

SHERIFF'S BLOTTER

By Jasper Agate

Howdy All,

I don't want to start on a sour note, but wanted to get this off my chest. It has come to my attention that some shooters thought there might have been an infraction of the rules concerning my putting out a bottle of Kahlua and Baileys as coffee enhancers for our Christmas party after the ROOP match in Dec. As the rules are written now, that is not the case. I wrote them and had them approved as range master for ROOP in 2009. #13 states- No Alcohol will be tolerated on the range until YOUR guns are put up. I also checked both ROOP and HPD's bylaws and again found no mention of alcohol use on the range. Folks, use some common sense, we weren't slamming shots. We were spicing up our coffee for crying out loud! We have spent many a Saturday afternoon drinking beers under the pavilion while some folks are out using the range, how is this any different? With that being said, if you feel that there is a dangerous situation at the range, bring it up to me and we'll see if we can work it out! I really don't like hearing from other people that they were told from other shooters that we aren't following the rules, or have some unsafe condition going on. We have a genuinely good thing going and I, for one, don't want to mess that up! Let's keep the communication open!

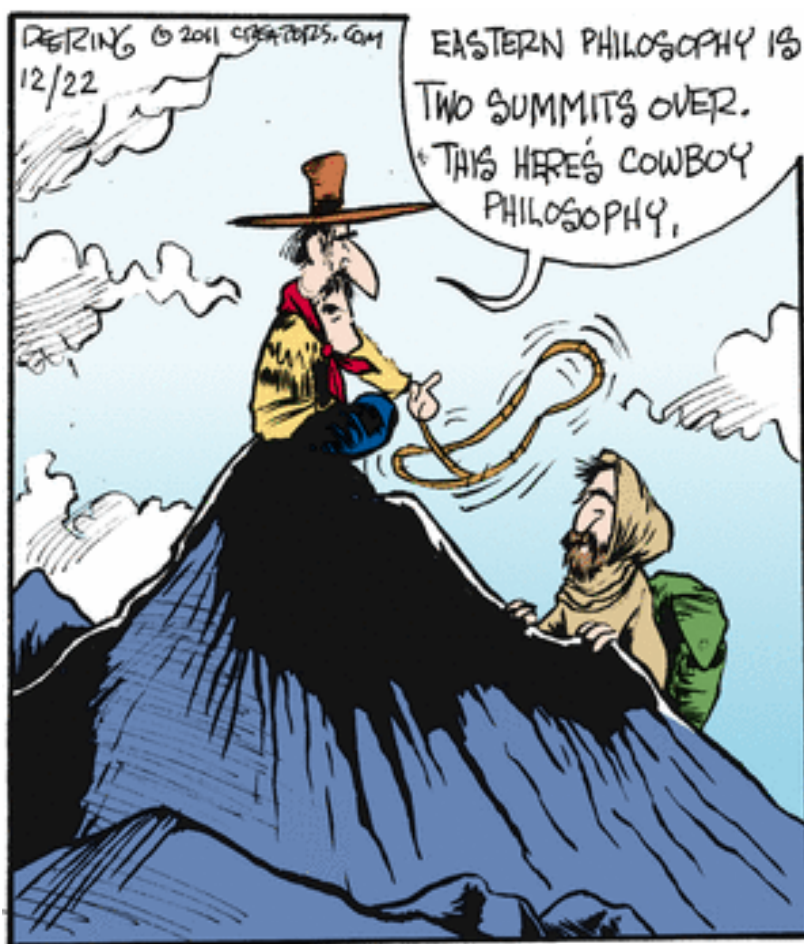
We had a great time with Southpaws stages and I think there were 7 big bore shooters. The other posse had some trouble with the instructions on one stage, but our posse didn't have any procedural on that stage! We had two new shooters join us. They had some gun problems that I'm sure will be worked out in the future. Welcome Motor and Gun Girl (you've got to work on those names!!) We had a number of shooters who shot clean including yours truly! Good job Southpaw!! Drifter John is writing the stages for Feb, so be

sure to come and join us.

