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Sometimes reading (and writing) is allowed to be fun. We all seem so busy trying to keep up with the rat race that we forget that it's OK to enjoy reading for its entertainment value. Thanks to Warrigal Press that's changing! With the release of the first Detective Joe Blake novel we are recreating the pulp genre in Australia.

As this newsletter develops it will contain ...

The latest Detective Joe Blake news History of pulp and popular fiction Cover art examples Comic art and comic history Book lists Stories about why people buy books

This first newsletter contains a comprehensive list of Marshall Grover western novels thanks to the efforts of Robert Dixon.

Also thanks to Lynn Maguire for providing the fantastic images of Robert Maguire's cover art and to Luke Pitt for providing information and images of Stan Pitt's work. We hope to bring you more images and information about these artists in the next edition.

A leading Australian comic artist has expressed his interest in helping with artwork and layouts for the newsletter in the future so readers can be assured of some interesting images to look forward to.

Warrigal Press awaits your comments and contributions.

Feel free to email this publication to any friends or associates who may be interested and ask them to contact me if they would like to be added to the mailing list.

Cheers,

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CAN YOU HELP?



Vintage Australian paperback and magazine collector Greg Ray is keen to find out information about cover artist John Andrews who created covers for Currawong novels.

If you can help email bobsheppard@warrigalpress.com.au and we will pass the information on to Greg.



Copies still available at www.joeblake.com.au \$12.00



WARNING SHOTS LAST The next Detective Joe Blake novel

Following the success of Detective Joe Blake's first novel Murder is Never Pretty ... Even When the Corpse is a Blonde Australia's best known crime fighter has almost completed documenting his next exciting case. Warning Shots Last is due for release in late 2006.

Jon Greenwood and Neil Hollis have students from the illustration unit in the Graphic Design and Multimedia course at the WA School of Art working on cover art concepts for the new book.

Joe Blake met with Warrigal Press editor Bob Sheppard recently to discuss his new manuscript.

"Joe's been very busy operating undercover but he has managed to find time to take a break from crime fighting to write of his exploits and its certainly an interesting case. Joe describes the murder scene ...

"I have seen plenty of girls with slut written all over them, but never one like this.

She was near naked, tied to a bed and the killer had driven a sharp object through her heart. 'Slut' had been written on every visible inch of her skin with a black felt pen."

Response to the first Joe Blake novel has been fantastic and I can't wait to get this published for the growing list of Joe Blake fans.

We have received plenty of fan mail for Joe. Most readers want to know if he gets to swap any body fluids with the lovely Latioris Sharpe in his next novel. Well I can give you a bit of a hint ... Joe does get a brief window of opportunity to spend some time alone with Latty as he describes in his manuscript ...

"I didn't have a lot of time so I thought, what the hell and I kissed her. Her lips were like the tyres on my Commodore after a burnout; they were hot, sticky and I knew they would take a lot of punishment before they gave me any grief."

But Latty has some competition in *Warning Shots Last*. Joe Blake has a late night visit from the domineering Madame Lachet who lectures in European history and has written a famous book on the sex manners of medieval Europeans. The visit has some interesting consequences ...

And does Joe Blake get the bad guy in *Warning Shots Last?* Of course! Watch for the exciting conclusion ..."



"You can shoot a man soft, or you can shoot a man hard ... if you shoot a man hard you shoot him in the guts or the nuts or the knees. After what this mongrel had done I shot him soft ... right between the eyes ..."

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Pulp Fiction Art

Famous American artist Robert Maguire's artwork painted for Jack Webb's crime novel *The Brass Halo* is seen by many who appreciate fine cover art as being one of the all time classic covers. However it seems that

The original



Robert Maguire images courtesy of Lynn Maguire at www.ramaguirecoverart.com



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nothing is sacred in the world of pulp fiction. An avid ebay watcher recently turned up this interesting Australian paperback with the local cover artist's interpretation of Maguire's classic cover used by Horwitz Publications of Sydney on its 1961

Australian reprint of Dashiell Hammett's *The Thin Man.* The Australian artist isn't attributed on the

The cover

JACK WEBB outhor of THE NAKED ANGEL and THE BAD BLONDE

THE BRASS HALO With the voice

could the have t heart of a killer cover or inside the local pulp but there is no doubt it is a sufficiently altered copy of Maguire's original. Robert Maguire's daughter Lynn has this to say about the copy ...

"My father had to accept this kind of thing and it is a compliment of sorts!" If you are a fan of cover art and illustration check out Robert Maguire's cover art at

www.ramaguirecoverart.com If you are a collector of unusual Australian pulp fiction a copy of the

Horwitz published *The Thin Man* is available at www.warrigalpress.com.au

Australia's own!



