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THE MAN FROM
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FRAGILE!)



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WITH ADDLED
PATE ENDOWED).



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WASTE OF A
TURTLE).



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ETERNALLY
RUNNING).



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THE MAN FROM
P.O.W.E.R.
(PONDEROUS
OAF WRECKING
EVERYTHING IN
REACH).



OKAY, BUDDIES--
YOU
DID IT! YOU
WENT OUT
AND GREEDILY
SNAPPED UP
SO MANY
COPIES OF
INFERIOR
FIVE in
SHOWCASE

THAT **DC**
DECIDED
TO CAST THE
INEPT
AVENGERS
IN THEIR
OWN **MAG!**
SO HERE IT IS--
AND WE HOPE
YOU'RE
SATISFIED!
NOW, READ
AND SUFFER,
WHILE YOU
MUDDLE
THROUGH
THIS
SICKENING
STORY
WE **CALL...**

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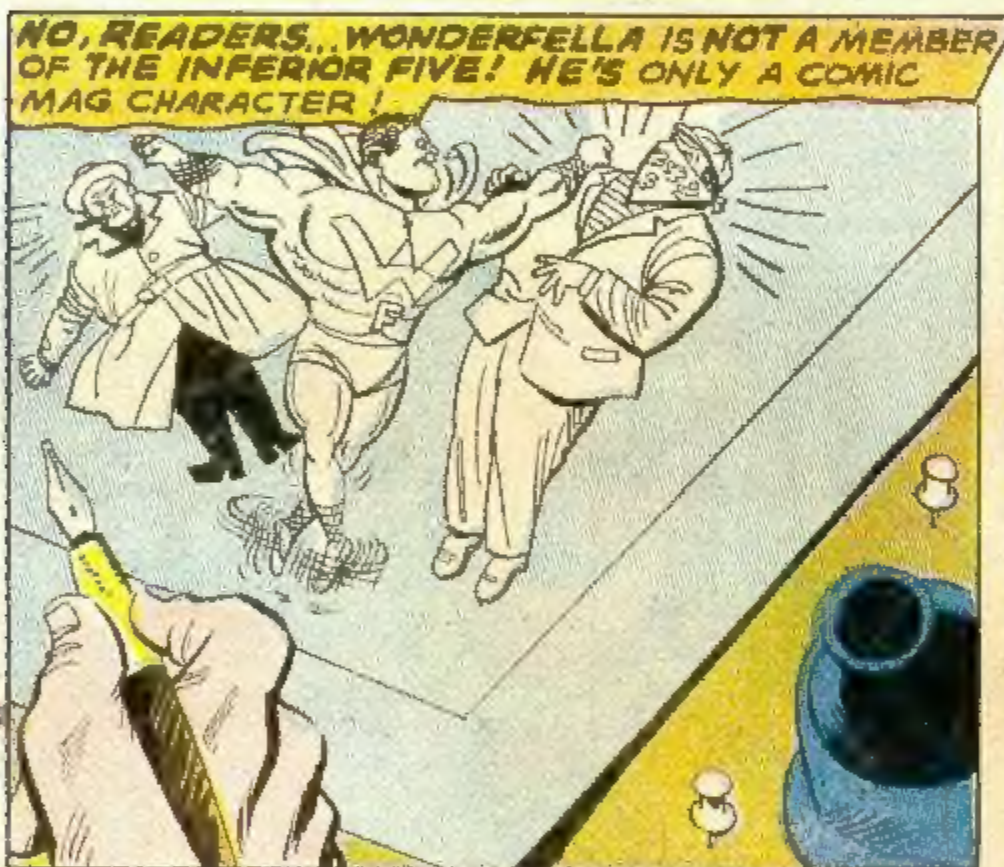
FIVE CHARACTERS IN SEARCH OF A PLOT!

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FRED? WHAT ARE YOU DOING ON THE LUKEWARM LINE? I THOUGHT YOU WERE IN ALASKA!

ASK HIM HOW MYRNA AND THE KIDS ARE!

NOT YOUR COUSIN FRED! THE ORGANIZATION C.O.U.S.I.N. F.R.E.D.-- COMPETENT ORGANIZATION UTILIZING SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION FOR NATIONAL FIEND, RUFFIAN AND EVILDOER DEFENSE!

ALL YOU INFERIOR FIVE MEMBERS... GET OVER HERE AT ONCE! 8TH AVENUE AND 54TH STREET! OUR COVER IS A NEWSSTAND!

RIGHT AWAY, SIR!

I DON'T REALLY MIND ANSWERING EMERGENCIES AS MERRYMAN! BUT THOSE WISE GUYS YOU RUN INTO ON THE SUBWAY...

YOU'RE NOT TAKING THE SUBWAY TODAY, BOY!

YOU KNOW, I WAS A MASKED CRIME-FIGHTER FORTY YEARS AGO! MY ORIENTAL DRIVER, PLATO, AND I REALLY BURNED UP THE ROAD IN MY CAR, THE GOLD BUG!

IN FACT, PLATO DROVE ME HERE! HE HAS THE GOLD BUG OUTSIDE... THE FASTEST THING ON WHEELS IN 1925! YESSIR, BOY... TODAY, YELLOWJACKET RIDES AGAIN!

THIS'LL TEACH YOU TO PARK OVERTIME!

PLATO... I TOLD YOU TO DRIVE AROUND THE BLOCK!

I WAS DRIVING!

WE'LL GET BACK TO MERRYMAN, BUT RIGHT NOW, LET'S LOOK IN ON MODEL ATHENA (DUMB BUNNY) TREMOR!

JUST HOLD THAT POSE... IT INSPIRES MY ARTISTIC GENIUS!

GEE! I'M FLATTERED!

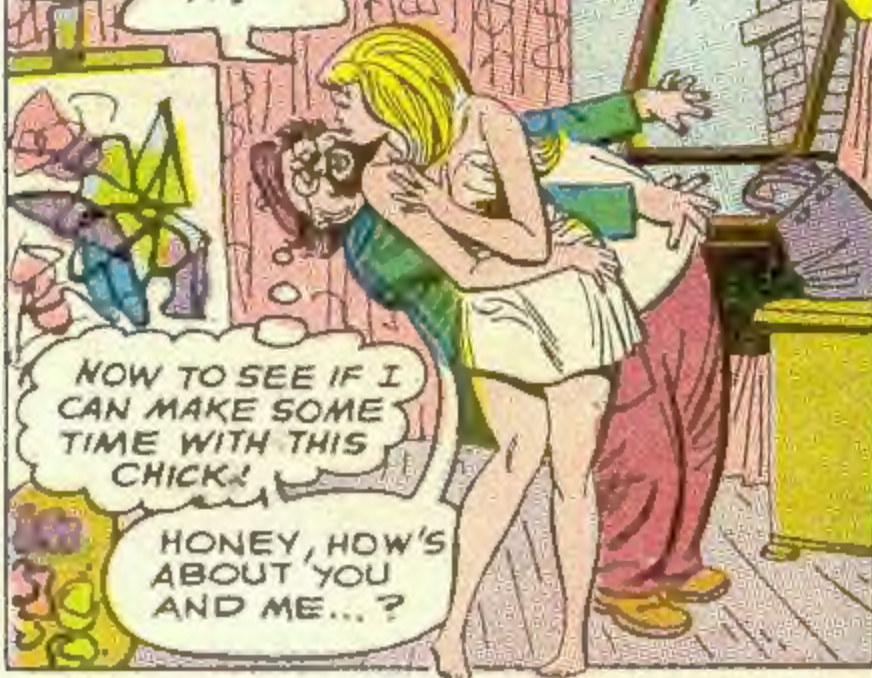


I CAN'T PAINT WORTH A DARN... BUT AS LONG AS I CAN HIRE GORGEOUS MODELS LIKE HER TO POSE FOR ME, WHO CARES?



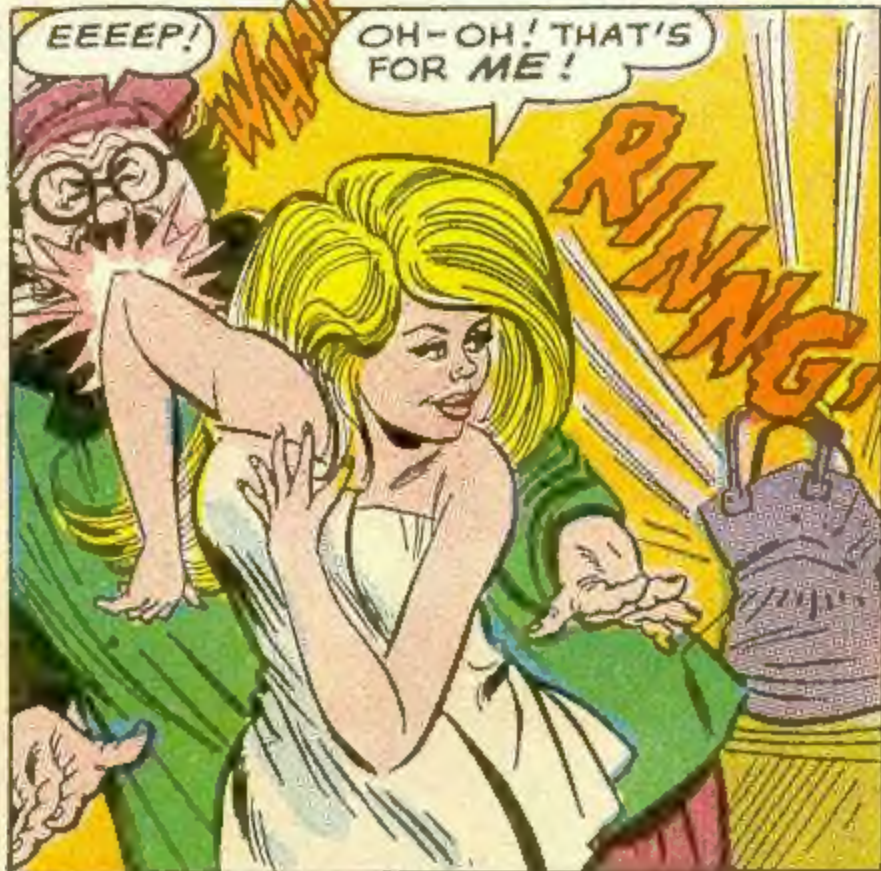
AS ATHENA TAKES A BREAK...

GOLLY, YOU MODERN ARTISTS SURE PAINT DEEP STUFF! I CAN'T EVEN UNDERSTAND IT!



NOW TO SEE IF I CAN MAKE SOME TIME WITH THIS CHICK!

HONEY, HOW'S ABOUT YOU AND ME...?



I KNOW THE LUKEWARM LINE'S IN HERE SOMEWHERE!..



I JUST HAVE TO FIND IT!



AHHH! HERE IT IS! HELLO... COUSIN FRED? BUT I DON'T HAVE A COUSIN FRED... AT LEAST, I DON'T THINK I HAVE!

WE'VE BEEN INVADED FROM OUTER SPACE! THEY'RE BOMBARDING US WITH STARS!

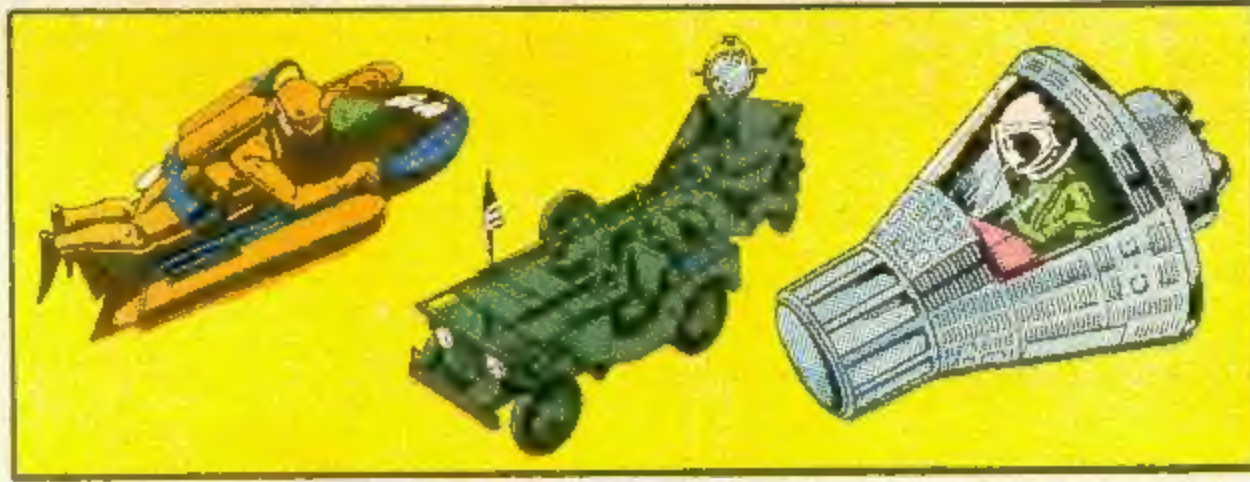
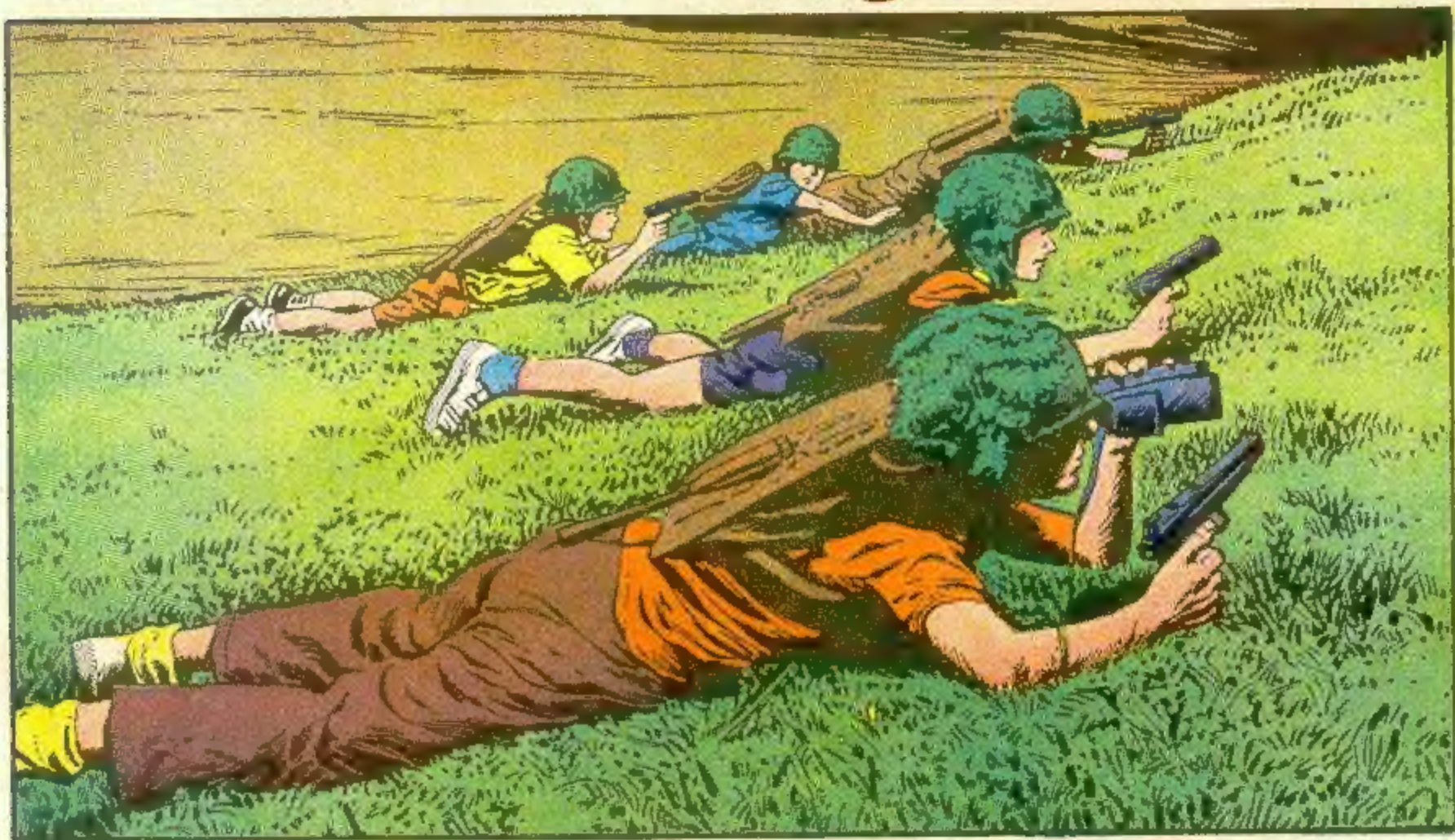


