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## The STORY of the COMMANDOS BRITISH HIT-AND-RUN TROOPS



FIRST WOMAN  
TEST-PILOT

THE REAL ROBINSON CRUSOE  
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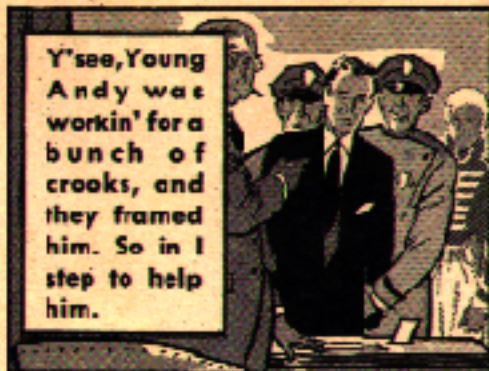
REMARKABLE? BY THUNDERATION...

**I'M AMAZIN'!**

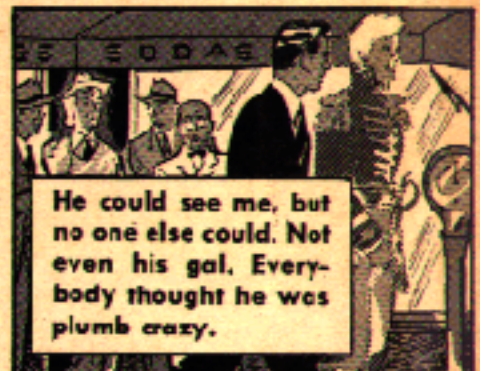
The Most Remarkable Movie of the Year... Andy Jackson's Adventures when he comes to life in 1942!



There ain't many men could step across a hundred years to help a young feller and his gal out of a mess o' trouble. But I liked 'em... and I love a good fight...



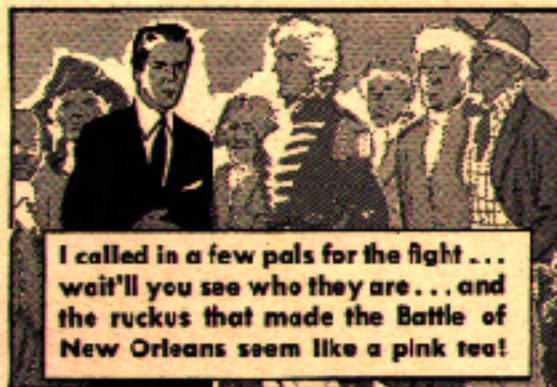
Y'see, Young Andy was workin' for a bunch of crooks, and they framed him. So in I step to help him.



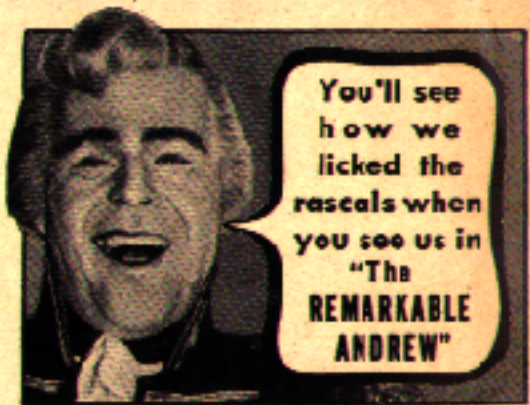
He could see me, but no one else could. Not even his gal. Everybody thought he was plumb crazy.



... and dumed if they don't stick poor Andy in the town jail! Then I went into action!



I called in a few pals for the fight... wait'll you see who they are... and the ruckus that made the Battle of New Orleans seem like a pink tea!



You'll see how we licked the rascals when you see us in "The **REMARKABLE ANDREW**"

# THE **REMARKABLE ANDREW**

The side splitting, thrilling adventures of Andrew Jackson in a modern world...

BRIAN DONLEVY • WILLIAM HOLDEN • ELLEN DREW • MONTAGU LOVE PORTER HALL

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Coming!  
**"REAP THE WILD WIND"**  
Cecil B. DeMille's Greatest Triumph... in Technicolor.

**COMING TO YOUR FAVORITE THEATRE SOON!**

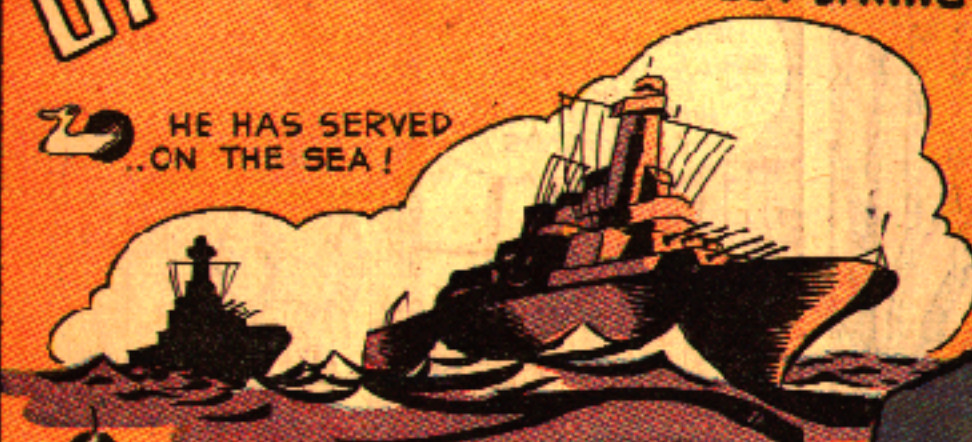
# "COMINCH"

**(COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE U.S. NAVY**

**TRIPLE-THREAT ADMIRAL ERNEST J. KING**



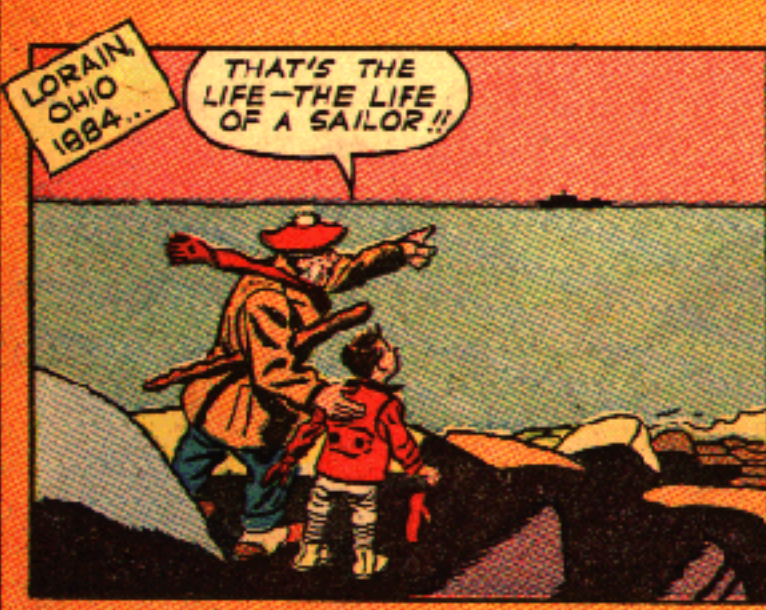
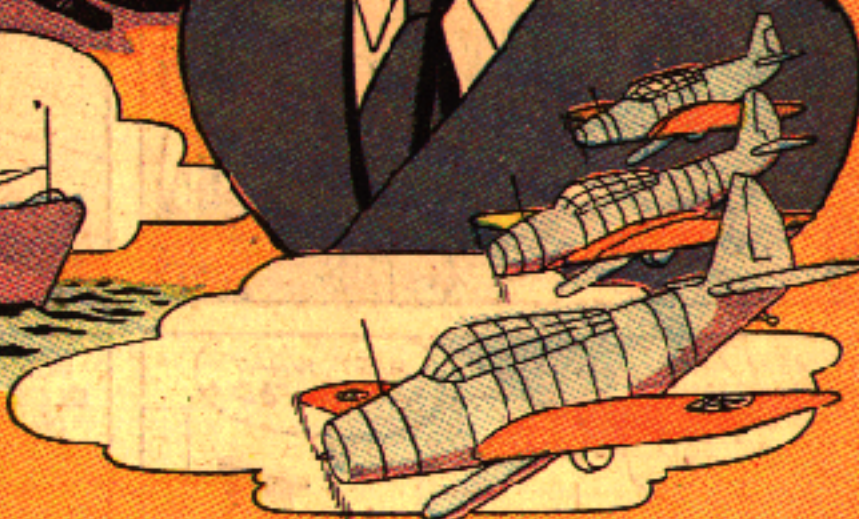
**HE HAS SERVED ..ON THE SEA!**

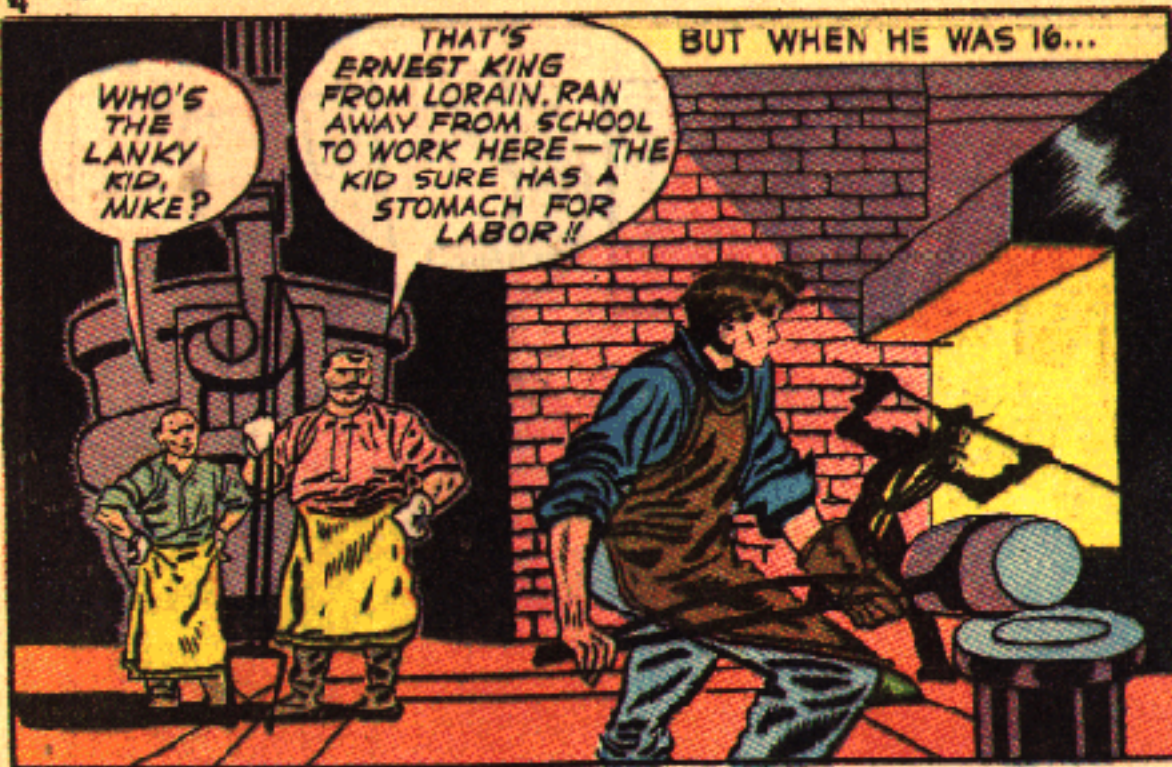


**..UNDER THE SEA !!**



**..AND IN THE AIR !!!**





WHO'S THE LANKY KID, MIKE?

THAT'S ERNEST KING FROM LORAIN. RAN AWAY FROM SCHOOL TO WORK HERE - THE KID SURE HAS A STOMACH FOR LABOR!!

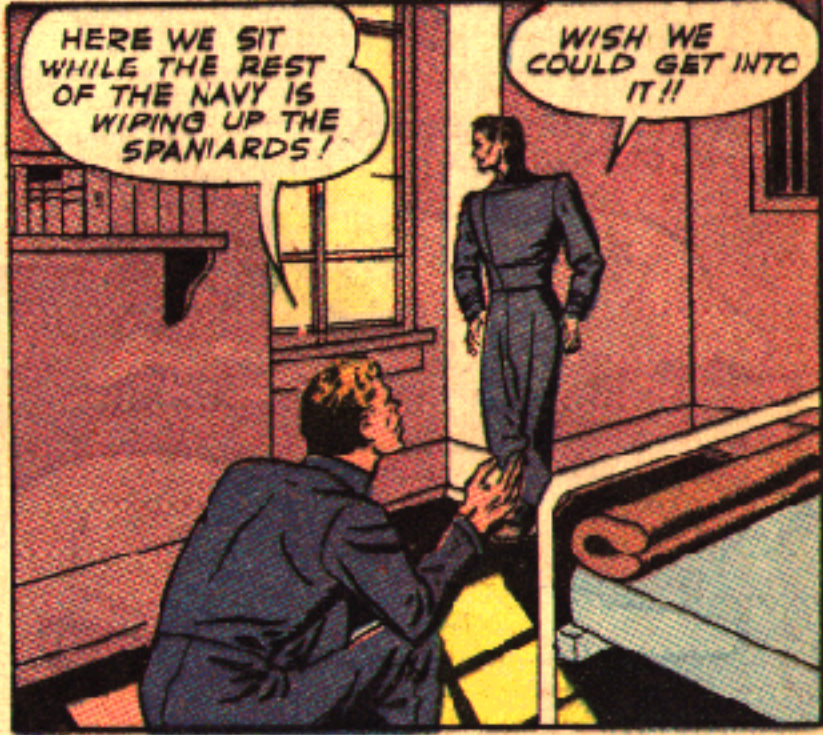
BUT WHEN HE WAS 16...



HE STUDIED AND WON AN APPOINTMENT TO ANNAPOLIS IN 1897 -

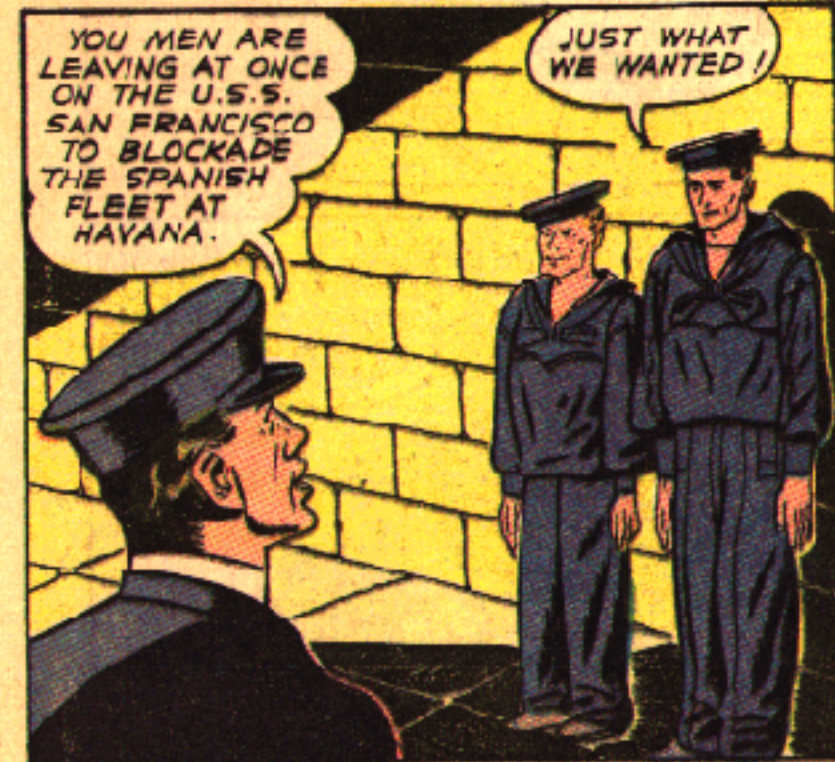


THAT'S OLD TECUMSEH, BOB. HE'S OUR LUCKY OMEN.



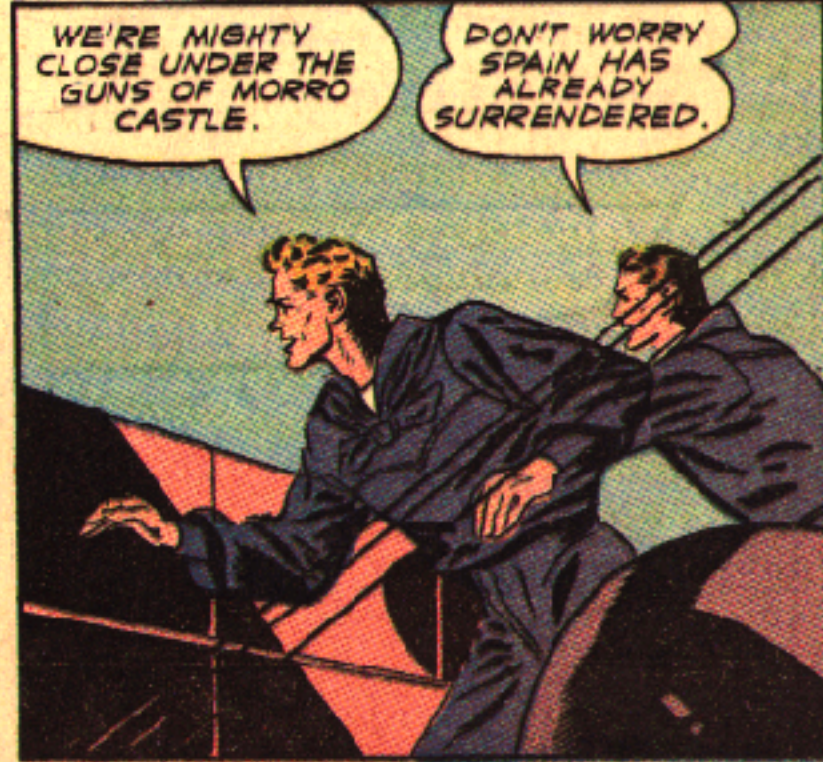
HERE WE SIT WHILE THE REST OF THE NAVY IS WIPING UP THE SPANIARDS!

WISH WE COULD GET INTO IT!!



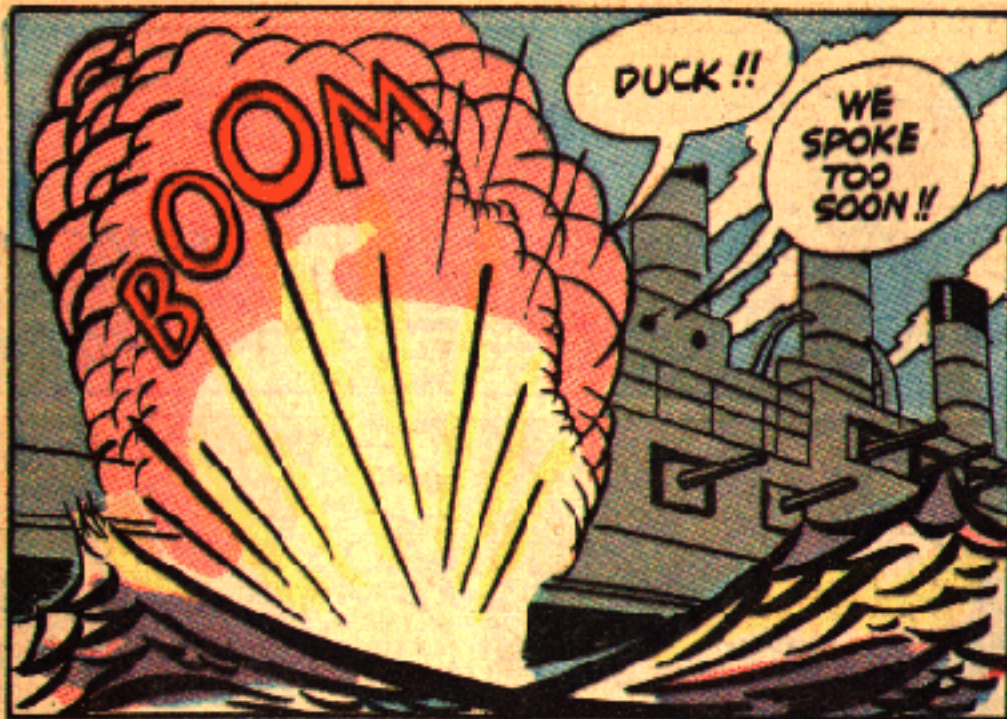
YOU MEN ARE LEAVING AT ONCE ON THE U.S.S. SAN FRANCISCO TO BLOCKADE THE SPANISH FLEET AT HAYANA.

JUST WHAT WE WANTED!



WE'RE MIGHTY CLOSE UNDER THE GUNS OF MORRO CASTLE.

DON'T WORRY SPAIN HAS ALREADY SURRENDERED.



DUCK !!

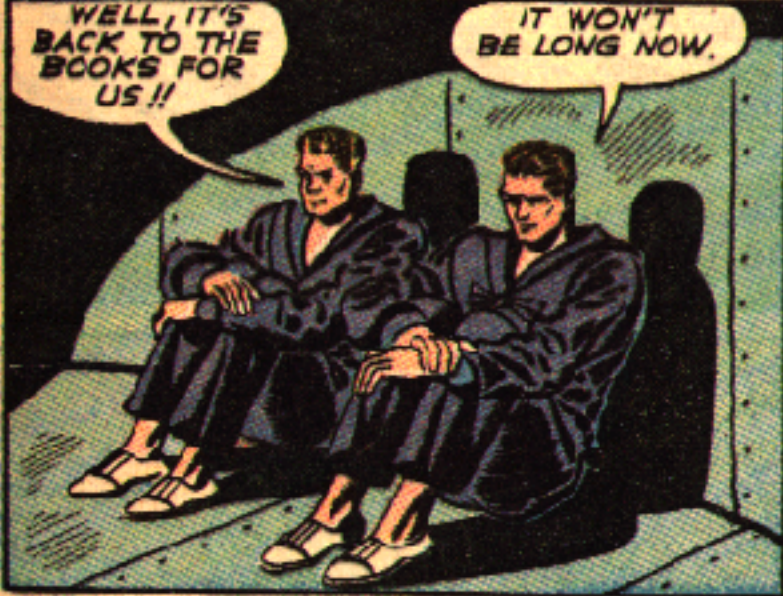
WE SPOKE TOO SOON !!



COME ON, ERNIE !! LET'S GIVE IT BACK TO THEM!

HOLD ON, SPIKE! THE U.S. WILL NOT VIOLATE THE ARMISTICE.

AFTER THE WAR, KING RETURNED TO THE NAVAL ACADEMY AT ANNAPOLIS AND GRADUATED WITH TOP HONORS.



WELL, IT'S BACK TO THE BOOKS FOR US !!

IT WON'T BE LONG NOW.

WORLD WAR NO. I - AS ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ATLANTIC FLEET. HE REPORTS TO ADMIRAL MAYO.



MR. KING, THE BRITISH WANT YOU TO ACT AS OBSERVER IN THEIR ATTACK ON OSTEND.

THAT'S JUST MY MEAT.

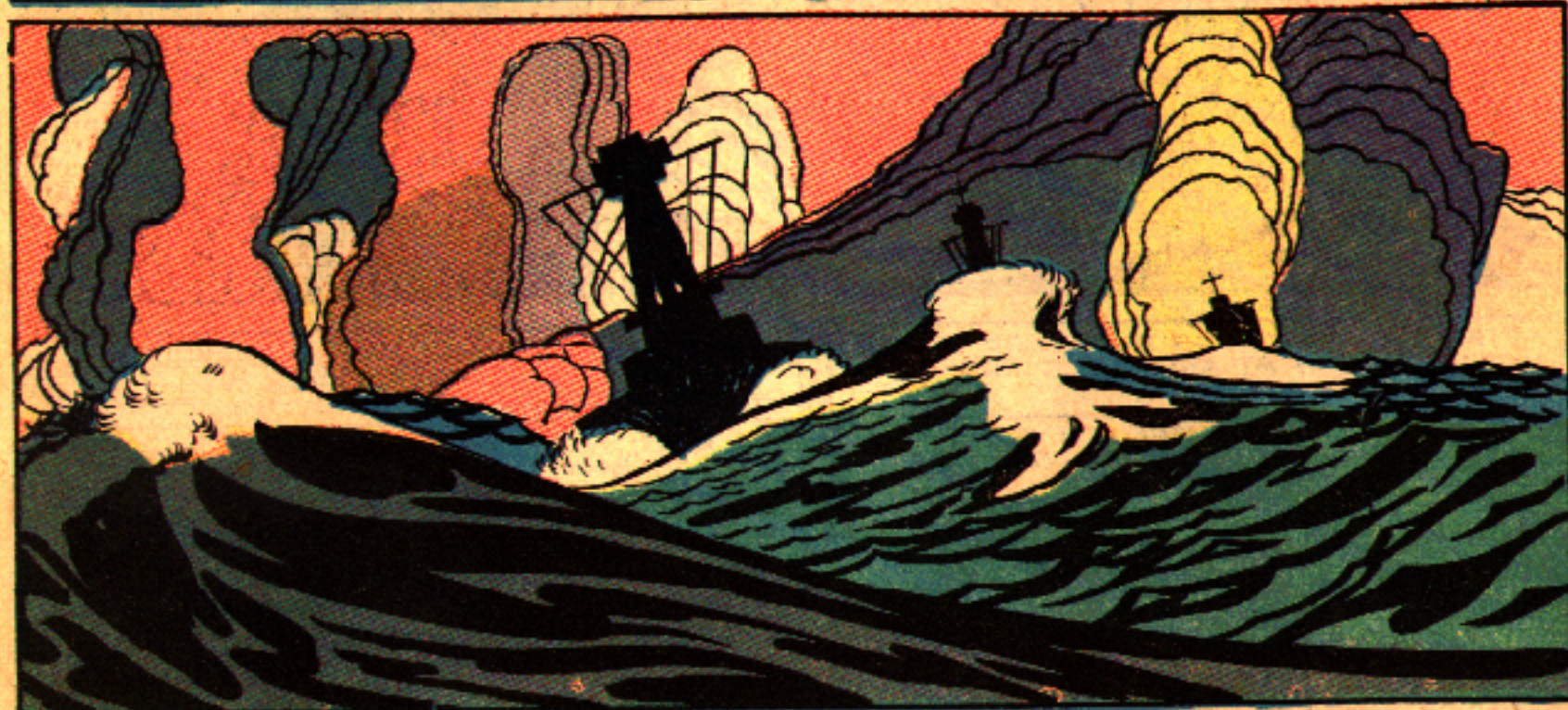


THESE SHIPS WE'RE USING - MONITORS WE CALL THEM ... SHOULD DO THE JOB.

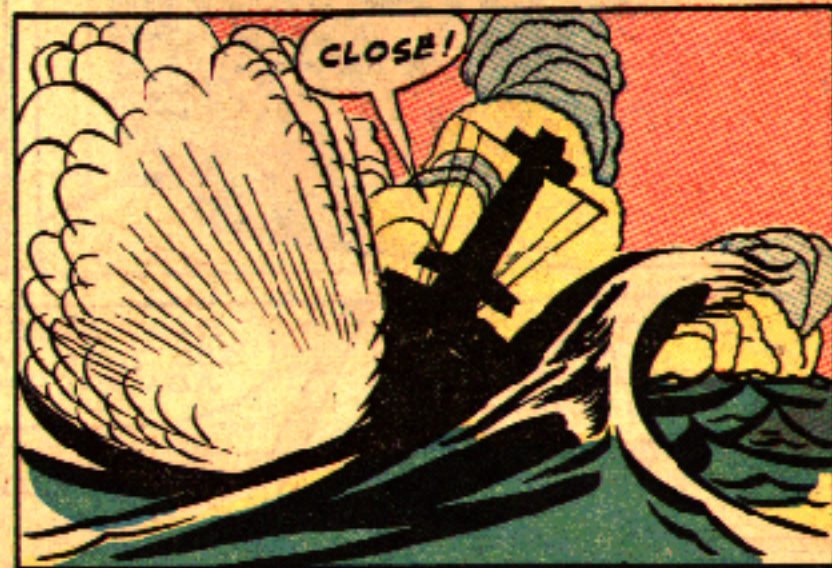
I'M INTERESTED TO SEE THEM IN ACTION, ADMIRAL JELlicoe ?



YOU MAY BEGIN THE ACTION, SIR.



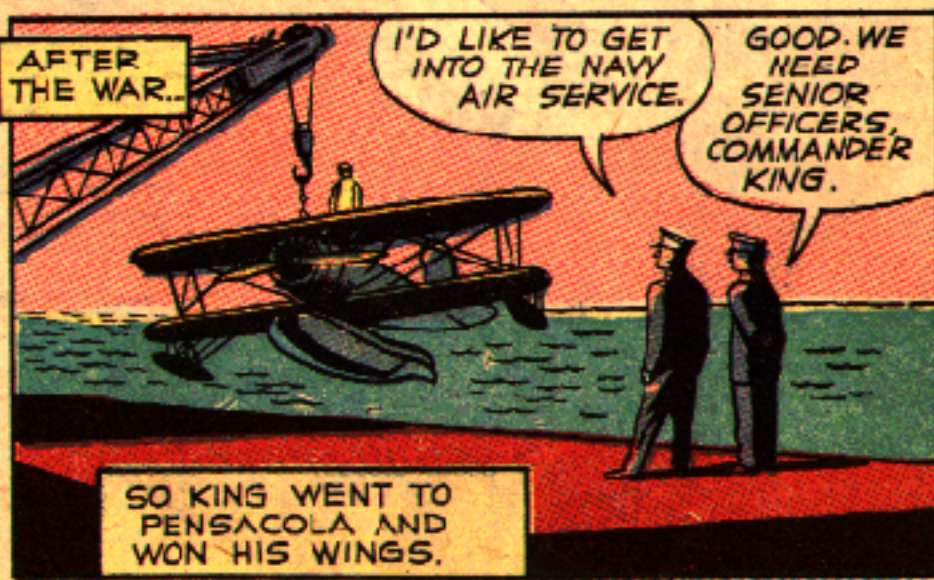
SOME SHOW EH, KING!



CLOSE!



THAT'S SOMETHING TO TELL YOUR GRANDCHILDREN ABOUT!

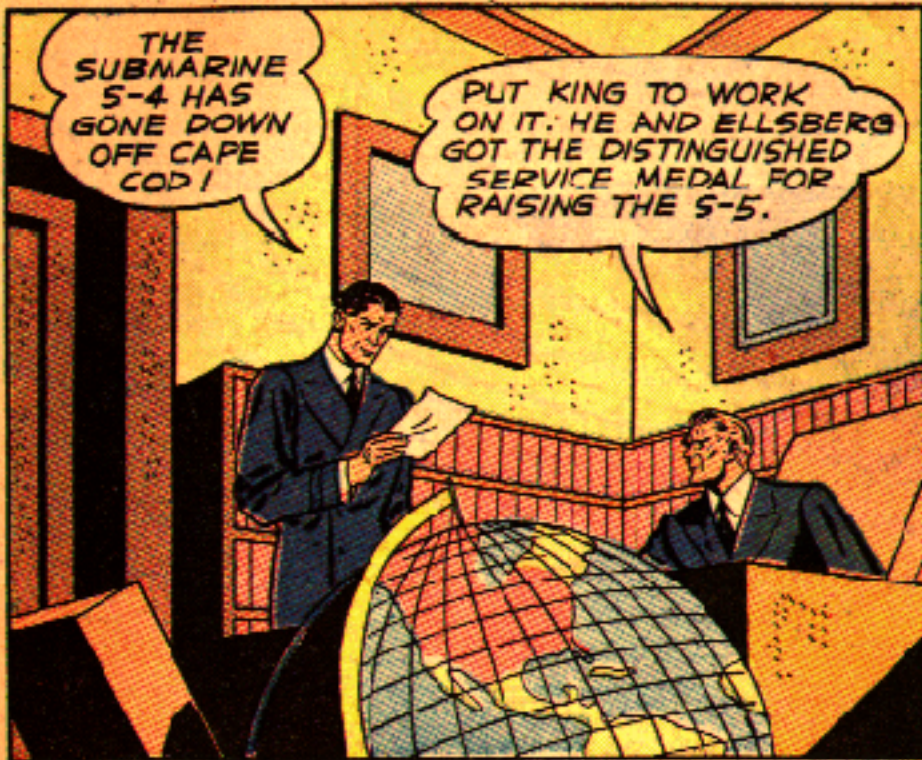


AFTER THE WAR...

