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"MAGIC? THERE'S NO SUCH THING!"

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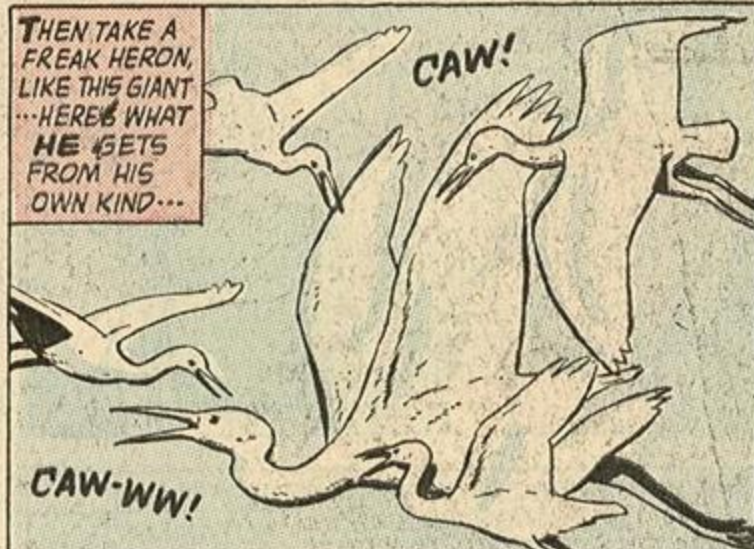
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IN EVERY SPECIES, THERE ARE CREATURES THAT ARE DIFFERENT. HERE'S A BLACK LION, FOR INSTANCE... AND YOU CAN SEE FOR YOURSELF WHAT HAPPENS TO HIM...



THEN TAKE A FREAK HERON, LIKE THIS GIANT... HERE'S WHAT HE GETS FROM HIS OWN KIND...



NOW LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN PEOPLE ARE DIFFERENT. THE LOJEDS WORKED FOR A POOR LITTLE CIRCUS IN CENTRAL EUROPE...

WE CAN'T EVEN AFFORD A DECENT MEAL. THEY WATCH MY STUPID, PITIFUL "MAGIC" ACT... AND THE FEW COINS THEY TOSS ME CAN'T EVEN KEEP US IN FOOD!

CHEER UP... THERE MAY BE BETTER TIMES AHEAD.



BETTER TIMES? THEY JEER MY MAGIC! IF ONLY THEY KNEW THAT THOSE MISERABLE TRICKS WERE NOTHING TO ME... THAT IF I WANTED, I COULD SHOW THEM...

SH-HHHH! DON'T LET IT EVER COME OUT... ESPECIALLY IN FRONT OF LITTLE ANTON!



HOW LONG CAN A MAN ENDURE JEERS, ABUSE? ONLY UNTIL SUCH A PERFORMANCE AS THIS...

...AND PRESTO, CHANGE-O... **BEHOLD!** I'VE TURNED IT INTO A **RED** HANDKERCHIEF!

SO WHAT? SOME MAGICIAN! NUTS!



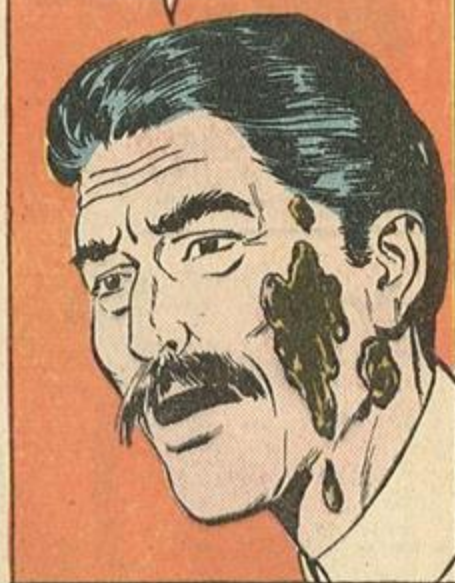
WHO EVER TOLD **YOU** YOU COULD DO MAGIC TRICKS?

GET OUT OF HERE, YOU NINCOMPOOP!

WATCH ME DO SOME BETTER MAGIC... TURN THIS TOMATO INTO **SOUP!**



SO IT'S **MAGIC** YOU WANT, DO YOU? YOU FOOLS... I'LL **SHOW YOU MAGIC!**



IT'S LONG SINCE I'VE TURNED LOOSE THE POWER OF **REAL** SORCERY THAT LIES WITHIN THESE HANDS! **NOW...**

HAW-HAW-HAW! WHAT DOES THE CLOWN THINK HE'S DOING?



THEY SAW WHAT HE WAS DOING...IN A MOMENT OF AWFUL SHOCK...

MY HEAD... SOMETHING'S **CHANGED** IT!

P-PUT ME DOWN!

IT...IT'S **REALLY MAGIC!** RUN...BEFORE IT GETS THE REST OF US!



H-HELP!

MOB FEAR BECAME HATRED...AND MOBS HAVE A WAY OF SHOWING THEIR HATRED VIOLENTLY...

DON'T LET THE DEVIL LIVE!

WIPE OUT HIS **BLACK** MAGIC!

OH-HHH...

THUD!



HIS WIFE MUST BE A **WITCH!** GIVE HER THE SAME TREATMENT!



POW!

AND THUS DIED BOTH OF THE LOJEC'S, LEAVING THEIR LITTLE SON ANTON A HELPLESS ORPHAN. THE MURDERERS WERE CAUGHT AND PAID THE PENALTY...

THERE, THERE, LITTLE FELLOW... DON'T CRY! **UNCLE BEPPO** WILL LOOK OUT FOR YOU!



THE OLD CLOWN TOOK LOVING CARE OF THE BOY AS THE YEARS PASSED. BUT ANTON LEARNED THAT THERE WAS ONE SUBJECT WHICH WAS FORBIDDEN...

SOMEDAY I'M GOING TO BE A GREAT MAGICIAN... LIKE MY FATHER WAS!

NO! ANYTHING, BUT NOT THAT! I NEVER WANT YOU TO EVEN MENTION MAGIC AGAIN!



BUT HE STILL REMEMBERED HIS FATHER PERFORMING TRICKS IN FRONT OF AN AUDIENCE... TRICKS THAT HAD DAZZLED HIM...



...AND HE WISHED TO FOLLOW IN HIS FOOTSTEPS!

SO... AS TIME WENT ON...



IT ISN'T HARD... NOT WHEN YOU PRACTICE. OF COURSE, MY FATHER COULD DO IT BETTER...

WHAT ARE YOU UP TO? WHAT STUPIDITY IS THIS?



I... I WAS JUST...

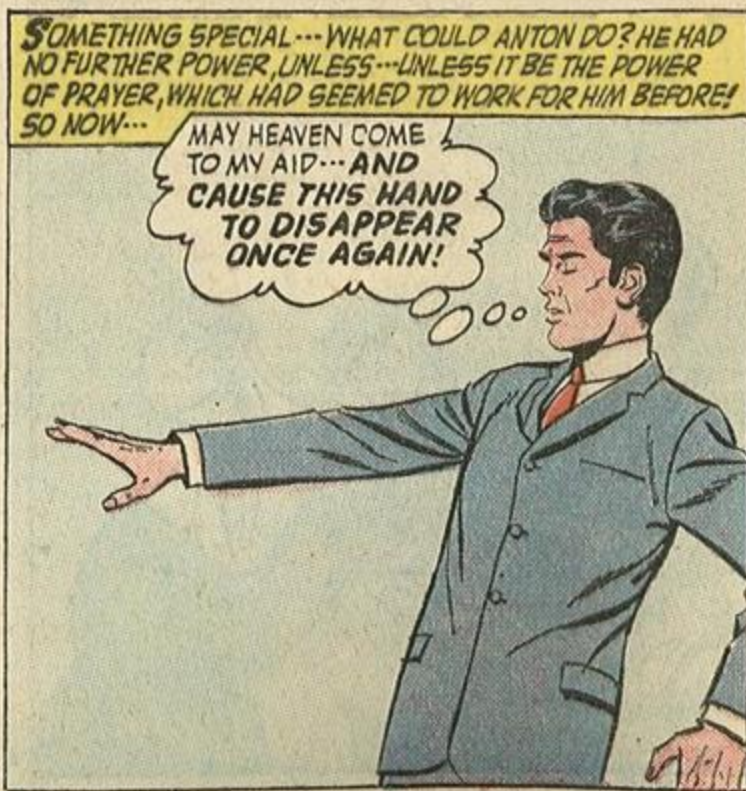
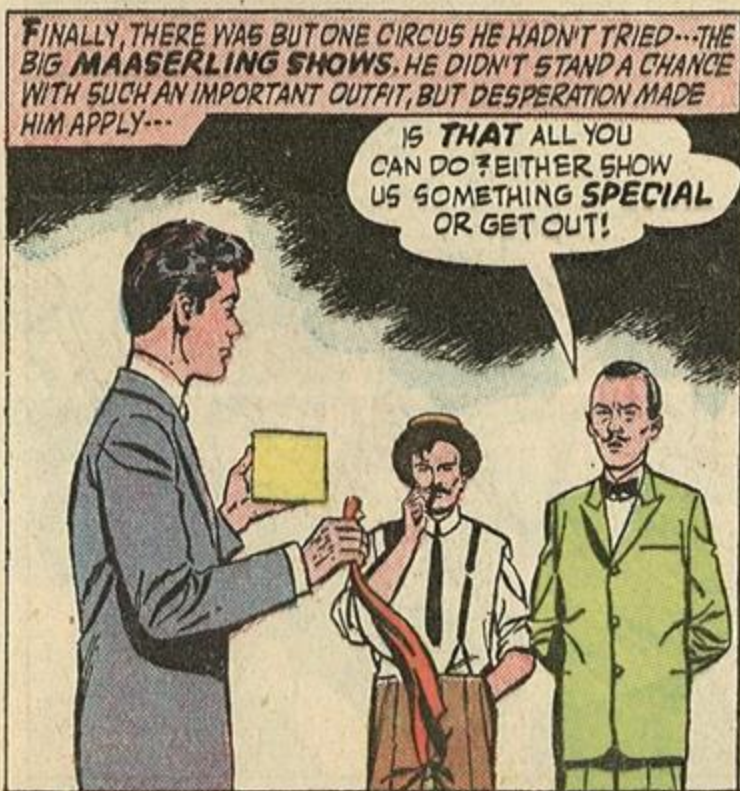
DON'T TELL ME WHAT YOU WERE DOING... YOU FOOL, YOU IDIOT! WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE... YOUR FATHER'S SON, AND **DIE?**



NEVER HAD ANTON BEEN SPOKEN TO LIKE THIS. A WAVE OF RED ANGER SWEEPED OVER HIM... HE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW WHAT HE WAS DOING...

YOU **DARE** INSULT ME... AND HIM?







ITS GERMAN ENGAGEMENT COMPLETED, THE CIRCUS CROSSED THE BORDER BACK INTO FRANCE. THERE...

