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Sunday afternoon

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Oct. 1 - Mr. and Mrs. Ira Ball,

Monsel Elliott and sister, Miss

Estelle Elliott, of High Point,

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith at

tended the Carolina-Texas football

game at Chapel Hill Saturday and

spent the weekend with their son

and daughter-in-law at Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne West and

children have moved to their new

home in Newport, N. C. atter

spending the past two years on

Dr. Harry Civil's farm at Adam's

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Smith, Jr.

were in Morehead City Tuesday evening to see Mrs. E. C. McLawhorn and young son in the More

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thomas and son, Ricky spent Saturday in New

Mrs. H. N. Harris has returned home from New Bern, having been with her mother, Mrs. H. D. Gaskins who has been ill and is im-

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Taylor and

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Smith, Sr.

visited friends in Newport, N. C.

Mr. Jimmy Smith and son, J. I Smith were in Beaufort Monday. Mrs. Blythe Noe and children and kobert Smith, of Beaufort, visited Mrs. John Smith Sunday. J. L. Smith, Jr. and Fred Smith were in Greenville Thursday. Harry Ball is a patient in the

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith were

spent the weekend in the commu

of Miami, Florida, who have been

visiting Fred and Emmett Ball, re

turned home last Thursday.

By Herbert Shappiro

commanded a view of miles and miles of the open range. In the distance, westward again, lay the Circle-A. He scanned the coun-tryside again, lay the der. When the riderless horse finally came alongside, Phil distance, westward again, lay the der. When the Fiderless horse Circle-A. He scanned the coun-tryside carefully, studied every movement and billow of dust. His lips tightened suddenly. In the distance he spied a lone horse-man. fell forward in the saddle.

moved, nudged Snediker but there was no response. but there was no response. but to the spot, rolled him over with his foot, then he bent down and pushed the lifeless body down

DHIL stepped closer to him, bent into a crevice. There were some the direction of the in

DHIL MARTIN and John Snediker marched along in silence. They had almost reached the corral gate when Phil turned to "You got a lotta ridin' ahead man. "Reckon that's him," he said

"Come on then," Phil said. He nodded toward the bunkhouse.

Mister Snediker gets 'imself some coffee," he said. "TIL come back fr mine later on." He nodded to Snediker, strode out of the bunkhouse, went back to the corral and saddled his horse. Minutes later he rode out of the enclosure and clattered away in a westerly direction. Since a man. Snediker man since in the man's the top of the hill. The riffer the top of the hill. The riffer horse. Minutes later he rode out of the enclosure and clattered away in a westerly direction. A couple of punchers loped up, nodded to him, swung off toward the bunkhouse. Phil nudged his horse with his knees and the ani-mal quickened his pace. Present-ly they were going downhill and the ranch buildings fell away be him racing ahead. But after hind them. Phil spurred his horse, sent him racing ahead. But after

a mile or so, Phil suddenly pulled up, twisted around in the saddle up, twisted around in the saddle and looked back. When he was evidently satisfied that he was unobserved, he swerved his horse in a southerly direction, sent him

o' you b'fore you get back t' your place," he said. "How 'bout havin' some hot coffee with me b'fore you get goin'?" "Awright. Fact o' the matter is, Martin, I ain't had a thing yet t'day."

"Over there." They entered the bunkhouse to find that a fresh pot of coffee had just been put on the fire. Phil watched the coffee pot for a moment.

"One o' you fellers see that Mister Snediker gets 'imself some coffee," he said. "T'll come back f'r mine later on."

HIGH POCKETS

the cattleman.

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and looked back. When he was evidently satisfied that he was unobserved, he swerved his horse in a southerly direction, sent him pounding away. It was probably an hour later when Phil checked his mount, slowed him to a can-ter. Directly ahead of them was a hill . . they went up its grassy slope at an easy gait, topped the crest and rode part way down the other side. Phil reined in, dis-mounted, jerked his rifle out of the saddle boot. He trudged up the hill to its very top, took of grass, then he sprawled out on

grass, then he sprawled out on into his own pocket. He bent over away in his stomach with his rifle at his Snediker again, braced himself, Circle-A elbow. From where he lay he then with a mighty effort, hauled Chapter 14

roll," he said, and she laughed slapped her across the mouth 14, . happily. "Oughta be seventy-five she staggered dway from htm, hundred bucks there, mebbe even fell against the table . . . she came erect almost immediately. He came up behind her, wrapped

