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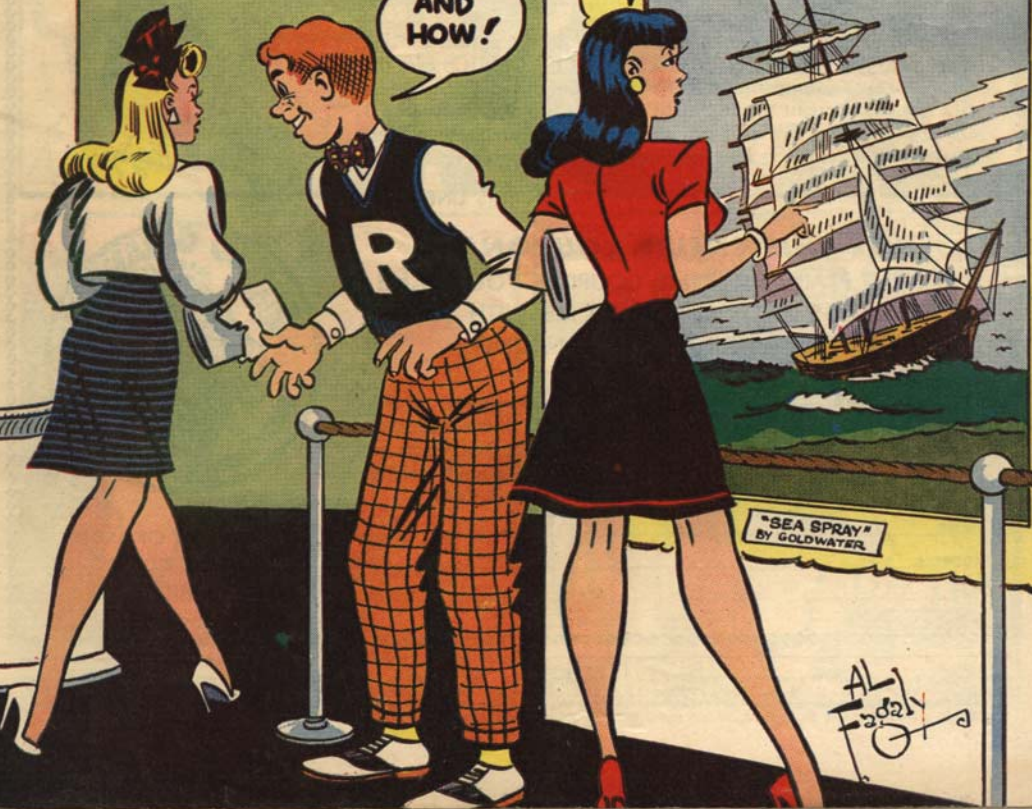
Starring **ARCHIE ANDREWS!**

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HASN'T SHE GOT BEAUTIFUL LINES, ARCHIE?

AND
HOW!



SHIELD G-MAN CLUB

BULLETIN No. 38

Hi pals!

Well, the results from the last issue's contest came in hot and heavy and are still coming in. There were loads of winners. Unfortunately, we do not have enough room on this page to print them all, so we will have to go by the rule of first come, first serve.

Here are the names of some winners:

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For the hundreds of winners whose names do not appear on this page, you will get your FREE COPY OF PEP COMICS just the same as fast as we can get them to you. Congratulations to you all. You are a credit to the Shield G-Man Club and Dusty and I are proud of you. We will run another contest pretty soon, perhaps the next issue. So long until our next get together.

*Sincerely,
Joe Higgins*

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USE THIS ENTIRE COUPON!!

JUST PRINT PLAINLY ON THIS COUPON, YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, AGE AND SEND IT TO ME WITH 10c TO COVER COST OF MAILING AND HANDLING.

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Dear Joe:

Please enroll me as a member of the **SHIELD G-MAN CLUB**. I am enclosing this coupon together with Ten Cents to cover the costs of handling and mailing my Badge and Identification Card.

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CITY..... STATE.....



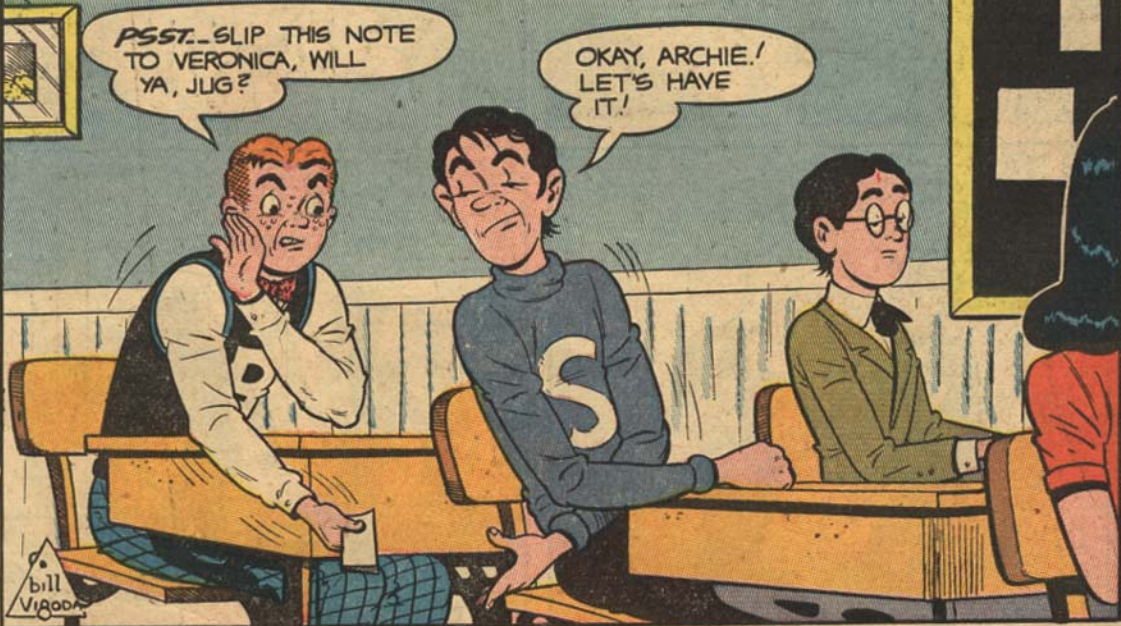
EXACT COPY OF BADGE
IN THREE COLORS
RED-WHITE-BLUE

Archie in

"Masquerade Monkeyshines"

PSST...SLIP THIS NOTE
TO VERONICA, WILL
YA, JUG?

OKAY, ARCHIE!
LET'S HAVE
IT!



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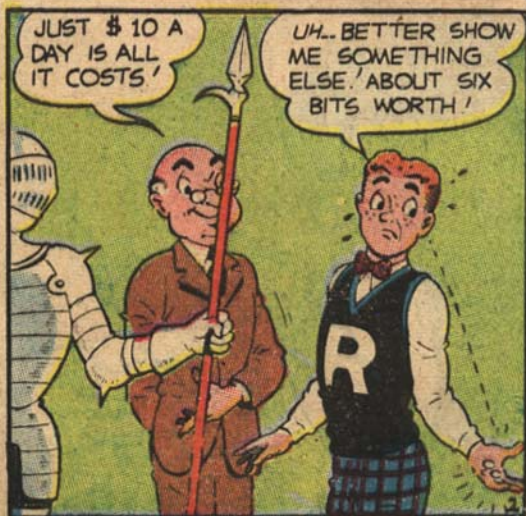
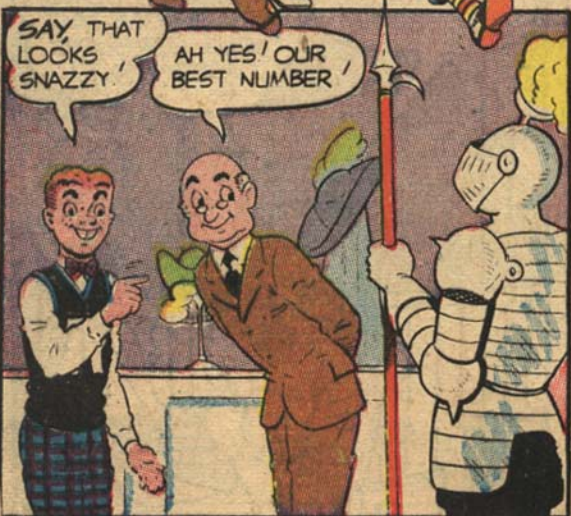
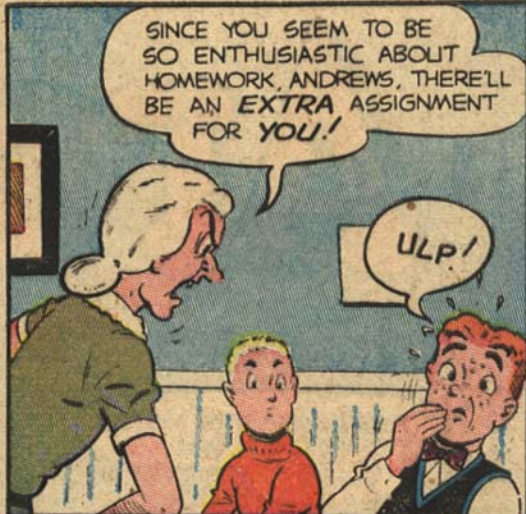


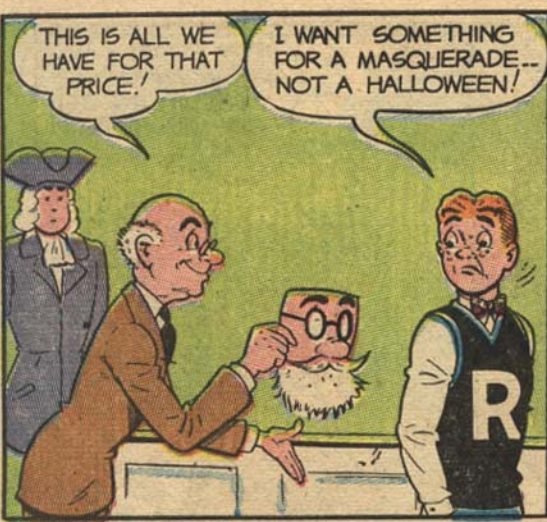
How about going
to the school
masquerade
party with
me?

PSST...IT'S A
DATE, ARCHIE!

ATTENTION, CLASS,
WHILE I GIVE YOU
YOUR HOMEWORK
ASSIGNMENT!







AND SO COMES THE NIGHT OF THE MASQUERADE! LET'S SEE WHAT OUR HERO HAS UP HIS SLEEVE BESIDES HIS ELBOW!

AT LAST I'M OFF DUTY! NOW TO SEE IF THE COAST IS CLEAR!



THEY WON'T MIND MY *BORROWING* THE UNIFORM JUST FOR TONIGHT... I HOPE!



HIYA, DREAMBEAM! SHALL WE ANKLE?

I'M JUST TRYING ON MY COSTUME, ARCHIE!



