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WARDEN HUGO BRISSON GOT THE SHOCK OF HIS LIFE WHEN HE ENTERED HIS OFFICE THE MORNING OF THE 17TH...

WARDEN, THAT NEW CON, GEORGE
CRIPPS, WENT OVER THE WALL DURING THE NIGHT!

CANCEL MORNING
RECREATION, AND
ALERT ALL STATIONS!
I'LL BE OUT AT ONCE!

IT WAS DEFINITELY AN OUTSIDE
JOB -- THAT LADDER COULDN'T
BE HIDDEN ANYWHERE INSIDE
THE PRISON, THAT'S FOR SURE!

HE'S GOING TO BE
HARD TO FIND WITH
\$100,000 HIDDEN
AWAY, TOO!

A THREE-STATE ALARM WAS SENT OUT FOR CRIPPS, AND THAT VERY NIGHT...
OKAY,
BUGS--HERE'S
YOUR HALF-SO G'S!
EASIEST DOUGH I EVER MADE!



AND THAT'S HOW IT STARTED! ON NOV 18TH, SID MACO, CONVICTED GEM THIEF, WITH AN ESTIMATED \$150,000 IN UNCUT DIAMONDS SECRETED AWAY, WAS BROKEN OUT IN THE THIRD YEAR OF HIS 10-YEAR TERM! WHEN THIS WAS FOLLOWED ON THE 28TH BY THE ESCAPE OF EX-BANK TELLER ED HILTON, WHO NEVER RE-VEALED AT HIS TRIAL THE WHEREABOUTS OF \$65,000 IN EMBEZZLED FUNDS -- A TOP LEVEL CONFERENCE AT THE STATE CAPITOL ENSUED ...



RIGHT! HOP TO IT, LIEUTENANT, AND LET'S SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO!

I'LL HAVE TO KEEP MY EYE ON EVERY CON

WHOSE LOOT THE POLICE NEVER RECOVERED!

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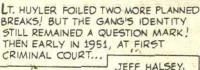






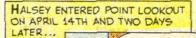






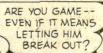
YOU HAVE BEEN FOUND GUILTY IN THE THEFT OF \$50,000 FROM THE EUREKA ARMORED TRUCK COMPANY. I HEREBY SENTENCE YOU TO A TERM OF 20 YEARS AT THE STATE'S PRISON! I KNOW A





WONDER HOW LONG I HOPE IT ISN'T LONG, WARDEN, IT WILL TAKE BE- BECAUSE I'VE A FOR THAT NEW CON GETS A BUZZ FROM HOOKS ON THE GANG WITH HALSEY AS BAIT!





DID YOU 5AY--LET HIM BREAK OUT?



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CLIP NOLAN WAS PICKED UP NEXT DAY ON A PICKPOCKET CHARGE AND DREW AN 8-MONTH SENTENCE, HE AVOIDED HALSEY FOR A WEEK. THEN, ON JUNE 10TH...





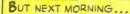












FUNNY THING ABOUT HALSEY.
THAT SICKNESS OF HIS WASNIT FAKED -- THE DOC
SAID HE HAS A GENUINE
CASE OF FOOD POISONING!













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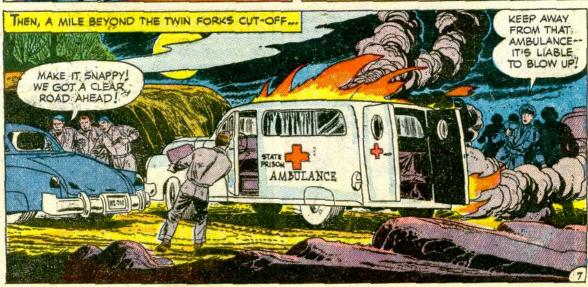
























THANKS -- YOU'LL HAVE IT BACK IN ABOUT A WEEK!





