

**STEEL STERLING MAN OF STEEL**

# ZIP

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# COMICS



ALSO  
**DICKY**  
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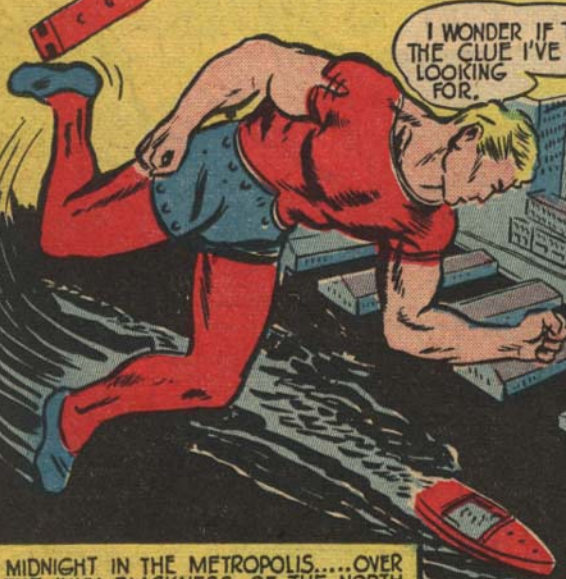
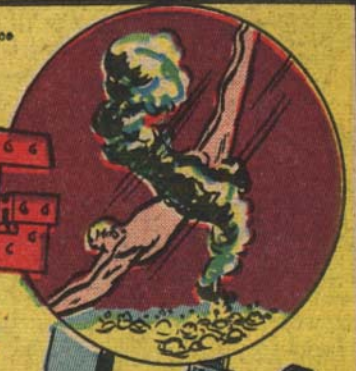


ON SALE ABOUT THE 30<sup>TH</sup> OF EVERY MONTH



# STEEL STERLING

## MAN OF STEEL



I WONDER IF THAT'S THE CLUE I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR.

MIDNIGHT IN THE METROPOLIS....OVER THE INKY BLACKNESS OF THE NORTH RIVER, ROARS A SPEED-BOAT, WHILE... HIGH ABOVE....RACS THE FIGURE OF STEEL STERLING, MAN OF STEEL!



THE WATERS REACH THEIR GREATEST DEPTH AT THIS POINT...LET US HERE DISPOSE OF THE BODY!





THE MYSTERIOUS CRAFT VEERS AROUND IN A TIGHT ARC AND ZOOMS DOWN THE RIVER!







THE BOAT TIES UP AT A SECRET DOCK INSIDE...



THE MASTER AWAITS OUR RETURN!



THE BODY OF OUR RECENTLY DEPARTED TREACHEROUS COMRADE HAS BEEN DEPOSITED IN A SAFE RESTING PLACE! IT IS OUR PLEASURE, LING YUNG, TO SERVE YOU!



NOT MUCH I CAN DO FOR THAT POOR FELLOW! THE POLICE WILL FIND HIM HERE ON THE DOCK AND TAKE CARE OF HIM!



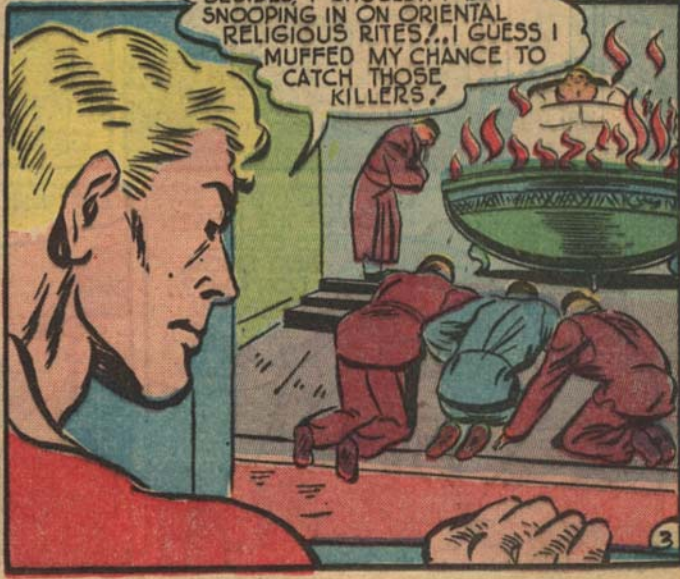
NOW TO FIND THAT BOAT!



HEY!..THAT'S FUNNY!..I COULD HAVE SWORN THE SHIP WAS RIGHT AROUND HERE A MINUTE AGO



A LIGHTED WINDOW! MIGHT AS WELL GIVE A LOOK!



THIS ISN'T MUCH HELP! BESIDES I SHOULDN'T BE SNOOPING IN ON ORIENTAL RELIGIOUS RITES!..I GUESS I MUFFED MY CHANCE TO CATCH THOSE KILLERS!

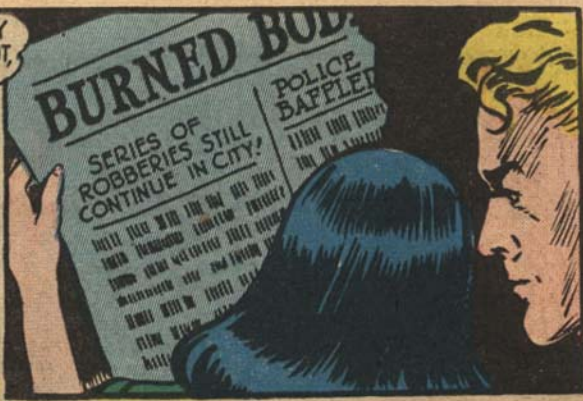




NEXT MORNING

AND SO DORA, I WAITED TOO LONG, THE BOAT DISAPPEARED!

THAT'S AWFULLY PECULIAR... BUT, TAKE A LOOK AT THE PAPER!



**BURNED BOB!**

SERIES OF ROBBERIES STILL CONTINUE IN CITY!

POLICE BAPFLET



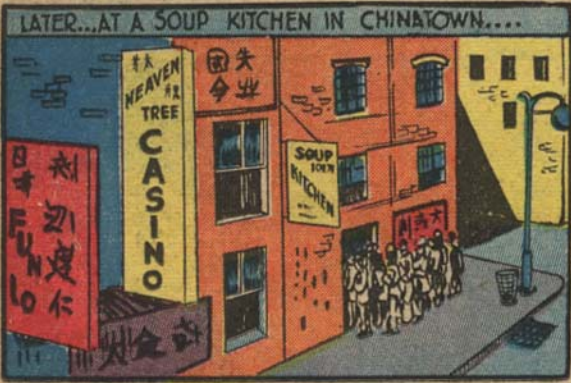
AND WHAT ABOUT THOSE STRANGE ROBBERIES THAT HAVE BEEN GOING ON? INNOCENT MEN ARE BEING ARRESTED!

I KNOW THOSE THEFTS ARE PECULIAR, BUT MY FIRST CONCERN IS TO SOLVE THE KILLINGS!



THE MAN OF STEEL... A MASTER OF DISGUISE... OUTFITS HIMSELF AS A DERELICT OF THE STREETS,

THE ONLY CLUE I HAVE, IS THAT THE BOAT DISAPPEARED IN THE CHINATOWN SECTION... I MAY AS WELL START LOOKING AROUND, DOWN THERE!



LATER... AT A SOUP KITCHEN IN CHINATOWN...



WARM FOOD FOR THE STOMACH IS FOOD FOR THE SOUL! EAT YOUR FILL... MY MASTER LING YUNG, PROVIDES IT WITH HIS COMPLIMENTS!

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LING YUNG, DID YA SAY? HE OWNS THE HEAVEN TREE CASINO, NEXT DOOR, DON'T HE?.. CHEE... HE MUST BE A SWELL GUY!



AIN'T THIS TH' NUTS, BUDDY?

BAH! YOU KIN HAVE YOUR HAND-OUTS! I WANT ME OWN DOUGH... AN' I DON'T CARE HOW I GET IT, EITHER!





I BEG YOUR FORGIVENESS. BUT I HEARD YOU WISH FOR MONEY...PERHAPS MY MASTER, LING YUNG, CAN GIVE YOU WORK?

OKAY WIT' ME, PAL...I HEAR DIS GUY, LING, HAS LOTS OF DOUGH!



THIS LING YUNG MUST BE A PRETTY NICE FELLOW, TO HELP THESE BOYS GET WORK...BUT WHAT'S THIS OUTSIDE? TOURISTS GOING SLUMMING, EH?

FOLLOW PLEASE!



AT THE CURB OUTSIDE THE SOUP KITCHEN...

STEP INTO THE SOUP KITCHEN, FOLKS... RUN BY A WEALTHY ORIENTAL LING YUNG. STEP IN AND TAKE A LOOK!



THINK OF ALL THE YEARS WE'VE LIVED IN THIS CITY...AND NEVER BEEN HERE BEFORE!

I'M SO GLAD WE CAME! PEOPLE IN THE CITIES DON'T REALIZE HOW MUCH THEY'RE MISSING 'TIL THEY LOOK AROUND A BIT!



IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, THAT YOUNG MAN WITH THE GIRL IS GOING TO BE MINUS HIS WALLET IN A SECOND!



JUST A PICK-POCKET TRYING TO PICK UP A DISHONEST LIVING? WELL, WELL!



I'D LIKE TO SOCK HIM ONE FOR THAT, BUT I CAN'T AFFORD TO MIX UP IN ANY TROUBLE...MIGHT AS WELL MAKE AN EXIT NOW...NOTHING DOING HERE!



NEXT MORNING... AT THE CUMMINGS' HOME...

PAY-PAH! EEE-YO!









RIGHT UP THE FIRE ESCAPE INTO THE SWANKY "RITZ" APARTMENT!



FIRST I HAVE TO EMPTY THE SAFE, THE BOSS SAID!



THERE... I PLANT THIS GLOVE I SWIPED FROM A TOURIST! ... HE'LL BE PICKED UP FOR THE ROBBERY, AN' THEN I'LL BE SAFE!



AH! EVERYTHING IS JUST LIKE THE BOSS PLANNED! ... AND NOBODY'S SEEN A THING!



INSINUATING THAT I'M A "NOBODY," MISTER?



I'M READY FOR YOU, WHOEVER YOU ARE!

YOU'RE NOT ONLY READY... YOU'RE OVER-DUE!



YOU DON'T LOOK MUCH LIKE A CANARY... BUT COME ON... START SINGING!



NOW I KNOW WHO YOU ARE! YOU'RE STERLING... YEAH! ... YEAH... I'LL TALK! I WAS HIRED BY LING YUNG TO PULL THIS JOB, A BUNCH OF OTHER GUYS ARE OUT TONIGHT, TOO! BUT IT WON'T DO YOU NO GOOD FOR YOU TO GO AFTER LING... YOU'LL NEVER GET ANY EVIDENCE! HIS MEN ARE TOO LOYAL TO SQUEAL!





WHERE ARE YOU TAKIN' ME?

TO THE POLICE!.. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS CONFESS TO YOUR CRIME!

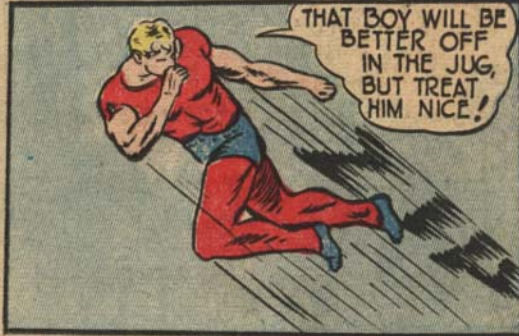


..AND DON'T MENTION LING YUNG'S NAME, UNDERSTAND? I DON'T WANT THEM RUINING MY PLAN!

CASSIDY! BY ME BROTHER, HARRY.. LOOK!



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THAT BOY WILL BE BETTER OFF IN THE JUG, BUT TREAT HIM NICE!



NOW!.. FOR A NON-STOP TRIP TO DORA'S!



BUT IF I'M STEEL'S PAL, WHY DON'T HE LET ME HELP HIM?

HE'LL PROBABLY GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU SOON, LOONEY!



HELLO, LOONEY! YOU'RE JUST THE ONE I WANT TO SEE!

YIPPEE!



DRESS UP LIKE A BUM AND GO DOWN TO CHINATOWN TO THE SOUP KITCHEN! TRY TO GET YOURSELF A JOB! THEN WAIT FOR ME TO SHOW UP! GET IT?

