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THE SHOT SHATTERED THE
SILENCE, WHIPPING CLOSE TO
TEX RITTER, PRAISE RANGER...
AND SO BEGAN A DANGEROUS
ADVENTURE THAT SAW HIM
TEAMED WITH THE WILD MEN
AND WEAPONS...

"THE TIN STAR"



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THE DOWNED MAN STIRRED AND ORDERED AS TEX LIFTED HIM TO HIS SADDLE...

STEADY, WHITE CLOUD!

I THINK I'LL PLAY A HUNCH AND REMOVE MY RANGERS' BADGE!



OH, MY HEAD! TAKE ME TO MY BROTHER... DEER'S END! ABOUT TWO MILES... ON THIS TRAIL!

WHEN TEX ARRIVED AT DEER'S END, HIS RANGERS' BADGE IN HIS POCKET, HE HAD NO TROUBLE LOCATING THE HURT MAN'S BROTHER!

WHAT HAPPENED TO MY BROTHER?

BUSHWHACKED! BULLET CREASED HIS HORSE AND HE WAS THROWN! BETTER PUT UP THOSE GUNS AN' GET A DOCTOR!



THE INJURED MAN WAS CARRIED INTO THE "BILT EDGE" SALOON!

DOC'LL BE HERE IN A MINUTE! I'M TUCK HANSON, PARK'S BROTHER! RECKON I WAM KINDA HARTY WITH YUH, I A-AGGEE?

NONE NEEDED! ANY IDEA WHY HE WAS BUSHWHACKED?



YEAH! LOOK OUT THERE!



SOME FOLKS DON'T WANT TO SEE PARK ELECTED! THEY TOOK THIS WAY TO STOP HIM!

MUST BE SOME REAL HIGH FEELIN' OVER THIS ELECTION TO GO TO THAT LENGTH TO STOP A CANDIDATE!



HE'S GOT A CONCUSSION! GOT TO BE QUIET!

THAT RULES HIM OUT OF THE RACE FOR SHERIFF AN' THE VOTIN' BEGINN IN HALF AN HOUR! WE GOT TO HAVE A MAN TO REPLACE HIM... pronto!



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LISTEN, I DON'T HAVE ANOTHER GOOD MAN ON THE TRAIL! HOW ABOUT YOU TAKIN' PARK'S PLACE? YOU'LL BE DOIN' US BOTH A BIG FAVOR AND YOUR FIRST OFFICIAL ACT'LL BE GETTING THE MAN WHO DOWNED PARK!



TEX THOUGHT IT OVER FOR A LONG MOMENT... FINALLY HE SPOKE...

DON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF HESITATIN' AT A MAN LIKE MRS BONE ON THE TRAIL! reckon this town needs law all right! I'LL ACCEPT... BUT ONLY UNTE PARK'S BETTER OR ANOTHER GOOD MAN COMES ALONG!

GOOD! I'LL SPREAD THE WORD!



A FEW MINUTES LATER TEX WALKED OUT TO "SEEK UP THE TOWN"

THE WORDS BEEN SPREAD ALL RIGHT! FUNNY THING, THO, THE DECENT LOOKIN' FOLKS SEEMINSELY DON'T COTTON TO ME AS SHERIFF!



QUIET, BOY! WHAT'S ON YOUR MINDS, GENTS?

I'M MORT TRACY, HEAD OF THE DECENT CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE! WE JUST WANT TO TELL YUH THAT WE'RE BOY! TO FIGHT YUH TOOTH AN' NAIL TO KEEP YUH FROM OFFICER! TRACY'S HAD THIS TOWN TREAD LONG ENOUGH WITH HIS GUNMEN!



THIS IS A PUZZLIN' THING! SEEMS LIKE WE'RE ON THE WRONG SIDE! YET FROM THE WAY YOU ACTED I COULD TELL THAT MORT TRACY WAS THE MAN WHO THREW THAT SHOT AT PARK MANSON ON THE TRAIL!



THE VOTING BEGAN IN THE GENERAL STORE...

REMEMBER, FOLKS, VOTE FOR CLINT FRAZER... AN HONEST MAN WHO'LL GIVE DEER'S END A SQUARE SHARE AN' MAKE IT FIT FOR DECENT FOLKS TO LIVE IN!

SEEMS LIKE THIS FRAZER FELLER'S GOIN' TO WIN!



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NO MATTER HOW
MANY VOTES HE
GETS HE STILL
WON'T WIN!

HOW'S THAT GONNA
BE SOME... THAT'S
WHAT I'D LIKE TO
SEE!



LISTEN, TEX, I'VE GOT
A GOOD THING HERE!
KID, IF IT WAS ANY YOU'LL
GET YOUR SPLIT! WHAT'S
A TIN BADGE ANYWAY?
GET ME?

YEAH!
I GOT YOU!



YUH WON, TEX!
YOU'RE THE NEW
SHERIFF!

ROBBERY! THE
BALLOTS CAST FOR
OUR MAN FRAZER
WERE STOLEN!



