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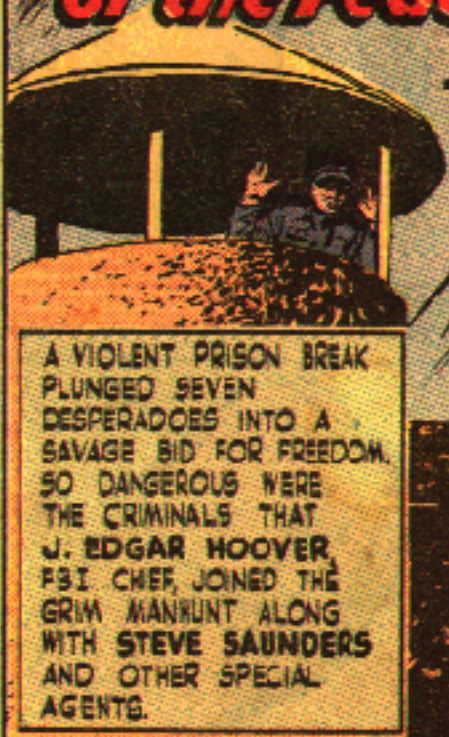
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of the Federal Bureau of Investigation

THE CASE OF THE SEVEN HUNTED MEN



A VIOLENT PRISON BREAK PLUNGED SEVEN DESPERADOES INTO A SAVAGE BID FOR FREEDOM. SO DANGEROUS WERE THE CRIMINALS THAT J. EDGAR HOOVER, FBI CHIEF, JOINED THE GRIM MANHUNT ALONG WITH STEVE SAUNDERS AND OTHER SPECIAL AGENTS.



AFTER THE BREAK FROM JOLIET PRISON, ILLINOIS, ON OCTOBER 9, 1942, THE ARMED GANG SPED AWAY IN A STOLEN CAR.

WE BROKE THROUGH THAT POLICE BLOCKADE. KEEP GOING!

THIS SERIES IS PRESENTED WITH THE COOPERATION OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION. THE SITUATIONS ARE TRUE, AND THE CHARACTERS ARE AUTHENTIC WITH THE EXCEPTION OF "STEVE SAUNDERS" WHO HAS BEEN CREATED AS A TYPICAL EXAMPLE OF THE INTELLIGENT AND COURAGEOUS MAN OF THE FBI.

THE GETAWAY CAR RACED TO A TOWN ON THE STATE BORDER, THEN...

WE'LL ABANDON IT HERE — TO SHOW THE FBI WE DIDN'T DRIVE A STOLEN CAR ACROSS THE STATE LINE.

THEY KNEW THAT THE FBI CAN ENTER ONLY INTERSTATE AUTOMOBILE THEFT CASES. BUT...

...A WEEK LATER, IN THE OFFICE OF THE FBI CHIEF...

STEVE, THEY HAVEN'T REGISTERED AT ANY DRAFT BOARD. SO WE'LL PICK THEM UP ON A FEDERAL CHARGE OF DRAFT DODGING.

Touhy



Banghart



Lanthorn



Darlak



McInerney



Stewart



Nelson



ROBBERS! KIDNAPPERS! MURDERERS! THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION HAD HUGE FILES OF INFORMATION ON THE HIDE-OUTS, HABITS, PAST FRIENDS AND RELATIVES OF THESE CRIMINALS.

I THOUGHT WE SAW THE END OF 'TOUHY THE TERRIBLE' WHEN HIS GANG WAS SMASHED IN 1934 AFTER THE JOHN FACTOR KIDNAPPING.

THAT GOES FOR 'THE OWL' BANGHART, TOO.

FROM WASHINGTON, CHIEF HOOVER DIRECTED THE NATION-WIDE HUNT FOR THE CRAFTY CRIMINALS.

HERE'S ANOTHER ANGLE
ON THAT PRISON BREAK—
FOR THE NEXT EDITION.

WARDEN, WHO
VISITED DARLAK
LAST?

STEVE,
TOO BAD SHE
WOULDN'T TELL US
WHAT SHE KNEW
ABOUT NELSON.

MAYBE SHE
DIDN'T KNOW A
THING— BUT
WE'LL HAVE TO
KEEP WATCHING
HER.

THOUGHT FOR A
MINUTE, WHEN WE
STOPPED THAT CAR,
THE DRIVER WAS
TOUHY SLIPPING
INTO MEXICO.

I SWEAR, SIR, I
DON'T KNOW WHERE
MY SON IS. I'M SO
AFRAID OF HIM, I'LL
TELEPHONE THE FBI
IF I GET A LETTER.

THANK YOU.

EVERY LEAD, NO MATTER HOW SHADOWY, WAS FOLLOWED UP.

MEANWHILE, AT FBI HEADQUARTERS...

ALTHOUGH WE
HAVEN'T DEFINITE
CLUES, WE FIGURE
THEY'RE HIDING
IN CHICAGO.

AND BANGHART IS
PROBABLY HAVING
TROUBLE HOLDING
THE GANG
TOGETHER.



THE FBI MEN WERE RIGHT! IN A CHICAGO
HIDEAWAY, DISGUISED AS TRUCKMEN, THE GANG
PLANNED HOLDUPS.

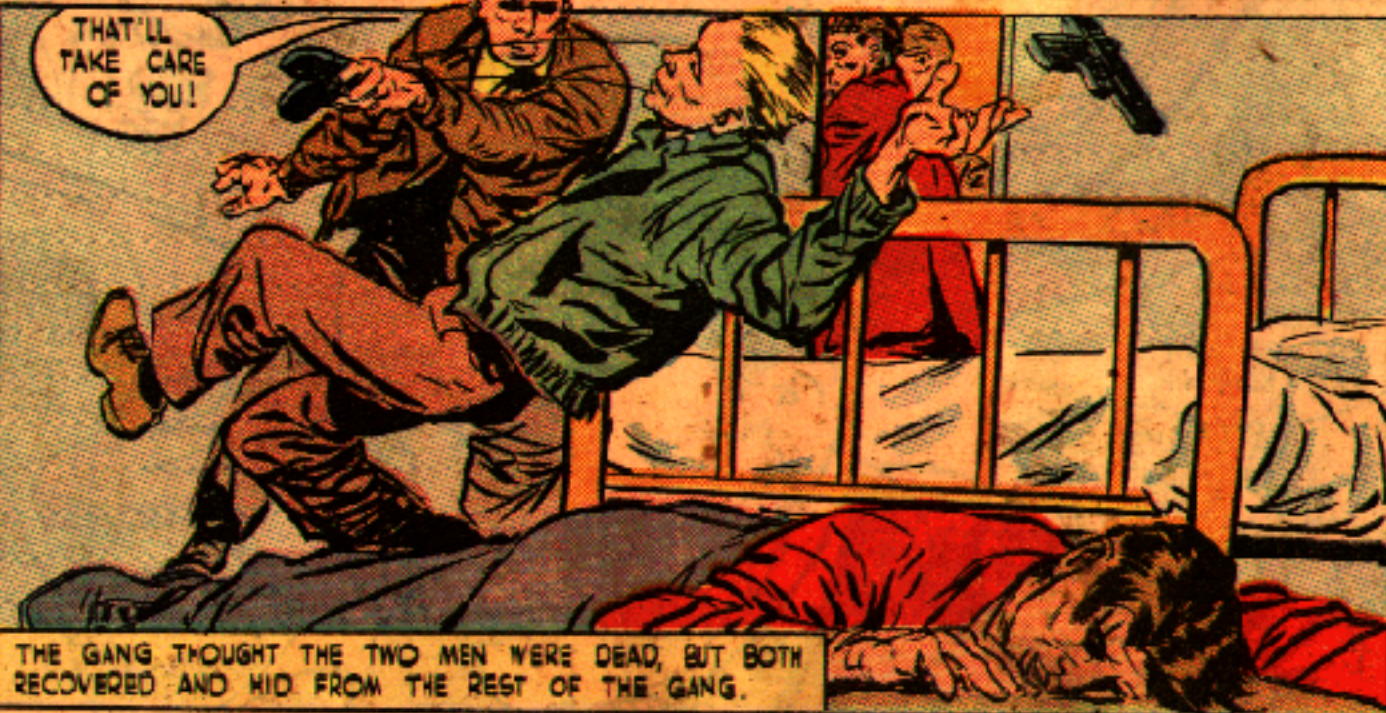
I'LL CONVOY
STEWART TO
GET FOOD.

OKAY,
BANGHART.



THAT'LL
TAKE CARE
OF YOU!

BANGHART
RULED WITH
AN IRON
HAND. ONE
NIGHT, STEWART
AND NELSON
SNEAKED OUT.
WHEN THEY
RETURNED...



THE GANG THOUGHT THE TWO MEN WERE DEAD, BUT BOTH
RECOVERED AND HID FROM THE REST OF THE GANG.

THE FBI WAS SURE THE GANG WOULD TRY TO
STEAL IDENTIFICATION PAPERS FOR ALIASES. SO...

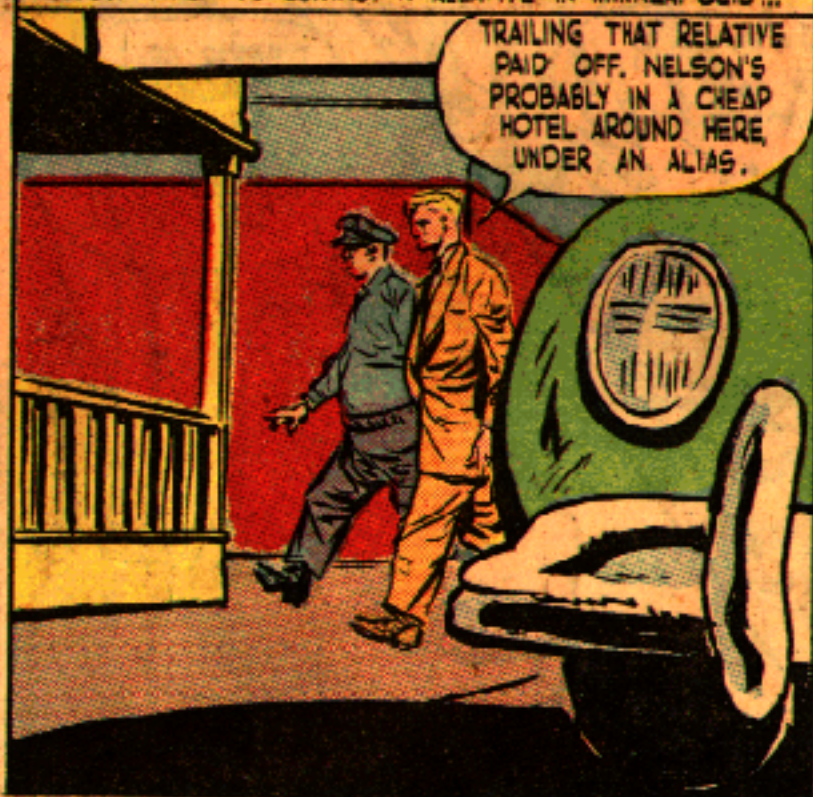
ANY PETTY
STICK-UPS
TODAY?

YES. A GROCER—
HAROLD SEEGER. HIS
WALLET AND PAPERS.



FOUR DAYS LATER, AFTER AN AGENT LEARNED THAT
NELSON TRIED TO CONTACT A RELATIVE IN MINNEAPOLIS...

TRAILING THAT RELATIVE
PAID OFF. NELSON'S
PROBABLY IN A CHEAP
HOTEL AROUND HERE,
UNDER AN ALIAS.



POLICE AND SPECIAL AGENTS CHECKED HOTELS UNTIL, ON A HOTEL REGISTER, THEY FOUND...

REGISTER
James J. ...
Paul ...
Harold ...
...

THEN THEY CLOSED IN!



THAT SAME DAY, AGENTS TRACED A PHONE CALL STEWART HAD MADE FROM A DRUGSTORE IN CHICAGO. THEY RUSHED TO THE AREA.

THAT PAPER IS A TAG. WONDER WHO HE IS. HE WANTS TO BE RECOGNIZED BY SOMEBODY.



THE AGENTS WATCHED THE MEETING, BUT DIDN'T RECOGNIZE THE SECOND MAN. TRAILING HIM, HOWEVER, THEY FOUND STEWART.

QUITE A DISGUISE! WISH WE COULD NAB HIM NOW, BUT WE'LL HAVE TO FOLLOW HIM TILL HE LEADS US TO THE OTHERS.



ON THE FOURTH DAY OF STALKING...

THOSE TWO ARE THE GO-BETWEENS.



STEWART WAS SOON SEIZED, AND THE UNSUSPECTING GO-BETWEENS WERE TRAILED UNTIL THEY LED TO...

BANGHART AND DARLAK! THAT'S A SHOTGUN BANGHART CARRIES.

OUR ORDERS ARE TO FOLLOW THEM TO THEIR HIDEOUT.



AGENTS HAD SEVERAL CHANCES TO PICK UP BANGHART. INSTEAD, THEY TRAILED THE UNSUSPECTING CONVICT FOR A WEEK.

CHIEF BANGHART FINALLY LED US TO THE GANG. HE LIVES WITH TOUHY AND DARLAK IN ONE APARTMENT. MCINERNEY AND LANTHORN LIVE IN ANOTHER.



SINCE AGENTS HAD NEVER SEEN MCINERNEY AND LANTHORN, THEY HAD TO ESTABLISH IDENTITY BEFORE ARREST. SO, WHEN THE TWO CONVICTS WERE OUT...

WONDER WHERE THEY'RE LEADING OUR MEN TODAY.

PROBABLY TO BANGHART. OKAY, PAL—WE CAN TAKE THESE BOTTLES TO THE LAB.



WHILE THE LAB WAS PROVING THE BOTTLE FINGER-PRINTS WERE MCINERNEY'S AND LANTHORN'S HOOVER ARRIVED FOR THE RAID.

HELLO, STEVE, EVERYTHING SET?

NEIGHBORS WERE SECRETLY EVACUATED FROM BOTH APARTMENT HOUSES SO THEY WON'T BE IN DANGER. POLICE WILL BLOCK THE STREETS.



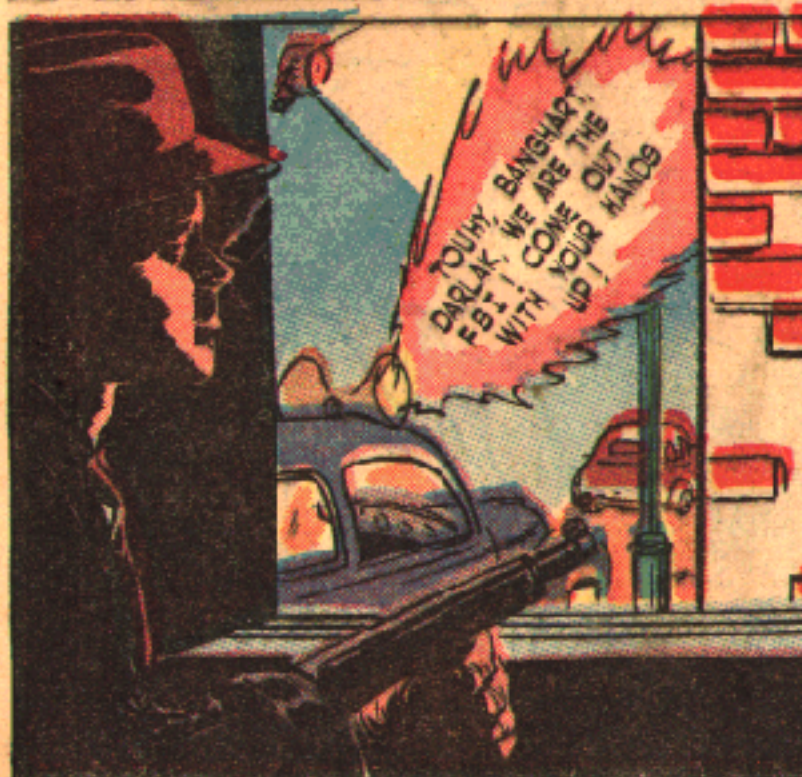
THE NEXT NIGHT, DECEMBER 28, AFTER THE TWO CONVICTS LEFT THEIR APARTMENT...

ESCAPES ARE COVERED, CHIEF. ALL WE CAN DO IS WAIT.



TENSE MINUTES TICKED INTO HOURS UNTIL...







WITH TWO OF THE CONVICTS ALREADY JAILED, AND TWO DEAD, THE REMAINING THREE WERE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY. ON THE WAY TO THE FBI OFFICE, BANGHART VOICED WHAT EVERYBODY—INCLUDING CRIMINALS—THINKS OF FBI SPECIAL AGENTS.



WHAT'S YOUR FBI-Q?

By STEVE SAUNDERS

How much do you know about the world-famous FBI? Here's your chance to test yourself. Answers are on page 45. If you answer twelve correctly, your FBI-Q is excellent; ten correct, good; and seven correct, fair.



1. How many fingerprints are recorded in the files of the FBI?

- a. 1,000,000
- b. 10,000
- c. 105,000,000



2. When did J. Edgar Hoover become Director of the FBI?

- a. 1945
- b. 1924
- c. 1910

3. How did the Special Agents get the nickname "G-Men"?

- a. President Roosevelt used the name in a radio address.
- b. "Machine-Gun" Kelly, when ordered to surrender, said, "Don't shoot, G-Men."
- c. Mr. Hoover suggested the name.

4. The FBI is a branch of which of the following government departments?

- a. Department of Justice
- b. Treasury Department
- c. Department of Agriculture

5. Who appoints the Director of the FBI and supervises his activities?

- a. The President
- b. The Secretary of Labor
- c. The Attorney General

6. In what year was the FBI organized?

- a. 1810
- b. 1909
- c. 1942



7. How much education must a man have before he can become a Special Agent?

- a. He must be a graduate of an approved law school or accounting school.
- b. He must have graduated from high school.
- c. The ability to read and write is all that is required.

8. Who originated fingerprinting?

- a. J. Edgar Hoover in 1910.
- b. Alphonse Bertillon, a French criminologist, in 1832.
- c. General Pershing during World War I.



9. In what year did the Department of Justice adopt fingerprinting for identification of criminals?

- a. 1880
- b. 1904
- c. 1930

10. How can a person's fingerprints be changed permanently?

- a. By surgical operation.
- b. They change as a person grows older.
- c. There is no way to change fingerprints permanently.

11. Special Agents receive their training:

- a. In classrooms and laboratories of the Bureau and at the FBI Academy at Quantico, Virginia.
- b. In FBI offices in their home towns.
- c. By working with local police departments.

12. FBI Agents found that the average age of criminals in 1943 was:

- a. 30
- b. 15
- c. 21



13. How many auto thefts occur in an average day in the United States, according to FBI reports?

- a. 58
- b. 630
- c. 342

14. How many persons are employed by the FBI?

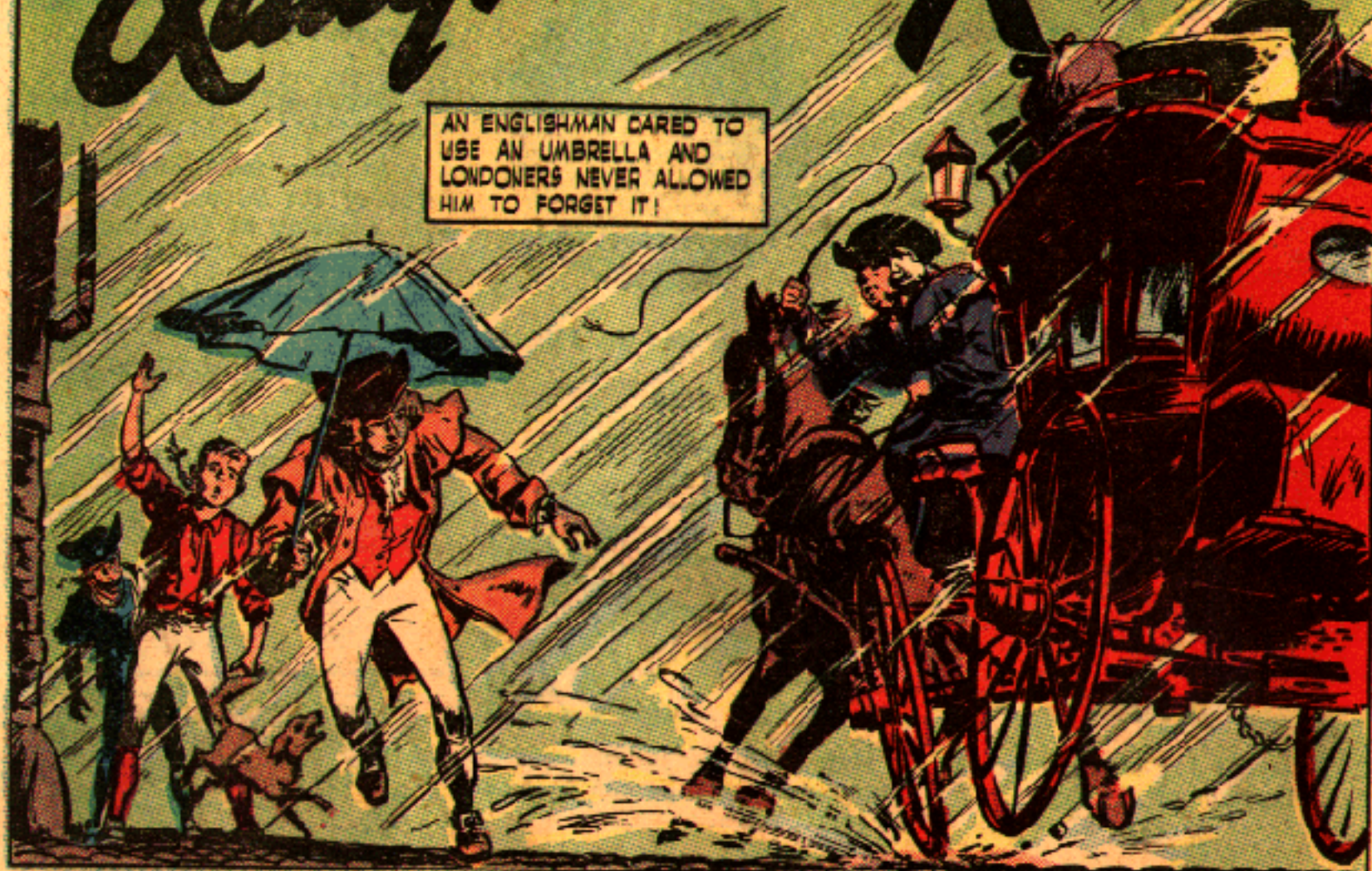
- a. 9,000
- b. 3,000
- c. 100,000

15. In cases of murder and robbery, where no federal laws have been broken, the FBI can enter the case to assist local and state police when:

- a. Hoover thinks the local police need the help of the FBI.
- b. The criminals cross state boundaries.
- c. The case has remained unsolved for six months.

