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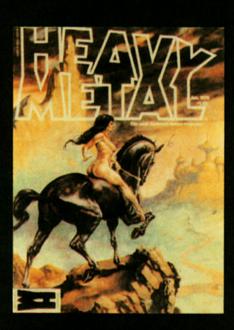






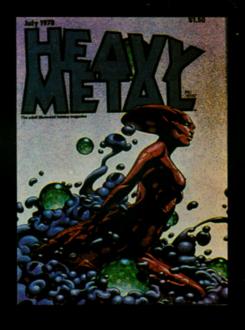


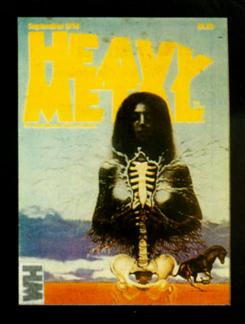




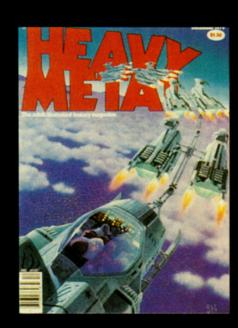




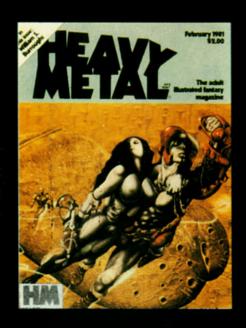


















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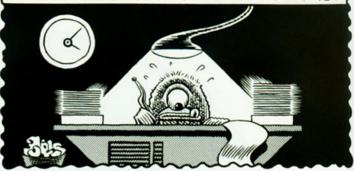
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FOREWORD

HEN I FIRST began with Heavy Metal - a century or two ago - I was just a kid - an underling designated to alternately long bouts at the xerox and coffee machines. It was a lousy job, but someone had to do it. In between a copy there and a cup here, I discovered the beauty of Moebius, the decadence of Druillet and Nicollet and the awesome colors of Corben's Den. I was in love with the tranquility of Heavy Metal: a place where one could forget the blues of everyday life and escape to a faraway place.

YER IT WAS JUST SIX ORBITS AGO THAT I ENTERED THE WORK FORCE EAGER TO TAKE ON ANY OVERWHELMING TASK TO ACCUMULATE EXPERIENCE AND CREDITS.



Now that I am editor (and have been for a little under a century) I still am in awe of the many artists and writers that have graced our pages. To me, comics is not a four-letter word like so many Americans have been led to believe, but a forum for some of the finest creators in the world to share their imaginations and talents.

Heavy Metal has gone through a few changes over the years, some for the sake of maturity, others...just because. We have always tried to bring you the best in adult fantasy, introducing you to Liberatore, Caza, Crepax, Torres, and Prado to name but a few. Suffice it to say, selecting material for this book was no easy task. Not everyone is represented here, but this in no way diminishes the beauty or historical value of this anthology. Think of the book as a sampling - a patchwork quilt of sorts - reintroducing you to fifteen extraordinary years of fantasy gone wild!

Julie Simmons-Lynch New York City August 1992







THE FIRST FIFTEEN YEARS

HEAVY METAL. Hmmm...

Heavy Metal, you say? Hmmm...

What is Heavy Metal? Or better yet, what does it mean to you? Hmmm...

Someone walks up to you on the street and says, "HEAVY METAL RULES, MAN!" What's the first thought that enters your mind?

Some ear-popping, head-splitting, gut-twisting heavy metal rock band (you know, lots of leather, skintight pants, long hair, with first or only names like Axl, Slash kinda deal) blasting out of your kid's room, a passing car window (how can they drive with it turned up that loud?), or your neighbor's apartment?

Nahhh...

Some large triangular shaped object that drops out of the sky on top of your favorite cartoon character with a big "1 1/2 TONS" painted on the side?

Nahhh...

Perhaps you're the scholarly type and prefer the dictionary definition?

HEAV•Y (hev-e) adj. -i•er -i•est 1. Having relatively great weight.

<u>MET•AL</u> (met-l) n. 1. Any category of chemical elements, as copper, iron, or gold. With certain characteristic properties such as luster, malleability, ductility, and conductivity of electricity and heat.

Nahhh...



Okay, okay, enough of this already. The above segue makes little or no sense, because, you're holding in your hands exactly what heavy metal brings to mind. Whether you've been a fan since day one (fifteen years ago) or discovered it last year or today, you bought it because it's got a killer Rich Corben cover and "HEAVY METAL JUST PLAIN RULES, MAN!"

Although it seems like a hundred years ago, I bought the first issue back in the Spring of 1977. I was living in a town "me and the gang" felt was the equivalent of a pimple on a bug's butt, lost somewhere in southern Maine. (Which, I would like to interject, I look fondly upon in most recent years; a place where I had little or nothing more to do than hang out and draw.) I was fifteen years old, and really shouldn't have been cruising through the "top shelf" of the local smoke shop's magazine offerings. It was there I found "The Adult Illustrated Fantasy Magazine" (ta da!) Heavy Metal!

Louie didn't mind, it was a sale ("Christ, it's only a comic book! So what if it's got a little T & A, the kid'll learn something!") and let me plunk down a \$1.50, and embark on the journey that would change my whole life!

At the time, I was one of those "niche" kids, in a small "niche" gang (gaggle's more like it). I was totally into comics, you know, *Daredevil*, *Captain America*, *Batman*, that kinda stuff. I was also reaching that age where you were supposed to have "grown out of that stuff by now." Well, to be honest, in a lot of ways I had.

The thrill of buying comics, already beat up from the delivery, plus hanging out for half a day in the corner store's "Hey, Kids! Look! Comics!" roundrack and sitting right there on the very same store's steps ('cuz I ain't gonna make it home with 'em unread) had since faded. I mean, sure, there was a level of excitement, as is still present today, but rereading the same old story plots, over, and over, and over, was becoming... well, stale.

My inner self, which still loved and yearned for the fix (Ya big kid!) was suffering from growth! Heavy Metal was a sure sign from the powers that be - yes, there was life after the Man Without Fear or the Man of Steel, and even Queen of the Jungle (a personal favorite, I might add) it was true! Not only with it's plain as day "Adult" notice blazing down at me, but the content (Aw, man, where's my sunglasses?) was the bee's knees, the heavens parting and the angels singing, finding a dollar on the sidewalk when you're broke...it was even better than waking up and realizing you are, in fact, the Invisible Man, right smack in the middle of puberty. (Remember, that one?) No, it was much more...it was the future.

It was art, man!

For a country boy who was drawing all the time, copying all the "cool" styles: Kirby, Heath, Severin stuff, I had not even begun to come into my own. *Heavy Metal* opened a whole new world for me; the first year alone would inspire one either to strive for greater heights or break all your pens, pencils, and brushes and hope for a respectable day job! What a lineup though; Richard Corben's *Den*, Moebius' *Arzack*, *Sunpot* by Vaughn Bodé, *Virgo* by Caza and early works of Druillet, Tardi, and McKie to name but a few. This stuff was insane, crazy, it pushed every button and stretched all known limits!

The hunger was there, the smell of blood was in the air and the prey was ninety-six pages, black, white and color, shipping monthly to newsstands, headshops and a bookstore here and there (if they only knew what they were selling!). All I had to do now was find the place that sold it regularly (can't miss an issue, ya know), come up with the buck and a half (the good old days) and I was golden.

This, as they say, was just the beginning. This new world I had discovered, (which was not so new, as I also discovered) led to a whole "underground" of possibilities to feed the beast. A new kid was on the block, and a mere hour's drive (or ride in my case) from my home; comic book specialty shops!

Now that was a brilliant idea: one could enter, and once the red haze passed, could wade through all those...ahem...kid's stuff superhero books, to a dark and sheltered corner to find..."undergrounds." Man. More Corben, more Bodé with a whole parade of others: Crumb, Griffith, Jaxon, Irons, Sheridan and Shelton. Old to some, but very new and exciting to an impressionable fella like myself.

Artistic, creative, ownership and growth. These guys were exploring new ground (or at least carrying on where EC Comics left off when McCarthy did his...ahem..."duty"). It was comics for grown-ups, adults, big kids who just plain loved the medium but outgrew it. At that time it must have been incredible; they wrote what they wrote, they drew what they drew, (and oftentimes published) what they wanted for themselves. This, too, was my inspiration. This, too, was the future. This, too, was art.

Anyone can plainly see the sanitized mass market comics. Throughout, the undergrounds of the late '60s and early '70s, with *Heavy Metal* breaking ground in the late '70s, have brought this medium to where it is today. We are now in the middle of a renaissance that, good, bad, or ugly, will bring the form to the *art* form I have felt it has been all along. (Finally! Whew!)

What we have tried to put together here, for this fifteenth anniversary edition, wasn't just a look back, a retrospective, or a "best of." It was the growth, the backbone, the "good shit." We knew every issue or so

We've got four years ... then perhaps another adventure.

Moebius would either blow our socks off (or leave us wondering what we just read,) that Druillet would stun us into reading his craft two or three times before we actually read the story and weren't distracted by the art. Among this crowd it was Earth vs. Saturn that first stood out. Who'd have known he'd go on to Ranxerox (viva Liberatore!)? What about the Parochial Terror by the relatively unknown Geoff (Hard Boiled) Darrow? Juan Gimenez' A Matter of Time (can this guy draw, or what?). And, of course the lovely Druuna by Serpieri (don't we all wish we had a young lady like that in our lives?).

I know by now I've completely bludgeoned you, as to what I see in *Heavy Metal*. I'm sure you all have thoughts of your own. Either way I have revelled in the past fifteen years, and skip a heartbeat thinking about the next.

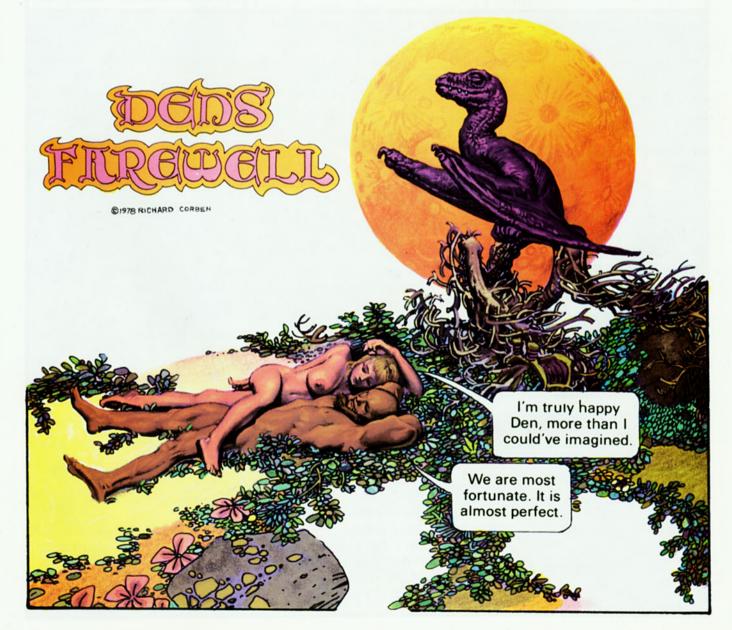
Kevin Eastman Northampton, Massahusetts August 1992











Almost perfect?! How could it possibly be better? Is there some position we haven't tried?