SOUP KITCHEN?.. WHAT KIND OF SOUP HAVE THEY GOT? I DON'T LIKE SOUP STEEL!





THE MAN OF STEEL ZIPS ON HIS WAY..



I GUESS NOBODY WANTS TO BUY ANYTHING MORE TONIGHT.. HO HUM.. MIGHT AS WELL CLOSE UP THE HARDWARE STORE AND GO HOME!



THIS TOOL CHEST CONTAINS HAMMER, SCREW DRIVER, HINGES, SWIVEL, HINGES, SAW, ETC.. ..GOOD.. I'LL TAKE IT.. HERE! ..KEEP THE CHANGE!

SAW, HAMMER, HINGE.. YES! UH.. GULP!



HEY! I'LL DRILL YA IF.. OH! GOSH IT'S YOU, STEEL!

YOUR EYES ARE STILL GOOD CLANCY! NOW LET'S SEE HOW GOOD YOUR NERVES ARE... NOW TAKE THIS TOOL CHEST AND....



I'VE GOT A FEW CROOKS TO ROUND UP BEFORE THEY INVOLVE INNOCENT CITIZENS.. SEE YOU LATER!

STERLING TELLS HIS PLAN TO CLANCY AND DEPARTS!

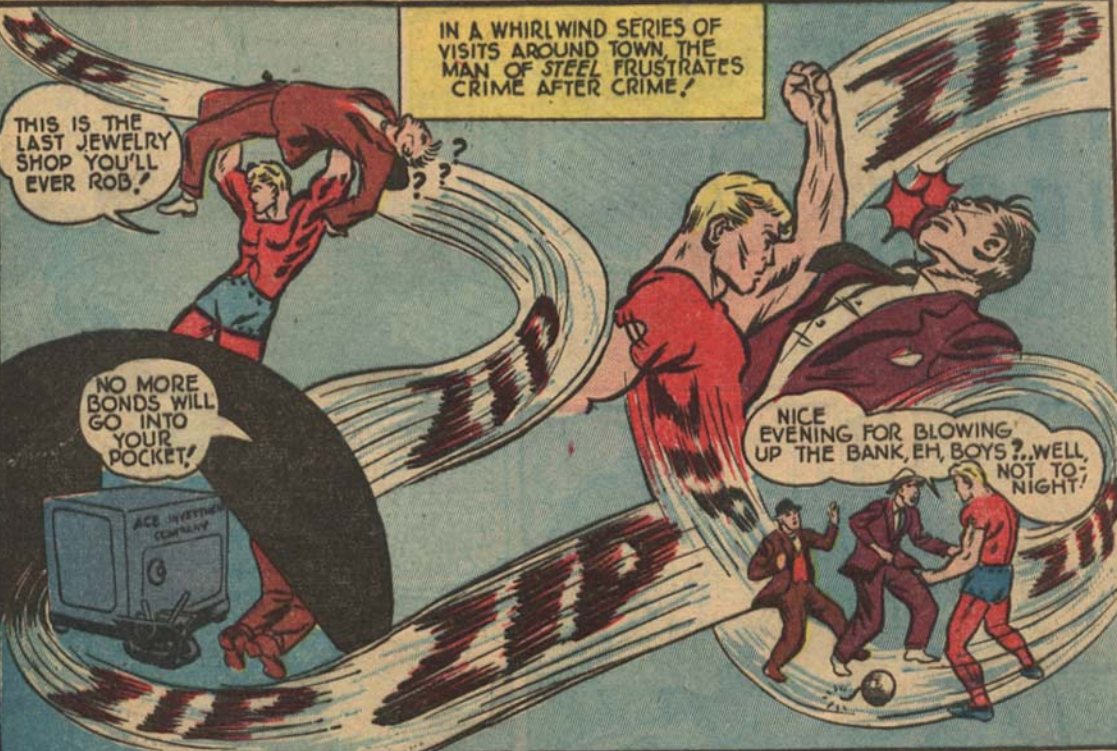


IN A WHIRLWIND SERIES OF VISITS AROUND TOWN, THE MAN OF STEEL FRUSTRATES CRIME AFTER CRIME!

THIS IS THE LAST JEWELRY SHOP YOU'LL EVER ROB!

NO MORE BONDS WILL GO INTO YOUR POCKET!

NICE EVENING FOR BLOWING UP THE BANK, EH, BOYS? ..WELL, NOT TO-NIGHT!



MEANWHILE..

IF LOONEY CAN DRESS UP LIKE A BUM, I CAN TOO!



I DON'T SEE WHY I SHOULD SIT AROUND HERE, DOING NOTHING! I MAY BE ABLE TO HELP STEEL BY GOING DOWN TO CHINA-TOWN ..LOONEY ALWAYS GETS IN A JAM, ANYHOW!

IN LING YUNG'S SOUP KITCHEN..

I SHALL BE PLEASED TO TAKE YOU BEFORE THE GREAT LING YUNG .. WALK AHEAD, PLEASE!

AN' SO I THOUGHT MAYBE YOU COULD HELP ME GET A JOB OF SOME KIND!



I'M PRETTY HANDY WITH MY DUKES AND BLAB, BLAB, BLAB.

REGARD THE YOUNG BOY! ..SEE THE HAIR IN THE BACK! ..TIS NOT A BOY, BUT A GIRL! ..A SPY, PERHAPS!





SO FAR, SO GOOD!  
NOBODY KNOWS  
I'M A  
GIRL,  
YET!

AS DORA  
WALKS TO A  
TABLE, A SE-  
CRET PANEL  
OPENS IN  
THE WALL!

THE NEXT INSTANT!

EEEEEEEEE  
CLICK!



LOONEY MEETS LING YUNG

THIS VICTIM OF  
CIRCUMSTANCES  
HAS REQUESTED  
A POSITION!

HOW SO?..WHAT  
CAN THE DUMB ONE  
DO?

HEY...! AIN'T SO  
DUMB...! I  
CAN..

SILENCE!  
I, LING YUNG, AM  
SPEAKING... BUT  
WHAT OCCURS??  
...A YOUNG GIRL  
SCREAMING??  
AH... BUT YES...  
BRING HER  
IN!



STAND ASIDE,  
I WOULD  
HAVE A WORD  
WITH THE  
WHITE  
BEAUTY!

THIS UNWORTHY FEMALE  
WAS MASQUERADING AS  
A MAN... WE FEAR SHE  
IS A SPY.

HOLY SOCKS!  
IT'S DORA!  
WOW!

IT IS WITH REGRET THAT I  
CONDEMN HER TO THE  
DEATH OF A THOUSAND  
HOT COALS... ATTACH  
HER SO-LOVELY  
WRISTS TO THE  
ROPES ABOVE  
THE BRAZIER!

AND THE LADY  
DOES NOT PRO-  
TEST... HOW UN-  
FORTUNATE,  
THAT ONE SO  
BEAUTIFUL MUST  
BE PUNISHED.







SLOWLY NOW!  
LOWER HER  
GENTLY!  
ROAST HER  
THOROUGHLY!



THAT'S JUST ABOUT ENOUGH  
OF THAT! THE ODDS ARE  
AGAINST ME, BUT HERE  
GOES NOTHING!



GET THAT GIRL OUT  
OF THERE, OR I'LL  
PLUG THE WHOLE  
BUNCH OF YOU!  
HEAR ME?



YOU DON'T  
BELIEVE  
ME, HUH!

BANG

BANG



BUT LOONEY IS OVERPOWERED..

TIE HIM UP,  
ALSO!

BANG



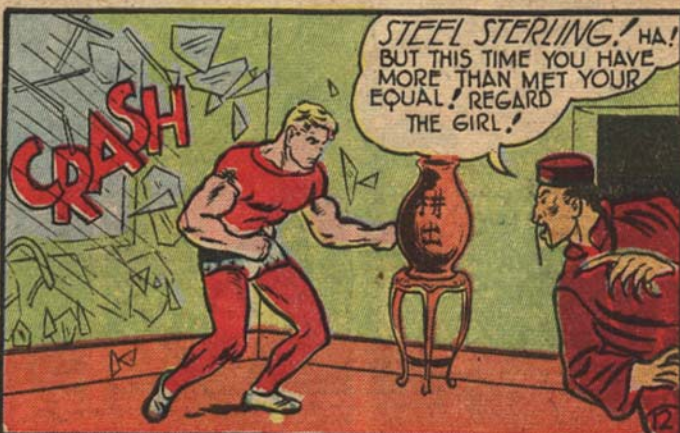
THIS IS MORE THAN I HAD EXPECTED.. TONIGHT THERE  
SHALL BE A DOUBLE TORTURE! YOUR BODIES WILL  
BE BURNED BEYOND RECOGNITION.. THEN WE SHALL  
TOSS YOU INTO THE RIVER.. AS  
WE DID THE OTHERS  
WHO DARED TO  
OPPOSE  
LING YUNG!



THESE WINDOWS  
ARE PRETTY DIRTY!  
MIND IF I COME  
INSIDE FOR A  
BETTER VIEW?

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CRASH

STEEL STERLING! HA!  
BUT THIS TIME YOU HAVE  
MORE THAN MET YOUR  
EQUAL! REGARD  
THE GIRL!

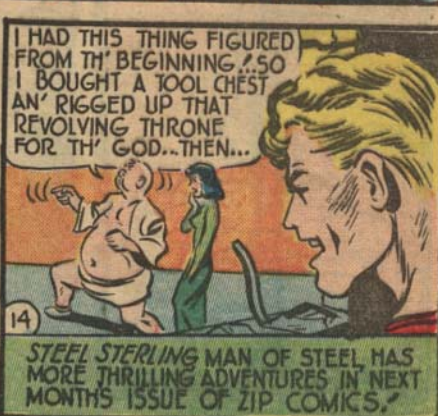








AS LING YUNG RUNS PAST THE JADE-GOD A SUDDEN MOVEMENT...



STEEL STERLING MAN OF STEEL HAS MORE THRILLING ADVENTURES IN NEXT MONTHS ISSUE OF ZIP COMICS.



# DICKY

IN THE

# MAGIC FOREST

by L. GOLDEN

DICKY FARENWELL'S FATHER HAS JUST ATTENDED A LECTURE, AND IS ON HIS WAY HOME AS OUR STORY GETS UNDER WAY....



WHILE TRAVERSING A DESERTED STREET...



BEG PARDON, SIR -- WOULD YOU CARE TO BUY A BOW AND ARROW?

THIS SET IS WORTH FIVE DOLLARS, BUT, AS I AM BADLY IN NEED OF FUNDS, YOU CAN HAVE IT FOR TWENTY FIVE CENTS!



WHO CAN RESIST SUCH A BARGAIN?

DICKY WILL JUMP OUT OF HIS SKIN WHEN HE SEES HIS NEW PRESENT!



GREAT HEAVENS!



OOH!





A MOMENT LATER.....  
**HELP! HELP! MURDER!**      **WHAT—!**

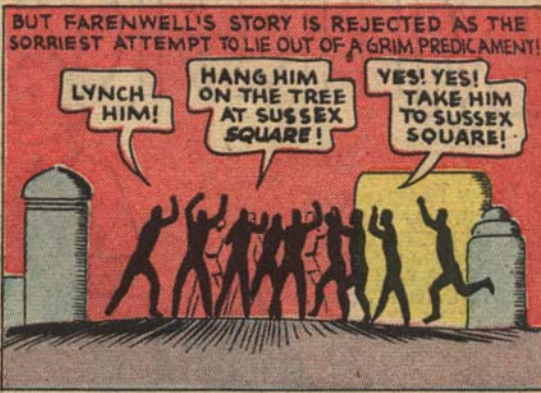


I'M THIS GIRL'S FIANCE... WE WERE TO MEET HERE... AS I TURNED INTO THE STREET I SAW THIS DEVIL POISED OVER HER BODY WITH A BOW AND SOME ARROWS IN HIS BLOODY HANDS! I JUMPED ON HIM BEFORE HE COULD GET AWAY!

THE ARROW IN THE GIRL'S BODY AND THIS MAN'S ARROWS ARE IDENTICAL!



