

# HEROES OF AMERICAN HISTORY

## The LAST OF THE GREAT SCOUTS

### COLONEL WILLIAM FREDERICK CODY BUFFALO BILL

Born in Scott County, Iowa, William F. Cody, at 14, joined the "Pony Express," that group of daring riders who, braving Indians and bandits and living on the constant edge of death, carried the mails from Missouri to California.



Cody once undertook to supply the workmen on the Kansas Pacific Railway with buffalo meat, and so well did he succeed that he became known as Buffalo Bill. In 1876 Cody was with the U. S. Cavalry that went to avenge the death of Gen. Custer. He encountered Yellow Hand, the Cheyenne Indian Chief, in a hand-to-hand contest, fought with knives, and slew him! In 1883 Cody organized the "Wild West Show," a spectacular performance of difficult riding and shooting feats, which became popular and later toured Europe. He lies buried in a tomb that was blasted from solid rock on Lookout Mountain, about twenty miles from Denver, Colorado.



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# Bob Davis Reveals

### Jade Experts Watch for Missing Treasures to Reappear

**A** BUFFALO politician, long deceased, turned up in Washington at the McKinley inaugural ball garbed in more kinds of diamonds than had ever before been seen in the District of Columbia at a governmental function.

"My friend," said a critic, casting dubious eyes on the Buffalonian, "you are a bit overjeweled tonight. The best people don't go quite so far with the icebergs at a presidential affair."

"Is that so?" retorted the bespangled visitor, pulling a bediamonded suspender buckle from under his armpits, "it has been my experience that them as has 'em wears 'em."

Now when it comes to the possession and the wearing of jade, that is an entirely different matter; not that there is a lack of it, but because so few of us ever get hold of a piece worth wearing.

Not until the beginning of the present century did jade attract attention among discriminating buyers. Prior to that, comparatively few, and they Chinese and Indians, had any conception of where jade would bring up in the jewel market of the world. The preferred jade came from northwest China or Chinese Turkistan, overland to Peiping, where the best jade carvers in the world turn it into jewelry. From Yunnan and surrounding provinces, as well as from Burma, a great deal of jade reaches Canton, the finest quality coming into Peiping, regarded as the central trading point for the green stone in all its variations. While there are over ninety tones, tints, shades and flat whites called mutton jade, the verdant stone governs the market.

#### Jade Passion Spreads.

Following the Boxer upheaval, which suddenly released a great deal of beautiful jade formerly the property of the Chinese aristocrats and noblemen, a passion for jade spread throughout the world; principally among people who had the price, but no savvy as to quality.

Much of the best jade extant fell into unworthy hands, to be bandied about in a market economically disordered. New jade has a way of

changing its luster. Old jade having already undergone this transformation and completely recovered is more sought after. Today those Chinese who sold liberally during the depression are offering all sorts of prices to get the jade back.

From Canton, Peiping and even Burma, the dealers are watching for these rare pieces to come again into the stream of traffic. Jade street, Peiping, trading almost exclusively in the jewel from which it takes its name, is haunted by eagle-eyed Chinese lying in wait for the green stone to return. Mr. Pei, of No. 14, A, makes a pre-breakfast journey to the opposite side of the city where the jade wholesalers open up at seven each morning and close at ten. He is expecting to see missing treasures reappear for sale.

#### Dowager's Snuff Bottle.

Pei remembers the snuff bottle once owned by the dowager empress, that sold for \$20,000, and the massive jade ring bought for \$15,000 later cut into three pieces and disposed of to the wholesalers at \$8,000 per fragment.

"Pure emerald stones are translucent — not transparent — and alive," he said in describing them to me; "unmistakably liquid green. In a piece of jade every cloud, no matter how delicately it may seem to blend with the translucent green, is a flaw. Out of a block of rough jade the cutter who rescues a piece of pure green translucence is lucky indeed. The presence of deep and light green shades, streaks alternating in density from apple to pea green, puts the specimen in the second and third grade column.

"Pale jade, extremely beautiful when artistically cut, is very attractive and suits certain complexions admirably. It is lovely against young skins, but beside pure emerald jade it cannot compete.

#### How to Select Jade.

"In selecting jade look only for deep green translucent stones which appear to drip color that by some magic attraction is held in suspension. Never be led astray by any other tone, color, cloud effect or blending. Dark green or nothing. Fortunes are still to be made in old jade, which is increasing in value above all other precious stones."

Brownlow, an Englishman residing in Peiping, something of a wizard at appraising things exclusive and genuine, put it into expressive Anglo-Saxon: "When you see something that looks like a drop of glistening, deep translucent creme de menthe on a woman's lip, that's jade of the finest color and vintage. There is no middle ground in the eye of an expert. I am speaking now only of Chinese Turkistan jade, far and away the superior to all other jades. Another name for this mineral is nephrite.

# Cross Stitch Sampler



Pattern 1187

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#### Do Your Promises

You become a person of promise, not by promising many things, but by accomplishing what you promise.

DECEIVES, THEN BETRAYS  
The zeal which begins with poetry must conclude in tragedy; at first it deceives, at last it betrays.—Bacon.



