

"The Leashed Guns of Circle L"

by Perry Westbrook

SYNOPSIS: Slim Loyale is paroled from prison after serving 18 months for a crime he did not commit. He returns to his Circle L ranch to find his father dead and his mother in a state of collapse. He is again being railroaded to prison. The Brockweils and their gang are plotting to gain possession of Circle L ranch and the property of Mona Hall, a neighbor and life-long friend of Slim Loyale. Slim discovers that Sheriff Starbuck has joined the plot against him. With the help of Dakota Blue and his cowboys, Slim Loyale defies the law-grabbers to get his worst enemy.

CHAPTER XIII.
"Arthur claims I'll shore boom this range. Says a lot of cattlemen down in the Big Bend country are gonna pull stakes an' bring their herds up through here to the new range. Understand that sheep interests have got 'em just about licked down in the Big Bend. Some of the stock in this good Arthur says. He kin lie faster'n a George Huss can run."

Slim nodded, rather absently. The proposed opening of the government lands along the Kicappo River had been a much discussed item for several years that he knew of it. It was a subject that had grown cold to him. And besides, just now he was wondering what angle of approach to use on George Arthur about the mortgage.

Dakota Blue, however, with a sudden gleam in his eyes, pulled the paper to him and began reading it carefully. Slim rolled a cigarette, lit it, then went over to the pool table and began lightly punching the balls about.

Presently came the third of boots and the puncher rode down the street, stopping before Jigger Starbuck's office. He dismounted and went in, to reappear about five minutes later and cross to the saloon.

It was a diminutive, shriveled-up, crooked-legged fellow, with a pair of far-flung wings, who appeared so enormous as to make him appear almost square. He had a pair of heavy, button, black eyes, set in a wrinkled, mahogany-brown visage. Half hidden by the flare of his cheeks, a pair of big, black Colt's guns dragged at his waist.

As the newcomer stepped into the room, Dakota Blue turned to half face him, his eyes wary, his right hand dropping until his thumb was hooked in his belt. The newcomer grimaced crookedly.

"Go on with your reading, blue," he remarked in a thin, whispery voice. "All I'm after is a shot of liquor, providin' Dillon will let it be. I understand he told my best man, Leo that their money wasn't any good. How about it, Dillon? Does that apply to the whole of the moon?"

"Not if they mind their business, Cider," growled Dillon. "What'll it be?"

Foreman Watted "Bourbon," the puncher announced, rocking up to the bar. "Blue, will yah an' Loyale have one with me?"

Dakota shook his head. "Thanks. We just turned Spud down on the same offer."

Cider Alton shrugged. "Okay! Lots of fellows don't care for liquor before noon. Me, I'm different. I'm just dropping until I see my mate, who's the first Diamond B can pick up a new foreman, do yah, Loyale?" he asked. "We lost Rango Deale last night."

"Now?" exploded Spud. "I'll be before Slim could answer. 'Yuh don't mean it? How could it happen, Cider?"

"Stopped a slug. It broke Rango's neck, clean as a whistle."

"That's tough, Slim. It seems born to stop lead. Yuh'd thought Deale would have learned that, long time ago."

"Yuh," agreed Alton, "yuh would at that. How'd yuh get the hole in him?"

A subtle change came into Alton's voice at this question. It grew flat and toneless to a degree. His hands had dropped to his hips with the words and his eyes were hard as obsidian. Suddenly Slim knew he was looking straight into the eyes of death, but he did not quail. He squinted carefully along his cut, made the shot and dropped the slug into a corner pocket.

"Rango Deale put it there with a .45, Alton," he drawled. "It was rotten smoothin'."

"Yuh," agreed Alton coldly, "it

1939 Fashions Feature Curves

They'll Be All-Important in the Coming Mode

PARIS.—The dressmakers here now have their eyes firmly fixed on spring, 1939. The clothes on which the girls at the long tables in the work-rooms are busily stitching are forecasts of what will be wearing when the winter is over.

There'll be some magnificent new color blends incorporating all the fresh beauty of spring.

Camouflage.
You'll have to give thought to your coats. If you really want to look 1939, you've got to acquire a waist, if you don't possess one already. Curves, in fact, will be all-important, and if you haven't any, you must camouflage.

Your hair will still look as though you are piling it on top of your head, but it will look soft, peeling back and over the back of your neck.

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Eat The Crockery

That is what Maresci Mazetti, confectioner, of New York, foresees by his invention of cups, plates and dishes made of coloured wax. When dinner is finished theiners eat the crockery and the table is cleared.

Canadian Girls Air Stewardesses

Six Are Chosen From Amongst 1,500 Applicants For Positions With Trans-Canada Airlines

Out of more than 1,000 Canadian girls who made applications, six will become stewardesses of the Trans-Canada Air Lines this month, according to T.C.A. headquarters, Montreal. After informal schooling lasting two weeks, they will be given actual flight training and points west. Twenty-five stewardesses will be employed in all, the remaining 19 to be chosen early in the new year.

Must Be Registered Nurse. An air stewardess must be more than a pleasing personality. Although it is an important attribute, officials of the airline insist on the first place a candidate must also be a registered nurse. She must be able to answer questions of passengers regarding both the aircraft and the route over which it flies.

While the T.C.A. has no rigid standards regarding physical characteristics, the flying stewardess is usually between 21 and 26 years old, weighs not more than 125 pounds, and is between five feet and five feet and a half in height.

The activities of stewardesses en route will include the serving of such refreshments as coffee, hot chocolate and seeing that passengers are supplied with cigarettes and chewing gum. The pressure as the plane descends, the act of frequent swallowing keeps the ear drums flexible.

Royalty Choose Christmas Cards

Photograph of Garden at Balmoral Castle is Chosen as the King

Photographs of the royal family's 1938 Christmas cards were issued last week by the printers, Raphael, Tuck & Sons, Limited.