WARRIGAL PRESS BOOK LIST

Marshall Grover

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Marshall Grover Westerns are keenly sought after by enthusiasts all over the world. South Australian collector Robert Dixon has most of them and he has kindly provided Warrigal Press with this list of Grover novels to share with fellow collectors. This list is not complete and Warrigal Press would like to hear from anyone who has more Marshall Grover titles they could add.



Marshall Grover

All the Tall Men After the Payoff Arizona Wildcat

Arizona Trackdown Alias Ed Dacey Aces Wild A Gun For 3 Minutes Adios Ben Strong A Man Called Drago A Bullet is Faster

Bounty on Wes Durand Big Lobo Belavers Scar Bravados From Texas Bravados From Bandera Boomtown Bravados Born to Drift Before He Kills Again Battle Allev Beeby's Big Night Bequest to a Texan Beecher's Quest Baxter's Last Laugh Border Storm Back in Texas Bullion Route Both Sides of Battle Creek Baker Street Breakout Bandit Bait Bon Chance Texans Billy Hull R.I.P. Bend of the River Brady's Back in Town Beauty and the Brigand

Bandido Hunters Battle of Hogan's Hole Big Red Born to Ramble Busted Flush Bullet Scar Bullets Back East Bleak Creek Border Crisis Back Down Fast Bullet for a Widow Bellavers Scar Bunko Trail Bandished from Bodie Backtrailing Little Red Canyon Virgil Challenge the Guilty Carson's Bonanza Cold Trail to Kirkby

Cold Eye Cordell Colorado Belle Cedro County Crisis Conway's Chronicle Challenge the Legend Crisis at Cornerstone Colorado Woman Crisis in Babylon California Runaround Colorado Pursuit Close in for a Showdown Claw Creek Crisis Calaboose Express Calamity is a Woman Cormack Came Back Colt Conflict Captive Canyon Calaboose Canyon

Diablo's Shadow Die Lonesome Dead Man's Bluff Danger Rode Drag Devil's Legend Driscoll Dead Man's Diary Dam Outlaws

Destination Fort Ross Devil's Claw Dead Ringers Can't Win Draw Aim and Fire Defend the Misfits Day of the Posse Delaney and the Drifters Don't Count the Odds Dollar Trail to Ramirez Danger Rode Drag Dead Man's Share Double Trouble Day of the Tornado Dawson Died Twice Dealer Takes Three Day of Vengeance Devil's Dinero Dakota Death Tran Double Shuffle Dynamite Demon Diary of a Desperado Debt to a Tin Star

Dynamite for Donavon Drift! Defende Deacon Spring Death Quest Day of the Killers Day of the Plunderers Decoys from Texas Devil's Legend Dawn Stage South Death Devil Dollar Buys my Gun Dakota Red Doom Trail Doc Rance of Rambeau Dinero Fever Duffy's Dollars Driters Fury (former title Kid Fury)

Eyes of a Killer Eight Defiant Men 8:10 From Verdugo Emerson's Hex Emerson's Hideout El Capitan's Enemies Everything Happens to Holley Eagle over Sanora Every Violent Mile Escort for a Badman Edge of the Law

Fury at Broken Hill Fort Ricks Fight Hard Stay Alive Feud at Mendoza Follow the Texans

Follow that Train Find Kell Wade Fort Dillon First Kill 4 Aces and the Knave Fear Power Forgotten Enemy Face the Gun For the Hell of It 5 For the Shootout 4 Wheeled Target Fury of a Mob Friends of Barnev Gregg Fortune Fever Feud Breakers Fountain's Sidekick Fogaty's War Fast Shell Fast Free and Texan 5 Bullets for Judge Blake

Gun Flash Gun Sinister Gun Trapped Gun Town Guns of Greed Gunsmoke in Utopia Greenback Fever Going Straight in Frishee Go West Joe Best Gold, Guns and the Girl Greel County Outcasts Gollan County Gallows Guns Across the Rockies

Galetea McGee Gun Reckoning at Grundy's Grave Greenback Trail Get Going Greeley Ghost of a Chance Guns of the Valient Gun Fury at Sun Up Ghost Town Guns Gallow's Cheater Gunsmoke Reunion Gun for a Marshall Gunfighter's Dawn Gun-Wise Ghost Canvon Showdown Git Movin³ Guns for the Ladies Guns of the Godfathers Ghost Woman of Castillo Gun Glory for Texans

Hartigan Hell in High Country Hide in Fear High Stakeout High Card Killer Hammer's Horde Half-Cold Trail Highjacker's Noon Hostage Hunters Hell Raisers Howdy Ladies High County Shootout Heroes and Hellers Hackett's Bluff He's Valentine, I'm Emerson Here Lies Andv McGraw Harrigan's Star Harbine's Last Coup Hang Town Heat of Noon Hit the Leather Holster Heritage Hold Your Fire Hangrope Fever Hour of Jeopardy Hangrope for Beaumont Human Target Hackett's Gold Hold 'Em Back

In Pursuit of Quincy Budd 4 In Memory of Marty Malone In Cahoots It Had to Be Ortago Is Glennon Guilty?

