

HORSE OPERA PICTURES PRESENTS:

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A Western Saga of Loss and Redemption

Part One ★ starring:



REX STERLING,
King of the
PM Cowboys



**SWEET NELL
MCGILLACUTTY,**
the Virtuous Schoolmarm



SCRATCHY BUTTES,
the Trusty Sidekick

**and
featuring:**



**Prissy
Eastern
Dude**



**Evil
Jack
Slade**



**Little
Timmy**

JOE
KUBERT



DO NOT FORSAKE PM,
MY DARLIN',
YOUR DEDICATION
MUST BE PURE.
IF YOU NEGLECT ALL
YOUR EQUIPMENT,
YOU BEST BELIEVIN'
YOU'LL BE A-GRIEVIN',
AND YOU'LL BE OUTTA
LUCK FOR SURE.

**FORR
SURRE.**

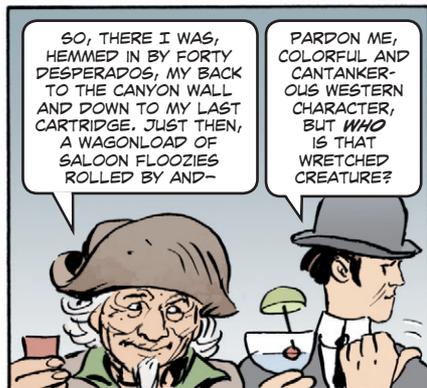


OUR STORY BEGINS ONE FINE MORNING IN THE OLD WEST TOWN OF *DUSTY BRITCHES*. A PRISSEY EASTERN DUDE HAS JUST ARRIVED ON THE STAGECOACH.

WE FIND HIM RELAXING AT THE *COW PIE CANTINA*, DRINKING AND CHATTING WITH SCRATCHY BUTTES, A LOCAL COLORFUL AND CANTANKEROUS WESTERN CHARACTER.

BEER - 5¢
WHISKEY - 10¢
IN A CLEAN GLASS - 15¢

TEMPERANCE UNION MEETS
HERE THURSDAY
AT 10.00PM



SO, THERE I WAS, HEMMED IN BY FORTY DESPERADOS, MY BACK TO THE CANYON WALL AND DOWN TO MY LAST CARTRIDGE. JUST THEN, A WAGONLOAD OF SALOON FLOOZIES ROLLED BY AND-

PARDON ME, COLORFUL AND CANTANKEROUS WESTERN CHARACTER, BUT *WHO* IS THAT WRETCHED CREATURE?



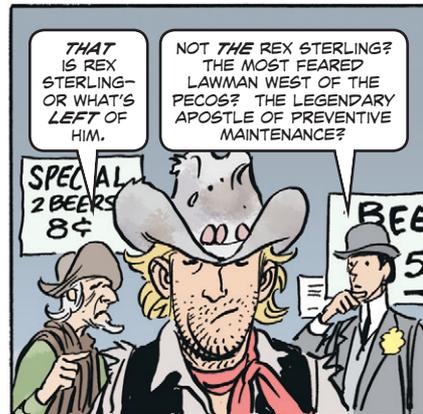
PHEEW!

OH, SPIT!



I'M JUST A LOWLY COW PIE ON THE CATTLE TRAIL OF LIFE!

TOBACCO JUICE
CAUTION
HAZARDOUS MATER



THAT IS REX STERLING- OR WHAT'S LEFT OF HIM.

NOT *THE* REX STERLING? THE MOST FEARED LAWMAN WEST OF THE PECOS? THE LEGENDARY APOSTLE OF PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE?

SPECIAL
2 BEERS
8¢

BEER
5¢



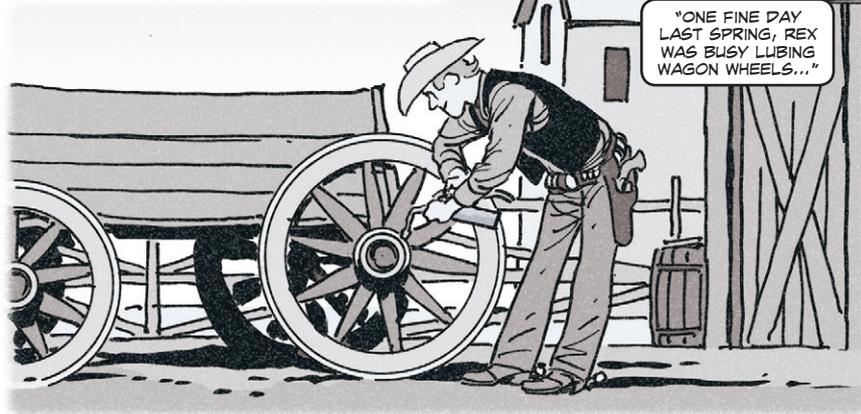
THE VERY SAME. I SHOULD KNOW. I WAS ONCE HIS TRUSTY SIDKICK AND BEST FRIEND.