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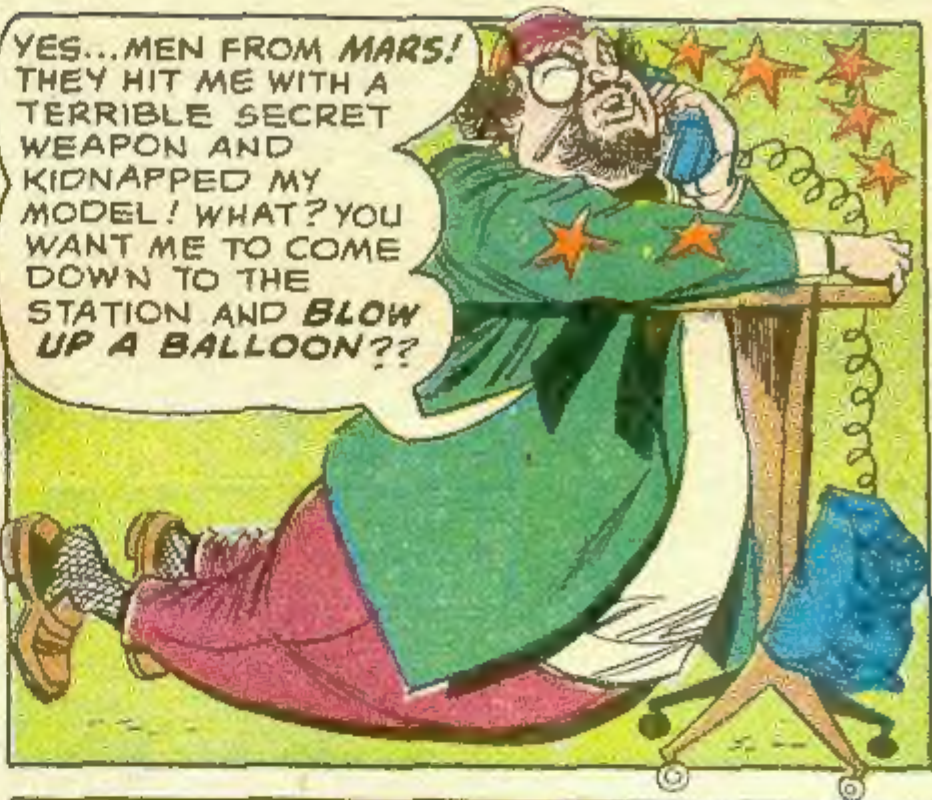
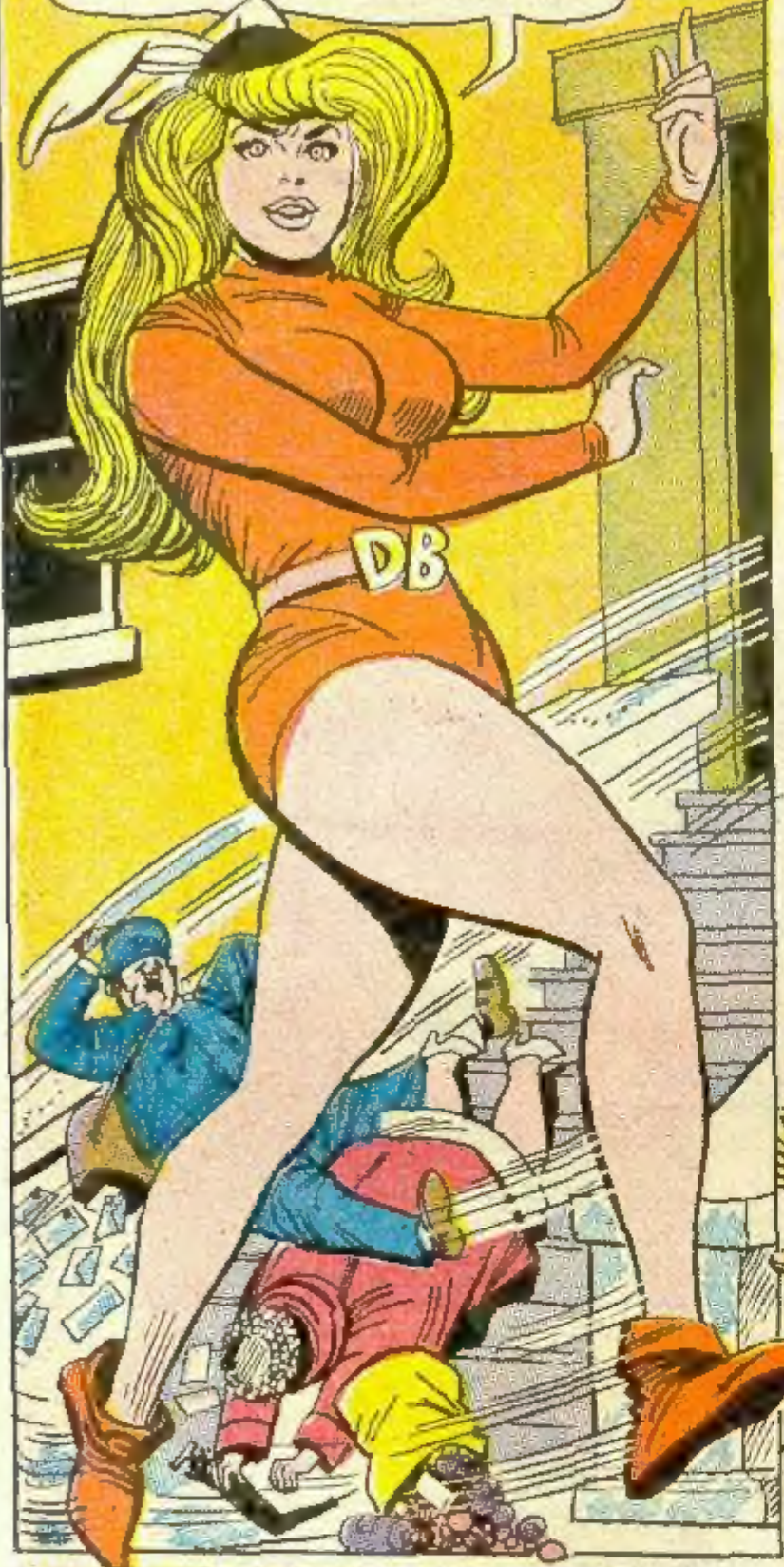
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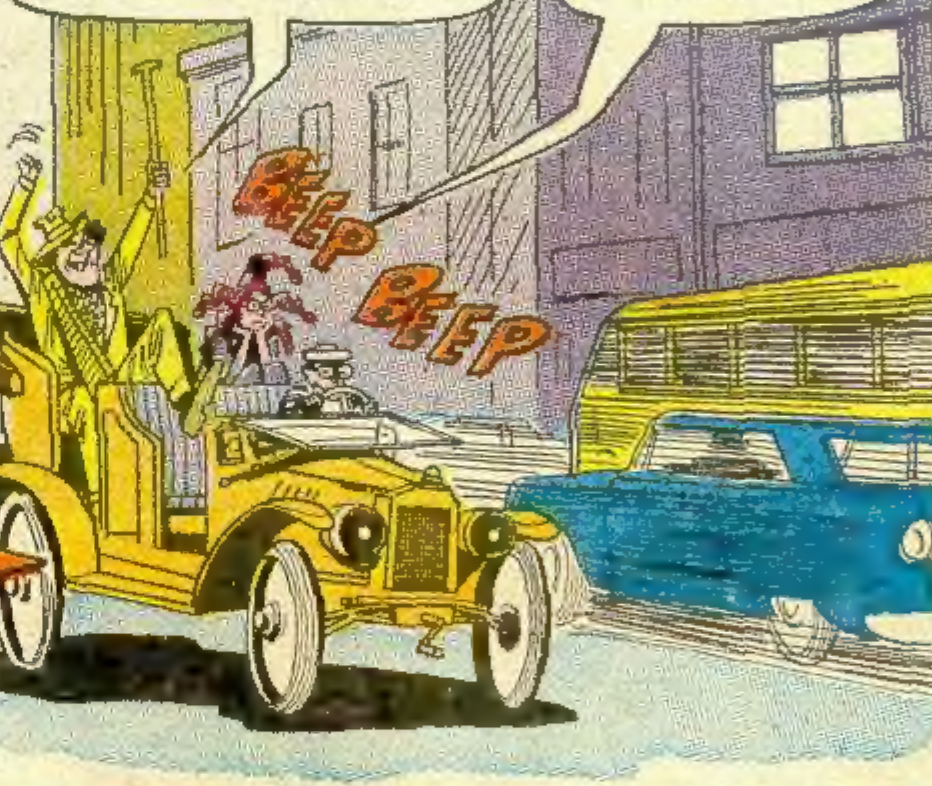


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MINUTES LATER... WELL, HERE GOES--
ANOTHER CASE
FOR THE **DUMB BUNNY!**



NOW...BACK TO MERRYMAN!
ADMIT IT, HAVE YOU EVER
SEEN ANYTHING GO AS
FAST AS THIS BUGGY?



YES, AND I
MAY NEVER
BET ON ANOTHER
HORSE AGAIN!

**NOW LET'S LOOK IN ON SOME
ONE ELSE WHO'S HAVING
TROUBLE WITH MODELS...**
PHOTOGRAPHER WILLIAM KING!

PLEASE, GIRLS...I'M TRYING TO
GET SOME SHOTS FOR **PAYBOY**
MAGAZINE! IT'S CALLED THAT
BECAUSE IT COSTS **75¢...BOY!**
DO YOU PAY?



WHICH ONE DO
YOU THINK THEY'LL
PICK FOR THE
CENTER FOLD-
OUT?

COME
ON...
WHO'LL
IT BE?



THE ONE THAT
LOOKS BEST WITH A
STAPLE IN HER
STOMACH!

COME ON... I JUST
KNOW YOU CAN GET ME
VOTED **PAYMATE OF
THE YEAR!**

NOT... ME!



MUSTN'T LET THEM
KNOW I'M **TERRIFIED**
OF GIRLS... I **MUSTN'T!**

BUT OUR WILLY IS SAVED BY THE BELL!

ER... I JUST REMEMBERED AN IMPORTANT ENGAGEMENT! THE PIN-UP SHOTS WILL HAVE TO WAIT!



WHAT'S THAT NOISE? DID THIS KOOK HAVE AN ALARM CLOCK SET?

NO... FOR, AS SOON AS THE MODELS ARE GONE...

A NEWSSTAND? I'LL BE RIGHT THERE!

I NEVER THOUGHT I'D BE HAPPY TO GO INTO ACTION AS THE WHITE FEATHER... BUT NOTHING COULD BE MORE FRIGHTENING THAN THOSE FEMALES!



NOW, LET'S SEE HOW MERRYMAN'S PARTY IS PROGRESSING!

I'M AFRAID WE'RE STALLED. STILL, YOU GOTTA EXPECT THAT ON HILLS!

GOING DOWNHILL?



WELL, THAT WAS A WASTED PANEL -- SO LET'S JOIN HERMAN CRAMER, PROPRIETOR OF HERMAN'S DINER...

YOU SIMPLY MUST LOSE SOME WEIGHT! THERE'LL BE NO MORE REFRIGERATOR RAIDS BETWEEN MEALS, HERMAN!

ANYTHING YOU SAY, MABEL, SWEETIE!



A SHORT TIME LATER... DIETIN' IS AWFUL... BUT A DOLL LIKE MABEL IS WORTH IT! OH-OH! THE LUKEWARM LINE!



NOW, AS REGULAR READERS KNOW, HERMAN'S SECRET PHONE IS CONCEALED IN HIS REFRIGERATOR...

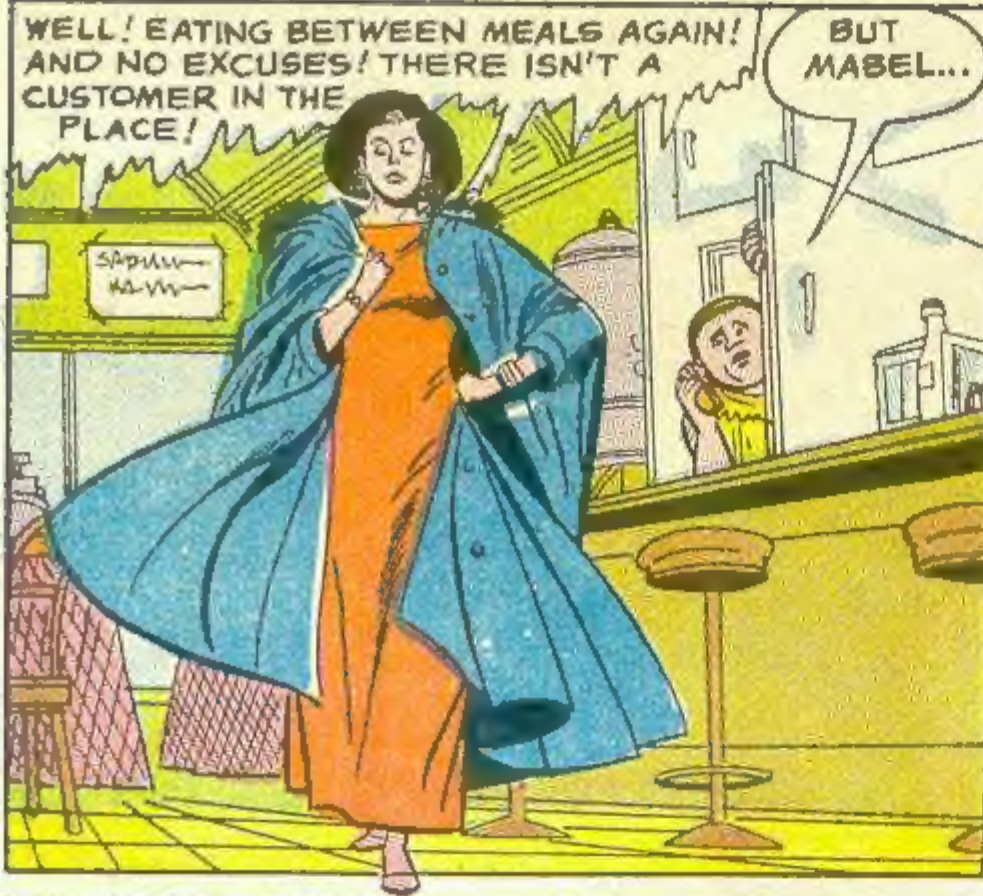
ROGER! THE BLIMP WILL GET RIGHT ON THE JOB!

SO THIS IS HOW YOU KEEP YOUR PROMISES!



WELL! EATING BETWEEN MEALS AGAIN!
AND NO EXCUSES! THERE ISN'T A
CUSTOMER IN THE
PLACE!

BUT
MABEL...



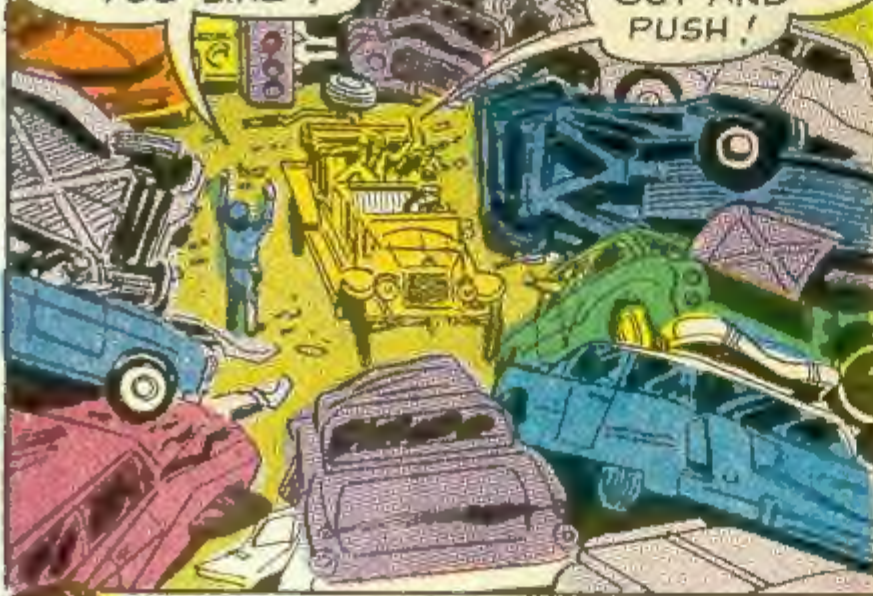
DARN IT! I COULDN'T
EXPLAIN WITHOUT
GIVIN' AWAY MY
SECRET IDENTITY!
IF ONLY I DARED
TELL HER I'M
THE BLIMP!
BUT WE
SUPER-
HEROES
NEVER
DO
THINGS
LIKE
THAT!



AND WHERE ARE MERRYMAN AND YELLOW-
JACKET NOW?

THE LIGHT HAS
CHANGED FROM RED TO GREEN TO
AMBER TO RED AGAIN, BUT
YOU'RE STILL STANDING HERE!
DON'T WE HAVE ANY COLORS
YOU LIKE?

ER...SHE'S
STALLED
AGAIN!
WE'D
BETTER GET
OUT AND
PUSH!



IT'S WINTER NOW, AND THE BEACHES NEAR
MEGALOPOLIS ARE DESERTED...WELL,
ALMOST DESERTED! HERE'S LEANDER
BRENT, BEACHCOMBER AND PART-TIME
WRITER!

THE MAGAZINE EDITOR WHO
ASSIGNED ME TO WRITE AN ARTICLE ON
MR. MIGHT DIDN'T KNOW HE WAS HIRING
MR. MIGHT'S OWN SON, AWKWARDMAN!
LET'S SEE...



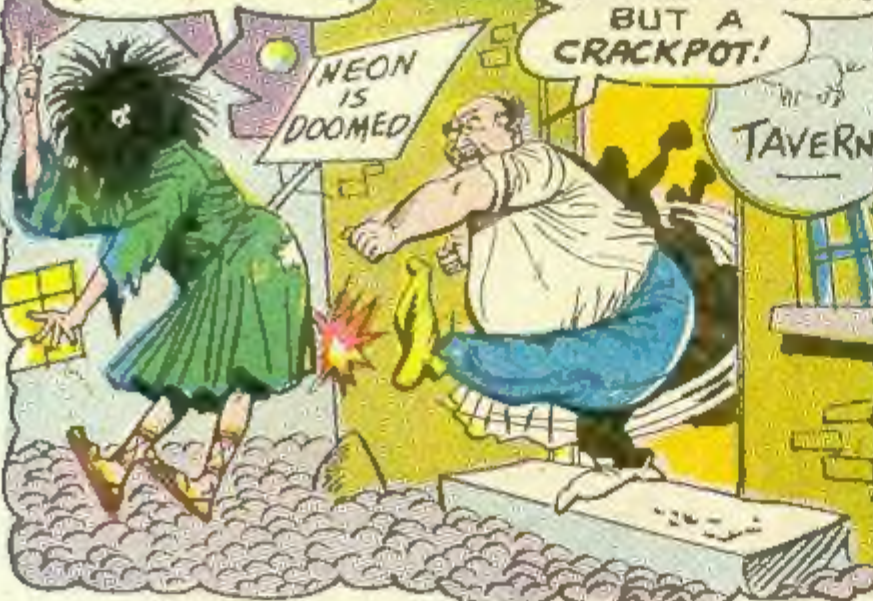
"MR. MIGHT WAS BORN BARB-ELL,
ON THE PLANET NEON...ONE DAY,
HIS FATHER, DUMB-ELL, MADE A
TERRIBLE DISCOVERY..."

YOU MUST LISTEN TO ME!
THIS WORLD WILL EXPLODE
VERY SOON!

GO SOAK YOUR
HEAD, DUMB!
YOU'RE NOTHING
BUT A
CRACKPOT!

NEON
IS
DOOMED

TAVERN



"SO DUMB-ELL RESOLVED TO SAVE HIS BABY
SON! HE SENT HIM TO EARTH IN A SMALL
ROCKET..."

THOUGH I PERISH WITH
OUR WORLD, AT LEAST MY BOY
WILL LIVE!



IT'S TOO BAD I'LL HAVE TO TELL THE NEXT PART--HOW NEON NEVER DID EXPLODE... BECAUSE GRANDPOP REALLY WAS A CRACKPOT! OH-OH! THE LUKEWARM LINE!