MY BEAUTIFUL GIRL... BUT I'M ALWAYS SO FRIGHTENED FOR HER. IF ONLY SHE'D CONSENT TO USING A NET IN HER ACT... IN CASE SOMETHING HAPPENED...

SOMETHING DID HAPPEN THEN... SOMETHING COMPLETELY UNEXPECTED...

CHOW!

THE SHOT MISSED ITS HUMAN TARGET... BUT CAUGHT A ROPE OF HER TRAPEZE! NEXT MOMENT...

H-HELP!

ZING

OH, NO, NO... SHE MUSTN'T DIE!

WHAT TOOK PLACE THEN, WITHIN A SPLIT SECOND, SEEMED LIKE A MIRACLE. SOMETHING SEEMED TO STOP THE GIRL'S DOWNWARD COURSE AND THERE SHE WAS... MOTIONLESS IN MIDAIR!

I... I'VE STOPPED FALLING!

THEN, GRADUALLY, SLOWLY, SOME INVISIBLE FORCE LOWERED HER TO SAFETY...

WHAT... WHAT HAPPENED? ONE MOMENT SHE WAS FALLING TOWARDS CERTAIN DEATH, AND THEN...

I CAN'T EVEN GUESS! BUT JUST BE THANKFUL SHE'S ALIVE!

EVERYONE IN THE AUDIENCE ATTRIBUTED IT TO AN INVISIBLE NET, WHICH HAD CAUGHT HER AND WAS THEN SLOWLY LOWERED... BUT WE KNOW THAT IT WASN'T SO. AS FOR ANTON...

I'M BECOMING... SUSPICIOUS OF MYSELF! HOW IS IT THAT MY PRAYERS, MY WISHES ARE ALWAYS GRANTED SO SPECTACULARLY... WHEN IT DOESN'T HAPPEN TO OTHERS? SUPPOSE IT ISN'T A GIFT FROM HEAVEN...

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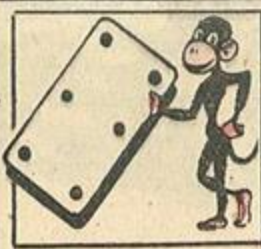
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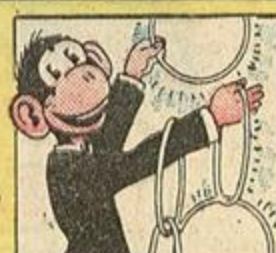
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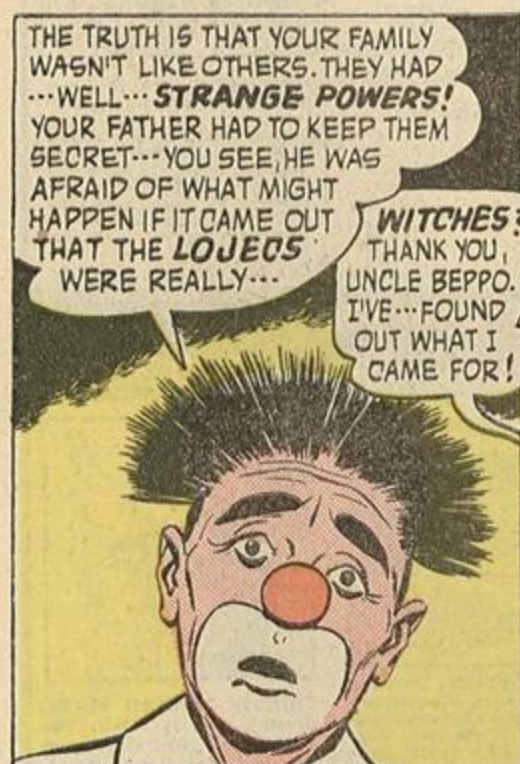
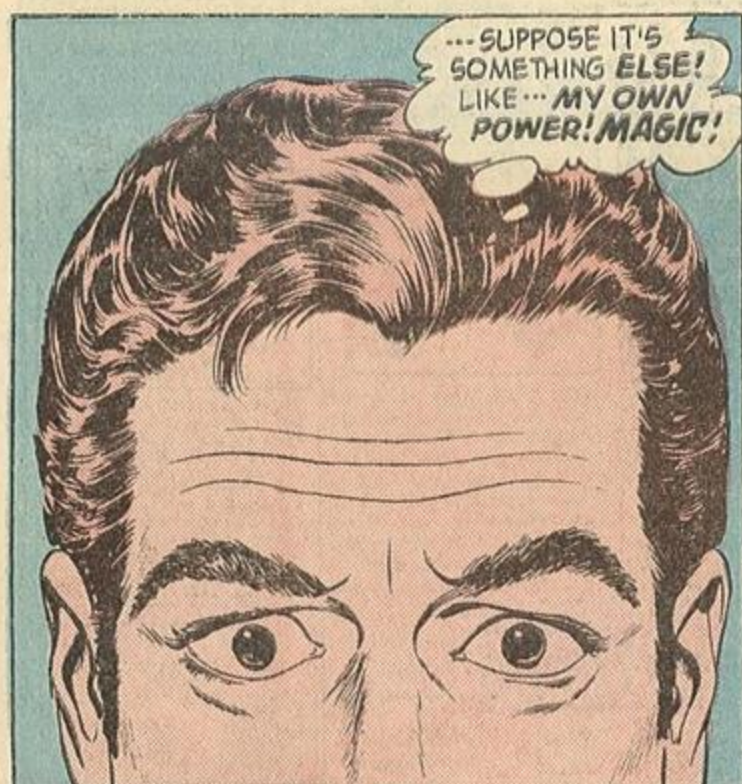
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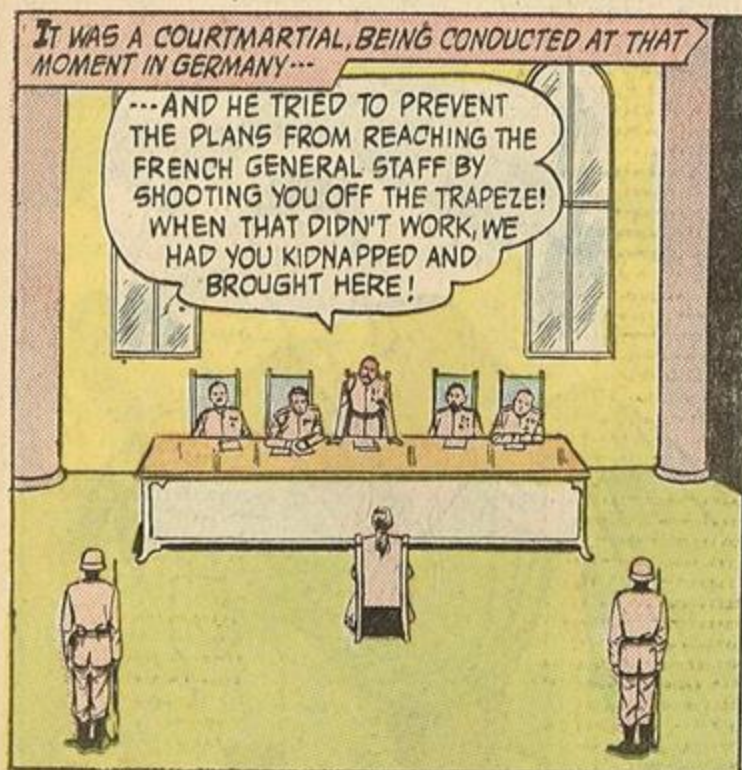


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THE HOUSE of a THOUSAND MYSTERIES

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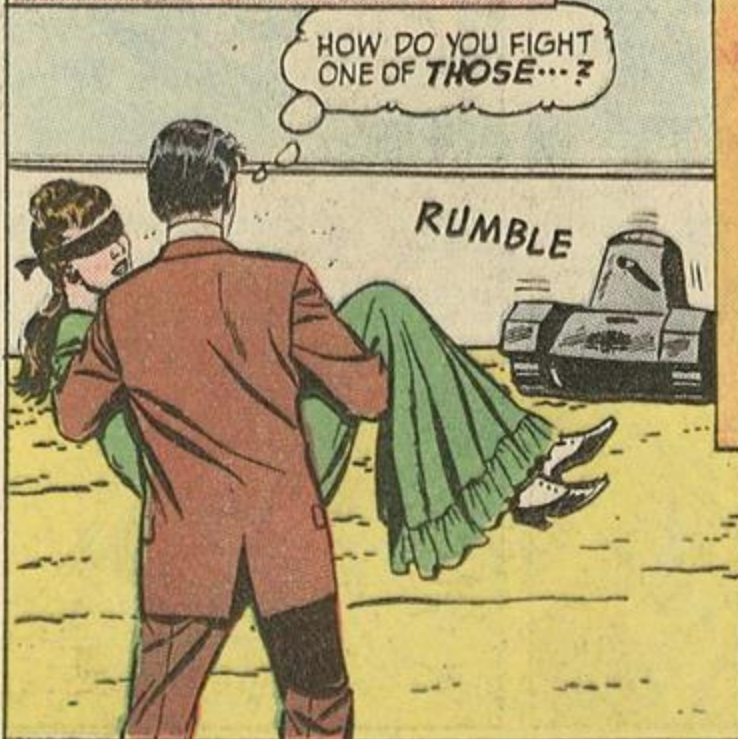