I'D LIKE TO GET INTO THE NAVY AIR SERVICE.

GOOD. WE NEED SENIOR OFFICERS, COMMANDER KING.

SO KING WENT TO PENSACOLA AND WON HIS WINGS.



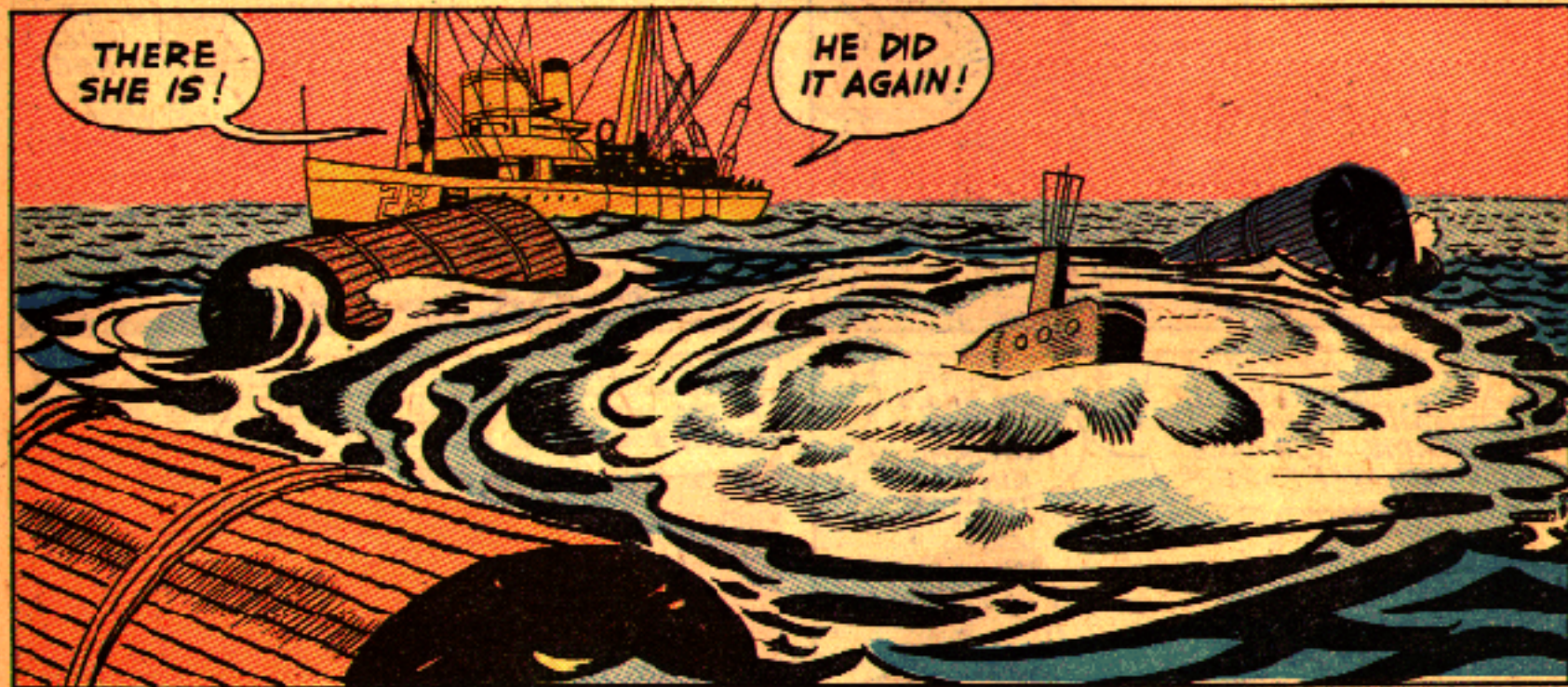
THE SUBMARINE S-4 HAS GONE DOWN OFF CAPE COD!

PUT KING TO WORK ON IT. HE AND ELLSBERG GOT THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL FOR RAISING THE S-5.



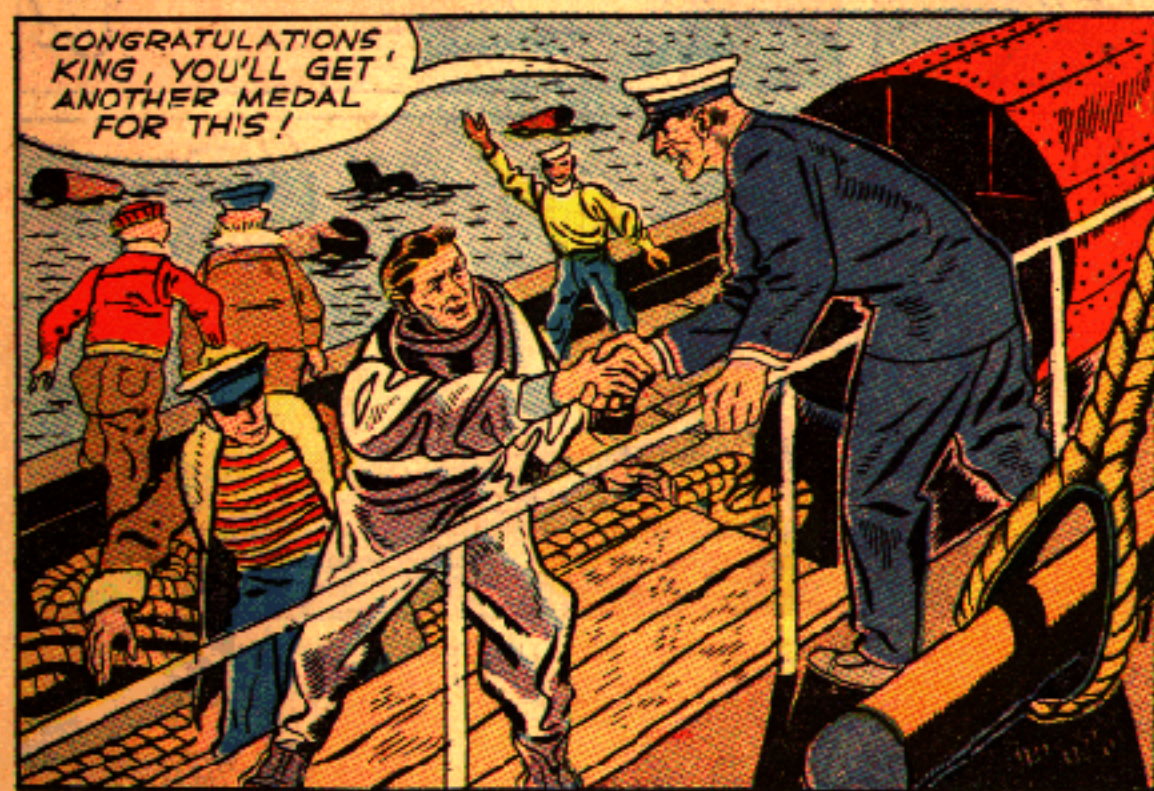
THERE LIES THE S-4, KING, AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA!!

WE'LL GET HER UP!!



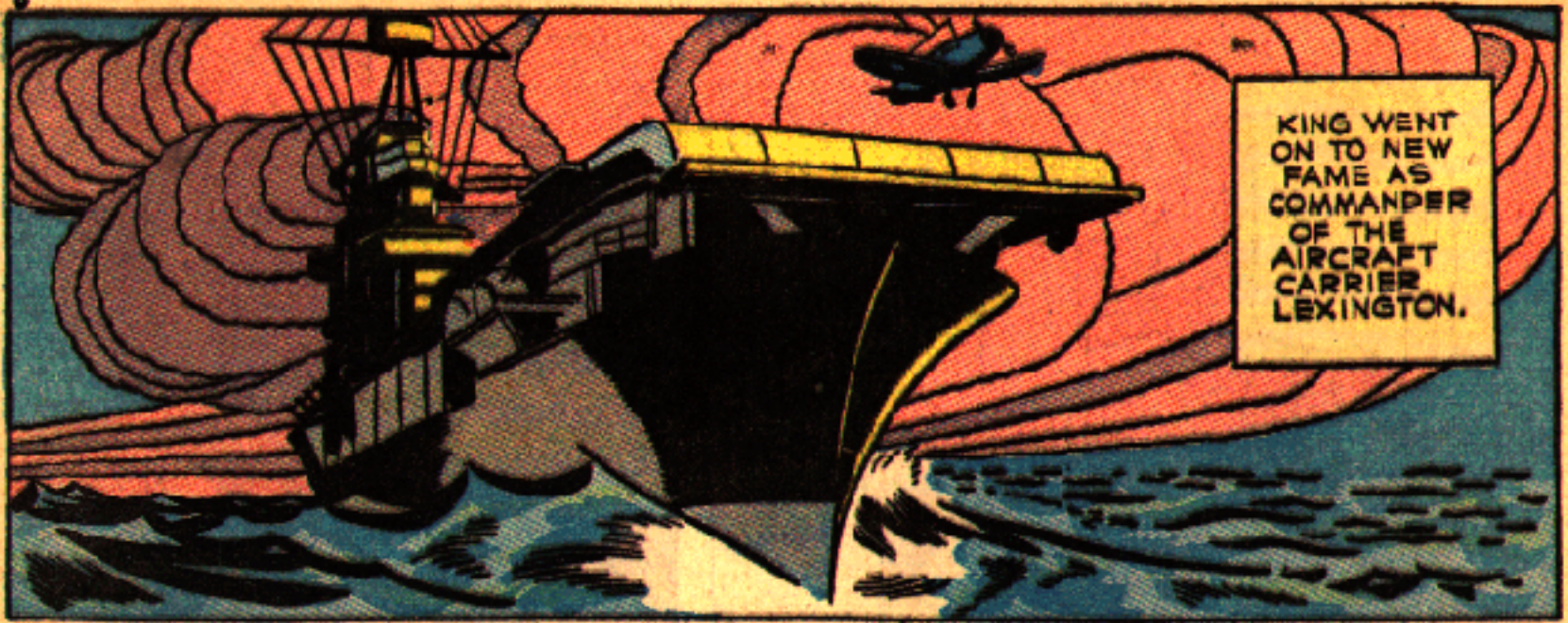
THERE SHE IS!

HE DID IT AGAIN!

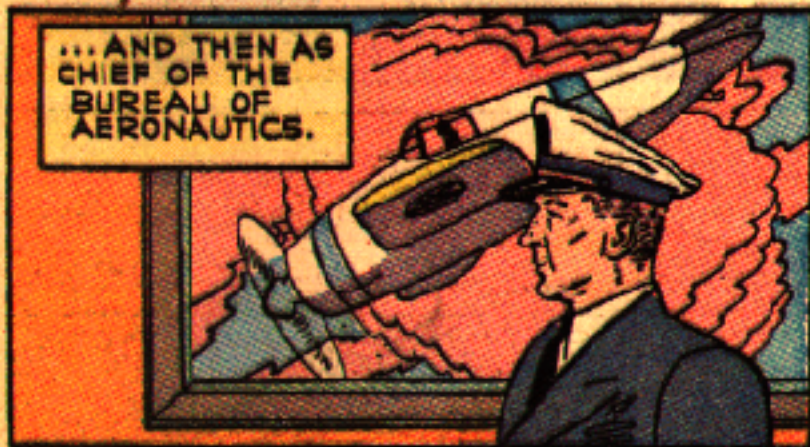


CONGRATULATIONS KING, YOU'LL GET ANOTHER MEDAL FOR THIS!

HE DID. FOR RAISING THE S-4, KING WON HIS SECOND DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL



KING WENT ON TO NEW FAME AS COMMANDER OF THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER LEXINGTON.



... AND THEN AS CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF AERONAUTICS.



AS COMMANDER OF AIRCRAFT SQUADRONS...

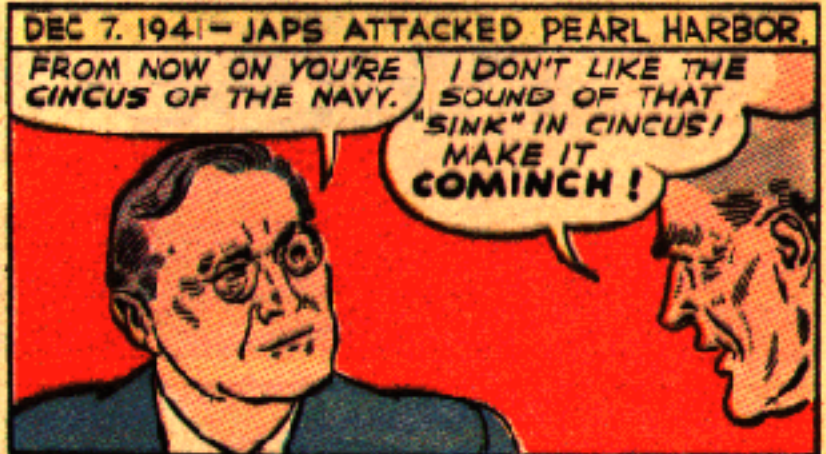
THESE ALASKA ISLANDS WILL MAKE FINE BASES FOR BOMBING PLANES.

JUST WHAT WE NEED IN CASE OF WAR WITH JAPAN.



THE BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC TODAY NEEDS A COMMANDER WHO KNOWS SUBMARINE, SURFACE AND AIR WARFARE.

ONLY ONE MAN FILLS THE BILL - ADMIRAL KING!



DEC 7, 1941 - JAPS ATTACKED PEARL HARBOR. FROM NOW ON YOU'RE CINCUS OF THE NAVY.

I DON'T LIKE THE SOUND OF THAT "SINK" IN CINCUS! MAKE IT COMINCH!



SWORN IN AS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE UNITED STATES FLEET, ADMIRAL KING SAID: "THE WAY OF VICTORY IS LONG. THE GOING WILL BE HARD. WE WILL DO THE BEST WE CAN WITH WHAT WE'VE GOT. WE WILL WIN THROUGH IN TIME."



# The 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY IN SALVADOR

WILLIAM SIDNEY PORTER WROTE MANY FAMOUS STORIES UNDER THE PEN NAME, O HENRY.... BUT PORTER'S LIFE ITSELF WAS CRAMMED WITH INCIDENTS AS THRILLING AS THOSE HE WROTE ABOUT. HERE IS ONE.

WELL, MY SHIP HAS SAILED OFF WITHOUT ME, PORTER! WHAT'S THERE TO DO AROUND HERE?

IF YOU WANT EXCITEMENT, TRY RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT. OR BETTER STILL...

LET'S STIR UP SOME EXCITEMENT OF OUR OWN. TOMORROW IS THE FOURTH OF JULY. LET'S CELEBRATE IN GOOD, OLD-FASHIONED, RIP-SNORTING TEXAS FRONTIER STYLE!

NOW YOU'RE TALKING TURKEY!

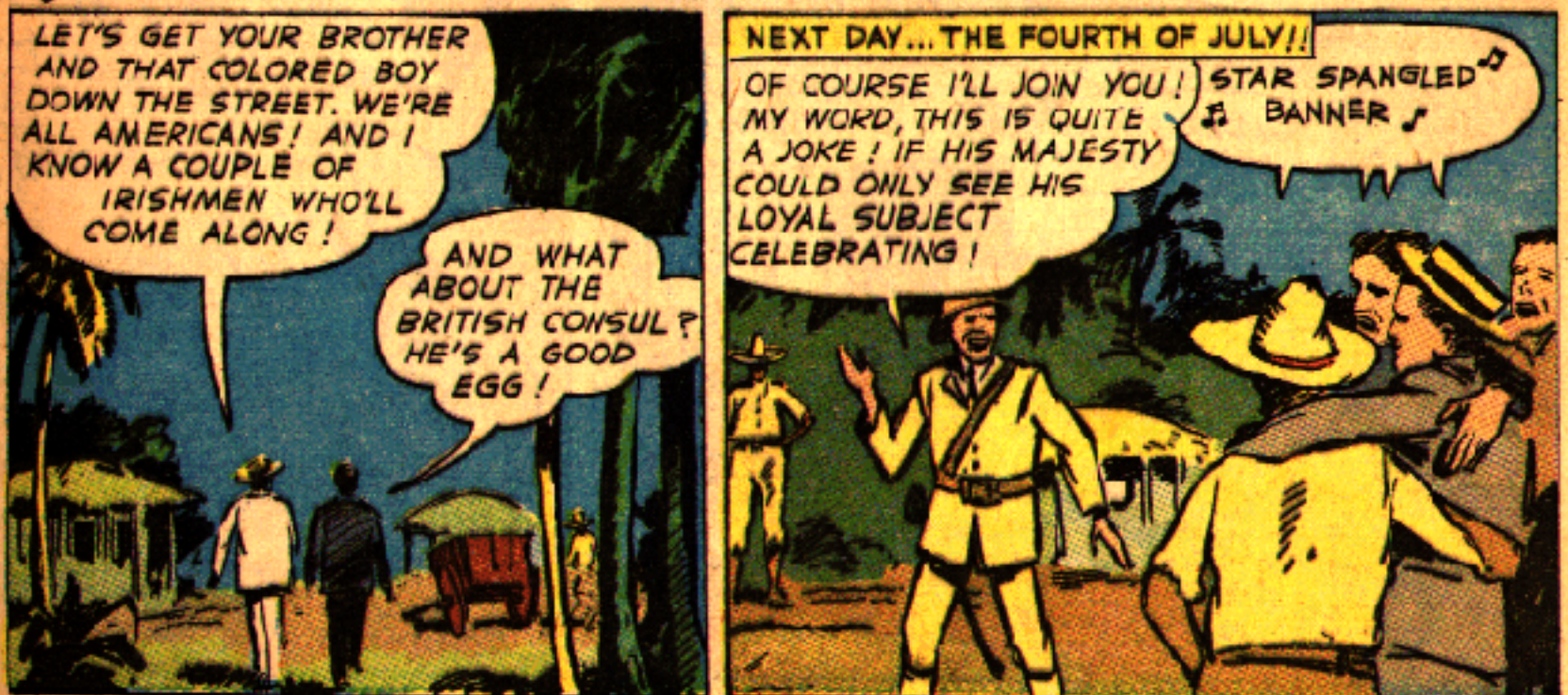
LET'S GET YOUR BROTHER AND THAT COLORED BOY DOWN THE STREET. WE'RE ALL AMERICANS! AND I KNOW A COUPLE OF IRISHMEN WHO'LL COME ALONG!

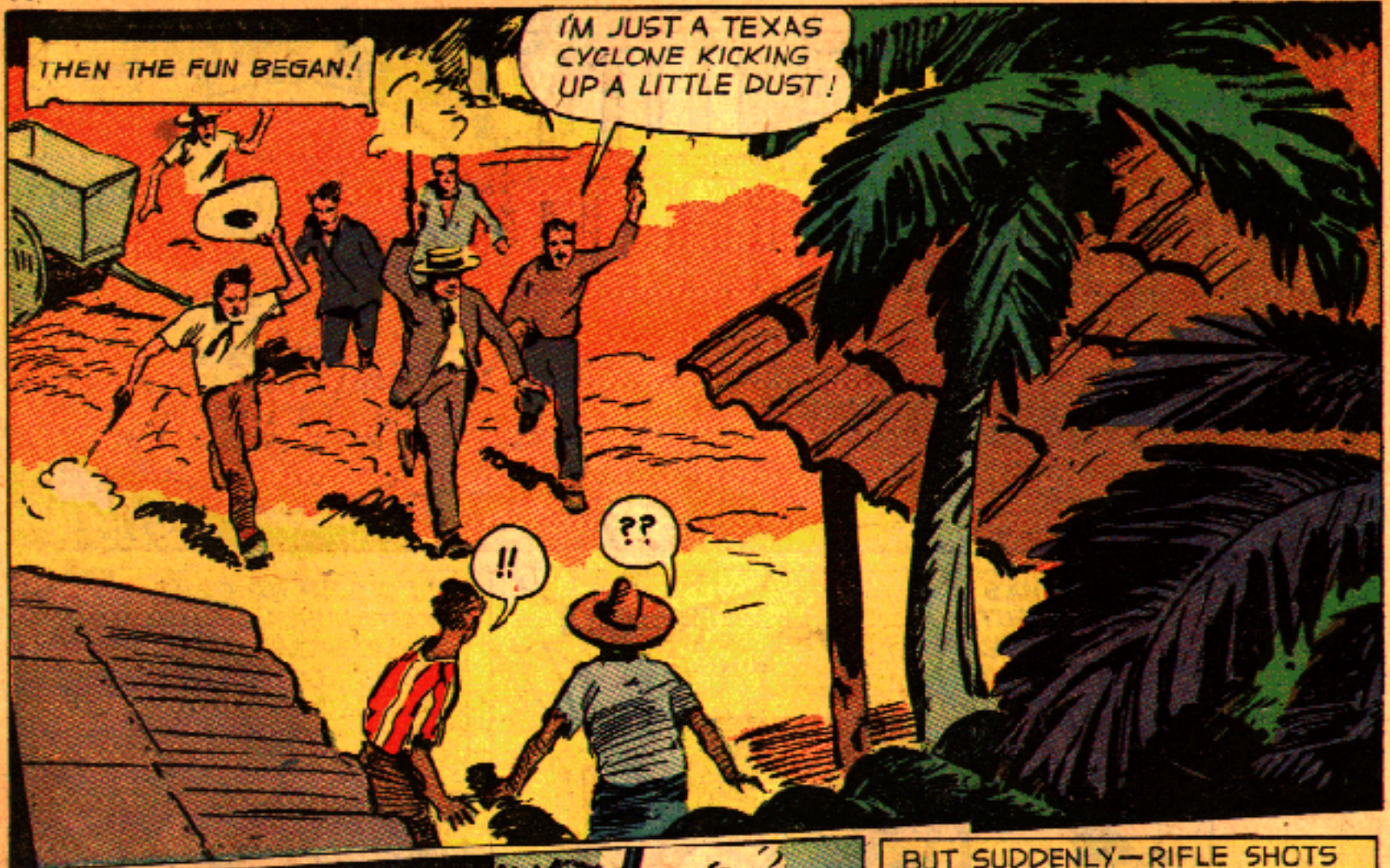
AND WHAT ABOUT THE BRITISH CONSUL? HE'S A GOOD EGG!

NEXT DAY... THE FOURTH OF JULY!!

OF COURSE I'LL JOIN YOU! MY WORD, THIS IS QUITE A JOKE! IF HIS MAJESTY COULD ONLY SEE HIS LOYAL SUBJECT CELEBRATING!

STAR SPANGLED BANNER





THEN THE FUN BEGAN!

I'M JUST A TEXAS CYCLONE KICKING UP A LITTLE DUST!

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MAKE YOUR SHOTS HEARD ROUND THE WORLD, BOYS!

YIP YA-HOO!  
YA-HOO!!

BUT SUDDENLY—RIFLE SHOTS FROM ANOTHER DIRECTION—AND THE HOOFBEATS OF GALLOPING HORSES!

FELLOWS, IT SOUNDS TO ME AS IF THE NATIVES ARE TRYING TO STEAL OUR LITTLE CELEBRATION! LOOK!



POWDER RIVER!  
LET'ER BUCK!

THE AMERICANOS  
HAVE GONE LOCO!

MY SIESTA, SHE  
IS RUINED!



BANG!

BANG!!



HEY! THOSE FELLOWS AREN'T KIDDING!

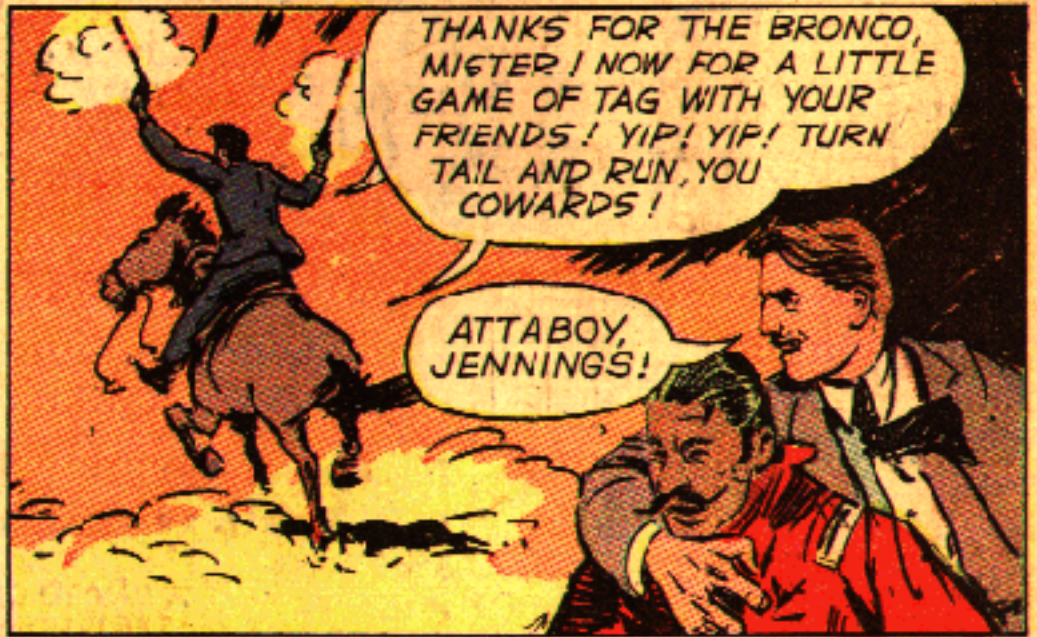
YOU'RE RIGHT, JENNINGS! I THINK I'LL HAVE A CHAT WITH THE LEADER!



HOLD THE NAG, JENNINGS! DOWN YOU COME, AMIGO MIO!



NOW, THEN---TELL YOUR PLAYMATES THEY'LL HAVE TO BE NICE IF THEY WANT TO CELEBRATE WITH US!



THANKS FOR THE BRONCO, MIETER! NOW FOR A LITTLE GAME OF TAG WITH YOUR FRIENDS! YIP! YIP! TURN TAIL AND RUN, YOU COWARDS!

ATTABOY, JENNINGS!



HOLY SMOKE! THOSE FELLOWS SURE DISAPPEARED IN A HURRY!

MADRE MIA! I'M ONE SICK MAN!

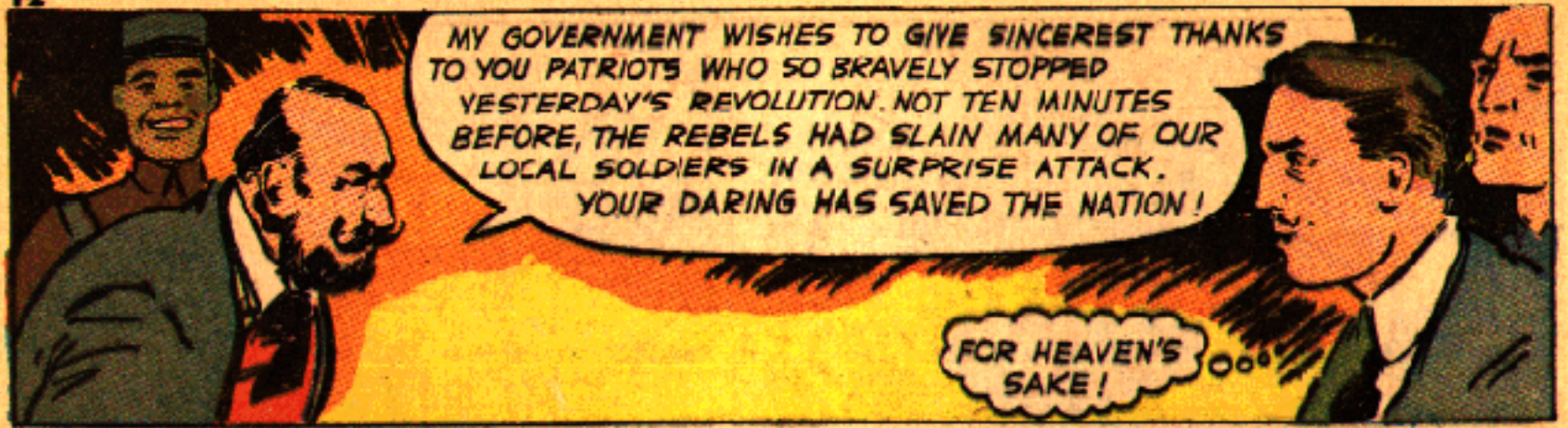


NEXT DAY...

HERE COMES THE GOVERNOR! WE'RE IN FOR IT NOW FOR SCARING THOSE POOR NATIVES!

GOODBYE JOB!

WHAT'S THE NEXT COUNTRY SOUTH OF HERE, I WONDER?



CENTRAL AMERICA (MEXICO)

G B H S N C P

APRIL 14 15 PAN AMERICAN DAY

A DAY TO CELEBRATE THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN UNCLE SAM AND ALL HIS NEIGHBORS ON THE AMERICAN CONTINENT

HERE IS AN EASY MEMORY KEY TO THE COUNTRIES OF CENTRAL AMERICA

GREEN BANANAS HELP SISTER NATIONS CREATE PROSPERITY

GUATEMALA  
BRITISH HONDURAS  
HONDURAS  
SALVADOR  
NICARAGUA  
COSTA RICA  
PANAMA  
PANAMA CANAL  
S.A.

CARIBBEAN SEA  
PACIFIC OCEAN

# The STORY of the **COMMANDOS**

**BRITISH HIT AND RUN TROOPS**

IN SOUTH AFRICA, BOERS WHO SEEMED PEACEFUL FARMERS BY DAY...

TONIGHT THE NATIVES ARE GOING TO BURN YOUR HAY! YOU FARMERS BE READY!

WE'LL BE WAITING.

... TURNED COMMANDOS AT NIGHT - STRUCK AND VANISHED WITH THE DAWN. THEY INSPIRED TODAY'S COMMANDOS.



TODAY'S COMMANDOS ARE DRAWN FROM EVERY ARM AND CORPS OF THE ARMY.

VOLUNTEERS ARE WANTED FOR DANGEROUS FORAYS INTO ENEMY COUNTRY. ALL WHO WANT TO JOIN, STEP FORWARD.



WHEN DO WE START?



TRAINING IS SEVERE. COMMANDOS MUST LEARN TO TAKE IT.

EXPERT SIGNALLERS ARE SPECIALLY SOUGHT.

THEY LEARN JIU-JITSU AND ALL THE TRICKS OF SELF-DEFENSE.



YOU MAY GET SEPARATED FROM THE REST, OR MISS THE RENDEZVOUS. YOU'VE GOT TO BE ABLE TO LOOK AFTER YOURSELVES.