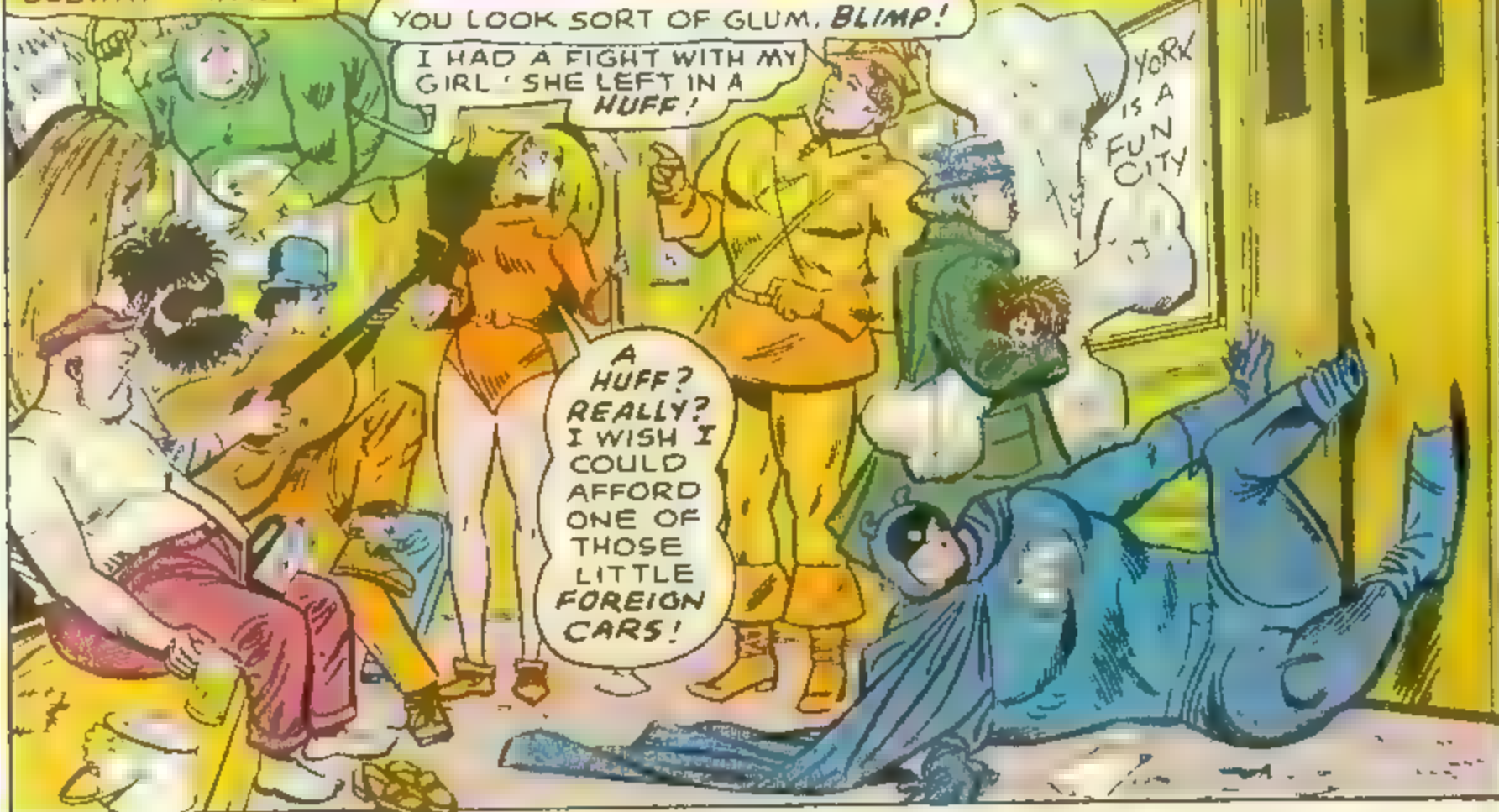
MOMENTS LATER, ON SHORE.

THERE AREN'T MANY PEOPLE WHO COULD GET TO THIS PHONE--HIDDEN UNDER A BOULDER!

SAY IT, PRETTY, DADDY-O! I'M TUNED IN!



SHORTLY, AFTER LEANDER SWITCHES TO HIS AWKWARDMAN IDENTITY AND BOARDS A SUBWAY TRAIN.



YOU LOOK SORT OF GLUM, BLIMP!

I HAD A FIGHT WITH MY GIRL! SHE LEFT IN A HUFF!

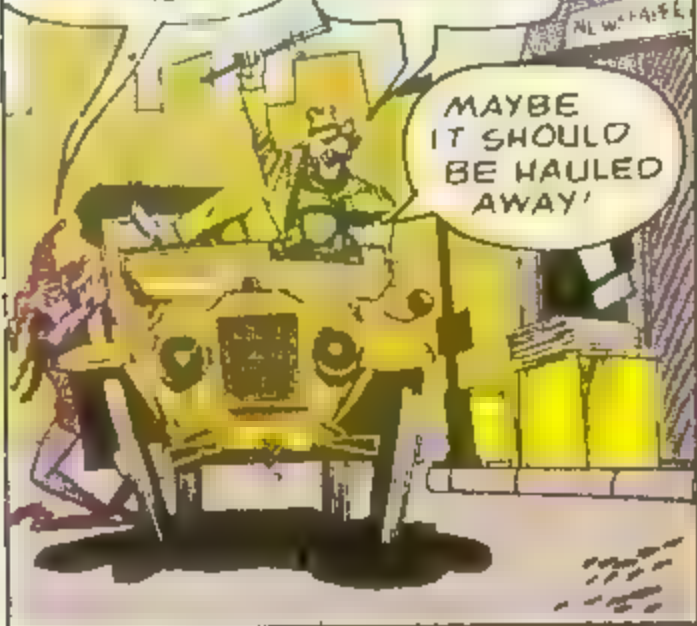
A HUFF? REALLY? I WISH I COULD AFFORD ONE OF THOSE LITTLE FOREIGN CARS!

AND MERRYMAN, IN THE GOLD BUG? WELL, HE FINALLY MADE IT!

WELL, HERE WE ARE AT THE NEWSSTAND, AT LAST!

PLATO, WE JUST HAVE TO GET THIS CAR OVERHAULED!

MAYBE IT SHOULD BE HAULED AWAY!

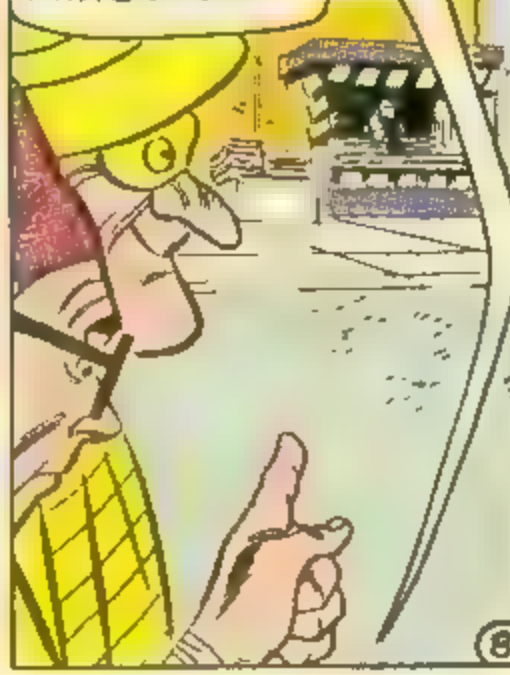


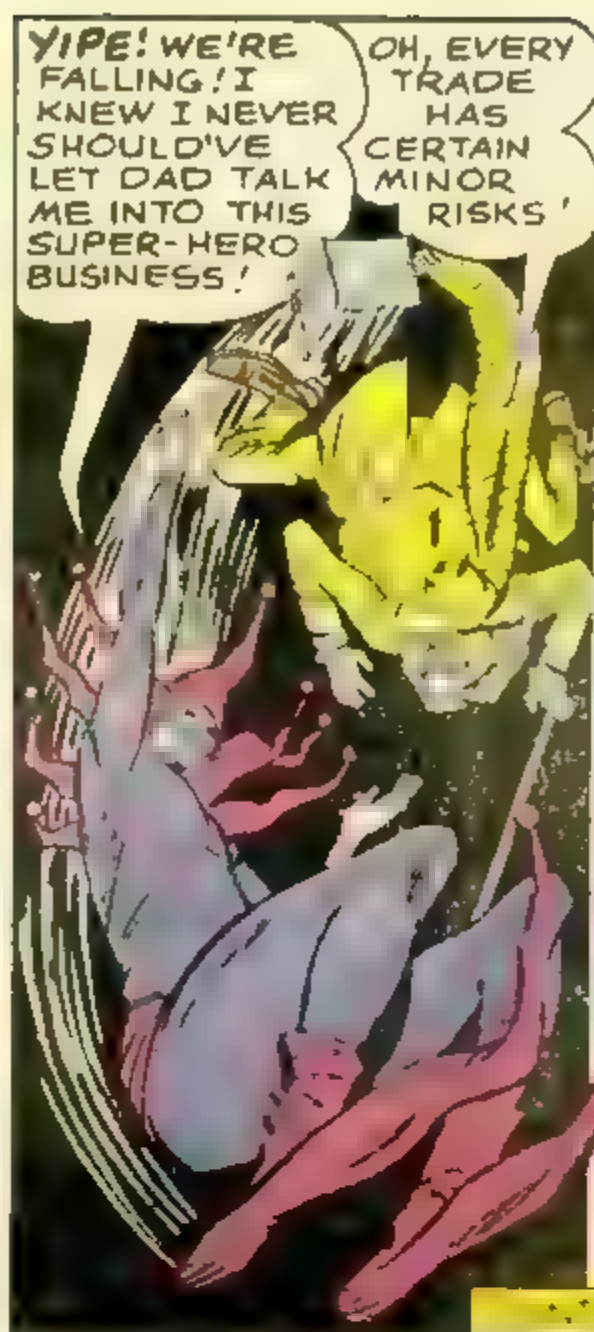
WE HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TO MEET OUR UH-- COUSIN HERE!



YOU GOT THE WRONG NEWSSTAND, BUD.

THE ONE ACROSS THE STREET IS THE FRONT FOR C.O.U.S.I.N. F.R.E.D.! LOTS OF PEOPLE GET 'EM MIXED UP!





IF THAT'S HOW THE INFERIOR 5'S FRIENDS TREAT EM, WHAT CAN THEY EXPECT FROM THEIR ENEMIES? IF WE EVER GET AROUND TO INTRODUCING ANY? AW, WE WILL IN PART II!

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TICK-tock--

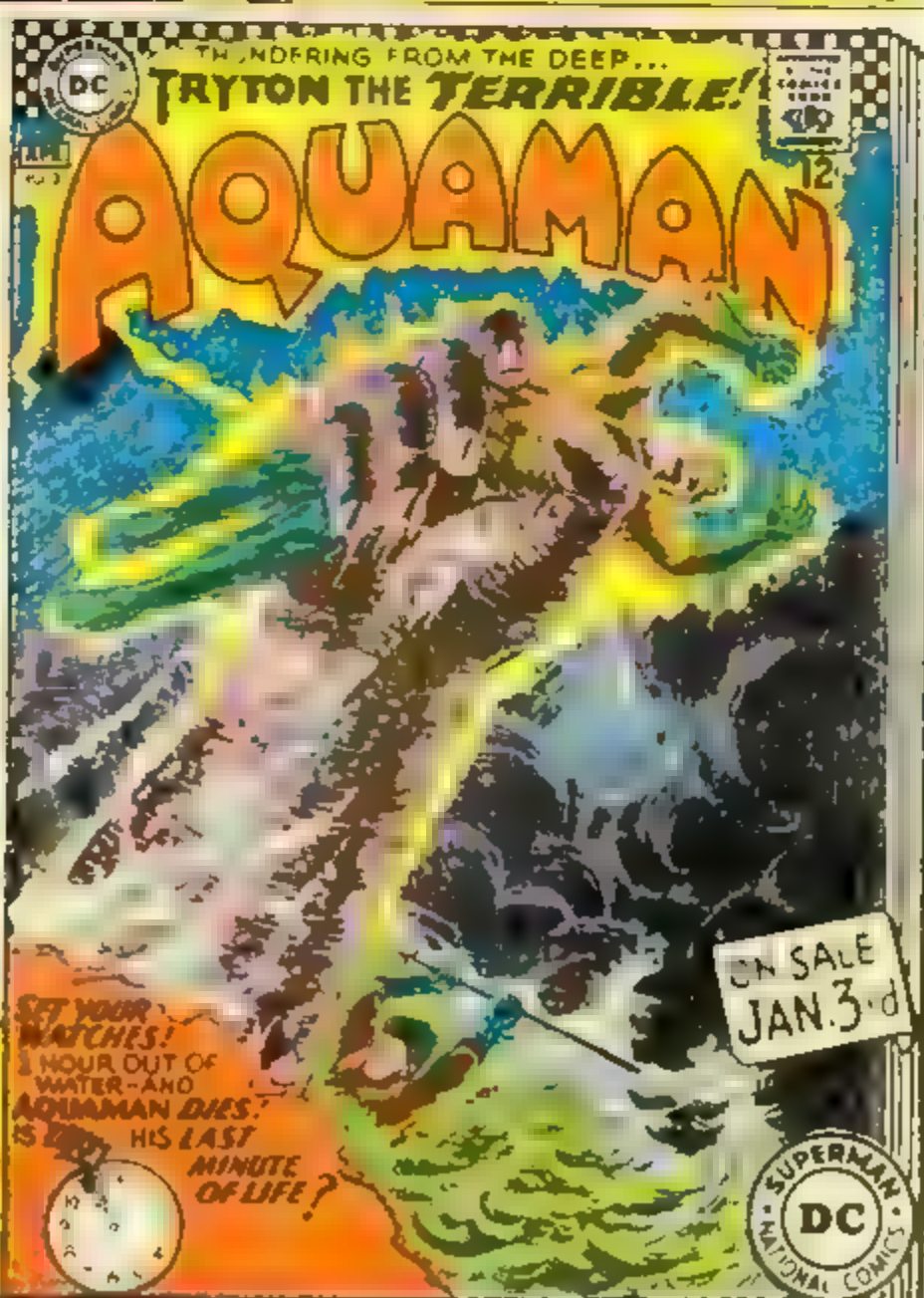
COUNT THE MINUTES...
COUNT THE SECONDS...

TIME IS RUNNING OUT

AS EACH CLICK OF THE CLOCK SIGNALS THE SEA KING'S DOOM!

DON'T LET TIME RUN OUT ON YOU!
HURRY TO YOUR FAVORITE NEWSSTAND FOR THE LATEST SMASH ISSUE OF...

AQUAMAN!



DIRECT CURRENTS

Well, here's the latest batch of goodies from DC—namely, our new preview of DC's (Dramas Coming). Remember, only the ones with the checkerboard are the real thing. Accept no AC's (Alternate Currents).

Would you believe BATMAN would compete with top hoods for the title of KING OF CRIME? Even SUPERMAN finds it hard to accept—but it happens in the March **WORLD'S FINEST**, No. 165, on sale Jan. 26.

What will the LEGION OF SUPER HEROES be like when they grow up? Join SUPERMAN as he visits them in the far future in the March **ADVENTURE**, No. 354, and learn which ones will marry—and die! On sale Jan. 31.

Picture this—ROBIN caught in a doom trap and BATMAN refuses to get him out! How can you resist reading "THE DYNAMIC DUOS DOUBLE DEATHTRAP" in the March **DETECTIVE**, No. 361, on sale Jan. 31?

To trap a notorious saboteur, the FBI picks meek timid CLARK KENT and trains him as an agent—never dreaming he's really the mighty SUPERMAN! March **ACTION**, No. 348, on the stands Jan. 31.

Another startling adventure of IMMORTAL MAN, the hero who lived and died 100 times, headlines the March **STRANGE ADVENTURES**, No. 198. Plus a 2-in-1 sci-fi thriller "DANGER! EARTH IS DOOMED!" On sale Jan. 31.

SGT. ROCK'S prizefighter buddy of EASY COMPANY fights a battle rougher than the war itself in "A PENNY FOR JACK E. JOHNSON!" You'll find it in the April **OUR ARMY AT WAR**, No. 179, on sale Feb. 2.

THE ATOM fights a one-man battle UNDERGROUND to stop a BAT KNIGHT army from launching a world-wide attack OVERGROUND! "DAZE OF THE BAT-KNIGHTS!" May, No. 30, on the stands Feb. 2.

Here's the story we were DARED to print: no hoax, no phony, but the genuine tragic death of a hero! "TAPS FOR RED" is the title of the May **CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN**, No. 55, on sale Feb. 2.

A million teachers. A half million teachers! Would you believe 2,000 teachers are seized by some fortune-hunting fiends? May **BOB HOPE**, No. 104, on sale Feb. 2—co-starring SUPER H.P. and the FACULTY OF FEAR!

SUPERMAN, SUPERGIRL, KRYPTO—even the bottle ority of KANDOR—fall into the clutches of a mysterious madman who's out to kill all survivors of the planet KRYPTON! April, No. 195, on sale Feb. 7.

The AMAZING AMAZON faces the most fantastic villain ever conceived when "WONDER WOMAN BATTLES THE CRIMSON CENTIPEDE!" This epic encounter takes place in the April Issue, No. 169, on sale Feb. 7.

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I'M MAKING A NEAT **MODEL MOUNT**. I GLUED FOUR 1-INCH PIECES OF PLASTIC 'RUNNERS' LEFT OVER FROM MY KIT, TO THE BOTTOM OF THE CAR.

THANKS TO—
ANDY WONG
LOS ANGELES, CAL.

NOW, I POUR **PLASTER OF PARIS** INTO A SMALL BOX. THIS ACTS AS A **MOLD**.

I LET IT **HARDEN** A LITTLE, THEN PLACE THE MODEL ON TOP, FORCING THE PLASTIC PIECES INTO THE MOLD.

WHEN IT'S **DRY**, I CUT THE BOX AWAY AND HAVE A DANDY MOUNTING READY TO BE **PAINTED** ANY COLOR.

--- CUT OUT FOR YOUR **SCRAPBOOK** ---

FREE! *Captain Action's* SUPER HERO PARACHUTE

FOR A LIMITED
TIME ONLY!

YOU CAN CHANGE
CAPTAIN ACTION
INTO THE
WORLD'S MIGHTIEST
SUPER HEROES.

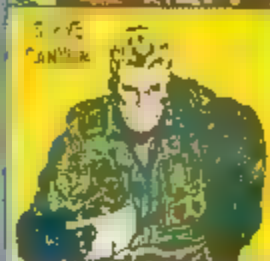


CAPTAIN ACTION
SWOOPS DOWN ON
EVIL WITH HIS SUPER
HERO PARACHUTE!
JUST SNAP HIM INTO
HIS HARNESS AND THROW
THE PARACHUTE INTO
THE AIR. FLYING
HIGH, CAPTAIN ACTION
PARACHUTES TO VICTORY!
WHEN YOU BUY HIS
OTHER SUPER HERO
OUTFITS, YOU CAN
CHANGE CAPTAIN
ACTION'S UNIFORM
AND FACE MASK AND
HE TURNS INTO NINE
OF THE MIGHTIEST
SUPER HEROES OF
ALL TIME.

GET
Captain
Action's
SUPER HERO
PARACHUTE
FREE

WHEN YOU BUY
CAPTAIN ACTION.

HE'S



PART II "SUPER-VILLAINS HAVE THEIR TROUBLES, TOO!"

WELCOME TO C.O.U.S.I.N. F.R.E.D. HEADQUARTERS, MY FRIENDS! I'M MR. IVANHOE, AND THESE ARE OUR TOP AGENTS, CAESAR SINGLE AND KWITCHA BELLIAKIN!

WE'VE BEEN HERE TWENTY MINUTES! WHAT KEPT YOU?

ER-- GRANDDAD OFFERED TO BRING ME IN HIS CAR AND WE HAD A LITTLE TROUBLE!

WE DESPERATELY NEED HELP AGAINST AN INTERNATIONAL CRIME ORGANIZATION-- H.U.R.R.I.C.A.N.E.-MEANING HEINOUS, UNSCRUPULOUS RATS AND ROGUES INITIATING CRIMINAL ANARCHY AND NEFARIOUS EVIL!

SHOOT!

DON'T SAY THAT!