HE Laughed AT Rain

AN ENGLISHMAN CARED TO USE AN UMBRELLA AND LONDONERS NEVER ALLOWED HIM TO FORGET IT!



UMBRELLAS HAD BEEN USED FOR CENTURIES BY ORIENTAL RULERS TO WARD OFF RAIN OR SUN.

BUT UMBRELLAS WERE ALMOST UNKNOWN IN ENGLAND. IN 1719 THE UMBRELLA CAME TO THE PEOPLE'S ATTENTION WHEN...

THIS IS A WONDERFUL BOOK, DAD. WHAT'S THAT THING ROBINSON CRUSOE'S HOLDING?

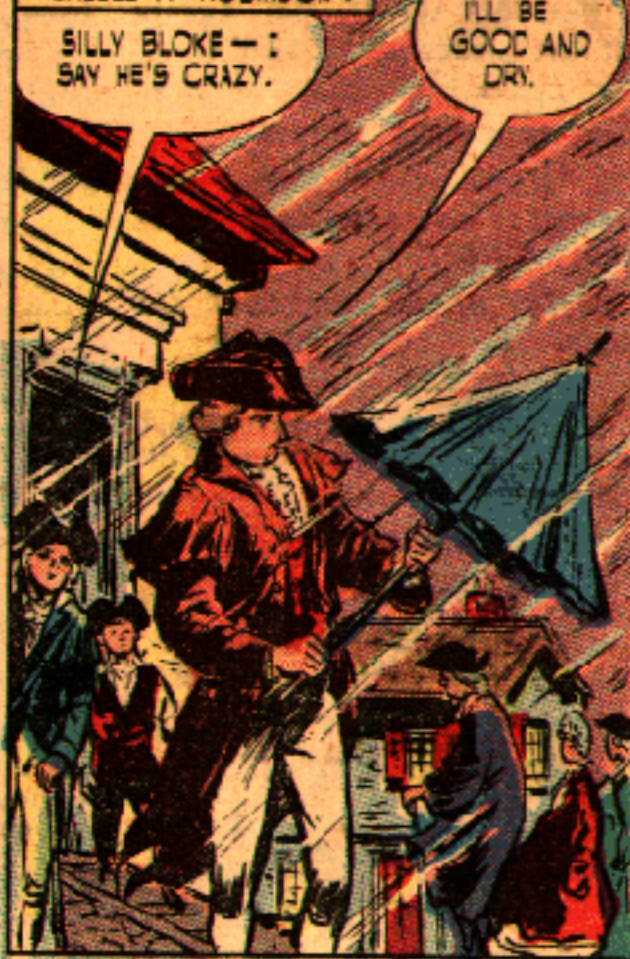
SOME SORT OF A TENT, I IMAGINE.



ABOUT 30 YEARS LATER JONAS HANWAY APPEARED IN LONDON WITH WHAT WAS CALLED A "ROBINSON".

SILLY BLOKE — I SAY HE'S CRAZY.

I'LL BE GOOD AND DRY.



HANWAY CAUSED QUITE A STIR IN LONDON — BUT HE WAS DETERMINED TO KEEP DRY.

GRACIOUS — DON'T
GET YOUR
FANCY DUDS WET!

HE OUGHT TO
THROW THAT
ROBINSON AWAY.



A FEW YEARS LATER, A SCOTSMAN, JOHN MAC DONALD, JOINED HANWAY AND WALKED THE LONDON STREETS WITH AN UMBRELLA.

MIND YOUR PRETTY
CLOTHES NOW.

WOULD YOU HAVE ME
PAY A SHILLING EVERY TIME
MY SUIT GETS WET?
GET AWAY!



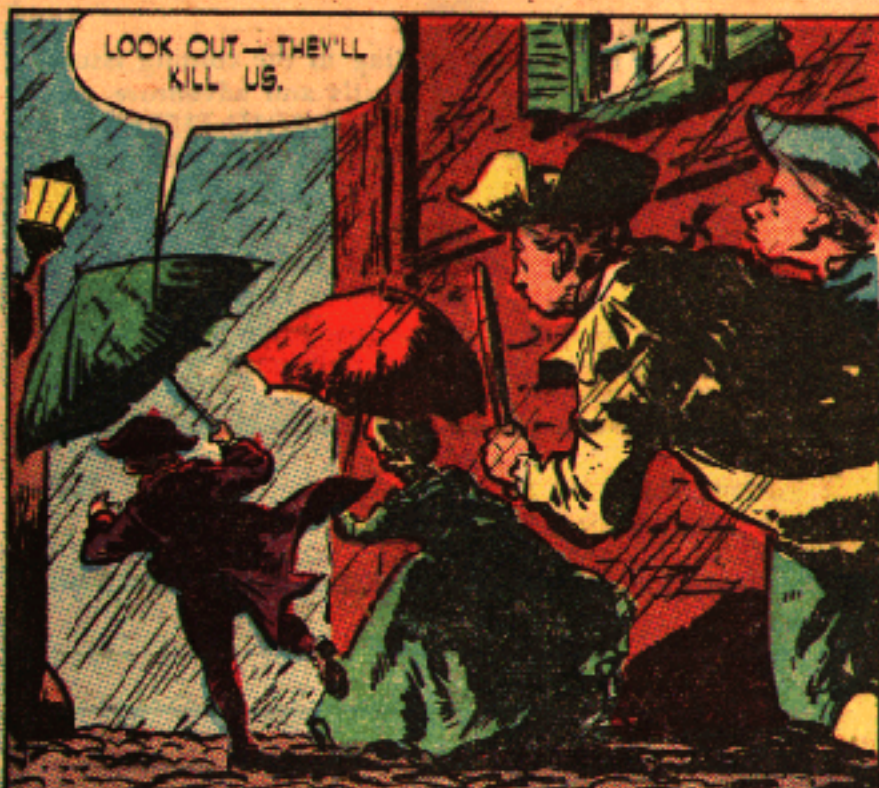
GRADUALLY MORE AND MORE PEOPLE USED UMBRELLAS. BUT COACHMEN OBJECTED.

THOSE UMBRELLAS
ARE TAKING
OUR BUSINESS AWAY.

WE'LL FIX THOSE
BALMY UMBRELLA
CARRIERS.



LOOK OUT — THEY'LL
KILL US.



THE "REVOLT" OF THE COACHMEN, HOWEVER, DIDN'T LAST LONG.



NOW HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF UMBRELLAS
ARE MADE FOR ALL THE PEOPLE WHO LITTLE
REALIZE THAT JONAS HANWAY WAS THEIR HERO.

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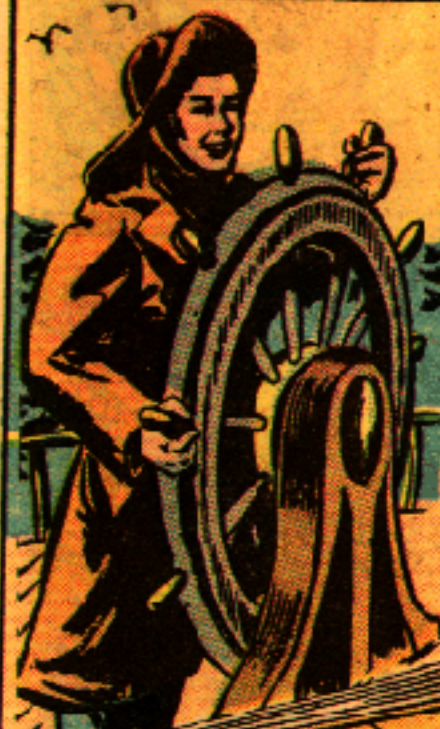
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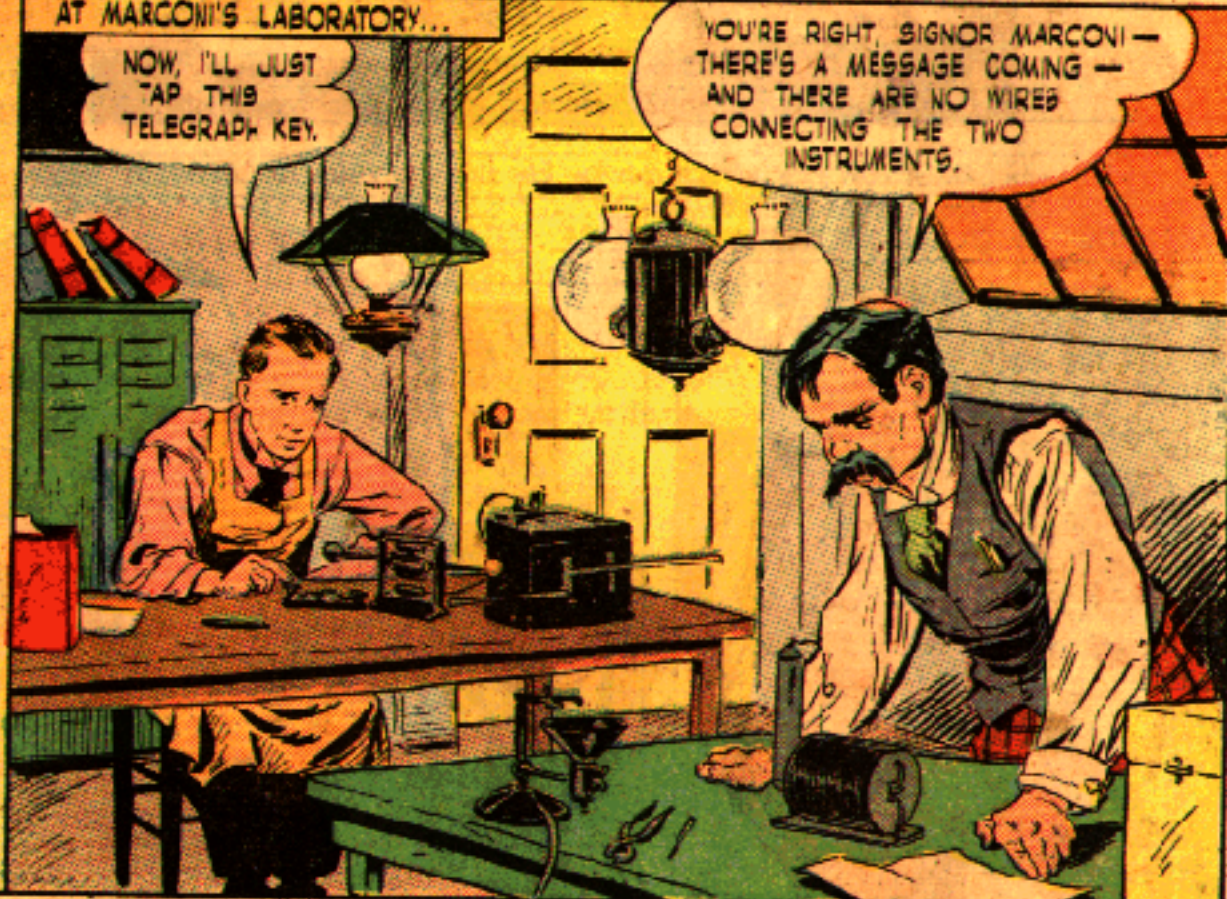
THE MIRACLE OF RADIO HAS DEVELOPED IN FIFTY YEARS FROM AN EXPERIMENT TO A GIANT INDUSTRY OF SOME 1,200 RADIO STATIONS BRINGING NEWS, EDUCATION, LAUGHS, MUSIC AND THRILLS.

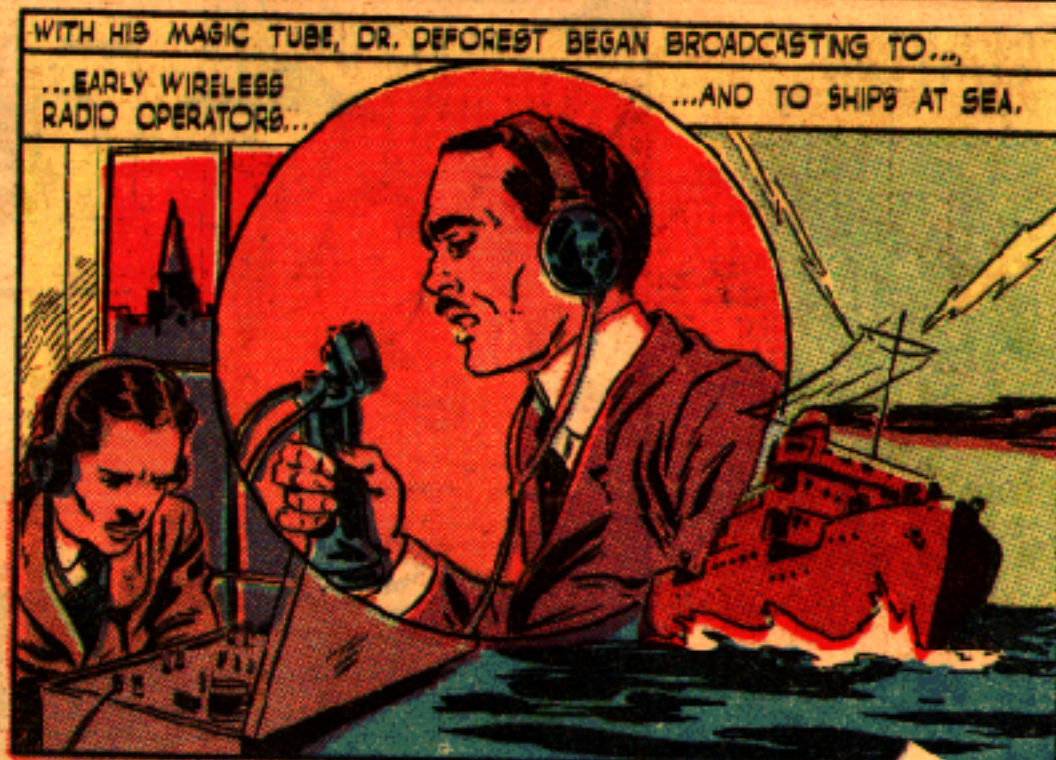
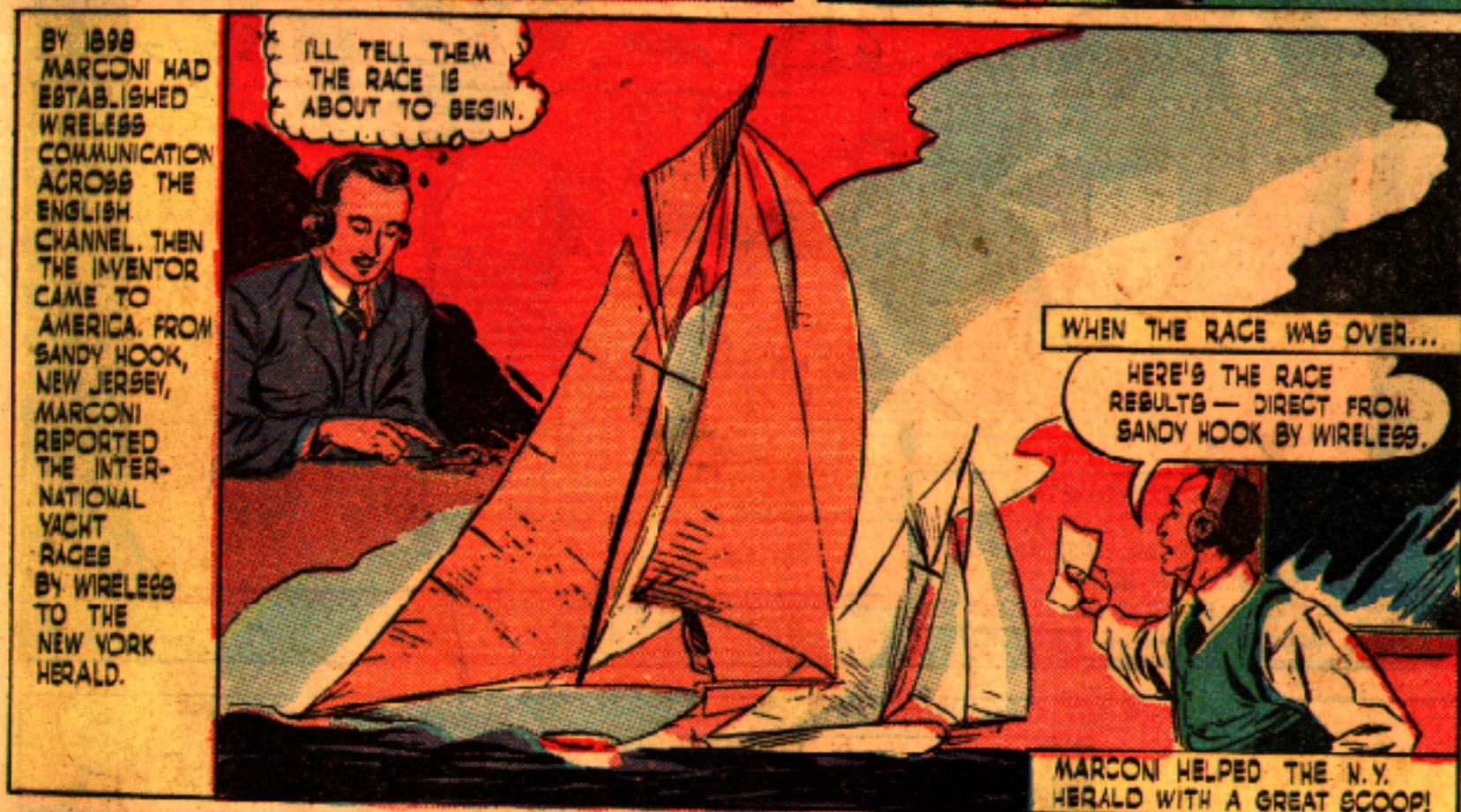
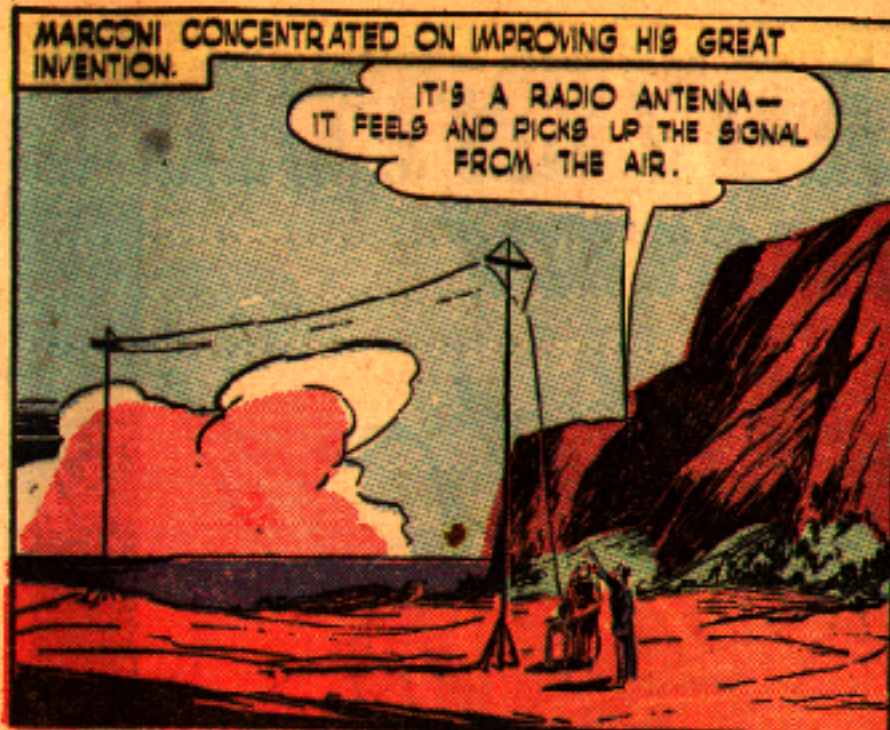
THE MYSTERY OF "ELECTRIC WAVES" PUZZLED SCIENTISTS ALL OVER THE WORLD FOR MANY YEARS. IN 1887 DR. HEINRICH R. HERTZ, A GERMAN SCIENTIST, DEMONSTRATED HOW "ELECTRIC WAVES" WERE PRODUCED. BUT IT WASN'T UNTIL 1896 THAT THE ITALIAN SCIENTIST, GUGLIELMO MARCONI, ONLY TWENTY-TWO YEARS OLD, CHANGED "ELECTRIC WAVES" INTO "WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY."

AT MARCONI'S LABORATORY...

NOW, I'LL JUST TAP THIS TELEGRAPH KEY.

YOU'RE RIGHT, SIGNOR MARCONI — THERE'S A MESSAGE COMING — AND THERE ARE NO WIRES CONNECTING THE TWO INSTRUMENTS.





THEN CAME RADIO'S FIRST SENSATIONAL RESCUE OPERATION, IN APRIL, 1912...



OVER 700 SURVIVORS OF THE DISASTER OWED THEIR LIVES TO RADIO.