Ha, ha, ha, ha! Not that.

You're wonderful.

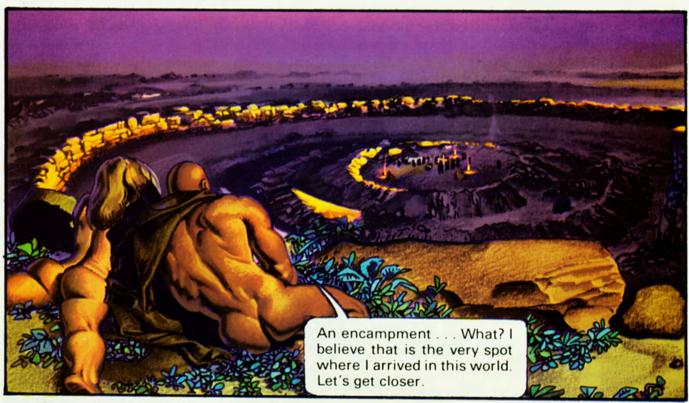
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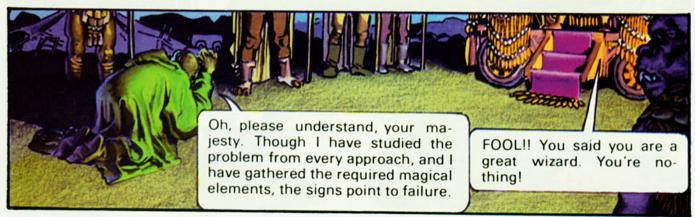


Will we ever discover the truth?

Uncle Dan's spirit is not at rest. I think he was murdered.









You sniveling twit! At least you collected the rare stones and gases. But I realize the missing element is TIME! The cataclysmic destruction of the Locnar set back more than my promotion to power....



... It reset the geologiccosmic relationship. Thanks to interfering upstarts, I must wait four seasonal cycles for the forces to come into precise alignment. Then I will create Locnar's brother.



ZEK, you FOOL!!! I know you were going to sabotage my plans!

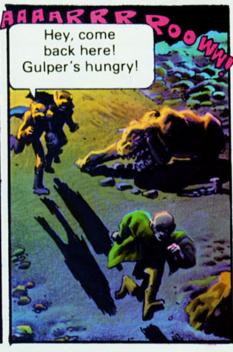






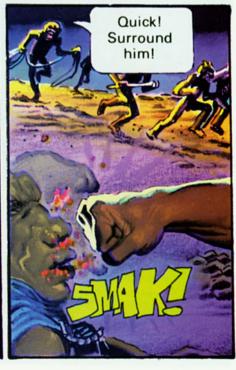












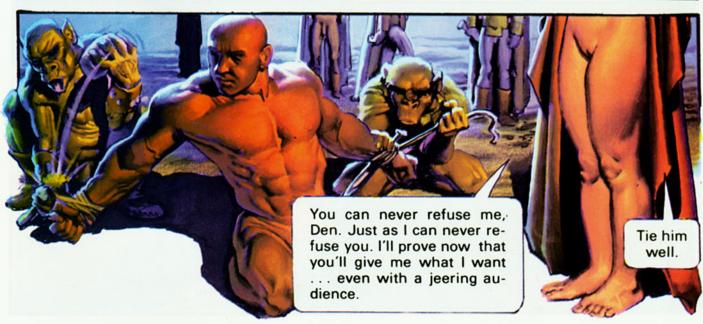










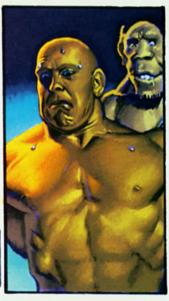


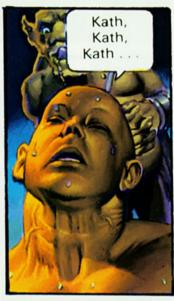






Still cool? Let's see if this little booger remembers me.





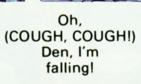














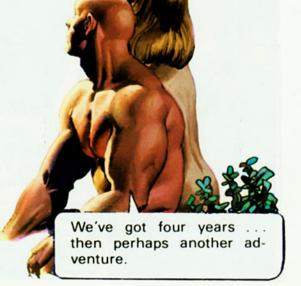


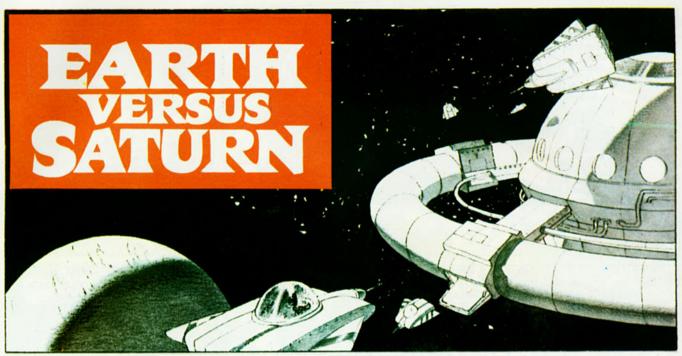


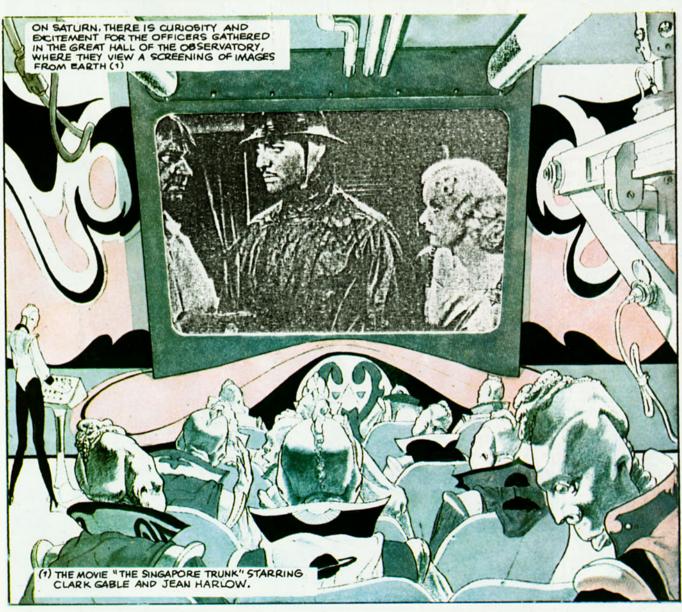








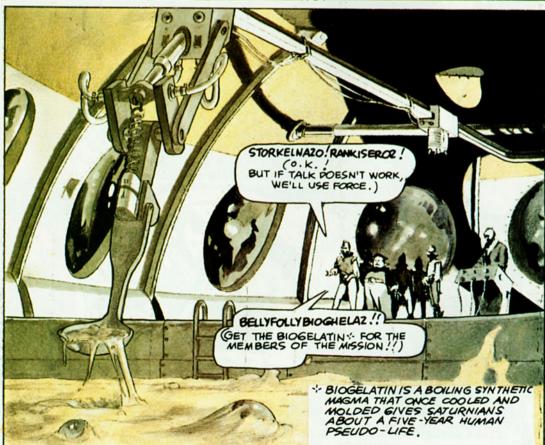






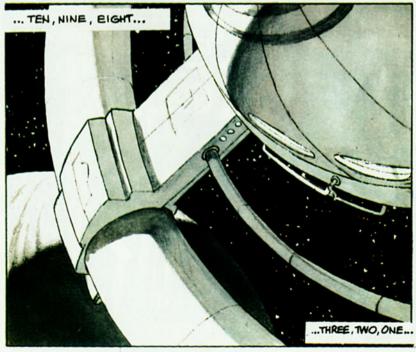


FLEBO, THE EVIL PRIME-MINISTER OF THE EMPIRE OF SATURN IS IN FAVOR OF INVADING AND ENGLAVING EARTH BUT HE GIVES IN TO REBEK, ONE OF THE BIG SHOTS IN THE GALACTIC COOPERATION SOCIETY, 4 VERY INFLUENTIAL NEUTRAL PEACE ORGANIZATION. FLEBO DECIDES TO GIVE IN UNTIL THE ELECTIONS 10 TZEPS FROM THEN.







