EVERY WORD THIS MAN SAID IS TRUE - BUT YOU'RE RUSHING TO CONCLUSIONS! THE OLD MAN WHO SOLD ME THE BOW AND ARROWS IS THE MURDERER! I'LL TELL YOU EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED...  
**THINK FAST, KILLER!**

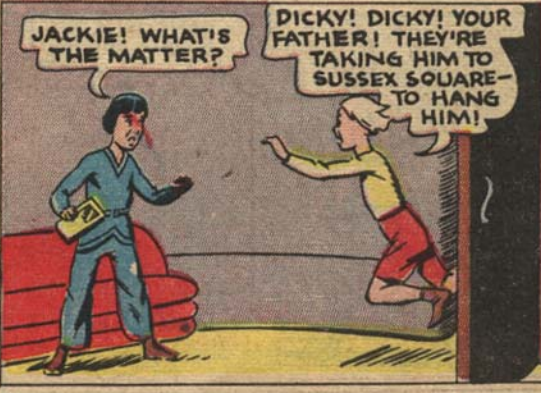


BUT FARENWELL'S STORY IS REJECTED AS THE SORRIEST ATTEMPT TO LIE OUT OF A GRIM PREDICAMENT!

**LYNCH HIM!**      **HANG HIM ON THE TREE AT SUSSEX SQUARE!**      **YES! YES! TAKE HIM TO SUSSEX SQUARE!**



AS DICKY'S FATHER IS HUSTLED AWAY, A SMALL BOY DETACHES HIMSELF FROM THE FRENZIED MOB!  
**I GOTTA TELL DICKY!**



**JACKIE! WHAT'S THE MATTER?**      **DICKY! DICKY! YOUR FATHER! THEY'RE TAKING HIM TO SUSSEX SQUARE - TO HANG HIM!**



DICKY DIVES INTO HIS MAGIC GLOVES, SEIZES HIS MAGIC WHIP, AND FLYING BROOM, AND...



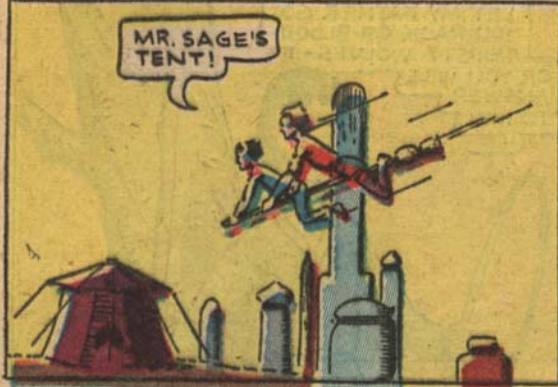
**I'VE GOT TO GET THERE IN TIME!**



SIMULTANEOUSLY, DICKY AND THE WOULD-BE LYNCHERS REACH THE TREE AT SUSSEX SQUARE!









DICKY THROWS OFF HIS CLOTHING AND INHALES THE SWEET PERFUME OF THE MAGIC WATER-PLANT!

NOW I CAN LIVE UNDER WATER FOR SEVERAL DAYS!



AT THIS INSTANT, A ROCK FLIES AT DICKY'S HEAD!



WHEN DICKY REGAINS HIS SENSES.....

OH! OH! A WITCH!

YES, AND A HUNGRY ONE! HE! HE!



HER BACK IS TURNED IF I CAN ONLY MAKE IT TO THE TOP!



SILENTLY, DICKY MANEUVERS HIS WAY TO THE TOP OF THE POLE... ONE LAST WRIGGLE, AND HE IS OFF.....



..AND AWAY!



#!!?#

SHE'S CATCHING UP FAST!







MY STREAM! AND MY VERY SPOT!

BLASTED !! # @



RIP! RIP!

WHEW! WHAT A NARROW ESCAPE! LUCKY I BREATHED IN MY MAGIC WATER-PLANT

ON A SHARP UNDER-WATER ROCK, DICKY CUTS HIS BONDS!



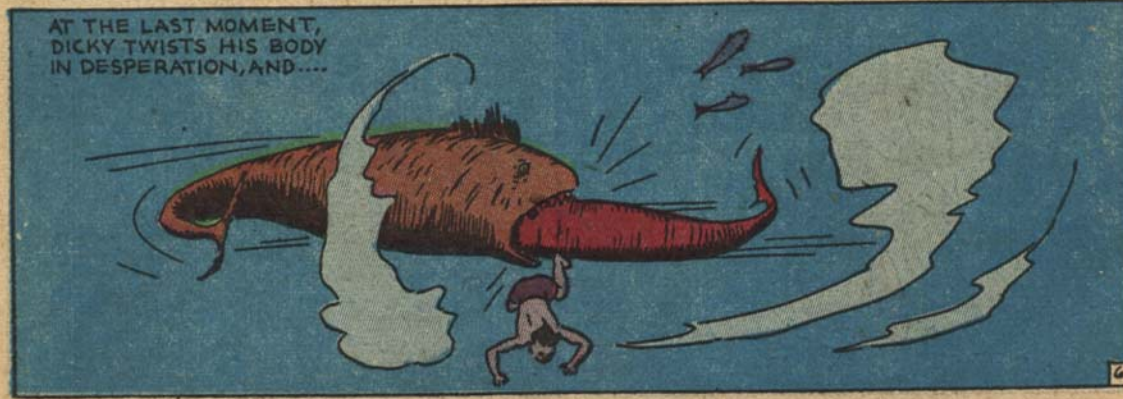
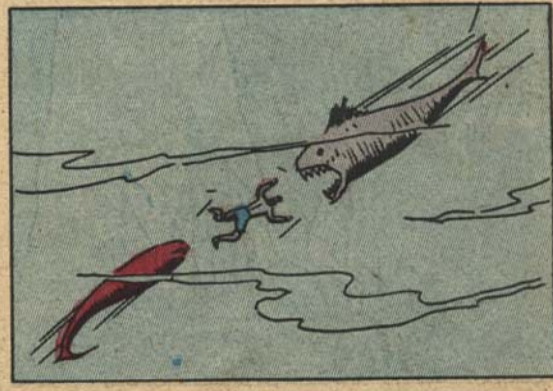
A MONSTER OF THE DEEP SIGHTS DICKY, AND MOVES TO THE ATTACK!



OH! OH! I'M LOST!



ANOTHER!



AT THE LAST MOMENT, DICKY TWISTS HIS BODY IN DESPERATION, AND....



AS THE MONSTERS WRITE IN AGONY DICKY DESCENDS TO THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER!

YOWEE!  
MY MAGIC  
WATCH!



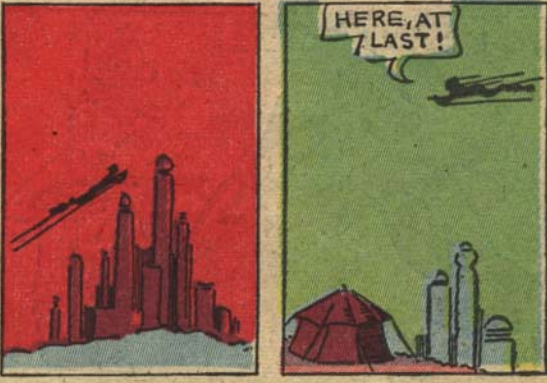
GOLLY, ALL MY MUSCLES  
ACHE! BUT I MADE IT!



I'M OFF FOR  
PANORA!



HERE, AT  
LAST!



FATHER! THE WATCH!  
I HAVE THE MAGIC  
WATCH!

WHAT!

GOOD  
HEAVENS!



TEN MINUTES LATER, WE FIND THE THREE  
WITHIN THE CONFINES OF A GUARD STATION!

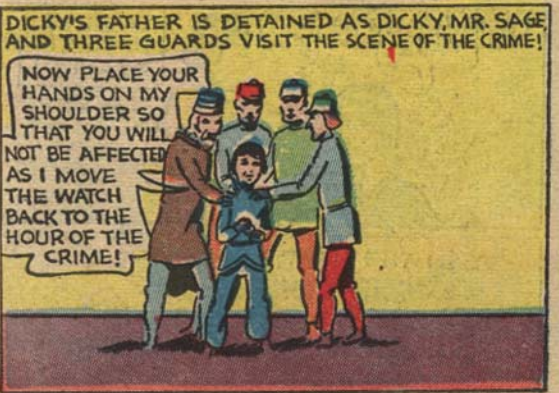
PLACE SEVERAL OFFICERS AT  
MY DISPOSAL TO ACT AS WITNESSES  
AND I'LL PROVE MY  
FRIEND IS  
INNOCENT!

GRANTED  
MR. SAGE!



DICKY'S FATHER IS DETAINED AS DICKY, MR. SAGE  
AND THREE GUARDS VISIT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME!

NOW PLACE YOUR  
HANDS ON MY  
SHOULDER SO  
THAT YOU WILL  
NOT BE AFFECTED  
AS I MOVE  
THE WATCH  
BACK TO THE  
HOUR OF THE  
CRIME!



LOOK, MY FATHER!  
HE HAS JUST ATTENDED  
A LECTURE AND IS  
ON HIS WAY HOME!  
WE'RE INVISIBLE  
TO HIM!







AND HERE'S THE OLD MAN! HE'S SELLING MY FATHER A BOW AND ARROW!

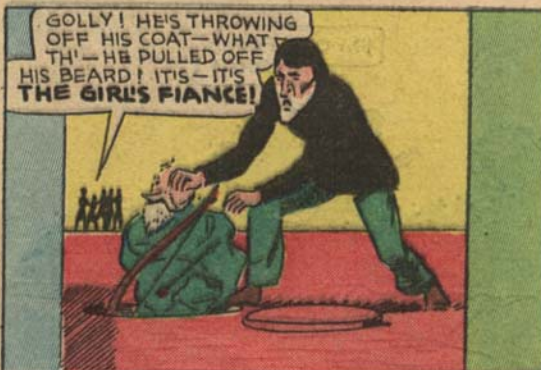


SUDDENLY, THE OLD MAN STEPS INTO AN ALLEYWAY, FITS AN ARROW TO A BOW, AND.....



GREAT HEAVENS!

OOH!



GOLLY! HE'S THROWING OFF HIS COAT—WHAT TH'— HE PULLED OFF HIS BEARD! IT'S—IT'S THE GIRL'S FIANCE!



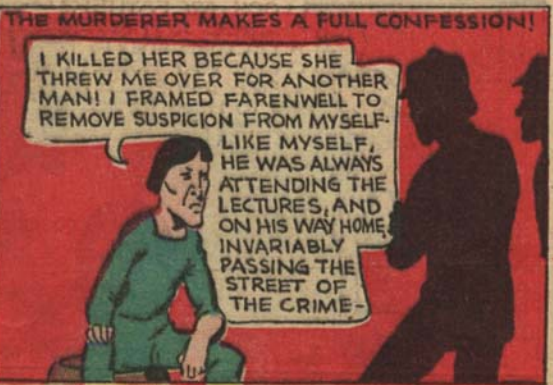
HELP! HELP! MURDER!

WHAT—!



WELL, HAVE YOU SEEN ENOUGH?

THANKS TO YOUR MAGIC WATCH! TAKE US BACK TO THE PRESENT WE'RE GOING TO PAY THAT FELLOW A LITTLE VISIT!



THE MURDERER MAKES A FULL CONFESSION!

I KILLED HER BECAUSE SHE THREW ME OVER FOR ANOTHER MAN! I FRAMED FARENWELL TO REMOVE SUSPICION FROM MYSELF.

LIKE MYSELF, HE WAS ALWAYS ATTENDING THE LECTURES, AND ON HIS WAY HOME, INVARIABLY PASSING THE STREET OF THE CRIME-



FATHER, YOU'RE FREE!

THANKS TO YOU, MY CHILD!

IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF ZIP COMICS DICKY ENTERS THE GREAT TOURNAMENT OF MAGIC!



# NEVADA JONES

## Quick-Trigger Man





JUST AS BETSY'S RANCH HANDS CARRY OUT THE BODY,  
NEVADA JONES AND LITTLE JOE ARRIVE...



WHAT HAPPENED,  
PARDNER?

A RANCHER NAME O'  
WILKINS GOT PLUGGED  
BY BLACK BART IN A  
CARD GAME!



BLACK BART SHORE IS SMART! NOW  
THERE'S ONLY WILKINS' DAUGHTER,  
BETSY, TAKIN' CARE O' ALL THEM CATTLE  
ON THE RANCH!  
KNOW  
WHAT I  
MEAN?



I THINK I DO KNOW  
WHAT HE MEANS!  
O'MON, LITTLE  
JOE..WE'RE  
GOIN' TUH  
THE WILKINS  
RANCH!

SI, BOSS! WE  
NO HAVE ACTION  
FOR A LONG  
TIME, EH?



AT THAT MOMENT, AT THE WILKINS RANCH!...

SORRY, MISS  
BETSY, WE'RE  
LEAVIN'! WE  
AIN'T TANGLIN'  
WITH BLACK  
BART!

