

Hangman's Coulee

By AL CODY
(AP Newsfeature)

CHAPTER 24

He looked out at them for a long moment, and saw the mingled emotions on many faces. Shock, incredulity, bewilderment.

"I got the idea of taking Professor Meader's place so that I could cheat you. I fell into the trap of my own setting. But I think that he, the real professor, will be coming along in a few days. When he does come, I want you to listen to what he has to say to you, without discounting it because of what I've said, and done. He's all that I'm not."

"Then who the blazes are you?" someone demanded, from a row near the rear.

Here it is, he thought. Though most of them must have guessed already. He looked back, trying to pick out who had spoken, and tensed as his eyes fixed on another man, seated quietly near the edge of the tent. A man who was listening with an appearance of quiet interest, even of enjoyment.

For a moment, the surprise of that discovery held him spellbound. Somehow, this was the last thing that he had been prepared for—that Timothy Meader himself should be here, in this audience. His wound, of course, had been a minor thing, and was probably about healed now.

At least, the professor had not denounced him at the start. He shouted for the sheriff, Timothy Meader, he was more than ever convinced, was quite a man.

There was comfort in the knowledge that these folks from Josine all faith in everything decent, following his own downfall. There was a commotion near the rear of the tent now, but he paid it no attention as he answered.

"That's a fair question, and I'll give you a straight answer. I've been known for a long time as 'The Sheriff's Man.' That's his name—the outlaw known as Gentleman Jim Thornton."

The exclamation, dropping out of his own words, was shouted from where a small group of men had thrust inside the tent. They were led by Deal Hathaway.

The light was fading fast, and inside the big tent it was almost murky. In the gloom it would be easy to stir up confusion, but it would not be hard to make a getaway. He'd done so under somewhat similar circumstances, more than once. But tonight the thought held no appeal.

He would make, Gentleman Jim supposed, one last short journey—across to Hangman's Tree, where Big Nose Sullivan had died so short a time before. Such a journey seemed inevitable, unless the sheriff intervened. He was an outlaw. But in any case, as he had already decided, it would be better that way. Nora, who had cher-

ished hopes for him, could at least think of him kindly. And Nora represented many, whose opinion had suddenly become of great value.

He understood now what had happened to Happy. Happy had succumbed to the desire for one drink and Deal Hathaway had piled him with more. Until, with his tongue loosened, Hathaway had babbed into the gambler's ear all that he wanted to know. Now, armed with this knowledge, Hathaway had come here, confident of discrediting him and the whole movement into whose leadership he had been thrust. Of taking back his saloons and place of leadership in the town in the same act.

Hathaway stirred impatiently as the crowd turned to look at him, and from him to where the professor stood. If he had hoped to create a sensation, he was disappointed. No one seemed particularly surprised. Even the sheriff stood phlegmatically. Hathaway seized his arm and shook him.

"Don't you understand?" he repeated. "He's Gentleman Jim Thornton—the outlaw! And he's got that hundred thousand dollars that was raised for the railroad, in his safe, right now—and he's already gotten away with it!"

The sheriff twisted his arm loose and grunted.

"If it's in the safe, then it ought to be safe," he pointed out reasonably.

"What the devil's the matter with you?" Hathaway's voice rose angrily. "Of course, I've known who he is, ever since the first day he hit town."

"Yeah," Hoffman nodded. "He's just been telling us all about himself. Course, I've known who he was, ever since the first day he hit town."

"You've known it—Hathaway eyed the sheriff in an amazement shared now by Gentleman Jim himself. "You've known he was an outlaw," he repeated, his voice rising, "and you let him masquerade as a professor of some sort, and haven't done a damned thing about it! What sort of a sheriff are you, anyhow?"

Hoffman rubbed his chin reflectively.

"Kind of a poor one, I guess," he conceded. "Considerin' that you've run a pretty rank layout here for quite a spell, Deal, and I ain't done nothin' about it—chiefly because folks seemed to want it that way, and what folks want they generally get. Likewise, I didn't have no direct evidence to act on, no matter how much I might have suspected you of runnin' a crooked set of games—'Are we talkin' about me, or about a known outlaw?' Hathaway interrupted savagely. "Of course you've had nothing against me. But you say you knew all along who he was, and that he's a wanted man—"

"Yeah," the sheriff agreed, while the attention of everyone now centered on these two. "But he was here as a lecturer's sort of professor, to entertain and instruct—and I had two things in mind. First off, I didn't want to get everybody that amounted to anything, down on my neck, by arrestin' their imported word-slinger. I knew who he was, but I couldn't make out, right then, to prove it. And a professor rates near as high in folks' opinion as a sky pilot. Second, I figured if I give him rope enough he'd catch himself up in it and prove it on himself."

"Which he's done," Hathaway cut in. "You've got the proof of that now. So why don't you arrest him?"