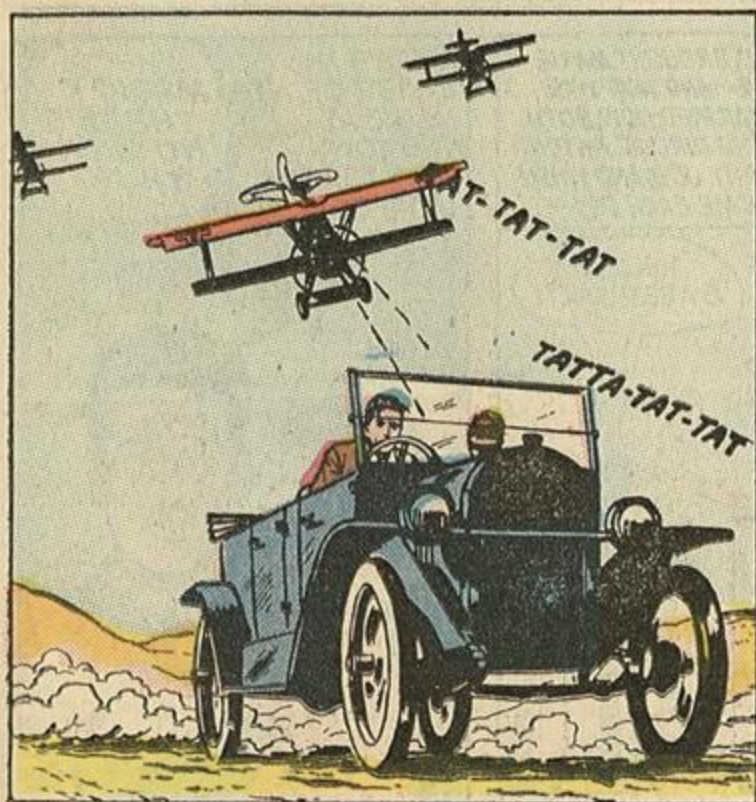
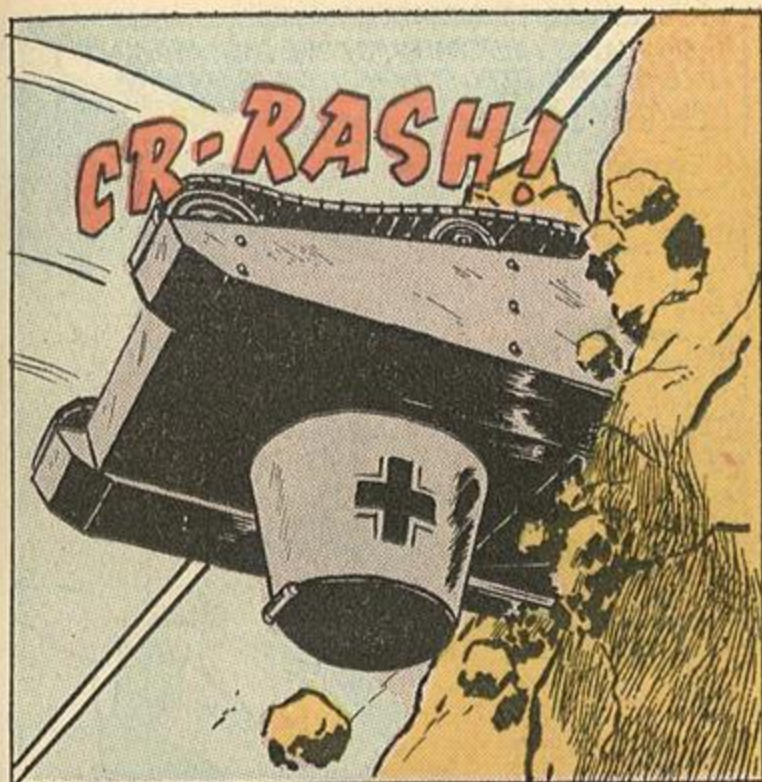


HE KNEW WHAT HE WAS DOING NOW... KNEW WHAT HE WANTED... AND HIS NEW-FOUND MAGIC STRUCK HOME!



BUT BY NOW, THE ALARM HAD BEEN GIVEN...





UNCONSCIOUS, NO MAGIC COULD SAVE HIM NOW...

WHAM!



THE SQUADRON REFORMED TO COME BACK AND MAKE SURE OF THEM BOTH. IT DIDN'T LOOK AS IF THERE WAS A CHANCE...



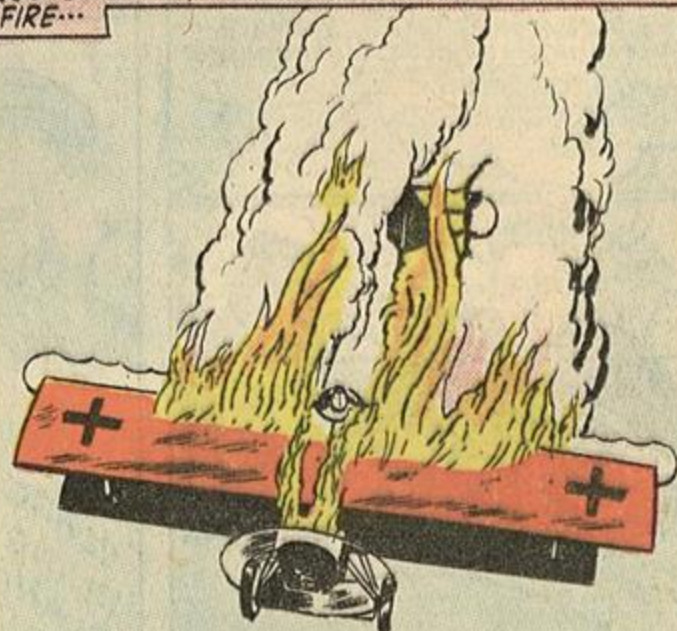
BUT IN THIS MOMENT OF PERIL, A MYSTIC MESSAGE FLASHED BACK INTO THE UNKNOWN! AND IN RESPONSE...

OUR SON NEEDS US... NEEDS OUR HELP!

IT IS TIME TO WORK OUR MAGIC AGAIN! EVEN DEATH CAN NOT LESSEN ITS POWER!



AND SUDDENLY, MYSTERIOUSLY, THE LEAD PLANE CAUGHT FIRE...



ITS EXPLOSION TRIGGERED OTHER BLASTS...



ANTON CAME TO, BROUGHT MARIE OVER THE BORDER...AND THAT WAS THAT! THEY'RE MARRIED NOW, BOTH RETIRED FROM THE CIRCUS. ANTON HAS A GOVERNMENT JOB, AND WHEN HE RETURNED HOME EACH DAY...

DARLING!

HELLO, SWEETHEART!



THERE'S AN EXHIBIT OF MAGIC AT THE TOWN HALL TONIGHT. LET'S GO!

UH... MAGIC? THERE'S NO SUCH THING!



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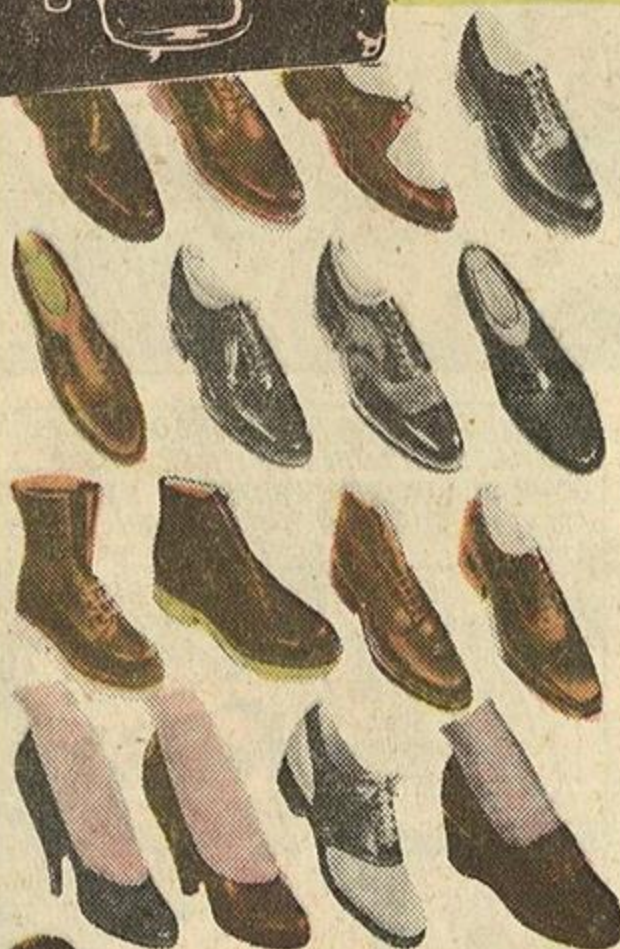
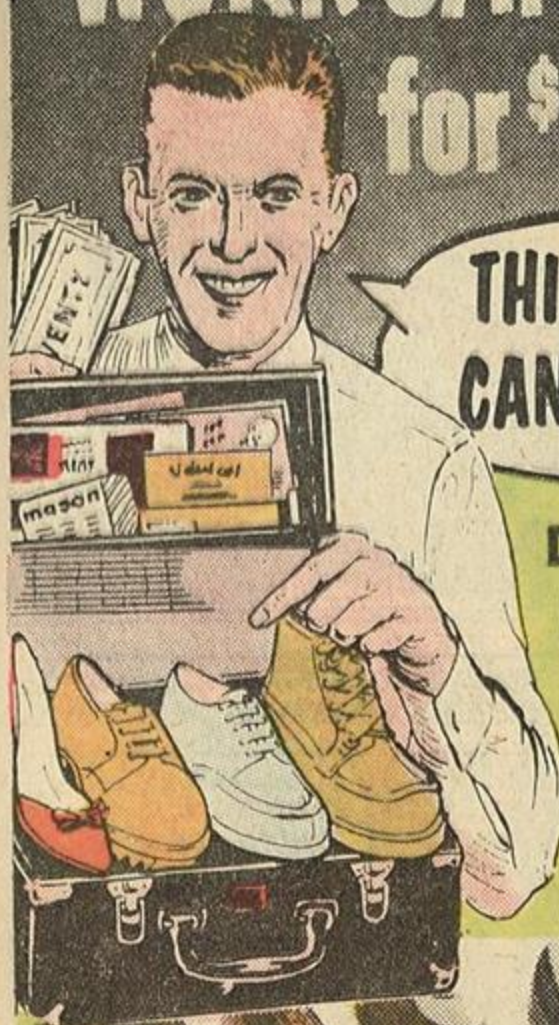
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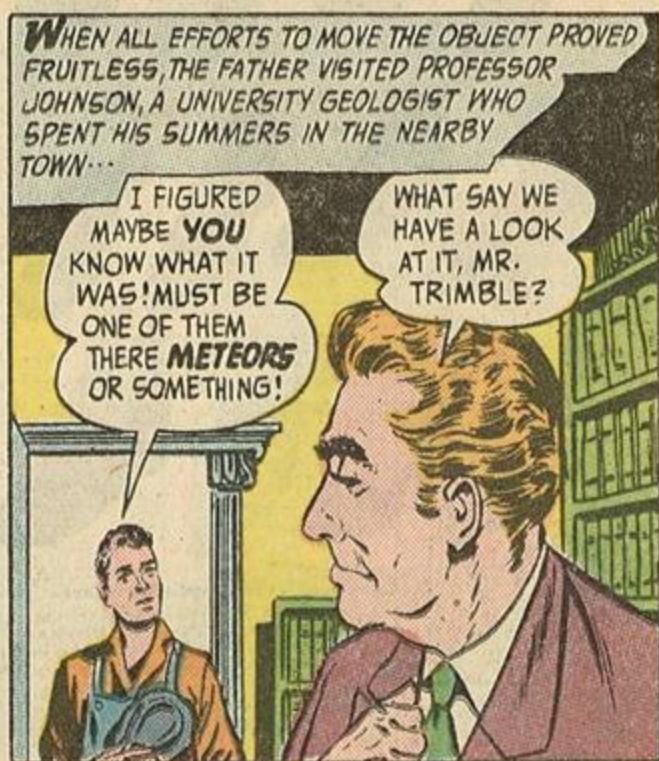
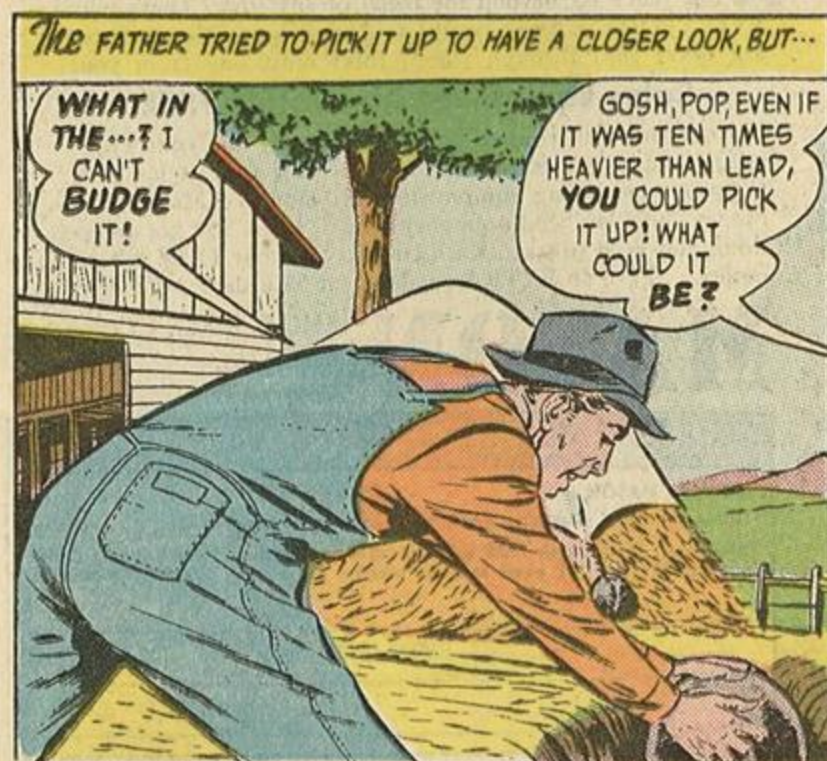
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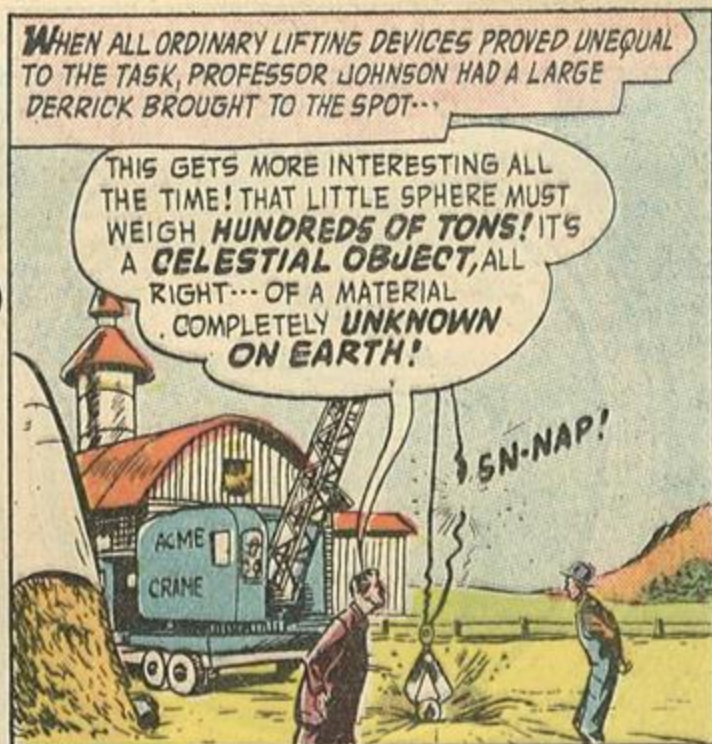
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HIS HAND TREMBLED AS HE TURNED THE POWER UP, UP...