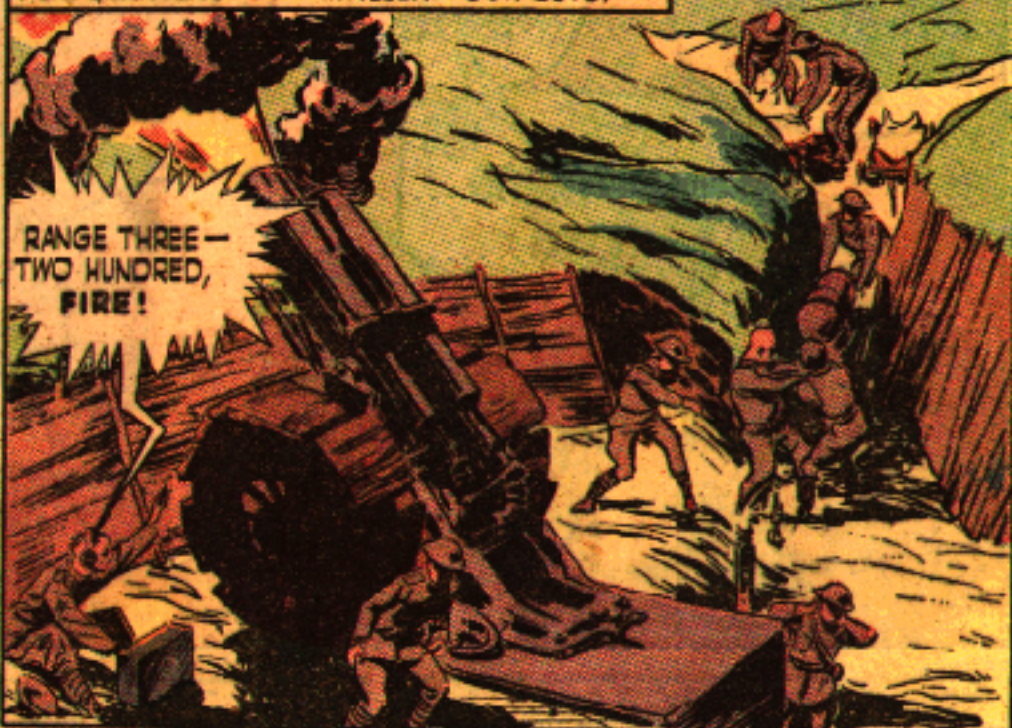


ON SHORE...

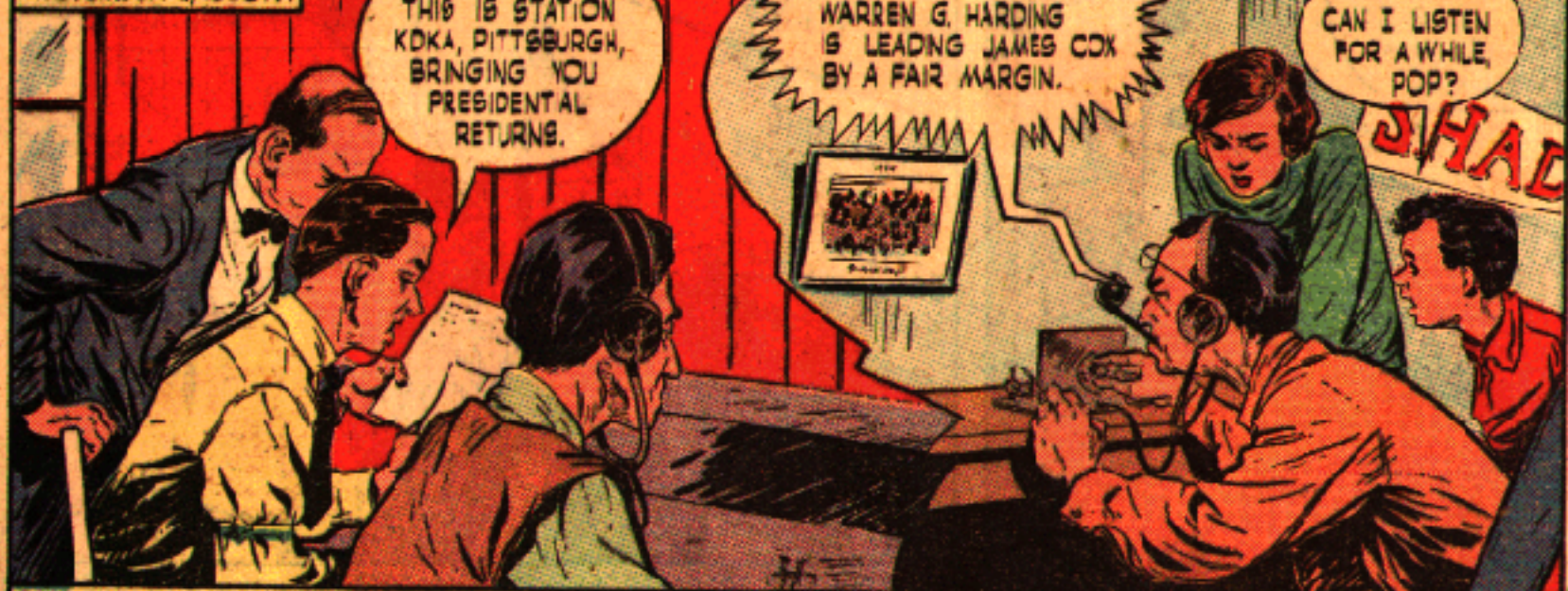


DAVID BARNOFF, NOW PRESIDENT OF RADIO CORPORATION OF AMERICA, REMAINED AT HIS WIRELESS SET 72 HOURS TO FLASH THE NEWS FOR AN ANXIOUS NATION.

DURING WORLD WAR I, RADIO RELAYED MESSAGES FROM FIELD HEADQUARTERS TO ARTILLERY OUTPOSTS.



BY THE TIME THE WAR WAS OVER MORE AND MORE RADIOS WERE BEING MADE WITH DEFOREST'S MAGIC TUBE. ON NOVEMBER 2, 1920...



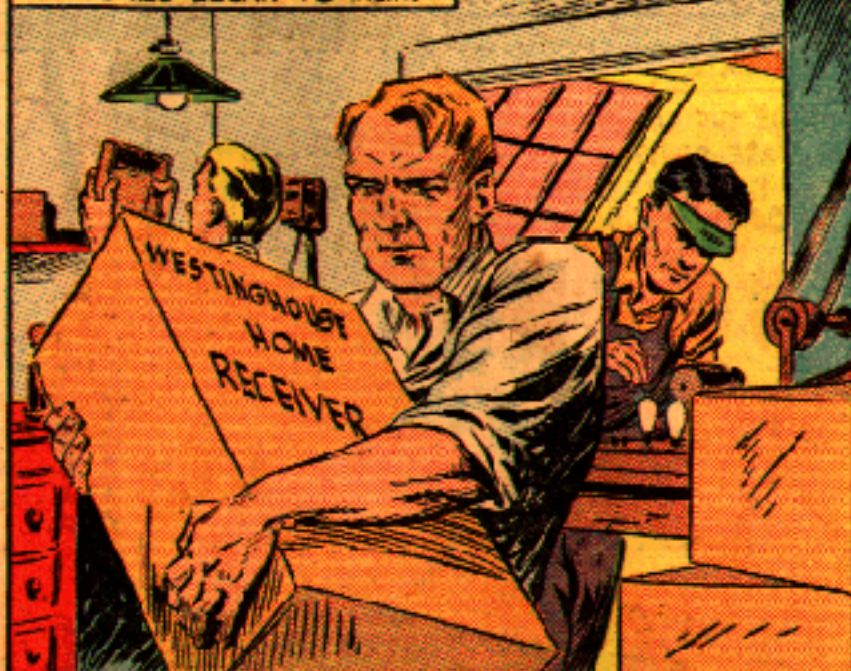
THUS, WITH EARPHONES, RADIO LISTENERS HEARD THE ELECTION RETURNS, IN THE NATION'S FIRST PUBLIC SERVICE BROADCAST.

THE PITTSBURGH STATION WAS AN INSTANT SUCCESS. WITHIN TWO YEARS SOME 300 RADIO STATIONS WERE BROADCASTING PROGRAMS. EARPHONES WERE NO LONGER NECESSARY.

IF YOU LIKE OUR PROGRAM — WRITE AND TELL US.



THE PEOPLE WANTED MORE PROGRAMS, MORE RADIOS. FACTORIES BEGAN TO HUM.



SOON GIANT TRANSMITTING NETWORKS WERE FOUNDED. MANY AND VARIED WERE THE PROGRAMS THAT CRISSED THE COUNTRY.

HOW DO YOU DO, EVERYBODY, HOW DO YOU DO...

...HOW DO YOU DO, EVERYBODY, HOW ARE YOU?

The NBC HAPPINESS BOYS



PLAYS WERE BEING BROADCAST.

WHAT'S THAT? IT'S A SHOT!

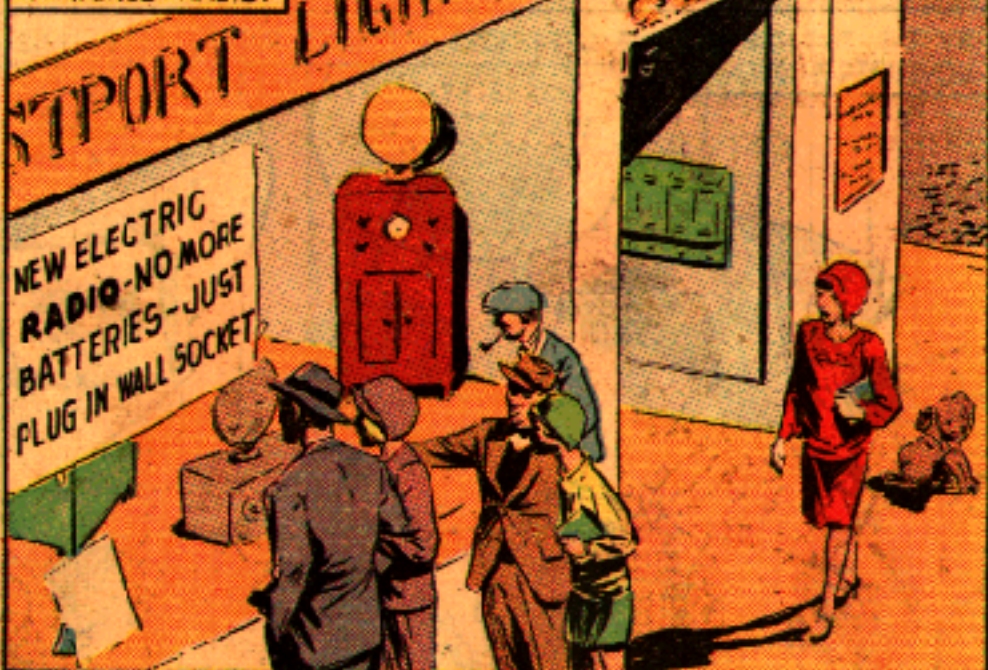


DURING THE MIDDLE 1920'S RADIOS OPERATED ON BATTERIES THAT HAD TO BE FREQUENTLY RECHARGED.

I'LL HAVE THE BATTERY BACK TO YOU IN A DAY OR SO.



IN 1928, THE ALL-ELECTRIC RADIO ELIMINATED THE BATTERY-POWERED RADIO.



BY 1930 CLOSE TO 1,000 RADIO STATIONS DOTTED ALL PARTS OF THE UNITED STATES. THERE WERE MILLIONS OF REGULAR LISTENERS.

RADIO STATIONS CONTINUED TO IMPROVE METHODS OF BROADCASTING. THE MICROPHONE BEGAN TO TRAVEL AWAY FROM THE STUDIO AND GREAT EVENTS WERE BROUGHT INTO AMERICAN HOMES.

IN SPORTS...

FROM THE RINGSIDE WE ARE BRINGING THE BLOW-BY-BLOW DESCRIPTION OF THE BRADDOCK-LOUIS WORLD'S HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP BOUT.



IN OPERA...

WE HAVE BROUGHT TO YOU THIS AFTERNOON THE OPERA 'AIDA' FROM THE METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE IN NEW YORK.



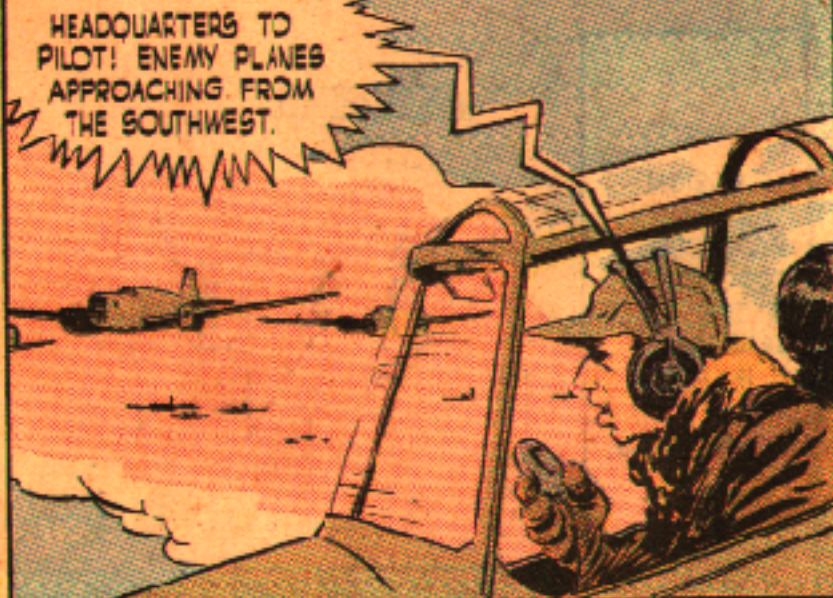
DURING WORLD WAR II RADIO COMMUNICATION WAS VITAL BETWEEN THE FIGHTING UNITS AND THEIR HEADQUARTERS.

RADAR, WHICH IS BASED ON BOTH ELECTRIC AND RADIO WAVES, PICKED UP A FLIGHT OF ENEMY PLANES AND...

TARGET! WARN PATROL TWENTY BY RADIO—QUICK!



HEADQUARTERS TO PILOT! ENEMY PLANES APPROACHING FROM THE SOUTHWEST.

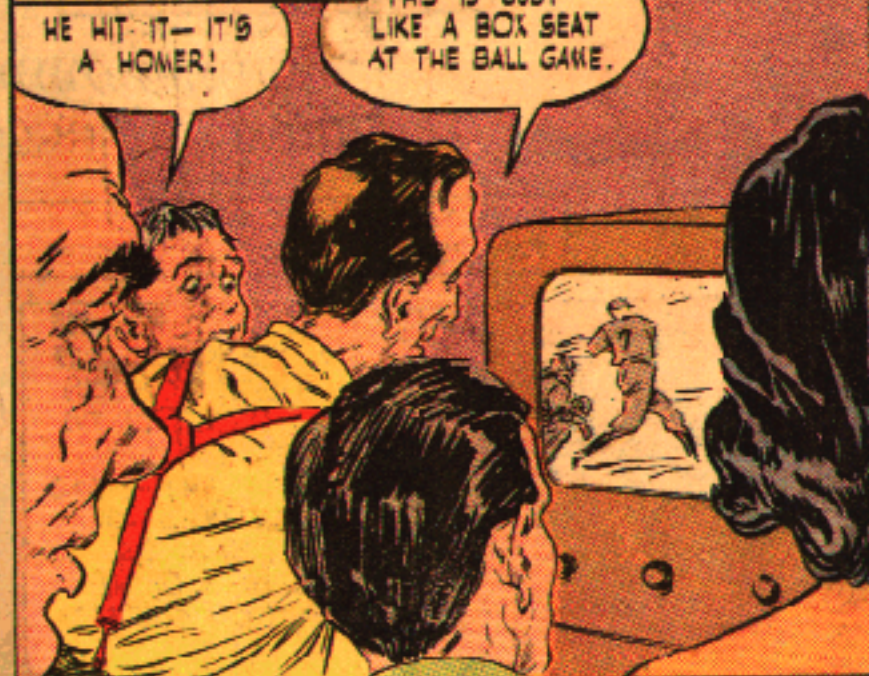


BY MEANS OF RADIO, RADAR AND WALKIE-TALKIES UNITS WERE WARNED OF DANGER AND ORDERED TO ATTACK—VICTORY CAME QUICKER AND MORE COMPLETE.

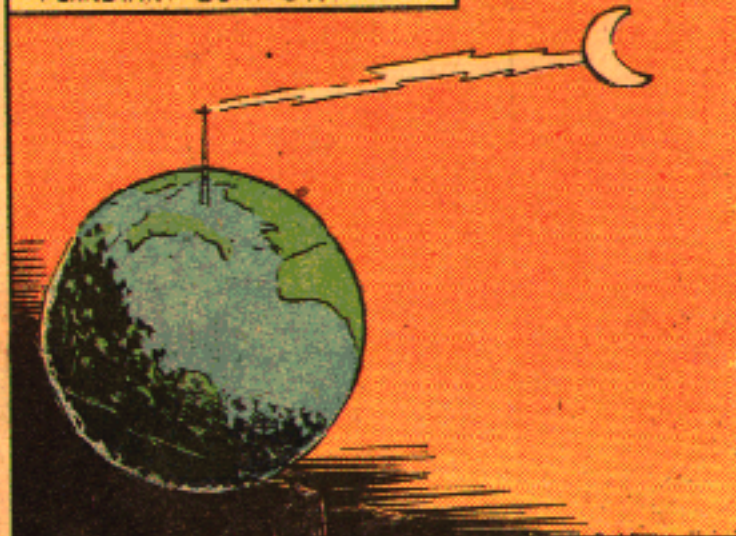
PEACETIME RADIO DEVELOPMENT HAS BEEN TELEVISION STIRRING THE NATION.

HE HIT IT—IT'S A HOMER!

THIS IS JUST LIKE A BOX SEAT AT THE BALL GAME.

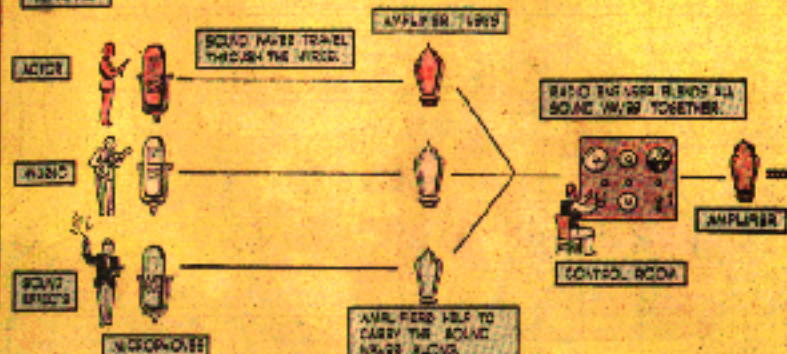


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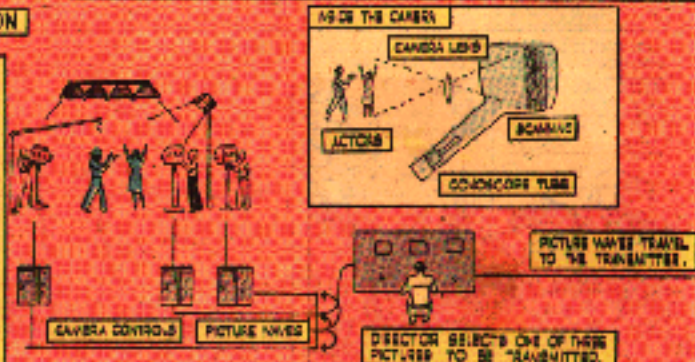
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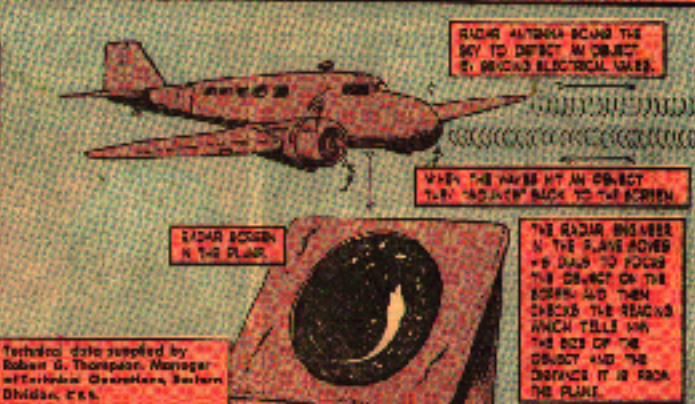
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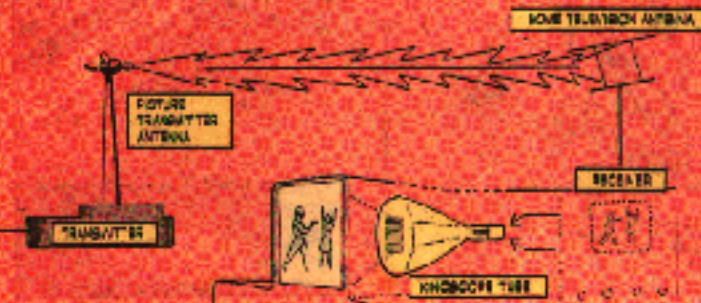


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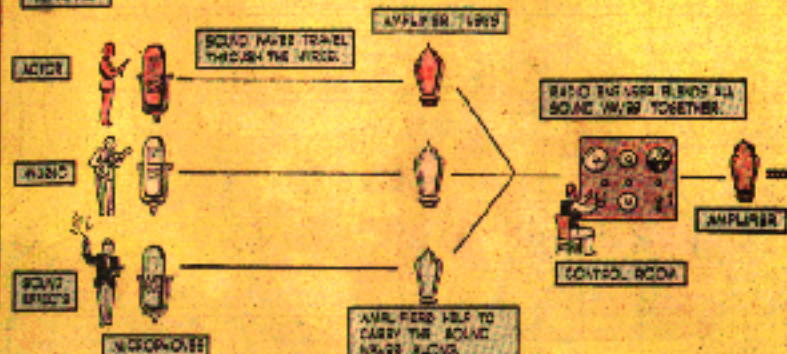


