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BUT THE PLOTTERS CANNOT SOLVE HIS PLOT AGAINST THEM!

WIZARD

THE MAN WITH THE SUPER-BRAIN



WITH HIS SUPER-BRAIN AND PHOTOGRAPHIC MIND, THE WIZARD IS ABLE TO VISUALIZE FAR AWAY HAPPENINGS. WITH THESE MENTAL POWERS, AND HIS SUPER STRENGTH, HE FERRETS OUT PLOTS AGAINST THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. HE HAS JUST FRUSTRATED MOSCONIAN ATTEMPTS AT SABOTAGE OF VITAL AMERICAN SALIENTS, SUCH AS WEST POINT AND ANNAPOLIS. BUT HIS TASK IS NOT YET DONE!



WHILE WE WAIT FOR THE MOSCONIAN'S NEXT MOVE, YOU PROTEST TO THE MOSCONIAN EMBASSY!

THE WIZARD DISCUSSES SPY ACTIVITIES WITH HIS BROTHER, GROVER!



AS CHIEF OF THE NAVAL INTELLIGENCE, I HAVE THE RIGHT TO PROTEST MOSCONIAN SPY ACTIVITIES!

LATER, IN THE OFFICE OF THE MOSCONIAN AMBASSADOR!



I'M SURE THAT THESE SO-CALLED SPIES ARE NOT EMPLOYED BY MY GOVERNMENT. I SHALL CO-OPERATE IN BRINGING THEM TO JUSTICE!



WE ARE TO PROCEED TO COLORADO!

MEANWHILE, THE WIZARD'S SUPER-BRAIN CONJURES UP A PHOTO-VISION



THOSE
MOSCON-
IANS
ARE UP
TO NO
GOOD. I
THINK I'LL
VISIT
COLORADO



THE WIZARD PROCEEDS TO HIS
ROCKET CAR WHICH HE HAS
HIDDEN AWAY FOR EMERGENCIES!



BUT, UNKNOWN TO THE
WIZARD, HIS EVERY MOVE
IS WATCHED BY CRAFTY
MOSCONIAN EYES!



DE TELEVISIO
SIGNAL/VUN UFF
OUR AGENTS
VISHES TO
CONTACT US!

MOSCONIAN HEADQUARTERS...



DE VIZARD IS
MOTORING VEST-
YARD IN HIS
ROCKET CAR!



QVICK! DE
BOMBING
SQUADRON,
DE VIZARD
MUST DIE!



THE MOSCONIAN BOMBERS ROAR OFF,
INTENT ON DESTROYING THE WIZARD!





THE WIZARD LOSES CONTROL OF THE WHEEL...

AND IS HURLED FROM HIS CAR, A HUMAN TORCH!



THE WIZARD SMASHES INTO A STREAM WITH BONE-BREAKING IMPACT!



THE MOSCONIANS PURSUE THE WIZARD INTENT ON HIS DESTRUCTION!

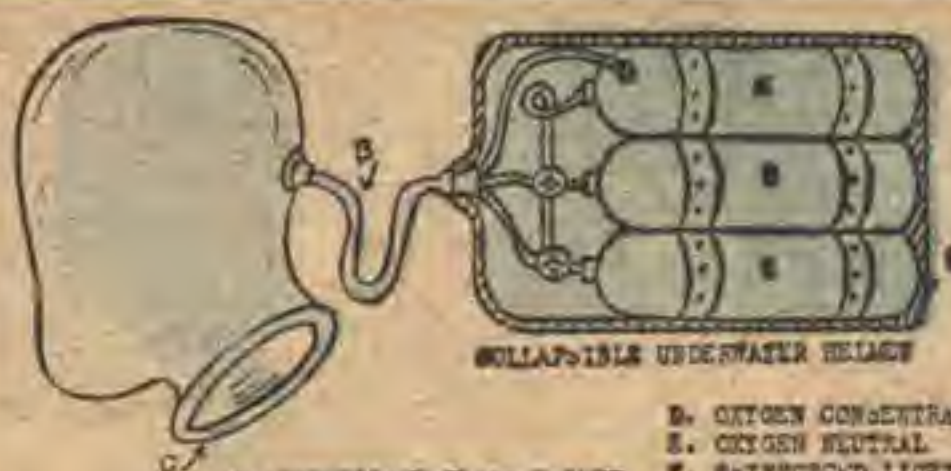


HE MUST BE DEAD! EVEN DE WIZARD COULD NOT STAY UNDER VATER SO LONG!



THIS HELMET WILL ALLOW ME TO BREATHE UNTIL I GET MY STRENGTH BACK! AND NOW FOR A PHOTOGRAPHIC VISION!

BUT THE WIZARD IS FAR FROM DEAD! UNDERWATER, HE PUTS HIS SUPER-BRAIN TO WORK!



A. RUBBERIZED GLASS HELMET
B. RUBBER TUBING
C. PURIFIER TANK

D. OXYGEN CONCENTRATOR
E. OXYGEN RESERVOIR
F. REINFORCED LIGHT STEEL CASING
G. HARD RUBBER COLLAR

DE VIZARD IS SURELY DROWNED! UND NOW VE PROCEED TO BOULDER DAM!



WHAT THE WIZARD OVERHEARS.....

BLOWING UP BOULDER DAM VILL BE DE GREATEST PIECE OF SABOTAGE EVER PERFORMED!



SO! THAT'S THEIR GAME! I THINK I'LL TAKE A HAND IN IT!



DE VIZARD AGAIN!



THAT'S FOR RUINING MY CAR!



THAT'S FOR MAKING ME WET MY CLOTHES!



TWO HEADS TOGETHER ARE ALWAYS BETTER THAN ONE!



PEACE! IT'S
VUNDERFUL!

AND NOW I'M
SURE YOU BOYS
WON'T MIND IF.....



.... I PUT
THESE PLANES
OUT OF
COMMISSION!



ONE MORE
TO GO!



NOW THEY
WON'T BE
ABLE TO
FOLLOW
ME!



IF THEY EVER SUCCEED IN
BLOWING UP THAT DAM,
THOUSANDS OF LIVES
WILL BE LOST!

THE WIZARD TAKES OFF!



GREAT SCOT! THEY'RE
ABOUT TO BOMBARD THE
DAM FROM THE SURROUND-
ING MOUNTAIN TOPS!
I HAVEN'T A MOMENT
TO LOSE!

THE WIZARD'S SUPER-BRAIN
PROJECTS ITSELF TO THE
TERRAIN BELOW AND SEES....



THE MOSCONIAN MISSILE OF DESTRUCTION IS SENT HURTLING TOWARD THE GREATEST PROJECT THE U.S. HAS EVER BUILT!



THE WIZARD HURLS A SHELL WITH GREATER VELOCITY THAN IT IS SHOT FROM A CANNON!



RUN FOR YOUR LIVES! AN AIR RAID!

THE WIZARD'S CANNONBALL MEETS THE MOSCONIAN'S IN MID AIR!

BUT WIZARD AGAIN! SHOOT QUICK OR WE ARE LOST!



THE WIZARD HEAVES THE OTHER SHELL TOWARD THE MOSCONIANS!

AND THE SHOT FINDS ITS MARK IN ONE OF THE WALLS!



BUT THE MOSCONIANS MANAGE TO RELEASE ANOTHER SHELL.....



THE MOSCONIANS PERPETRATE THEIR
LAST MURDEROUS ACT!



THE WIZARD GETS A
PHOTO-VISION!

THE DAM!
IT'S GIVING
WAY!



THERE'S
STILL A
CHANCE,
IF.....



A SUPERHUMAN LEAP CAR-
RIES THE WIZARD INTO
THE PENT-UP WATERS
BEHIND THE DAM!

THE CRACKS GROW-
ING BIGGER. IT'LL
GIVE WAY ANY
SECOND!



THE WIZARD SPEEDS THROUGH
THE WATER TOWARD THE
BROKEN WALL!



THE WIZARD
ALLOWS HIMSELF
TO BE CAUGHT IN
THE WATER
SURGING THROUGH
THE CRACK IN
THE WALL!



HOW CAN THE WIZARD, SINGLE-HANDED,
HOPE TO STEM THE TIDE OF NATURE'S
MIGHTIEST FORCES?



THE WIZARD
CLOSES UP THE
BREACH AND PRE-
VENTS THE DAM FROM
BURSTING!

AM I
GOIN'
NUTS?



HEY YOU MEN!
PATCH THIS
WALL! I'LL
HOLD IT UP
UNTIL YOU DO!



HURRY UP
WITH THOSE
BAGS OF
SAND!



