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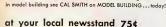
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WADDY CAN HAVE A HEAP OF FRIENDS, BUT HIS HORSE AND DOG ARE HIS TRAIL PARDS !

#### PETER TEX FINDS WHITE NOW I SAVVY

WHY WHITE STAR'S GRANDFATHER WAS SHOT, AND WHY THE GANG'S AFTER HER UNCLE! MEDIGNE MEN USE A CACTUS DRUG CALLED PEYOTE! A HANDFUL OF PEYOTE THROWN INTO THE COWPONES CHON









STITCH, I WANT YOU AND YOUR PACK OF SNAKES TO KNOW HOW I FEEL ABOUT THAT MURDERED MEDICINE MAN!



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QUICK AS A FLASH, THE MULE KICKED HIM SQUARE IN THE STOMACH! ORDINARILY, IT WOULDN'T HAVE BOTHERED MY HOG A BIT, BUT THE BLOWN UP. THE BARN WAS WRECKED, WINDOWS WERE BROKEN FOR TWO MILES AROUND AND



BELIEVE YUH ME, FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS I HAD A MIGHTY SICK HOG ON MY HANDS

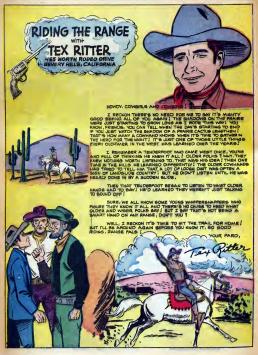


(GULP!) IF THAT HOG IS SO TOUGH, I DON'T AM TO START UP WITH HIM NO HOW! KEEP THE FINE DOLLARS, GULLABLE! I'M VAMOOSING!



HALHAL LOOK AT BUFFALO MAKE TRACKS! HE THOUGHT HE PUT ONE OVER ON ME, BUT I RECKON I PUT ONE OVER ON HIM! THIS HOG IS THE MOST PEACEFUL RAZORBACK IN THE COUNTY! THIS JUST PROVES THAT ANYONE WHO TRIES TO FOOL SOME. ONE ELSE, ALWAYS WINDS UP FOOLED HIMSELF!







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EX REJOINS THE TRAIL HERD









## HORSES! HORSES!" By Clement Good

THE grim-faced men gathered in the Monarch Grain and Feed store were very restless, Old Buckthorn grumbled, "Where's I. T.? You reckon he skinned town?"

"And where's Freckles?" asked another, "He's the one that called this meeting. He's supposed to be our snokesman."

"Hold your horses!" exclaimed the third, a solemn, middle-aged man who seemed less nervous than the rest, "We're all here early, It's ten minutes vet before the meeting's supposed to commence. I'm not so sure about I. T., but Freckles will be here, you can bet your bottom dollar."

"They both had better be here," growled Buckthorn, fingering his Colt, "And if we don't get straight answers. I'm all for some gunplay!"

"Well, now, I don't reckon we ought to be hasty," said somebody else, "That Freckles, he's as honest as a new-minted dollar. Only thing with him is he's so much of a cutup . . . don't know that he's serious minded enough to pay much heed to money matters,"

The solemn, middle aged man looked at his big pocket watch and drawled, "Well, they've both still got nine minutes, so let's keep our shirts on."

It was certainly true that Freckles O'Grady was a cutup. At the moment the men were so solemnly discussing him, he was the center of a group of laughing children. One of the children pleaded, "Come on, Mr. Freckles, Do your imitation of a covote how!!"

"No. no! You promised me you'd make like a man drinking soda pop!"

"Hey, wait a minute!" laughed the tall, grinning man. "One at a time. Okay, here goes with the soda pop."

Freckles clamped his lips together, then opened them suddenly so that they made a loud "pop!"

One child nudged another and whispered,

"That's taking out the cork."

Then Freckles flapped his index finger against his cheek so that he produced a gurgling noise, like fluid running out of a bottle.

All the children laughed and some tried to duplicate the imitation. A little girl handed a stalk of celery to the man and said, "Mr. Freckles, mama gave me this. Make like a trapper walking through the crusted snow on snow-

Freckles bit off a piece of the celery and soon there was a crunch-crunch sound exactly like somebody walking over crusted snow, "Do a steamboat whistle!" "Crow like a rooster!" "Make like a timber wolf!" The requests flew thick and fast

"Hey, wait a minute!" shouted Freckles, goodnaturedly. "I've got a brand new imitation for you sprouts. Wait'll you hear this!" He took a couple of small wooden bowls from his pockets. At the same time he happened to glance at the clock.

"Holy smoke, pals!" he exclaimed, "It's later than I thought, We'll have to save this new imitation. I've got to get to a meeting. So long!"