THOSE **ARE** RIVERS AND LAKES
...AND THERE'S **ROADS**...AND
AIRFIELDS!



THE SURFACE OF THE SPHERE LOOMED EVER LARGER,
UNTIL STARTLINGLY---

A CITY...IN RUINS!
THAT'S THE DAMAGE IT MUST
HAVE SUFFERED STRIKING
THE **EARTH!**



FINALLY---

**PEOPLE...WITH
HUMAN STRUCTURE!**
BUT WHAT'S THAT THEY'RE
WORKING ON?



THE SCENE SWAM BEFORE THE
PROFESSOR'S AMAZED VISION...
HE PAUSED TO WIPE HIS
PERSPIRING BROW...

IT'S A UNIVERSE
IN ITSELF...THOUSANDS
OF YEARS AHEAD OF US!
SOME CATASTROPHE STRUCK
THEM, DRIVING THE SPHERE
ONTO THE EARTH! BUT THERE'S
STILL **LIFE** ON IT...AND THEY
SEEM TO BE TRYING TO
REPAIR SOMETHING!



AT THAT MOMENT---

WH-WHAT'S
HAPPENING?
IT...IT'S STARTING
TO **MOVE!**

CLIK! CLIK!
HUMMMMM!



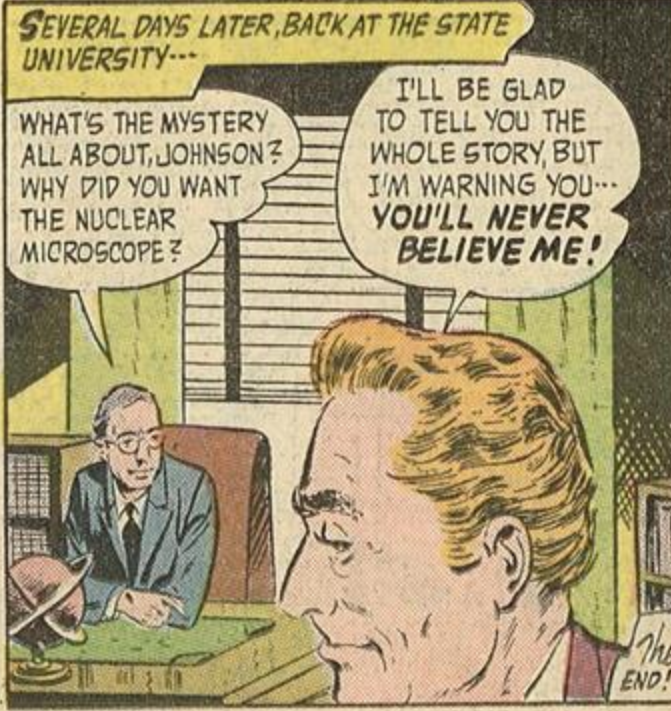
N-NO! IT'S ESCAPING!
IT CAN MOVE UNDER ITS
OWN POWER! SOMETHING MUST
HAVE HAPPENED TO THE CONTROL
MECHANISM...AND THEY JUST
REPAIRED IT!



SEVERAL DAYS LATER, BACK AT THE STATE
UNIVERSITY---

WHAT'S THE MYSTERY
ALL ABOUT, JOHNSON?
WHY DID YOU WANT
THE NUCLEAR
MICROSCOPE?

I'LL BE GLAD
TO TELL YOU THE
WHOLE STORY, BUT
I'M WARNING YOU...
**YOU'LL NEVER
BELIEVE ME!**





Reader, what's your favorite in this issue? We'll tell you ours, just to see if you agree. It isn't the lead story, although that's generally the case. It's "The Man Who Wasn't Himself". That one hits us where we live. We think it's got solid impact, and that more fans are going to vote it the number one position than those expressing a preference for the lead yarn. Tell us what *you* think, please. Address your letter to The Editor, "Adventures Into The Unknown", 331 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

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"Dear Editor:—

Having read 'Adventures Into The Unknown' for a long time, I think that I'm qualified to write you this letter concerning your comic—and know what I'm talking about. First, let me say that your artists and writers are truly skilled in their field and they produce really great stories. A special mention should go to Ogden Whitney, Shane O'Shea and Kurato Osaki. These men are exceptional writers and/or artists. However, although your magazine is good, it can still stand some improvement. For instance, those ads which appear in between stories are quite annoying. But most of all, the one thing which belittles you are those plotless, worthless, space-consuming one-pagers that you often run as fillers. This problem could easily be remedied. For example, you could give the reader the background and life of one of your artists or writers in place of these wasted one-pagers—or you could run a short story contest. I've been toying with this idea for about two years now, and when Jonathan Benair wrote you a letter about the same idea and you printed it, I decided it was my turn to stand up and be counted. You could start a story and then let the readers finish it. A

month or so later, print the best one that was submitted. One more thing: does anyone know where I can get a copy of the book which contained 'There's A New Moon Tonight'?

—Vincent Mansfield, Flushing, New York"

You didn't include your local address, Vincent, and that's too bad. We like to give full addresses, so that fans can communicate with the writer of a letter published in this column. Let's start in with those ads, which you object to because they appear between pages of a story. All of America's very best magazines follow this same practice in a manner a hundred times as bad as the worst we could ever do! We don't like to do this, but have to, because of the practice of advertisers demanding right-hand pages most frequently. Since we like to start our stories on right-hand pages for purposes of better display, there's a shortage of right-hand pages for ads, and we are forced to cut between story pages about once per issue, which isn't so awful, you know. Now, about the one-pagers—we personally don't care for them, but there are many readers who do. But the problem is important enough so that we're going to go into it fully, and see if we can come up with something that'll make everybody happy!

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"Dear Editor:—

I've been an ACG fan for about 3 years, and I want you to know that I think your magazines are tops. I've been so unfortunate as to read a few of the feeble excuses some other companies call comics, and yours are superior beyond compare. Aside from being a letter of sincere praise, this is also a letter of sincere request. I wouldn't want you to change any of your present comics, but my tastes vary greatly, so I ask this instead—that you devote one or two future issues to horror. I'm not talking about the corny vampire routine, for I agree with you when you say that it's childish. I'm thinking about stories involving crypts, gypsies, superstition, hatred and quite a good deal of gore. Also, no happy endings should be employed, but rather, ironic, tragic or horrible endings. Some of your present readers may not like this type of comic, but you will reach a whole new field of readers.

—Greg Mattingly,

Blueberry Hill, Weston, Conn."

Greg, do you know anything about the history of comics publishing? It started out with pub-

lishers trying to give readers good and exciting books. Then a few undesirable characters came into the field and started providing a diet of undiluted horror—and things got so bad that decent reading was hard to come by. The Comics Code Authority was created to clean up this mess and provide the American public with a better type of entertainment, and it's done a fine job. It shifted the accent to good plotting and raised the level of comics magazines immeasurably. We don't wish to allow a foot in the door for the return of rotten reading, and this would invariably happen if we started fooling around with sheer horror again. The Code Authority won't allow it, and it's a darned good thing!

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"Dear Editor:—

Whenever I walk into a store and see a copy of 'Adventures Into The Unknown' or 'Forbidden Worlds', I immediately buy it. I want to tell you that your magazines are the best the world over! Besides magnificent fiction, you always put in a bit of feeling to spice it up. Your stories are clean and decent and provide thrilling entertainment. Here in Buenos Aires I'm not always able to buy your magazines, but when I can, I jump at the opportunity to do so. Before closing, I would like to say something about Argentina, especially because it plays such an important part in the world today. The climate down here is mild, with much rain in winter and hot and dry summers. It has a large beef industry and many textile factories. Please keep up your excellent work and remember us fans in Argentina!