THAT'LL HOLD
IT UNTIL THE
ENGINEERS
ARRIVE



IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR YOU, I
HATE TO THINK WHAT WOULD
HAVE HAPPENED!

WE'RE BOTH IN
THE SERVICE OF
OUR GOVERNMENT!



DE VIZARD HAS RUINED ALL
OUR PLANS. THE TIME
HAS COME FOR MOS-
CONIA TO INVADE!

GREAT GHOSTS! THAT MUST BE THE MASTER
MIND OF THE WHOLE MOSCONIAN SPY RING!



WILL THE WIZARD SINGLEHANDED, BREAK UP THE GIANT PLOT AGAINST THE INTEGRITY OF OUR COUNTRY, OR WILL THE ODDS PROVE TOO GREAT? THE FATE OF THE GREATEST DEMOCRACY THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN RESTS SOLELY IN HIS HANDS. FOR FURTHER BREATHLESS ADVENTURES OF THE WIZARD IN HIS TITANIC STRUGGLE AGAINST THE MOSCONIANS, READ THE JULY ISSUE OF

TOP-NOVEL COMICS

GALAHAD



Yui Shiroton

GALAHAD, BRAVEST OF THE KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE, TYPIFIES THE CREED OF KING ARTHUR—CHIVALRY, TRUTH AND JUSTICE.

HELP!
HELP!
THE GOLDEN CHALICE!

QUEEN GUINIVERE, WIFE OF ARTHUR, RUSHES UP TO THE KING.

THE GOLDEN CHALICE HAS BEEN STOLEN BY THE EARL OF PELLAM'S KNIGHT.

THE EVIL EARL OF PELLAM HAS LONG WISHED TO HAVE THE WONDEROUS GOLDEN CHALICE. HE BELIEVES ITS MAGICAL POWERS WILL MAKE HIS ENVIOUS QUEEN AS BEAUTIFUL AS YOU ARE.

AFTER THE THIEF!

DEATH TO THE EARL OF PELLAM!

ONE DAY, WHEN KING ARTHUR AND HIS KNIGHTS RETURN TO CAMELOT FROM THE HUNT.....





THE THIEF SPEEDS TO THE EARL OF PELLAM WITH ARTHUR'S KNIGHTS IN PURSUIT.



ARTHUR AND HIS WARRIORS ARE LED INTO AMBUSH.

AVAUNT, ARTHUR! STAND GROUND AND GIVE BATTLE.



ALTHOUGH KING ARTHUR'S KNIGHTS ARE OUTNUMBERED, THEY GIVE BATTLE.



ARTHUR AND HIS GALLANT BAND WREAK GREAT HAVOC, BUT SLOWLY GIVE GROUND BEFORE THEIR FOES' SUPERIOR NUMBERS.



JUST THEN, SIR GALAHAD, RETURNING FROM A KNIGHTLY MISSION, COMES UPON THE SCENE.

A TROTH! 'TIS MY LORD, KING ARTHUR!



GALAHAD GOES TO HIS KING'S DEFENSE!



SCURVY CHURL! YOU DARE ATTACK MY KING!!



GALAHAD SOON PUTS AN END TO THE ENEMY ATTACK!

THE KNIGHTS OF PELLAM
FLEE BEFORE GALAHAD'S FURY.

WELL DONE,
GALAHAD!



LET ME SHED MY BLOOD
IN THE SERVICE OF
GUINIVERE, MY LORD. I
SHALL RETURN HER
THE GOLDEN CHALICE.

GO,
GALAHAD!



I HAVE LONG
SOUGHT THE
GOLDEN CHALICE
FOR YOU.

AND NOW I
SHALL BE
FAIRER THAN
GUINIVERE!



MEANWHILE IN PELLAM'S
CHAMBER

PELLAM'S KNIGHTS SIGHT SIR GALAHAD.

QUICK! DRAW UP THE
BRIDGE, 'TIS A KNIGHT
OF THE ROUND TABLE.

LOOK!!!



AVAUNT, CHURLS,
NOT SO FAST!



GALAHAD REACHES THE BRIDGE IN TIME!

GALAHAD RACES INTO THE
PALACE GROUNDS.



THE BONES OF YOUR
KNAVISH MASTER SHALL FEEL
THE WRATH OF ARTHUR!



GALAHAD!
SLAY HIM!

GALAHAD REACHES THE PALACE





BUT THE
QUEEN,
BURNING
WITH RAGE,
IS NOT SO
LOYAL TO
THE EARL.

GO, SIR BALIN, KILL THE EARL,
IF NECESSARY, BUT RETURN TO
ME THE GOLDEN CHALICE.



YOU SHALL
NOT LEAVE
PELLAM ALIVE, KNAVE!

I'LL HAVE YOUR
BLOOD FIRST,
KNIGHT!



STOP, BALIN
OR I DIE!

I WAGER
'TIS YOU
OR YOUR
MASTER'S
BLOOD!

BALIN SWINGS HIS MIGHTY
AXE BUT GALAHAD THROWS
THE EARL INTO HIS PATH.



STOP!! OH!!!



GREAT ZEUS, I'VE
KILLED MY MASTER.



THE TOWER,
PERHAPS I'LL
BE SAFER
THERE!



LOOK! HE
WEARS THE
CREST OF
THE LION!

HE IS A KNIGHT
OF THE ROUND
TABLE! SEIZE
HIM!!



HE RIPS OFF HIS HELMET AND...
A BOON FOR
ARTHUR!



FOR YOU VILLAIN,
MEET YOUR
FELLOW KNIGHTS!

GALAHAD, UNARMED, IS TRAPPED....

BID YOUR FELLOW
KNIGHTS HELLO!



GALAHAD REACHES A ROOM AT THE
END OF THE STAIRCASE.....



...AND MAKES A LAST BID FOR
ESCAPE....



HE LANDS IN THE WATERS OF THE
MOAT SURROUNDING THE CASTLE.



CLUTCHING
THE CHALICE,
GALAHAD
RACES BACK
TO HIS KING!

YOUR KNIGHTLY
MISSION HAS
BEEN WELL
PERFORMED,
SIR GALAHAD!

MORE ADVENTURES
OF THE BOLDEST
KNIGHT IN KING
ARTHUR'S COURT,
IN THE NEXT
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GALAHAD RETURNS TO CAMELOT.

SHANGHAI SHERIDAN

BY
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AND
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YOUNG JACK SHERIDAN, WHOSE FATHER WAS KILLED BY INVADERS IN 1931... HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY CHAN SING-TAN, WHO LIVES IN A LUXURIOUS MANSION IN SHANGHAI'S INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT.... SHERIDAN HAS JUST SUCCEEDED IN FREEING THE CHINESE GENERALISSIMO FROM THE CLUTCHES OF THE TREACHEROUS WU FANG... BUT HAS HIMSELF BEEN TRAPPED BY FANG ABOARD THE SEA SCORPION, JUST AS THE INVADER OFFICIALS ARRIVE ON THE JUNK....



FANG REGRETS TO ANNOUNCE, THIS LOWLY DOG HAS ALLOWED GENERAL-ISSIMO TO ESCAPE!

YOU GIVE-SAY? HOW GENERAL-ISSIMO RUN-GO-OUT?

SURE I'LL EXPLAIN! KANG SHY-CHECK ESCAPED BECAUSE I HELPED HIM! WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?



THIS, IN RETURN FOR INSULT TO SUPERIORS!



MASTER SAY, TAKE WHITE DOG TO TORTURE CHAMBER!

IS PLEASURE! SO DO!

AS THE INVADERS CARRY SHANGHAI
TOWARDS A COMPANION-WAY LEAD-
ING TO THE TORTURE CHAMBER...



...A MYSTERIOUS JUNK SLIPS
ALONGSIDE THE SEA SCORPION..



RESIST NOT, FOOLS!
'TIS OMNIPOTENT
SCARY DEE!

A MOMENT
LATER...

WAHOO!



HAVE
MERCIFULNESS!

SCARY
DEE!

THIS RACKET EVEN
WOKE ME UP! WHO'S
SCARY DEE?



I'M SCARY DEE AND
WHO WANTS TO MAKE
SOMETHIN' OF IT?
AH! AN AMERICAN,
ARE YA?



DIE,
YOU DOG!

LOOK
OUT!



A DOG HAS A
RIGHT TO LIVE!

YA SAVED
MY LIFE!



SO YOU'RE SHANGHAI
SHERIDAN? I'VE HEARD
TELL OF YE, YOUNG-
STER!

SORRY I CAN'T
RETURN THE
COMPLIMENT...
WHAT'S SCARY
DEE STAND FOR?