ALL RIGHT, YOU  
COWARDS! I'LL TAKE  
CARE OF THIS RANCH  
ALONE!



LATER, NEVADA AND LITTLE JOE RIDE UP!

HEY.. PUT UP  
YORE SHOOTIN'  
IRONS, MISS!

YOU'RE FROM  
THAT MURDERER'S  
TOWN! ..GET OFF  
MY RANCH!



DON'T LET THIS MASK  
FOOL YUH! WE  
WANT A JOB!

I DON'T BE-  
LIEVE YOU! THIS  
IS A SCHEME  
O' BLACK BART'S!

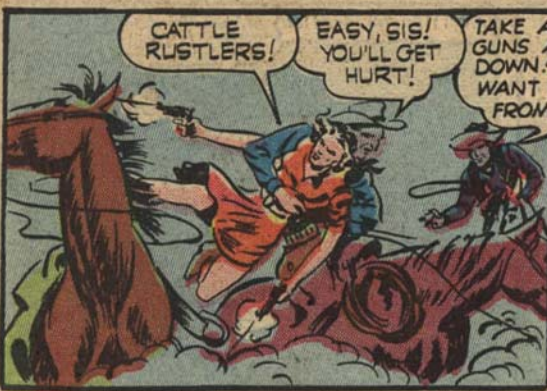


LOOKS LIKE WE'LL  
HAVE TUH HELP  
THAT GAL SOME  
OTHER WAY!

I CATCH! WE  
HANG 'ROUND  
AND KEEP  
WATCH, EH?











I KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT NURSING! IF I CAN GET THE BULLET OUT HE MAY HAVE A CHANCE!



SHOOT MY PARD, WILL THEY? I'LL SHOW 'EM!



I'M GOIN' AFTER 'EM! TAKE CARE O' LITTLE JOE!

BUT YOU'RE ONLY ONE MAN! THEY'LL KILL YOU!



MEBBE...N MEBBE NOT! YIPEE YAY! BLAZE... AWAY!



AT THAT MOMENT..

I'M GOIN' BACK TUH TOWN! YOU START CHANGIN' BRANDS!

OKAY, BART!



REACH YUH COYOTES!



PLUG 'IM! DON'T... OOO!

I WARNED YUH, NO GUN-PLAY!



THE REST OF THE RUSTLERS COME RUNNING.. BUT NEVADA STANDS HIS GROUND, GUNS BLAZING!

AARRGH!

UGH, HE GOT ME!

BANG!

BANG!



THE SHOOTING STAMPEDES THE STEERS...



...AND THE REST OF THE RUSTLERS ARE CRUSHED!



NEVADA LEAPS ON BLAZE...



GOTTA GET THIS ONE TO RUN THE OTHER WAY! HE'S THE LEADER! MY SLICKER WAVIN' IN HIS FACE SHOULD DO IT!



I'M GOIN' TUH HEAD THAT STAMPEDE TOWARDS BLACK GULCH!

IT WORKED!...THEY'LL STAMPEDE RIGHT THROUGH THAT BANDIT'S TOWN!... AND I'M FOLLOWIN'!



SOKOL'S SALOON

RUN FER YER LIVES!



SWEEPING EVERYTHING BEFORE THEM... THE ENRAGED CATTLE LEAVE A SWATH OF DESTRUCTION!





NOW IF THOSE CATTLE DIDN'T GET BLACK BART, I WILL!



BART! NEVADA JONES IS COMIN'! HE'S GUNNIN' FER YA!



THAT HOMBRE'S TOO GOOD WITH A GUN! NO USE TAKIN' CHANCES...LISTEN!...DO AS I TELL YUH!



DRAW BART!



NEVADA SENSES A TRAP AND RAISES HIS GUN, TO SHOOT THE BUSHWHACKER JUST IN TIME.

IN THE SAME MOTION, HE WHIRLS AND PLUGS BLACK BART!



WELL, THEY'LL NEVER SHOOT ANY BODY ELSE IN TH' BACK! ...N THIS TOWN'S CLEANED UP! NOW THE DECENT FOLK'LL SETTLE IT AGAIN!



NEVADA RETURNS TO THE RANCH! JOE'LL BE ALL-RIGHT!



CAN'T KEEP A GOOD MAN DOWN, EH, BOSS!



YUH SAID IT, PARD! WE'LL SOON BE HITTIN' TH'TRAIL AGAIN!



RIDE THE RANGE AND THE SAGE BRUSH TRAILS WITH NEVADA JONES, QUICK-TRIGGER MAN, EVERY MONTH IN **ZIP** COMICS



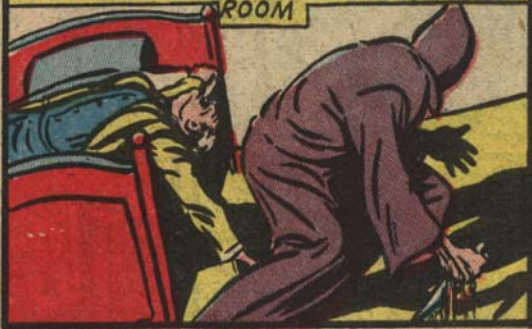
# RED REAGAN

OF THE HOMICIDE SQUAD

HUGO BLACK-WEALTHY RETIRED COLLECTOR OF RARE BOOKS - BIDS GOODNIGHT TO HIS FAMILY AND ENTERS HIS BEDROOM---- WHEN !!!



THE HOODED FIGURE STEALS OUT OF THE ROOM



YOUR FATHER IS DEAD, THE DRUID CURSE IS WORKING! WE'D BETTER CALL THE POLICE






YOU SAY MR. BLACK RECEIVED A NOTE FROM A MYSTERIOUS DRUID TRIBE? LET'S SEE IT!



RED REAGAN ARRIVES AND TAKES OVER THE CASE!

  
Mister Black —  
you have among your rare books, a copy of our secret book of ancient rites! Unless you return it to us — death shall strike you and your family!  
Druid A.R.C.

YOU SEE REAGAN, WHILE THE FAMILY WAS AWAY LAST SUMMER, MY BROTHER HUGO PICKED UP AN ANCIENT DRUID BOOK FOR HIS COLLECTION! SOON AFTER HIS RETURN LAST WEEK, HE RECEIVED THIS NOTE!



YOU'RE HUGO'S BROTHER, MORT, I BELIEVE?



YES, SIR! AND THIS GIRL IS HIS DAUGHTER, BETTE!

ARE YOU THE VICTIM'S WIFE MADAME?



YES, MR. REAGAN! I WAS HIS SECOND WIFE! THIS BOY HERE IS MY SON, REGGIE, BY MY FIRST MARRIAGE! AND THE GENTLEMAN ON MY RIGHT IS MY BROTHER, EDWIN!

SUPPOSE YOU GET ME THE DRUID BOOK FROM THE SAFE! I'M GOING TO SIT UP AND READ IT TONIGHT WHILE THE REST OF YOU GET SOME SLEEP!



HERE'S THE BOOK, REAGAN! NOW, WE'LL BE OFF TO BED!



LATER...





AS REAGAN APPARENTLY DOZES, A HOODED 'SHADOW MOVERS' OVER...



WHO'S THERE? MOVE INTO THE LIGHT OR I'LL SHOOT!



OH! I DIDN'T MEAN TO FRIGHTEN YOU! I JUST HAD TO COME DOWN AND HAVE A TALK WITH YOU!



WHAT IS IT, BETTE?

IT'S ABOUT MY STEP-MOTHER AND HER BROTHER AND SON! SHE MARRIED DAD FOR HIS MONEY AND HE FOUND IT OUT! HE WAS GOING TO CHANGE HIS WILL AND LEAVE EVERYTHING TO ME!



SO I FEEL SURE, MOTHER AND HER FAMILY HAD DAD KILLED SO HE COULDN'T CHANGE THAT WILL!



I SEE - BUT...

A FAINT MOVEMENT OUTSIDE THE DOOR, ATTRACTS REAGAN'S ATTENTION!



SHH!

JUST A MINUTE, YOU!



WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

I TOLD YOU, MR. REAGAN!



THE MYSTERIOUS 'EAVES-DROPPER' TURNS OUT TO BE MRS. BLACK'S SON, REGGIE!



I HEARD BETTE  
COME DOWNSTAIRS  
AND I-I WORRIED  
ABOUT HER. I ONLY  
WANTED TO BE  
SURE SHE WAS  
ALRIGHT!

VERY WELL,  
REGGIE!  
NOW GO BACK  
TO YOUR  
ROOM!



TRY TO GET  
SOME REST.



GOODNIGHT  
BETTE!

GOODNIGHT,  
REGGIE!



TEN MINUTES  
LATER...



SOMETHING'S ALL  
WRONG AROUND  
HERE! I'M GOING  
TO SEE IF ALL'S  
WELL, UPSTAIRS!



HELP!



I WAS RIGHT!  
THAT WAS BETTY  
SCREAMING!

THE HOMICIDE ACE  
BOUNDS UP THE  
STEPS...



AND SMASHES INTO  
THE GIRL'S ROOM!

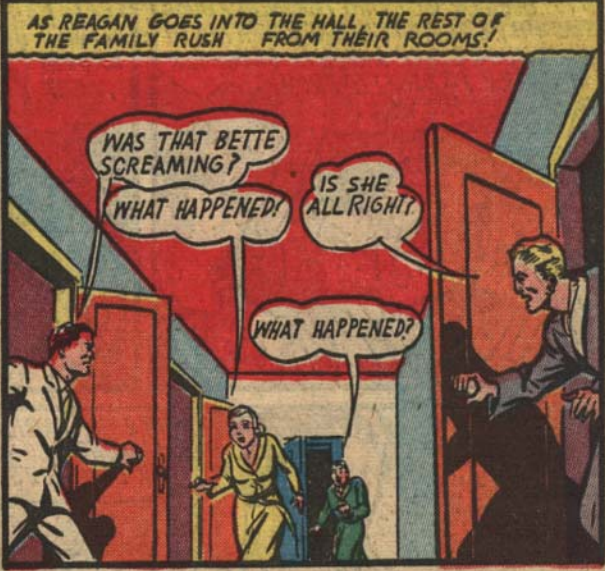




OOH!



I MUST HAVE FAINTED!  
DRUID WAS IN HERE  
READY TO KILL ME!



AS REAGAN GOES INTO THE HALL, THE REST OF  
THE FAMILY RUSH FROM THEIR ROOMS!

WAS THAT BETTE  
SCREAMING?

WHAT HAPPENED!

IS SHE  
ALL RIGHT?

WHAT HAPPENED?



WHO SCREAMED?



HAS ANYONE OUTSIDE OF  
REGGIE AND BETTE BEEN  
OUT OF BED TONIGHT, UP  
UNTIL NOW?

NOT I!


WHY WORRY ABOUT THAT?  
WHAT WE WANT TO KNOW IS—  
WHO IS THE DRUID AND WHERE  
IS HE? OUR LIVES  
ARE IN DANGER!



IT MAY INTEREST  
YOU TO KNOW THAT  
THE DRUID — AS YOU  
CALL HIM, IS ONE OF  
YOU FIVE! AND IN A  
MOMENT—I'LL TELL  
YOU WHO HE IS!

RED REAGAN ACE HOMICIDE INVESTIGATOR,  
KNOWS WHO THE DRUID IS.... DO YOU?  
MARK YOUR CHOICE FOR THE MURDERER  
AMONG THE FOLLOWING... THEN TURN THE  
PAGE FOR RED REAGAN'S SOLUTION!

MORT BLACK.....  
BETTE BLACK.....  
MRS. BLACK.....  
REGGIE.....  
EDWIN.....





THE IDEA OF GETTING THE DRUID BOOK WAS ONLY A BLIND. THE "DRUID" WANTED TO KILL HUGO BLACK AND HIS DAUGHTER IN ORDER TO BENEFIT FROM HIS WILL.



THAT PERSON IS HUGO BLACK'S BROTHER, MORT BLACK



OH, NO IT ISN'T! YOU DENIED HAVING BEEN UP TO NIGHT - YET-

THAT'S A LIE!



YOU'RE WEARING DIFFERENT PAJAMAS! YOU JUST GOT MIXED UP, CHANGING INTO THAT DRUID OUTFIT SO MANY TIMES!



WHILE THE FAMILY WAS AWAY ON THAT TRIP, YOU WERE LEFT HERE ALL ALONE! SO YOU RIGGED UP A SECRET PASSAGWAY INTO YOUR BROTHER'S ROOM AND BETTES! THAT WAS EASY!



