUNTLET OF HONEST MEN!

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WHEN ONE OF THE BADGATS, UNHORSED, TRIES TO USE AN OLD MAN AS A SHIELD...

NO, YOU DON'T!



LOOK AT THAT TOM BRADLEY FIGHT!

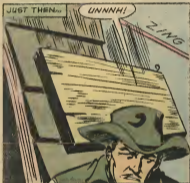
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JUST THEN...

UNNNH!

ZING



THAT SIGN KNOCKED BRADLEY OUT

HE'LL BE TROMPLED FOR SURE!



WHERE'S RITTER?

DOWN THE STREET! TOO FAR AWAY TO GIVE BRADLEY A HAND!

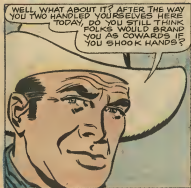
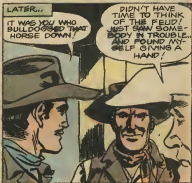
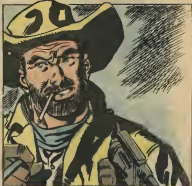


WHO'S THAT?

HE'S MOVING SO FAST... I CAN'T TELL!



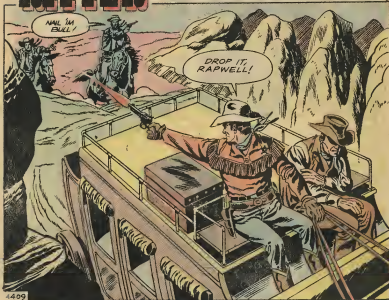
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IN "RAPWELL'S KID"

GIG RAPWELL HAD BEEN A NOTORIOUS HARD-CASE FOR TWENTY YEARS... HIS GANG, OPERATING FROM A BASE HIGH IN THE BADLANDS, ALWAYS MANAGED TO GET AWAY—UNTIL THE DAY GIG RAPWELL HELD UP THE TUCSON STAGE... RAPWELL HAD IT PERFECTLY PLANNED—BUT HIS PLANS DIDN'T INCLUDE TEX RITTER'S PRESENCE!



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GIG RAPWELL DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO GET AWAY—HE AND HIS SIDEKICK WERE SURE OF LIFE SENTENCES! IT MIGHT EVEN MEAN THE END OF RAPWELL'S WHOLE GANG IF HE TALKED! ANOTHER OWLHOOTER WAS NEAR... AND DEAD!



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DON'T CROW YET, ROOSTER! THIS GAME AIN'T OVER!

YO'RE COVERIN' MAN WON'T SHOOT- HE MIGHT HIT ONE OF YUH!



THE TWO SHOTS CAME AT THAT INSTANT- ONE HAMMERING RIGHT AFTER THE OTHER! BOTH SHOTS COUNTED...

HIS OWN MAN FINISHED HIM OFF- THE OTHER ONE TOO! THAT WAS TO KEEP 'EM FROM TALKIN' T'SAVE THEIR HIDES!



TEX RITTER HAD BEEN RIDING IN THE STAGE - BUT WHITE FLASH WAS NEAR! TEX WHISTLED ONCE AND...



LOAD 'EM IN THE STAGE AN' GIT BACK TUH TOWN! I'M BACK-TRACKIN' ON RAPWELL'S TRAIL T'GATHER IN THE OTHERS! HE'S GOT A SON OR A WARD SOMEWHERE - I WANT TO TALK WITH HIM!



RAPWELL AND HIS TWO SIDKICKS HAD HIDDEN THEIR TRACKS WELL BUT TEX FOLLOWED IT EASILY... MEANWHILE AT RAPWELL'S BASE A RIDER HAD ALREADY HIT TOWN!

HEY, JUNIOR!
JUNIOR RAPWELL!



BLACKIE - I TOLD YOU NOT TO CALL ME THAT!



TEX RITTER WESTERN

RAPWELL'S NOT MY OLD MAN! WHEN HE GETS BACK, I'M LEAVIN'! I'M NO OUTLAW—NO MATTER HOW HARD HE'S TRIED TO MAKE ME ONE!