IF THE F.B.I. IN THE
STATES KNEW-I
WOULDN'T BE HERE!
...BUT I WUZ BORN
IN SCHNECTADY-
AND THE NEAR-
EST THESE
GUYS CAN
COME TO
THAT IS
SCARY
DEE!

I SEE!
MIND TELL-
ING ME
WHAT YOU
DO, SCARY
DEE?

THAT AIN'T A FAIR QUESTION--
SOMETIMES, THO', I
RANSOM OFF CHI-
NESE PRISONERS
AND OTHER TIMES I
TURN IN THE INVAD-
ERS!

...BUT AFTER WHAT YOU'VE
JUST DONE FOR ME, I--
HEY! LOOK AT
THAT!

AN INVADER MAN O' WAR FIRES
ON AN AMERICAN YACHT!

MAN THE
SAILS!

A FEW MINUTES LATER..

HOW WONDERFUL, FATHER!
THAT JUNK
MANEUVERED
IN FRONT OF
THE BATTLE-
SHIP!

SAVED OUR NECKS FOR
THE TIME
BEING,
ANY-
WAY!

ABOARD THE YACHT...

AHOY THERE!
HEAVE US
A LINE!

BETTER PUT A
SHIRT ON...
THERE'S A
GAL ABOARD!

I'M HENRY FOSTER...
AND THIS IS MY
DAUGHTER, BETTY...

BETTER HURRY THE
POLITENESS...A
BOARDING PARTY'S
COMING!

I AM
SHERIDAN,
SIR...

WHY YOU WHITE
DEVILS NOT STOP
WHEN SIGNALLED
BY BATTLESHIP?

...BUT THE ORDER WAS GIVEN
IN THE CODE OF THE
JAPANESE NAVY...
NOT IN INTER-
NATIONAL CODE!

SO SORRY!
BUT AMER-
ICAN YACHT...
NOW JAPAN
YACHT!

WHY-
YOU!

THE WARSHIP WANTS
AN EXCUSE TO SINK
YOU, SIR! COME ABOARD
THE JUNK WITH SCARY
DEE AND WE'LL PUT INTO
PORT...

SHERIDAN'S KNOWLEDGE
OF INVADER METHODS
AVERTS A TRAGEDY...

SHERIDAN, I'D LIKE
TO POKE THAT YELLOW
MOUSE
RIGHT IN
THE EYE.

NO, SCARY
DEE, IT'S
BETTER THIS
WAY!

I EXPECT WHITE DEVILS TO RESIST!... WHAT I CAN DO NOW?

MUST GUARD YACHT UNTIL FOREIGN MAN RETURN!

NO CAN SINK NOW! AMERICAN WARSHIPS WAIT DOWN THE RIVER!

ON FOSTER'S YACHT...

I THOUGHT SO! THE INVADER OFFICIALS DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO NOW!

HOW CAN I EVER THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU HAVE DONE?

YOU DON'T HAVE TO, MA'AM... I'VE DEVOTED MY LIFE TO PROTECTING INNOCENT PEOPLE FROM THE RUTHLESS INVADERS!

WELL, SHERIDAN, WE'RE DOCKING... HERE'S WHERE I LEAVE YOU!

YOU'RE NOT COMING ASHORE WITH US?

I'M GOING BACK TO THE OTHER JUNK AND GET MY PRISONERS...

WE SHALL MEET AGAIN, SCARY DEE!... MAY YOU BE ON THE SIDE OF THE LAW!

GOOD-BYE... AND THANKS!

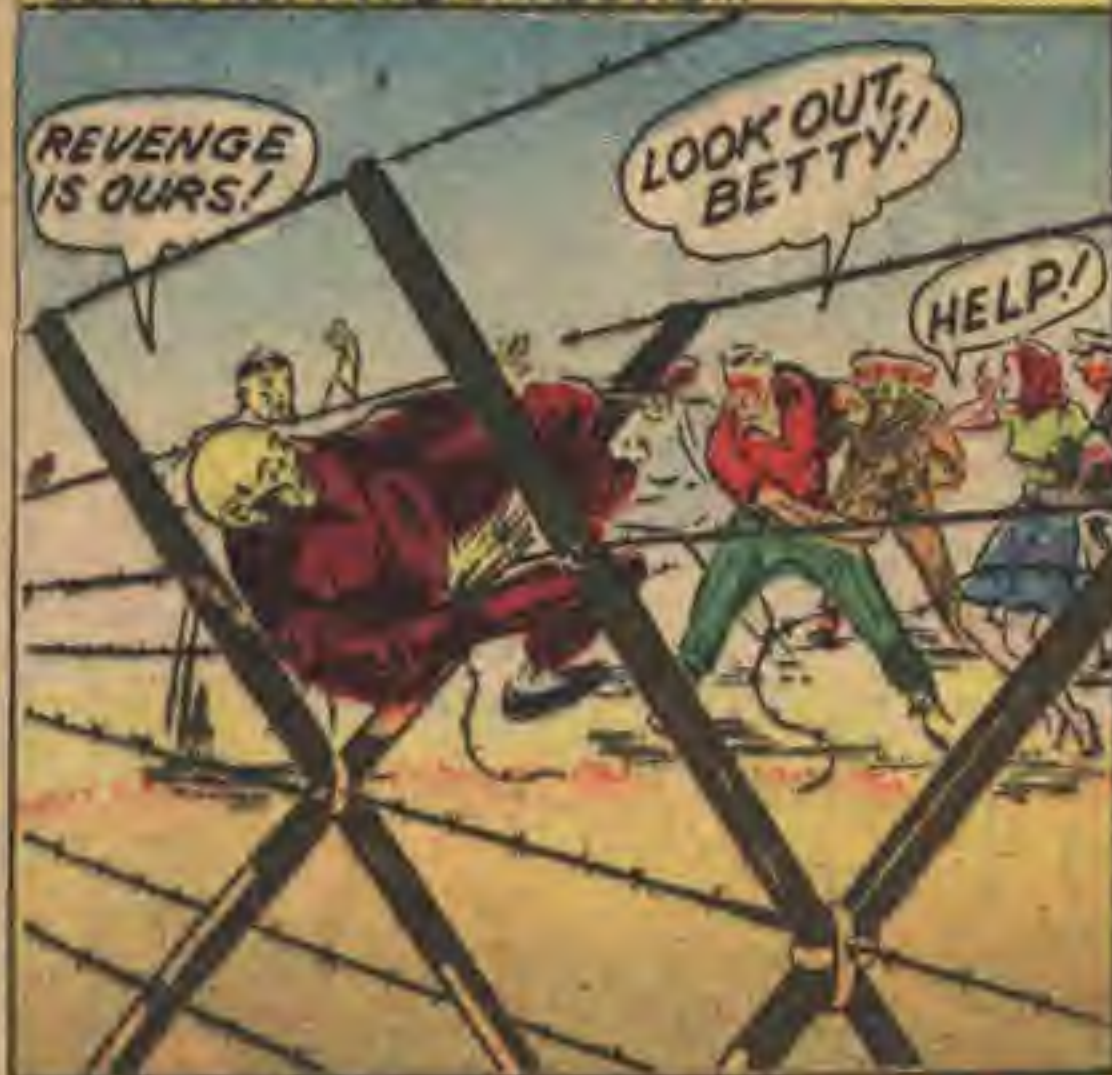
NOW TO GET YOU SAFELY TO THE AMERICAN CON-CESSION...

WHAT WOULD WE HAVE DONE WITHOUT YOU?

THERE GO RICH AMERICANS AND DESPISED SHERIDAN!

THIS TIME WE NOT FAIL, WU FANG!

JUST AS THEY REACH THE INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT... WU FANG AND HIS MEN LEAP FROM THE SHADOWS...



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But Joe Carson, son of the famous Kit Carson, had a shaggy mustang that, he claimed, could dust the eyes of the big Callahan sorrel. And he bet his shirt on it, taking everything the soldiers could offer.

A quarter-mile course was laid off along Clear Creek Road and on the day of the race the big sorrel was lined up beside Joe Carson's little bronco. A bugler weighing 120, sitting a light racing saddle, was the Army jockey. A Mexican youngster was Carson's rider—taking it bareback.

At the pistol, Callahan's horse made a quick getaway. He was a length ahead before the mustang started. Then the little Mexican yelled like a Comanche, cut the bronco viciously with his quirt—and slid off over his horse's rump. The mustang ran like a rabbit. He passed the Army horse and finished three lengths ahead. The Army howled but Joe Carson said:

"I claimed my mustang could beat that sorrel. I didn't say anything about riders. And my cayuse beat yours!"

