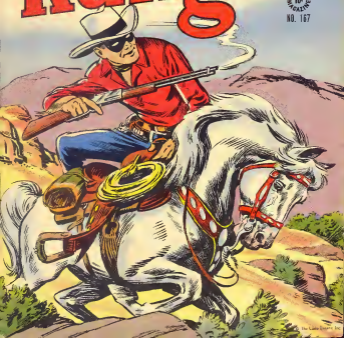


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## AND THE HOODED HORSEMEN



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ONLY TWO OF YOU! YOU'D BETTER RUN FOR IT! THE PLOTTERS WILL BE BACK! THEY'LL KILL US ALL!



THEY WON'T KILL ME! TELL ME AS I WAS AND LEAVE ME! THE KILLERS WILL CERTAINLY GET YOU IF THEY FIND YOU HERE!



WHO ARE THESE KILLERS?

I DON'T KNOW NO ONE KNOWS, BUT YOU MUST LEAVE! IT WOULD BE TRAGEDY FOR THE LONE RANGER TO DIE!



YOU KNOW ME?

YES, THE KILLERS KNOW THIS WAS YOUR CAMP! THEY FOUND ONE OF YOUR SLUG BULLETS HERE! BUT GO NOW! YOU HAVEN'T TIME TO WASTE!



WE'LL TAKE YOU WITH US AND HEAR MORE OF YOUR STORY GET THE HORSES! TONTO!

TONTO GET US!

NO NO! DON'T LEAVE! I DON'T KNOW WHO THEY ARE, BUT I MUST STAY!



YOU MUST STAY HERE! BUT LEAVE THOSE MEN! YOU SPoke OF LEFT YOU DROGGED AND TIED!

PLEASE DON'T ASK QUESTIONS! SIMPLY LEAVE AND FAST!



WE GOT VISITORS IN THE CAMP!

AN' OF ALL WHO MIGHT BE THERE, IT'S THE LONE RANGER! THIS IS SURE GOOD LUCK!



I HEAR THEM COMING NOW! NOW IT'S TOO LATE FOR YOU TO GET AWAY!





HE MADE UP A GUY. NOW THAT THE LONG RANGER IS DONE FOR, WE GOT NUTHIN' TO STAND IN THE WAY OF OUR PLANS!



SO IT WAS THE LONG RANGER YOU SHOT, EH?

I--I HAD TO, IF HE'D RESCUED ME YOU WOULD HAVE KILLED MY SISTER!



THAT'S WHAT WE WOULD HAVE DONE ALL RIGHT, YOU SHOWED GOOD SENSE, PRINCE!

NOW WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?



FIRST THING IS TO TAKE YOU TO OUR HEADQUARTERS! WE'RE PLAYIN' A GAME FOR BIG STAKES, BY WE TAKE NO CHANCES!



WAIT! BEFORE YOU LEAVE HERE! THERE'S ONE THING YOU MUST SEE!



WHAT'D-VA MEAN, THERE'S SOMETHING I SHOULD SEE?

GET READY, TOMMY, SHE'S PLAYING HER CARDS FOR US.



YOU'LL HAVE TO BRING THREE MEN AND GO BEYOND THAT HILL IN THE GROUND.

ALL RIGHT BUT REMEMBER, IF THIS IS A TRICK YOUR SISTER DIES. THE REST OF THE GANG HAS INSTRUCTIONS IF WE DON'T RETURN!



YOU TWO WAIT HERE, WE'LL BE BACK.

ALL RIGHT, BOSS.







GUNFIRE! SOMETHING'S WRONG! COME ON!



WHAT'S THE MATTER? WHAT WAS THE SHOOTING?



THAT GIRL DOUBLE-CROSSED US! SHE DIDN'T SHOOT THE LONE RANGER AT ALL.

WHAT? SO THAT'S IT, SH?



THE LONE RANGER AND THE INDIAN ESCAPED!

IT TOLD MAGE WHAT HAPPEN. NOW IT WILL!



I SAID OUR GAME WAS FOR HIGH STAKES, MY I MEANT IT WE HINT FOOLIN' YOUR SISTER! LIE FOR YOUR DOUBLE-CROSS, MAGE!



HER PLAN TOOK ALL, BUT TWO OF YOUR MEN RAN FROM THE CLEAR SO THE LONE RANGER AND TONTO COULD MAKE THEIR ESCAPE.

THINK WE BETTER GO BACK TO THE CLEARIN', BOSS!



AND THE LONE RANGER MIGHT BE IN AMBUSH, WITHIN THEIR HEAD FOR THE HEADQUARTERS, FIRST!