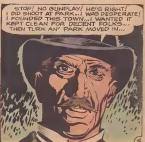
TOO BAD, MORT!
TEX, RECKON YOU'RE
OUR SHERIFF AN' YOUR
FIRST DUTY IS TO GET
THE MAN WHO DOWNED
MY BROTHER!

THAT'LL BE EASY,
MORT TRACY!
I'M ARRESTIN'
YOU FOR
SHOOTIN' AT
PARK, MORTON!



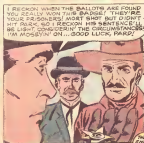
YUH AIN'T RAIL-
ROADIN' A FINE
MAN LIKE...

HOLD IT,
CLINT!



STOP! NO GUNPLAY! HE'S RIGHT!
I DID SHOOT AT PARK... I WAS DESPERATE!
I FOUNDED THIS TOWN... I WANTED IT
KEPT CLEAN FOR DECENT FOLKS...
THEN TURN AN' PARK MOVED IN...

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FIGHT OR DIE

IN GOLD VALLEY THERE WAS A MINING TOWN! THERE WAS ALSO CROSS CALHOUN, NOT A MINER, BUT THE KING OF TWO-LEGGED BATTLE! THAT SMELLS GOLD AND TAKES IT FROM THE MEN WHO SWEAT AND WORK TO HAVE IT! TROUBLE WAS HATCHING IN GOLD VALLEY AND INTO IT RODE TEX RITTER, THE TROUBLE SHOOTING 12 GUN BANDIT!



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BECAUSE WE FIGGERED ON CLEANING CROSS WITH THIS FIGHT AN' THEN HE'D MOVE OUT OF THE VALLEY, WE SUSPECT HE AN' HIS MEN ARE THE ONES BEEN STEALIN' OUR GOLD AS WELL AS TAKIN' IT IN HIS SALOON!

SEVERAL MINERS'VE BEEN GUNNED BY MASKED MEN AN' THEIR GOLD TAKEN! WE FIGGER THOSE MASKED BANDITS WORK FOR CROSS!



BUT WE CAN'T PROVE IT, EVEN IF WE COULD WE CAN'T FIGHT CROSS AN' HIS GUNSLINGERS! WE'RE ONLY MINERS!

WAIT, I'VE GOT AN IDEA!



IF THE HONNER'S GOOD ENOUGH TO KNOCK OUT OUR FIGHTER THEN HE'S GOOD ENOUGH TO TAKE HIS PLACE AN' FIGHT NACE, CROSS'S MAN!

I'M NO PROFESSIONAL FIGHTER! BUT...

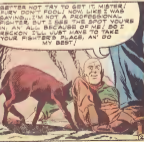


NO BUTS, MISTER! WE'VE GOT TOO BIG A STAKE IN THIS! YOU GUNNED OUR MAN, BUT ONLY CHANCE! NOW YOU'LL TAKE HIS PLACE! YOU'LL FIGHT OR... OR!



TEX MOVED WITH THE UNEXPECTED SPEED OF A LIGHTNING BOLT!

I DON'T TAKE KINDLY TO ANYBODY TELLING ME WHAT TO DO, MISTER!



BETTER NOT TRY TO GET IT, MISTER! BURY DON'T POOL! NOW, LIKE I WAS SAYIN'... I'M NOT A PROFESSIONAL FIGHTER, BUT I SEE THE SPOT YOU'RE IN, AN' ALL BECAUSE OF ME! SO I RECKON I'LL JUST HAVE TO TAKE YOUR FIGHTER'S PLACE, AN' DO MY BEST!

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SURE SORRY I
ACTED LIKE I
DID / SURE HE
WAS LUCKY TO
GET OFF SO
EASY!

YOU'RE ALL
RIGHT, TEX!
LUCKY FOR US
YUH BOSS INTO
CAMP!



IT'S BETTIN'
TOWARD RIGHT TIME.
RECKON WE'D
BETTER MOBBEY
INTO TOWN WITH
OUR NEW
FIGHTER!

WHAT ABOUT
THIS MAN
I'M TO FIGHT,
MACE? HOW
GOOD IS HE?



PLENTY GOOD! BEAT EVERY
MAN AROUND... AN' HE BET
ON ALL OF 'EM / ONLY
WEAKNESS IS HIS BELLY...
BEEN LIVIN' TOO HIGH
LATELY!

JUST IN TWO CENTS!
BRING YOUR FIGHTER
INTO THE RING!



THE SHERIFF'LL BE TIME
KEEPER / SURE, YOU
REFERE! THE BETTING
MONEY IS
ALL IN THE
SAFE
IN CROSS'S OFFICE...

LISTEN, TAKE
MY DOG FURY
TO CROSS'S OFFICE AND
POINT TO
THE SAFE!



FURY GO
WITH THIS
MAN AND
GUARD WHAT
HE POINTS TO.
UNDERSTANDY
GOOD BOY!

A...
BO...
-E'S
GO.



THE BELL SOUNDED / MACE
CROSSED THE RING WITH A
GUSH AND THREW A MIGHTY
BLOW! ONLY TEX'S LIGHT
SPEED SAVED HIM!