The mustang had been trained to run just that race—to keep going until Carson whistled. And like the Callahan horse before this race—the mustang had never been beat!



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STREAK CHANDLER

ON MARS

STREAK CHANDLER HAS JUST SUCCEEDED IN RESTORING THE RIGHTFUL RULER TO THE THRONE OF THE GAS MEN, BUT THE DEPOSED TYRANT, KALOX, MADE HIS ESCAPE, AND IS STILL A MENACE TO BE CONTENDED WITH!



LURA, THE SCIENTIST'S DAUGHTER, COMES UPON THE SCENE.



WHILE AT THE PALACE OF THE GAS MEN, REGA, THE RULER, THANKS STREAK.



I HOPE I'M NOT TOO LATE!



STREAK ARRIVES AT THE HANGAR ON HIS BRONTAURIS!

KALOY SEES STREAK!

THE ACCURSED EARTH-LING! I SHALL DESTROY HIM IMMEDIATELY!



THE INTELLIGENT AND FAITHFUL BRONTAURIS REARS UP AND SHIELDS HIS MASTER!

WHAT IN SAM HILL.....



STREAK MAKES A HAZARDOUS LEAP FOR THE ROCKET SHIP'S WING!



TO PREVENT IMMEDIATE PURSUIT, KALOY DESTROYS ALL THE REST OF THE SPACE SHIPS!



THE MURDERING DOG!



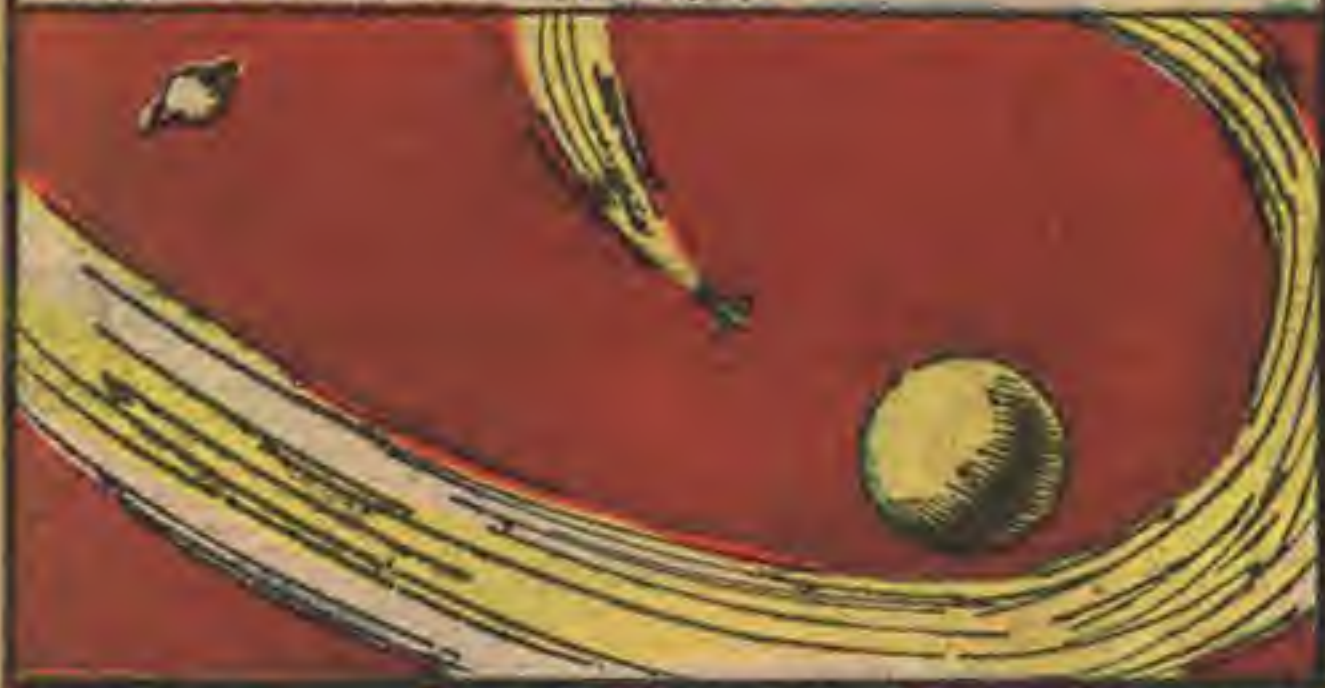
STREAK DESPERATELY TUGS AT THE WING FLAP TO ALTER THE SHIP'S DIRECTION!



I'LL HAVE TO WORK FAST — IF THIS SHIP EVER GETS INTO ETHER, I'M A DEAD FISH!



THE MANEUVER IS SUCCESSFUL! THE SPACE SHIP FALLS BACK TO MARS!



INSIDE THE SHIP

STREAK CHANDLER AGAIN— HE SHALL NOT FRUSTRATE ME THIS TIME!



THE SPACE SHIP SUDDENLY ROLLS OVER.....



AND STREAK PLUMMETS INTO A RIVER WITH SUCH TERRIFIC IMPACT HE IS KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS—



JUST THEN, PROFESSOR FINLAY, VOLA'S FATHER, MAKES HIS APPEARANCE WITH SOME LOKIS!

LOOK, IT'S STREAK!



YES! WE MUST REVIVE HIM!

STREAK IS SOON REVIVED—

WH...WHERE AM I? I WAS JUST PROFESSOR FINLAY! ON MY WAY TO GAS KING- DOM TO JOIN YOU AND VOLA! HOW DID YOU GET HERE?



STREAK SOON RETURNS TO THE PALACE!

KALOX GOT AWAY, REGA!

FATHER!

VOLA!



WE MUST RECAPTURE THE CRYSTAL BUT HE DESTROYED ALL THE SPACE SHIPS!

NO HE HASN'T! MY FATHER HAS A PRIVATE SHIP!



LURA LEADS THEM TO THE HIDDEN HANGAR!

I'LL GO ALONG. I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN FLY THIS SHIP!

ALL RIGHT, BUT VOLA WILL HAVE TO STAY BEHIND. IT'S TOO DANGEROUS!
BUT STREAK!

STREAK BIDS REGA FAREWELL!

WE MIGHT NOT COME BACK. TAKE GOOD CARE OF VOLA, WON'T YOU?

SHE SHALL BE TREATED LIKE A DAUGHTER!

WHY, THIS SHIP IS LIKE A SCIENCE LABORATORY!

DON'T FORGET, MY FATHER WAS A SCIENTIST!

THE CHASE IS ON...

WE WON'T HAVE MUCH TROUBLE FOLLOWING KALOY. THE MAGNETISM FROM THE CRYSTAL WILL DRAW US TO HIM!

AND THIS SPACE SHIP IS FASTER THAN HIS. WE SHALL SOON OVERTAKE HIM!

A STOWAWAY—

VOLA. I TOLD YOU.....

IF YOU THINK I'M LEAVING YOU ALONE WITH THIS JUPITER FLIRT.....

THIS IS A FINE TIME FOR JEALOUSY!

LOOK, STREAK! WE'VE CAUGHT HIM! AND THERE'S SOMETHING TRAILING HIM!

AND HE'S HEADING IT STRAIGHT FOR MARS!

GOOD HEAVENS, IT'S A SMALL PLANET!

HA/HA! THE RADIUM CRYSTAL IS DRAWING THE PLANET ALONG. SOON IT SHALL REACH THE SUN'S ORBIT AND CRASH INTO MARS!

HE'S SEEN US/
WE'LL HAVE TO ATTACK!

I'VE JUST COMPLETED A
NEUTRALIZING BULLET TO
WARD OFF THE RADIUM'S
MAGNETISM!

SHOOT FATHER'S
NEUTRALIZING
BULLET,
STREAK!

NOW WE'VE DONE IT!
WE'RE CAUGHT IN
THE MAGNETIC
RAYS—

BOTH SHIPS CIRCLE EACH OTHER FOR THE
ATTACK. KALOX BOMBARDS STREAK'S
SHIP WITH ROCKET BULLETS!

THE NEUTRALIZING BULLET IS SHOT
THROUGH THE RAY GUN!

IT WORKED!
WE'RE FALL-
ING AWAY!

QUICK! THE
DISINTEGRATING
RAY! NOW'S
OUR CHANCE!