### Montezuma Mountain School FOR BOYS

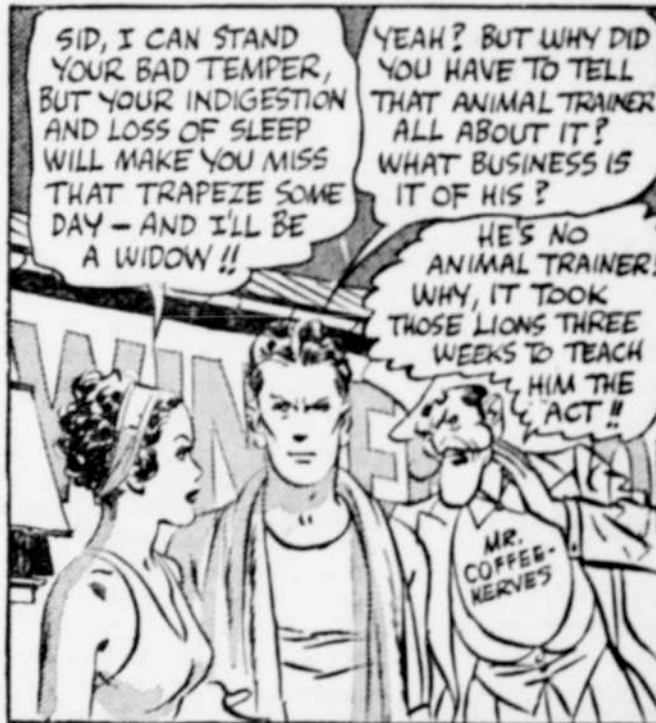
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# SYLVIA CRACKS THE WHIP!



SID, I CAN STAND YOUR BAD TEMPER, BUT YOUR INDIGESTION AND LOSS OF SLEEP WILL MAKE YOU MISS THAT TRAPEZE SOME DAY — AND I'LL BE A WIDOW!!

YEAH? BUT WHY DID YOU HAVE TO TELL THAT ANIMAL TRAINER ALL ABOUT IT? WHAT BUSINESS IS IT OF HIS?

HE'S NO ANIMAL TRAINER! WHY, IT TOOK THOSE LIONS THREE WEEKS TO TEACH HIM THE ACT!!



I WANTED SOME ADVICE ABOUT YOU! ONCE HE GOT NERVOUS AND JITTERY, JUST AS YOU ARE NOW, AND HE LOST CONTROL OF HIS LIONS!

YEAH, BUT HE GOT OUT ALIVE — WHICH PROVES THAT LIONS WON'T EAT HAM!



THE DOCTOR WHO DRESSED HIS TORN ARM SAID HE HAD COFFEE-NERVES — MADE HIM QUIT COFFEE AND SWITCH TO POSTUM!

THAT'S A LOT OF BUNK!

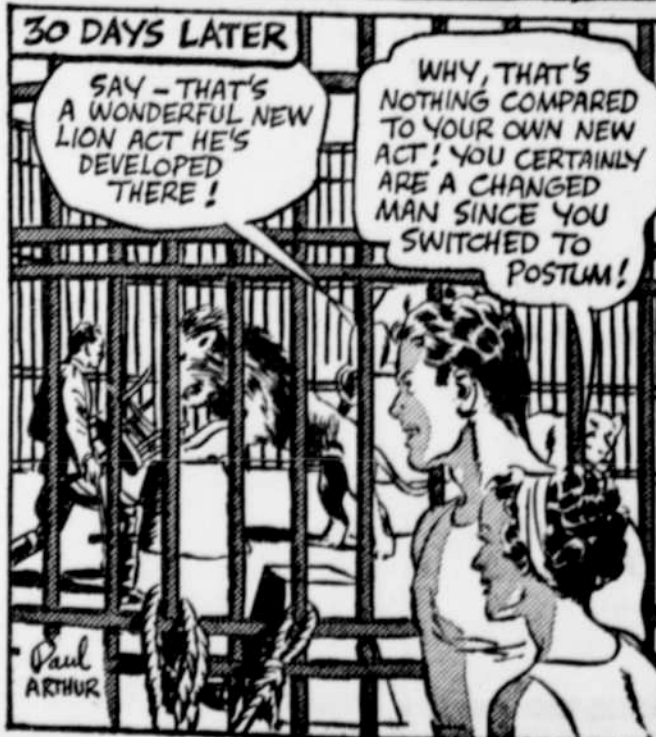
—AND NOW I SUPPOSE A LION WOULDN'T BITE HIM EVEN IF HE BIT IT FIRST!



IT'S NOT BUNK! YOU DO DRINK TOO MUCH COFFEE, —AND I'LL BET YOU'VE GOT COFFEE-NERVES! WHY DON'T YOU TRY POSTUM?

OH, ALL RIGHT, I WILL! IF YOU'LL KEEP QUIET ABOUT THAT ANIMAL TRAINER!

CURSES! I'M LUCKED AGAIN!



#### 30 DAYS LATER

SAY — THAT'S A WONDERFUL NEW LION ACT HE'S DEVELOPED THERE!

WHY, THAT'S NOTHING COMPARED TO YOUR OWN NEW ACT! YOU CERTAINLY ARE A CHANGED MAN SINCE YOU SWITCHED TO POSTUM!

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