AND WHEN YOUR BROTHER BOUGHT THAT DRUID BOOK, IT GAVE YOU A PERFECT SET UP - ALMOST!



THE DETECTIVE UNRAVELS THE MURDERER'S WHOLE PLAN THREAD-BY-THREAD

SURE I DID IT' AND I'D HAVE KILLED THE WHOLE FAMILY IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR YOU YOU BIG, RED-HEADED FLATFOOT!



HOW CAN WE EVER THANK YOU MR. REAGAN?

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS LIVE IN PEACE AND HAPPINESS WITH ONE ANOTHER FROM NOW ON! THAT'S ALL THE THANKS I WANT



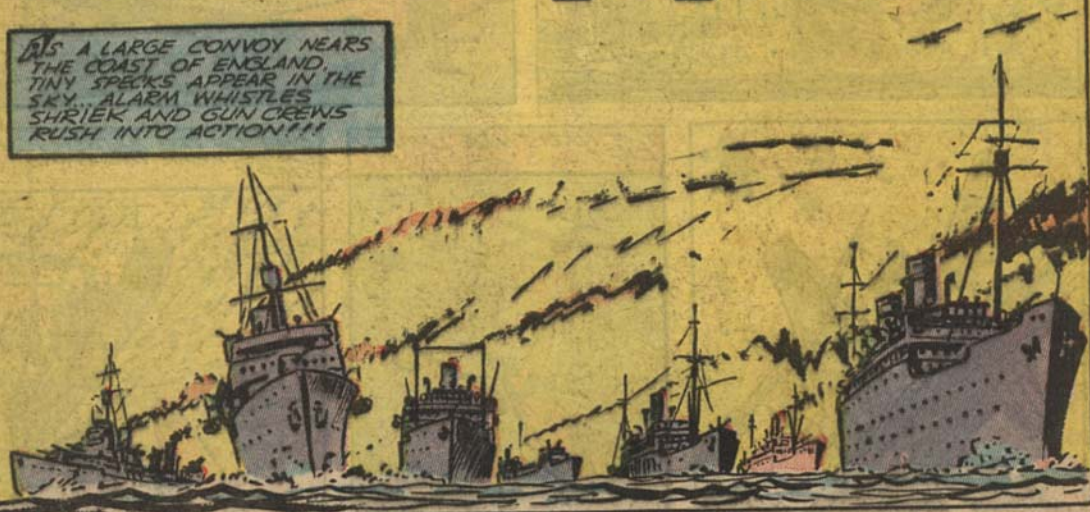
THE END



# War Eagles

## the devil's flying twins

AS A LARGE CONVOY NEARS THE COAST OF ENGLAND, TINY SPECKS APPEAR IN THE SKY. ALARM WHISTLES SHRIEK AND GUN CREWS RUSH INTO ACTION!!!



ABOARD THE LEADING VESSEL ARE TIM AND TOM SHANE, ACES OF THE R.A.F.

SOMETHING'S UP! LET'S GO ON DECK!

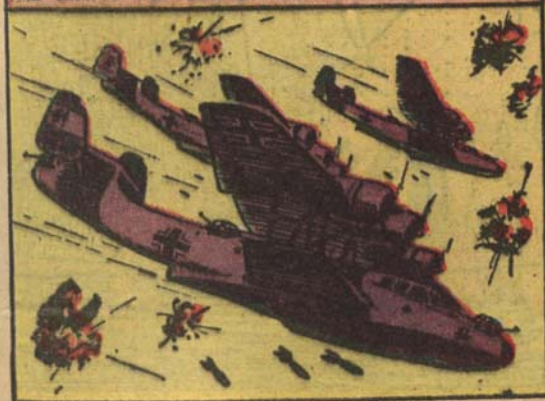
OKAY, BUT FIRST PUT ON YOUR LIFE BELT!

GOSH—NAZI LONG RANGE BOMBERS! WE'RE IN A TOUGH SPOT!

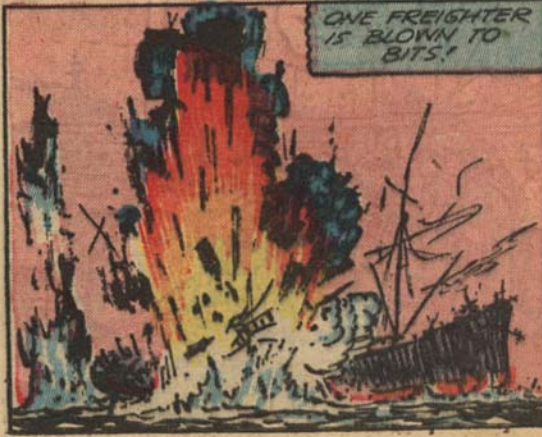
YES, BUT OUR GUNNERS KNOW THEIR BUSINESS!

IF ONLY SOME OF OUR PLANES WOULD SHOW UP!

THE GIANT PLANES SWOOP DOWN...



ONE FREIGHTER IS BLOWN TO BITS!

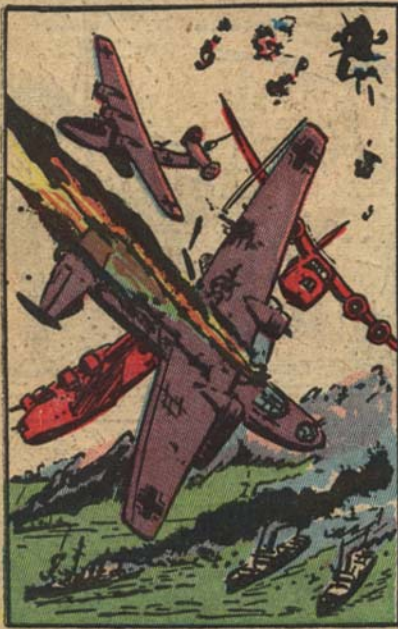
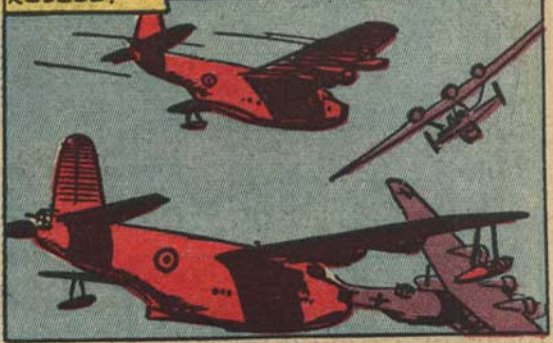




THE DOOMED SHIP SETTLES RAPIDLY..



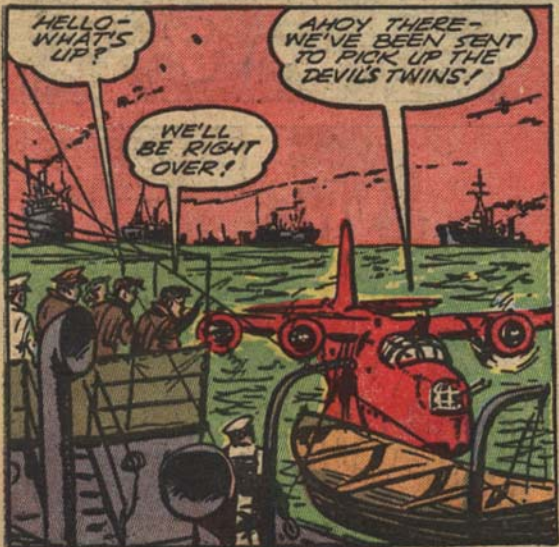
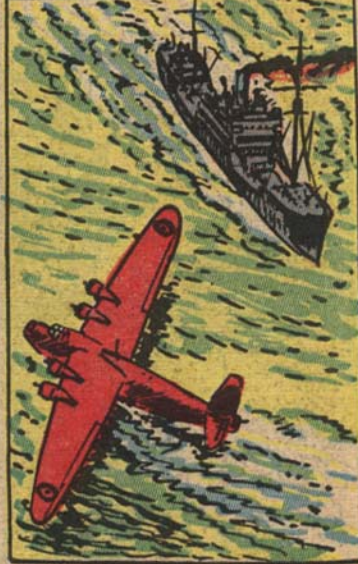
THEN BRITISH PLANES COME TO THE RESCUE!



THE NAZIS ARE DRIVEN OFF!



ONE OF THE BRITISH PLANES LANDS NEAR THE TWIN'S SHIP!



HELLO-  
WHAT'S  
UP?

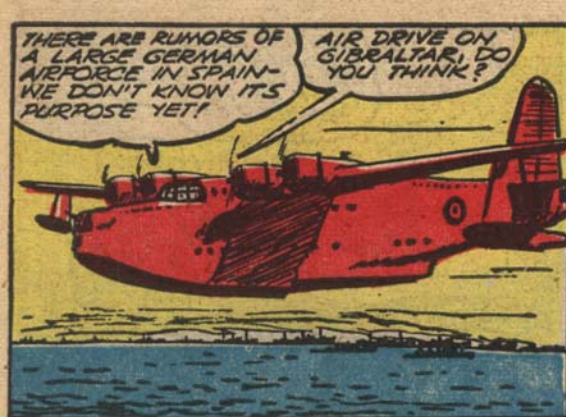
WE'LL  
BE RIGHT  
OVER!

AHOY THERE-  
WE'VE BEEN SENT  
TO PICK UP THE  
DEVIL'S TWINS!



YOU'VE BEEN  
ORDERED TO  
GIBRALTAR!  
WE ARE TO  
TAKE YOU  
THERE!

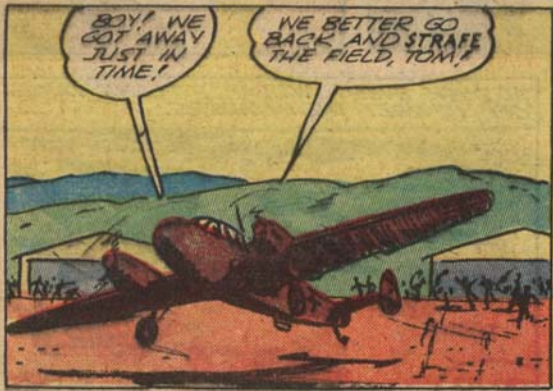














THERE ARE FIVE HUNDRED BOMBERS. THEY FIGURE TO OVERWHELM ALL OPPOSITION AND SMASH YOUR DEFENSES! AND I'M AFRAID THEY'LL SUCCEED!



YES! WE CANNOT HOPE TO HOLD OFF A MASS ATTACK!

WAIT, COLONEL. I'VE GOT AN IDEA!



YOU HAVE LOTS OF BALLOONS FOR CONVOY DUTY - WHY NOT PUT UP A WALL OF STEEL CABLES SUSPENDED BY THOSE SAME BALLOONS? OUR PLANES CAN KEEP THEM FROM GOING OVER THAT WALL!



SHANE - YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING THERE, BUT WHAT ABOUT THEIR SHIPS BRINGING THEIR ARMY?

LET'S WORRY ABOUT THAT LATER - IF WE CAN'T HOLD OFF THE BOMBERS, ALL IS LOST ANYWAY!

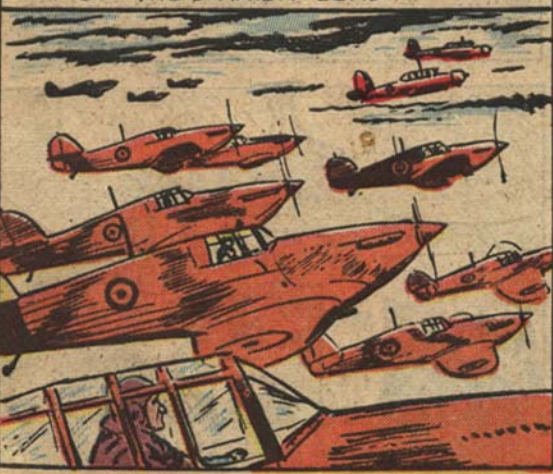


AT DUSK EVERY AVAILABLE PLANE TAKES OFF TO MEET THE INVADERS.