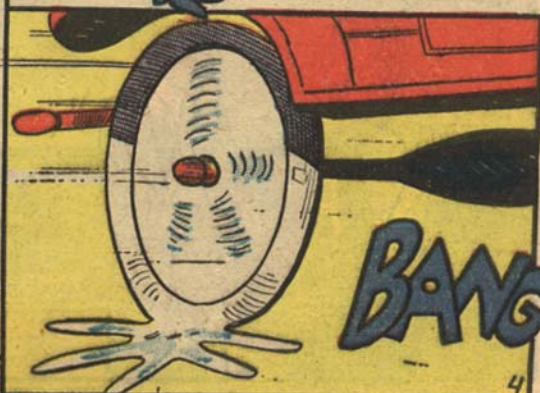
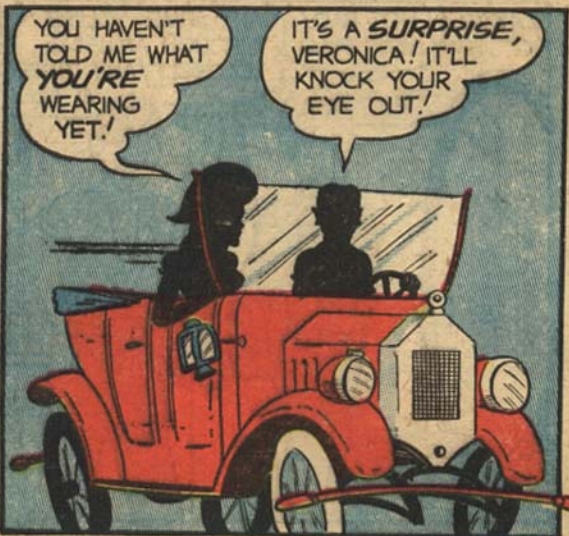
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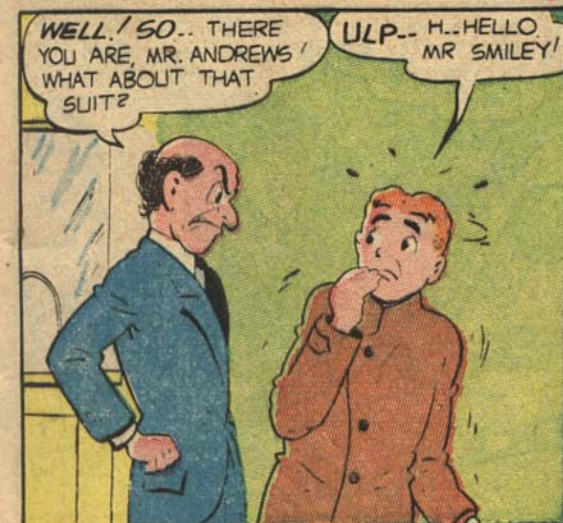
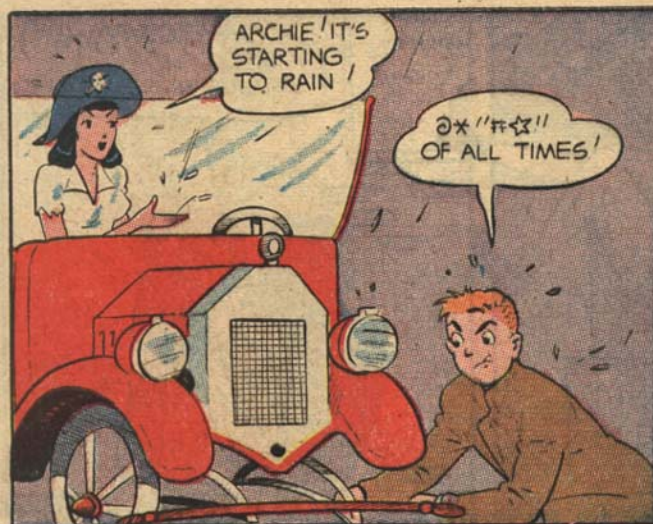


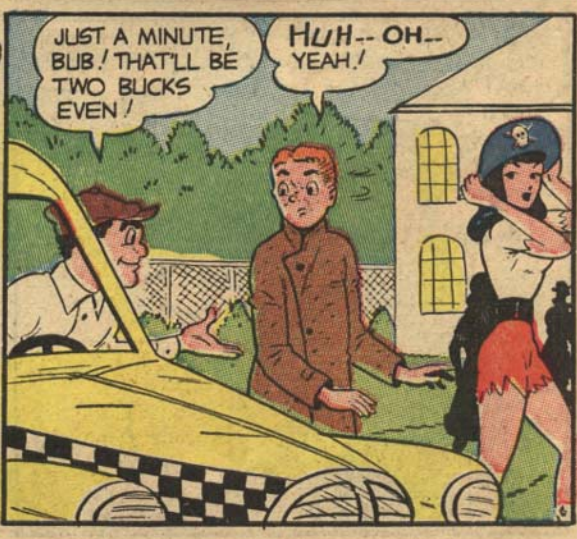
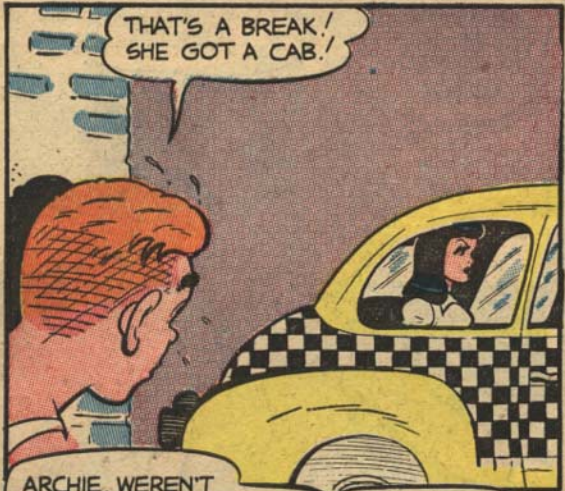
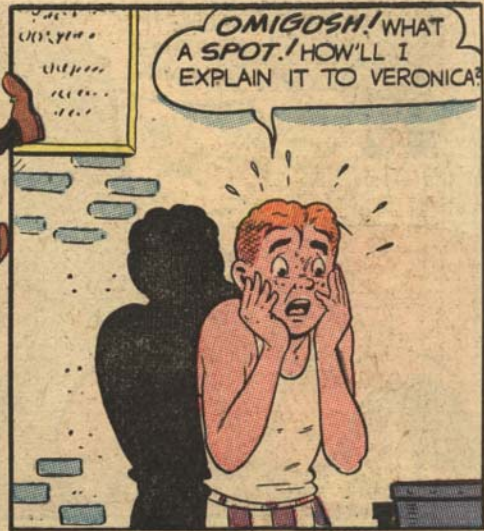
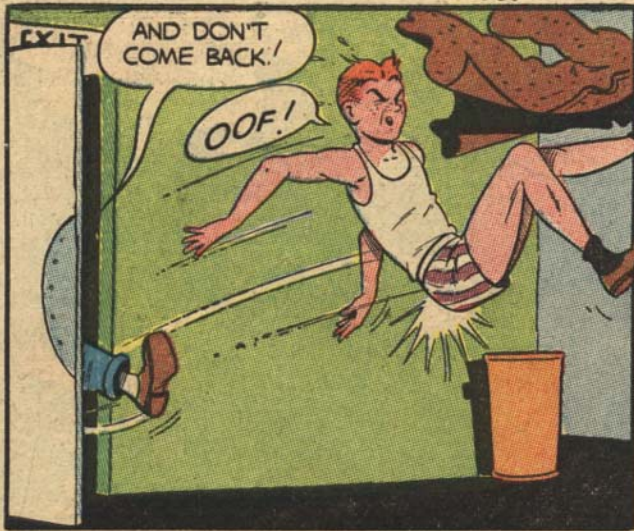
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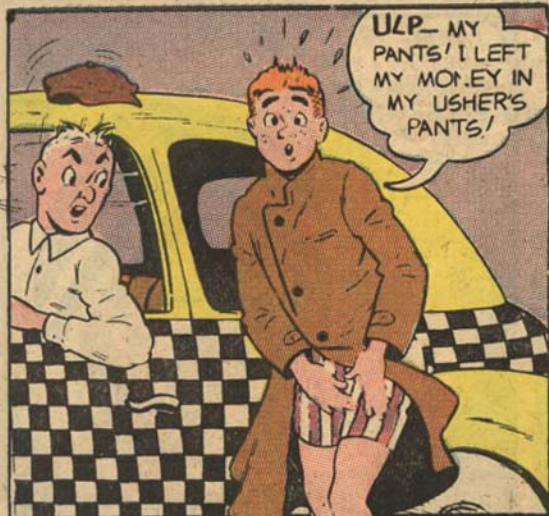
YOU HAVEN'T TOLD ME WHAT *YOU'RE* WEARING YET!

IT'S A *SURPRISE*, VERONICA! IT'LL KNOCK YOUR EYE OUT!

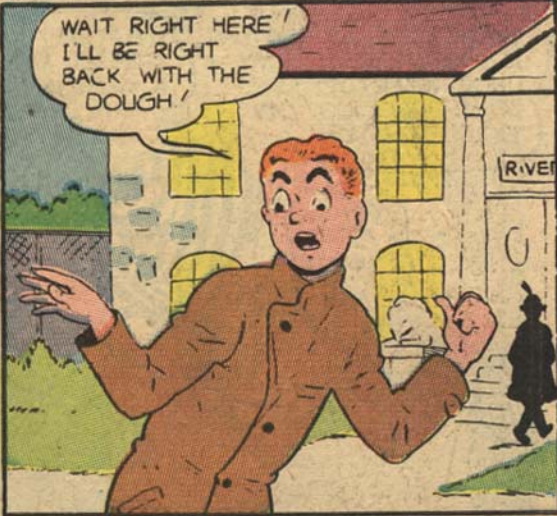








U LP_ MY PANTS! I LEFT MY MON. EY IN MY USHER'S PANTS!



WAIT RIGHT HERE! I'LL BE RIGHT BACK WITH THE DOUGH!



OH THERE'S ARCHIE NOW REGGIE!

HEY, C'MERE RABBIT. FACE!

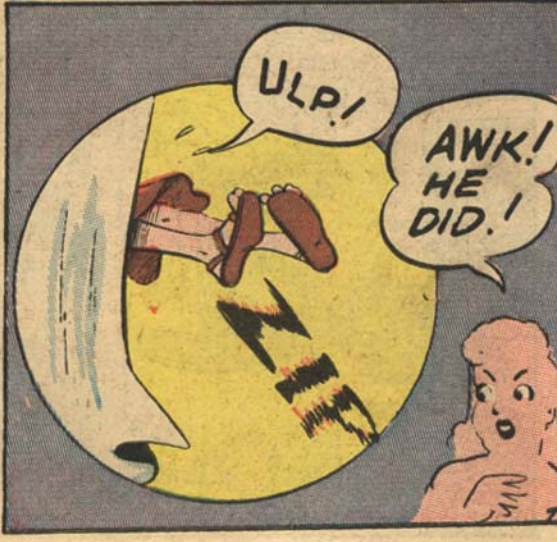


LET'S SEE THAT COSTUME WERONICA WAY SAYIN' IS GONNA BE THE SURPRISE OF THE PARTY?

U LP.. NOT NOW, REGGIE! GOTTA FIND JUGHEAD FIRST!



CH, AN INDIAN FAKIR'S COSTUME! HOW CLEVER, JUGHEAD! I ALMOST BELIEVE YOU COULD FADE AWAY INTO THIN AIR!



U LP!

AWK! HE DID!



NO, JUG! NOT THAT! I COULDN'T!

SHUT UP! THIS IS A MATTER OF LIFE OR DEATH YOU SAID, DIDN'T YOU?



UH.. HOW DO YOU LIKE IT, VERONICA?

ARCHIE ANDREWS! ARE YOU TRYING TO MAKE A FOOL OF ME?

HAW, HAW... FOR ONCE HE LOOKS AS STUPID AS HE IS!

...AND YOU NEEDN'T BOTHER ESCORTING ME!

BUT..BUT, VERONICA..



OH, WELL, THERE ARE PLENTY OF OTHER GIRLS TO DANCE WITH!

HOW ABOUT ANKLIN' WITH ME, VIVIAN?

