

Session/Game: Grampa Assignment Infinity, Savage Worlds Date: January 19, 2020

Episode 2: "Night of the Piranha Man!"

Campaign Date: May 1, 1955

Characters:

Grampa Steve Gunderson (Dave Nelson.)

Felix Gunderson (Andrew Smith)

Ramio aka Ram (Quinton Laughman)

Billy Proton (Bob Laforge)

Machete (Marlon Kirton)

DM: Jason Leibert

Rabid coyotes run wild!

After repeated attacks on several local ranches, as well as menacing various ranch hands, a local pest consulting firm put down a large pack of rabid coyotes Sunday evening. The animals had been tracked from the scene of their latest attack, and quickly put down before the coyotes could menace any more farms. Even though the pack is believed to be destroyed, anyone who sites a coyote in the area should avoid them and contact the sheriff immediately.

Log:

May 1, 1955 Early Morning

While enlisting relatively new employee Machete into the ranks of their 'consulting' business, the MCB regional director Coleson called with a new job. With Grampa listening for the phone, and Billy playing his brand-new harmonica, the phone rang many times before Felix realized what the odd sound was. Coleson informs Felix (over the top of Grampa's yelling), that the Monster Control Board runs several ranches where they raise livestock to feed to monsters on a nearby monster preserve, in order to keep the monsters from wandering off. He informs them that the Circle Question Mark Ranch has recently lost dozens of cattle, as well as a pair of ranch hands, in a way that the MCB has never seen before. The party is to contact ranch hand Punch Sideiron, who would then lead them to the site of the latest attack. The party happily agrees and sets out on the two-hour drive. With Grampa Gunderson driving, the now 3-hour drive is done the entire way with the right turn signal on and Billy blasting his harmonica from the way back of Grampa's brand-new station wagon. Sanity suffers during the drive, but they arrive safe and sound, meeting one-armed smoking cowboy stereotype Punch Sideiron, who offers Billy a cigarette (which is quickly accepted).

May 1, 1955 Early Afternoon

Punch Sideiron is directing Grampa Gunderson to where the latest attack happened (slowly, with a turn signal on), when Punch and several others notice wild griffins eating a small flock of sheep. After Punch points out that the griffins are bounty eligible because they're off the reserve, the party quickly blasts them to pieces, before setting off again (slowly, with a turn signal on). They find the spot where something killed several dozen cattle, before dragging them towards a now collapsed hole in the ground. Billy uses detect arcana to try to spot clues, when he spots a flying/floating camera watching them at the site. While Grampa, Felix, Machete, and Punch drive back to the ranch to pick up a couple of sticks of dynamite (intending to blast the hole open), Ram and Billy stay behind to attempt to get close to the camera. Ram spots a group of large furry animals slowly speaking up on Billy- Giant Carnivorous Rabbits (quickly dubbed chungus)! Billy and Ram kill one, while the rest get scared by Billy's psychic abilities.

May 1, 1955 Late Afternoon

Grampa's group returns about the time that Billy and Ram finish skinning the giant rabbit, to make Billy a giant rabbit skin suit. The group decides to use the dynamite in an attempt to blast open the rabbit warren, with Billy throwing a screaming fit to be allowed to be the one to use the dynamite. The explosion instead further collapses the tunnel the hole leads into. Since the tunnel seems to be a straight line, the party decides to triangulate use a map and triangulate between various sites which direction the tunnels lead. Billy quickly says, "Yeah, it's got to lead to those buildings right there, practically underneath that school bus on the road over there."

May 1, 1955 Early Evening

The group finds the school bus to be broken down, and full of boy scouts, waiting on their driver to return with help. Grampa Gunderson, as any good tool man would, leaps into action and manages to fix the bus. Just then a loud thumping sound from all around causes the party to get the scouts onto the bus, with orders to keep their heads down because there's rabid coyotes around. A horrific number of giant killer rabbits attack. Machete jumps into the bus and starts driving away with it, Ram climbs on top of the bus followed by several rabbits (getting horrifically bitten up in the process), and Billy grabs on to the bus as it's driving away. Grampa Gunderson jumps into his car, Felix following (while insisting to drive), and Punch Sideiron tries to do something before falling off the car (and giving up and jumping in). Grampa's car gets severely chewed on by a couple of rabbits before they fall off, while Grampa blazes away at the pack of rabbits, Punch Sideiron tries to shoot a rabbit, but only manages to shoot Felix by accident. On the bus, Machete and Billy blasts giant rabbits off the bus, with Billy again accidentally shooting the engine of Grampa's car thanks to Uncle Felix being a bullet magnet. The rabbits defeated, the group calls for the MCB to deal with potential witnesses and arrange their bounty, before heading back to the Circle Question Mark Ranch to rest overnight. Grampa borrows some tools, and a machine shop, to try to fix the engine damage to his now horribly damaged car, spending all night trying to fix things, but not quite being able to manage it.

May 2, 1955 Early Morning

Grampa and company follow Billy's directions from the previous day to the Circle L (for Lepus) Ranch. The ranch seems suspiciously quiet, and nearly abandoned, except for an odd office building that has a security fence around it and a few cars in the parking lot. Machete checks the shack, and finds bloody handprints and considerably more blood, while Billy detects more floating/flying cameras around the outside of the office building (which is believed to be the MCB watching the party). The group investigates the office building and finds the front entrance to be barricaded and watched by a little old secretary armed with double barrel shotgun. Vera Atkins proves to be only too happy to help the party (and give that nice little boy, Billy, some candy out of her purse...Werther's) towards her boss's lab, as she got attacked by some coyotes the night before and now was eager to find a new job.

The party finds the lab of Francis Crick to be perfectly ordinary, except for the rabbit hole down to a secret lair! They hear a horrible, incoherent song playing loudly coming from the hole. When they come down into the secret lair, they find dozens of tables with cow carcasses on them, each with gigantic rabbit ears sticking out of the middle (which is flexing in tune with the music). As they ponder what they're seeing, the music suddenly stops, and the Piranha Man is revealed in all his glory. A man in what looks to be a cheap Easter rabbit costume waving around an odd carrot shaped pistol, calls them fools for interfering with the plans of the Ancient Indian Mayan Aztec Gods of the Peruvian Andes! Before he can expound further, Machete all but shoots his head clean off (despite the rabbit suit turning out to be powerful armor). The Piranha Man sets all his giant rabbits on the party, including two rabbit-ogres. The party proceeds to slowly whittle down to the rabbits, before finally taking down the Piranha Man

himself. Remembering how the MCB pays more for live masterminds, the group saves his life. The adventure ends with Vera Atkins being offered a job at Gunderson Hardware, and the party receiving a sizable payout.