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OF THE WEST'S
MOST FAMOUS
COWGIRL!

COME ON! WE CAN RUSTLE THOSE
CATTLE WHILE SHE'S BUSY LOOKIN' IN
THAT MIRROR PUTTIN' ON HER MAKE-
UP... THEN WE... **EEOOW!**

SUFF'RIN'
SAGEBRUSH!
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GOT EYES IN
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ANNIE, IN HER
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NO USE COUNTIN' THE MONEY YOU
HOMBRES STOLE, 'CAUSE ALL
YOU'RE GOIN' TO
SPEND IS
TIME!

IT'S
ANNIE
OAKLEY!

YOU MEAN
IT *WAS*
ANNIE
OAKLEY!



QUICKER THAN THE SQUEEZE OF A TRIGGER, ANNIE OAKLEY UNHOLSTERS HER PEARL-GRIP BOLT AND SENDS A .38-CALIBER BULLET TO SNATCH THE GUN OUT OF THE BANDITO'S FIST...



I'M GONNA JINGLE MY SPURS OUTA HERE WHILE ANNIE'S BUSY TAMIN' BLACKIE!



ANNIE SLIDES OUT OF HER SADDLE AND GIVES HER GOLDEN PALOMINO A MESSAGE!



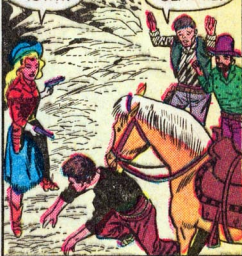
NUGGET ANSWERS WITH A SNORT, TURNS AND GALLOPS AFTER THE FLEEING OUTLAW...



AND WHEN THE TWO HORSES ARE NECK AND NECK, NUGGET SLAMS THE RIDER WITH HIS HEAD...



NICE WORK, NUGGET! NOW WE'LL HERD THESE HOMBRES BACK INTO TOWN!



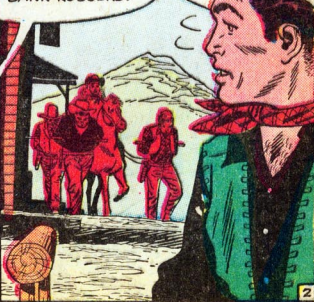
AND IN THE SMALL VALLEY TOWN OF BUENA VISTA, THERE IS GREAT EXCITEMENT, AS THE NEW SHERIFF ARRIVES...

WELCOME, IDAHO SMITH! THIS TOWN'S BEEN WITHOUT A SHERIFF TOO LONG! I'M BEN OAKLEY AN' I'D LIKE TO HAVE YOU AND YOUR DEPUTY OVER FOR SUPPER TO MEET MY DAUGHTER ANNIE!

YUCCA AND I'LL BE THERE, MR. OAKLEY! NOTHING WE LIKE BETTER THAN A GOOD HOME-COOKED MEAL BY A GAL WHO KNOWS A WOMAN'S PLACE IS AT HOME!



HEY, LOOK! HERE COMES ANNIE OAKLEY AN' SHE'S GOT THE BANK ROBBERS!



ANNIE OAKLEY'S FATHER INTRODUCES HIS DAUGHTER TO THE NEW SHERIFF, BUT THEY JUST STARE AT EACH OTHER AS IF THEY NEVER HEARD HIM...



JUST THE KIND OF GIRL I ALWAYS WANTED FOR A WIFE!

I DIDN'T BELIEVE IN LOVE, UNTIL RIGHT NOW!



IF SHE'D SPEND MORE TIME AT A **KITCHEN** RANGE THAN ON THE **OPEN** RANGE, I MIGHT ASK HER TO MARRY ME!

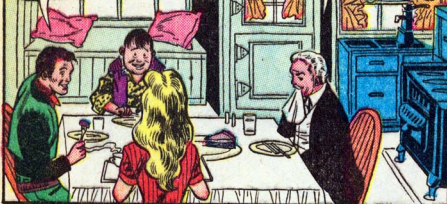
HE'S THE RUGGED, OUTDOOR TYPE, AND I'M SURE HE'LL LIKE ME MORE WHEN HE FINDS OUT HOW GOOD I CAN RIDE AND SHOOT!



THAT EVENING, AT THE OAKLEY RANCH, WHEN THE SHERIFF SEES ANNIE IN A FANCY DRESS, HE'S CONVINCED ANNIE IS THE GIRL FOR HIM...

...AND YOU MEAN YOU MADE THE BARBECUED BEEF AND YAMS? AND BAKED THIS APPLE PIE, TOO?

SURE SHE DID, SHERIFF! ANNIE HAS COOKED FOR ME EVER SINCE WE LOST HER MOTHER!



AN' ANNIE CAN SEW AN' KNIT AN' KEEP HOUSE BETTER'N ANY GIRL IN THE WHOLE WEST!

I'M MIGHTY PLEASED TO HEAR THAT, AND I HOPE TO BE SEEING A LOT OF YOUR DAUGHTER, SIR!

ME (GULP!) TOO!

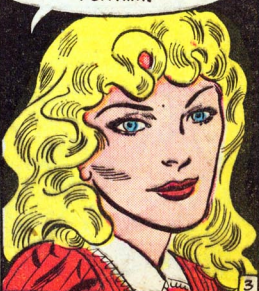


HE'S A FINE MAN, ANNIE... THE KIND I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU MARRY! NOW AREN'T YOU GLAD I MADE YOU WEAR THAT DRESS?

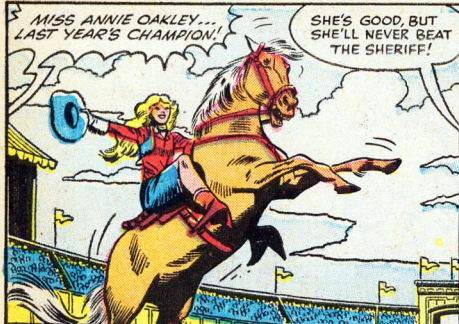
HE WAS JUST BEING POLITE, DAD! **HIS** KIND OF MAN ISN'T INTERESTED IN A WOMAN WITH APRON STRINGS! HE'S A LAWMAN! HE LIVES AN EXCITING LIFE, AND HE WANTS AN EXCITING WOMAN FOR A WIFE! ONE WHO'LL LIVE THE WAY **HE** LIVES!



AND AFTER HE SEES ME RIDE, ROPE AND SHOOT AT THE RODEO NEXT WEEK, HE'LL KNOW I'M THE **RIGHT** KIND OF GIRL FOR HIM!



A WEEK LATER, AT THE ANNUAL BUENA VISTA RODEO, THE CROWD EXPLODES INTO CHEERS AS THE ANNOUNCER INTRODUCES THE NEXT CONTESTANT IN THE BULLDOGGING CONTEST...



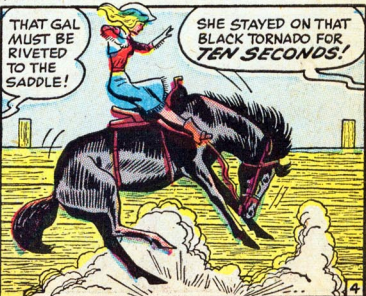
THE STARTER'S RED FLAG DROPS, AND OUT OF THE CHUTE CHARGES A STEER, FOLLOWED BY ANNIE OAKLEY!

WHEN NUGGET CATCHES UP WITH THE STEER, ANNIE DROPS OFF...