Johnny Ringo Johnny Law Johnny on the Prod Jokers Wild

Keep Alison Alive Kiss the Loot Goodbye Kid Wichita Killer Noon Kincade's Last Ride Kid Lightfingers Kansas Hex Kincade Kid Solitary Kid Solitary Kid Lawless Kid Fury (retitled Drifter's Fury) Kid Faro Kid Daybreak

Little Town, Big Trouble Lone Star Valiant Lone Star Survivors Lone Star Vengeance Lone Star Firebrands Lone Star Fury Lone Star Reckoning Lone Star Bodyguard Lone Star Lucky Lone Star Reckless Lone Star Hellions Lady Luck and F.J. Beck Lucky Jake Left Hand Luke Load Every Rifle Legend of Coyote Ford Latimer's Loot

League of the Lawless Limbo Pass Long Trail North Legacy of Hate Left for Dead Lone Star Rowdy Lone Star Godfathers Lone Hand Emerson Last Stage to

Delarno

Mark of the Star Montana Mail Main Street Galigo Meet Me In Moredo McEnvov's Mountain Madigan's Day Many a Wild Mile Mexican Jackpot Mark of the Star McAllister's Victims Miss Lou and the Tall Men Montana Runaway Man on Pulpit Rock Moonlight and Gunsmoke Miracle at Dry Fork McCraken's Marauders My Kind of Law Meet the McEgans Midnight Marauders

No Matter How Far Never Prod a Texan Nebraska Trackdown Noon Trail to Breslow North of Texas Nobody Wants Riley Now-Texan! Navada Heat No Escape Trail Night of the Guns No Gun is Neutral No Tomorrow for Tobin Nomads from Texas Never Say Quit Never Cheat a Texan No Back Trail

One Hell of a Showdown One Ticket to Sun Rock Outcasts of Sabado Creek One Man Jury One Man Posse Once Upon a Gallows One Mean Town One More Showdown Our Kind of Law On The Run Outcast Trail

Posse Plus Two Pursuit Party Prey on Rogue Riders Pearson County Raiders Prisoners of Caja Canyon Peacable Man Posse Boss Peligro's Last Hour Pledge to a Doomed Man Prelude to a Showdown Proud Day at Packer's Creek Phantom of Fortuna Plummer's Last Posse

Queen of Spades

Rough Night for the Guilty

Texan Rough Justice Ride Boldly in Dakota Ride Out Shooting Ride Out Texans Ride Wild to Glory Run Away Ramsey Right Royal Hassle Rob a Bank in Kansas Run from the Buzzards Red Bandana Raid a Painted Wagon Rescue a Tall Texan Rogue Calibre Rawhide River Ambush Ride Slow, Ride Warv Reunion at San Jose Rescue Party Remember Buck Rorke Ride out of Pradise Run Strong, Run Free Reunion in Slade City Ramrod Rebel Ride or Die Rescue Trail Rogue Trail Royal Target Rough Route at Rodd County Run With the Loot Rampage at Rico Bend Ruckas at Gilla Wells Revenge is the Spur Requiem for Sam Wade Ransom for a Redhead

Rough Ready and

San Saba Blockade

LIMBO PASS MARSHALL GROVER MAR

7 For Banner Pass Six Gun Wedding Spanish Gold Texas Guns Shotgun Sharkey Stranger Riding By Seige at Jerico Seven Killers East Suddenly a Hero 17 Guns Saddletramp Justice Seige at Round Rock South of Sabine Saludos Texans Start Shooting Texans Stakeout at Council Creek Save a Bullet for Keehoe Spencer Started Something Sundance Creek Satan's Back Trail Slow Wolf and Dan Fox Shadow of a Colt #45 Six Rogues Riding Satan Pulled the Trigger Saturday Wild Seven Westbound Splitting Up Stay Away Slade Six Guilty Men Sondra Wildcat Savage Sunday Stand Alone Saturday Night at Candle Rock Spur Route Satan's Partner Shoot and Run

San Carlos Shootout The 4 O'Clock Fracas The Feuders The Last Ambush The Noose Cheaters The 20 Year Man The Deadly Dollars The Dude Died Hard The Lady is a Target The Hellion Breed The Devil's Dozen The Emerson Challenge The Late Yuma Smith The Bullet in Mason's Back The Big Dinero The Texans Came Shooting The Bandit Trap The Only Bank In Town The Wayward Kind The Battle of Blunde Ridge The Calaboose Gang The Sundown Seven