There has been some interest in shooting at our range on the third weekend. We need to get a lease from our proprietor before we can move forward with this. We're looking at shooting on Saturday so we won't interfere with Silver States Sunday match. I'm talking to Ike and I think we can work something out! Washoe Zephyr has committed (or needs to be committed) to running that match

include it in our Northern Nevada Cowboy Shooting home page under **shoots**. This is so that we can all know in advance when we are weekendng it on the range and everything else of importance! If we forgot anything send the info to me or directly to the Webmaster.

We are busy revamping ROOP County Days so mark your Calendar for Sept 5th (setup) through Sunday Sept 9th. We



and as soon as we, HPD and ROOP work out the details, we'll forward the info to you!

We have a joint Calendar for HPD and ROOP in the works. I'm sending it to our Webmaster and he is going to

need someone to step up and organize an event for Sunday. We will finish the main match on Saturday and have awards that night at our banquet. We want to offer something for our guests to do on Sunday morning.

Western States/ Shootout on the Comstock is right around the corner so lets show our support for our sister club and sign up early. I'll be helping out again this year and we are looking for cool donations for the raffle. Please find something you can make or donate for our friends at HPD.

See you on the Range!

EMPIRE CITY

From NEVADA GHOST TOWNS & MINING CAMPS

By Paher

Empire City, one-half mile south of US 50 at a point 3,34' miles east of Carson City.

As early as 1855 a ranch with station and tavern known as Dutch Nick's was opened on the north bank of the Carson River for overland travelers. Its proprietor, Nicholas Ambrose, moved to Johntown about 1857 and then to Six Mile Canyon the next spring where he set up a saloon-boarding house in a large tent, charging the miners \$14 a week for food and blankets. The small frame establishment he erected in 1859 at Gold Hill was that camp's first building. Nick then returned to the sage desert he knew five years earlier to operate a commodious hotel on Main Street of the new town of Empire City.

Streets and lots were surveyed in March 1860, and the rapidly-growing town thrived on silver mining and logging. The town soon was given the nickname of "seaport" because of the waterborne traffic in timber which was driven down the Carson River, having first been hauled over the mountains from groves in Alpine County and the Lake Tahoe area. Great booms caught the wood on the river, sawmills cut it for timbering the mines, construction and fuel, and local wood yards stored it for wagon delivery to the

Comstock.

Quartz milling began in 1860 after completion of a small mill. During the next three years three important mills were constructed: the 44-stamp Mexican, Mead's with 16 stamps, and Baldwin, 16 stamps. In 1863 J. Ross Browne noted that quartz mills and sawmills completely usurped the banks of the Carson River, and that the "hammering of stamps, the hissing of steam, the whirling of clouds of smoke belching from tall chimneys, and the confused clamor of voices from a busy multitude" all reminded him of a manufacturing city. By the mid-1860s the lumbering activity overtook the important Galena-Washoe City area in furnishing cut wood for Virginia City while the Carson River mills assumed most of the Comstock milling.

Empire City had grown to extend three-fourths of a mile by a half-mile, and it contained stores, hotels, real estate offices, carpenter shops, grocery stores, post office and several saloons. Large stables and blacksmith shops occupied the south side of town near the river for easy access for watering stock. A fine public school served this town which had over 700 inhabitants during peak times, between 1865 and 1875.

The Virginia & Truckee Railroad was completed through here in 1869 and in the next year lumbering activity decreased somewhat because a large wood yard opened south of Carson City. But the railroad brought increased business to the local quartz mills and they were enlarged to handle the carloads of ore that came on the downhill runs. Quartz milling reached its peak in the early 1870s. With the decline of the

Comstock in 1878, Empire City also diminished and the town had only 150 in the 1880 census. The post office closed in 1910 and only one family remained in the 1960s.

BANDIT JACK HARRIS

Next in a series from Harold's Club

Pioneer Nevada

Supplied by Slow Eddy

Pioche in the seventies was considered one of the toughest camps in the west, and not without reason! Hired gunmen were imported at the rate of about twenty a day during boom times to fight mining claim encroachments. It wasn't a healthy spot for a man who couldn't use a gun! As if to lay claim to the sobriquet of "toughest town," early day residents used to point with pride to Boot Row where seventy-five men were buried before anyone in the roaring mining town died a natural death.

