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PIONEER MARSHAL

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A HARD-RIDING, HARD-SHOOTING WESTERN MOVIE

AT YOUR LOCAL THEATRE SOON!



PIONEER MARSHAL

starring

MONTE HALE

with

PAUL HURST
NAN LESLIE
ROY BARCROFT

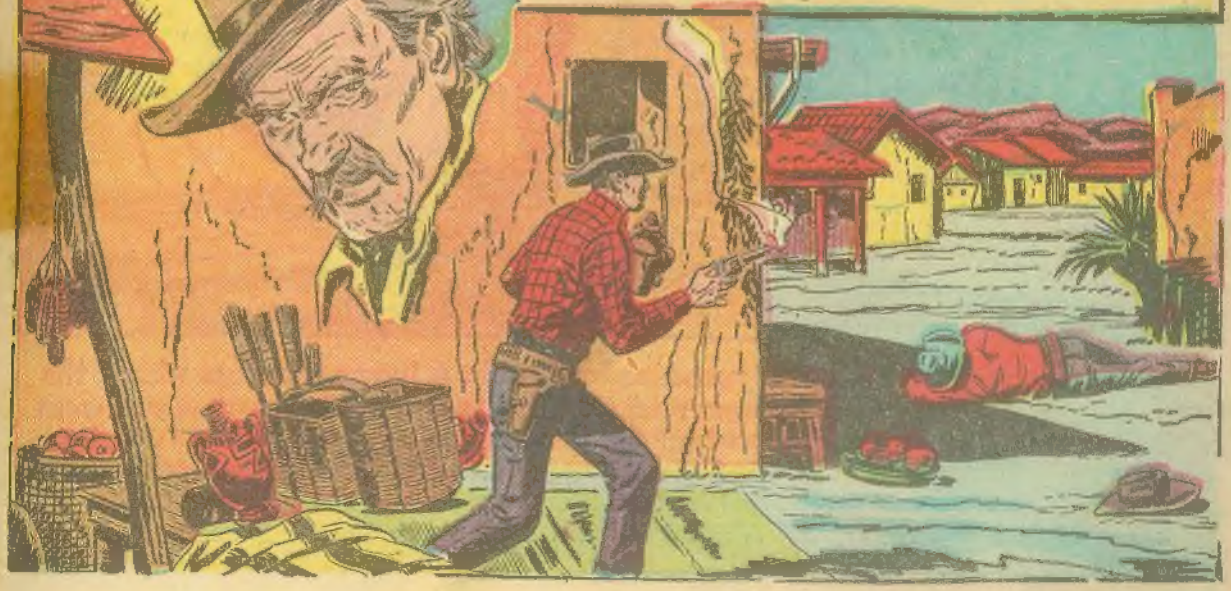
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Associate Producer—Melville Tucker

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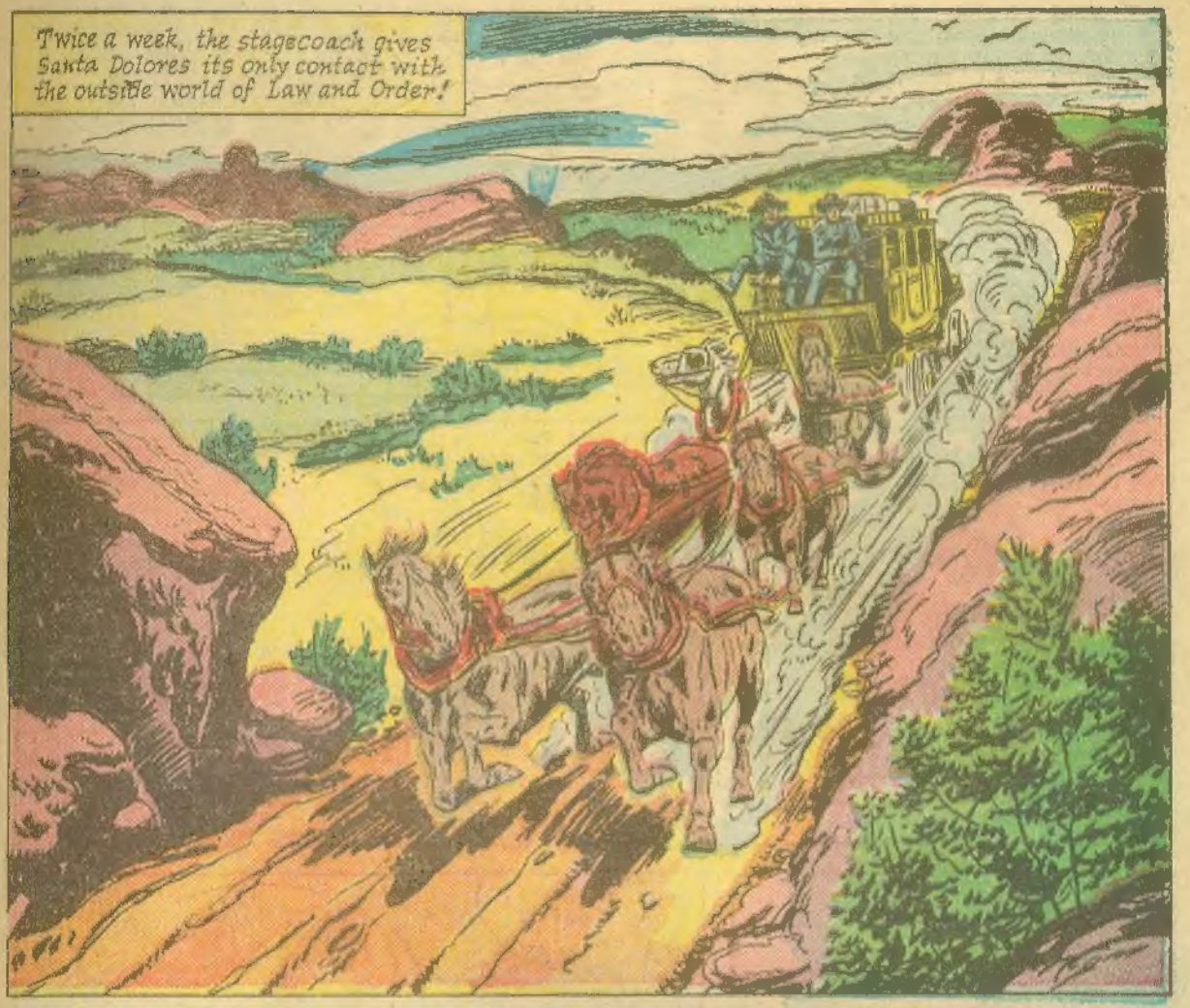
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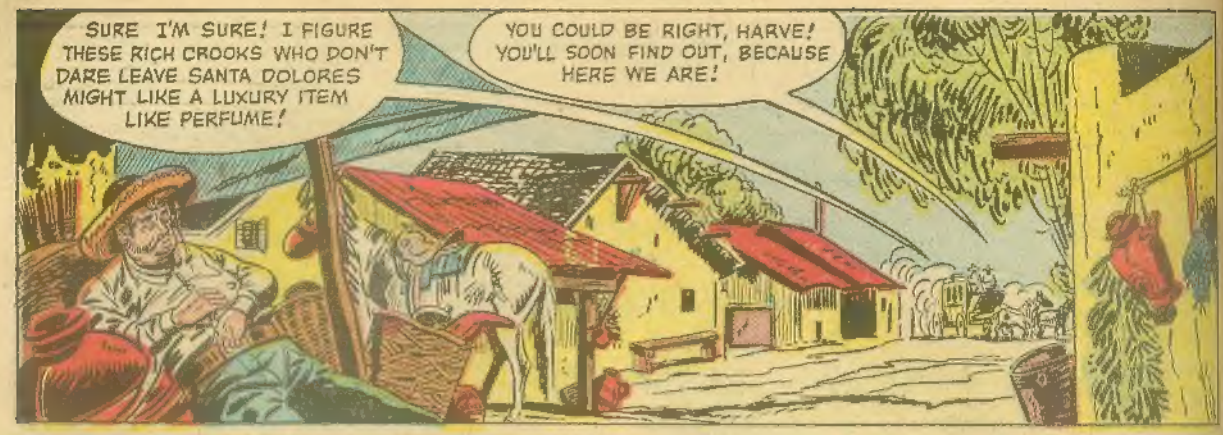
Santa Dolores was outlaws' paradise in Mexico, a haven of refuge where the arm of American Justice never reached! **Bruce Burnett**, suave and murderous ruler of Santa Dolores, paid a bounty of one thousand dollars, *DEAD OR ALIVE*, for every Lawman caught **in town!** But young **Marshal Ed Sherwood**, who has a warrant to serve, gambles his life on the speed of his six-guns when he dares to face the *KING OF KILLERS* in his Citadel of Crime!


Twice a week, the stagecoach gives Santa Dolores its only contact with the outside world of Law and Order!