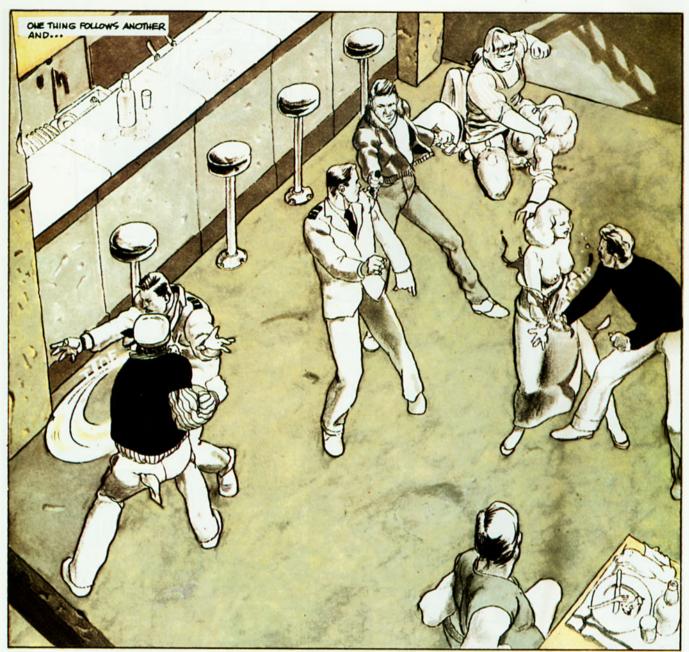














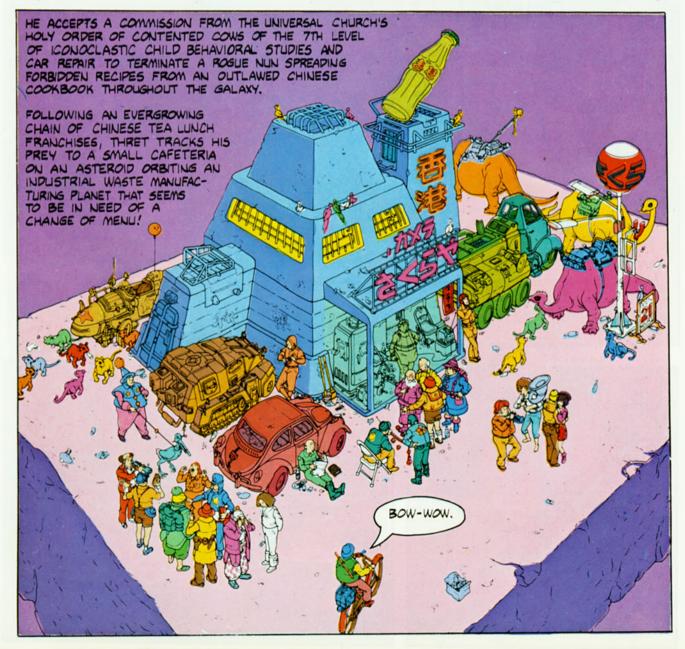




















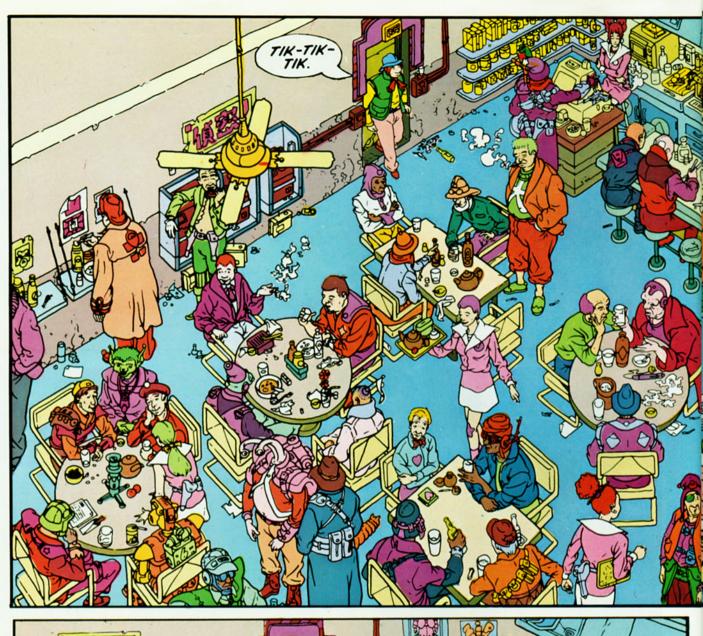


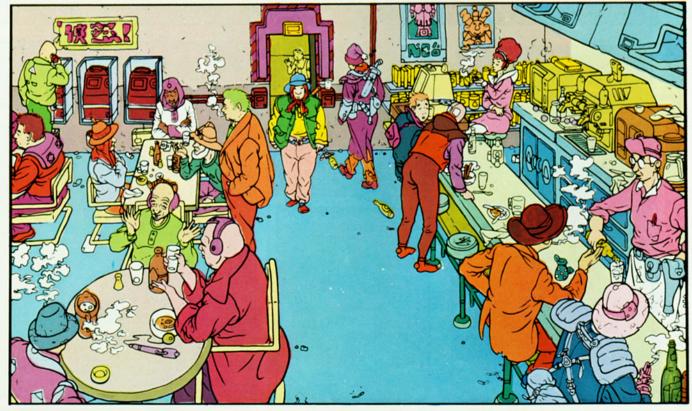




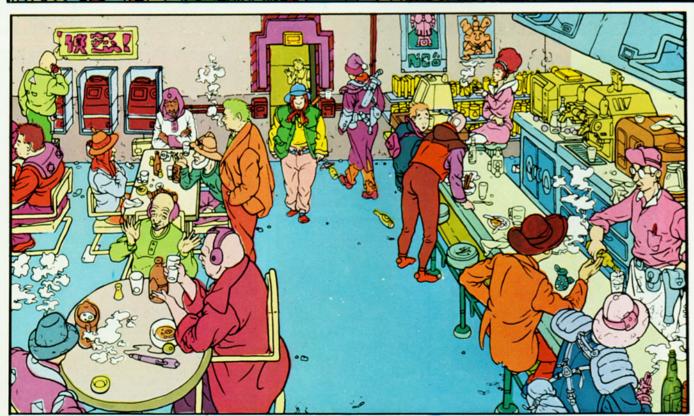


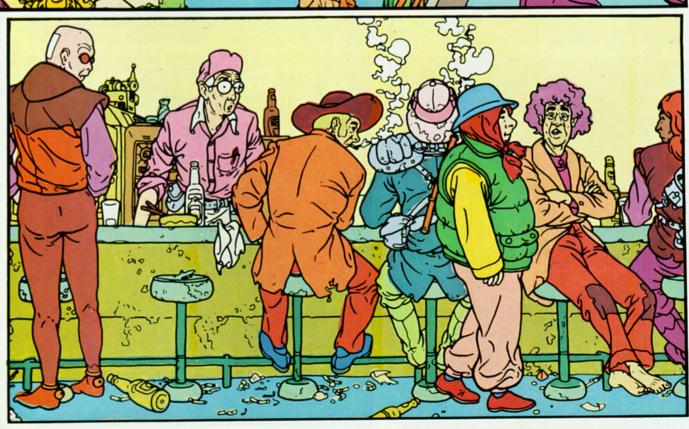




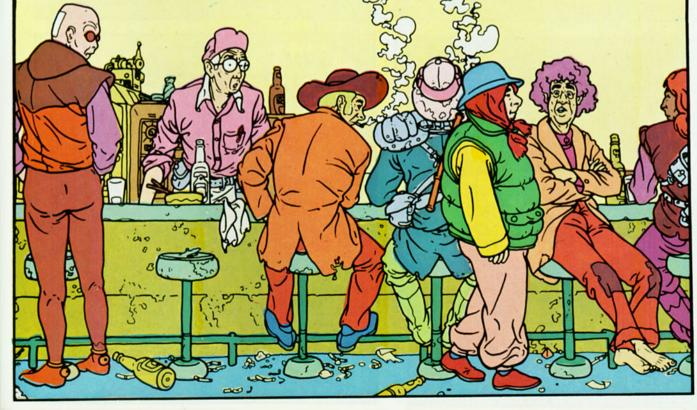


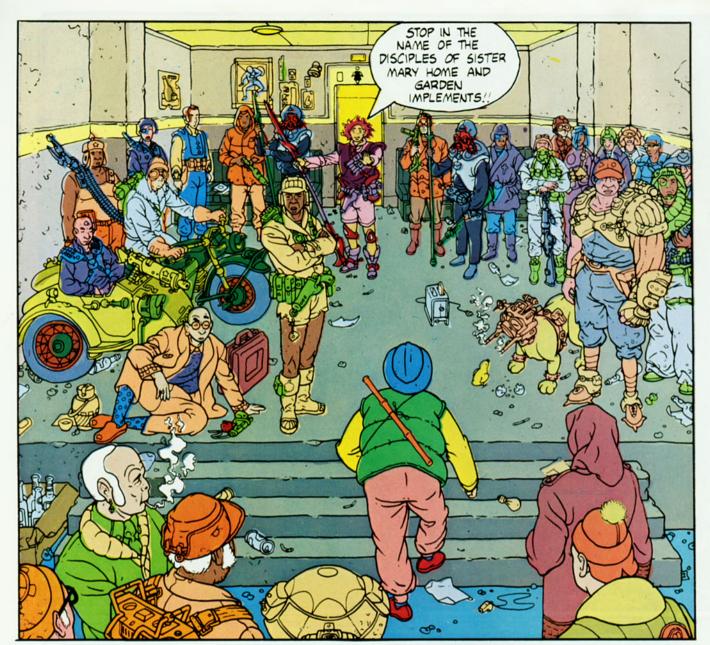






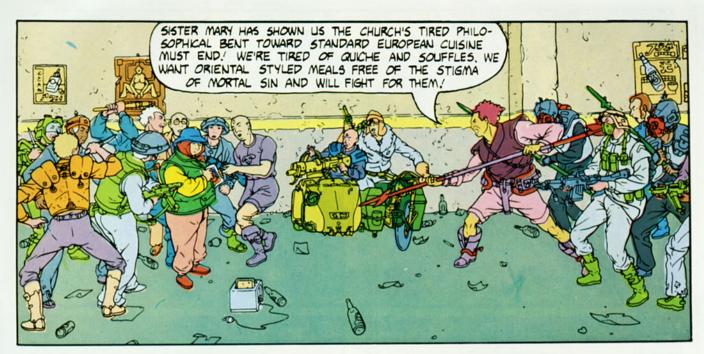










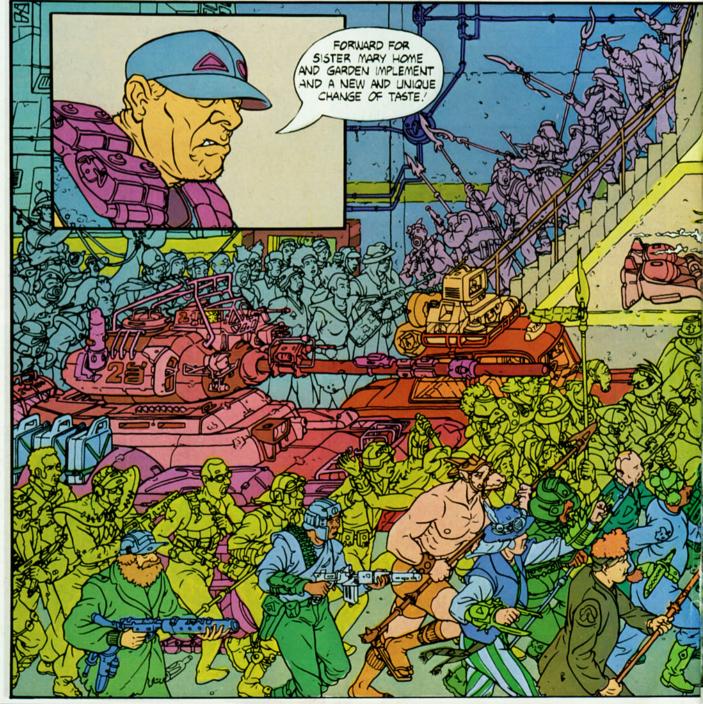






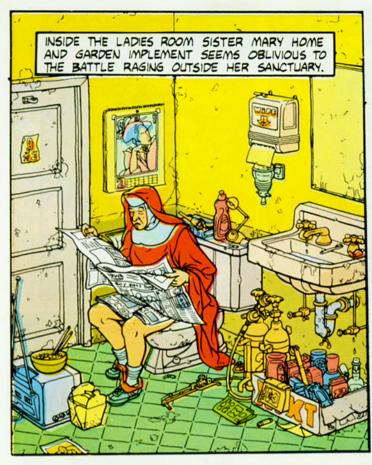




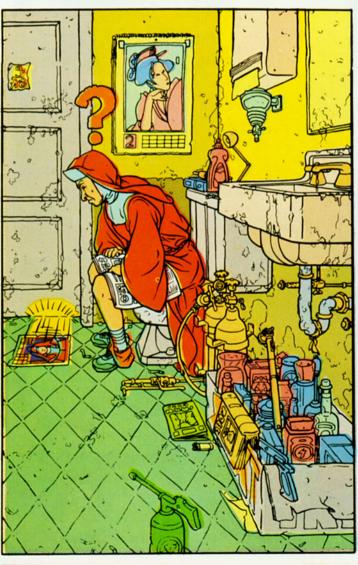








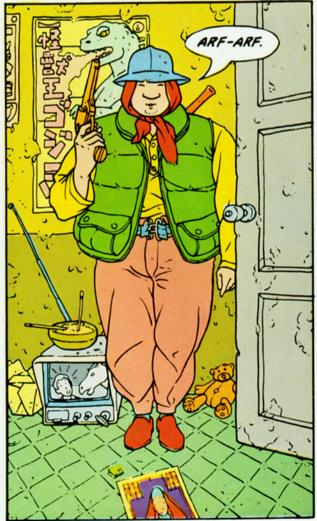




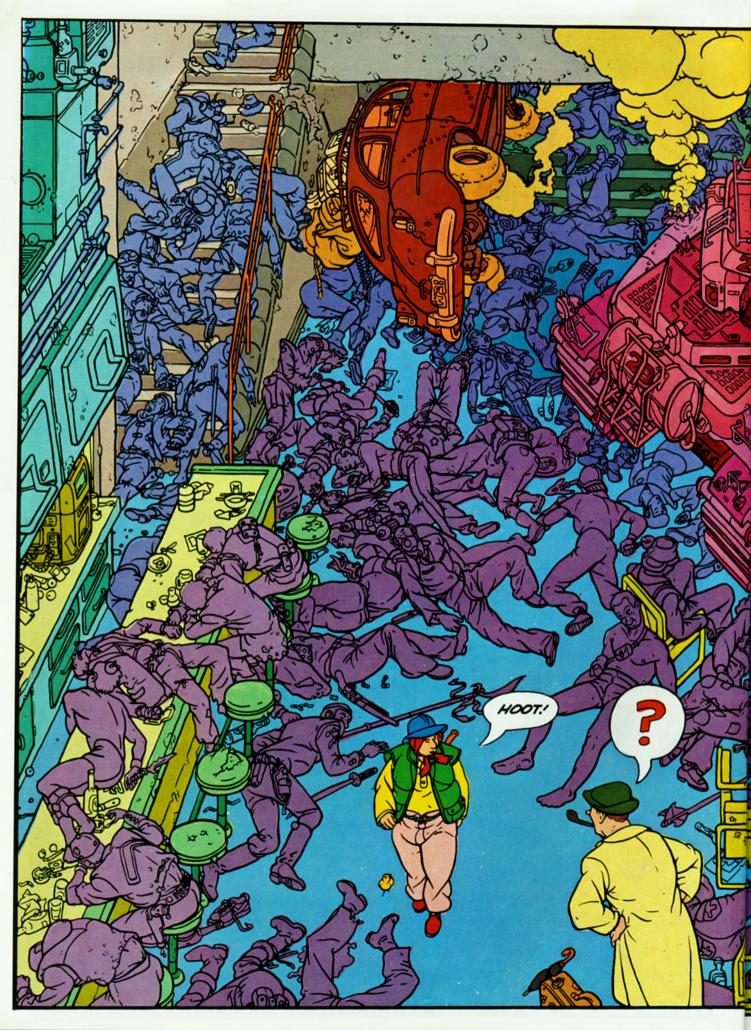




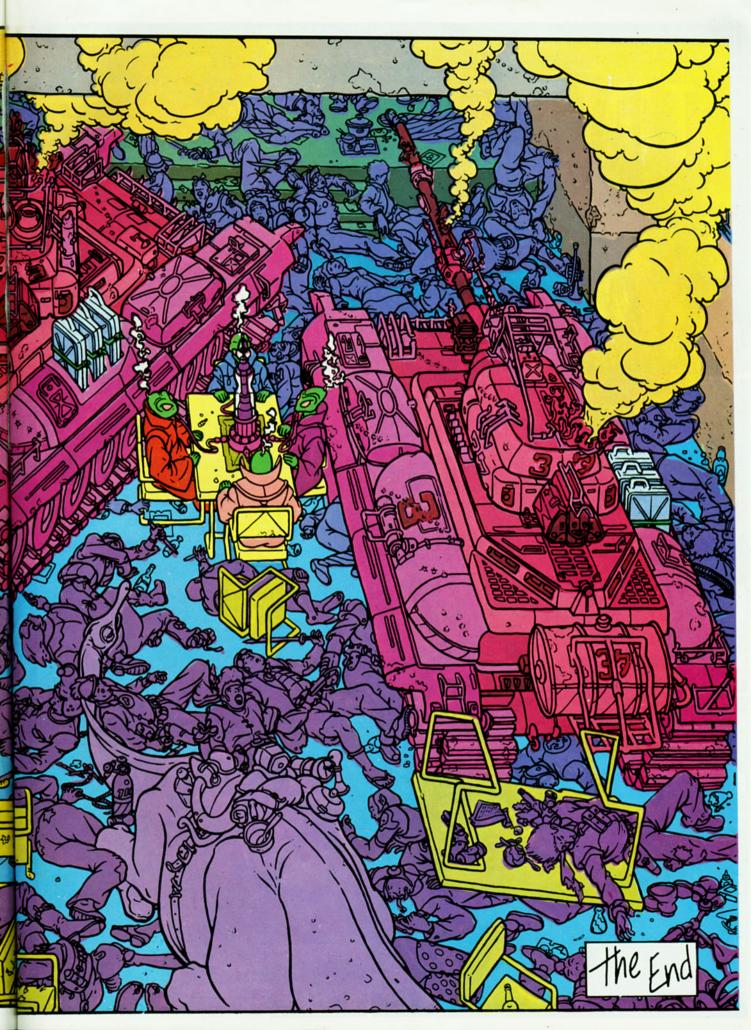












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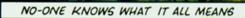


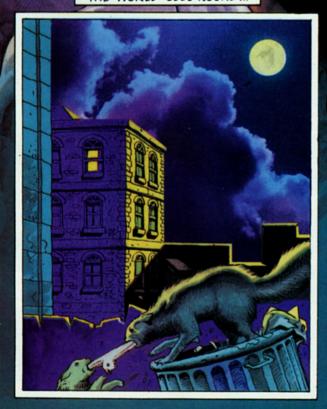
I AM A CREATURE OF THE NIGHT. I AM A ...

COMIC ARTIST



THE WORLD GOES ROUND ...











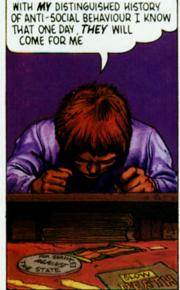




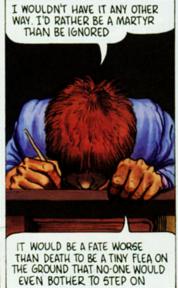






















I THOUGHT THE REVOLUTION MEANT NO GOVERNMENT
BE REALISTIC EDDIE.

BE REALISTIC EDDIE,
THESE THINGS TAKE
TIME.YOU CAN'T
JUST RUSH A WHOLE
REVOLUTION THROUGH
Y'KNOW!LOOK ON
THE BRIGHT SIDE...