THE LONE RANGER'S HORSE AND TONTO'S FOLLOW THE GROUP --

I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU SHOT THE LONE RANGER YOU TRICKED ME! YOU FRAMED THE SHOOTING TO GIVE HIM A CHANCE TO ESCAPE!

ALL RIGHT, YOU CROOK, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT!



I'LL DO ALENTY! I WAS GOING TO SHOW SOME CONSIDERATION FOR YOU AND YOUR SISTER



WHERE ARE YOU HOLDING MY SISTER PRISONER?



THERE, IN THE OLD MILL, AND WAIT TILL YOU SEE WHAT ELSE IS THERE!



GO ON! YOUR SISTERS IN THERE THE OLD MILL! SO THAT'S YOUR HEADQUARTERS!



JANE! OH MIDGE, MIDGE, THEY'VE CAPTURED YOU TOO!



WHAT HAVE THESE PIGS DONE TO YOU, DEAR?

THEY'RE DETERMINED TO GET ALL OF FATHER'S LAND! THAT'S WHY WE'VE BEEN CAPTURED. I'M TO WRITE A NOTE TO DAD AND BEG HIM TO SIGN OVER HIS PROPERTY!



THAT'S EXACTLY RIGHT, JANE. IF YOU DON'T WRITE THE NOTE, MIDGE DIES!

















MEANWHILE MEMBERS OF THE GANG THINK THE LONE RANGER HAS FALLEN.













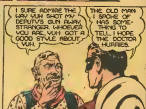


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and the  
**DAGGER GANG**

















TONTU, WHAT IS THE SCHEME OF THE 'DAGGER' GANG? DID YOU LEARN THAT?

HE HEAR UM SCHEME? IT PLENTY BIG! ME TELL YOU WHAT SCHEME IS.

TONTU, TELL ME WHAT THE PLAN OF THOSE KILLERS IS.

STAGE COME FROM EAST.

DAGGER GANG CAPTURE CONGRESSMAN REYNARD. HOLD UM FOR RANSOM!

BUT HOW CAN THE DAGGER GANG CAPTURE THE CONGRESSMAN? WONT HE BE WELL GUARDED?

HEM GOT UM GUARD, THAT NOT BOTHER DAGGER.

WHAT'S DAGGER'S PLAN?

HEM WEATHER BRIDGE, 'BRIDGE FALL WITH STAGE'.





THE DAGGER GANG PLANS TO ABDUCT THE CONGRESSMAN. THEY'VE WEAKENED THE BRIDGE SO THE STAGE WILL CRASH DOWN.



THAT'S JUST A WARNIN', YOU STAGE-ROBBER! THROW DOWN YOUR GUNS OR WE'LL DRILL YOU, YUH!



CAUGHT YOU IN THE ACT, EH? TRYIN' TO BOB THE STAGE?

NOTHING OF THE SORT, SHERIFF!



THE DAGGER GANG PLANS TO WRECK THIS STAGE AND ABDUCT THE PASSENGERS! THE BRIDGE AHEAD HAS BEEN WEAKENED TO LET THE STAGE FALL INTO THE RIVER!

LIKELY STORY!



WE WANT THAT RED-SKIN FOR THE MURDER OF OLD MAN PRODDY. YOU'LL COME ALONG TOO.

HOW ABOUT IT, SHERIFF? CAN WE SHOVE OFF, NOW?



SURE YOU CAN SHOVE OFF. GET GOING!

DON'T DO IT! IT'S CERTAIN DEATH!

YOU SHUT UP!



SHERIFF, I TELL YOU THAT STAGE MUST BE WRECKED!

TO GIVE YOU THE CHANCE TO BE CARRIED AGAIN, EH? NOTHIN' DOIN'!









THE LONE RANGER PROVES THE BRIDGE UNSAFE!



THAT MASHED MAN SURE PROVED HIS POINT!

WE'D BEEN KILLED IF THE STAGE HAD DROPPED THROUGH THAT BRIDGE!



HE WAS RIGHT! THE DAGGER GANG WAS IN WAIT DOWN THERE!

WE CAN CLEAN UP THE MULL OF THE DAGGER GANG FOUR LEAD BY EM BOYS!



OH, DAD THAT MASHED MAN SAVED US! AND GAVE HIS LIFE TO DO IT!

THE OUTLAWS ARE LOKED! IF ONLY THAT BRAVE MAN COULD HAVE LIVED!



LOOK!

HE'S SAFE! OH, THANK GOODNESS!

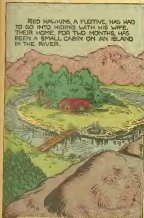
H-YO SILVER RIPPY-Y-Y-Y!



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## ON THE TRAIL OF A FUGITIVE

RED HALKINS, A FUGITIVE, HAS HAD TO GO INTO HIDING WITH HIS WIFE. THEIR HOME, FOR TWO MONTHS, HAS BEEN A SMALL CABIN ON AN ISLAND IN THE RIVER.



