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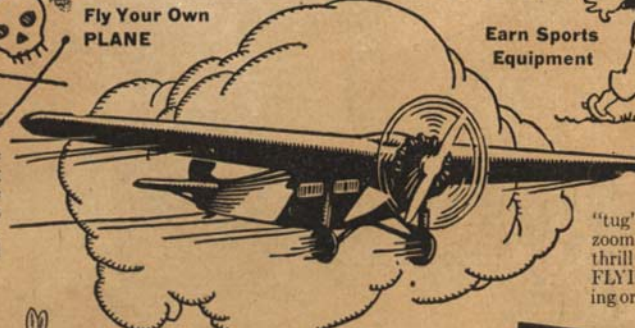
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HE SOLVES ALL PLOTS AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT,  
BUT THE PLOTTERS CANNOT SOLVE HIS PLOT AGAINST THEM!

# 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!



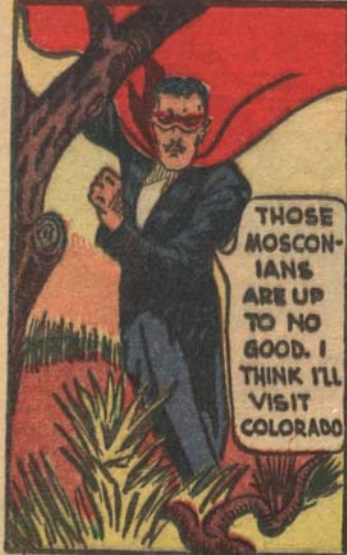
I'M SURE THAT THESE SO-CALLED SPIES ARE NOT EMPLOYED BY MY GOVERNMENT. I SHALL CO-OPERATE IN BRINGING THEM TO JUSTICE!



WE ARE TO PROCEED TO COLORADO!

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





THOSE MOSCONIANS 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...

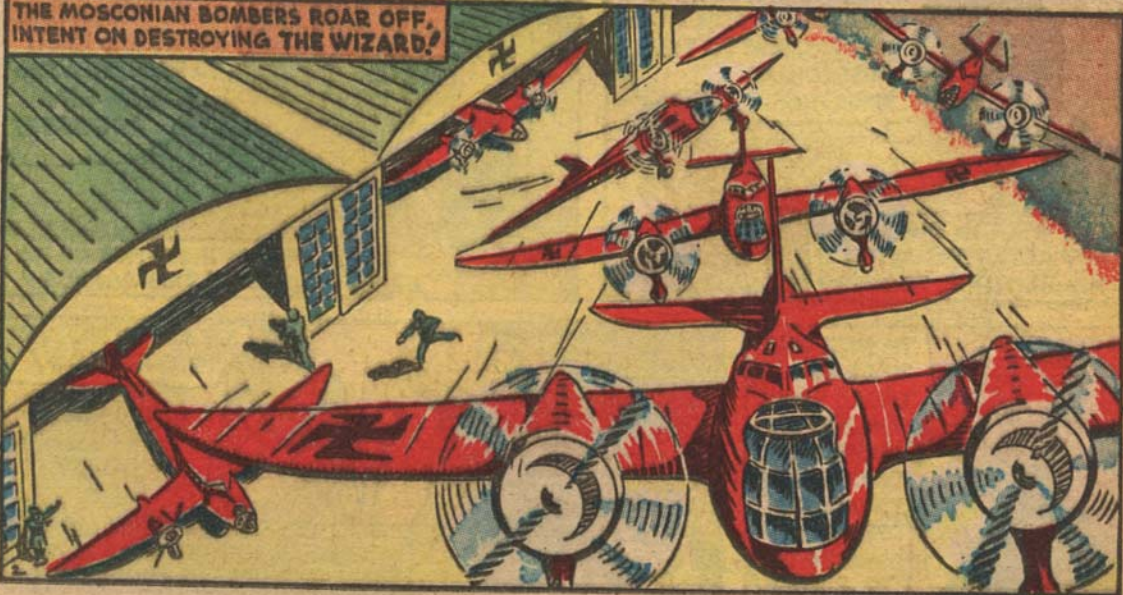


DE VIZARD IS MOTORING VESTVARD IN HIS ROCKET CAR!



QVICK! DE BOMBING SQUADRON. DE VIZARD MUST DIE!

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







MOSCONIAN PLANES, AND THEY'RE HEADING FOR ME!

THE WIZARD SENSING DANGER, PUTS HIS SUPER BRAIN TO WORK!



BOMB HIM WHEN I SIGNAL!



LOOKS LIKE A FIGHT TO THE FINISH!

THE MOSCONIANS ATTACK!



THE WIZARD'S DEATH-RAY GUNS FLASH INTO ACTION!



- DEATH RAY GUN
- A. MAGNETIC FINDER
  - B. COOLING FANBOES
  - C. FILTER
  - D. "X" RAY TUBE
  - E. AMPLIFYING INDUCTION COIL
  - F. SUPER-CONDENSER
  - G. TRIODER
  - H. SWIVEL
  - I. EXPELLER LENS
  - J. CABLE



SO, DE VIZARD T'INKS VE ARE BEATEN!

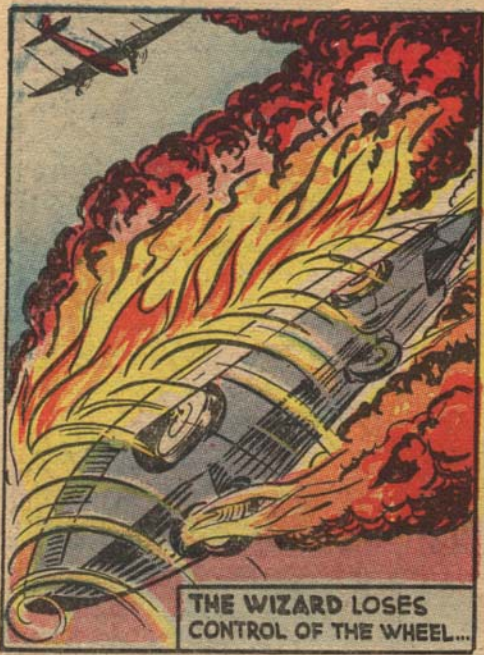


INCENDIARY BULLETS SPLATTER AGAINST THE HOT RADIATOR OF THE WIZARD'S CAR, AND BURST INTO FLAMES!





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



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!



AFTER HIM, QUICK!



THE MOSCONIANS PURSUE THE WIZARD INTENT ON HIS DESTRUCTION!



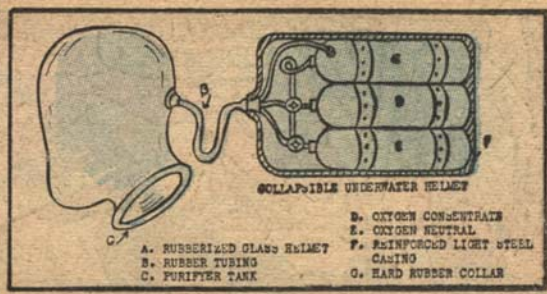
HE MUST BE DEAD! EVEN DE VIZARD COULD NOT STAY UNDER VATER SO LONG!





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!



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!



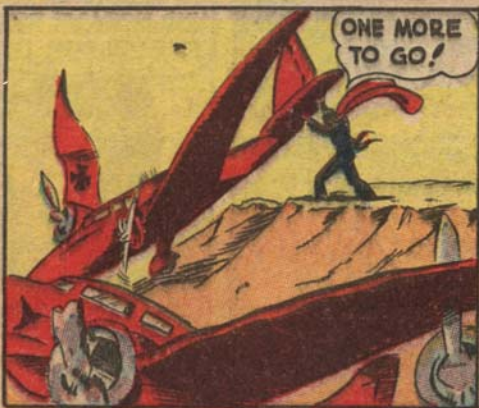


PEACE! IT'S VUNDERFUL!

