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IS IT TRUE? DOLLAR-PULLERS

Dear Readers:

RESOLVED, that during 1942, I'll put a little extra effort into everything I do." Just imagine the fine result if every American and Canadian, old and young, would make that New Year's Resolution—and would carry it out!

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In these pages, you will find famous and unsung people whose lives show the value of that extra effort. Coast Guard Von Paulsen could have turned back and not found the lost skiff. He wouldn't have lost his job. But something inside him said, "a tiny bit more effort and you will succeed."

In another story, young Humphry Davy is seen carrying forward his experiments at night, after working at his usual job all day. Throughout his career, Davy used that extra little effort which gets such big results.

And, after you decide to make an extra effort in 1942, in work and in play, there is something else to remember—that all these millions of little extra efforts must pull together if the United States and Canada are to carry on in 1942 more effectively than ever.

I wish you an extra happy New Year—may we all pull together, in one direction—forward!

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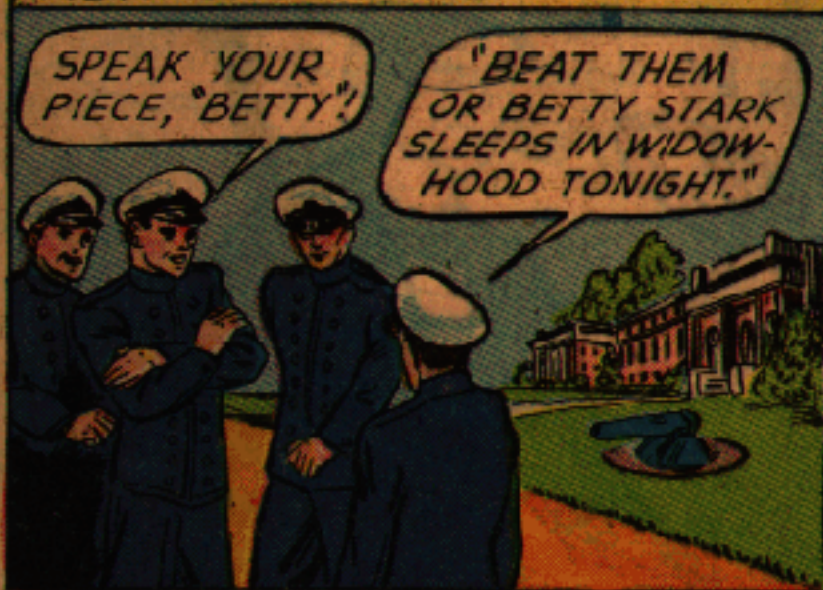
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HARRY ENTERED THE NAVAL ACADEMY AT ANNAPOLIS IN 1899. THERE HE GOT A NEW NICKNAME.



STARK SERVED TWO YEARS ON THE LAST WIND JAMMER IN THE U.S. NAVY.



BY 1914, STARK WAS COMMANDING A DESTROYER.





THE MAINE COAST! I KNOW THESE WATERS WELL. MAY I TAKE THE WHEEL?

SORRY, MR. SECRETARY, I DON'T THINK YOU CAN RELIEVE ME OF MY COMMAND.



STARK'S FINE - HE KNOWS THE SEA'S LAWS. WE MUST KEEP AN EYE ON HIM.

FOR TWO YEARS STARK WAS AT THE NAVY TORPEDO STATION IN NEWPORT, R.I. THEN IN 1917....



I AM TO GO FOR DUTY IN THE PHILIPPINES.

WITH THE RANK OF LT. COMMANDER...

AND A WHOLE TORPEDO FLOTILLA TO COMMAND!.... LUCKY STIFF!



WE'VE HAD MANY SAILS SINCE WE WERE CHILDREN, TOGETHER, KATHERINE. NOW WE'RE OFF AGAIN.

I'M VERY HAPPY AS A NAVY WIFE, HARRY. I'VE GROWN UP A SAILOR, TOO!

WORLD WAR NO.1 WAS ON WHEN STARK TOOK OVER HIS PHILIPPINE COMMAND.



WE URGENTLY NEED SHIPS TO FIGHT SUBMARINES IN EUROPEAN WATERS. COULD YOU SAIL THESE 5 DESTROYERS TO GIBRALTAR?

THIS IS THE MONSOON SEASON AND THEY'RE OLD SHIPS, BUT... I'LL START AT ONCE!

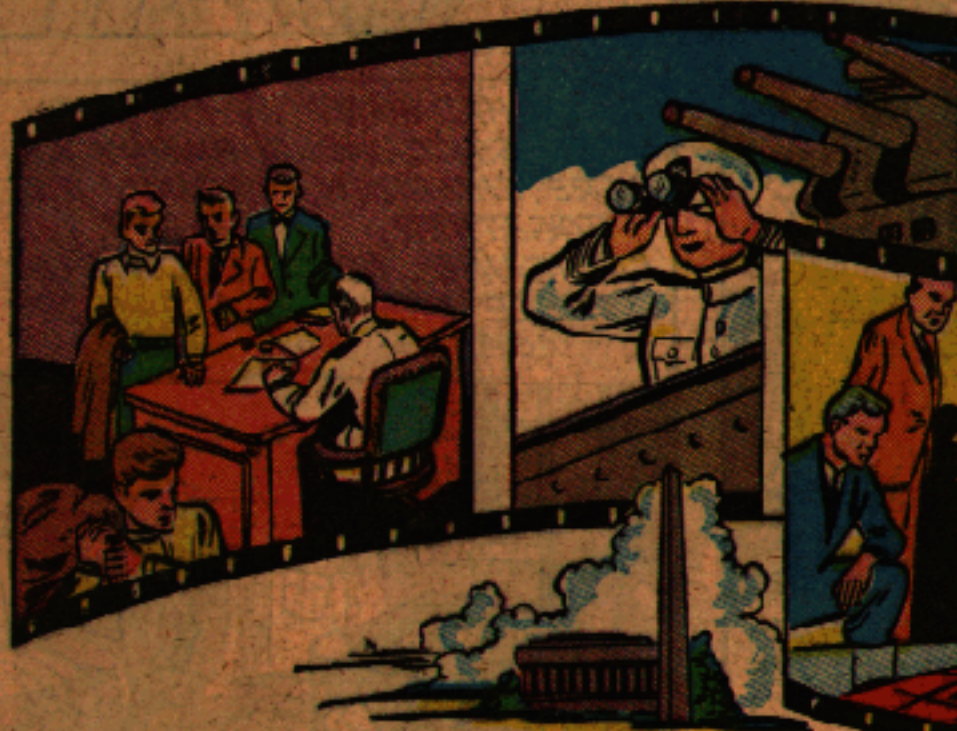


I LOVE THE SEA IN ALL HER MOODS.



SAFE AT GIBRALTAR!
EXCELLENT SEAMANSHIP,
COMMANDER STARK!

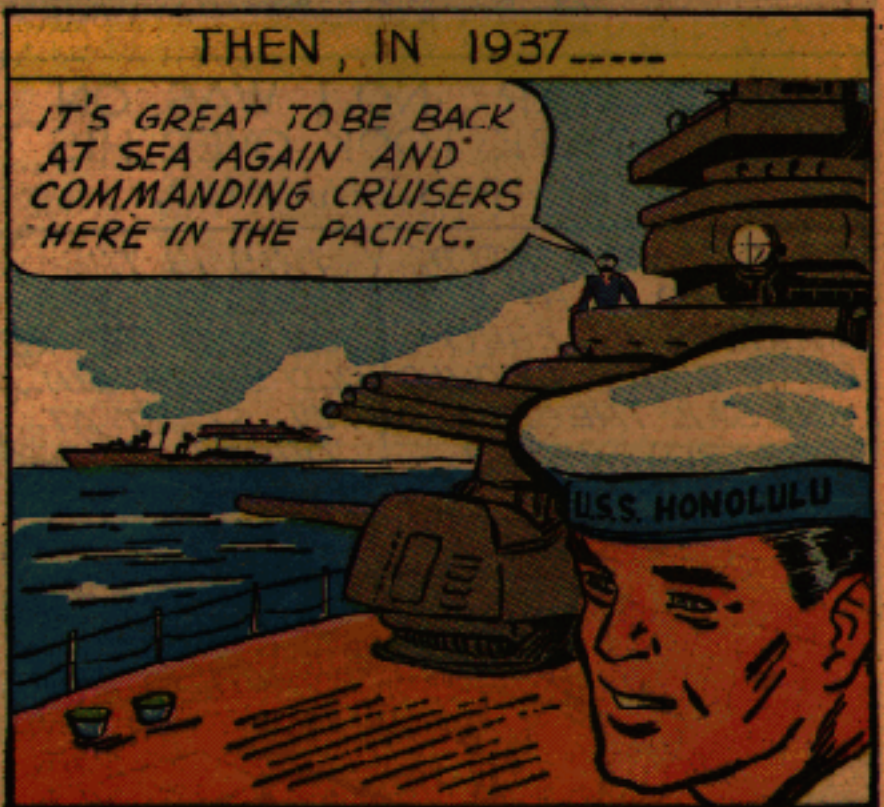
SOON HE WAS PUT ON
THE STAFF OF ADMIRAL
SIMS, CHIEF OF U.S. NAVAL
VESSELS IN EUROPEAN
WATERS.



AFTER ESPECIALLY DIS-
TINGUISHED SERVICE IN
WORLD WAR NO. 1, HE
SERVED IN ALMOST EVERY
BRANCH OF THE NAVY.

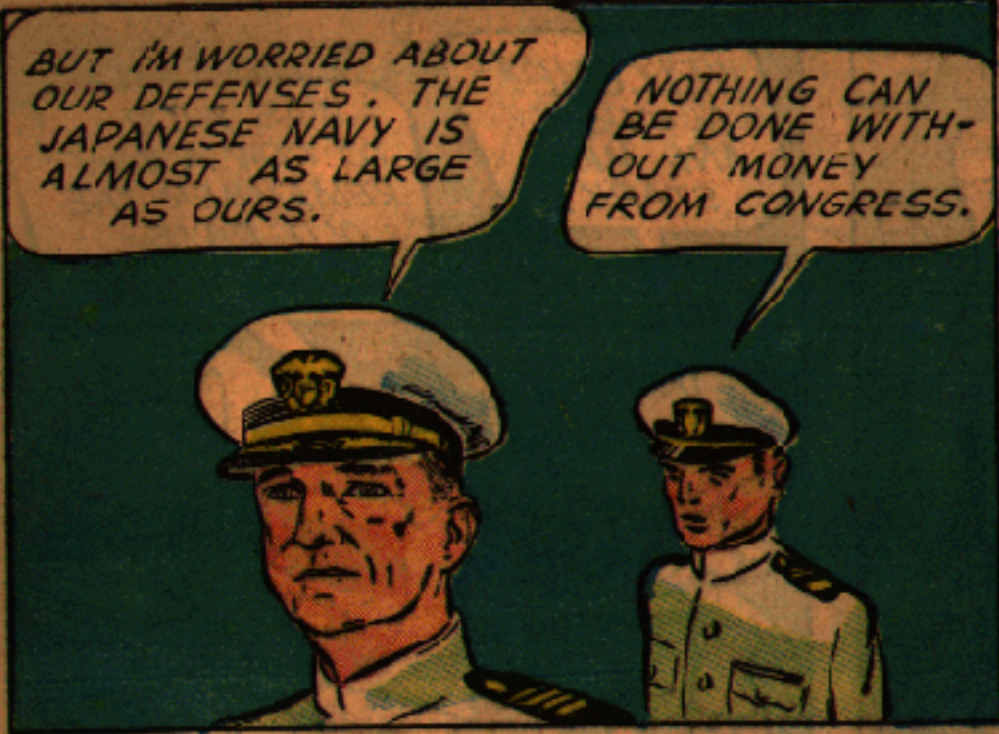


HE WAS AIDE TO 2 SECRE-
TARIES OF THE NAVY. IN 1934,
AS REAR ADMIRAL, HE WAS
CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF
ORDNANCE.



THEN, IN 1937.....

IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK
AT SEA AGAIN AND
COMMANDING CRUISERS
HERE IN THE PACIFIC.



BUT I'M WORRIED ABOUT OUR DEFENSES. THE JAPANESE NAVY IS ALMOST AS LARGE AS OURS.

NOTHING CAN BE DONE WITHOUT MONEY FROM CONGRESS.



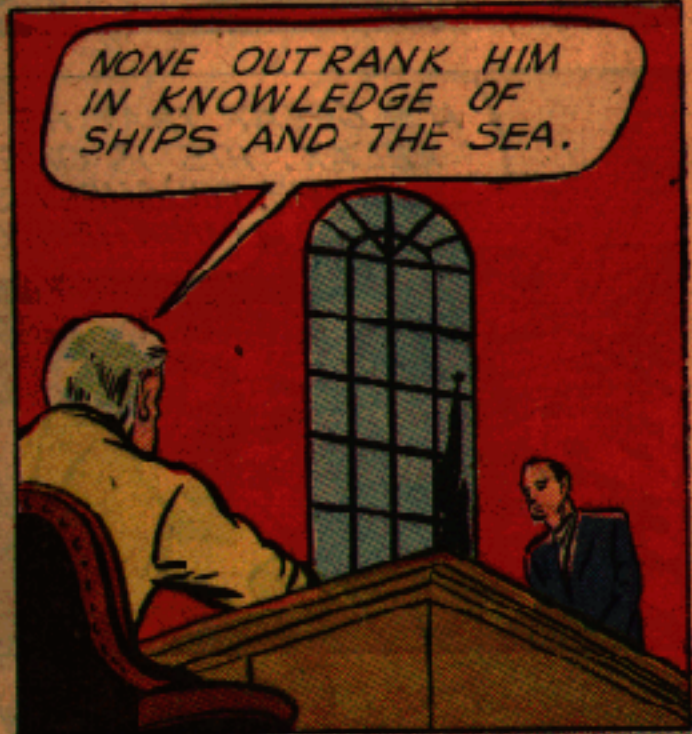
WE MUST HURRY! DOLLARS WON'T BUY YESTERDAY!

IN AUGUST, 1939 -----



I HAVE CONFIDENCE IN ADMIRAL STARK. HE'S THE BEST MAN FOR CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS.

BUT, MR. PRESIDENT, 59 OFFICERS OUTRANK HIM.



NONE OUTRANK HIM IN KNOWLEDGE OF SHIPS AND THE SEA.

STARK ADDRESSED THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NAVAL AFFAIRS.



WE MUST INCREASE OUR NAVY 70% TO DEFEND BOTH OUR COASTS.



BRIGHT AND EARLY, SIR, YOU'RE FIRST AGAIN!

THERE'S SO MUCH TO BE DONE!



YOU LOOK CHIPPER, ADMIRAL.

I HAD A GOOD SWIM BEFORE BREAKFAST.



WELCOME! ADMIRAL AND MRS. STARK!

I WAS WILD TO ROW A BOAT! REMEMBER THE OLD DAYS, KATHERINE?



IT'S GREAT THAT HE CAN RELAX. HIS IS ONE OF THE TOUGHEST JOBS IN THE WORLD.



THIS IS THE MAN WHO COMMANDS THE U.S. NAVAL DEFENSES!

HERO OF A VANISHING RACE

TECUMSEH

(1766-1813)

CHIEF OF THE SHAWNEE INDIANS. HE TRIED TO UNITE MANY INDIAN TRIBES AGAINST THE WHITE MAN



TECUMSEH WAS BORN IN 1766, IN THE MIDDLE WEST.

HIS BROTHER CHEESEKAU TAUGHT HIM.

WE LOVED HIS TRIBE'S TRADITIONS.





WHEN I'M A WARRIOR, I'LL NEVER TORTURE.



AS A FUTURE CHIEF, HE LEARNED STATESMANSHIP.

BE HONEST.

AND CAUTIOUS.



TECUMSEH'S HORSE FALLS!

HE WILL BE KILLED!



MY ANKLE IS BROKEN!



HIS ANKLE HEALED QUICKLY. ONE NIGHT, IN 1792.....

AWAKE! AN ENEMY IS ATTACKING US!



TECUMSEH WILL NOT KILL OTHERS, NOR LET OTHERS KILL HIM!

YOU BLASTED INDIAN!



I'LL PUNISH ANYONE WHO MISTREATS A PRISONER.

WE'LL CATCH THEM!

THE AMERICAN "MAD ANTHONY" WAYNE ADVANCED AGAINST THE INDIANS.



I'LL BURN EVERY INDIAN TOWN I COME TO.

THE INDIANS WERE BEATEN. ONE OF TECUMSEH'S BROTHERS WAS KILLED.



TECUMSEH, YOU MUST RETREAT.

TECUMSEH BECAME A GREAT LEADER.



BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE, LET US UNITE TO KEEP OUR FREEDOM.

HE ORGANIZED RESISTANCE.



WE ARE ALL CHILDREN OF THE MASTER OF LIFE. LET US HELP ONE ANOTHER.

MEANWHILE, W.H. HARRISON, GOVERNOR OF INDIANA, AND, LATER, PRESIDENT OF THE U.S.A., WAS PREPARING FOR TROUBLE.



WE'LL HAVE TO CALL OUT THE SOLDIERS AGAINST TECUMSEH.

IN 1810, TECUMSEH AND 400 BRAVES CAME FOR A COUNCIL WITH GOVERNOR HARRISON.