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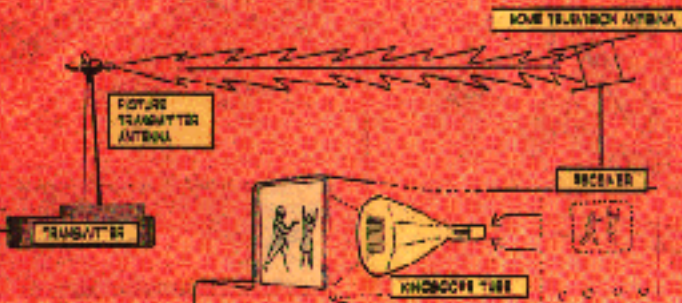
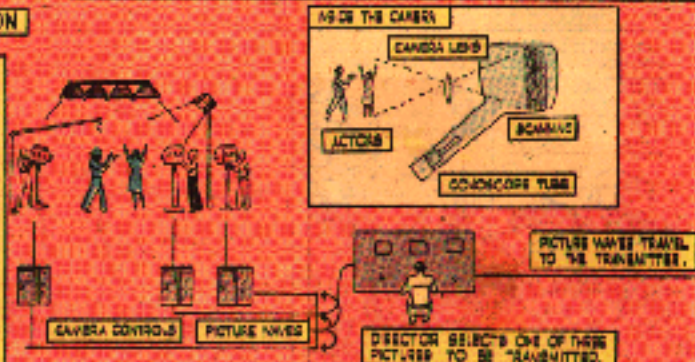
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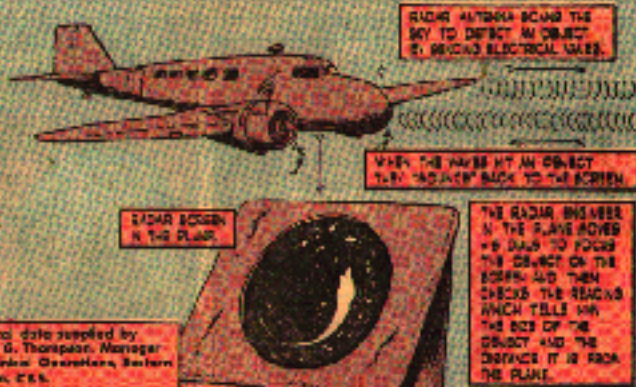
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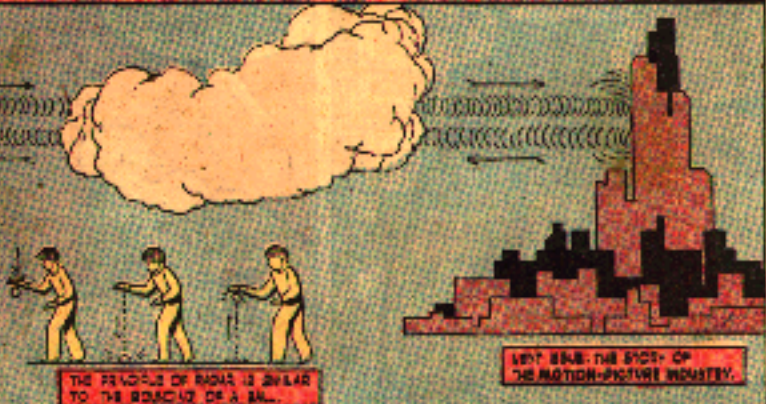


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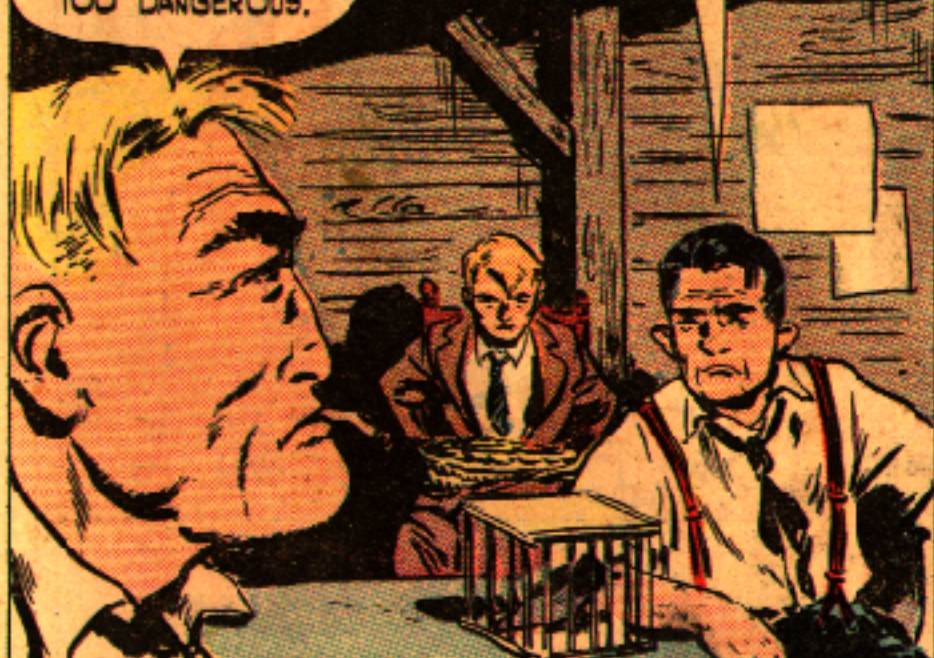
TRUE COMICS' OWN DETECTIVE, JACK ROBBINS,
POSES ANOTHER PUZZLING CASE.



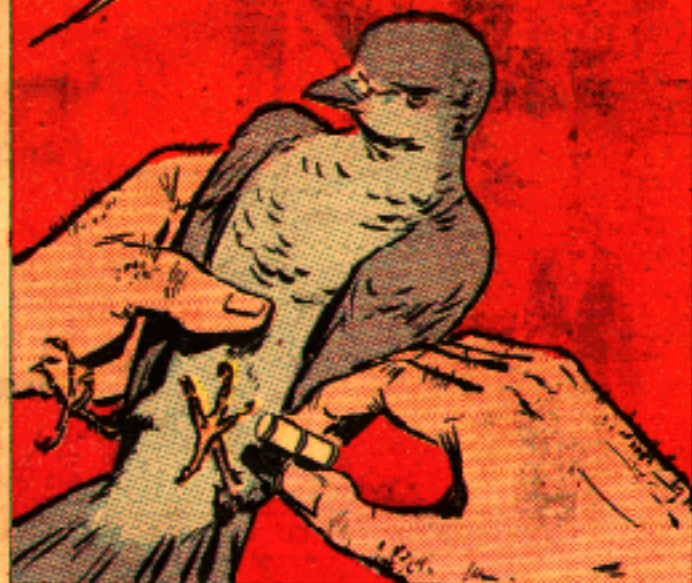
AFTER KIDNAPPING ROGER OATES, THE KIDNAPPERS
DEvised A "FOOLPROOF" PLAN.

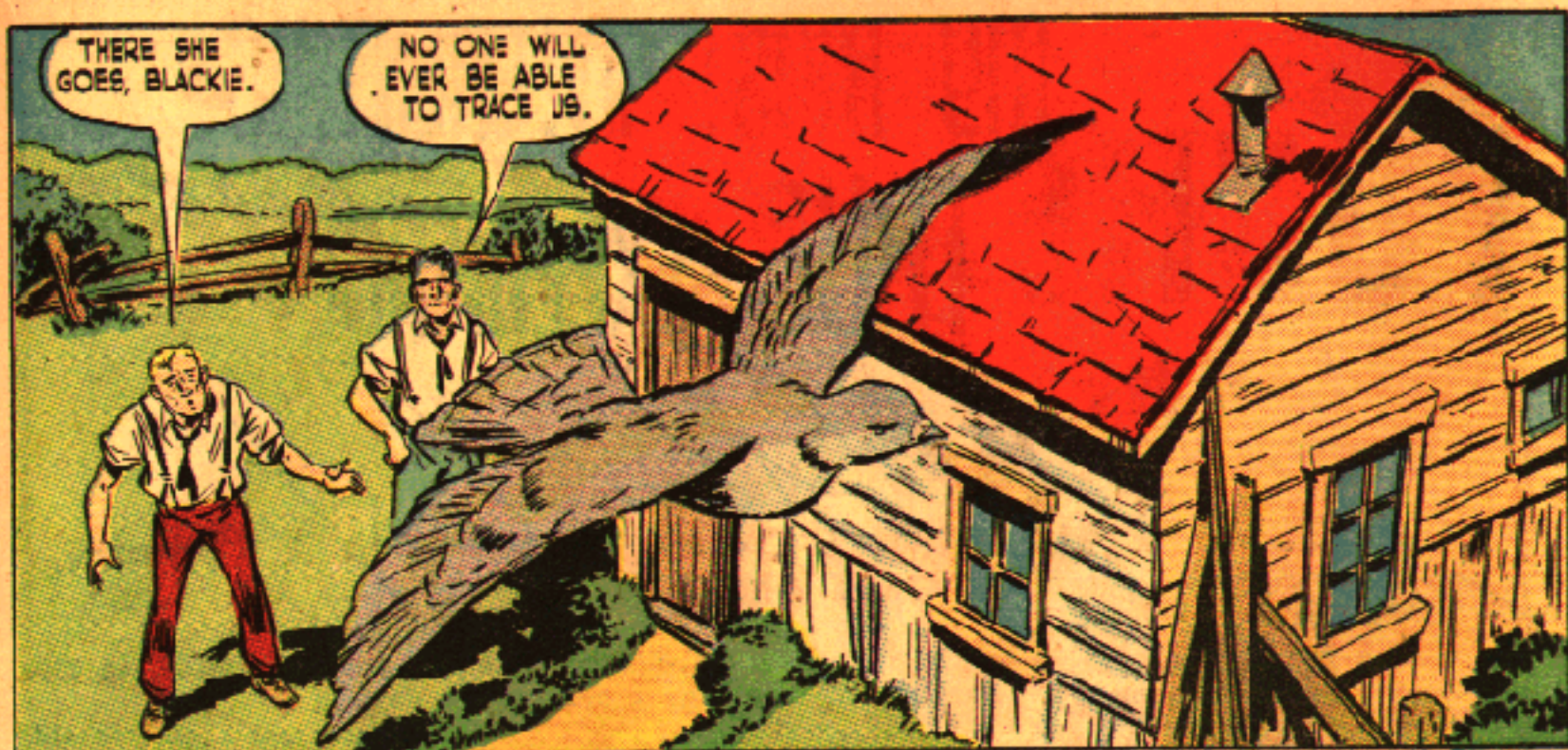
I AGREE WITH YOU,
BLACKIE — DELIVERING
A RANSOM NOTE IS
TOO DANGEROUS.

OUR OTHER PLAN
IS BETTER, VIC —
THAT IS ...



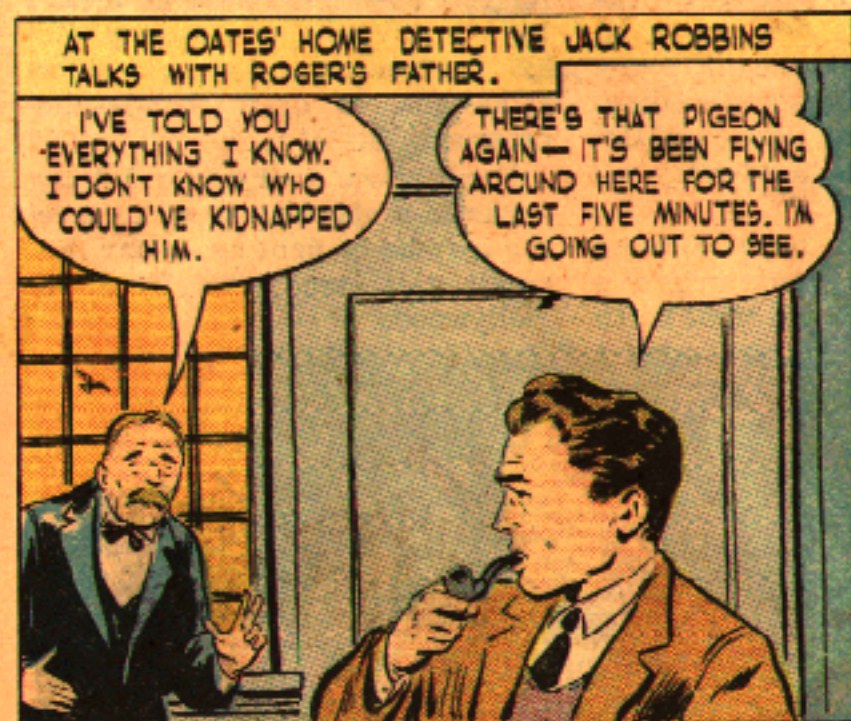
...BY PUTTING OUR NOTE
ON OUR TRAINED PIGEON'S
LEG. HE'LL DELIVER IT
FOR US.





THERE SHE GOES, BLACKIE.

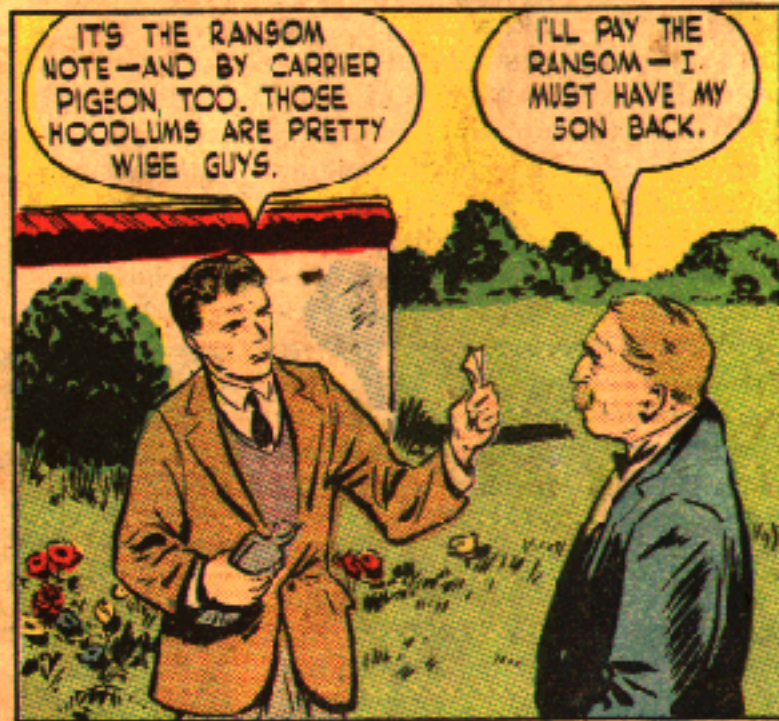
NO ONE WILL EVER BE ABLE TO TRACE US.



AT THE OATES' HOME DETECTIVE JACK ROBBINS TALKS WITH ROGER'S FATHER.

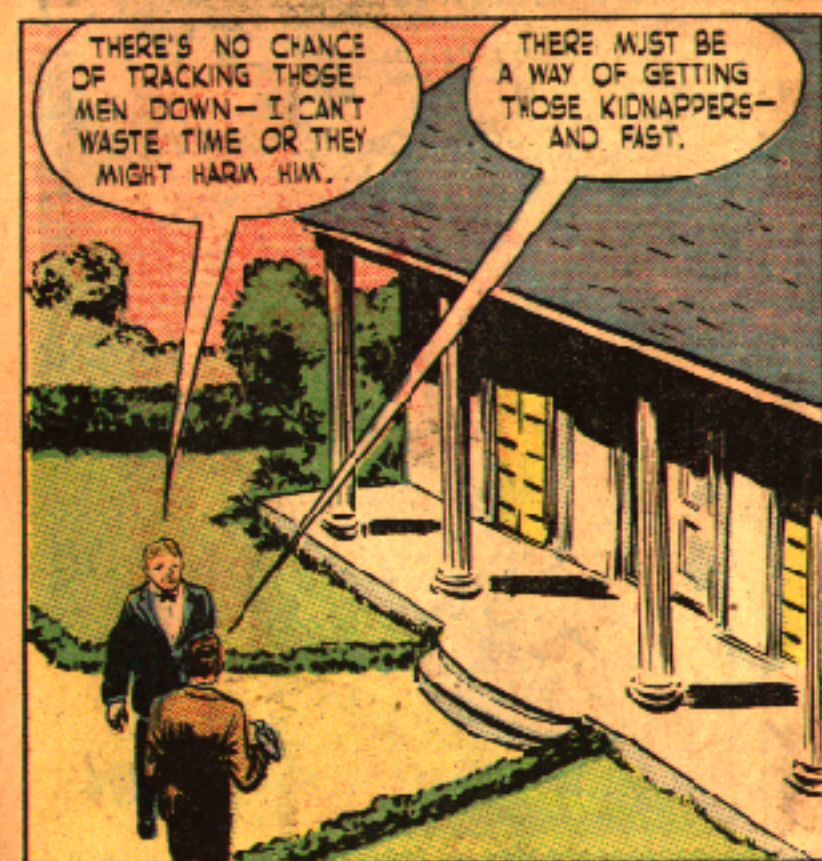
I'VE TOLD YOU EVERYTHING I KNOW. I DON'T KNOW WHO COULD'VE KIDNAPPED HIM.

THERE'S THAT PIGEON AGAIN—IT'S BEEN FLYING AROUND HERE FOR THE LAST FIVE MINUTES. I'M GOING OUT TO SEE.



IT'S THE RANSOM NOTE—AND BY CARRIER PIGEON TOO. THOSE HOODLUMS ARE PRETTY WISE GUYS.

I'LL PAY THE RANSOM—I MUST HAVE MY SON BACK.



THERE'S NO CHANCE OF TRACKING THOSE MEN DOWN—I CAN'T WASTE TIME OR THEY MIGHT HARM HIM.

THERE MUST BE A WAY OF GETTING THOSE KIDNAPPERS—AND FAST.



I'VE GOT IT, MR. OATES—GIVE ME ABOUT TWO HOURS AND I'LL COLLAR THOSE KIDNAPPERS AND YOUR BOY WILL RETURN UNHARMED.

HOW DID DETECTIVE JACK ROBBINS CAPTURE THE KIDNAPPERS? ANSWER ON PAGE 45.



MY MOST INTERESTING TRUE EXPERIENCE

by Gary Cooper

I'VE pulled a gun from a holster a good many times since I've been making movies, but my most interesting true experience took place recently when I had to learn a tricky gun-drawing technique for my picture, UNCONQUERED (Paramount).

In one of the best conflict scenes I've ever been in, I am pitted against two very big men, Howard da Silva and Mike Mazurki. I play the part of a Virginia militiaman and patriot in pre-Revolutionary War days, and my opponents in the fight are a powerful trader and his henchman who stir up trouble with the Indians.

One day, about two weeks before we were scheduled to shoot the scene, Cecil B. DeMille, the producer and director, showed me two old-fashioned single-action colt 45's and holsters.

"You'll need these for an important scene," he said. "You will have to do some quick drawing."

DeMille, a great lover of shooting irons and quite a collector, turned them over slowly, his eyes glistening. They were favorites from his own collection.

"You can't wear these the usual way," he explained. "The script requires you to wear them backwards with the butt of the gun foremost. That makes it tougher to draw and slip back. You have to cross your arms to draw."

Then he added, "You may want to play around with 'em awhile."

I took the guns home and practiced pulling them out of the holsters. I can tell you, it wasn't easy the cross-arm way. I must have tried it a thousand times. I had to do it fast and I had to reach a high point of sureness.

I kept at it a week. DeMille did not mention the guns again, nor did I.

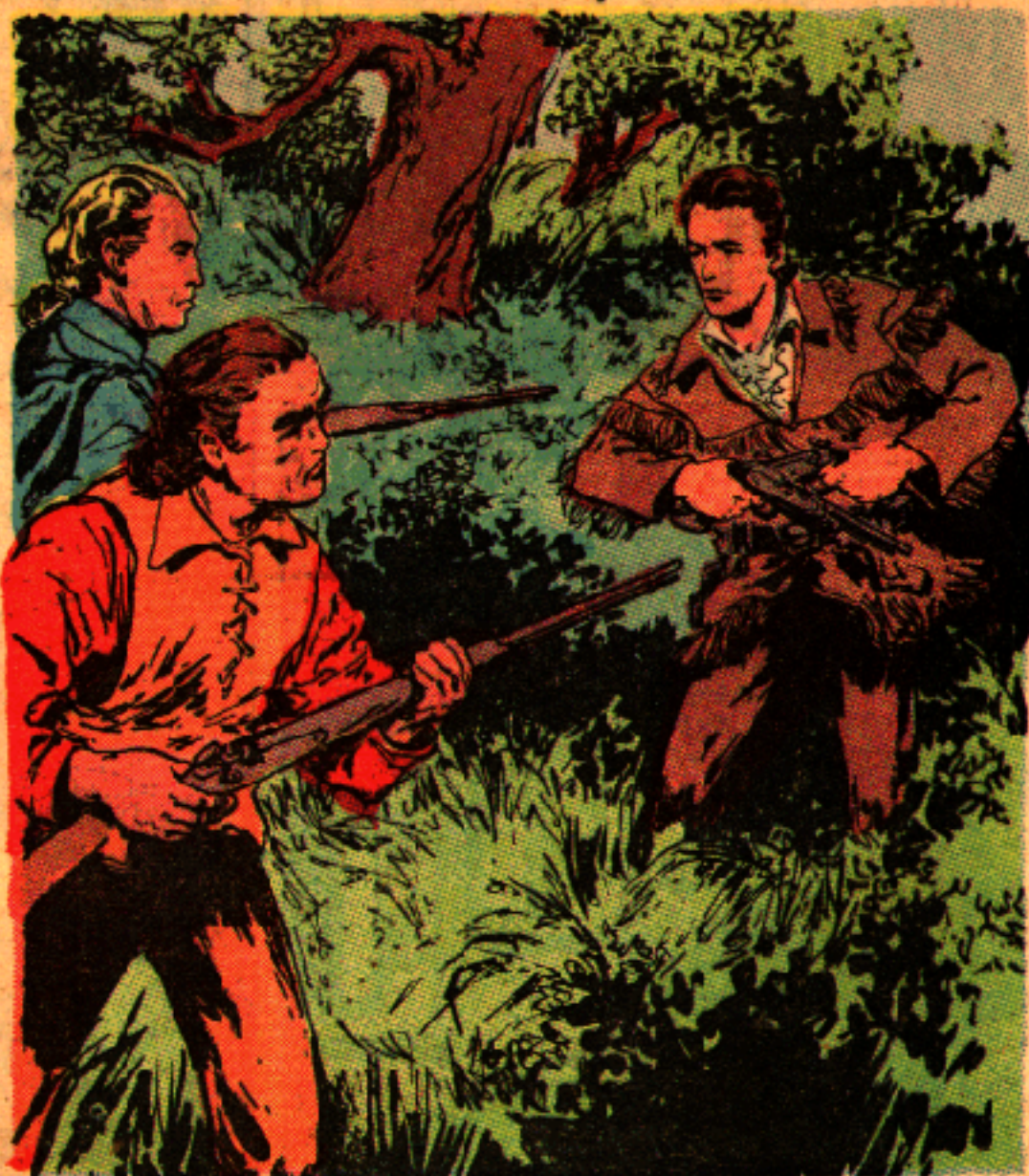
Then came time to shoot the scene. I tried to appear casual in the first rehearsal, though I was terribly excited. I wanted to draw those guns so fast that even DeMille would be amazed by my expertness.