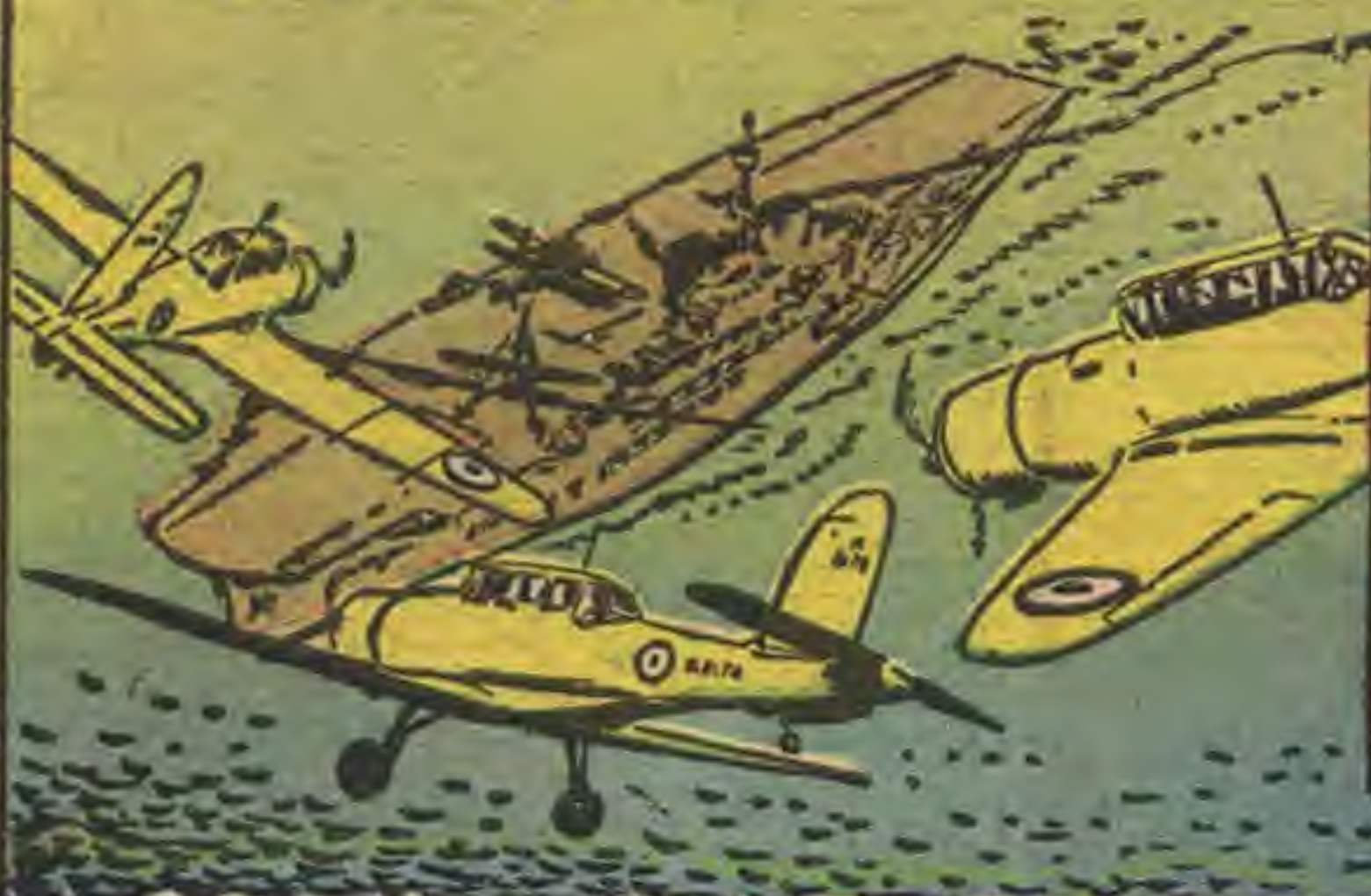
HOORAY! WE'VE HIT
HIM! NICE WORK,
LURA!

AND THAT'S
THE END OF
THE RADIUM
MENACE!

BUT EVEN BEFORE THE SHREDS OF KALOX'S
SHIP HAVE DISAPPEARED, ANOTHER
DANGER LOOMS ON THE HORIZON!

WHAT IS THIS NEW PERIL? WILL STREAK
CHANDLER BE ABLE TO OVERCOME IT,
OR WILL HE AND HIS WHOLE PARTY BE
DESTROYED?— FOLLOW HIS ADVEN-
TURES IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF
TOP NOTCH COMICS

WINGS JOHNSON OF THE AIR PATROL



NOW THAT HE HAS
WIPE OUT VON SCHILLER,
THE NAZI U-BOAT COMMAND-
ER, LIEUTENANT "WINGS"
JOHNSON, AMERICAN YOUTH
IN THE ROYAL AIR FORCE,
HAS BEEN TEMPORARILY
ASSIGNED-WITH HIS
FLIGHT OF FIVE PLANES-
TO THE AIRCRAFT
CARRIER "ROYAL ARCH".
THE PLANES ARE JUST
COMING ABOARD

WINGS HITS
THE DECK.

LIEUTENANT
JOHNSON
REPORTING,
SIR!

GLAD TO SEE YOU.
NICE JOB YOU DID
ON VON SCHILLER.

YOU WILL START IMMED-
IATELY TO THE AID OF
TWO OF OUR SHIPS.
THEY ARE IN TROUBLE
WITH THREE NAZI CRAFT.

WE'RE
READY,
SIR.

THIS WILL BE THE BIGGEST
BATTLE YOU'VE EVER BEEN
IN, LIEUTENANT.

I'LL DO
MY BEST, SIR.



IN A SHORT TIME THE FLEET ARRIVES OVER THE SEA DUEL.



THE GERMANS ARE CAUGHT UNPREPARED!



ONE AFTER THE OTHER THEY DIVE AND RELEASE THEIR BOMBS.....



THEY GOT CHESHOLM!
I'LL MAKE THEM PAY
FOR THAT!



WINGS
ZOOMS
TOWARD
THE BATTLE-
SHIP



HE HOLDS
HIS DIVE UNTIL
THE LAST
SECOND!



A DIRECT HIT !!!



BUT WINGS' PLANE IS BADLY
RIDDLED.

FINISH 'EM OFF,
BOYS. I'M GOING
BACK FOR A NEW
SHIP.



HALF-WAY BACK TO THE CARRIER—

HMM... LOOKS
LIKE THOSE
NAZIS HAVE
OTHER IDEAS!











OK. THEN, HANG ON!
I'M GOING TO TRY
SOMETHING!



WINGS
GOES
INTO A
TIGHT
LOOP—

I'VE BEEN
SAVING THIS
HAND GRENADE
FOR NOW,
FRITZ.



WE GOT
HIM!!!

YES, BUT HE
GOT ME!

THEY MAKE THE BASE WITHOUT
FURTHER INCIDENT AND REPORT
TO THE COMMANDER....

-- SO THEY INTEND TO DROP
TROOPS BY PARACHUTE AND
CAPTURE THE MINES, EH?
WE'LL SEND TROOPS AND PLANES
IMMEDIATELY!

I'M GOING
TOO, SIR!

THREE HOURS LATER, OVER THE MINES.

HERE THEY COME! LET'S GO, BOYS!



WE GOT THAT ONE BEFORE IT COULD LAND ITS TROOPS!



WHILE WINGS AND HIS SQUADRON DRIVE OFF THE FEW REMAINING PLANES....

LET THE INFANTRY GET THE GUYS THAT BAIL OUT--



THE BRITISH INFANTRY MOPS UP THE GERMAN PARACHUTE TROOPS.

THAT'S IT BOYS. WE'D SURE BE IN A FIX IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THOSE BABIES!



AFTER THE BATTLE --- THEY'D HAVE TAKEN US BY SURPRISE IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR YOU, JOHNSON! THANK YOU, SIR!



WATCH FOR MORE OF WINGS JOHNSON'S ADVENTURES IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF TOP NOTCH COMICS



DICK STORM



DICK STORM PITS HIS WIT AND DARING AGAINST THE BLOOD-MAD DICTATOR OF HONDURAS IN CENTRAL AMERICA...

DICK STORM IS CALLED INTO THE OFFICE OF JOHN HARLEY...

I HAVE A DANGEROUS MISSION I'D LIKE YOU TO UNDERTAKE...

DANGER IS MY JOB--GO AHEAD WITH YOUR STORY..

SANTI, A LITTLE REPUBLIC IN HONDURAS, HAS BEEN CAPTURED BY A DICTATOR, AND WE'VE LOST A GREAT DEAL OF BUSINESS...WE'VE SENT THREE MEN DOWN THERE ALREADY, BUT NONE HAVE RETURNED... WILL YOU INVESTIGATE FOR US?

WHEN DO I START?

DICK IMMEDIATELY SAILS FOR HONDURAS...

