

Gunfighter's Return

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(AP Newsfeature)

CHAPTER 15

Mounting the roan, Rimbaud rode across the ridge and gave Malben's place a casual appraisal. The long, dirt-roofed log cabin was flanked by a wagon shed and two corral. Except for three tamarisk trees that studded it on the west, the yard was free of growth and thus furnished fair protection against sneak attack. A fly-swarmed quarter of beef hung in the wagon shed, two shrunk-up cowbirds draped the corral fence, and tin cans littered one side of the yard.

"Not much of an outfit," Rimbaud reflected. But presently, as he explored the cabin, he found the two rooms surprisingly well furnished. The kitchen, with its cupboard shelves neatly trimmed by scalloped red cloth and white curtains at the window, revealed a woman's knead for frilly fixings. The other room contained a huge four-poster bed, an ornately carved bureau with a large mirror, three comfortable chairs, and a varnished commode. A stone fireplace, flanked by filled bookshelves, formed one end of the room, and there were colorful drapes at the window.

Eve's doing, Rimbaud guessed, and thought how it would be with her. One hour with Eve would turn this cabin into a king's palace. He wondered if a wedding date had been set, and for the first time in his life was envious of another man's possessions.

Slicing meat from the quarter of beef, Rimbaud soaked a meal and ate it without relish. The thought came to him that a man shouldn't have to eat supper alone, or sit listening with a loaded rifle beside his chair. The gunsmoke was all right for young bucks



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ROOM & BOARD

By Ahren

NOW, HANOVER... YOU'RE SAFE FROM INQUISITIVE EARS IN MY DEN AND CAN TALK FREELY... SO WHAT IS THE GREAT DISCOVERY YOU MADE?

"I KNOW THE ROAD THAT CUTS OVER FROM DREARYVILLE TO THE STATE HIGHWAY... THE LAND ALONG THERE IS LOW AND SCRUBBY LOOKING... WELL, I WAS DRIVING BY THERE LAST WEEK, AND MY CAR GOT OVERHEATED, SO I FOUND A CAN AND HEADED TO A SWAMP POND FOR WATER... AND ABOUT 100 FEET FROM THE ROAD I WALKED ANKLE-DEEP INTO A POOL OF CRUDE OIL!"

NATURALLY THIS FIRES UP THE JUDGE

STEVE ROPER

DON'T BE DIFFICULT, STEVE! MERELY BECAUSE I WANT YOU WORKING FOR SPOTLIGHT MAGAZINE INSTEAD OF THE POLICE!

SUPPOSE WE JUST CLOSE THE SUBJECT KIT? AND THE DOOR!

White, at this moment in Steve's apartment—

MUST BE THE BOYS!

YEAH?

ROPER JUST LEFT KIT KARSON, BOSS! HELLO, BE HOME IN ABOUT 15 MINUTES!

FOLLOW HIM!—AND PICK ME UP IN FRONT OF HIS APARTMENT!—I JUST NOTICED SOMETHING!

POGO

YOU SEED OF MOLE MACHONNY, THE NATURAL BORN BIRD WATCHER?

AN HORSE LUCK— HE SAWN ME.

ALL TWO OR THREE FEET OF ME.

HE IDENTIFIES ME AS A BULLFINCH

LEAVE THIS YOU IS A BIRD— HE'S CALLIN' ME A SMALLER TAILED CUMBERBLIND— ME AS ANY HARDLY A BIRD AT ALL.

AS IT WAS, I GUMMED HIM A WASH OUT 'O MOUTH OUT.

YOU OUGHT TO GO ON HOME, AN WASH OUT 'O MOUTH OUT.

BY JING, IF FROGS HAD TEETH 'ED OF BEEN A GOMER!

ORPHAN ANNIE

SIMS HAD BEEN PRYIN' BLACKMAIL TO THOSE CROOKS— SO LONG HE WAS ALMOST BROKE—

FINALLY HE DECIDED TO STOP PRYIN', GO BACK TO TEXAS, AND FACE THE MUSIC—

HE FIGGERED KIT NOW AND WOULD UNDERSTAND, AH RECKON—

IMAGINE!—MR. SIMS—SUCH A NICE, SWEET, QUIET LITTLE CHAP— KILLED A MAN—

SHUCKS! DOWN HOME WE NEVER DID CONSIDER WHAT WE DONE NO REAL SIN— IT WAS A FAIR FIGHT—

THE POOR GUY—

LIL ABNER

THEM SLOBBYVANS TRUSTED US TO TAKE CARE O' THEM—YVANE BEEFSTEAKS—IT'S OUR GUILT—

AH HEARD OUR YOUNG 'UNS WAS STARVIN', SO AH AIMS TO GIVE 'EM OUR GUILT— LAST JAR OF PRESERVED TURNIPS?