UH.. JUDY, WOULD YOU..

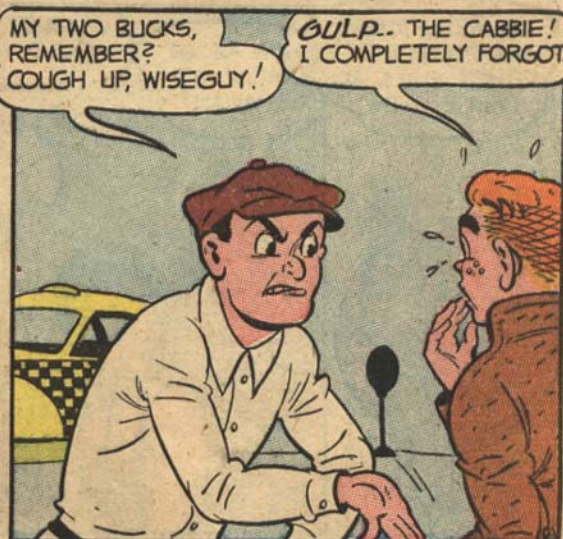
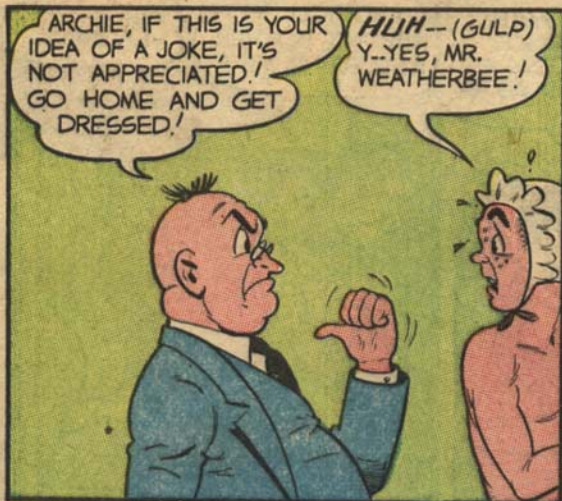
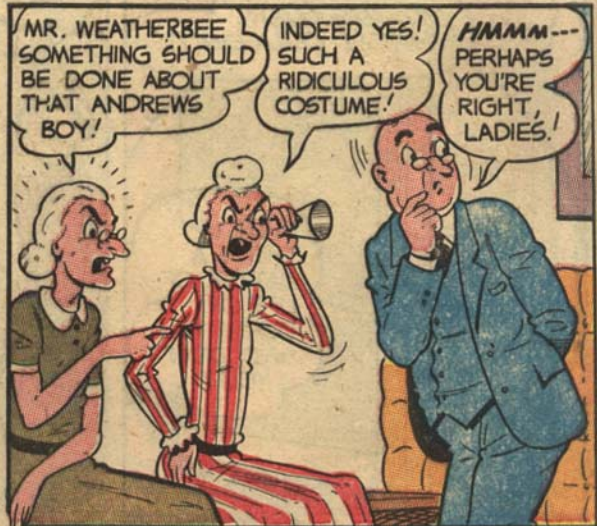
GO PLAY WITH YOUR DOLLS BABY-FACE

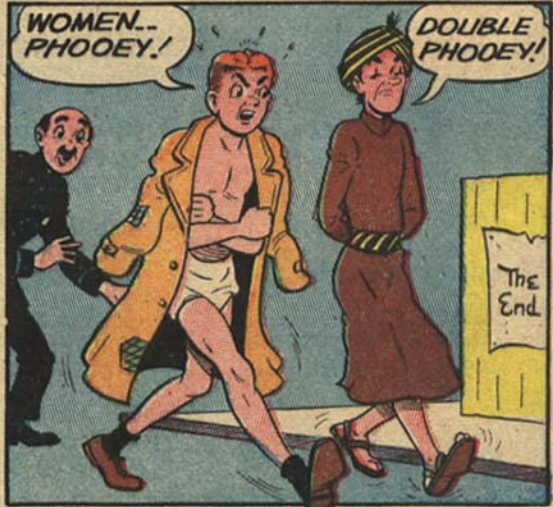
UH.. I'M AFRAID NOT, ARCHIE!



AND MAKE A SPECTACLE OF MYSELF! I SHOULD SAY NOT!

ER.. MY FEET HURT!





HERE ARE JUST A FEW SAMPLES OF THE THINGS THAT CAN AND DO HAPPEN TO ARCHIE IN

Archie COMICS

IT'S SO FUNNY YOU'LL FALL FLAT ON YOUR FACE LAUGHING AND THEN YOU'LL GET UP AND LAUGH AGAIN!

RUN! DON'T WALK TO YOUR NEAREST NEWSSTAND! AND GET YOUR COPY OF ARCHIE COMICS RIGHT NOW!



PEP CONTEST PAGE

HERE'S A CONTEST IN WHICH IT'S PIE TO WIN!! ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SEND IN A LETTER OR POSTCARD, TELLING US YOUR FAVORITE CHARACTER IN PEP COMICS! THE TEN BEST LETTERS WILL RECEIVE A YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION OF PEP COMICS FREE! ALL OTHERS WILL RECEIVE A SAVINGS STAMP WHEN THEIR NAMES APPEAR ON THIS PAGE. SO, SEND IN YOUR LETTERS, AND WATCH THIS PAGE FOR YOUR NAME. ADDRESS ALL LETTERS TO---

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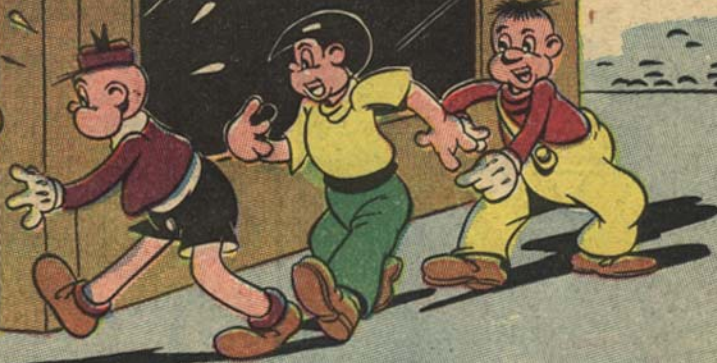
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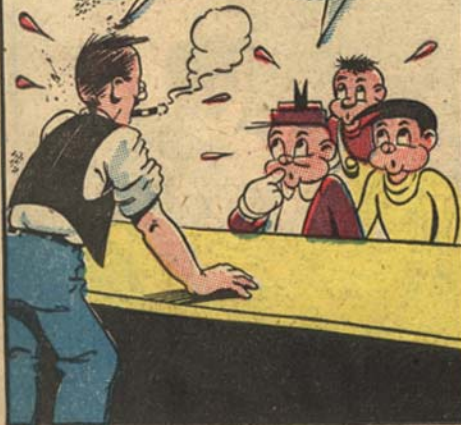
by "RED" HOLMDALE

POP'S SWEET SHOP



WHAT'S IT GOING TO BE BOYS?

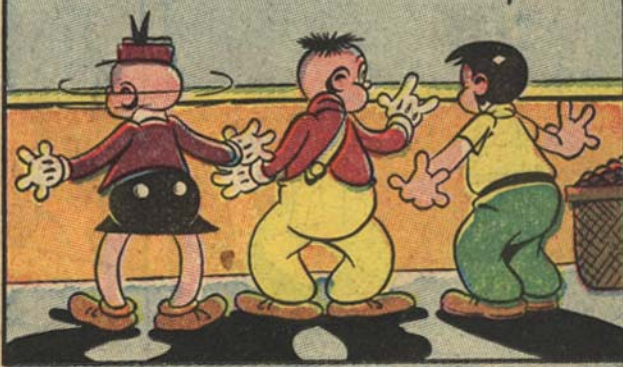
WE DON'T KNOW YET!

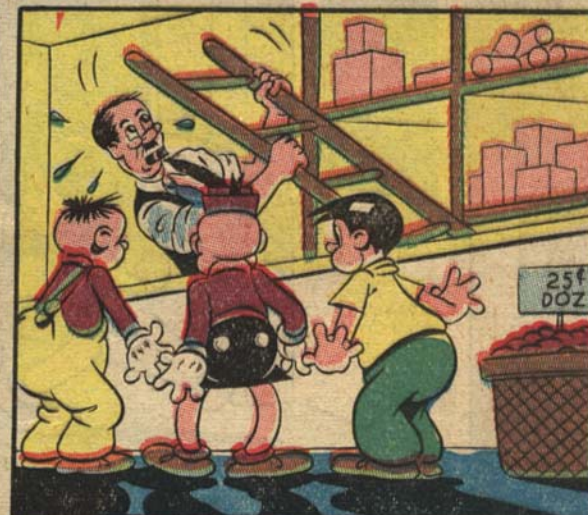


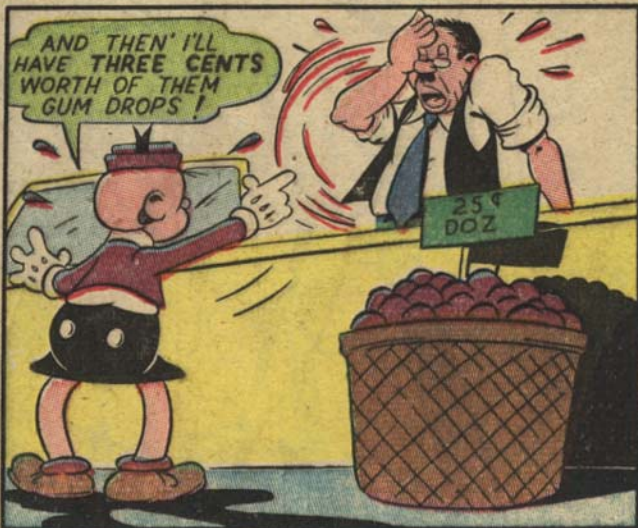
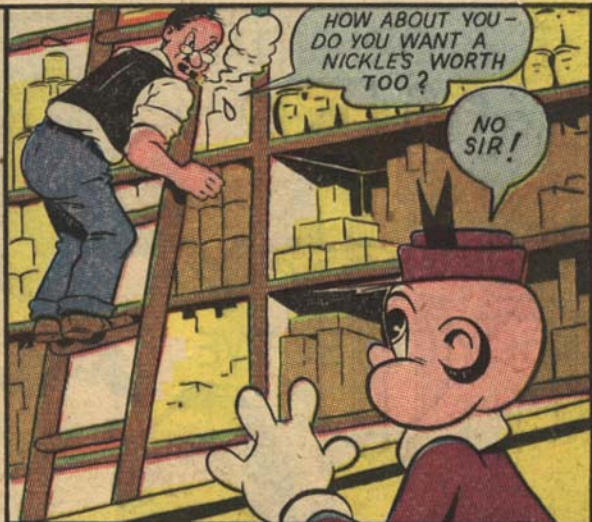
WHAT CHA GOING TO GET BUTCH?

I DON'T KNOW-

ME NEITHER!







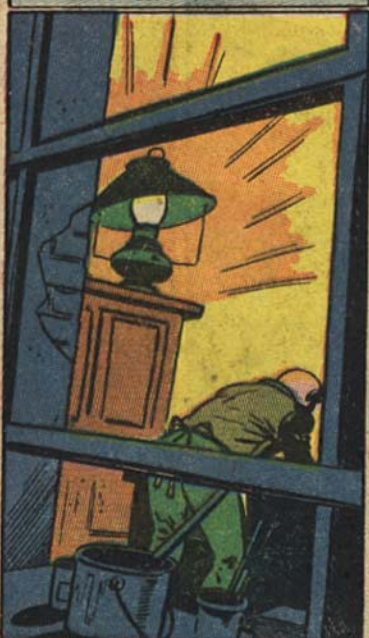
THE ORIGINAL
SHIELD
AND
DUSTY
the
BOY DETECTIVE

The CASE
of the
LIVING
PUPPETS





FAR INTO THE NIGHT, MARCO THE MASTER DUMMY MAKER TOILS OVER HIS LATEST MASTERPIECE..