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



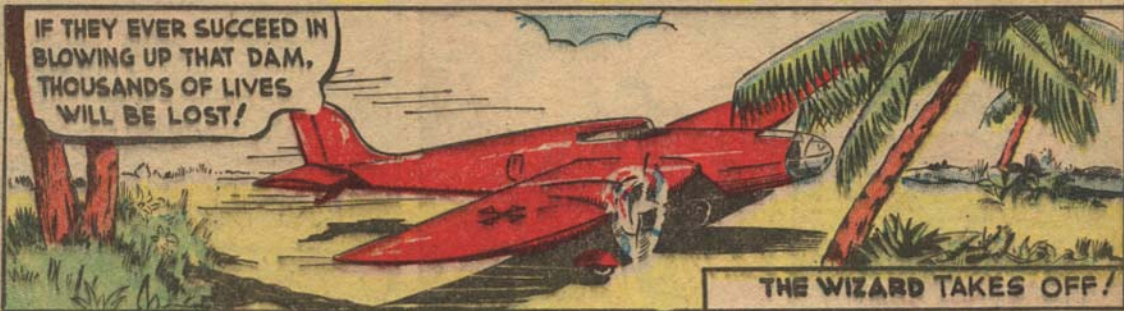
.... I PUT THESE PLANES OUT OF COMMISSION!



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 SURROUNDING MOUNTAIN TOPS! I HAVEN'T A MOMENT TO LOSE!

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



ON A MOUNTAIN TOP!



IN VUN MINUTE VE FIRE.  
ON DE UDDER MOUNTAIN  
TOP, DEY VILL ALSO  
SHOOT. BETWEEN US  
VE CANNOT MISS!



READY!  
AIM!.....



NO YOU  
DON'T!

BEFORE THE MOSCONIAN  
GENERAL CAN UTTER THE  
DREADED SIGNAL!..

THE WIZARD DIRECTS AN ELEC-  
TROLYSIS RAY AT THE MOSCONIANS!



I'VE GOT TO STOP THOSE  
MOSCONIANS FROM BOM-  
BARDING THAT DAM.....  
WHAT THE.... THIS THING'S  
JAMMED!



THERE'S MORE  
THAN ONE  
WAY TO  
SKIN A  
CAT!



THE WIZARD RACES TOWARD THE  
MOUNTAINS EDGE WITH INCREDIBLE  
SPEED. WHAT DOES HE PROPOSE TO DO?

MEANWHILE ON THE OPPOSITE MOUNTAIN TOP.....



DEY SHOULD HAVE  
FIRED BY DIS TIME.  
VE VILL VAIT NO  
LONGER!



THE MOSCONIAN MISSILE OF DESTRUCTION IS SENT HURLING 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!

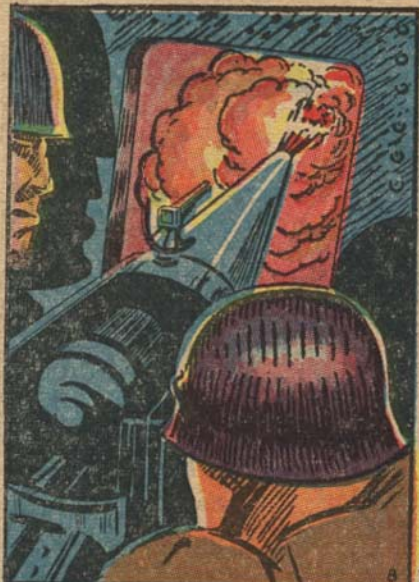


DOT VIZARD AGAIN! SHOOT QUICK OR WE ARE LOST!

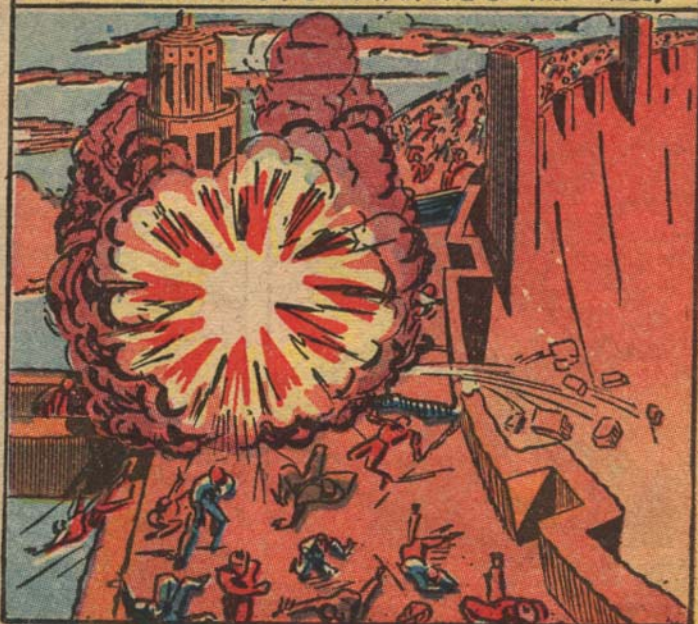


THE WIZARD HEAVES THE OTHER SHELL TOWARD THE MOSCONIANS!

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.....



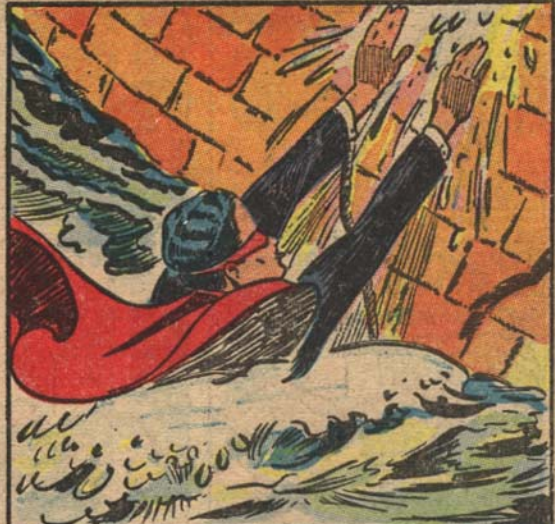
A SUPERHUMAN LEAP CAR-  
RIES THE WIZARD INTO  
THE PENT-UP WATERS  
BEHIND THE DAM!

THE CRACK'S 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, SINGLEHANDED,  
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 INVAD!

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





THE WIZARD SPEEDS TO CALIFORNIA!

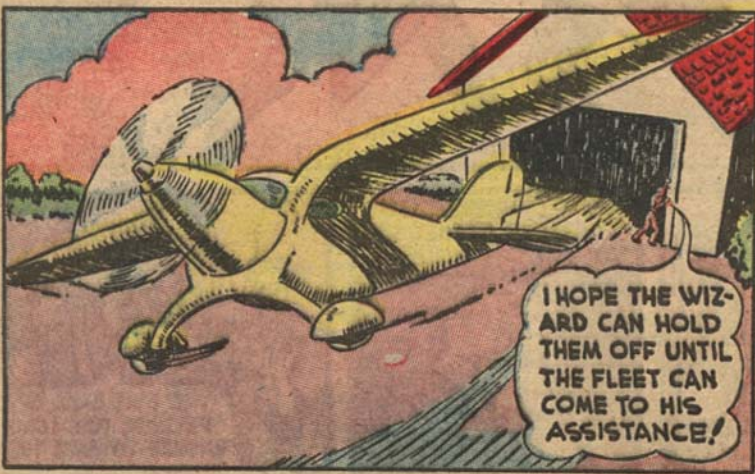
THOSE HEAD-QUARTERS ARE IN CANADA, NORTH OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON. CALIFORNIA WILL BE THEIR FIRST OBJECTIVE!

IN THE APARTMENT OF GROVER, THE WIZARD'S BROTHER....



THERE'S THE SIGNAL. IT MUST BE THE WIZARD! WHAT'S UP WIZARD?

HAVE THE U.S. FLEET READY ON THE PACIFIC COAST TO MEET A MOSCONIAN INVASION, GROVER.... AND SEND MY ROBOT-CONTROLLED STRATO-PLANE!