DeMille didn't seem amazed and he didn't say anything. We shot the final take and went on to

the next scene. Towards the end of the day, he came over.

"When you and I get too old for this business, I have an idea," he said. "We'll open a shop. I'll exhibit firearms and you can show folks how to draw them—the cross-arm style!"

From now on, whenever I draw a gun in a shooting scene to save the heroine or fight an enemy, I'll recall this true experience in Hollywood.



Gary Cooper's feat of drawing the cross-arm way in Paramount's UNCONQUERED.

"Ozzie"

CHAMPION
BASKETBALL
COACH,
UNIVERSITY
OF MICHIGAN

COWLES

WELCOME
COACH!

HERE'S A
TIP FOR ALL
OUR TEAMS

COWLES CAME TO
MICHIGAN LAST YEAR.
BROUGHT WITH HIM ONE OF
THE NATION'S BEST COACHING
RECORDS. AT DARTMOUTH,
HIS TEAMS WON SEVEN OUT
OF EIGHT LEAGUE CHAMPION-
SHIPS--QUALIFIED FOR
3 NATIONAL COLLEGIATE
TOURNAMENTS

IN HIS FIRST TWO COACHING JOBS (CARLETON
COLLEGE AND WISCONSIN STATE TEACHERS)
"OZZIE" COACHED ALL MAJOR SPORTS:
BASKETBALL, FOOTBALL, AND BASEBALL

TASTES
SWELL, TOO

"AN IMPORTANT PART OF A
PLAYER'S TRAINING PROGRAM
IS A WELL-BALANCED BREAKFAST,"
SAYS "OZZIE" COWLES. "WHEATIES,
WITH MILK AND FRUIT, MAKE
A REALLY NOURISHING DISH-
YES, WHEATIES CERTAINLY
DESERVES ITS NAME,
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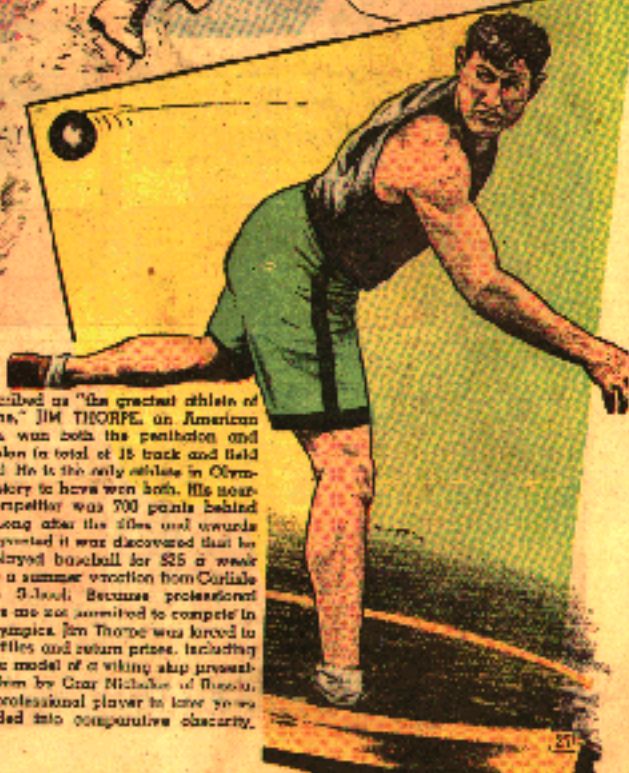


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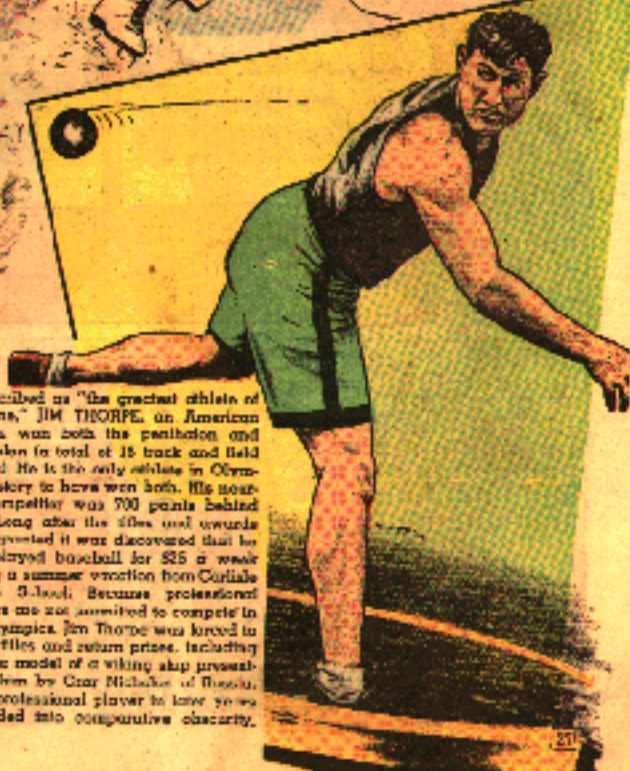


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A Lost World



EXPLORING THE DARK CAVERNS OF AN ANCIENT CIVILIZATION SOLVED A MYSTERY FOR ARTHUR EVANS.

ANCIENT WORLDS ALWAYS FASCINATED ARTHUR EVANS. EARLY IN 1900 HE VISITED THE GREEK ISLAND OF CRETE. WHILE WALKING ONE DAY...

THIS HILL IS CALLED 'GENTLEMAN'S HEAD'. ODD-LOOKING MOUND, EH, MR. EVANS?

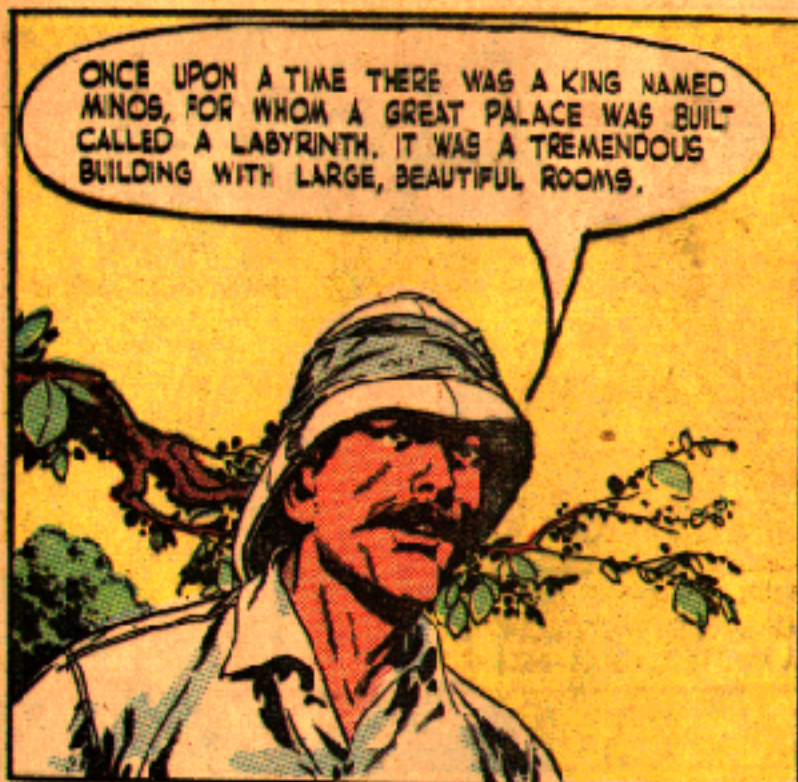
YES—VERY UNUSUAL. I WONDER WHAT THOSE MARKS ARE ON THOSE BLOCKS?



I BELIEVE THIS IS THE WRITING OF ANCIENT MINOA—OVER THREE THOUSAND YEARS OLD. COULD IT BE THAT THE SECRET OF KING MINOS AND THE LABYRINTH IS HERE?

WHAT IS THE STORY OF THE KING AND THE LABYRINTH?





THE MEN
CONTINUED TO
DIG. YEARS
PASSED AND
STILL NO
PROOF OF THE
MINOS PALACE.
ARTHUR EVANS
RESTORED
AND STUDIED
HIS FINDINGS.

WHAT ARE THOSE
JARS FOR, MR.
EVANS?

OIL JARS - THESE
ANCIENT PEOPLE KEPT
ENOUGH JARS TO STORE
THOUSANDS OF GALLONS
OF OIL.

WHAT DID THE
PEOPLE LOOK
LIKE?

LIKE THIS CUP-
BEARER HERE.

THESE PEOPLE HAD
MANY OF THE THINGS
OF THE MODERN
WORLD.

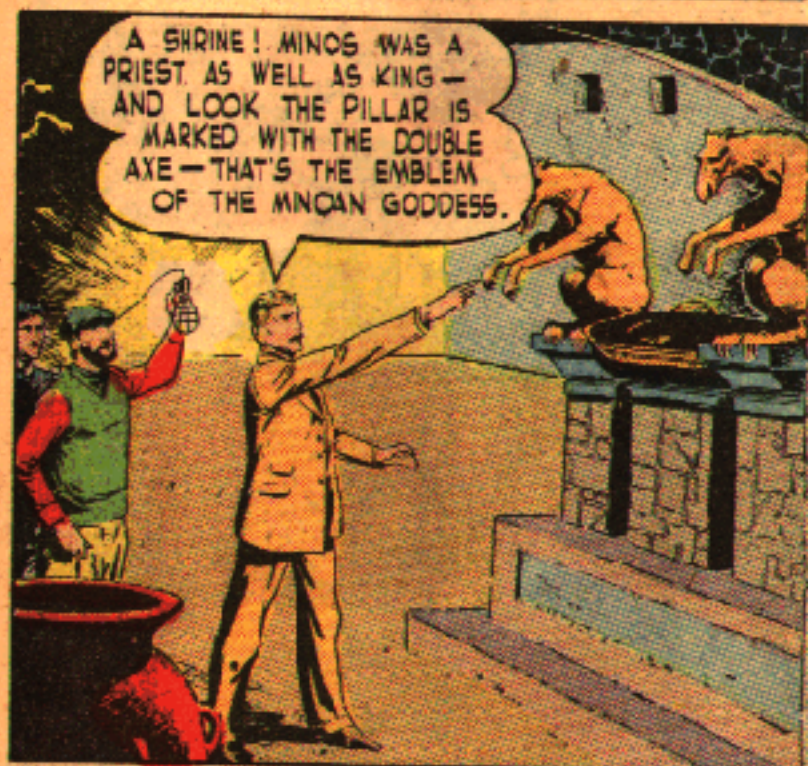
IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE
THEY LIVED THOUSANDS
OF YEARS AGO. THEY
HAD THEATERS, DRAINS,
VENTILATORS, LAVATORIES.
COME, I'LL SHOW YOU
THE RULER'S BATHTUB.

WHAT LUXURY! YOUR
DISCOVERIES ARE
REMARKABLE.

IF ONLY I KNEW
THIS WAS THE LABYRINTH
OF KING MINOS.

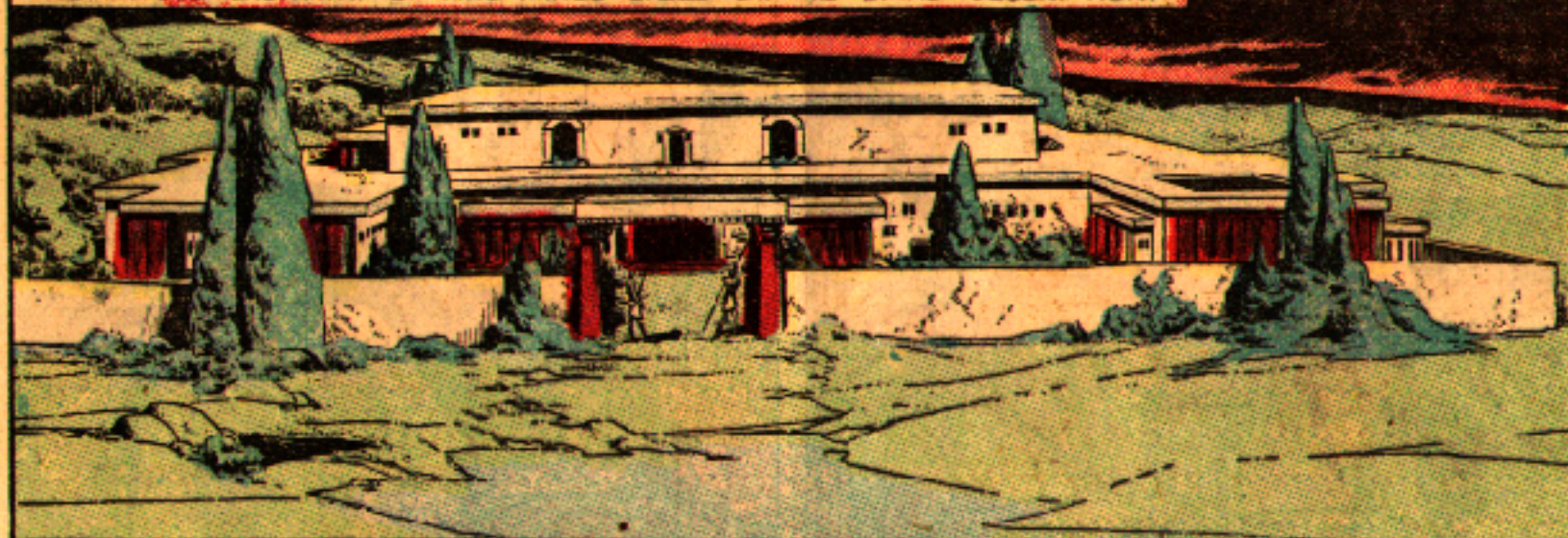
WHAT'S THIS? ONE
OF THE MEN SEEMS
EXCITED.

MR. EVANS - COME
QUICKLY - WE'VE FOUND
ANOTHER DOOR!





ARTHUR EVANS WROTE EXTENSIVE BOOKS ON HIS DISCOVERIES. BELOW IS AN ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF THE FAMOUS LABYRINTH OF KING MINOS BASED ON THE EVANS DESCRIPTION.

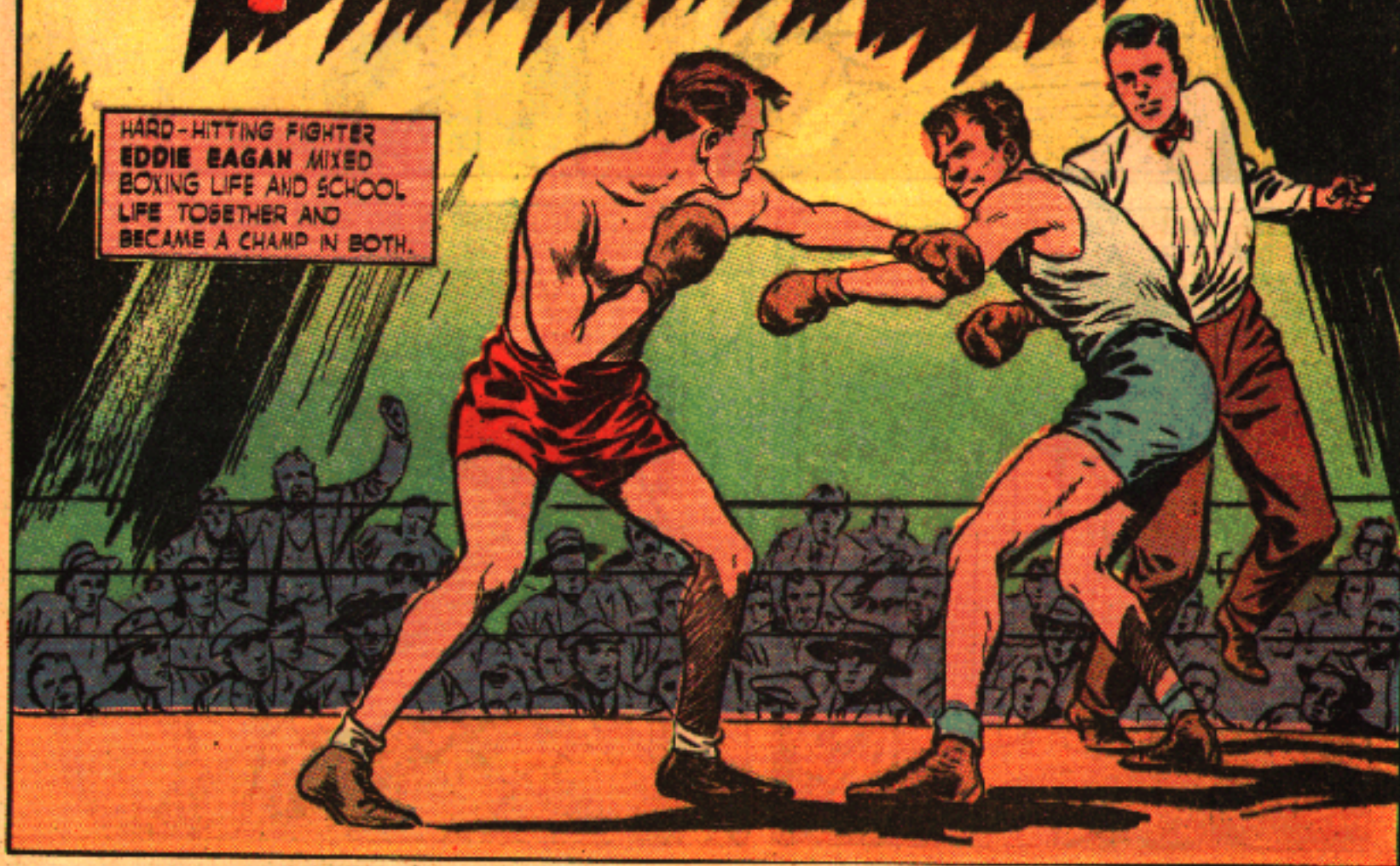


HONORED TIME AND AGAIN BY THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT, ARTHUR EVANS WAS KNIGHTED FOR HIS CONTRIBUTION TO THE HISTORY OF MANKIND. PATIENCE AND DETERMINATION BROUGHT ABOUT HIS DISCOVERY OF A LOST WORLD.

SCHOLAR WITH A

PUNCH!

HARD-HITTING FIGHTER
EDDIE EAGAN MIXED
BOXING LIFE AND SCHOOL
LIFE TOGETHER AND
BECAME A CHAMP IN BOTH.



WHEN TWELVE-YEAR-OLD EDDIE WAS A CHORE BOY ON A RANCH...

LITTLE AGE TOBIN'S REALLY
LICKING THAT BULLY. I'D LIKE
TO BOX LIKE THAT.



EDDIE PERSUADED TOBIN TO GIVE HIM SOME
BOXING LESSONS.

FIRST GET A GOOD
LEFT-HAND PUNCH—
AND THEN A HARD
RIGHT!



AFTER TAKING LESSONS FOR ABOUT TWO YEARS...

I'M TRAVELING SOUTH, EDDIE—YOU'RE A GOOD SCRAPPER, BUT DON'T TURN PROFESSIONAL. STICK TO YOUR BOOKS AND FIGHT FOR FUN.

EDDIE LIKED BOXING, BUT HE ALSO HAD TO WORK TO HELP THE FAMILY, DURING HIS SPARE TIME...

SHADOW-BOXING'S THE BEST WAY TO KEEP IN SHAPE.

OPEN THE DOOR!

HELLO EDDIE, WHAT'S THE TROUBLE DOWN HERE. A SCARED LADY SAID SHE SAW A BIG BRUTE MURDERING SOMEONE.

IT'S NOTHING, CONSTABLE—I'M JUST SHADOW-BOXING.

THE FOLLOWING SUMMER, IN 1913, EDDIE LABORED AS A FACTORY HAND. ONE DAY...

GOOD BOY, EAGAN—THAT'S WHAT HE DESERVED.

I'M NOT LOOKING FOR TROUBLE BUT I DON'T LIKE BIG WISE-GUYS.

WITHIN A YEAR EDDIE BECAME TOWN CHAMP. THEN...

EAGAN'S WINNING ALL THE WAY. HE'S THE NEW WELTERWEIGHT CHAMP OF THE DENVER ATHLETIC CLUB.