On a day in early spring...
THESE TRIPS GET MIGHTY LONESOME WITHOUT SOMEONE TO TALK TO, FRIEND! MY NAME IS HARVEY MASTERS!
I'M TED POST, MISTER MASTERS!


CALL ME HARVE! WHAT'S YOUR LINE, TED?
ER-- I'M A CATTLE BROKER!


WALKING SIRLOIN, EH? ME, I'M A PERFUME SALESMAN! WOULD YOU BELIEVE THOSE BOTTLES BRING SIXTY BUCKS APIECE?
PERFUME? ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE ON THE RIGHT STAGECOACH?


SURE I'M SURE! I FIGURE THESE RICH CROOKS WHO DON'T DARE LEAVE SANTA DOLORES MIGHT LIKE A LUXURY ITEM LIKE PERFUME!
YOU COULD BE RIGHT, HARVE! YOU'LL SOON FIND OUT, BECAUSE HERE WE ARE!

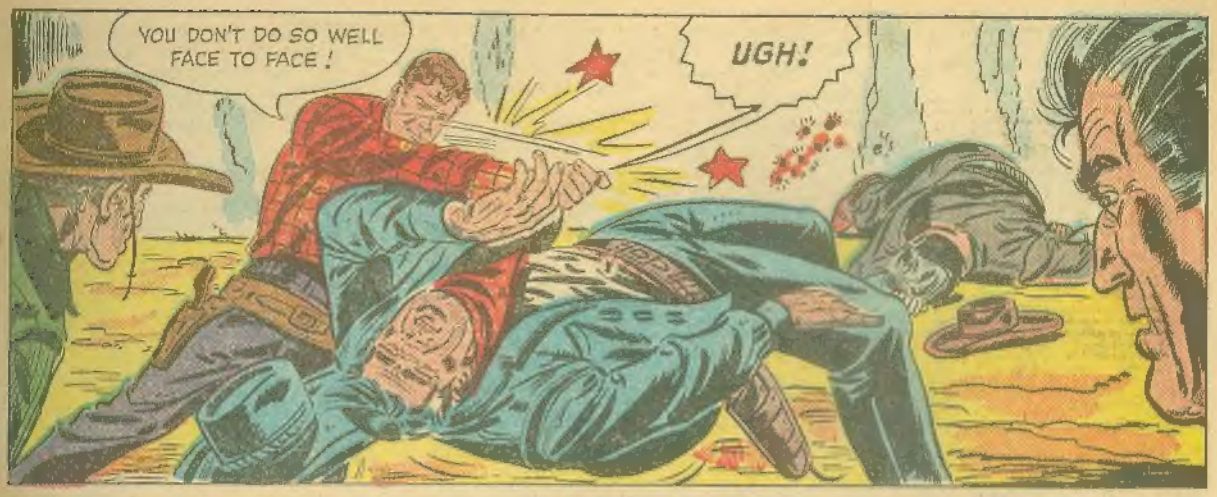

I'VE NEVER BEEN HERE BEFORE! WHAT SAY WE TAKE A LOOK AROUND THE TOWN?
SUITS ME, HARVE! I'M CURIOUS ABOUT SANTA DOLORES, TOO!


LOOKS LIKE A SLEEPY LITTLE DUMP! BUT I GUESS YOU CAN'T ALWAYS TELL BY THE LOOKS!


Without any warning...
TAKE 'EM, BOYS!
HEY!
WHAT THE--?


ALL RIGHT! I GOT IT!


But Ted's head quickly clears from the first blows...
HERE'S SOMETHING ELSE YOU GET!
OOOOFFF!


YOU DON'T DO SO WELL FACE TO FACE!
UGH!


ATTABOY, TED!


HERE'S A SPECIAL I'VE BEEN SAVING FOR YOU!
OOOH!


COME ON! LET'S MAKE TRACKS!
LOOK AT THOSE BUSHWACKERS RUN!


WHAT A WELCOME TO SANTA DOLORES! IMAGINE PICKING A FIGHT FOR THE FUN OF IT!
NOT FOR FUN, HARVE! THEY GOT MY WALLET!


MINE, TOO! LUCKY I WEAR A MONEY BELT! UH-OH!...
WHAT'S THE MATTER?


I THOUGHT FOR A MINUTE THEY GOT MY WATCH! IT BELONGED TO MY BROTHER, WHO'S DEAD NOW!
I GUESS THEY SPECIALIZE IN WALLETS! COME ON, LET'S SEE THE REST OF THE TOWN!


I'LL BUY THE LUNCH, TED! LET'S TRY FOR THIS SPOT!
SUITS ME! FUNNY NAME FOR A CAFÉ DOWN HERE, ISN'T IT?
CHICAGO CAFE


I MUST BE SEEING THINGS!
WE'RE BOTH SEEING THINGS!


YOUR PLEASURE, GENTLEMEN?
WHAT'S A SPREAD LIKE THIS DOING IN SANTA DOLORES?


MR. BURNETT, THE OWNER, BUILT THIS EXACTLY LIKE A PLACE HE OWNED IN CHICAGO, SIR!
THIS PLACE WOULD LOOK RIGHT EVEN IN NEW YORK! I'D LIKE TO MEET THIS BURNETT GUY!
WHEEF!


LOOK! THEY EVEN HAVE SPEAKING TUBES TO DIFFERENT ROOMS!
RIGHT AWAY, SIR!


MR. BURNETT WOULD LIKE TO SEE YOU GENTLEMEN IN HIS OFFICE! IT'S THAT DOOR BACK THERE!
SEE US? BUT HE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW US!


MAYBE HE WANTS TO BUY SOME PERFUME, HARVE!
LOOKS AS IF ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN IN SANTA DOLORES!

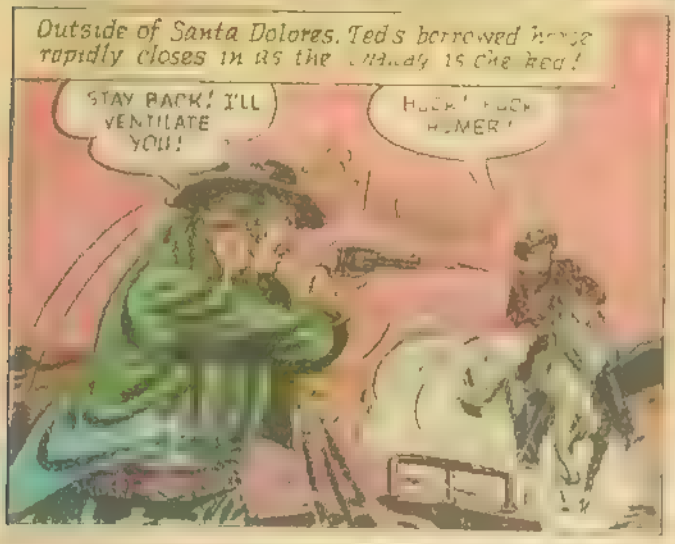

YOU AGAIN? WHAT DO WE DO -- TAKE UP WHERE WE LEFT OFF?
COME ON!
THANK YOU FOR COMING, GENTLEMEN! I AM BRUCE BURNETT AND THIS IS CLIP PETERS, MY -- ER -- SECRETARY!
WE'VE MET BEFORE! IF YOU DOUBT IT, TAKE A LOOK AT HIS EYE!
WHY, YOU...!
CLIP! NONE OF THAT!
FIRST I MUST APOLOGIZE FOR CLIP'S ATTACK, BUT A MAN IN MY POSITION HAS TO TAKE PRECAUTIONS!
HEY! THAT'S MY WALLET!
RIGHT, MR. MASTERS -- OR RATHER, SERGEANT MASTERS OF THE KANSAS CITY POLICE!
POLICE?
WE DON'T LIKE POLICE IN SANTA DOLORES! TAKE THE NEXT STAGE OUT AND YOU'LL SAVE ME A THOUSAND DOLLARS -- TO SAY NOTHING OF YOUR OWN LIFE!
THANKS, BUT I'M AFTER A KILLER AND I MEAN TO TAKE HIM! HE KILLED MY BROTHER! I KEEP MY BROTHER'S WATCH TO REMIND ME!
I'M SORRY YOU DIDN'T CATCH HIM SOMEWHERE ELSE, SERGEANT, BUT IN SANTA DOLORES, HE'S SAFE! THAT'S OUR LAW, HERE!
I GUESS I'M LUCKY TO GET OUT ALIVE, AT THAT!