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--WE JUST GOT AN ANSWER FROM THE BUICK PEOPLE.
THEY USED THIS PAINT ON THEIR 1949 4-DOOR
SEDANS, REGISTERY NUMBERS VT14958 TO
VT14995!

GOOD! LIST
THOSE NUMBERS
WITH EVERY GARAGE
IN THE STATE, AND
HAVE THE COMMISSIONER CANCEL ALL
LEAVES UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE!

LATER THAT DAY, A PHONE CALL BROUGHT LT. HUYLER AND TWO DETECTIVES TO THE WESTSIDE GARAGE...

SHALL WE NO, I'VE OTHER PLANS!
AROUND I PROMISED THE WARDEN THEM UP HIM THE COME BACK?

WHOLE GANG!



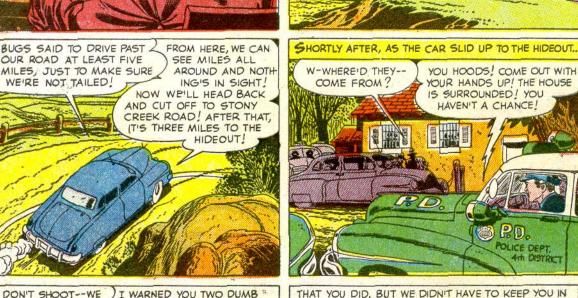
















SIGHT, AS LONG AS WE KEPT YOU IN HEARING!





AUS Hair GREAN

- by Bristol-Myers, makers of famous Vita

ANONEY!

AGF SIZE

ROUALS LEADING

SOF SIZE CREAM

OIL! (ALSO IM

204 SIZE)







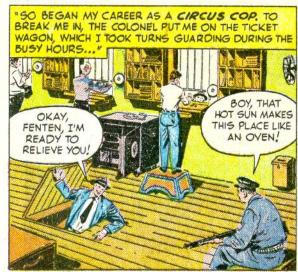




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RUBE...A YOKEL BLUES... BLEACHERS BLOOMER.. POOR TOWN IRON JAW.. HANGS BY

JOEYS.....CLOWNS
BULLS....ELEPHANTS
KINKER...ACROBAT
"DOORS!"...SHOW STARTS

BAG GUY... BALLOON
MAN
THE ALLEY... CLOWN'S

DRESSING ROOM

FLAG'S UP., MEAL TIME KID SHOW., SIDE SHOW







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"BUT OUR JOB IS TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC AS WELL AS THE CIRCUS. FOR EXAMPLE, HERE'S AN IN-CIDENT THAT OCCURRED LAST MAY 7th, IN EVANTON..."

WHATIS THE BIG IDEA,
MISTER? I HAND
THREE FREE TICKETS... I
THE TICKET MAN
A FIVE-DOLLAR
BILL, AND ALL I
GET IS 50 CENTS
IN CHANGE!

WAGON!

COLONEL!

CASHIER... A MAN WE'D HIRED ONLY TWO
DAYS BEFORE..."

HEY! I DIDN'T GET ALL
MY MONEY -- THOSE
SHORT - CHANGE
ARTISTS!

GENERAL
ADMISSION BOXES

"HE HAD A THIN METAL STRIP ON THE

COUNTER'S EDGE WHICH CAUGHT CUSTOMERS' SMALL COINS! OF COURSE, HE

"THEN, THERE WAS THAT EVENING PERFORMANCE OF LAST SEPTEMBER 3rd, IN LONBURG -- WHEN ONE OF OUR NEW 'JOEYS' CARRIED HIS ACT INTO THE STANDS. SOMETHING ABOUT HIM MADE ME SUSPICIOUS -- SO I FOLLOWED BEHIND HIM..."