In the meeting room the impatient Buckthorn looked at his warch, "Thirty seconds and they'll both be late," he grumbled. The words had barely got out when the door opened and J. T. Schwindler stepped in, smooth and oily as al-

"Ah, gents," smiled J. T. "I see you are all here, All, that is, except Freckles."

"I'm here too!" came a voice behind him. "Had to sprint all the way, but I made it!"

"Important business hold you up, Freckles?" growled Buckthorn.

"As a matter of fact, ves," grinned Freckles. "I was teaching some youngsters how to imitate a steamboat."

Some of the men laughed at Freckles' good humor. Buckthorn grunted his disapproval. "Tain't no time for idle cavorting. We've got serious business to discuss. And I got a sixshooter here that says somebody better get serious pretty doggone quick."

Freckles' grin left him as he declared, "I hope we can settle this without any trouble. To get to the point right quick, we want an accounting, Mr. Schwindler. All of us bought stock in the Great Chance Silver Mine more than six months ago and so far none of us has made a blug nickel out of it! What's the reason."

"Well, now, gents, we mustn't get impatient," said J. T. "Things like this take time. Frankly, when I sold stock to you all, thought we'd make a strike before now. I expect the Great Chance will start producing any minute."

"Why have you got guards all around the mine and the office?" snarled Buckthorn. "None of US can get near the place!"

"Got to have guards," declared J. T. "Suppose we do hit plenty of ore? Don't want owlhoots walking in to steal it from us, do we?"

After about a half-hour of palaver, the conference broke up, It was agreed that Freckles should ride out to the mine office with J. T., inspect the books, and report back to the other stockholders. J. T. and Freckles were in the office now J. T. undocked a desk drawer and pulled out a heavy book. "Here's the ledger," he said, "but before you look at it, Iet me tell you this. You work with me and you've got a chance to make a nice piece of change."

"What do you mean?"

"I mean you and me will split fifty-fifty on the profits. This mine has been producing allver like crazy! I've sneaked the ore away in the dead of night! But there's no need to tell all the other stockholders that. You tell 'gm the books are in order and they should be patient a couple more weeks. By that time we'll have our load and you and I can skip town. Those fools trust you, But I know you're a happy-golucky character who would rather play than work, and here's your chance.

Fire flashed from Freckles' eyes. He drew back his right-firt and slammed it hard against J. T.'s nose, knocking the man backward over his chair. "Fool!" exclaimed Schwindler, as Freckles felt the jab of hard steel in the small of his back. "Take his guns, Turk, and keep him covered," said Schwindler. "I forget to mention to you, Freckles, that the alternative to my attractive proposition was death!"

The gun hand at his back relaxed for a split second. Freekles whirled and slammed the heavy ledger against blue-jawed Turk. With one bound he was through the window and he ran for his horse. "Go get him!" cried Schwindler. "Take the riflet Gun him down!"

The rifle cracked, Freckles fell from his horse and sprawled in the trail dust. "Go after him. Turk. Be sure you finish him off! ordered J. T. Obediently, Turk moved forward. As he dipped into a gully, the body of his victim was hidden from view. Then he heard the sound!

"Horses!" exclaimed Turk. He whirled. He raced back and yelled at Schwindler, "Somebody coming! Maybe the sheriff! Let's get outta here! I'm not taking chances on a murder charse!"

"Cloppety-cloppety-clop-clop!"

They fled, but they didn't get far. Lawmen from all surrounding towns were alerted by telegraph and goon both men were in custody. After taking statements fram them, the sheriff approached Freckles and said, "They've confessed all. There's only one thing I don't understand. Turk says he got scared from finishing you off when he heard horsemen approaching. But you came back to town all by your lone-some."

RECKLES, wearing a bandage on his slightly wounded shoulder, grinned. "I was those foremen!" The bevildered sheriff watched him remove two wooden bowls from his pocket. Freckles began beating the inverted bowls against the ground, "Cloppety-cloppetytion."

"New imitation I made up for the kids," he said, smiling.







THAT'S RIGHT, TEX! THEY ARRIVED SEPARATELY AND SINCE ALLTHE OUTLAWS YOU DESCRIBED TO ME ARE KNOWN ALTHOUGH I'VE AS LONE WOLVES, KEPT MY EYE IT'S POSSIBLE NOT ONLY DIDN'T THEY DON'T DO ANYTHING OUT OTHER ! THE WAY, BUT TALKED TO EACH THER:

I THOUGHT OF THAT, TOO, TEX, BUT THEN HOW COME ALL BUT ONE OF THEM STARTS HEADING FOR THE HILLS AT THE SAME TIME ? I HAVE A FEELING THEY'RE UP WHY I SENT FOR A PRAIRIE



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