I MUST APOLOGIZE FOR MR. BELLIAKIN HE'S BEEN GUN-SHY EVER SINCE A H.U.R.R.I.C.A.N.E. AGENT SHOT OFF ONE OF HIS EARS!

BUT HE HAS TWO EARS!

NOW, YES!

WE HAVE SLIDES SHOWING THE MAIN H.U.R.R.I.C.A.N.E. AGENTS. THIS IS **POWERHOUSE**, WHO'S TERRIFICALLY STRONG, THOUGH SAID TO BE A BIT **INDOLENT**!



A BIT WHAT?

LAZY!

HERE WE HAVE THE **MISSING FINK**, WHO CAN MAKE HIMSELF **INVISIBLE**. HE HAD **HAY-FEVER**--SO THEIR SCIENTISTS TRIED TO CURE IT--EVEN TRANSFERRED HIS MIND INTO AN **ANDROID BODY**. HE IS NOW THE ONLY **ANDROID** WITH **HAY FEVER**!



MR. MENTAL HAS **E.S.P.** AND **TELEKINETIC POWERS**, BUT IS A BIT **ABSENT-MINDED**.



THE MOST **COWARDLY** OF THEIR AGENTS--AND THE **FASTEST**--THE **YELLOW STREAK**!

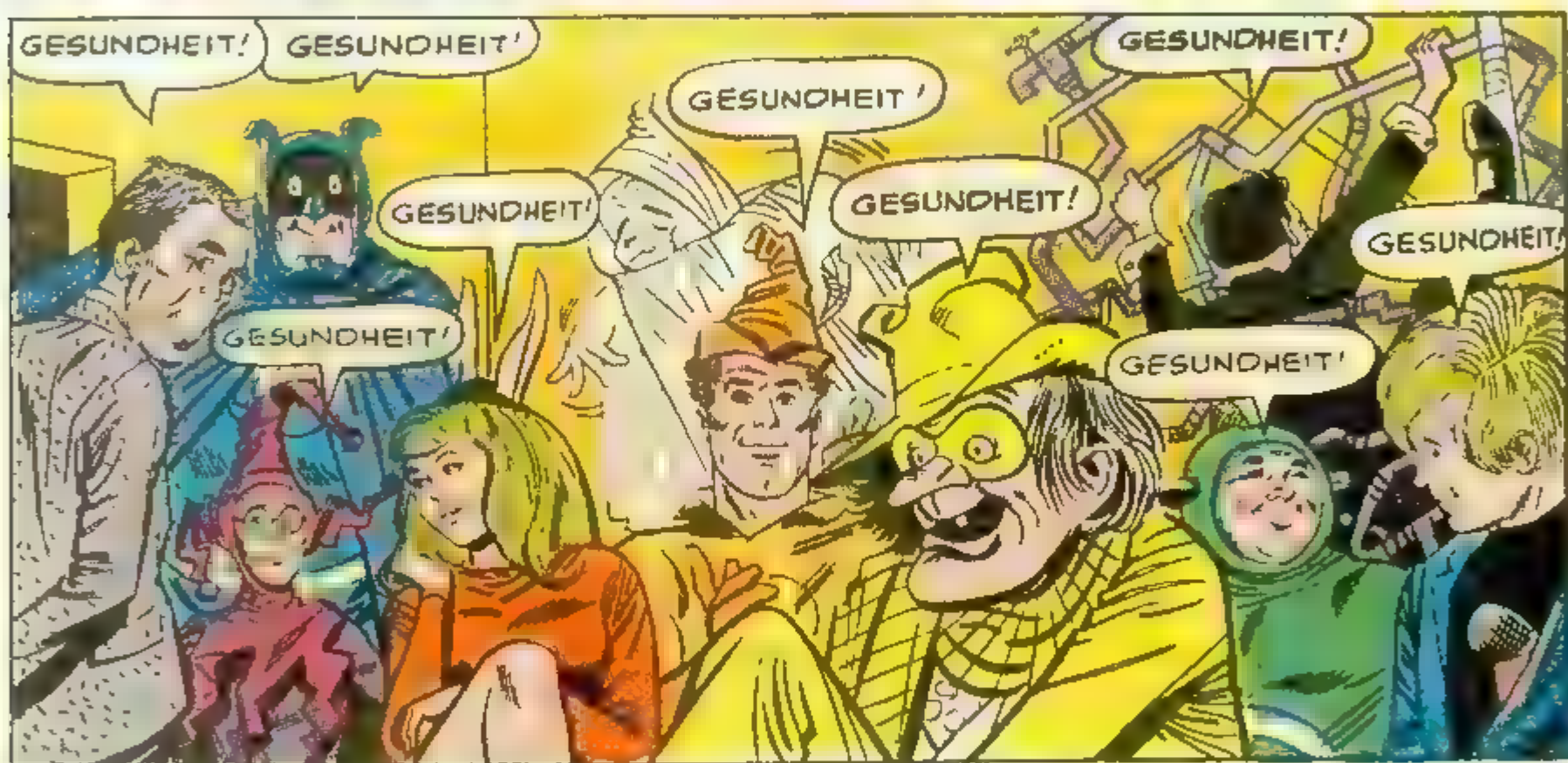
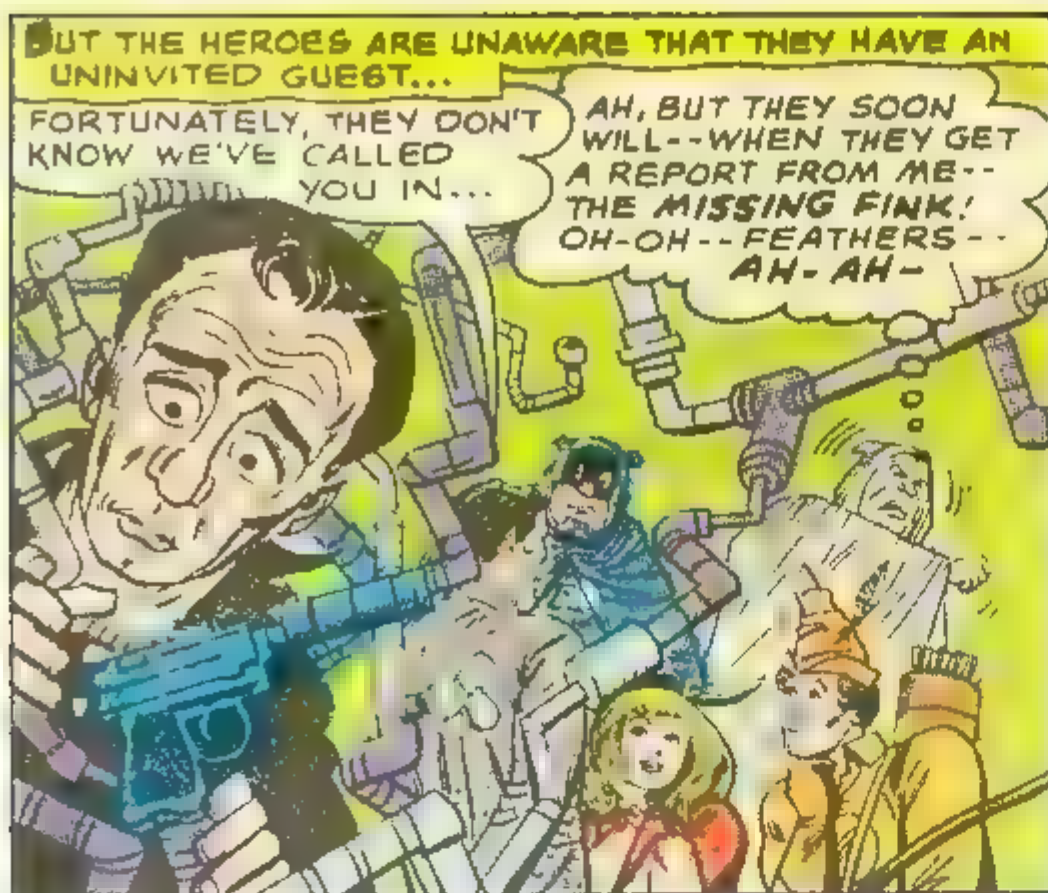


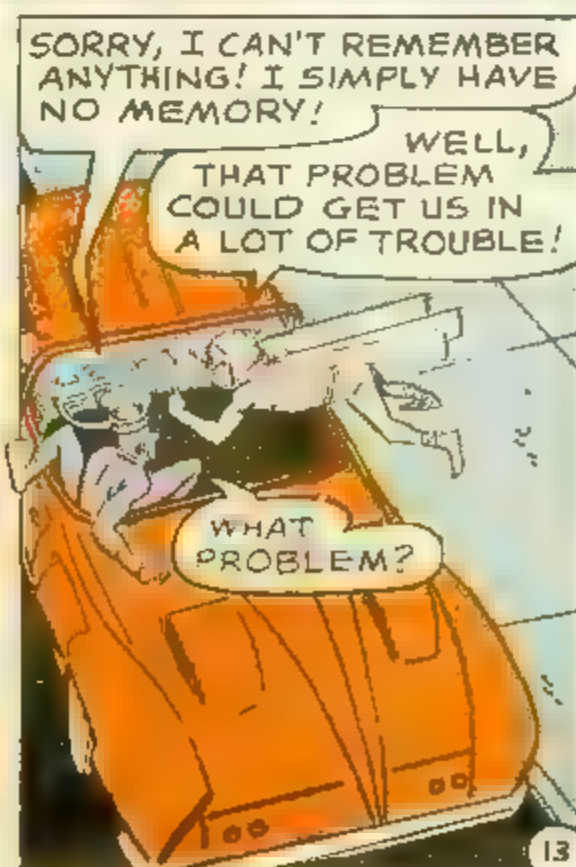
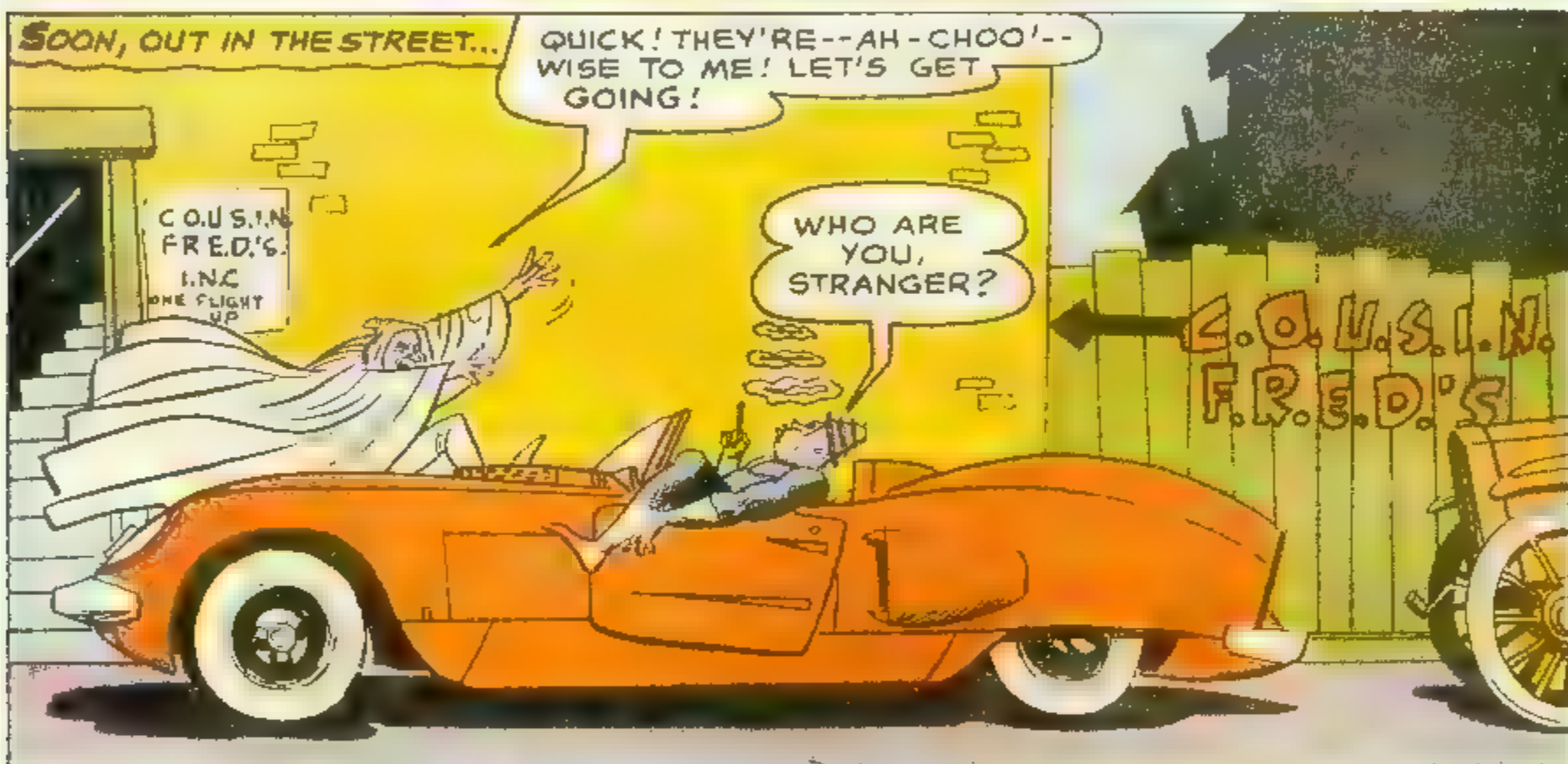
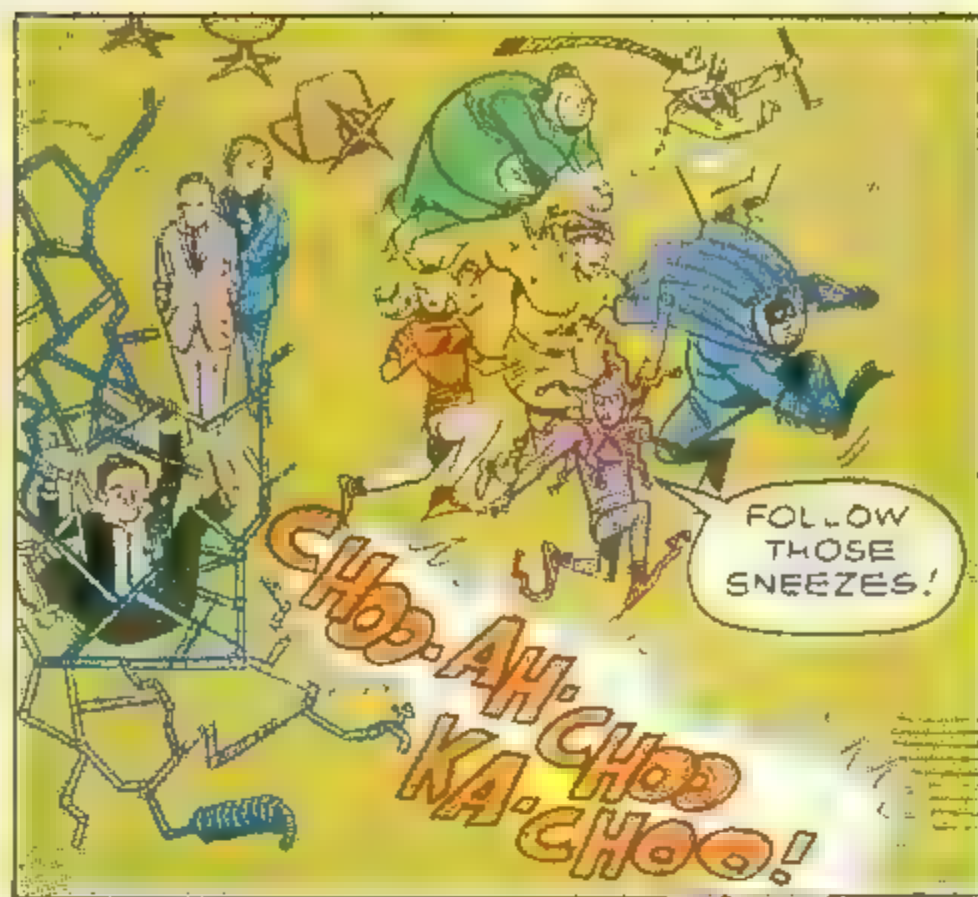
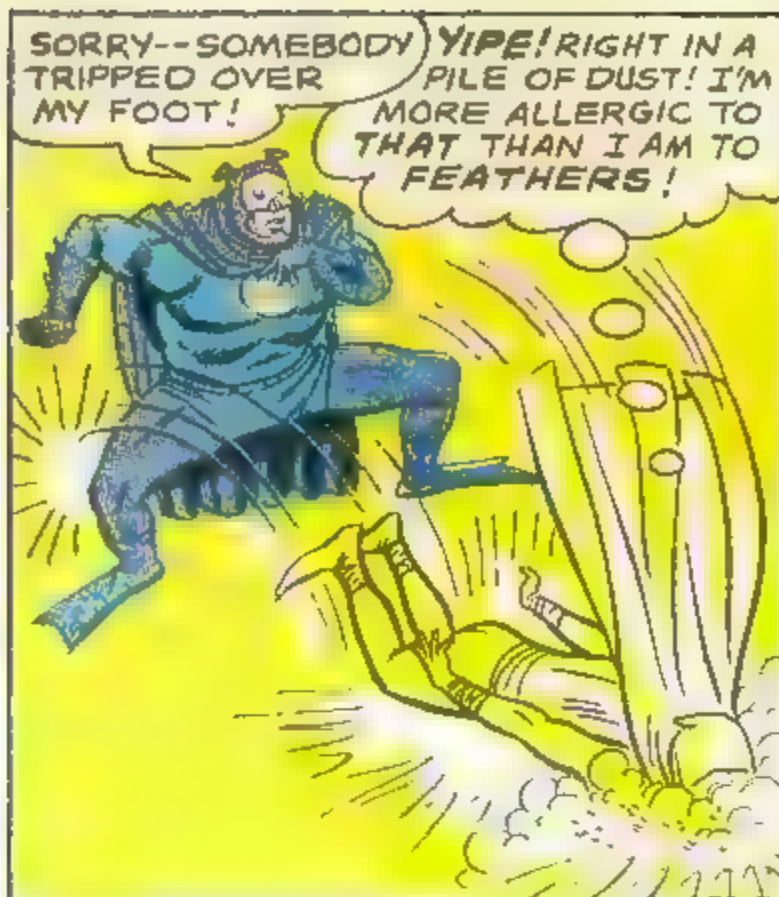
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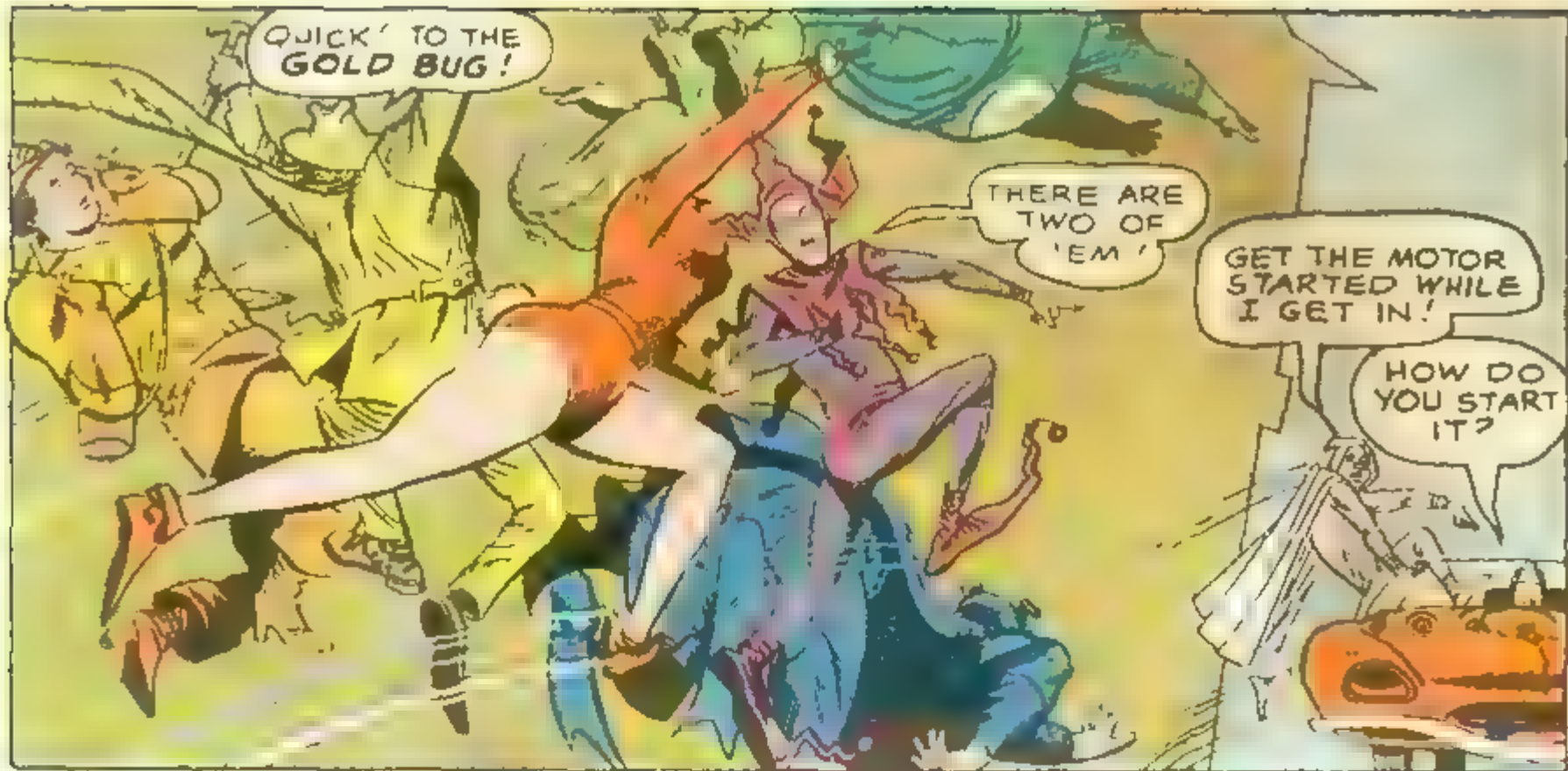