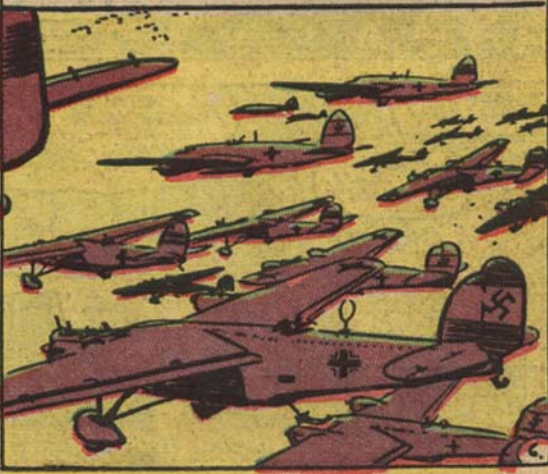


GO TO 12,000 FEET AND SPREAD OUT!

JUST OFF THE SPANISH COAST...



THE NAZI BOMBERS ARE SIGHTED!







THE OUTNUMBERED BRITISH ARE SLOWLY FORCED BACK!



PRESENTLY, THE ENEMY REACHES ITS OBJECTIVE!



BUT AS THE NAZIS DIVE ON THEIR TARGET!



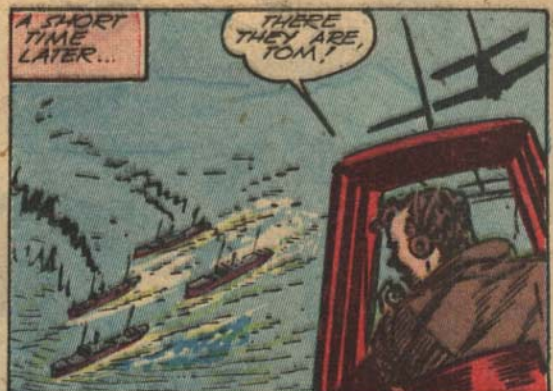
THEY ARE ENMESHED IN THE BALLOON CABLES!



OKAY, TIM, THESE BOMBERS ARE LICKED! LET'S GO AFTER THE TRANSPORTS!







THE DEVIL'S TWINS CARRY ON THE BATTLE AGAINST OPPRESSION IN NEXT MONTH'S  
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Here's what you get in NO. 3

# SHIELD-WIZARD

comics



WHY DID JU JU WATSON FACE THE ELECTRIC CHAIR... AND HOW COULD THE SHIELD SAVE HIM WITHOUT FIRST BREAKING THE LAW HE HAD SWORN TO UPHOLD?...

THE MAHARAJAH MURDERS



WAS THIS A PRE-HISTORIC BEAST THAT STRUCK TERROR INTO THE HEARTS OF ALL HOLLYWOOD OR WAS IT MURDER, HUMANLY AND FIENDISHLY DESIGNED; THAT ONLY THE WIZARD COULD FRUSTRATE?

MYSTERY OF THE FLYING DUTCHMAN



WAS THIS A GHOST SHIP THAT CAME OUT OF THE MIST THAT PLUNGE JOE, DUSTY JUJU AND BETTY WARREN INTO THE WEIRDEST ADVENTURE OF THEIR CAREERS?..

THE MONSTER OF MADNESS



DEATH BELOW



WEIRD HORROR STRUCK AT ALL VISITORS TO THE CITY UNTIL THE WIZARD AND ROY THE SUPER-BOY DECIDED TO INVESTIGATE?..

TERROR STRUCK AT ALL THOSE WHO TRIED TO WORK IN THE VITAL MANGANESE MINES, BUT THE SHIELD AND DUSTY WERE STILL TO BE RECKONED WITH?...



THE CORPSES THAT WOULDN'T STAY HOME

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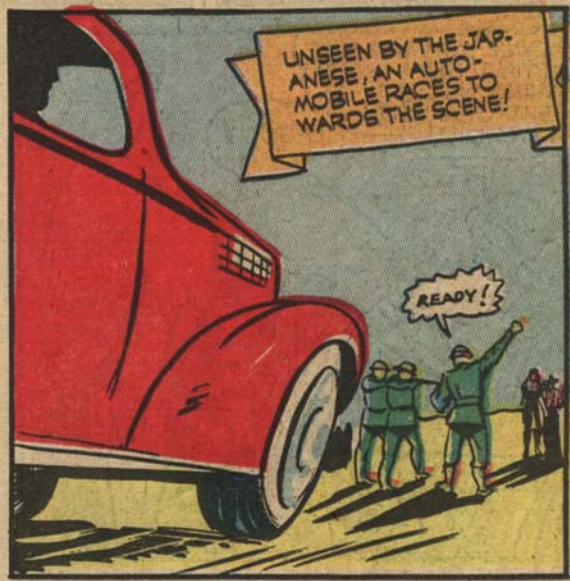


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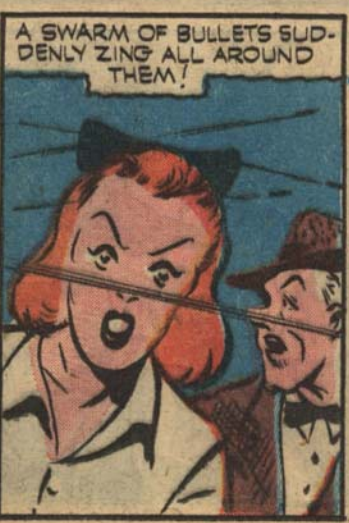
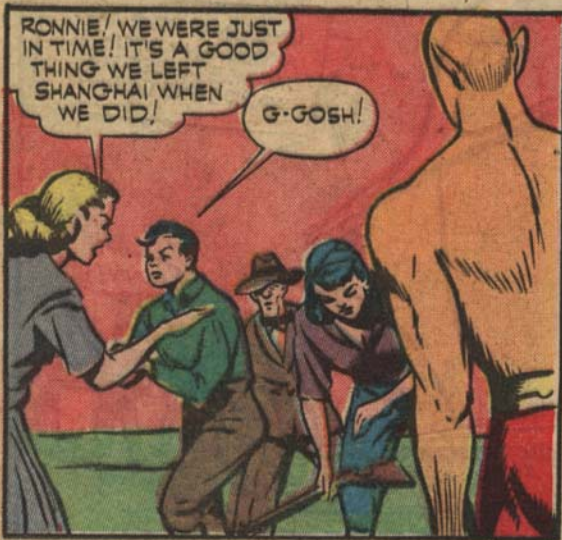
CAPTURED BY THE JAPANESE - WHEN A STOLEN ARMORED DIVISION IN WHICH THEY WERE RIDING WAS WRECKED - RONNIE, TANIA, AND DALLAS ARE LINED UP BEFORE A FIRING SQUAD!













MEANWHILE, CAPTAIN VALOR, STRANDED WITH ZEKE'S TROUPE OF WRESTLERS, ATTEMPTS TO CATCH UP WITH HIS FRIENDS!

DOUBLE-TIME, MEN! WE'VE GOT TO CATCH UP WITH THAT DIVISION!



LISTEN!..SHOTS!..UP THE ROAD SOMEWHERE! IT CAN'T BE FAR! LET'S GO!



COME ON, YOU BUNCH OF WEAK SISTERS! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE IN TRAINING FOR-A WRESTLING MATCH?

WE'RE RIGHT WIT YA!



AH! THAT'S WHAT'S LEFT OF THE DIVISION! AND UNLESS I'M WRONG, THE JAPS ARE ADVANCING UP THE HILL TO GET DALLAS AND RONNIE! LET'S GET DOWN THERE!



THERE ISN'T A GUN IN THE JOINT! BUT THERE ARE PLENTY OF INVADER UNIFORMS! COME ON--HELP ME GET 'EM OUT!

OKAY, CAP!



PUT THESE ON! AND TAKE SOME OF THIS MUD AND PUT IT ON YOUR HANDS AND FACES!

AW GEE! AND I JUST TOOK A BATH!



GOOD ENOUGH! YOU'LL PASS FOR ENEMY SOLDIERS! THE NEXT STEP IS TO GET SOME GUNS! SPLIT UP AND ADVANCE UP THE HILL!





A FEW MOMENTS LATER, THE "HUNGARIAN ANGEL" APPROACHES A JAPANESE SNIPER...



我#品  
分木?



SWEARIN' AT ME, HUH? WELL HAVE A WHIFF OF THIS!

DIS POP-GUN WON'T DO ANY-MORE POPPING AT DA WRONG PEOPLE!



AT ANOTHER POINT ON THE HILL, THE "KOKOMO KILLER" SNEAKS UP BEHIND AN INVADER SOLDIER....



PLOP!

STOP KICKIN'! YOU MAKE ME NERVOUS!



"CAULIFLOWER CARL" ALSO FINDS A VICTIM!



IN A SHORT WHILE, THE WHOLE SECTOR IS UNDER THE CONTROL OF CAPTAIN VALOR AND THE WRESTLERS!



WHOOPEE! THIS IS FUN!

ANYONE ELSE LEFT?

LET'S GO!



GOSH, DALLAS! WE'RE ALMOST OUT OF BULLETS! WE CAN'T HOLD OUT MUCH LONGER!

...AND THEY'VE STOPPED FIRING! IT'S A TRICK! MAYBE THEY'RE SNEAKING UP AROUND THE HILL!

SURE! AND IF WE LEAVE OUR POSITIONS THEY'RE LIABLE TO CATCH US IN THE OPEN!

WHY DID I EVER LEAVE BROOKLYN?

JUST BEYOND THE KNOLL OF THE HILL, CAPTAIN VALOR OVERPOWERS THE LAST SNIPER!

THIS JUST ABOUT WINDS UP TODAY'S CLASS IN MILITARY TACTICS!

COME ON, BOYS! *OVER THE TOP!* BUT KEEP YOUR TIN HATS ON - JUST IN CASE!

I SEE A HELMET! HOLD YOUR FIRE UNTIL THEY REACH THE CREST OF THE HILL! EVERY SHOT MUST COUNT!

HOLD IT! LOOK WHO'S COMING! *CAPTAIN VALOR!*





OH! MUCH GLAD TO SEE!

ATTABOY, CAP!

BIG DIP! WHERE'D YOU COME FROM? AND...ANGIE!



OH, JOY! MUCH MUSH!

I'VE MISSED YOU SO MUCH!

YOU SAID IT!



WHILE JUST OUTSIDE THE CIRCLE OF FRIENDS, TANIA AND NEEKOLAUS ARE HIDING!

LOOK AT VALOR MAKING LOVE TO THAT HUSSY! HE NEVER DID THAT TO ME!



WHY WORRY ABOUT DAT LOW-LIFE KEPTIN WALOR, WHEN YOU HAAF A GENTLEMAN LIKE NEEKOLAUS!

OH, SHUT UP! LET'S GO BEFORE THEY DISCOVER WHERE WE ARE!



WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU AND DALLAS ANYWAY?

WE WERE KIDNAPPED WHEN TANIA AND NEEK STOLE THE DIVISION!



I SEE! AND ZEKE WAS IN ON IT WITH NEEKOLAUS, HUH?



WHY, YOU LITTLE DOUBLE-CROSSING APE! I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU SOMETHING YOU'LL REMEMBER ME BY FOR A LONG TIME!



NEVER MIND ABOUT HIM, CAP! ME AND TH' REST OF TH' BOYS WAS DOUBLE-CROSSED BY OUR 'CHUM'! WE'LL TAKE GOOD CARE OF HIM!





GIVE HIM A CHANCE, BOYS! LET HIM RUN FOR IT!

I CAN'T! I GOT A SPRAINED ANKLE!



AIN'T THAT JUST TOO BAD! WE'LL GIVE YOU 'TILL TEN! ONE... TWO...THREE...START RUNNIN'.. EIGHT.. NINE...



TEN!



HE WON'T STOP UNTIL HE REACHES BROOKLYN!

LOOK AT 'I'M GO!



EXCUSE ME, CAPTAIN! BUT I DON'T THINK I'VE BEEN FORMALLY INTRODUCED TO YOUR...AH... YOUR FRIEND!



HM! WELL, DALLAS, THIS IS ANGIE, RONNIE'S SISTER!

GET IN! BIG DIP DRIVE LIKE WIND!

OH!



CAPTAIN VALOR AND HIS FRIENDS SPEED INTO NEW ADVENTURES IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF **ZIP** COMICS







ARE YOU THINKING WHAT I AM?

I SURE AM!...HE'S THE BEST ENGRAVER IN THE WORLD...THATS FOR US!



HELLO NICK! STARTING NEXT WEEK, WE'LL HAVE A NEW SET OF PLATES, AND WE'LL HAVE SOME REAL STUFF FOR YOU...STICK WITH ME, BOY, YOU'LL BE ROLLING IN DIAMONDS!