—Arthur Wilson III,

c/o Col. Arthur H. Wilson, Jr.,

Ousarma, Buenos Aires,

State Department, Washington 25, D. C."

Now it's fans in Argentina, to add to a world-wide representation! "Adventures Into The Unknown" sure has grown since its beginning in 1948, 14 years ago. By the way, that makes us the oldest all-amazing story publication in the field!

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"Dear Editor:—

I've always enjoyed reading comics, mostly westerns. For years, I was content with them and didn't try any others except a few cartoon comics. Then, some time ago, one of my friends and I traded several comics just temporarily. When I spotted a non-Western, I wrinkled my nose, but later decided just to see what the first story would be like. The story was 'The Spencer Special', in the No. 117 issue of 'Adventures Into The Unknown'. I soon discovered its value. It is positively the best story I ever read. I am very interested in mental telepathy, parapsychological events and mysterious happenings. I still enjoy westerns quite a lot, but

see the difference between them and such a magazine as yours. Not only was 'The Spencer Special' a wonderful combination of my above-mentioned interests, but it also did something few stories do. In both western stories and most mysteries, they are speedily solved by the author and the conclusion is put down. But in 'The Spencer Special' you let us, the readers, use our imaginations and knowledge to solve the mystery and form our own conclusions. You provide mysterious, brain-stimulating facts and give us a chance to use our brains to think—something very important that is lacking in most comics. I wish to congratulate Shane O'Shea on his marvelous talent for writing such a masterpiece. Also, please pass on my congratulations to Ogden Whitney on the genius displayed in the drawing of Dale's portrait. I fully agree with Greg Morrison's statement—'She's beautiful!' The writer of 'Out Of This World' deserves a lot of credit, but even more exceptional stories are 'The Fountain' and 'Star Of Destiny', evidently products of talented writers. When I finished reading the issue, I read it twice again, and then realized that I had to have 'Adventures Into The Unknown' for my own!

—Nancy Toth,

1079 4th St. East, Prince Albert, Sask., Can."

Discovery is a wonderful feeling, isn't it, Nancy? We hope that you've become a regular reader of our magazine—we think it's worth it. If you go for stories of strange and challenging adventure—for plots that mystify and fascinate—"Adventures Into The Unknown" should be your dish!

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"Dear Editor:—

I'm just a recent reader of your comic, 'Adventures Into The Unknown'. As I live in Scotland, I do not get your issues until several months after they are printed. But I think your magazine is just tops! Those who criticize it do so only to see their names in print. Your issues have what it takes for reader enjoyment. The best story you ever printed, in my opinion, was 'Secret Of The Titans'—it was just great! Please keep up the good work and print more of your 'Gripping Tales Of Suspense'. Your faithful reader—

—J. Park,

48 Forrest Street,

Motherwell, Lanarkshire, Scotland"

There's one thing missing from your signature—your first name, so we can tell if you're male or female! In either event, it's nice to hear that you're getting your issues, and, more important, that you're liking them. But the thought occurs that if you liked "Secret Of The Titans", you're going to be very, very happy with many of the stories that follow later. We think they're a lot better!

YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT E.S.P. ...EXTRA-SENSORY PERCEPTION...A FASCINATING SUBJECT THAT FEW KNOW MUCH ABOUT. WELL, THEN...LET'S WITNESS IT AT WORK IN ONE OF THE MOST AMAZING STORIES TO HAVE COME OUR WAY IN YEARS. HERE IT IS...THE CHALLENGING TALE OF...

The MAN WHO WASN'T HIMSELF!



STORY: KURATO
OSAKI
ART: PETE
COSTANZA

LET'S START WITH A FEW WORDS FROM PROFESSOR TEMPLE WARING, NOTED EXPERT ON E.S.P....

THE FINAL SCORE IS FAR FROM IN ON **EXTRA-SENSORY PERCEPTION**. THERE ARE MANY WHO CLAIM THAT IT DOESN'T EVEN EXIST... BUT HERE'S A CLEARCUT CASE THAT MAY HELP YOU MAKE UP YOUR OWN MINDS!



IT HAD ITS START IN FRANCE ON JUNE 6TH, 1944... D-DAY...



CASUALTIES MOUNTED HIGH...THE MEDICAL CORPS WAS HARD-PRESSED...



A SHELL MUSTA BURST PRETTY CLOSE TO THIS ONE! BLEW OFF HIS UNIFORM...AND HIS DOGTAGS...IT'LL BE TOUGH TO ESTABLISH IDENTIFICATION!

BUT AT THE BASE HOSPITAL...



THAT'S ED FAIRLESS, FROM MY COMPANY! I OUGHTA KNOW HIM...WE WERE BUDDIES FOR TWO YEARS!

IT WAS LUCKY HE'D BEEN IDENTIFIED... BECAUSE WHEN HE'D RECOVERED CONSCIOUSNESS AND WAS CONVALESCING...

I HAVE NO MEMORY... OF MY NAME... OR ANYTHING IN MY LIFE BEFORE I WAS INJURED!

HMMMM... A CLEAR CASE OF **TOTAL AMNESIA**! BUT IT'LL PROBABLY CLEAR UP SHORTLY...



BUT IT DIDN'T! AND SO ED FAIRLESS RECEIVED A MEDICAL DISCHARGE, AND WENT BACK HOME...

STRANGE FEELING, GOING BACK TO A LIFE I DON'T REMEMBER... TO PEOPLE I HAVE NO RECOLLECTION OF! IT'S LUCKY... THAT THEY KNOW **ME**...



ALL OF THEM... **STRANGERS!** IS THERE ANYONE... I'M SUPPOSED TO KNOW?

ED... ED! HERE I AM, DARLING...



OBVIOUSLY, SHE WAS SOMEONE CLOSE TO HIM... BUT IT WAS AS IF HE'D NEVER SEEN HER BEFORE! HE TRIED TO ACT NATURAL, BUT IT WAS AN EFFORT...

DON'T THINK WE'RE GOING TO LET YOU GO BACK TO THAT BACHELOR FLAT OF YOURS UNTIL YOU'VE RECOVERED YOUR FULL STRENGTH. YOU'RE COMING TO LIVE AT **MY** HOUSE, ED!

I... I AM?



SOMETHING IN HIS VOICE MADE HER STOP THE CAR, TURN TO HIM IN A PUZZLED MANNER...

I THOUGHT YOU WERE... AFTER ALL, WE **ARE** ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED, YOU KNOW!

I'M AFRAID I'VE GOT QUITE A SHOCK FOR YOU... **WHAT'S YOUR NAME?**



THE WHOLE STORY CAME OUT THEN... AND **ELIZABETH FORRESTER** TOOK IT GAMELY...

IT WON'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE. YOU'RE BOUND TO GET YOUR MEMORY BACK WITH YOUR STRENGTH... I'VE HEARD IT OFTEN HAPPENS LIKE THAT. AND LIVING AT MY HOUSE, I'LL BE ABLE TO FILL YOU IN ON THE THINGS IN YOUR LIFE THAT YOU DON'T REMEMBER!



ELIZABETH AND HER MOTHER WERE WONDERFUL TO HIM...

THAT'S YOU AND I AT YOUR COMPANY PICNIC. AND IN CASE YOU'VE FORGOTTEN, THE MAN NEXT TO YOU IS MR. MATTHEWS, YOUR BOSS.



HE WAS RECONSTRUCTING A "MEMORY" NOW. HE WAS ED FAIRLESS, ENGAGED TO ELIZABETH FORRESTER. IN CIVILIAN LIFE, HE'D WORKED FOR THE MATTHEWS COMPANY. ELIZABETH COACHED HIM ON A THOUSAND DETAILS...

FUNNY, GETTING TO KNOW THE MAN I USED TO BE... BEFORE THAT BATTLE WIPED OUT MY PAST! AND I'M GOING TO MARRY A GIRL... I DON'T EVEN KNOW...



THAT NIGHT, THEY BEGAN... THOSE STRANGE DREAMS...

I'M ED FAIRLESS... ED FAIRLESS! AND THESE ARE THE THINGS I'VE COME BACK TO... MY SUITS... MY MONEY... MY CAR... MY GIRL...



THEN, SUDDENLY, HE APPEARED... THAT MAN OF MYSTERY...



THAT MAN... WHO... WHAT WAS HE? IT SEEMED LIKE... MORE THAN A DREAM!



THE RECOLLECTION OF THE DREAM MAN REMAINED WITH HIM... SO MUCH SO THAT ELIZABETH'S AFFECTION WAS A LITTLE WEARING...

HOW'S MY MONEY TODAY...?





BOYS! MEN!

MY SECRET NEW DYNAFLEX METHOD

**CAN BUILD YOU A
MAGNIFICENT NEW HE-MAN-MUSCLED BODY
IN JUST TEN MINUTES A DAY—with absolutely
NO weights—NO bar-bells—NO EXERCISE AT ALL!**

Yes! If the girls LAUGH at you now when you take off your shirt—they'll be breaking down the doors to get dates with you—once they've seen the rugged DYNAFLEX BODY I can give you! I'll build you a tough brutal massive body—shoulders clad with solid inches of he-man BRAWN. I'll give you bulging biceps, trip-hammer fists, power-packed legs, and a chest that will have you popping the buttons off your shirt with pride!

(—says MIKE MARVEL,
"Builder of Champion Bodies")

ARE YOU ASHAMED OF YOUR BODY NOW?

Pal—do YOURSELF a favor! Take a good long look in a mirror. Do you see a puny, starved body—scrawny arms—bony shoulders—a flabby stomach and skinny legs? Do girls laugh and fellows grin when you take off your shirt?

BELIEVE IT OR NOT—I can add solid pounds of rippling, steely he-man MEAT to your build. I can take those skeleton arms and PACK EVERY INCH with explosive virile MAN-MUSCLE. I can take that caved-in chest and build on six rugged inches of strong sleek MAN-SIZED BRAWN. I can clothe your skinny frame with GIANT RIPPLING DYNAFLEX MUSCLES that will have the girls gasping with awe and admiration! And with NO tiring exercise. NO high-priced bar-bells or gym equipment!

Or is your problem a body sagging with soft rolls of unhealthy, unhandsome FAT? Puny muscles—sagging stomach—bloated face—arms heavy with layers of BLUBBER? Are you ASHAMED to go to the beach and let them see your "FAT-MAN PHYSIQUE"?

If so, wake up fella! THIS IS IT! I will peel off that fat and give you a lean virile DYNAFLEX BODY. Armored with a sheath of hard tough handsome muscle. I can build you into a healthy, streamlined HERCULES—bursting with dynamic manly strength. I'll give you a taut rock-hard midsection—legs muscled like coiled steel springs. I can pack solid DYNAMITE into your fists and give you a rugged handsome build brim-full of the magnetic SUPER-BODY SEX-APPEAL girls are hungry for. And with NO starvation diets—NO fatiguing calisthenics—NO expensive health-foods!