THESE ARE H.U.R.R.I.C.A.N.E.'S **NON-SUPER SPECIALISTS**--
"TABBY" KATZ, **SCIENTIST AND INVENTOR** "NITRO" GLEASON,
WEAPONS AND DEMOLITION EXPERT... AND
"CRABGRASS" WILDE, **ESCAPE ARTIST**









QUICK! TO THE GOLD BUG!

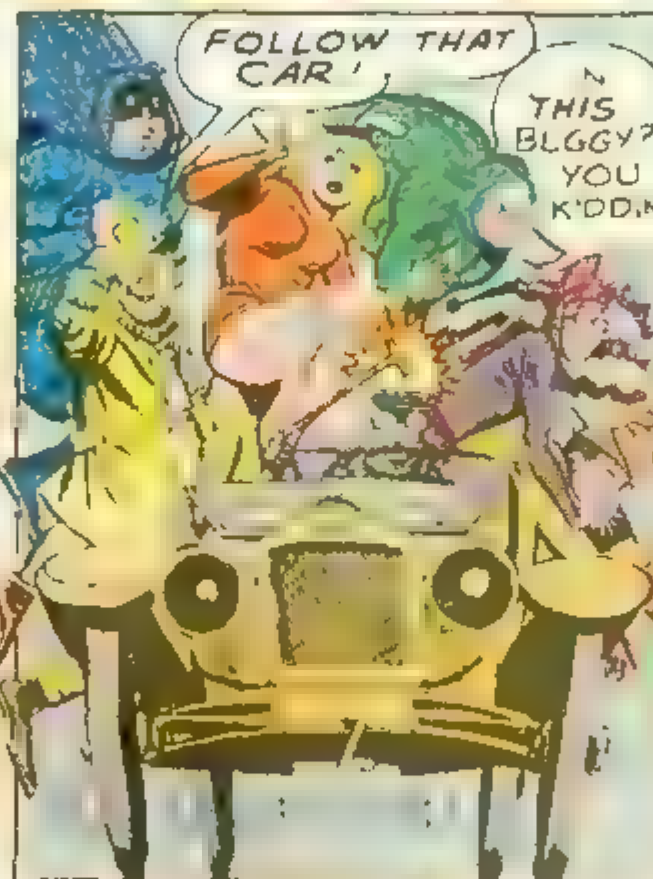
THERE ARE TWO OF 'EM!

GET THE MOTOR STARTED WHILE I GET IN!

HOW DO YOU START IT?



NEVER MIND! MOVE OVER- I'LL DRIVE!

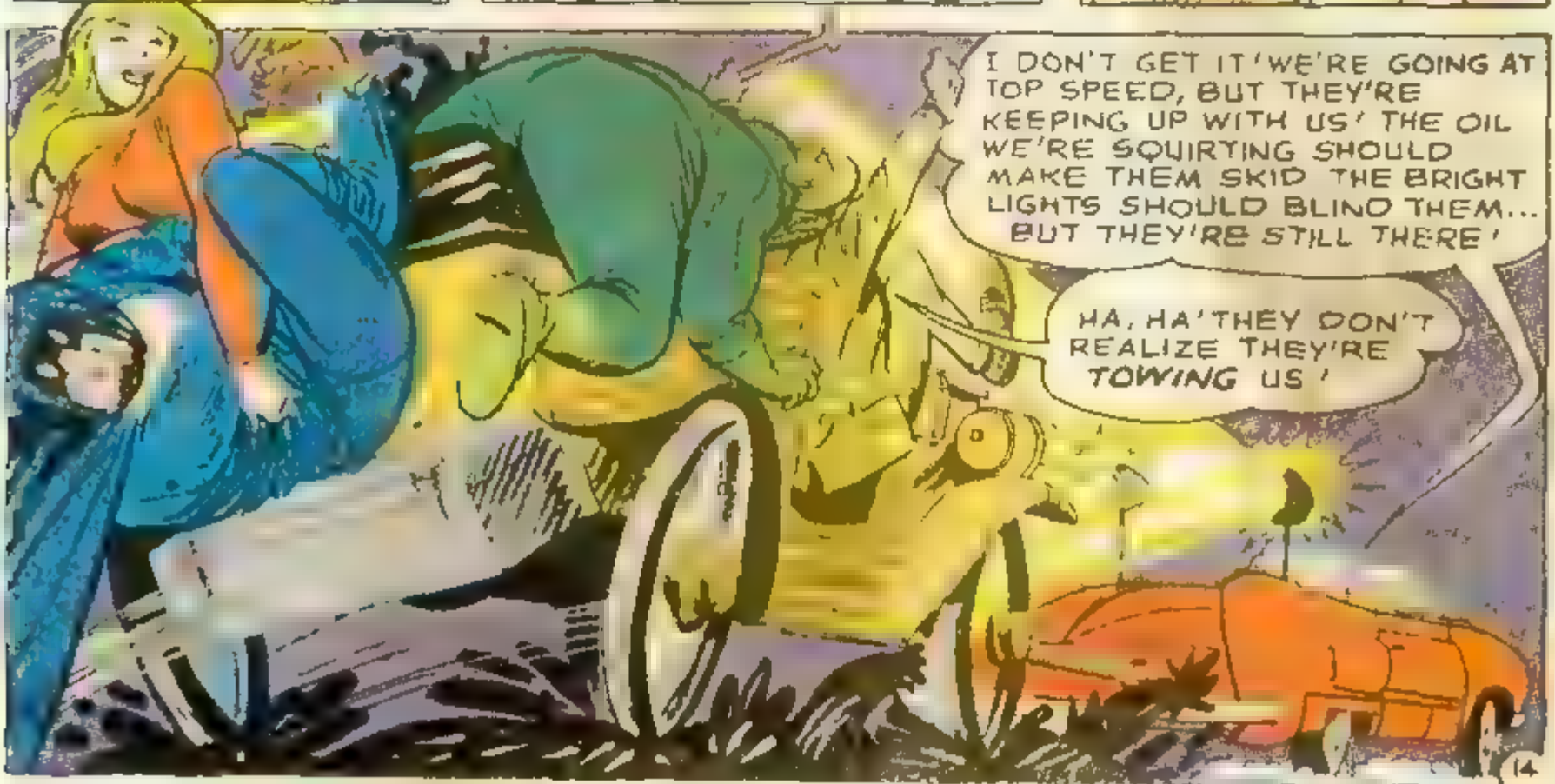


FOLLOW THAT CAR!

IS THIS BLOODY? YOU KIDDIN'?



NOT AT ALL! ACTIVATE THE GRAPPLES, PLATO!



I DON'T GET IT! WE'RE GOING AT TOP SPEED, BUT THEY'RE KEEPING UP WITH US! THE OIL WE'RE SQUIRTING SHOULD MAKE THEM SKID! THE BRIGHT LIGHTS SHOULD BLIND THEM... BUT THEY'RE STILL THERE!

HA, HA! THEY DON'T REALIZE THEY'RE TOWING US!

HEY! I REMEMBER
SOMETHING! THESE
BUTTONS ACTIVATE
OUR GUNS AND
HARPOONS AND
LIKE THAT!

BUT YOU FORGOT THEY ONLY FIRE
FORWARD, WHILE OUR PURSUERS
ARE BEHIND US!

OOPS!

RAT-ZZISH
TAT TAT

HA! THIS WILL LOSE
THEM... OUR SMOKE
SCREEN!

THIS SMOKE
IS AWFUL!

SMOKE? OH,
YEAH! I DIDN'T
NOTICE AT
FIRST!

WHY SHOULD
SHE? THAT
GAL'S IN A
PERPETUAL
FOG, ANY-
WAY!

IT DIDN'T WORK! TRY YOUR HELMET!
HIT 'EM WITH A BLAST OF TELEKINETIC
POWER!

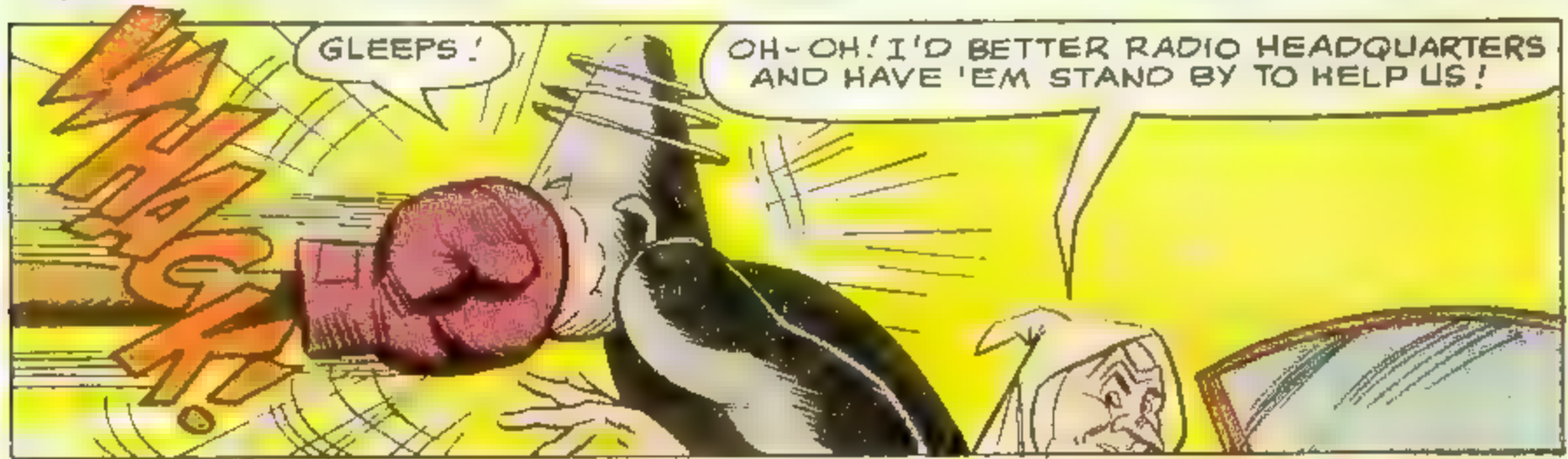
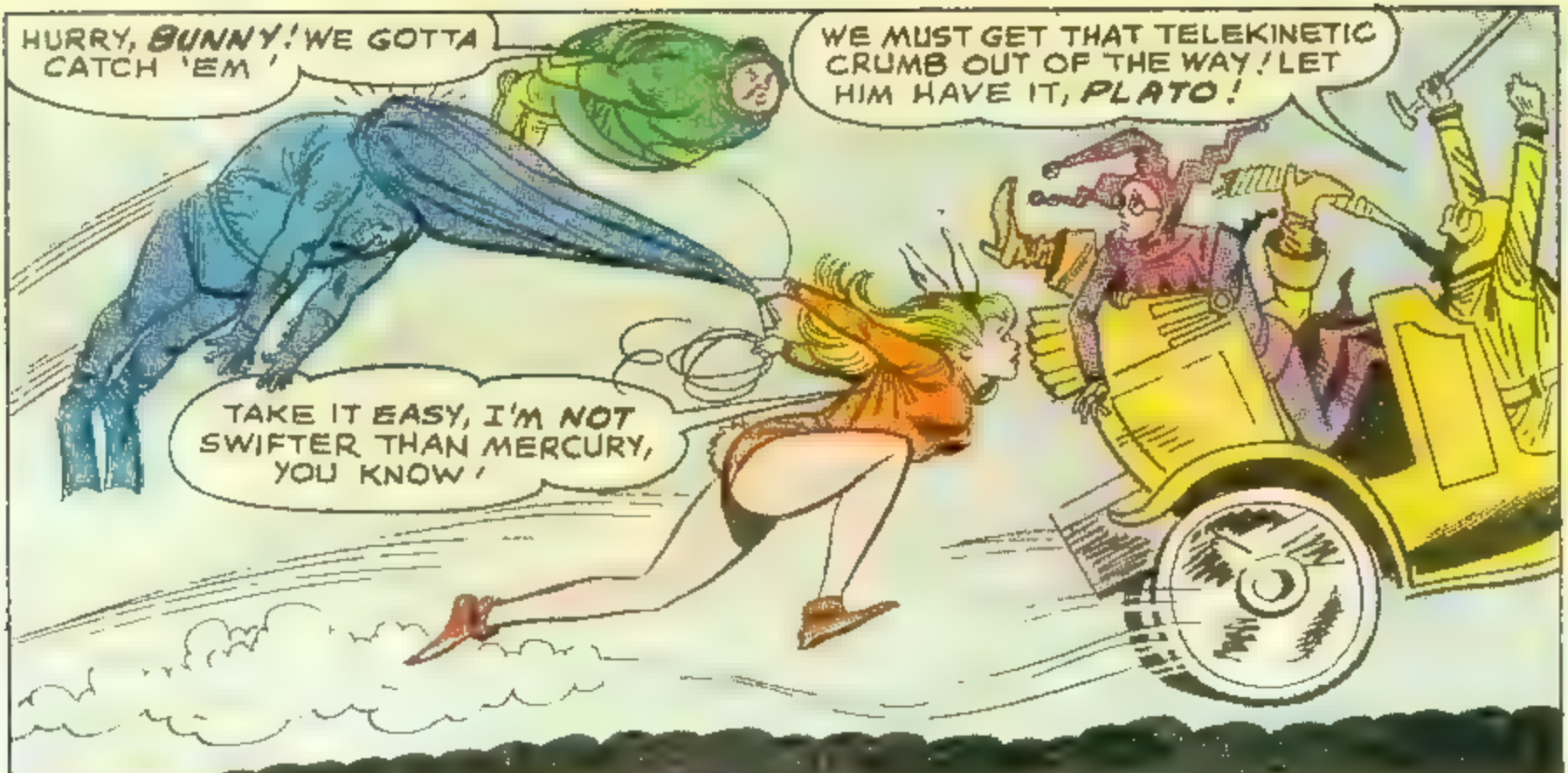
OH, IS THAT WHAT
THAT IS FOR? I
THOUGHT WE'D BEEN
PLAYING SOLDIER!

KROON!

GOLLY!

OOF!

WELL,
WHADDYA
KNOW--
IT
WORKS!



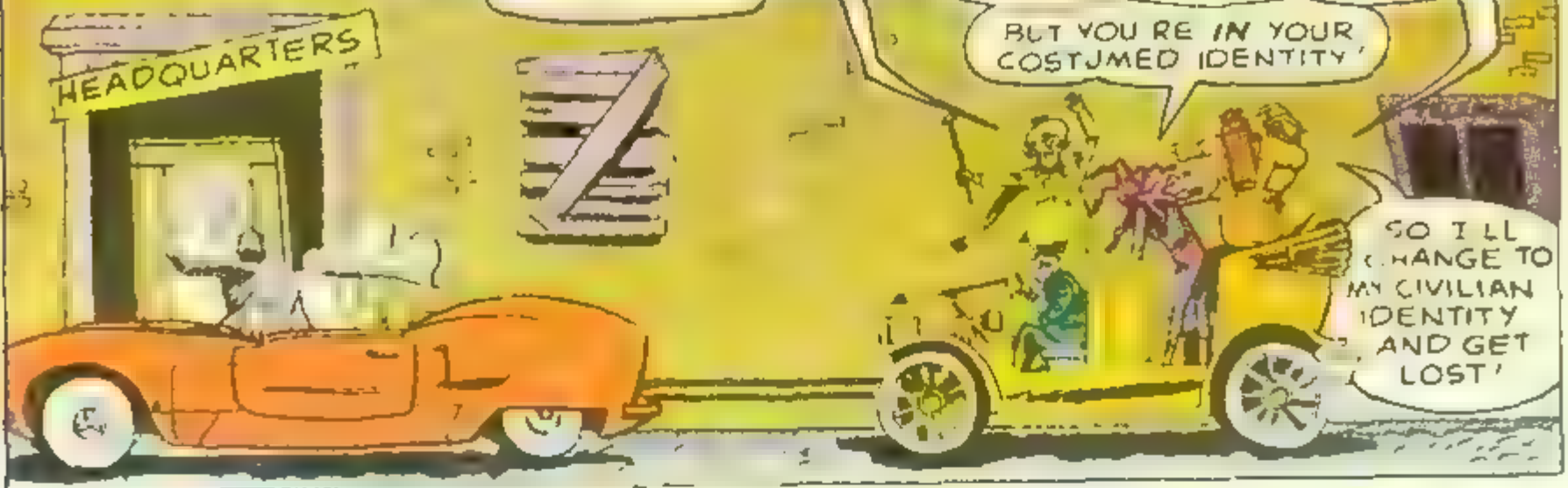
MEANWHILE, THE OTHER AGENTS OF EVIL AND THEIR PURSUERS REACH THE H.Q. ...