HMM! ONLY THING I KNOW ABOUT THEM, IS THAT THEIR NAMES ARE RYAN, LANE AND WHITE

A FEW DAYS LATER... DICK MAKES INQUIRIES OF A HOTEL KEEPER IN SANTI...

WHERE DOES THIS BOSHNAK, YOUR DICTATOR, HANG OUT?

NO, NO! I KNOW NOTHING!

DICK DECIDES TO DO SOME INVESTIGATING, AND HE SETS OUT THROUGH THE JUNGLE.

THEY'RE ALL TOO SCARED TO TALK AROUND HERE!



WHAT WAS THAT! SOUNDED LIKE A SHOT!



HELP!

GREAT GHOSTS! THIS MUST BE...



I...I'M WHITE! BOSHNAK... HAS OTHERS... TORTURE... IRONDUKE... IRONDUKE... OHHH!

DEAD! POOR FELLOW. HE WAS TRYING TO TELL ME SOMETHING!



LANE'S PURSUERS DISCOVER DICK, AND THEIR ESCAPED PRISONER.



CARAMBA! A NEW PRISONER FOR BOSHNAK!

AND I'D LIKE TO SEE HIM TOO, BUT FIRST...



DIOS!

I'VE GOT SOMETHING FOR YOU. THIS IS FOR LANE!



DICK LOCATES A SECRET
DOOR IN THE IRON FIGURE.

THAT'S WHAT WHITE
WAS TRYING TO TELL
ME BEFORE HE
DIED.



WE'VE
GOT TO
GET AWAY
FROM
HERE!



THERE
IS A
RAILROAD
THAT RUNS
NEARBY. WE
CAN FOLLOW
THE
TRACKS.

BOSHNAK'S MEN!
THEY SEEM TO BE
EXPECTING SOMETHING.
I'VE GOT AN IDEA!
YOU HIDE THERE.



IF THOSE GUYS
HAVE BULLETS,
IT'S GOING TO BE
TOO BAD FOR ME!
HELLO!
HERE I AM!



EET
EES
THE
GRINGO!



JUST AS DICK IS
ABOUT TO BE
OVERPOWERED—

OKAY BOYS,
C'MON
OUT!



LET'S GET
'EM!



AFTER A
FIERCE
HAND TO
HAND
COMBAT,
DICK
AND HIS
COMPANIONS
EMERGE
VICTORIOUS

QUICK! WE'VE GOT TO
CHANGE CLOTHES, THERE'S A
TRAIN COMING. I THINK I KNOW
WHAT IT'S CARRYING.



DICK AND THE OTHERS
DISGUISE THEMSELVES...

UNLESS
I MISS
MY GUESS,
IT'S AMMUNITION
FOR
BOSHNAK!





HERE IT COMES!
REMEMBER TO KEEP
YOUR FACES
COVERED...



HERE IS
THE AMMU-
NITION FOR
EL DICTATOR...

PILE IT
ON THE
GROUND..



AS THE AMMUNITION IS UN-
LOADED... DICK GRABS A
MACHINE GUN...

AND NOW
YOU PILE
OUT, PRONTO!



DIABLE! WE'VE
BEEN TRICKED!



SUDDENLY...
BOSHNAK AND
HIS TROOPS
APPEAR!

THE GRINGOS HAVE
THE AMMUNITION...
KILL THEM!



OH! SO YOU WANT
THE AMMUNITION...

WELL...
HERE IT
IS!

DICK ROUTS THE
TROOPS, AND CAP-
TURES BOSHNAK...



LATER...

LOOKS LIKE
YOU'RE THE
PRESIDENT
AGAIN...

THANKS TO YOU...
THEES AMMUNITION
WEEL BE DISTRIBUTED
TO MY LOYAL TROOPS,
AND PEACE WEEL ONCE
MORE REIGN IN SANTI..

MORE ADVEN-
TURES OF
**DICK
STORM...**
WORLD'S MOST
FAMOUS
SOLDIER OF
FORTUNE-
IN THE NEXT
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BOB PHANTOM

SCOURGE OF THE UNDERWORLD

BY
J. THORP & H. SHORTEN

BOB PHANTOM, CRIMELAND'S NEMESIS, RUTHLESSLY FERRETS OUT AND CRUSHES INJUSTICE... HE IS ABLE TO APPEAR ON THE SCENE OF A CRIME FROM A WISP OF SMOKE... A PHANTOM CRUSADER FOR SOCIETY, WHOSE VERY NAME STRIKES TERROR INTO THE HEARTS OF CRIMINALS!



ONE NIGHT, A POLICE BOAT IN SEARCH OF NARCOTIC SMUGGLERS IS BLASTED INTO ETERNITY!



A REIGN OF TERROR SWEEPS THE CITY AS POLICEMEN ARE KILLED LIKE FLIES!



EVEN INNOCENT BYSTANDERS ARE WIPED OUT!



On Broadway
BY WALT WHITNEY
IT'S HIGH TIME THE D.A. TOOK A HAND IN THIS SMUGGLING AFFAIR... OR MAYBE HE'S TOO BUSY PLAYING THE CHECKERS WITH THE CHIEF OF POLICE!!

IN THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE NARCOTIC SMUGGLERS, AH-KU, BITTER ENEMY OF BOB PHANTOM, AGAIN TURNS UP... AS RINGLEADERS



CURSES! THIS WHITNEY! HE HOUNDS ME LIKE BOB PHANTOM! WE MUST WORK MORE CLEVERLY!

IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE...

ITELL YOU THE DOPE PEDDLERS
ARE GETTING SHIP-
MENTS THROUGH!

ICAN'T UNDERSTAND
IT, MAYOR...WE'VE
GOT THE WHOLE
WATER FRONT COVERED!

THE MAYOR DELIVERS AN ULTIMATUM...

IDON'T CARE... SOME-
THING'S GOT TO BE
DONE! THE PUBLIC IS
THOROUGHLY AROUSED
OVER THESE OUT-
RAGEOUS KILLINGS!...
WHY, EVEN WALT WHIT-
NEY SEEMS TO KNOW
MORE ABOUT IT
THAN YOU DO!

AT WHITNEY'S OFFICE...

MY LAST COLUMN
SURE STEAMED UP
THE POLICE!

MAYBE WE'LL GET
SOME ACTION,
NOW!



WOW! THAT
WAS CLOSE!

LOOK,
A
NOTE!



YOU'LL TELL
THE POLICE
OF COURSE...

WHAT..AND LET
THEM BUNGLE A
GOOD STORY! I'M
LOOKING INTO THIS MYSELF!

WHITNEY ARRIVES AT THE WATER FRONT...

HMM! NICE
PLACE FOR
SMUGGLING
OR MURDER!

SUDDENLY... A CHINESE SILKEN NOOSE SLIPS AROUND WALT WHITNEY'S THROAT...



HEY... I..I.

...AND PULLS HIM UPWARD!



AS WHITNEY IS SET UPON BY HIS ATTACKERS, HE RECOGNIZES THE RINGLEADER!



AH-KU!

I KNEW MY NOTE
WOULD DE-
COY YOU
HERE!

TELL US WHO BOB PHANTOM IS, AND WHERE I CAN FIND HIM, AND YOU SHALL BE FREE!



NOTHING DOING!
BOB'S VERY PAR-
TICULAR ABOUT THE
KIND OF PEOPLE I
INTRODUCE HIM TO!

THROW THE DOG INTO THE RIVER... HE'S OF NO USE TO ME!

YEAH, AND
HE KNOWS
TOO
MUCH!



**YOU KNOW WHERE OUR HEAD-
QUARTERS ARE, WHITNEY...
BUT THERE ARE NO NEWS-
PAPERS
WHERE YOU
ARE GOIN'!**



**WE'LL SOON SEND
BOB PHANTOM
TO KEEP YOU
COMPANY!**

AND DAT'S
DAT!



LATER, THE D.A. RECEIVES A STARTLING CALL



WHAT'S THAT ABOUT
DOPE SMUGGLER'S
HEADQUARTERS...
WHO IS THIS?

NEVER MIND WHO
I AM... BE AT THE
WATER FRONT IN A
HALF HOUR... READY FOR A RAID!







MELICAN' SMOKE
MAN STOPPUM
HATCHET WITH
HEAD!



WOW! A LITTLE
CLOSER... AND
I WOULDN'T
HAVE TO SHAVE
ANYMORE!

THE HATCHET CUTS THE
MAINMAST AND CRASHES
THE SAIL DOWN ON THE
SMUGGLERS!!



THAT'S WHAT
I CALL REAL
COURTESY!... I
COULDN'T HAVE DONE
BETTER MYSELF!