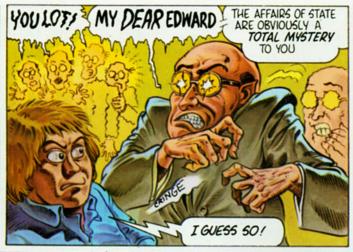


























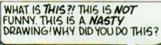
















































NOT SHOW PEOPLE AS NASTY

























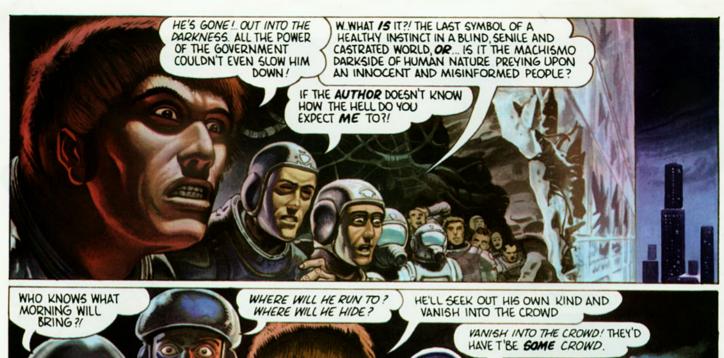
















THE REVOLUTION IS DEAD! LONG LIVE THE REVOLUTION!

CON THE PUBLIC 198

LATELY, IT SEEMS YOU CAN HARDLY PICK UP A MAGAZINE WITHOUT FINDING ONE FEATURED PROMINENTLY... YOU CAN BARELY TUNE INTO A T.V. TALK SHOW BEFORE THE DISCUSSION TURNS TO THEM... AND SO WE ASK--

WHAT IS IT WITH THE

BUSS

CONSIDER...

FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1957
BUS PRIVER IS THE LEADING
VOCATIONAL CHOICE OF HIGH
SCHOOL SENIORS SURVEYED...

TIME MAGAZINE BROKE TRADITION BY CHOOSING A MUNICIPAL BUS FROM AMES, IOWA, FOR ITS YEARLY "MAN OF THE YEAR" ISSUE...

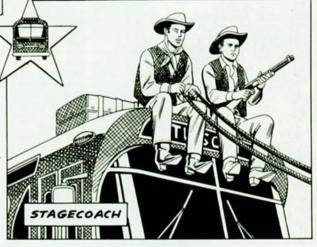


MILLIONAIRE MALCOLM FORBES SWAPPED HIS CHAUFFEUR-DRIVEN STRETCH LIMO FOR A ROOMIER "BUS-FOR-ONE"...



HOLLYWOOD, OF COURSE, WAS AMONG THE FIRST TO CAPITALIZE ON THIS ENTHUSIASM... NO ONE WILL SOON FORGET SUCH FILMS AS ...







YET LET US NOT FORGET THAT THERE ARE MANY AMONGST US, ESPECIALLY IN RURAL AREAS, WHO HAVE ONLY THE MOST RUPIMENTARY NOTION OF WHAT A BUS ACTUALLY IS. FOR THEM, THE FOLLOWING INTRODUCTION.