CLIP, PUT THE SERGEANT ON THE NEXT STAGE... ALIVE!
YOU'RE MAKING A MISTAKE! THE ONLY GOOD LAWMAN'S A DEAD ONE!
TOUGH FOR HIM! NOW, HOW ABOUT MY WALLET?
OF COURSE, POST! THIS IS QUITE AN INTERESTING SOUVENIR YOU CARRY IN YOURS!
WANTED FOR MURDER!
Ted Post
NOTIFY EDWARD SHERWOOD, CITY MARSHAL DALLAS, TEXAS
YOU'LL BE SAFE IN SANTA DOLORES -- FOR A FEE, OF COURSE! LET'S SAY THE COST IS TWO OF THESE BIG, HANDSOME BILLS YOU CARRY!
FAIR ENOUGH! A SETUP LIKE THIS MUST COST PLENTY! WHAT ABOUT THE REST OF THE MONEY?
IT'S LOCAL CUSTOM FOR ME TO KEEP IT IN YOUR PRIVATE BOX HERE! YOU CAN CHARGE AGAINST IT AS LONG AS THE MONEY HOLDS OUT!
HMM! INTERESTING CUSTOMS YOU HAVE! BUT I GUESS I CAN'T KICK!
IT SAYS HERE YOU'RE A PRETTY GOOD SHOT IN CHICAGO!
BRUCE BURNETT CHAMPION MARKSMAN
CHICAGO SMALL ARMS CLUB 1891
I'M A PRETTY GOOD SHOT ANYWHERE!
HAH! IN DALLAS WE LET MEN FROM CHICAGO CLEAN OUR GUNS FOR US!

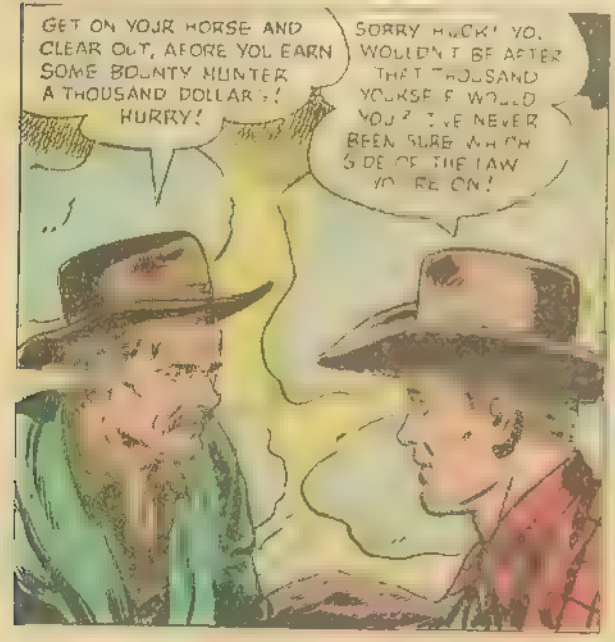

YOU WEAR A SIX-GUN! MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO BACK UP THAT BRAG WITH SOME PROOF!
LET'S GO! I NEVER MAKE A BRAG I CAN'T BACK UP!
Outside, in the rear courtyard...
SIX BOTTLES — SIX SHOTS! GO AHEAD DALLAS! VISTING TEAM BATS FIRST!
THANKS, CHICAGO!
NOT BAD — FOR DALLAS!
WHEEEEW! I GUESS THEY DO SOME SHOOTING AS WELL AS TALKING IN CHICAGO!
DON'T FEEL BAD TEL, YOU'RE PRETTY GOOD!
THANKS! BUT IN DALLAS, THEY TEACH US TO CLEAN UP OUR PLATES!
Suddenly a figure appears beyond the wall...
CONSARN YOU! A MAN'S LIFE AIN'T SAFE WITH ALL THIS SHOOTING!
HEY! WHOA!
THAT'LL TEACH HIM, DALLAS!


I'LL BE BACK! I D.DN'T MEAN TO STAMPEDE HIS TEAM!

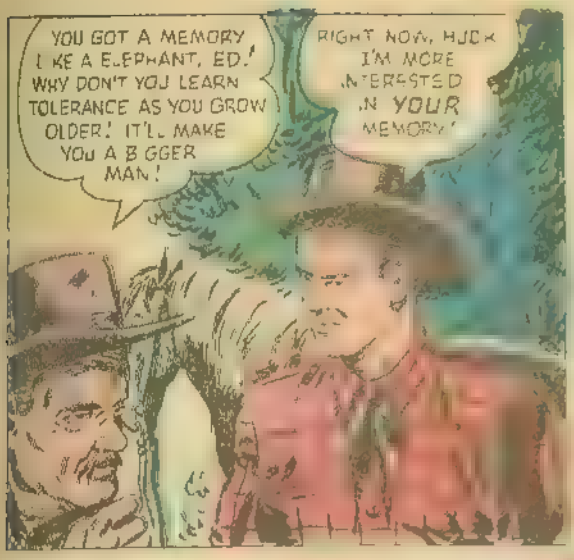

SORRY MISTER BUT I'LL RETURN YOUR HORSE LATER
WHOOOAAA! GOLDARN YOU! WHOA!


Outside of Santa Dolores, Ted's borrowed horse rapidly closes in as the deadly is the lead!
STAY BACK! I'LL VENTILATE YOU!
HUCK! HUCK HOMER!


I'LL BE BACK!


GET ON YOUR HORSE AND CLEAR OUT, AFORE YOU EARN SOME BOUNTY HUNTER A THOUSAND DOLLARS! HURRY!
SORRY HUCK! YO. WOULDN'T BE AFTER THAT THOUSAND YOURSELF WOULD YOU? I'VE NEVER BEEN SURE WHICH SIDE OF THE LAW YO' RE ON!

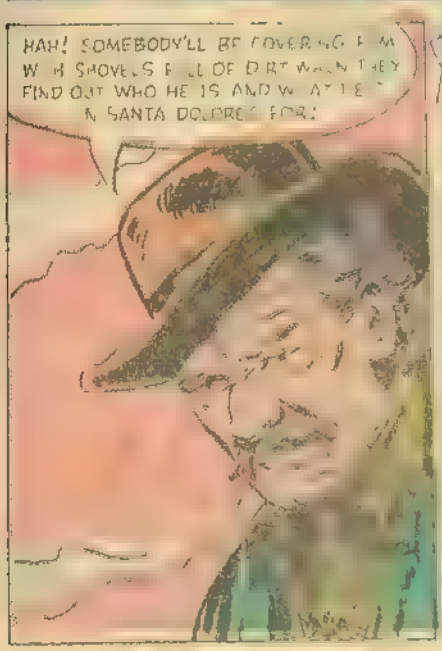

THAT AIN'T NICE MEMBER I DONE A FAVOR FOR IN MY RECALLED YOU'D BE NO SLICK AND NEAT LOCKSMITH IN A TOWN FULL OF SAFES
HMM! AS I REMEMBER, ONE OF YOUR JOCK JOBS OPENED A BANK DOOR IN FORT WORTH!

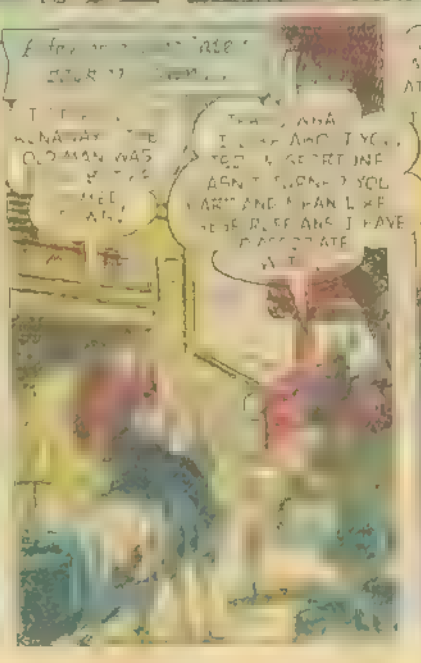

YOU GOT A MEMORY LIKE A ELEPHANT, ED! WHY DON'T YOU LEARN TOLERANCE AS YOU GROW OLDER! IT'LL MAKE YOU A BIGGER MAN!
RIGHT NOW, HUCK I'M MORE INTERESTED IN YOUR MEMORY!


CAN YOU FORGET I'M ED SHERWOOD? I CAME HERE AS TED POST A FIGHTING KILLER. I STARTED YOUR RUNAWAY SO I COULD SEE YOU ALONE!
THAT WAS SMART ED... ER... TED! I RECKON I CAN REMEMBER! WHO YOU AIMING TO ARREST IN SANTA DOLORES?


ON SECOND THOUGHT, DON'T TELL ME! AROUND HERE IT AIN'T HEALTHY TO KNOW SOMETHING BRUCE BURNETT DON'T KNOW! BRRR! HE'S POISON!
ALL RIGHT HUCK! I'VE GOT TO GO NOW! I'LL SEE YOU AROUND!


DROP INTO MY SHOP ANYTIME TED.
I WILL HUCK! AND THANKS FOR COVERING ME!