WHAT DOES RED MAN WANT?

WE DESIRE A COUNCIL WITH THE GOVERNOR.

WE WANT PEACE. BUT YOU HAVE KILLED SHAWNEES AND TAKEN OUR LAND. HOW CAN WE TRUST YOUR PEOPLE?

TECUMSEH IS IMPERTINENT!

LEAVE AT ONCE!

WHEN WE ARE FULLY PREPARED, WE SHALL STRIKE.

WE'LL TEACH THE INDIANS A LESSON THEY'LL NEVER FORGET, GOVERNOR!

WHILE TECUMSEH WAS AWAY, HARRISON DEFEATED HIS BROTHER, KNOWN AS "THE PROPHET", AT TIPPECANOE.

THE INDIANS WON'T TRUST "THE PROPHET" ANY MORE, I'M THINKING.

ON THE WAR OF 1812, TECUMSEH WAS AGAINST THE AMERICANS.

THEN YOU WILL BE ON THE BRITISH SIDE?

YES, THOUGH I HATE WAR, I MUST OBTAIN JUSTICE FOR MY PEOPLE.

TECUMSEH HELPED THE BRITISH CAPTURE DETROIT.

THE AMERICANS PURSUED THE BRITISH AND INDIANS INTO CANADA.



IF WE CAN COME TO GRIPS, WE'LL CRUSH THEM.

GOVERNOR HARRISON, THEY KEEP RETREATING, BURNING EVERYTHING ON THE WAY.

TECUMSEH AND THE BRITISH MADE A STAND.

WE ARE OUTNUMBERED BUT OUR MEN ARE FINE FIGHTERS!

IT MAY BE THAT I SHALL NOT COME OUT ALIVE.



O, MY WARRIORS, THE GREAT MOMENT HAS COME!



OH!

WITH TECUMSEH KILLED, HIS PEOPLE GAVE UP HOPE OF RESISTING THE WHITE MAN. A NEW AMERICA WAS IN THE MAKING. THE INDIANS' LANDS WERE GRADUALLY SETTLED BY THE WHITE MAN. TECUMSEH IS REMEMBERED AS A HERO OF A VANISHING RACE.



THE GREATEST SHAWNEE HAS FALLEN. WE MUST ESCAPE WESTWARD.



MINE EXPLOSION



HUMPHRY DAVY
1778-1829

HOW A CHEMIST
CONQUERED THE
DEADLIEST ENEMY
OF COAL MINERS.

AT 17, HUMPHRY DAVY WAS APPRENTICED TO A DRUGGIST IN PENZANCE, ENGLAND. BUT HIS NIGHTLY HOME EXPERIMENTS CAME TO BE KNOWN. WHEN HE WAS TWENTY----

IT'S LUCKY DAVY WASN'T KILLED! HE'S ALWAYS RISKING HIS LIFE OVER SOME NEW GAS.

HE BELIEVES THE SICK CAN BE CURED BY BREATHING THE RIGHT GAS.



THERE HE IS, DR. BEDDOES. HE'LL BLOW US ALL TO BITS SOME DAY.

MOTHER, IT WORKS!



I NEED YOU TO HEAD MY NEW MEDICAL LABORATORY.





DAVY INHALED A NEW GAS.

WHAT'S THE JOKE? WHY THE WILD SHRIEKS OF LAUGHTER?

BUT NOW IT'S MAKING HIM FALL ASLEEP.

RISKING HIS LIFE, DAVY FOUND THAT NITROUS OXIDE WAS AN ANAESTHETIC. HE CALLED IT **LAUGHING GAS**.



DR. BEDDOES! I'VE BEEN MADE LECTURER IN CHEMISTRY AT THE GREAT ROYAL INSTITUTION!

THAT'S A HIGH HONOR FOR A YOUNG MAN, HUMPHRY.



WELCOME TO LONDON AND THE ROYAL INSTITUTION.

YOU'LL BE REQUIRED TO LECTURE AND CARRY ON YOUR ELECTRICAL EXPERIMENTS, TOO, MR. DAVY.



DAVY WAS THE WIZARD OF HIS DAY. HE DISCOVERED POTASSIUM, SODIUM, AND MANY OTHER CHEMICALS.

MY DEAR, HE IS AMAZING!

EVERYBODY IS COMING TO HEAR HIM LECTURE.



RISE, SIR HUMPHRY DAVY!

YOUR HIGHNESS!



MEANWHILE, IN ONE OF ENGLAND'S COAL MINES ---

THAT SMELL, SON?

IT'S ONLY FIRE DAMP GAS FROM THE COAL SEAMS. YOU'LL GET USED TO IT.

BUT FIRE DAMP GAS WAS A FATAL EXPLOSIVE/A DEAFENING ROAR--AND 92 MEN AND BOYS LAY DEAD!

DEATH STALKED FROM MINE TO MINE, THROUGHOUT THE LAND.



57 MORE VICTIMS OF EXPLODING FIRE DAMP!



WE CAN'T GO ON! LET'S CLOSE THE MINES.

PERHAPS HUMPHRY DAVY CAN HELP US OVERCOME FIRE DAMP.



WE NEED CANDLES TO SEE BY, DOWN IN THE MINES, SIR HUMPHRY, AND IT'S THE **CANDLES** THAT TOUCH OFF THAT INFERNAL EXPLOSIVE GAS.

SEND ME A SAMPLE OF FIRE DAMP.

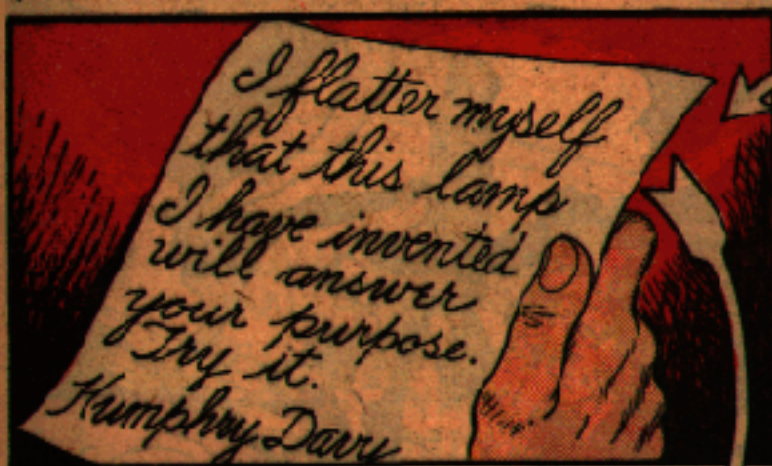


THREE MONTHS LATER---

A POOR SORT OF JOKE FOR DAVY TO PLAY ON US, I'D SAY.

THAT'S A SILLY CONTRAPTION.

LOOK! A LETTER!



I flatter myself that this lamp I have invented will answer your purpose. Try it. Humphry Davy



COME ON, MEN, DOWN INTO THE MINE!

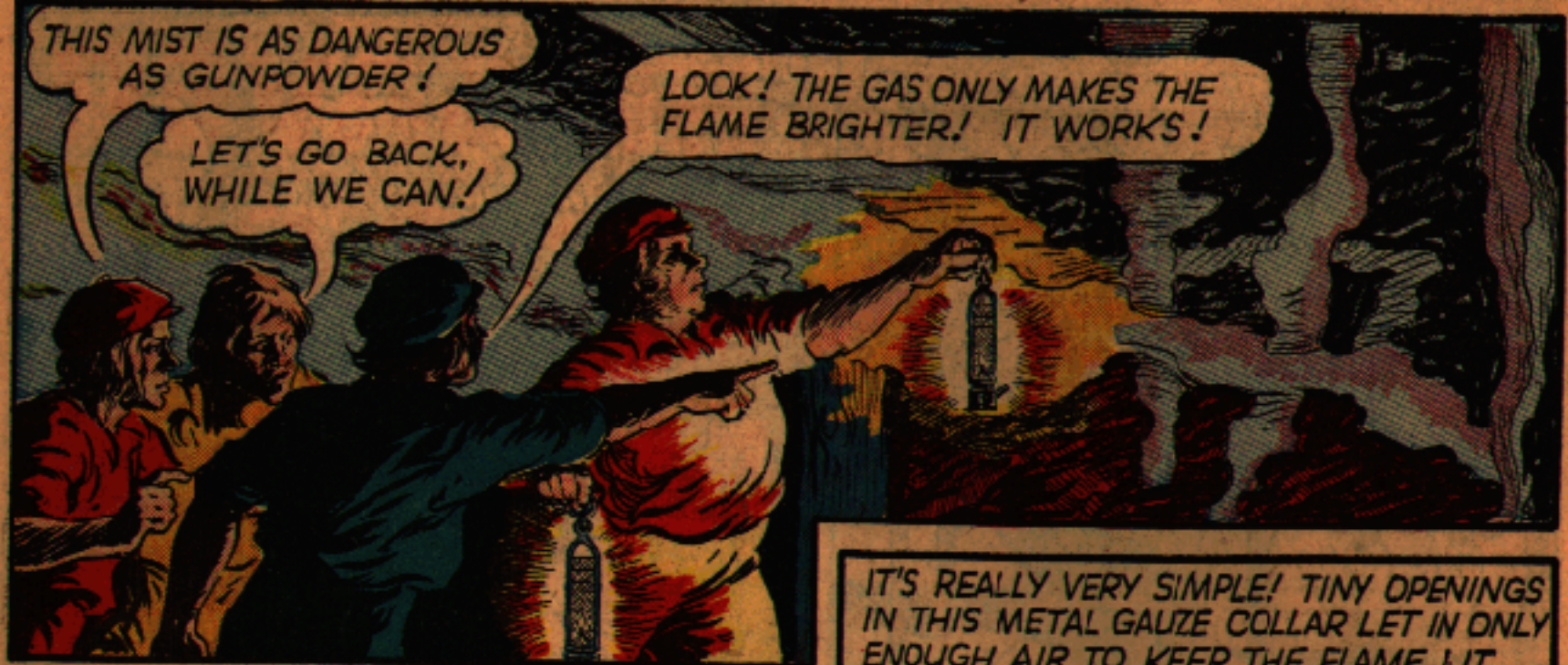
WITH A LAMP THAT HAS A FLAME TWICE THE SIZE OF CANDLES! YOU'RE BALMY!



WE'RE TESTING THE NEW LAMP! FOLLOW ME, MEN!

EASY NOW, LADIES, PLEASE!

DON'T YOU GO, JAMIE!



THIS MIST IS AS DANGEROUS AS GUNPOWDER!

LET'S GO BACK, WHILE WE CAN!

LOOK! THE GAS ONLY MAKES THE FLAME BRIGHTER! IT WORKS!



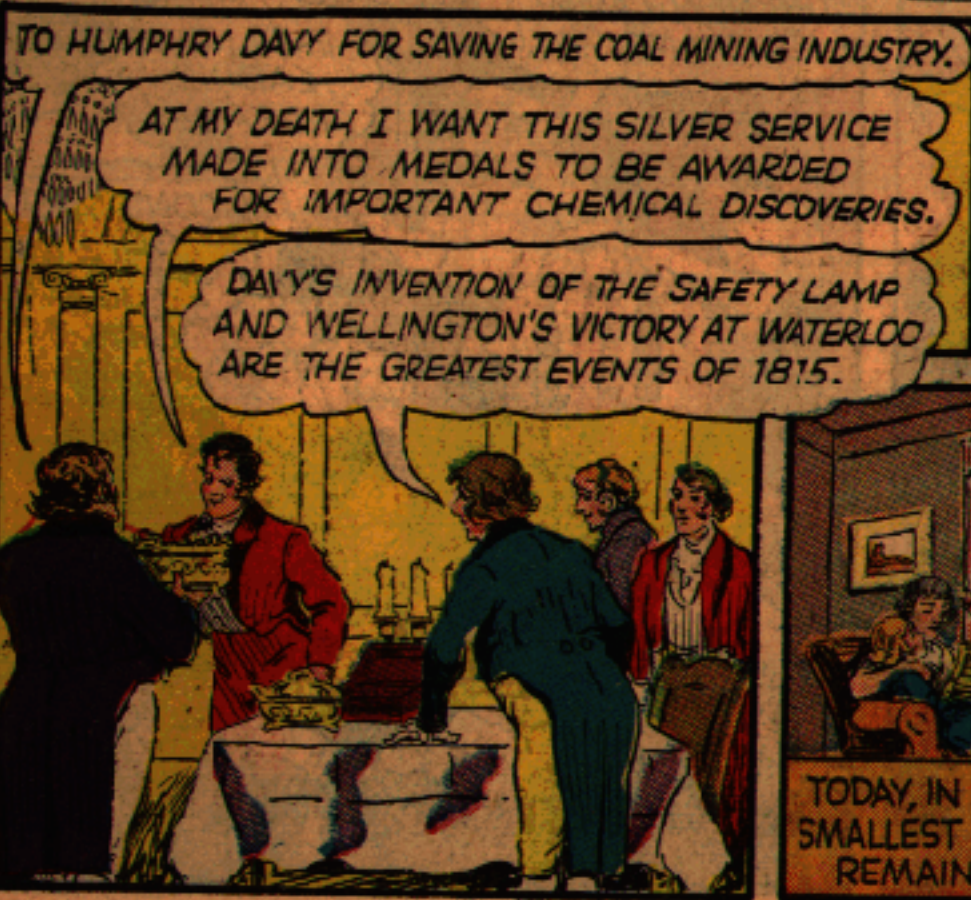
THE MONSTER, FIRE DAMP, IS DESTROYED!

THE "DAVY" HAS SAVED US!

GLORY BE TO DAVY!



IT'S REALLY VERY SIMPLE! TINY OPENINGS IN THIS METAL GAUZE COLLAR LET IN ONLY ENOUGH AIR TO KEEP THE FLAME LIT. AND THE METAL OF THE GAUZE, ABSORBING HEAT, KEEPS THE LAMP SAFELY COOL.



TO HUMPHRY DAVY FOR SAVING THE COAL MINING INDUSTRY.

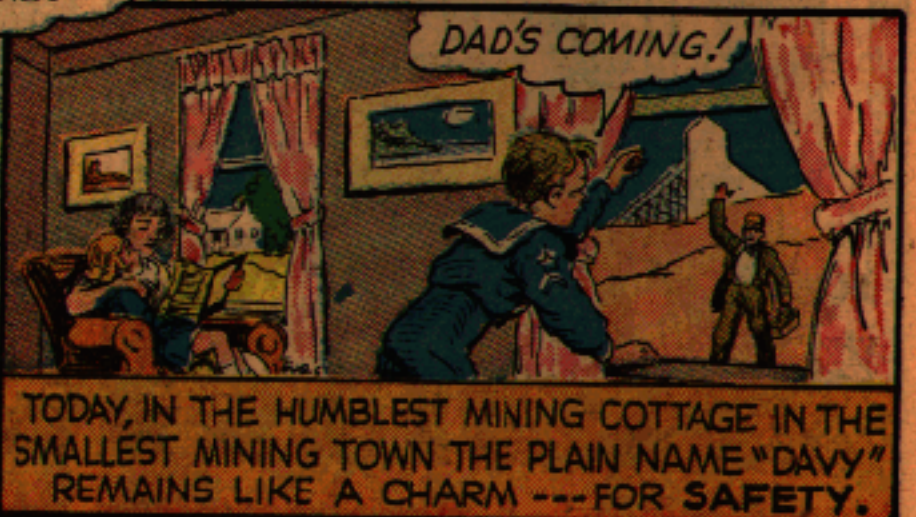
AT MY DEATH I WANT THIS SILVER SERVICE MADE INTO MEDALS TO BE AWARDED FOR IMPORTANT CHEMICAL DISCOVERIES.

DAVY'S INVENTION OF THE SAFETY LAMP AND WELLINGTON'S VICTORY AT WATERLOO ARE THE GREATEST EVENTS OF 1815.



YOU MUST PATENT YOUR SAFETY LAMP, HUMPHRY. IT WILL MAKE YOU A FORTUNE.