MY ONLY CHANCE IS TO
GET HIM FAST... GET HIM
WHERE HE'S WEAK!

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TEX PUT ALL HIS RIDER'S WRY STRENGTH INTO THE LEFT AND RIGHT HE SMASHED INTO THE FIGHTER'S MID-SECTION!

OOOFF!



THE BIG MAN BAGGED, THE BEEBEE KNOCKED OUT OF HIM HIS CHIN EXPOSED AND TEX STRUCK!



...NINE, TEN...
OUT!

WHOOPEE! MOORAY!
WE DID IT!



LATER...

TEX, YUH DID IT? YUH...
WHAT'S THAT? A
SHOT FROM CROSS'S
OFFICE...

FUJ...
BASKING!
COME
ON!



GUESS I HAD YOU FIGURED BIGHT
CROSS, IF YOU CAN'T WIN, YOU'LL
STEAL? SHERIFF, I
RECKON HE'S YOURS
NOW!



TWO HOURS LATER IN A CAMP ON THE
VALLEY OUT-TRAIL!

JUST HAPPENED TO THINK... EVERYBODY
IN GOLD VALLEY CLEANED UP A PORTUNE
IN BET MONEY TONIGHT... CERTAIN US, AN'
WE TOOK ALL THE CHANCES! OIL WELL,
WHAT GOOD'S MONEY TO US, BU? IT CAN'T
BUY WHAT I GOT... THE
SKY OVERHEAD, AN'
THE BEST PAID A
MAN EVER HAD, YOU
AN' WHITE CLOUD!



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THE \$100 BOOTS

DUDE ALLEN WAS DANGEROUS -- BUT TEXAS RANGER CRACK BENDER WAS TOUGH! THE OUTLAW AND THE RANGER CROSSED COLTS IN OLD SPAN AND...



YOU'RE NOT TAKIN' ME IN, BENDER! I'LL...**POW!**

YUH'D DO BETTER TUGGIN' A RANCY BOOT, GANDY JOB!

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YOU'RE WANTED FOR ABOUT SIX BANK JOBS, ALLEN!

I'M NOT WORRIED, BENDER! I BUSTED OUTTA PRISON BEFORE -- I WILL THWIP TWE THWIP TOO!

ALLEN WAS THE BEST DRESSED OUTLAW IN TEXAS... BUT THE JUDGE AND JURY WEREN'T IMPRESSED!

RANGER, DO ME A FAVOR! TELL 'EM TO LET ME KEEP MY BOOTS!

I'M NOT DOIN' YOU ANY FAVORS, ALLEN! YOU'LL BE TREATED LIKE ANY OTHER PRISONER INSIDE!



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SIX MONTHS LEFT BY CINCH SENDER HAD FORGOTTEN ABOUT DUDE WHEN HE WAS CALLED IN BY CAPTAIN PARGE!



I DON'T WANT TUN TALK TO ALLEN, CAPTAIN! HE'S JUST ANOTHER NO-GOOD IN FANCY CLOTHES!

I'VE GOT TO HESIT CINCH/ALLENS IN TOUCH WITH A GANG OUTSIDE-- YOU MAY GET A LINE ON THE OTHERS!



IN TEXAS SANGER CINCH SENDER WANT TO SEE THE DUDE OUTLAW! ALLEN DON'T WANT ANYTHING IMPORTANT, IT DEVELOPED



WHAT DO YOU WANT TUN SEE ME ABOUT ALLEN?

I JUST WANTED TO SEWING YOU SENDS-- I'M GETTING OUT--WHEN I DO, I COMING FOR YOU!

KEEP A SHARP EYE ON HIM, TOM! HE ACTS LIKE HE'S GETTIN' READY TUN BREAK OUT!



REMEMBER...I'M COMIN' FOR YUN!

I'LL BE GERRRRED UP LIKE BROCK--NICE CLOTHES, GOOD GUNS, AND THE BEST BOOTS MONEY CAN BUY!



CINCH SENDER WHE IN DALLAS WHEN DUDE ALLEN MADE HIS BREAK! CINCH HEADED FOR THE RANHANDLE AT ONCE...

DUDE BROKE OUT, YEA...HE HAD FRIENDS ON THE OUTSIDE! WE'LL GET HIM, THOUGH!



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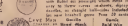
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HE'S COMIN' FUN
GILA BRAND,
CINCH?

THERE'S A BOOTMAKER
NAMED SOL WANNAN!
SOL MAKES THE
BEST BOOTS IN
TEXAS!



THE DUDE OUTLAW WON'T BE HAPPY TILL
HE'S WEARIN' A PAIR OF SOL'S BEST
BOOTS! THE HUNDRED DOLLAR
KIND! HE'LL SHOW UP!

EVIL HEADED BOB RHYMANS SHOP AS
SOON AS HE GOT TO GILA BRAND, SOL, AN
HONEST MAN, SWORE HE HADN'T SEEN DUDE...



WOULD I BE, RANGER?
ASK YOURSELF--
WHAT REASON
COULD I HAVE?