BOB SETS FIRE TO ONE
OF THE NARCOTIC BOXES!



THESE BIRDS
ARE SUCH
NARCOTIC
LOVERS...



I'LL GIVE THEM
A COUPLE
OF WHIFFS!



BOB
PHANTOM
QUICKLY
LOCATES
THE
FLARE
GUN
ON
THE
SHIP...

NOW, IF THE
POLICE ARE
WAITING ON
SHORE LIKE
I TOLD THEM,
THEY'RE SURE
TO SEE THIS!



THE
FLARE
DISCLOSES
THE
FIGURE OF
AH-KU
MAKING
HER
ESCAPE...

THE POLICE
WILL NEVER
TAKE ME!

POLICE SOON BOARD THE SMUGGLERS' BOAT...



GREAT SAINTS! THEY'RE ALL
IN DREAMLAND FROM THAT
SMOKING OPIUM BOX!

LATER... WALT WHITNEY APPEARS IN THE
POLICE STATION...



IT'S OUTRAGEDUS!
THOSE SMUG-
GLERS ALMOST
DROWNED ME!

YEAH, AND
YOU CAN WRITE
IN YOUR COLUMN...
THAT WHILE YOU
WERE BUSY SWIMMIN',
WE BROKE UP THE
NARCOTIC RING!!

MORE ADVENT-
URES OF -
BOB PHANTOM
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NOW ON SALE

JUNE BLUE RIBBON COMICS



ACTION! MYSTERY! THRILLS!



THRILL TO THESE
SMASHING NEW
FEATURES

HERCULES!
MODERN CHAMPION
OF JUSTICE

THE GREEN
FALCON!

TY-GOR!
SON OF THE TIGER

PLUS YOUR OLD FAVORITES
RANG-A-TANG THE WONDER DOG
AND CORPORAL COLLINS

COMING ATTRACTIONS

RANG-A-TANG, THE WONDER DOG,
AS DID RIN-TIN-TIN BEFORE HIM,
GOES TO HOLLYWOOD, IN THE JULY
ISSUE OF BLUE RIBBON COMICS!
FOLLOW HIS ADVENTURES IN MOVIE-
LAND WITH THE STARS YOU LOVE!

WATCH FOR THE
RANG-A-TANG HONOR LEGION

The WEST POINTER

by E. WEXLER

COACH LEVERING SPRINGS A PLEASANT SURPRISE ON CADET KORNELL!!

YOU'VE SHOWED UP REMARKABLY WELL IN PRACTICE, KEITH. I'M GOING TO LET YOU PITCH AGAINST MID-VALE!!



KEITH KORNELL IS NOW AN UPPER CLASSMAN, AND IS ALLOWED TO TAKE PART IN VARSITY ATHLETICS!

THE MIDVALE TEAM ARRIVES



KEITH APPROACHES SOME MID-VALE PLAYERS TO EXTEND TO THEM THE COURTESY OF THE ACADEMY !!!



BIFF BRADY, MIDVALE'S SLUGGING SECOND BASEMAN !!

WATCH ME FIX HIM! WE GOTTA WIN THIS GAME TOMORROW !!



IT'S CUSTOMARY FOR THE CADETS TO SHOW THE VISITORS TO THEIR QUARTERS.

BIFF DROPS HIS VALISE ON KEITH'S FOOT



I THINK YOU DELIBERATELY DID THAT!

WANNA MAKE SOMETHING OF IT?



KEITH ACCEPTS THE BULLY'S CHALLENGE!!

HE DOESN'T KNOW THAT YOU'RE THE INTERCOLLEGIATE HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMP !!

HE'LL SOON FIND OUT !!



THEY ARRIVE IN THE ARSENAL, TRADITIONAL MEETING PLACE FOR AFFAIRS OF THIS KIND!



BIFF PROVES TO BE A TREACHEROUS OP-
PONENT



..BUT KEITH FINDS HIM NO EASY FOE !!



KEITH WEATHERS THE SAVAGE FLURRY OF BLOWS, AND.....!!



-SUDDENLY AN OFFICER ENTERS !!



UNLESS YOU CAN EXPLAIN YOURSELF, CADET KORNELL, YOU WILL BE CONFINED TO YOUR QUARTERS UNTIL YOUR CASE IS BROUGHT BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY BOARD!!



- IN BIFF'S ROOM -



- THAT NIGHT, IN KEITH'S ROOM -

THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE WON'T ACT ON MY CASE UNTIL LATE TO-MORROW, THAT MEANS...

GREAT SCOT!! THAT LOOKS LIKE A FIRE OUT THERE!



A FIRE SUDDENLY BREAKS OUT IN ONE OF THE CAMPUS BUILDINGS, IN WHICH THE MIDVALE SQUAD IS QUARTERED!!



ACADEMY RULES ALLOW ME TO BREAK CONFINEMENT ORDERS IN AN EMERGENCY LIKE THIS!!



BIFF BRADY IS TRAPPED IN THE BURNING BUILDING!!

GULP! HELP! HELP!!



HEY, STOP! IT'S SUICIDE!

HE'LL BE BURNED TO DEATH, UNLESS...

KEITH DASHES INTO THE BURNING BUILDING



IT...IT'S HOT AS A FURNACE... THERE'S BRADY... HE SEEMS TO BE HURT!!



WITH QUICK PRESENCE OF MIND, KEITH RIPS A SHEET FROM THE BED

I HOPE THIS SHEET'LL HOLD HIM UP!



I'D BETTER GET OUT OF HERE QUICKLY, OR I'LL BE A DEAD HERO!!



BUT WHILE KEITH IS ON THE WAY

DOWN
THE BED
SHEET
TEARS!

ULP!

KEITH TAKES A TERRIFIC FALL!

OOMP!!

HURRAY,
KORNELL!!

OOH! MY LEG!!

I'M ALL RIGHT,
FELLOWS!

BIFF BRADY RECOVERS CONSCIOUSNESS
THE NEXT DAY IN THE HOSPITAL!

WH--WHAT HAPPENED?

CADET KORNELL
RESCUED
YOU FROM
THE BURNING
BUILDING!

-AND AFTER WHAT I DID TO
HIM! - WILL YOU CALL LIEUT. BROWN

LIEUT. BROWN IS IMMEDIATELY SUMMONED!

ER, AH--LIEUT. THAT FIGHT WAS ALL MY
FAULT!

I WANTED TO
PUNCH KORNELL
SILLY, SO THAT
HE WOULDN'T
BE ABLE TO
PITCH!

THE OFFICER IMMEDIATELY GOES TO KEITH'S
ROOM!!

BRADY HAS JUST TOLD ME THE
WHOLE STORY AND I'M GOING
TO REMOVE THE CHARGES
AGAINST
YOU!!

THEN I CAN
PLAY!!

THEY SPEEDILY HEAD FOR THE BASEBALL
FIELD!!
(I'LL EXPLAIN TO THE COACH)

WOW! MY FOOT'S
KILLING ME!

I'VE GOT TO
HURRY!!

THEY SOON ARRIVE AT THE BALL PARK!

CADET KORNELL IS ELIGIBLE TO PLAY, IF
YOU NEED HIM, COACH!

AND HOW I
NEED HIM! THE SCORE'S
BEEN TIED FOR THREE
INNINGS, AND
THIS IS THE
LAST HALF OF
THE SEVENTH!!

KEITH IS IMMEDIATELY SENT IN TO PITCH...



WHEN! BASES LOADED, AND ONLY ONE MAN OUT!

SUDDENLY, KEITH WHIPS THE BALL TO THIRD BASE!!



YOU'RE OUT!!

THE MIDVALE BATTER CONNECTS WITH THE NEXT BALL!!



GOT IT! THAT'S THREE OUT!!

BUT KEITH GRABS IT, AS IT STARTS ITS FLIGHT!

THE CADET SUBSTITUTES HOWL WITH GLEE



WHATTA MAN! TWO PITCHED BALLS, AND TWO MEN OUT!!

-THE NINTH INNING. TWO OUT, AND ARMY'S LAST TURN AT BAT!!



SORRY YOU FANNED, BILL, NOW I GUESS ITS UP TO ME!

GOOD LUCK, KEITH!

A HIT!!



CLUNK!

IT LOOKS LIKE A TRIPLE.



MY LEG FEELS LIKE IT'S GOING TO CAVE IN!

KEITH MAKES A DESPERATE TRY FOR A HOME RUN!!



YOU'RE SAFE!!

KEITH IS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL WITH TORN LIGAMENTS IN HIS LEG! LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE GOT COMPANY!



