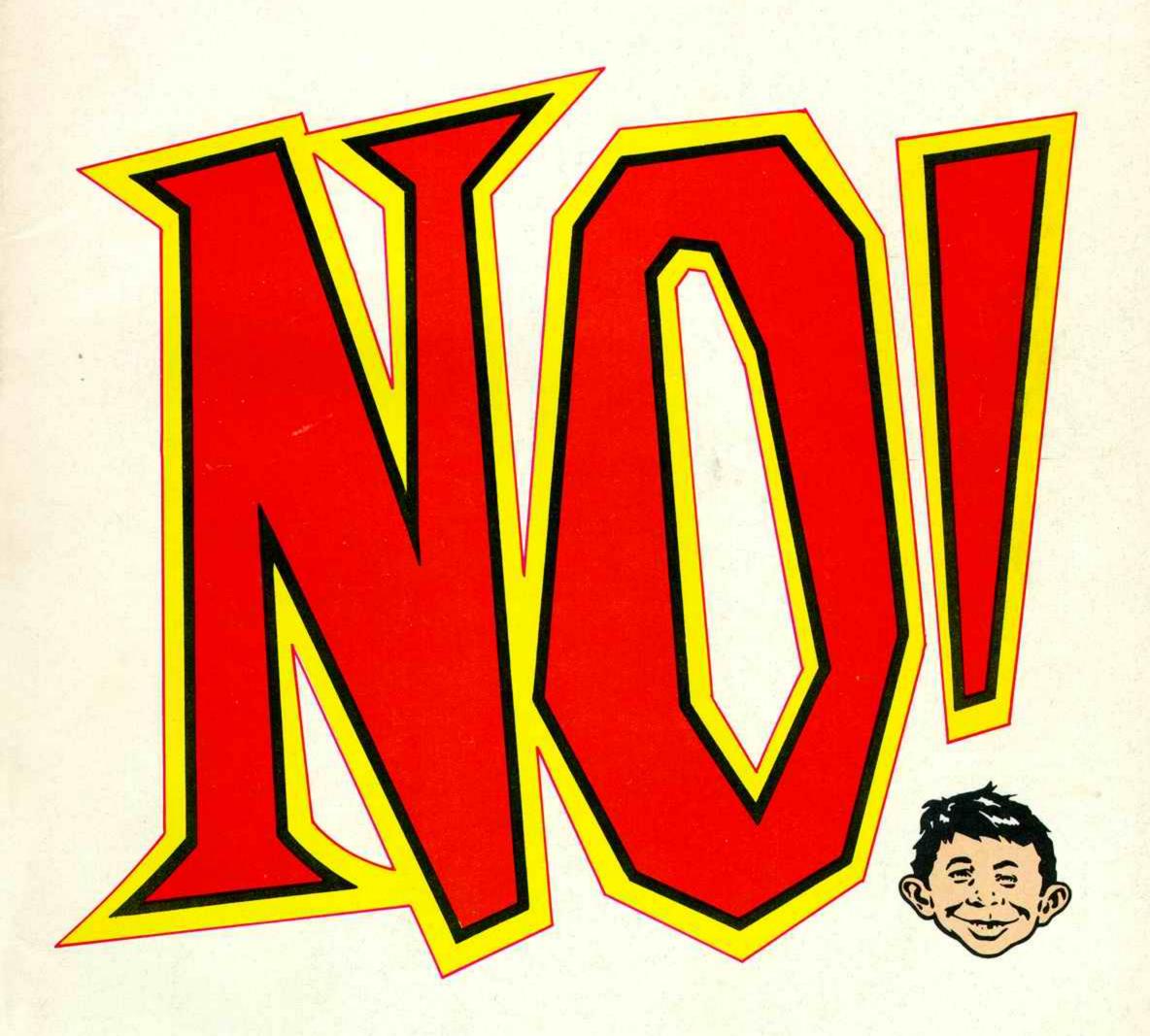
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LETTERS DEPT.



FIVE EASY PAGES

You blew it again! Must you always distort the content of the pictures you choose to satire? As usual, your "Five Easy Pages" was more exciting than the movie.

Jim Reynolds Seattle, Wash.

Some dumb clods will see that movie, come out of the theatre, and not know what the heck they saw. Some people (like me) will come out and love it, ponder it, sympathize with the characters, and understand it fully. You may not know this, but the funny scene in the diner, where Bobby couldn't get toast, besides being funny in itself, had a lot to say about our society, as all the scenes in "Five Easy Pieces" did. You really goofed at trying to make fun of such a significant and beautiful movie.

Donna Martin Willingboro, N.J.

THE FOUL AND THE PRISSY CATS

Bravo! Your satire, "The Foul And The Prissy Cats", really gave Barbra Streisand what she deserved for stooping to the depths of that movie! Why she did it after such box-office smashes as "Funny Girl" and "Hello, Dolly" I'll never know.

Kris Kisling Eaton, Ohio

The barbs for Barbra were more masterful than ever!