SHE GETS AN ARM AROUND THE STEER'S NECK, THE OTHER AROUND A HORN, AND SHE TWISTS...

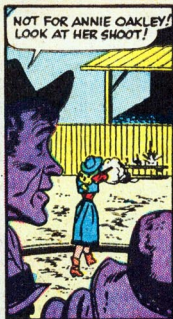


THE NEXT EVENT IS BRONC-BUSTING! A RIDER MUST STAY ON THE HORSE FOR TEN SECONDS! NO CHANGING OF REINS, AND REIN HAND MUST BE HELD ABOVE THE HORSE'S NECK! THE RIDER MUST LEAVE THE CHUTE WITH BOTH FEET IN THE STIRRUPS AND SPURS AGAINST THE HORSE'S SHOULDERS! THE RIDER IS DISQUALIFIED IF HE LOSES A STIRRUP, IF HE TOUCHES LEATHER WITH EITHER HAND, OR IF HE HITS THE HORSE WITH HAT OR HAND...



RIFLE SHOOTING IS THE NEXT EVENT, AND IT NARROWS DOWN TO A CONTEST BETWEEN THE SHERIFF AND ANNIE OAKLEY...

THE PISTOL COMPETITION FOLLOWS, AND AGAIN IT'S A SHOOT-OFF BETWEEN IDAHO AND ANNIE...



AFTER THAT EVENT, ANNIE OAKLEY WINS THE SADDLE BRONC CONTEST, THE CALF-ROPING AND THE BAREBACK RIDING HONORS!

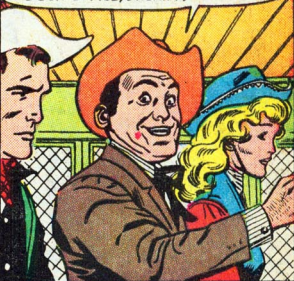
...AND IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE ALL-AROUND RODEO CONGIRL CHAMPION IS... MISS ANNIE OAKLEY!

I KNEW IDAHO WOULD BE IMPRESSED! HE CAN'T TAKE HIS EYES OFF ME!

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! I THOUGHT SHE WAS MY KIND OF GIRL... THE KIND WHO'D STAY HOME AND COOK AND BE MY DEVOTED WIFE!



COME ON, ANNIE AND SHERIFF SMITH! WE'LL GET ANNIE'S FIRST PRIZE MONEY AND YOUR SECOND PRIZE WINNINGS FROM THE BOX OFFICE, SHERIFF!



HERE WE ARE! HAND OVER THE PRIZE MONEY, JAKE AND...

HEY, YOU'RE *NOT* JAKE!

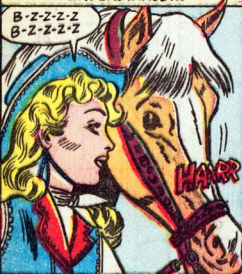
AND YOU'RE NOT GETTIN' THE MONEY! UP WITH YOUR HANDS... ALL OF YOU!



WE'RE GOING TO TAKE THIS BRAND-NEW SHERIFF ALONG, TO MAKE SURE WE'RE NOT FOLLOWED!



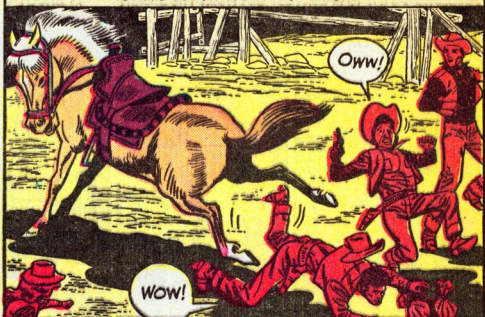
AS THE BANDITS LEAVE...ANNIE OAKLEY SUMMONS NUGGET AND WHISPERS IN HIS EAR! THE PALOMINO ROLLS A RUMBLE DEEP IN HIS CHEST TO SHOW THAT HE UNDERSTANDS...



B-Z-Z-Z-Z
B-Z-Z-Z-Z

HARR

FOLLOWING AFTER THE BANDITS, NUGGET REACHES THEM, THEN WHIRLS, AND HIS TWO HIND LEGS ARE LIKE TWIN BOLTS OF LIGHTNING, AS THEY STRIKE OUT AT THE TWO BANDITS...



AND THAT GIVES ANNIE OAKLEY A CHANCE TO GET INTO THE ACTION!



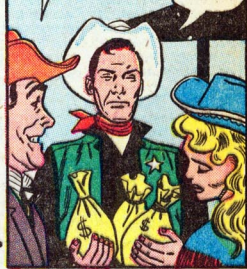
THIS SACK OF SILVER IS MIGHTY HEAVY!

AND IT HITS MIGHTY HARD!



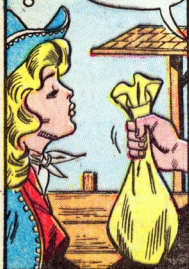
GUESS WE SHOULD'A MADE **YOU** SHERIFF, ANNIE!

YES, YOU DESERVE A REWARD FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE!

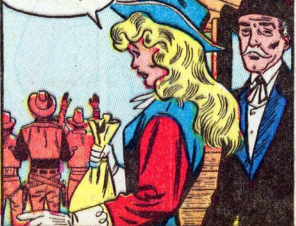


AND I'M READY TO GET IT! HM-M-M!

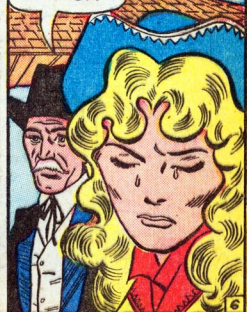
HERE...AND GOOD-BYE, MISS OAKLEY, CHAMPION COWGIRL!

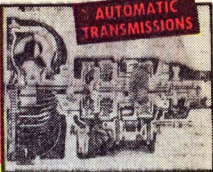
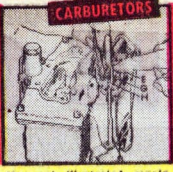
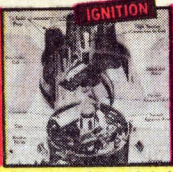
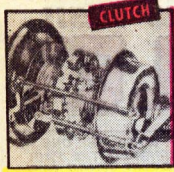


NOW WHAT'S WRONG WITH **HIM**? I WON THE RIDING CONTEST, THE ROPING AND SHOOTING EVENTS...AND I CAUGHT THE BANDITS AND SAVED HIS LIFE! WHAT **ELSE** DOES A MAN EXPECT FROM A GIRL? I WON EVERYTHING, DIDN'T I?



YOU DIDN'T **WIN**, ANNIE DEAR... YOU **LOST**!





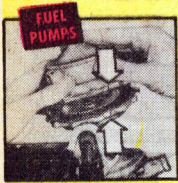
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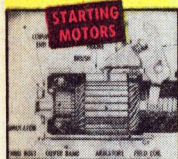
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IT IS SATURDAY MORNING IN BUENA VISTA, AND COLONEL AVERY THROCKENBERRY, THE POLITICAL POTENTATE OF THE TOWN, HAS RALLIED A CROWD AROUND HIM, ON WHAT HE INFORMS THEM IS A MATTER OF GRAVE IMPORTANCE...

...AND I FEEL IT IS MY SOLEMN DUTY AS A LOYAL FRIEND OF THE PEOPLE TO CALL TO YOUR ATTENTION THIS GREAT SHAME!

