Gunfighter's Return

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(AP Newsfeatures)

CHAPTER 9

When Eve saw Charley Bonn come out of the Shiloh she maneuvered to meet him widway across the street. The old homesteader appeared worried. He said, "That shows what Stromberg will do to grab a piece of Strip graze. Link made it look like a personal grudge betwixt him and Rimbaud, but it was meant to be a chopdown, pure and simple."

"Is Jim still at the saloon?" Eve asked.

Bonn nodded. "I tried to talk him into leaving town with me, but Rimbaud said he had to help Limpy Smith finish off a quart of bourbon. Some darn foolishness about how important it was to drink twenty toasts."

"So Limpy has taken up with Jim," murmured Eve. And then she said something that didn't make sense to Charley Bonn: "Sam isn't a drinking man, thank God.

Bonn was wondering about that as he drove out of town with his wife. When he repeated Eve's words to Maria she said, "The poor girl had a drunkard for a father, and is set on having a sober man for a husband. Anyone with a lick of sense would understand her feeling the way she does."

"But what's Rimbaud being drunk got to do with it?" Bonn asked.

"He could've been an old flame of Eve's for all we know," Maria suggested with feminine intuition. "Seems like I remember hearing Faith Shumway mention something about him sparkin' Eve Odegarde when he was here before."

"I wouldn't put no store in what Faith Shumway says, one way or the other," Charley muttered. "She's got a waggy tongue." You'd of thought Eve was some Burro Alley trollop the way Della treated her."

"Maybe it's the other way around," Charley said.

"What do you mean by that?"

"Nothing," Charey muttered. "Nothin' at all."

Fonso Peal had replaced the smashed lamp above his bar and now helped serve a crowd of customers attracted by the fight. "It's an ill wind that doesn't blow some good," he confined to Finucane.

Buck Aubrey came into the Shiloh and joined Lew Stromberg at the bar. "Ernie's right arm is broke," he reported. "Doc says it'll take upwards an hour to fix a cast."

"Serves the wild hellion right for bustin' up a poker game just when I was winnin'," Joe Gabbert complained. "Whatever got into him, Lew?"

Stromberg shrugged, maintaining the attitude of a mildly interested observer. "Some personal grudge," he suggested.

Limpy endeavored to sift tobacco into the paper, most of it missing. He gave up and put the sack back in his pocket, again swaying, and announced, "But Doc Odegarde was a crackerjack surgeon, regardless. Look how he carved this knee of mine."

As Rimbaud turned to look at the stump Smith raised for inspection, he saw Hugh Jubal and Red Shafter come through the batwings. Remembering that Jubal was Stromberg's foreman, Rimbaud thought: That makes five of them in town. He decided he'd had enough bourbon.

"Doc cut right through the joint," Limpy bragged, and lifted the leg so high he lost his balance.

Rimbaud attempted to grab him, but Limpy staggered sideways, colliding with Hugh Jubal, who swore irritably. Smith caught at Jubal's vest to right himself.

"Don't use me for no leanin' post!" Jubal protested.

He gave Smith a shove that sent him sprawling into the spittle-stained sawdust, whereupon Red Shafter cackled, "Behold the face on the barroom floor!"

Jim Rimbaud endeavored to convince himself that this was none of his affair; that Limpy Smith was just a drunken dishwasher who'd always be shoved around by someone. It was in the cards. But even as that reasoning ran through his mind, Rimbaud said sharply, "That's no fit way to treat a cripple."

"And who are you?" Jubal demanded.

It occurred to Rimbaud that the Roman Four ramrod was like Lew Stromberg in the way he looked at a man. Like he was the main stud.

Ignoring Jubal's question, Rimbaud helped Limpy up and heard Red Shafter say, "Why the galoot you roped in Rimrock Pass this evenin'—the one we thought was Sam Malben!"

Rimbaud brushed sawdust off Smith's shirt. The fall had dazed Limpy, for he asked, "What happened?"

"You got man-handled by a sneaking ambusher," Rimbaud said loud enough for all to hear, and escorted Limpy to a chair at the deserted poker table.

There were eleven men at the bar, all watching this, and now Lew Stromberg said, "Hugh, that's Jim Rimbaud."

Jubal glanced around. "The Jim Rimbaud?"

Stromberg nodded. He motioned to Buck Aubrey, who followed him out to stand beside Jubal and Shafter. They were like that, four abreast, when Rimbaud turned away from the poker table.

A faintly derisive smile slanted Rimbaud's whiskered - blackened cheeks as he observed the Roman Four line-up. It was an old established trick, he reflected; a traditional use of excess power to smother opposition. He had seen it in Lincoln County and on countless occasions across the border. Yet now, as he came on, Lew Stromberg said, "If my foreman waylaid you he made a mistake, and is willing to admit it."

Wholly surprised at this unexpected admission, Rimbaud peered at Stromberg and knew something that he hadn't even guessed before. But the puzzling implication of that knowledge baffled him. Despite all Stromberg's arrogance and all his vanity, the man was dominated by a calculating caution that seemed in direct contrast to his nature. Not cowardice, surely, or fear of physical harm, but a caution spawned by his greed for graze.