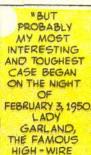
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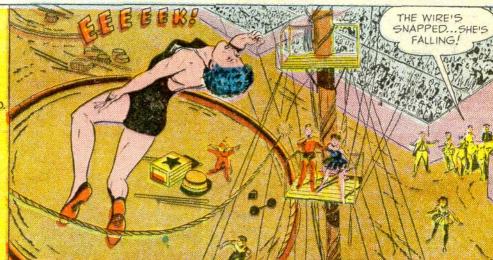








WALKER, WAS GOING THROUGH HER ACT, WHEN SUDDENLY...









ACCIDENT" THAT

THEY HAVE!

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"AND AS EACH PERFORMER MOUNTED TO HIS SPOT ON THE POLE, I DREW UP MY LIST OF SUSPECTS..."



TUCKER SISTERS...
IRON JAW ACT FROM
IOWA -- ELIMINATED,
NOT UP HIGH ENOUGH.



M/55 OVAL... NEW SLACK WIRE QUEEN FROM CALIFORNIA--HIGH ENOUGH... MOTIVE LACKING,



DR. 150TO... JAPANESE WIRE CLIMBER, HATES ANIMALS, FEELS UNAPPRECIATED.



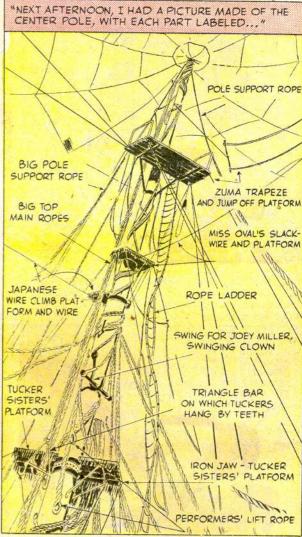
JOEY MOLLER...
SWINGING CLOWN ...
OLD TIMER... HIGH
ENOUGH ... ALSO
HATES BIG CATS.

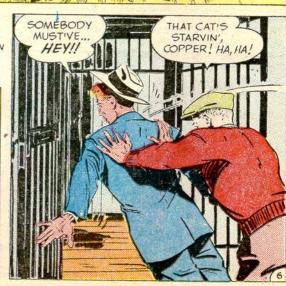


THE ZUMAS...FROM EUROPE... JOINED SHOW JUST BEFORE FIRST ACCIDENT.

"BUT ON THE MORNING OF FEBRUARY 8th, AS I PASSED THE CAGE OF SHEBA, THE MAN-EATING TIGER ..."













"IT WAS ALL A MATTER OF SECONDS -- BUT IT SEEMED LIKE HOURS AS I DESPERATELY PULLED OUT A BAR OF CHOCOLATE, RIPPED OPEN THE WRAPPING, AND..." ATTAGIRL, SHEBA... >WHEW ....











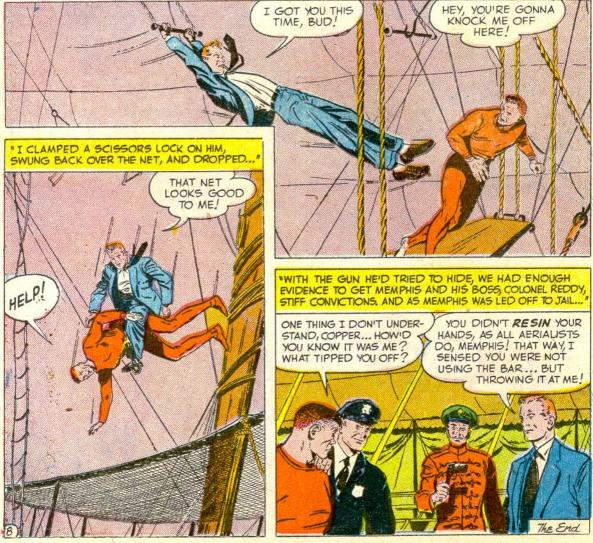
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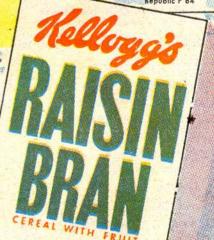
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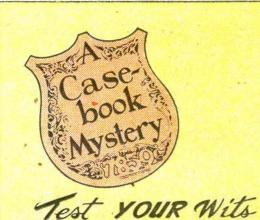
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# The Case of the SIINSET Against a Criminal!