SEVERAL WEEKS LATER IN THE LABORATORY OF THE SCARLET AVENGER...

THERE'S SOMETHING HERE THAT MAY INTEREST YOU!

ABOUT THE COUNTERFEIT RING?



YES!...STUDYING A BILL UNDER THE MIKE, I MADE A DISCOVERY...LOOK AT THIS!



WH...WHY THERE'S A MESSAGE WORKED INTO THE DESIGN!



READ IT!

IT SAYS, CODE MESSAGE ON FACE!



WELL, LET'S TURN IT OVER AND TAKE A LOOK!



THOSE DOTS AND DASHES SPELL OUT A MORSE CODE MESSAGE!







CAN YOU DECODE IT?

IT SAYS, "AM PRISONER, LONELY HOUSE, ARMONK. HELP. E DESI."



E. DESI?...ISN'T HE THE EN-GRAVER, WHO WAS KILLED WHEN HIS CAR WENT INTO THE RIVER A MONTH AGO?



HE'S THE ONE, ALL RIGHT, BUT HIS BODY WAS NEVER FOUND!

AND...YOU'RE GOING TO AR-MONK? BE CAREFUL, JIM!



THAT NIGHT, A LONELY HOUSE IN ARMONK

HMMM! GUARDS FOR A DESERTED HOUSE! THIS MUST BE IT!



WELL, HERE WE GO!



HEY!..WHAT!..

UH! UH! MUST-N'T SHOUT!



HOW MANY OTHER GUARDS?

TW..TWO! ONE IS DUE ANY MINUTE NOW!



JOE WHERE ARE YOU?

CALL HIM HERE!

OVER THIS WAY!





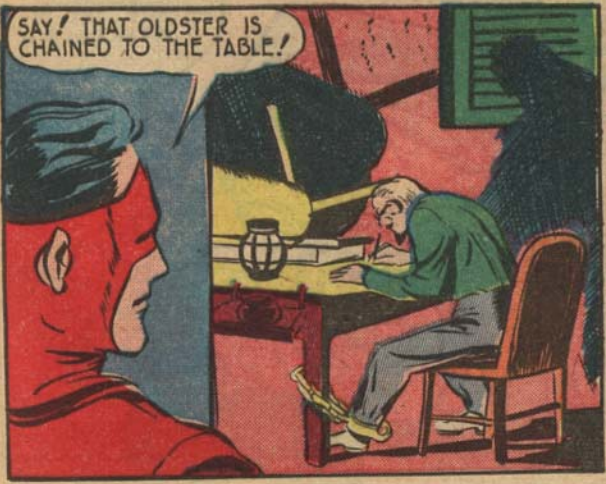
NOW TIE HIM UP!



WITH BOTH GUARDS TIED, THE SCARLET AVENGER VENTURES INTO THE HOUSE...



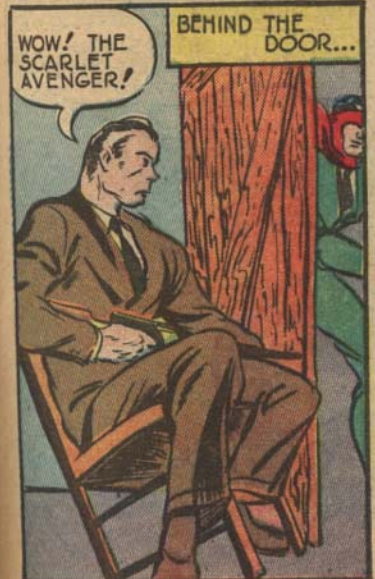
ONE MORE GUARD TO GET, AND HE'S NOWHERE AROUND!  
I'LL JUST HAVE TO TAKE MY CHANCES



SAY! THAT OLDSTER IS CHAINED TO THE TABLE!



YOU'RE DESI, AREN'T YOU?



WOW! THE SCARLET AVENGER!

BEHIND THE DOOR...



NO USE WASTIN' BULLETS. I KNOW ABOUT THAT BULLET-PROOF ROBE OF YOURS!

LOOK OUT!

THE GUARD BRINGS A CROWBAR DOWN, FULL ON THE SCARLET AVENGER'S SKULL!



AS THE SCARLET AVENGER HITS THE FLOOR, THE PHONO-VIZ TURNS ITSELF ON....

NOW, I'LL JUST MOVE CAPE ASIDE AND FINISH HIM

HIS AND OFF!





INEZ'S VOICE COMES OVER THE PHONO-VIZ. THE ACID DESI, THROW THE ACID.



NO!.. DON'T!.. EE...YI!



THANKS... WHOEVER YOU ARE! BUT NOW, WHAT?

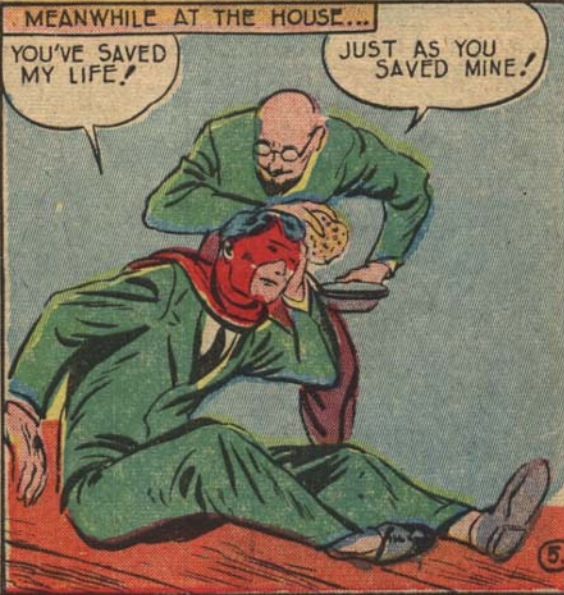
STAY THERE UNTIL THE POLICE ARRIVE! I'LL CALL THEM NOW!



WHAT'S THAT? THE COUNTERFEITERS ARE IN ARMONIK?...



DID YOU BRING TOMMY GUNS? THEY'LL PROBABLY PUT UP A FIGHT!



MEANWHILE AT THE HOUSE...

YOU'VE SAVED MY LIFE!

JUST AS YOU SAVED MINE!





YOU GOT MY MESSAGE ON THE BILLS?

YES... IT WAS CLEVER... HOW DID YOU THINK OF IT?



AFTER THEY KIDNAPPED ME AND BROUGHT ME HERE THEY TOLD ME THE WORLD THOUGHT I WAS DEAD...



...THE F. B. I. SPOTTED THEIR PREVIOUS BILLS UNDER MICROSCOPES....



SO I GAMBLED THAT MY MESSAGE WOULD ALSO BE SEEN UNDER THE MICROSCOPE!

AND YOU WON!



POLICE SIRENS! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

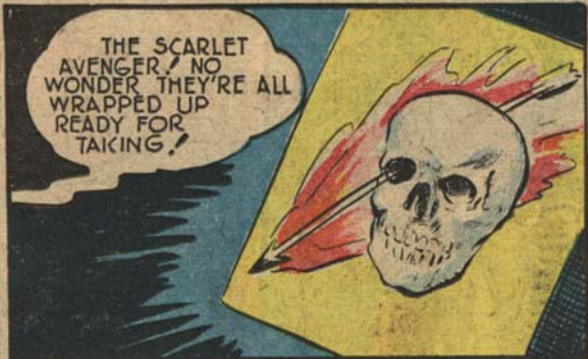


I'VE GOT SOMETHING HERE FOR THE POLICE TO SEE, FIRST!



THE POLICE ARRIVE... FIGHT INDEED!... THEY'RE LUCKY THEY CAN TALK! I WONDER WHAT HIT THEM!

HEY SARGE!! LOOKA!!



THE SCARLET AVENGER! NO WONDER THEY'RE ALL WRAPPED UP READY FOR TAKING!

THE SCARLET AVENGER FIGHTS ON AGAINST THE LAWLESS IN EVERY ISSUE OF ZIP COMICS

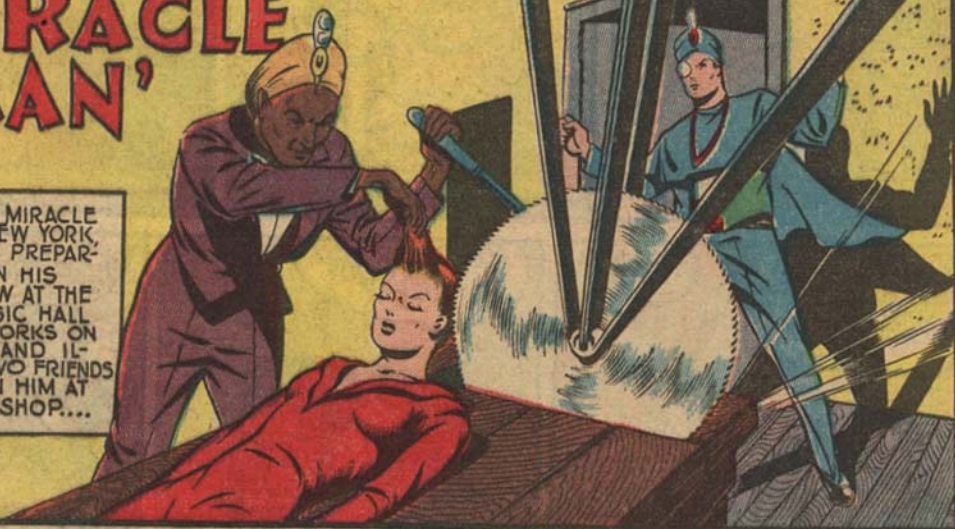


# Zambini

THE

## 'MIRACLE MAN'

ZAMBINI, THE MIRACLE MAN, IS IN NEW YORK, WHERE HE IS PREPARING TO OPEN HIS STAGE SHOW AT THE CENTER MUSIC HALL... AS HE WORKS ON HIS TRICKS AND ILLUSIONS, TWO FRIENDS DROP IN ON HIM AT HIS WORKSHOP....



HELLO, ZAMBINI!

BILL TRACEY!  
COME IN!



MARY! IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE SEEN YOU!



TOO LONG, ZAMBINI! I HOPE YOU'LL STAY IN AMERICA AWHILE THIS TIME!

IF YOU'LL BE GOOD ENOUGH TO DRIVE ME TO THE THEATRE, I'D LIKE TO LOOK OVER THE PREPARATIONS FOR MY OPENING TOMORROW EVENING.



COME ON, ZAMBINI! WE'RE WAITING!

I'LL BE RIGHT ALONG, FOLKS!





THEY ARRIVE AT THE THEATRE...

WHAT IN THE WORLD IS THAT... A MUMMY CASE?

TH...THAT? COME!... I'LL SHOW YOU!



YOU CAN SEE THERE ARE NO SECRET DOORS OR PANELS!

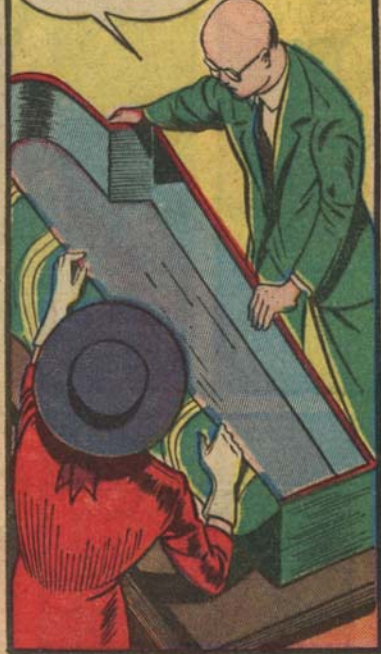
WHY... WHY YES... WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



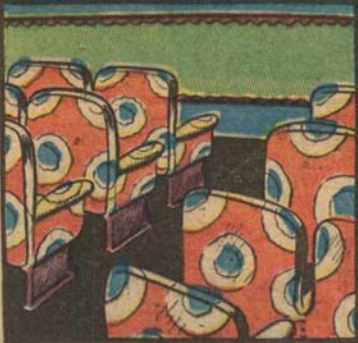
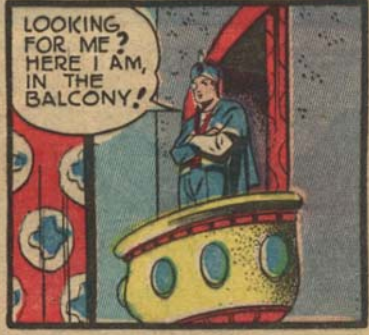
THE MIRACLE MAN CLOSES THE LID OF THE CASE REQUESTING THEM TO OPEN IT IN 30 SECONDS...



