

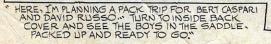




THIS THE TEAR RICHARD VALIONIS WON THE BOY OF THE TEAR HONORS AND THE RANCH. I'LL SOON HAVE PICTURES OF HIS ADVENTURES OUT HERE ...

THESE BOYS SEE COWBOYS AND INDIANS FOR THE FIRST TIME, AND I'LL BET THEY GO HOME WITH SOME BIG STORIES ...





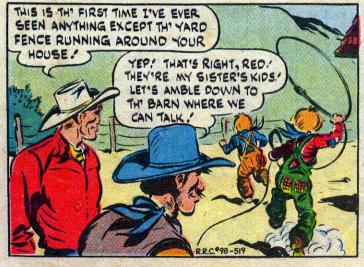


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TIVE BEEN BLINDFOLDED,
HAD MY FOOT TIED UP,
BEEN SACKED OUT AN'
RODE A THOUSAND MILES
IN TH' LAST FEW DAYS! THEM'S
TH' BRONC RIDIN'EST KIDS
I EVER SAW!



There's a couple o'
Jaspers Tryin' to
Squeeze sis an' her
Husband off Their
Ranch Down in
ARIZONA AN' I RECKON
THEY'VE 'BOUT GOT IT









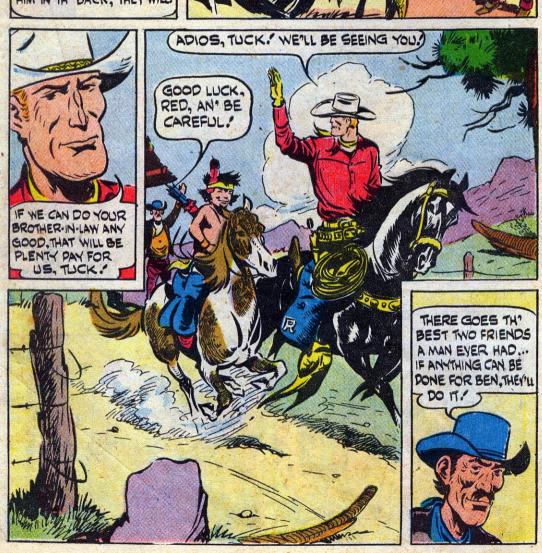


























































I GUESS OU LEFTY IS BEN'S BEST FRIEND! HE'S STAYIN' AT BEN'S RANCH NOW! THAT IS, IF HARDY AND SLATE HAVEN'T RUN HIM OFF!













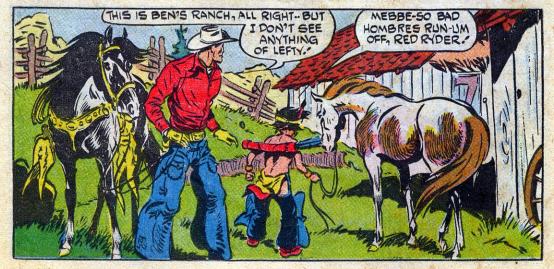


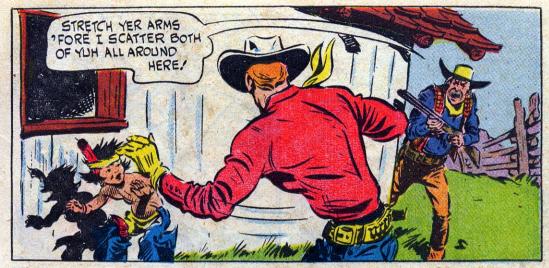
























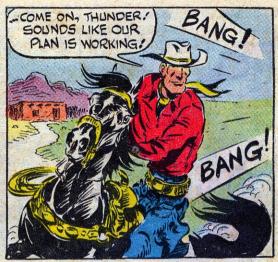


















THE WEST THAT LIVES FOREVER

THE LEGEND OF THE THUNDERHEADS by



If, on a bright summer day, you have ever seen a great white cloud on the horizon or over the distant mountains and wondered what made it tower higher in the sky than all the other clouds, there is an ancient Indian Legend to explain it.

According to the legend the 'Thunderhead,' as it is called, is the spirit of a young Indian warrior mounted on a great white stallion, riding the vast rangeland of the sky in search of a beautiful Indian maiden who had promised to wait for him to return from a long and

dangerous hunt.

It all happened, long, long ago, when the Indians lived by hunting wild game. They had no horses on which to hunt the swift running deer and the far ranging herds of buffalo. In the beginning there had been no horses at all in the West, but the Spanish Conquerors of Mexico and Peru had brought a few with them.

Some escaped and became as wild and untamed as the deer and the buffalo.