AH, MY LITTLE ONES, YOU HAVE SURPASSED MY WILDEST EXPECTATIONS!



HA, HA, HA... REAL FLESH AND BLOOD! REAL FLESH AND BLOOD!



TINKLE TINKLE

COME IN.. COME IN.. !!



WELL, DRAGO! COME IN! I HAVE A SURPRISE FOR YOU!

DRAGO! I HAVE SOLD YOU MANY DUMMIES! BUT HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THEM?

AMAZING! IF I DIDN'T KNOW BETTER, I'D SWEAR THEY WERE ALIVE!



DIOS! THEY'RE NOT MADE OF WOOD! IT FEELS LIKE... LIKE... BUT NO! THAT IS IMPOSSIBLE!

YES, DRAGO! REAL FLESH AND BLOOD!



I HAVE CREATED LIVING PUPPETS, DRAGO! THINK OF IT! LITTLE CREATURES THAT CAN WALK, TALK, AND BREATHE! TRULY, I AM THE GREATEST PUPPET MAKER OF ALL TIMES EH DRAGO?

THEY LACK BUT ONE THING - A BRAIN! I AM THEIR BRAIN!

YOU? BUT HOW?



MY WILL IS THEIR COMMAND! WATCH, DRAGO! WATCH, HEN, HEN!!

DANCE LITTLE PUPPETS! DANCE!





AMAZING! I WANT THOSE PUPPETS, MARCO! I'LL PAY YOU ANY PRICE YOU ASK!



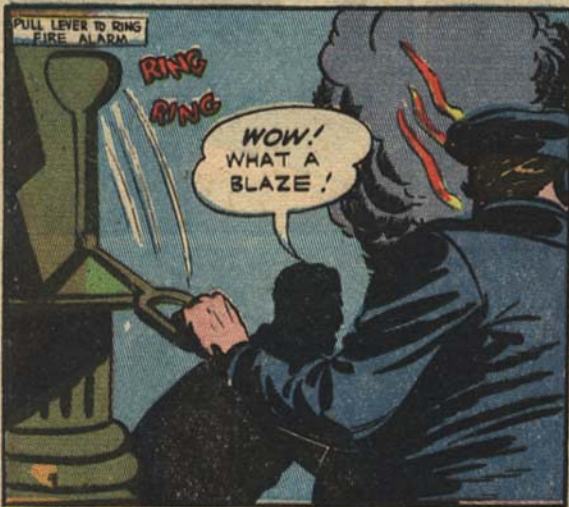
NO, DRAGO! ALL THE MONEY IN THE WORLD COULD NOT BY THEM! I COULDN'T THINK OF SELLING MY CHILDREN! MY CHILDREN, HEH, HEH!



YOU FOOL! I'LL TAKE THOSE PUPPETS MY OWN WAY!

DRAGO! NO! URRGHN!





I KNEW DRAGO WAS UP TO NO GOOD, WHEN HE CAME RUNNIN' IN WITH TWO PUPPETS LIKE A MANIAC!

TWO PUPPETS, EH? WHERE'S DRAGO'S DRESSING ROOM, POP?



DOWN THE HALL FIRST ONE ON YER RIGHT! YOU CAN'T MISS IT!



MEANWHILE, IN DRAGO'S DRESSING ROOM--

COME NOW, LET US REHEARSE THE ACT!



DANCE, LITTLE ONES, DANCE... HA! HA! HA!



HA-HA-- LOOK AT THEM, MY BEAUTIFUL PUPPETS! THEY OBEY MY WILL! THEY'RE DANCING!



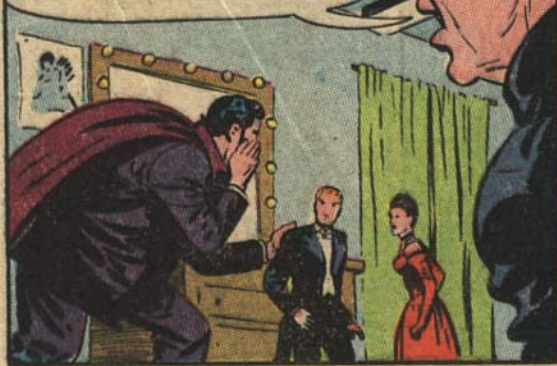
SO WILL YOU, DRAGO! DANCING ON AIR WITH YOUR NECK TIED TO THE WRONG END OF A ROPE!

TH.. THE POLICE!



SUDDENLY DRAGO BENDS LOW AND WHISPERS TO THE PUPPETS.

LOOKIT THE SCREWBALL WHISPERIN' TO THOSE DUMMIES AS IF THEY WERE ALIVE!



THEN WHILE JOE HIGGINS' AND GILHOOLEY'S ATTENTION ARE RIVETED ON DRAGO, THE PUPPETS DISAPPEAR BEHIND A CURTAIN, AND...



YOU KILLED MARCO, DIDN'T YE, DRAGO? YE MIGHT AS WELL COME CLEAN!

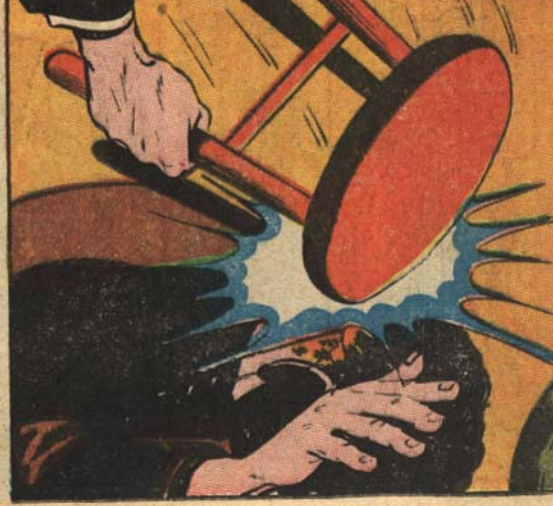
OF COURSE, I KILLED MARCO! WHY SHOULD I DENY IT...

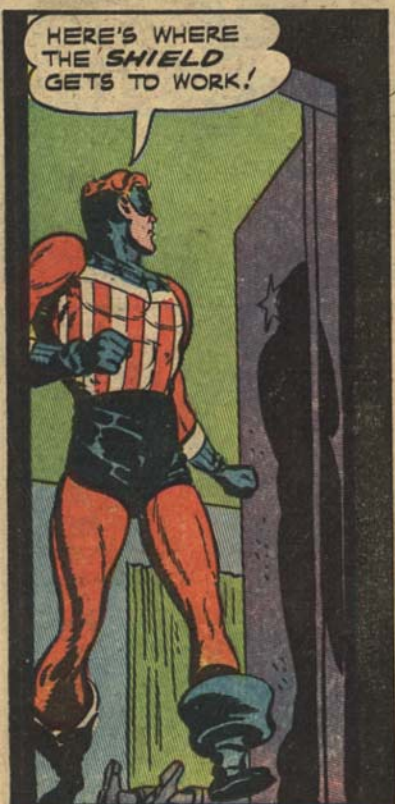


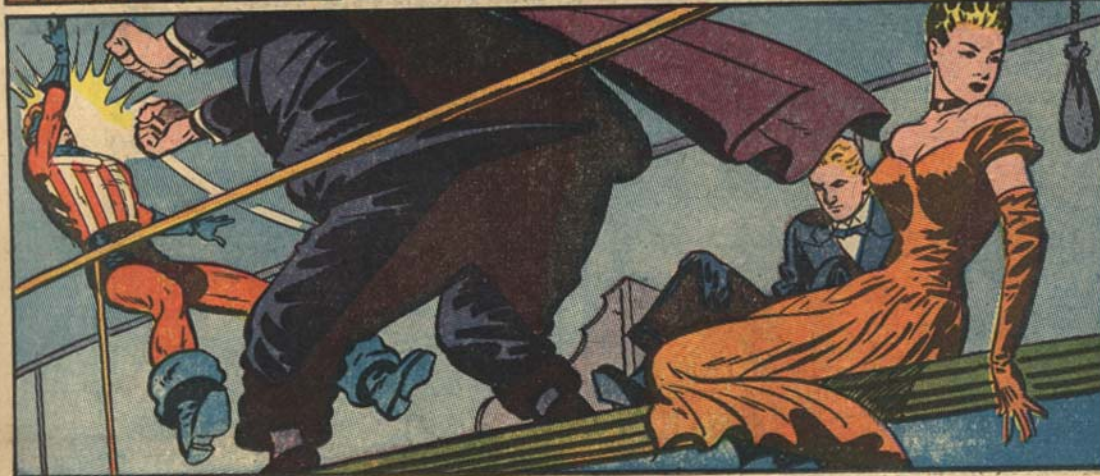
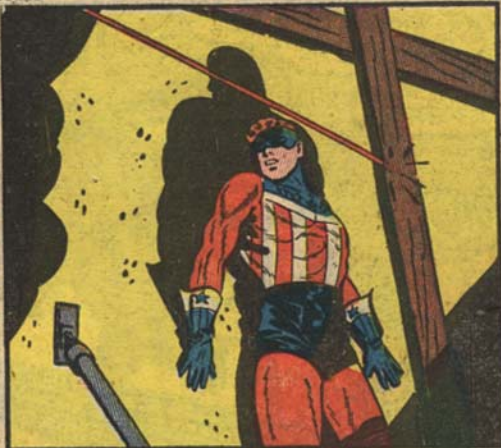
.. SINCE I'M GOING TO KILL YOU ALSO, HA, HA, HA, HA!



GILHOOLEY! SPEAK TO ME! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?









COME MY LITTLE ONES.. NO ONE SHALL TAKE YOU FROM ME EVER!



DRAGO'S FOOT CATCHES ON A PIECE OF ROPE AT THE END OF THE PLATFORM...



A-E-E-E-



POOR FOOL! AND HE FELL RIGHT ON TOP OF HIS DOLLS TOO!



A SHORT WHILE LATER..

LOOK AT THEM, GILHOOLEY, THESE PUPPETS!

HOLY SAINTS! TH.. THEY'RE DRIPPIN' BLOOD, JOE!



LATER, AT HEADQUARTERS..

GOOD WORK, GILHOOLEY! YOU DESERVE A LOT OF CREDIT FOR CATCHING THAT MURDERER SO FAST!

FAITH! 'TWA NOTHIN, CHIEF! ME FRIEND HIGGINS HERE HELPED ME A LITTLE!



WELL, AS A REWARD, I'M TAKING YOU OUT OF THE STICKS AND GIVING YOU A NEW BEAT.. THE NORTHVILLE STADIUM!

THERE'S A PUPPET SHOW GOING ON THERE!

HA HA HA HA
OOOOF

THE FAT'S IN THE FIRE

AN ARCHIE STORY

A COLD, bleak wind tore out of the north, whipping the naked trees into dancing demons and throwing distorted shadows on the bare lawn and across the house.

Inside, huddled beside the fireplace Archie was deep in the latest Ghoul Murder Mystery, comfortable beside the cheery fire and aglow with the good feeling of being inside on this wild night, with the family.

"Archie," Mr. Andrews called, and Archie was jolted into the world of reality just as the depraved Ghoul crept up on his next victim. "Archie, mother and I are going out to visit the Shortens tonight. Care to come along?"