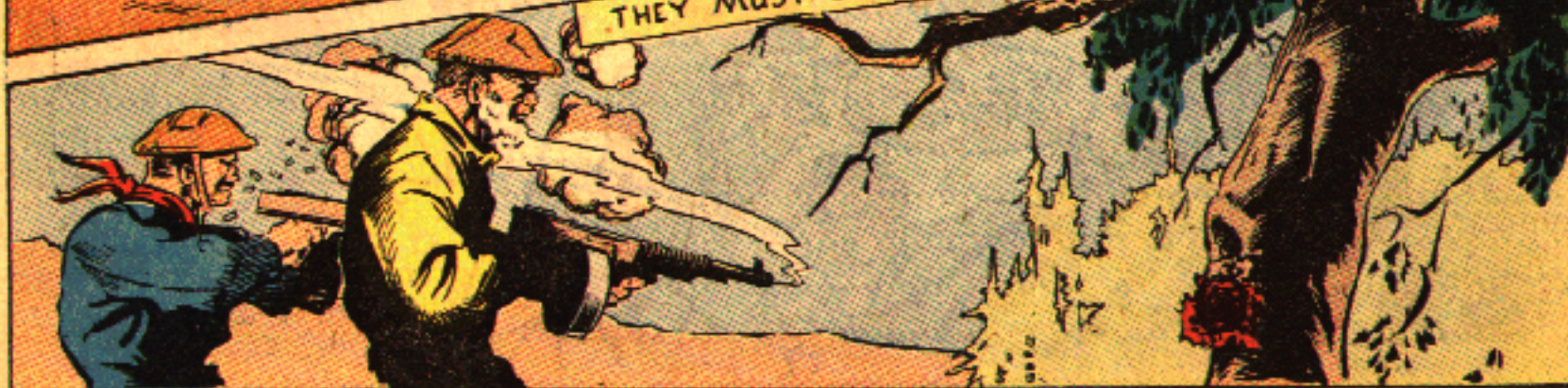
YOU'LL HAVE TO FIGHT OFTEN WITH NO WEAPONS. YOU MUST BE ABLE TO SILENCE A SENTRY WITHOUT GIVING ANY ALARM.



SEND THAT MESSAGE AGAIN, AND MAKE IT FASTER. EVERY SECOND COUNTS.



THEY MUST BE CRACK MARKSMEN.



EVERY MAN MUST BE ABLE TO READ A MAP LIKE LIGHTNING.

YOU'LL BE FINDING YOUR WAY OVER STRANGE COUNTRY, YOU KNOW, IN PITCH DARK.

LOOK AT THAT MAP FOR ONE MINUTE, THEN GIVE IT BACK AND TELL ME HOW YOU WOULD GET FROM THE LANDING PLACE TO THE AMMUNITION DUMP.

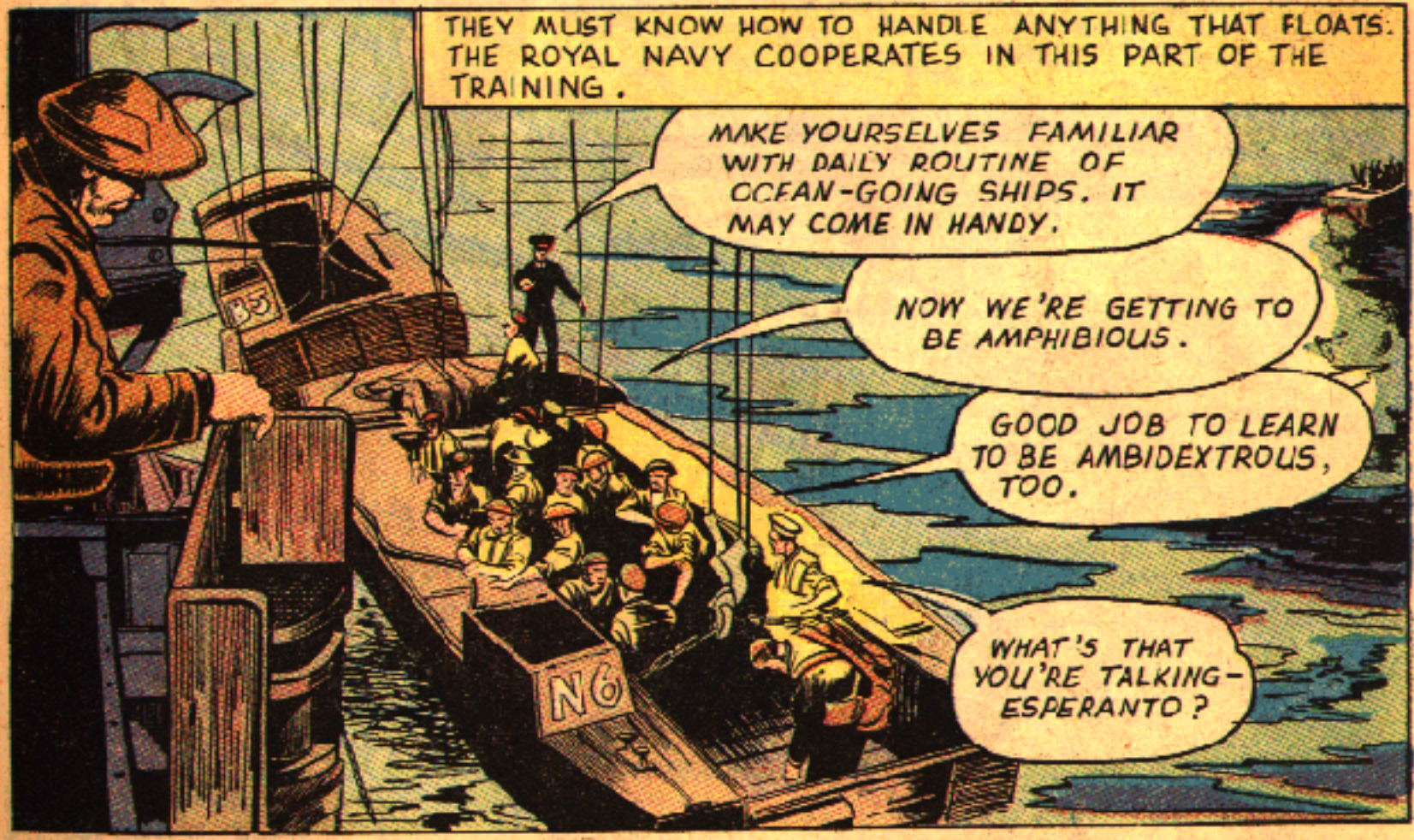


...AND REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR RIFLES OUT OF THE WATER.



EVERY COMMANDO MUST BE ABLE TO SWIM SHORT DISTANCES IN FULL EQUIPMENT.

THEY MUST KNOW HOW TO HANDLE ANYTHING THAT FLOATS. THE ROYAL NAVY COOPERATES IN THIS PART OF THE TRAINING.



MAKE YOURSELVES FAMILIAR WITH DAILY ROUTINE OF OCEAN-GOING SHIPS. IT MAY COME IN HANDY.

NOW WE'RE GETTING TO BE AMPHIBIOUS.

GOOD JOB TO LEARN TO BE AMBIDEXTROUS, TOO.

WHAT'S THAT YOU'RE TALKING- ESPERANTO?

THEY HAVE TO ROUGH IT IN THE WILDS. WITH SCANT RATIONS, PLUS WHAT THEY CAN RUSTLE FOR THEMSELVES.

DOUSE THAT ONE AND TRY AGAIN. IT MUSTN'T SMOKE OR CAST ANY GLARE.

HEY, GREENHORN, THAT FIRE COULD BE SPOTTED TWO MILES OFF.

LOOKS LIKE A SOU'WESTER COMING UP. MAKE THAT SHELTER AS NEAR WATER-TIGHT AS YOU CAN. USE YOUR GROUND-SHEET.



DAUB YOUR FACE WITH MUD. YOU SHINE OUT LIKE A CAT'S EYES ON A DARK ROAD.

BAA  
BAA



I'LL HAVE AN ORDER OF ROAST LAMB.

A COUPLE OF MUTTON CHOPS FOR ME.

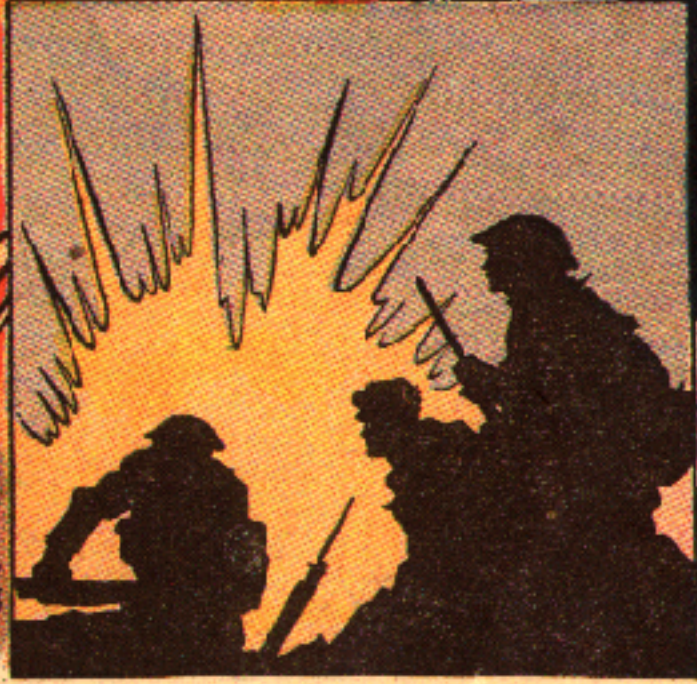








**LOOK OUT, NAZIS!**  
HERE WE COME!





TIME'S UP. EVERYBODY BACK ON BOARD. COUNT NOSES. ALL OF YOU HERE?

THANKS TO MONTHS OF HARD TRAINING, THE SHOW WENT LIKE CLOCKWORK.

NOW YOU MUST LEARN HOW TO HANDLE AND USE EXPLOSIVES.



A FEW MORE LESSONS IN THE HANDLING OF EXPLOSIVES AND TANK-HUNTING, AND THESE COMMANDOS WILL BE READY, YOUR MAJESTY.

WE KNOW WHERE WE CAN USE THEM!

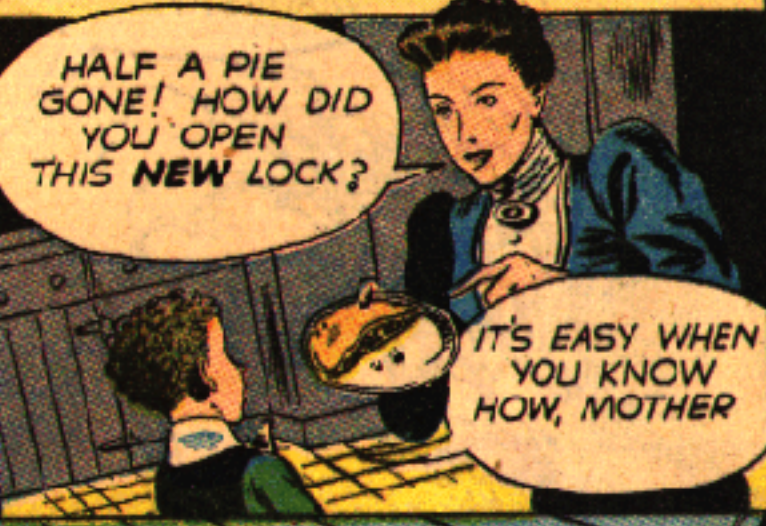
# HOUDINI

## THE MAN WHO MYSTIFIED THE WORLD

THE CAREER OF A GREAT MAGICIAN BEGAN IN APPLETON, WISC., 1883. HIS NAME WAS EHRICH WEISS.



DRIVEN BY A GREAT DESIRE, THE BOY STUDIED MAGIC AND THE SECRET OF OPENING LOCKS WITHOUT KEYS.



HALF A PIE GONE! HOW DID YOU OPEN THIS NEW LOCK?

IT'S EASY WHEN YOU KNOW HOW, MOTHER

BUT A YEAR OR TWO LATER...



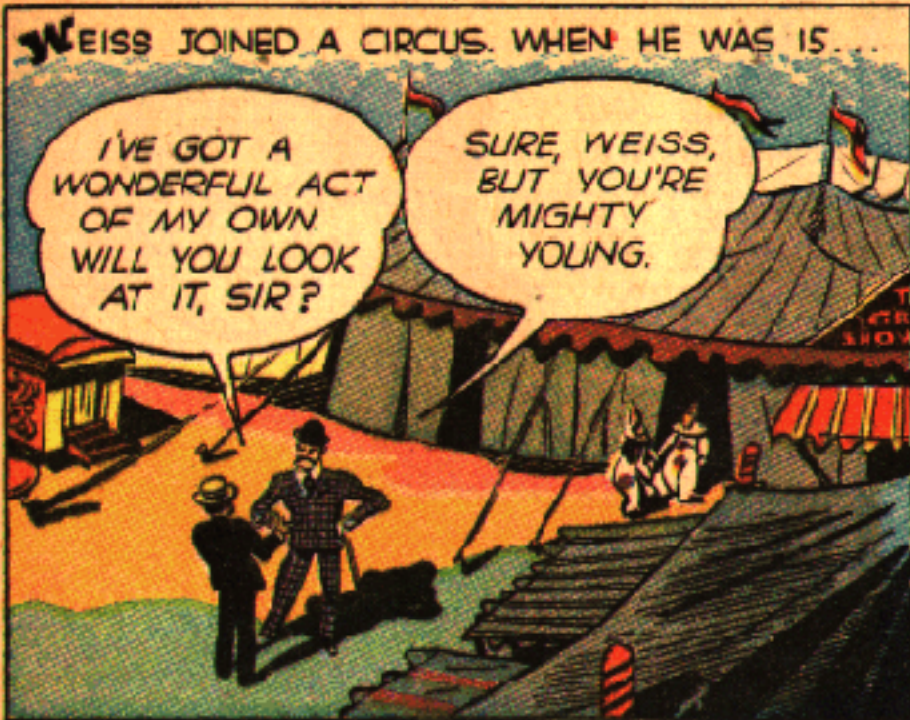
MY SON IS GONE.

HIS MOTHER WANTED TO APPRENTICE HIM TO THE LOCKSMITH.

WILL YOU TEACH HIM YOUR TRADE?

TEACH HIM? HE KNOWS MORE ABOUT LOCKS THAN I DO.







IN LIVERPOOL IN 1903...

MR. HOUDINI, YOU'RE MAD TO ATTEMPT THIS!

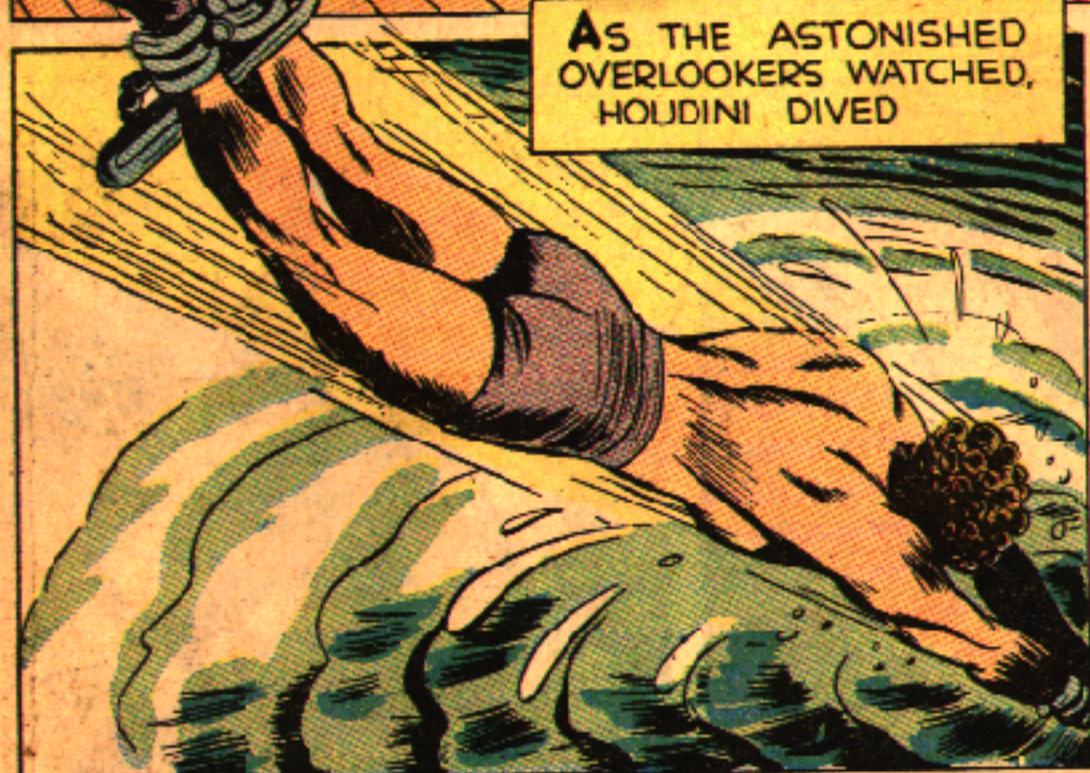
LOCK THE HANDCUFFS AND LEG IRONS

BLIMEY, THERE OUGHT TO BE A LAW!



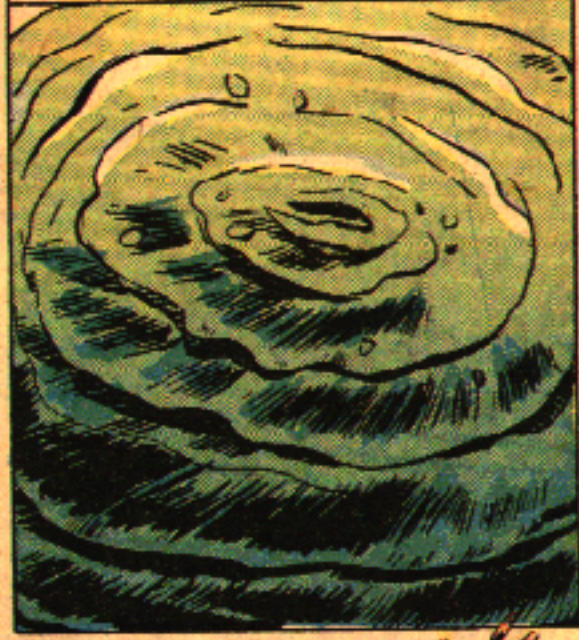
HOUDINI SPOKE TO THE AMAZED CROWD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I'LL RELEASE MYSELF UNDER WATER AND RETURN TO SHORE.

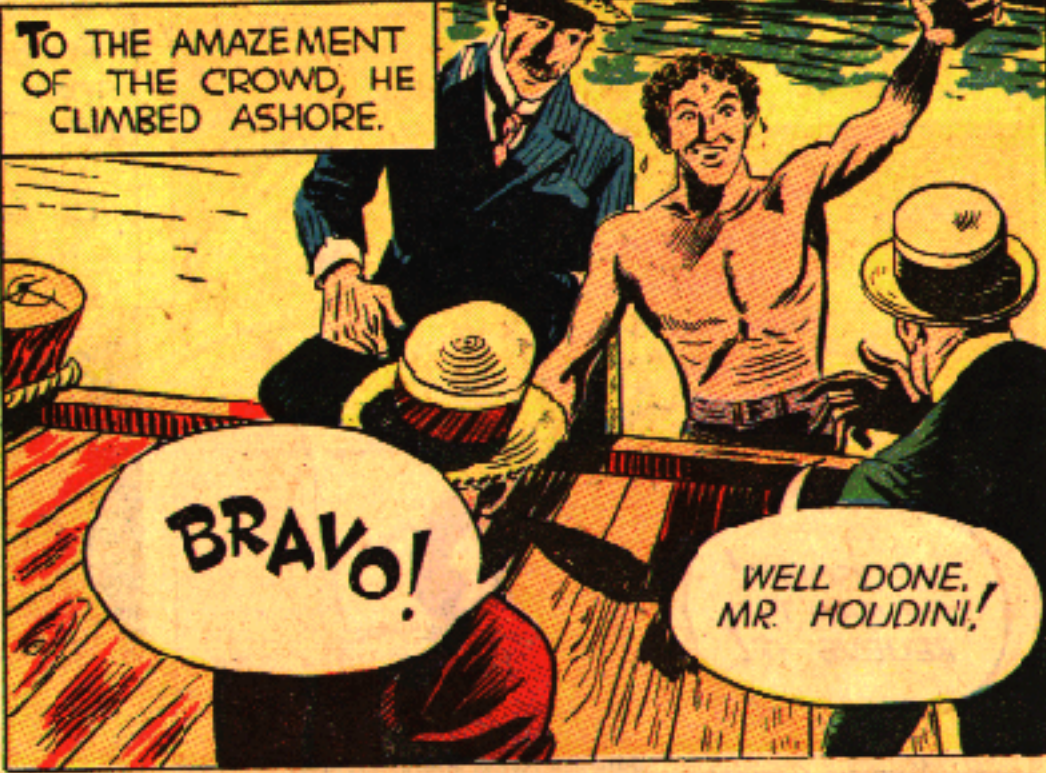


AS THE ASTONISHED OVERLOOKERS WATCHED, HOUDINI DIVED

FOR LONG MOMENTS NO SIGN OF HOUDINI WAS SEEN.



BUT THEN...

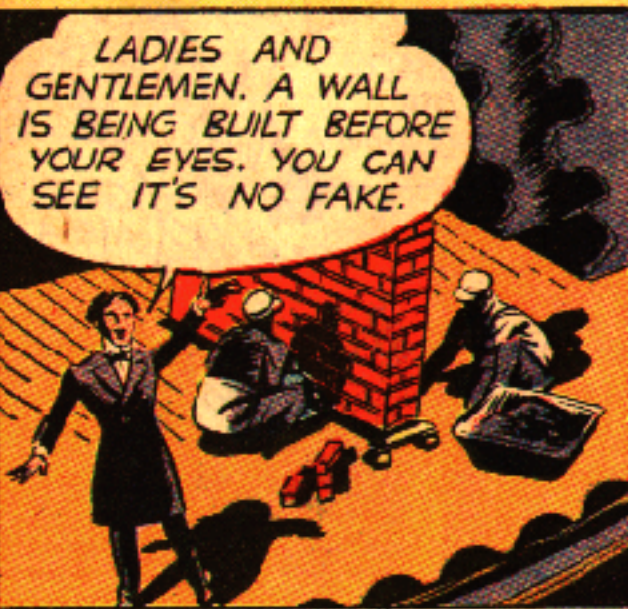


TO THE AMAZE MENT OF THE CROWD, HE CLIMBED ASHORE.

BRAVO!

WELL DONE, MR. HOUDINI!

HOUDINI NEVER FAILED TO ASTOUND HIS AUDIENCES. ONCE IN A NEW YORK THEATRE...



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. A WALL IS BEING BUILT BEFORE YOUR EYES. YOU CAN SEE IT'S NO FAKE.

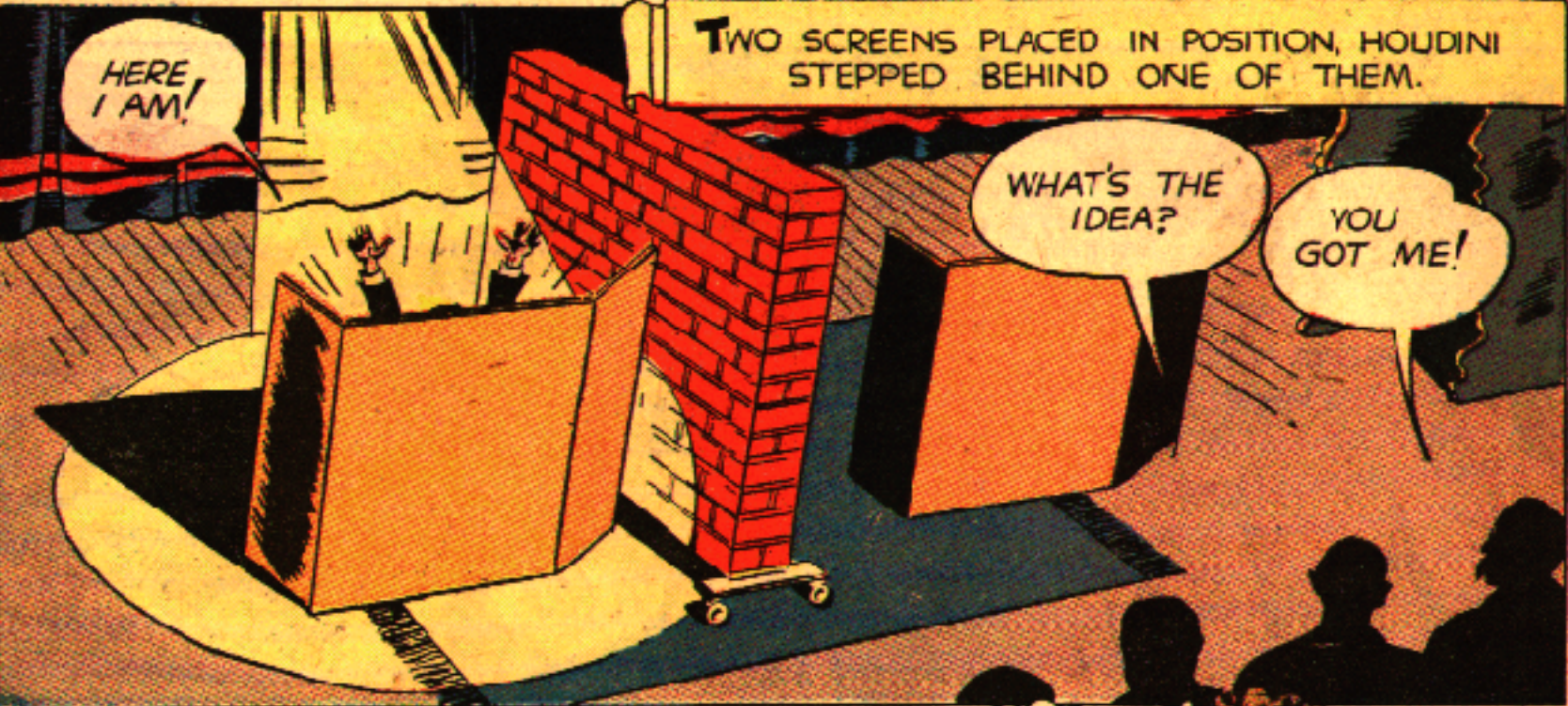
THE WALL FINISHED, HE ASKED SOME OF THE AUDIENCE TO THE STAGE.



THE WALL IS ON A PLATFORM, THE CASTORS RESTING ON TWO SEAMLESS RUGS.



THE WALL IS SOLID. NOW, WATCH CLOSELY.

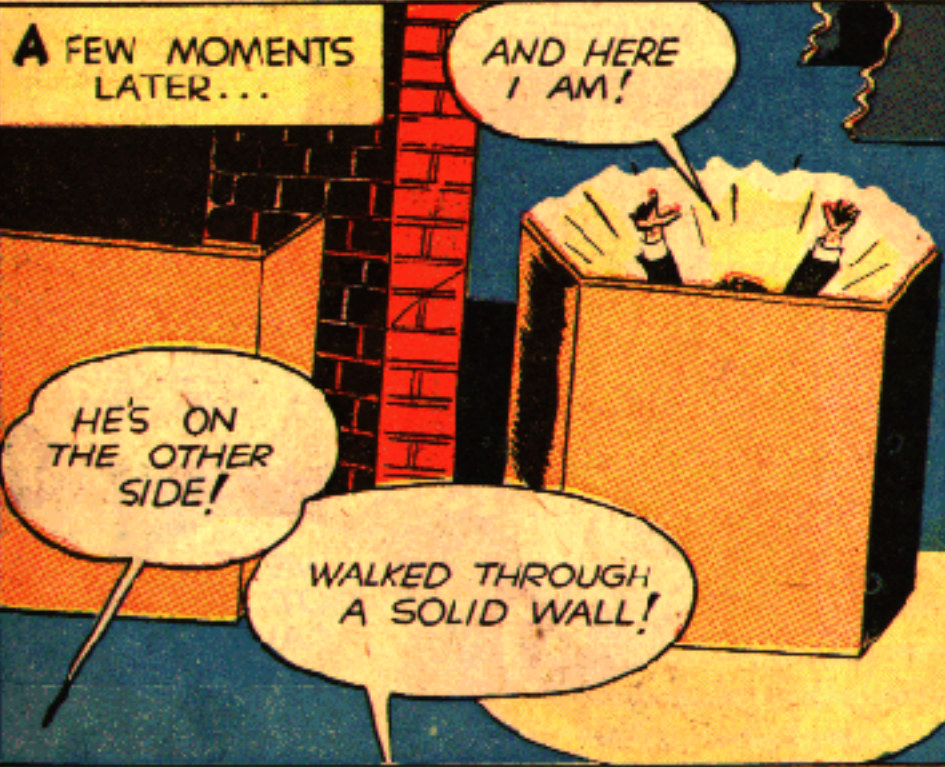


TWO SCREENS PLACED IN POSITION, HOUDINI STEPPED BEHIND ONE OF THEM.

HERE I AM!

WHAT'S THE IDEA?

YOU GOT ME!



A FEW MOMENTS LATER...

AND HERE I AM!

HE'S ON THE OTHER SIDE!

WALKED THROUGH A SOLID WALL!



BET YOU CAN'T FIGURE THAT ONE OUT!

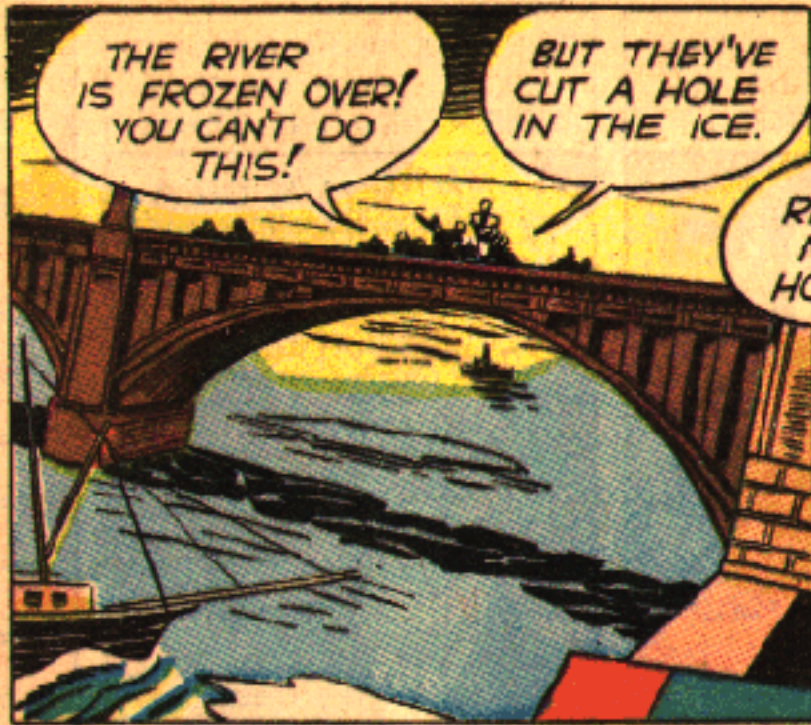
AND INDEED THEY COULDN'T!