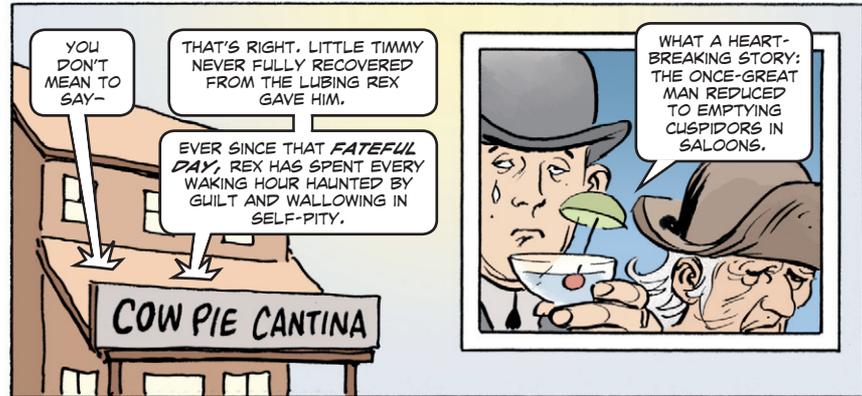
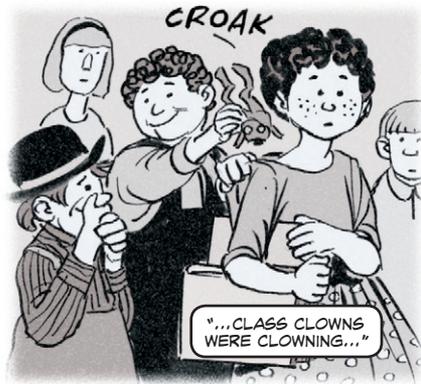
PRAY TELL, WHAT SET HIM ON THE ROAD TO RUIN?

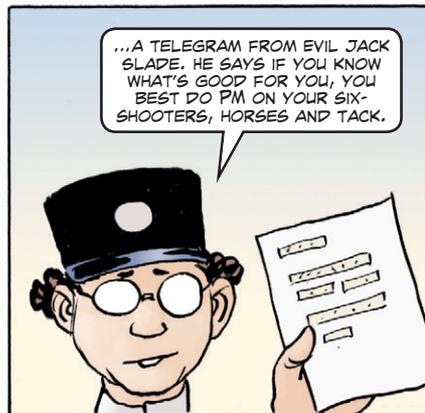
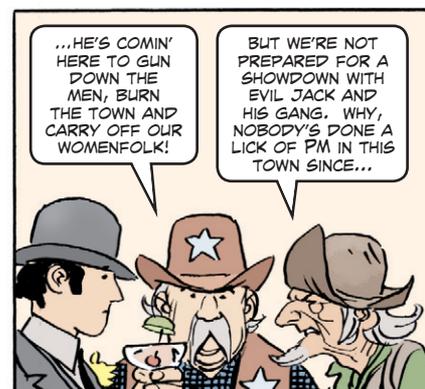


LISTEN AND LISTEN TIGHT, PRISSEY EASTERN DUDE. I'M A GONNA TELL YOU THE WHOLE TRAGIC TALE IN CINEMATIC FLASHBACK.



"ONE FINE DAY LAST SPRING, REX WAS BUSY LUBING WAGON WHEELS..."







- ★ WILL REX STERLING COME TO GRIPS WITH HIS *TORTURED PAST*?
- ★ WILL HE REDEEM HIMSELF THROUGH PM?
- ★ WILL HE FACE DOWN THE DEADLY OUTLAWS AND SAVE THE GOOD PEOPLE OF DUSTY BRITCHES?
- ★ OR WILL EVIL JACK SLADE RUN *ROUGHSHOD* OVER ALL THAT IS DECENT AND JUST?

Join us next month in **PS 649** for the *thrilling conclusion to...*

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