THERE WERE NO TWO FASTER FRIENDS THAN ALFRED TOTH AND EMERY BRANDEL, BAGGAGE CLERKS IN A LARGE, EAST COAST WAREHOUSE

HSST ... HOLD IT, TOTH ... WATCH THE FOREMAN WHEN HE TRIES TO LIFT THAT LITTLE BOX!





SO INSEPARABLE WERE THESE TWO THAT EVEN WHEN TOTH COURTED HIS FIANCEE WILMA PRENDER. BRANDEL WENT ALONG WITH THEM ...



AND NO SOONER WOULD THEY REACH THEIR DESTINATION, THAN ...







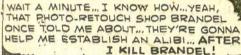




THUS THE GREAT FRIENDSHIP LASTED MANY MONTHS UNTIL, ON THE AFTERNOON OF JULY 7, 1950, WHILE ON ANOTHER PICNIC ...









#### NEXT DAY TOTH DROVE TO A BEACH, WHERE ...

CAN TAKE MY OWN PICTURE! AND SINCE THAT SHIP BEHIND ME, WILL BE ANCHORED THERE TILL TOMORROW NIGHT...I'LL SOON HAVE ALL THE PROOF I NEED!

THERE! WITH THE SELF-TIMING DEVICE ON THIS CAMERA, I







AND AS THE SUN ROSE THE FOLLOWING MORNING, HE SNEAKED INTO BRANDEL'S FLAT AND BRUTALLY CLUBBED HIS FRIEND TO DEATH ... ...



### MINUTES LATER, HE MADE HIS ESCAPE THROUGH THE BACK DOOR ...



WITHIN THREE HOURS, THE POLICE FERRETED OUT ALL THE FRIENDS OF THE MURDERED MAN., AND WHEN THEY QUESTIONED TOTH...





DID TOTH THUS GET
AWAY WITH HIS RUTHLESS
SCHEME? WAS HE ABLE
TO FOOL AN ENTIRE
POLICE FORCE WITH
HIS IRREFUTABLE
ALIB, OR DID HE SLIP
UP SOMEWHERE?
BEFORE READING THE
NEXT PAGE, EXAMINE
THE CASE CAREFULLY
AND SEE IF

CAN FIND SOME CLUE WHICH WOULD INDICT THE KILLER!



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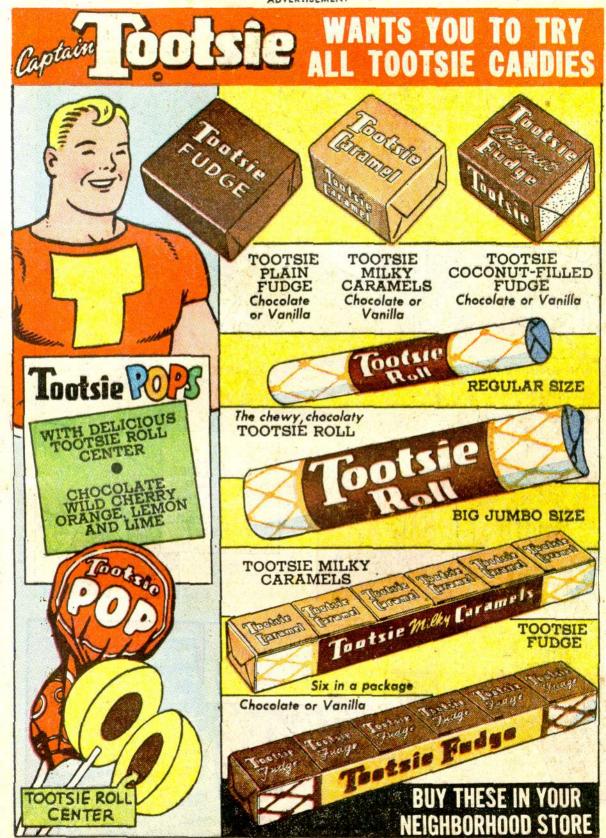
SEE? WHOEVER THE ARTIST WAS, HE MADE THE SUN'S REFLECTION IN THE WATER GROW NARROWER AND MARROWER AS IT MOVED TOWARD THE HORIZON...
JUST LIKE RAILROAD TRACKS! THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE ...
IF THIS WERE GENUINE, THE REFLECTION'S WIDTH
WOULD BE THE SAME SIZE ALL THE WAY!