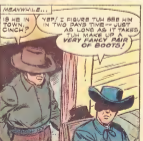
I ALREADY HAVE, SOL! YOU'RE
ALL RIGHT! THAT'S A PRETTY
RANCY BOOT! YOU'RE WORKIN'
ON--AN' A PRETTY SMALL
ONE!

THE RANGER LEFT... AND WHEN HE DID,
DUDE ALLEN SLIP OUT FROM BEHIND THE
CURTAIN HIDING THE BACK OF SOL'S SHOP!



NICE LYIN, SOL!
I'LL GIVE YUM A
TWENTY DOLLAR
TIP FOR THAT!

KEEP YOUR TIP--FROM
YOU, ALL I WANT IS
THE COST OF THE
LEATHER, THAT
IS ALL!



MEANWHILE...

IS HE IN
TOWN,
CINCH?

YEP! I FIGURE TUM SEE HIM
IN TWO DAYS TIME--JUST
AS LONG AS IT TAKES
TUM MAKE UP A
VERY RANCY PAIR
OF BOOTS!

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THE BOOTS WERE AN OBSESSION WITH DUDE ALLEN! HE BOYDIED THERE IN SOLID BOOT SHOP UNTIL THE LAST NAIL WAS DRIVEN!

THEY'RE A LITTLE TIGHT, BOB! BUT THEY'LL LOOSEN UP! HOW MUCH DO I OWE YOU?



DUDE ALLEN HIT THE STREET DRIVING OVER THE NEW BOOTS... BUT HOBBY HIS HAND NEAR HIS GUN... HE HAD A PLAN, SIMPLE, YET DARING...

THE BANK'S ALMOST EMPTY THIS TIME OF DAY--I RECKON I'LL HOBBY IN, GET A BAG O' DUBBY, AND MAKE A RUN FOR IT!



IT WAS AROUND NOON... THE RANGER WAS HELFWAY THROUGH LUNCH WHEN WORD GOT TO HIM, THAT DUDE ALLEN WAS OUT IN THE OPEN!

HEY, CATCH, DUDE ALLEN JUS' WENT IN THE BANK!

THANKS! HE'S ASKIN' FOR A SHOWDOWN--HELL GET ONE!



NOTHING! I MADE THEM AT THE END OF A GUN, ALLEN! I DON'T WISH YOU ANY LUCK! JUST GET OUT, LEAVE ME ALONE!

THAT'S SUREWID, BOB! I WASN'T GONNA SAY FOR 'EM ANYHOW, THE TOWN OWES ME PLENTY--I'M GONNA COLLECT!



GET 'EM UP! THIS IS A STEAK-UP! YUH KNOW ME--BRASS BILLIN' A BUCK WITH GREENBACKS!



MOVE, GRAN'PA! I AIN'T GOT ALL DAY AND MY NEW BOOTS HURT!



TEX RITTER WESTERN

EVERYONE IN EL PASO FEARED AS THE NOTORIOUS OUTLAW HEADED EL PASO TO THE STREET! ALLEN WAS IN HIS SLOPPY PANTS, AND NEW BOOTS!



THE WELL DRESSED OUTLAW WAS FROZEN WITH INDIGNATION FOR A SPLIT SECOND! HE'D INTENDED TO SHOOT AT FIRST... BUT CINCH BENDER'S APPROACH PUZZLED HIM! THAT SPLIT SECOND WAS ALL CINCH NEEDED!



Prairie Panic

What happened in the Old West when the prairie caught on fire? The best way to answer that is to interview a man who lived right through such a situation. Meet George Wilkins Kendall. He was a member of the Santa Fe Expedition which left Texas in the year 1841. He joined the party in the hope of securing his health. And he also acted as sort of a historian of the event. He is rather old now but his mind is clear.

"The 13th of August was an eventful day with us — one which few of the party can ever forget. The night previous we encamped without water for our cattle or horses. And the little we obtained for our own use was of the worst quality. The hard buffalo chaps had jaded my horse severely and as such a time I well knew he needed water more than ever. But not a drop could I procure for him.

"We continued on our way and we reached the valley. We soon found the sandy bed of what had been a running stream in the rainy season. Immediately on striking it, our tired nags raised their heads, moved their ears, and set off at a brisk pace. The horse seems water as an incredible distance. Frequently, travelers upon the prairies are enabled to find it by simply turning their horses or mules loose.

"A streamside side of three or four miles now brought us to the river. On reaching its banks, nothing could restrain our nags from dashing headlong down. Equally thirsty ourselves, we had fondly hoped that the waters might prove fresh. But they were even more brackish than any we had yet tasted. However we swallowed enough to moisten our parched lips and throats. And ten minutes after we were even more thirsty than before. Our horses, more fond of this water than any other, drank until, apparently, they could swallow no more.

"While some of our party were digging in the sand at the edge of the stream with the hopes of finding water that was more fresh, and others were enjoying the cooling luxury of a bath, a loud report, as of a cannon was heard in the direction of the camp. And a dark stroke was seen suddenly to arise.