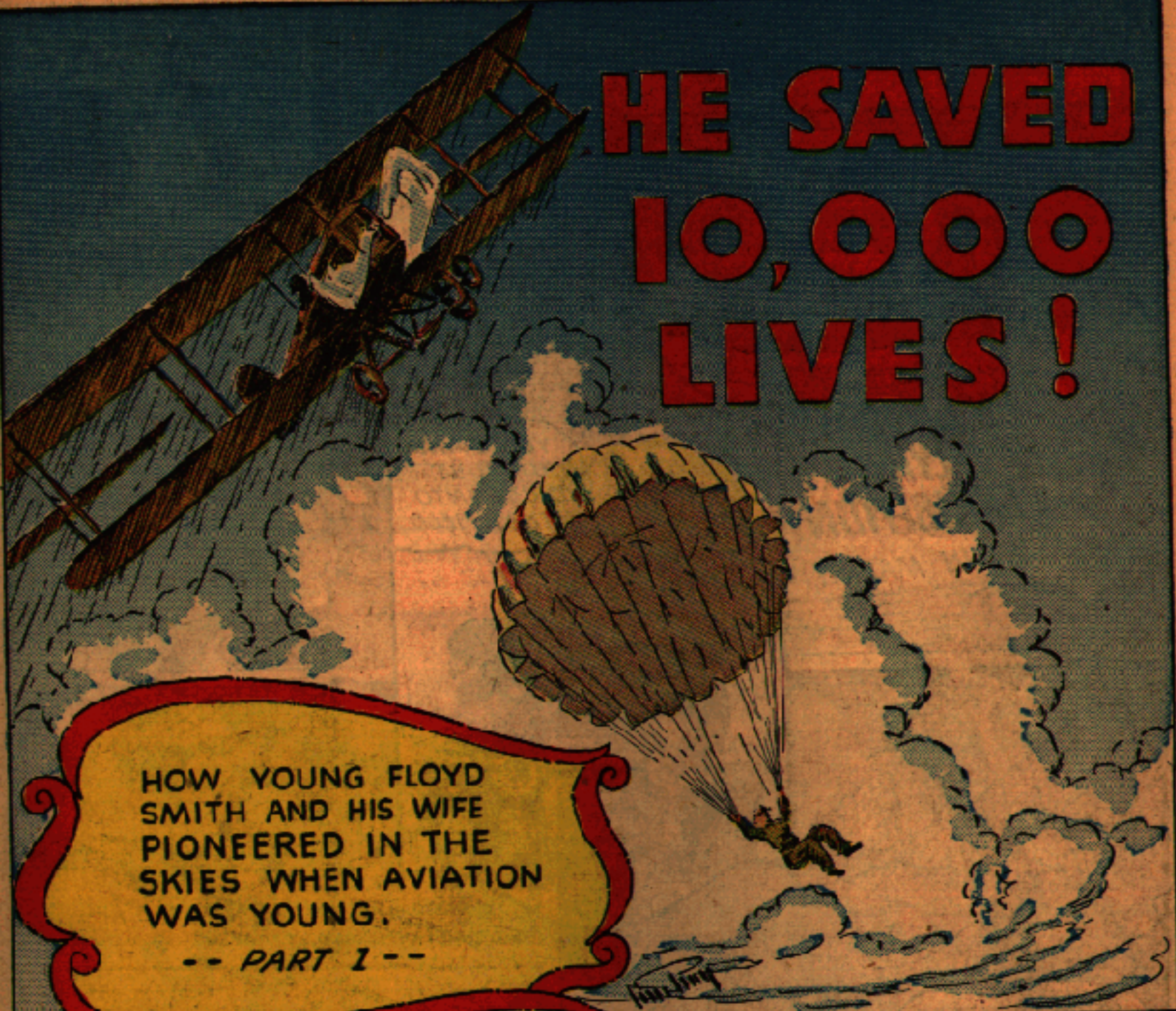
I WANT IT AVAILABLE TO ALL. MY SOLE OBJECT WAS TO SERVE HUMANITY.



DAD'S COMING!

TODAY, IN THE HUMBLEST MINING COTTAGE IN THE SMALLEST MINING TOWN THE PLAIN NAME "DAVY" REMAINS LIKE A CHARM --- FOR SAFETY.

HE SAVED 10,000 LIVES!



HOW YOUNG FLOYD SMITH AND HIS WIFE PIONEERED IN THE SKIES WHEN AVIATION WAS YOUNG.

-- PART 1 --

LATE IN 1911, THE FLYING SYLVESTERS, FAMOUS AERIAL ACROBATIC TEAM, WERE PLAYING ON THE PACIFIC COAST....

LET'S GO, IT'S THE SAME OLD STUFF!

TWO OF THE BEST IN THE ACT WERE FLOYD SMITH AND HIS WIFE, WHO WAS NICKNAMED SIS

OUR ACT IS OLD STUFF, SIS. NO FUTURE IN IT! PEOPLE ARE TIRED OF AERIAL ACROBATS. WE'VE GOT TO GET SOMETHING NEW.



A FEW DAYS LATER, SIS READ A STORY THAT GAVE HER A BRILLIANT IDEA....

WHEN FLOYD CAME HOME....

FLOYD WANTS TO GO IN FOR SOMETHING NEW. WELL, HERE IT IS! LOOK AT ALL THAT PUBLICITY!

LET'S GO FOR A RIDE, FLOYD. I'VE GOT A SURPRISE FOR YOU.

Los Angeles Times
MAMMOTH FLYING EXHIBITION
GLENN MARTIN

WHERE ARE YOU TAKING ME, SIS?

YOU'LL FIND OUT. JUST DRIVE INTO THAT FIELD.



LOOK AT THAT CROWD, SIS! OUR ACT CAN'T DRAW A TENTH AS MANY. HOW LONG HAS THIS BEEN GOING ON?

AIRPLANES! STUNT FLYING EXHIBITION! GREAT SHOW! THERE'S GLENN MARTIN UP THERE— AND BEACHY— LOOK AT 'EM GO!



IN THEIR EXCITEMENT, THE SMITHS ALMOST MISSED GETTING BACK IN TIME FOR THEIR ACT.

IT'S THE GREATEST THING I EVER SAW! WE'RE QUITTING THE ACT, SIS! WE'RE GOING TO FLY!

FLOYD COULD HARDLY WAIT TO QUIT THE ACT.

WHY ARE YOU LEAVING US, FLOYD?

I'M GOING TO BUILD AN AIRPLANE! I WANT TO FLY!

IN JANUARY, 1912, THEY STARTED TO BUILD A BIPLANE AT SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA.



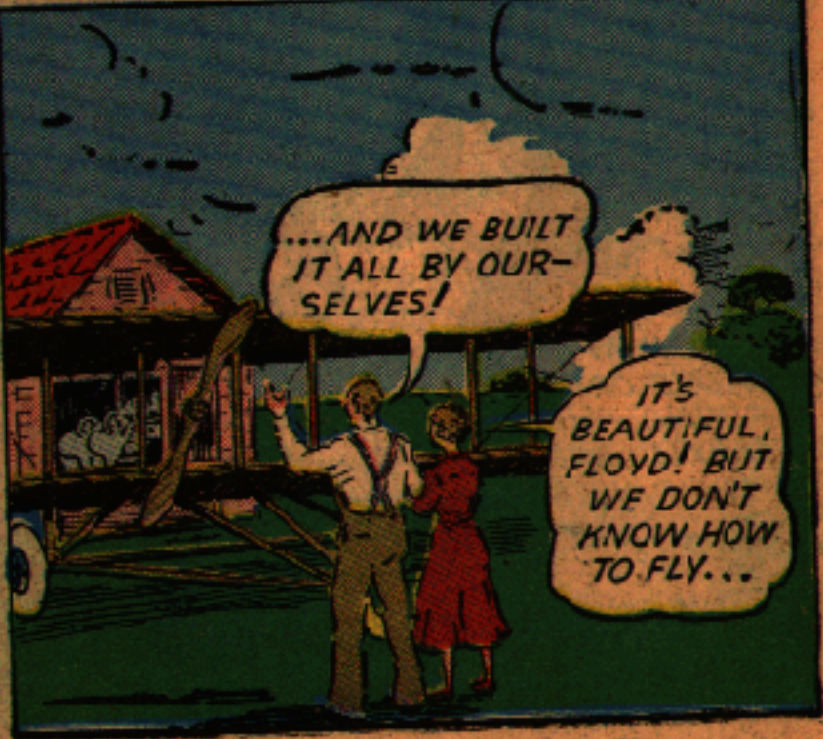
HERE'S THE LAST STRUT, SIS. SHE'S ALMOST FINISHED. ALL WE NEED IS AN ENGINE.

I'LL BE THROUGH SHELLACKING SOON. IT'S A WONDERFUL PLANE, FLOYD.

THE SMITHS DIDN'T HAVE MUCH MONEY LEFT BY THEN, SO THEY WENT TO THE FAMOUS GLENN MARTIN....

IT'S SECOND-HAND BUT A GOOD ENGINE, SMITH. YOU'RE GETTING A BARGAIN.

I'LL TAKE IT.



...AND WE BUILT IT ALL BY OURSELVES!

IT'S BEAUTIFUL, FLOYD! BUT WE DON'T KNOW HOW TO FLY...



NOT KNOWING HOW TO FLY DIDN'T STOP THE HARDY AVIATORS IN THOSE EARLY DAYS! THEY JUST GOT IN AND FLEW!

OH! LOOK! HE'S FLYING! BE CAREFUL, FLOYD!

LATER, FLOYD TOOK SIS UP. SHE, TOO, SOON LEARNED TO FLY.

FLOYD PRACTISED FLYING AND EXHIBITED HIS PLANE TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL THE FARMER WHO OWNED THE FIELD WANTED TO RAISE THE RENT.

SO FLOYD AND SIS FLEW THE GREAT DISTANCE OF 47 MILES TO GRIFFITH PARK, NEAR LOS ANGELES.

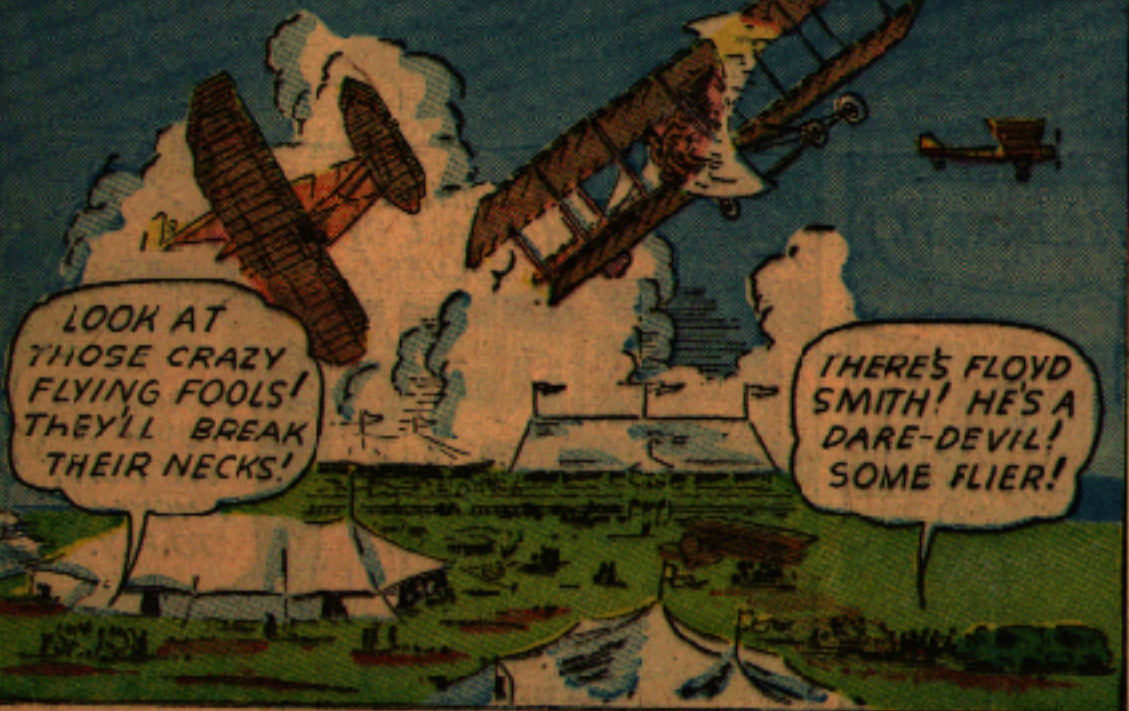


LOOK HERE, SMITH, YOU'VE GOT TO PAY ME \$5!

IT'S TOO MUCH! I'LL MOVE!

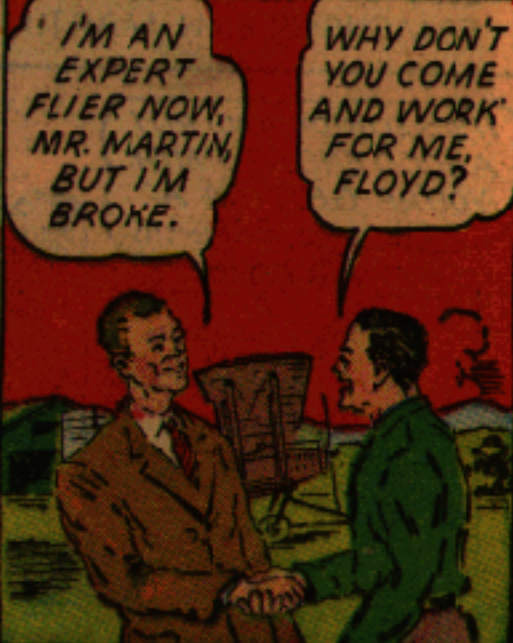
BY THE MIDDLE OF AUGUST, 1912, FLOYD CONSIDERED HIMSELF A FINISHED AVIATOR, AND STARTED OUT BARNSTORMING. FOR A YEAR, HE FLEW ALL OVER THE WEST, STUNT FLYING.

BARNSTORMING BROUGHT LOTS OF THRILLS AND GLORY BUT NOT MUCH MONEY. SO, IN 1914, SMITH WENT TO HIS FRIEND GLENN MARTIN, WHO HAD BECOME THE LEADING AIRPLANE BUILDER IN U.S.A.



LOOK AT THOSE CRAZY FLYING FOOLS! THEY'LL BREAK THEIR NECKS!

THERE'S FLOYD SMITH! HE'S A DARE-DEVIL! SOME FLIER!



I'M AN EXPERT FLIER NOW, MR. MARTIN, BUT I'M BROKE.

WHY DON'T YOU COME AND WORK FOR ME, FLOYD?



YOU'RE DOING A GOOD JOB, FLOYD. I AM MAKING YOU CHIEF PILOT.

THANKS, MR. MARTIN! I'LL TRY TO BE THE BEST ONE YOU EVER HAD.

FLOYD WAS TESTING A PLANE WHEN THE WINGS BROKE OFF. HE JUMPED, WEARING THE OLD TYPE PARACHUTE THAT WAS ATTACHED TO THE PLANE. HE BARELY MISSED BEING TRAPPED IN THE PLANE BY THIS BADLY DESIGNED OLD-STYLE PARACHUTE.



THAT NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH STARTED FLOYD THINKING ABOUT A SAFER PARACHUTE. HE WENT TO CHIEF ENGINEER WILLARD....



THESE 'CHUTES AREN'T SAFE. IT'S TOO HARD TO GET THEM OUT OF A WRECKED PLANE.

YOU SUGGEST A 'CHUTE THAT COULD BE OPENED AT WILL BY THE PILOT?

WHILE FLOYD WAS THINKING ABOUT HIS PARACHUTE IDEA, LOS ANGELES WAS PREPARING TO CELEBRATE THE OPENING OF ITS NEW HARBOR....



MR. MARTIN, WE'LL PAY YOU \$1,000 IF YOU'LL FLY OVER THE HARBOR AND HAVE A WOMAN MAKE A PARACHUTE JUMP.



A DAY BEFORE THE EXHIBITION, MARTIN'S WOMAN PARACHUTIST QUIT.

SAY, FLOYD! WASN'T YOUR WIFE AN AIR STUNT ACROBAT? SHE'S GOT NERVE. WHY CAN'T SHE MAKE THE PARACHUTE JUMP FOR ME?

THAT'S AN IDEA! SHE HAS A COOL HEAD. ASK HER, ANYWAY.

MRS. SMITH, I MUST PUT ON THIS SHOW TOMORROW. I'M GETTING \$1,000 FOR IT. IF YOU MAKE THE JUMP, I'LL GIVE YOU HALF.

GLENN MARTIN'S OFFER GAVE SIS AN IDEA. SHE REMEMBERED THAT GLENN WAS THE BEST INSTRUCTOR IN THE COUNTRY...

JUST BEFORE THE PLANE WENT UP, FLOYD WAS FAR MORE NERVOUS THAN SIS.

MR. MARTIN, YOU CHARGE \$500 FOR A FLYING COURSE. I'LL DO THE JUMP FOR LESSONS INSTEAD OF MONEY.

... AND YOU JUST CLIMB OUT OF THE COCKPIT WITH THE 'CHUTE, JUMP, AND THE LINE ATTACHED TO THE PLANE WILL OPEN THE 'CHUTE



GLENN MARTIN AND SIS CIROLED HIGH ABOVE LOS ANGELES. WHEN GLENN SIGNALLED FOR SIS TO JUMP, SHE CLIMBED OVER THE SIDE OF THE COCKPIT. BUT A GLIMPSE OF THE WATER BELOW MADE HER HESITATE... AND THE RELEASE LINE TANGLED WITH HER PARACHUTE!

BUT, THANKS TO A COOL HEAD AND EXPERIENCE AS AN ACROBAT, SIS GOT OUT OF THE TANGLE. SHE FELL 400 FEET BEFORE HER 'CHUTE OPENED.



LOOK! HER PARACHUTE ISN'T OPENING! SHE'LL BE KILLED!

WHAT A CLOSE SHAVE! THOSE 'CHUTES ARE DANGEROUS. I'M GOING TO INVENT ONE THAT'S SAFER!



SEE IN A FUTURE ISSUE, HOW FLOYD SMITH WENT ON TO DEVELOP A PARACHUTE THAT HAS SAVED 10,000 LIVES!