"Uh, gee, no thanks, Dad, I'm right in the mid-

dle of a swell story."

Mrs. Andrews walked in putting on her hat. "You won't be afraid to stay alone, will you, dear?"

"Who, me? Gosh, mom, you must think I'm still a kid."

"Well, all right, but if anything comes up, give us a ring."

Archie settled down to picking up the thread of the story. Ah, now the book was getting good. . . . "The grisly Ghoul crept silently to the window, knife in hand and looked in at the innocent boy before the fireplace." Upstairs a door slammed and Archie stirred uneasily. The door slammed again and Archie cast a glance at the open stairway. It probably was only the wind, for after all there

was no one else in the house. He was all alone. ALONE. Just then the wind howled ominously through the quiet house. Archie felt a strange chill gnawing at his stomach. He craved companionship but there was no one here. Even a dog would . . . that was if he'd find his dog, Oscar, in the kitchen. Archie looked but Oscar wasn't there.

Well, perhaps she was out in the dog house and as he opened the door the wind whistled eerily again. He slammed it shut and shivered. He bolted the door. Suddenly Archie froze in his tracks. A chain had rattled outside. Or WAS it a chain? The hair on the back of his neck stiffened and his heart stopped as the noise

came again. But maybe it was only Oscar.

Archie looked out the window. The rain beat madly and the shadows flitted by, falling on a weird object. The lightning flashed and the *THING* lurched forward, its huge head bent into the wind. Archie rubbed his eyes. It was gone and all he could see were sparks sputtering where it had been. Suddenly there was a mad pounding on the door, the sound of scuffling and then a heavy something falling to the ground. Wild-eyed, Archie bolted for the telephone . . . but the line was dead. This was it. *THE THING* had cut the telephone wire and now it was coming to get him.

He ran upstairs wildly. Then the sound of furried footsteps and someone trying the door. Well, *IT* would have to break it

down and by that time maybe . . . but the unmistakable scraping of a key searching for the keyhole came to his ears. The tumbler in the lock kicked over and slithery footsteps came padding inside.

Archie ducked into a closet. From behind a line of coats he could hear sibilant whisperings. And then they called his name.

Archie poked his head out through the door and there stood his Pop and Mom at the bottom of the stairs dripping wet. "Archie," yelled Mr. Andrews, "what in the world are you doing?"

"Why, uh, hello, dad . . . just closing a window, that's all. I thought you went to see the Shortens."

"They're out of town. No wonder you didn't hear him pounding on the door."

"W-who pounding on the door, dad?"

"Why, the laundry boy. We saw him running off as we came up the drive."

"Goodness, what a dreadful storm," added Mrs. Andrews irrelevantly. "All the telephone wires are down. It's a good thing you didn't try to use the phone, Archie. You might have imagined all kinds of things."

"Ha, ha, sure Mom. Good thing I . . . ah . . . Well . . . uh . . . g'night folks. Think I'll hit the hay."

"I wish you wouldn't read that horrible book in bed, dear," Mrs. Andrews called after him. "It's liable to give you nightmares. I don't know how you can read such gruesome stuff anyway. It would scare me half to death."

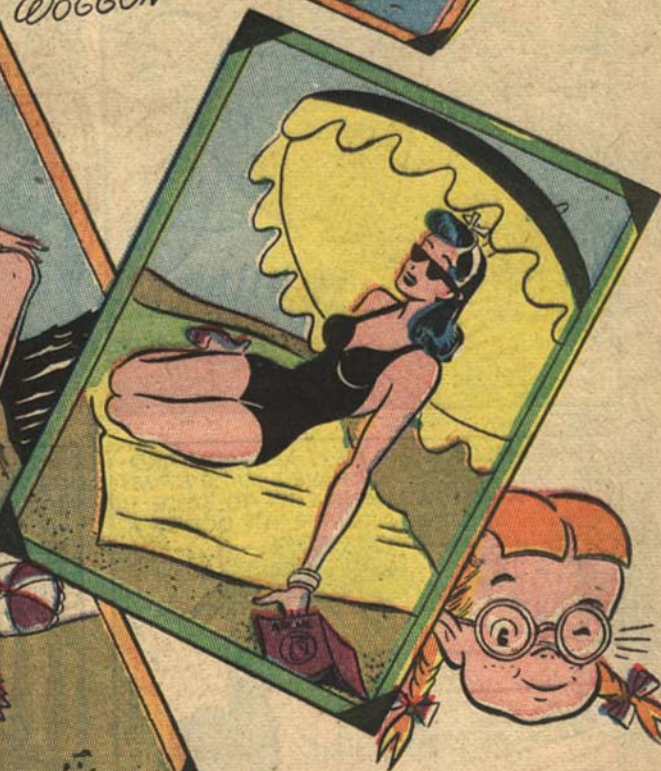
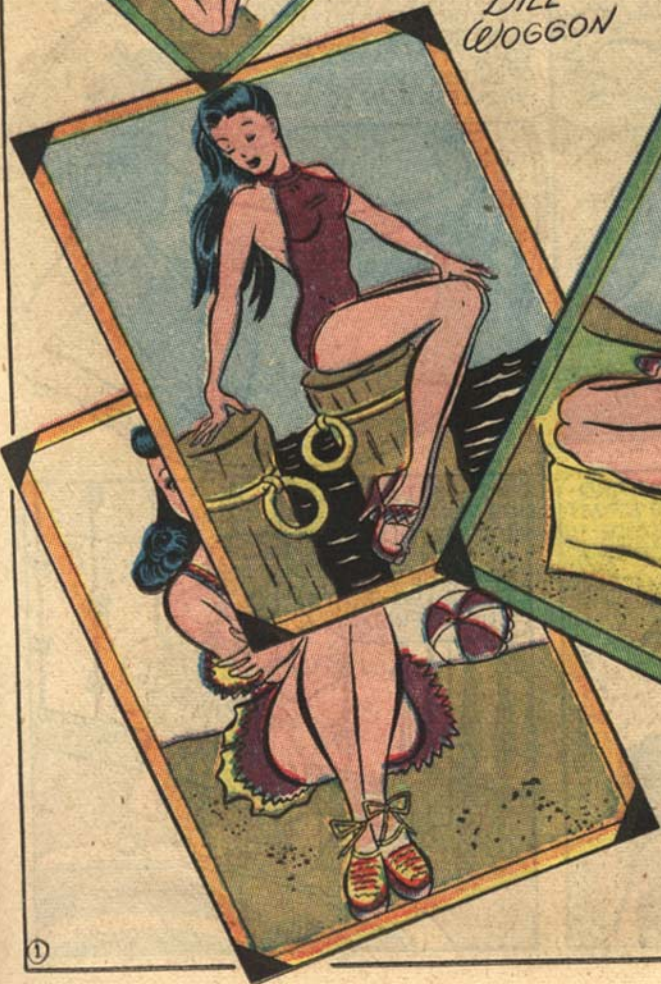
"It don't bother me at all, Mom. *I CAN TAKE IT*. G'night folks."

"Good night, Archie."

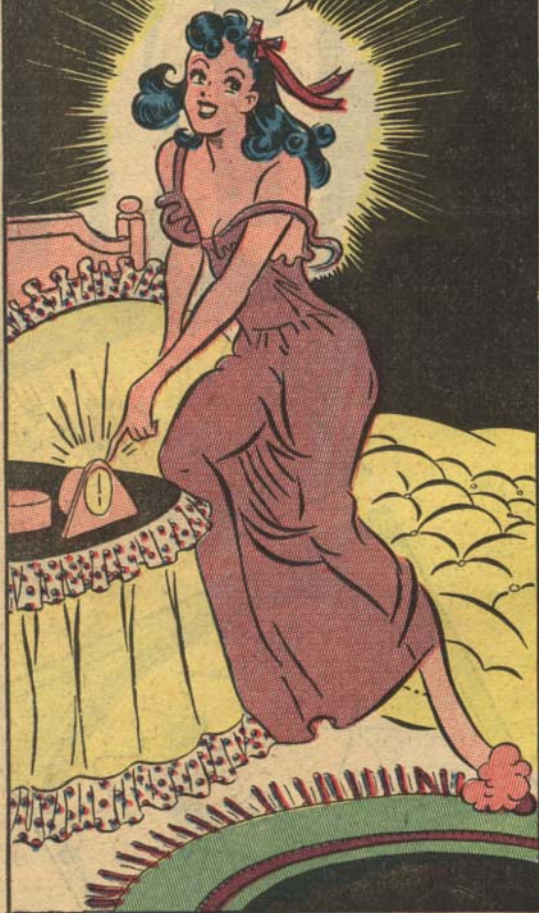
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The
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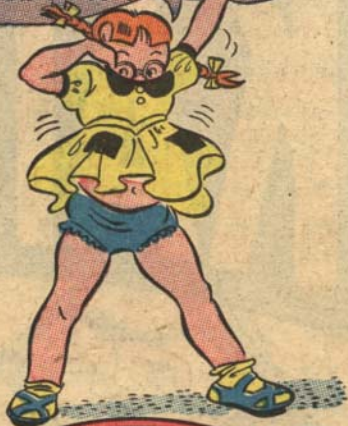
by
BILL WOGGON



HURRY! GET UP, SIS! THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM -- TODAY WE HAVE A DATE TO GO TO THE BEACH WITH LESLIE WESLEY, THE MAGAZINE PHOTOGRAPHER!



YOU DON'T HAVE TO CALL ME TWICE WHEN YOU SAY BEACH, KATY---BUT WHO WANTS TO EAT WORMS--I WANT HOT-DOGS, POP AN' HAMBURGERS WITH A PICKLE IN TH' MIDDLE AN' MUSTARD ON TOP!



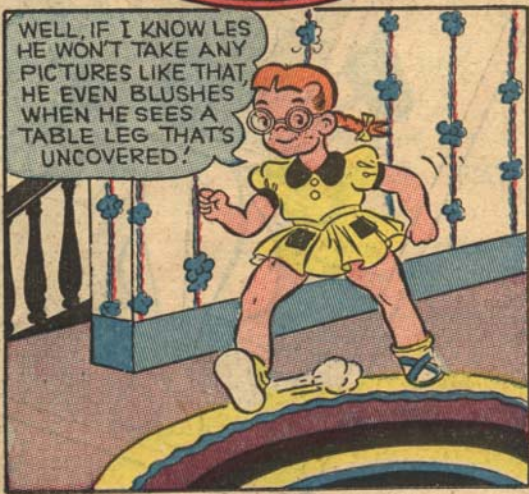
I DON'T KNOW WHAT MAGAZINE LES WORKS FOR BUT I'LL BET HE'LL WANT TO TAKE PIN-UPS, SO I'D BETTER TAKE A COUPLE OF BATHING SUITS, MY BACKLESS PLAY SL...--AN--