HIS ALIBI SHATTERED, TOTH SOON BROKE DOWN AND CONFESSED! ON AUGUST 744, HE WAS CONVICTED AND IS NOW SERVING OUT A LIPE SENTENCE AT STATE PENITENTIARY... ""

IT WAS BRANDEL HIMSELF WHO SENT ME UP! HE WAS THE ONE WHO FIRST RECOMMENDED THAT RE-TOUCH SHOP, AS IF HE KNEW THIS WOULD HAPPEN ALL ALONG!



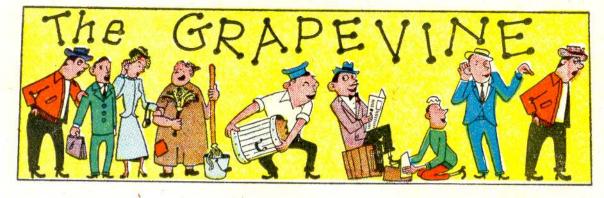












### **CONVICT COWBOYS**

Each year, countless thousands pour into McAlester, Oklahoma, to witness a rodeo. What makes this event unique is not only the fact that it takes place on the Oklahoma State Prison grounds but that its participants are the flint-eyed, hard-bitten inmates. Another factor which makes it unparalleled in rodeo annals is its peculiar function. It is the prisoners' way of honoring their former warden, who was slain by convicts during their futile attempt at escape.

In this bizarre tribute to the late Warden Jess Dunn, convicts in striped prison garb master bucking broncs, rope calves, bulldog steers, and, in general, display their cowboy abilities. Other con-cowpokes thread among the spectators, hawking programs, souvenirs, and soft drinks.

What prompted this incredible event began back in August, 1941, when four inmates—three murderers serving life sentences, and one imprisoned for 15 years for armed robbery—captured Warden Dunn and a telephone repairman at the point of knives they had secretly fashioned.

Threatening the pair with instant death if the surprised guards did not relinquish their rifles and sawed-off shotguns, the freedom-crazed quartet scooped up the weapons and rushed through the gates. Hurling their victims into a parked sedan, the four felons leaped aboard, just as it started to careen down the road.

Three prison guards sprang into an automobile in swift pursuit, racing through the streets of serene McAlester. In a wooded country lane, they stopped abruptly, leaving their car to block the road. True to their calculations,

the fugitives' auto roared into view, headed for the highway. Brakes screeched as the car ground to a stop.

"Throw out your guns and come out quiet-like!" one of the guards commanded.

In reply, a convict brutally shot the hostages in the head. Then, the sedan roared away, skirting the guards' car which barred the way. The guards swiftly resumed the chase, firing shotgun bursts at their quarry.

Confronted by an open drawbridge soon after, the desperate prisoners abandoned their vehicle and leaped into the river. When the guards pulled up, they rushed to the river's bank, aimed carefully at the swimming slayers . . . and picked them off, one by one.

Back at the prison grounds, all were shocked by the episode and saddened by the warden's death. In tribute to his memory, the convicts agreed to stage a rodeo once a year, "The Biggest Behind the Walls Contest in All the World."