"An Indian attack!" was the starting cry on all sides. And instantly we commenced getting on our clothes and bridling our horses. One by one, as fast as we could get ready, we set off for what we supposed to be the scene of the conflict. As we neared the camping ground it became evident that the prairie was on fire in all directions. When we were within a mile of the steep

bluff, which cut off the prairie from the valley, the bright flames were seen flashing among the dry cedars. And a dense volume of black smoke, rising above all, gave a painful picture to all of it.

"On approaching nearer we were met by some of our companions who were hurriedly making a passage up the steep bluff. They had heard, from those on the prairie, that the high grass had caught fire by accident. And it had spread with such velocity that several of our wagons had been consumed. One wagon contained, in addition to a large number of cartridges, all the trunks and valuables of the men to which I was attached. It made me only doubtfully anxious to go to the scene of destruction and learn the worst. It afterward proved that the explosion of the cartridges in the wagon was what we had mistaken for the report of our six-pounder.

"With redoubled exertions we now pushed forward towards the camp. But before we could reach the base of the high and rugged bluff, the flames were dashing down in eddies with frightful rapidity. They were leaping and flashing across the gullies and around the hideous cliffs. They were roaring in the deep, yawning chasms with the wild and appalling noise of a tornado. As the flames would strike the dry tops of the cedars, reports resembling those of a musket would be heard. And in such quick succession did these reports follow each other that I can compare them to nothing save the irregular discharge of the muskets of infantry.

"The wind was blowing fresh from the west when the prairie was first ignited. It was carrying the flames with a speed absolutely astounding over the very ground on which we had traveled during the day. The wind lulled as the sun went down behind the mountains in the west. And now the fire began to spread slowly in that direction. The difficult passage by which we had descended was cut off by the fire. And night found our party still in the valley, unable to discover any road to the tableland above us. Our situation was a dangerous one. Had the wind sprung up and veered into the east, we should have found much difficulty in escaping. For with such velocity did the flames extend.

"If the scene had been grand previous to the going down of the sun, its magnificence was increased tenfold as night, in vain, attempted to throw its dark mantle over the earth. The light from acres and acres, I might say miles and

miles, of inflammable and blazing cedars, illuminated earth and sky with a radiance that was even more lustrous and dazzling than that of the noon-day sun.

I was fortunate enough about nine o'clock to meet one of our men, who directed me to a passage up the steep ascent. He had just left the bluff above and gave me a recital of the situation. He was endeavoring to find water. After several hours of unceasing toil, he quit. The first person I met, after reaching the prairie was Mr. Falconer. He was standing with the blackened remnant of a blanket in his hand. He was watching lest the fire should break out on the western side of the camp. Mr. Falconer directed me to the spot where our men were quartered. I found them sitting upon such articles as had been saved from the wagon.

Their gloomy countenances were rendered more desponding by the reflection from the now distant fire. I was much worn down by fatigue and deep anxiety to make many inquiries as to the extent of our losses. But hungry and almost choked with thirst, I threw myself down upon the blackened ground and sought forgetfulness in sleep. It was hours, however, before sleep visited my eyelids.

From the spot on which I was lying, a broad sheet of flame could still be seen, miles and miles in width. The heavens in that direction were so brilliantly lit up that they resembled a sea of molten gold. In the west a wall of impenetrable blackness appeared to be thrown up as the spectator suddenly turned from viewing the conflagration in the opposite direction.

Daylight the next morning disclosed a melancholy scene of desolation and destruction. North, south, and east, and as far as the eye could reach, the rough and broken country was blackened by the fire. Afar off, in the distance, a dense black smoke was seen rising, denoting that the course of the devastating element was still onward. Two of our wagons only had been consumed. But nearly all suffered.

Among the few trunks saved, I fortunately found mine, containing nearly all my money, clothing, watch and other valuables. The loss

of a carpet-bag, which contained my boots and the rough articles I wore was all I had to regret in the way of private property. Not so with the mules to which I was attached. The remnant of coffee we still had left was burned entirely too much. Our pots and pans and kettles, knives and forks, were all converted into old iron. Everything was gone. We had nothing to eat, however, except half rations of miserably poor beef. And we had to use our fingers.

At one time the ammunition wagon, containing a large quantity of powder, was on fire. And it was only saved by the daring exertions of some of our men. It may puzzle you that so much damage should be caused by the burning of grass alone. But it should be remembered that this grass was very high, had been killed by dry weather, and flashed up and spread almost with the rapidity of powder on being ignited.

It is very easy, when a fire upon the prairies is seen coming towards a party, to escape its dangers. You kindle the grass immediately about and take possession of the newly burned ground before the distant flames come up. But in this instance the fire commenced on the westward side. And with a frightful rapidity, it flashed directly along our line of wagons. The only wonder at that time was, how anything had been saved from the furious element that covered and cracked around.

We packed up and arranged our baggage as well as we could. We banded up and drove in our carts. And late in the forenoon we made a start. Our course was nearly west and along the level prairie that overlooked the large valley on our right. Our road was a good one this day and we journeyed with unusual rapidity. The burned land was now behind us.