THEY'VE STOPPED! LET'S GET THEM!

A PHONE BOOTH! I'LL GO IN THERE AND CHANGE MY IDENTITY!

BUT YOU'RE IN YOUR COSTUMED IDENTITY!

SO I'LL CHANGE TO MY CIVILIAN IDENTITY AND GET LOST!

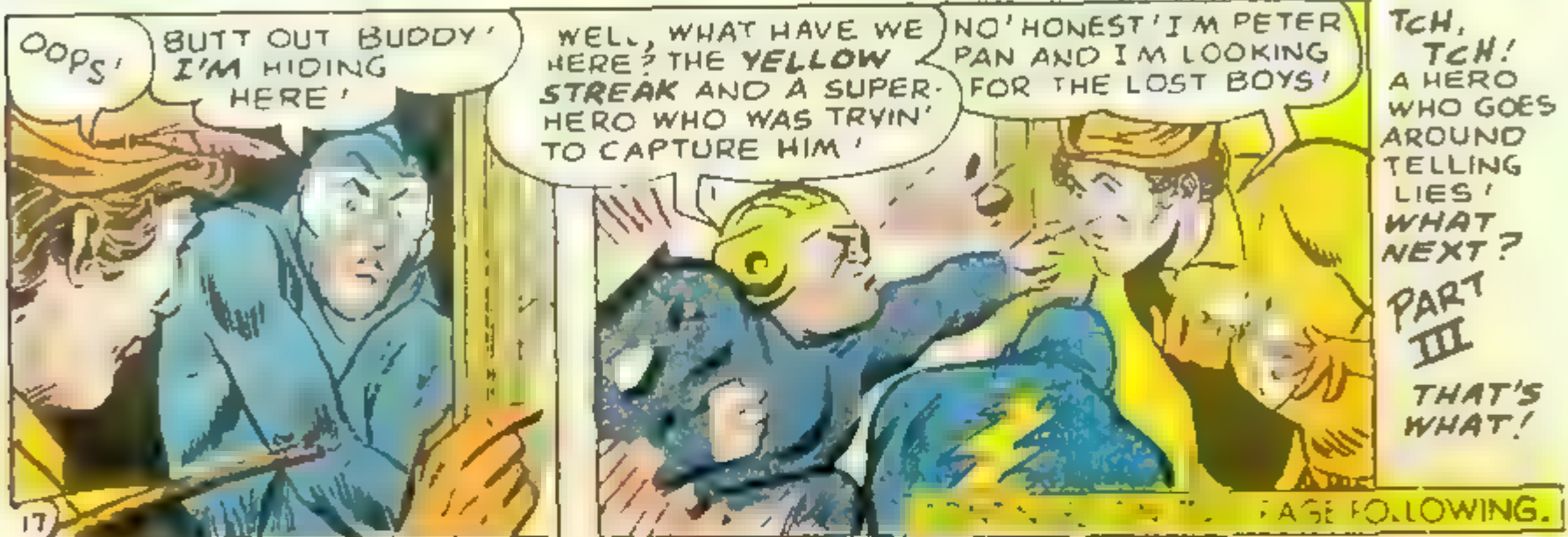


OOPS! BUTT OUT BUDDY! I'M HIDING HERE!

WELL, WHAT HAVE WE HERE? THE YELLOW STREAK AND A SUPER-HERO WHO WAS TRYIN' TO CAPTURE HIM!

NO! HONEST! I'M PETER PAN AND I'M LOOKING FOR THE LOST BOYS!

TCH, TCH! A HERO WHO GOES AROUND TELLING LIES! WHAT NEXT? PART III THAT'S WHAT!



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Well, here it is—*THE INFERIOR FIVE NO. 1!* After three boring issues in *SHOWCASE* (which set records for sensationally rotten sales) DC has succumbed to a handful of fanatical fans whose poison pen letters scared the Bosses into this catastrophic venture!

(Editor's note: Don't expect ME to complain. I get paid for putting out The Inferior Five. What you readers get out of it is one of the big unsolved mysteries around the DC offices.)

We wish to extend a special thanks to the fanatical fan who sent us that lovely bouquet of economy-sized roses. What a nice smell they made around here when the time bomb hidden inside went off! And what interesting effects the blast caused. The *Superman* editor, who previously resembled *Bizarro* minus the cracks in his face, now resembles *Bizarro* with the cracks in his face. The editor of *Fox & Crow* was divided into two equal blasts. Now *Fox* has his own editor, and *Crow* has his own editor. We could go on about the rest of the editors, but why should we? They never give *THE INFERIOR FIVE* any free publicity in their mags.

And now for the part you've all been dreading . . .

THE FANATICAL FANS SQUAWK!

Dear Editor: A friend of mine had his vocal chords removed 47 years ago because of a war wound. When I gave him the latest issue of *The Inferior Five* he looked into my eyes and said, "It stinks."
—Eddie Eddings, Houston, Tex.

(YOUR vocal chords don't sound so good to us! How about it? —Editor.)

Dear Editor: Here is a poem I have written and dead-icated to the whole staff responsible for the *IF*:

The Inferior Five is a great big disgrace
To all Superheroes and the whole human race;
They flip and they flop and trip all around,
And always wind up half-dead on the ground;
They swing and they miss,
And they miss when they swing.
And that's why they're five of the craziest things.

How do you like it? —Michael McDonnell, Edison, N.J.

(In the words of some fellow I heard about who had his vocal chords removed 47 years ago, "it stinks." —Editor)

Dear Editor: I was sure surprised to receive your wire notifying me that I was the winner of the \$50,000 DC cash prize contest—especially since I

hadn't even entered it! What's it all about? . . . By the way, mother sends her regards. —Dad.

(There was no reply to the above from The Editor. —The Printer.)

Dear Editor: Enclosed find one ancient ceremonial sword—with kickstand. After releasing two issues of *The Inferior Five*, it's the only honorable way, fellow. Never has there been a group more urp-some! *White Feather*—our Foreign Legion drop-out; *The Blimp*, that airborne 24 hour capsule of super-heroic powers; *Dumb Bunny* (come on, make history—the first comic ever to contain a center foldout); *Awkwardman*, more powerful than wet suspenders, able to leap panting dogs at a single bound; and their leader, that all-time great *Murrayman*—oops, sorry—er, *Merryman*. Why, they're so good they make me itch!

And the stories! How could you do this to us? It's amazing, the way they all begin at one end of the comic, and go through to the other. Surely, the writer will receive an *Alley Award*—for sheer stamina. . . . Before I end, one minor criticism. I know you're near perfect, but I was still able to detect two minor errors—those designated as *Showcases* Nos. 62 and 63.

In closing—you guys certainly have the experience necessary to put out a fine comic, but I can see that you're not letting this influence you any. Well, you can always go back to producing "protest posters" for *Brand I*. —Tom Fisher, Johnston, R.I.

(The above was copied word for word from a "Wanted" poster in the Post Office. —Editor)

Dear Editor: I'll bet you don't get many letters from mothers! I have three children and can remember back when all my allowance went into comic magazines. Those were the days of the super heroes! Since the whole country has gone crazy over pop art and the comics, my six year old seems to know more about what's going on than dear old mom. I picked up a copy of your new *The Inferior Five* and nearly died laughing. The satire is overwhelming. If this is what you people are coming out with today, I am going back to reading comics! —Mrs. R. E. Underwood, Orange, Calif.

(True, we don't get many letters from mothers. But MINE sends her regards along once in a while. —Editor)

And so we come to the close of *The Inferior Five* No. 1! (In case some of our less bright readers didn't realize that.) If you think it's funny, wait until you read No. 2! If you don't think it's so hot, read *SCOOTER*—that one's really funny!

WATCH OUT FOR HURRICANE TABBY! PART III

SHORTLY, IN H.U.R.R.I.C.A.N.E. HEADQUARTERS...

THE WHITE FEATHER...OUR PRISONER! LET'S SEE WHO HE IS! TAKE OFF HIS MASK!

WHAT MASK? HE AIN'T WEAR N' ONE!

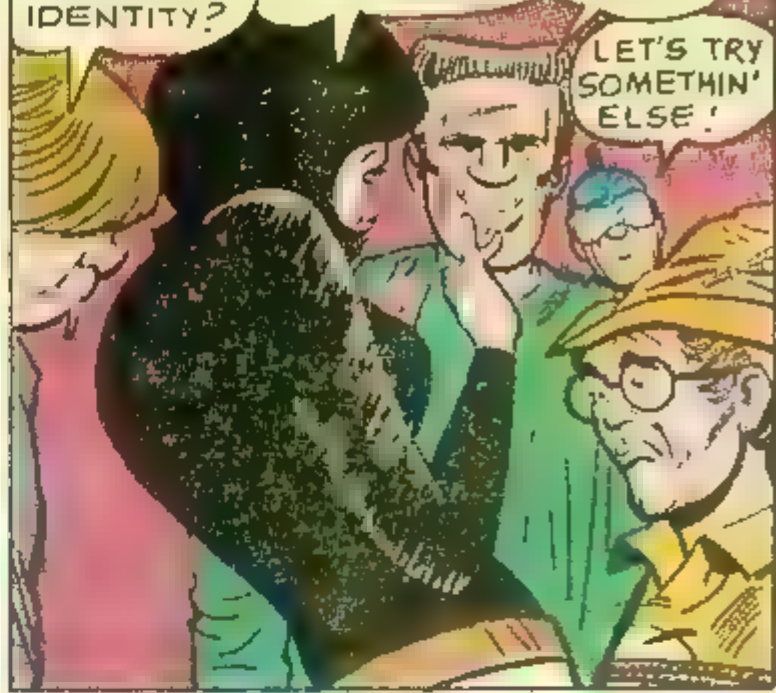


YOU THINK HE WEARS A MASK IN HIS OTHER IDENTITY?

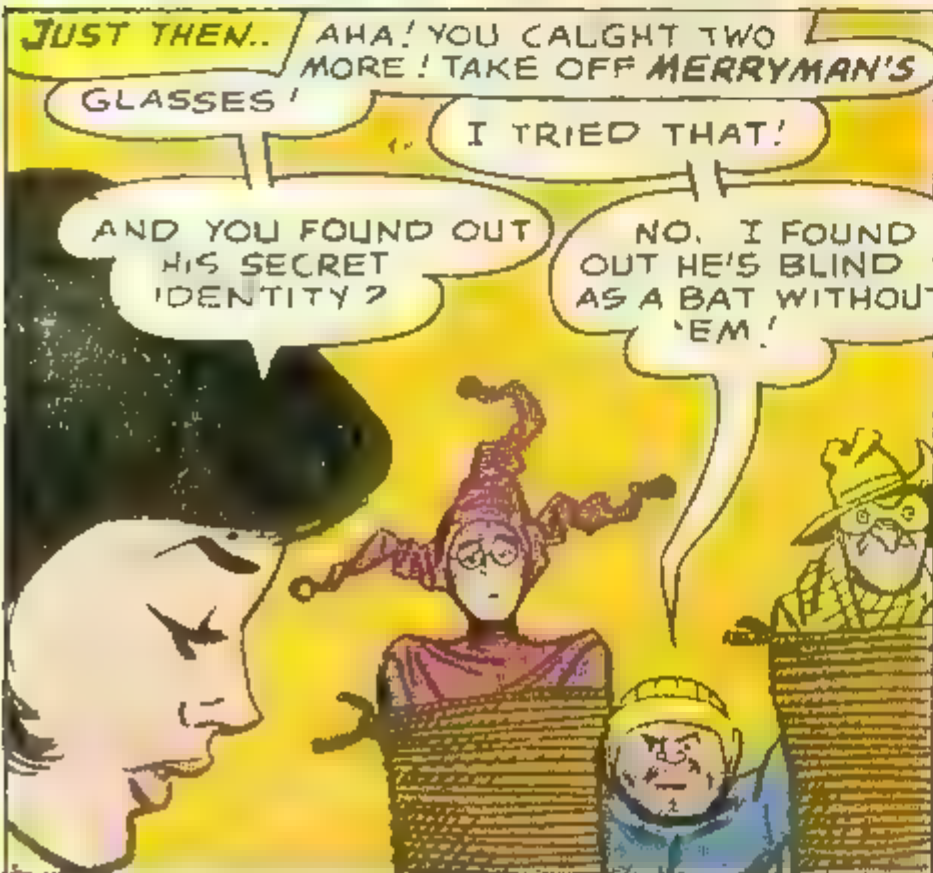
IT IS UNLIKELY! I'LL PUT THESE GLASSES ON HIM INSTEAD!

WELL, HE SURE AIN'T CLARK KENT!

LET'S TRY SOMETHIN' ELSE!



NONE OF THESE FACES LOOKS FAMILIAR!



JUST THEN..

AHA! YOU CALGHT TWO MORE! TAKE OFF MERRYMAN'S GLASSES!

I TRIED THAT!

AND YOU FOUND OUT HIS SECRET IDENTITY?

NO, I FOUND OUT HE'S BLIND AS A BAT WITHOUT 'EM!



WELL, I DON'T CARE WHO THAT OLD GEEZER IS... SO WE'LL DISPOSE OF ALL THREE! YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO, NITRO!

I SURE DO!

AND SOON

ACID VAT

THE A.D.A. THAT
LAW MIGHT GET YOU WHEN
THE HANDLE BURNS
THROUGH THE ROPE - UNLESS
THE DYNAMITE GOES OFF
FIRST - IF YOU GET LOOSE
YOU CAN'T LEAVE THE
ISLAND YOU'D BREAK
THOSE ELECTRIC EYE
BEAMS, SENDING A MILLION
VOLTS OF ELECTRICITY
THROUGH THE WATER
AND IF YOU GET PAST
THE BEAMS, SOMEHOW
YOU'LL BE EATEN BY
ONE OF THOSE
PIRANHAS