### SLANG STUFF

The Mitchell Library in Sydney, Australia, soon will be enriched by the addition of a unique book. It is a dictionary of underworld slang and is being completed by a lifer in a New South Wales jail. At the author's request, his identity will remain anonymous. Instead, it will bear the prison number: "Thirty-five."

While several dictionaries of criminal slang have been compiled and published in the United States, this marks the second effort of an Australian. Back in the early 1800's, a prisoner by the name of James Hardy Vaux, also of New South Wales, pioneered the

speech habits of his fellow-felons and produced the first lexicon of the lawless.

### DEAD GIVEAWAY

A Texas farmer strode into his house, cranked his telephone and called the police. Then he informed them that he had spotted the two convicts, whose escape had been broadcast earlier that day.

Soon after, the fugitives were nabbed. When puzzled police quizzed the farmer about his recognition of the pair, his reply was simple.

"I just come out of the barn after milkin' when I seen those two walkin' quick down the road yonder. Natcherlly, I shouted and waved 'hello,' but they paid no heed. Now, local folks don't behave like that. I didn't cotton to it at all 'til suddenly I remembered hearin' on my radio about them two ornery prisoners bustin' loose this mornin'. I reckoned they'd be goin' lickety-split, without allowin' to say, 'hello.'



Not only is New York the busiest and greatest port in the world, according to a spokesman from the Department, but it is also the best policed. Looting and larceny have suffered a marked decrease these past years as a result of an effective police screen.

This is comprised of an Emergency Service Division, alerted on a round-the-clock watch for trouble; patrols of police planes and launches; motorcycle, mounted and foot contingents; and the Riverfront Squad of plain-clothesmen who are wary of suspicious characters.

### MIDGET MANHUNTER

It is common practice for race track crooks to hide transmitters in their pockets which enable them to send last-minute changes in bet-

ting odds to bookies on the outside. Detectives now are equipped with a new gadget to expedite their work.

Called a "snifter," it is a listening device, so tiny that it fits into the palm of a hand. When it picks up a radio transmitter in the vicinity, it starts to hum.

### MARK OF A THIEF

Another new gimmick in criminal detection is a recently perfected signature collector. This doesn't pick up the usual autographs but something just as personal, which can identify the men who made them—markings of chisels, crowbars, jimmies, pinchbars, and other burglar tools.

Known as Faxfilm, this ingenious piece of equipment molds and photographs scratches and notches of thieves' implements down to the minutest, barely perceptible, fraction of an inch. Recently, when a fur storage vault was jimmied open, a negative was made and the molds scrutinized.

When two suspicious characters were picked up a few nights later toting a valise with burglar apparatus, impressions were made of the jimmy, which later were compared with the first set filed at headquarters. The microscope proved them to be a perfect match.

### **BLOTTER JOTTINGS**

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.; Apprehended when he fled from his job as chef in a prison official's home, the convict complained: "I just couldn't stand my own cooking any more!"

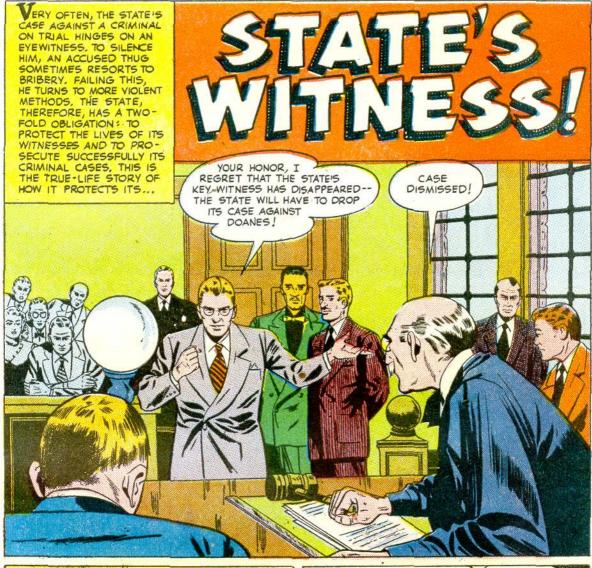
MEMPHIS, Tenn.: After three years of worrying, a citizen visited the offices of a local FBI agency and surrendered a \$26 unemployment check which he had falsely claimed.