JANE, I HEARD BAD NEWS IN TOWN. A MAN HUNTER IS AFTER ME!

OH, RED!



IF YOU WERE GUILTY, RED, IT WOULD BE DIFFERENT, BUT YOU'RE INNOCENT OF THAT MURDER OF THE TEXAS RANGER!

I'M INNOCENT, BUT NO ONE WILL BELIEVE YOU! JANE, YOU'RE THE ONLY ALIBI I HAVE. WELL, I WON'T BE TAKEN BACK TO HANG! I'LL REALLY TURN KILLER, IF I HAVE TO!



COME ON, JANE! GET TO THE MAINLAND WHILE THERE'S TIME!



IF WE WERE RIGHTLY INFORMED THE MAN WE WANT IS RED HAWKINS AND HE'S HIDING OUT ON THIS ISLAND!



I'LL STICK WITH YOU RED AS LONG AS YOU DON'T REALLY BECOME A CRIMINAL!

THE GUNPOWDER WILL BLOW UP IN A MINUTE THEN WHILE THIS MAN SWIMS TO THE ISLAND WE'LL MAKE OUR ESCAPE!



I HEAR HOOFBEATS. WHAT IF HE IS CAUGHT IN THE BLAST?

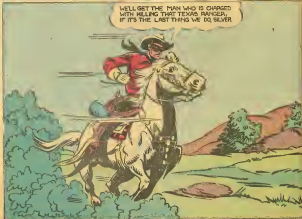


THE FUSE IS ALMOST AT THE POWDER NOW. ANOTHER SECOND AND THE BRIDGE'LL GO UP!

RED! YOU CRY! LET THAT RIDER GET KILLED!



WE'LL GET THE MAN WHO IS CHARGED WITH KILLING THAT TEXAS RANGER, IF IT'S THE LAST THING WE DO SILVER!









THANK GOODNESS FOR THIS ROCK!



HANG ON, JANE! I'LL  
THROW A ROPE TO YOU!

HURRY! I  
CAN'T HANG  
ON MUCH LONGER!



GET HOLD OF THE ROPE, JANE!



ALL RIGHT, RED, PULL  
US IN!

I'LL PULL YOU IN,  
JANE, BUT THIS  
MAN, LET HIM GO!



I CAN'T LET HIM  
GO TO HIS  
DEATH, RED!

IF I PULL ANY IN, HE'LL  
TAKE ME TO TRIAL, AND  
I'LL HANG! I WON'T DO  
IT! LET GO OF HIM!



I'LL TIE THE ROPE TO THIS TREE, JANE.  
YOU CAN PULL YOURSELF IN, IF YOU  
USE BOTH HANDS! THAT MAN HAS  
GOTT TO GO OVER  
THE FALLS!



JANE, SAVE YOURSELF! LET THAT MAN GO  
AND PULL YOURSELF TO SHORE!

I WON'T DO IT, RED!



YOU'LL SAVE US BOTH OR NOT AT ALL!









IF HE FEELS YOU ARE NOT GUILTY, HE'LL SEE THAT JUSTICE IS DONE. HE WON'T LET THEM HANG YOU FOR A CRIME YOU DIDN'T COMMIT. GO BACK WITH HIM!



YOU'RE SIDIN' WITH THE LONE RANGER AGAINST ME, JANE. AGAINST YOUR OWN HUSBAND NOW! HILL, HILL HIM!



NO, NO, RED! IN THE NAME OF MERCY, DON'T DO IT!



SORRY, RED, BUT YOU STILL ARE GOING BACK TO TOWN!



AND NOW, RED, I'M GOING TO FIND A WAY TO PROVE THAT YOU ARE NOT THE MURDERER OF THAT TEXAS RANGER!



SEVERAL HOURS LATER:

P-POOR RED. I ALONE KNOW HE DIDN'T KILL THE TEXAS RANGER, BUT NO ONE WILL BELIEVE THE ALIBI I CAN GIVE HIM.



I BELIEVE YOU, JANE, AND I'M GOING TO FIND SOME MEANS TO BRING OUT THE TRUTH. I'LL LEAVE YOU AT THE HOME OF YOUR FRIENDS IN TOWN.









WE'LL HAVE A LOOK AT THE PLACE  
WHERE THE TEXAS RANGER WAS  
KILLED



I HAD A HUNCH THE LONE RANGER'D  
GO FIRST TUN THE SCENE O' THE  
CRIME TUN HUNT FER CLUES.



THEY'LL DISPOSE OF THE LONE RANGER.



WHAT THE --- ME FIX.

