DON'T FLIP, KID! I GOT NEWS! LET'S GO INSIDE!



TEX RITTER DOWNED GIG—FINISHED HIM AND SAM! HE'S HEADED THIS WAY! YUH CAN BUSHWHACK HIM EASY! YUH'RE A CRACK SHOT! YORE DAD TAUGHT...

SHUT UP! GIG'S NOT MY FATHER, I TOLD YUH! I'VE HEARD O' TEX RITTER! HE'S TOUGH BUT HE'S SQUIRE!



THE HARCASSES PRESENT WATCHED THE KID THEY CALLED JUNIOR— HE WAS SMART AND TOUGH—AND GREASED LIGHTNING WITH A GUN!

YUH GONNA LET RITTER GET AWAY WITH IT? HE WINGED 'IM FIRST—THEN SHOT HIM AGAIN!



WINGED HIM FIRST—THAT JIBES WITH WHAT I'VE HEARD OF TEX RITTER!



WAIT A MINUTE, KID! I TAUGHT YUH PLENTY—I SHOWED YUH HOW TUH...

DRAW!



YUH TAUGHT ME GOOD, MISTER!



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YOU GALLOOTS WANT TROUBLE TOO?

ALL RIGHT-GIT OUT, TRAITOR! WE DON'T WANT YUH! WE'LL HANDLE TEX RITTER OURSELVES!



TEX RITTER CUT THE TRAIL OF ANOTHER RIDER HURRYING AHEAD OF HIM! HE SLOWED DOWN... THAT RIDER, THE SNIPER, COMPLICATED HIS JOB!

THAT JASPER'S GONNA GET 'EM READY FOR ME! I'D BE PLUMB LOCO TA RIDE AN' GIT SHOT UP! I THINK I'LL LET THEM HUNT ME!



THEY'LL BE WATCHIN' FOR ME - THEY'RE LOOKIN' THIS WAY RIGHT NOW, WHITE FLASH!



JUNIOR RAPWELL SWITCHED SIDES ONCE MORE - HE TOLD THE OTHERS THAT HE WAS TAKING ORDERS! THEY BELIEVED HIM!

COME ON, ALL OF YUH! I'M LEADIN' THIS BUNCH!



THE KID - THE OUTLAW'S PROTEGE - LED THE GANG STRAIGHT FOR THE HILLS! THEY FOUND TEX'S TRAIL... BUT NOT THE LAWMAN!

HEY, JULIE, HE JES' DIS-APPEARED!

YEAH - HE'S REAL SMART! BUILD A FIRE - WE'LL CAMP HERE!



THAT KID IS EITHER AWFULLY DUMB - OR REAL SMART! I'VE GOT A HUNCH HE'S SMART!



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RITTER'S LONG GONE BY NOW! HE AIN'T GOT THE NERVE T' TACKLE US HERE IN THE BADLANDS!

THERE'S ONE MISSIN' DOWN THERE - BUT I'M NOT WAITIN'!

ALL RIGHT, BOYS, ELEVATE! UP HIGH!

ONE MAN MOVED...HE HAD A DERRINGER UP HIS SLEEVE! TWO SHOTS ROARED...



FREEZE - I'M SIDIN' THE LAWMAN!



GLAD TO SEE YOU, TEX! MY NAME IS...

PAUL HANLON - IN CASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW! I'VE BEEN MEANIN' TO LOOK YUH UP! I KNOW YORE UNCLE - I TOLD HIM RAPWELL HAD A BOY WITH HIM OUT HERE!

I WARNED THE BOSS HE WAS A WRONG GUY!

I NEVER RODE WITH GIO'S MEN, TEX! TEN DAYS AGO, I GOT RAPWELL TO TELL ME MY REAL NAME! I WAS LEAVIN' EVEN BEFORE YOU CAME ALONG!



YUH CAME IN REAL HANDY, PAUL! LET'S RIDE!