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12:15	Road of Life	Come Get It	Non-Edison	Gar 90's	Frank DeVol
12:30	Pepper Young	Hour Party	Lucky 1	Morgan Music	Frank DeVol
12:45	Happiness	House Party	Radio	Music	Frank DeVol
1:00	Backstage Wife	Hilton House	Kay West	Jack Kirkwood	Magic Melody
1:15	Stella Dallas	Information	Kay West	Jack Kirkwood	Magic Melody
1:30	Widder Brown	Veranoer	Kay West	Jack Kirkwood	Magic Melody
1:45	Woman in Hat	Newspaper	Kay West	Jack Kirkwood	Magic Melody
2:00	Just Plain Bill	Music	Marriage for 3	News	Magic Melody
2:15	Fr. Pa. Farrell	Music	Mary Martin	Music	Magic Melody
2:30	Kings Row	Music	Joe Jordan	Dick Haynes	Magic Melody
2:45	Aunt Mary	Music	Extra Winners	Music	Magic Melody
3:00	Welcome	News	Bill Martin	Dixie Matinee	Second Look
3:15	Travelers	News	Bill Martin	Dixie Matinee	Second Look
3:30	Dr. Paul	Arthur Godfrey	Perfect Husband	W News	Liberty Jamboree
3:45	Garraway	Arthur Godfrey	Perfect Husband	W News	Liberty Jamboree
4:00	Life Beautiful	Arthur Godfrey	Perfect Husband	W News	Liberty Jamboree
4:15	Music Box	Arthur Godfrey	Perfect Husband	W News	Liberty Jamboree
4:30	Music Box	Arthur Godfrey	Perfect Husband	W News	Liberty Jamboree
4:45	Music Box	Arthur Godfrey	Perfect Husband	W News	Liberty Jamboree
5:00	Relax Music	Ed. H. Morrow	Sage Cadet	Yokon	Winterhalter
5:15	News	Ed. H. Morrow	Sage Cadet	Yokon	Winterhalter
5:30	Lawson McLean	World Today	Bob Garrod	Challenger	Winterhalter
5:45	Elmer Peterson	Frank Goss	Bob Garrod	Challenger	Winterhalter
6:00	Relax Music	Life with Lulu	Headlines	Gabriel Heater	Candlelight
6:15	Relax Music	Life with Lulu	Headlines	Gabriel Heater	Candlelight
6:30	Fiber & Mully	Pursuit	Headlines	Gabriel Heater	Candlelight
6:45	Fiber & Mully	Pursuit	Headlines	Gabriel Heater	Candlelight
7:00	Eddie Cantor	People Are	Silver Eagle	Woman of Year	Vandercook
7:15	Eddie Cantor	People Are	Silver Eagle	Woman of Year	Vandercook
7:30	Turning Point	Music Hall	Newsday	Woman of Year	Vandercook
7:45	Turning Point	Music Hall	Newsday	Woman of Year	Vandercook
8:00	Man of World	World Tonic	Met Auditions	Music	S H S - Lebanon
8:15	Man of World	World Tonic	Met Auditions	Music	S H S - Lebanon
8:30	Cavalcade	Music	Met Auditions	Music	S H S - Lebanon
8:45	Cavalcade	Music	Met Auditions	Music	S H S - Lebanon
9:00	Bob Hope	Visiting Time	Town Meeting	Glen Hardy	S H S - Lebanon
9:15	Bob Hope	Visiting Time	Town Meeting	Glen Hardy	S H S - Lebanon
9:30	Bob Hope	Visiting Time	Town Meeting	Glen Hardy	S H S - Lebanon
9:45	Bob Hope	Visiting Time	Town Meeting	Glen Hardy	S H S - Lebanon
10:00	Reporters	5-Star Final	Elmer Davis	I Love Mystery	News
10:15	Sports Final	5-Star Final	Elmer Davis	I Love Mystery	News
10:30	Sports Final	5-Star Final	Elmer Davis	I Love Mystery	News
10:45	Man Called X	5-Star Final	Elmer Davis	I Love Mystery	News
11:00	News	5-Star Final	Elmer Davis	I Love Mystery	News
11:15	News	5-Star Final	Elmer Davis	I Love Mystery	News
11:30	News	5-Star Final	Elmer Davis	I Love Mystery	News
11:45	News	5-Star Final	Elmer Davis	I Love Mystery	News
12:00	Sign Off	5-Star Final	Elmer Davis	I Love Mystery	News

WEDNESDAY—6 A.M. TO 11:45 A.M.