I HOPE THE WIZARD CAN HOLD THEM OFF UNTIL THE FLEET CAN COME TO HIS ASSISTANCE!



MY STRATO-PLANE SHOULD BE ALONG ANY MINUTE!

ANOTHER WIZARD CONTRIVANCE, A REMOTE CONTROL DIAL WHICH CONTROLS HIS ROBOT-PILOTED STRATO PLANE.



I'VE GOT THE JOYSTICK SUPPORTED BY MY BELT. HOPE IT DOESN'T SLIP BEFORE I MAKE THE CHANGE!



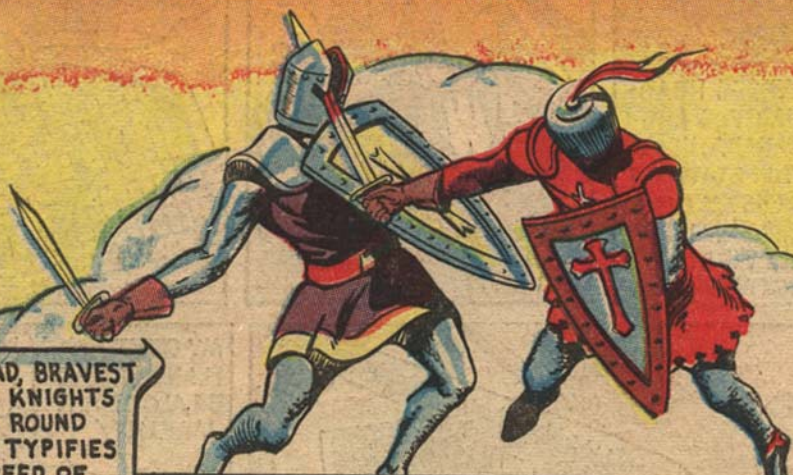
I'LL BE THERE IN NO TIME NOW!

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

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# GALAHAD



Yui Streeter

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

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

HELP!  
HELP!  
THE GOLDEN CHALICE!

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

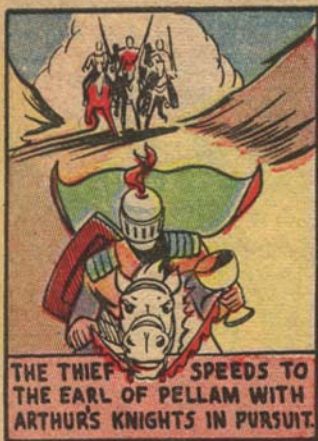
THE EVIL EARL OF PELLAM HAS LONG WISHED TO HAVE THE WONDEROUS GOLDEN CHALICE. HE BELIEVES ITS MAGICAL POWERS WILL MAKE HIS ENVIOUS QUEEN AS BEAUTIFUL AS YOU ARE.

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

AFTER THE THIEF!

DEATH TO THE EARL OF PELLAM!





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



ARTHUR AND HIS WARRIORS ARE LED INTO AMBUSH.

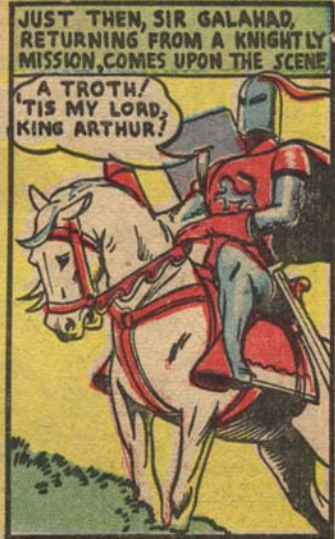
AVAUNT, ARTHUR! STAND GROUND AND GIVE BATTLE.



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!

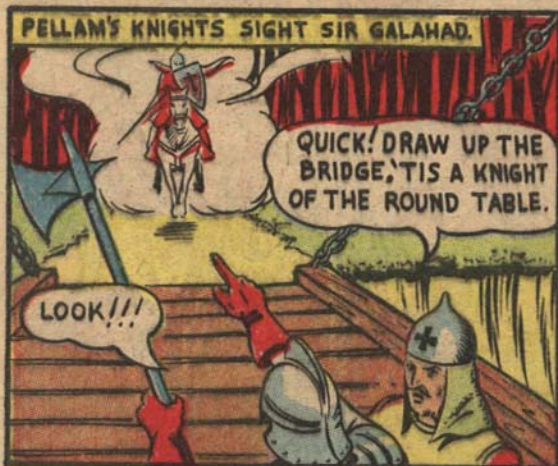


MEANWHILE, IN PELLAM'S  
CHAMBER.

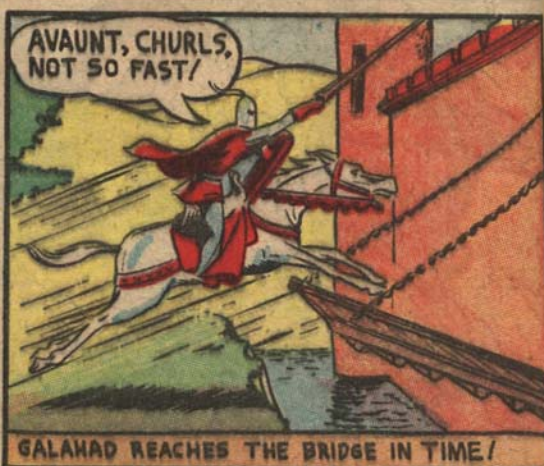
PELLAM'S KNIGHTS SIGHT SIR GALAHAD.

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

LOOK!!!

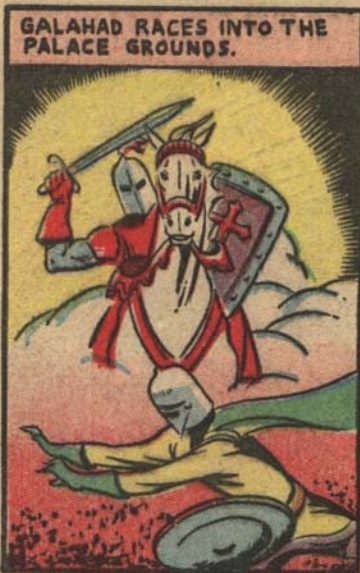


AVAUNT, CHURLS,  
NOT SO FAST!



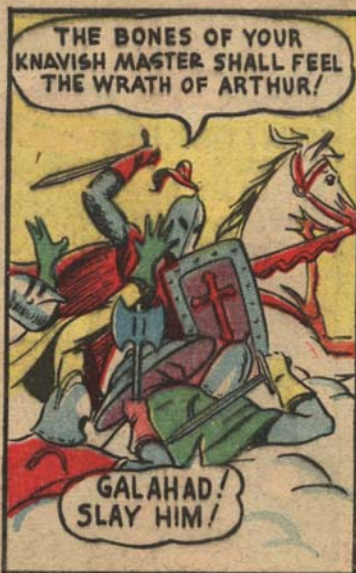
GALAHAD REACHES THE BRIDGE IN TIME!

GALAHAD RACES INTO THE  
PALACE GROUNDS.

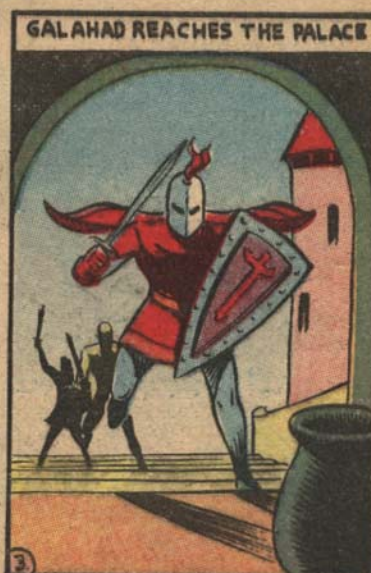


THE BONES OF YOUR  
KNAVISH MASTER SHALL FEEL  
THE WRATH OF ARTHUR!

GALAHAD!  
SLAY HIM!



GALAHAD REACHES THE PALACE





AND DASHES TOWARD THE EARL'S CHAMBER.