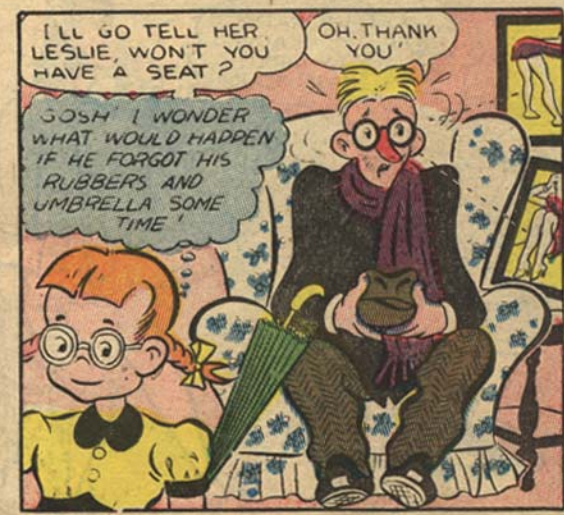
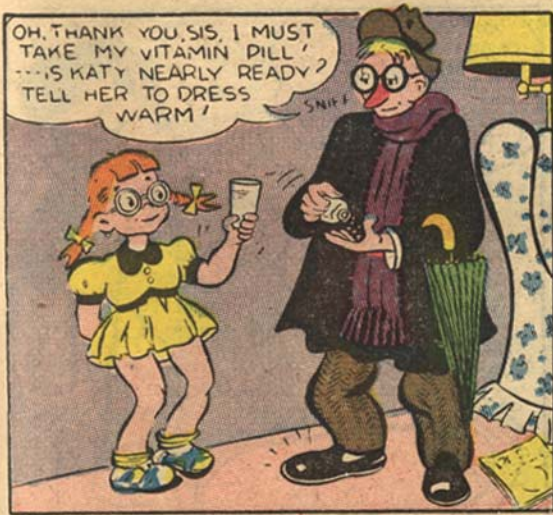
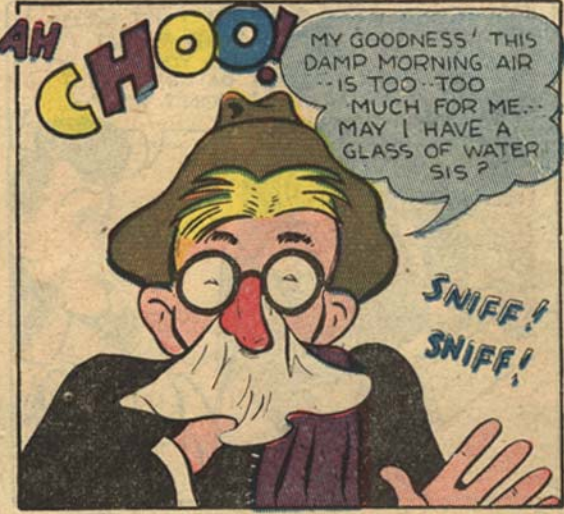


GOODNESS! THERE HE IS ALREADY AND I'M NOT DRESSED OR HAVE I MADE UP MY MIND WHICH SWIMMING SUIT TO TAKE--- --SIS, WILL YOU ANSWER THE DOOR?



WELL, IF I KNOW LES HE WON'T TAKE ANY PICTURES LIKE THAT, HE EVEN BLUSHES WHEN HE SEES A TABLE LEG THAT'S UNCOVERED!







HERE WE ARE, KATY, AND WHAT A BEAUTIFUL DAY TO TAKE SOME PICTURES!

BUT FIRST YOU'LL WANT TO PUT ON YOUR BATHING SUIT WON'T YOU?

HOT DOGS
TWO DOGS PLEASE!

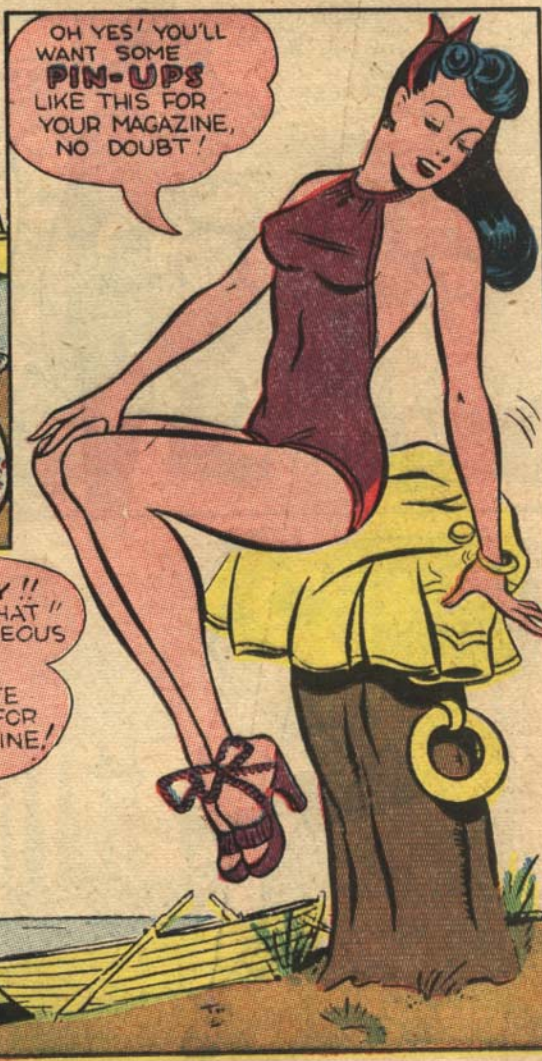


OH, GOODNESS ME!--DON'T YOU THINK IT'S A BIT CHILLY FOR A SWIM SUIT?-- BUT OF COURSE IF YOU INSIST, I'LL BE REAL DARING AND EXPOSE MY SKIN TO THE SUN-RAYS!

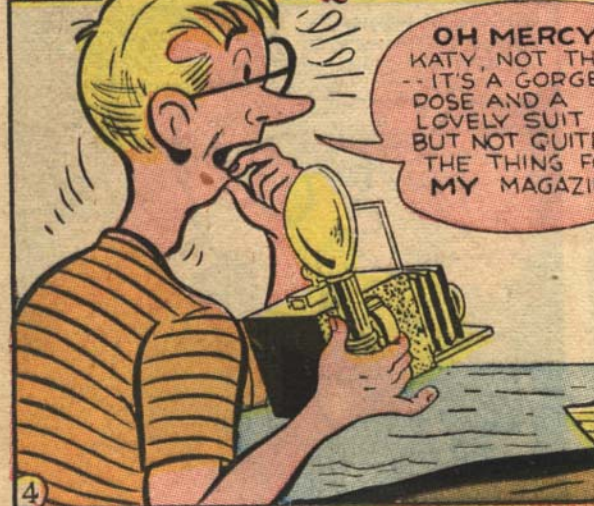
I DO--PLEASE! A SUN BATH WILL DO US BOTH GOOD



OKAY KATY, I'M READY.... NOW ABOUT THOSE PICTURES?

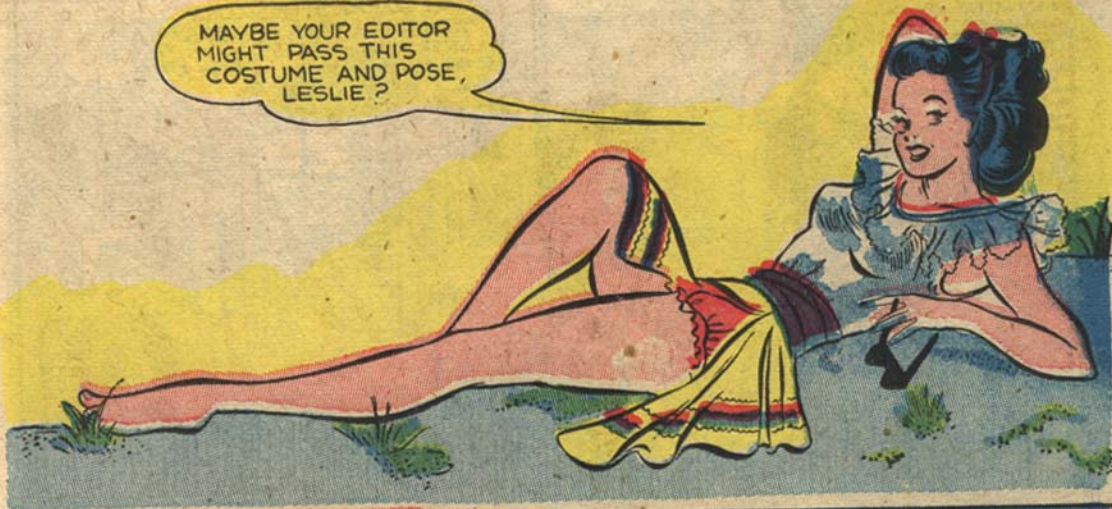


OH YES! YOU'LL WANT SOME **PIN-UPS** LIKE THIS FOR YOUR MAGAZINE, NO DOUBT!



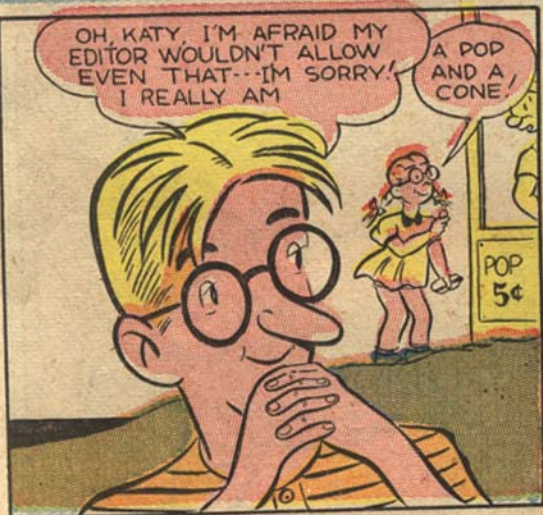
OH MERCY!! KATY, NOT THAT --IT'S A GORGEOUS POSE AND A LOVELY SUIT BUT NOT QUITE THE THING FOR MY MAGAZINE!

MAYBE YOUR EDITOR
MIGHT PASS THIS
COSTUME AND POSE,
LESLIE?

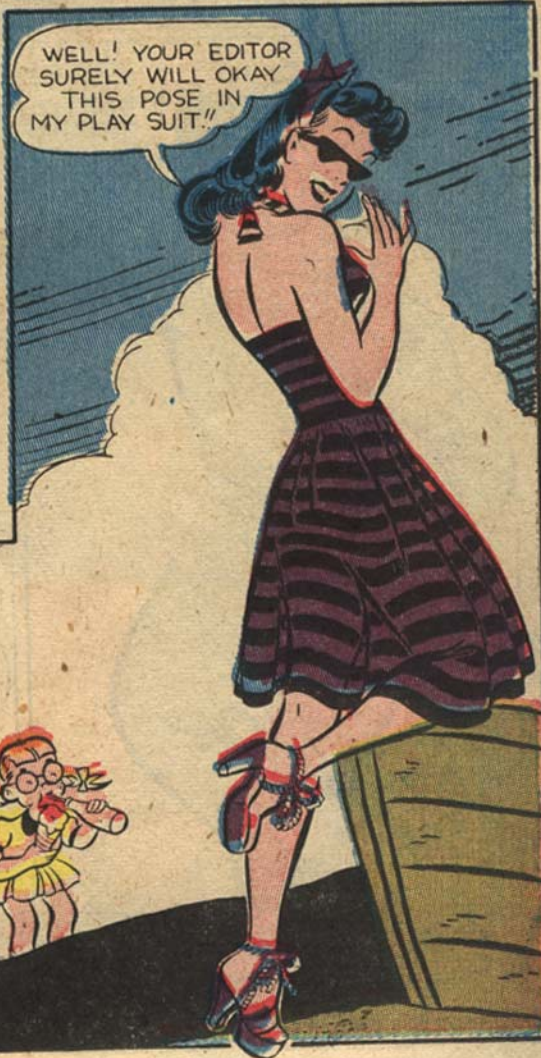


OH, KATY, I'M AFRAID MY
EDITOR WOULDN'T ALLOW
EVEN THAT--I'M SORRY!
I REALLY AM

A POP
AND A
CONE



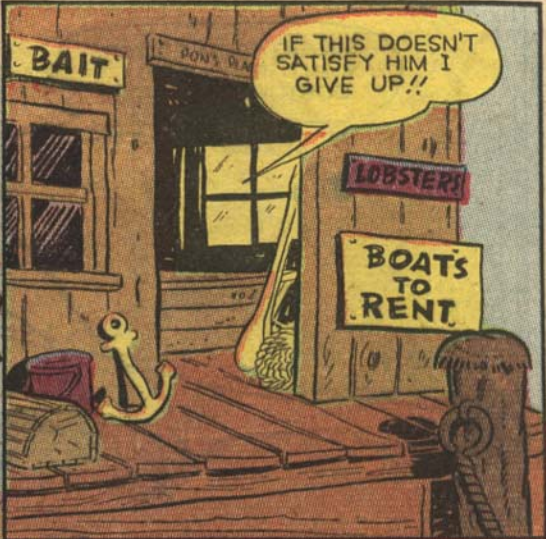
WELL! YOUR EDITOR
SURELY WILL OKAY
THIS POSE IN
MY PLAY SUIT!!