CRACK

ZZZ-TTT

SCREE

CRUNCH

CRUNCH

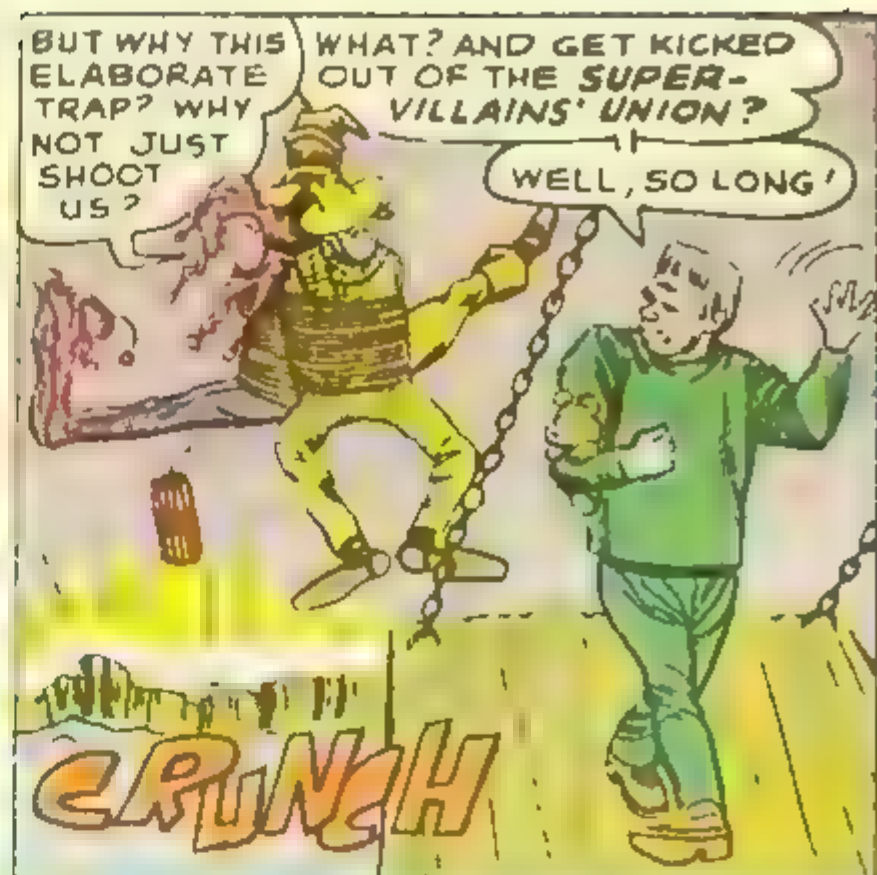
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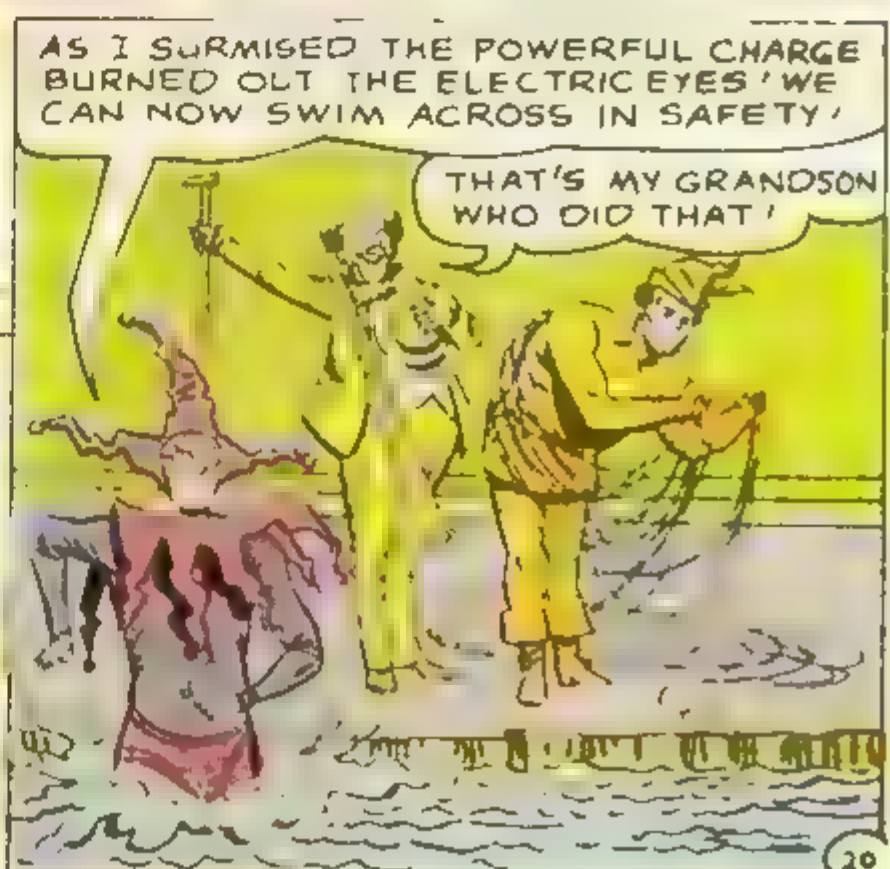
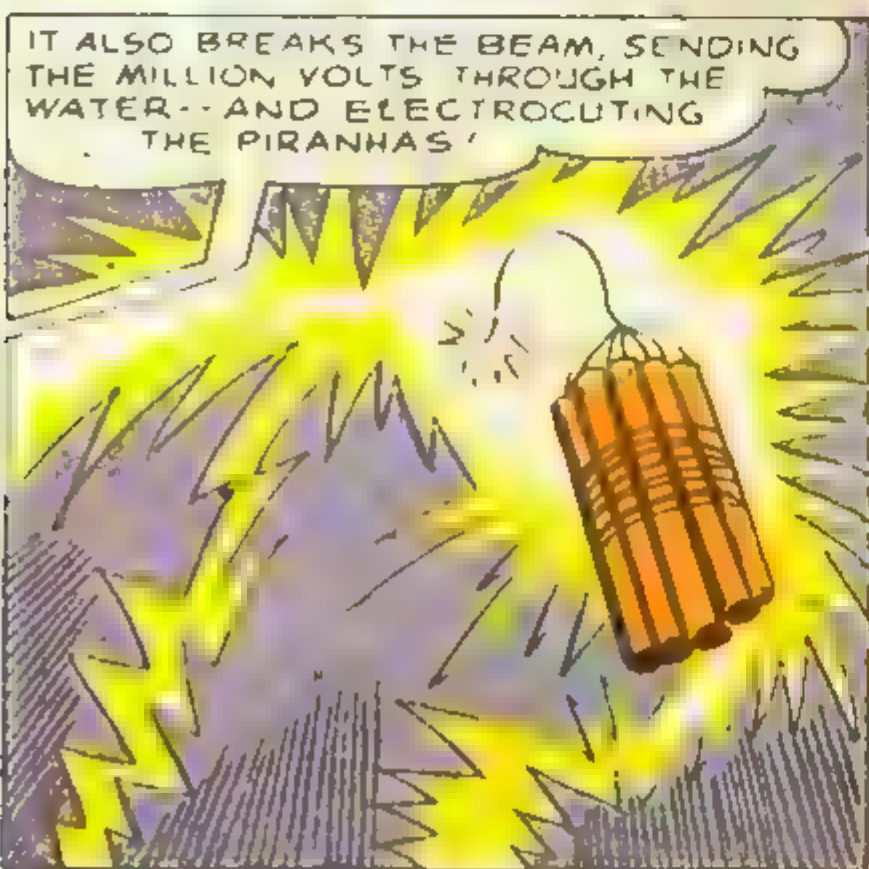
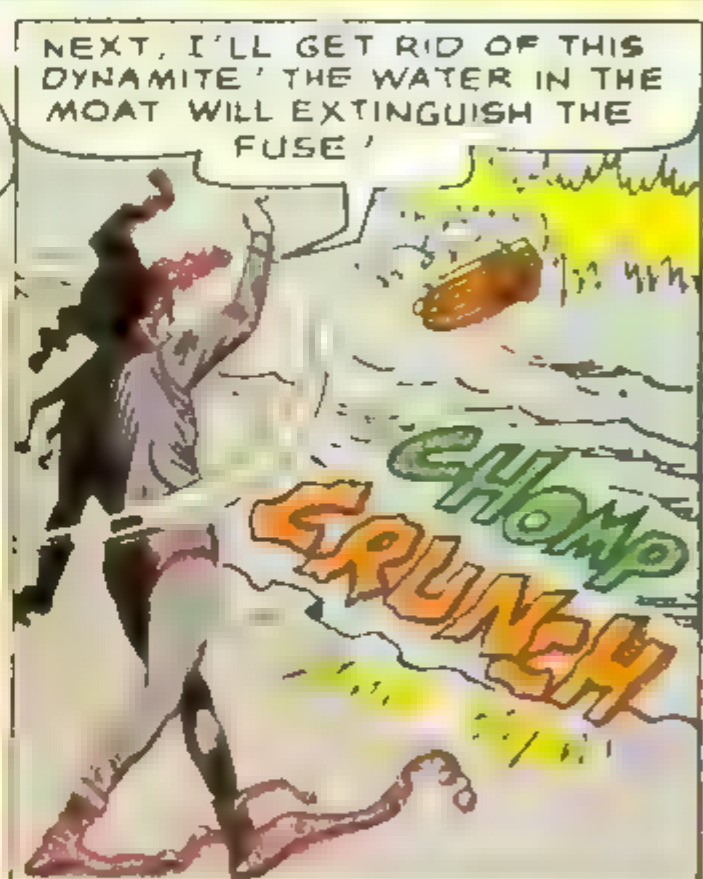
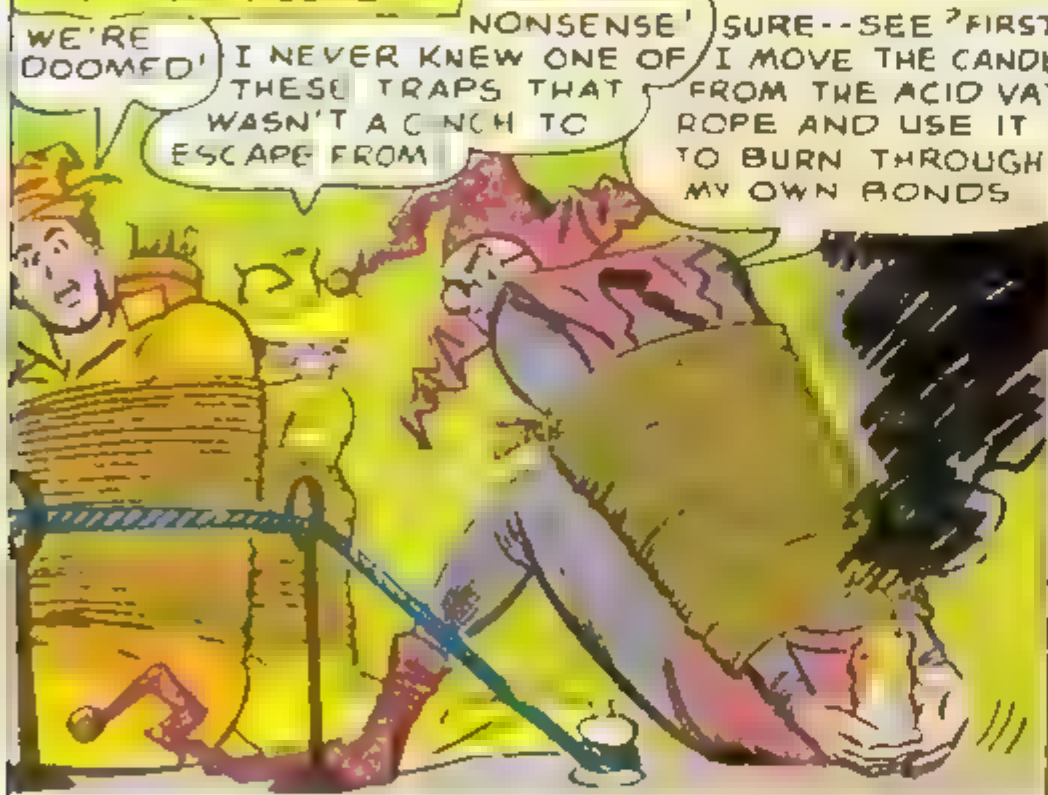
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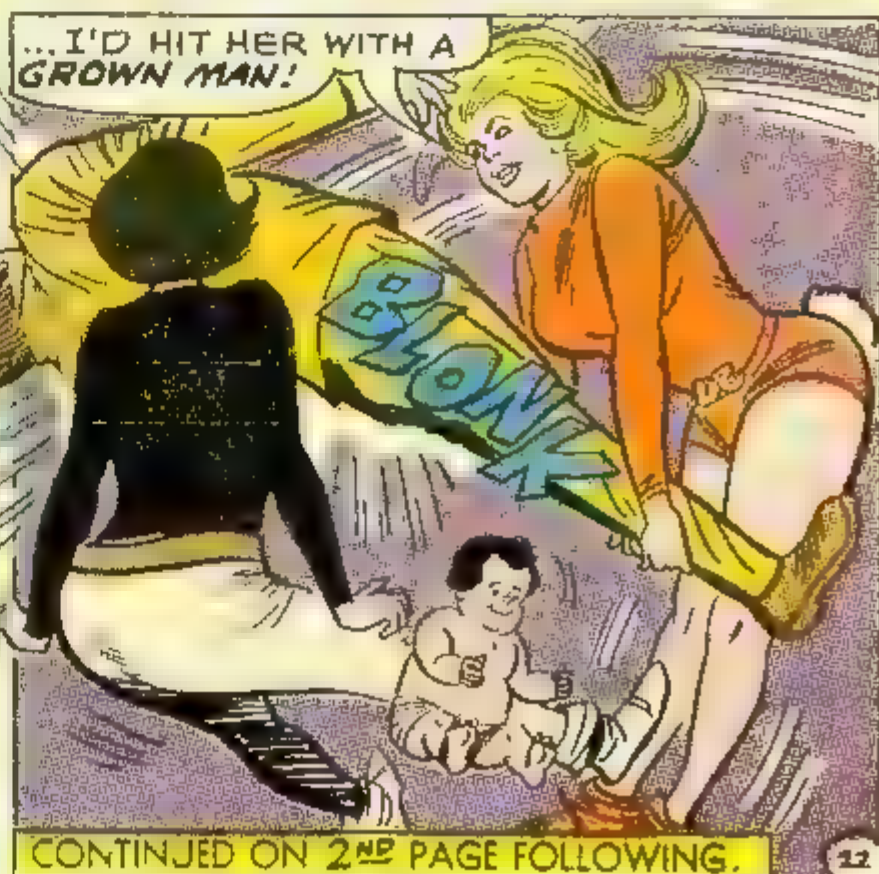
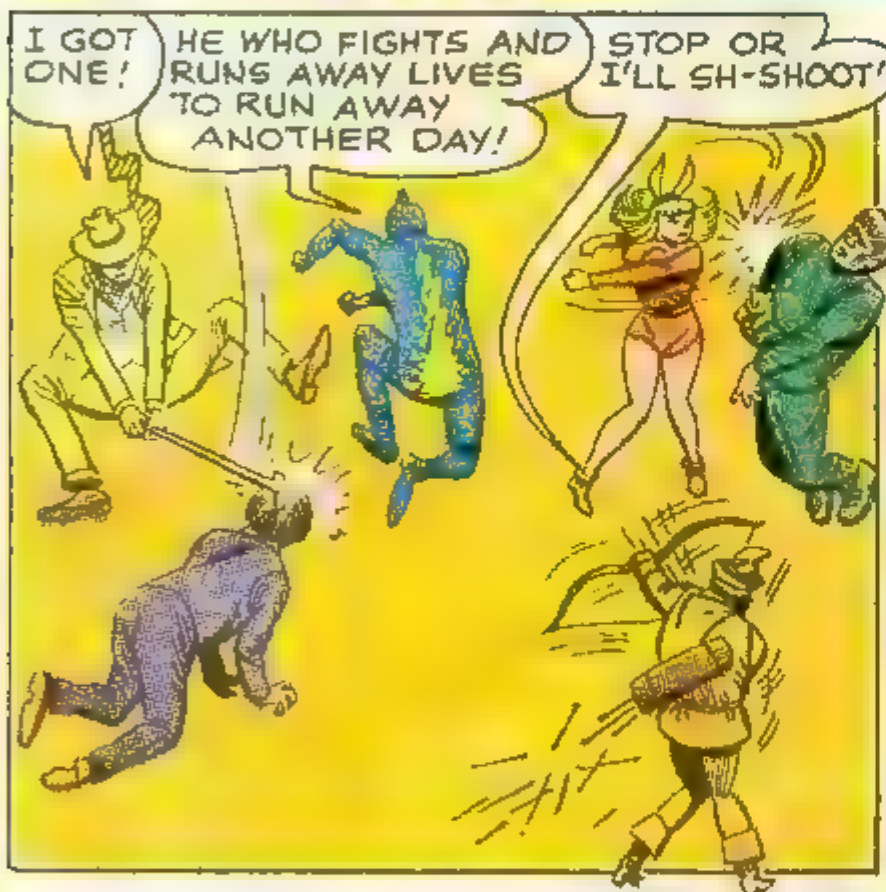
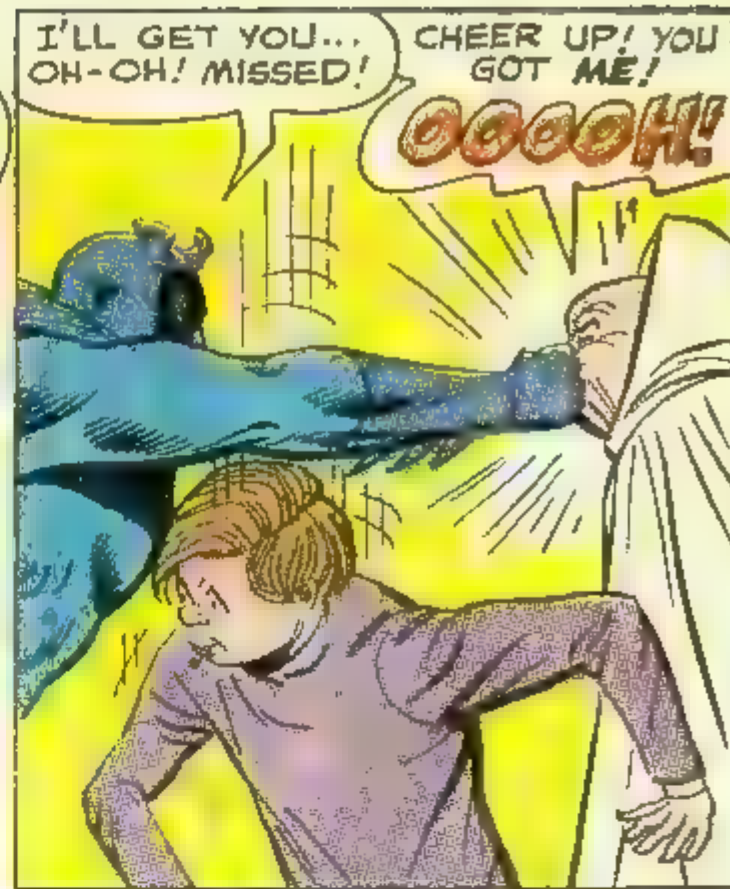
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CRUNCH



AS THE DRAWBRIDGE IS RAISED AND THE PRISONERS ARE LEFT ALONE





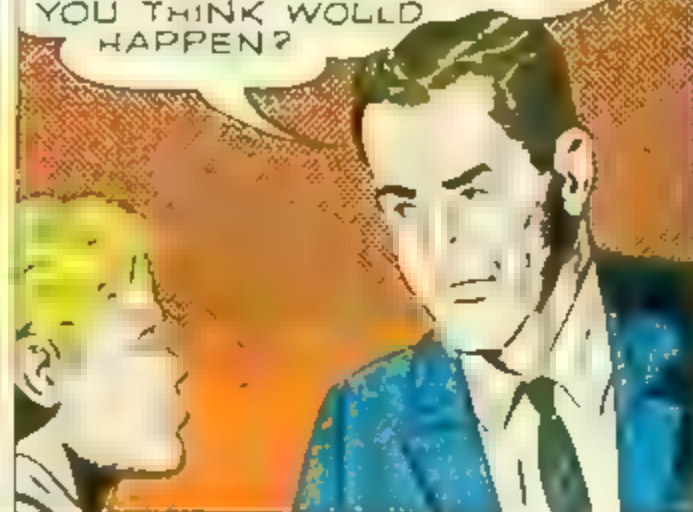
COUNTDOWN ON EXCELLENCE

YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO CLEAN UP THE GARAGE JERRY, BUT YOU DIDN'T DO A VERY GOOD JOB

AW, DAD, WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE? IT'S NOT VERY IMPORTANT



HMM WITH THAT KIND OF ATTITUDE, YOU'LL GET INTO SLOPPY WORK HABITS. IF EVERYONE FELT THAT WAY ABOUT HIS JOB, WHAT DO YOU THINK WOULD HAPPEN?



"SUPPOSE A PLUMBER DON'T DO HIS WORK RIGHT

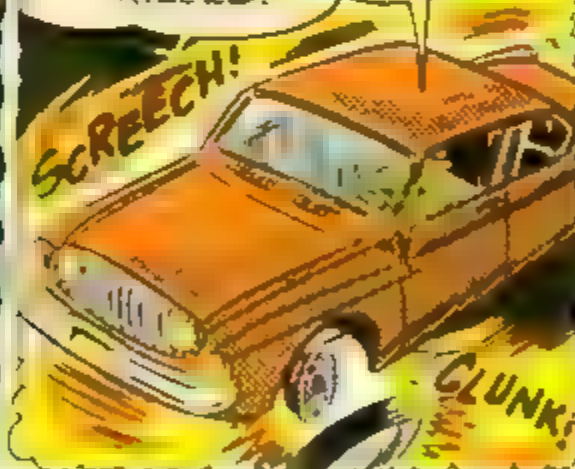
FOR A SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR."

'OR A GARAGE MECHANIC.

OH, DEAR! AND THE PLUMBER WAS JUST HERE AND SAID EVERYTHING WAS FINE'

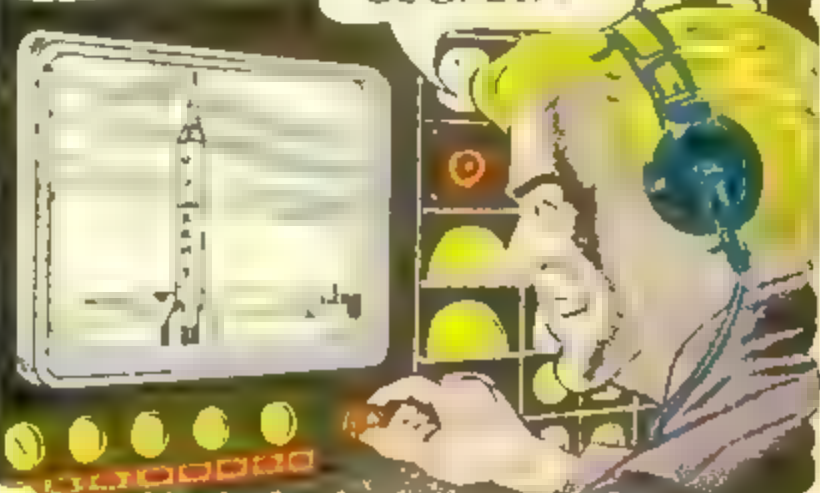
I WANTED THE BANK, NOT THE BAKERY

I JUST HAD MY TIRE CHANGED! THE MECHANIC DIDN'T TIGHTEN THE WHEEL PROPERLY-- I COULD HAVE BEEN KILLED!