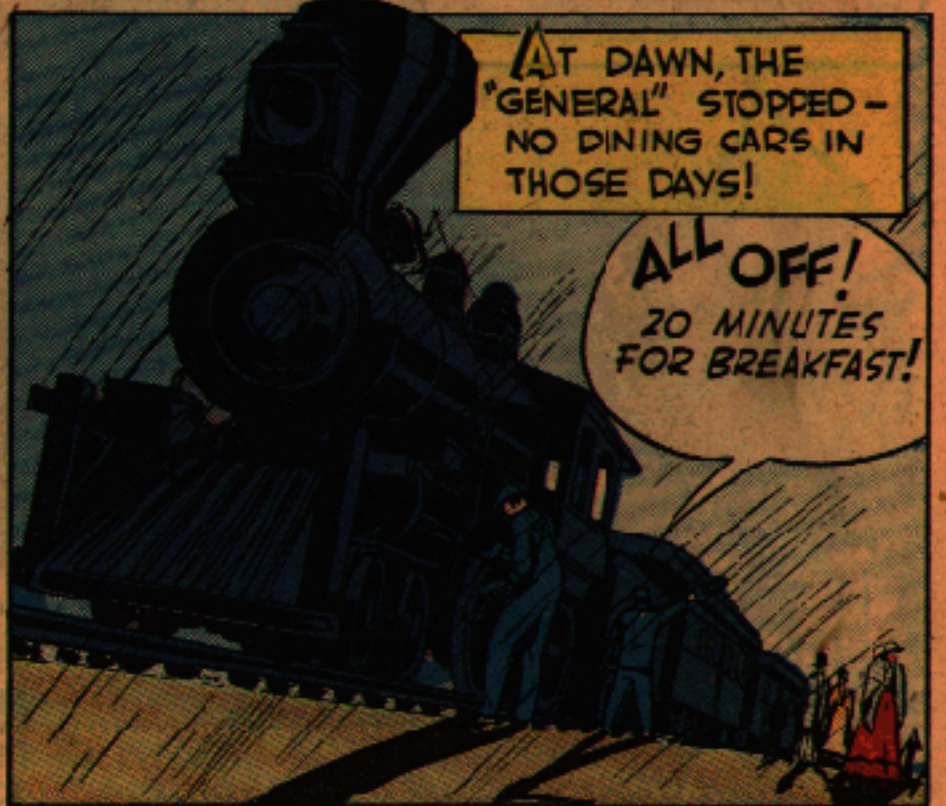
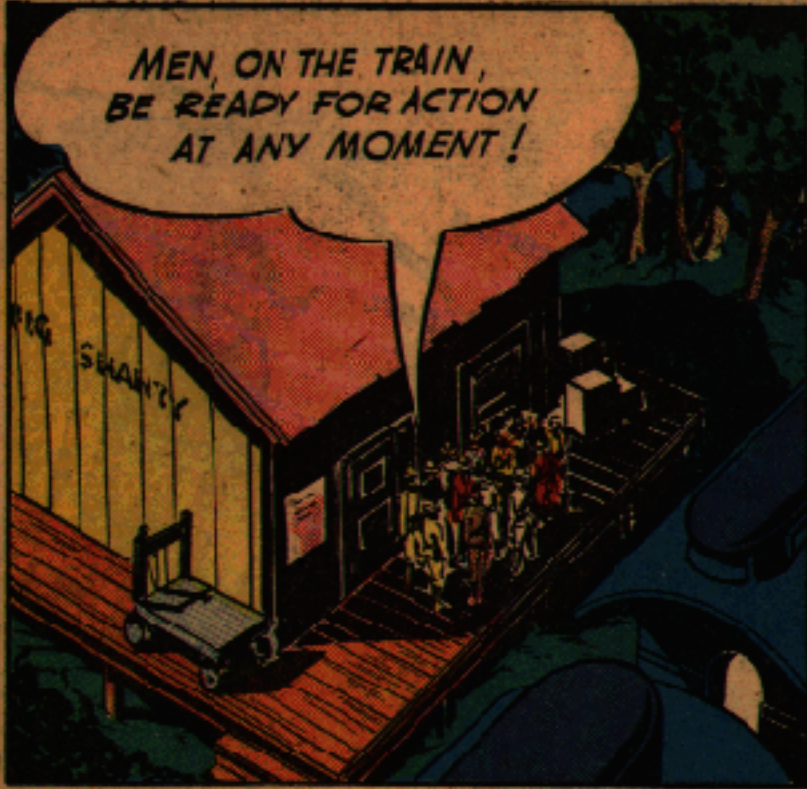
DURING THE CIVIL WAR, TWENTY-ONE UNION SOLDIERS WENT INTO THE ARMED CAMP OF THE CONFEDERATES AND STOLE A TRAIN IN BROAD DAYLIGHT.

HERE'S HOW THEY DID IT!

IN APRIL, 1862, JAMES ANDREWS OF THE UNION ARMY CALLED 24 OF HIS MEN TO A SECRET RENDEZVOUS.
PUT ON SOUTHERN DRESS. GO INTO CONFEDERATE LINES IN SMALL GROUPS. WE MEET IN MARIETTA GEORGIA. WE'RE TO CUT OFF SUPPLIES FROM CHATTANOOGA.

ANDREWS AND 20 MEN REACHED MARIETTA SAFELY.
REMEMBER. WE DON'T KNOW ONE ANOTHER. AT THE STATION, BUY TICKETS FOR DIFFERENT TOWNS ALONG THE CHATTANOOGA LINE.







MY TRAIN!
SOMEONE'S
STOLEN MY
TRAIN!

IMPOSSIBLE!

WHY...!

CAPTAIN FULLER OF THE CONFEDERATE ARMY
GAVE CHASE ON FOOT.

WE MUST
STOP THAT
TRAIN!

THERE'S A
HAND-CAR!



THE "GENERAL" STOPPED FREQUENTLY,
THEY CUT WIRES, AND TORE UP TRACKS.

LOAD SOME OF THE CROSS-TIES ON
THE TRAIN. WE'LL USE THEM TO BURN
THE BRIDGE.
HURRY!



WHEN THEY
REACHED ETOWAH
ANOTHER
TRAIN
WAS
THERE!

WHAT'LL
WE DO?

CAREFUL.
DON'T ATTRACT
ATTENTION.



MEANWHILE, THE
PURSUERS!



SWISH!

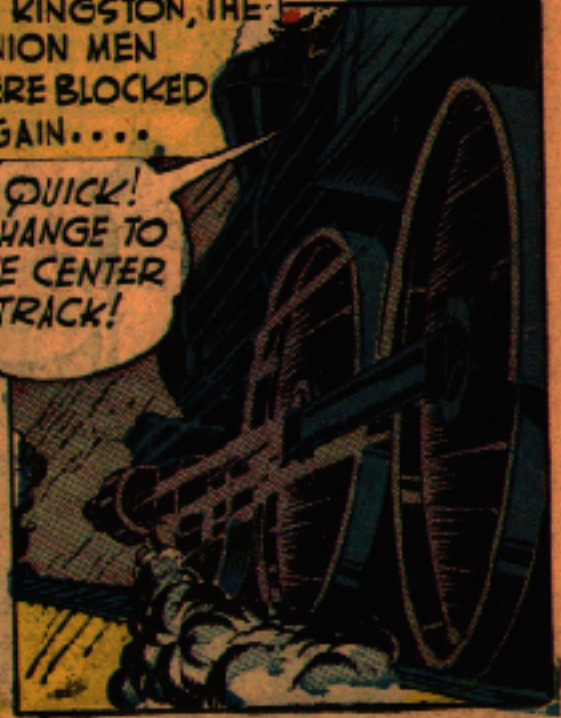
THE CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS FINALLY REACHED
THE TRAIN AT ETOWAH.

COME ON, MEN, ALL
ABOARD. WE'LL CATCH
UP WITH THE
NORTHERN SPIES!



AT KINGSTON, THE
UNION MEN
WERE BLOCKED
AGAIN....

QUICK!
CHANGE TO
THE CENTER
TRACK!



WHEN ANOTHER TRAIN ROLLED IN...

WE'RE LOSING TIME. WE'LL NEVER GET OUT OF THIS!

LOOK! ANOTHER TRAIN'S ARRIVING!

BOLDLY, ANDREWS WENT UP TO THE CONDUCTOR.

WHY IS THIS ROAD BLOCKED? I HAVE ORDERS TO GET THIS POWDER TO CHATTANOOGA AT ONCE.

THE PASSENGERS OF THE OTHER TRAINS WERE GETTING SUSPICIOUS.

TELL THE MEN TO BE READY TO FIGHT!

YES, SIR!

BUT FINALLY THE TRACKS WERE CLEARED.

WE'VE LOST AN HOUR. HURRY!

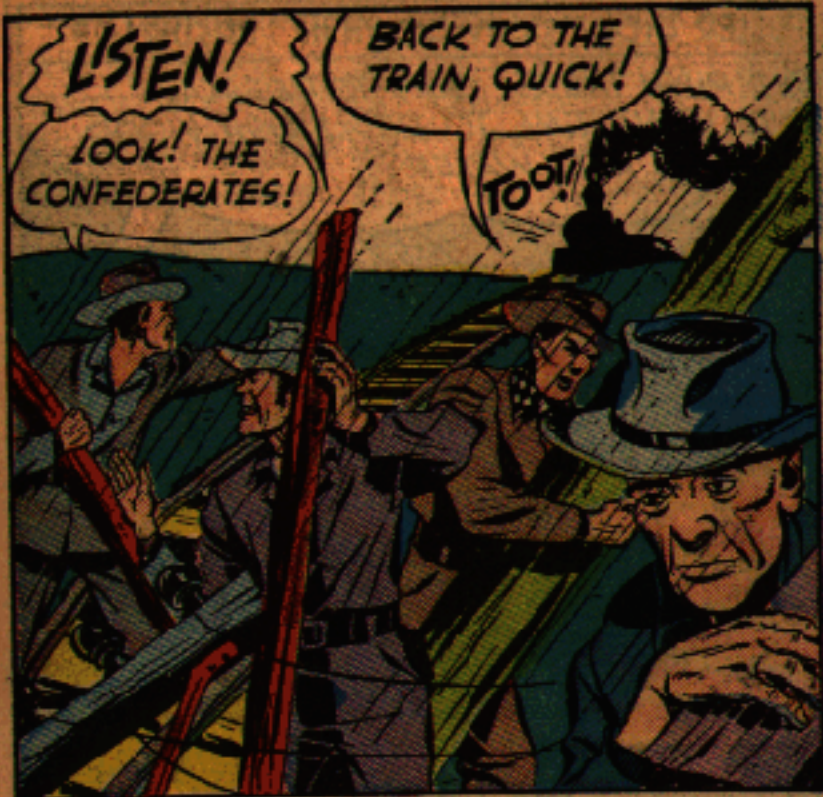
THE "GENERAL" WAS GONE 4 MINUTES WHEN FULLER ARRIVED...

QUICK! TO THE TRAIN! THOSE WERE NORTHERNERS!

YOU FOOL! I KNEW... I TOLD YOU!

FOUR MILES OUT OF KINGSTON.

CUT THE TRACK HERE!



LISTEN!
LOOK! THE CONFEDERATES!

BACK TO THE TRAIN, QUICK!

TOOT!



THE "GENERAL" WAS TRAVELING MORE THAN A MILE A MINUTE...

MORE FUEL HERE!



AT CALHOUN, MORE BAD LUCK!

A TRAIN! IF I DON'T SWITCH TRACKS WE'LL CRASH!



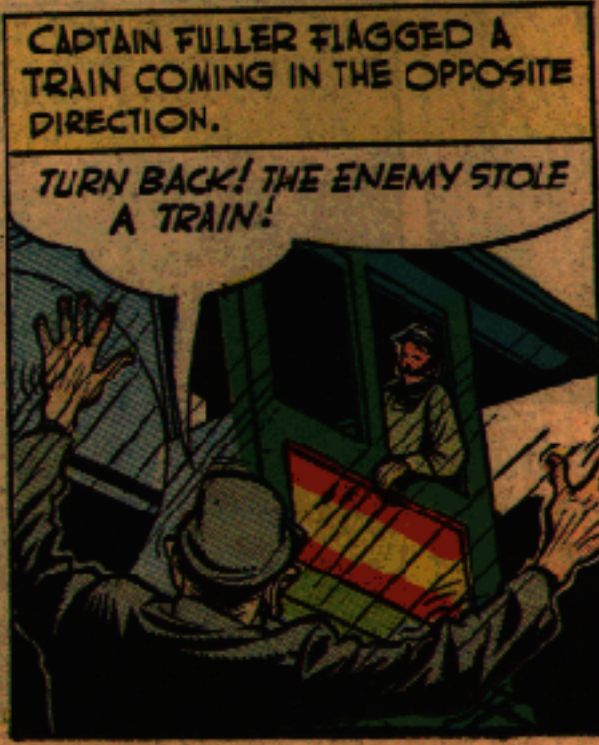
WHEW! THAT WAS CLOSE!



MEANWHILE, FULLER AND THE CONFEDERATES...

IF WE'D HIT THAT BROKEN RAIL WE'D HAVE BEEN KILLED!

COME ON, LET'S CONTINUE ON FOOT.



CAPTAIN FULLER FLAGGED A TRAIN COMING IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION.

TURN BACK! THE ENEMY STOLE A TRAIN!



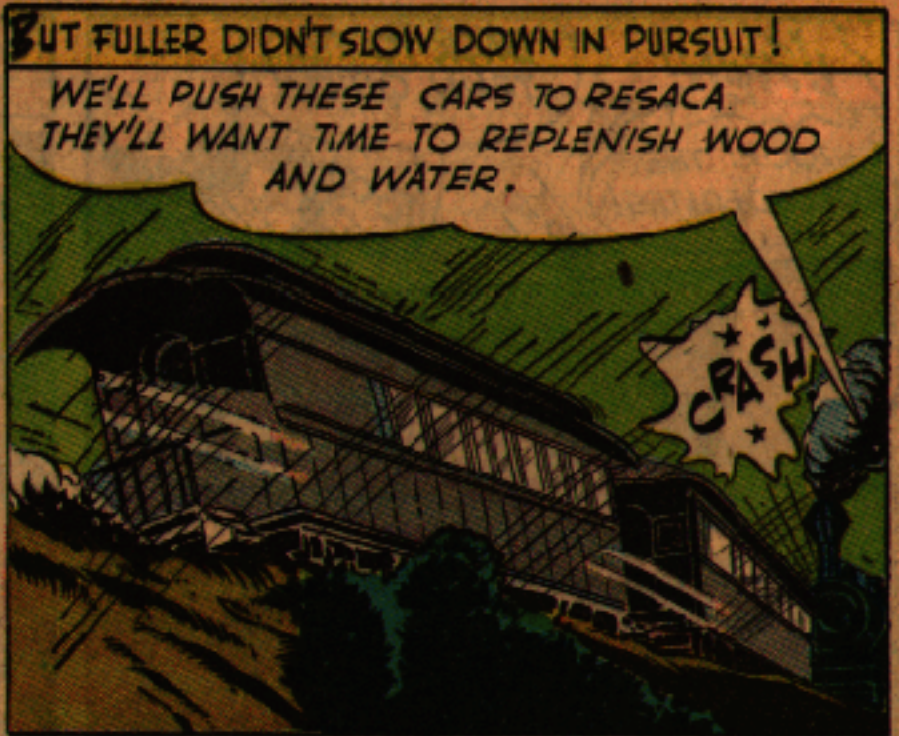
THE "GENERAL" RACED ON, DESTROYING AS IT WENT.

IF WE CAN REACH THE OOSTENAULA BRIDGE AND BURN IT, THE CONFEDERATES WILL BE POWERLESS.



THE CONFEDERATE TRAIN'S GAINING!

WE MUST SPEED UP! DETACH TWO CARS.



BUT FULLER DIDN'T SLOW DOWN IN PURSUIT! WE'LL PUSH THESE CARS TO RESACA. THEY'LL WANT TIME TO REPLENISH WOOD AND WATER.



MILE AFTER MILE THE CHASE WENT ON.

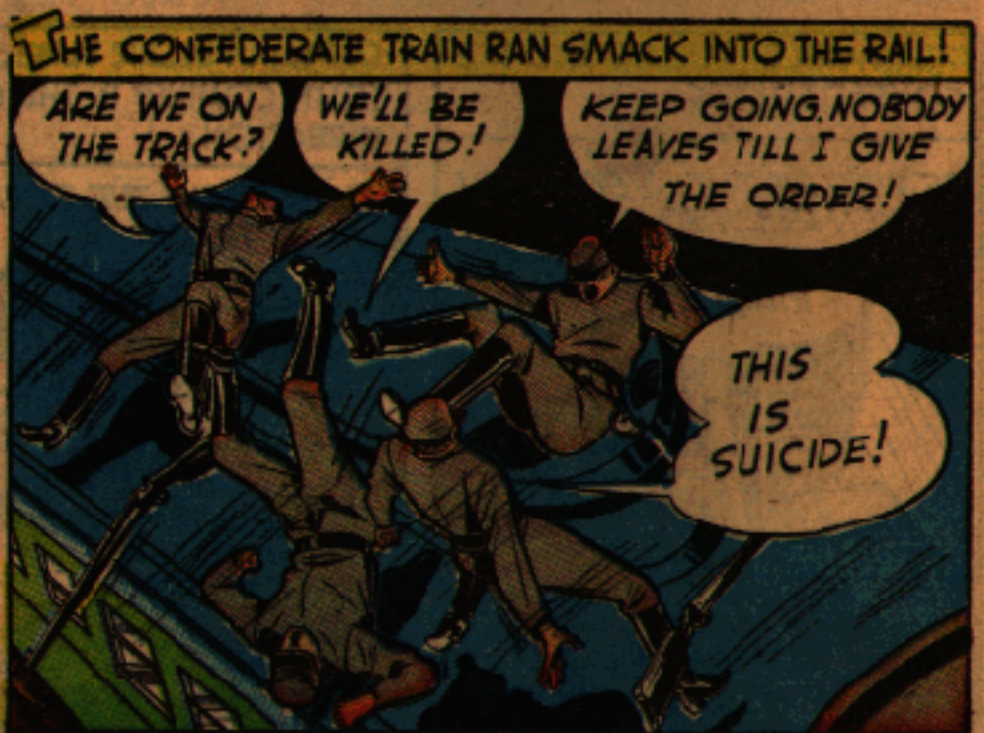
KEEP DROPPING CROSS-TIES!