**The News**

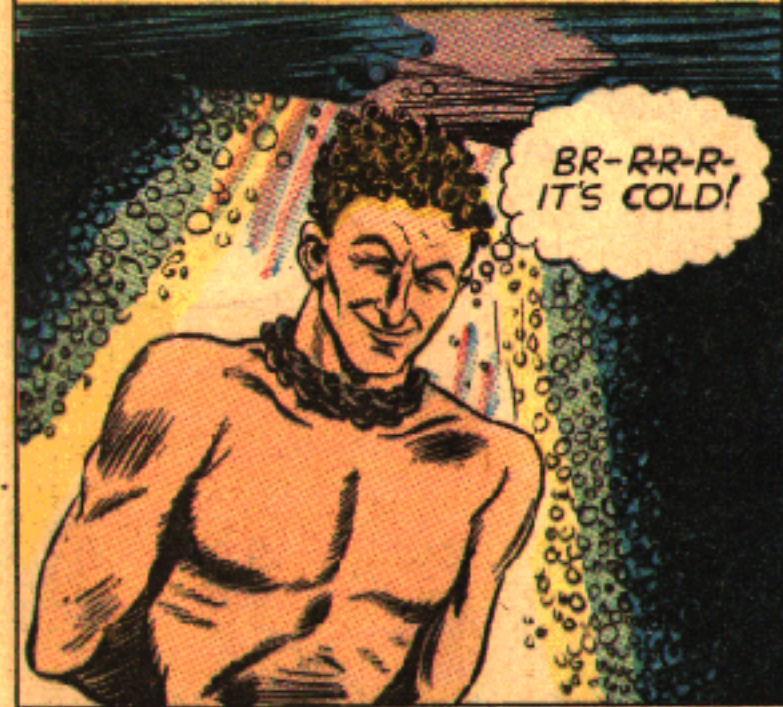
**HOUDINI TO PLUNGE  
BOUND WITH CHAINS  
INTO DETROIT RIVER**

**MAGICIAN ENDANGERS  
LIFE IN WINTER WATER**

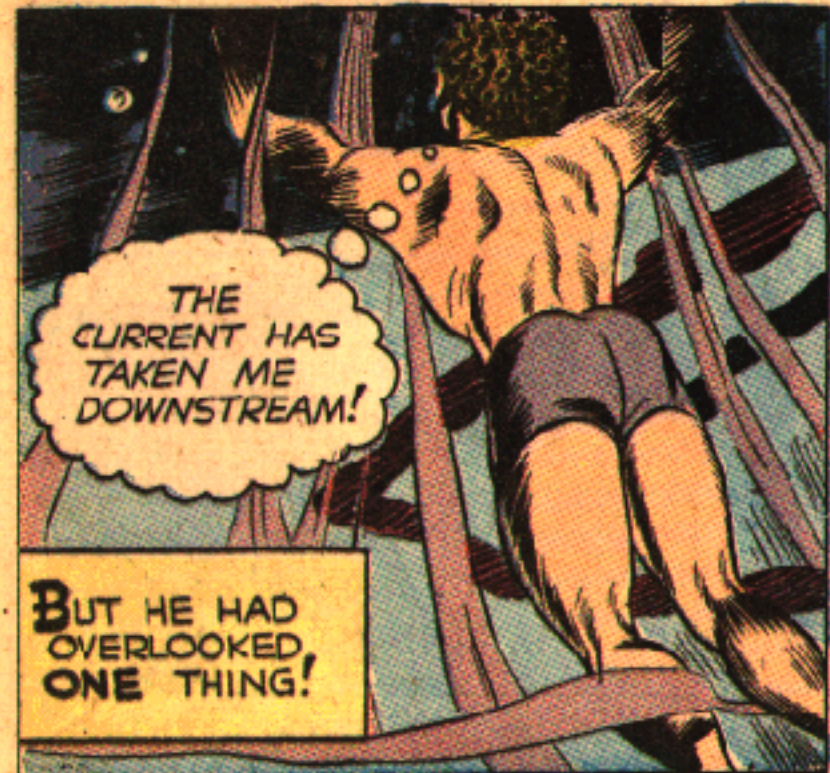
HOUDINI'S DARING STUNT...  
MAGICIAN'S LIFE IN WINTER WATER...  
DETROIT RIVER...  
HOUDINI'S DARING STUNT...  
MAGICIAN'S LIFE IN WINTER WATER...  
DETROIT RIVER...



**HE WAS HEAVILY WEIGHTED...**



**IN A FEW MOMENTS HE WAS FREE.**



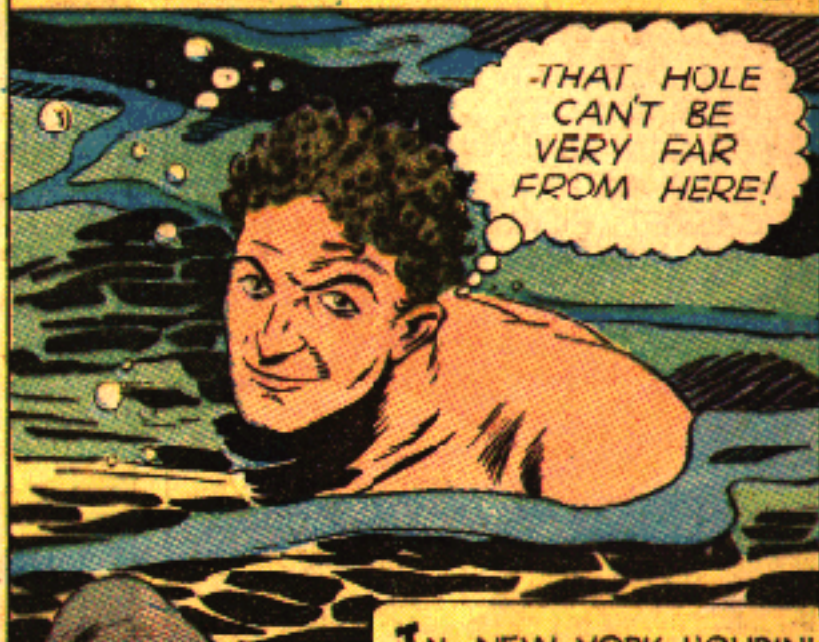


BUT HOUDINI DISCOVERED AIR POCKETS JUST BENEATH THE ICE.



BREATHING'S FINE - BUT I'M GETTING STIFF FROM THE COLD!

FOR NEARLY EIGHT MINUTES HE SEARCHED FOR AN OPENING IN THE ICE!



THAT HOLE CAN'T BE VERY FAR FROM HERE!

HE WAS IN THE ICY WATER EIGHT MINUTES!

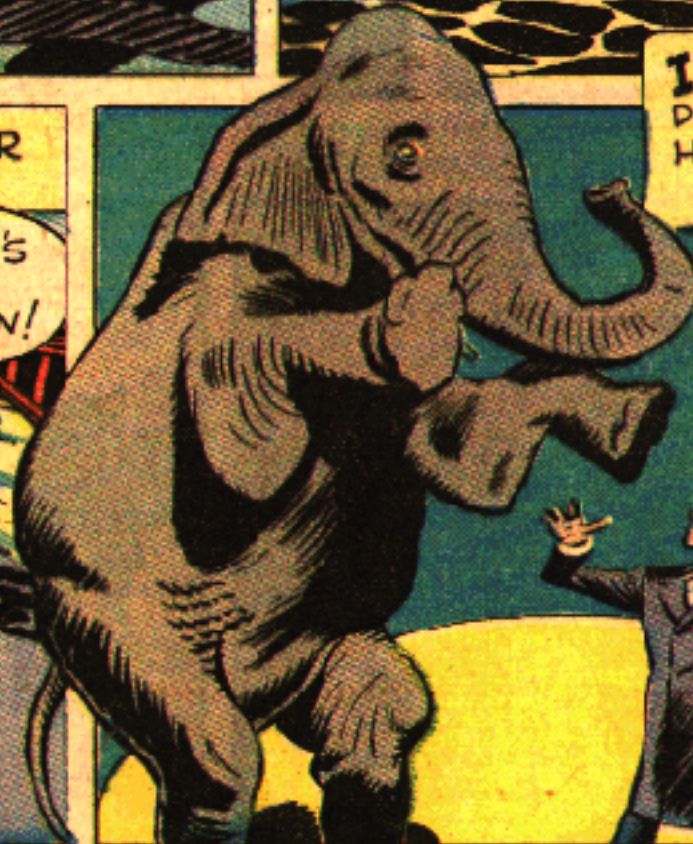


HOORAY! HE'S ALIVE!

HOUDINI'S DONE IT AGAIN!

BOY, THAT WAS A CLOSE CALL!

IN NEW YORK HOUDINI PERFORMED ONE OF HIS MOST AMAZING TRICKS.



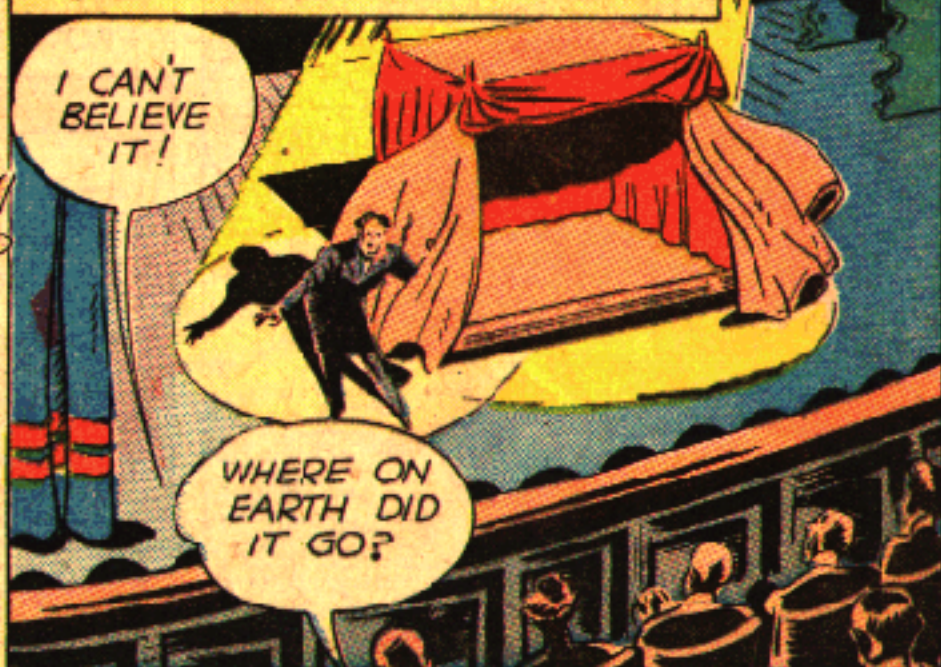
...AND JENNY WILL DISAPPEAR FROM THIS CABINET!

JENNY WALKED INTO THE CABINET.



WITH ONE MOTION I CLOSE THE CURTAINS AND I OPEN THEM AGAIN!

AND BEHOLD! A 10,000 POUND ELEPHANT WAS GONE!



I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

WHERE ON EARTH DID IT GO?

WHEN HE WAS 52, HOUDINI ACCEPTED A DARING CHALLENGE

THE EGYPTIAN FAKIR, RAHMEN BEY, CAN LIVE IN AN AIRTIGHT CASKET FOR TEN MINUTES.

TELL YOUR PAPER I CAN LIVE AN HOUR— AND I'LL PROVE IT

AN AIRTIGHT CASKET WAS PREPARED...

THERE ARE ONLY 42 NORMAL BREATHS IN THAT CASKET

I SHALL PROVE THAT MAN CAN LIVE LONGER THAN THREE MINUTES WITHOUT AIR

THE SEALED CASKET WAS SUBMERGED.

HOUDINI TAKES A LOT OF PUNISHMENT!

HE'S THE GREATEST SHOWMAN SINCE BARNUM

AN HOUR LATER...

MAYBE SOMETHING'S HAPPENED!

HOW COULD HE STILL BE ALIVE!

1 HOUR AND 31 MINUTES LATER THEY HEARD HOUDINI'S TAPPING.

IT'S THE SIGNAL!

LET THE CASKET UP!

EXHAUSTED, HOUDINI HAD NEVERTHELESS PROVED HIS POINT.

STAND BACK, EVERYBODY.

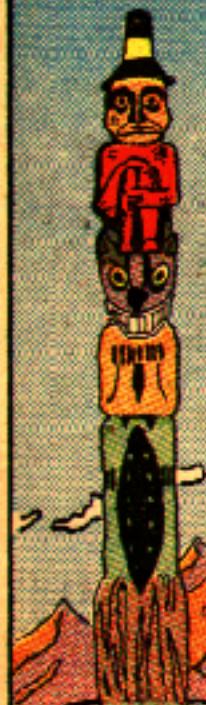
WHEN MAN LEARNS CONTROL OF HIS MIND, HE CAN DO MANY THINGS.

WHEN HOUDINI DIED, IN 1926, MANY OF HIS SECRETS DIED WITH HIM.

# ALASKA

## U.S. JUMPING-OFF PLACE AGAINST JAPAN

ALASKA WAS LITTLE KNOWN AND LESS WANTED UNTIL ADVENTURERS FOUND FABULOUS WEALTH THERE WORTH FIGHTING AND DYING TO DEVELOP. TODAY'S WAR PROBLEMS MAKE IT STILL MORE IMPORTANT.



# ALASKA'S NATURAL RESOURCES



## MINING...

GOLD, COPPER, COAL, SILVER, TIN, OIL, LEAD, PLATINUM, MARBLE...



## FURS...

SEAL, BEAR, FOX, SABLE, MARTEN, LYNX, MUSKRAT, WEASEL, BEAVER



## FISHING...

WHALE, SALMON, COD, HERRING AND MANY OTHERS



## TIMBER...

80,000,000 FEET OF TIMBER IN SOUTHERN ALASKA ALONE.



## REINDEER...

ALASKA HAS THE TERRITORY AND FOOD TO SUPPORT FOUR MILLION REINDEER



## AGRICULTURE...

MOST AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS CAN BE RAISED IN ALASKA.

## HOW ALASKA WAS DISCOVERED- AND HOW IT BECAME PART OF THE UNITED STATES.

1725. PETER THE GREAT OF RUSSIA SUMMONED A DANISH ADVENTURER, VITUS BERING TO HIS COURT.



1741- BERING DISCOVERED ALASKA BY ACCIDENT...





IVAN HAS FOUND A VILLAGE OF NATIVES.

GO AND SEE IF THEY HAVE FOOD. SET THE OTHERS TO BUILDING A BOAT FROM THE WRECKAGE.



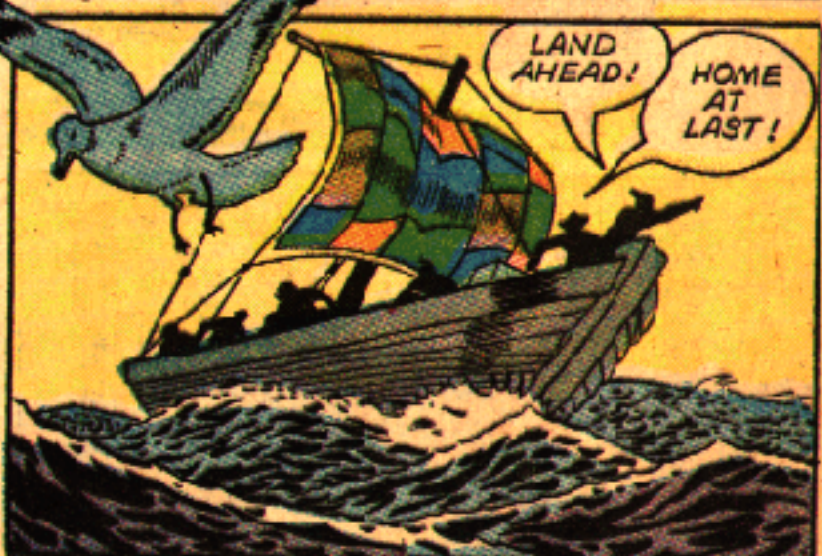
THEY NOT ONLY HAVE FOOD BUT ALSO A FORTUNE IN FURS LIKE THIS!

SEE IF THEY WILL TRADE WHAT WE'VE SALVAGED.



THE TRADE WAS MADE, BUT BEFORE THE BOAT COULD BE FINISHED, BERING DIED.

WE'LL NAME THIS BERING ISLAND AND CLAIM THE TERRITORY FOR RUSSIA.



LAND AHEAD!

HOME AT LAST!



1788... NEXT TO EXPLORE AND CHART ALASKA'S COASTLINE WAS CAPTAIN JAMES COOK. HE WAS SEARCHING FOR THE NORTHWEST PASSAGE.

WE'LL HAVE TO TURN BACK SOUTH. WE'LL NEVER GET THROUGH THESE ICE FIELDS.



LATER RUSSIAN TRADERS VISITED THE ALEUTIAN ISLANDS AND CHEATED THE NATIVES.

BUT I GAVE YOU 100 FURS!

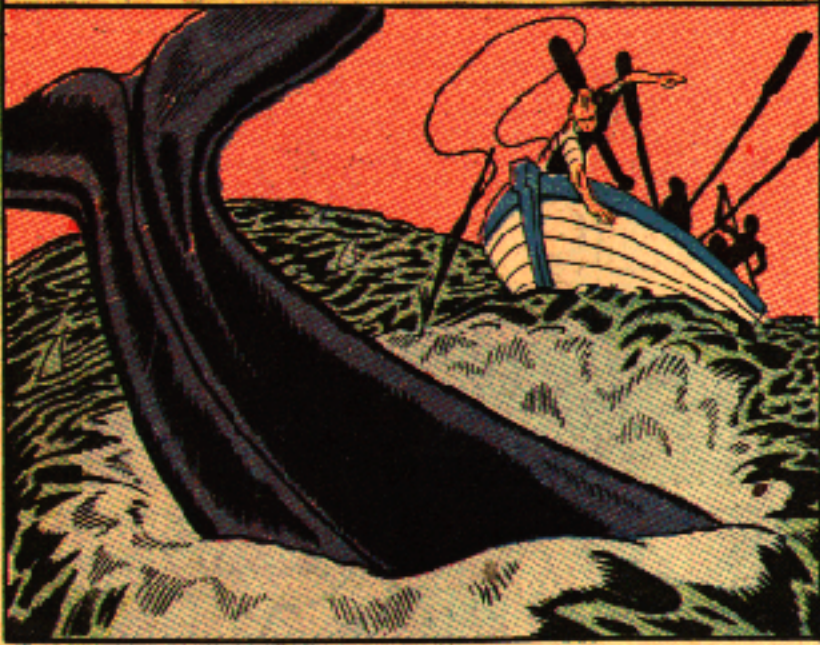
I SAY IT WAS ONLY 20, AND IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT, YOU CAN ARGUE WITH THIS RIFLE.



1778... RUSSIA MADE ALEXANDER BARONOF GOVERNOR OF ALASKA.

YOU AND ALL OTHER DISHONEST TRADERS GET OUT!

PROSPERITY CAME. THE WHALING INDUSTRY BROUGHT AMERICAN SHIPS TO ALASKAN WATERS.

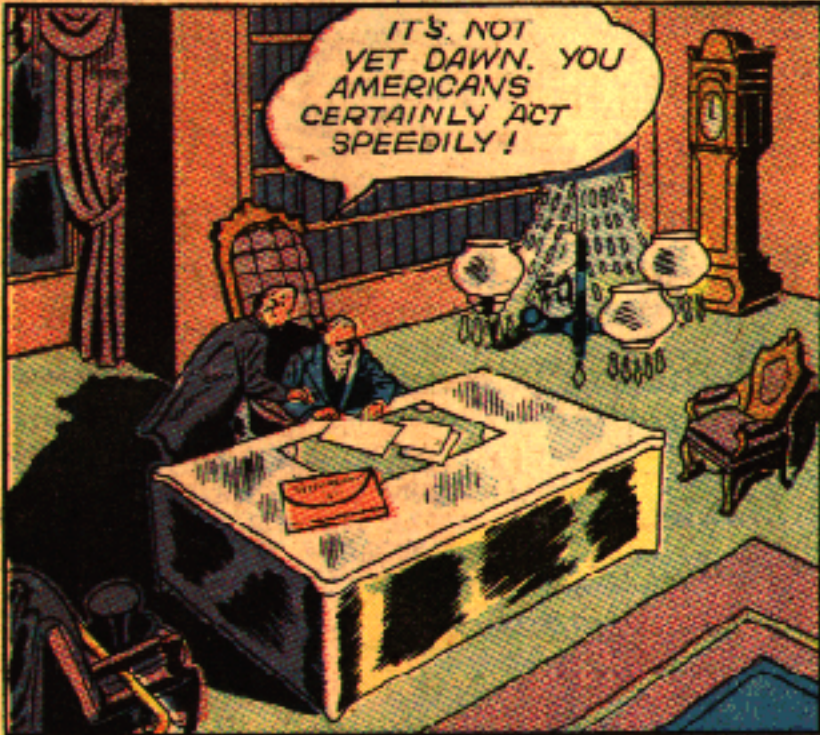


1867... THE RUSSIAN TSAR, DEEPLY IN DEBT, DECIDED TO SELL ALASKA TO THE U.S.A.



TOMORROW I'LL COME TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT, SECRETARY SEWARD!

WHY WAIT? WE'LL MAKE THE TREATY TONIGHT!



IT'S NOT YET DAWN. YOU AMERICANS CERTAINLY ACT SPEEDILY!



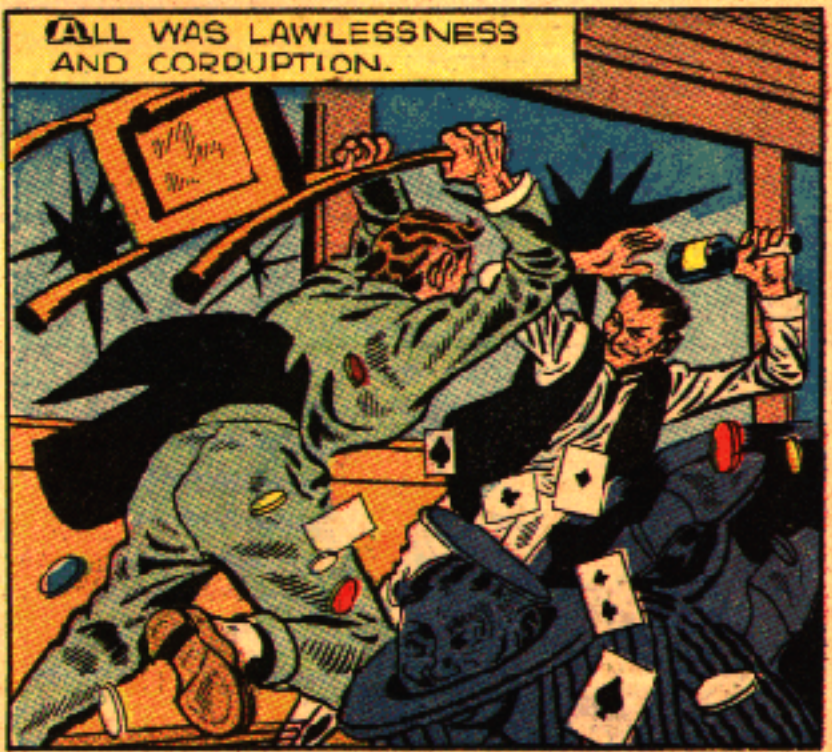
PAYING RUSSIA \$7,200,000 FOR ALASKA IS A SWINDLE. IT WILL BE KNOWN AS "SEWARD'S FOLLY!"

"SEWARD'S ICEBOX" RATHER.



SITKA, OCTOBER 18, 1867...

BY AUTHORITY OF THE TSAR, I TRANSFER TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA.



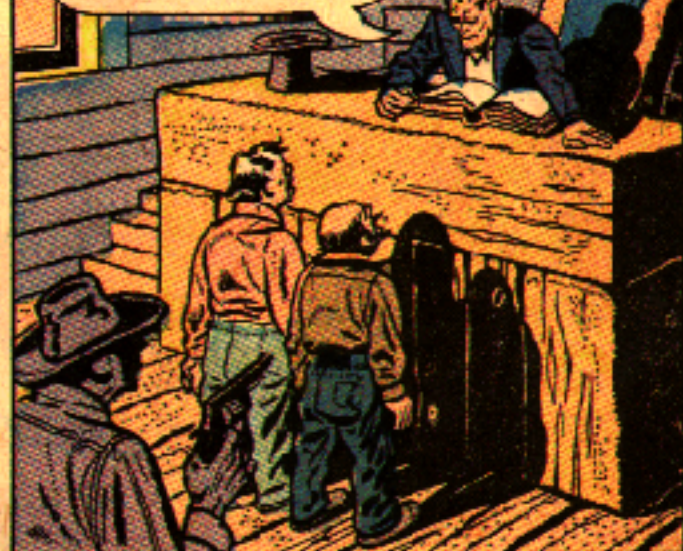
ALL WAS LAWLESSNESS AND CORRUPTION.

INDIAN REBELLIONS OCCURRED CONSTANTLY.



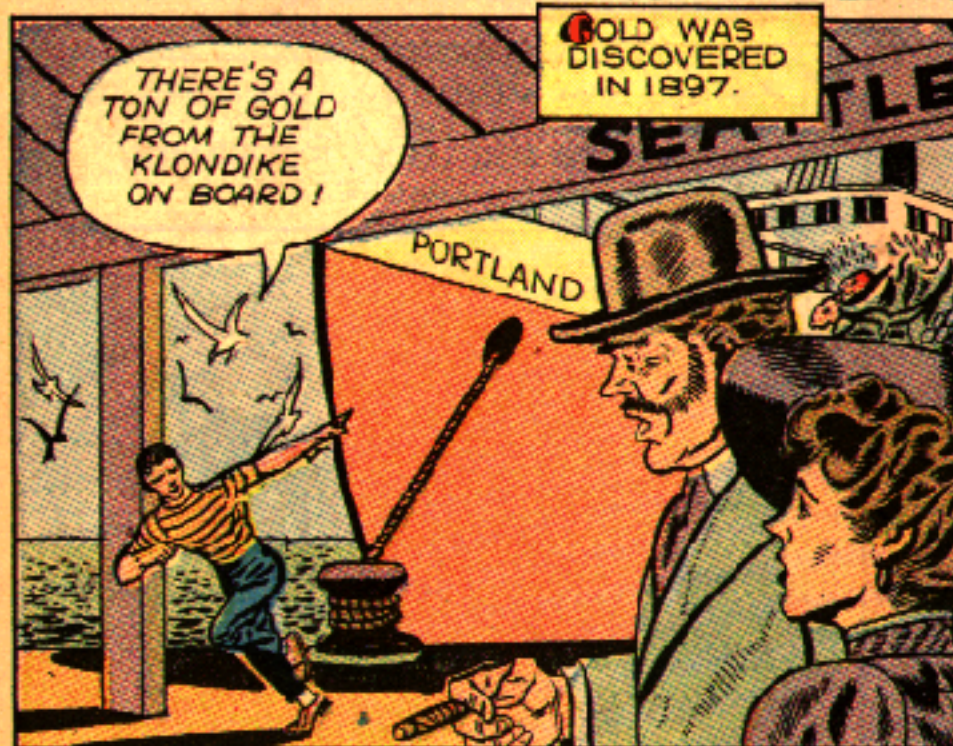
1884... ALASKA WAS GIVEN TERRITORIAL STATUS. COURTS WERE ESTABLISHED.

FROM NOW ON WE'LL HAVE LAW AND ORDER.



GOLD WAS DISCOVERED IN 1897.

THERE'S A TON OF GOLD FROM THE KLONDIKE ON BOARD!



GOLD SEEKERS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD RUSHED TO ALASKA.



IN THREE MONTHS SKAGWAY GREW FROM A ONE-CARIN SETTLEMENT TO A TOWN OF 15,000.



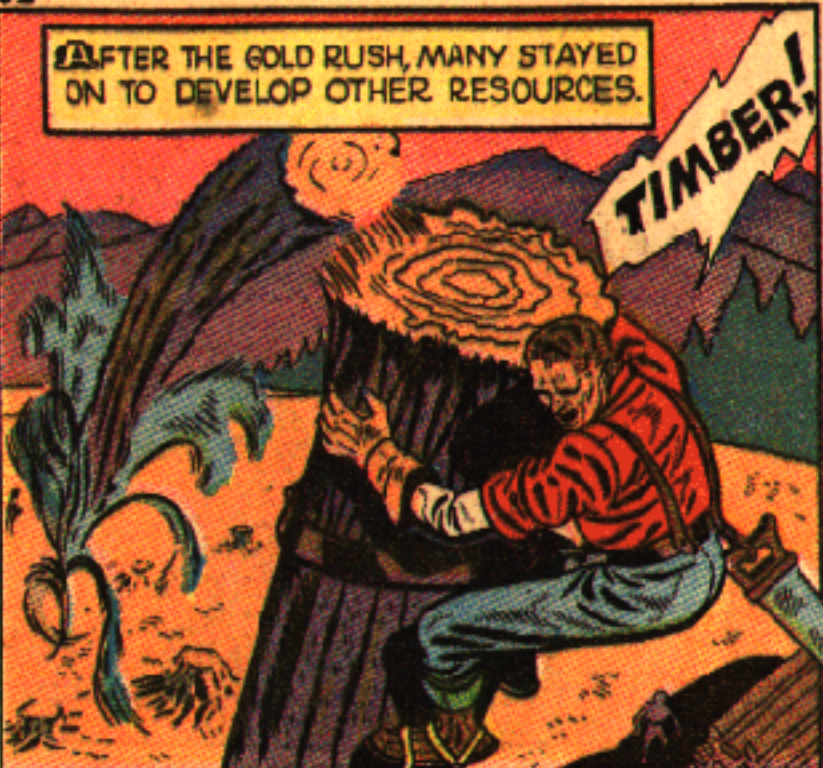
PRICES SOARED SKY-HIGH.

A BOWL OF SOUP.

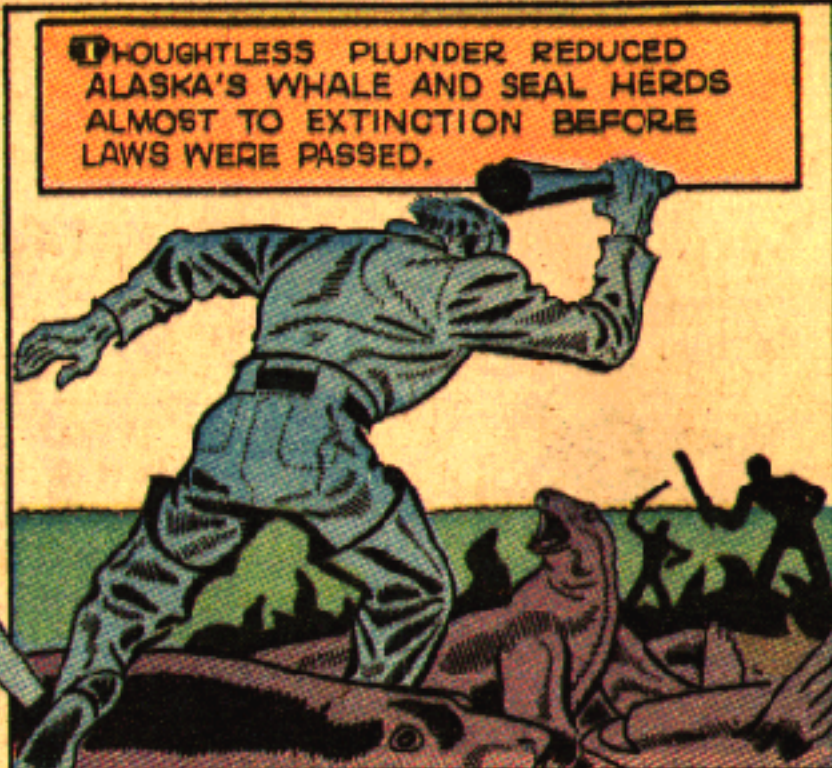
THAT WILL BE ONE DOLLAR.