THE END

THE MISSING MARKSMAN



Rudolph Friederich Kurz was a noted Swiss artist who came to this country more than a century ago. He kept a diary of his activities during the years 1846 to 1852, which he spent at the western trading posts of the great fur companies on the Mississippi and the Upper Missouri Rivers, from New Orleans to St. Louis and Fort Union.

He witnessed the great rush westward of the money crazed people after the discovery of gold in California. He acted in the capacity of a clerk, especially at Forts Berthold and Union. So he came into direct contact with the daily lives of the Indians, of the carefree traders and of the officers of these trading posts. Because he was an artist, he had developed the habit of seeing a lot of things, including even the small details. Listen to what he tells us:

"At evening we mounted our horses and bade our acquaintances heartfelt adieu. However, we were provided with the worst horses at the fort which did not by any means guarantee my safety. Our double-barreled guns, heavily loaded, we laid across the saddle in front of us. We were well provided with powder and shot. Each of us carried a scalping knife which we stuck in our belts. My cloak together with a sack containing some changes of linen and a zinc drinking cup, all fastened to the back of the saddle, made up my total equipment.

Bellange carried our provisions, our coffee pot and a blanket. So we rode across the prairie into the West. The first day we saw nothing but prairie chickens, blackbirds and in the evening several shy antelopes. Camping at night beside a spring, we tethered our horses to tufts of tall grass. Except for the howling of wolves and the chorus of mosquitoes, a deathlike silence reigned.

Before sunrise on Tuesday morning we saddled our horses and reassumed our journey — always riding at a slow trot. About 8 o'clock I enjoyed my first prairie breakfast, cooked by a fire made of buffalo chips. Bellange forgot the

meat. So we had only biscuits and hot coffee. He consoled me by saying he had his gun and would keep us supplied with game. I allow myself to be easily comforted when I am enjoying myself. When on an adventure and in happy mood, I disregard hunger.

Constant danger from lurking enemies, the vast prairie bounded only by sky and sea, buffaloes and bears in prospect, fine health and tense anticipation — what could I desire? Every dark spot amid the green might be an Indian, a buffalo, an elk or a bear. Any bright spot might be a wolf, an antelope or a deer. My glances wandered everywhere. What my eyes could not distinguish, my telescope brought within my range of vision.

We started our first buffaloes that day. Bellange wished to be sure of having the Knife River behind us before the evening in order to get out of the Gros Ventres' district. So we had to cut across the Big Bend. Finally Bellange found the trail which our Indians had marked out with their test poles. Traces of a wandering band of Indians are essentially different from similar trails left in the wake of white travellers, for the reason that the former have no wagons.

The tracks of a wagon and team make one road. The travois forms three deep paths or furrows parallel with one another. That is, a middle path along which the beasts of burden, whether horse or dog, travel. And two outer paths furrowed by the tip ends of the carrying poles. This trace we followed from the prairie down toward the river. Then for a time along the bank of the stream until we came again into a plain. We found skeleton twig huts over which the Herants had merely thrown blankets, and abandoned fires. This was a trace somewhat too fresh for Bellange's comfort. He began to fear for his skin.

We left the trails, therefore, and turning from the river, we trotted off to a distant

prairie surrounded by a chain of hills. After a time my horse refused to trot any further, while Blanc, a well seasoned traveler, kept steadily his even gait. So in order that Bellange and I might remain together while traversing the wide stretch of country that we had yet to cross, I was forced to urge my horse forward with a bazel rod. After we forded the river at noon, we dismounted, and lay down for a little while in the tall grass to stretch our legs and to allow our horses to recover breath.

Our midday meal consisted of half a biscuit. We were in the Herantsa's own hunting ground. We dared not fire a shot or even show ourselves too openly, for fear of attracting unnecessarily an attack from the so-called enemy. We might also be in more peril of the Sioux than the Herantsa.

After we proceeded across the plain in a direction that cut off the Big Bend, I called Bellange's attention to a graceful caribuck (prong-horned antelope). It came trotting forward from a glade and peered curiously about, without getting the scent of us because we were traveling against the wind. Bellange, bidding me to be still, slipped off his horse. He took my double-barreled gun and aimed at the fat animal which had approached near enough to have been killed with an ordinary pistol.