BANG!
BANG!



WE'RE GAINING! DROP ANOTHER RAIL.



THE CONFEDERATE TRAIN RAN SMACK INTO THE RAIL!

ARE WE ON THE TRACK?

WE'LL BE KILLED!

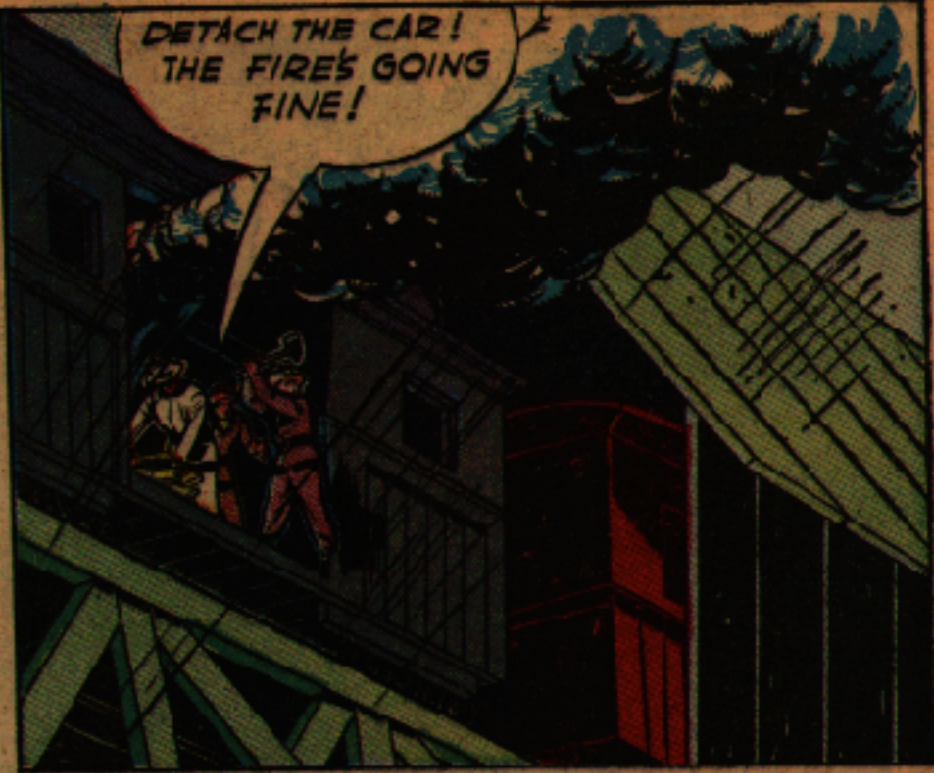
KEEP GOING. NOBODY LEAVES TILL I GIVE THE ORDER!

THIS IS SUICIDE!



THE CONFEDERATES
ARE GAINING
ONCE MORE!
OUR FUEL'S
RUNNING
LOW.

KEEP ON!
WE'LL BURN THE
COVERED
BRIDGE.



DETACH THE CAR!
THE FIRE'S GOING
FINE!



THE YANKEES ARE BURN-
ING OUR BRIDGE! HOLD
YOUR BREATH, MEN!
WE'RE GOING THROUGH
THAT FIRE!



JUST IN
TIME - WE'LL
SAVE THE
BRIDGE!



THE BRIDGE WAS SAVED. THE
NORTHERNERS HAD FAILED TO
CUT OFF CHATTANOOGA.

ANDREWS
AND HIS MEN
FAILED - BUT WHAT A
DARING ATTEMPT IT
WAS! FOR OTHER STORIES
OF SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN
HEROES IN THE CIVIL WAR,
SEE FUTURE ISSUES OF
THIS MAGAZINE.

TRY YOUR WITS! SEE PAGE 49

SHOW KINGS AND QUEENS



TOPS IN BOB-SLEDDING, MOST DEATH-DEFYING OF WINTER SPORTS, IS PRETTY 24-YEAR-OLD **KATHARINE DEWEY.**



SHE'S HEAD NURSE IN A LARGE NEW YORK HOSPITAL ... AND CAN BOB SLED ONLY ON WEEK-ENDS.





ON 1940 SHE PRACTISED ONLY ONE DAY WITH THREE OF THE LOCAL BOYS ...



... STEERED THE 25 ICY HAIR-PIN TURNS AT LAKE PLACID AT 70 MILES AN HOUR ...



... AND WON THE SENIOR BOB-SLED CHAMPIONSHIP.

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BUILDERS OF CANADA

THE COUNT OF FRONTENAC



IN 1682 CANADA WAS A FRENCH PROVINCE. UNTIL THE COUNT FRONTENAC TOOK COMMAND THE SETTLERS HAD MANY TROUBLES WITH THE INDIANS.

THE INDIANS CALLED HIM ONONTIO .. "GREAT MOUNTAIN".

MY FIRST TASK IS TO MAKE THE INDIANS OUR FRIENDS.

LET US BURY THE HATCHET! YOU SPEAK WELL, ONONTIO.



BUT IN FRANCE ...

WHEN HE LEFT, THE INDIANS RESUMED THEIR RAIDS!

FRONTENAC WOULD MAKE HIMSELF KING OF CANADA, YOUR MAJESTY!



REMOVE HIM AT ONCE!



THE TROUBLE GREW TILL, IN 1689..



BUT SOON AFTERWARDS, WAR BROKE OUT BETWEEN ENGLAND AND FRANCE! 34 SHIPS AND 2200 ENGLISHMEN UNDER SIR WILLIAM PHIPS WERE SENT AGAINST QUEBEC!

FRONTENAC WAS WITH THE INDIANS WHEN THE NEWS REACHED HIM!



THE BRITISH SQUADRON FINALLY REACHED QUEBEC'S HARBOR!



SIR WILLIAM PHIPS
HAS SENT ME
TO ASK YOU
TO SURRENDER.

I HAVE NO
ANSWER BUT
FROM THE MOUTHS
OF MY CANNON!



THE BRITISH LANDED 1300 MEN ...

WE'LL TAKE
QUEBEC
WITHOUT FIRING
A SHOT!



AMBUSH!

FOR
FRONTENAC
AND
FRANCE!



FRONTENAC'S MEN
SHOOT FROM
BEHIND TREES!

THE COWARDS!
THEY'RE NO BETTER
THAN INDIANS!



SIR, THE FRENCH
HAVE BEATEN
OUR LAND
FORCES!

THEN WE
MUST ATTACK
WITH THE FLEET!

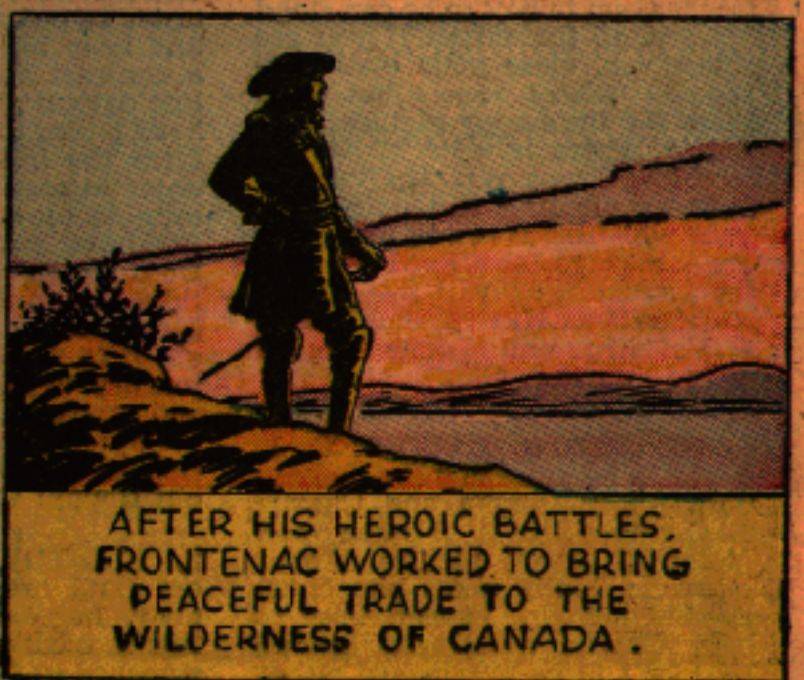


FIRE!





FRONTENAC'S TACTICS WORKED !



MOVIE GUIDE

Brief Reviews Of Films You Will Want To See

DUDE COWBOY Tim Holt is getting to be so good an actor that he is frequently drafted for dramatic roles, all of which adds to his popularity as a hero of Westerns. In this story there is mystery as well as riding and shooting, excellent cowboy music and beautiful landscapes. Who are the counterfeiters and where is their hideout are the questions you'll be most interested in. With Tim Holt to answer them you can sit back and enjoy yourself. (RKO)

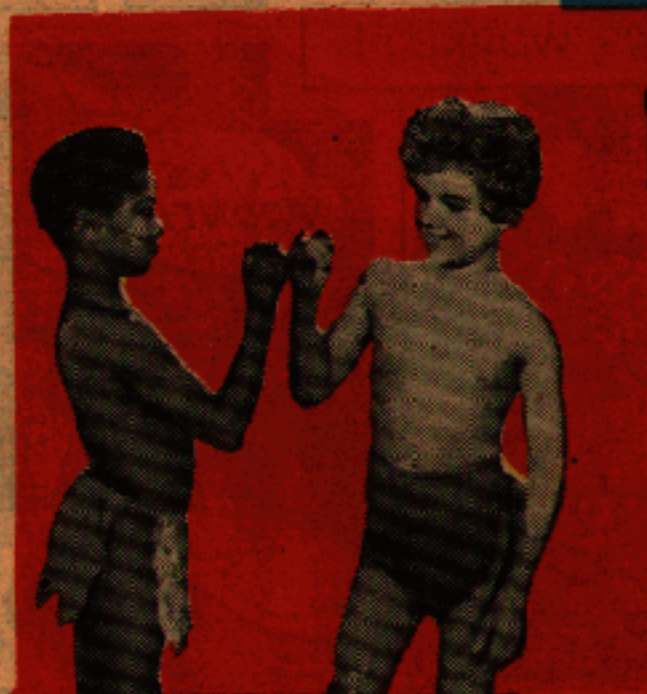
HOW GREEN WAS MY VALLEY Do you remember that time the teacher gave you "Treasure Island" to read and told you it was a classic? You probably expected it to be dull "required" reading. But the magic of the story soon caught you in its web and you read it clear through in one gulp. So too you will go to see "How Green Was My Valley." You will have heard that it is a masterpiece and so you may approach it warily. But from the first opening scenes of the Welsh Valley, you will be entranced with its story and its beauty, just as you were by "Treasure Island." "How Green Was My Valley" is the story of a boy whose family live in a Welsh mining village. His father and four brothers work in the mines and he too wants to be a coal miner. Huw's growth from innocence to a realization of the occasional harshness of living will help you understand the problems we must all face. Huw is beaten up the first day he goes to school, but a friend of his father teaches him to box so he can stand his ground thereafter. If you are squeamish, close your eyes during the school scenes but open them for the happy pictures that follow. There is a lot of singing in "How Green Was My Valley." It is as pleasing and natural as your whistling is to you when you are working. John Ford directed the picture. You will like Roddy McDowall as Huw, Donald Crisp as his father and Walter Pidgeon as the minister. (Fox)

LOOK WHO'S LAUGHING It ought to be you laughing merrily with Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy, Fibber McGee and Molly all in one picture. Fibber blunders, Molly takes him down several notches, Bergen tries to help, Charlie wisecracks. Lucille Ball isn't to be overlooked either

—she's a nice girl, and Edgar knows it. (RKO)

MOONLIGHT IN HAWAII The Merry Maes, Johnny Downe, and Jane Frazee lend youthful gaiety to a tuneful comedy. Leon Errol's plight when faced with a roomful of china brings chuckles. (Univ.)

RIDERS OF THE TIMBERLINE Hopalong Cassidy (Bill Boyd) in addition to his prancing white steed rides a new and very dangerous conveyance in one exciting



sequence of this Western. The scene is a lumber camp which the villains have been molesting in order to put a jinx on the owner and keep his men from finishing a contract on time. To make up lost days Hoppy rigs up an overhead pulley to shoot the logs down from the hills. Now the villains enter in earnest and plant dynamite to blow up the dam which furnishes power for the pulley. Does Hoppy wait for his horse to take him to the scene of trouble? Mercy no, he climbs on a log about to make the perilous aerial journey to the bottom of the hill and arrives just in time to throw the dynamite in the general direction of the fleeing villains. Good old Hoppy! (Para.)

SMALL TOWN DEB Jane Withers puts her family's happiness above her own and saves her father's business and her sister's romance in typical Withers' fash-



Charlie McCarthy looks fetching with a lamp shade on his head but let's hope nobody tries to light him. He's in "Look Who's Laughing." (RKO)

Johnny Sheffield is Tarzan's son and is keen on adventure as his father. Here he is with a native friend in "Tarzan's Secret Treasure." (MGM)

ion. But that's not all—Jane plays the drums with a wicked rhythm, and when she gets dressed for her first ball she almost outshines Cinderella. Her boy friend who has been stumbling over everybody for most of the picture turns out to be pretty slick looking too. Altogether a nice story. (Fox)

TARGET FOR TONIGHT It is a wonderful experience to see actual R.A.F. flyers planning a flight over Germany and then carrying it out. The target is a Nazi oil dump and most excitingly a direct hit is scored. The men who man the bomber have made over 200 flights over Germany and every man in the picture, from Commander-in-Chief to aircraft hand plays his own real-life role in the fight for England. You'll be more thrilled than ever by the skill, bravery and splendid spirit of these youthful members of the R.A.F. (Warner)

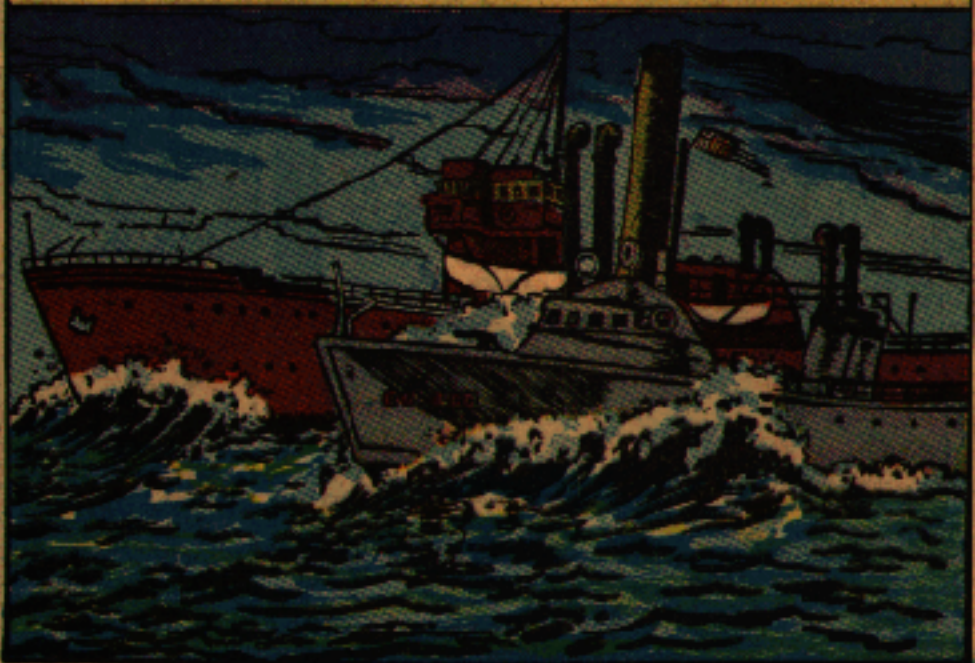
Unsung Heroes



THE DRAMATIC RESCUE OF PAUL LONG IS BUT ONE OF THE ANNALS OF THE COAST GUARD-- A SERVICE WHICH EVERY DAY PERFORMS HEROIC DEEDS.

IN JANUARY, 1933, A VIOLENT STORM BLEW PAUL LONG'S 18 FOOT SKIFF OFF SHORE AT CAPE CANAVERAL, FLORIDA.

AN APPEAL FROM THE BOY'S MOTHER SENT COAST GUARD BOATS RACING FROM PALM BEACH.



BUT THE CUTTERS DID NOT FIND PAUL.

FOUR HOURS AND NO SIGHT OF THE POOR KID!