Today we have modern means of fighting a fire on the prairie lands. The wonder of it is that the men did all escape from this terrible blast. Some time in the future we shall again meet Mr. Kendall and listen to some of his adventures when he reached Mexico with the Santa Fe Expedition.

THE END

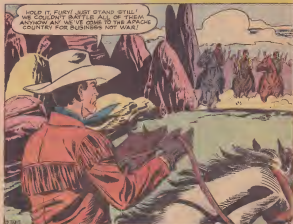


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TEX WAS LED TO THE APACHE CAMP IN THE TWISTED ROCK OF THIS ARID LAND...

WELCOME TO OUR CAMP, BIG COURAGE, THE PRAIRIE RANGER!

MY RED BROTHER REMEMBERS ME! IT IS GOOD!



I HAVE COME TO BUY PONIES FROM TOMAROO AND TO DRIVE HORSEH WHERE THERE IS GREAT NEED OF THEM!

THE APACHE HAVE MANY PONIES AND WILL SELL SOME TO THIS WHITE BROTHER!



I BRING GOLD WITH WHICH TO PAY FOR THE PONIES!

WE WANT GUNS, NOT GOLD!



GUNS LIKE THESE!

WHERE DID YOU GET THOSE GUNS?



THAT IS NOT YOUR AFFAIR!

YOU HAVE BEEN CHEATED! THIS GUN IS NO GOOD! IF YOU SHOOT, IT WILL BREAK AND HURT HE WHO SHOOTS IT!



YOU LIE!



TEX RITTER WESTERN



THE JACKAL IS QUICK TO CALL THE LIE BUT HIS HANDS ARE SLOW!



REMOVE AND REVIVE HIM! BRING OUT BOXES OF BULLETS! SHOW US BAD COURAGE WHY THESE GUNS WHICH JACKAL BOUGHT ARE NO GOOD!

I'LL BE ONE TO A ROCK AND TIE A PIECE OF RAW HIDE TO THE TRIGGER TO DISCHARGE IT!



WATCH NOW! SEE WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO ANY BRAVE WHO PULLED THE TRIGGER!

Amigo! it is so!



YOU HAVE SAVED MANY OF MY MEN FROM INJURY AND DEATH! FIFTY POUNDS SHALL BE ROUNDED UP FOR YOU!

I HAVE BEEN ROBBED BY THE PALE-FACED! THE GUNS ARE NO GOOD!



I DRIVE THE USED FROM MALPAIS AND FROM THERE TO THE NORTH!

YOU HAVE SAVED MANY OF OUR LIVES BY SHOWING US THE GUNS ARE BAD! SO I TELL YOU DO NOT GO TO MALPAIS, FOR THERE LIVE THE FORKED TONGUE ONES WHO TOOK JACKAL'S MONEY FOR BAD GUNS! THE APACHE SHALL HAVE REVENGE AND WIPE OUT MALPAIS!



IT IS BAD, WHITE BROTHER! JACKAL WILL BEGIN WAR AT MALPAIS -- ONLY THE RETURN OF THE MONEY HE PAID FOR THE BAD GUNS COULD STOP HIM -- AND THIS HE WILL NOT OCT!

THE SALEFACERS ARE AS MANY AS THE BLADES OF GRASS AND THE ARACHE FIGHTS MUST TO LOSE! MY HEART IS HEAVY FOR MY FRIEND GOODBYE, TOMASCO!

TEX RITTER WESTERN

TEX DROVE THE HERD NORTH, AWAY FROM MALPAIS! BUT ONCE OUT OF SIGHT OF THE APACHE CAMP HE TURNED THE HORDES AND PUSHED THEM FAST TOWARD THE TOWN!

I MUST FIND THE BOTTEN RENEGADE CHEATS WHO ARE GILLING THOSE DAMAGED GUNS TO THE APACHE! IT IS THE ONLY CHANCE TO AVERT WAR!



SMOKE... FROM THAT BARN! AN AWFUL HOT DAY FOR A FIRE... AND WHO HAS A FIRE IN A BARN, ANYWAY... AND WHAT FOR?

SAW YOU COME IN WITH THE PONIES! APACHE BONES ABEAT THEY RANGERS?



RIGHT, SHERIFF! I WAS JUST GOING TO LOOK YOU UP! I RAN INTO SOMETHING AT THE APACHE CAMP!



QUICKLY TEX REVIEWED WHAT HAD TRAN SPIRED AT TOMWACO'S CAMP!

WE'VE GOT TO FIND OUT WHO SOLD THOSE GUNS TO THE JACKAL AND SOMEHOW GET THE MONEY BACK AND RETURNED TO HIM... AN' PRONTO!

HOW CAN WE DO THAT? WE HAVEN'T A CLUE! THE APACHES'LL BE ON US AN'...



WOLD IS SHERIFF? YOU COULDN'T MARSHAL ENOUGH MEN TO STOP THE APACHE! WHO OWNS THAT BARN BEHIND THE SALOON?

JACK METTICK... HE OWNS THE SALOON, TOO! WHY?