SHOULDN'T A SAMPLE O' OR IO O' 'EM, TO SEE THEY HAVN'T SPOILED?

NO!

TH' SELFISH LIT' VARMINTS? THEY GOT A MOUNTAIN O' BEEFSTEAKS— AN THEY HAVN'T OFFERED US ONE??

ALL WE GOT LEFT IS THEM Y'WHE PRESERVED TURNIPS, HUH, PANNY? HUH, PANNY? PROOK?

HOPALONG CASSIDY

WHAT'S THAT P I KEEP HEARIN' A HISSIN' SOUND— LIKE A RATTLER!

—OR A BURNING POWDER FUSE! CLEAR OUT!

MUTT & JEFF

ONCE IN THE WOODS A GREAT BIG BEAR CHASED ME! HE WAS AT LEAST TEN FEET TALL!

HE HAD PAWS TWELVE INCHES WIDE— I RAN FOR MY LIFE FOR A TREE!

IT WAS A BIG TREE! THE FIRST BRANCH WAS ABOUT THIRTY FEET FROM THE GROUND!

WHAT 'CHA DO?

I JUMP UP FOR IT!

DID YOU MAKE IT?

NO, NOT GOING UP— BUT I CAUGHT IT COMING DOWN!

REX MORGAN, M.D.

AS SOON AS THE INSURANCE COMPANIES PAY OFF, WE'LL BOTH GET OUT OF TOWN, BABY... BUT NOT BEFORE!

I DON'T WANT THAT MONEY, BARU!

YOU'RE BEGINNING TO ACT LIKE YOU'RE SORRY YOU EVER MET ME, SHEILA!

MEANWHILE... DRUG BLOCKS AWAY IN A DRUG STORE...

THAT REPORT ON SHEILA TURNER AND BARU IS CIRCUMSTANTIAL, DR. MORGAN... BUT THE REAL SHOCKER IS IN THE F.D.A. ANALYSIS OF BARU'S 'WARMLESS' HERB MEDICINE!

DONALD DUCK

OKAY YOU BOYS PAINT THAT SIDE AND I'LL PAINT THIS SIDE!

OKAY! SWELL! FUN!

I'VE GOT MY SIDE HALF COVERED... FINE OUR SIDE IS...

...HALF COVERED TOO!

MARY WORTH

YOU LOOK SAD, GWEN!— IS ANYTHING WRONG?

I WAS THINKING OF AN OLD ROMAN PROVERB, MRS. WORTH! TOMORROW I WILL LIVE THE POOR DOES SAY: TODAY ISELF TOO LATE, THE WISE LIVED YESTERDAY!

MEANWHILE... DRUG BLOCKS AWAY IN A DRUG STORE...

I JUST THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT THIS DR. GWENDOLYN THACKERY, CHIEF JONES... SHE PROBABLY HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE UNIVERSITY...

HEY! MAYBE YOU MEAN GWENDOLYN THACKTON?... SHE WASN'T A DOCTOR— BACK IN '48— WHEN I HANDED THAT CASE!

DID YOU SAY... CASE...?!

RADIO PROGRAMS

TUESDAY—P. M.					
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KOAC Tuesday P.M.—12:00, News; 12:15, Folk County Agent; 1:00, Wide 'Em Cowboy; 2:00, Especially for Women; 4:00, World Review; 5:00, Children's Theater; 6:00, News; and 7:15, Oregon Legislature; 7:30, News.

KOAC Wednesday A.M.—10:00, News and Weather; 10:15, Especially for Women; 11:00, Oregon School of Air; 11:15, Noon Farm Hour; 10:00, Sign Off.

Population up At Woodburn

Woodburn—The official population of Woodburn has increased by 184 due to the census taken of the area east of the highway annexed to the city since the census of 1950, and brings the total population of the city to 2579, according to confirmation by the secretary of state's office.

The count was taken last week by Mrs. Sarah Larkin of Woodburn, under the supervision of the office of the secretary of state.

The area in which the count was taken was the section east of the Pacific highway along Tomlin and George street and the Silverton road, annexed Nov. 7, 1950. The new Woodburn population figure will be used in the distribution of state liquor and highway funds.

Cost of the enumeration was borne by the city.

Reed College May Start Giving Grades

Seattle (AP)—Reed college at Portland, Ore., may upset a 40-year tradition by issuing grades to its students, President Duncan S. Ballentine said here.

Speaking at a Reed alumni meetings, Ballentine said the system of not giving grades was defeating its purpose.

Crossword Puzzle

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