6:00	Clock Watcher	News	Oreg. Farm	HRNW News	West'n Melodine
6:15	Clock Watcher	News	Oreg. Farm	HRNW News	West'n Melodine
6:30	News	KOIN Klock	Oreg. Farm	HRNW News	West'n Melodine
6:45	News	KOIN Klock	Oreg. Farm	HRNW News	West'n Melodine
7:00	News	KOIN Klock	Oreg. Farm	HRNW News	West'n Melodine
7:15	News	KOIN Klock	Oreg. Farm	HRNW News	West'n Melodine
7:30	News	KOIN Klock	Oreg. Farm	HRNW News	West'n Melodine
7:45	News	KOIN Klock	Oreg. Farm	HRNW News	West'n Melodine
8:00	Old Songs	Consumer News	Breakfast Club	Family Altar	Open House
8:15	Old Songs	Consumer News	Breakfast Club	Family Altar	Open House
8:30	Old Songs	Consumer News	Breakfast Club	Family Altar	Open House
8:45	Old Songs	Consumer News	Breakfast Club	Family Altar	Open House
9:00	Crabby, Friends	Wendy Warren	9 A.M. Edition	SW News	Kennedy Show
9:15	Crabby, Friends	Wendy Warren	9 A.M. Edition	SW News	Kennedy Show
9:30	Crabby, Friends	Wendy Warren	9 A.M. Edition	SW News	Kennedy Show
9:45	Crabby, Friends	Wendy Warren	9 A.M. Edition	SW News	Kennedy Show
10:00	Hostess House	Big Sister	Jack Bench	Glen Hardy	Music
10:15	Hostess House	Big Sister	Jack Bench	Glen Hardy	Music
10:30	Hostess House	Big Sister	Jack Bench	Glen Hardy	Music
10:45	Hostess House	Big Sister	Jack Bench	Glen Hardy	Music
11:00	Oldie or Nuth	2nd Mrs. Burle	Chet Hunter	Ladies Fair	Music
11:15	Oldie or Nuth	2nd Mrs. Burle	Chet Hunter	Ladies Fair	Music
11:30	Oldie or Nuth	2nd Mrs. Burle	Chet Hunter	Ladies Fair	Music
11:45	Oldie or Nuth	2nd Mrs. Burle	Chet Hunter	Ladies Fair	Music

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Swan Blacked Out Two Towns

Theftord, Eng. (AP)—A swan blacked out two towns, four villages and the Honington Air Field of the Royal Air Force Thursday.

Engineers investigating the power stoppage in Theftord, Brandon and the surrounding area found the bird electrocuted on a high tension cable across the Little Ouse river.

Give Housewarming

Stayton — A surprise housewarming party was given at the Norman Peek home last week by friends and neighbors. They were presented with a table lamp by their guests and following the playing of games, refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Woddy, Mr. and Mrs. Omev C. Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. Gale Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hinrichs, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Shower, Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Klecker, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reif, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Boehme and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pietrok.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS	DOWN
1. Young horse	1. Artificial butter
2. Call of a crow	2. Stover
3. Roster	3. Winged sandal
4. Genus of olives	4. Two-billed wren
5. Past	5. Long periods of time
6. Above and below	6. Was victorious
7. River duck	7. Hearsay
8. Interior dwelling	8. Musical sound
9. Musical compositions	9. Musical sound
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40. Musical compositions	40. Musical sound

Solution of Saturday's Puzzle

1. Young horse	31. Fabulous bird	62. Damage	1. Artificial butter
2. Call of a crow	32. Heavy metal	63. Scorch	2. Stover
3. Roster	33. Resting place	64. Small beds	3. Winged sandal
4. Genus of olives	34. Public declaration	65. Scorch	4. Two-billed wren
5. Past	35. Drinking cup	66. Scorch	5. Long periods of time
6. Above and below	36. Common metal	67. Scorch	6. Was victorious
7. River duck	37. Drinking cup	68. Scorch	7. Hearsay
8. Interior dwelling	38. Speed contest	69. Scorch	8. Musical sound
9. Musical compositions	39. Charged with gas	70. Scorch	9. Musical sound
10. Musical compositions	40. Musical foot	71. Scorch	10. Musical sound
11. Musical compositions	41. Weary	72. Scorch	11. Musical sound
12. Musical compositions	42. Negotiable paper	73. Scorch	12. Musical sound
13. Musical compositions	43. Shelter	74. Scorch	13. Musical sound
14. Musical compositions	44. Lamb's pen	75. Scorch	14. Musical sound
15. Musical compositions	45. Scullion	76. Scorch	15. Musical sound
16. Musical compositions	46. Highlander	77. Scorch	16. Musical sound
17. Musical compositions	47. Scullion	78. Scorch	17. Musical sound
18. Musical compositions	48. Scullion	79. Scorch	18. Musical sound
19. Musical compositions	49. Scullion	80. Scorch	19. Musical sound
20. Musical compositions	50. Scullion	81. Scorch	20. Musical sound
21. Musical compositions	51. Scullion	82. Scorch	21. Musical sound
22. Musical compositions	52. Scullion	83. Scorch	22. Musical sound
23. Musical compositions	53. Scullion	84. Scorch	23. Musical sound
24. Musical compositions	54. Scullion	85. Scorch	24. Musical sound
25. Musical compositions	55. Scullion	86. Scorch	25. Musical sound
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30. Musical compositions	60. Scullion	91. Scorch	30. Musical sound

ROOM AND BOARD

By Gene Ahern