I HEARD ABOUT THE GAME. GREAT WORK!!

KEITH KORNELL, THE WEST POINTER, ENCOUNTERS MANY MORE EXCITING ADVENTURES IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF

THE NORTH COUNTRY

KARDAK

THE MYSTIC MAGICIAN

KARDAK, THE MYSTIC
MAGICIAN, HAS UNCANNY,
UNEYPLAINABLE POWERS
WHICH ARE FORTUNATELY
USED FOR THE SUPPRESS-
ION OF EVIL!



THIS IS A STRANGE
PLACE, KARDAK...
YOU NEVER KNOW
WHAT WILL HAPPEN
NEXT!

YES, LORNA!...
THERE ARE SOME
UNUSUAL LEGENDS
HERE CONCERN-
ING WITCHCRAFT!



KARDAK AND HIS FIANCEE, LORNA
DELOY, ARE TRAVELLING THROUGH
THE LOUISIANA BAYOUS...

HELP! THE
VOODOO'S GOT
HIM!

KILL!
KILL!



SUDDENLY!

WHAT THE!... THAT
MAN HAS GONE CRAZY!
THE OTHERS ARE
GONERS... UNLESS...

OH, DO
SOMETHING
KARDAK!



THERE!
THAT'LL
STOP HIM!

WH...WHY,
THEY'RE
GONE!



KARDAK CAUSES THE TWO VICTIMS
TO DISAPPEAR!

THE FELLOW'S TAKEN A FIT!
I'LL HAVE TO QUIET
HIM TO GET ANYTHING
OUT OF HIM!

THE GREEN
SMOKE!
THE GR....



NOW YOU ARE
UNDER MY WILL!
TELL ME WHAT
HAPPENED!

DE GREEN
SMOKE COME
OUT DE BAYOU!
AND DEN I DON'T
KNOW NO MORE!



KARDAK HYPNOTIZES
THE NEGRO!

THIS THING COULD STAND
A LITTLE INVESTIGATING...
I'M GOING INTO THE
BAYOUS... YOU WAIT
HERE AT THE HOTEL...



NO... THERE MIGHT BE
SOME DANGER... I'LL
BE RIGHT BACK!

BUT... I'D
LIKE TO GO
WITH YOU!



JUST THE SAME... I'M GOING
WITH KARDAK... WHETHER HE
WANTS ME TO OR NOT!



... ALL MARSHLAND FROM HERE
ON... I'LL HAVE TO
LEAVE MY HORSE,
AND PROCEED
ON FOOT!



LATER... IN THE BAYOUS...

DOESN'T SEEM TO BE
ANYTHING HERE,
EXCEPT SWAMPS
AND MORE SWAMPS!



GREAT GHOSTS!
LORNA! YOU'VE
FOLLOWED ME!

KARDAK! LOOK!
THAT GREEN
SMOKE!



THE FATAL GREEN SMOKE APPEARS
JUST AS LORNA ARRIVES...

THIS SMOKE!
IT'S NUMBING
MY BRAIN!

KARDAK!
EVERYTHING'S
GOING BLANK!



THE SMOKE BLINDS KARDAK... HE IS
HELPLESS TO COMBAT ITS EFFECT!

H... HELP!
KARDAK!

I... I CAN'T HOLD
OUT MUCH LONGER!



KARDAK'S STRONG WILL SAVES HIS,
AND LORNA'S BRAIN FROM SNAPPING!

BY THE TONGUE
OF SIVA...THESE
TWO HAVE CONQUERED
OUR GREEN SMOKE!

THEY ARE
DANGEROUS
TO OUR CAUSE.
THEY MUST BE
BROUGHT HERE!



IN A MYSTIC POOL, IN A FANTASTIC
TEMPLE, LORNA AND KARDAK ARE
WATCHED BY TWO BRAHMINS...



A MAGIC BOAT BEARS THEM AWAY!
LORNA, HER REASON SAVED BY KAR-
DAK'S, IS FIRST TO RECOVER!



THE MAGICAL CRAFT STEERS
ITSELF TO A LANDING...



KARDAK RECOVERS CONSCIOUS-
NESS IN A STRANGE CELL!



KARDAK PERFORMS A BIT OF
INCREDIBLE MAGIC!



THE RUSE IS SUCCESSFUL!

YOUR BLOOD WILL
MAKE A FINE OFFERING
FOR OUR GREAT GOD, SIVA!
YOUR FRIEND WILL
SOON FOLLOW!



MEANWHILE... LORNA IS
IN GRAVE DANGER!



IF THEY'VE
HARMED A
HAIR OF HER
HEAD...



KARDAK SENDS A TELEPATHIC
MESSAGE TO LORNA...



NO OTHER THAN THE
HIGHEST INDIAN
CASTE MAY
GAZE UPON THE
FACE OF SIVA...
EVEN IN
DEATH!



LORNA IS LED TO THE SACRIFICE!

SCREAM, LORNA
SO THAT I CAN
LOCATE YOU!

HERE I AM,
KARDAK!

LORNA'S BRAIN MAKES
CONTACT WITH KARDAK'S.



KARDAK MIRACULOUSLY APPEARS!

SIVA HAS BEEN
DEFILED! HE HAS
BEEN LOOKED ON
BY A WHITE MAN!

LET THAT
GIRL GO!



V...VISHNU!



KARDAK'S MAGIC IS GREATER
THAN THE HINDU GOD'S! SIVA'S
FLAMES TURN TO WATER!



SEIZE THE WHITE DOGS!
THEY SHALL BOTH BE
OFFERINGS TO
SIVA!



I ALWAYS CARRY THESE AROUND, GENTLEMEN!

OWOOH!



KARDAK RINGS HIMSELF WITH FIERCE LIONS!

K..KARDAK! SAVE ME!

LORNA, DON'T! YOU'RE COVERING MY EYES!



BUT HIS STRATEGY GOES AWAY... LORNA, FRIGHTENED BY THE LIONS, BLOCKS HIS VISION!

HIS EYES COVERED...KARDAK'S POWER IS GONE, AND THE LIONS DISAPPEAR!



HIS POWER LIES IN HIS EYES! SEIZE HIM, AND BLINDFOLD HIM!

NOW I CAN CONQUER YOUR COUNTRY! EVEN NOW MY MEN ARE LOOSING A SWARM OF LOCUSTS TO RUIN YOUR FARMERS!



YOUR VISHNU ISN'T SO GREAT IF YOU MUST RESORT TO SUCH TRICKS TO GAIN YOUR ENDS!

PROVE HIS POWERS! I'LL MATCH MY MAGIC AGAINST HIS!



I WILL ACCEPT YOUR CHALLENGE!

KARDAK'S TAUNT TAKES EFFECT!

HA! CAN YOU OUT-DO THAT?



WATCH!

KARDAK'S RUSE WORKS! HIS BLINDFOLD IS REMOVED... AND...

THE BRAHMIN, CRAZED WITH FEAR, FINDS HIMSELF ATOP THE ROPE... WHICH KARDAK CHANGES TO A SNAKE!

YOU'LL STAY UP THERE UNTIL YOU TELL ME WHERE THEY'RE LETTING THE LOCUSTS LOOSE!

TH... THEY'RE AT THE DELTA OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER!





KARDAK KEEPS HIS PROMISE TO THE BRAHMIN, AND RELEASES THE SPELL VERY ABRUPTLY, AS HE AND LORNA LEAVE THE ROOM IN A SWIRL OF SMOKE.



IF THOSE LOCUSTS EVER GET LOOSE... L...LOOK, THEY'RE CHASING US!

KARDAK AND LORNA RUN FOR THE DELTA!



BUT THE LOCUSTS ARE RELEASED BEFORE THEY ARRIVE!



WE'RE TOO LATE! NO! I STILL HAVE ONE MORE TRICK!

CAN KARDAK COPE WITH THIS SCOURGE?



THIS AWFUL GALE DOESN'T SEEM TO HAVE ANY EFFECT ON US, KARDAK!

I KNOW IT... IT WILL HOLD THEM OFF 'TILL WE MAKE OUR ESCAPE IN THAT FOREST!

THE GREAT KARDAK RAISES A FURIOUS GALE WHICH BLOWS THE LOCUSTS THE OPPOSITE WAY INTO THE GULF OF MEXICO, AND HOLDS BACK THE HINDUS!!



BUT THE FOREST IS A MIRAGE! KARDAK AND LORNA FALL VICTIM TO A HIDDEN SNARE !!

KARDAK! WE...WE'RE SINKING DEEPER!

GREAT HEAVENS! QUICKSAND! WHAT A BLIND FOOL I WAS!

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