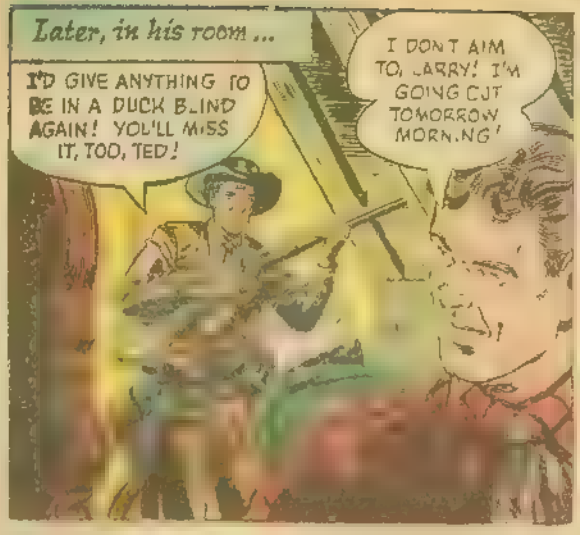

HAH! SOMEBODY'LL BE COVERING HIM WITH SHOVELS FULL OF DIRT WHEN THEY FIND OUT WHO HE IS AND WHAT HE'S IN SANTA DOLORES FOR!


I'LL BE AND I'VE GOT YOU, TED! I'LL GET THE AGENT TO PAY YOU FOR WHAT AND WHEN I HAVE PLACED HIM!

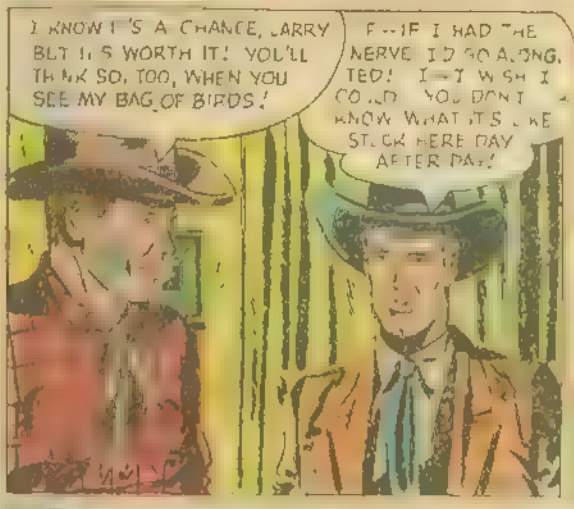

OF YOUR LUGGAGE! I'VE ARRANGED FOR YOU TO STAY AT MY WEST COAST GUEST HOME! IT'S THE ONLY GOOD PLACE IN TOWN!
RIGHT AWAY! IF YOU SAY IT'S GOOD, I'LL LIKE IT! I ADMIRE YOUR TASTE!


I DON'T LIKE THAT GUY! I DON'T TRUST HIM!
YOU'RE SORE BECAUSE HE GAVE YOU A BLACK EYE CLIP!
QUIET! HERE HE COMES NOW!
HOPE YOU DON'T MIND MY SHOTGUNS! I'M A BUG ON DUCK HUNTING!
THE WAY YOU SHOOT I'M GLAD I'M NOT A DUCK! HOP N BY ME!
QUITE A PLACE. S T AS FANCY NS DE?
I THINK YOU'LL LIKE IT! CLIP TAKE CARE OF THE HORSES!
IF IT'S YOUR HOUSE, WHY DON'T YOU JUST WALK IN?
YOU'LL LEARN! IN SANTA DOLORES EVERY TH NG STAYS LOCKED- INCLUDING DOORS!
RODNEY, TH S S MR POST, WHO'LL BE STAY NG W TH US! S THE ROOM VACANT?
GOOD AFTERNOON, S R YES, MR HEMM NGWAY WAS PUT OUT AS SOON AS HE FA LED TO PAY THE RENT! I'LL TAKE MR. POST'S BAGS UP!
THAT'S THE FIRST BUTLER I EVER SAW!
HE'S THE REAL THING! HE WAS WITH A PROMINENT PHILADELPH A FAMILY UNTIL HE STOLE THEIR JEWELRY! HOWEVER, HE'S A BETTER BUTLER THAN HE IS A THIEF!


WHEW! IS THIS PLACE A COPY OF SOMETHING IN CHICAGO, TOO?
I WAS BORN BEHIND A HOUSE LIKE THIS IN CHICAGO, TED! IN A ROOM OVER THE STABLE! MY FATHER WAS THE FAMILY GROOM AND MY MOTHER A CHAMBERMAID!
THEY WORKED MY MOTHER TO DEATH AND THREW MY FATHER OUT WHEN HE GOT SICK! I SWORE I'D SMASH THAT FAMILY FOR WHAT THEY DID, AND I HAVE!
THE OLD LADY BECAME A SCRUBWOMAN SCRUBBING FLOORS FOR ME! I BUILT THIS HOUSE ON HATE SO I'D NEVER FORGET!
A HAUNTED HOUSE! HAUNTED BY HATRED, AND BY THE DREAMS OF THOSE WHO LIVE HERE BECAUSE THEY CAN NEVER GO HOME AGAIN!
Suddenly there is an interruption!...
RODNEY LET ME SEE THOSE GUNS! A BLENHEIM SPECIAL AND A WHITMAN AND SMITH! I HAD A BLENHEIM SPECIAL ONCE, BUT I HAD TO LEAVE IT BEHIND!
COME OVER, LARRY, AND MEET THEIR OWNER!
TED POST, MR. FORESTER! YOU SPORTSMEN SHOULD HAVE A LOT TO TALK ABOUT!
I USED TO DO A LOT OF DUCK HUNTING AROUND DALLAS!
DALLAS? DID I HEAR SOMEONE MENTION DALLAS?
MY SISTER, SUSAN FORESTER—TED POST—SHE'S SO HOMESICK FOR DALLAS JUST THE SOUND OF THE NAME MAKES HER CR—
BUT HEARING ABOUT IT WILL MAKE THINGS BRIGHTER!
AFTER I GET CLEANED UP A BIT, I'LL BE HAPPY TO TELL YOU ALL I CAN, MISS FORESTER! I KNOW WHAT HOMESICKNESS IS!


Later, in his room ...
I'D GIVE ANYTHING TO BE IN A DUCK BLIND AGAIN! YOU'LL MISS IT, TOO, TED!
I DON'T AIM TO, LARRY! I'M GOING OUT TOMORROW MORNING!


COMING IN I SAW A MARSH FULL OF DUCKS A FEW MILES OUT! I AM TO GET AFTER SOME AT DAWN TOMORROW!
UH-- TED I DON'T MEAN TO PRY, BUT YOU'RE TAKING AN AWFUL CHANCE GOING OUTSIDE SANTA DOLORES IF YOU'RE HERE LIKE THE REST OF US!

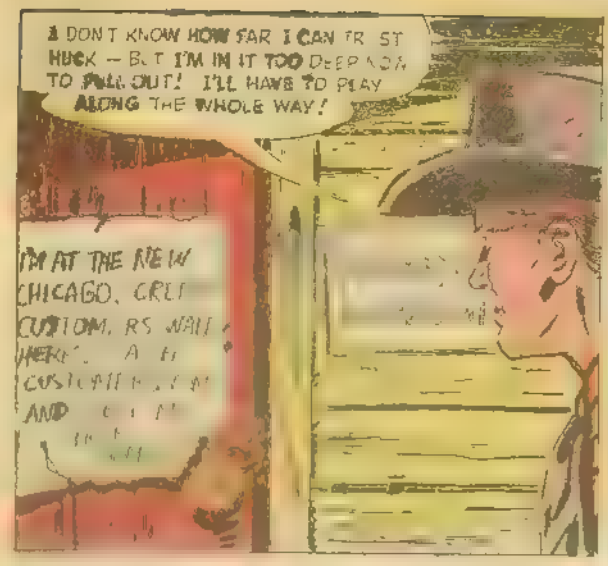

I KNOW IT'S A CHANCE, LARRY BUT IT'S WORTH IT! YOU'LL THINK SO, TOO, WHEN YOU SEE MY BAG OF BIRDS!
F--IF I HAD THE NERVE I'D GO ALONG, TED! I--I WISH I COULD YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE STUCK HERE DAY AFTER DAY!


Suddenly...!
COME ON! LET'S SEE WHAT'S GOIN ON!
BANG
BANG
BANG

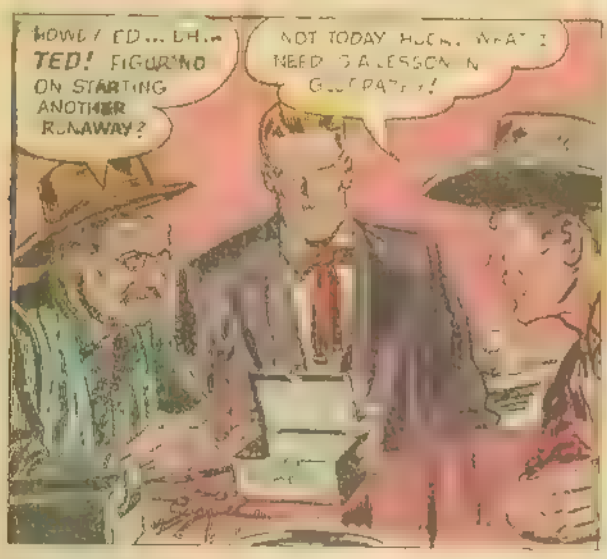

IT'S CLIP AND HIS TOUGHS AFTER SOME POOR DEVIL!
THEY GOT HIS GUN ARM! HE'S HIT BAD!
BANG
BANG


HE'S TO GET AWAY ALLEY!
THEN IT'S DONE FOR! THIS IS A DEAD END PASSAGE!