PARIS, France: Gendarmes needed five trucks to cart away the pickings of a local kleptomaniac. Amassed over a period of 16 years were such incongruous items as park benches, dozens of shoes for the right foot, dental plates, shampoo, rubber hose and stone statues.

SALEM, Ore.: Police were on the alert for a thief who sneered at superstition after several pool rooms reported the loss of their eightballs.























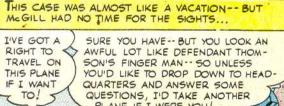
THAT'S HOW LT. GEORGE MCGILL BEGAN -- BUT HIS























LT. MCGILL'S MOST ATTRACTIVE,
BUT FOR A WHILE MOST EMBARRASSING CASE INVOLVED THE LOVELY
STAGE AND RADIO SONGSTRESS,
LILY HASKINS. LILY HAD THE MISFORTUNE TO BE NEARBY WHEN
GANG LEADER BIG BOY JAMES
PUT A BULLET THROUGH HIS PARTNER IN CRIME, SID WALSH, ON
THE NIGHT OF MAY 4TH...







WHY, MILLIE, ISN'T THAT GEORGE, I'LL YOUR HUSBAND, NEVER SPEAK SITTING WITH TO YOU AGAIN AS LILY HASKINS? LONG AS I LIVE!

BUT, HONEY, YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND--

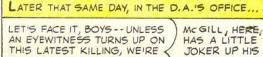














YES, D.A. -- WE SUSPECT THAT OKAY, MAC --YOU CAN HAVE A DOANES PULLED FREE HAND ON THIS JOB, AND I THIS CASE, AND THINK I KNOW COUNT ON ME HOW WE CAN-FOR ALL THE HELP SMOKE HIM YOU'LL NEED! OUT!

WITHIN THE NEXT THREE DAYS, THE UNDERGROUND GRAPEVINE BUZZED ...

-- YEAH THE COPS I GOT A HOT GOT HOLD OF AN EYEWITNESS TO THE MUGS CONKLIN JOB-











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MAYBE THAT CROAKER THAT'S
CAN PICK ME OUT RIGHT, BLIPOF A LINE-UP AND
MAYBE HE CAN'T-BUT WE'RE NOT LAY LOW UNTIL
TAKING ANY
CHANCES! TO BUMP THE
DOC!

SO, WHILE LT. MCGILL ACCOM-PANIED DR. BILLINGS ON HIS ROUNDS ... DON'T WORRY-SLIPS GETTING ONE OF THESE PRETTY WORRIED DAYS WEILL GET A McGILL 15 CHANCE TO SHUT PRACTICALLY LIVING WITH THAT SAW -GOOD! BONES!

THEN, SUDDENLY, ON THE AFTER-NOON OF JUNE 29TH ... YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT! LIVE GOT HEY, LT. MCGILL TO RUN OUT TO CHI-CAGO AND WIND UP THAT JOHNSON CASE! I HEARD DOWN THE I GUESS THE DOC IS PRECINCT YOU'RE SAFE -- NOBODY'S TRIED TO GET NEAR GOING ON HIM! A LITTLE TRIP! FOLLOW MCGILL-- IT STILL MIGHT BE A TRAP

















HERE I AM, WISE GUY-- RIGHT

BEHIND YOU WITH A GUN IN YOUR

WAIT A MINUTE. DOANES! DOC BILLINGS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU! I'M GUARDING HIM FOR ANOTHER CASE!