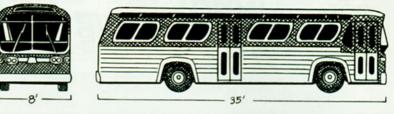
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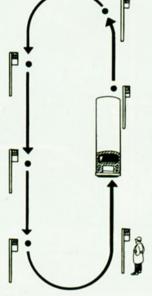
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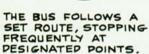
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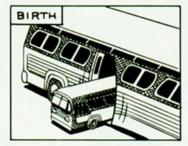
* REMEMBER THAT THESE FIGURES ARE BASED ON STATISTICAL NORMS, INDIVIDUAL VARIATIONS MAY BE CONSIDERABLE. FOR EXAMPLE, DEPENDING ON AGE AND BUILD, A BUS MAY WEIGH ANYWHERE FROM SEVERAL HUNDRED TO 40,000 POUNDS!

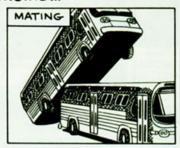
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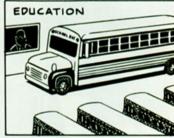






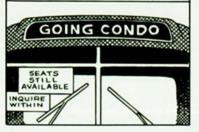






NEW CONCEPTS IN THE BUS ARE KEEPING THIS OF MAN INSTEP WITH THE TIMES!

IN NEW YORK, BUSES ARE GOING CONDO AS A PART OWNER OF A BUS, YOU PAY ONLY A MAINTENANCE FEE OF PERHAPS \$3 A RIDE~ AND YOU CAN RENT OUT YOUR SEAT WHEN YOU'RE NOT USING IT!



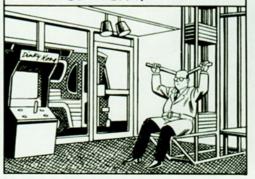
BOSTON, MASS ... RATHER THAN TIE UP CITY FUNDS IN LITTLE-USED EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT, BUSES POUBLE AS FIRE ENGINES, WITH COMMUTERS BRIEFED IN THE BASICS OF FIREFIGHTING SHOULD THE NEED ARISE!



IN DAYTON, OHIO, BUS TRAVEL IS FREE! THE SYSTEM TURNS A PROFIT BY LEASING AISLE SEATS TO REAL ESTATE PROMOTERS, INSURANCE SALESMEN, AND SPOKESMEN FOR THE UNIFICATION CHURCH!



PALLAS, TEXAS HAS INTRODUCED A NEW CONCEPT IN BUS SHELTERS-A V.I.R LOUNGE FEATURING VIDEO GAMES, NAUTILUS EQUIPMENT, EVEN A SUSHI BAR!



IT HAS NOT BEEN THE PURPOSE OF THIS ARTICLE TO MAKE VALUE JUDGEMENTS ON THE COMPLEX AND CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES SUPPORTERS, THE BUS REPRESENTS ALL THAT IS SPIRIT ... TO ITS CRITICS, IT EPITOMIZES THE WORST ASPECTS OF CONTEMPOR ARY LIFE. SUFFICE IT TO SAY THAT, LIKE IT OR NOT, BUSES ARE HERE

TO STAY!



THE IRON WHEEL ZELJKO PAHEK







TOLK!









































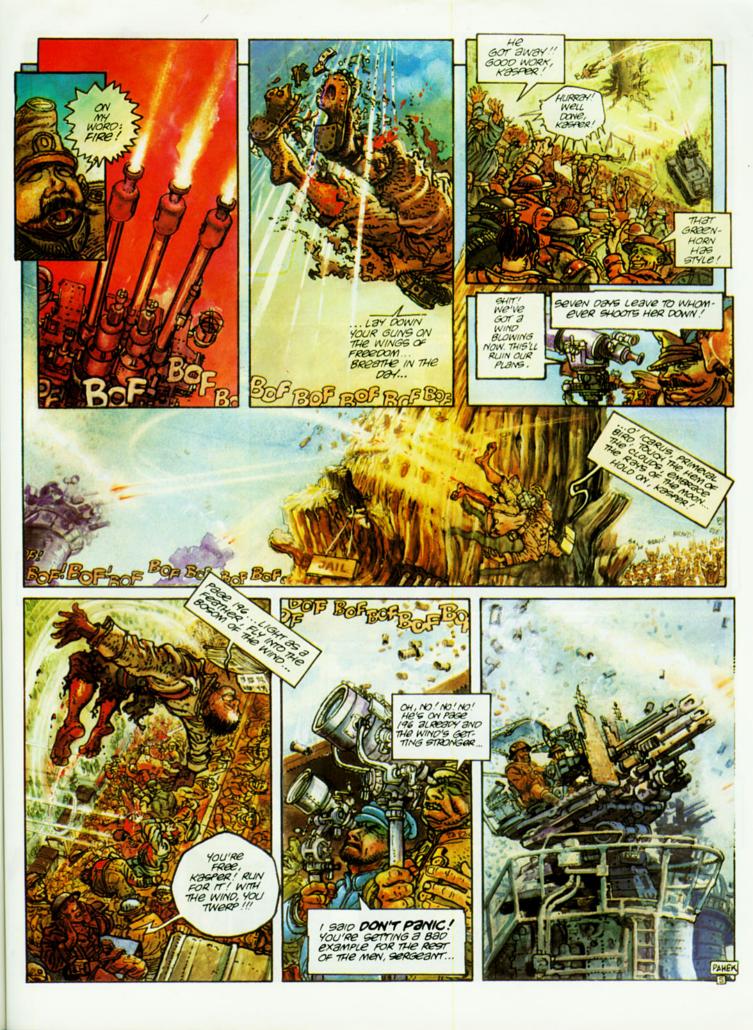








KASPER? NO
WAY! POOR GUY
WAS READING
THAT OL' BOOK.
HE'S A GONER...
THEM ROEMS
ARE REAL
INTOXICATING.
THE BRAIN
SECRETES TO
MUCH ONK-178X,
AND THAT
MAKES THE
BOOY ANTIGRAVITATIONAL
AND UP IT GOES.
FOR GOOD...























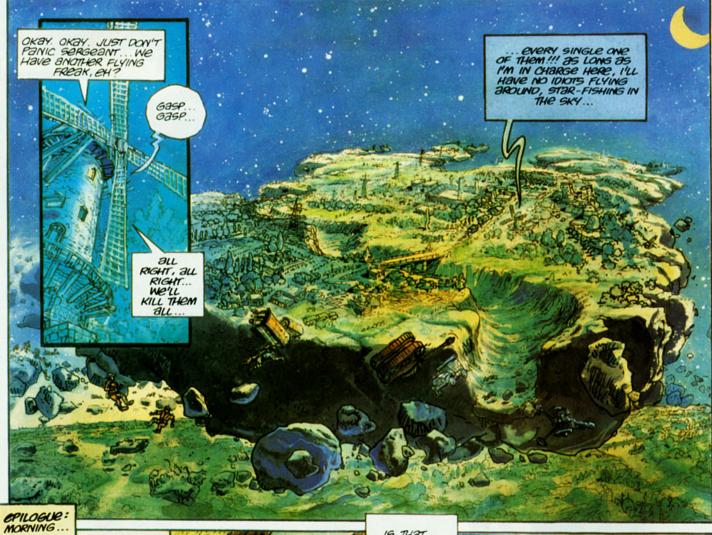












REPRIMANDED ME ???

REPRIMANDED ME ???

DAMN..! NO!!! I'M

NOT PANICKING..!

... Jeez!

JUST

WANT

TO

HEAR

FROM

THE

GEN
EPALS!

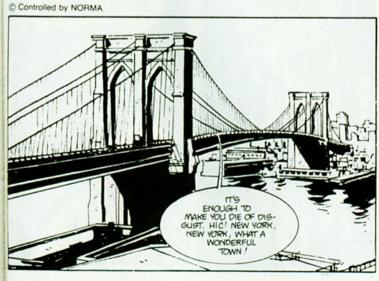
THEY
MENTIONED
YOU & LOT,
MAJOR...
YOU
BEHAVED
RATHER
CARELESSLY
YESTERDAY...

IS THAT
ALL ?? DAMN!
AND WHAT
DECISION
DID THE
WISE
GENERALS
MAKE ???
WHAT
WHAT
WHAT
WHAT
WHAT
BECOME
OF US ??!





THE ADVENTURES OF GLENN DYKSTRA

























































































































WHAT'S
THIS? OH, I
SEE...LET'S GO
TO THE BACK.



THAT'S THE
ALCHEMIST'S CROSS
OF BLOOD AND LIGHT
WHICH IS THE SYMBOL
OF THE TEMPLARS, OPOLY
ENOUGH THOSE PERVERSE
MONKS ARE ABOUT TO
COME BACK TO EARTH,
ACCORDING TO
THE LEGENO....



THIS
BLOOTHIRSTY
MONASTIC ORDER WAS
FOUNDED ON THE 12TH
OF JUNE 1118 IN FRANCE.
IT'S RETURN HAS BEEN
PREDICTED, ALL THEY
NEED IS A SECRET
MEETING PLACE, A
PLACE FOR INITIATIONS.
AND THERE YOU HAVE
THE STORY YOU WERE
LOOKING FOR.