BUT EDDIE NEVER FORGOT HIS STUDIES. HE ENTERED DENVER UNIVERSITY ON A SCHOLARSHIP. EAGAN WAS DETERMINED TO WORK HIS WAY THROUGH COLLEGE. AS THE PHYSICAL DIRECTOR OF A NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE...



KEEP YOUR GUARD UP.

LEARNING HOW TO BOX IS HARDER THAN I THOUGHT.

WHILE HE ATTENDED SCHOOL AND TAUGHT BOXING HE FOUND TIME TO WIN THE MIDDLEWEIGHT AND HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIPS OF THE DENVER CLUB.

EDDIE, YOU'RE GREAT — YOU COULD EVEN WHIP JACK DEMPSEY.

YOU'RE KIDDING.

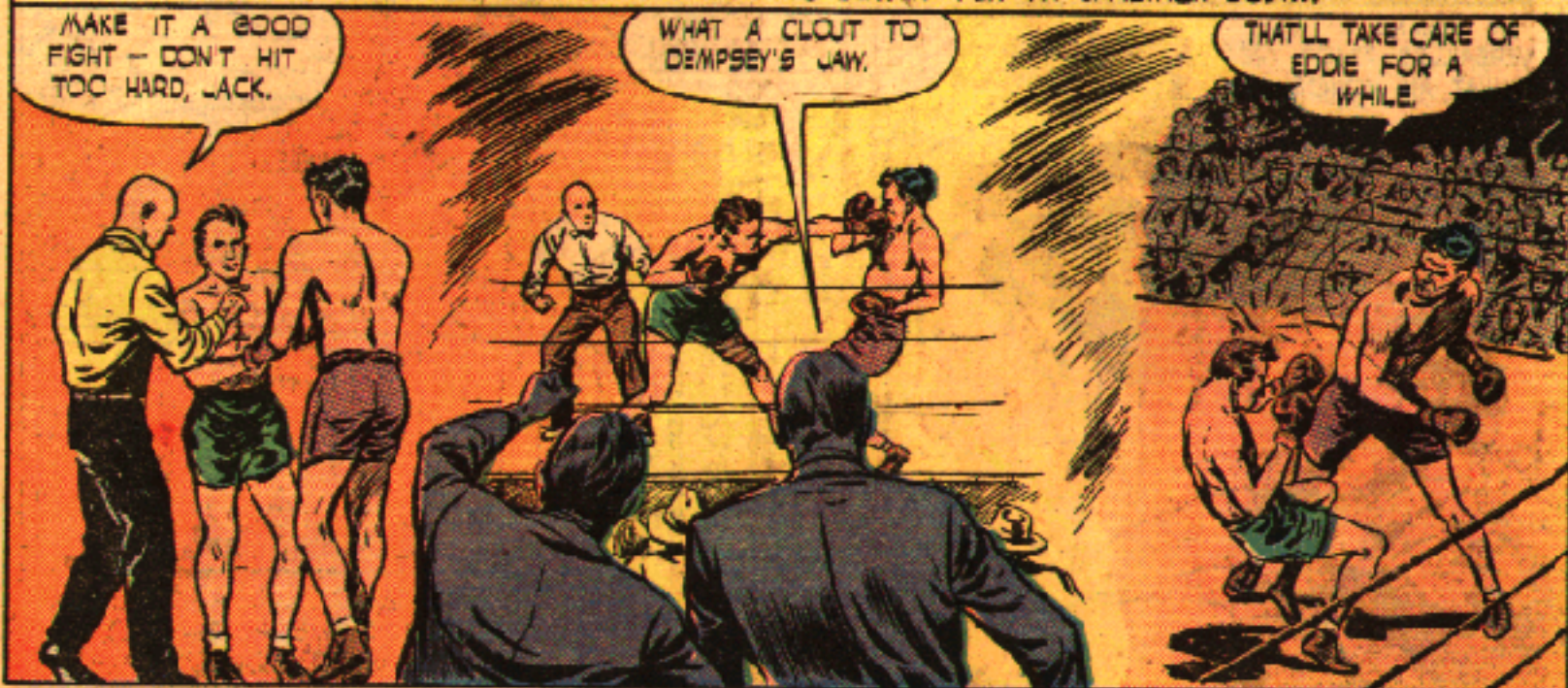


BUT WHEN HEAVYWEIGHT CONTENDER JACK DEMPSEY CAME TO DENVER FOR AN EXHIBITION BOJT...

MAKE IT A GOOD FIGHT — DON'T HIT TOO HARD, JACK.

WHAT A CLOUT TO DEMPSEY'S JAW.

THAT'LL TAKE CARE OF EDDIE FOR A WHILE.



THE WAR IN 1917 INTERRUPTED EDDIE'S COLLEGE STUDIES. ONCE A BURLY TOP SERGEANT PROVOKED AN "OFF THE RECORD" SCRAP.

BETTER KEEP YOUR STRIPES ON, SERGEANT!



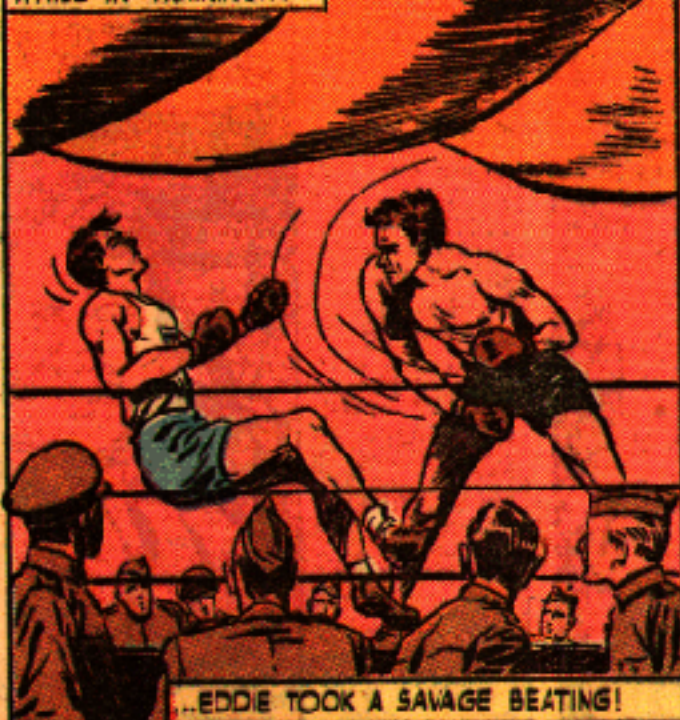
ORDERED TO REPORT TO THE COMMANDING OFFICER, EDDIE AWAITED PUNISHMENT. BUT...

EAGAN, I'M HAVING YOU REPORT TO OFFICERS' TRAINING SCHOOL — YOU'RE A GOOD SCRAPPER.



AFTER THE WAR, EDDIE ENROLLED AT YALE UNIVERSITY. HE AGAIN MIXED STUDIES WITH BOXING. HE BECAME U.S. AMATEUR HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION. WITH THIS VICTORY THE ARMY INVITED EAGAN TO ENTER THE INTER-ALLIED GAMES IN PARIS.

WHILE IN TRAINING...

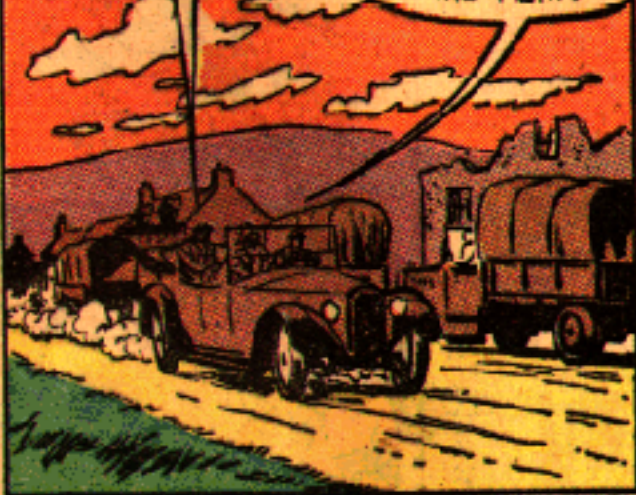


...EDDIE TOOK A SAVAGE BEATING!

EDDIE'S MIND WAS A BLANK FOR THREE DAYS.

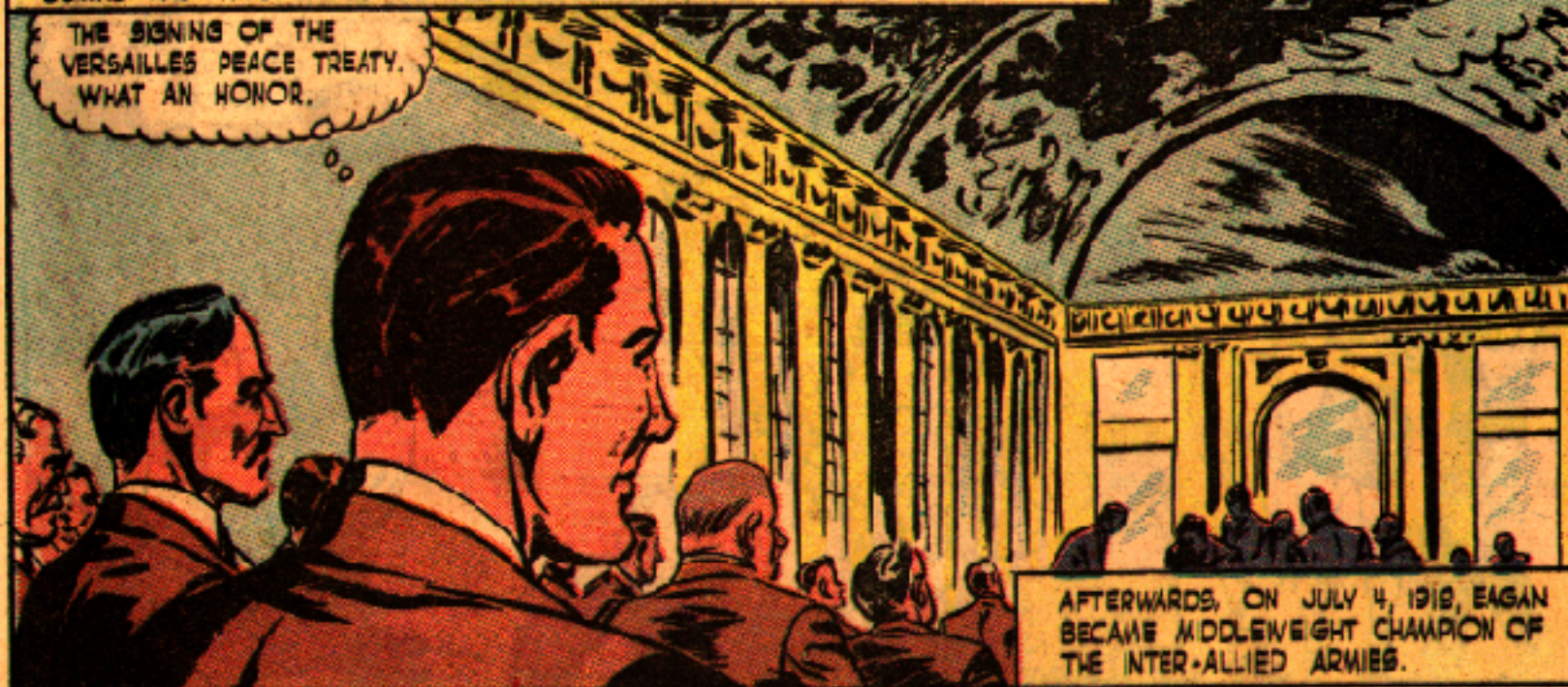
YOU MEAN I HAVEN'T REMEMBERED ANYTHING AT ALL?

THAT'S RIGHT, AFTER THAT SOCK, THOUGH, YOU KEPT RIGHT ON FIGHTING AND FINISHED THE FIGHT.



DURING THE PARIS GAMES HE WAS ONE OF THE FEW INVITED TO WITNESS...

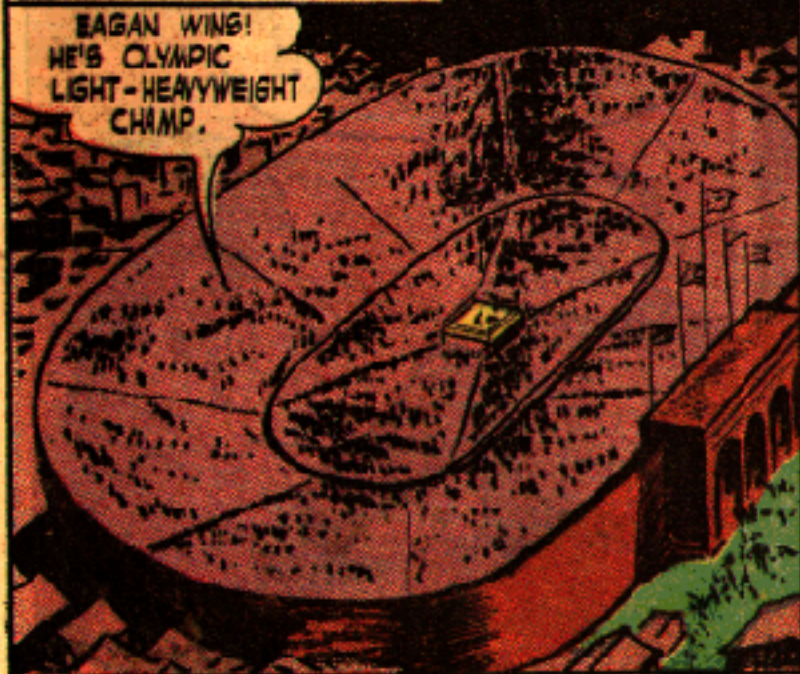
THE SIGNING OF THE VERSAILLES PEACE TREATY. WHAT AN HONOR.



AFTERWARDS, ON JULY 4, 1919, EAGAN BECAME MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION OF THE INTER-ALLIED ARMIES.

AGAIN HE TURNED DOWN OFFERS TO FIGHT FOR MONEY AND INSTEAD EDDIE RETURNED TO YALE. THEN SOON AFTER, IN ANTWERP, BELGIUM...

EAGAN WINS! HE'S OLYMPIC LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMP.



BACK IN YALE HE GRADUATED WITH HIGH HONORS. THEN HE SPENT A SUMMER OF ADVENTURE IN EUROPE.

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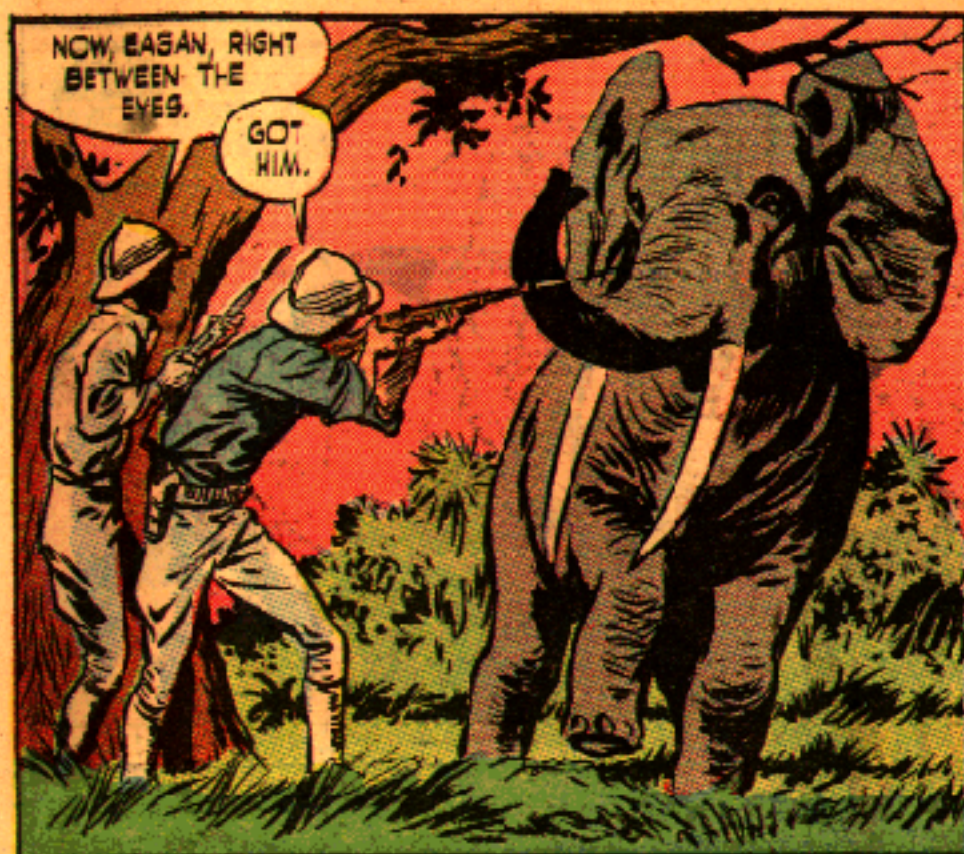
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NOW, EAGAN, RIGHT BETWEEN THE EYES.

GOT HIM.



ONE TIME IN A NATIVE CAMP...

YOU, GREAT HUNTER, BRING TRIBE FOOD—TRIBE OFFERS REWARD—THREE WIVES.

THANK YOU, CHIEF—YOU CAN HAVE THE ELEPHANT STEAKS. WE NEED NO REWARD.

FINALLY THE "WANDERER" RETURNED HOME AND TRIED A NEW SPORT. HE ENTERED THE WINTER OLYMPICS AT LAKE PLACID, NY, IN 1932.



WHAT DAREDEVILS!

THE BOBSLED TEAM BROUGHT ANOTHER OLYMPIC VICTORY TO THE UNITED STATES.



EAGAN THEN SERVED SIX YEARS AS U.S. DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND VOLUNTEERED FOR SERVICE IN WORLD WAR II. IN JANUARY, 1945, EDDIE EAGAN BECAME NEW YORK STATE BOXING COMMISSIONER. HE IS STILL A LEADING SCRAPPER AND SCHOLAR!

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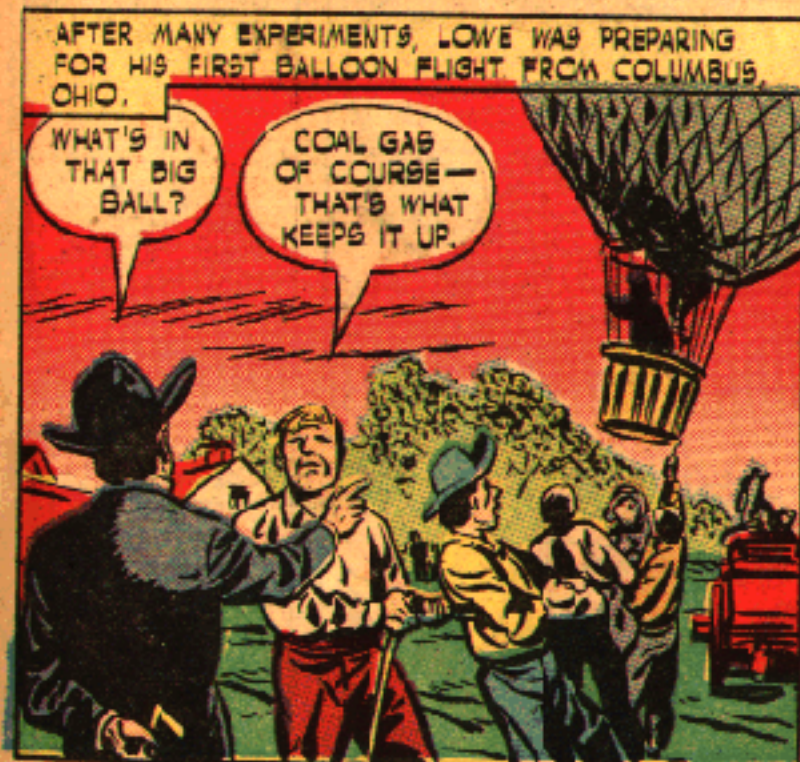
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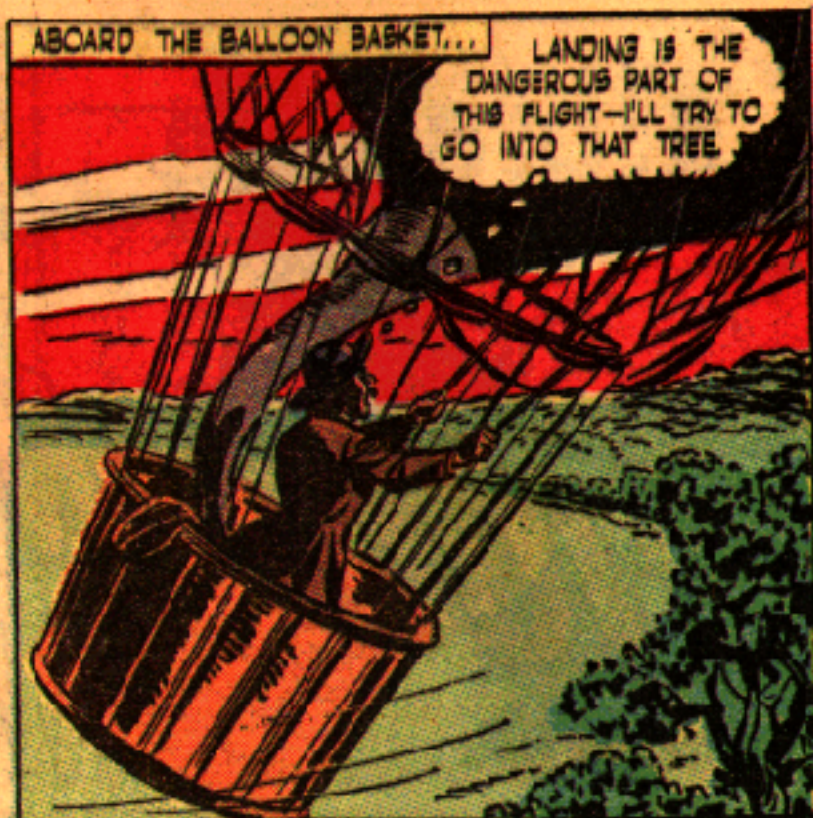
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LOWE, WHO HAD MADE THE LONGEST BALLOON FLIGHT IN HISTORY, FINALLY CONVINCED THE SOUTHERNERS HE WAS NOT A SPY AND WAS RELEASED.