HOW COULD ANYONE SURVIVE THIS STORM IN A SKIFF!

AT MIAMI, COAST GUARD AVIATION BASE, LIEUTENANT COMMANDER CARL VON PAULSEN PICKED THE CREW FOR THE FLYING LIFE-BOAT, ARCTURUS.

I'D BETTER WARN YOU. IT'S DANGEROUS TO FLY IN THIS WEATHER.

CARL VON PAULSEN FLEW INTO THE TEETH OF THE FURIOUS GALE.

VISIBILITY'S POOR. I'LL HAVE TO FLY PRETTY CLOSE TO THE SEA.

HE ARRIVED AT CAPE CANAVERAL...

LOOK FOR THE SOUTH-EAST CURRENT.

HERE IS CAPE CANAVERAL. NO SIGN OF PAUL LONG!

WE'LL FOLLOW THE SOUTHEAST CURRENT. I'LL WAGER WE'LL FIND THE KID IF HE'S ALIVE.

30 MILES EAST OF CAPE CANAVERAL.

THERE'S THE SKIFF. THE BOY'S STILL ALIVE!

GOOD! STAND BY!



YOU SHARKS AREN'T GOING TO COME TOO CLOSE!



NIGHTFALL'S ONLY ONE AND A HALF HOURS AWAY, AND THE NEAREST CUTTER IS 86 MILES FROM HERE. THE KID LOOKS EXHAUSTED. HE'LL NOT LAST THROUGH THE NIGHT. WE'LL HAVE TO PICK HIM UP.



DUMP ALL SURPLUS GASOLINE OVERBOARD.

YES, SIR!



THE SKIPPER'S GOT PLENTY OF NERVE. WE'RE NEARLY SURE TO CRACK UP!

SO WHAT?



THE VALVES ARE JAMMED!



THE RESERVE FUEL TANK PIPES BURST! GASOLINE SEEPED THROUGH THE ARCTURUS, PUTTING HER IN DANGER OF **FIRE!!!**



SPRAY THE GAS WITH PYRENE!



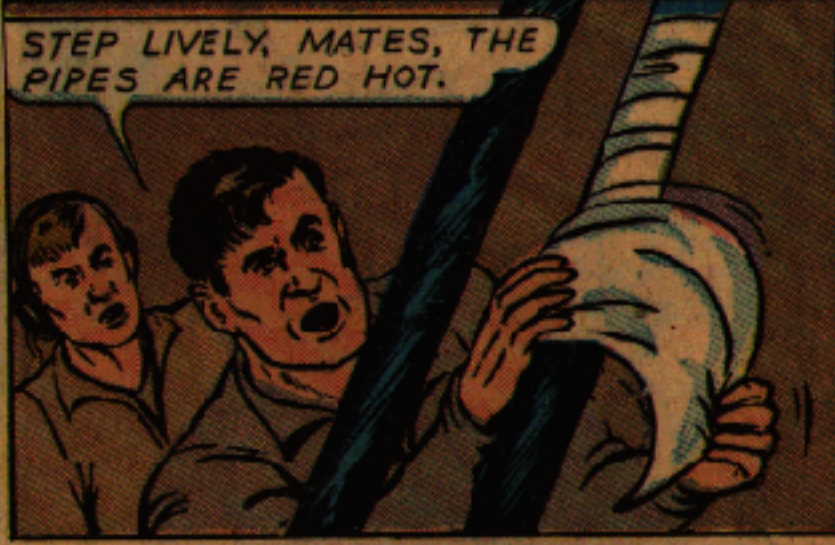
GOSHI THAT WAS A CLOSE CALL.

BUT PYRENE MIXED WITH GASOLINE FORMS A DANGEROUS GAS.

RACING AGAINST TIME, THE ARCTURUS CREW WRAPPED THE HOT EXHAUST PIPES WITH CLOTH.



THAT GAS! IT BURNS!

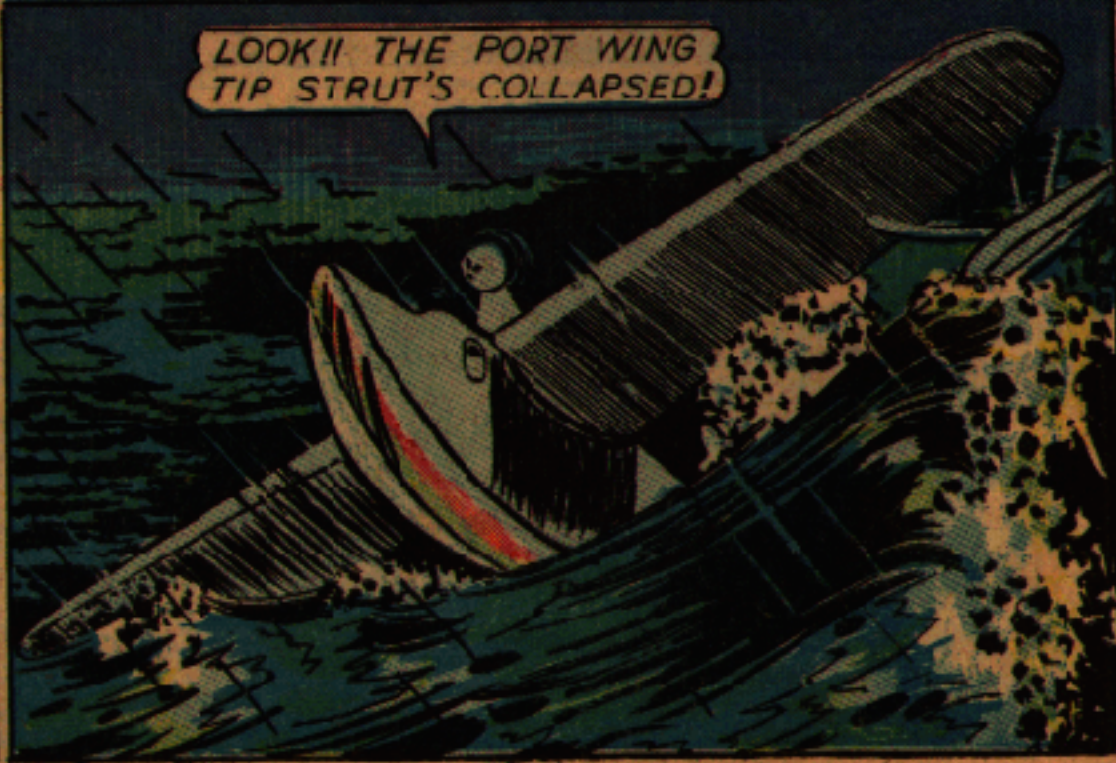


STEP LIVELY, MATES, THE PIPES ARE RED HOT.

VON PAULSEN PUT THE ARCTURUS INTO A SHALLOW GLIDE.

STAND BY FOR LANDING.

LOOK!! THE PORT WING TIP STRUT'S COLLAPSED!



IF THE BROKEN STRUT KEEPS POUNDING AT THE WING LIKE THAT, WE'LL BE SHIPWRECKED!

I'LL CUT THE STRUT WIRES, SIR.

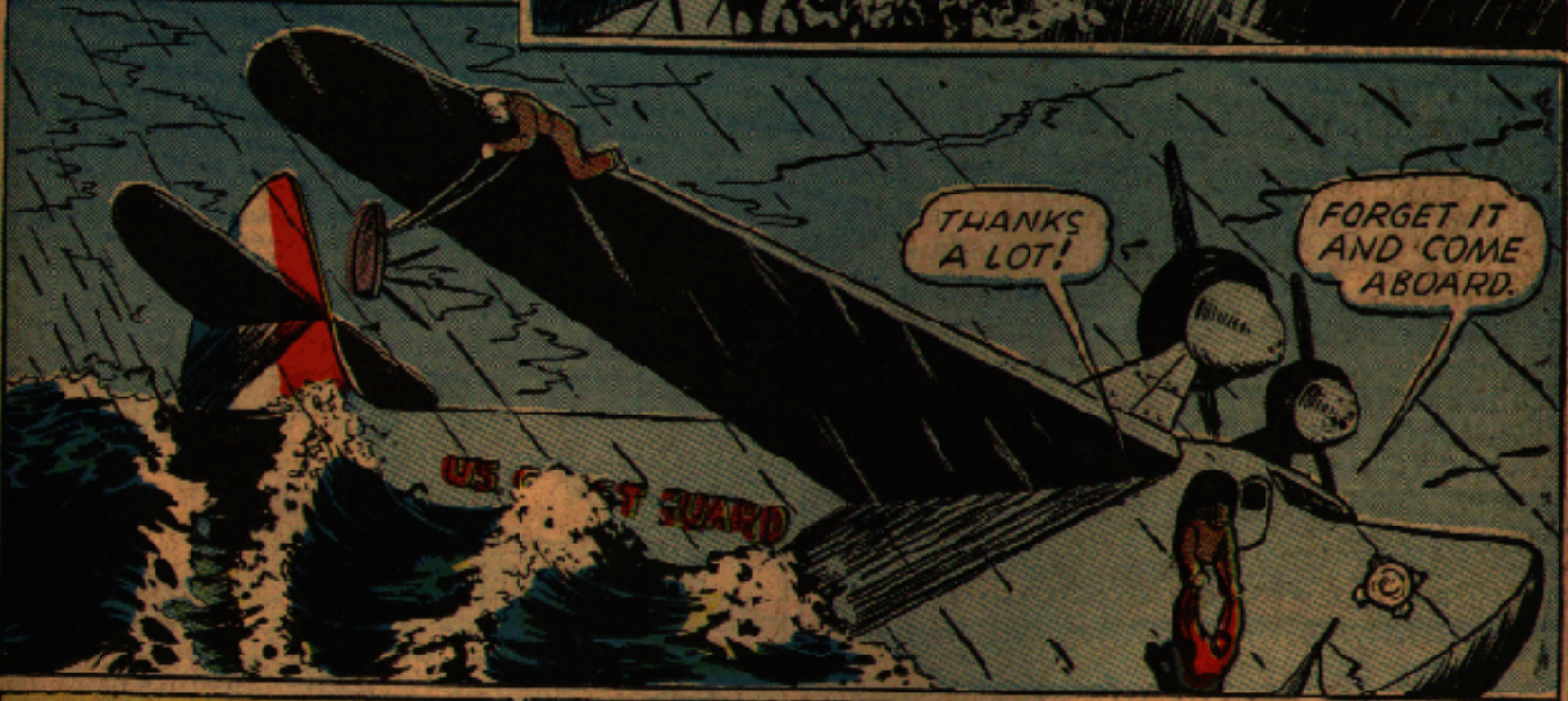


WITH ANGRY SEAS SMASHING OVER HIM AND HUNGRY SHARKS AWAITING HIM, RADIOMAN MAC KENZIE CRAWLED ON THE PITCHING WING TOWARD THE BROKEN STRUT.

(SPUTTER)... THAT LAST WAVE ALMOST GOT ME!



WHILE MACKENZIE, CLUTCHING THE WING WITH ONE HAND, CUT THE STRUT, VON PAULSEN PICKED UP PAUL LONG.



THANKS A LOT!

FORGET IT AND COME ABOARD.

HIS DANGEROUS JOB DONE, MAC KENZIE RETURNED TO THE PLANE'S CABIN.

I FIXED IT, SIR.

HERE-TAKE MY LIFE JACKET. IT WILL KEEP YOU WARM.



THEN VON PAULSEN TOOK OFF.



SKIPPER! THE PORT WING'S BREAKING!

STAND BY FOR EMERGENCY LANDING!





I'LL TRY TO GLIDE TO A LANDING-- HERE'S HOPING.



THE SEA IS TOO ROUGH TO TAXI-- WE'LL HAVE TO RIDE IT OUT. MACKENZIE, RADIO FOR HELP!

BUILT LIKE A SUBMARINE, THE COAST GUARD FLYING BOAT RODE THE STORM, CARRIED SLOWLY BUT SURELY TOWARD LAND.



THE NEXT DAY, AS THE STORM ABATED, A COAST GUARD TUGBOAT TOWED THE ARCTURUS BACK TO MIAMI FOR REPAIRS.

DRIVEN TO BETHEL SHOALS, VON PAULSEN TAXIED TOWARD LAND WHERE A CUSTOMS PATROLMAN FOUND THEM.



THOSE PILOTS MUST BE CRAZY TO FLY IN THIS KIND OF WEATHER!!



THIS ENDS A DRAMATIC EXAMPLE OF COAST GUARD HEROISM. BUT, TO LIEUTENANT COMMANDER CARL VON PAULSEN AND HIS CREW, IT WAS ALL IN A DAY'S WORK.

A PIG THAT MADE HISTORY



IN 1637, A POOR WOMAN NAMED MRS. SHERMAN LIVED NEAR BOSTON. SHE OWNED ONLY ONE PIG, THE HERO OF THIS STORY.

GO GET YOURSELF SOMETHING TO EAT!

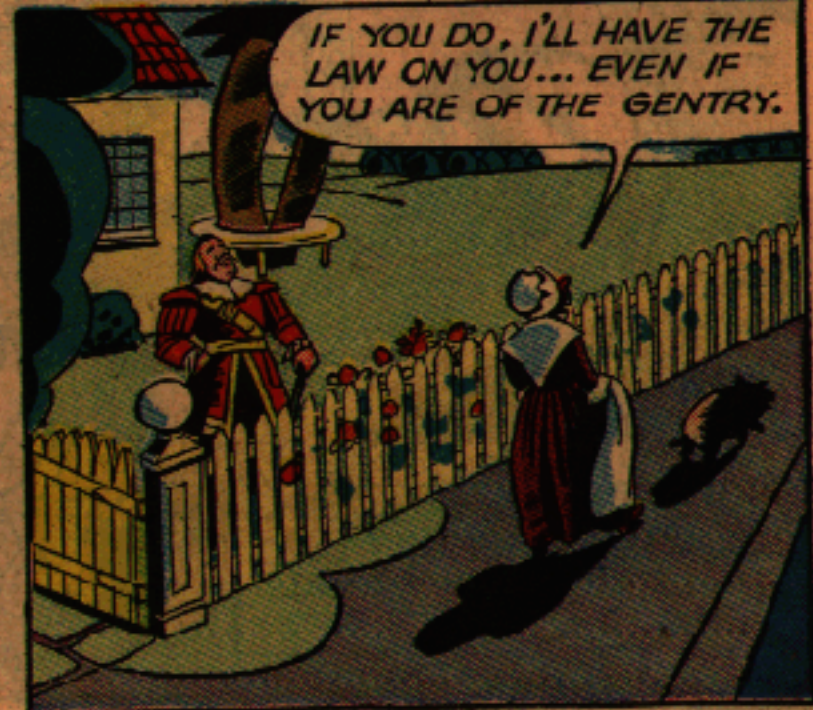
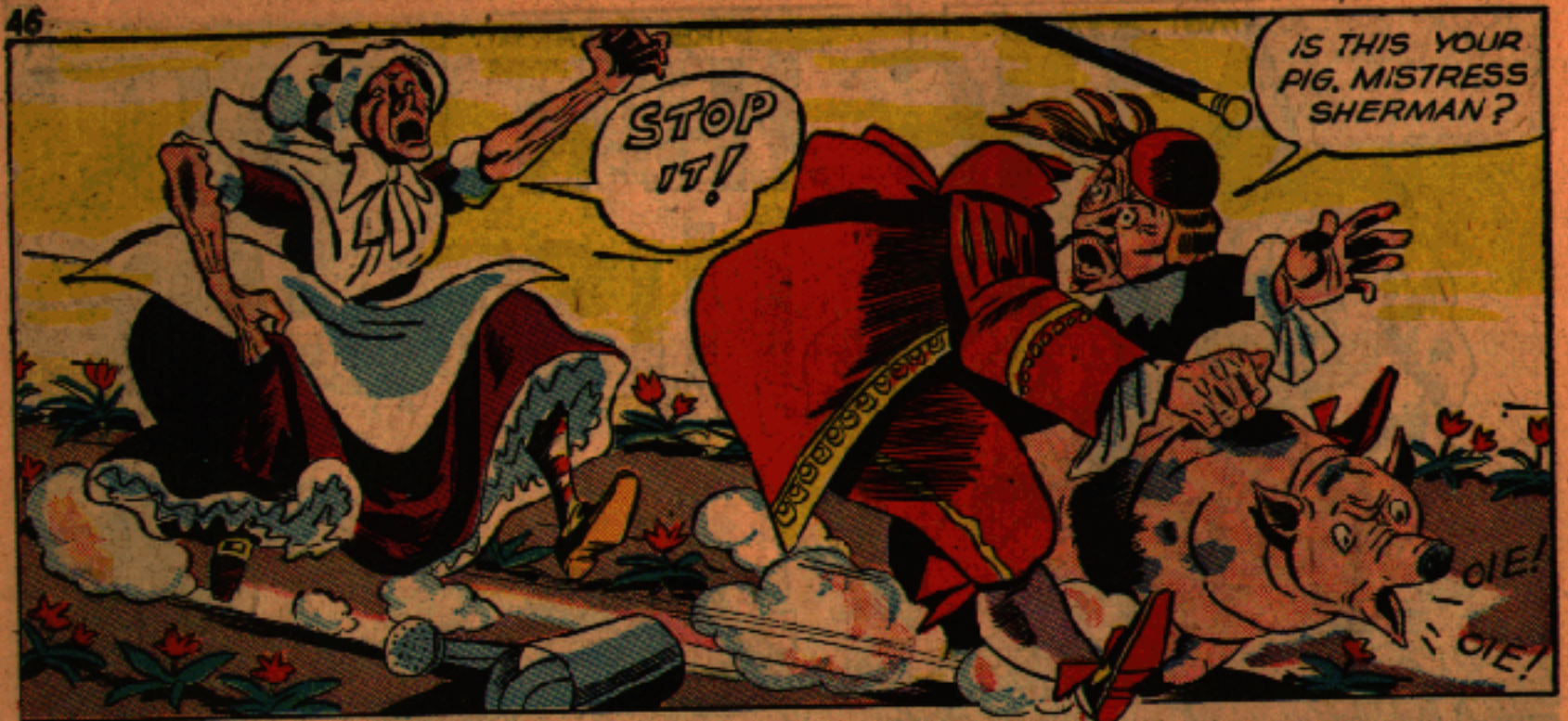
THE PIG WANDERED ABOUT SOMETIMES ON TO THE LAND OF THE RICH GENTRY.