DON'T KID ME! I

FIGURED OUT! I

SPECIAL DETAIL

HAD IT ALL

I GUESS YOU WIN, DOANES! NO USE SEARCHING THE WHOLE PLACE -- DOC BILLINGS IS IN KNEW YOU WERE ON HERE! COME ON DO WE GIVE NURSING WITNESSES! IN, DOC! THEM THE WORKS RIGHT HERE









THERE NEVER WAS A DOCTOR BILLINGS, DOANES -- THE "DOC" IS REALLY SGT. EDWARD CLARK!

LUCKY NOBODY EVER CAME IN HERE WITH A HEADACHE --BESIDES YOU, DOANES!



BUT IF YOU HAVEN'T GOT AN THAT'S QUICK EYEWITNESS, THEN YOU STILL CAN'T PIN THE MUGS CONKLIN RAP ON ME, MCGILL! THINKING, SLIP!



DOANES, A FEW MINUTES AGO, YOU TOLD ME HOW YOU HAD IT ALL FIGURED OUT -- HOW YOU FOUND OUT WE HAD A WITNESS TO YOUR BUMPING OFF MUGS! REMEMBER?

WHAT ABOUT IT? IT'S YOUR WORD AGAINST MINE! I CAN'T BE CONVICTED ON JUST WHAT



THAT'S RIGHT, BUT WE WILL GET A CONVICTION ON WHAT YOU SAID! AND IT'S ALL DOWN HERE ON THE RECORD WE JUST MADE! WE MAY NOT HAVE AN EYEWITNESS, BUT WE GOT SOMETHING JUST AS GOOD -- WHAT YOU MIGHT CALL AN EAR -WITNESS,



# QUICK QUIZ

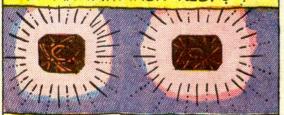


NO! BECAUSE TOADS HAVE A WARTY SKIN, PEOPLE OF OLDEN DAYS WHO HANDLED THEM BELIEVED TOADS CAUSE WARTS! THIS WAS MERE COINCIDENCE, AS MEDICAL SCIENCE OFTEN PROVED! WAS INDIA INK FIRST MADE IN INDIA?

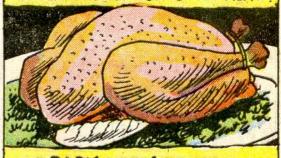


NO! IT WAS INVENTED IN CHIAP 1200 YEARS BEFORE THE CHRISTIAN ERA!

IS THERE ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A SYNTHETIC RUBY AND AN IMITATION RUBY?



YES! A SYNTHETIC RUBY IS REAL STONE OF SAME COMPOSITION AS A NATURAL STONE, BUT MAN-MADE IN A LABORATORY! AN IMITATION STONE IS MERELY GLASS! FROM WHICH PART OF A FOWL DOES ONE OBTAIN THE MOST VITAMINS..... THE LIGHT MEAT OR DARK MEAT?



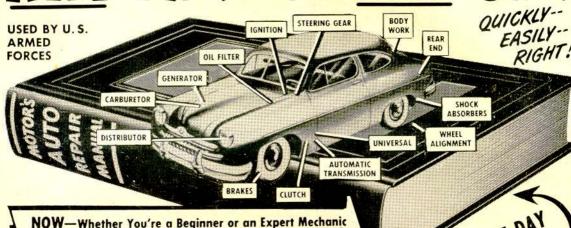
THE DARK MEAT! IT HAS
MORE VITAMIN B! F H.T. ELMO

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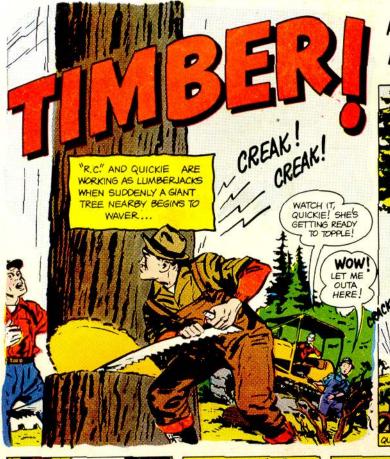
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