AFTER THE GOLD RUSH, MANY STAYED ON TO DEVELOP OTHER RESOURCES.



THOUGHTLESS PLUNDER REDUCED ALASKA'S WHALE AND SEAL HERDS ALMOST TO EXTINCTION BEFORE LAWS WERE PASSED.

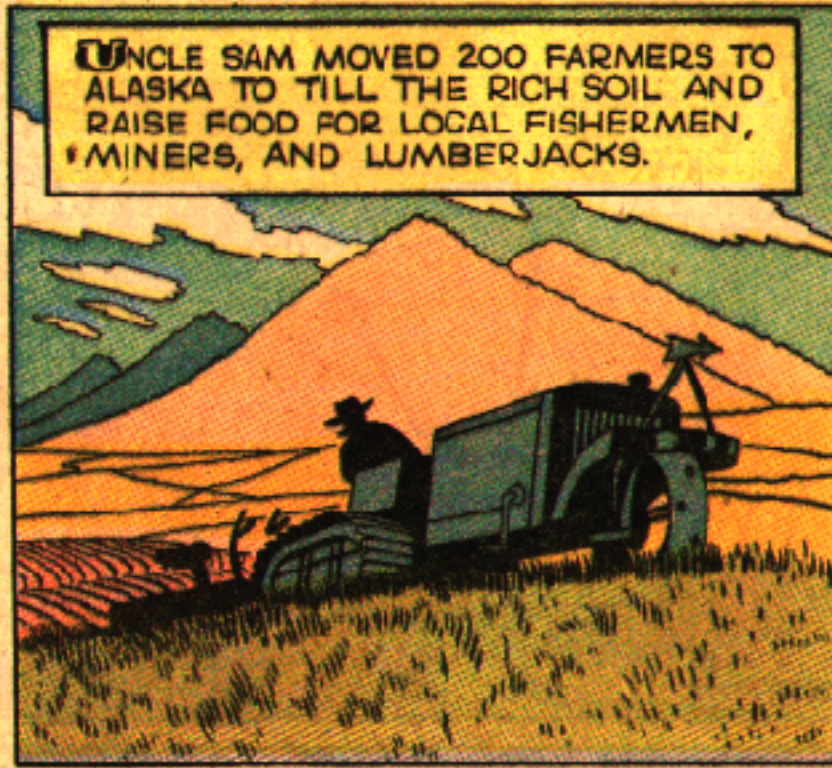


1936... DROUGHT SWEEPED ACROSS THE FARMLANDS OF THE MIDWEST CREATING A HUGE DUSTBOWL.

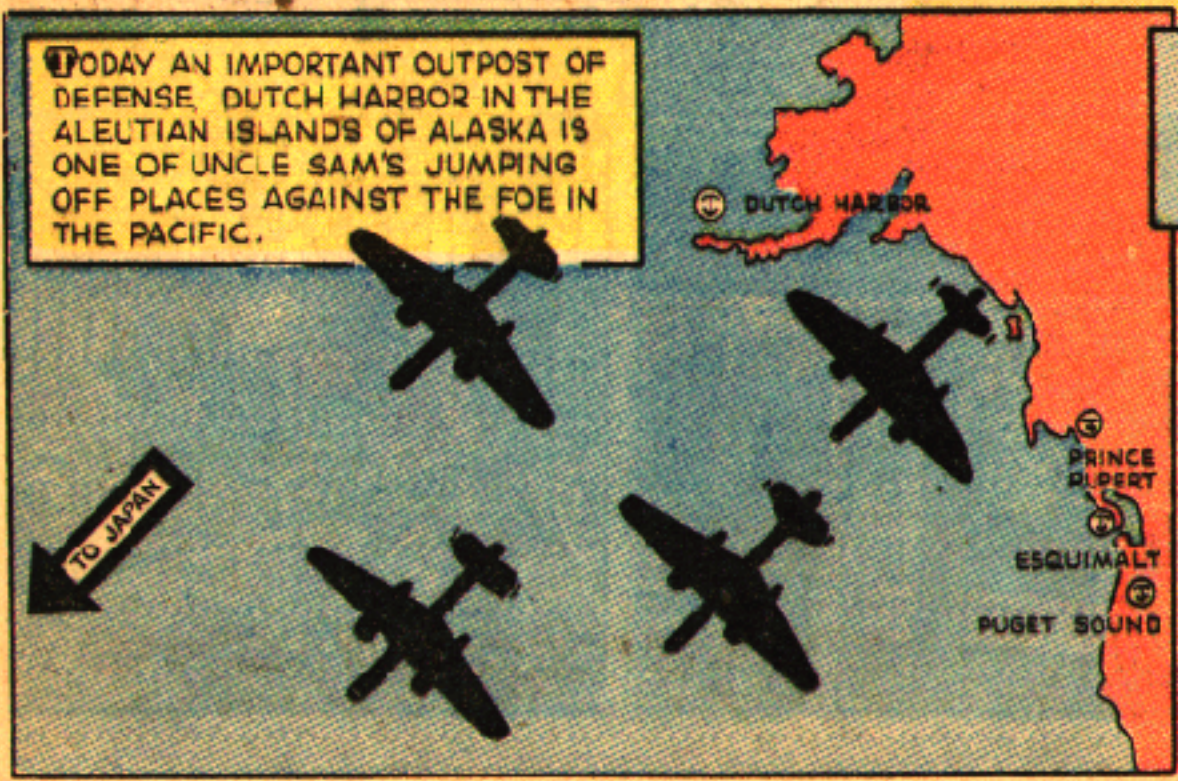
IF THE GOVERNMENT WON'T HELP US, WE'RE WIPED OUT!



UNCLE SAM MOVED 200 FARMERS TO ALASKA TO TILL THE RICH SOIL AND RAISE FOOD FOR LOCAL FISHERMEN, MINERS, AND LUMBERJACKS.



TODAY AN IMPORTANT OUTPOST OF DEFENSE, DUTCH HARBOR IN THE ALEUTIAN ISLANDS OF ALASKA IS ONE OF UNCLE SAM'S JUMPING OFF PLACES AGAINST THE FOE IN THE PACIFIC.



ALASKA'S NATURAL WEALTH HAS JUSTIFIED "SEWARD'S" FOLLY" A THOUSAND TIMES OVER.





# IS IT TRUE?

BY NATALIE PURVIN PRAGER  
ORIGINATOR OF THE MARCH OF GAMES RADIO QUIZ

Can YOU answer these Questions?



1 IS IT TRUE THAT RIP VAN WINKLE SLEPT FOR ONE HUNDRED YEARS?  
YES  NO

CHECK "YES" IF TRUE, OR "NO" UNDER EACH PICTURE. DON'T LOOK NOW, BUT THE CORRECT ANSWERS ARE ON PAGE 62. SEE IF YOU CAN STICK YOUR FRIENDS, AND MOTHER AND DAD ON THEM!



2 IS IT TRUE THAT BEES GATHER HONEY FROM FLOWERS?  
YES  NO



5 IS IT TRUE THAT A WHALE IS A FISH?  
YES  NO



6 IS IT TRUE THAT A PICKEREL IS A WORKMAN'S TOOL?  
YES  NO



7 IS IT TRUE THAT A GOB IS A SLANG NAME FOR A SAILOR?  
YES  NO



3 IS IT TRUE THAT THE MAPLE LEAF IS THE NATIONAL EMBLEM OF CANADA?  
YES  NO



4 IS IT TRUE THAT A GARGOYLE IS A MOUTHWASH?  
YES  NO



10 IS IT TRUE THAT PATRICK HENRY SAID, "I REGRET THAT I HAVE BUT ONE LIFE TO GIVE FOR MY COUNTRY" ?  
YES  NO



11 IS IT TRUE THAT A LINNET IS A SMALL-SIZED PIANO?  
YES  NO



12 IS IT TRUE THAT A BABY SWAN IS CALLED A CYGNET?  
YES  NO



8 IS IT TRUE THAT A GOBLET IS THE SON OF A SAILOR?  
YES  NO



9 IS IT TRUE THAT A FLIRTATIOUS LADY IS CALLED A CROQUETTE?  
YES  NO



15 IS IT TRUE THAT A WOODCHUCK IS ANOTHER NAME FOR A GROUND HOG?  
YES  NO



16 IS IT TRUE THAT BANANAS ARE FOUND GROWING IN THE POSITION SHOWN IN THIS PICTURE?  
YES  NO



13 IS IT TRUE THAT THE MERRIMAC WAS CALLED A "CHEESE BOX ON A RAFT" ?  
YES  NO



14 IS IT TRUE THAT FLAX IS A FLOWER?  
YES  NO



19 IS IT TRUE THAT A MAN WHO PUTS GLASS IN WINDOWS IS A GLAZIER?  
YES  NO



20 IS IT TRUE THAT A PRESIDENT'S WIFE DRIED THE FAMILY WASH IN THE EAST ROOM OF THE WHITE HOUSE?  
YES  NO



17 IS IT TRUE THAT A MINARET IS A DANCE?  
YES  NO



18 IS IT TRUE THAT A COLLEEN IS A SMALL COLLIE?  
YES  NO

# THE STORY OF GLASS

COME HERE AND LOOK AT THAT SHINY LIQUID!

WHY, OUR SOGA BLOCKS ARE GONE!



SHIPWRECKED PHENICIAN MERCHANTMEN PUT THEIR POT ON SOGA BLOCKS TO COOK THEIR MPA. THE BLOCKS MELTED.



2500 B.C. - THE FIRST GLASS HOUSE WAS BUILT IN RAQ.

LOUIS LUKAS INVENTED THE PROCESS OF CASTING GLASS IN THE REIGN OF LOUIS XIV AT THE HALL OF MIRRORS IN VERSAILLES, FRANCE.

WE ARE VERY MUCH PLEASED AND WILL DO EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO HELP YOU.

MERCI, YOUR MAJESTY.



I HOPE THERE WILL NOT BE A GALE.

A STORM MIGHT SMASH OUR CARGO OF GLASS.



PHOENICIAN MERCHANTS TRADED GLASS ACROSS THE MEDITERRANEAN TO EUROPE.

THESE GLASS BEADS ARE WONDERFUL!

I SEE MY SEAL IN THAT GLASS!



500 B.C. - EGYPTIANS PRODUCED SMALL GLASS BOTTLES.

GREEKS USED GLASS, FOR THE MOST PART MADE IN SYRIA AND EGYPT.

I HAVE A DICE OF GLASS WHICH REFLECTS MY FACE.

I SEE EVERYTHING ENLARGED.



VENETIAN GLASSWARE AND MIRRORS BECAME FAMOUS 600 YEARS AGO.

WHY DON'T THEY LET THE GLASS-MAKERS CROSS THE BRIDGE?

BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT FOREIGNERS TO GET OUR TRADE SECRETS.



ROMAN TROOPS INTRODUCED GLASS WHEREVER THEY WENT.

WE MAKE THEM AT HOME.

WE'LL HAVE TO TRY IT, TOO.



ROMANS FOUND MANY WAYS TO USE GLASS IN DAILY LIFE.

THIS WILL LET THE DAYLIGHT IN.

BUT IT KEEPS OUT THE WIND AND RAIN.



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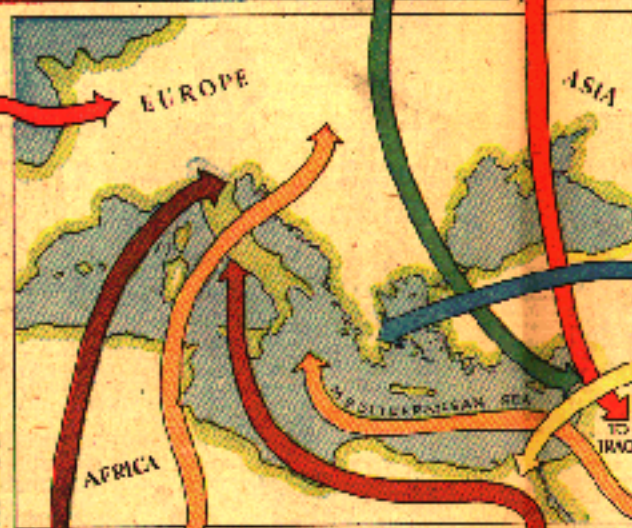


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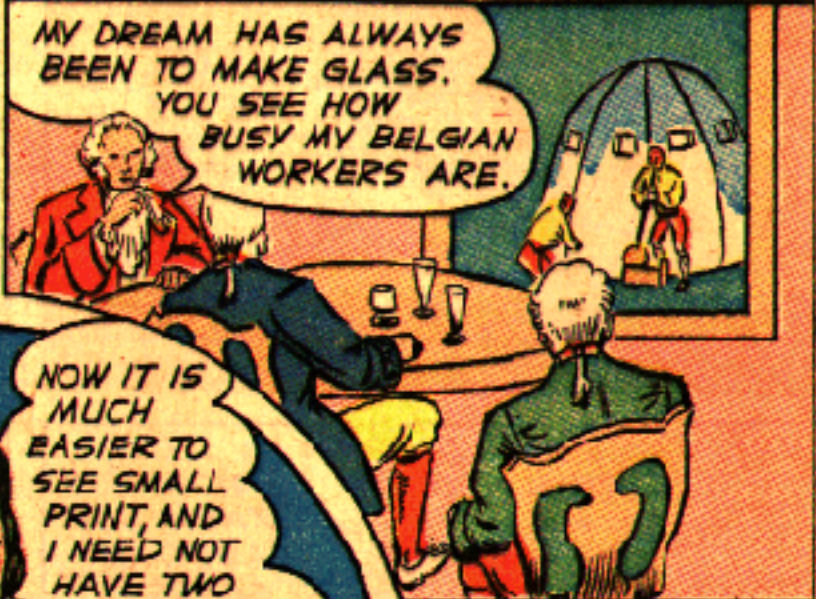
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# GLASS COMES TO AMERICA

1608 - EIGHT DUTCH AND POLISH GLASS-MAKERS CAME TO JAMESTOWN, VIRGINIA.

100 YEARS LATER... CASPAR WISTAR FOUNDED A GLASSHOUSE AT WISTARBERG, (NOW IN NORTH CAROLINA.)



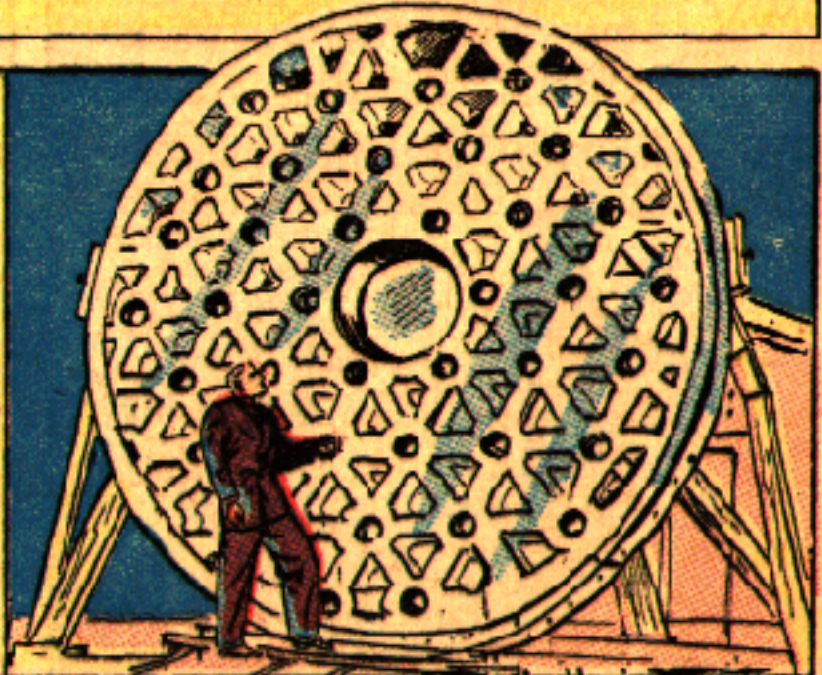
1760. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN INVENTED BIFOCAL SPECTACLES.

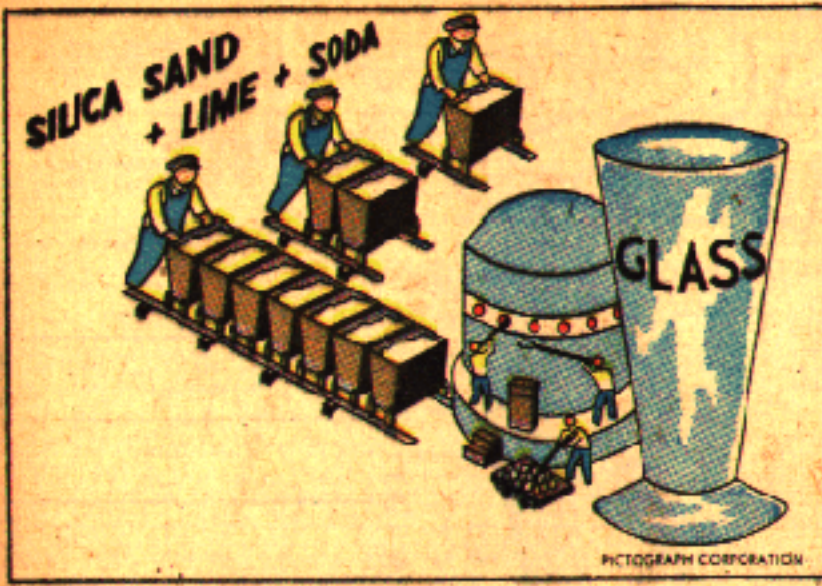


HENRY STIEGEL STUDIED GLASSMAKING IN EUROPE. 1764—HE BROUGHT MANY SKILLED WORKERS TO THIS COUNTRY, AND FOUNDED A GREAT GLASS FACTORY AT MANNHEIM, PENNSYLVANIA 1764.



**CONTRASTS IN GLASS!**  
 (LEFT) THE FAMOUS GLASS FLOWERS AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY WERE BLOWN BY HAND.  
 COMPARE THESE DELICATELY FASHIONED OBJECTS WITH THE LARGEST PIECE OF GLASS IN THE WORLD. (RIGHT)  
 THIS IS THE 18-TON REFLECTOR FOR THE WORLD'S LARGEST TELESCOPE AT CALIFORNIA TECH.





**I**NVENTIVE GENIUS HAS PRODUCED MACHINERY TO MAKE GLASS BETTER AND FASTER TODAY. IN THE PAST 15 YEARS, THE VOLUME OF GROSS GLASS PRODUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES HAS INCREASED ALMOST THREE TIMES.

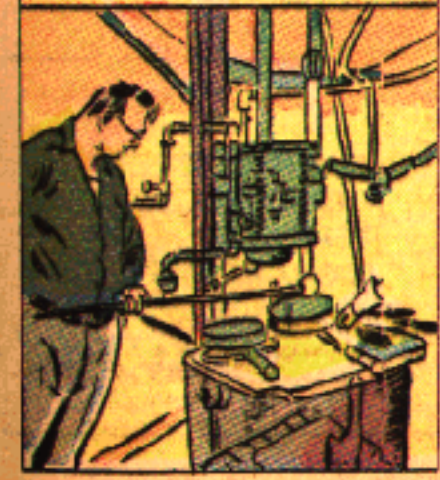
**BLOWING...**  
BOTTLES WERE ONCE HAND-BLOWN.



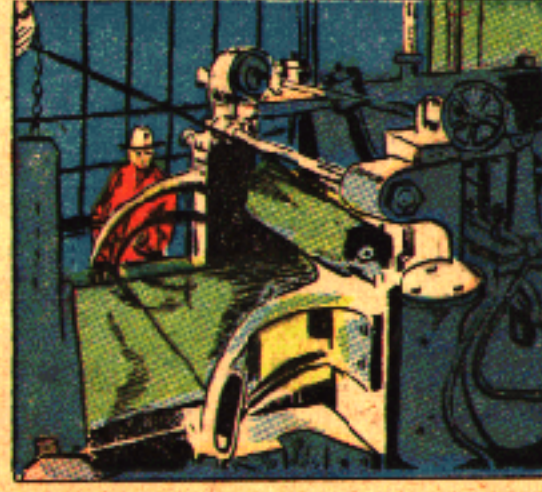
TODAY NEARLY ALL BOTTLES AND OTHER GLASS CONTAINERS ARE BLOWN BY MACHINE.



**PRESSING...**  
AN INGENIOUS YANKEE CARPENTER MADE THE FIRST WOODEN MOLDS FOR PRESSED GLASS. TODAY, LENSES IN TRAFFIC LIGHTS ARE ALL PRESSED.



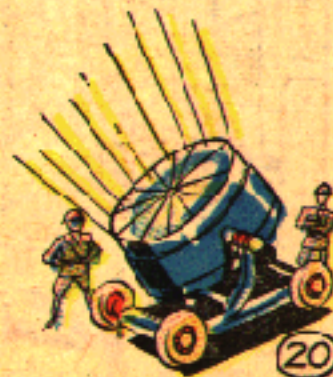
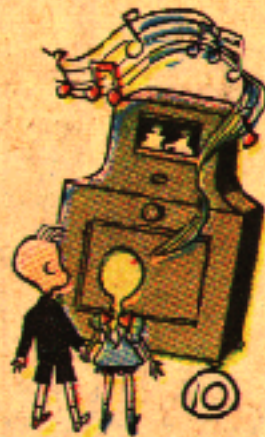
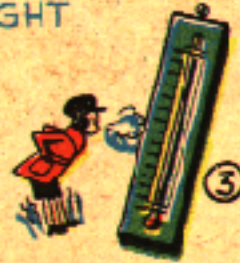
**DRAWING...**  
THE TEST-TUBES YOU USE IN "CHEM LAB" WERE FIRST MADE BY HAND. TODAY GLASS TUBING IS USUALLY MACHINE DRAWN.



**ROLLING...**  
MOST WINDSHIELDS AND BUS WINDOWS ARE MADE OF SHATTERPROOF GLASS. A SORT OF GLASS SANDWICH, WITH A LAYER OF INVISIBLE PLASTIC IN THE MIDDLE.

# YOUR GLASS QUIZ

PICTURED ARE 20 OBJECTS MADE WITH GLASS. SEE HOW MANY YOU KNOW AND WRITE THEIR NAMES IN OPPOSITE THE CORRESPONDING NUMBERS IN THE COLUMN AT THE RIGHT



# QUIZ

## ANSWERS

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EACH CORRECT ANSWER COUNTS 5  
 PERFECT SCORE  
 100-ANSWERS ON  
 PAGE 62  
**NO FAIR PEEKING!**

# GLASS HELPS WIN THE WAR

**RANGE - FINDER**

WE WON'T HAVE TO GUESS WITH THESE NEW RANGE-FINDERS, BUDDY.

RIGHT YOU ARE. WE CAN SEE OUR TARGET.

**FIGHTER-PLANE,**

IT SURE MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE TO HAVE A GLASS COVERED NOSE.

YOU SAID IT. ESPECIALLY ON A STORMY NIGHT LIKE THIS.

**SEARCHLIGHT BULBS AND LENSES TO SPOT ENEMY AIRCRAFT.**

**... ON THE HOME FRONT, TOO.**

NEWLY DESIGNED GLASS CONTAINERS KEEP OUR FOOD PURE, AND CUT DOWN THE USE OF METALS NECESSARY TO DEFENSE.

**GIANT GLASS CONTAINERS CARRY RATIONS TO OUR FIGHTING MEN FOOD WILL HELP WIN THE WAR, TOO!**

# The Real ROBINSON CRUSOE

## ALEXANDER SELKIRK



THE SCOTTISH SAILOR  
WHOSE ADVENTURES  
DANIEL DEFOE, THE WRITER,  
IMMORTALIZED  
IN HIS MASTERPIECE  
"ROBINSON CRUSOE".



OLD ENOCH, I WANT  
TO GO TO SEA LIKE  
YOU.

BIDE YOUR  
TIME, SANDY.



AT NINETEEN, SANDY SELKIRK RAN  
AWAY TO SEA.



SEVEN YEARS LATER HE SAILED  
IN THE GALLEON "CINQUE PORTS".

SELKIRK, WE SHALL  
SAIL THE SPANISH  
MAIN AND TAKE RICH  
PRIZES WE MAY BE  
AWAY FOR YEARS.

THE LONGER THE  
BETTER, SIR. SHORE  
LIFE'S HOT FOR ME.



BUT THE CAPTAIN OF THE GALLEON  
PROVED CRUEL.

EASY THERE, SANDY. YOU CAN'T  
HELP POOR BILL. YOU'LL ONLY  
GET A FLOGGING YOURSELF.

HE WOULDN'T DARE  
HAVE ME FLOGGED!



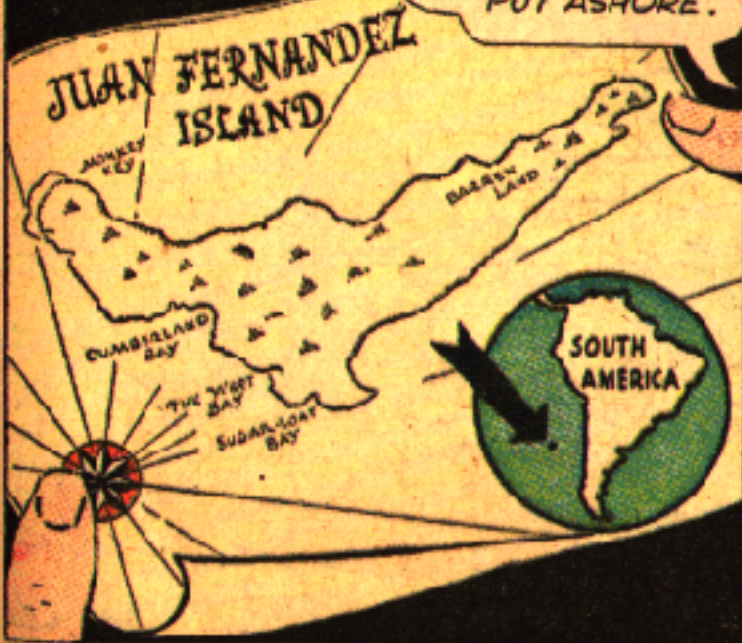
THAT NIGHT ALEXANDER SELKIRK  
HAD A DREAM.



THIS OLD GALLEON  
IS UNSEAWORTHY.  
I'M JUMPING SHIP.



WHEN WE NEAR JUAN  
FERNANDEZ, I'LL  
PUT ASHORE.



FAREWELL, SELKIRK.  
MAY YOU NEVER  
REPENT YOUR CHOICE!

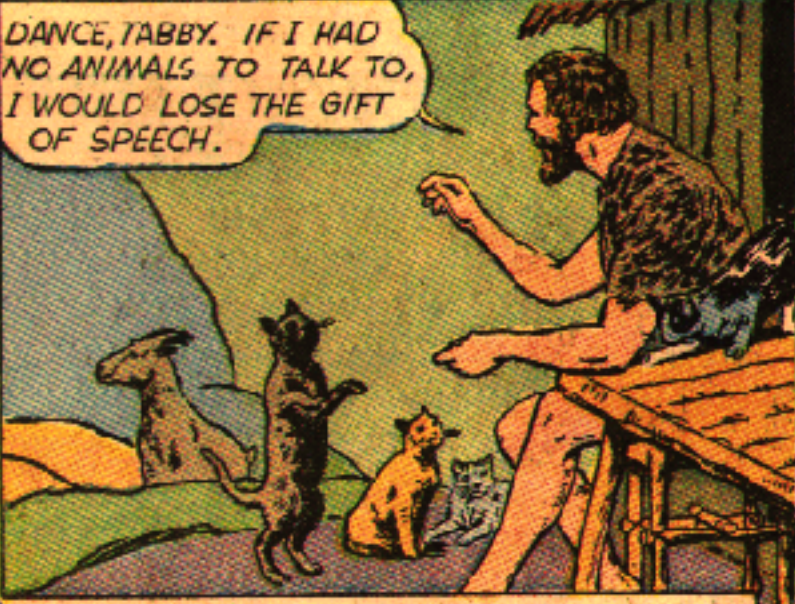
GOOD LUCK! WHEN THAT  
LEAKY TUB SINKS UNDER  
YOU, YOU'LL WISH YOU  
HAD STAYED HERE  
WITH ME.





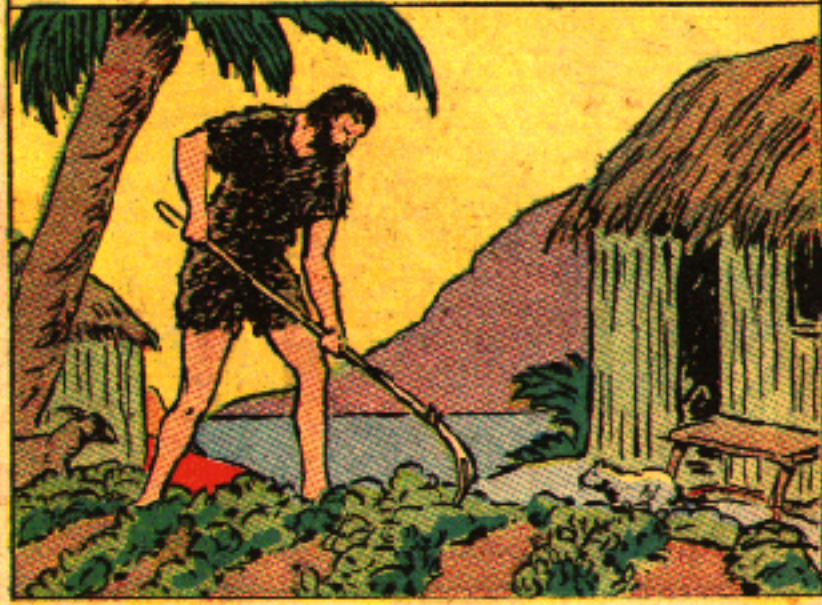
I MUST CATCH SOME OF THE WILD KITTENS IN THE WOODS AND TAME THEM TO TEACH THESE RATS MANNERS.

SELKIRK ALSO TAMED WILD GOATS. THEY PROVIDED HIM WITH MILK AND CHEESE.