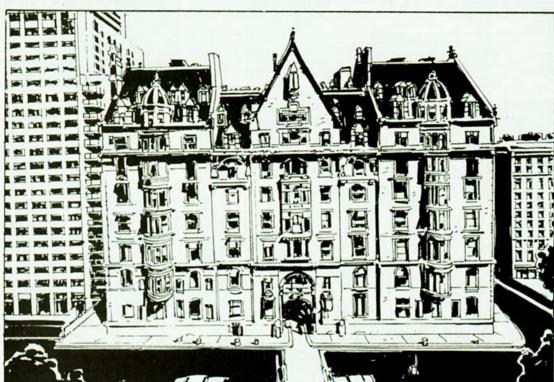




































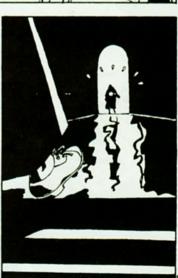










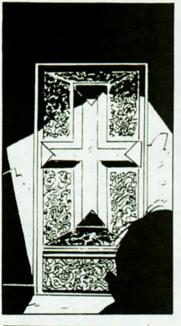




































































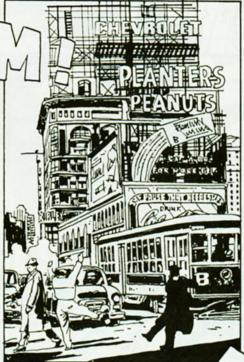


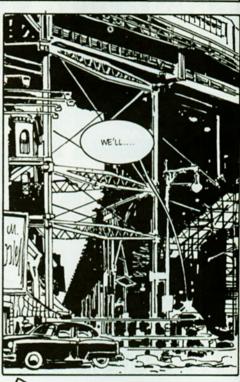














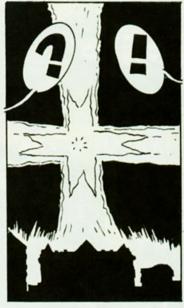


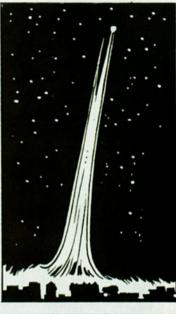






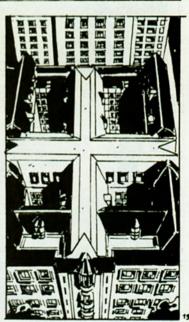














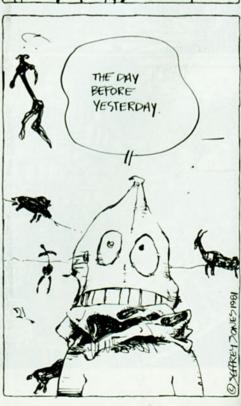






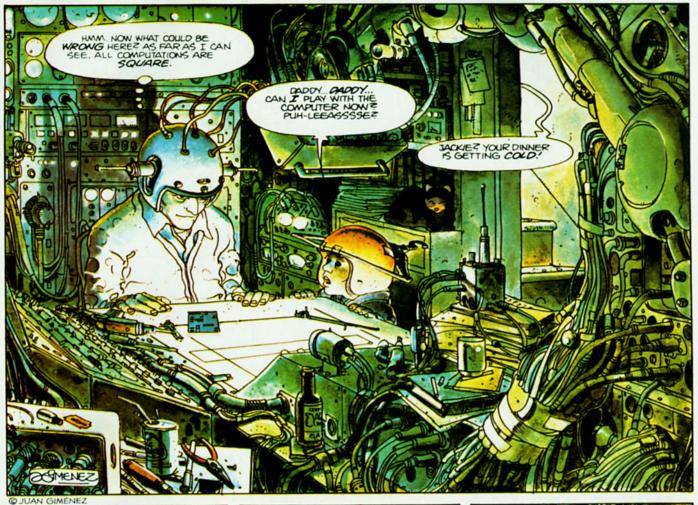




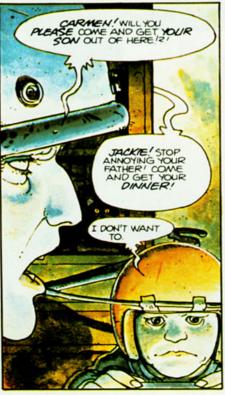


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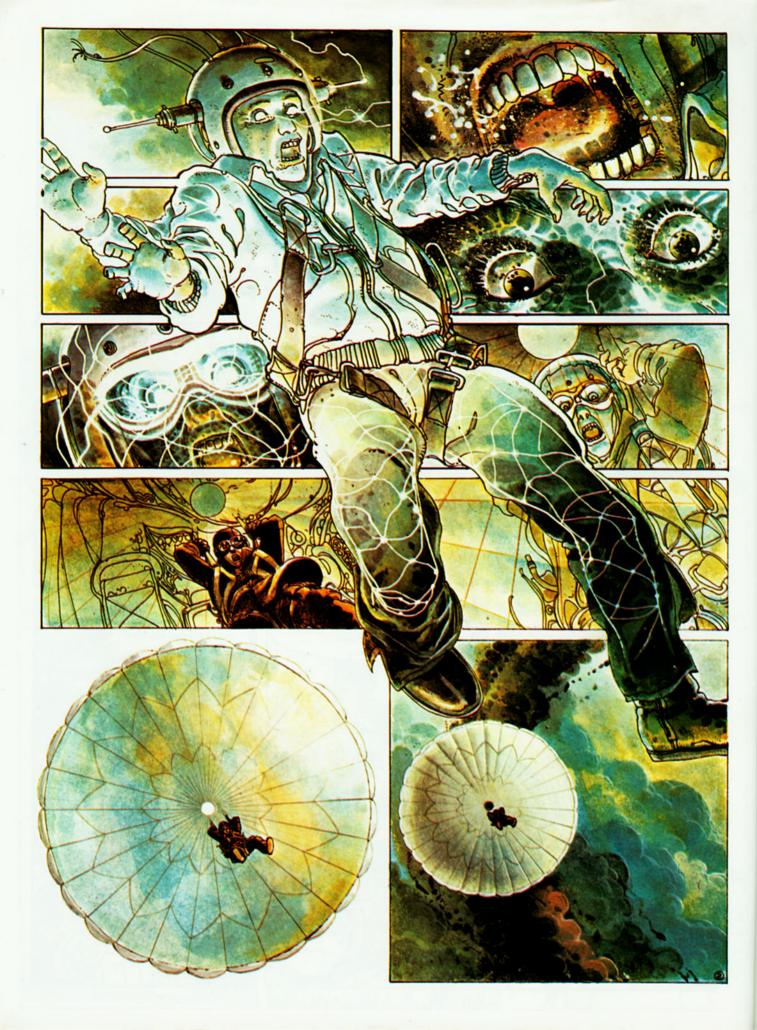
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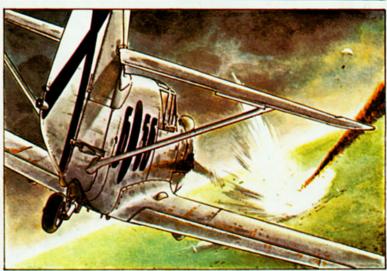




























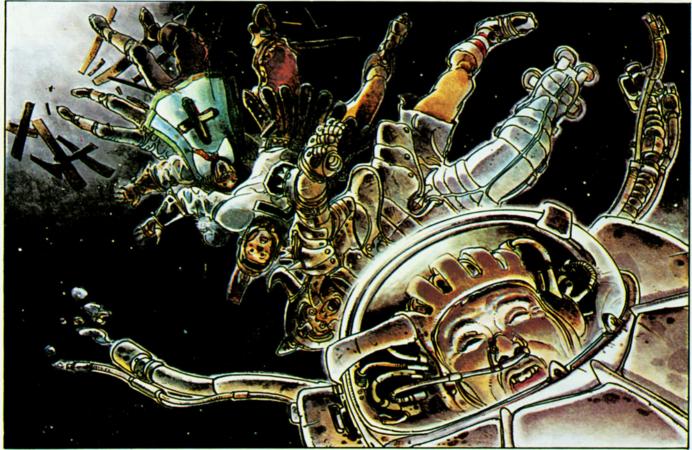




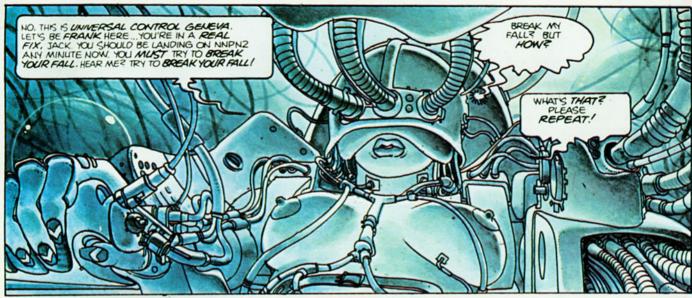


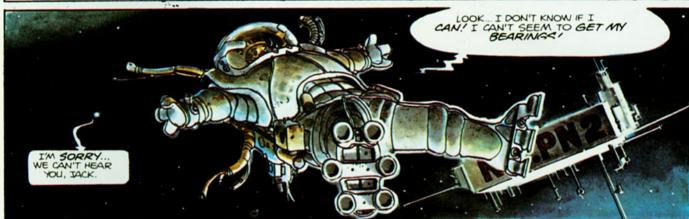




































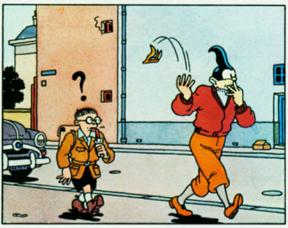




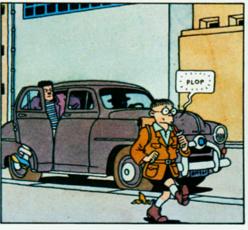
























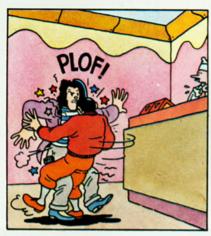












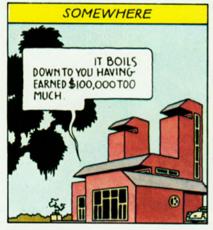






















































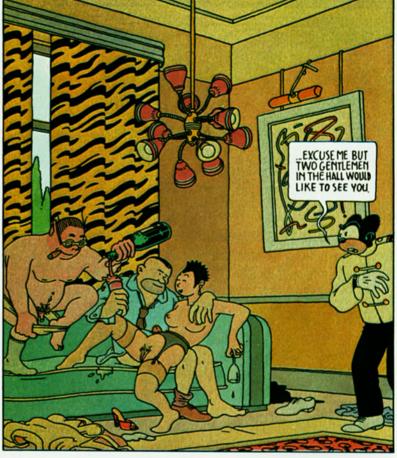


















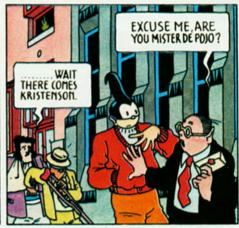


















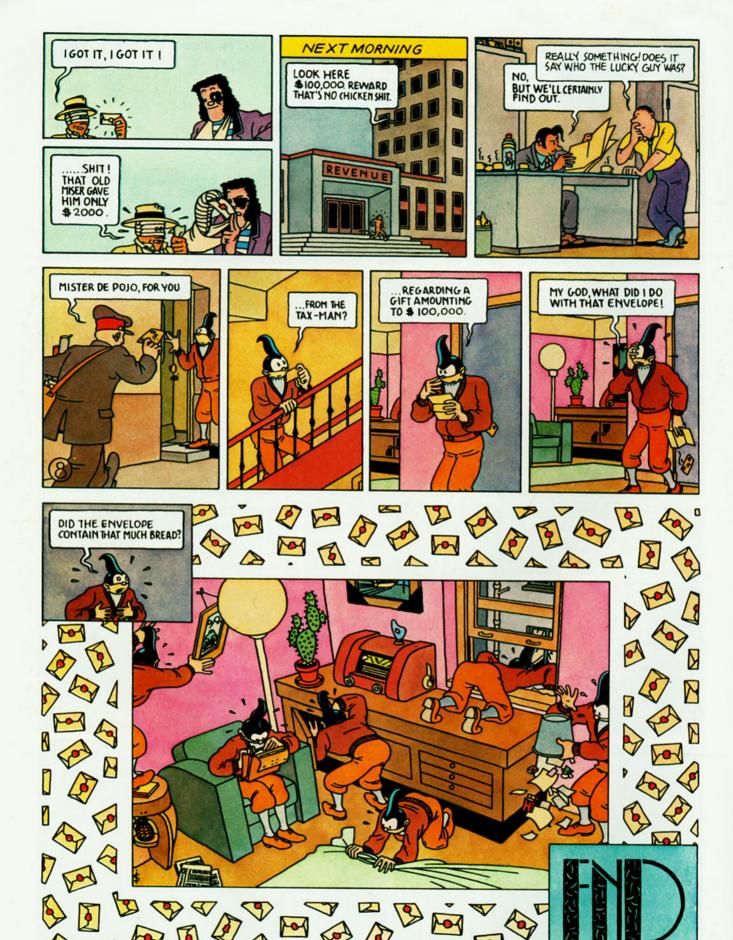




















































































































































































· Anoche, en el distrito siete, la policia detuvo a una extraña persona en la persecución tras una operación antidroga