HOW DYNAFLEX BUILDS BEAUTIFUL BODIES

DYNAFLEX is the modern miracle of body-building. It takes no tiresome exercises, "crash" diets, protein foods, and no weights or bar-bells. DYNAFLEX is the amazing discovery of a West German Doctor

whose research into the Science of Strength found a thrilling new way to build GIANT BRAWNY MUSCLES in ten minutes a day. With DYNAFLEX you "flex" each muscle once—in a certain way—that is more effective than if you exercised that muscle 20, 30, even 100 times the old-fashioned way. With DYNAFLEX you get bigger results in ten minutes than after hours of grunting and groaning, hefting heavy weights. DYNAFLEX coaxes each muscle in your body to bring out its round, steely fullness and satiny symmetry. DYNAFLEX packs that muscle with glowing vibrant new strength and energy—FAST. In ten minutes a day I can cover your bony frame with healthy rippling muscle—give you a deep, powerful chest—solid shoulders and iron wrists—tough, slim midsection—and trim, steel-spring legs—simply thru "DYNAFLEXING" each muscle once a day! There's nothing wrong with the bar-bell and weight-lifting method . . . but why bother? Why waste time and money, why sweat and strain your way to a streamlined symmetrical SAMSON-STRONG BODY—when you can do it better—bigger—faster—easier with the DYNAFLEX SECRET?

STRONG-MAN SEX-APPEAL ATTRACTS GIRLS

Be honest. Down deep you KNOW you envy the boy with the virile, magnificent build. Every man and boy secretly desires a broad brawny back, a solid man-muscled chest, handsome he-man shoulders, arms rippling with tough, steely sinews, a narrow waist, slim hips and springy, power-packed legs. Girls go for a fellow with TWO-FISTED BIG MUSCLE SEX-APPEAL . . . and they only laugh at skinny guys or "fatso's".

Let me give you a glowing new body, brimming over with energy and irresistible inches of solid muscle on your chest—be-man appeal. I can build three inches of heel and brawn on your shoulders. I will mold you a handsome super-body of terrific strength, give you a crushing grip, legs crammed with steel springs. A lean taut rock-solid punch-proof midsection. Pack your body with energy and thrilling stamina that will have girls falling at your feet.

MIKE MARVEL SYSTEM, Dept. 12, 285 Market Street, Newark, N. J.

GIVE ME TEN MINUTES A DAY—THAT'S ALL!

After DYNAFLEX, you'll be able to roll up your sleeves and take off your shirt and, for the first time in your life, you'll be PROUD of your manly build. Yes, pal, say goodbye to your weak, flabby frame—get ready for adventure and romance with a solid physique that glows and vibrates with virile he-man appeal. You'll be really proud to have people see your MAGNIFICENT HE-MAN-MUSCLES at the beach or gym. And, when the fellows stare with envy and jealousy—when the girls crowd around to squeeze your iron biceps or touch your bulging brawny chest—when they ask in amazement HOW you did it—tell them about the Magic Secret of DYNAFLEX!

Your Pal,
MIKE MARVEL

"Builder of Champion Bodies"

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ONLY

1.98

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NOTHING ELSE
TO BUY

ARE YOU WEAK, ALWAYS TIRED, LACK PEP?

Whether you're thin and scrawny, or sagging with unsightly fat—my secret DYNAFLEX method will cram pep, vigor and red-blooded vitality into your puny, exhausted body. Once DYNAFLEX makes you a two-fisted dynamo of manly beauty, rippling with power, glowing with magnetic sex-appeal—you'll be bursting with get-up-and-go. Man, you'll be really ALIVE—tingling with zest and rip-roaring energy—for the first time in years!

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"I never thought you could build terrific muscles without exercises or weights. Started DYNAFLEX two weeks ago, and am building a great physique."

E. G., Detroit, Mich.
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F. S., Chicago, Ill.

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GIRLS!'

Fellows! Mail the coupon now, and receive Mike Marvel's FREE GIFT to you, this exciting and informative book. Discover a secret method for developing a new, almost MAGNETIC way of attracting the girls. At parties, dances, at the beach—you will have the girls clustering around you breathlessly, while the guys watch enviously. "What does HE have that WE don't?" they will say. The answer is in this exciting new book, your GIFT from Mike Marvel. Fill out and mail the coupon NOW!

MAIL MONEY-SAVING NO-RISK FREE TRIAL COUPON NOW!

Check as many of the boxes you want HERE
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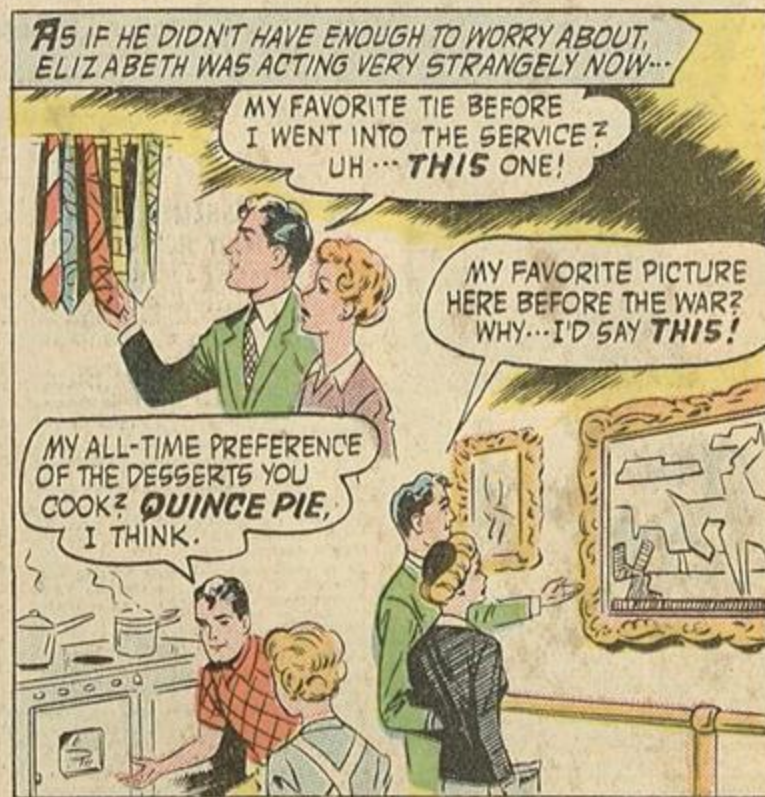
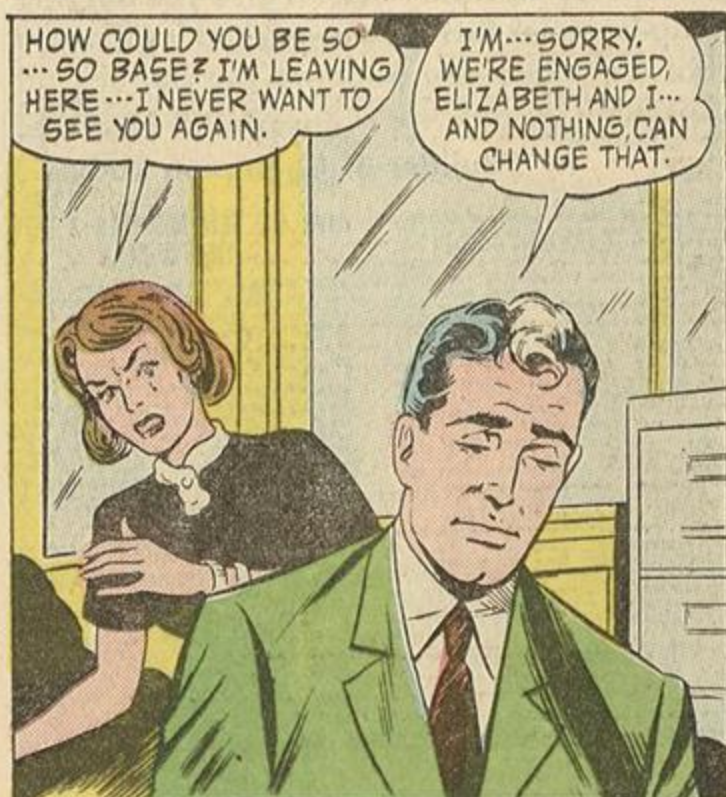
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- ☐ Build deep brawny chest, bulging with vigorous strength
- ☐ Lose fat, be trim, strong, handsome
- ☐ Mold mighty back, broad beefy shoulders
- ☐ Build muscle on skinny wrists and arms
- ☐ Develop crushing grip, two-fisted punch-power

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Okay, Mike! Here's \$1.98. Send me your COMPLETE (nothing else to buy later) body-building course. I want to use your new secret of DYNAFLEX to win a HERCULES HE-MAN BODY in just ten minutes a day. Rush my copies of the DYNAFLEX SYSTEM and my free gift book "Secrets of Attracting Girls" on your money-back guarantee, in plain wrappers. If I don't develop a splendid physique and become more popular with girls you will refund my money in full.

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(Please Print!)

Out-side U.S.A.: Send International Money Order or cash. Great Britain: £1.98 is about 15 shillings. For air mail delivery, send 1 pound.



WHAT A DOPE I WAS...AS IF ANYBODY ELSE COULD HAVE HAD THOSE OFF-HAZEL FLECKS IN HIS LEFT EYE... THAT ODD LITTLE CRINKLY SMILE... AND THAT FUNNY WAY YOU WALK! EXCUSE ME FOR BEING CRAZY, HONEY...



...WE'RE GETTING MARRIED ON JUNE 15TH!



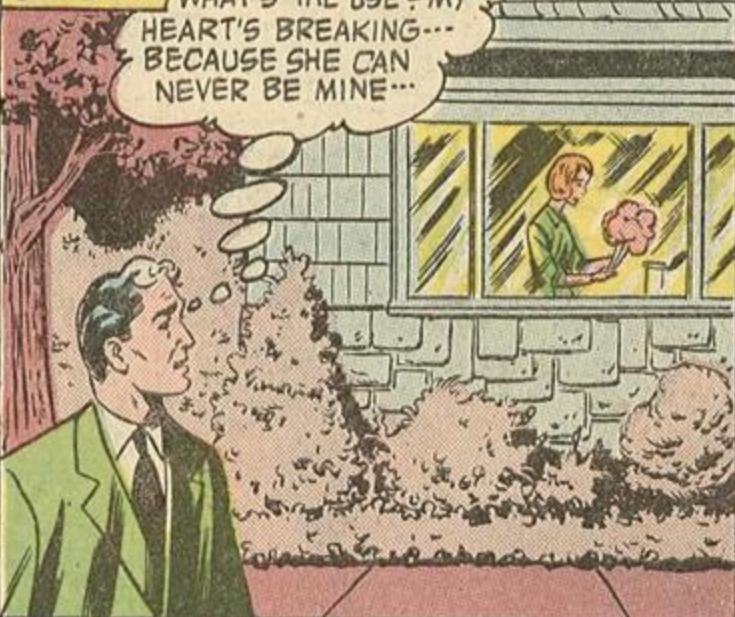
THAT NIGHT, HIS SLEEP WAS DISTURBED. IT WAS AS IF, SUBCONSCIOUSLY, HE KNEW WHAT WAS COMING...