Steel of the Hardings

Sound of Gunfire

Savage Sundown

Son of Hellfire

Thirty Raiders South The Predators The Lawless Miles The Freebooters The Fast Right Hand The Wild Cat Run The Doomsday Gun The Trial of Slow Wolf The Second Chance Man The Lagan Legacy The Law Always Wins The Only Way is Up The Wrong Victim The Gold Movers The Dinero Man The Saga of Sam Burdew The Last Challenge The Glory Wagon The Desperate Hours The Last Big Deal The Selina Crisis The Cannon Mound Gang The Defiant Texans The Woman Hunt The Treasure Express The Alibi Trail The Last Witness The Badge of Tully McGlynn The Jonah Rock The Best and the Worse The Tin Horn Murder Case The Star Shadow The Sound of Seeger's Gun The Dude Must Die The Lonely Gun The Pinktown Flood The Lawman Wore Black The Eyes of Texas The Truth About Snake Ridge The Domino Man The Seventh Guilty Man The Valiant Die Fast The Brave The Killers Came At Noon The Man Who Hunts Jenner The Night McLennan Died The Hour Before His Disaster The Willing Target Texas Born Chicago Bound Texan Rampage Texas Drifters Texas Gun Ghost Texans Die Hard Texans Hit Hard Texans Never Quit Texans Walk Proud Texans Ride Tall Texan In My Sight Too Many Texans 5



The Decoy Trail The Undefended The Long Shadow The Tin Badge The Wolf Pack The Survivors Tie Knot Too Late For Law The Killing Trail 1000 Dollar Target The Violent Dawn The Last Gun Three For Durango Two Tall Strangers The Odds Against O'Shav The Last Ambush The Killers Wore Black The After Midnight Gang The Cobb Creek Bunch The Doomed of Mesa Rico The Women From Whitlock They Came to Jurado The Killing of Kirkby The Rescuers Rode West 3 Days in Davisburg Terror's Long Memory The Logan Town Looters The Jubilo Siege The President's Segundo Two Weeks in Wyoming

Trigger Fast

Stan Pitt : Australia's greatest ever Western cover artist



Who was the greatest exponent of western cover art in the history

of Australian popular publishing? Without doubt it was the late Stan Pitt. Stan painted around three thousand covers for Cleveland Publishing. Covers like the Legacy of Hate were never credited and few of the original artworks have survived. Future editions of this newsletter will include examples of the work of one of Australia's greatest illustrators and comic artists thanks to the assistance of the Pitt family.

Ten Fast Horses Texans are Trouble The No Name Gang The Bridegroom's Bodyguards

Uneasy Money

Vengeance Rides a Black Horse Vengeance Is a Bullet Virgil on Sundown Ridge Vengeance in Spades Ventura Pass

Wear Black for Johnny We Call Him Tex We Ride for Circle 6 We're From Texas Who Killed Rico Who's Gunning For Braid Wagon Number 3 Wild Trail To Denver Wild Night At Widow's Peak Where Danger Rides Where's The Money Buried Whatever Happened to Johnny Duke Wrangle Creek Wrong Side of Glory Mountain Widow From Nowhere Winners and Losers Waiting for Wilkies Wagon Wyoming Gun Trap Wyoming Bound Wrong Name on a Tombstone Wyoming War Fever Where The Guns

Wait For The Judge Whiplash Wear the Star Proudly Wes Blade War Dance at Red Canyon Wild Widow of Wolf Creek Wyoming Long Shot Whisky Gulch Walking Tall, Striking Fear Wrangle Creek Wells Fargo Decoys Wolf Creek or Bust Wagon Boss

Roar

Young Bucks from Texas Yaller

Marshall Grover (Cleveland Classics)

Always a Lawman Along Came Jake A Lawman to the End Ambush at Forty Mile

Bullet Breed Battle Valley Brock Canyon Crisis Bullets Won't Wait Best Gun Wins Boothill for Lawmen Big Jim

Carbine Call Me Trouble Colt Hostage Chad

Don't Call Me Hero Doom Town Day of Doom Devil's Trail Draw Down

Five Desperate Men #45 Calibre Trap #44 Fury

Gun Gamblers Gun Against Gun Get Out Alive Gunsmoke Challenge

How Tall the Man

I'm Back Inherit My Gun

Jago Judgement at Bandera

Kid Faro

Lonesome Lightning

Man From Denver Men of the Canyon

No Safe Trail

Pursuit Trail Pardon My Gun Peaceable Man Polka Dot Kid

Rampage Ride the Wild River Rope Scar

Siege at Jethro Sixty Miles to Sundance Satan's Six Gun Saturday Night at San Remo Shadow of a Lawman

The Lives of Luke Gault The Noose Trouble is a Long Rope The Tyler Cache The Defender Trails End Showdown Try Me 24 Hours to Anvil Rock Trouble Along The Trail The Showdowner Tall Shadow The Last Gun

Voice of the Gun Vengeance is a Tall Man

Wanted in Texas Widow Maker

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