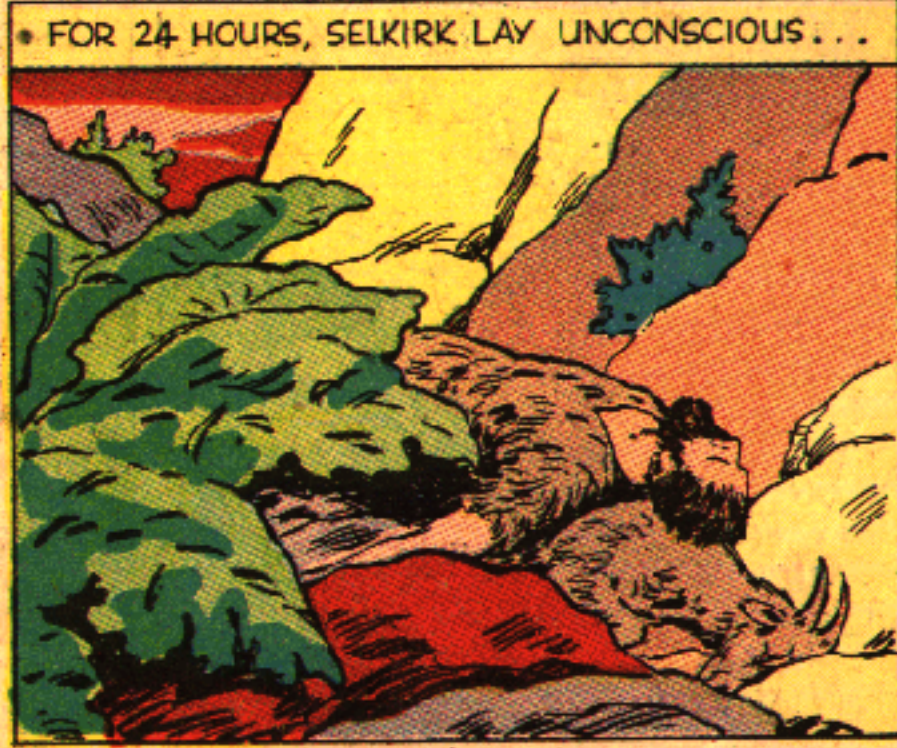
DANCE, TABBY. IF I HAD NO ANIMALS TO TALK TO, I WOULD LOSE THE GIFT OF SPEECH.

WHEN HIS CLOTHES WORE OUT, SELKIRK DRESSED IN GOATSKINS. HE LEARNED TO RUN SO FAST, HE COULD CATCH THE WILD GOATS!



ONE DAY . . . .

OWW!



FOR 24 HOURS, SELKIRK LAY UNCONSCIOUS . . .

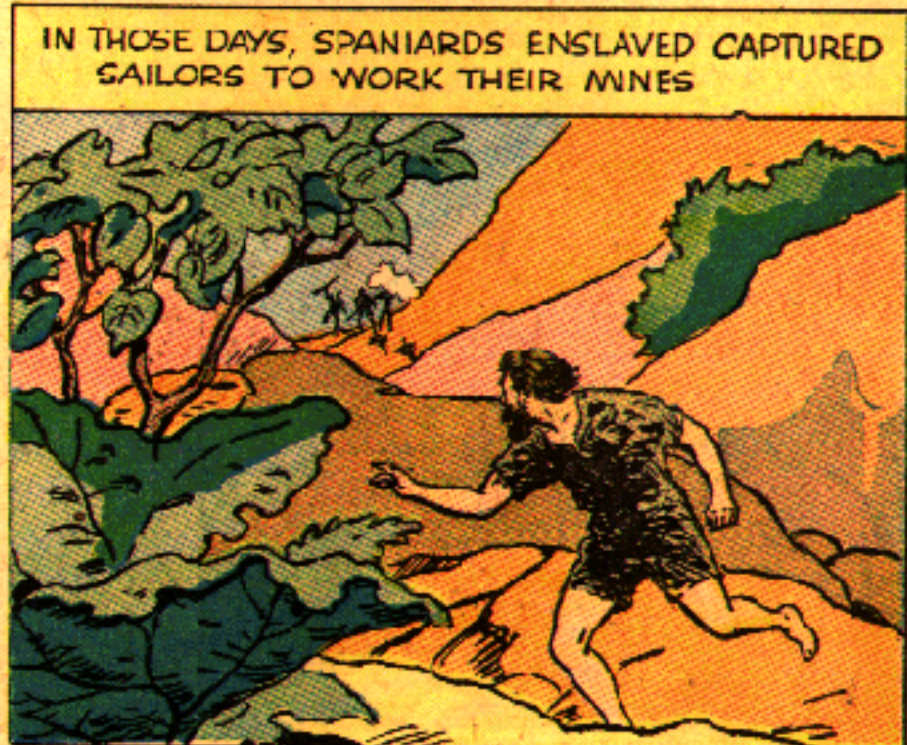


FOR TWO DAYS, SELKIRK LAY IN HIS HUT, NOURISHED BY GOAT'S MILK. THEN HE RECOVERED.

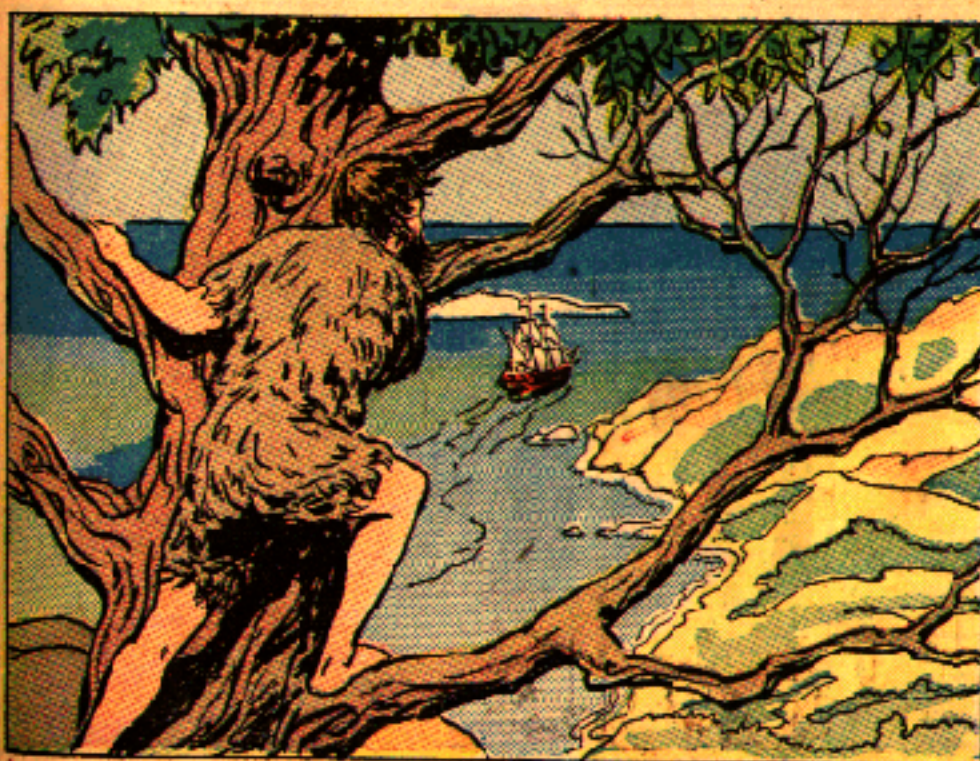
BUT HE WAS TIRED OF HIS ISLAND. EVERY DAY SELKIRK LOOKED FOR A RESCUE SHIP.



A SHIP! I AM SAVED! ...NO, SHE'S SPANISH! I'LL HIDE!



IN THOSE DAYS, SPANIARDS ENSLAVED CAPTURED SAILORS TO WORK THEIR MINES



SELKIRK KEPT TRACK OF TIME BY CUTTING NOTCHES IN THE BARK OF A TREE

FOUR YEARS AND FOUR MONTHS

THE ENGLISH SHIP, DUKE, ANCHORED OFF JUAN FERNANDEZ FOR FRESH WATER AND FOOD...



... AND WITH THEM, SELKIRK LEFT JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLAND.

HE LOOKS WILDER THAN THE GOATS WHOSE SKIN HE WEARS.



WHAT BECAME OF MY OLD SHIP?

THE 'CINQUE PORTS' WAS LOST WITH ALL ON BOARD.

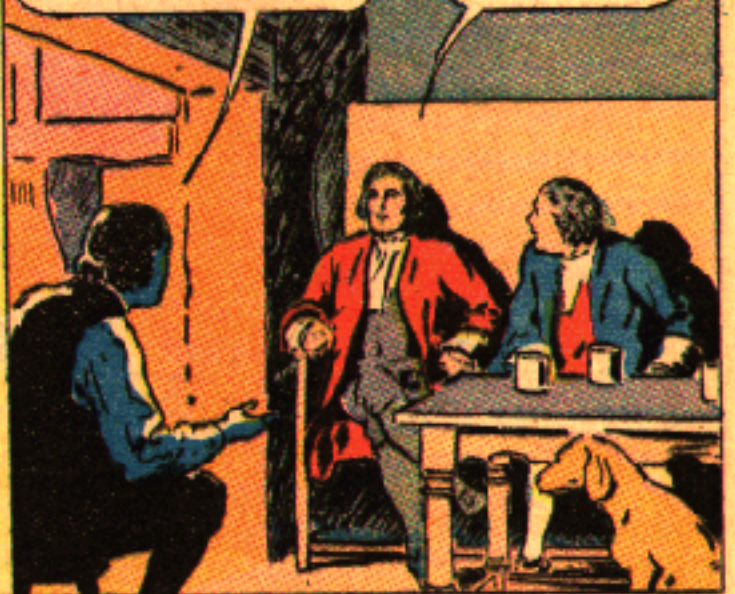
THEN I DREAMED TRUE!



SELKIRK RETURNED TO ENGLAND, A FAMOUS MAN

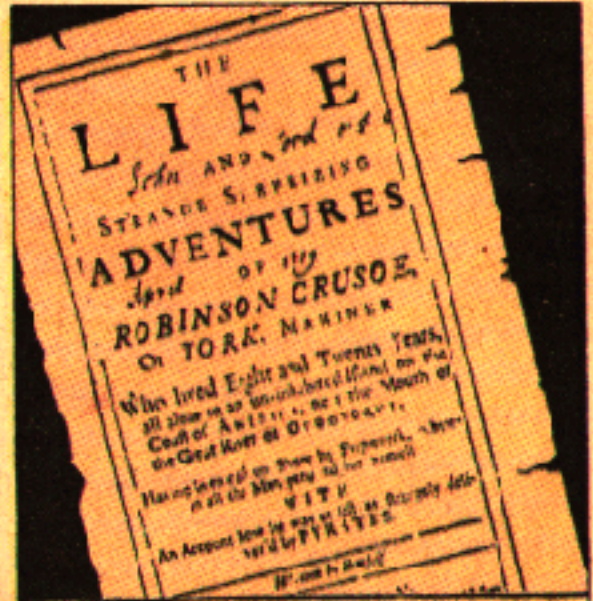
MR. SELKIRK, WHY DON'T YOU WRITE YOUR ADVENTURES?

I FEAR I AM NO WRITER, JUST A SAILOR.



COME IN, DAN DEFOE, YOU'RE JUST THE MAN TO HELP SELKIRK WRITE HIS AMAZING ADVENTURES.

TELL ME ALL ABOUT IT, MR. SELKIRK.



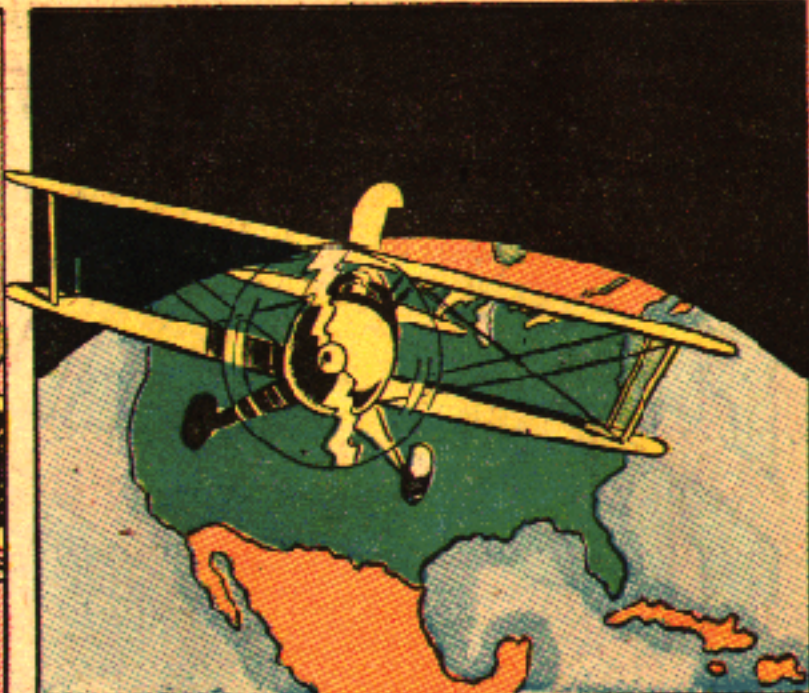
SO DANIEL DEFOE WROTE THE BOOK THAT REMAINS A FAVORITE, EVEN TODAY!

# FIRST WOMAN TEST-PILOT

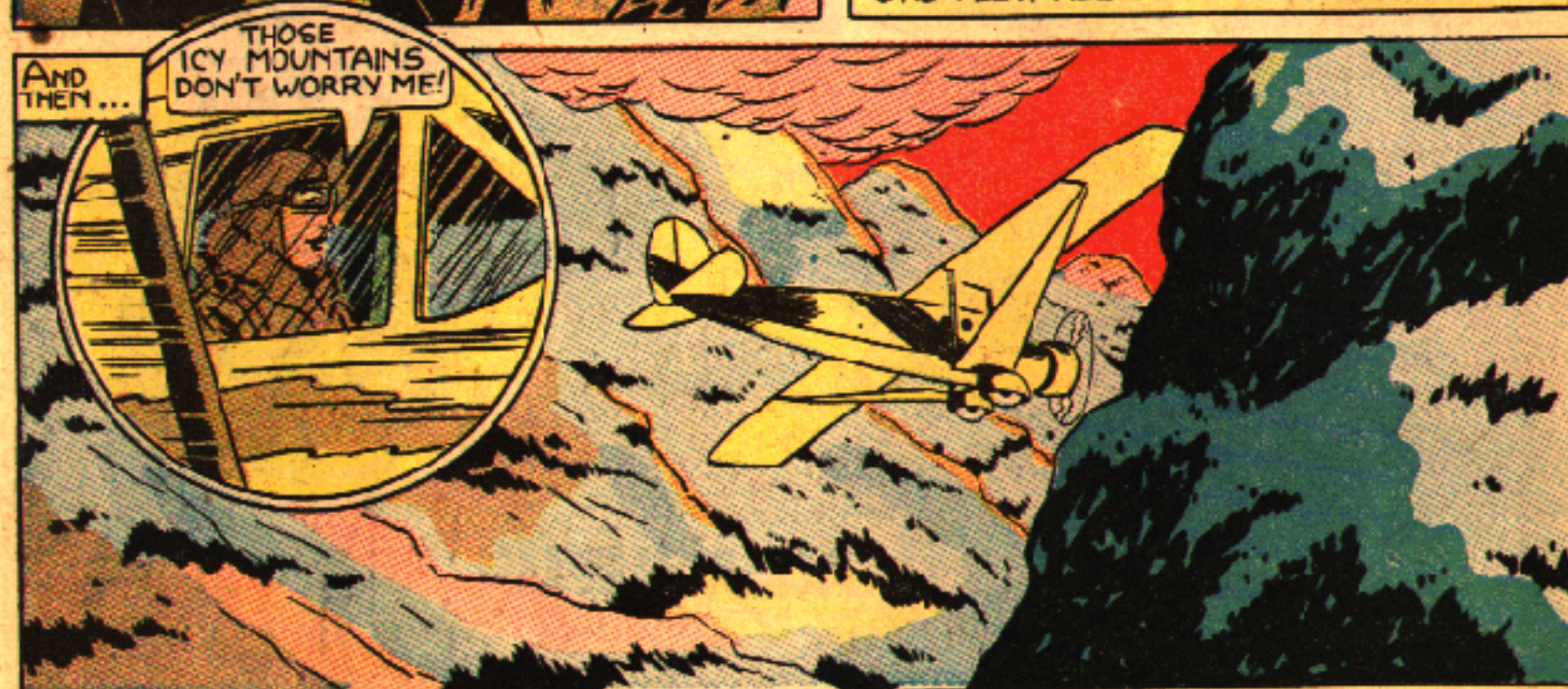


**ALMA HEFLIN**

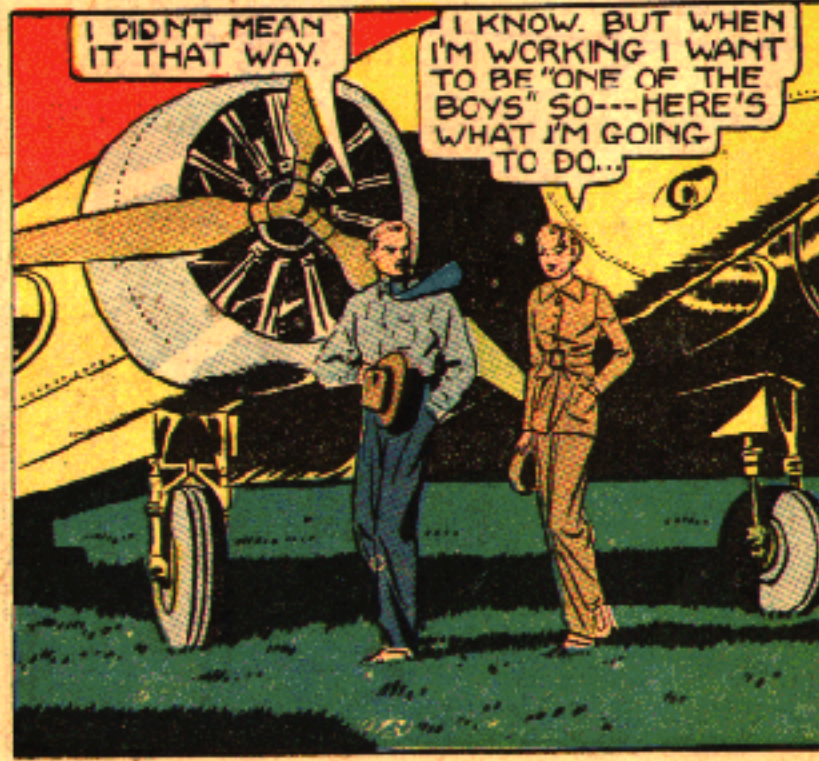
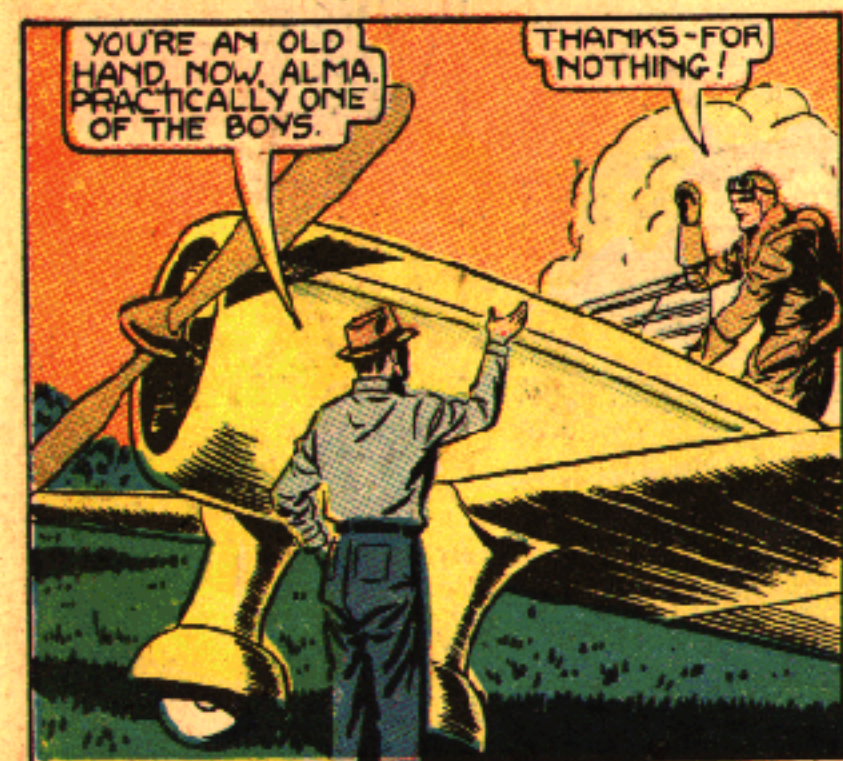


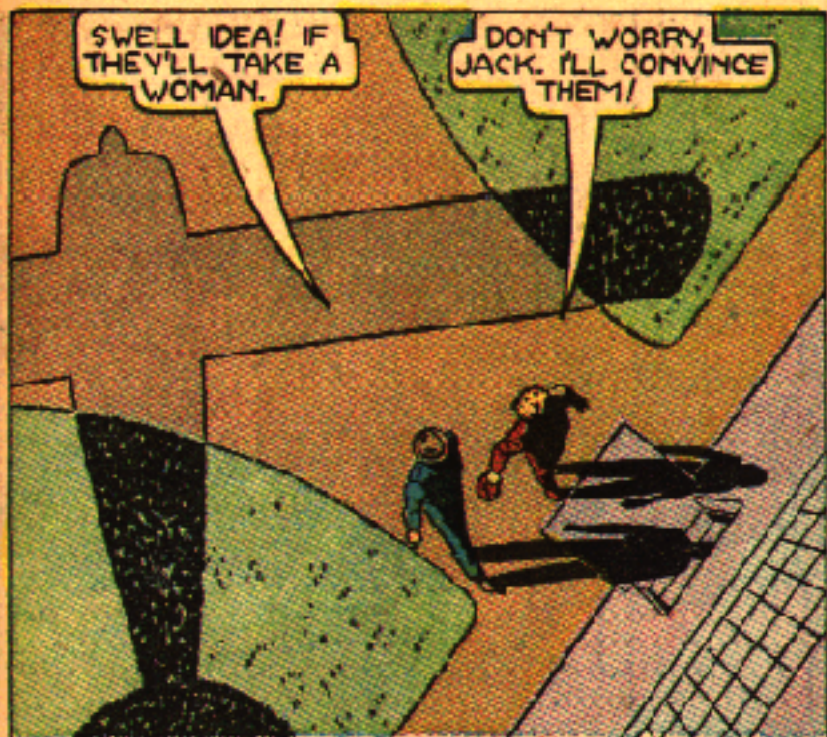


SHE FLEW ALL OVER THE COUNTRY.



... BECAME THE FIRST GIRL TO FLY THE TREACHEROUS ALASKA ROUTES.





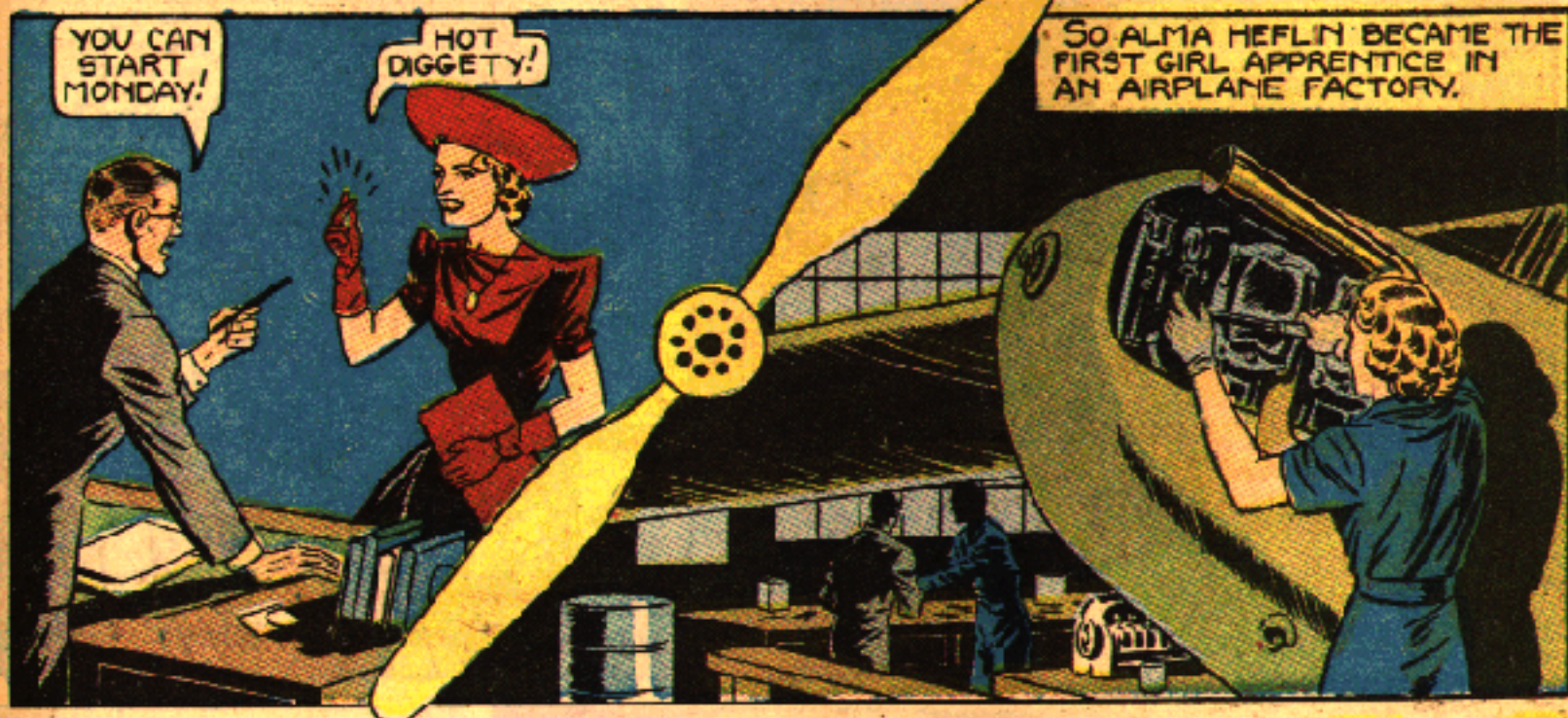
SWE'LL IDEA! IF THEY'LL TAKE A WOMAN.

DON'T WORRY, JACK. I'LL CONVINCE THEM!



I WANT TO LEARN EVERYTHING ABOUT PLANES. PLEASE TAKE ME ON AS AN APPRENTICE.

WE NEVER USE WOMEN, BUT...



YOU CAN START MONDAY!

HOT DIGGETY!

SO ALMA HEFLIN BECAME THE FIRST GIRL APPRENTICE IN AN AIRPLANE FACTORY.



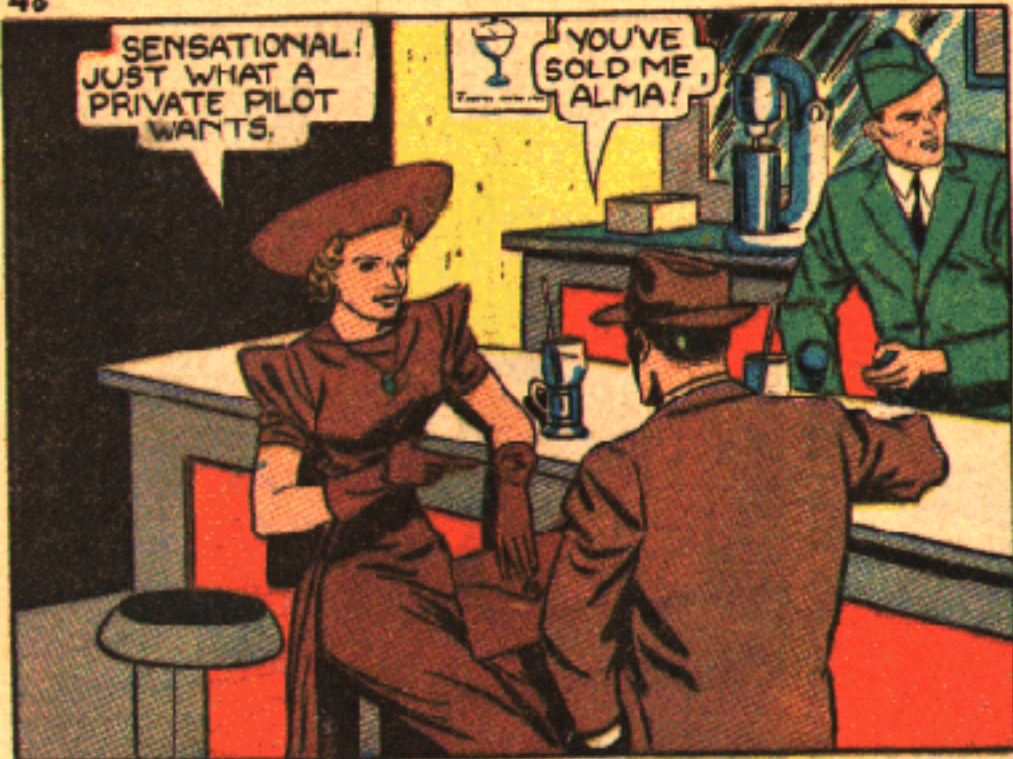
THAT HEFLIN GIRL IS NO SLACKER.

JUST LOOK AT HER TEAR INTO THAT MOTOR.



WHAT A WONDERFUL PLANE WE PUT OUT!

IT'S REALLY GOOD, EH?



SENSATIONAL!  
JUST WHAT A  
PRIVATE PILOT  
WANTS.

YOU'VE  
SOLD ME,  
ALMA!



ALMA, YOU KNOW SO MUCH  
ABOUT OUR PLANES AND  
HAVE SUCH A GIFT FOR  
SELLING, WE'RE MAKING  
YOU SALES MANAGER.



SAY, NO WOMAN'S  
EVER HAD THAT  
JOB IN ANY COMPANY!

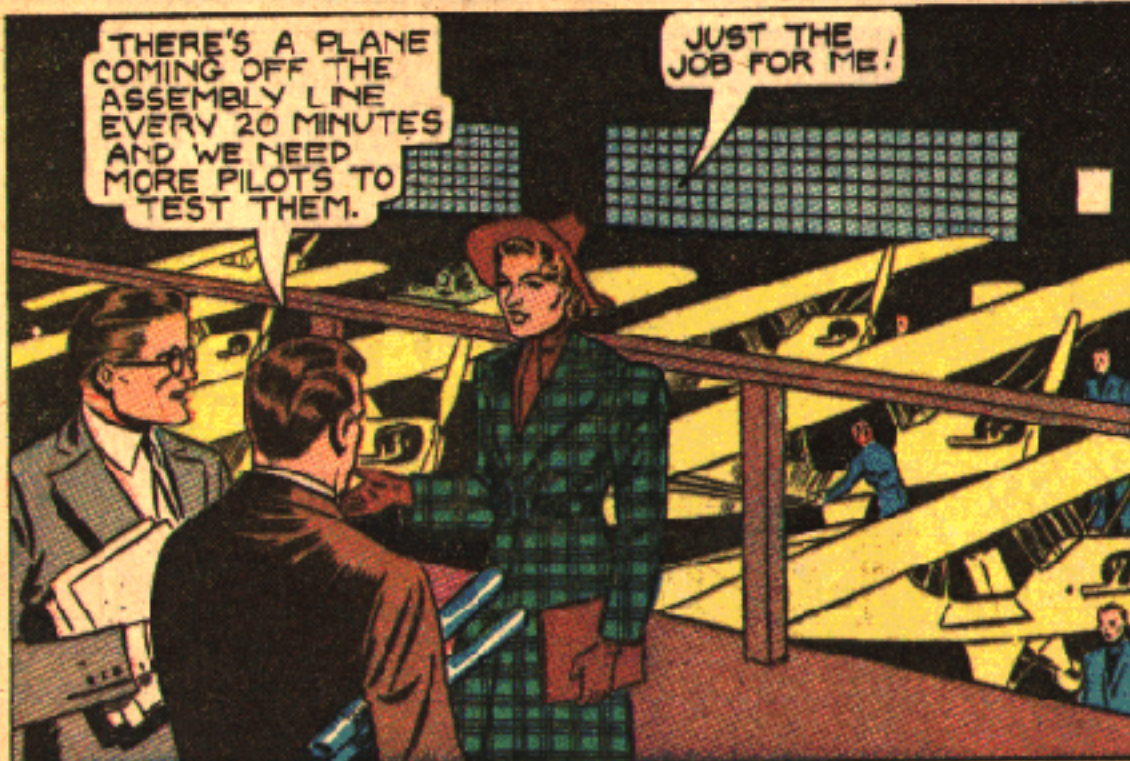


Soon...