Rimbaud halted directly in front of Jubal and said, "I'm listening."

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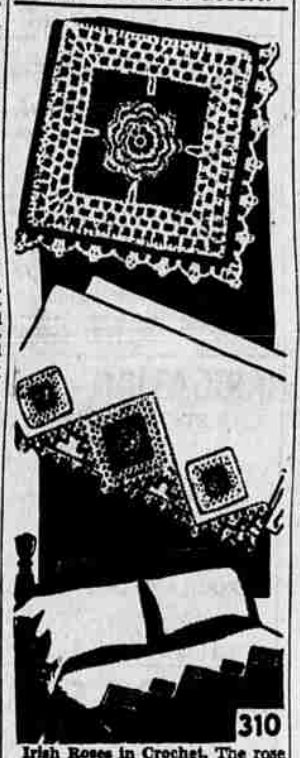

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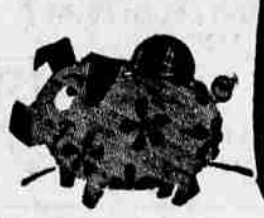

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12:15	Road of Life	Come Get It	Noon Edition	News	Spider	F. De Vol
12:30	Pepper Y'ng.	House Party	Jack Owens	Gay 90's	Spider	F. De Vol
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1:15	Stella Dallas	Geo. Fisher	Kay West	J. Sebastian	Spider	Magic Mel.
1:30	Wld. Brown	Kirkham	Kay West	Music	Spider	News
1:45	Wmr in Hse.	Kirkham	Kay West		Spider	Melody
2:00	Plain Bill	Mrs. Spkls.	Cal Tinney	News	Spider	Magic
2:15	F. P. Farrell	A. Godfrey	Cal Tinney	Music	Spider	Melody
2:30	L. Jones	A. Godfrey	Live Like a	Music	Spider	Magic
2:45	Doc's Wife	A. Godfrey	Millionaire	Shopper	Spider	Melody
3:00	Welcome	Godfrey	Revue Music	Our Town	Jim Dandy	Magic Mel.
3:15	Travelers	Godfrey	Bill Ring	Independence	Show	Magic Mel.
3:30	Dr. Paul	Godfrey	For the	News	Jim Dandy	Magic Mel.
3:45	D. Garroway	Massey	Girls	Paula Stone	Show	Magic Mel.
4:00	Music Box	Kirkham	Tunes	Fulton Lewis	Kiddies Krnr	World News
4:15	Music Box	Ruth Ashton	Squirrel	Hemingway	Music Mart.	Here's to Vet.
4:30	Music Box	Jim Wakely	Cage	Curt Massey	Music Mart	Second Look
4:45	Hits of Day	Tunefully	Happy Time	Sam Hayes	Music Mart	Womens Pg
5:00	News	Ed Murrow	Merrie Circle	Sgt. Preston	Music Mart	Showcase
5:15	News	News	V. Pinkley	Sgt. Preston	Music Mart	Showcase
5:30	L. McCall	World Today	C. Huntley	Sky King	Music Mart	Valley Time
5:45	E. Peterson	Frank Goss	Bob Garred	Sky King	Music Mart	Song to Rem.
6:00	Relax Music	Johnny	Weatherman	Gab. Heatter	Music Mart	Candlelight
6:15	Relax Music	Dollar	Home Ed.	NW News	Sign Off	Candlelight
6:30	Fibber &	My Friend	Good	Answer Man		News
6:45	Molly	Irma	Listening	Sam Hayes		Income Tax
7:00	Herb Shriner	People Are	Silver Eagle	Reporter		Rosary
7:15	Herb Shriner	Funny	Silver Eagle	Roundup		Stars Sing
7:30	Swayze	Music Hall	Michael	W Coast		Music
7:45	Jane Pickens	Music Hall	Shayne	Ramblers		Sports
8:00	Man's Famil	L. Thomas	Symphonette	High		Track 1490
8:15	World News	On Spot	Symphonette	Adventure		Track 1490
8:30	Calvalcade of	Mr. and Mrs.	Meet Your	Music		Track 1490
8:45	America	North	Neighbor	Music		Track 1490
9:00	Martin &	Doris Day	Town	Glen Hardy		Track 1490
9:15	Lewis	Doris Day	Meeting	Fulton Lewis		Track 1490
9:30	Freedom US/	Jo Stafford	Town Meet.	What's Cook		Track 1490
9:45	Freedom US/	Junior Miss	Monitor N.	Music		World News
10:00	Reporter	5 Star Final	Final Ed.	Behind Story		Night Song
10:15	Sports Final	Salem	Dance Time	Newsreel		Night Song
10:30	The Chase	Interviews	Dance Time	News		Music
10:45	The Chase	Navy Show	Dance Time	Hammer Gu:		You Want
11:00	News	Organ	Dance Time	Hammer Gu:		Nocturne
11:15	L. McCall	Melodies	Dance Time	Midnight		Nocturne
11:30	Wax	Treasury	Dance Time	Melodies		Nocturne
11:45	Museum	Band	Dance Time	Melodies		Nocturne
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6:45	Farm Time	KOIN Klock	O. Farm Hr.	March Time	Nook	Nat. News
7:00	Country Ed.	KOIN Klock	News	Hemingway	Breakfast	Meditations
7:15	J. L. Wills	News	M. Agronsky	Breakfast	Nook	KOCO Klock
7:30	News	News	Bob Garred	Gang	Breakfast	KOCO Klock
7:45	Knox Man.	H. Babbitt	Bob Hasen	Sam Hayes	Nook	KOCO Klock
8:00	Old Songs	Con. News	Breakfast	Cecil Brown	Jim Dandy	News
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9:00	Music Box	W. Warren	9 A.M. Edit	Dr. Sword	Back Fence	Happiness
9:15	Music Box	Aunt Jenny	Today's Star	Cptl Country	Matinee	Tune Time
9:30	Amer. Trail	Helen Trent	Friend in	Pastor's Call	Back Fence	Piano Pla
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10:00	Hostess Hse.	Road Life	D. Gardner	Glen Hardy	Back Fence	Rays
10:15	Hostess Hse.	Ma Perkins	Chet Huntley	Tele Test	Matinee	Records
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10:45	Rich	Guid. Light	Story	Music	Matinee	Records
11:00	Double or	Mrs. Burton	Whispering	Ladies Fair	Back Fence	Rays
11:15	Nothing	Perry Mason	Girl Marries	Ladies Fair	Matinee	Records
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New Empire In Making