BUT WHAT CAN *WE* DO ABOUT IT, COLONEL?

WE MUST EVICT THE ONE WHO HAS BLEMISHED THE FAIR NAME OF OUR TOWN! AND WE MUST DO IT *NOW*!



HERE COMES ANNIE OAKLEY! STOP HER, CITIZENS! GET HER... AND BRING HER HERE!

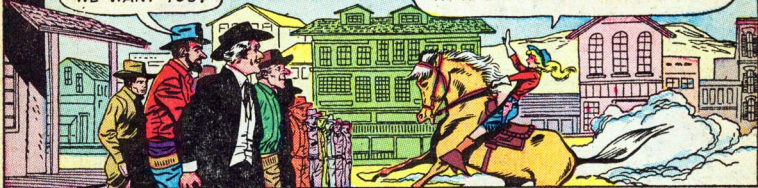
YEAH! GET ANNIE OAKLEY!



"GET ANNIE OAKLEY!" THE CROWD PICKS UP THE CRY AND THEY STRETCH ACROSS THE STREET
AND BUILD A HUMAN CHAIN FENCE TO STOP ANNIE OAKLEY...

HALT, ANNIE OAKLEY!
WE WANT YOU!

OUT OF MY WAY! I CAN'T
REIN UP NUGGET THAT SHORT!



BUT THE HUMAN FENCE REMAINS IN PLACE,
AND ANNIE OAKLEY IS FORCED TO GUIDE
HER GOLDEN PALOMINO INTO A MIGHTY
LEAP...

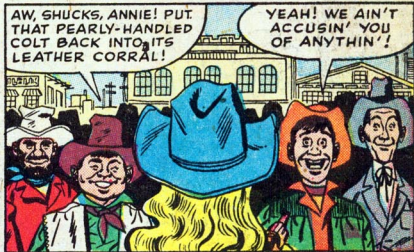
UP, NUGGET!
UP, HIGH!

NOW BEFORE YOU TRY TO
TAKE ME IN, I WANT TO
KNOW WHY YOU WANT ME!
WHAT CRIME ARE YOU
ACCUISING ME OF?

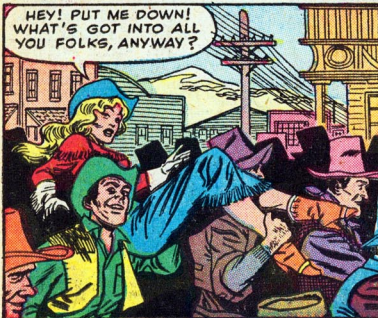


AW, SHUCKS, ANNIE! PUT
THAT PEARLY-HANDLED
COLT BACK INTO ITS
LEATHER CORRAL!

YEAH! WE AIN'T
ACCUISIN' YOU
OF ANYTHIN'!



HEY! PUT ME DOWN!
WHAT'S GOT INTO ALL
YOU FOLKS, ANYWAY?



I SHOULD'VE KNOWN YOU WERE
BEHIND ALL THIS, COLONEL
THROCKENBERRY! EVERY
TIME YOU MAKE A SPEECH,
THERE'S TROUBLE! WHAT'VE
YOU BEEN TELLING THE
FOLKS ABOUT ME?

ONLY THAT
YOU
SHOULD BE
THE SHERIFF
OF BUENA
VISTA!



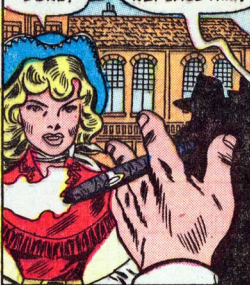
BUT BUENA VISTA GOT A NEW SHERIFF A WEEK AGO! YOU'VE ALL HEARD OF IDAHO SMITH AND HIS DEPUTY YUCCA BATES, HAVEN'T YOU?

WE REGRET TO SAY WE HAVE, ANNIE! AND BY NOW THE SHAME HE HAS BROUGHT TO OUR TOWN HAS SPREAD FAR AND WIDE!

STOP THE SPEECH-MAKING, COLONEL, AND TELL ME WHAT SHERIFF SMITH HAS DONE!

NOTHING! AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHY WE WANT YOU TO REPLACE HIM!

AT THE ANNUAL RODEO YESTERDAY, HE WAS DEFEATED IN **EVERY** EVENT BY YOU, ANNIE... A GIRL!

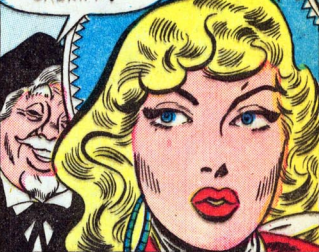
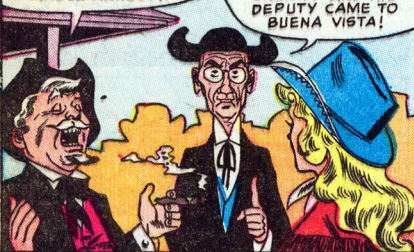


AND AS MR. ROGER PEABODY, CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR OF BUENA VISTA HAS CALLED TO OUR ATTENTION, SHERIFF SMITH HAS BEEN HERE A WEEK AND HASN'T MADE A SINGLE ARREST!

EVERY RANCHER HAS COMPLAINED ABOUT PRIZE BLACK ANGUS BULLS DISAPPEARING FROM THEIR RANCHES EVER SINCE THE NEW SHERIFF AND HIS DEPUTY CAME TO BUENA VISTA!

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE FANCY AT FIGURES, ANNIE, TO SEE THAT THOSE FACTS ADD UP TO... IDAHO SMITH, CATTLE THIEF! THAT'S WHY WE WANT YOU TO BE SHERIFF!

I'LL TAKE THE JOB!



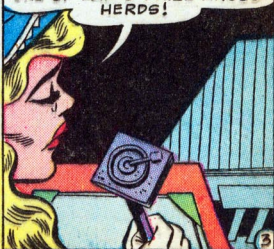
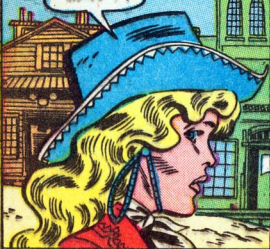
ANNIE OAKLEY HOLDS BACK THE TEARS AS SHE HURRIES AWAY FROM THE CROWD TOWARD SHERIFF SMITH'S OFFICE...

OH, NO... IT CAN'T BE TRUE! IDAHO CAN'T BE A THIEF... HE JUST **CAN'T!**

I'LL ASK HIM POINT-BLANK... AND I'LL KNOW WHETHER HE'S LYING OR NOT!

THE OFFICE IS EMPTY, BUT ON SHERIFF SMITH'S DESK, ANNIE FINDS A FAMILIAR OBJECT, AND HER TEARS FINALLY FLOW...

IT'S **TRUE!** THE MAN I LOVE IS A CATTLE THIEF! THIS IS A BULL'S-EYE EAR BRAND FROM ONE OF DAD'S PRIZE ANGUS HERDS!



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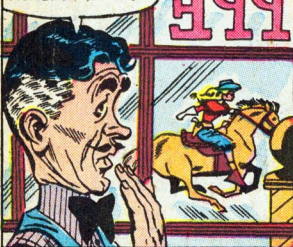
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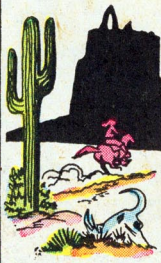
ANNIE OAKLEY MOUNTS NUGGET
AND GALLOPS THRU BUENA VISTA...

