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Wanted outlaw, wild woman of the West

You've always been a criminal, of one stripe or another. Back in Boston, you ran con jobs for the local crime family. After one particularly profitable job, you and your partner decided to keep said profits for yourself rather than turn them over to some crimelord. That's when you decided to head westward, funded by your ill-gotten gains. That was about ten years ago. You blew away that fortune long ago, and haven't seen your former partner, **Lillian Von Valzak**, in years. Since then you have tried out a variety of other criminal jobs.

Currently, you have an arrangement with the local mover and shaker **Lulu Kingsbury**: you do the occasional job for her, and in exchange she feeds you leads on where you can pull off effective heists. You benefit from bigger windfalls, but in exchange find yourself doing strange sorts of jobs in towns far from here (**Providence Junction**). Like planting evidence that makes an honest woman look like she's cheating on her husband. Or transporting money to a redskin man, so that he can pay the tuition to a fancy university. You don't understand how Lulu benefits from these things, but there's a lot you don't understand about her. Like where she gets her information from or how she earns her income.

A while ago, you killed a sheriff, Amos Winthrop, on Lulu's orders. You didn't know why he had to die, but you did it. The murder was blamed on this guy **Frank Barlow**, which seemed to leave you free and clear. But now Barlow's running like a fugitive, and enacted some vigilante violence on a few of your associates. You think he might be after you for revenge or justice. That has you running scared.

Scared enough that you botched the last bank job, in fact. Normally, you threaten some folks and walk away without any actual shooting. This time, you were spooked, bullets started flying and in the end you were the only one left alive. The papers don't know it was you, so they call the culprit "**The Fox Valley Killer**". That kind of headline makes you want to lay low. That's why you came here: you're hoping that Lulu can help you evade the law a while. And you're thinking that this poker tournament is a good way to hide the money you got in the Fox Valley job: after the tournament is over, you can claim your cash is all won in this here tournament. So you gottaplay, even if you don't win the big pot. Not that the big pot isn't tempting... in fact, you considered for a while just stealing the prize money for the tournament and getting out of town. If your relationship with Lulu here deteriorates, then you still might.

Running the **Lucky Saloon** is a girl calling herself **Bedelia Derrick**. But you recognize her as Lillian Von Valkzak, your old partner

in crime from Boston. You figure that her new identity here must be part of some con job she's pulling her. Who is she scamming, though? And how can you get her to cut you in on the deal? Can Lillian help you hide out from the law for a while?

Speaking of former partners, what is your old accomplice **Artemis Cook** doing as a holy man? It's probably not a scam, since that was never his area of expertise. So did he really convert? Does his travelling companion there know about his past sins? What would Artemis do to keep that secret?