But, like any western camp, there was a lighter side to Pioche history, probably best revealed in the exploits of Bandit Jack Harris: Jack, it seems, had a penchant for robbing Wells Fargo Company stages. The rumbling express wagons normally carried a good deal of coin to meet the mine payrolls, and Harris found it a fairly simple matter to waylay the stages on their way to Pioche and relieve them of sizeable amounts of cash. Jack Harris had a way of appearing so unexpectedly that gun play was seldom necessary.

Stage drivers who travelled the Pioche run and the Wells Fargo agent in that town were mighty positive that Jack Harris was the bandit who was causing all the difficulty but they were never able to actually pin any of the incidents on him.

The station agent hit upon a plan: it would be much less expensive for Wells Fargo to pay Jack Harris a stipulated weekly sum provided he would be waiting on the express company's porch when each stage arrived. In that way the frequent robberies would be eliminated, and since Wells Fargo was doing a bang-up business, it could easily afford the payments to Harris. When approached with the proposition, Harris immediately agreed. He didn't want anyone to doubt his respectability, so day after day he arrived at the express company station a

few moments in advance of the stage. When the vehicle drew up to the porch Harris would be waiting there with the agent, a thin smile playing about his lips. Despite this tidy arrangement, the station agent was baffled to discover that the robberies continued at frequent intervals, yet Bandit Jack was always waiting on the porch when the harried Wells Fargo driver drew up to report a robbery. Jack Harris was keeping his bargain insofar as reporting daily in advance of the stage's arrival, but the station agent didn't know that Bandit Jack still plied his trade. Some few miles before the

express wagon reached Pioche, Jack would waylay it, relieve the driver of the valuables and then race back to Pioche by a shortcut in time to be waiting on the porch when the stage arrived. It was some time before the agent discovered he had made a bad bargain, since nothing in the agreement mentioned the primary purpose which was to put a stop to stage robberies. And then, with its customary vigor, Wells Fargo Company took precautions again against robbery.

HEADS UP FOR OUR PICNIC

By Fanny Seabride

Mark 'yer calanders!

Fanny's second annual "PicNic in the Park" at Mormon Station in Genoa, NV will be held on August 18, 2012!

There will be more details as the date gets closer.

JANUARY 12 RESULTS	ROOP COUNTY/CONBOY SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION SCORE SHEET																																			
	STAGE 1						STAGE 2						STAGE 3						STAGE 4						STAGE 5						STAGE 6					
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VASSER GATE		49	1	123.94	31.14	0	0	1	26.14	28.57	0	0	28.57	20.13	0	0	20.13	18.49	0	0	18.49	15.30	0	0	15.30	15.31	0	0	15.31	15.31						
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MATCH DATES

AREA MATCHES

HIGH PLAINS DRIFTERS:

First Sunday of each month, Fernley, NV. Contact Irish Ike at (775) 424-2336.

SILVER STATE SHOOTISTS:

Matches are the third Sunday of the month at the Carson Rifle and Pistol Range. Shooters meeting is at 9 AM spring and summer hours and 10 AM fall and winter hours.

UPDATE

**BRIDGEPORT VIGILANTES
COWBOY SHOOT DATES
2010**

**3RD SATURDAY OF THE
MONTH**

May 15th we will have a bar-b-que after the Shoot

July 19th

July 24th

August 20th Robbers Roost Vigilantes will join us. After the shoot there will be a bar-bq hosted by Bridgeport Vigilantes

September 16th, 17th, 18th and 19th 3 day Bridgeport Vigilantes Eastern High Sierra shoot out

October 23rd

November 13th Last shoot of the year

November 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st Defend the Robbers Roost, Ridgecrest, Ca.

December 18th Bridgeport Vigilantes Christmas Party

Directions to new range — off hwy 395 true on hwy 182 go 3.6 miles to cowboy shot sign. Fernley come hwy 338 to hwy 182 at state line go 8.6 miles to cowboy shoot sign.

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