HALT! AND GIVE BATTLE.



SUDDENLY A LANCE FROM ONE OF THE PELLAM KNIGHTS IS HURLED AT SIR GALAHAD, BUT IT MISSES ITS MARK.



GURGLE !!



GALAHAD GRASPS THE LANCE AND VAULTS HIGH ABOVE THE EARL'S GUARD INTO PELLAM'S CHAMBER.



OD'S BLOOD!! WHAT!!

'TIS A KNIGHT OF THE LION! SEIZE HIM!!

GALAHAD LANDS IN FRONT OF THE EVIL EARL OF PELLAM AND HIS LADY.



AH! THE GOLDEN CHALICE 'TIS MINE THIEF!

NO, NEVER!



GREAT ZEUS! 'TIS GALAHAD. KILL HIM MEN!

THE EARL OF PELLAM, FEARFUL OF DEATH, LEADS GALAHAD TO SAFETY....

LEAVE OFF! OUR KING'S LIFE IS THREATENED!



AND NOW, LEAD ME FROM YOUR PALACE UNHARMED OR YOUR BLOOD WILL TASTE MY STEEL.

NO, DON'T! I OBEY!



DO NOT KILL ME!



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, KNAVE!

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!!

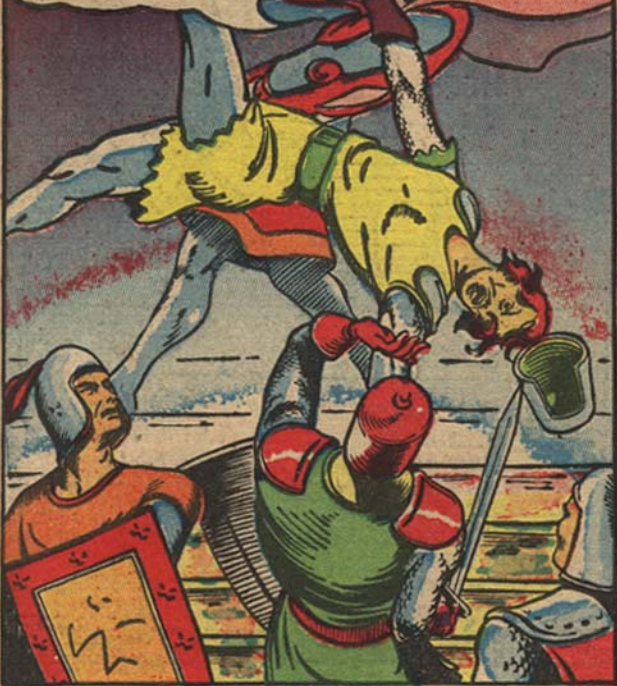
HE RIPS OFF HIS HELMET AND... A BOON FOR ARTHUR!

GALAHAD, UNARMED, IS TRAPPED....

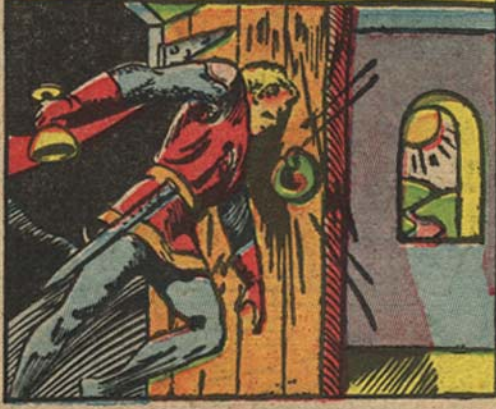
FOR YOU VILLAIN, MEET YOUR FELLOW KNIGHTS!



BID YOUR FELLOW KNIGHTS HELLO!



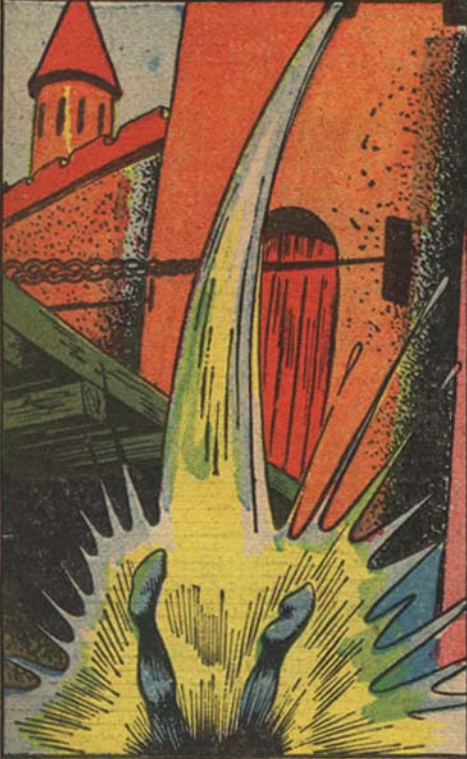
GALAHAD REACHES A ROOM AT THE END OF THE STAIRCASE....



...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 ISSUE OF

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GALAHAD RETURNS TO CAMELOT.



# SHANGHAI SHERIDAN

BY  
IRVING  
NOVICK  
AND  
JOE BLAIR



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 GENERAL-ISSIMO 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 LEADING TO THE TORTURE CHAMBER...



...AMYSTERIOUS 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!



AH-WOOF!

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 TELLING ME WHAT YOU DO, SCARY DEE?



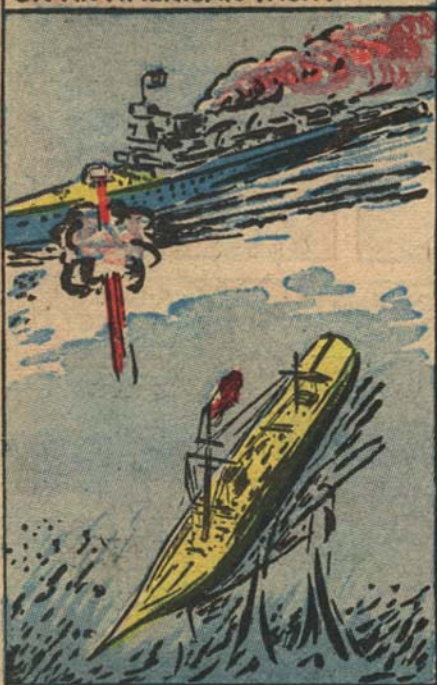
THAT AIN'T A FAIR QUESTION-- SOMETIMES, THO', I RANSOM OFF CHINESE PRISONERS AND OTHER TIMES I TURN IN THE INVADERS!



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



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



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! 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 WITH-OUT YOU?

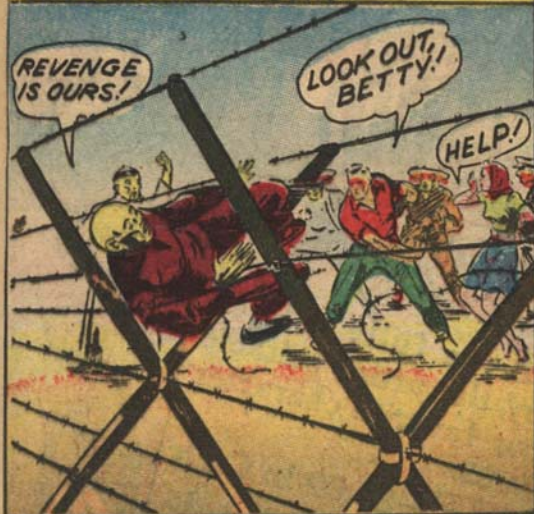


THERE GO RICH AMERICANS AND DESPISED SHERIDAN!

THIS TIME WE NOT FAIL, WU FANG!



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



REVENGE IS OURS!

LOOK OUT, BETTY!

HELP!

OFFICERS FROM THE SHANGHAI VOLUNTARY CORPS, INVESTIGATE THE COMMOTION...



UP WITH YOUR HANDS !!!

THESE PEOPLE HERE ARE MY PRISONERS! I HAVE PAPERS TO PROVE I'M AN INVADER OFFICIAL!



