

My Pal Patsy - Story Script

Five Minute Mystery - Episode One

Narrator: Our story takes place in Green's Gap, a small town in the Southern cavern district.
[phone rings]

Dr. Melville: Green's Gap Hospital, Doctor Melville speaking.

Man: Doctor, doctor, there's been an accident out at Ingle Cavern.

Doctor Melville: Accident, what kind of accident?

Man: Two men was exploring and they got lost last night. One's unconscious, you better come quick before he's dead.

Dr. Melville: I hope you know how to get out to Ingle Cavern Len.

Len: With the job of being town constable and ambulance driver, I reckon I know all there is to know about this country.

Dr. Melville: Ever been in the cavern Len?

Len: One stop Melville when I was boy. Nearly got my hide tanned off by my paw. Ingle Cavern is a might treacherous place.

Dr. Melville: You mean it's easy to get lost in it?

Len: Not only that Doc, it's that cavern gas carbon mm something.

Dr. Melville: You mean carbon dioxide?

Len: Yes that's it. All of sudden you run into some of that stuff, and before you know it bing your out.

Dr. Melville: Still people seem to go exploring there?

Len: More fools to be. I wouldn't go in them caverns, at least til I was not without a dog.

Dr. Melville: A dog, what for?

Len: Well if a dog keels over then you know the gas is collecting.

Dr. Melville: I'm afraid Mr. Getty your friend is dead.

Mr. Getty: Poor Patsy, it was from the gas wasn't Doc?

Dr. Melville: That's what it looks like to me.

Len: Why did you go in that cavern anyway?

Mr. Getty: Patsy asked me to. He never seen a cave before.

Dr. Melville: How far did you go in?

Mr. Getty: Well it didn't seem very far but, all of a sudden we lost our way.

Len: Where was that?

Mr. Getty: Well how do I know whereabouts it was if we was lost? We tried to trace our way back but it wasn't no use. Patsy started to get scared. It's kinda funny to see a big guy like that get

scared.

Dr Melville: Yes he is rather big isn't he.

Mr. Getty: Yes six foot four. The mob used to call us Mutt and Jeff.

Len: And then what happened?

Mr. Getty: Well, I was a little scared myself but we stuck together. You know walking in the dark with only my flash from the car. All of a sudden Pats keeled over.

Dr. Melville: From the gas?

Mr. Getty: Yeah, that's what I figured. His head hit on a rock and I guess that just about finished him off.

Len: I suppose you reckon your self pretty lucky mister.

Mr. Getty: Yah, sure, I figure it's cause I'm only five foot three that I got outta there alive. The gas must have been just about a foot over my head.

Len: Yah, and what do you think about that Doc Melville?

Dr. Melville: I think you better arrest Mr. Getty for the murder of his friend Patsy.

Narrator: And now let's see whether you're as observant as Len and the Doctor.

Mr. Getty: Hey Copper, let me put my hands down, they're tired.

Len: When you're in Green Gap's jail, not before.

Mr. Getty: Ahh, I don't get it. I was a good story. I still can't figure how you found out.

Dr. Melville: Len tells me they used to take dogs into the cavern because the gas is heavier than air. It collects on the floor. If you really met gas, you would have keeled over first before your pal Patsy.

Mr. Getty: Well what do you know; I tell nowadays in this murder racket you need a college education.