AND NOW IT CAME...THE DISTURBING VISION OF THAT SAME MYSTERIOUS MAN...ACCUSING...OF WHAT?



BUT REALITY WAS EVEN WORSE. HE'D GO PAST CLAIRE'S HOUSE, HOPING FOR JUST THE SIGHT OF HER...



WHAT'S THE USE? MY HEART'S BREAKING... BECAUSE SHE CAN NEVER BE MINE...

EVEN THE ENDING OF THE WAR COULD DO LITTLE TO REVIVE HIS SPIRITS...

EACH OF THEM...COMING BACK TO SOMEONE HE LOVES. SOMETIMES I WISH...I'D NEVER RETURNED...



THE WEEKS TICKED PAST, AND NOW IT WAS JUNE 15TH... HIS WEDDING DAY!

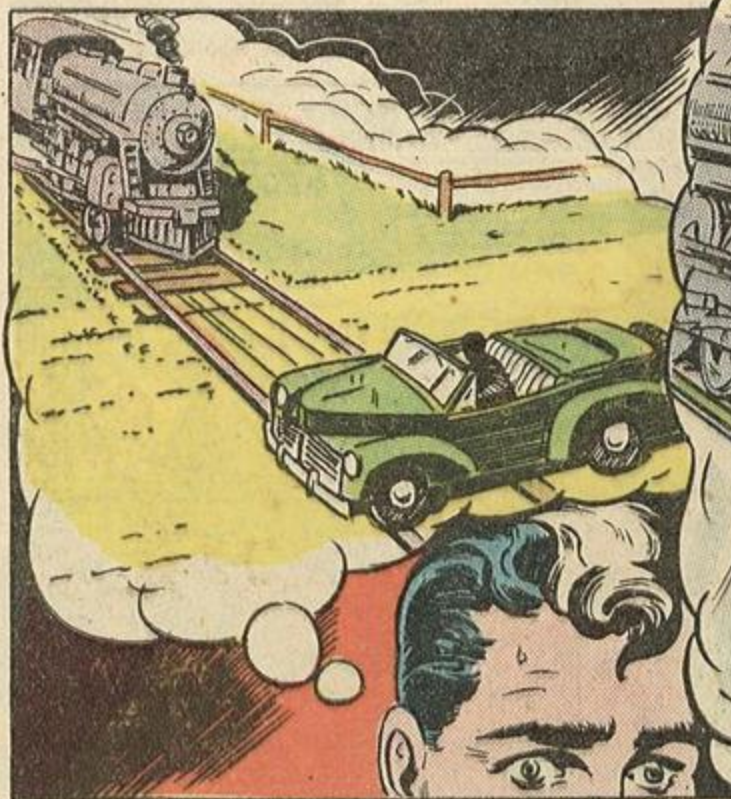


THE BIGGEST DAY IN A MAN'S LIFE...AND THE BRIDE...IT ISN'T CLAIRE...



BRETHREN, WE ARE GATHERED HERE TO JOIN THIS MAN AND THIS WOMAN IN HOLY MATRIMONY...

THAT... STRANGE SENSATION IN MY HEAD! DIZZY... THAT ODD, ROARING SOUND...



SUDDENLY, IN THE COLD LIGHT OF DAY, AN AWFUL VISION WAS FORMING WITHIN HIS BRAIN...

...AND IF THERE ARE ANY HERE WHO CAN SHOW JUST REASON WHY THEY SHOULD NOT BE JOINED...



THE MYSTERY MAN'S SHRIEK FOR HELP WAS A COMPELLING SUMMONS. HE HAD TO ANSWER IT, TO GO... BECAUSE SOME STRANGE FORCE STRONGER THAN HIMSELF WAS CALLING...

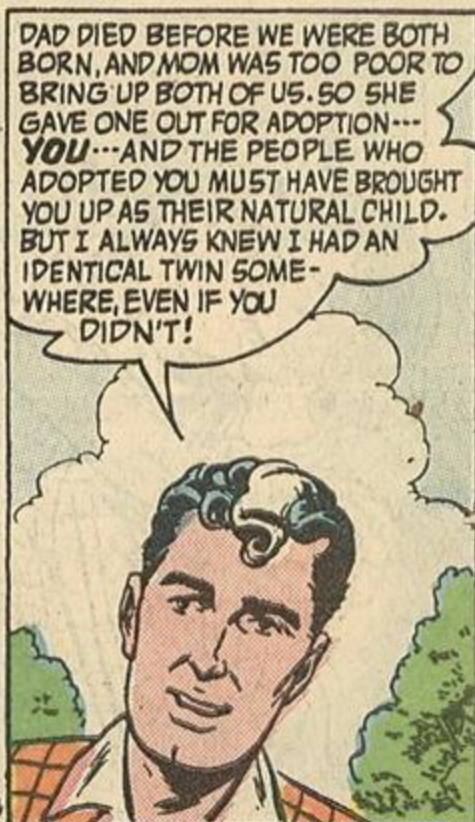
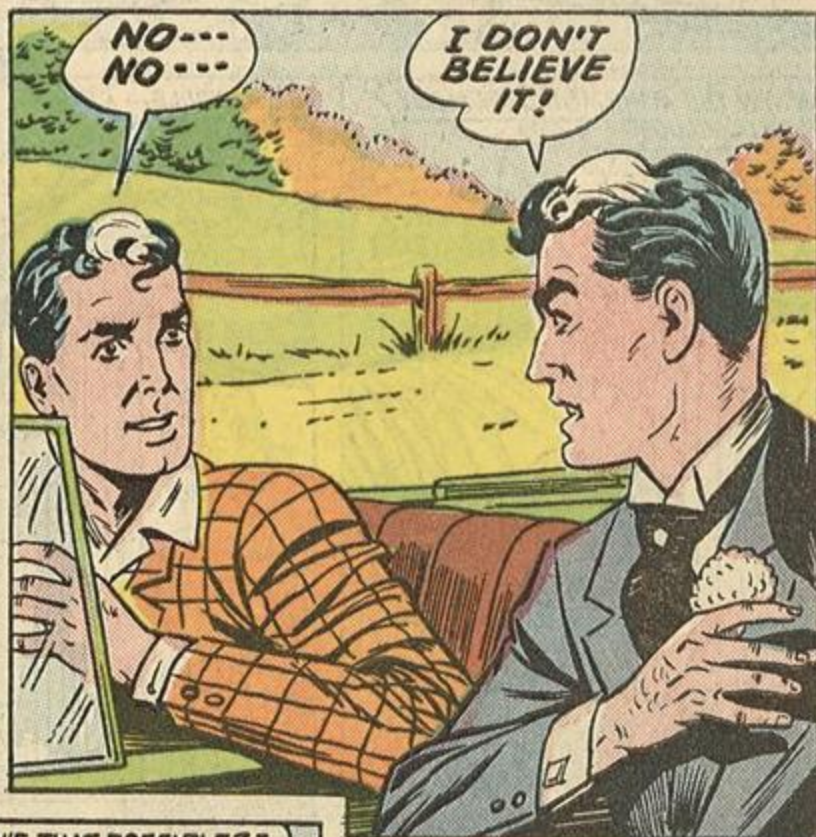
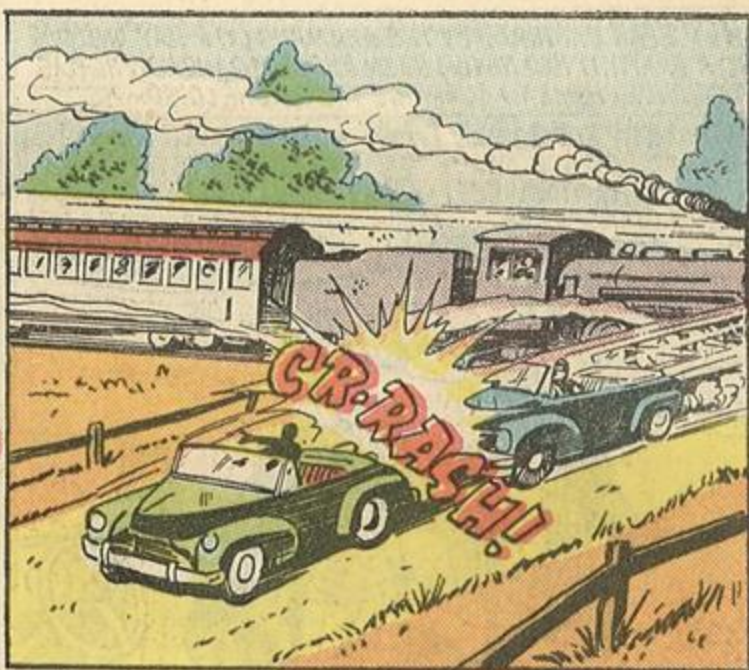
I'M SORRY... BUT WAIT HERE, EVERYBODY! I... I'LL BE BACK AS SOON AS I CAN!



THE ELMHURST GRADE CROSSING... IT'S JUST OUTSIDE TOWN! AND SOMETHING'S CALLING ME THERE... **CALLING ME...**



MY VISION... IT WAS TRUE! AND I'VE GOT TO SAVE HIM SOMEHOW...



HE'D BEEN CAPTURED BY THE GERMANS ON D-DAY, AND DUE TO A SNAFU, IT HAD NEVER BEEN REPORTED. AND NOW HE WAS RETURNING HOME TO SURPRISE THE GIRL HE LOVED...

ELIZABETH SURE WILL BE AMAZED TO SEE ME... AND HAPPY, TOO! YOU SEE, WE'RE GOING TO BE MARRIED...

A LOT SOONER THAN YOU THINK! LISTEN... I'LL FILL YOU IN ON THE WHOLE STORY WHILE WE CHANGE CLOTHES!



AND WITHIN MINUTES...

ED! I WAS SO WORRIED I THOUGHT I'D DIE!



WHEN THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY WAS CONCLUDED...

I LOVE YOU, HONEY... AND I ALWAYS WILL...

THANK... HEAVENS!



MEANWHILE...

YOU! YOU CAN'T COME IN, BESIDES... YOU'RE GETTING MARRIED...

I SURE AM, DARLING... TO YOU!



...AND THAT'S THE WHOLE STORY, CLAIRE, SWEETHEART. IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IT, YOU CAN CHECK UP WITH THE **REAL** ED... MY TWIN BROTHER!

WHEN A MAN LOOKS AT ME LIKE THAT, IT'S GOT TO BE TRUE! I'LL GET USED TO CALLING YOU **TOM** LATER... BUT FOR NOW...