When Bellange fired, the beast paid not the least attention to the rifle shot, but trotted gracefully about us. Still without gaining any warning from the wind. Bellange's second shot was aimed much too high. The buck, now alarmed, fled swiftly away with prodigious leaps and bounds. Bellange said, by way of excuse, that as a matter of course for hitting an object at that distance, the gun was too heavily loaded. I did not think it was necessary to inform such an excellent huntsman as he represented himself to be, that one can hit a mark whether distant or near with the same charge, depending if one takes high or low aim. As sportsman, he has rather lost in my good opinion.

In the evening we had to climb the hills near the Knife River. They were so steep and so often intersected by deep lying brooks that we were forced to lead our horses. From these heights, we had a magnificent far reaching view of a range of hills beyond the Missouri, where the land swarmed with buffaloes. We reached at length the high woodlands that are usually found along the banks of the Missouri. We spotted a herd of white-tail deer who paid no attention to the approaching horses until they saw quite near them the most dangerous of all animals — man.

We selected a spot on the river bank for our camp, in order to have water and to get rid of the mosquitoes by means of the strong breeze that was almost continuously blowing toward

the stream. A mug of coffee and a cracker was all we had for our supper. In order to avoid attracting enemies, either by firelight or smoke, we extinguished our campfire. But we kept no watch. Wrapped in our blankets we slept peacefully with our saddles for pillows while our horses were grazing. We had been in the saddle for 16 hours that day.

We found a piece of sole leather and a bow lying beside it — evidence that Indians had but lately passed this spot while we imagined they were behind us. We camped for breakfast on the White River. Afterwards, we crossed a steep rocky ridge of hills that would have given an enemy thousands of opportunities to catch us unawares in an attack. We saw cedar trees that had turned to stone — trunk and branches.

As we were descending these hills and came into the skirts of a forest, we found evidence that we were close upon bison. Our rifles, always loaded, were put in position under the left arm, so that we might bang at a buffalo the instant he allowed us a glimpse of him within range of our guns. At length we caught sight of several dark bumps in motion directly before us. But we were unable to bring our tired horses to a gallop. So the buffalo escaped. We could only make ourselves merry over the peculiar rolling gait of the galloping buffalo bulls. At every step we were crossing paths that had been traced by those animals from the hills to the Missouri.

Entering a deep and narrow ravine that opened upon the plain, we noticed three buffalo steers quietly grazing about 200 feet ahead. We dismounted at once. I held the horses in the ravine, standing in the dried bed of a stream, while Bellange crept forward to shoot a buffalo. He took the most deliberate aim before firing. And the beasts were standing perfectly still! He pulled the trigger and missed. Then he used his rifle and fired again. Another miss! He kept on firing and kept on missing. I began to get the impression that the buffalo were telling one another about the Missing Marksman.

Finally, apparently in disgust, the bison fled away. I wanted to say something but Bellange merely remarked that at this time of the year the buffalo were not fit for food. We remounted our horses. Then suddenly I turned pale.

What would happen if we had to fight for our lives against the enemy? Perhaps, I consoled myself, it would be better if this Missing Marksman joined the enemy instead of being on my side. Later I will tell you more about this wide country."

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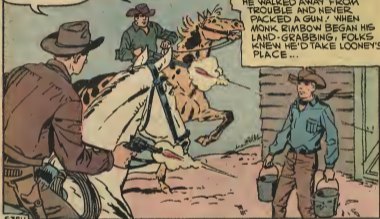
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RIMBOW WANTS TO BUY ME OUT, IS THAT IT?

NO! HE CHANGED HIS MIND... HE'S TAKIN' YORE PLACE FOR NOTHIN'!

I'LL... I'LL TALK TO RIMBOW!

BETTER NOT BE HERE WHEN WE COME THIS WAY AGAIN -- OUR ARGUMENT'LL BE PERMANENT NEXT TIME!



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ED LOONEY WAS A QUIET MAN... SOME THOUGHT HE WAS YELLOW! HE SADDLED UP AND WENT TO OLNER LAKE'S BIG SPLIT R SPREAD...