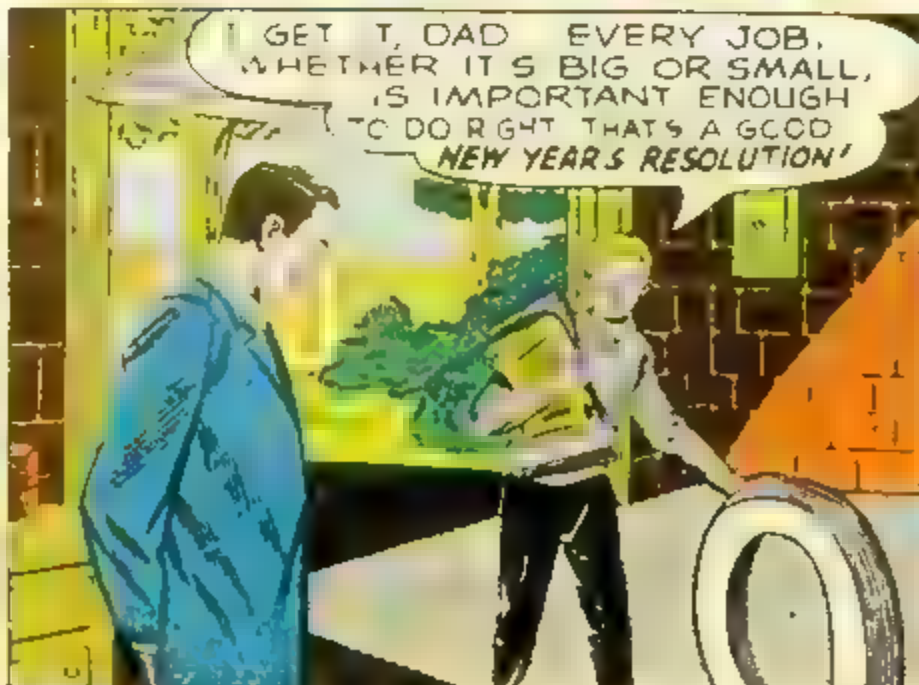


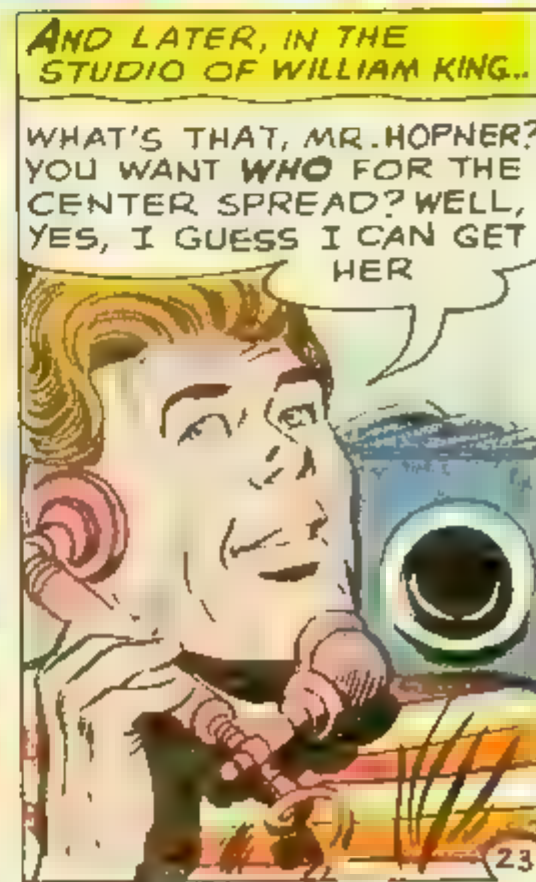
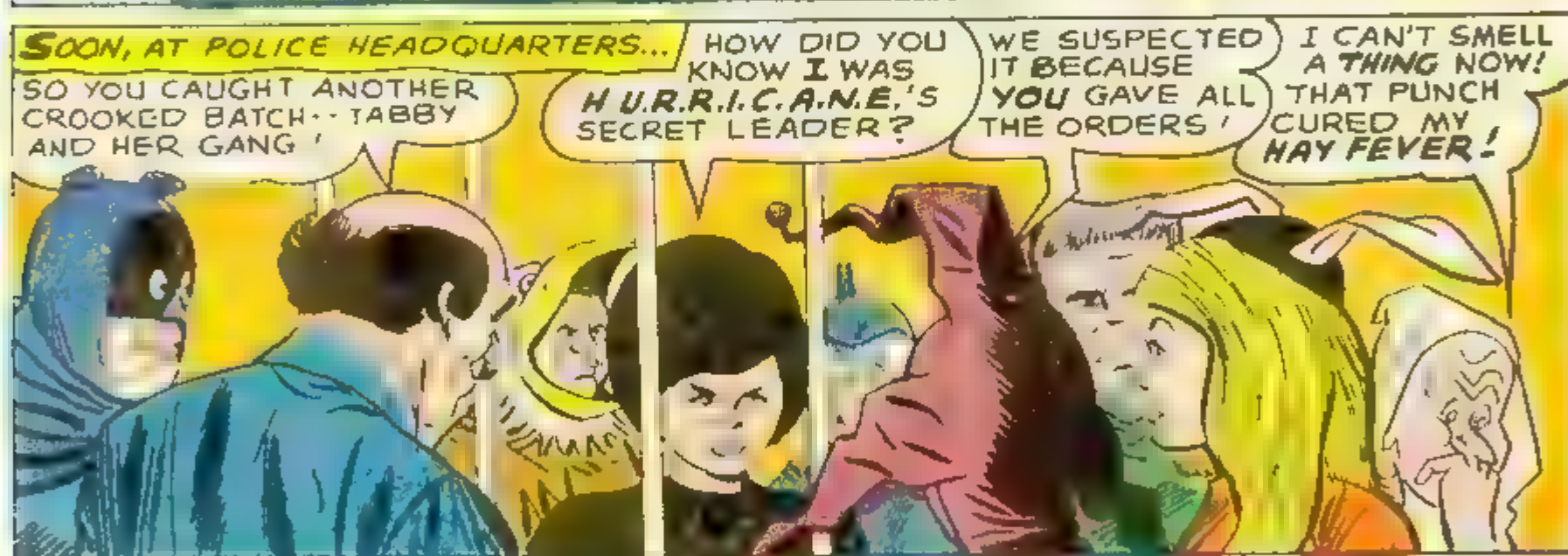
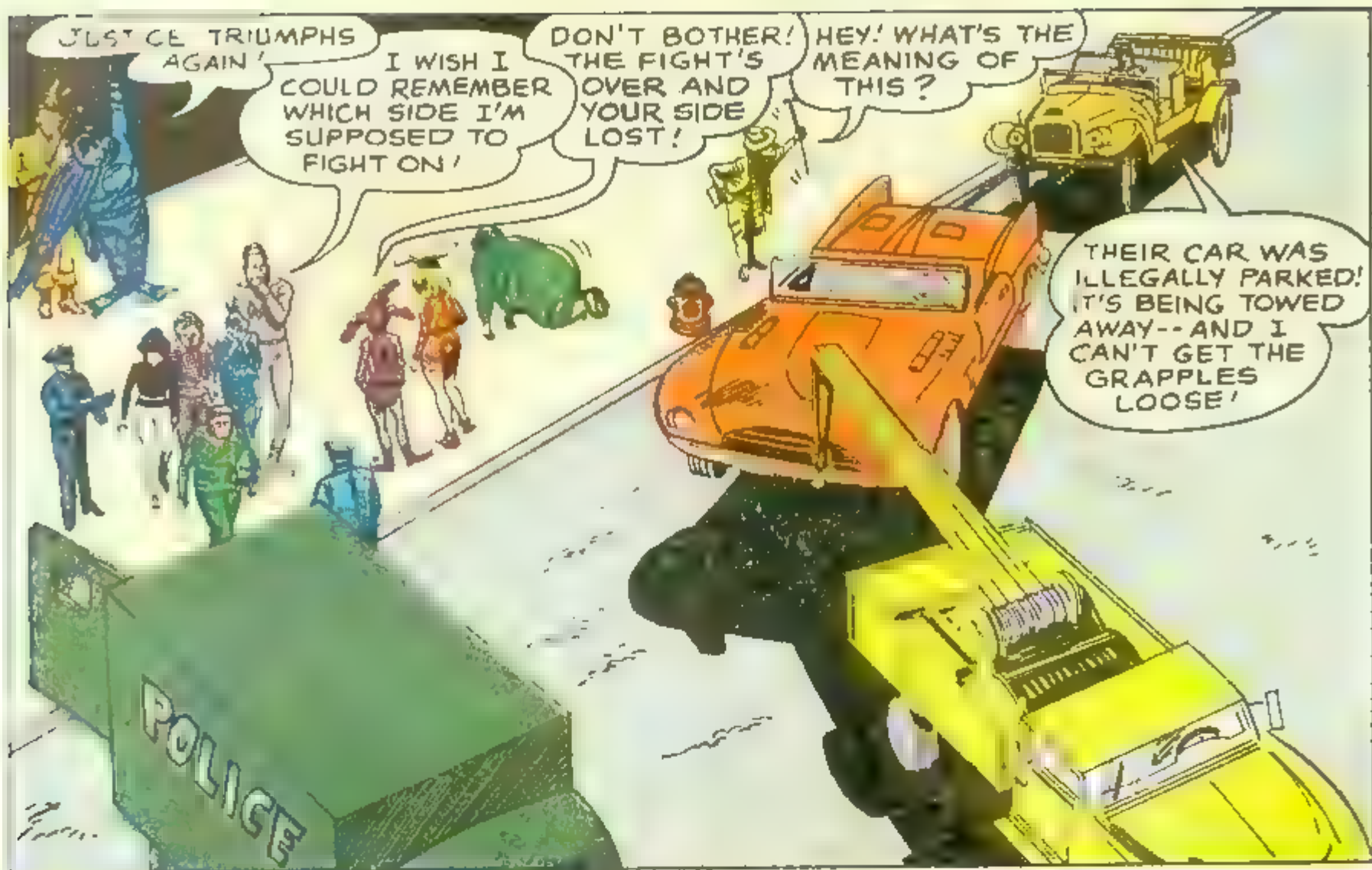
"OR A MAN WHO WORKS ON A SPACE CAPSULE

TWO ONE ZERO' HUH? NO BLAST-OFF! SOMEBODY GOOFED!



GET IT, DAD EVERY JOB, WHETHER IT'S BIG OR SMALL, IS IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO DO RIGHT THAT'S A GOOD NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION!

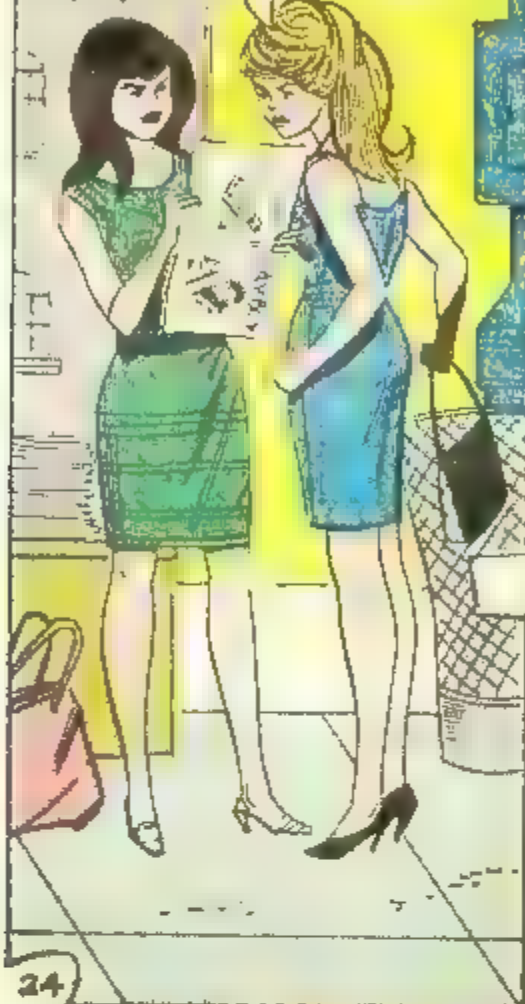




WHEN THAT PARTICULAR
ISSUE OF PAYBOY COMES
OUT...

SO THIS IS WHO
HE PICKED TO PHOTOGRAPH
INSTEAD OF
US!

I'LL TEAR
HIM APART!



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HERE'S YOUR
DINNER... BUT YOU
CAN'T HIDE HERE
FOREVER!

AS LONG AS
THOSE RAGING
FEMALES ARE
ON THE PROWL, I
CAN! MAYBE
C.O.U.S.I.N. F.R.E.D.
COULD GET ME FOR
AN ASSIGNMENT IN
THE CONGO OR VIET
NAM. HUH?

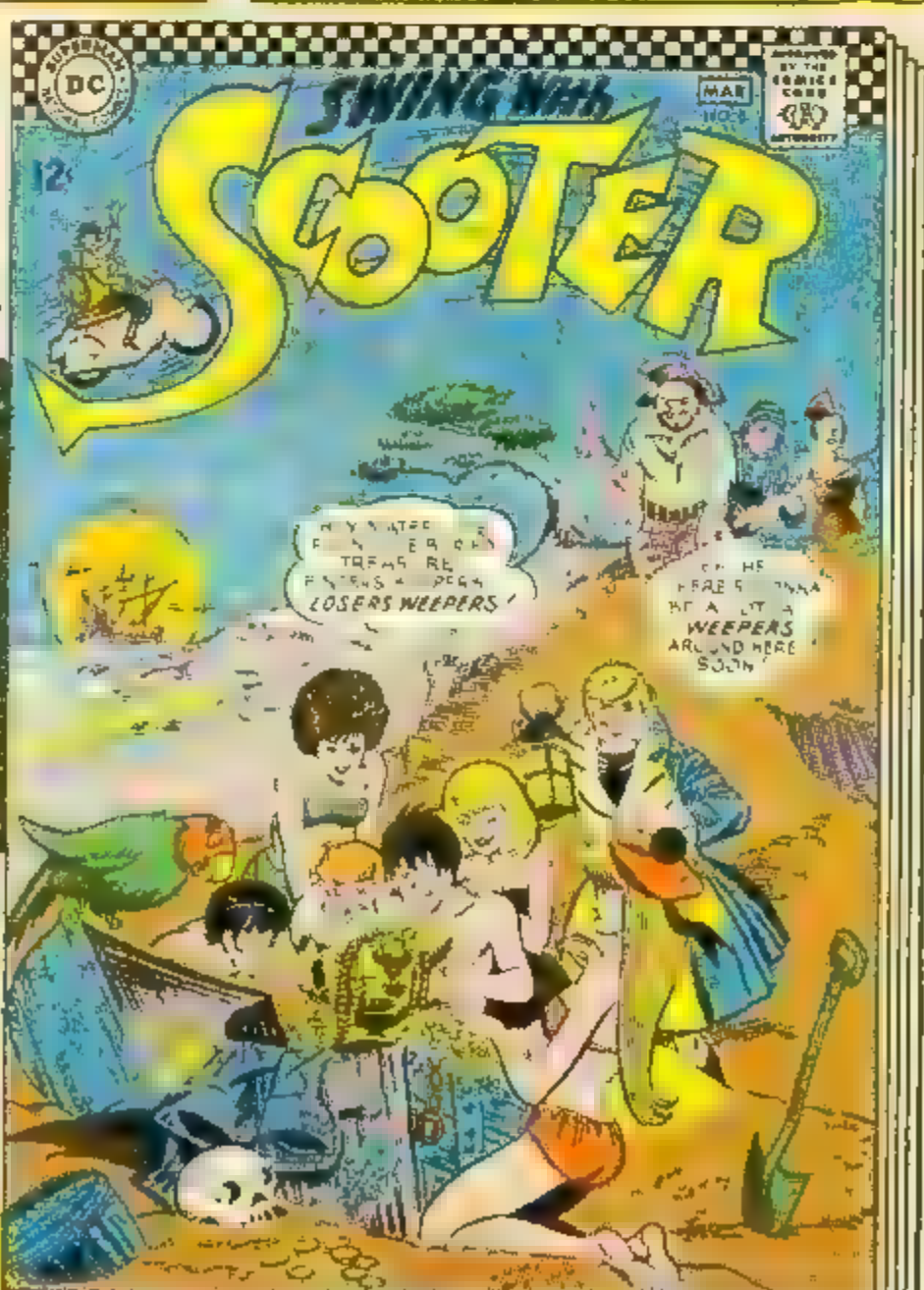


THE
END.

It's **Yo-Ho-Ho** AND A
Yo-Ho-Ho BOTTLE of
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MAD mad WORLD

ALICE, I THINK
YOU'VE LOST ENOUGH
WEIGHT!

WE WENT TO HIGH SCHOOL
TOGETHER-- HE ALWAYS
WAS AN ODDBALL!

OH, THAT ONE--HE
IS FROM THE
INTERNAL
REVENUE!

WE'RE AFTER
ELEPHANT!

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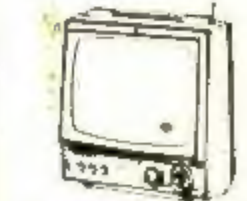
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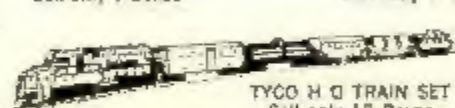
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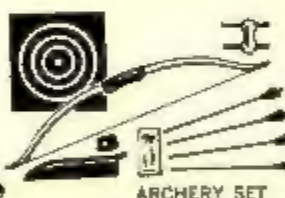
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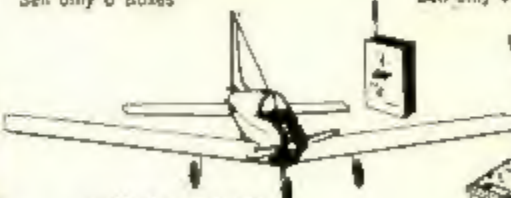
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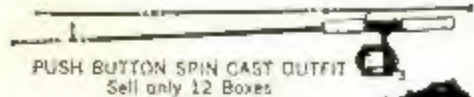


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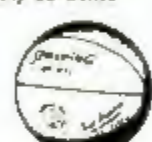
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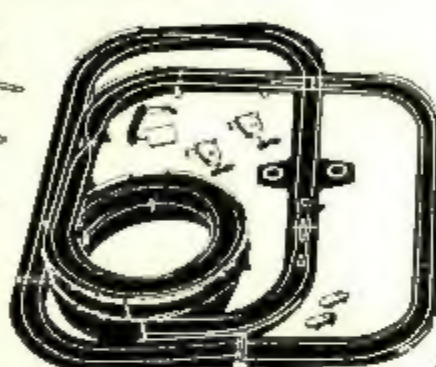
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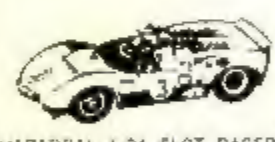
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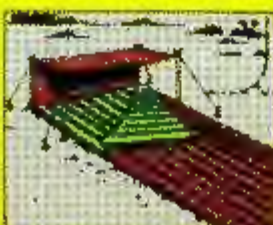
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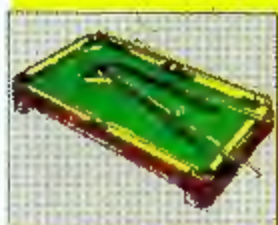
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