ONE GENTLEMAN, CAPTAIN KEAYNE, HAD A GARDEN THAT THE PIG LIKED ESPECIALLY.

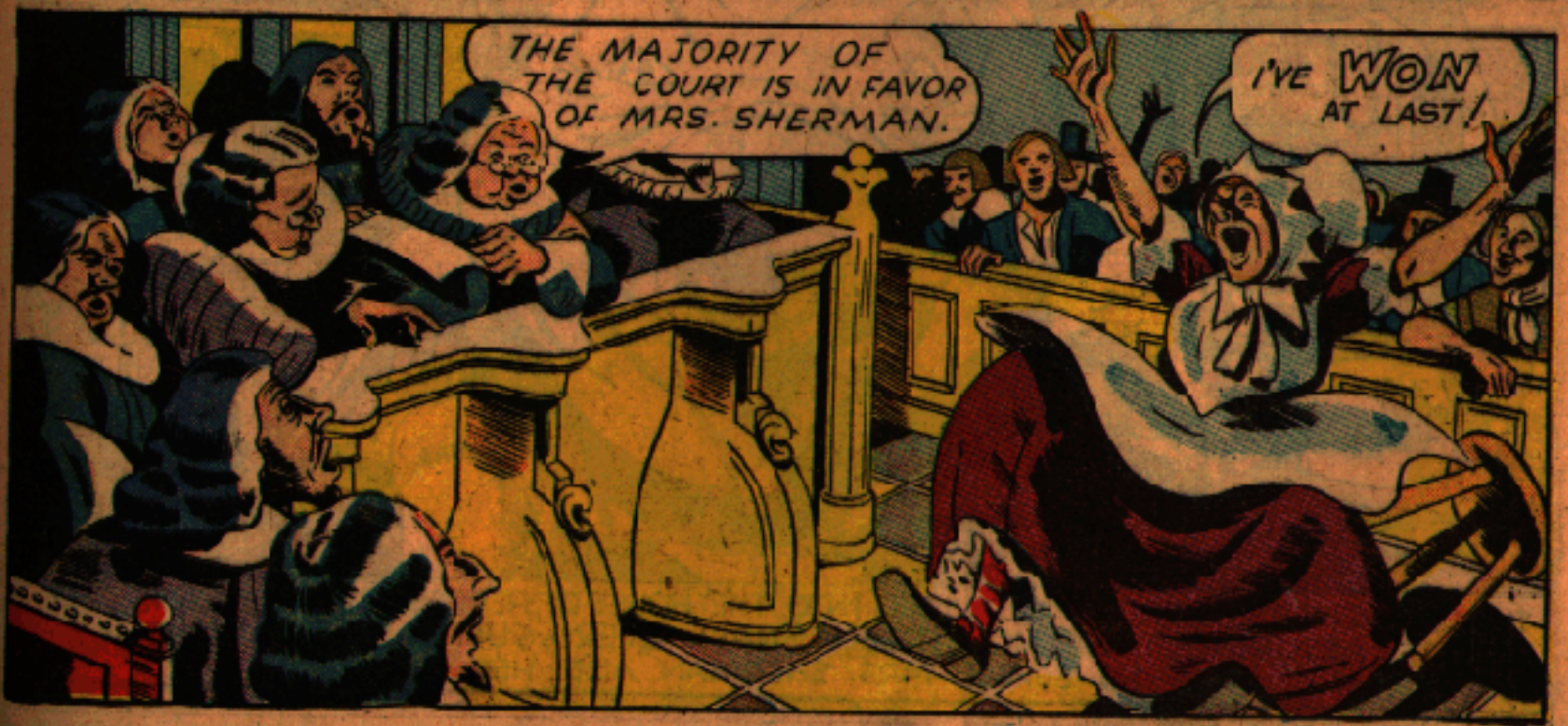
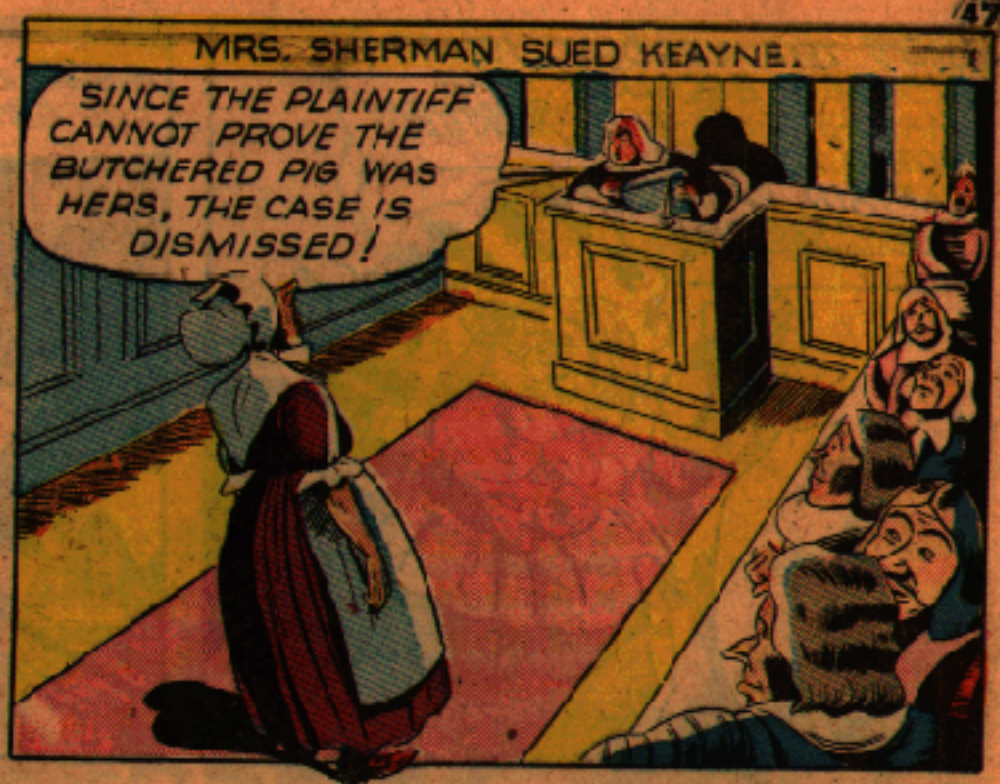
GET OUT OF HERE, YOU DESTRUCTIVE HOG!

OIE! OIE!





MRS. SHERMAN CAME LOOKING FOR HER PIG.



BUT THE VERDICT IS REVERSED BECAUSE THE MAJORITY OF THE GENTRY VOTED FOR THE CAPTAIN. CASE DISMISSED!



DOWN WITH THE GENTRY!

WHAT GOD'S OUR VOTE?

LET THE COMMON PEOPLE'S VOICE RULE!



THE EXCITEMENT OVER MRS. SHERMAN'S PIG WAS SO GREAT THAT THE GENERAL COURT IN BOSTON WAS DIVIDED INTO TWO PARTS COMMONERS, AND GENTRY.

FROM THIS TIME ON, BOTH SHALL HAVE AN EQUAL VOICE.



THE U.S. CONGRESS TODAY IS DIVIDED INTO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE, ASSURING THAT NO CITIZEN SHALL EVER SUFFER SUCH INJUSTICE AS BEFELL MRS. SHERMAN AND HER PIG.

IS IT TRUE?

By **NATALIE PURVIN PRAGER**
ORIGINATOR OF THE MARCH OF GAMES RADIO QUIZ

Can YOU answer these Questions?

CHECK "YES" IF TRUE, OR "NO" UNDER EACH PICTURE. DON'T LOOK NOW, BUT THE CORRECT ANSWERS ARE ON PAGE 64. SEE IF YOU CAN STICK YOUR FRIENDS AND MOTHER AND DAD ON THEM!



1 IS IT TRUE THAT A SHAKO IS A MILITARY HEADRESS? NO YES



2 IS IT TRUE THAT THE KANGAROO IS A NATIVE OF AFRICA? NO YES



3 IS IT TRUE THAT THE CATACOMBS IS A PLACE FOR STRAY CATS? NO YES



4 IS IT TRUE THAT A LARIAT IS ANOTHER NAME FOR A LASSO? NO YES



5 IS IT TRUE THAT A FERTILE SPOT IN THE DESERT IS CALLED AN OASIS? NO YES



6 IS IT TRUE THAT MOUSE TRAPS ARE CALLED "KITCHEN POLICE"? NO YES



7 IS IT TRUE THAT THIS ANCIENT SAILING VESSEL WAS CALLED A "GALLEON"? NO YES



8 IS IT TRUE THAT A LADY-BUG IS A SMALL SPECKLED BUG? NO YES



9 IS IT TRUE THAT A CARIBOU IS A DRESS TRIMMING? NO YES



11 IS IT TRUE THAT THE BLUE-JAY IS A FLOWER? NO YES



12 IS IT TRUE THAT AN OCARINA IS A BALLET DANCER? NO YES



13 IS IT TRUE THAT THE "STAR SPANGLED BANNER" WAS WRITTEN DURING THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR? NO YES



14 IS IT TRUE THAT A SAMPAN IS A COOKING UTENSIL? NO YES



16 IS IT TRUE THAT A LARGE COLLECTION OF POSTAGE STAMPS IS CALLED A STAMPEDE? NO YES



18 IS IT TRUE THAT NAPOLEON BONAPARTE WAS BORN IN FRANCE? NO YES



19 IS IT TRUE THAT MOTHS AND BUTTERFLIES TURN INTO CATERPILLARS? NO YES



15 IS IT TRUE THAT "OLD IRONSIDES" IS THE NICKNAME OF A FAMOUS RAILROAD ENGINE? NO YES



17 IS IT TRUE THAT OAK TREES GROW FROM ACORNS? NO YES



20 IS IT TRUE THAT MARTHA WASHINGTON MADE THE FIRST AMERICAN FLAG? NO YES

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S ADVICE



COLONEL WASHINGTON AS BRADDOCK'S AIDE, 1755

EARLY IN 1755, 2 BRITISH REGIMENTS UNDER GENERAL BRADDOCK WERE SENT TO DRIVE THE FRENCH FROM THE OHIO VALLEY.

COLONEL WASHINGTON, WILL YOU JOIN MY ARMY?

I AM HONORED. I SHALL REPORT TO FT. CUMBERLAND IN MAY.



SHORTLY AFTER, AT MT. VERNON...

GEORGE, DON'T GO TO WAR AGAIN!

MRS. WASHINGTON, YOUR SON WILL ALWAYS BE CALLED FOR PUBLIC SERVICE...



YOU SEE, HE HAS COURAGE, ENERGY, MODESTY, AND ABOVE ALL, COMMON SENSE.

MAYBE LORD HALIFAX IS RIGHT, GEORGE. YOU HAVE MY BLESSING.



IN MAY, HE AND LORD HALIFAX SET OUT. ON THE WAY...

HIS SADDLE GIRTH IS LOOSE!

LOOK OUT, SIR!



YOU'VE SAVED ME FROM A BAD FALL.



...WASHINGTON, AT YOUR SERVICE...

...AND I AM BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.





WON'T YOU RIDE INTO CAMP WITH US?

NO, THANKS. I PREFER TWO CERTAIN LEGS TO FOUR UNCERTAIN ONES!



NEXT DAY, IN A STAFF MEETING....

MR. FRANKLIN, WE HAVE NO HORSES AND WAGONS!

THEY'RE COMING, GENERAL BRADDOCK. I'VE SEEN TO THEM MYSELF.



AT LAST....

A FINE SIGHT, ISN'T IT, COLONEL WASHINGTON?

YES, SIR, BUT IT WOULD BE BETTER IF THEY WORE HUNTING SHIRTS AND WERE READY TO TAKE COVER.



WHAT! AND LOOK LIKE INDIANS?-- OR AMERICANS?



YOU'LL FIND, SIR, THAT SAVAGES CAN'T STAND UP AGAINST BRITISH REGULARS.

I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT, SIR!



DURING THE MARCH, WASHINGTON FELL ILL.

DOCTOR, DON'T LET HIM MOVE TILL HE'S WELL.

YES, SIR.

TWO DAYS LATER . . .



DOCTOR, I MUST JOIN THEM - IT'S DANGEROUS COUNTRY. THEY NEED ME.



BUT I INSIST! I'M GETTING ON MY HORSE TOMORROW.

ON JULY 8, 1755, WASHINGTON JOINED BRADDOCK



WASHINGTON, YOU'RE TOO WEAK TO RIDE.

GENERAL, THIS REGION IS DANGEROUS-- YOU NEED ME.

SIR, WE ARE ONLY 15 MILES FROM THE ENEMY FORT. I FEAR AN AMBUSH.



WE'LL BE READY FOR THEM.

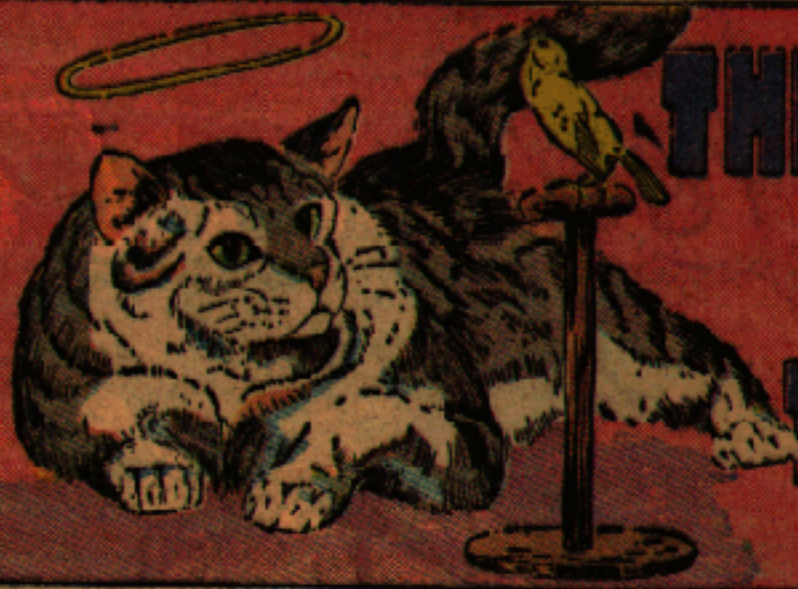


GENERAL, LET MY VIRGINIA SCOUTS GO AHEAD!

WHAT! GIVE THE PLACE OF HONOR TO YOUR RAGAMUFFINS? NO! THE BRITISH REGULARS MUST LEAD.

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THE CAT THAT DIDN'T EAT THE CANARY



A CAT AND A CANARY,
PETS OF A SCOTS
WOMAN, WERE FRIENDS.
ONE MORNING, WHEN,
AS USUAL, THE BIRD
WAS FLYING ABOUT
THE ROOM, THE
CAT



... PONCED UPON THE
CANARY. WITH THE BIRD
IN ITS JAWS, THE CAT
LEAPED UP ONTO THE
TABLE.

THE WOMAN TURNED,
ALARMED AND ANGRY.
... THEN SHE NOTICED
THAT A STRANGE CAT
HAD SLIPPED INTO THE
ROOM.



WHEN THE
STRANGER HAD
BEEN CHASED
OUT, THE
WOMAN'S CAT
DROPPED THE BIRD,
WHICH FLEW OFF
UNHARMED.

Zapata



Liberator of Mexico's Peasants.