WONDER WHAT'S UP?
ANNIE ONLY RIDES LIKE
THAT WHEN SHE'S
HEADIN' FOR TROUBLE
OR WHEN SHE'S
ALREADY IN IT!

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OUT OF TOWN AND
ACROSS THE CACTUS-
SPOTTED PRAIRIE,
NUGGET BOILS DUST
AS ANNIE GIVES HIM
A FREE REIN...



NUGGET KNOWS WHERE TO TAKE HER,
FOR EVER SINCE SHE WAS A CHILD,
ANNIE HAD FOUND SOLITUDE AND
AN ANSWER TO HER PRAYERS ON
SUNSET MESA...

I'VE NEVER BEEN IN A CATHEDRAL,
BUT I IMAGINE IT'S JUST LIKE
THIS... QUIET, PEACEFUL, AND A
PLACE WHERE FOLKS CAN TAKE
THEIR TROUBLES!



AFTER THE SUN SETS, ANNIE LOPES NUGGET
AWAY TOWARD THE BULLS-EYE RANCH,
WITH THE ANSWER TO HER PROBLEM...

I'LL TELL DAD ABOUT IT! HE
HAS ALWAYS HELPED ME
BEFORE, AND...



WHOA, NUGGET!
I HEAR SOMETHING!

THAT'S ROGER PEABODY'S SPREAD,
BUT WHAT'S HE DOING MOVING HIS
PRIZE BLACK ANGUS BULLS OUT OF
THE CORRAL AT THIS TIME OF THE
NIGHT?



THERE ARE TWO
RIDERS DRIVING THOSE
BULLS, AND NEITHER
ONE IS PEABODY!



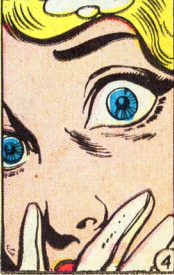
SUDDENLY, THE MOON FLASHES ON ITS YELLOW
LIGHT AS IT COMES FROM BEHIND A CLOUD, AND
TURNS THE TWO SILHOUETTES INTO MEN
WHOM ANNIE IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZES...

THERE MUST BE OVER A
HUNDRED HEAD IN THIS
PRIZE ANGUS HERD, MR.
OAKLEY! SURE WOULD
MAKE A MESS OF
SIZZLIN' STEAKS!

YEP, YUCCA, AN'
MIGHTY EXPENSIVE
STEAKS! THEY'RE
WORTH OVER A
HALF MILLION
DOLLARS!



IT'S FATHER, AND
IDAHO'S DEPUTY!
THEY'RE STEALING
PEABODY'S BULLS!
AND I THOUGHT
IDAHO WAS THE
THIEF!



THRU TEAR-STAINED EYES, ANNIE OAKLEY WATCHES, HOPING SHE IS WRONG, BUT THE MOON IS BRIGHT AND THE VOICES CLEAR IN THE NIGHT AIR...

SHOULD I TURN MY OWN FATHER IN? OR SHOULD I LET THE FOLKS IN TOWN KEEP BLAMING IDAHO, THE MAN I LOVE?



SLOWLY, NUGGET CARRIES ANNIE ACROSS THE PLAINS, AS IF HER GREAT BURDEN WAS HIS! AND AS ANNIE REINS HIM TOWARD BUENA VISTA, SHE FEELS AS LONELY AS THE MOURNFUL CRY OF A DISTANT COYOTE...



AS ANNIE ARRIVES AT BUENA VISTA, HER EYES ARE DRY AND HER MIND IS MADE UP! SHE PULLS OPEN THE DOOR OF SHERIFF SMITH'S OFFICE...

HELLO, ANNIE! I HEARD YOU WERE ASKED TO TAKE OVER MY JOB THIS MORNING!

THEY WON'T BE HOWLING FOR YOUR TIN STAR AFTER I TELL YOU WHAT I CAME HERE TO SAY!



I KNOW WHO'S BEEN STEALING THE PRIZE BLACK ANGUS BULLS FROM ALL THE RANCHERS!

SO DO I, ANNIE! I'VE KNOWN FOR DAYS, BUT WITHOUT PROOF, IT WAS BEST TO WAIT!



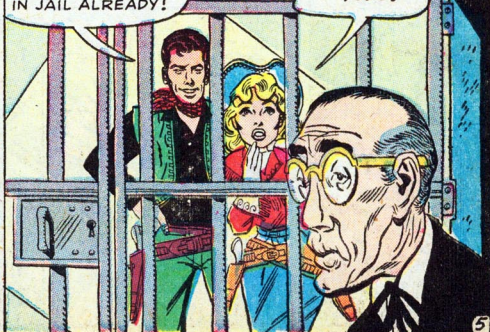
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WAIT ANY LONGER, IDAHO! I'LL GIVE YOU ALL THE EVIDENCE YOU WANT!

THANKS, ANNIE... BUT I DON'T NEED IT NOW!



BECAUSE I'VE GOT THE CATTLE THIEF IN JAIL ALREADY!

ROGER PEABODY! OH, NO!



WE WERE AS SURPRISED AS YOU ARE, ANNIE, WHEN WE FOUND OUT!

WE?



"YES... YOUR FATHER, YUCCA AND I! IT WAS YOUR DAD WHO BROUGHT THE EVIDENCE TO ME! HE FOUND IT IN THE POTBELLY STOVE IN PEABODY'S OFFICE, DURING AN ELECTION MEETING..."

"...AND I ASSURE YOU, GENTLEMEN, THAT YOU WILL HAVE NO REGRETS IF YOU VOTE FOR MY CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR! PASS THE CIGARS, ROGER!"

I'LL HAVE ONE OF THOSE AS SOON AS I EMPTY MY PIPE, AND...

GREAT JASPERS!



THIS EAR-BRAND SEAL WITH YOUR FATHER'S BULL'S-EYE BRAND ON IT WAS WHAT YOUR DAD FOUND!



"TONIGHT, WHILE YOUR FATHER AND YUCCA WENT TO GET ALL THE STOLEN BULLS FROM PEABODY'S CORRAL, I WENT AFTER PEABODY, BUT HE WAS READY FOR ME..."

SURE I STOLE THE PRIZE BULLS AND CHANGED THEIR EAR-BRANDS! AND I TRICKED THE PEOPLE INTO BELIEVING THAT YOU WERE THE THIEF!



NOW I'M GOING TO GET RID OF YOU AND SAY IT WAS SELF-DEFENSE, AFTER I'D FOUND OUT YOU WERE THE CATTLE THIEF!



OW-W! THAT STOVE'S RED, HOT!!



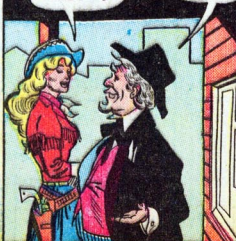
OH, IDAHO, YOU'RE WONDERFUL!



AND WHEN ANNIE MEETS THE COLONEL THE FOLLOWING MORNING...

WELL, COLONEL TROCKENBERRY... WHAT DO YOU THINK OF SHERIFF SMITH NOW?

WORDS FAIL ME, ANNIE!