GOOD HEAVENS! IT'S UNBELIEVABLE!... HE'S GONE!...



LOOKING FOR ME? HERE I AM, IN THE BALCONY!



?? HOW'D YOU GET UP THERE?



UP WHERE? HERE, I AM RIGHT BEHIND YOU!

GULP! HOW IN...!



THAT REMINDS ME! SIM BALI MIB, THE HAITIAN MAGICIAN IS AT THE PALACE TONIGHT!

LET'S HOP OVER AND CATCH HIS SHOW! WILL YOU BE MY GUESTS?

SURE!!







THE THREE ARRIVE AT THE PALACE THEATRE....



AH...SIMPLE... IS IT NOT?



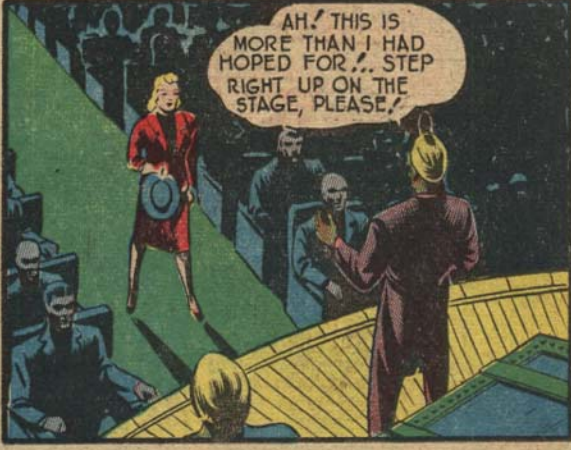
NOW, FOR MY GREATEST ILLUSION, FOR THIS, I REQUIRE THE SERVICES OF A BEAUTIFUL YOUNG GIRL... WILL ONE VOLUNTEER?!



YOU'RE PROBABLY THE MOST BEAUTIFUL YOUNG LADY HERE...HOW ABOUT IT?

YOU'RE BOTH FLATTERING ME...BUT I'LL GO.

GO ON, MARY!



AH! THIS IS MORE THAN I HAD HOPED FOR...STEP RIGHT UP ON THE STAGE, PLEASE!



NOW, IF YOU WILL KINDLY TAKE THIS SEAT OVER HERE!



SIM BALI MIB PROCEEDS TO INDUCE A STATE OF HYPNOSIS OVER MARY TRACEY!

LOOK IN MY EYES... LOOK! LOOK!



YOU WILL OBEY MY COMMANDS... YOU WILL! YOU WILL!

YES!...I...I WILL OBEY, MASTER!

IS SHE REALLY HYPNOTIZED, ZAMBINI?

I'LL TELL YOU IN A FEW MOMENTS, BILL... IF HE PLACES HER IN THAT BOX!... THEN!...



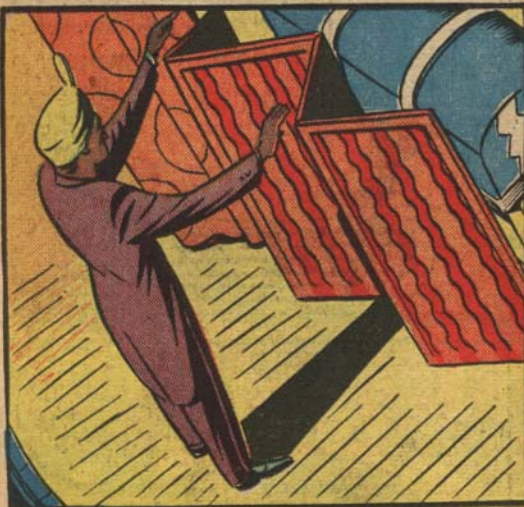


GENTLY BOYS!..GENTLY!  
PLACE HER IN THE BOX!

YES,  
MASTER!



NOW, AROUND THE  
BOX, I PLACE THIS  
SCREEN!



ZAMBINI LEAPS TO HIS FEET!

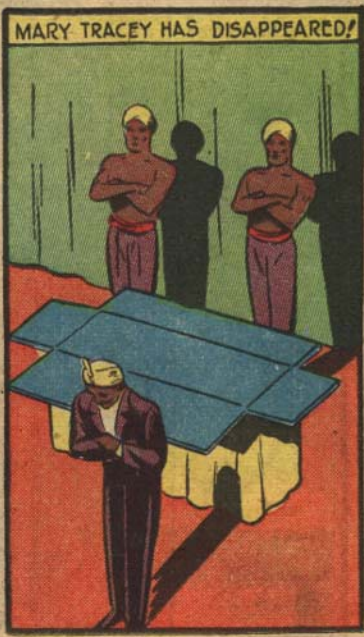
WHAT'S WRONG?

I'M NOT SURE  
... BUT...



A SECOND LATER THE SCREEN IS  
REMOVED FROM IN  
FRONT OF THE  
BOX....

WATCH THE BOX!  
WATCH IT CLOSELY!



MARY TRACEY HAS DISAPPEARED!



SIM BALI MIB!  
WHAT HAVE  
YOU DONE  
WITH THE  
GIRL!..?  
SPEAK!

WHAT  
MANNER OF  
IMPERTINENCE  
IS THIS?  
YOU'RE BREAK-  
ING UP THE  
SHOW!



WHAT AN ACT!

WHAT'S UP?

!!

THAT GUY'S ZAMBINI, AIN'T HE?

THE MIRACLE MAN DIVES INTO THE CURTAIN BENEATH THE BOX.



JUST AS I THOUGHT!



STOP! COME BACK WITH THAT GIRL!

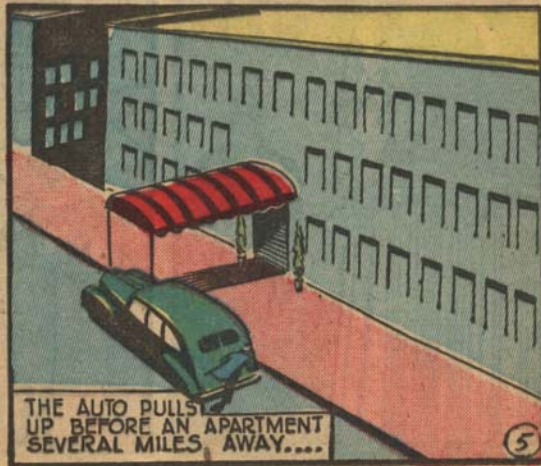
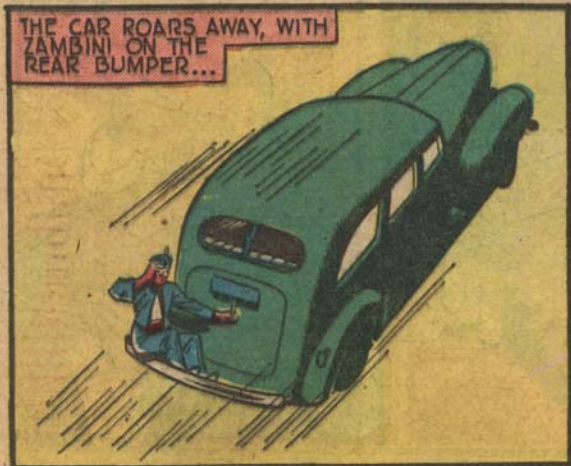


HURRY! SOMEONE FOLLOWS!



THEY'VE ALREADY GOT HER IN A CAR. I HOPE I CAN HOP ON!

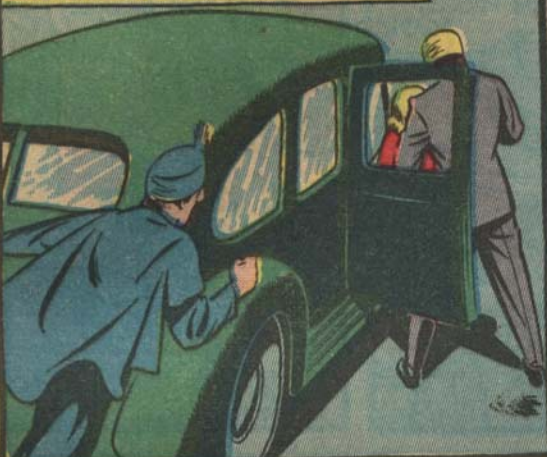
THE CAR ROARS AWAY, WITH ZAMBINI ON THE REAR BUMPER...



THE AUTO PULLS UP BEFORE AN APARTMENT SEVERAL MILES AWAY...



CAUTIOUSLY THE MIRACLE MAN EDGES AROUND THE CAR...



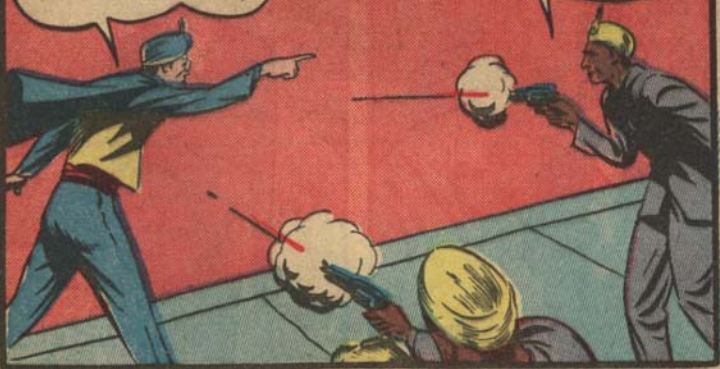
AS THE HAITIANS TRAIN THEIR GUNS AT HIM, ZAMBINI GRASPS HIS MAGIC BOOMERANG AMULET...



ZAMBINI GESTURES!

BABULLABETS  
BABECABOMABE  
BABUMBLEBABEES!

THIS IS YOUR DEATH, MEDDLER!...THE WHITE GIRL IS OUR PRIZE!



THE BULLETS BECOME-ANGRY BUMBLE-BEES!...



THE BEES TURN ON THE GUNMEN-...



MARY!...MARY!  
LOOK AT ME!...  
THE SPELL IS BROKEN!



YOU HAD A MIGHTY CLOSE CALL YOUNG LADY!... COME!... LET'S GO BACK TO THE THEATRE!

WHAT!... WHAT!... HAPPENED TO ME?





MEANWHILE...ON THE STAGE...



JUST WHAT'S GOIN' ON HERE YOU? WE WANT TH' LOW DOWN!

IT IS ALL ONLY PART OF THE ACT!

YEAH? WELL, LET'S SEE YOU PRODUCE THEM PEOPLE AGAIN!



I HAVE SAVED HIM THAT TROUBLE! HERE WE ARE!



ARREST THIS MAN!..HIS WHOLE INTENTION WAS TO FIND A BEAUTIFUL WHITE GIRL TO TAKE BACK TO HAITI AS THE QUEEN OF HIS RELIGIOUS FANATICS!



VERY CLEVER!..BUT YOU CAN'T ARGUE WITH A PISTOL!



TABURN ABENTABO ABA STABATA TUE!



THE EVIL MAGICIAN BECOMES AS STIFF AND STILL AS A STATUE!

YOU'LL HAVE NO TROUBLE CONVICTING HIM! I SHALL APPEAR PERSONALLY AGAINST HIM AT HIS TRIAL!



ZAMBINI AND HIS FRIENDS MARCH UP THE AISLE BETWEEN ROWS OF WILDLY APPLAUDING THEATRE-GOERS!



THERE WON'T EVEN BE STANDING ROOM AT YOUR OPENING TOMORROW NIGHT, ZAMBINI! LISTEN TO THESE PEOPLE CHEER YOU!



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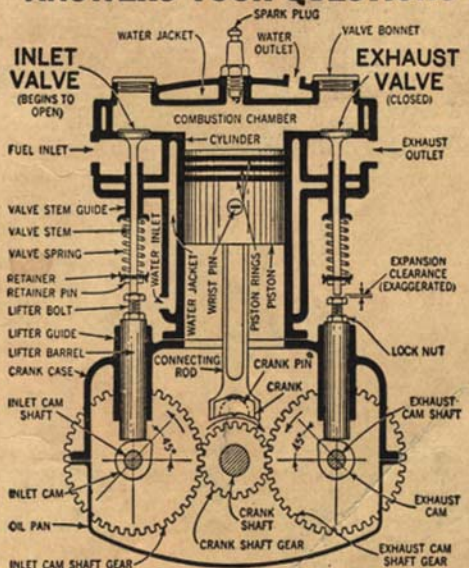
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