A moment later...
BRAVE BOYS AREN'T YOU? HE WAS WOUNDED AND WEAPONLESS! I SUPPOSE YOU SHOT HIM IN THE BACK TOO! FIVE AGAINST ONE.
THAT TAKES CARE OF HIM!
YEAH! AND IT'S STILL FIVE TO ONE! WE'VE GOT GUNS AND YOU'VE GOT A NICE BROAD BACK!
TOUGH, AREN'T YOU?
TAKE HIM, BOYS! MESS HIM UP GOOD!
HOLD IT! LAY OFF ALL OF YOU.
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? I DARE
ANY MARSHALS, TRIED TO ARREST ME ON STAGE AND SNEAK BACK INTO TOWN! WHEN ONE MAN CAN
YOU'LL GET YOUR MONEY!
SURE, CLIP! BURNETT PAYS OFF FOR SHOOTING UNARMED MEN IN THE BACK! COME ON, LARRY!
WHY THAT...! FOR A KILLER HE'S SURE IS FUSSY ABOUT OUR JOBS.
COULD MAYBE BE A BIG CLIP! ANYONE'D BET HE CAN SHOOT
I'LL KEEP. I GOT SOMETHING ELSE ON MY MIND RIGHT NOW!
STILL DETERMINED TO TRAP POST, EH? MAKE A FOOL OF YOURSELF IF YOU MUST CLIP! I GUESS IT'S YOUR NATURE!


I DON'T KNOW HOW FAR I CAN TRUST HUCK — BUT I'M IN IT TOO DEEP NOW TO PULL OUT! I'LL HAVE TO PLAY ALONG THE WHOLE WAY!
I'M AT THE NEW CHICAGO. GREAT CUSTOMERS WAIT HERE. A FINE CUSTOMER AM I AND


Without glancing back, Ted walks across to the New Chicago...


HOWDY, ED... UH... TED! FIGURING ON STARTING ANOTHER RUNAWAY?
NOT TODAY, HUCK. WHAT I NEED IS A LESSON IN GOOD MANNERS!


I DON'T KNOW WHERE EXACTLY BOTH ARE, HUCK? I'M LEARNING TO DO SOME FIGURING!
NO! THE ELDORADO IS ONLY THREE OR FOUR MILES NORTH OF TOWN! BUT THE CLARK MARCH IS A COUPLE MILES EAST OF THEM!

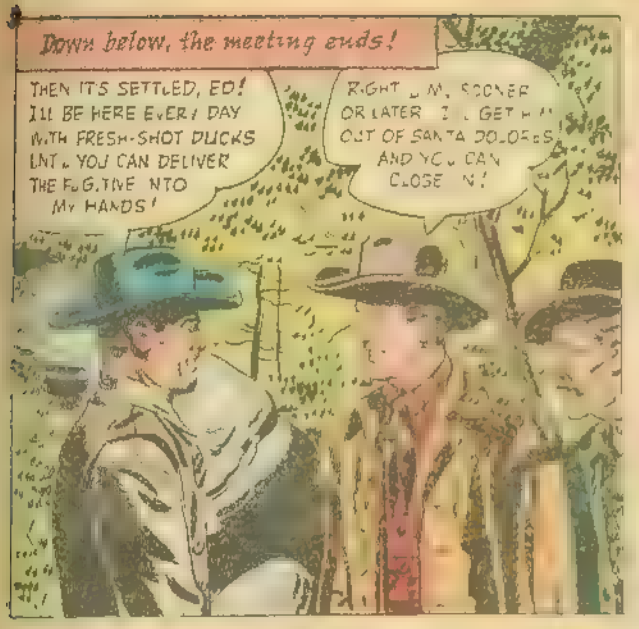

I WANT TO KNOW WHAT THOSE TWO ARE SAYING GEORGE! OPEN UP THE SPEAKING TUBE INTO BURNETT'S OFFICE! I'M GOING IN THERE SO I CAN LISTEN.
SURE CHIP! THEY'RE RIGHT IN FRONT OF IT! YOU CAN HEAR PLAIN.


IT'S AWFUL COZY IN HERE! I WANT TO KNOW HOW THEY GOT ACQUAINTED AND WHAT THEY'RE SAYING.
TED SAVED HUCK FROM A BAD RUNAWAY ONE MORNING! THAT'S HOW THEY MET.

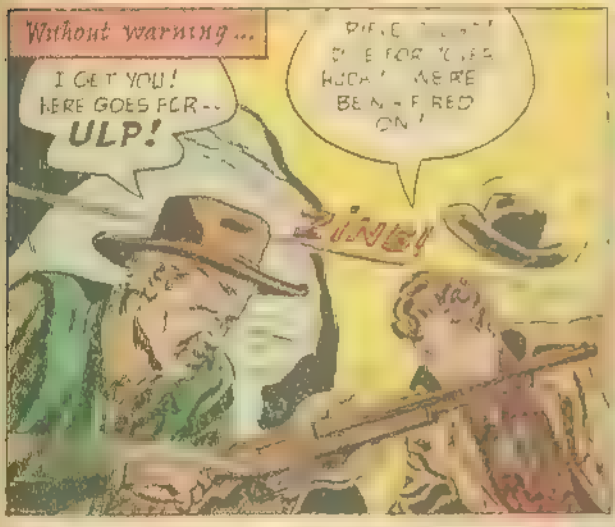

I AIN'T TASTED COAST OYSTERS IN YEARS, TED! CAN I GO WITH YOU?
I GUESS SO, HUCK! MEET ME AT THE GOLD COAST AN HOUR BEFORE DAWN!


AHHH, ALL THEY'RE DOING IS PLANNING TO GO DUCK HUNTING!
THAT GUY'S GOT A KNACK FOR MAKING YOU LOOK STUPID, CLIP! WHY DON'T YOU GIVE UP?
I AIN'T GOING UP. HE'S A WRONG ONE SOMEWHERE, AND I'M NOT GOING TO QUIT UNTIL I'VE PROVED IT!
IF YOU WERE AS BRIGHT AS YOU ARE STUBBORN, CLIP, YOU'D BE A GENIUS!
An hour before dawn the next morning...
SURE IS NICE OF YOU TO LET ME USE ONE OF YOUR GUNS, TED!
DON'T MENTION IT, HUCK! IT'S NICE OF YOU TO GUIDE ME TO DUCKS! I'M GLAD TO GET AWAY FROM MY TROUBLES FOR A FEW HOURS!
I DON'T TRUST THAT POST ART! IF MY RANCH IS RIGHT WHERE I LEFT IT, HALF THE FLYAPS IN THE COUNTRY WILL BE THERE!
DON'T WORRY, CLIP! ONE FUNNY MOVE AND HE WON'T EVER BE TOUGH AGAIN!
An hour later, as sunrise breaks over the land...
HERE WE ARE, TED! THAT FORK LEADS TO EL CAPITAN ROCKS! THIS FORK LEADS TO THE DUCK MARSH!
GOOD! WE'RE TAKING THE FORK TO THE EL CAPITAN ROCKS, HUCK!
ARE YOU LOCO? NOBODY CAN FIND DUCKS IN EL CAPITAN ROCKS! THERE JUST AIN'T ANY THERE!
WANT TO BET, HUCK? COME ALONG!
WE'RE DUCK HUNTING AREN'T WE? WE GET COMFORTABLE AND WAIT FOR DUCKS!


I ALWAYS THOUGHT YOU HAD SENSE! THERE AIN'T EVEN A DUCK IN THE SKY! THEY DON'T FLY THIS WAY TO THE MARSH!
COULD BE, HUCK!
I SUPPOSE YOU THINK ALL WE GOTTA DO IS SIT AROUND UNTIL A DUCK DROPS IN OUR LAPS!
MAYBE!
THIS IS THE SILLIEST... YIIIIIIIIKE!
T-T-TED! L-L-LOOK!
HOWDY, JIM!
YIPE! ANOTHER MARSHAL!
HOWDY ED, I SEE AS HOW YOU DID REMEMBER TO BRING ALONG THE GOODS AND GET THE DOUGH! ANTA DO BE ALRIGHT!
A MARSHAL'S BADGE ON THAT HOMBRE'S SHIRT! THEN OUR ASS IS GRIT. THAT POST GENT'S A LAWMAN TOO!
I NEVER SAW A LAWMAN YET WHO COULD STOMACH A DOSE OF HOT LEAD! THIS'LL BE THE EASIEST POUNTY I EVER COLLECTED ON A VARMINT!