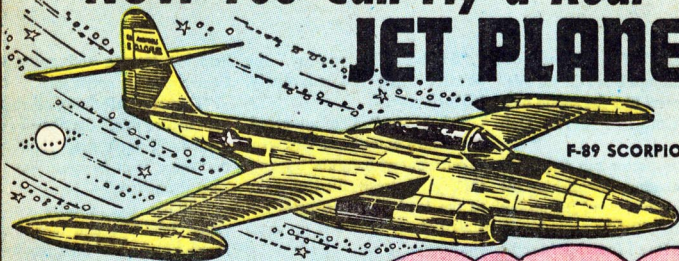


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GOLD STRIKE

"GOLD!" The cry rang out through Dead Cactus's deserted streets like the sound of a siren. "Gold . . . out in Oak Creek!"

The prospector ran from one door to another, brandishing his pan in one hand and his pickaxe in the other. "Wake up, yuh varmints. I tell ya I found *gold* right in your own back yards."

Within a few seconds, doors opened and men and women gathered around the old sourdough. "Whadja say, Ben?" old Mr. Picket asked.

"I said *Gold*, ya coyote! This town's gonna be in the middle of a gold rush."

"Now wait just a minute, Ben," Sheriff Olsen pushed aside the crowd. "Did I hear somebody mention gold?"

"Ya sure 'nuff did, Sheriff. I just panned a couple o' dozen ounces right out in Oak Creek. All ya have to do is take a pan an' go out and get it," and Ben held out a sample of the golden gravel to the sheriff for his examination.

After a moment of close looking, the sheriff passed the handful to the man standing next to him. "Looks like the real thing to me, Jeff. As the government assayer, what do *you* think of it?"

Jeff Holden took his jeweler's glass out of his pocket and everyone held his breath while the man appraised the gravel. Finally Jeff gave his verdict. "It's gold, all right. And a pretty good yield at that. Where did you say you found it, Ben?"

"Right up there about twelve miles or so up Oak Creek."

"Twelve miles, you say," the Sheriff answered anxiously. "Which way?"

"That way," Ben answered. "Up near Centertown. You want to come out with me and have me show ya? I already filed my claim to the land in Centertown, but ain't nobody knows it up there yet."

The Sheriff silenced the onrushing shouting from the crowd by a gesture and then looked at Ben silently.

"Well, we're all mighty grateful, Ben, but that land up there all belongs to Centertown . . . lock, stock and barrel. There just isn't anything we here in Dead Cactus can do about it."

"Ya mean," Ben stared, "that you folks can't take advantage of this gold strike?"

"That's right, Ben," the Sheriff answered sadly. "Many thanks to you anyway, but you might as well go right back to Centertown, 'cause *they're* the only ones to benefit by it."

It didn't take long for all the newspapers all over the country to shout in headlines, "Gold discovered in Centertown!" All the people from East and West flocked to the little town in search of a quick fortune and easy money. There's no doubt that the citizens of Centertown were overjoyed by their town's sudden wealth, but the poor settlers in Dead Cactus received none of the profits of the sudden immigration of workers and tourists.

"It sure does seem a shame, Sheriff," Jeff Holden confided one day, "that all the people from

here are leaving and going to Centertown for better jobs."

"They were all doing all right here before this," the Sheriff answered. "I can't help thinking that there must be some way to keep them here."

"I'd like to . . . *watch out!*" yelled Jeff. The two men were nearly knocked off their feet by a speeding wagon careening down the street. As the Sheriff brushed the dust off his clothes, he pointed angrily after the disappearing rig. "That's what I mean, right there."

"That's just old Bob Kittredge leaving town with his wife and family to settle in Centertown," Jeff answered.

The Sheriff shouted, "But that's the trouble with *everybody* here. They're all deserting the sinking ship of Dead Cactus to go over to a boom town."

"Can't say I blame 'em, Sheriff," Jeff sympathized. "I'd go myself if my job didn't keep me here."

"Their whole past and future are here," the Sheriff replied. "This town could have been good for everybody, if they'd only stay here and build it up."

"It does seem a shame," Jeff added. "The school was just built and the library was just getting started. But what can *we* do?"

"I've got an idea, Jeff. Just listen . . ." and when the sheriff finished outlining his idea, Jeff was filled with eagerness to start.

"Well, if *this* doesn't bring flocks of people here, I don't know what will!" he said.

"I've got faith in the future of
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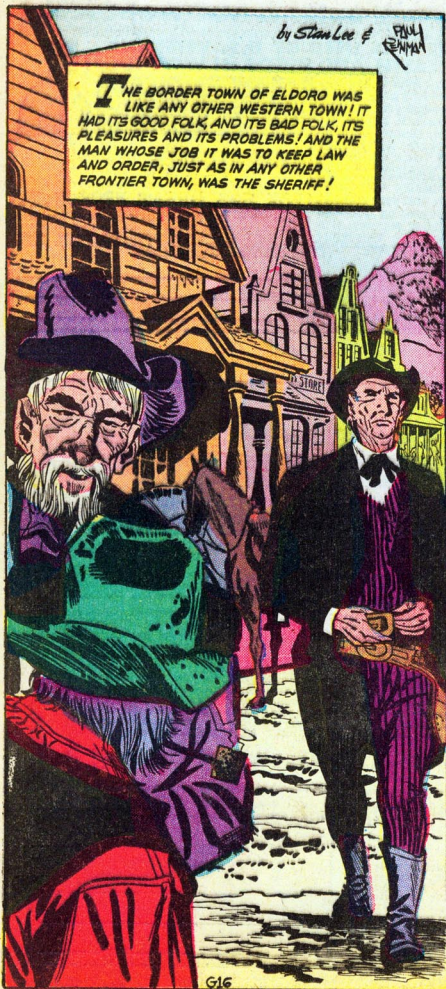
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AND SOMETIMES, KEEPING LAW AND ORDER WAS ALMOST TOO MUCH OF A JOB FOR ANY ONE MAN TO HANDLE!

SHERIFF! QUICK!
IT'S THE VAEGER
BROTHERS!
THEY'RE HOLDIN'
UP THE BANK!



IT WAS PART OF THE CODE OF THE WEST. NO MATTER HOW DANGEROUS THE ASSIGNMENT, THE SHERIFF COULDN'T SHIRK HIS DUTY!

I'M IN LUCK!
THEY'RE STILL
IN THERE!



IT WAS THREE AGAINST ONE! BUT THE SHERIFF OF ELDORO WAS USED TO SUCH ODDS...



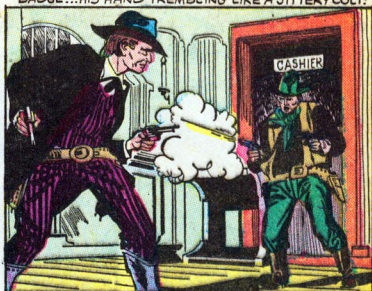
THE SHERIFF STOOD HIS GROUND, TOOK A SECOND TO AIM CAREFULLY, AND HIS COLT BARKED ONCE IN THE DIRECTION OF THE BADMAN...KNOCKING THE GUN FROM HIS HAND!



IT WAS LIKE TRYIN' TO HOG-TIE A MADDENED STEER... IT TOOK TWO MEN TO CONVINCE HIM, BUT FINALLY THEY PERSUADED THE SHERIFF TO TAKE TO HIS BED FOR A WEEK UNTIL HIS WOUND HEALED...



LIKE COWED COYOTES, TWO OF THE YÄEGER BROTHERS DROPPED THEIR IRONS! BUT THE THIRD, NERVOUS AND SCARED, FIRED POINT-BLANK AT THE MAN WITH THE BADGE...HIS HAND TREMBLING LIKE A JITTERY COLT!