THE SOUTHERNERS, HOWEVER, GAVE LOWE AN IDEA. HE BOUGHT A WAGON AND HEADED FOR WASHINGTON AND A FRIEND, PROFESSOR JOSEPH HENRY.



A BALLOON FOR MILITARY OBSERVATION?

THAT'S RIGHT—I WANT YOU TO CONTACT THE WAR DEPARTMENT FOR ME, PROFESSOR.

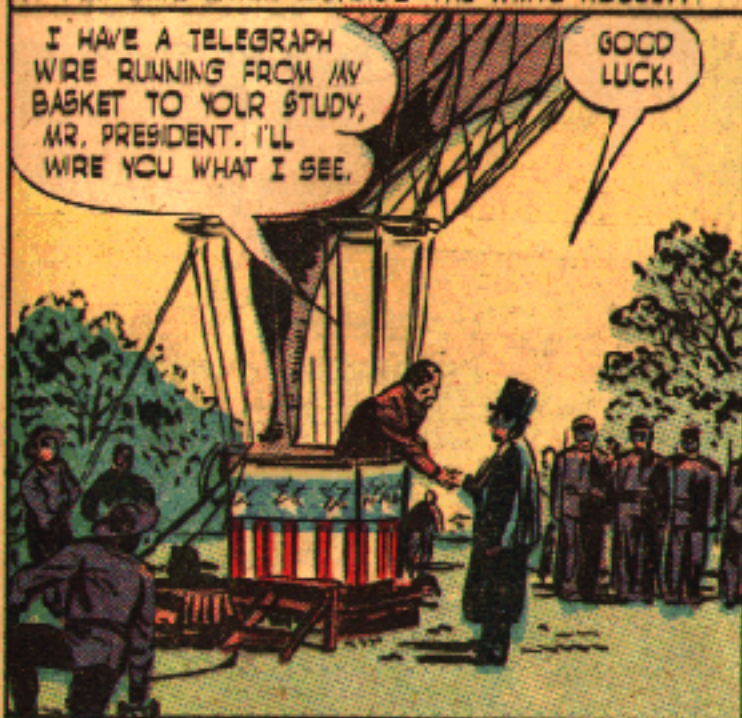
AT THE WAR DEPARTMENT...



IT'S FANTASTIC—WE'RE FIGHTING A WAR, NOT PLAYING GAMES!

IN THAT CASE, SIR, I'LL TAKE THE BALLOON IDEA DIRECTLY TO PRESIDENT LINCOLN.

A FEW DAYS LATER OUTSIDE THE WHITE HOUSE...



I HAVE A TELEGRAPH WIRE RUNNING FROM MY BASKET TO YOUR STUDY, MR. PRESIDENT. I'LL WIRE YOU WHAT I SEE.

GOOD LUCK!

SOON THE BALLOON WAS SOME 500 FEET ALOFT.



HIS WIRE SAYS HE SEES THE CONFEDERATE ENCAMPMENT IN VIRGINIA, MR. PRESIDENT.

THAT SETTLES IT—THAD LOWE AND HIS BALLOON ARE IN THE ARMY.

LOWE WAS APPOINTED CHIEF AERONAUTICAL ENGINEER IN THE U.S. ARMY. IN A FEW DAYS HE JOINED THE UNION ARMIES IN VIRGINIA.



IF IT WEREN'T FOR PRESIDENTIAL ORDERS I'D THROW YOU AND YOUR SILLY BALLOON OUT OF CAMP!

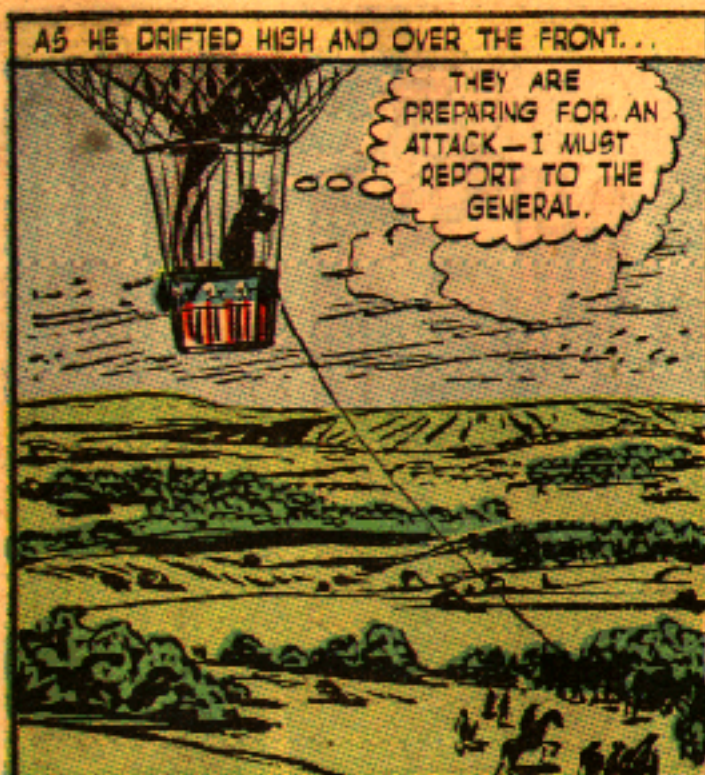
GIVE ME A CHANCE—YOU'LL SEE WHAT MY BALLOON CAN DO.

LOWE PREPARED TO MAKE HIS FIRST MILITARY FLIGHT.

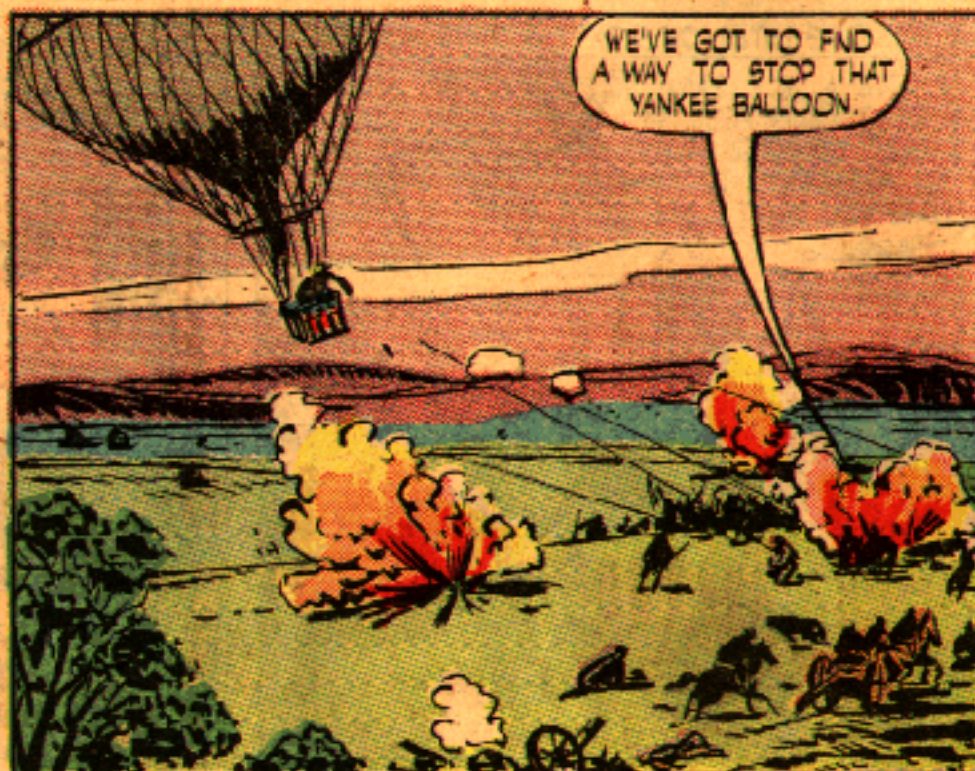


WHY, THE REBELS WILL SHOOT THAT THING DOWN.

NO! I'LL BE TOO HIGH, SIR.



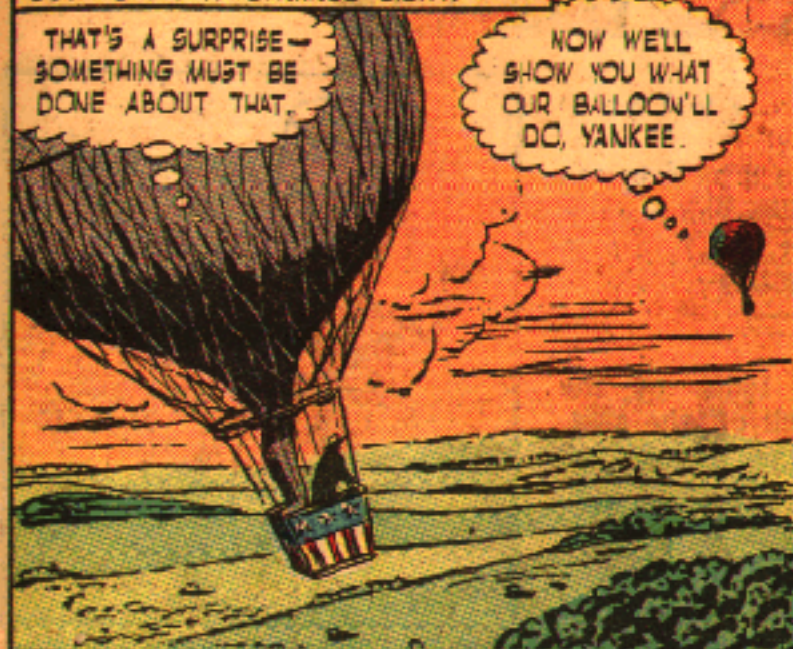
LOWE FINALLY LANDED BACK AT CAMP. HIS REPORT ON TROOPS AND GUNS LED TO THE UNION VICTORY AT WILLIAMSBURG. LOWE'S BALLOON ALSO HELPED IN THE VICTORIES AT FAIR OAKS AND MECHANICSVILLE.



A FEW WEEKS LATER LOWE MADE HIS USUAL FLIGHT, BUT HE SAW A "STRANGE" SIGHT.

THAT'S A SURPRISE—
SOMETHING MUST BE
DONE ABOUT THAT.

NOW WE'LL
SHOW YOU WHAT
OUR BALLOON'LL
DO, YANKEE.



QUICKLY A PLAN FORMED IN LOWE'S MIND.

BACK AT UNION HEADQUARTERS LOWE SPEEDILY GAVE ORDERS.

YOU GO UP AS A DECOY—
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT
CONFEDERATE BALLOON.



SKIRTING ENEMY LINES, LOWE AND HIS MEN CREPT UP TO THE MOORING PLACE OF THE CONFEDERATE BALLOON.



KEEP FIRING—
WE MUST KEEP
THEM BUSY.



LOWE KEPT THE CONFEDERATES SO BUSY FIGHTING THAT THE TIDE LEFT THE BOAT HIGH AND DRY. THEN THEY RUSHED THE SOLDIERS.

MIGHT AS WELL
GIVE UP, REBELS. YOUR
BALLOON IS OURS.



THUS ENDED
THE THREAT
OF THE
REBEL "AIR
FORCE." IN
COUNTLESS
ENGAGEMENTS
THADDEUS LOWE
HELPED UNION
FORCES TO
VICTORY. HE
WAS AMERICA'S
FIRST MILITARY
FLYER.

TRULY COMIC!



Joe: What is solid gold soup?

Harry: I don't know. What is it?

Joe: It's soup that's made of twenty-four carrots.

Joseph J. Doyle, Junior High School East, Arlington, Mass.

Joey: Mother, please give me a nickel for the poor man who is crying in front of the house?

Mother: Certainly, dear. But what is he crying about?

Joey: He's crying, "Ice cream, five cents a cone."

Shirley Anne Secord, St. Bridget's School, Omaha, Neb.



Bill: Why are you carrying that ladder around?

Phil: I've just been promoted into high school.

Richard Keenan, Jr., Downing School, Runnemede, N. J.

Mrs. Brown: Junior is only four, but he can spell his name backwards.

Mrs. Green: That's remarkable! What is his name?

Mrs. Brown: Otto.

Catherine De Marco, P. S. No. 5, Jersey City, N. J.

Father: Now, Willie, tell me why I just punished you.

Willie: Imagine that! You spanked me and you don't even know why you did it!

Robert Akins, Watson School, East Braintree, Mass.

Jerry: How did you make out in your school exams?

George: Oh, just like Napoleon. I went down in history.

Joanne Earegood, Sawyer School, Henderson, Mich.

SOLUTION TO YOU'RE THE DETECTIVE

THE KIDNAPPERS' BIRD WAS A HOMING PIGEON. DETECTIVE ROBBINS TRAILED THE BIRD, BY HELICOPTER, RIGHT BACK TO THE HIDE-OUT AND CAPTURED THE KIDNAPPERS. ROGER OATES WAS RETURNED HOME UNHARMED.

Bob: Who is the new teacher in school?

Jane: I didn't know we had a new teacher.

Bob: I only know that the teacher said, "Stay in after school because of 'Miss Conduct'."

Tommy Reddall, Liverpool High School, Liverpool, Nova Scotia

Mary: Do you believe in free speech?

Helen: I certainly do!

Mary: Then may I make a long distance call on your telephone?

Joan Huettl, Deerbrook, Wisc.

Sam: Your shirts must have been laughing at the laundry.

Don: Why do you say that?

Sam: They came back with their sides split.

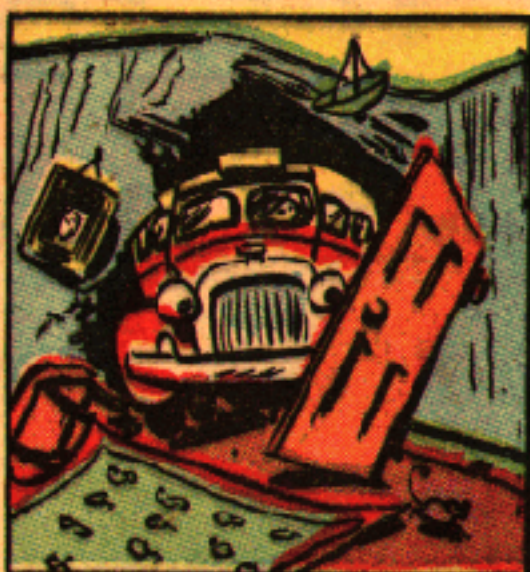
Joel Lieber, P. S. No. 152, New York, N. Y.

Si: Do you know what the little calf said to the silo?

Hi: What?

Si: Is my fodder in there?

Woodrow Beasley, Jr., Bona, Tex.



Teacher: Why don't you take the bus home, Billy?

Billy: I'd like to, but Mother won't let me bring it into the house.

La Verne Tesh, Clermont Grade School, Clermont, Ind.

May: Did you know that my brother goes to work every day in a taxi cab?

June: He must be very rich!

May: Oh, no. He's a taxi driver!

Janice Cohen, P. S. 93, New York, N. Y.

Boy: Why were the Middle Ages called the Dark Ages?

Girl: Because there were so many knights.

Robert A. Nalin, Reading, Pa.

ANSWERS TO WHAT'S YOUR FEL-Q?

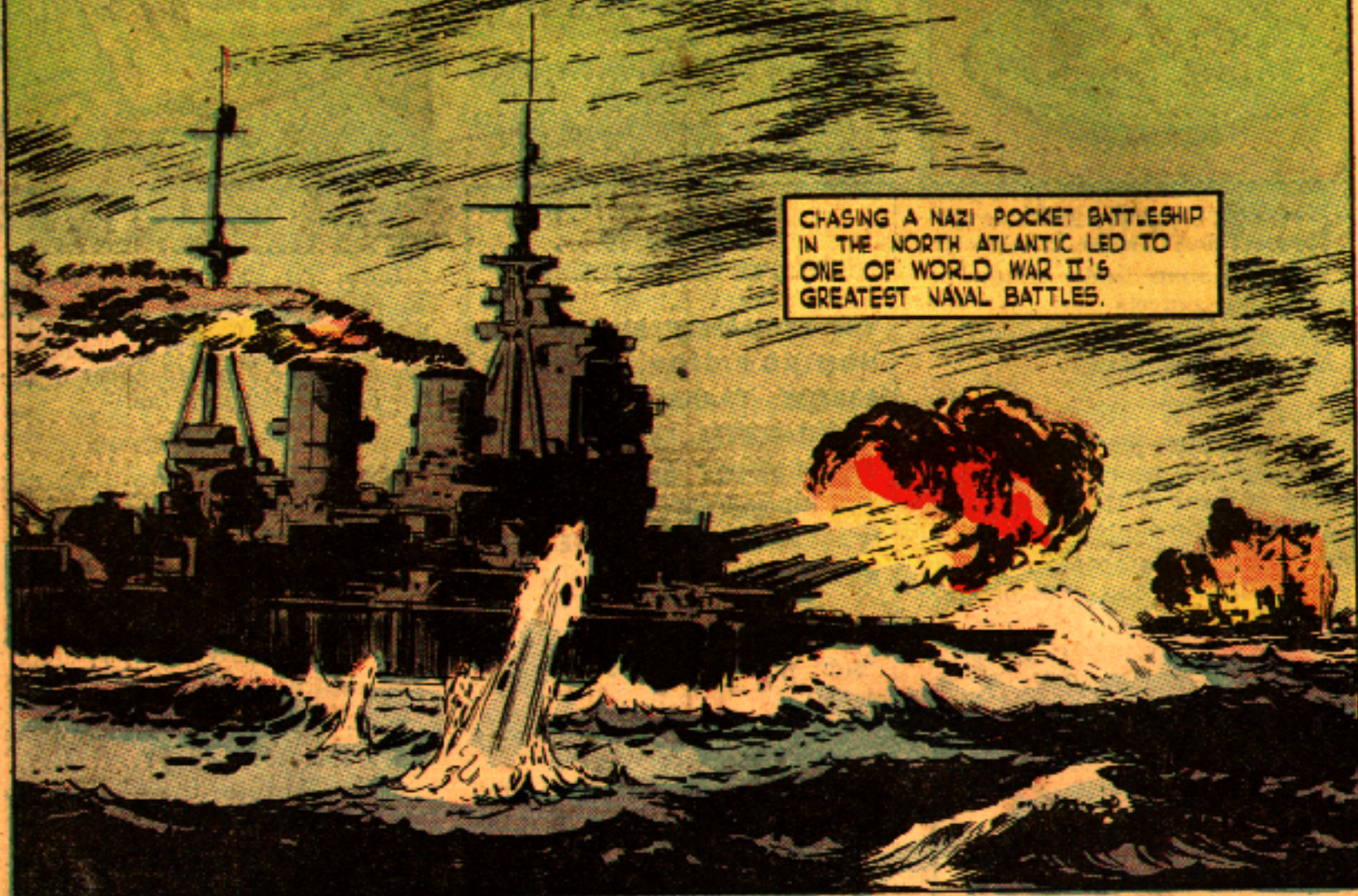
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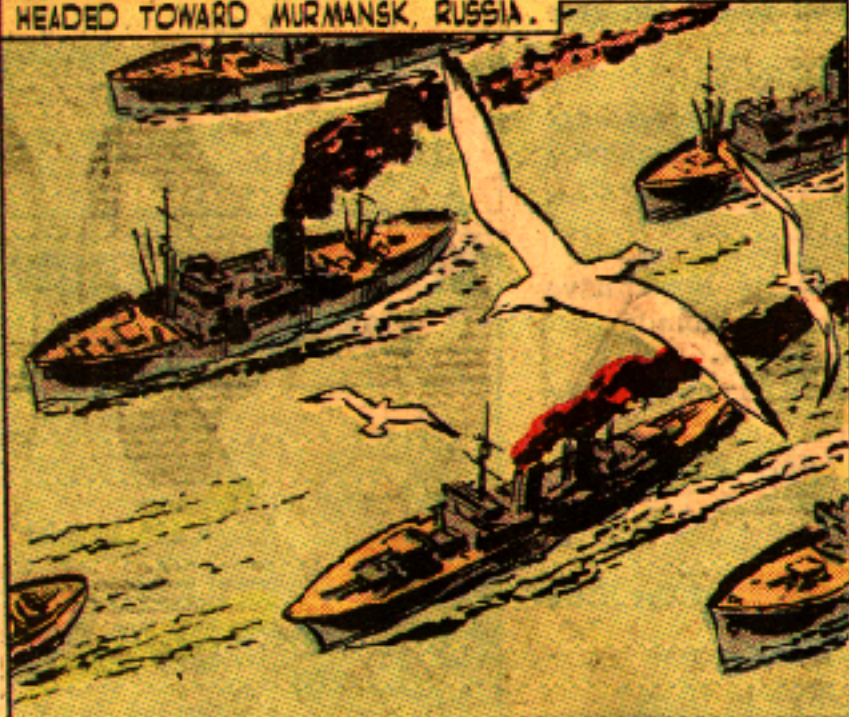
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THE LAST STAND OF A SEA WOLF



CHASING A NAZI POCKET BATTLESHIP
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ONE OF WORLD WAR II'S
GREATEST NAVAL BATTLES.

ON THE MORNING OF DECEMBER 26, 1943, A BRITISH
CONVOY MOVED SECRETLY THROUGH ARCTIC WATERS,
HEADED TOWARD MURMANSK, RUSSIA.