The Duke and Duchess of Kent are sending a card with a reproduction of "A Christmas Song," drawn by Doris Kinkead.

Beauty for YOU
The Secrets of Good Looks
by Barbara Lynn

SIMPLE SIT-DOWN EXERCISES
Many correspondents plead that they are too busy to devote too long periods each day to strenuous exercises. They ask for exercises that, while beneficial can be sandwiched into odd moments of the day. Here, therefore, are some sit-down exercises.

To strengthen abdominal muscles, sit with body erect, feet flat on floor, and pull in the abdominal muscles as hard as you can, trying to make the front muscles touch the spine. Do this about ten times, then rest for a few moments. Repeat frequently during the day, and you will see your posture improve.

To strengthen the abdomen and back: sit erect with knees apart and hands on knees. Bend forward, round the back and pull in abdominal muscles hard. Then lift entire upper torso from pelvis up, keeping abdomen flat, neck straight and head up. Repeat five times, rest and repeat five times.

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1 pkg. lemon-flavored prepared jelly powder
1/2 cup boiling water
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1/2 cup celery cut fine
1/2 cup canned shredded pineapple (drained)
1 cup thick sweetened cranberry sauce.
Dissolve jelly powder in boiling water. Chill with occasional stirring until the mixture is as strained honey. Add juice, celery, pineapple and berry sauce. Turn into wet chill until firm. Unmould on platter. Garnish with sliced cranberries and angel wings and Christmas lights.

SOUTHERN DRESSING
2 cups moistened bread crumbs
1/2 cup melted butter
1 cup canned corn
1/2 cup chopped celery
1/2 cup chopped ripe olives
1/2 cup chopped stuffed olives
1 teaspoon poultry seasoning
1 small onion, minced
1/2 teaspoon salt
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Mix thoroughly and stuff into turkey.

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Finds Women Best Walkers
New York State Bureau Learns Men Lead in "Jay-Walking"

Women, the New York State Bureau of Motor Vehicles has decided, are not only "more proficient or more considerate" automobile drivers than men, but are better pedestrians, too.

That conclusion was based on a report of pedestrian accidents for January and July, 1938—in which 5,263 accidents killed 207 pedestrians and injured 3,800.

Dark Red Lipstick Leads For Winter

Rich, dark red is the lipstick shade of the hour. If the purplish or arch-tinted lipstick you bought last September is just about gone, do try some of the deep, wine-red colors before deciding definitely to get a new one just like the old.

Spoke at Birth

The story of a boy who "spoke at birth" in a local hospital has excited superstitious people in Essex, England. No sooner was he born, so the report goes, than he said, "Who shall I eat—mother or father?"

Christmas Dinner Contest Winner

Among hundreds of entries that flooded in for our Christmas Dinner Menu contest, the judge, Mrs. H. M. Aitken, who is staff dietitian and radio commentator for the Canada Starch Company, picked by Miss Sadie Chambers of Arthur, Ontario, as the best. Miss Chambers receives the \$100 prize. Second prize of \$50 goes to Miss Janet Whitelaw, R. L. 1, Elmer, Ontario. Mrs. S. T. Jordan, Markham, comes third (\$25). There are good cooks in Canada, we discovered. Mrs. Aitken found it a most difficult job to narrow the contest down to prize-winners so high a standard of excellence.

Christmas Dinner
GRAPEFRUIT AND ORANGE COCKTAIL TOPPED WITH TURKEY SOUTHERN DRESSING RICED POTATOES BAKED SQUASH GIBLET GRAVY SALAD CRANBERRY MOULD CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDING BUTTERSCOTCH SAUCE SWEETENED CRANBERRY RAISINS COFFEE

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Fashion Flashes
Evening dresses choose soft shades and arresting-revealing necklines.

Pleatings Feature Newest Situation
PARIS.—Pleatings play part in constructing 1939. Pleats running different at suggest stylized "bas-relief" are featured by Lelong, Moloney and others.

Lesson XIII
GOD'S GREAT LOVE
Golden Text
God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life. John 3: 16.

Lesson XIV
THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING
Time.—The time of our Lord's birth is still a matter of dispute, but we follow here the chronology of Samuel J. Andrews and many others, and date it in December, B.C. The visit of the Wise Men, therefore, took place in February.

Minister of Trees For Ontario Urged
Sir William Mulock advocated the formation of a department of trees in the Ontario Government, at the Christmas dinner of the Men of the Trees Society last week.

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THE PREFERRED ACTING
Pretty Gretchen Davidson, pictured here as an Evanston, Ill., girl who couldn't wait until she got out of college to embark on her theatrical career. So she quit Northwestern University after the first year and got herself a job with a touring company of "Showboat." Her work with the Providence Players followed, and then she turned to radio. In 1934, She has been on the air since, having been heard in the CBS serial, "The Trouble House," and "Carol Kenner's Romance," and at present is appearing in "Aunt Jenny" and "Big Sister," also over the WABC-Columbia network.

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Everywhere Tonight

Everywhere, everywhere Christmas tonight! Christmas in lands of the fir-tree and pine, Christmas in lands of the palm-tree and vine; Christmas where snow-peaks stand solemn and white, Christmas where corn-fields lie sunny and bright.

A Child's Song of Christmas
My centerpiece is soft as silk, blankets white as creamy milk, my way was soft to Him, I know, the little Lord of long ago.

When Christmas First Was Celebrated
The earliest celebration of the birth of Christ, December 25 of each year, took place in the Fourth Century, and the custom spread from the western to the eastern church. Before that date the commemoration of Christ's nativity and baptism took place January 6.

Sunday School Lesson
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David, the Shepherd
By Molly Chittick

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