

OW "PUSSYFOOT" JOHNSON WIPED OUT THE MONTE CARLO OF NO MAN'S LAND

pendent Kingdom Set Up by Three Scoundrels on the Kansas-Indian Territory Border, Defies Authorities and Does Thriving Business Until Johnson Takes a Hold.

IVES THE RUFFIANS THE "LAWYER'S ANSWER"

One of the most singular situations in the history of outlaws was that created by William Eugene Johnson in the summer of 1907. It was the No Man's Land of the Monte Carlo of No Man's Land, as it was called, and called for exhibition of grit, courage, and endurance that was not shown by other persons interested in the affair.

Sheriff Paxton of Montgomery county, Kansas, with his retainers, and, on the other, Deputy Marshal Walker of the Territory. They looked at each other across their twelve feet of No Man's Land and licked their dry lips as they heard corks popping. If they did not, their henchmen did. They listened, and the roulette ball spun merrily, and the roulette table clicked. Nobody paid the least attention to the outcast millions of the law. Their only satisfaction lay in nabbing those who strayed within their own realms. An Indian, who had just managed to get rid of his pension money, would stumble out of the door, lose his steering powers, and cross into his territory. The deputy marshal would pounce on him. A Kansan, wobbling north, would fall into the yearning arms of Sheriff Paxton. But King Lewis continued on the land that he had seized upon. And, in the absence of any properly constituted authority, there seemed no reason why his kingdom should not endure forever.

invading army, and made the quickest abdication of which there is record. He simply sprang for the back door and bolted for Kansas soil. He reached it, and, since his cares of state had left him no time to arrange an extradition treaty with Kansas, he was safe there from molestation, and, grinding his teeth, he watched the ruin of his kingdom.



THE ROULETTE WHEEL WENT INTO SPLINTERS, THE TABLES BECAME A PILE OF DEBRIS.

Johnson found that he would have to wait until morning for the next one. Accordingly he placed the two men in the lock-up and went to a hotel for the night. One of the city marshals of Caney was a man named Garr, who happened to be a friend of Johnson's. He had a daughter, whose sweetheart was a night telephone operator. At night, when calls are few, gossip is apt to pass along the wires between the operators and their friends. The young fellow called up the girl, and, after a number of intimate remarks which have no bearing on the story, informed her, in a casual way, that the prisoner had telephoned for a lawyer to bury along and "play a habes corpus stunt to get the criminals out of jail," as Johnson phrased it.

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Palace of Bourbon Kings of Naples Is Put to Use.

These Mutilated Soldiers of Italy Are Housed and Taught Some Means of Self-Support.

The war has turned the palace of the Bourbon kings of Naples into a home for mutilated soldiers. Around the exquisite marble table where the guests of the "Roi Soleil" of Naples dined in the garden on hot summer nights—the ladies in powdered head dress and pantler skirts, the men with lace at their sleeves and embroidered coats—today are gathered the pitiable fragments of humanity that war has left in its wake. There are neither candles nor massive silver, neither sweetmeats nor rare wines. The Italian government allows 70 cents per day for their lodging and maintenance, and food is high in Naples.

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HE SHOT GARR FOUR TIMES.

Johnson accordingly reasoned like this: "If his majesty King Lewis and his cabinet can commit a felony nowhere, certainly I, too, have a right to commit a felony nowhere. But will it be a felony? If No Man's Land is in the United States and not of the high seas, then I, as a federal officer, have an undoubted right to institute proceedings."

ambing outlay was the most in the West. Games that had been memory as the "tidy" were resurrected and followed by the roulette and its various modifications.