THESE PAPERS ARE CORRECT! ... TAKE YOUR PRISONERS!

JUST A MINUTE, GENTLEMEN! MY FRIENDS AND I ARE INSIDE THE LINE MARKING THE INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT!



THAT'S RIGHT! DON'T STEP ACROSS THIS LINE, WU FANG !!

WE ARE AMERICAN CITIZENS AND CAN ENTER HERE!.. WU FANG IS A NATIVE AND CANNOT PASS!



THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU, NOW!

WHEN SHALL I SEE YOU AGAIN?



ONE NEVER KNOWS, MISS ... BETTY. I HAVE MANY THINGS TO KEEP ME BUSY! UNTIL THE INVADERS ARE COMPLETELY REPULSED, I SHALL NEVER REST!

—NOVIK—

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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!

F... FATHER! HE... HE'S KILLED HIM!

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

WON'T YOU REMAIN IN GAS LAND AS MY FIRST RULER OF STATE?

WHAT DO YOU SAY, VOLA?

MY FATHER WILL BE WORRIED.

MY FATHER! KALOX HAS KILLED HIM!

IMPOSSIBLE! THE LABORATORY IS IMPREGNABLE!

I SAW HIM COME THROUGH A SECRET ENTRANCE. HE'S STEALING THE RADIUM CRYSTAL!

I'VE GOT TO STOP HIM!

HE MUSTN'T ESCAPE! THE CRYSTAL CAN DESTROY MARS!

I'LL TRY TO HEAD HIM OFF AT THE HANGAR!

IN THE LABORATORY!

AND NOW FOR A SPACE SHIP!

THE RADIUM CRYSTAL, COMPOSED OF PURE RADIUM, LIGHT AS A FEATHER, YET ABLE TO MOVE PLANETS BECAUSE OF THE BILLIONS OF MAGNETIC ALPHA PARTICLES IT SHEDS PER SECOND!

THE CRYSTAL IS EVEN MORE MAGNETIC IN SPACE WHERE ITS RAYS ARE NOT IMPEDED BY ANY ATMOSPHERE!

KALOX GOES TO THE HANGAR!

I SHALL MAGNETIZE A MINOR PLANET FROM ITS ORBIT, AND SEND IT CRASHING INTO MARS!



I HOPE I'M NOT TOO LATE!



**STREAK ARRIVES AT THE HANGAR ON HIS BRONTAURIS!**

**KALOX 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, KALOX DESTROYS ALL THE REST OF THE SPACE SHIPS!



THE MURDERING DOG!



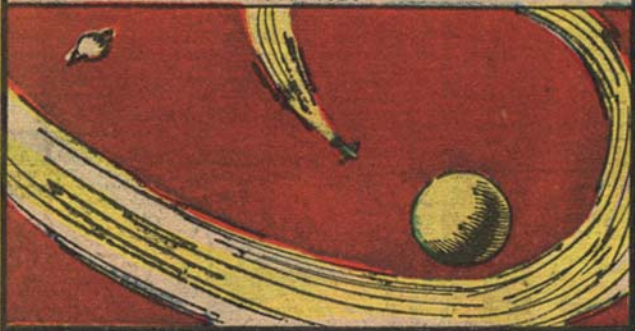
**STREAK DESPERATELY TUGS AT THE WING FLAP TO ALTER THE SHIP'S DIRECTION!**

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





THE MANUEVER IS SUCCESSFUL/ THE SPACE SHIP FALLS BACK TO MARS!

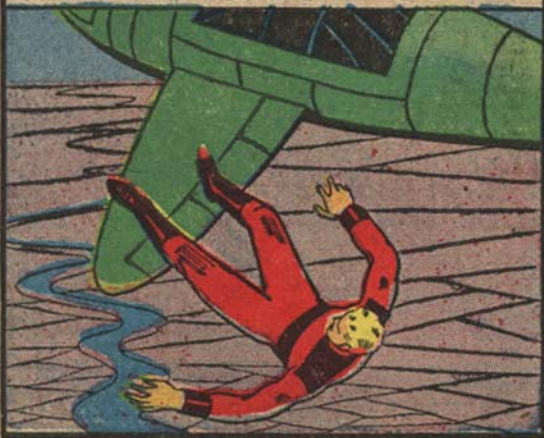


INSIDE THE SHIP

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 KINGDOM, 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!

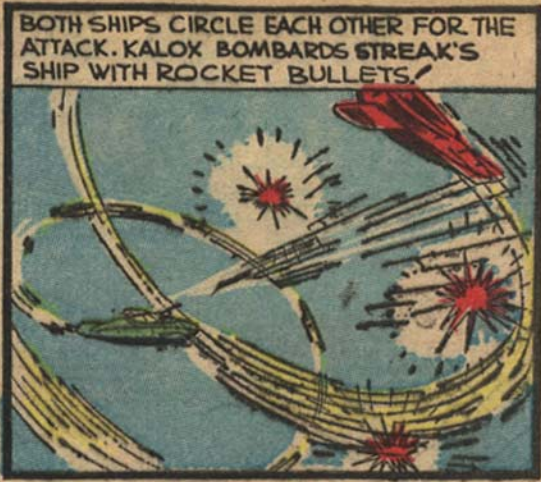
HA! HA! THE RADIUM CRYSTAL IS DRAWING THE PLANET ALONG. SOON IT SHALL REACH THE SUN'S ORBIT AND CRASH INTO MARS!



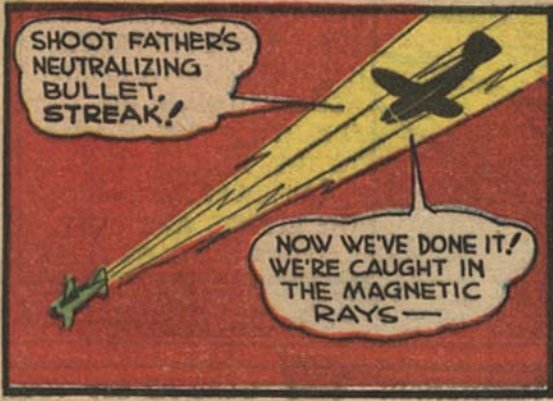


HE'S SEEN US!  
WE'LL HAVE TO ATTACK!

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

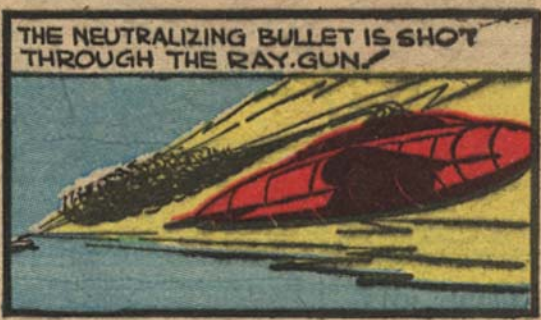


BOTH SHIPS CIRCLE EACH OTHER FOR THE  
ATTACK. KALOX BOMBARDS STREAK'S  
SHIP WITH ROCKET BULLETS!



SHOOT FATHER'S  
NEUTRALIZING  
BULLET,  
STREAK!

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



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!

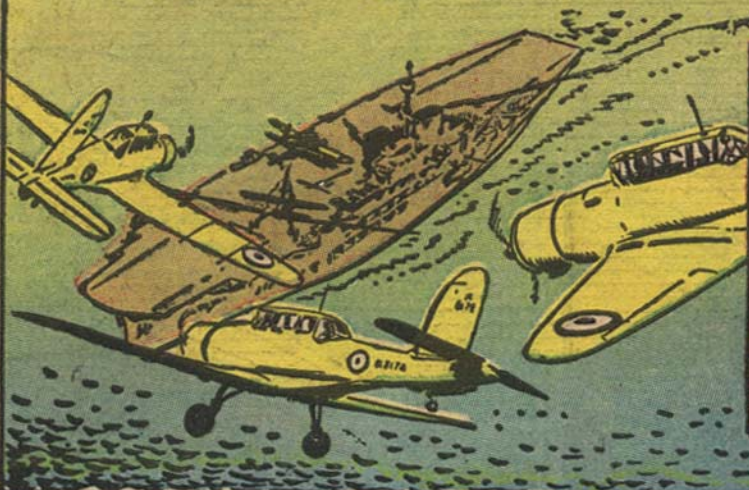


BUT EVEN BEFORE THE SHREDS OF KALOX'S  
SHIP HAVE DISAPPEARED, ANOTHER  
DANGER LOOMS ON THE HORIZON!