AND SO, ONE OF THE MOST SERIOUS EVENTS CAME TO PASS IN THE TOWN OF ELDORO...FOR ONE WEEK, IT WAS TO BE A TOWN WITHOUT A LAWMAN! THE LAW-ABIDING CITIZENRY SEEMED TO BE HOLDING THEIR BREATH...WAITING FOR TROUBLE TO STRIKE!



AND THE TROUBLE WASN'T LONG IN COMING! FIST-FIGHTS BECAME COMMON ON THE FORMERLY QUIET STREETS OF TOWN...



EVEN GUN-FIGHTS BECAME MORE AND MORE FREQUENT! GUN-FIGHTS WHICH THE SHERIFF WOULDN'T HAVE TOLERATED FOR A MINUTE!



LOOK... THEY'RE GONNA DRAW! SOMEONE OUGHTTA STOP 'EM!

MEBEBE... BUT I AIN'T GONNA BE THE ONE TO DO IT!

AND FROM HIS SICKBED, THE SHERIFF COULD HEAR THE SOUND OF GUN-FIRE! FINALLY AN IDEA STRUCK HIM!



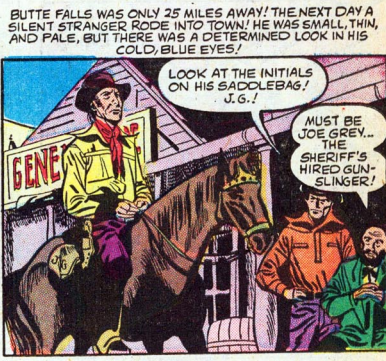
SLIM, I'M GONNA BE ABED FOR ANOTHER FIVE DAYS! BUT I GOT AN IDEA... SEND A LETTER TO BUTTE FALLS...



WHO'S THE SHERIFF WRITIN' TO, SLIM?

JOE GREY, THE FASTEST DRAW EAST OF THE ROCKIES... THE SHERIFF'S SENDIN' FOR HIM!

THE SHERIFF'S SENDIN' FER A GUN-SLINGER!



BUTTE FALLS WAS ONLY 25 MILES AWAY! THE NEXT DAY A SILENT STRANGER RODE INTO TOWN! HE WAS SMALL, THIN, AND PALE, BUT THERE WAS A DETERMINED LOOK IN HIS COLD, BLUE EYES!

LOOK AT THE INITIALS ON HIS SADDLEBAGS! J.G.!

MUST BE JOE GREY... THE SHERIFF'S HIRED GUN-SLINGER!

GREY WORE HIS GUN-BELT LOW AND CARRIED A LONG, THIN PACKAGE JUST THE SIZE OF A WINCHESTER...



LOOK AT THAT PACKAGE UNDER HIS ARM!

I HEARD TELL HE CAN REALLY USE THAT WINCHESTER!

THE NEWS SPREAD LIKE TUMBLEWEED IN A STORM... JOE GREY HAD COME TO REPORT TO THE SHERIFF... SOMETHING WAS IN THE WIND!



WHEN GREY WALKED OUT OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, HE WAS WEARING A DEPUTY SHERIFF'S BADGE...AND THE SAME GRIM LOOK ON HIS FACE!



THE MEN COULDN'T BELIEVE THEIR EARS, IT TOOK AN UNBEATABLE FIGHTING MAN TO FACE ODDS LIKE THAT AND ISSUE SUCH AN ORDER! AND YET, JOE GREY HAD SAID IT!



STANDING IN THE CENTER OF THE SALOON, LOOKING SMALL AND UNIMPOSING AMONGST ALL THE BIG RANGY, ROUGH COWPOKES IN THE ROOM... JOE GREY SPOKE... SOFTLY... SLOWLY...



ONE STRANGER, BIGGER AND MORE RECKLESS THAN THE OTHERS, DARED TO CHALLENGE THE GRIM LITTLE MAN!



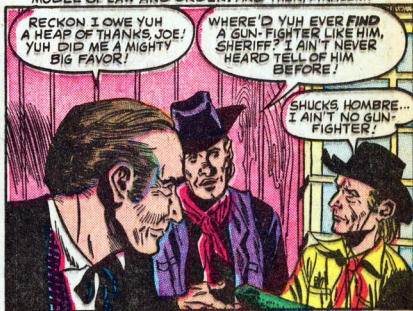
JOE GREY SAID NOTHING, HE MERELY LIFTED THE LONG, THIN PACKAGE HE WAS CARRYING AND SLOWLY STARTED TO UNWRAP IT...



IT ONLY TAKES **ONE** TO START A STAMPEDE! IN LESS THAN 45 MINUTES, THERE WASN'T A STRANGER LEFT IN TOWN... EXCEPT JOE GREY!



JOE GREY REMAINED IN TOWN UNTIL THE SHERIFF WAS ON HIS FEET AGAIN... AND DURING THAT TIME, ELDORO WAS A MODEL OF LAW AND ORDER! AND THEN, FINALLY...



THE END

Dead Cactus," the Sheriff observed, "and I'm not going to see it spoiled by a gold strike in the next town." So that evening, Jeff and the Sheriff set to work with the start of their plan.

That evening, they both strode through the once-crowded little town with paint and paint brushes, brooms and buckets. The next day, they were busy cutting boards and hammering. All the next day and night, they were busy putting their newly-made signs up all over town.

After a few more days, they left their mark on all the deserted houses and ranches as well as in all the forgotten stores down the main street. The Sheriff looked at Jeff with a glow in his eye. "Well, I think we're just about ready to start on the publicity, Jeff."

Jeff winked and loaded all the signs and posters into the buckboard, and with the Sheriff beside him, they rode into Centertown. There, Jeff opened the can of paste and they put up their first poster. "Come one . . . Come all," it read. "See the genuine, authentic Ghost Town!" As people gathered around the unusual sign, they began to question the two men.

"You say it's a real Ghost Town?"

"Yep," the Sheriff replied. "Only twelve miles from here." "Nobody in it at all?"

"Nope," Jeff answered.

"Say, I'm gonna have to bring the wife and kids over for a sight of this," one of the onlookers said.

"Sure, c'mon over," Sheriff Olsen said. "I think it'll be real educational."

The men spent a busy day putting up all their signs and posters everywhere in Centertown that people might see. Along toward dusk, they piled into the empty buckboard and started on the de-

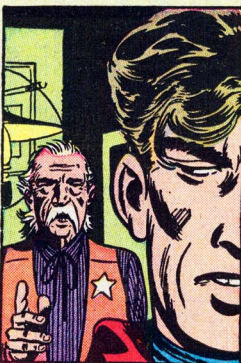
serted road back to their lonesome Dead Cactus.

Almost as soon as the sun rose the next morning, the crowd started to gather at Dead Cactus's city limits.

"Look at this sign, Maw," a child's voice cried. "It says that this was going to be the site of the new railroad comin' through."

"Hey, look everybody," another voice called. "This was the spot where Lemuel Stanley kept a store. The fastest-growing dry goods store in the state, the sign says."

"And it was, too," a sad voice from behind reminded them.



"Why, Lem Stanley," the Sheriff shouted, walking toward the downcast man standing on the fringes of the crowd. "What are you doing back here in Dead Cactus?"

"Well, me and the boys came over to sort of see what the old place looked like. It's been a long time since we've been back."