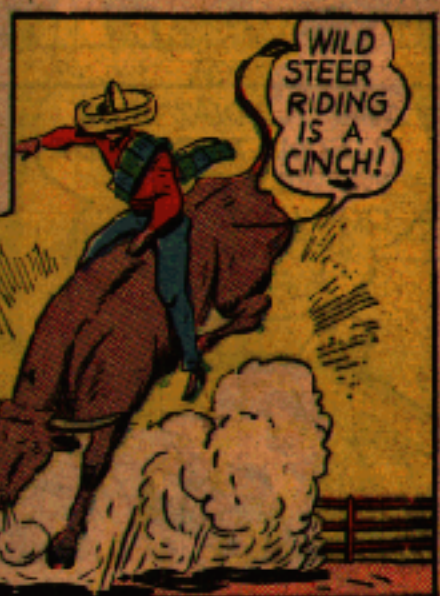
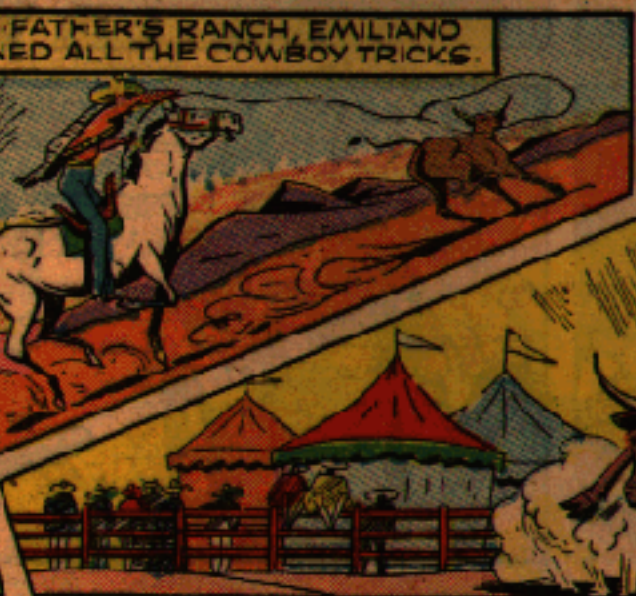


EMILIANO ZAPATA WAS BORN ON HIS FATHER'S RANCH IN THE STATE OF MORELOS IN SOUTHERN MEXICO, THE SAME YEAR THAT THE DICTATOR, DIAZ, WAS ELECTED THE PRESIDENT OF MEXICO ... 1877.

IN ZAPATA'S YOUTH, THE POLICE OF MEXICO OFTEN RAIDED POOR VILLAGES.

THE MEXICAN RANCH BOY FROM HIS YOUNGEST DAYS WITNESSED THE WRONGS HE LATER FOUGHT TO RIGHT.





WHEN HE WAS STILL QUITE YOUNG HIS PARENTS DIED.

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THE SOLDIERS TRIED TO MACHIN GUN THE PEOPLE, BUT HELENE, A FRENCH GIRL NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENT, ARRIVED.



ZAPATA SAW WHAT WAS HAPPENING.



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IT'S ZAPATA.. KILL HIM!



LATER, ZAPATA MET HELENE.

SEÑORITA, YOU HAVE SAVED MANY OF MY PEOPLE. WHY NOT JOIN MY FORCES AS A SPY?

GLADLY--YOU ARE FIGHTING FOR A NOBLE CAUSE!



WITHIN A FEW YEARS THE PIERY ZAPATA BECAME THE LEADER OF THE "LAND AND LIBERTY PARTY".

BROTHER PEONS! WE MUST UNITE AGAINST THE CRUEL DICTATORSHIP OF PRESIDENT DIAZ!

THE POLICE WERE CONSTANTLY IN SEARCH OF ZAPATA.



BRING HIM BACK DEAD OR ALIVE.

HE RODE FROM VILLAGE TO VILLAGE.



AT NIGHT, ZAPATA SLEPT IN THE HILLS.



MEN! WE ARE 700 STRONG. --LET'S ATTACK THE CITY OF AXOCHIAPAN!

VIVA ZAPATA!

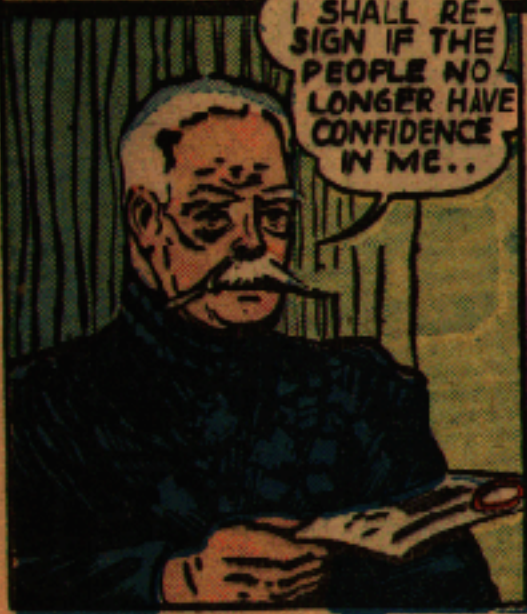
DURING THE BATTLE, ZAPATA'S FAVORITE HORSE WAS SHOT AS HE LEAPED OVER A WALL... BUT ZAPATA'S TROOPS CAPTURED THE TOWN.

AS ZAPATA'S RAGGED MEN FOUGHT IN THE SOUTH OF MEXICO, ANOTHER CHAMPION OF THE PEONS AROSE IN THE NORTH... PANCHO VILLA.



FINDING HIS IRON RULE THREATENED, PRESIDENT DIAZ SOON ANNOUNCED...

I SHALL RESIGN IF THE PEOPLE NO LONGER HAVE CONFIDENCE IN ME...



FRANCISCO MADERO, WHOM THE PEOPLE TRUSTED, CAMPAIGNED FOR THE PRESIDENCY BUT WAS THROWN IN JAIL BY DIAZ.

I HOPE MY FOLLOWERS KEEP UP THE FIGHT!



BUT MADERO'S MEN WERE CAPTURED BY THE FEDERAL SOLDIERS.

MARCH, YOU REBELS! IF YOU TRY TO ESCAPE YOU'LL BE SHOT IN THE BACK!

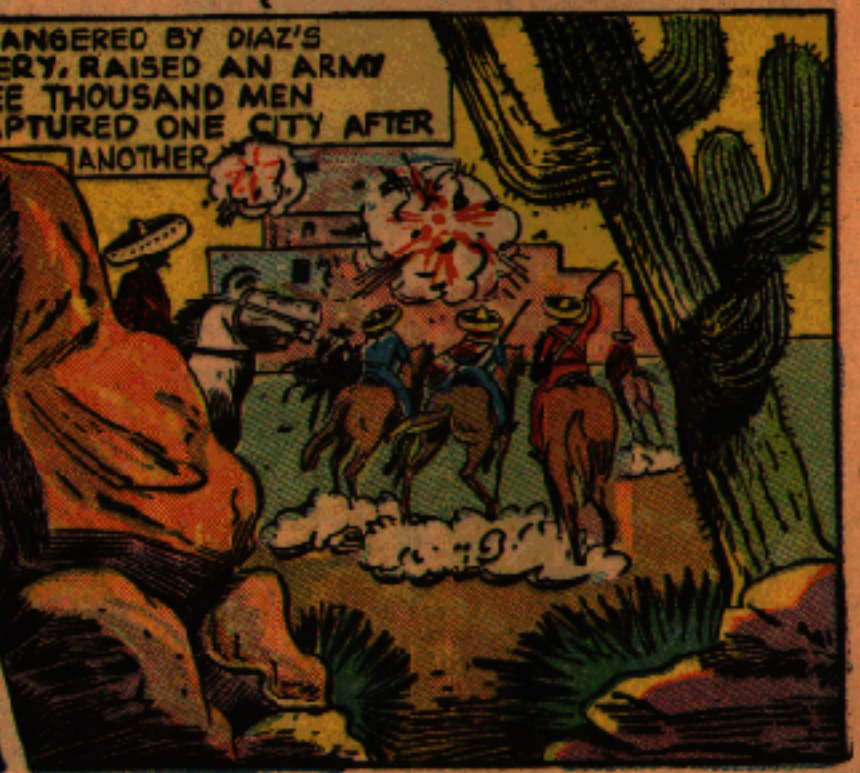


MADERO'S LEADERS FACED A FIRING SQUAD.

READY! AIM!



ZAPATA, ANGERED BY DIAZ'S TREACHERY, RAISED AN ARMY OF THREE THOUSAND MEN AND CAPTURED ONE CITY AFTER ANOTHER.



AGAINST ZAPATA'S WISHES, MANY YOUNG BOYS JOINED HIS ARMY.

I'M GOING WITH ZAPATA'S ARMY AND FIGHT FOR MEXICAN LIBERTY!

I'M COMING TOO!

IN THE THICK OF BATTLE, THE BOYS BRAVED THE FRONT LINES TO REFILL THE SOLDIERS' CANTEENS.

DRINK, SEÑOR!

ZAPATA HAD ONLY ONE GUN FOR EVERY FIVE MEN. AS ONE MAN FELL, ANOTHER PICKED UP HIS GUN.

I'LL CARRY ON!

DURING THE SIEGE OF CUAÚTLA, ZAPATA'S SOLDIERS DRUMMED ON OIL CANS SO THEIR ENEMIES COULD GET NO SLEEP.

BANG BANG CRASH

THE NOISE ALSO COVERED THE SOUND OF ZAPATA'S MEN TUNNELING THROUGH THE CITY'S WALLS.

BANG

CORNERED BY ZAPATA, THE FEDERAL TROOPS FLED FROM THEIR STRONGHOLD.

RUN FOR THE CATHEDRAL TOWER, MEN!

WE CAN'T STORM THE CATHEDRAL!

I HAVE A PLAN TO CAPTURE THEM, CHIEF.

THE MEN GATHERED BALES OF DRY CHILI LEAVES..

AND DUMPED THEM AT THE BASE OF THE TOWER. THEN THEY STARTED A FIRE.

THE THICK, PEPPERY SMOKE DROVE THE FEDERAL SOLDIERS OUT.

IN NINETY DAYS, ZAPATA'S FORCE SWEEP VICTORIOUSLY THROUGH THE STATE OF MORELOS.



WHEW! THAT CHILI BURNS YOUR EYES!

WE HAVE DONE WELL, COMRADES!

THEN A COURIER ARRIVED WITH STARTLING NEWS.

THE BRUTAL DIAZ WAS FORCED TO RESIGN AND FLEE IN EXILE TO PARIS.

ZAPATA WAS CHEERED BY THE MEXICAN PEONS...



EL CAPITAN! PANCHO VILLA HAS CONQUERED NORTHERN MEXICO!

ALL I WISH IS FREEDOM FOR OUR PEOPLE!

BUT MADERO, THE NEW PRESIDENT, MADE REFORMS TOO SLOWLY. ZAPATA WAS SOON FORCED TO RETURN AND FIGHT THE FEDERAL TROOPS.



YOU KILL OUR POOR FARMERS, EH?

OPEN FIRE! WE CAN STOP THEIR CHARGE.

ZAPATA'S MEN FOUGHT LIKE AMERICAN INDIANS, SPRINGING FROM AMBUSH, THEY ATTACKED A FEDERAL TROOP SUPPLY TRAIN.



FINALLY, THE GENERAL OF THE FEDERAL TROOPS RESIGNED TO PRESIDENT MADERO.



ZAPATA WAS SHOWN AN AMERICAN NEWSPAPER DENOUNCING HIM AS A BANDIT.



HE BECAME DISGUSTED AND ANNOUNCED A PLAN TO PROVE HE WAS NOT AN OUTLAW.



THEN HE TOLD HIS ARMY THAT THEY MUST MAKE AN ALL-OUT ATTACK ON THE FEDERAL TROOPS.



HELENE, THE GIRL SPY, BROUGHT HIM INSIDE INFORMATION.



AFTER A LONG AND BLOODY SIEGE, THE FEDERALS FLED FROM CUERNAVACA.



FROM THERE, ZAPATA MARCHED ON MEXICO CITY FROM THE SOUTH.



AT THE SAME TIME, PANCHO VILLA MOVED ON MEXICO CITY FROM THE NORTH.



RUMORS SPREAD IN THE CITY THAT ZAPATA'S MEN WERE A GANG OF CUTTHROATS.

THEY'LL STEAL AND MURDER. WE'D BETTER HIDE.



WE'LL STAY BEHIND LOCKED DOORS TILL THEY LEAVE.



BUT THE PEOPLE SOON GOT OVER THEIR FEAR.

SEÑORA, GRACIAS.



ZAPATA AND VILLA MET IN MEXICO CITY.

SEÑOR, I SHOULD LIKE TO SEE A GOOD GOVERNMENT FOR OUR PEOPLE!

I AGREE.



BUT THESE GREAT SOLDIERS WERE NOT GOOD POLITICIANS.



A NEW DESPOT AROSE.. CARRANZA.



ONCE AGAIN ZAPATA FLED TO HIS NATIVE STATE.



IN HIS OWN PROVINCE HE FORMED A MOUNTED CABINET AND TRIED TO CREATE AN INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENT.

REMEMBER WHAT WE FIGHT FOR!



MEANWHILE, CARRANZA POSTED A REWARD FOR ZAPATA'S CAPTURE.

WE'VE PLACED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS ON HIS HEAD!



AT THIS TIME, A COLONEL OF THE CARRANZA FORCES CAME TO ZAPATA, SAYING HE HAD DESERTED.



GREETINGS, SEÑOR! MY MEN AND I HAVE COME TO FIGHT ON YOUR SIDE!



YOU AND YOUR MEN CAN BE OF GREAT SERVICE TO OUR PEOPLE!

SI, SEÑOR.



WHY NOT ATTACK THE FEDERALS FROM THE WEST?

NO...LET THEM ATTACK US!

THE COLONEL PRESENTED ZAPATA WITH A FINE HORSE.



THANK YOU, COLONEL. HE IS A BEAUTIFUL ANIMAL!

ZAPATA MOUNTED HIS NEW STEED FOR A TRIAL GALLOP.



THEN THE COLONEL'S MEN FIRED ON ZAPATA FROM AMBUSH!



ZAPATA HAD BEEN TRICKED BY THE COLONEL! HIS DEATH WAS MOURNED BY ALL THE PEONS.



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"Are you collecting coins for the Coin Show in five days?", asked the man.

"No," replied the little boy as he ran off, "I'm collecting for the movies in five minutes."

Robert Hitchcock, San Francisco, Calif.

Teacher: Now, Horace, if you found a dime, would you keep it?

Horace: No, sir.

Teacher: You're a very honest boy. And what would you do with it?

Horace: Spend it, sir.

Hugh MacIvor, Toronto, Ont.

The diner found an insect in his soup and said crossly:

"Waiter, what is this?"

"That, sir," replied the waiter, "is a Vitamin Bee!"

Nathan Bogoch, Winnipeg, Manitoba

"What were you before we caught you?", asked the cannibal chief.

"Assistant editor," answered the captive newspaperman.

"Well, you're going to be promoted to editor-in-chief," replied the hungry cannibal.

Bill Reeder, Los Angeles, Calif.

Ruth rode on my cycle car Directly back of me.

I hit a bump at sixty-five And rode on ruth-lessly!

Richard Loucks, Arkansas City, Kans.

Mrs. Jones: I sent my son for two pounds of plums, and you've only sent me a pound and a half of them.

Grocer: Madam, my scales are accurate. But have you weighed your son?

David Langlieb, New York, N. Y.

Jim: Dad, if you'll give me 50c, I'll be very, very good!

Dad: Imagine! Paying a child to be good! Why, when I was your age, I was good for nothing.

Eleanor Haines, Ramsey, N. J.

HOW GOOD IS YOUR MEMORY?

After reading this issue, see if you can answer these questions. The answers are all in the magazine on the pages indicated in parentheses. Each correct answer counts 5 points. Can you score 100?

1. Where is the U. S. Naval Academy located? (page 2)
2. Is "windjammer" the nickname for a sailing ship or for a steamer? (page 2)
3. What is a "monscon?" (page 3)
4. How did Harold Stark serve in Europe during World War No. 1? (page 4)
5. To what Indian tribe did Tecumseh belong? (page 7)
6. Two men named Harrison have been U. S. Presidents. Which one fought against Tecumseh? (page 9)
7. Has "laughing gas" any practical use? (page 13)
8. Who discovered potassium? (page 13)
9. In what year did Wellington defeat Napoleon at Waterloo? (page 16)
10. Among actors, "barnstormer" means "a strolling player." Does it have a meaning in aviation? (page 20)
11. What is a railroad hand-car? (page 25)
12. In what winter sport has Katharine Dewey become famous? (page 30)
13. In the days of the Count of Frontenac, was France a republic? (page 34)
14. Who was the leader of the British force sent against the Count of Frontenac? (page 35)
15. In what state is Cape Canaveral located? (page 39)
16. Did Von Paulsen's coast guard plane carry a radio? (page 43)
17. Did Benjamin Franklin know George Washington before the Revolution? (page 50)
18. Was there any medical service for military men in General Braddock's army? (page 51)
19. Morelos is in Mexico. Is it a city or a state? (page 54)
20. Of what country was Francisco Madero the president? (page 60)

Answers to the Quiz "IS IT TRUE?"

(on page 49)

1. Yes.
2. No. The kangaroo lives in Australia.
3. No. It is an underground burial place.
4. Yes.
5. Yes.
6. No. Kitchen police are soldiers detailed to kitchen duty.
7. Yes.
8. Yes.
9. No. It is a North American reindeer.
10. No. Balboa discovered the Pacific Ocean.
11. No. It is a bird.
12. No. It is a musical instrument sometimes called a "sweet potato."
13. No. It was written during the war of 1812.
14. No. A sampan is a flat-bottomed boat used by the Chinese.
15. No. "Old Ironsides" is the nickname given the United States vessel called the Constitution.
16. No. A stampede is a flight of animals.
17. Yes.
18. No. He was born in Corsica.
19. No. Caterpillars turn into moths and butterflies.
20. No. Betsy Ross made the first American flag.

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