Chicago (AP)—Robert S. Macfarlane, president of the Northern Pacific Railway, said Friday "a new empire" is in the making in the great Northwest and the Pacific Northwest."

He told the Executives club of Chicago that their city "is the natural gateway" to the growing Northwest economy "because of a network of steel rails."

"Many factors are contributing to the growing economic importance of the vast area which lies between Chicago and the North Pacific Coast, but the most spectacular, and probably the most significant, are two great basins—the Williston and the Columbia — in both of which Chicago has an important interest," Macfarlane said.

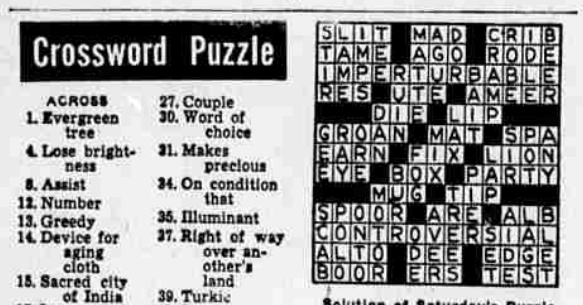
"Currently there are 157 producible oil wells in the American portion of the Williston Basin, and exploration and drilling continue at a rapid pace . . .

"Fully developed, the Columbia Basin actually will put under intensive cultivation twice the acreage which the 1950 census shows as cropped in the states of Delaware and Rhode Island. In terms of people, the growth will be even more striking."

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Evergreen tree
4. Lose brightness
8. Assist
12. Number
13. Greedy
14. Device for aging cloth
15. Sacred city of India
17. Low monotonous sound
18. Prophet
19. Speed
21. Tiny
23. Engages in a game
24. Cover with bars of contrasting color
27. Couple
30. Word of choice
31. Makes precious
34. On condition that
35. Illuminant
37. Right of way over another's land
39. Turkic
42. Snug room
43. Round
46. Sour
49. Embellish
50. Salt of nitric acid
52. Prod
53. Culmination
54. Adult boys
55. Malt liquors
56. Plant
57. Snoop

DOWN
1. Short watch chains
2. African arrow poison
3. Takes up again
4. Distant
5. Declare
6. Act of going out of sight
7. Masculine nickname
8. Robust
9. One who thinks always of self
10. Gave temporarily
11. Victim
16. Rugged mountain crest
17. Through: prefix
20. Supplications
22. Sea eagle
24. Swamp
25. Period
26. Perfect
28. Be victorious
29. Frequently
32. Scarlet
33. Plaster
36. Blow
38. Settle in tents
40. Land measures
41. Wine cask
43. Fine Cuban tobacco
44. Pagan god
45. Hoarfrost
47. Roman road
48. Refuse
51. Spread to dry
53. While



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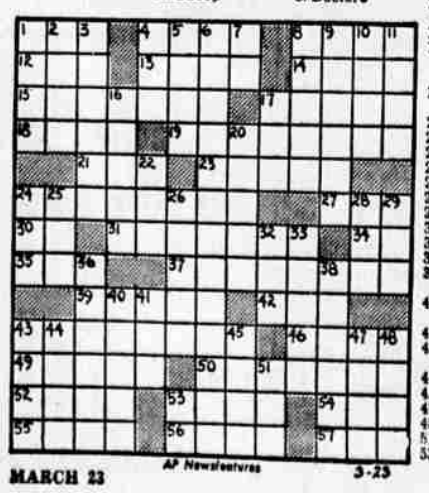

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