La peluca del muerto

El individuo, que conducia un coche en el que transpurraba un manqui repleto de pasta de coca, no cataba de repetir - a pocar de no estaberido - que el espiritu de la civilración mona con el mientras se alciendo que en de "una periona
muena por las radiaciones alecujenas"

La policia, que seguia hacia tiempol la pista de una banda de cuarro
traficantes que se moira por la
senia de una banda de cuarro
traficantes que se moira por la
senia de traballo de los
servia de tapadera y almacten los



al parecer por un ajuste de cue Los orros dos consiguieron da la fuga, si bien se tiene la segu-de que no llevaban consigo alguna. Se cree que el detenido - a do por un trastorino de peri ana debido guizas en parte a













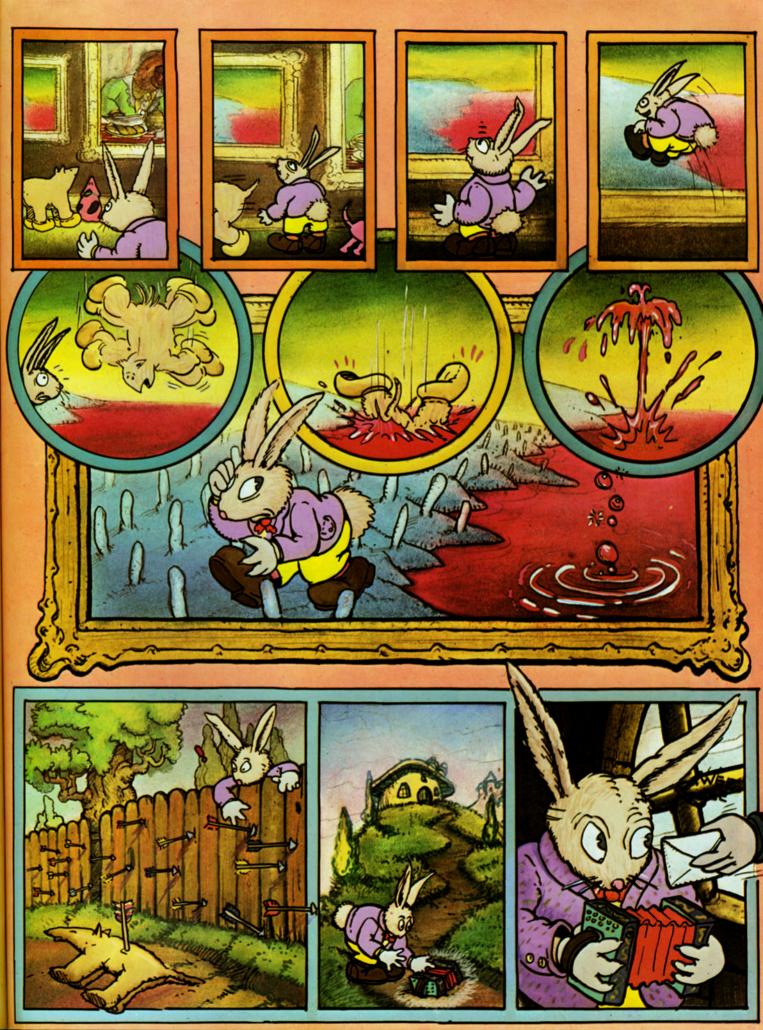




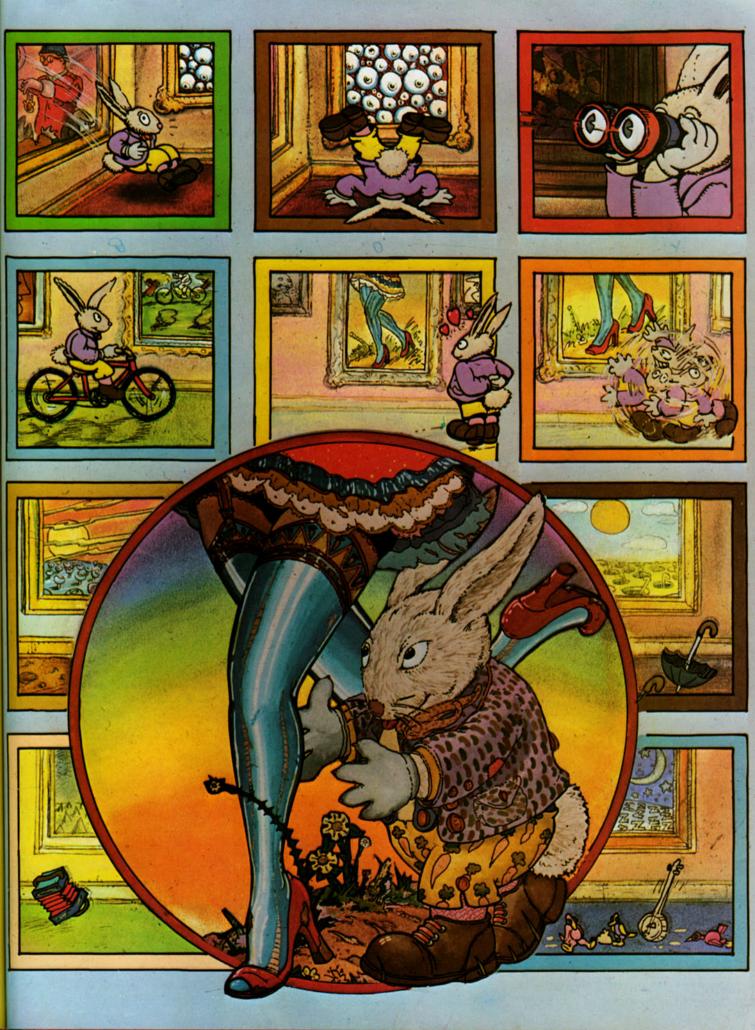




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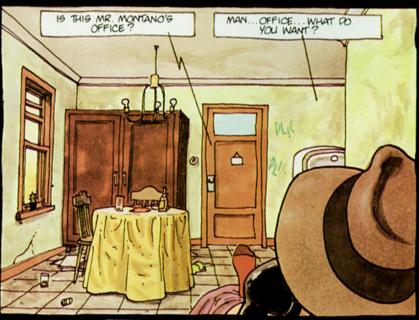
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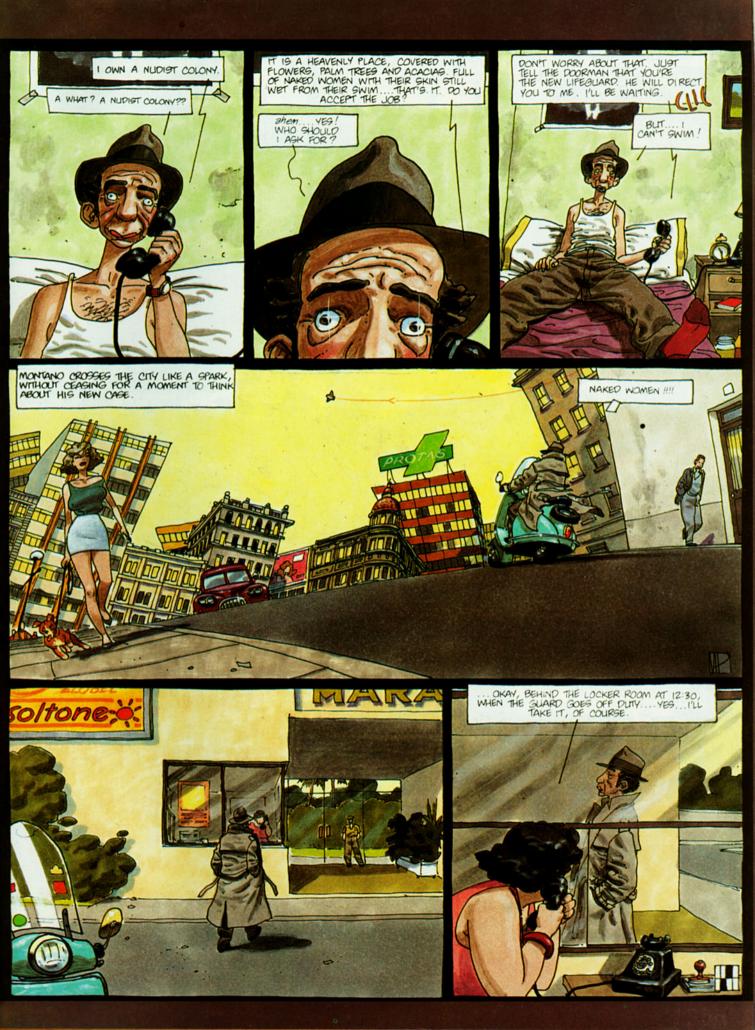


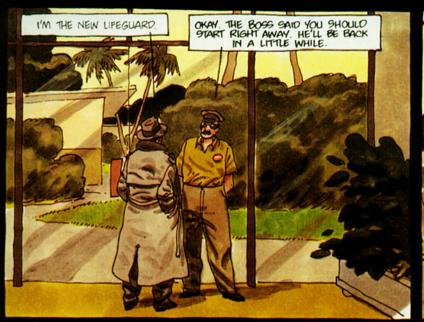


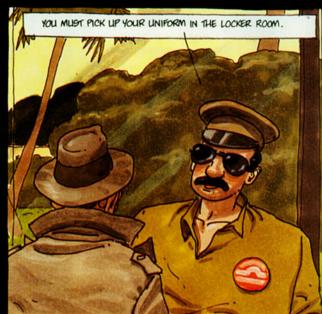




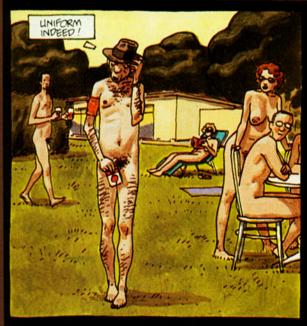






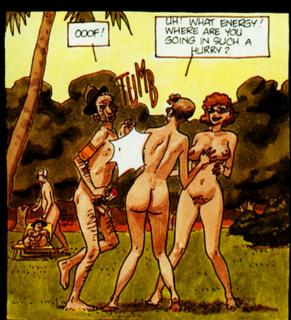


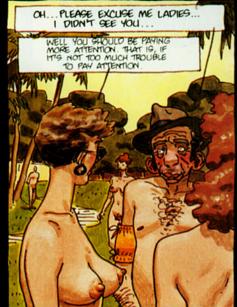






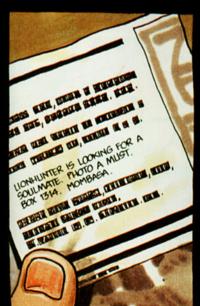




























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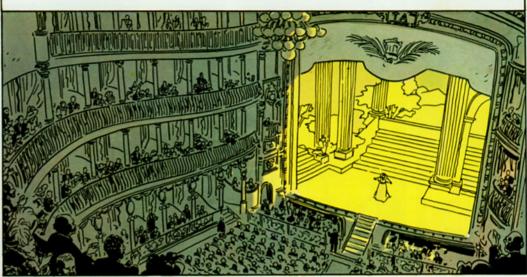
Dieter Lumpen



HER DESIRE TO VISIT THE JUNGLE CITY WAS NOT JUST A MILLIONAIRE'S WHIM, AND IT DESERVES TO BE EXPLAINED.