Down below, the meeting ends!
THEN ITS SETTLED, ED! I'll BE HERE EVERY DAY WITH FRESH-SHOT DUCKS UNTIL YOU CAN DELIVER THE FUGITIVE INTO MY HANDS!
RIGHT AM, SOONER OR LATER I'LL GET HIM OUT OF SANTA DOLORES AND YOU CAN CLOSE IN!


NOW WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU WASTING GOOD LEAD FOR?
WE'D LOOK FUNNY, BRINGING IN A LOAD OF DUCKS WITH OUR SHOTGUNS NOT EVEN SMOKED UP! GO AHEAD AND FIRE OURS.


Without warning...
I GET YOU! HERE GOES FOR-- ULP!
ZING!

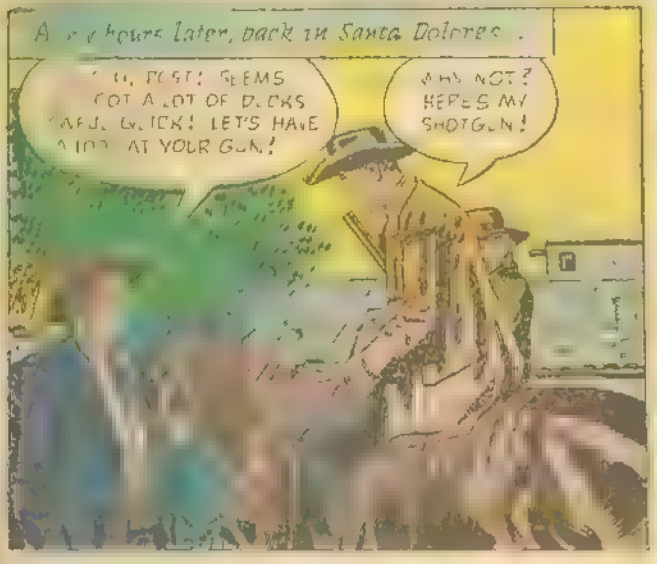


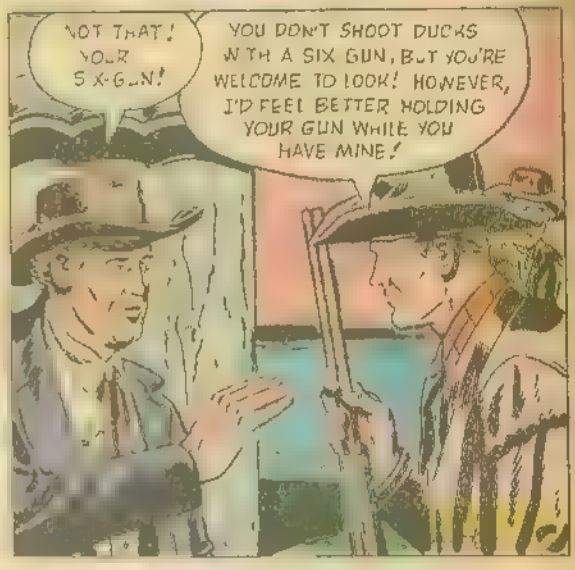

SO THERE YOU ARE, YOU BACK-SHOOTING BLIZZARD.
HELP! LET ME OUT OF HERE! LET CLIP HANDLE HIS OWN POISON!

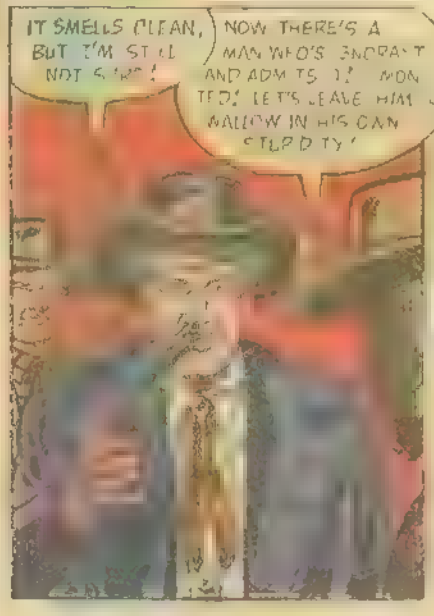

UGH!


DID I GET HIM TED?
LOOKS AS IF YOU DID BUCK! BUT HIS HORSE IS HEADED FOR TOWN WITH AN EMPTY SADDLE! WHEN CLIP SEES THAT...!


CLEAN YOUR GUN QUICK AND PRETEND WE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS GUY!
I GET IT! IF OUR GUNS AREN'T DIRTIED UP, CLIP CAN'T PROVE WE SHOT HIM! I ALWAYS SAID YOU WERE A SMART MARSHAL, ED ...UH... TED!

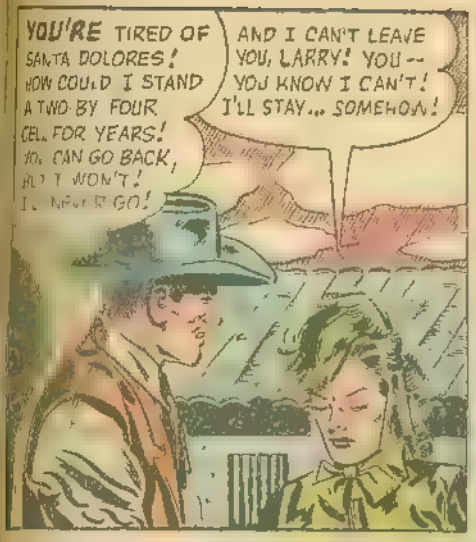

A few hours later, back in Santa Dolores...
...H, PEST! SEEMS LOT A LOT OF DUCKS ...FUL QUICK! LET'S HAVE A LOOK AT YOUR GUN!
WHY NOT? HERE'S MY SHOTGUN!

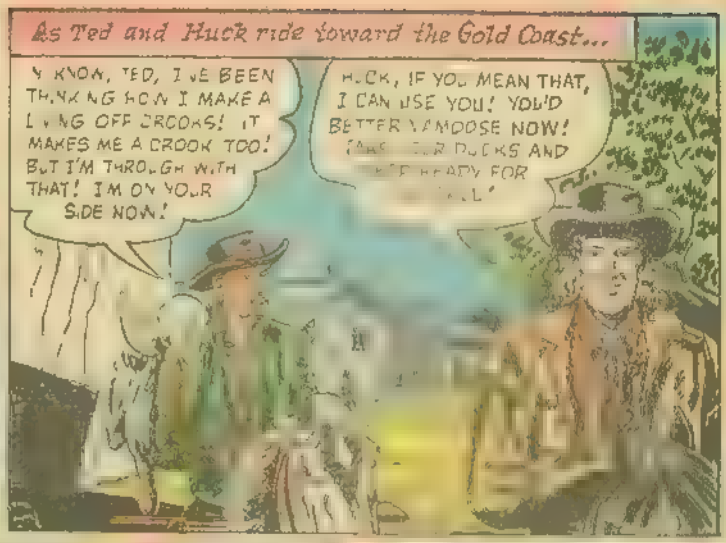

NOT THAT! YOUR SIX-GUN!
YOU DON'T SHOOT DUCKS WITH A SIX GUN, BUT YOU'RE WELCOME TO LOOK! HOWEVER, I'D FEEL BETTER HOLDING YOUR GUN WHILE YOU HAVE MINE!

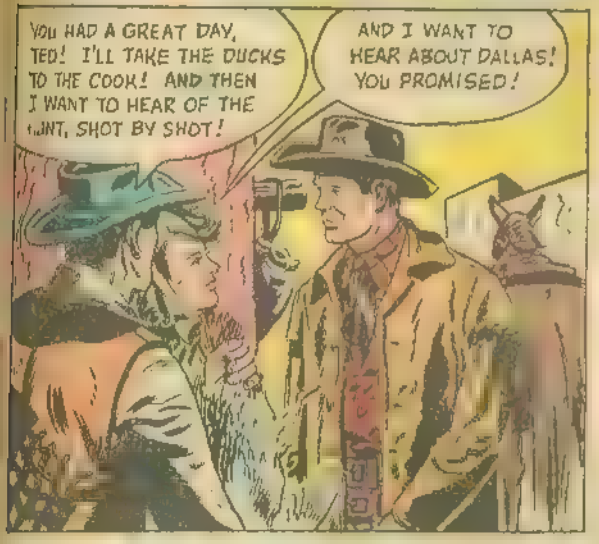

IT SMELLS CLEAN, BUT I'M STILL NOT SURE!
NOW THERE'S A MAN WHO'S IGNORANT AND ADMITS IT! MON TED! LET'S LEAVE HIM WALLOW IN HIS OWN STUPIDITY!

