

# THE SALVATION TRUMPET

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This has been a long awaited and anticipated day for the people of Salvation. Our illustrious town leaders have shown great foresight in commissioning a newspaper for the town. The people of Salvation can now truly read about everyday events around town, the county and even the world!!

The Editor spent yesterday on the streets of Salvation drinking in the atmosphere, investigating rumours and recording events for you delectation.

The day started much the same as every other day in Salvation with the good townsfolk going about there business, but!! I could sense an uneasy atmosphere in town. The journalistic hairs on my neck were standing tall. Myself and some of the other townsfolk noticed that not only were the usual suspects in town, (I off course refer to the Gem Saloon and the Bella Union boys), but that Jack McCall, "Little" Bill Dagget and their entourage were in town!!!

Sure enough this could only spell one thing TROUBLE !! I must say that at first it was unclear how the day would go. Much posturing, running to and fro and general skulking around was taking place. It seemed that day may pass without incident.

For many of us law abiding citizens this situation can be dangerous and the utmost caution must be observed. I personally in the name of journalism decided that the story was more important and dared to venture the dangerous streets!!!

I was making my way from the general direction of the Gem Saloon to investigate how the bella union boys were shaping up and with a mind to inform our illustrious Sheriff Seth Bullock of the situation.

Gunshots rang out from the direction of the jailhouse and I immediately ran towards the sound of conflict!! It was obvious to me that Monkey John (one of the Gem boys) had fired his weapon!! But at who I could not tell. It was then that the Bella Union gang made a mad dash for the Sheriffs office why?? Only the good lord knows!!! At around the same time "Little" Bill and his boys were seen practicing hurdles on the outskirts of town. Things are obviously slow down Bill's way and this was his way of keeping the boy's in shape!!!

Well then broke loose!! Unknown to everyone the Lonesome Dove had come round the back of town and seemed to be in some sort of Alliance with the Gem (I was later informed that someone had heard Dagget and Tulliver (Bella Union) agree not to meddle in each others affairs!!

The situation was becoming frantic, shots were being fired all over town. It was difficult for the normal citizens to know where to go as the firers could not be located. I once again took it upon myself to investigate and get in amongst the danger with no concern for life or limb!! I managed to locate where the respective gangs were hiding and suspected that it was only a matter of time before things got out of hand!!

By the time I had gotten into position things really got heated there were some mad rushes of men all over the town and some fierce fighting going on I personally saw July Johnson, Monkey John and Bucktooth George go down!! Thankfully none fatal!!

A serious turn for the worse was to take place at this time poor young Lily Crabtree was caught in a crossfire and wounded!!! Witnesses say it was Jack McCall of the Lonesome Dove. Praise must be given to the sheriff and his deputies who reacted in a heroic manner and pursued the perpetrator out of town. He better not show his face for a while!!

Doc Scurlock has had the good sense to inform me, that I may inform on and all that Lily Crabtree will make a full recovery. Truly great news for the Law abiding citizens of our fine town.

In conclusion I have a message from the editor to all those out there who think they can flaunt the law "INITIAL" impressions are not favourable I fear your time in our ever changing town may be short we have some of the best Lawmen in Kentarwee Territory and we will not be put under the yoke of any would be TYRANT!!!!