THE STORY BEGINS IN 1907, WHEN MAGDA'S GRANDMOTHER MADE HER DEBUT AT THE OPERA HOUSE IN MANAOS. IT WAS AN EXPERIENCE THAT MARKED HER LIFE FOREVER, AND NOT BECAUSE OF THE GREAT SUCCESS THAT SHE HAD ON THE STAGE.





IN BRIEF, IT WAS A LOVE STORY, RATHER EXCEPTIONAL FOR THAT TIME, THAT'S FOR SURE...EVEN IN THE THEATRICAL WORLD.





YOU DON'T HAVE TO HAVE A LIKING FOR OPERA TO KNOW THAT OTHELLO ALWAYS GOTS THE WORST OF IT IN THE END.



MAGDA'S GRANDMOTHER, WHOSE PASSION FOR PALLINUS WAS EQUALLED ONLY BY HER WEALTH, DID WHAT SHE COULD FOR HER LOVER. AND IF IT WAS LIN-SUCCESSFUL ESTHETICALLY WELL WE ALL KNOW THAT LOVE IS BLIND. JENY CLAUDE COURVASIER

DENTISTE



PAULINUS, HOWEVER, NEVER REALLY COULD GET USED TO LIFE IN EUROPE, AND FEARING FURTHER VIOLENCE, FLED BACK TO HIS COUNTRY.



THE WAR... MARRIAGES... ARTISTIC COMMITMENTS... THE MANY CHAPTERS OF THE SINGER'S LIFE UN-FOLDED. BUT THE MEMORY OF HER LOVER, NOW BUT A SWEET TALE, SURVIVED INTACT, AND WAS RELATED TO HER GRANDAUGHTER, MAGDA.







































I WAS SURE
THAT THE OLD MAN
WAS TRYING TO
FRIGHTEN US, HOWEVER, I DIDN'T
REALLY CARE. HIS
MYSTERIOUS STORY
COULD HELP
CONVINCE MAGDA
TO CHANGE OUR
PLANS AND FLY
TO RIO. TO THE
BEACH.















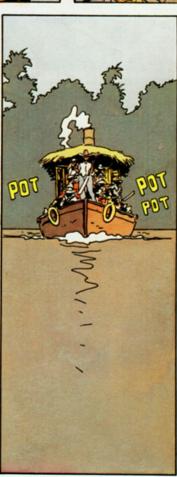






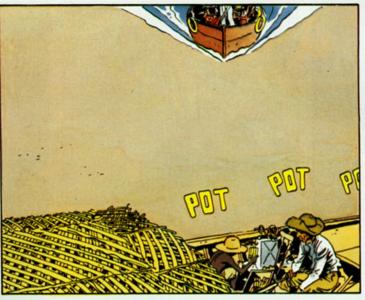










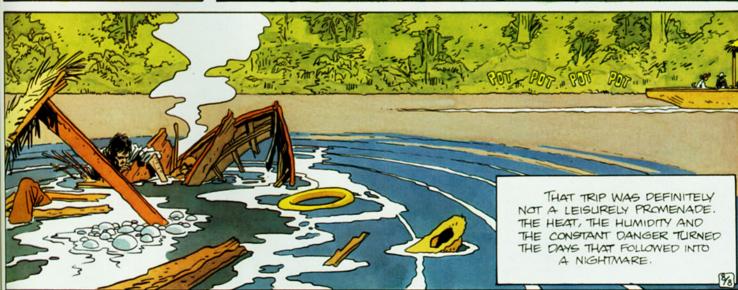








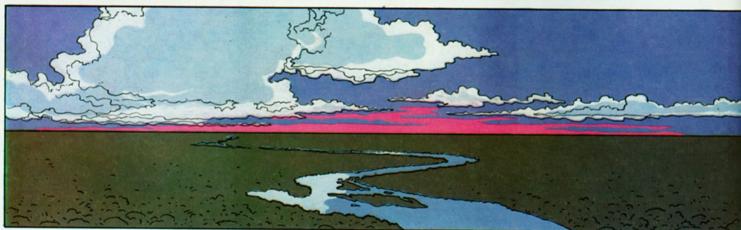










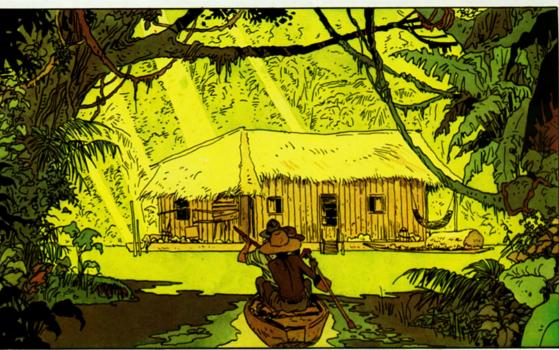




























MANY HOURS LATER, IN A VOICE THAT BLENDED WITH THE NOISES OF THE JUNGLE NIGHT, DON MALIRO BEGAN TO EXPLAIN THE STORY.



THE MIRACU-LOUS AND MAGICAL STORY OF GOLDEN MOUTH, A MAN WHO, IN A SET OF GOLDEN TEETH, HAD FOUND THE TREASURE SOUGHT AFTER FOR CENTURIES; THE FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH,

THOSE DENTURES...
THOSE GOLD TEETH
ARE NOT MAGIC IN
THEMSELVES...THEY
ARE THE SYMBOL OF AN
OLD PASSION, FOR
TIME HAS STOOD STILL.











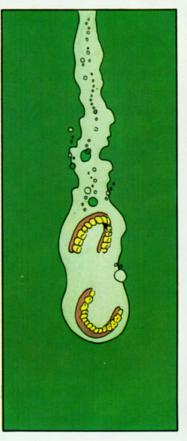


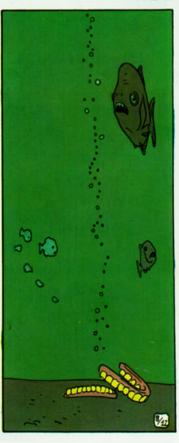
















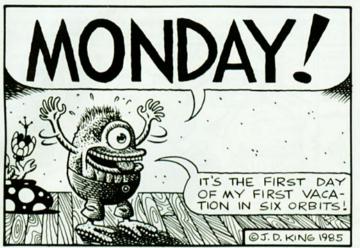








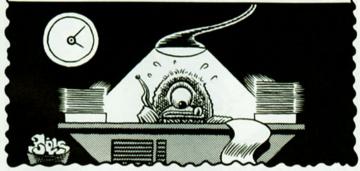




I SPENT THE ENTIRE WEEKEND MOVING INTO THIS NEW LUXURY APARTMENT, IT WAS A PAIN BUT JUST LOOK AT IT NOW! BEAUTIFUL!!



YEP, IT WAS JUST SIX ORBITS AGO THAT I ENTERED THE WORK FORCE EAGER TO TAKE ON ANY OVERWHELMING TASK TO ACCUMULATE EXPERIENCE AND CREDITS. MY ENTHUSIASM AND INNOVATIONS DID NOT GO UNNOTICED BY MY SUPERVISORS . THE MORE I PRODUCED THE FASTER I ADVANCED.

























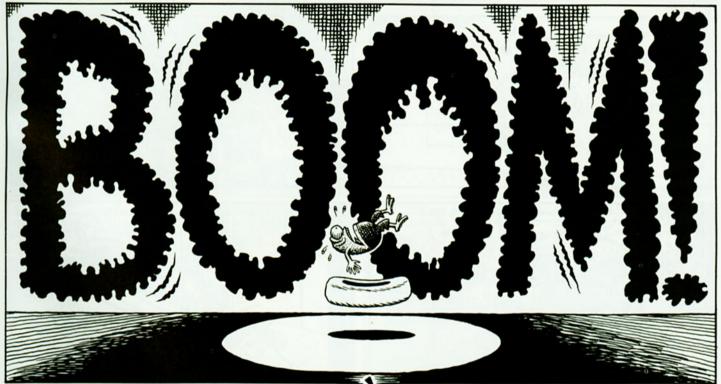




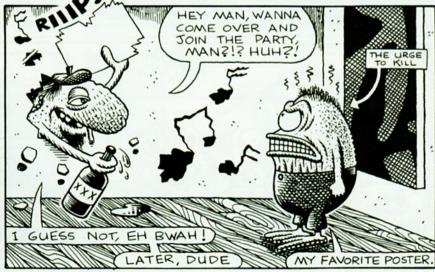


















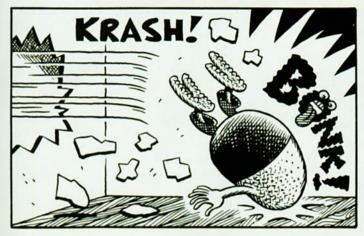












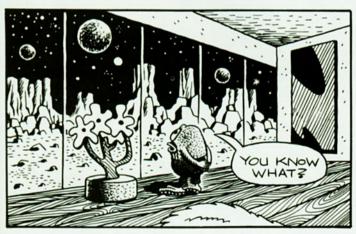


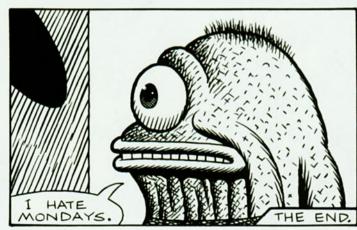


















































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