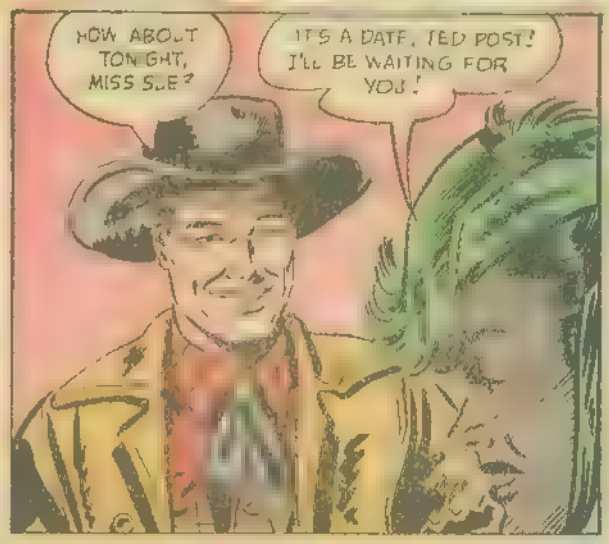

Meanwhile in another part of town...
...BOUGHT TWO TONICS! DARLING! THEY TOLD ME AT THE DEPOT!
THEY'RE NOT FOR LARRY! ONE FOR EACH OF US! I'M THROUGH ROTTING IN SANTA DOLORES FOR YOUR SAKE! YOU'RE GOING BACK TO FACE THE MUSIC!


SUE! YOU CAN'T! DON'T YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING TO ME?
DON'T YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING TO ME? I DIDN'T STEAL YOUR COMPANY'S MONEY, BUT I'M PAYING THE PENALTY!.. I'M TIRED OF IT!


YOU'RE TIRED OF SANTA DOLORES! HOW COULD I STAND A TWO BY FOUR CELL FOR YEARS! YOU CAN GO BACK, BUT I WON'T! I NEVER GO!
AND I CAN'T LEAVE YOU, LARRY! YOU -- YOU KNOW I CAN'T! I'LL STAY... SOMEHOW!


As Ted and Huck ride toward the Gold Coast...
I KNOW, TED, I'VE BEEN THINKING HOW I MAKE A LIVING OFF CROOKS! IT MAKES ME A CROOK TOO! BUT I'M THROUGH WITH THAT! I'M ON YOUR SIDE NOW!
HUCK, IF YOU MEAN THAT, I CAN USE YOU! YOU'D BETTER YAMOOSE NOW! TAKE YOUR DUCKS AND GET READY FOR DALLAS!


YOU HAD A GREAT DAY, TED! I'LL TAKE THE DUCKS TO THE COOK! AND THEN I WANT TO HEAR OF THE HUNT, SHOT BY SHOT!
AND I WANT TO HEAR ABOUT DALLAS! YOU PROMISED!


HOW ABOUT TONIGHT, MISS SUE?
IT'S A DATE, TED POST! I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU!


That night, as the great moon rises above the mountains...
OOH, BRUCE! MAYBE ROMANCE IS BLOSSOMING IN THE GOLD COAST!
I'LL BE DARNED! MAKES ME FEEL LIKE CUPID, BRINGING THEM TOGETHER!


I KNOW HOW HOMESICKNESS EATS ON A HEART, SUE! HOW LONG SINCE YOU'VE SEEN DALLAS?
FOUR YEARS, FOUR LONG, DRAGGING YEARS! IT MUST BE A BIG TOWN NOW! I USED TO WADE THE TRINITY RIVER WHEN I WAS A LITTLE GIRL!

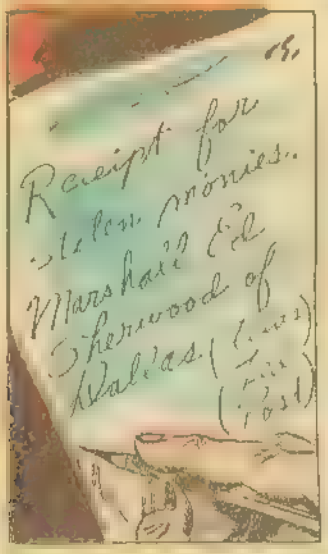

OH..! I WAS SO HAPPY FOR A MOMENT -- AND THEN I REALIZED! YOU AND LARRY ARE THE SAME...!
THE SAME, SUE? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?


YOU'RE BOTH FROM D-DALLAS-- AND BOTH AFRAID TO GO HOME!
SUE!
HOLD IT, TED!
SHE'S UPSET TONIGHT, TED! WHEN ARE YOU GOING OUT FOR HER AGAIN?
TOMORROW MORNING! WHY?
I'M GOING WITH YOU, TED! I KNOW THE RISKS OF LEAVING SANTA DOLORES BUT I'M GOING ANYHOW!
ALL RIGHT, LARRY! IF YOU'RE SURE THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT TO DO...!
Later that night, as the town sleeps...
HUCK YOU SAID YOU'D HELP ME BEFORE YOU LEFT SANTA DOLORES! IF YOU MEANT WHAT YOU SAID, I WANT YOU TO OPEN A SAFE FOR ME!
YOU KNOW I D'D, TED! THERE AIN'T A SAFE NOWHERE I CAN'T CRACK... AN' I GET
TED TELL ME ONE THING! WHOSE SAFE ARE WE BREAKING?
YOU'LL KNOW SOON ENOUGH, HUCK! BETTER JUST FOLLOW ME AND WAIT!
QUIET! DON'T EVEN BREATHE, HUCK!
OH OH-OH OH!
TED! THAT... THAT AIN'T BRUCE BURNETT'S SAFE YOU AIM TO CRACK?
THAT'S THE ONE, HUCK!


I KNEW IT! I WANT TO LIVE OUT MY SPAN OF YEARS TIED AND THAT MEANS I AIN'T TO CHANG ANYTHING OF BURNETT'S! I'M SORRY!
ALL RIGHT, I GUESS I'M
I JUST HAVE TO
I AIN'T EVEN GOING TO BE JUDGE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD! GOODBYE!
OF ALL THE DUMB, CRAZY IDIOTS HE'LL BE KILLED TRYING TO OPEN THAT SAFE &
GET AWAY FROM THAT WINDOW YOU NUMBSKULL! I GOT KEYS TO FIT EVERY DOOR IN TOWN! I MUST BE LOSING MY MIND!
I'M GLAD YOU ARE HERE! I NEED YOU DESPERATELY!
A few moments later, in Burnett's office...
IF YOU CAN HANDLE IT, GO
I DON'T NEED I WANT
Suddenly, from the front door...
OPEN UP IN THERE! LET ME IN!
QUIET, MILLIE!


AW, COME ON, TATE! I RECKON YOU'RE RIGHT! WE'LL SEE IT TOMORROW!


JUST SOMEBODY LOOKING FOR CLIP! THEY'VE GONE! HOW'RE YOU GETTING ALONG?
SHE'S ABOUT OPEN! AND AM I GLAD!

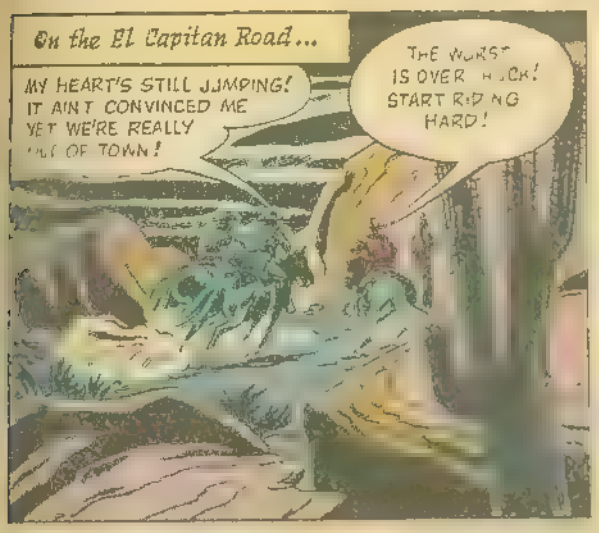

Receipt for
Marshal Ed
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Dallas.


THERE. A FAIR EXCHANGE, AND ALL LEGAL! I LEFT A SIGNED RECEIPT!
HURRY UP! YOU'RE GOING TO WIND UP DEAD ALL LEGAL TOO - BY SANTA DOLORES LAW!


BY DAWN I'LL HAVE MY JOB DONE, HUCK! BRING AN EXTRA HORSE AND MEET ME THAT HOUR BEFORE DAWN AGAIN!
EXTRA HORSE? UH! THAT MEANS YOU'RE GOING TO NAIL YOUR MAN! I SURE WISH I'D STAYED HONEST AND OUT OF SANTA DOLORES!