WHAT IS THIS NEW PERIL? WILL STREAK  
CHANDLER BE ABLE TO OVERCOME IT,  
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DESTROYED?— FOLLOW HIS ADVENT-  
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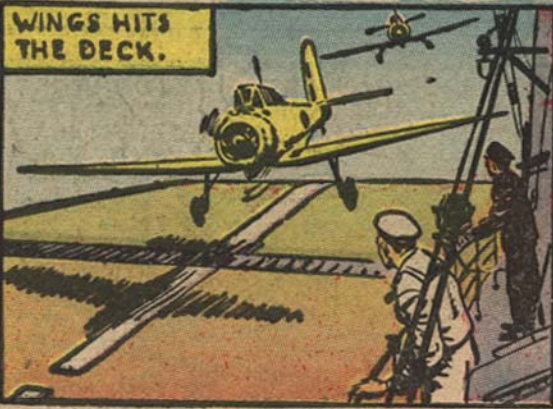


# WINGS JOHNSON OF THE AIR PATROL



NOW THAT HE HAS WIPED OUT VON SCHILLER, THE NAZI U-BOAT COMMANDER, 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 IMMEDIATELY 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.





THEY HAVE TWO  
CRUISERS AND A  
BATTLE WAGON  
AGAINST OUR TWO  
CRUISERS.

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

OK, BOYS!  
WE'LL GET THE  
BATTLESHIP FIRST!

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

THE GERMANS ARE CAUGHT UNPREPARED!

WE DID SOME  
DAMAGE. LETS  
TRY AGAIN.

GET THOSE  
PLANES!

THE NAZI  
GUNS SWING  
INTO ACTION.

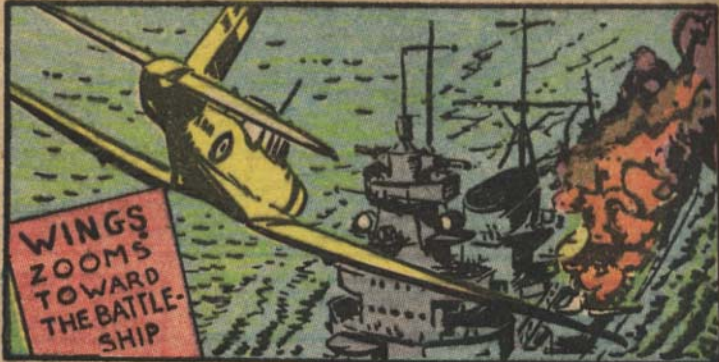
AND SCORE  
A HIT !!



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



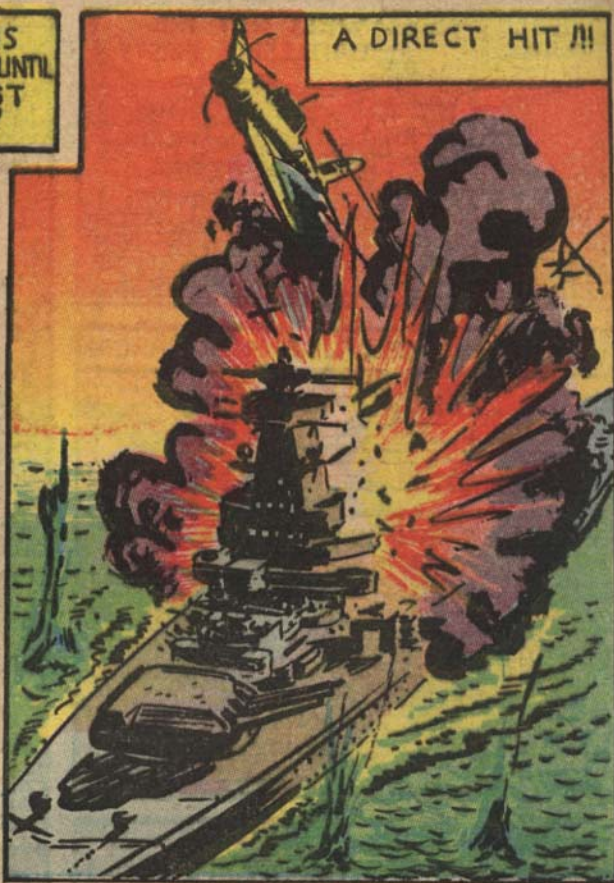
WINGS  
ZOOMS  
TOWARD  
THE BATTLE-  
SHIP



HE HOLDS  
HIS DIVE UNTIL  
THE LAST  
SECOND!

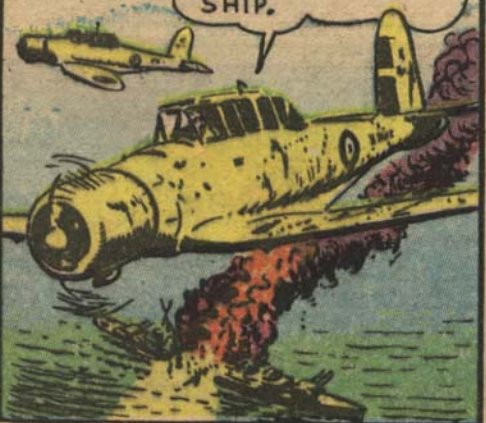


A DIRECT HIT!!!



BUT WINGS' PLANE IS BADLY  
RIDDLED.

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



HALF-WAY BACK TO THE CARRIER—

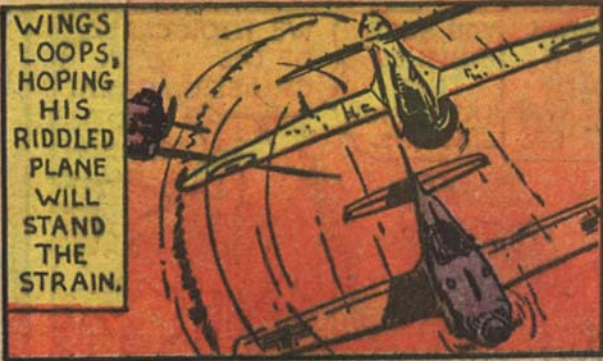
HMM... LOOKS  
LIKE THOSE  
NAZIS HAVE  
OTHER IDEAS!







I HOPE THE CARRIER SEES ME IF THIS SHIP FALLS APART -



WINGS LOOPS, HOPING HIS RIDDLED PLANE WILL STAND THE STRAIN.

HE OUT-MANEUVERS THE NAZIS ...



THEY WEREN'T EXPECTING THAT FROM A BATTERED CRATE!

AND BRINGS ONE DOWN!



THE OTHER ONE'S ON MY TAIL AGAIN! I'LL SLOW UP AND LET HIM GO BY ME -



THE GERMAN CRASHES INTO JOHNSON'S SHIP!



WINGS BAILS OUT!



A SCOUT FROM THE CARRIER RESCUES HIM.



IT'S A GOOD THING WE SAW YOU FALL.





BACK ON THE CARRIER.

YOU SURE FINISHED THAT BATTLESHIP, WINGS.

WE TOOK CARE OF THE CRUISERS.

A GREAT JOB, JOHNSON.



YOU'RE TO LEAVE FOR THE AFRICAN BASE AT ONCE.