DOA? YOU THINK IT STRANGE T-ORE SHOULD BE A FIRE IN THAT BARN? A FIRE THAT COULD BE MANEED USED TO SMELT IRON AN' FASHION THOSE NO-GOOD GUNS THE JACKAL BOUGHT?

YOU'RE RIGHT! JACK'S GOT SOME TOUGH HANGERS ON TWS WON'T BE A PICNIC... AN' THERE'S NO TIME TO SATHER MORE MEN, SO... LET'S GO!



TEX RITTER WESTERN

THEY WENT INTO THE BARN FIRST...



GET YOUR HANDS AWAY FROM YOUR GUNS!

GET 'EM, MEN!

YOU MADE A MISTAKE, RITTER! MAKIN' THESE GUNS I'NT ILLEGAL... BUT SHOOTIN' AT A LAW OFFICER IS!

YOU'RE ALL UNDER ARREST!



BECKON THIS IS THE DIRECTOR WHO APACHED PAID YOU FOR THOSE DEFECTIVE GUNS...

ATTACK! THE INDIANS ARE ATTACKIN'! APACHED!



ONLY ONE WAY TO STOP THAT CHARGE... STAMPEDE MY HORSE HEAD INTO THEM! GIVE ME A HAND, SHERIFF!



THE WILD, STAMPEDEING HERD SPLIT AND SCATTERED THE CHARGING APACHE...



AND BEFORE THE DEAVES COULD REFORM, TEX HAD WHINNED OUT THE JACKAL AND RODE TOWARD HIM!

HERE IS THE GOLD YOU PAID FOR THE BAD GUNS! THE PALEFACE CREATORS WILL BE SENT TO JAIL... YOU SEE, ALL PALE-FACED DO NOT SPEAK WITH FORGED TONGUES!

OUR WHITE BROTHERS SPEAK STRAIGHT! BARRIS SHALL BE SPARED! THE APACHE SHALL RETURN TO HIS CAMP IN PEACE!



TEX RITTER WESTERN

LAW OF THE PACK!

FURY HAD BEEN SCOUTING THE COUNTRYSIDE WHEN THE CALL OF THE WOLF PACK SENT HIM TO COVER. THEY PASSED HIM, LUGS GAUNT BARE, SHARDED WITH RED TONGUES LOLLING, FOR THEY WERE GAUNT, BELLED AND HUNGRY!



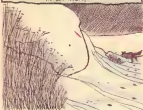
HE CONTINUED ON AFTER THEY HAD PASSED, SHINKING PAST THEIR RATH...

THEN SUDDENLY HE STOPPED AS THE DOWN-WIND SCENT CAME TO HIM, AND HE KNEW THEN THE BEEF THE JACK WERE SO EAGERLY INTENT UPON... THE SCENT OF HIS BROTHER WIFE CLOUD, THE GREAT SNOWY STALLION!



TEX RITTER WESTERN

HE TURNED LIKE A FLASH AND CHARGED BACK TOWARD WHITE CLOUD FOR HE KNEW THE TENDER OF THE GREAT HUNGRY WOLVES AND THEIR CUNNING IN ATTACK!



THE PACK WAITED UNDER COVER WHILE AN ADVANCE SCOUTING PARTY TESTED THE COURAGE FIGHTING ABILITY OF THE WHITE STALLION...



WHEN THE PACK ATTACKED THE DOGS WOULD BE TOO GREAT FOR FURY AND WHITE CLOUD TO OVERCOME! THE POWERFUL DOG MUST FIND A **ANOTHER WAY...**



BEFORE THOSE WHITE HARES COULD TEAR HIM HE BRILLED HIS CHALLENGE... CHALLENGE TO THE PACK LEADER TO **PERSONAL COMBAT...**



THEY CAME TOGETHER, TEETH FLASHING, THE GREAT GREY LEADER AND FURY! AND BOTH KNEW ONLY ONE WOULD **SURVIVE...**



A FEET BY THE BIG DOG, A QUICK SLASH, AND THE PACK LEADER WAS STRETCHED IN THE SNOW! BY THE LAW OF THE PACK FURY WAS NOW THE LEADER, AND HE WOULD LEAD THEM ON ANOTHER TRAIL, AND THEN SLIP AWAY AND JOIN HIS PARTNER OF THE TONGUE **WHITE CLOUD...**



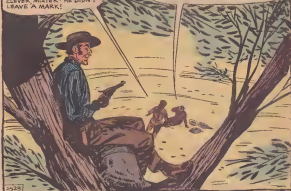
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RENEGADE JUSTICE!

PHAROS BILL WAS ONE OF THE GREAT MOUNTAIN MEN OF HIS TIME! HE COULD TRACK A BOAR TO ITS NEST, FIGHT A GRIZZLY BARKSHAPER, OR MAKE A PET OUT OF A BATTLESHARK WITH A SORE TAIL! BUT HE COULDN'T FIGURE OUT HOW A BUSHWALKER WAS STEALING FUR WITHOUT LEAVING A TRAIL...