I'M SORRY, ED, BUT I WON'T FIGHT RIMBOW OVER YOUR TROUBLES! THE MAN WON'T BOTHER ME!



RIMBOW WANTS THIS RANCH, ED! HE WANTS EVERYTHING YOU OWN! I'M IN HIS WAY-- THAT'S WHY HE CHASED ME FIRST!



YOU'RE JUST SAYING THAT TO GET ME TO HELP YOU! NO, ED, I WON'T INTERFERE!

YOU'RE A FOOL, LAKE! YOU'LL SEE I'M RIGHT!



ED LOONEY CONFRONTED MONK RIMBOW LATER IN TOWN! RIMBOW HAD HIS GUNSTREAKS ALONG AS USUAL...

I DON'T WANT TROUBLE, MR. RIMBOW! PAY ME WHAT MY RANCH IS WORTH AND I'LL GET OUT!

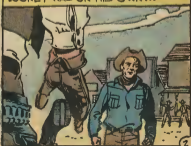
YOU'RE GETTIN' IN MY HAIR, LOONEY! LEAVE THIS VALLEY-- DON'T LOOK FOR ME TUN BUY YOU OUT EITHER!



I'M NOT WARNIN' YUH AGAIN! NOW, GIT!



THE TOWN MARSHAL COULDN'T HELP-- HIS AUTHORITY ENDED AT THE TOWN LINE-- IT WAS COUNTY BUSINESS! LOONEY WAS ON HIS OWN...





ED LOONEY WAS GRADUALLY LOSING THE CALM LOOK -- A RED GLEAM FLICKERED IN HIS EYES AS HE FACED THE FOREMAN ...

ARE YUH GONNA LAY OFF, MISTER?

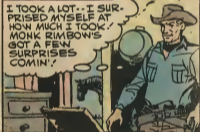
ASK ME REAL NICE, LOONEY!



I'M ALL FINISHED BEIN' REAL NICE BUSTER! STICK AROUND -- I'LL BE BACK SOON!

LOONEY HEADED HOME! THERE, HE DUG DEEP IN HIS WAR CHEST AND FOUND TWO COLTS. THEY WERE OILED, READY TO USE ...

I TOOK A LOT -- I SURPRISED MYSELF AT HOW MUCH I TOOK! MONK RIMBOW'S GOT A FEW SURPRISES COMIN'!



THERE HE IS -- THIS TIME HE GETS IT GOOD!

WE WARNED YUH! HAZE 'IM, ACE!

GET OFF MY LAND, BULLY BOY! GIT OFF RIGHT NOW!



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IT WAS SHOWDOWN FOR RIMBOW'S FOREMAN / LOONEY TURNED HIS EYES ON THE GUNMAN AND ASKED...

YUH IN THIS, ACE? YUH BACKIN' THIS LOUDMOUTH'S PLAY?

NOT ME! I JUST QUIT WORKIN' FOR MONK! I'M LEAIN' THIS PART OF THE COUNTRY!

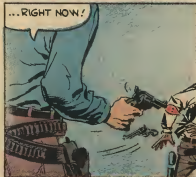


I DON'T NEED HELP, LOONEY! YUH GONNA DRAW?

YOU BET I AM...



...RIGHT NOW!



ACE, THE HIRED GUNSTREAK, COULD'VE WARNED RIMBOW AND THE OTHERS ... BUT HE WAS TOO ANXIOUS TO DEPART...

EVERYBODY THOUGHT HE WAS DEAD! I'M NOT MATCHIN' GUN-SPEED WITH HIM!



LOONEY RODE BACK INTO TOWN -- RIMBOW WAS GETTING READY TO RIDE OUT TO THE SPLIT R / HE AIMED TO BUY IT -- AT HIS PRICE...

I'LL GIVE LAKE A DOLLAR AN ACRE... HE'LL SELL! WHAT'S WRONG?

LOONEY'S BACK -- WEARIN' GUNS! HE LOOKS PLUMB SALTY, BOSS!