LOOK AT  
THESE DEFENSE  
ORDERS ROLLING  
IN.

AND WATCH  
THOSE PLANES  
ROLLING OUT!  
BUT WE'VE  
ONE TROUBLE.

WHAT'S  
THAT?



THERE'S A PLANE  
COMING OFF THE  
ASSEMBLY LINE  
EVERY 20 MINUTES  
AND WE NEED  
MORE PILOTS TO  
TEST THEM.

JUST THE  
JOB FOR ME!

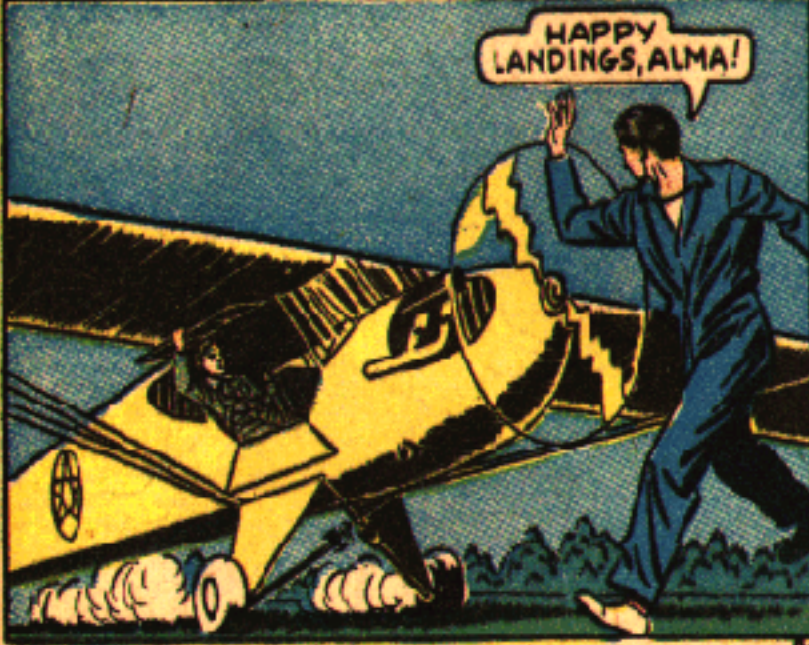


WAIT A MINUTE.  
YOU'VE DONE  
EVERYTHING.  
A WOMAN'S NOT  
SUPPOSED TO BE  
ABLE TO, BUT...

SHH,  
I CAN DO  
THAT, TOO!



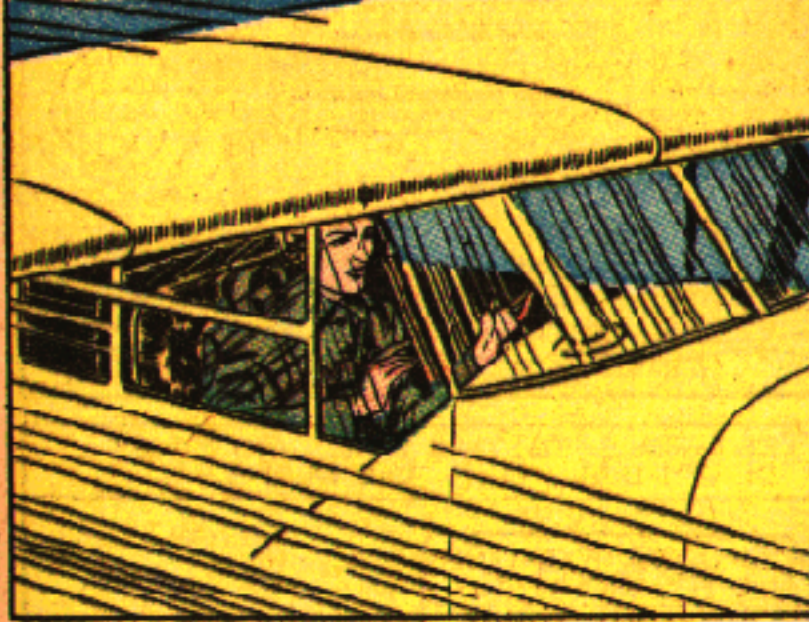
SO ALMA HEFLIN ADDED ANOTHER FIRST TO HER RECORDS. EVERY WEEK SHE TESTS ABOUT 25 PLANES!



FIRST TEST IS TO CHECK ENGINE'S ABILITY TO CLIMB WITHOUT OVERHEATING.



THEN A 20-MINUTE "HANDS OFF" FLIGHT TO SEE IF THE PLANE WILL MAINTAIN LEVEL POSITION.



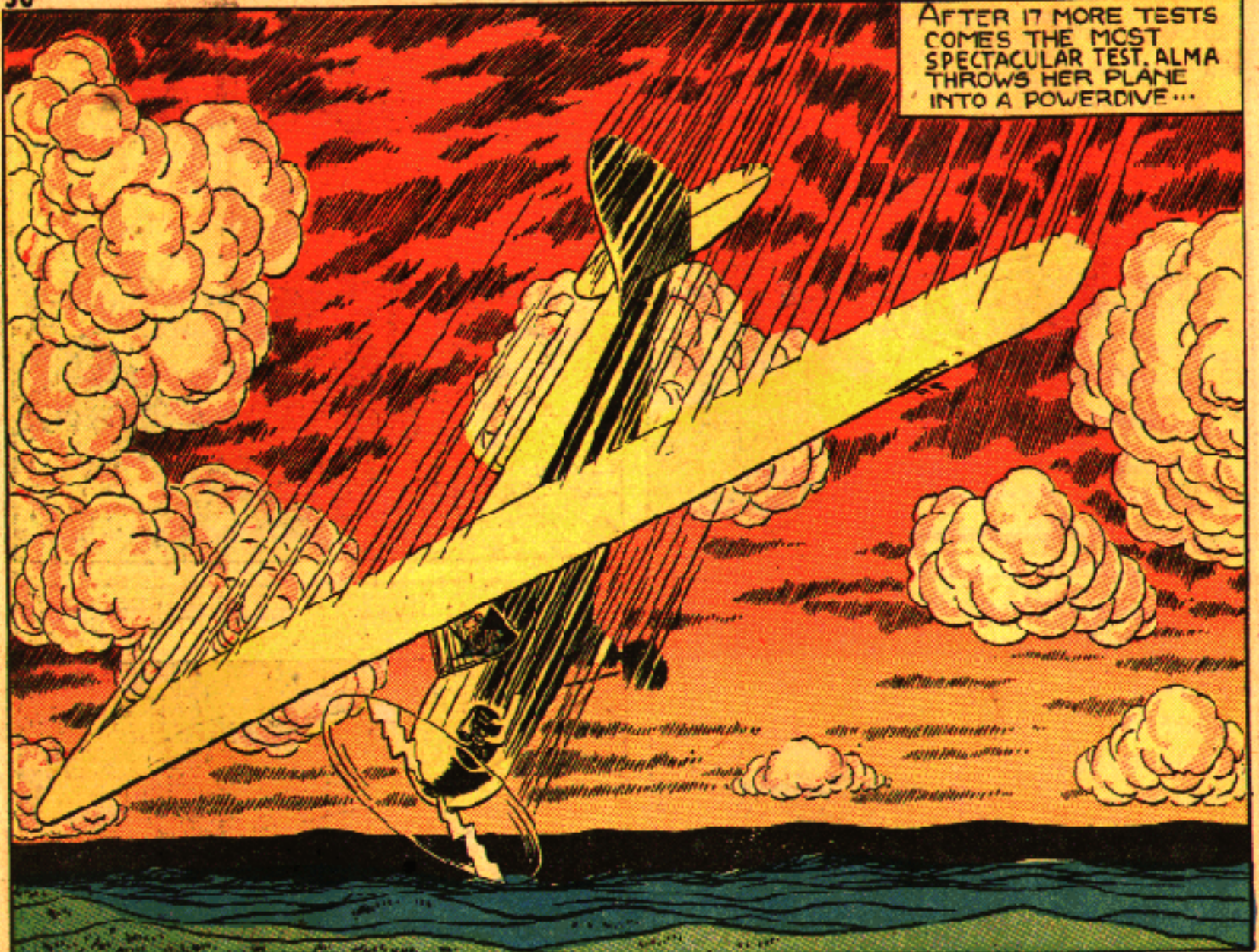
NEXT ALMA TURNS THE PLANE OVER ON ITS SIDE IN A VERTICAL BANK. THIS TESTS CONTROLS AND RIGGING.



TO LESSEN THE PRESSURE WHICH CAUSES "BLACK-OUTS", ALMA FORCES HER HEAD OVER HER SHOULDER DURING VERTICALS



AFTER 17 MORE TESTS COMES THE MOST SPECTACULAR TEST. ALMA THROWS HER PLANE INTO A POWERDIVE...



...AND HURTTLES DOWN 2500 FEET AT TOP SPEED!

TEST FINISHED, THIS GIRL WHO FACES DEATH DAILY, O.K.'S THE PLANE.

MY JOB'S EXCITING, AND IT'S GREAT TO KNOW THAT THESE TESTS GUARANTEE THAT NO BOY IN TRAINING WILL DIE BECAUSE OF A FAULTY PLANE!



HER HEAD RIGID, ALMA SHOUTS TO RELIEVE THE TERRIFIC PRESSURE ON HER VITAL ORGANS.



# TRUE'S MOVIE GUIDE

## Brief Reviews Of Outstanding New Films



In working for color perfection Korda has delayed the release of Kipling's *Jungle Book* with Sabu as hero but it will be all the more worth seeing (U.A.)



Andy has his troubles in *The Courtship of Andy Hardy* but so does Judge Hardy and for a change Andy comes to his rescue (MGM)



If General Andrew Jackson really could come back to life he'd find stranger things to gape over than Ellen Drew's lipstick which fascinates him in *The Remarkable Andrew* (Para.)

**COURTSHIP OF ANDY HARDY, THE** For once Andy (Mickey Rooney) isn't doing the courting but Donna Reed is, which makes Andy's blindness seem pretty dumb—she's a beautiful newcomer, in case you don't know. Donna is supposed to be a "droop" who has never had a good time and Andy, at Judge Hardy's request, does his good deed by taking her to a dance. But Donna soon turns out to be Cinderella in a pompadour and passes Andy by for the boy who liked her all along. There's a lot about Andy's job and family experiences and some sound advice from Judge Hardy on the silliness of drinking. (MGM)

**INVADERS, THE** Six German sailors are landed at a far north Canadian settlement by a submarine, which is sunk soon after leaving the men to fight their way across sparsely settled country to the Canadian Rockies. What would you do if you encountered a fleeing enemy? This is answered by a number of characters in vivid scenes, each played by a famous actor, such as Laurence Olivier, Leslie Howard, Raymond Massey, Anton Walbrook. Not only does the series of escapes keep you in suspense, but you'll learn the answer to something you may have been wondering about—that the humane ideals of democracy are stronger in the end than the brutal methods of the Nazis. This is a stirring film. (Col.)

**MISTER V** Robin Hood has a rival for popularity with boys and girls in the tales of modern adventurers who rescue men and women from the Nazis at the risk

of their own lives. This film is a grand example with its mild professor hero (played by Leslie Howard) who manages to whisk prisoners out of concentration camps right under the blinking eyes of Gestapo officers. There's a lot of fun in the film and no scenes of torture—thrills without chills, which is all right with us. (U.A.)

**ON THE SUNNY SIDE** We love our allies but we wouldn't want our dog to prefer them to us, would we? When Freddie Mercer's father and mother invite Hugh Aylesworth, an English boy (Roddy McDowall) to live with them during the War everybody, including Freddie's dog, falls for Hugh's charm. Freddie's girl, his gang, even his parents seem to forget he exists and he has a pretty unhappy time until he discovers that Hugh is a real brother and a lot of help at beating the neighborhood bullies at their own game. (Fox)

**REMARKABLE ANDREW, THE** What if you got in a jam and three former presidents of the United States came to your rescue? Pretty thrilling, especially if they were the ghosts of Andrew Jackson, George Washington and Thomas Jefferson! This is what happened to bookkeeper Andrew Long (William Holden) when he had the courage to stand up to dishonest politicians who wanted him to make false entries in his books. Of course, no one but Andrew and you and I can see these spy ghosts so the townspeople think Andrew has gone loco when he walks along the street talking earnestly with General Jackson.

The good advice these famous patriots give Andrew applies to all of us today, so listen closely to what they have to say. Of course there's a story, too, with pretty Ellen Drew as the girl who stands by Andrew. (Para.)

**RIDE 'EM, COWBOY** You may have seen this Abbott and Costello picture, but go see it again at your neighborhood theater. Because you'll not only laugh harder but see a few things you overlooked for laughing first time. The balmy but beautiful automobile ride to the bottom of the pond, for instance, where Costello judiciously fills a cup of water and takes a drink. And the Indian chase, when Abbott and Costello decide to switch sides because they're tired of being followed. And then there's Dick Foran's he-man voice—to say nothing of Dick Foran. Yes, Abbott and Costello and a yippee rodeo, too. (Univ.)

**SHUT MY BIG MOUTH** Your friend Joe E. Brown is back (Cave-in-the-Mouth, the Indians call him) in a film which ought to put him in the first rank of comedians again. All by accident Joe becomes a cowboy hero and he nearly collapses trying to live up to his supposed bravery. It's plenty funny. (Col.)

**WHAT'S COOKIN'** An hour of swing music with Woody Herman and his band, the Andrews Sisters, Jane Frazee and Gloria Jean. We wish there had been more of Gloria's singing but for those who prefer jam sessions there's plenty of youthful music and dancing. (Univ.)

CANADA

# FREE FRENCH NAVY OFF CANADA

VICE ADMIRAL  
EMILE MUSELIER,  
COMMANDER-  
IN-CHIEF  
OF FREE FRENCH  
NAVAL FORCES



NEWFOUNDLAND

MIQUELON

ST. PIERRE



AS EARLY AS 1536, EXPLORER  
JACQUES CARTIER FOUND  
FRENCH FISHERMEN THERE

MON DIEU, THESE  
MEN MUST HAVE  
CROSSED THE  
ATLANTIC IN  
THEIR FISHING  
SMACKS!

IN THE EARLY 17TH CENTURY, A  
PERMANENT SETTLEMENT WAS ESTABLISHED.



DURING THE NEXT 300 YEARS THE ISLAND CHANGED HANDS EIGHT TIMES IN ALL.



CHIEF BONE OF CONTENTION WAS THE COMMON COD FISH.



AFTER THE FALL OF FRANCE, VICHY APPOINTED BARON DE BOURNAT AS GOVERNOR. HE WAS NOT POPULAR.



WHEN THE FISHERFOLK WANTED TO SUPPORT DE GAULLE, THE GOVERNOR REFUSED TO ALLOW THEM TO VOTE.



THEY SAY THEY ARE JUST SENDING OUT WEATHER REPORTS.

THAT'S USEFUL TO THE ENEMY.

WE'LL SEND AN S.O.S. TO DE GAULLE



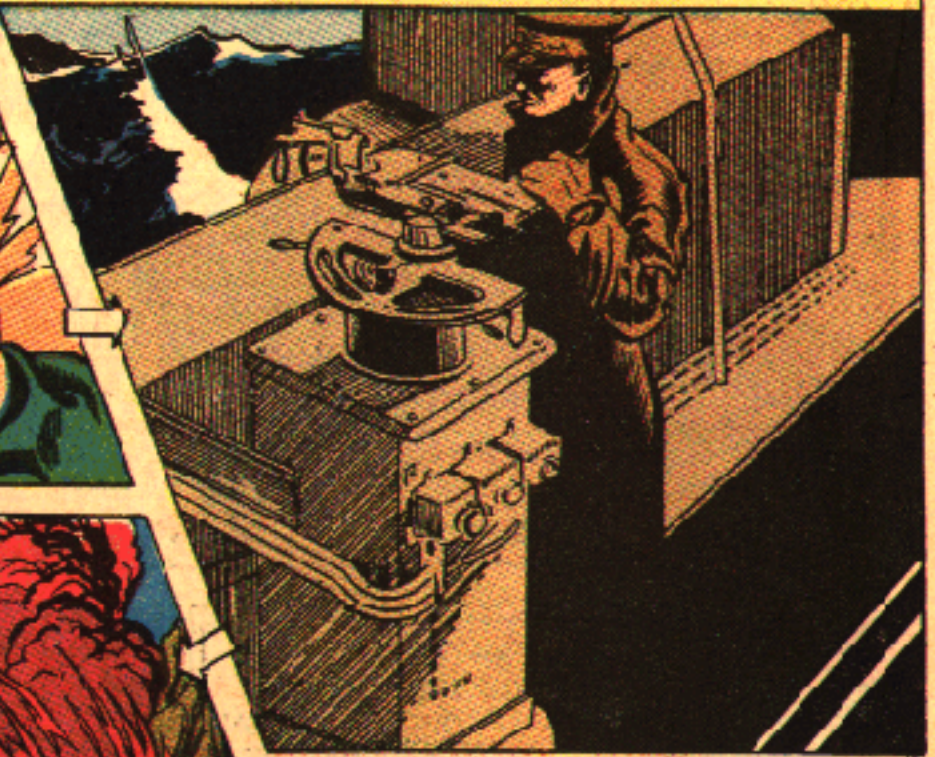
DE GAULLE RELAYED THE MESSAGE TO THE ADMIRAL OF THE FREE FRENCH NAVY IN CANADA.



HERE'S A CODE MESSAGE FROM DE GAULLE ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON ARE FOR FREE FRANCE!

IN SPITE OF THE GOVERNOR FROM VICHY, EH?

THE ADMIRAL PRETENDED HE WAS TAKING HIS LITTLE FLEET OUT FOR MANEUVERS.



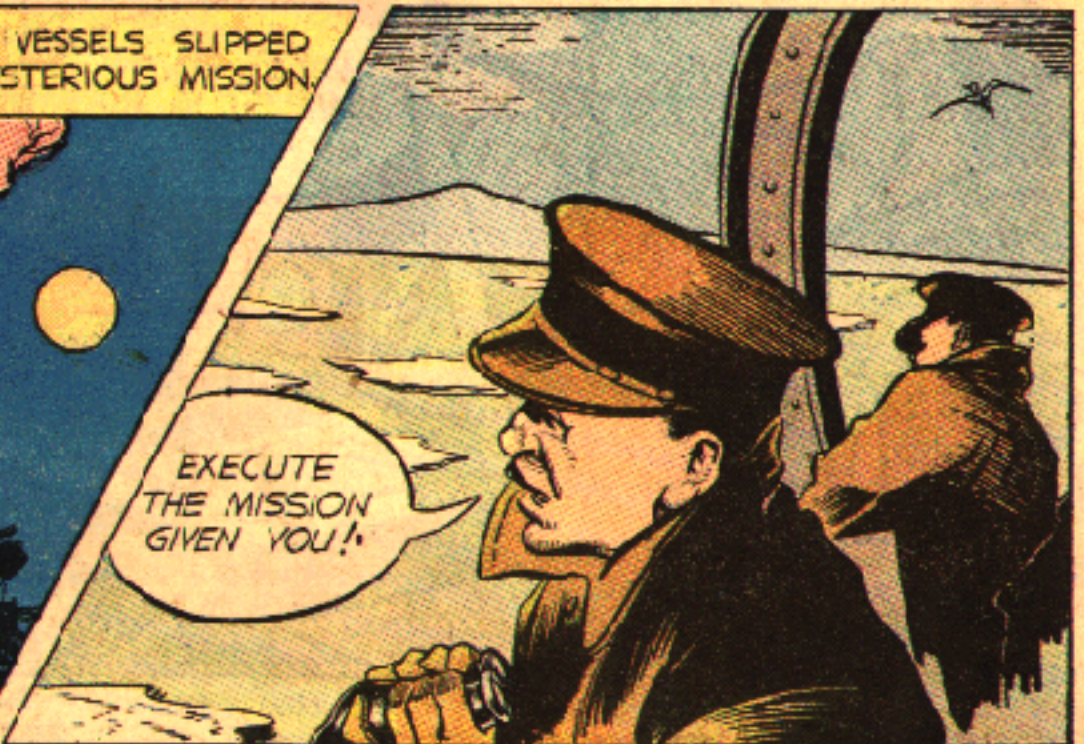
SUDDENLY ABOARD A GIANT FREE FRENCH SUBMARINE...



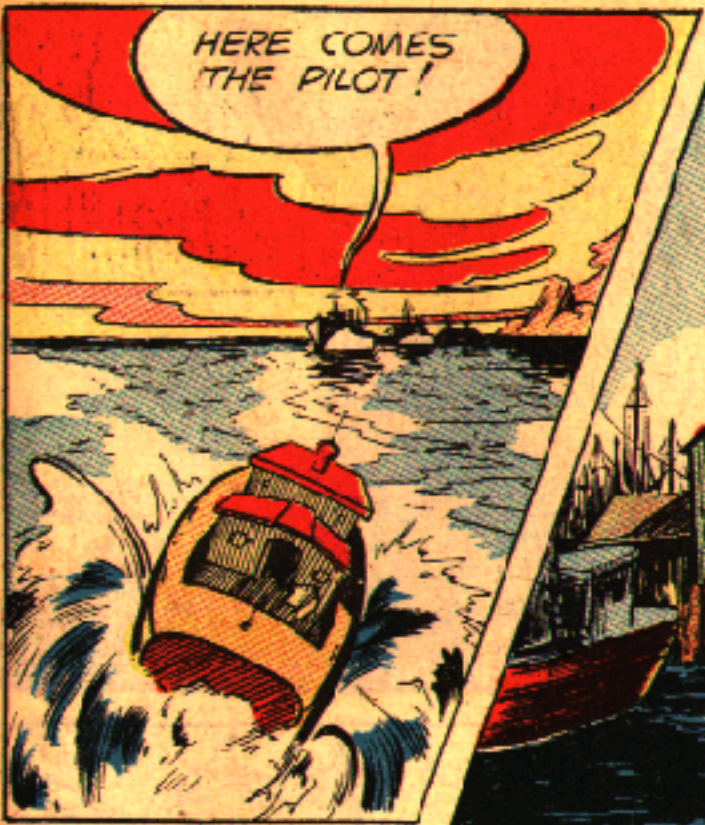
LOOK, SIR! THE BEAM SEA HAS STARTED A FIRE ON THE SURCOUF.

GOOD EXCUSE FOR US! SIGNAL THE OTHER THREE CORVETTES TO FOLLOW US

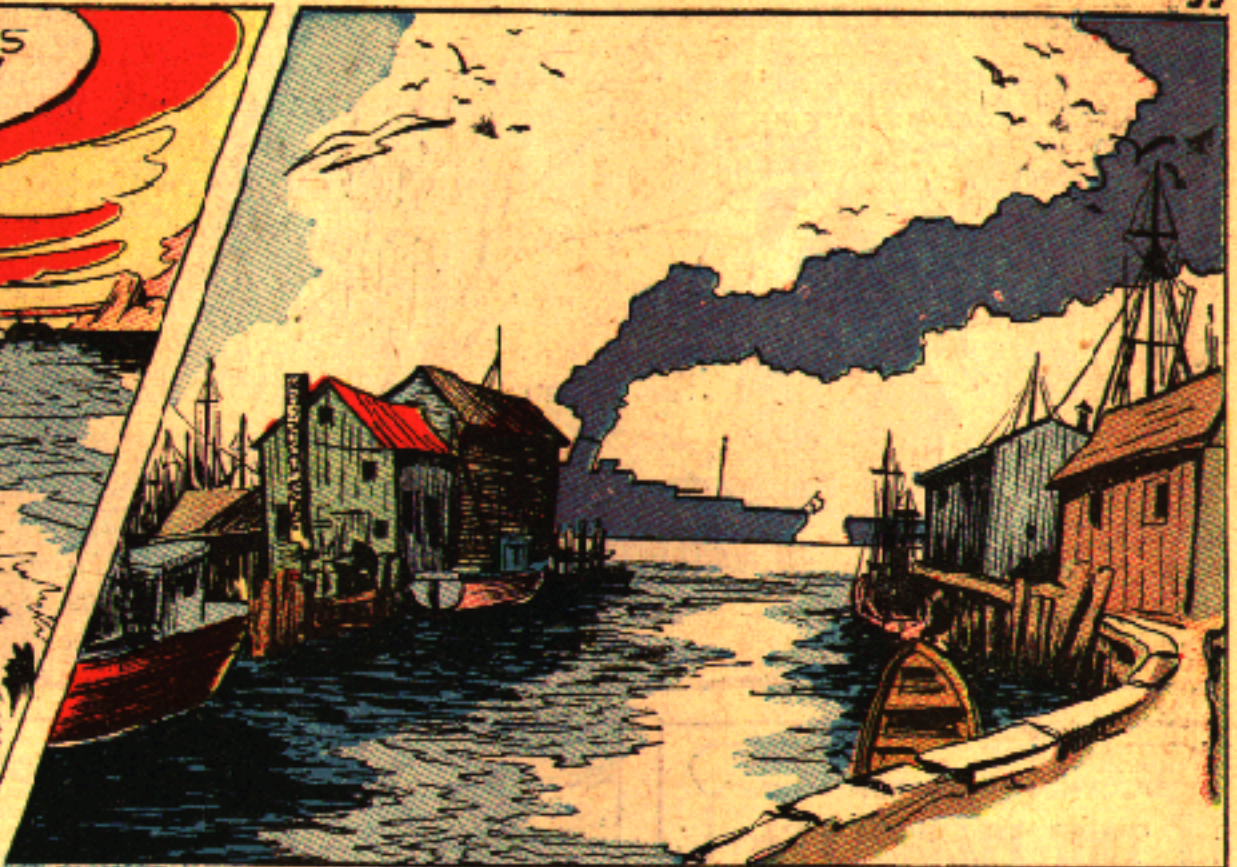
SO FOUR FREE FRENCH NAVAL VESSELS SLIPPED AWAY FROM THE REST ON A MYSTERIOUS MISSION.



EXECUTE THE MISSION GIVEN YOU!:

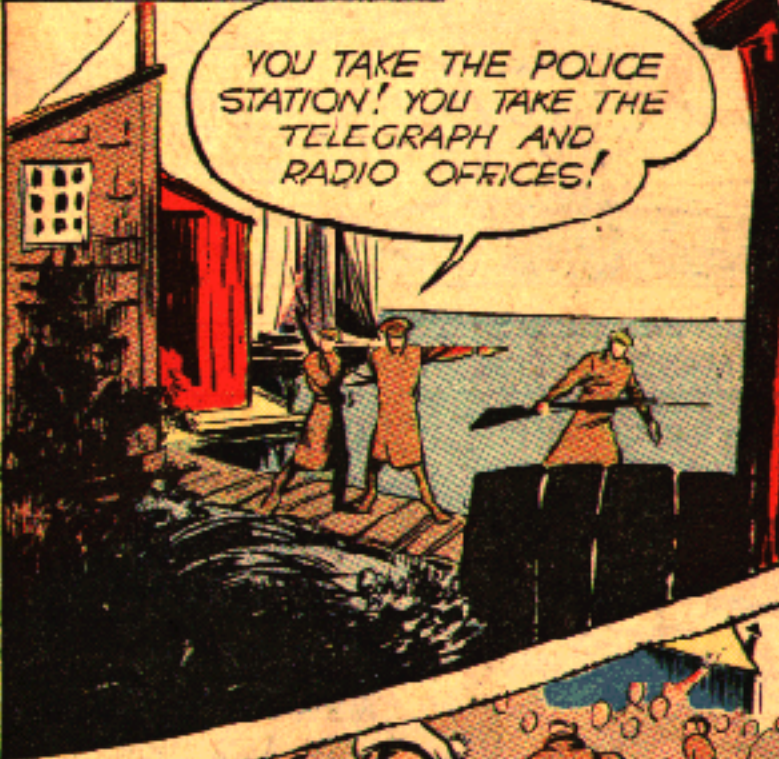


HERE COMES THE PILOT!



QUICKLY ALL STRATEGIC POINTS WERE OCCUPIED.

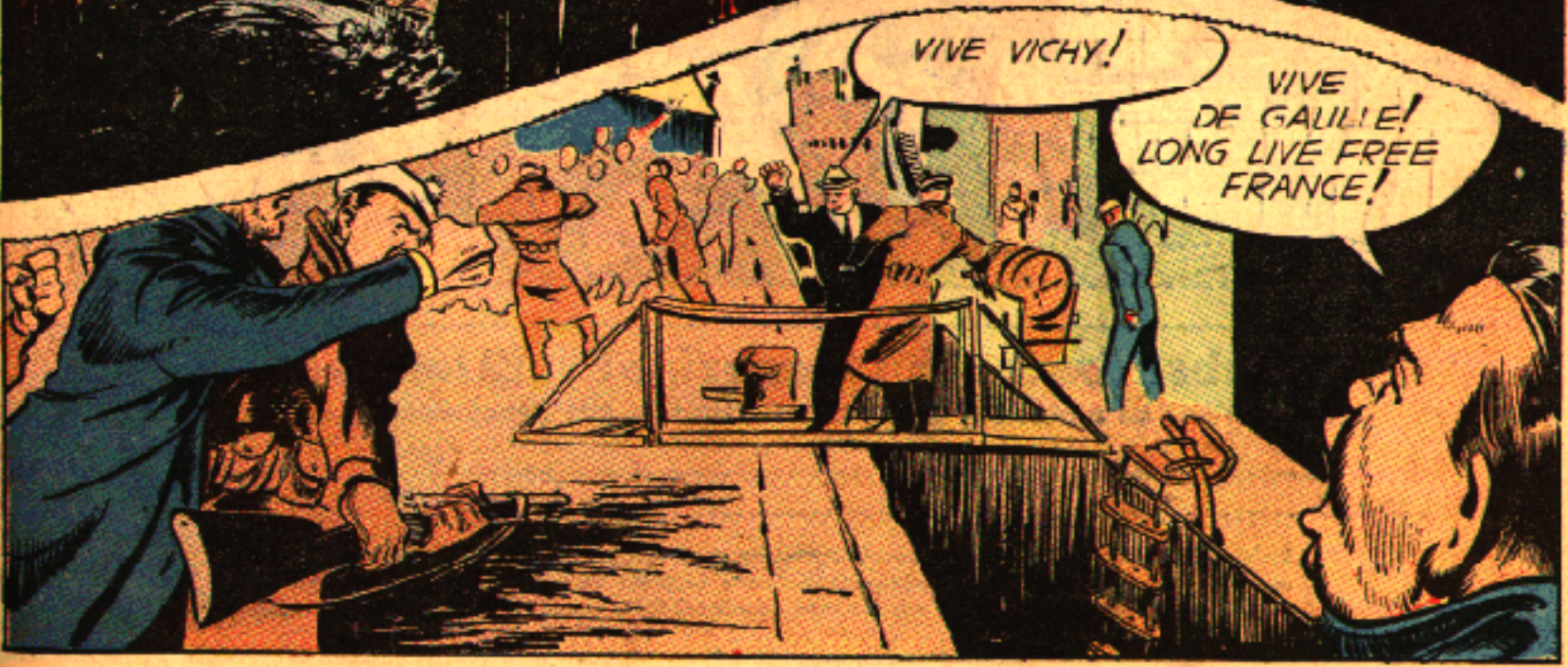
THE GOVERNMENT BUILDING AND OTHER STRATEGIC POINTS WERE OCCUPIED WITH NO RESISTANCE.