GOODNESS, KATY, YOUR
BACK IS EXPOSED.
--- I'D GET SHOT IF
I BROUGHT THAT IN!



SO! THIS COSTUME DOESN'T PLEASE YOU EITHER--WELL! I KNOW JUST THE ONE THAT WILL!



IF THIS DOESN'T SATISFY HIM I GIVE UP!!

WELL! HOW DO YOU LIKE **THIS COSTUME** AND **PIN-UP POSE**, LES?

NOW THAT'S JUST LOVELY --**JUST LOVELY**, KATY, MY EDITOR WILL GO SIMPLY WILD OVER THAT ONE!!



I FORGOT TO TELL YOU, KATY, I WORK FOR THE "MARITIME" MAGAZINE AND MY SUBJECT TODAY WAS TO BE EITHER A LOBSTER OR A DIVING SUIT--THIS IS **JUST PERFECT!**



The END

THE Black Hood

The
'KISS of
DEATH'





HELLO, WHAT'S THIS?



IS THIS MY OFFICE OR A CONVENTION HALL?



WELL, YOUNG MAN, IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU SHOWED UP! NO DOUBT YOU'VE HEARD OF ME! I'M MRS. J.G. WORTHMORE! THIS IS MY SON, JAMES JR. AND MY SECRETARY, JANE GRAY!



MRS. FANNY WORTHMORE, WIDOW OF THE MULTI-MILLIONAIRE RAILROAD MAGNATE, AND OWNER OF THE FAMOUS KASHMIRI DIAMOND!

PRECISELY!



I HAVE DECIDED TO HIRE A DETECTIVE TO GUARD MY JEWEL! ARE YOU INTERESTED MR. HOOD?



PLEASE SAY YOU'LL TAKE THE JOB, BLACK HOOD! MRS. WORTHMORE IS TAKING THE DIAMOND WITH HER ON A TRIP, AND I'M SO WORRIED SOMETHING MIGHT HAPPEN.



HMM. WITH A ROCK THAT SIZE YOU'VE GOT PLENTY OF REASON TO BE WORRIED, MISS GRAY!

BUT OUR WORRIES WOULD BE OVER IF YOU WERE OUR BODY GUARD! YOU SEE YOU'VE GOT QUITE A REPUTATION, MR. HOOD!

WHILE OUTSIDE THE DOOR...



I HATE TO BE EAVESDROPPIN' BEGORRAH! BUT THE HOOD SEEMS TO HAVE GOTTEN HIMSELF QUITE AN INTERESTIN' CASE!

OUR TRAIN LEAVES BROAD ST. STATION AT TEN. I'VE TAKEN THE LIBERTY TO RESERVE A COMPARTMENT FOR YOU..



THAT IS.. IF YOU ACCEPT THE CASE!

LADY, I LIKE YOUR STYLE.. YOU'VE JUST HIRED MRS. WORTHMORE A DETECTIVE!



GOOD! AND SINCE IT IS 9:30, I SUGGEST WE LEAVE FOR THE STATION NOW!



THERE THEY GO.. IT'S A GOOD THING I HEARD WHERE THEY'RE GOIN'!



SO, IT'S A BODY GUARD THE HOOD'S GOIN' TO BE, BEGORRAH! WELL, I'M THINKIN' THE HOOD'S GOIN' TO NEED A LITTLE BODY GUARDIN' HIMSELF!



MC. GINTY'S GONNA BE ON THAT TRAIN TOO.. IN DISGUISE!



HERE SHE IS,
RIGHT ON TIME!
LET'S GET
ABOARD!



OOPS! HEY, MISTER,
WHAT'S THE RUSH?



OH, IT'S YOU, MC. GINTY!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING
IN THE FISHERMAN'S
OUTFIT?

GOIN' FISHING,
YOU FATHEAD!
WHAT DID YOU
THINK?



FISHING? ARE YOU
KIDDING? WHAT'S THE
GAME?

YOU'VE GOT YOUR
SECRETS, HOOD AND
I'VE GOT MINE...
DAGNABBIT!

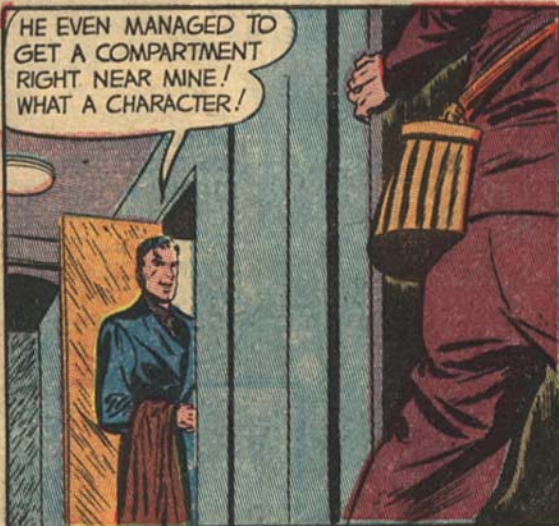


NOW, I WONDER WHY HE'S
HERE. IS IT COINCIDENCE?
I'VE HAD THE FEELING, THAT
SOMEONE'S BEEN FOLLOWING
US, BUT WHY MAC?

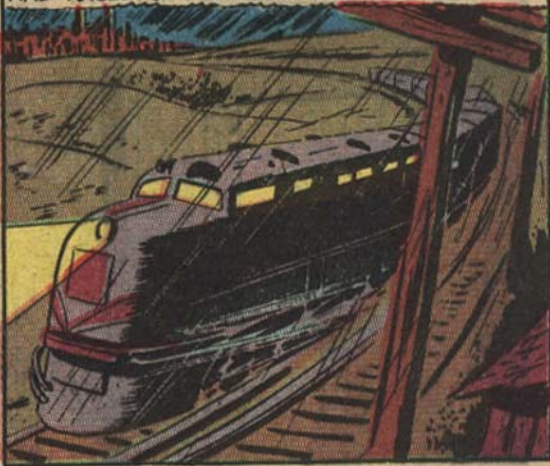


I GET IT! A-HA-HA--OH, BROTHER!
HE'S AS SUBTLE AS A SLEDGE-HAMMER!
OLD SERGEANT
MC. GINTY MUST
HAVE FOUND OUT
ABOUT MY CASE,
SO, HE DECIDED
TO PLAY DETECTIVE
AND FOLLOW
ME!

HE EVEN MANAGED TO GET A COMPARTMENT RIGHT NEAR MINE! WHAT A CHARACTER!



THE GIANT TRAIN ROARS OUT OF THE CITY AND RACES OFF INTO THE NIGHT--



WHEN YOU RETIRE, I SUGGEST, THAT YOU ALL TAKE THE PRECAUTION OF KEEPING THE DOORS TO YOUR COMPARTMENTS SECURELY BOLTED, ESPECIALLY YOURS, MRS. WORTHMORE, SINCE HE HAS THE DIAMOND!



BACK IN HIS OWN COMPARTMENT. SOMETIME LATER--

HO-HUM--I GUESS I'LL HIT THE HAY! OH-OH-- SOMEONE'S AT THE DOOR!



MRS. WORTHMORE, WHAT'S WRONG?

I FORGOT TO TAKE MY LUGGAGE KEYS FROM MY SON... I KNOCKED AT HIS DOOR BUT HE DIDN'T ANSWER!



HE'S A VERY LIGHT SLEEPER AND SHOULD HAVE HEARD ME! I'M WORRIED!

WELL, LET'S GO ALONG AND TRY ONCE MORE!



MR. WORTHMORE, OPEN UP... IT'S ME, THE BLACK HOOD!



HEY! ARE YOU TRYIN' TO WAKE UP THE WHOLE TRAIN WITH THAT RACKET? WHAT GOES ON HERE, HOOD!



WHO IS THIS PERSON?

THIS PERSON IS SERGEANT MC-GINTY OF THE NORTHVILLE POLICE FORCE... AND RIGHT NOW I THINK HE'D BETTER CALL THE CONDUCTOR, SO WE CAN GET THIS DOOR OPEN!



A FEW MINUTES LATER...

IF IT ISN'T SOMEONE GETTING LOCKED IN THEIR ROOM, IT'S SOMEONE GETTIN' LOCKED OUT! TROUBLE, ALWAYS TROUBLE!

COME ON... DON'T TELL US YER TROUBLES! GET THAT DOOR OPEN!



GOOD LORD!



MY SON... HE'S... HE'S DEAD!

HOW HORRIBLE!





THE DIAMOND... WHERE IS THE DIAMOND?

THE DIAMOND IS GONE, MADAME!



I SUGGEST YOU TAKE MRS. WORTHMORE TO HER COMPARTMENT, MISS GRAY!

ALL RIGHT, COME ALONG, DEAR!



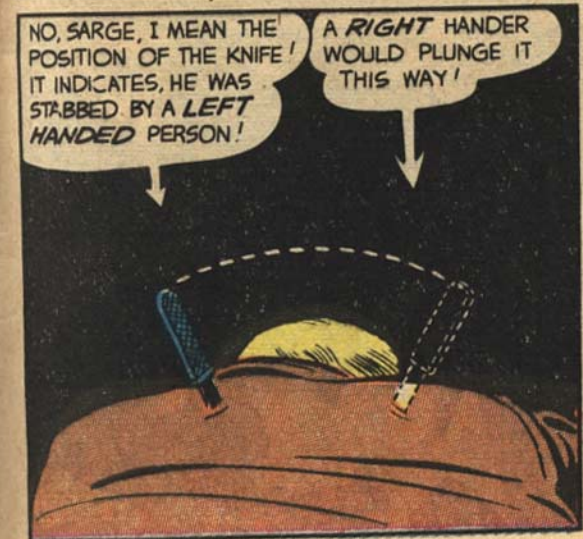
DID YEZ NOTICE, HOOD, THE OLD LADY WAS MORE CONCERNED ABOUT THE DIAMOND THAN HER SON!

I THINK SHE WAS JUST OVERWROUGHT.. LET'S EXAMINE THE BODY, BEFORE WE JUMP TO ANY CONCLUSION!



NOTICE ANYTHING FUNNY ABOUT THIS KNIFE, SARGE!

SURE, IT KILLED HIM! BUT WHAT'S SO FUNNY ABOUT THAT?