WHOEVER KNOCKED YOU ON THE HEAD AND STOLE THE OTTER PELTS WAS MIGHTY CLEVER, MISTER! HE DIDN'T LEAVE A MARK!

I WAS SETTIN' BY THE FIRE SATIN' WHEN I WAS HIT! I CAME TO IN A MINUTE BUT THERE WAS NO ONE THERE!



IT LOOKED LIKE AN INDIAN TRACK TO THE SCOUT... EXCEPT FOR ONE THING! HE EX-PLAINED IT TO RANCHO WHEN HIS PARTY ARRIVED!

LISTEN, RANCHO NO INDIAN WOULD KNOW THAT OTTER PELTS ARE WORTH THEIR WEIGHT IN GOLD! BRAYER'S NOT SELLING SOON... THE BUSHWALKER LEFT IT!

IT SOUNDS LIKE A GHOST, BILL! OR A CLEVER INDIAN WARRIOR!

I DON'T THINK IT WAS AN INDIAN! THEY'RE HOLDIN' A FEAST ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MOUNT- AINS!



TEX RITTER WESTERN

IT'S A WHITE MAN, A TRAPPER WHO KNOWS FUR PRICES! WE'LL FIND HIM TOMORROW, AMIGO! TURN IN NOW! BUENOS NOCHES!



THE MOUNTAIN MAN AND HIS PARTNER FOUND TRACKS THE NEXT DAY...

THIS MAN MUST HAVE WINGS! HIS TRAIL STARTS HERE, BUT WHERE DID HE COME FROM! HE HASN'T GOT WINGS BUT...



...HE CAN CLIMB TREES! AND THAT'S HOW HE SURPRISED THE TRAPPER! HE CLIMBED FROM TREE TO TREE UNTIL HE WAS RIGHT OVER HIM! LET'S FOLLOW THE TRAIL!



HE MUST'VE BEEN CAMPED HERE LONG!

A MONTH MORE OR LESS! AN' I DON'T LIKE NEIGHBORS! KEEP AWAY FROM ME!



I'LL COUNT THREE! ONE...

YOU ARE A FOOL, SENOR!



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I'M NO SUNGLINER!
I'D TRAK YUH BOTH
WEET IN BUGH AN'
TUMBLE!

YOU ST'LL PVE UNA
BOCA GRANDE! THAT
BES BIG MOUTH!
COME ON!



POACHED KREDDY WAS Y AND SCREAMING...
BUT BUSH KREDDY COULDN'T TELL! HE
DIDN'T SEE MUCH BEFORE...



YOU WERE HARD ON
HIM, ANNO?

HE KED BUSY ALSO
FOR THIS, I THINK!
LET US SEARCH FOR
STOLEN OTTER SKINS!



BOTH MEN LOOK SURE KREDDY WAS THEIR
MAN! BUT THEY COULDN'T FIND ANY
STOLEN SKINS...

WERE AN THE
OTTER, SENDU!

WHAT OTTER? I'LL LEARN!
.. YUH GOT NO RIGHT
TUH SEARCH MY STUFF!



KREDDY LEFS. ANY HUNTER WILL EASILY
THROUW UP THE ANSWER! ONLY ANNO
WAS TRAPIN TO THE TRAP!

THERE'S THE STUFF WE DON'T
EVEN HAVE TUH LOOK! LEFS
FIND KREDDY BEFORE HE
DOES ANNE DAMAGE!



KREDDY'S FEAR WAS BASH... UNIL IT WAS
APPEARED NEAR A TOWERSING DAM...

GET DOWN POACHO! KREDDY'S
UP IN THE TREES... HE'S GONNA
JUMP THIS TRAPPER!



TEX RITTER WESTERN

BUT EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE READY FOR HIM, HAREDDY ALMOST GOT AWAY! HIS LEAP FROM A BRANCH WAS TALENT AS A FEMALE...AND HIT LIKE A BRIDLE!

HOLD IT, HAREDDY!



DON'T TRY TO STOP ME, MISTER!

PREVENTED DOWN WITH THE HUGE PACK, HAREDDY RAN IN A CANOE OF THE RIVER...

COME BACK, HAREDDY! COME BACK OR...

YOU WON'T SHOOT! YOU'LL TRY SOME OTHER WAY TO STOP ME!



WE DON'T HAVE TO STOP HIM... A HOLE IN THE CANOE WILL DO THE JOB!



BANG!
BANG!

THE BOWBACK CANOE FILLED RANDOM! HAREDDY TRIED TO SWIM WITH THE PACK ON, AND COULDN'T, NOR GET IT OFF!

THERE'S NO BOTTOM THERE! YOU'LL NEVER FIND HIM!



HE'S GONE! THE FURS DELAILED HIM DOWN LIKE A ROCK!

TOO BAD! I HATE TO SEE IT HAPPEN... FISHES WOULD HAVE SEEN ENOUGH PUNISHMENT! BUT IT'S THE KIND OF JUSTICE THE SERVE-SAVE DESERVED!



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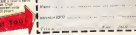
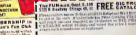
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