"Look, there's old Pop Picket looking at his old barber shop," the Sheriff discovered. The two men walked over and were soon engaged in conversation.

One by one of the old citizens came drifting back that day. One

by one they all took long looks at their stores or homes or ranches. They saw spots where they had laughed and done business with old friends. Toward the evening, when everyone had gone again, the sheriff admitted to Jeff, "I thought it might work, but I guess it hasn't. Nobody wants to come back to Dead Cactus any more, not even the way we've fixed it up so pretty."

The sound of horses' hoofs stirred the air, and Jeff and the Sheriff turned to see Lem Stanley and Pop Picket and Bob Kittredge and a score of other old neighbors dismount and step over, smiling.

"We're the new citizens committee of Dead Cactus, and we just thought we'd come over ahead of our families to make sure everything was law-abidin' before we moved back in again."

"Moved back in," the Sheriff repeated.

"Yep, that's what we said, Sheriff. We just took one look at the places we knew and loved, and we all decided that leavin' this place wasn't worth ten bags of gold. We started to build up a future here once, and we were all doin' pretty well . . . we can come back and do it again."

"That's right," the crowd echoed. "We're comin' back and take up where we left off."

The Sheriff was almost speechless, but he smiled and was just about to say something, when a lone rider galloped into town from the East and inquired, "Say, pardners, where's this Ghost Town I heard so much about?"

"I reckon that there just isn't any Ghost Town any more, stranger," Jeff answered. "But if you're looking for a thrivin' community to settle down in, it looks like you've come to the right place."

THE CHAMPION COWGIRL OF THE WILD WEST! **ANNIE OAKLEY**



IT'S DOUBLE-BARRELED
TROUBLE FROM THE
MINUTE **ANNIE
OAKLEY** RIDES INTO
THE TERRITORY THAT
HOLDS...
**"THE SECRET
OF
LOST CANYON!"**

YOU'VE GOT THREE MINUTES
TO SHOW YOURSELVES,
HOMBRES! **COME ON OUT,
PRONTO,** THE WHOLE GANG
OF YOU, OR THE CYLINDER
OF MY COLT IS GOING TO
START SPINNING!

WELL! I'VE NEVER
SEEN A BUSHWHACKER
THE LIKES OF **YOU**
BEFORE!

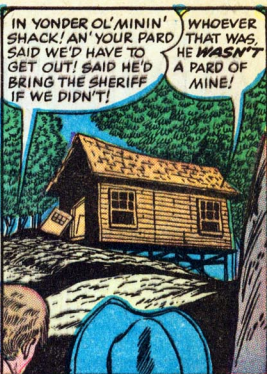


I AIN'T NO
BUSHWHACKER!



THAT WAS JES' A WARNIN'
LIKE I GAVE YOUR PARD
YESTERDAY, TO KEEP
AWAY FROM ME AN' MAW!
YOU AIN'T GOIN' TO MAKE
US MOVE OUT OF THE
CANYON!

YOU
MEAN YOU
AND YOUR
MOTHER
LIVE
HERE?



IN YONDER OL' MININ'
SHACK! AN' YOUR PARD
SAID WE'D HAVE TO
GET OUT! SAID HE'D
BRING THE SHERIFF
IF WE DIDN'T!

WHOEVER
THAT WAS,
HE **WASN'T**
A PARD OF
MINE!



YONDER HE COMES
NOW WITH ANOTHER
MAN! PROBABLY
THE SHERIFF!

YEP! THAT'S
THE
SHERIFF!



HOWDY, ANNIE!
THAT BOY GIVING
YOU TROUBLE,
'TOO?

HE DID, A BIT,
IDAHO! BUT
HE'S O.K. NOW!

WELL, THAT LITTLE
SQUATTER ISN'T
OK, WITH **ME**. HE
AND HIS MOTHER ARE
GIVING ME PLENTY
OF TROUBLE!

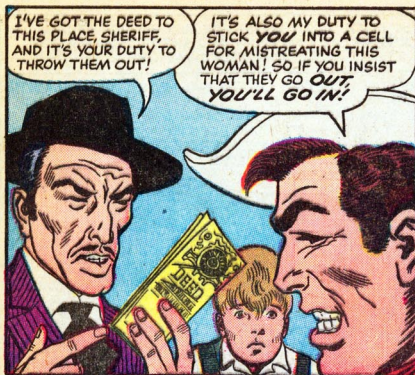


MARTY SHARP IS A REAL-ESTATE
MAN AND HE'S GOT A DEED
TO THIS LAND! HE CLAIMS
THIS YEARNING AND HIS
MOTHER MOVED INTO THE
ABANDONED SHACK
WITHOUT PERMISSION!

AND WHEN I
TOLD THEM
TO GET OUT,
THAT BOY FIRED
AT ME!



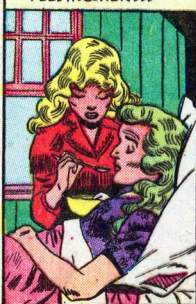
SURE I DID! 'CAUSE HE
SHOVED MAW AN' KNOCKED
HER DOWN! NOW SHE'S SICK!



BY THE TIME IDAHO COMES BACK WITH THE DOCTOR AND FOOD, ANNIE GETS TO KNOW ALL ABOUT BILLY'S LONELY LIFE...



FOR THREE DAYS ANNIE SITS AT MRS. GORDON'S BEDSIDE, NURSING AND FEEDING HER...



FOR THREE NIGHTS ANNIE WAITS AND WATCHES AND PRAYS...



AND ON THE FOURTH NIGHT, ANNIE'S PRAYERS ARE ANSWERED! THE WOMAN OPENS HER EYES...

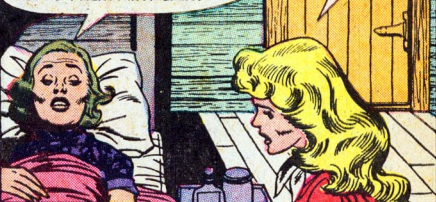
W-WHERE AM I? WHO ARE YOU? IS...IS BILLY ALL RIGHT?

YES, MRS. GORDON! HE'S ASLEEP! DON'T WORRY...AND DON'T TRY TO TALK!

BUT IT'S A GREAT RELIEF FOR MRS. GORDON TO TALK TO SOMEONE SHE CAN TRUST, AND SHE TELLS ANNIE WHY SHE AND BILLY CAME HERE...

MY HUSBAND'S LAST LETTER WAS FROM BUENA VISTA! HE SAID HE AND HIS PARTNER HAD FINALLY STRUCK GOLD AND THAT HE'D BE COMING BACK TO MISSOURI SOON! THAT WAS THREE YEARS AGO...AND WE NEVER HEARD FROM HIM AGAIN!

AND YOU NEVER HEARD FROM HIS PARTNER OR ABOUT THE GOLD EITHER?



"NO! AND WE WOULD HAVE BEEN HERE SOONER, BUT I BOUGHT BILLY A MUSTANG FOR HIS BIRTHDAY! HE COULDN'T WAIT UNTIL SOMEONE BROKE THE HORSE..."

HE LOVES HORSES, AND HE WAS SUCH A HAPPY BOY! IT BREAKS MY HEART TO KEEP TELLING HIM HE'LL WALK AGAIN SOMEDAY!

BUT HE'S ALWAYS SO SAD, THAT I SUSPECT HE KNOWS I'M NOT TELLING HIM THE TRUTH!