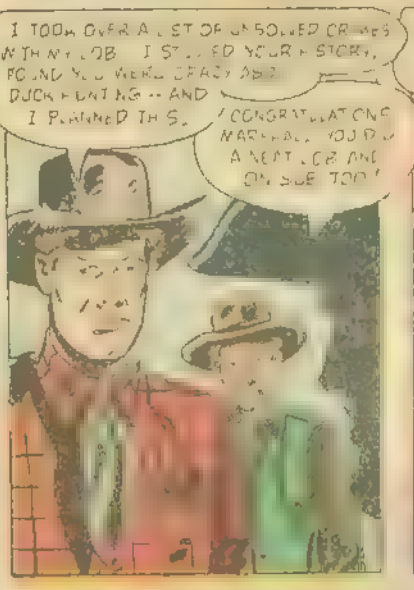

In Ted's room, an hour before sunrise..
ALL SET FOR FAT BUCK HUNT TED. LET'S GO!
ALL RIGHT LARRY! IF YOU'RE SURE YOU WANT TO TAKE HER OUT!


MORNING, HUCK! IT'S PLENTY EARLY, ISN'T IT?
IT'S -- UH -- LATER THAN YOU THINK, SON! HURRY IT UP!


On the El Capitan Road...
MY HEART'S STILL JUMPING! IT AIN'T CONVINCED ME YET WE'RE REALLY OUT OF TOWN!
THE WORST IS OVER BUCK! START RIDING HARD!


Two hours later...
FORGET THE DUCKS LARRY! I'M AFRAID I'VE GOT A SURPRISE FOR YOU - AND NOT A PLEASANT ONE!


I'M REALLY MARSHAL ED SHERWOOD OF DALLAS! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST FOR STEALING THIS MONEY FROM THE CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION!
Y-YOU! YOU TRICKED ME!


I TOOK OVER A LIST OF UNSOLVED CRIMES WITH MY JOB. I STUDIED YOUR HISTORY, FOUND YOU WERE DEAD AND DUCK HUNTING -- AND I PLANNED THIS.
CONGRATULATIONS MARSHAL. YOU'D MAKE A GREAT OUTLAW TOO!


INNOCENT!


I'M NOT BEGGING OFF! YOU KNOW BURNETT'S HATES! HE'LL MAKE HER CLEAN FLOORS BECAUSE SHE FELL IN LOVE WITH YOU!
BRING UP THE HORSES AGAIN BUCK. WE'RE GOING BACK TO SANTA DOLORES.


I KNOWED I KNOWED IT WAS TOO EASY TO BE TRUE. WE'RE SUNK!
SO IS SUE, UNLESS WE SAVE HER! CHECK YOUR GUN AND COME ON!


At that moment, back at the New Chicago...
MARSHAL EDWARD SHERWOOD! I TOLD YOU! I TOLD YOU THERE WAS SOMETHING PHONY ABOUT THAT TED POST!
NEVER MIND NOW! GET THE BOYS – ALL THE BOYS!
A short time later...
HOLD ON THERE, AND SING OUT IF ANYTHING HAPPENS!
IT'S ALREADY HAPPENED! AND MY MOUTH'S TOO DRY TO SING!
THEY'RE COMING!
THEY'RE COMING!
YOU AND HUCK GET SUE OUT THE OTHER WAY! GRAB A WAGON OR ANYTHING AND GET HER CLEAR WHILE I DRAW THEM AWAY!
WHAT HAVE I GOT TO LOSE?
TED! WAIT!
COME ON LARRY! WE CAN DRAW THEM AWAY FROM HUCK AND SUE!


SPREAD OUT! COVER ALL STREETS SO THEY CAN'T GET OUT OF TOWN!
GIVE ME JUST ONE GOOD SHOT AT THAT DOUBLE-CROSSING COYOTE! THAT'S ALL I ASK -- JUST ONE GOOD SHOT!
WE'RE BOXED IN! THEY'RE MOVING UP BOTH ENDS OF THE STREET!
LEAVE THE HORSES! WE CAN DO BETTER ON FOOT NOW!
THROUGH HERE AND OUT THE BACK!
THERE'S ONE BUZZARD OUT OF THE CHASE FOR A WHILE!
AIEEEE! MY VINO!
THAT'LL HOLD THEM BACK FOR A MINUTE! LET'S GO!
FOLLOW THEM THROUGH, CLIP! I'LL RIDE AROUND AND TRY TO C THEM OFF!
GET THAT CASK OUT OF MY WAY! I GOT BUSINESS
EEEEAHHHH!
WE'RE WHITTLING THEM DOWN LARRY! KEEP RUNNING!
BANG!
BANG!


THERE'S THE STAGE, READY TO GO! IF WE COULD ONLY... OOOOOH!
LARRY! ARE YOU BADLY HURT?
ONLY A SCRATCH! I GOT THAT ORNERY OLD P!
AND I TOOK THE FIGHT OUT OF BURNETT'S CREW!
BANG! BANG!
HUCK! SUE! I THOUGHT YOU WERE CLEAR OUT OF TOWN!
WE COULDN'T MAKE IT! THEY HAD EVERY WAGON COVERED AND THE STREETS BLOCKED!
THERE'S A STAGE OUT BACK THERE! GET ON IT AND GET GOING. MAKE A DASH FOR IT!
WE'LL COVER YOU UNTIL YOU'RE CLEAR OF BURNETT'S MEN!
AND TAKE LARRY WITH YOU! HE'S GOT TO BE PATCHED UP!
I'M ALL RIGHT, I TELL YOU! YOU CAN'T HOLD THEM OFF ALONE.
I CAN HOLD THEM LONG ENOUGH! HURRY!
TED! TED!
BANG! BANG!


GET THAT STAGE! RIDE IT DOWN! I'LL HANDLE THIS POST!
HOW ABOUT IT MARSHAL? THERE'S JUST THE TWO OF US NOW! REMEMBER OUR SHOOTING MATCH WE NEVER FINISHED?
I REMEMBER BURNETT! WHAT'S THE PROPOSITION?
I'VE GOT THREE SHOTS LEFT IN MY GUN! LEAVE JUST THREE SHOTS IN YOURS AND WE START WALKING TOWARD EACH OTHER! OKAY, DALLAS?
ALL RIGHT, CHICAGO!
THINK YOU CAN DODGE A BULLET DALLAS?
I'VE DODGED QUITE A FEW TODAY CHICAGO!
NICE TIMING!
BANG!
YOU DON'T DODGE THAT ONE ENOUGH!
UHHHH...!
BANG
YOU DON'T DODGE AT ALL!


LOOKS AS IF... YOU WIN... THE MATCH, DALLAS!
YOU'LL BE OKAY CHICAGO! I'VE GOT TO CATCH UP WITH THAT STAGE!
NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS TO BURNETT THIS IS THE END OF SANTA DOLORES AS A HAVEN FOR OUTLAWS!
AHOOO! HERE COMES THE MARSHAL! RUN AND GET THEM VARMINTS TRAPPED!
KEEP DOWN!
ONE DOWN!
YIIIIII! MY GUN!


I'M GETTING OUT OF HERE! WHY SHOULD I GET KILLED FIGHTING BURNETT'S WAR!
HE DONE IT! HE DONE IT! THE MARSHAL SENT THEM COYOTES RUNNING WITH THEIR TAILS BETWEEN THEIR LEGS! YIPPEEE!
KEEP DRIVING, HUCK! I'M COMING ABOARD!
KIND OF A ONE-MAN CAVALRY PLATOON, AREN'T YOU?
OH, TED, I... I WAS SO WORRIED!
HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT... ABOUT GOING HOME?
SUE'S BEEN BEGGING ME TO GIVE UP, SERVE MY TIME AND LIVE AGAIN! NOW I KNOW SHE WAS RIGHT! I FEEL ALIVE, AGAIN!
I'M GLAD, LARRY! YOU'VE STARTED BACK VOLUNTARILY AND WE'VE RECOVERED THE MONEY! THEY'LL GO EASY WITH YOU!
THANKS TO YOU, MARSHAL!


OH...! YOU'RE HURT! I'D BETTER CLEAN AND BANDAGE THE WOUND SO IT DOESN'T GET INFECTED!
AW, IT'S ONLY A SCRATCH, SUE! IT DOESN'T NEED...
HUH! FOR A SMART MARSHAL, YOU AREN'T VERY BRIGHT SOMETIMES!
WHA...? OH! I SEE WHAT YOU MEAN!
ON SECOND THOUGHT, MAYBE YOU HAD BETTER GIVE ME SOME ATTENTION-- LOTS OF ATTENTION!
UH-OH! SO THAT'S THE WAY THE WIND BLOWS, EH?
YOU TEND TO YOUR DRIVING, HUCK HOMER!
YIPPEEEE! NEXT STOP-- DALLAS, TEXAS!
OH, WE'VE GOT A PALACE IN DALLAS...



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