RIGHT

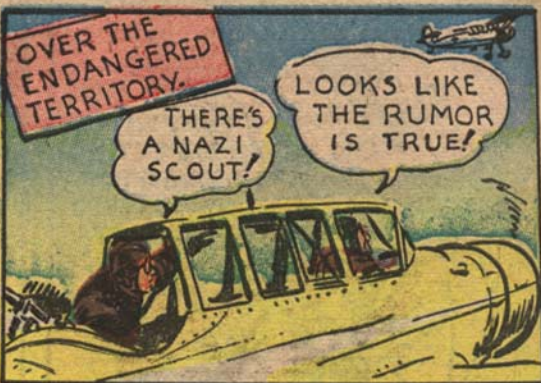


BACK AT THE AFRICAN BASE.



I'VE AN IMPORTANT JOB FOR YOU — IT'S RUMORED THAT THE NAZIS PLAN TO RAID OUR SOUTH AFRICAN BASES.

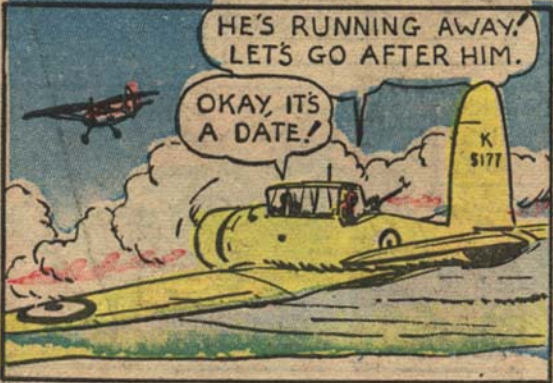
I'LL START AT ONCE, SIR!



OVER THE ENDANGERED TERRITORY.

THERE'S A NAZI SCOUT!

LOOKS LIKE THE RUMOR IS TRUE!



HE'S RUNNING AWAY. LET'S GO AFTER HIM.

OKAY, IT'S A DATE!

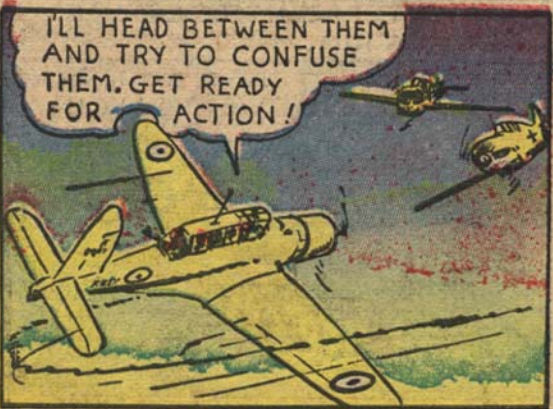
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THAT SCOUT'S TOO FAST FOR US, LOOK!

PURSUIT PLANES! HE WAS JUST A DECOY!

A TRAP !!!



I'LL HEAD BETWEEN THEM AND TRY TO CONFUSE THEM. GET READY FOR ACTION!



IT WORKED — BUT WE'VE GOT TO GET BACK. IT'S GETTING DARK.





THAT TAKES CARE OF THAT GUY-



WHERE'S THE OTHER ONE?

I CAN HEAR HIM, BUT I CAN'T SEE HIM!

NIGHT BLOTS OUT THE ENEMY!



THEN MISFORTUNE STRIKES AGAIN-

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE MOTOR? FUEL LINE'S CLOGGED WE'LL HAVE TO LAND!



WELL, WHAT NOW?

LET'S CAMP IN THAT GROVE FOR THE NIGHT.



SSHH // I HEAR VOICES.

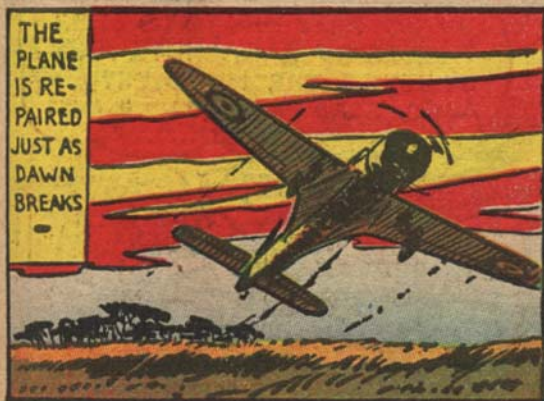


THE PARACHUTE TROOPS WILL BE HERE TO-MORROW!

WOW! GERMANS!



WE'VE GOT TO GET BACK AND REPORT THIS C'MON, GET YOUR MOTOR FIXED!



THE PLANE IS REPAIRED JUST AS DAWN BREAKS



THERE'S THAT NAZI SHIP AGAIN - HE MUST HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR US!

MY GUN IS JAMMED!

HARD LUCK STILL PURSUES WINGS!





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!



LET THE INFANTRY GET THE GUYS THAT BAIL OUT--



WE GOT THAT ONE BEFORE IT COULD LAND ITS TROOPS!



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

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!

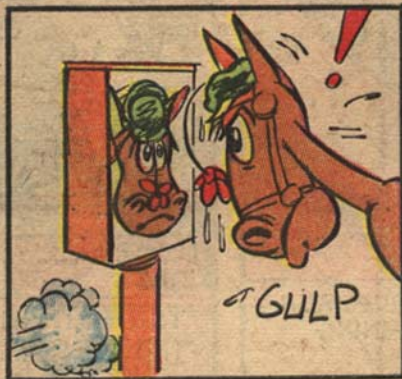
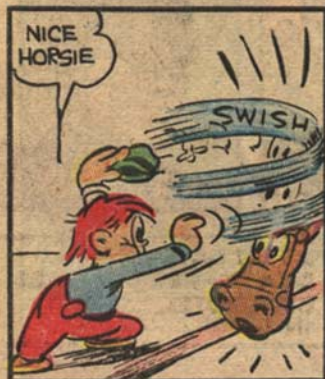
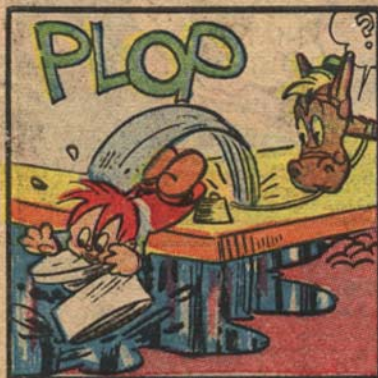
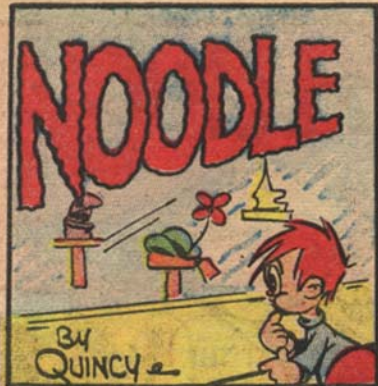


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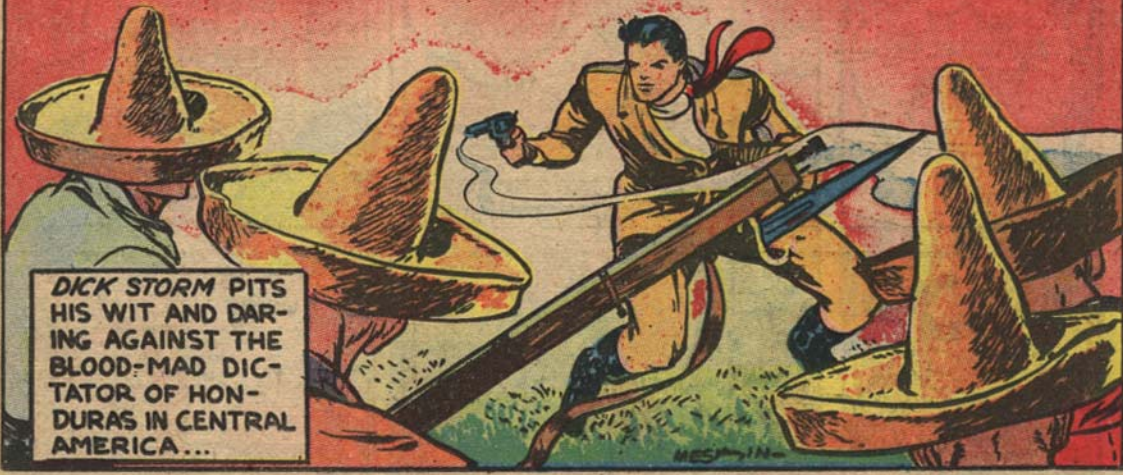
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# DICK STORM



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!