BILLY! GET OFF! THAT'S A WILD HORSE! HE'S NEVER BEEN RIDDEN BEFORE!



IN A WEEK'S TIME, MRS. GORDON IS STRONG ENOUGH TO GET OUT OF BED! SHE'D BE COMPLETELY HAPPY, IF ONLY LITTLE BILLY WOULD SMILE SOMETIME...

BUT I BROUGHT SOMEONE WITH ME THAT *ISN'T* A GIRL, BILLY!...AND HE'S FOR YOU TO PLAY WITH!

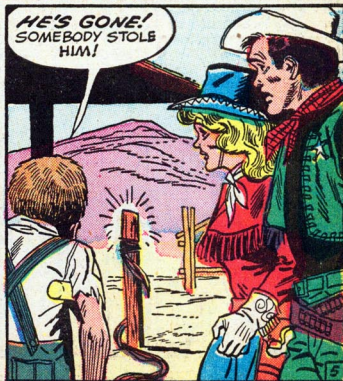
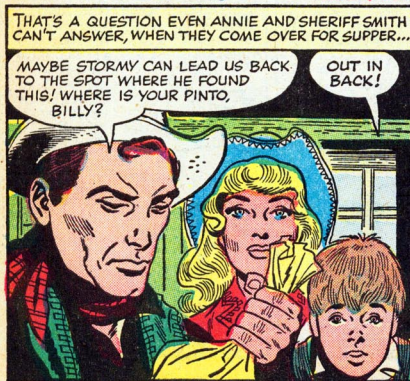
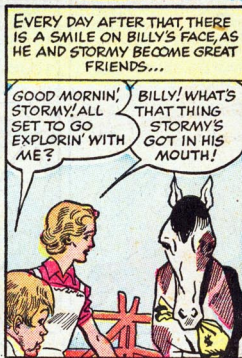
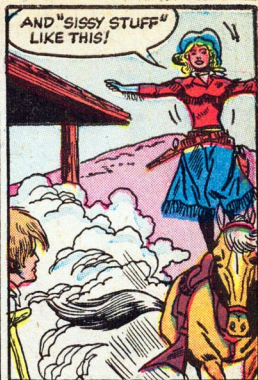
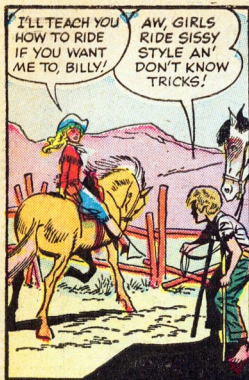
A PINTO! AN INDIAN PONY! FOR ME, ANNIE?

YEP! STORMY, MEET BILLY GORDON!

LOOK, BILLY! HERE COMES ANNIE!

AW, I CAN'T PLAY WITH HER... SHE'S A GIRL!







INDIAN PONIES ARE SMART, BILLY! LOOK! STORMY DUG HIS HIND HOOF INTO THE GROUND HARD, TO LEAVE A SIGN!

IDAHO AND I WILL FOLLOW IT, BILLY! WE'LL GET STORMY BACK!



SHOW ME WHERE YOU FOUND THAT BAG OF GOLD, OR I'LL FIX YUH!

IT'S MARTY SHARP!



GET ON YOUR HORSE, MARTY! YOU'RE GOING TO FILL THAT EMPTY JAIL CELL I'VE BEEN SAVING, AFTER WE RETURN STORMY!

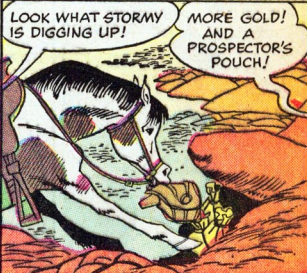
WHEN BILLY HEARS THE APPROACHING HOOF-BEATS, HE CAN'T CONTROL HIS ANXIETY ANY LONGER! THE GREAT LOVE HE FEELS FOR STORMY SURGES THRU HIS ENTIRE BODY, AND HE **RUNS** TO MEET HIM...



STORMY, YOU'RE BACK! OH, I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE BACK!

GREAT GRIZZLIES! LOOK! BILLY'S USING HIS LEGS!

EVERYBODY EXCEPT MARTY SHARP IS HAPPY AT THE GREAT MIRACLE OF LOVE! AND THEN STORMY ADDS MORE MISERY TO THE REAL-ESTATE MAN'S TROUBLES...

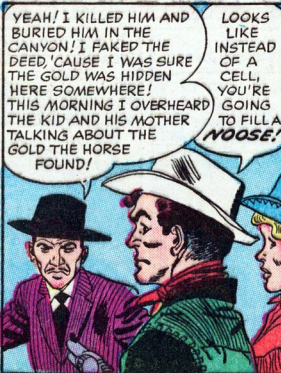


LOOK WHAT STORMY IS DIGGING UP!

MORE GOLD! AND A PROSPECTOR'S POUCH!

IN THE POUCH THERE'S A LETTER, AND IDAHO READS IT ALOUD...

TO WHOEVER FINDS THIS... ME AND MY PARTNER MADE A BIG GOLD STRIKE AND WE SPLIT 50-50! BUT HE'S AFTER MY HALF, SO I'M HIDING IT HERE WITH THE DEED TO THIS LAND! AND IF ANYTHING HAPPENS TO ME, THE MAN TO BLAME IS MARTY SHARP!
ED GORDON



YEAH! I KILLED HIM AND BURIED HIM IN THE CANYON! I FAKED THE DEED, 'CAUSE I WAS SURE THE GOLD WAS HIDDEN HERE SOMEWHERE! THIS MORNING I OVERHEARD THE KID AND HIS MOTHER TALKING ABOUT THE GOLD THE HORSE FOUND!

LOOKS LIKE INSTEAD OF A CELL, YOU'RE GOING TO FILL A **NOOSE!**



RECKON YOU'LL BE GOING BACK TO MISSOURI, MRS. GORDON!

NO, ANNIE! I WANT TO BE NEAR MY HUSBAND, SO WE'LL STAY IN BUENA VISTA! IT'LL BE A NEW LIFE FOR BILLY AND ME, THANKS TO YOU! NOW I KNOW WHAT PEOPLE MEAN WHEN THEY SAY YOU'RE A **CHAMPION!**



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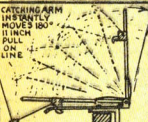
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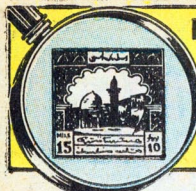
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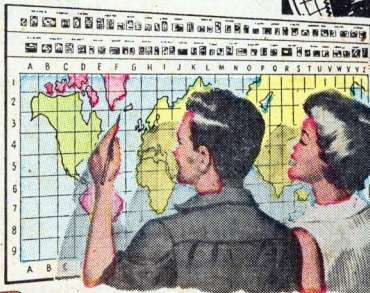
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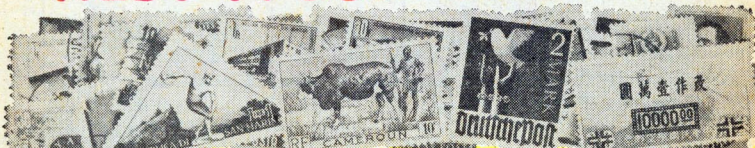
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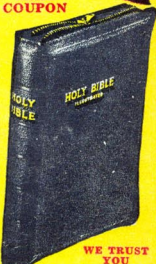
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