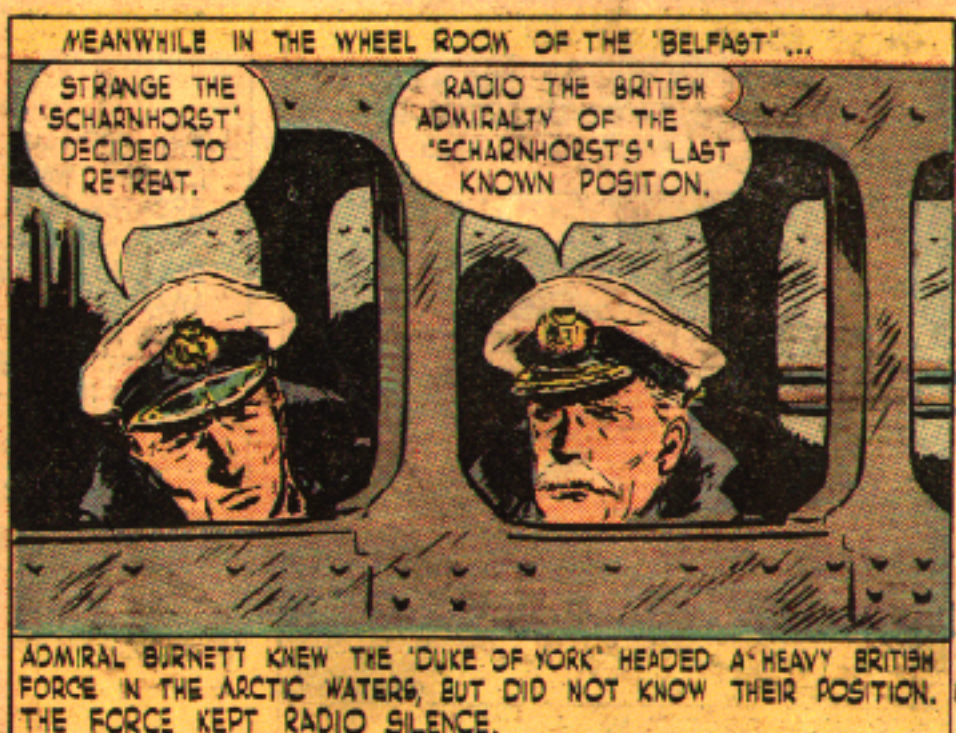
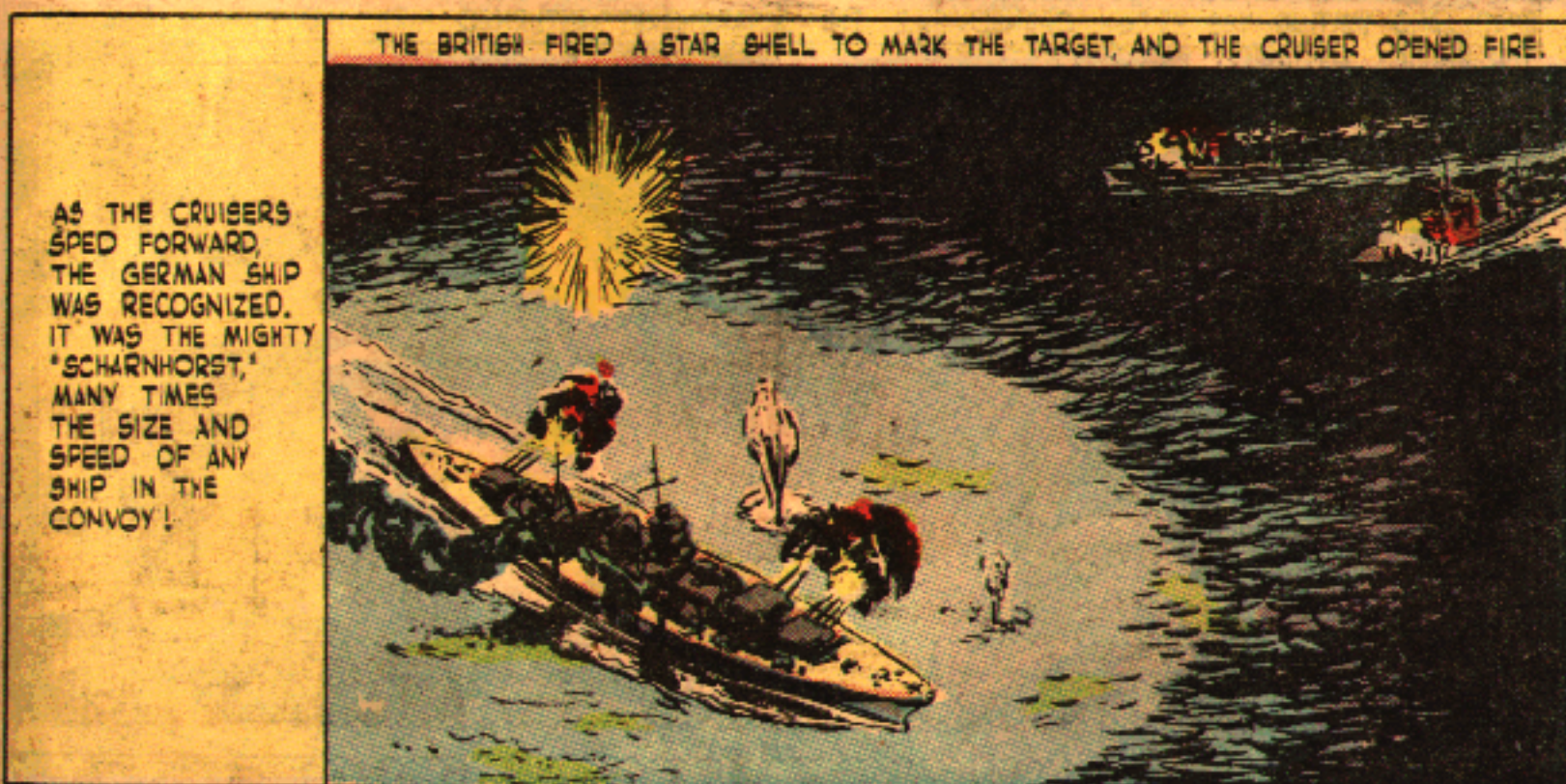


IN COMMAND WAS REAR ADMIRAL BURNETT,
ABOARD THE 'BELFAST' ONE OF THE CONVOY'S
THREE CRUISERS.

I THINK WE'RE SAFEST
WITH OUR CRUISER
SQUADRON STATIONED
TO THE SOUTHEAST
OF THE CONVOY.

I AGREE, SIR—
IF THERE'S AN
ATTACK IT'LL
PROBABLY BE
FROM THERE.





BUT BURNETT HAD A JOB—WHERE WAS THE 'SCHARNHORST' GOING TO ATTACK NEXT?

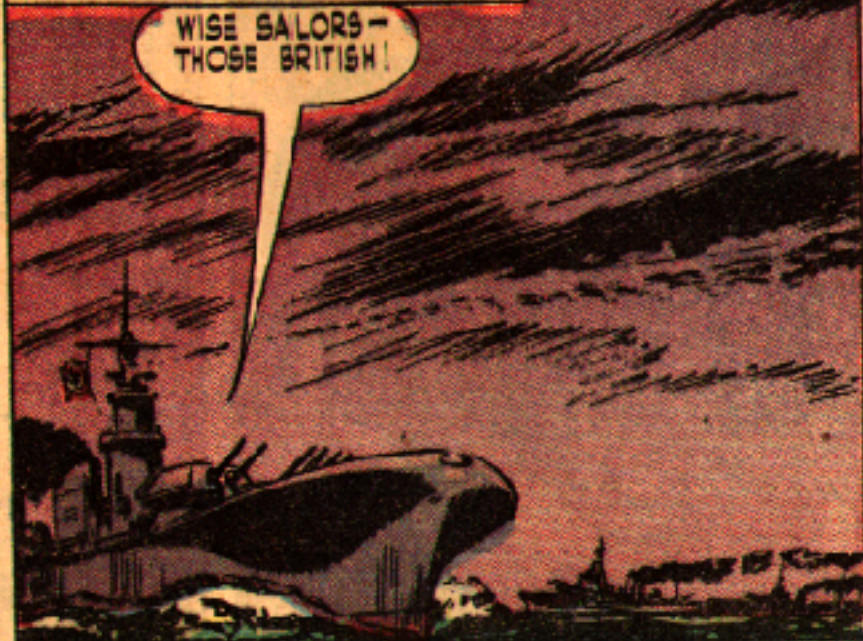
THERE ARE SIXTEEN POSSIBLE POINTS—WHAT A PROBLEM. OUR BEST CHANCE IS TAKE A POSITION NORTHEAST OF THE CONVOY.

RIGHT SIR!

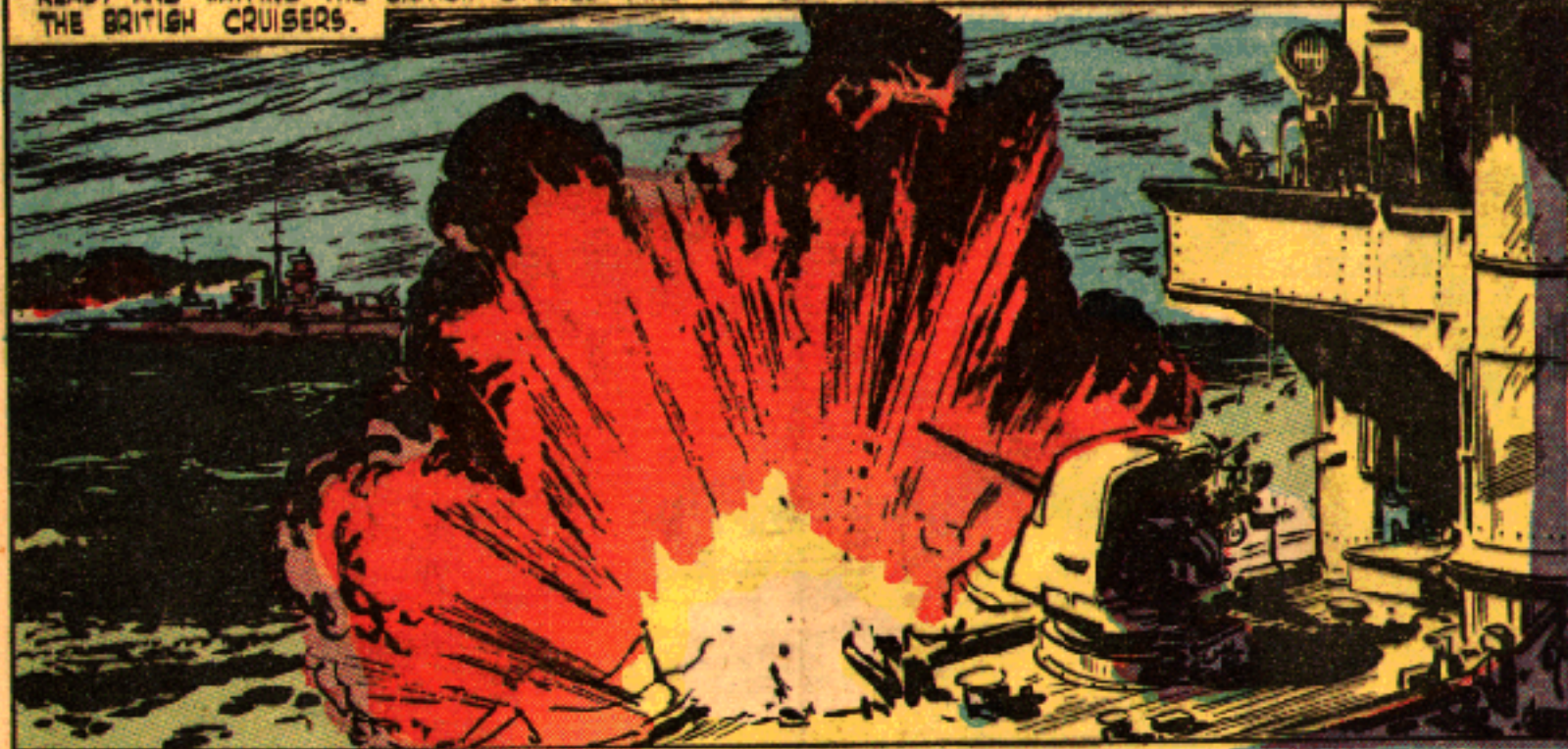


AT 12:50 P.M. OF THE SAME DECEMBER 26, THE 'SCHARNHORST' REAPPEARED.

WISE SALORS—THOSE BRITISH!



READY AND WAITING THE BRITISH OPENED FIRE. THE 'SCHARNHORST' RETURNED FIRE AND STRUCK ONE OF THE BRITISH CRUISERS.



ON THE BRIDGE OF THE NAZI SEA WOLF...

WE CANNOT STAY AND FIGHT—OTHER BRITISH SHIPS MIGHT BE COMING.



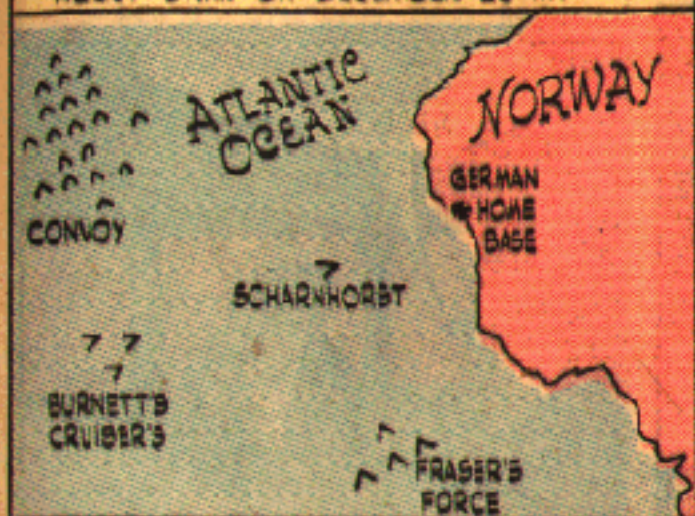
ONCE AGAIN THE GERMAN SHIP TURNED TAIL.

THE GERMANS' DANGER WAS GREATER THAN THEY REALIZED. ONLY 150 MILES AWAY WAS THE HUGE BRITISH FORCE WITH THE BATTLESHIP 'DUKE OF YORK' AND SIR BRUCE FRASER COMMANDING.

MESSAGE FROM BURNETT SAYS THE 'SCHARNHORST' IS HEADED THIS WAY.



THE NAVAL SITUATION AS IT APPEARED ABOUT 1 P.M. ON DECEMBER 26 TH.



FRASER ORDERED HIS BATTLESHIP AND DESTROYERS TO STRATEGIC POINTS.



FOR HOURS BURNETT'S CRUISERS CHASED THE GERMAN SHIP REPORTING NEW POSITIONS CONSTANTLY, WHILE THE 'DUKE OF YORK' RECEIVED THE MESSAGES BUT CONTINUED RADIO SILENCE.

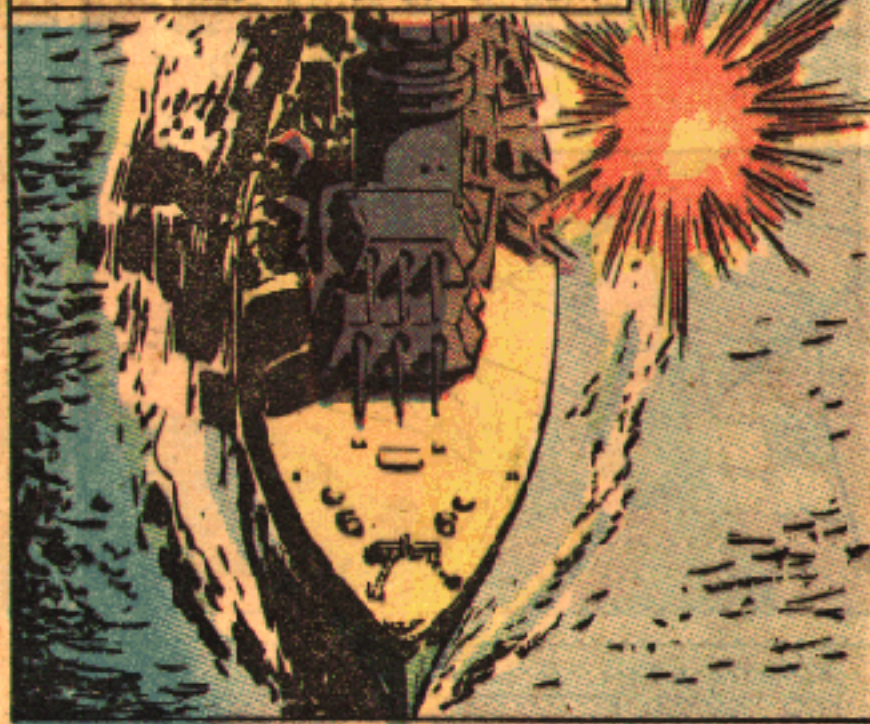
THEN AT 4:30 A.M. ON DECEMBER 27 THE 'DUKE OF YORK' BROKE RADIO SILENCE.

IT'S COME—ADMIRAL FRASER ORDERS TO FIRE A STAR SHELL OVER THE 'SCHARNHORST.'

THE 'DUKE OF YORK' HAS BEEN NEAR US ALL THE TIME.

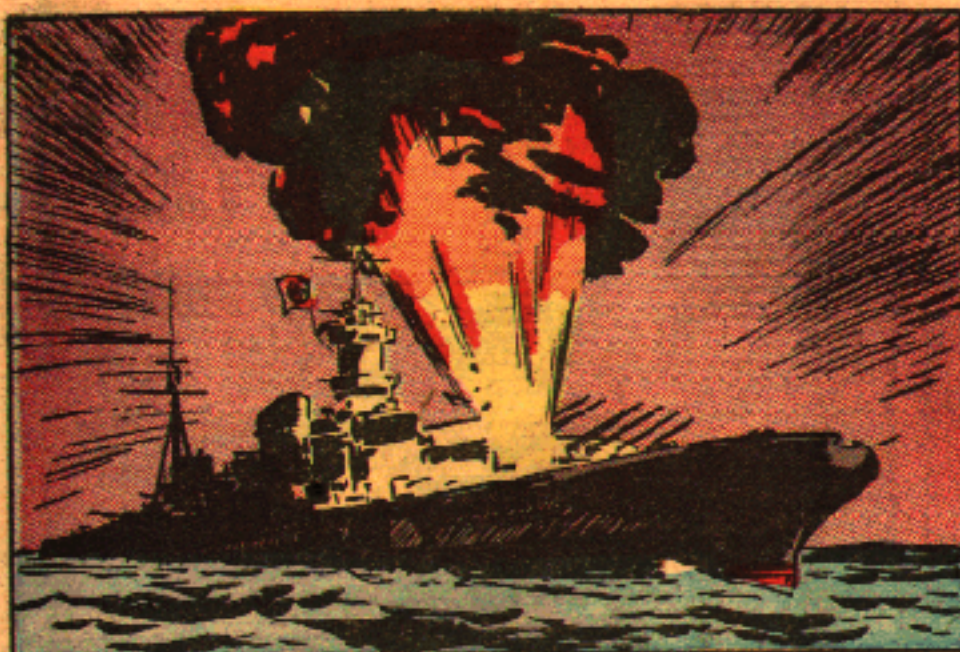


A STAR SHELL BURST IN THE AIR, AND THE 'SCHARNHORST' WAS REVEALED IN A BLAZE OF LIGHT.



ABOARD THE 'DUKE OF YORK'...





SURPRISED AT THE PRESENCE OF THE NEW FORCE, THE 'SCHARNHORST' COMMANDER GAVE IMMEDIATE ORDERS.

FULL SPEED TOWARD OUR BASE—WE'LL FIGHT AS WE GO!

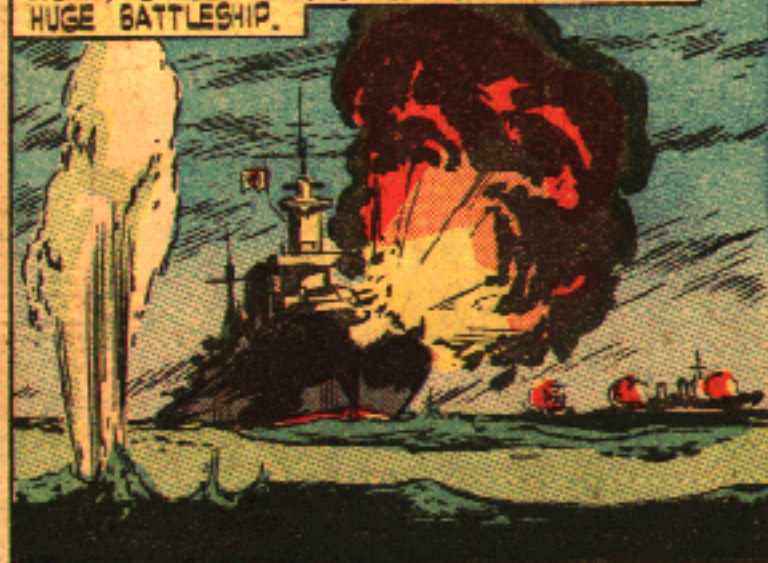


THE RACE WAS ON. DURING THE BATTLE A NAZI SHELL CUT AWAY THE 'DUKE OF YORK'S' WIRELESS AERIAL. IT LOOKED AS THOUGH COORDINATED ACTION WAS ENDED AND THE GERMAN SHIP WOULD GET AWAY, BUT...

I'M HOLDING THE ENDS OF AERIAL TOGETHER SO THAT MESSAGES CAN GO THROUGH.



WITH THE BRITISH VESSELS WORKING TOGETHER AGAIN, SHELL AFTER SHELL TORE INTO THE HUGE BATTLESHIP.



MOMENTS LATER THE 'SCHARNHORST' BURST INTO FLAMES.



FOR SHORT MINUTES THE BATTLESHIP LAY WALLOWING ON ITS SIDE. THEN...



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