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!



DIABLO! 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 ADVENT-  
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  
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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!



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





IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE...



I TELL YOU THE DOPE PEDDLERS ARE GETTING SHIPMENTS THROUGH!

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

THE MAYOR DELIVERS AN ULTIMATUM...



I DON'T CARE... SOMETHING'S GOT TO BE DONE! THE PUBLIC IS THOROUGHLY AROUSED OVER THESE OUTRAGEOUS KILLINGS!... WHY EVEN WALT WHITNEY 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!

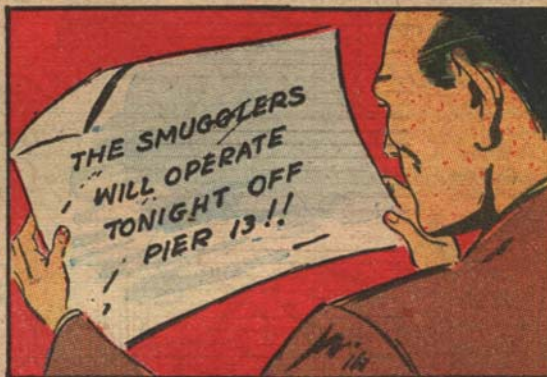


OOOH!



WOW! THAT WAS CLOSE!

LOOK, A NOTE!



THE SMUGGLERS WILL OPERATE TONIGHT OFF PIER 13!!

YOU'LL TELL THE POLICE OF COURSE...



WHAT.. AND LET THEM BUNGLA 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...!

**...AND PULLS HIM UPWARD!**



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



AH-KU!

I KNEW MY NOTE  
WOULD DECOY YOU  
HERE!

**TELL US WHO BOB PHAN-  
TOM 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'!



AND DAT'S  
DAT!

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



**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!









LOOK, CHIEF...A NOTE FOR US!

STICK AROUND, CHIEF! MORE COPIES!

ONLY ONE GUY WOULD TIP US OFF THIS WAY!



MEANWHILE... BOB PHANTOM HAS A TALK WITH ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE GANG!

WHERE IS AH KU? TALK OR YOU'LL BE FISH FOOD!

DEY.. DEY'RE SMUGGLIN A LOAD RIGHT OUTSIDE DE T'REE MILE LIMIT!



ABOARD THE SMUGGLERS' BOAT...

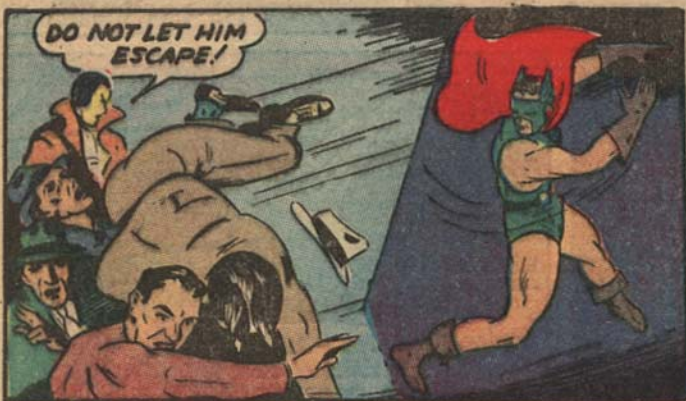
ARE THE HARBOR POLICE OUT OF THE WAY?

YEAH, THEY'RE CHASING A DECOY BOAT!



YOU!

WE MEET AGAIN, AH-KU!



DO NOT LET HIM ESCAPE!



BOB PHANTOM SEEMS TO BE CAUGHT UNAWARES..

TAKE DAT YOU!



HERE I COME, READY OR NOT!

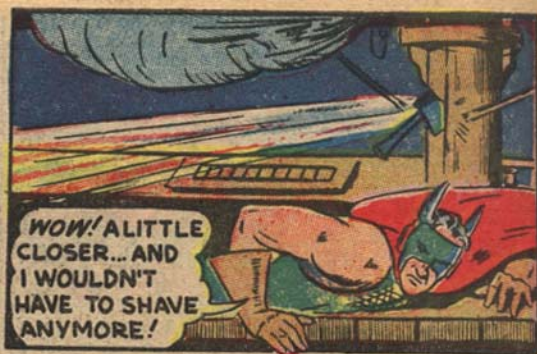
BUT THE BLOW HAS NO EFFECT!



COMB THAT OUT OF YOUR WHISKERS!

BAM!







# NOW ON SALE

JUNE BLUE RIBBON COMICS



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



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

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 MIDVALE!!



THAT'S GREAT!!

THE MIDVALE TEAM ARRIVES .....



HURRAY MIDVALE!

KEITH APPROACHES SOME MIDVALE PLAYERS TO EXTEND TO THEM THE COURTESY OF THE ACADEMY !!!

SAY, BIFF! THAT'S THE NEW ARMY PITCHER WE'VE HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT !!



OH, YEAH!

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



SURE. TAKE MY BAG, FLUNKY! OOPS, SLIPPED! HAW, HAW!!

I THINK YOU DELIBERATELY DID THAT!

WANNA MAKE SOMETHING OF IT?



SOCK HIM, BIFF!

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!



-AND NOW I'M READY, IF YOU ARE!

SURE, LET'S TAKE OFF OUR JACKETS.

BIFF PROVES TO BE A TREACHEROUS OP-  
PONENT



HEY!  
I....!!

WHAM!!

I'LL START THE BALL ROLLING !!

THAT'S USING YOUR HEAD, BIFF !!



CLUNK !!

IT'S GOING TO BE A PLEASURE TO GIVE YOU A THRASHING !!



SOCK!! WHAM!! BIFF!! SOCK!!  
BANG!

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



COMB THIS ONE OUT OF YOUR WHISKERS !!

HEY, BIFF! MEBBE YOU SHOULD HAVE TOLD HIM THAT YOU'RE CHAMP!

-SUDDENLY AN OFFICER ENTERS !!



WHAT'S THIS! YOU KNOW THAT FIGHTING IS AN INFRACTION OF THE RULES !!

WHY, ER....!!

HE STARTED IT !!

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



I'M SORRY, SIR. I HAVE NOTHING TO SAY!

- IN BIFF'S ROOM -



THAT SETTLES THE BOY SCOUTS HASH. HE WON'T PITCH TOMORROW!

YEAH, BUT THAT SHINER AIN'T GONNA DO YOUR BATTIN' EYE ANY GOOD!!



- 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!

OOMPH!!

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 IT'S 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

TOP-NOTCH COMICS



# KARDAK

## THE MYSTIC MAGICIAN

KARDAK, THE MYSTIC MAGICIAN, HAS UNCANNY, UNEXPLAINABLE POWERS WHICH ARE FORTUNATELY USED FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF EVIL!



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

YES, LORNA!... THERE ARE SOME UNUSUAL LEGENDS HERE CONCERNING WITCHCRAFT!



KARDAK AND HIS FIANCEE, LORNA DELROY, 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 GOING!



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 KARDAK'S, IS FIRST TO RECOVER!



THE MAGICAL CRAFT STEERS ITSELF TO A LANDING...



KARDAK RECOVERS CONSCIOUSNESS 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!



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

LORNA IS LED TO THE SACRIFICE!

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



KARDAK SENDS A TELEPATHIC  
MESSAGE TO LORNA ...

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 AMISS... 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!**

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!

HA! CAN YOU OUT-DO THAT?

WATCH!

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





**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!**

**HAS THE MAGIC OF VISHNU OVER-COME THE POWERS OF KARDAK - THE MYSTIC MAGICIAN... READ THE NEXT ISSUE OF -**

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