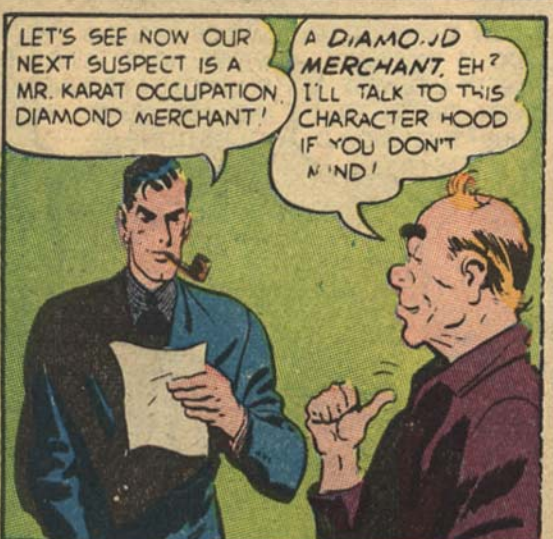
NO, SARGE, I MEAN THE POSITION OF THE KNIFE! IT INDICATES, HE WAS STABBED BY A LEFT HANDED PERSON!

A RIGHT HANDED WOULD PLUNGE IT THIS WAY!



NOW ALL WE GOTTA DO IS TO FIND A LEFTY AND WE'VE GOT THE KILLER, HUH? THAT SHOULD BE EASY!

MAYBE YES, AND MAYBE NO! I THINK I'LL MOSEY AROUND AND ASK SOME QUESTIONS!



HERE, KARAT, CATCH THIS CAN OF TOBACCO! JUST AS I THOUGHT, A "LEFTY"!



WHERE'S THE DIAMOND? OH, YOU WANT TO SEE DIAMONDS! JUST A MOMENT, I'LL SHOW THEM TO YOU!



SOMETHING BOTHERS ME ABOUT THAT LEFT-HANDED THEORY OF MINE! A RIGHT HANDER STANDING BEHIND HIM COULDN'T POSSIBLY HAVE DRIVEN THE KNIFE IN THAT WAY!



5-1 AND HE WAS SURELY STABBED FROM BEHIND..OR WAS HE?



SAY, WHAT'S THAT FUNNY SMELL! IT SEEMS TO BE COMING FROM SOMEWHERE OUT HERE!



GUESS I WAS WRONG!



HEY!



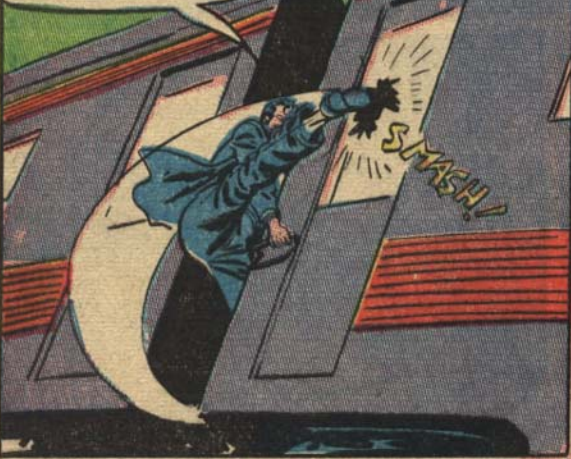
LUCKY FOR ME THAT I GRABBED THIS RAIL!



LOCKED OUT! WELL, THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO GET IN AGAIN!



AND THAT'S THAT..



THAT WAS A PRETTY NARROW SQUEAK--BUT NOW I'M BEGINNING TO SEE DAYLIGHT!



UNKNOWINGLY THE KILLER LEFT A VERY DEFINITE CLUE.. I'M GOING BACK TO HAVE ANOTHER LOOK AT THE BODY!



AHA! I DID OVERLOOK SOMETHING AFTER ALL, IN MY FIRST EXAMINATION!






I'LL TAKE A SAMPLE OF THIS STUFF ON MY HANDKERCHIEF!



NOW TO PUT MY ROMANTIC THEORY TO THE TEST!




OH! DID I FRIGHTEN YOU?




YES...I WASN'T EXPECTING ANYONE! BUT I'M GLAD YOU CAME BACK!

YOU DIDN'T THINK I'D FORGET YOU!



YOU, PLUS THAT PERFUME IS A COMBINATION...



I FIND THAT HARD TO RESIST!



KILL 'EM WITH LOVE,
EH, MISS GRAY?
DROP IT!



Y' MEAN, SHE'S
THE KILLER,
HOOD? BUT I
THOUGHT ONLY
A 'LEFTY' COULD
STAB HIM THAT
WAY FROM
BEHIND!

FROM BEHIND, YES! BUT
SUPPOSE SHE WAS IN
FRONT OF HIM WHEN
SHE STABBED HIM WITH
THIS LETTER OPENER!



IN HIS ARMS TO BE EXACT! THAT WOULD
ACCOUNT FOR THE POSITION OF THE KNIFE
LOOKING LIKE THE WORK OF A LEFT-HANDER!
AND IF ANYMORE EVIDENCE IS NEEDED,
THIS LIPSTICK ON MY LIPS SHOULD BE
ENOUGH! THE SAME BRAND THAT WAS
ON WORTHMORE'S LIPS
WHEN SHE KISSED HIM
JUST BEFORE STABBING
HIM!



YOUR *PERFUME*
GAVE YOU AWAY, MISS
GRAY, WHEN YOU TRIED
TO PUSH ME OFF THE
TRAIN! YOU WERE
DETERMINED TO STEAL
THAT DIAMOND, NO
MATTER HOW MANY
PEOPLE YOU KILLED,
WEREN'T YOU?

TOO BAD, YOU DIDN'T
KNOW I HAD THE
DIAMOND! WORTHMORE
GAVE IT TO ME TO
GUARD WHEN WE
GOT ON THE
TRAIN!

WHY,
YOU
DIRTY..

EASY,
SISTER!
YER
UNDER
ARREST!



LATER..

PRETTY NASTY
OUT HEY, BUB!
NICE NIGHT
FOR A
MURDER!



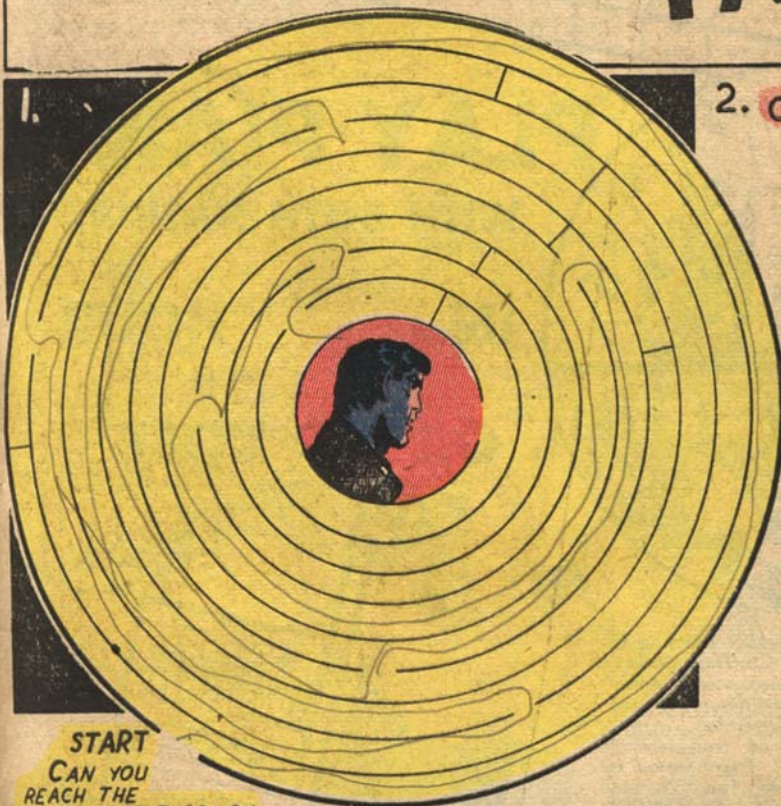
YOU'RE SO RIGHT,
CHUM! YOU'RE SO
RIGHT!

HUH!

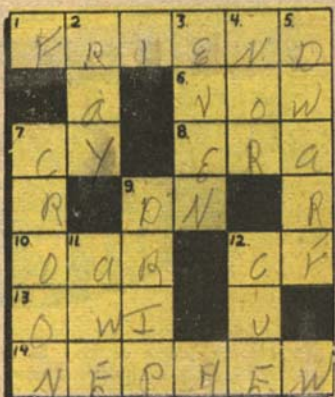


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Black HOOD PUZZLE PAGE



2. CAN YOU FIGURE OUT THIS CROSSWORD PUZZLE?



ACROSS

- PAL
- AN OATH
- SHORT FOR CYRUS
- A PERIOD OF TIME
- NOTRE DAME (ABBR. BACKWARDS)
- PADDLE USED TO PROPEL A ROWBOAT
- CENTER FIELDER (ABBR)
- OFFICE WAR INFORMATION (ABBR)
- THE SON OF A BROTHER IN LAW

DOWN

- A BEAM OF LIGHT
- EQUAL IN QUALITY
- A WORD THAT DENIES - USED IN THE PLACE OF NEITHER
- PYGMY
- SING
- LETTING LIQUID FAIL IN DROPS
- GREAT FEAR - TERROR
- ROD USED IN PLAYING BILLIARDS

START
CAN YOU REACH THE BLACK HOOD THROUGH THIS MAZE?



WHEN YOU DECODE THE LETTERS THEN UNSCRAMBLE THEM AND SEE IF YOU CAN SPELL THE NAMES OF TWO CHARACTERS WHO APPEAR IN THIS MAGAZINE —

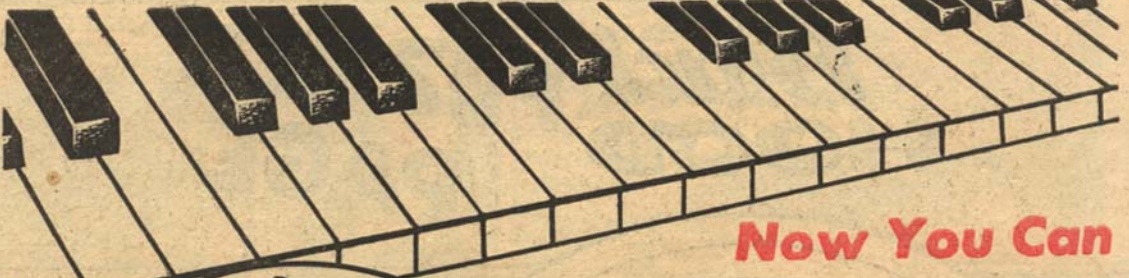


THE NUMBERS UNDER THE MAGNIFYING GLASS SIGNIFY DIFFERENT LETTERS IN THE ALPHABET - SUCH AS A-1-A, 2-B ETC.

ANSWERS

1. BARBARA
2. MEGINTY





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MAYBE WE BETTER GO INSIDE. HERE COMES THAT BIG GORILLA, GUS!

'FRAID HELL BITE YOU LITTLE BOY?



WELL, 'SKINNY MAC'! RUN ALONG NOW-- ALICE AND I ARE STEPPING OUT!

BUT ALICE HAS A DATE WITH ME!



MAYBE SHE DID HAVE ONE BUT NOT NOW!--YOU WEAKLING!

SORRY MAC-- BUT I CAN'T HELP IT IF YOU'RE SO HELPLESS!



"YOU WEAKLING" HE CALLED ME! I'LL MAKE HIM EAT THOSE TWO WORDS! I'LL SEND FOR CHARLES ATLAS' FREE BOOK AND FIND OUT HOW TO BE A REAL HE-MAN!



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BOY! ATLAS REALLY BUILDS MEN FAST--JUST LOOK AT THOSE MUSCLES! NOW WATCH ME SHOW UP THAT BIG "SHOW OFF."



WHAT! YOU HERE AGAIN? SCRAM! BEFORE I--

OH YEAH?



WHAM!

OH MAC, YOU'RE WONDERFUL! WHAT A HE-MAN YOU GOT TO BE!



Charles Atlas

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