IN CLOSING, LET'S HAVE A FEW WORDS WITH PROFESSOR TEMPLE WARING... THE FAMOUS **E.S.P.** EXPERT...

THERE IT IS... THE FAMOUS **FAIRLESS CASE!** AND HERE'S A MESSAGE FOR DOUBTERS... THE MOST SPECTACULAR INSTANCES OF **EXTRA-SENSORY PERCEPTION**, INVOLVING A PSYCHIC FLASH BETWEEN TWO PERSONS WHEN ONE IS IN MORTAL DANGER, HAVE ALWAYS BEEN IN THE CASE OF **IDENTICAL TWINS!**



THE END!

INSIDE the CAVE

ONE OF THE MOST FASCINATING SCIENCES IS SPELEOLOGY...THE STUDY OF UNDERGROUND CAVES! TWO AMERICAN EXPLORERS RECENTLY BROUGHT BACK A STARTLING REPORT FROM SPAIN...

WE BETTER NOT GO TOO FAR DOWN...THE FOOTING IS INSECURE!

I ONLY WANT A QUICK LOOK BELOW!



THEY HAD REACHED THE FLOOR OF AN IMMENSE CAVERN WHEN AN OMINOUS RUMBLE SOUNDED BEHIND THEM...



IN THE ENCLOSED EMPTINESS FAR BENEATH THE EARTH, THE GRATE OF EACH PEBBLE WAS LIKE THE CRASH OF A KETTLE DRUM...



WHEN THE DUST HAD SETTLED...

I CAN STILL SMELL FRESH AIR...OUR RETREAT ISN'T CUT OFF!

HOLY SMOKE... LOOK! WHAT'S THAT THING STICKING OUT OF THE RUBBLE?



THEY DREW CLOSE, NOT QUITE BELIEVING WHAT WAS BEFORE THEIR EYES...

AFTER HOURS OF FEVERISH WORK...

THERE'S THE DOOR!
LET'S BUST IN AND
HAVE A LOOK!



IT LOOKS LIKE...
LIKE A **ROCKET SHIP!**

C'MON, LET'S
DIG!



WHAT ELSE COULD IT BE
BUT A ROCKET SHIP?

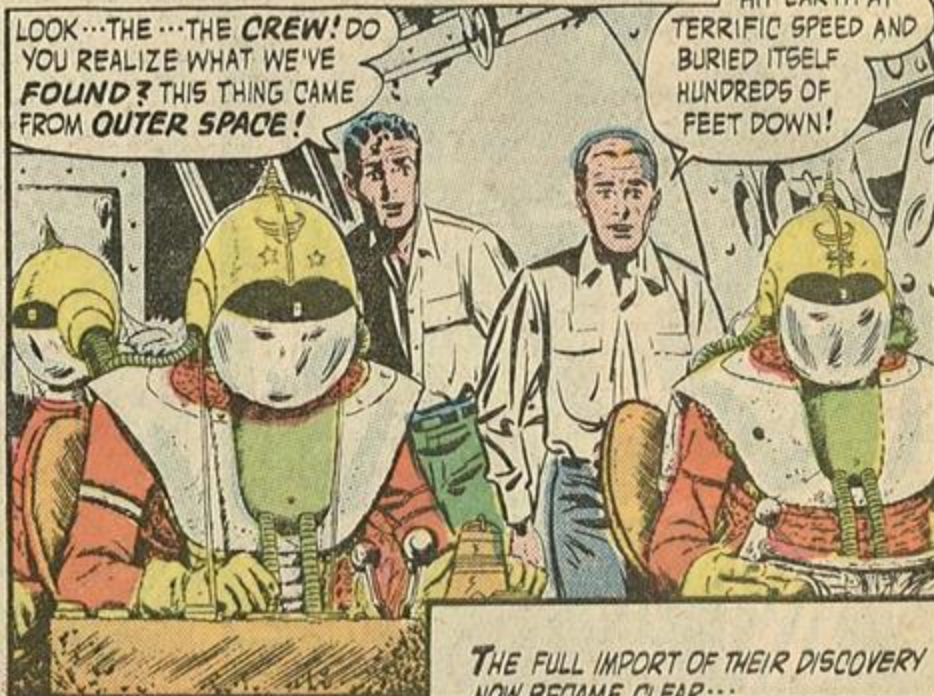
SOMETHING WHICH LOOKED LIKE A ROCKET
SHIP, BURIED DEEP BELOW THE EARTH! HOW
HAD IT GOTTEN THERE...AND **WHEN?**

THE RUINED DOOR CREAKED OPEN...AND INSIDE THE CRAFT...

IT MUST HAVE
HIT EARTH AT
TERRIFIC SPEED AND
BURIED ITSELF
HUNDREDS OF
FEET DOWN!

IT'S GIVING WAY!
JUST A FEW
MORE SMASHES!

LOOK...THE...THE **CREW!** DO
YOU REALIZE WHAT WE'VE
FOUND? THIS THING CAME
FROM **OUTER SPACE!**



THE FULL IMPORT OF THEIR DISCOVERY
NOW BECAME CLEAR...

THE CREW OF THE ROCKET WHICH
HAD MET DISASTER WERE RIGID IN
THEIR SEATS...PRESERVED BY THE
CONSTANT TEMPERATURE IN THE SEALED
CABIN...

I'LL TAKE THIS ALONG
AS A SOUVENIR! MUST
BE SOME SORT
OF **COMPASS!**

I WONDER
WHEN THEY
LANDED! IT
COULD HAVE
BEEN A YEAR
AGO...OR TEN
THOUSAND
YEARS AGO!

ONCE DOCTORS HAVE
A CHANCE TO **EXAMINE**
THOSE PILOTS WE'LL
HAVE A GOOD IDEA OF
WHAT LIFE IS LIKE ON
OTHER PLANETS!

THAT'S JUST
THE START!
NO TELLING
WHAT SCIENCE
WILL LEARN
FROM ALL
THOSE
INSTRUMENTS!



JUST LOOK AT THIS
EQUIPMENT! THIS
IS THE **FIND OF THE**
CENTURY!

WE'D BETTER
GO...WE'LL
COME BACK
WITH A PARTY
OF **SPECIALISTS!**



THEY HAD ALMOST REACHED THE SAFETY OF THE UPPER CAVERN WHEN ANOTHER SLIDE STRUCK...

OH, NO! IT'S GOING TO COVER UP THE ROCKET!



BUT THERE WAS NO TIME TO THINK ABOUT THAT NOW. FOR THEY HAD THEIR OWN LIVES TO SAVE! FRANTICALLY, THEY DASHED ALONG A NARROW CORRIDOR...

THAT SLIDE'S GETTING WORSE! IT'LL BURY THE WHOLE CAVE!

DON'T TALK... RUN!



WHEN THEY FINALLY REACHED THE SURFACE...

IT WAS FOOLHARDY TO TRY EXPLORING IN THIS AREA! IT'S LIKE QUICKSAND!



WAIT! LL YOU LEARN WHAT WE'VE DISCOVERED!

THE TWO MEN WERE KNOWN AS SOUND INVESTIGATORS, AND THEIR FANTASTIC STORY HAD TO BE LISTENED TO CAREFULLY...

...AND I TOOK THIS OUT OF THE CRAFT... I GUESS IT'S ONE OF THEIR FLYING INSTRUMENTS!

WE CAN CHECK YOUR STORY EASILY ENOUGH! WE'LL DIG THAT ROCKET UP!



UNFORTUNATELY, THERE WAS NO CHANCE OF GETTING AT THE ROCKET EXCEPT BY EXCAVATING! AND THE TASK WOULD REQUIRE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS...

IT'D BE LIKE LOOKING FOR A NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK! BESIDES, AS HEAD OF THIS FOUNDATION, I CAN'T ALLOW SO MUCH MONEY TO BE SPENT ON AN UNCONFIRMED REPORT!



BUT IT'S TRUE, SIR... TRUE!

THE "SOUVENIR" WAS TURNED OVER TO LAB TECHNICIANS FOR ANALYSIS...

DON'T KNOW WHAT ITS PURPOSE WAS, BUT A CARBON 14 ANALYSIS PROVES IT'S MILLIONS OF YEARS OLD!

THAT MEANS THE ROCKET LANDED ON EARTH MILLIONS OF YEARS AGO... BEFORE THERE WERE HUMANS ON EARTH!



THE TWO MEN TRIED AGAIN AND AGAIN TO RAISE THE NECESSARY RESEARCH FUNDS... BUT ALWAYS WITHOUT SUCCESS...

WE'VE JUST GOT TO KEEP TRYING... WE CAN'T ALLOW OUR DISCOVERY TO REMAIN BURIED!



IS THERE A ROCKET BURIED SOMEWHERE IN SPAIN WHICH LANDED ON EARTH MILLIONS OF YEARS AGO... OR ARE TWO REPUTABLE SCIENTISTS PERPETRATING AN INCREDIBLE HOAX? WHAT'S YOUR OPINION, READER?

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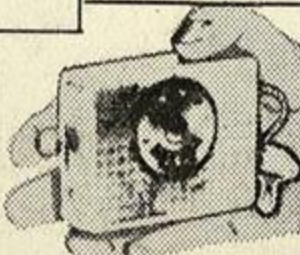
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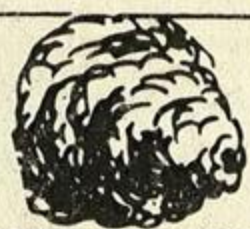
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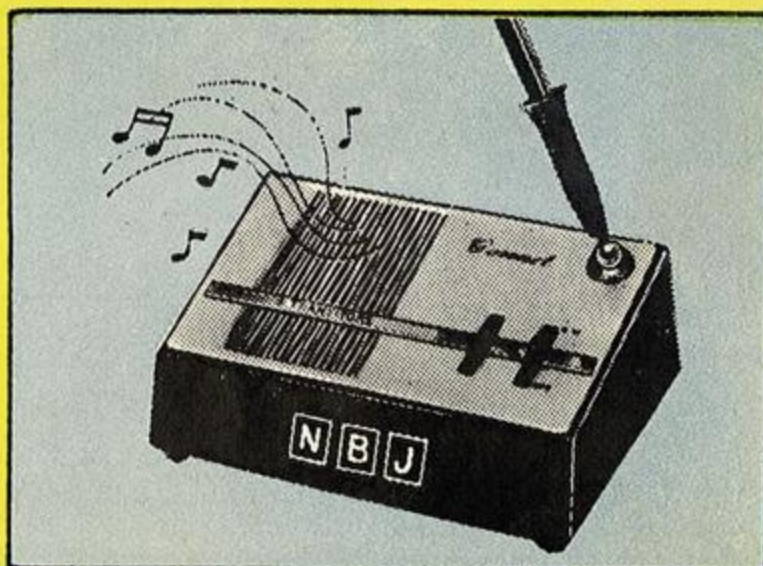
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