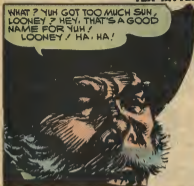


WHADDYA WANT, SOBDBUSTER? STILL SHIVELIN' FOR MONEY?

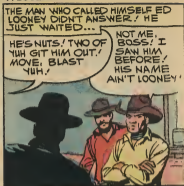
NOPE! I CAME TUH TELL YUH TUH GIT! I DON'T WANT YOU IN THIS VALLEY, RIM-BOW!



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WHAT? YUH GOT TOO MUCH SUN,
LOONEY? HEY, THAT'S A GOOD
NAME FOR YUH!
LOONEY! HA, HA!

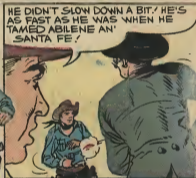


HE'S NUTS! TWO OF
YUH GIT HIM OUT!
MOVE, BLAST
YUH!

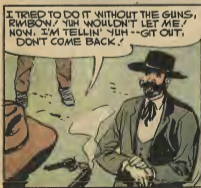
NOT ME,
BOSS! I
SAW HIM
BEFORE!
HIS NAME
AIN'T LOONEY!



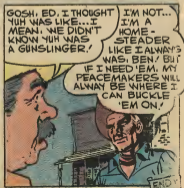
GO AHEAD, RIMBOW.
DRAW!



HE DIDN'T SLOW DOWN A BIT, HE'S
AS FAST AS HE WAS WHEN HE
TAMED ABILENE AN'
SANTA FE!



I TRIED TO DO IT WITHOUT THE GUNS,
RIMBOW, YUH WOULDN'T LET ME!
NOW, I'M TELLIN' YUH -- GIT OUT,
DONT COME BACK!



GOSH, ED, I THOUGHT
YUH WAS LIKE... I
MEAN, WE DIDN'T
KNOW YUH WAS
A GUNSLINGER!

I'M NOT...
I'M A
HOME-
STEADER
LIKE I ALWAYS
WAS, BEN! BUT
IF I NEED 'EM, MY
PEACEMAKERS WILL
ALWAYS BE WHERE I
CAN BUCKLE
'EM ON!

END

TEX RITTER

IN *THE FRIENDLY OUTLAW*

WHEN TEX RITTER ASKED ANYONE ALONG THE RIO GRANDE ABOUT THE NOGALES KID, THEY FROZE — THEY SHRUGGED — AND THEY SENT WARNINGS TO THE GUNSWIFT OWLHOOTER WHO'D BEEN TERRORIZING THE BORDER TOWN BANKS FOR A YEAR! THE PEASANTS THOUGHT OF HIM AS A MODERN ROBIN HOOD...

YOU KNOW ME, AMIGO!
TELL THE LAWMAN I WENT
DOWN RIVER! I AM YOUR
FRIEND, REMEMBER?
HELP ME!



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RIDING HARD, TEX RITTER WAS LOGGING GROUND! AT EVERY TURN, IN EVERY VILLAGE THE PEOPLE HE QUERIED GAVE HIM FALSE LEADS!

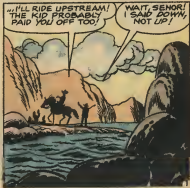
THE NOGALES KEEP?
HE WENT DOWN
REEVER!

UH-HUH! THANKS,
AMIGO...

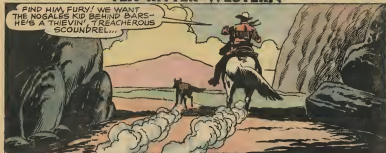


...I'LL RIDE UPSTREAM!
THE KID PROBABLY
PAID YOU OFF TOO!

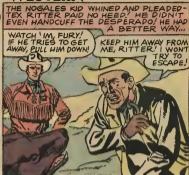
WAIT, SENOR!
I SAID DOWN,
NOT UP!



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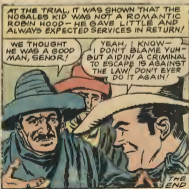
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(FAMOUS FOR SUGAR) | 4. NAVINEPSALYN
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