Only the old horses were ever captured alive and they were too slow to ride in the hunt. But on the hunting grounds of the Navajos there was one herd of wild horses led by a great white stallion. He was as swift as a deer and as powerful as the mightiest buffalo. Around the campfires of the bravest and fleetest hunters of the Navajos, there was always talk and boasting of how easy it would be to catch and kill all the wild game the tribe could eat, if only one of them could capture, tame and ride the great white horse who was as swift as the wind itself.

Now, among the hunters was a young brave called Oota, the-swift-one, who could run for days without stopping and had been known to chase an antelope until it dropped from exhaustion. Oota had long thought of trying to capture

the great white stallion for he had noticed that while a wild horse could easily outrun a man for a short distance it could not travel as far without food or rest. Oota was also in love with the beautiful daughter of the chief of the tribe and wanted her for his mate. But the Chief, knowing of Oota's ambition to capture the great white stallion told the young brave he could not have his daughter for his Squaw until he had caught and tamed the white stallion to ride in the hunt for game.

Oota made his plans carefully. He trained himself to run faster and farther, days on end, carrying only a little food and water. One day when he was ready and had fashioned a strong rope which he wound around his waist, he bade farewell to the Chief's daughter and promised not to return without the white stallion, and she in turn prom-

ised to wait for him.

Far out on the grassy plains Oota found the herd of wild horses led by the white stallion and the long, long chase began. Led by the white stallion the herd fled before the young Indian runner. Day and night he followed them at a dog trot, never giving the horses a chance to stop and graze or even drink from the streams they crossed or the water holes they passed. Through the blazing heat of day and the chill of night the chase went on and on. The mares and colts and older horses scattered and dropped out of the herd one by one until only the white stallion and the young Indian remained in the race to the finish for one or the other.



Closer and closer Oota came to the white stallion but never quite close enough to use the rope he carried around his waist. His food and water were gone and both he and the white stallion were running on strength and will alone.

During the long chase the stallion had moved ever Westward toward the high mountains whose peaks reached up into the clouds and there the chase finally ended in Oota's capture of the great white stallion. Both were so exhausted there was no final struggle. Oota merely slipped the rope around the neck of the weary horse and led him back down the mountain to food and water and then by gentleness and kindness won the respect and trust of the white steed until at last they rode back to the Indian village.

But there Oota's triumph was shattered by news that in his absence a band of savage warriors from the mountains of the west had raided the village and carried the chief's daughter away with them. Heartbroken, Oota and the white stallion rode Westward seeking his lost love among the peaks of the mountains and beyond the horizon of the great

plains.

So now, whenever a towering white thunderhead appears far away over the mountains or the plains, there are some Indians who say it is Oota-the-Swift and the great white stallion rearing skyward in search of the long lost Indian Maiden and the thunder that often follows is the sound of the wild horse and its tireless rider racing across the wind-

swept sky.

Of course, those of you who have started to have science courses in school probably know the real scientific explanation for those beautiful, towering clouds we call thunderheads. Actually, they are caused by strong updrafts of warm, moist air, usually on the sunny side of mountains, that rises into the cooler air of the high altitudes and condenses into white, billowy clouds and are sometimes called 'Thermal Chimneys'. Even in the Indian Schools the children are taught this explanation, but the old legend persists.













































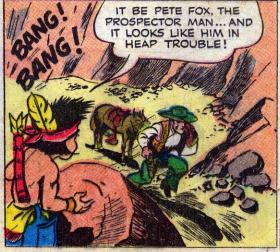








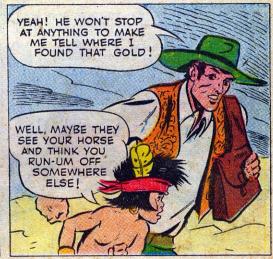




























































































"GENERAL THOMPSON WAS SENT BY PRESIDENT JACK-SON TO OBTAIN AN AGREEMENT FROM THE SEMINOLES TO CEDE THEIR LAND TO THE U.S. AND MOVE THEIR TRIBE ELSEWHERE ... OSCEOLA REFUSED.



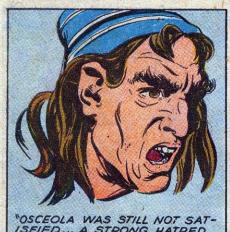
"THOMPSON THREW THE SEMINOLE CHIEF INTO IRONS AND OSCEOLA, HUMILIATED AT THIS TURN OF EVENTS, SWORE REVENGE ON THE GENERAL.



"AFTER SIGNING THE AGREEMENT, OSCEOLA WAS RELEASED. ALL WAS NOT WELL THOUGH AS THE CHIEF LED HIS TRIBE IN A SERIES OF RAIDS AND MURDERS.







*OSCEOLA WAS STILL NOT SAT-ISFIED ... A STRONG HATRED STILL BURNED FOR GENERAL THOMPSON.







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