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SILVERTON WATER TANK PICTURE FOUND

Ever had a good clean-up in yer bedroom ? Well it seems our famous Madam Lash has and our talented lady of the San Juan's has uncovered once more, yep, she's dun gone & stripped the mystery of the most asked question in Silverton - "Where was the water tank for trains".

It seems an old photographer who was taking photos of the "*Women of the Wild Wild West*" in frontear townz had taken a shot down at the depot way back in dem hurly days before the flood of twenty-two hit Faker's Park in the shadow of Injuneer Mountain. Of coor's he'd bin stayin' in the only joint in town with comfortable beds & it turned out it was the "Water-bed Room" rite upstairs, second on the right, at Madam Lash's Longhorn Emporium !

The old photographer, Seymour DeLens, had taken jest one picture of his train arriving in Silverton nixt to the depot showin' the water tank & a water column too with a green boilered loco - rare indeed!



When our madam discovered the picture she knewed dat pair of scallywags - Barkeep & Spike - wood be the best wons to get it valued so she slipped it into the pocket of Barkeeps pants but this took her a few minutes as the pockets are very deep & she fumbled around until she knew it was safely tucked away safe like.

Sez Madam: " Now you big hunk, don't you go lettin' dat Outlaw nose about dis rare & valuable photo coor's he'z likin' to steal it himself...hear!"

So, Barkeep & Spike sez they'd be real karfool & not show nobody till they got to the Professor to get it appraised.

Now the story goes that the two of em' was snealin' around the back street on dare wayz to the Professor who has rooms at the Silverton Railroad Hotel & dat they had seen Rhoda Book the

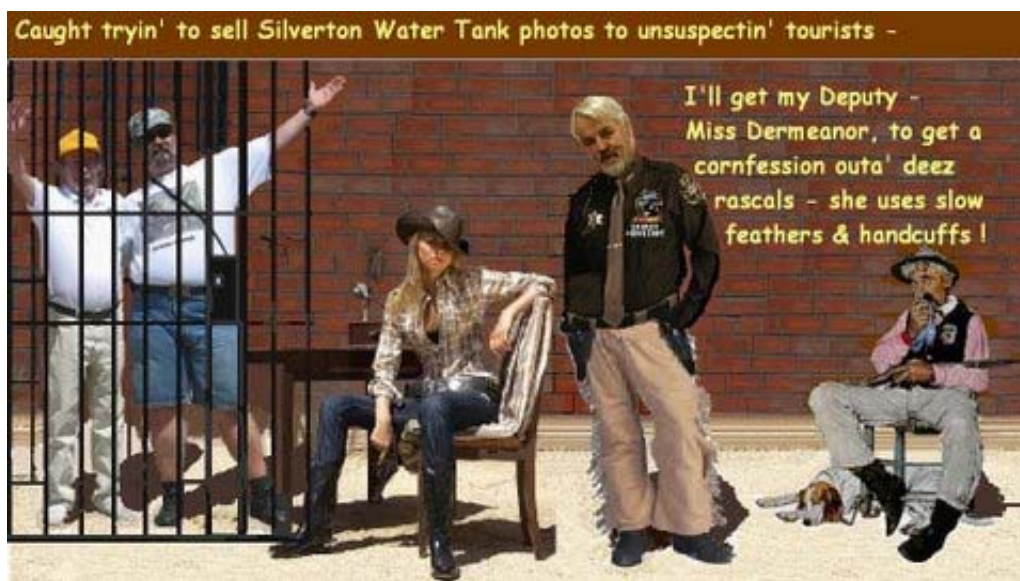
copy girl from the Silverton Sub-Standard Gazette & she had the "hots" fer Barkeep. Sez Rhoda: "Why hello Barkeep, is that a pistol in yer pocket ore iz yer jest happy to seize me"? It was too much, the weakness of the flesh blinded our poor fellow & his partner, Spike, new dat she had DW's in her fridge & she told him to help himself whilst she had a few moments with her dream-boy!

Dats when it happened. She moaned "Ooooh, Ahhhh, Ooooooh, yes, yes . . . the foto had fallen out of Barkeep pocket & she'd picked it up. Sez Rhoda: "I'll jest make a copy of dis & you kin have it back"... but den Spike sez: "Why knot make a few & we kin sell em & make sum money on the side"?

That was a big miss-steak! Well they dun got to the Professor who nose about the value of old rare stuff & he tell em dat it's a fairdinkum piece of hissterry & wood be worth thousands.

So the pear they seen a tourist & offered to sell him won of dem kopezz of the water tank foto. He gave em' \$100 fer it & theyz new they was gana be witch men & live in luxury forever.

But the Sheriff was tipped hoof & dare little scam was to get them into trouble.



Everyone who enters this place makes us happy. Some when they arrive; some when they leave.



SILVERTON WATER TANK & WATER COLUMN D&RGW RR

Here is the rare photograph - we got an exclusive reproduckshone of it at the SSSG. Whee have more new soon but remember - dares always sumtin hapnin in Silverton.