"Open the door please," she his great arms around her, buried said.

his great arms around her, buried his face in her hair. "Happy?" he asked. "Oh, yes!" she eplied. She turned around in his arms. "Phil, let's go to California." "Awright," he said. "Anywhere way like. horse, saw her whirl the animal around and send him racing the shack. The door closed of lits own accord. Gay was probably a hundred yards from the shack when a pistol shot shattered the morning air. She jerked her mount to a stop, twisted around in the saddle and looked back.

She pulled her horse around and dashed back to the shack, ran to the door and flung it open. "Phil!" she sobbed as she burst

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in, She stopped in her tracks and stared hard with fear-widened eyes, "Phill" There was no response from Phil Martin. He lay on the shack floor, a big, awkwardly sprawled-out hulk of a man, his left arm doubled up under him his sight to the door, stood with his show ders against it. "I think you oughta know where I got that dough," he said quietly. "O-h, Phil, must we go into that now? Can't we talk about it some other time? It's getting late, you know, and I don't want Cathy to get suspicious and spoil

"Gay, I killed a man this morn-in'. That dough I got in my pocket is his. Leastways, it was his." "Phil!" she whispered. "Phill" She tiptoed around the table, peered down at him. She frowned



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Mrs. O. W. Lewis Thursday a while. Miss Helen Gillikin, who is employed at Portsmouth, a., is spend-

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ing a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adren Gillikin. Mr. S. W. Lawrence and Mr. T

P. Lawrence went to Beaufort Friday on business. Mrs. Mercury Johnson and chil

dren of Harkers Island are visiting her mother this week. Mrs. Myrtle Gillikin Miss Lucille Gillikin who is em

aleved at Portsmouth, is spenditing her folks this week. Mr. and Mrs. Uzzell Lewis vis-

ited Rev. and Mrs. Lollis Friday night

Mr. Flovd Lawrence visited Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Lawrence and fam ily Sunday. Mr and Mrs. Benjamin Hardison of Grantsboro were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Brinson Lewis

this week. Mrs. Elroy Bandy visited her sister Friday evening, Mrs. Tilton Lawrence

The PTA held its first meeting Friday at the schoolhouse at 2 o'clock. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Vannie Willis, Mrs. Lionel Gillikin is secretary and Miss Gibbs treasurer. Other members include Mrs. Nell Lewis. Mrs. Alvie Gillikin, Mrs. Lola Gil-

GAY came into his thoughts and clse. Gay with her warm eager lips, her white throat. His horse slowed to a jog presently, finally stopped altogether. Phil suddenly looked up. There was the shack, almost directly ahead of them. A horse was idling in front of the eight thousand."

white," "Ain't you even courious t' know where I got all that dough," he said, "after telling you last night that I didn't have any?" He climbed down from his horse and sauntered up to the

"Still so set on leavin' the Cir-cle-A?" he asked with a smile. "More so than ever."

pants. "Let's go inside," he said. "Got somethin' to talk to you about." Gay looked at him, question-ingly, turned without further de-lay; Phil followed her inside, closed the door behind him, closed the door behind him leaned back against it. Gay stood

"When would you like t' go?" "I'd go this very minute," she answered, then she added, with a wan smile, "if I could."

"Phil," she said breathlessly. "You . . . you didn't. . .

door.

He laughed, hitched up his

"How 'bout t'night? That be too late?

"Cathy will be wondering if I don't get back shortly." She turned toward the door. "Bye, "Wait a minute," he said, and she stopped, looked at him over her shoulder. "Yes, Phil?"

He strode across the shack floor to the door, stood with his shoul-

by the table.

Mr. and Mrs. James Williams of New Rern called to see Mr. and

almost directly ahead of them. A horse was idling in front of the shack, too, and Phil eyed it with surprise. He nudged his mount and they clattered up to the shack. The door opened as they pulled up. Framed in the door-way was Gay Hollis.

"I know you had it. You were just testing me. That's all." "Oh," he said. "I'd better start back," she said.