YOU TAKE THE POLICE STATION! YOU TAKE THE TELEGRAPH AND RADIO OFFICES!

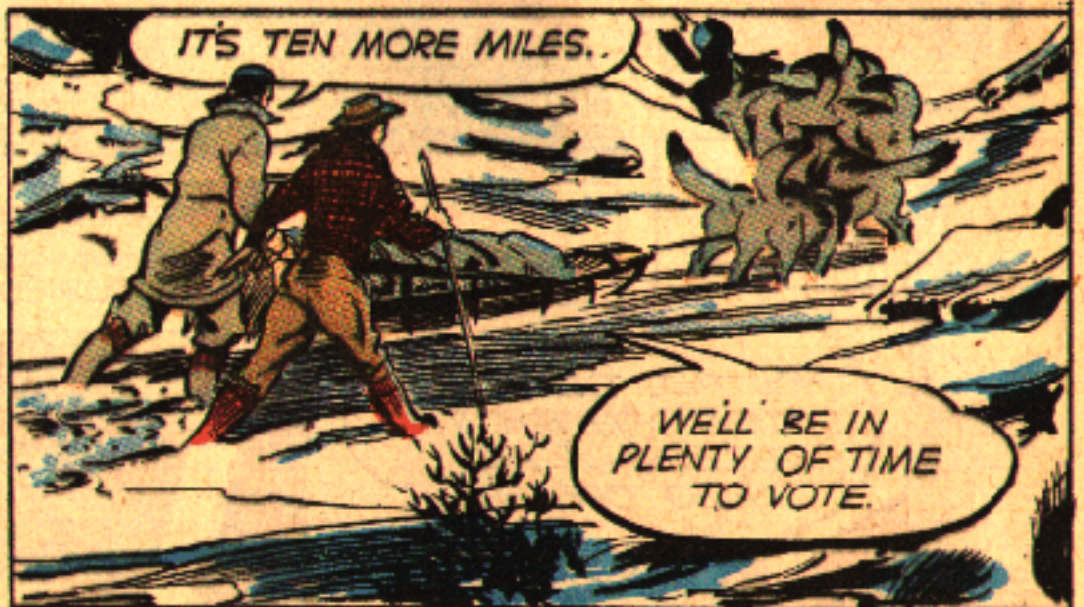


VIVE DE GAULLE!  
VIVE LA FRANCE!



VIVE VICHY!

VIVE DE GAULLE!  
LONG LIVE FREE FRANCE!



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DOWN WITH  
THE DICTATORS

THE VOICE OF FREE FRANCE IN THE TINY ISLANDS RAISED AN ECHO FROM OVERSEAS.

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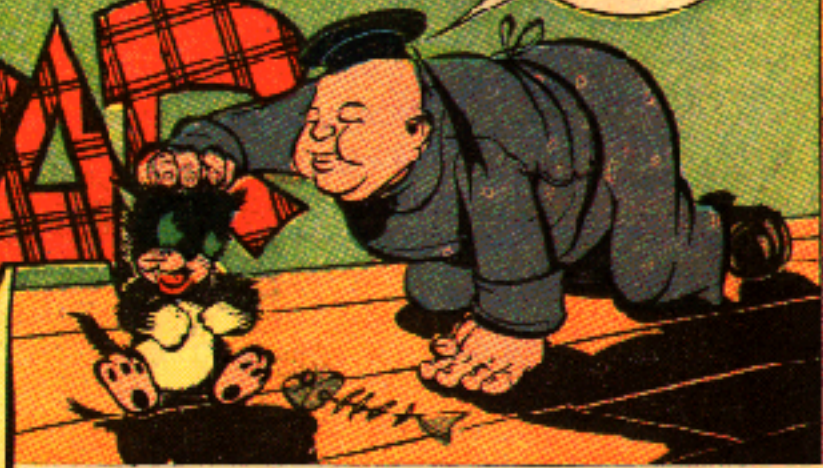
CITY ..... STATE .....

# OSCAR'S WAR

## THE CAT THAT WENT TO SEA

OSCAR WAS MASCOT ON THE GERMAN BATTLESHIP BISMARCK.

REMEMBER, BLACK ONE, WE'LL NEED GOOD LUCK WHEN TROUBLE COMES!



BUT WHERE WAS OSCAR WHEN THE BRITISH DESTROYER COSSACK ATTACKED?

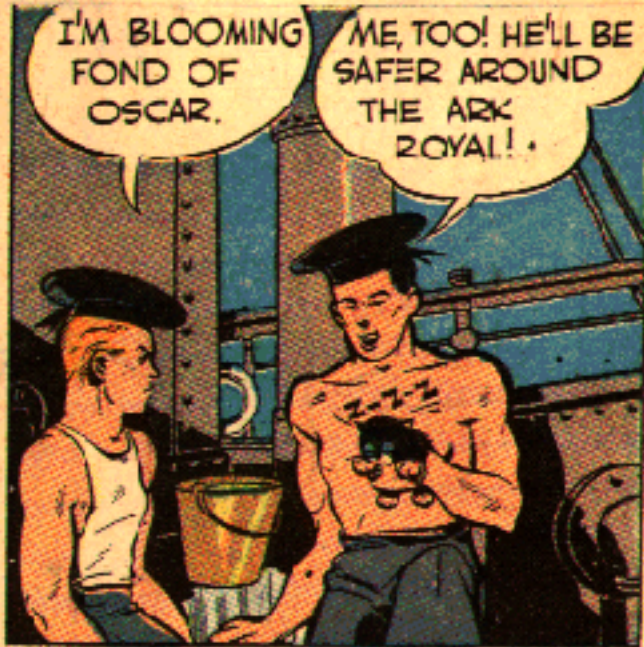
BLIMEY, A BLACK CAT ON THE WAVES! WE'LL HOIST THAT GERMAN ABOARD!



THE COSSACK PREPARED FOR COMBAT...

I'M BLOOMING FOND OF OSCAR.

ME, TOO! HE'LL BE SAFER AROUND THE ARK ROYAL!



OSCAR BECAME ARK ROYAL'S LUCK JUST IN TIME TO ESCAPE THE COSSACK'S SINKING.



THEN THEY SANK THE ARK ROYAL.

WE'LL GET HIM!

ALL ABOARD THAT'S COMING ABOARD!



EVERY SHIP OSCAR'S SAILED HAS SUNK!

HE HAS 6 MORE LIVES. HERE'S HOPING HE GETS A SHIP FOR EVERYONE!

BUNDLE HIM BACK TO THE GERMANS!



# Now Pitching for UNCLE SAMM



THIS IS THE  
BIGGEST-LEAGUE  
YOU'VE EVER  
PITCHED IN!

HUGH NOYES  
MULCAHY,  
PITCHER FOR THE PHILS,  
FIRST MAJOR LEAGUE  
BASEBALL PLAYER, TO  
ENTER THE U.S. ARMY.



YOU CAN BE A  
GREAT PITCHER,  
HUGH, IF YOU  
CAN LEARN TO  
CONTROL YOUR  
SIDE ARM PITCH.

YES, SIR!



1931—HE MADE THE INTERSCHOLASTIC TEAM.

MULCAHY  
IS OUR  
UTILITY  
PLAYER.

YES, EITHER  
INFIELD OR  
OUTFIELD.

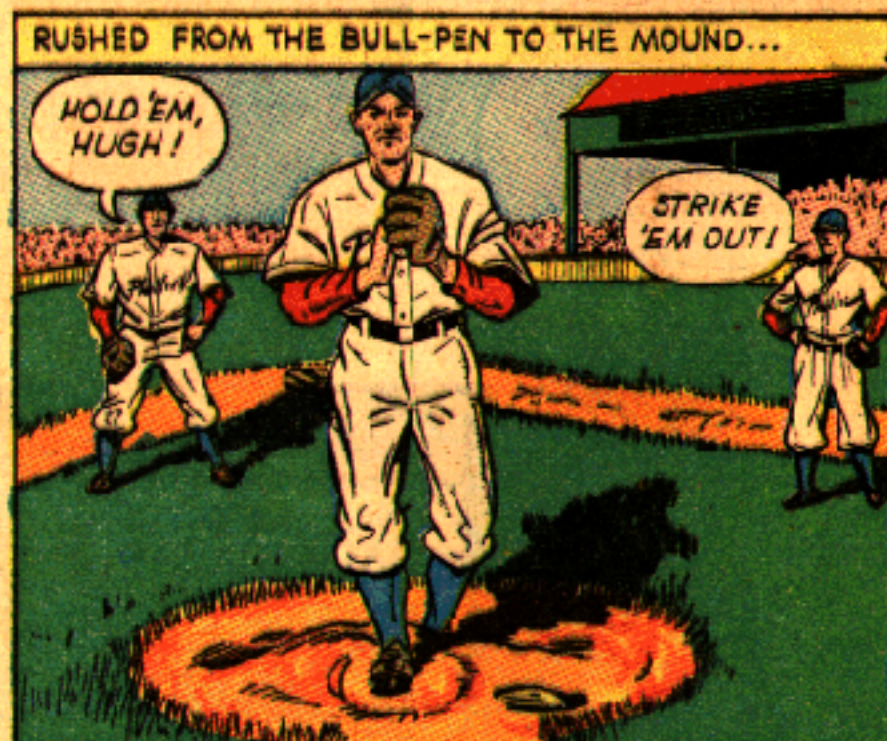
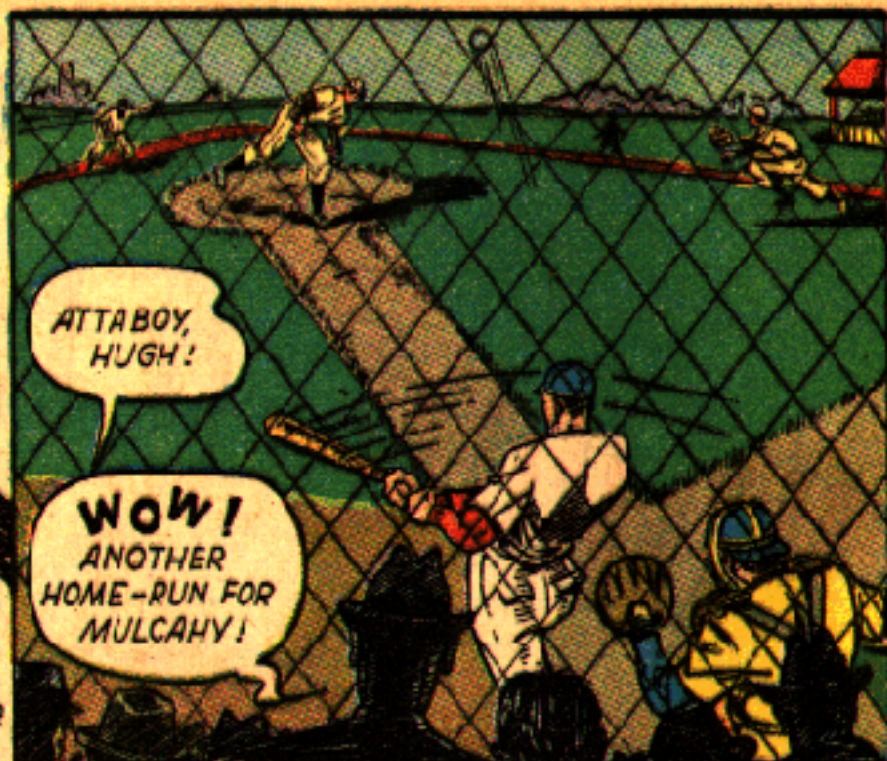
1933 — HUGH STARTED HIS PROFESSIONAL CAREER WITH THE NEW ENGLAND LEAGUE.



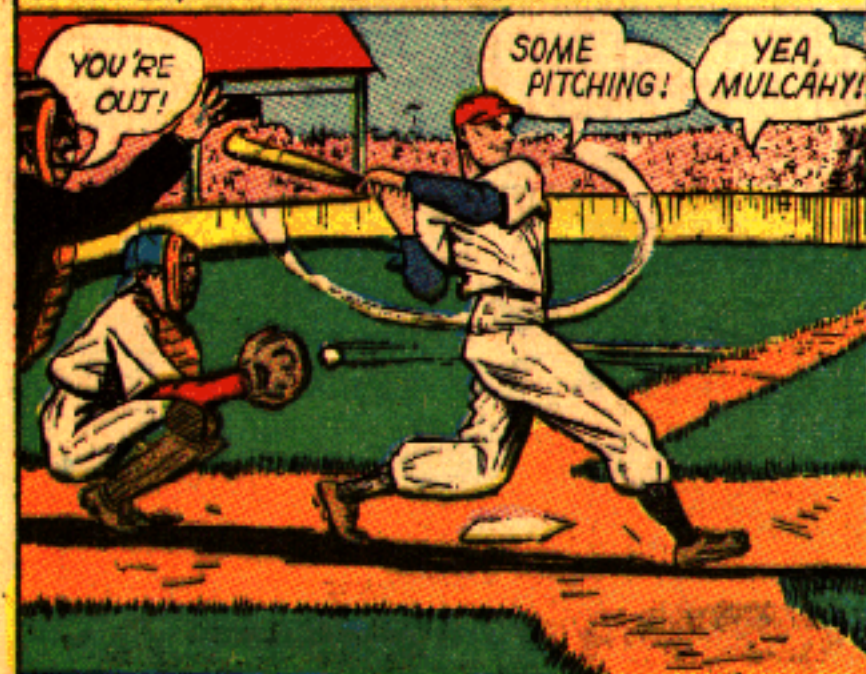
1934



1934... ON TO READING AND MANCHESTER



HE RETIRED THREE DANGEROUS HITTERS!... P. WANER, L. WANER, AND ARKIE VAUGHAN!



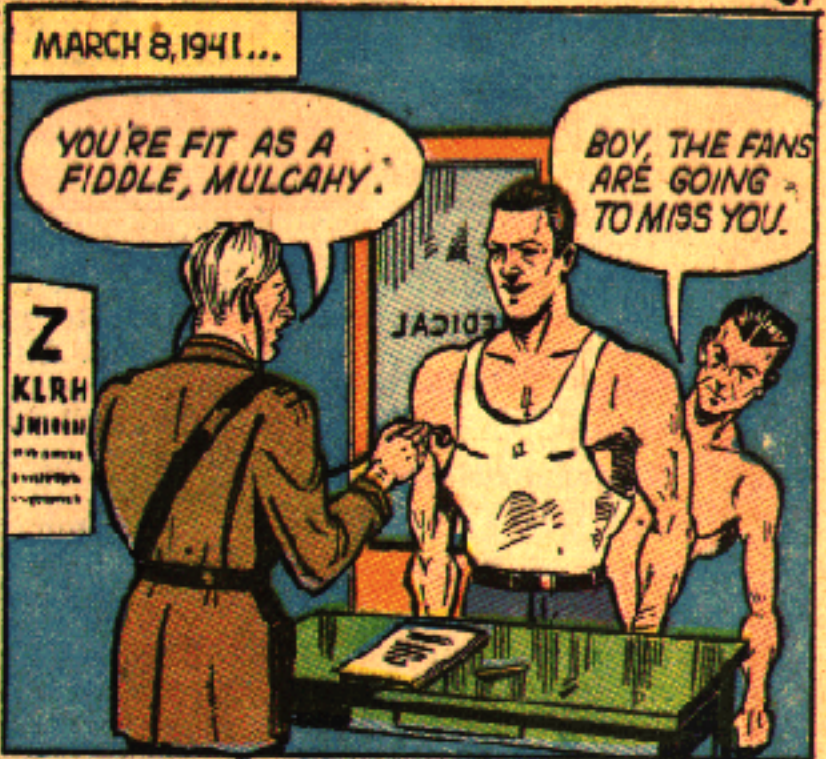
CHEERING FANS FOLLOWED HUGH TO THE CLUBHOUSE.

MARCH 8, 1941...



YOU OUGHT TO GET THAT BOOK OF YOURS PRINTED, HUGH. I'D BUY ONE LIKE A SHOT!

HUGH CAN MAKE PLENTY PLAYING BALL WITHOUT GOING INTO THE PUBLISHING BUSINESS.



YOU'RE FIT AS A FIDDLE, MULCAHY.

BOY, THE FANS ARE GOING TO MISS YOU.



WAKE UP, HUGH!

I'LL GIVE HIM ONE MINUTE.



WHAT DO YOU MEAN, WASTE? HE'S IN THERE PITCHING FOR UNCLE SAM NOW, ISN'T HE?

THAT'S MULCAHY, A GOOD PITCHER GOING TO WASTE.

CAMP EDWARDS



WATCH FOR MORE STORIES OF GREAT ATHLETES IN UNCLE SAM'S SERVICE.

# DOLLAR-PULLERS

LOOK FOR A BRAND NEW FEATURE IN THE NEXT ISSUE!

Was there ever anything that Houdini couldn't open?  
"Could be a railway train window."

*C. M. Wilds, Newtown, Conn.*

Talkative Lady (on board ship): "Can you swim?"

Sailor: "Only at times, ma'am."

Talkative Lady: "How strange! And when do these moments come to you?"

Sailor: "When I am in the water, ma'am."

*Bobby Murray, Raeford, N. C.*

Polly: "Don't you ever use tooth-paste?"

Peggy: "Why should I? None of my teeth are loose."

*Inc Grain, Regina, Sask.*

A preacher asked all members of the congregation who wanted to go to heaven to stand up. All rose except one boy.

"What!" cried the preacher, "don't you want to go to heaven?"

"Not immediately," he replied.

*Jerry Burke, Detroit, Michigan*

Teacher: Don't see how it's possible for a single boy to make so many mistakes.

Teddy (proudly): It isn't any single boy, teacher. F'ather helped me.

*Rudolph Meinhardt, Park City, Mont.*

Mr. Kangaroo: "Where's the baby?"

Mrs. Kangaroo: "Good heavens! My pocket's been picked!"

*Paul Rodgers, El Reno, Oklahoma*

Scotsman: I want to buy a spur, please.

Salesman: You mean a pair of spurs.

Scotsman: One will be sufficient. If I make half of the horse go, the other half will have to go, too.

*James Hmbv, Caruthersville, Mo.*

(Man in a hurry comes into a store).

Man: Let me have a mouse trap.

Store man: Just a minute.

Man: Hurry. I have to catch a bus!

Store man: I'm sorry, they don't come that big.

*Graham Schneider, Richmond Hill, N.Y.*

Doctor: How is that boy that swallowed the half dollar?

Nurse: No change yet, doctor.

*Dorothy Trebec, Cleveland, Ohio*

Policeman: You can't park in front of that fire hydrant, sir!

Motorist: Why not? The sign says, "Fine for parking!"

*Bill Clover, Ridgewood, N. J.*

One night while a young Negro recruit was on guard, the figure of an officer loomed up in the darkness.

Young Negro recruit: "Who goes there?"

Officer: "Major Moses."

The young Negro scented a joke. Negro recruit: "Glad to meet yuh, Moses. Advance and give the ten commandments."

*J. A. Abshire, Jr., San Antonio, Texas*

"Is your brother a good salesman?"

"Well, he got two orders today."

"What for?"

"One to get out, and the other to stay out."

*Donald Luckett, Harrisburg, Illinois*

"Shoe shine, mister?"

"No."

"I can shine 'em so you can see your face in 'em."

"I said no."

"Coward!"

*Mildred Zembach, Dayton, Ohio*

## ANSWERS TO "IS IT TRUE?"

(PAGE 33)

1. No. Legend says he slept twenty years.
2. No. They gather nectar from which they make honey.
3. Yes.
4. No. A gargoyle is a stone waterspout.
5. No. It is a mammal.
6. No. It is a fish.
7. Yes.
8. No. A goblet is a water glass.
9. No. A croquette is a meat cake.
10. No. It was Nathan Hale.
11. No. It is a bird.
12. Yes.
13. No. It was the Monitor.
14. Yes.
15. Yes.
16. No. They grow upward.
17. No. It is a Mohammedan prayer tower.
18. No. An Irish girl is called a colleen.
19. Yes.
20. Yes. The wife of President John Adams did this.

## ANSWERS TO YOUR GLASS QUIZ

(on page 36)

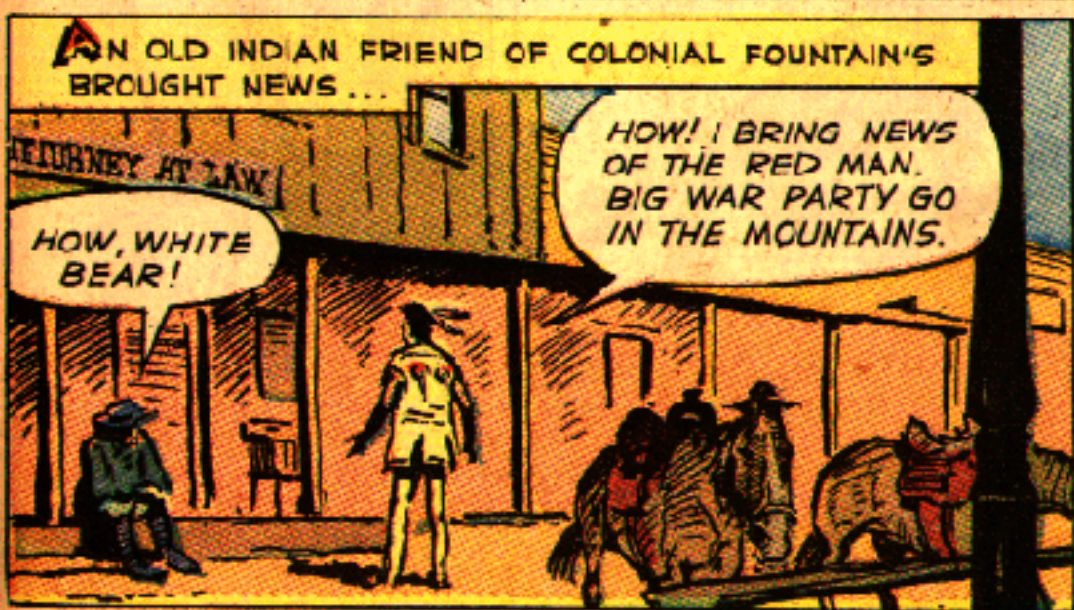
1. Barometer.
2. Flower Vase.
3. Thermometer.
4. Binoculars.
5. Camera Lens.
6. Electric Bulb.
7. Coffee Maker.
8. Glassware.
9. Christmas Tree Ornaments.
10. Television Screen.
11. Retort.
12. Clock Face.
13. Eyeglasses.
14. Compass.
15. Bottles.
16. Magnifying Glass.
17. Microscope.
18. Windshield Glass.
19. Food Containers.
20. Searchlight.

# INDIAN SCOUT



## COL. ALBERT J. FOUNTAIN

1870—HE VOLUNTEERED HIS SERVICES TO STOP THE RAMPAGE OF KILLINGS BY THE INDIANS.



AN OLD INDIAN FRIEND OF COLONIAL FOUNTAIN'S BROUGHT NEWS...

HOW, WHITE BEAR!

HOW! I BRING NEWS OF THE RED MAN. BIG WAR PARTY GO IN THE MOUNTAINS.



NO TIME TO LOSE. I'LL TAKE MY TRUSTY "HENRY" REPEATER ALONG.

THE MOVEMENTS OF THE INDIANS MUST BE CHECKED AT ONCE AND REPORTED TO THE AMERICAN ARMY AT FORT MCCREA.

YOU SAY IT WILL TAKE US TWO DAYS AND NIGHTS TO CATCH UP WITH THE INDIANS, PEDRO?

SI, SENOR.

COLONEL FOUNTAIN AND A MEXICAN SCOUT SET OUT UPON THE TRAIL OF THE INDIANS.

LOOKS LIKE A SIZEABLE WAR PARTY.

TWO DAYS LATER...

THE FORT WAS FORTY MILES AWAY...

WE MUST HURRY TO FORT MCCREA.

LOOK! THE GRASS ON FIRE!

YOUR MATCH DID IT! RUN FOR IT BEFORE THE INDIANS SEE THE SMOKE!

I AM ON MY WAY, SENOR.

WE'LL SPLIT UP, PEDRO. I'LL DRAW THEM INTO THE MOUNTAINS, AND YOU RIDE ON TO THE FORT.

COLONEL FOUNTAIN WAS LOSING HIS PURSUERS IN THE MOUNTAIN PASSES WHICH HE KNEW SO WELL...





UGH!

HERE'S A DOSE OF LEAD!

A SOLITARY INDIAN SURPRISED FOUNTAIN...



THIS "HENRY" OUGHT TO HOLD THESE DEVILS OFF FOR AWHILE.



THREE SHOTS... THREE REDSKINS.



WHAT MAGIC FIRE-GUN DOES THE WHITE MAN HAVE?

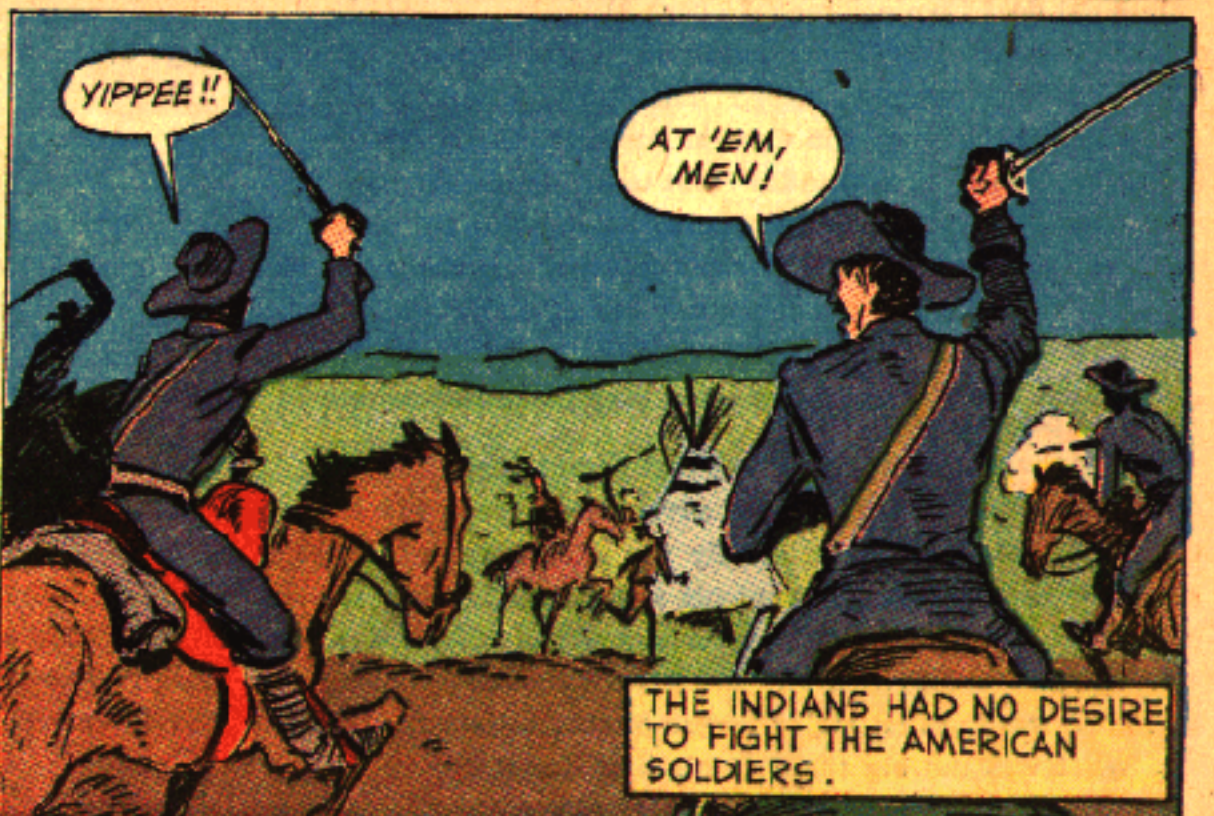
IT IS MORE POWERFUL THAN OUR GUNS!

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1. What does Cominch mean? (page 8)
2. Why is Admiral King nicknamed "Triple-Threat" Admiral? (page 3)
3. Who wrote the story called "The Fourth in Salvador"? (page 12)
4. Name the countries in Central America. (page 12)
5. Where were "Commandos" first used? (page 13)
6. Why does a Commando need to be amphibious? (page 16)
7. Why did Ehrich Weiss, the magician, choose the name Houdini? (page 21)
8. How did Houdini get out of the casket under water? (page 25)
9. How far is it from Dutch Harbor to Japan? (page 27)
10. Which two stories in this issue take place somewhere in Central America or South America? (pages 9-40)
11. What was Robinson Crusoe's real name? (page 40)
12. Who wrote the story of his adventures? (page 44)
13. Who was the first girl to fly the Alaska route? (page 46)
14. How does a pilot test controls and rigging? (page 49)
15. What famous French explorer stopped in 1636 at the Islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon? (page 52)
16. Why did the French and the British squabble so long over these two tiny islands? (page 53)
17. Who was the first major league pitcher to join the Army in World War II? (page 59)
18. What was the big thrill of his life? (page 60)
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# What do *YOU* Think?

(The Editor would like to know.)

I have been taking your magazine since the second issue. I think that it is the best magazine on the market. But I wish to make a suggestion. Now that you have featured Army Chief of Staff, why not feature Navy Chief of Staff?

—LLOYD ROY CHAPMAN, Muskogee, Okla.

Here it is, Lloyd,—the life story of "Cominch" Ernest J. King, the new Commander-in-Chief of the U. S. Navy. And did you see the story on Admiral Harold R. Stark, U. S. Chief of Naval Operations in our issue, No. 9?

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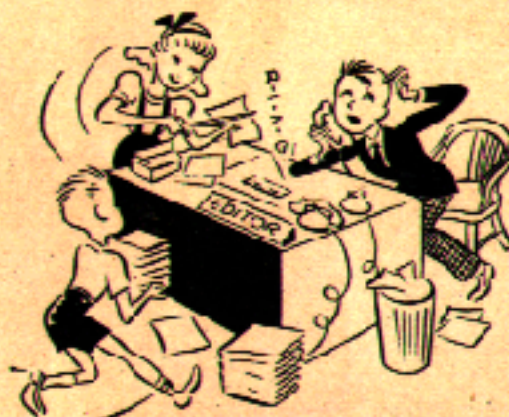
—CARL HARSHAW, De Soto, Missouri

Thanks, Carl. It's up to you boys who work on the newsstands to help us double the circulation. You see all the "comics." You are in a good position to recommend the best ones.

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—TRACY HUSTON, Pawnee City, Nebraska

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—GEORGE SMOLIAS (Age 11) ADELAIDE, Cape Province, South Africa

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