> Masha Sinkevitch Hollywood, Calif.

Barbra Streisand may be the first performer to escape MAD's usually intelligent criticism. She had to make three movies before you could find one fault, and that one (lack of versatility) was entirely fabricated. Now you describe "The Owl and the Pussycat" as "nothing more than vulgarity and sordid sex"; it is nothing less than hilarious. In both satires you've done on her, the artwork is magnificent. It may have been unintentional, but Mort Drucker and Angelo Torres actually conveyed the appeal of THE totally beautiful woman.

Joseph Weiss Valley Falls, N.Y.

I think you are doing a tremendous job on Barbra and I'm her biggest fan. Do a scoop of "What's Up, Doc?", her new one she's working on with Ryan O'Neal.

Mary Ann Slavin West Haven, Conn.

"What's Up, Doc?" . . . ? Is Ryan still pestering the medical profession . . . ?—Ed.

MAD ORTHODONTIA PRIMER

Congrats to Larry Siegel and Paul Coker on their brilliant "The MAD Orthodontia Primer". It was truly one of their most honest pieces of satire. Just ask my mouth!

> Elizabeth Francis Wollaston, Mass.

I was shocked by your expose of orthodontics. I thought that information was locked in my office, marked "Top Secret". I have been a subscriber to your trash since 1953 and I have your magazine in my reception room. So, as I straighten the children's teeth in one room, I warp their minds in the other room.

Dr. Norman R. Goodman Phoenixville, Pa.

Thanks to Mr. Siegel and Mr. Coker, I can skip next month's appointment. I laughed so hard, I tightened my wires!

> Frank Johnson Arlington, Va.

After 3½ years of lisping through braces and elastics, and of having everything taste like stainless steel, I greatly appreciated your article. I'm still wearing my retainer.

> Mary Ann Beckett Arvida, PQ

You left out a few things. Like how, when you first come into your orthodontist's office, he cracks sick jokes to make you feel better. But, two months later, he yells at you for not wearing your night brace or your rubber bands. And how, when you sleep on one side of your face, the night brace makes a line that doesn't leave for days. And how your rubber bands go PING! in your mouth. And how...

Ellen Berger Flushing, N.Y.

I might have to get braces, and if the darned orthodontist treats me like that, I'll give *him* crooked teeth!

> Scott Falls Hanover, Md.

CAPTIVE AUDIENCE

"Prison Record Albums Of The Future" was great, but Kogen and Rickard forgot "Dean Martin At The Manhattan Drunk Tank," featuring the hit single, "Because You're Mine, I Walk The Line"!

Mark Stevens Port Huron, Mich.

THAT SINKING FEELING

The writer was the funniest I've ever read in your magazine. Why don't you hire him as a regular, let's say in 1972?

> Mark Warkala Point Pleasant, N.J.

There was no need in repeating the Nixon speeches in "That Sinking Feeling". I got the joke the first time I heard them.

> Dave Puckett Cave City, Ky.

THE MODERN CRUCIFIXION

The back cover of MAD #145 conveys a frightening and powerful message in "The Modern Crucifixion", concerning the dangers of drug abuse. Thank you and Max Brandel and Irving Schild for helping spread the word on the terrible possibilities of heroin addiction, a dreaded menace which has claimed the lives of three of my longtime friends.

> Kevin Moriarty New York, N.Y.

I want to express to you a "bravo" for probably the most pointed (in the right direction) anti-drug admonition I have ever seen. The gentleman who conceived the idea, Max Brandel, should be highly praised for his effort.

> Rudy Benda New York, N.Y.

There should be a picture of "The Modern Crucifixion" in every high school and college classroom in the United States. Maybe it would help some young people make up their minds the next time the pusher comes around!

Albert La Fon Sarasota, Fla.

SEXUAL REVOLUTION CARDS

As Secretary of the Membership of the Homosexual Information Service, I feel our minority group was maligned in your "Greeting Cards for the Sexual Revolution." What disappoints me is that a magazine as traditionally broadminded and forthright as MAD would print such appalling hypocrisy. If, however, you sincerely feel that Gay people are less oppressed, less in need of liberation than the socially acceptable minorities, perhaps you should consider this: When was the last time you heard of someone facing arrest and conviction as a "practicing Indian or Black" . . . ?

Glenn M. Larson Philadelphia, Pa.

MAD FLAG POSTER

Congratulations and commendations are in order for your "MAD Flag Poster" which appeared in the latest MAD Special. It takes a magazine which belongs to no group (because it satirizes all groups) to point out that the American dream belongs to everybody, not just bigots and self-proclaimed "superpatriots."

> Charles Belov Pittsburgh, Pa.

ITALIAN ICING

I've been buying MAD for more than six years and it's worth every cent or lira I spend. You are one of the very few people in this world who makes me smile. Don't you ever stop publishing or I'll die!

Valerie Schettini Milano, Italy

No doubt you've seen our new Italian edition, Valerie, wherein Alfredo says: "Chi, lo, Prendermela?". - Ed.

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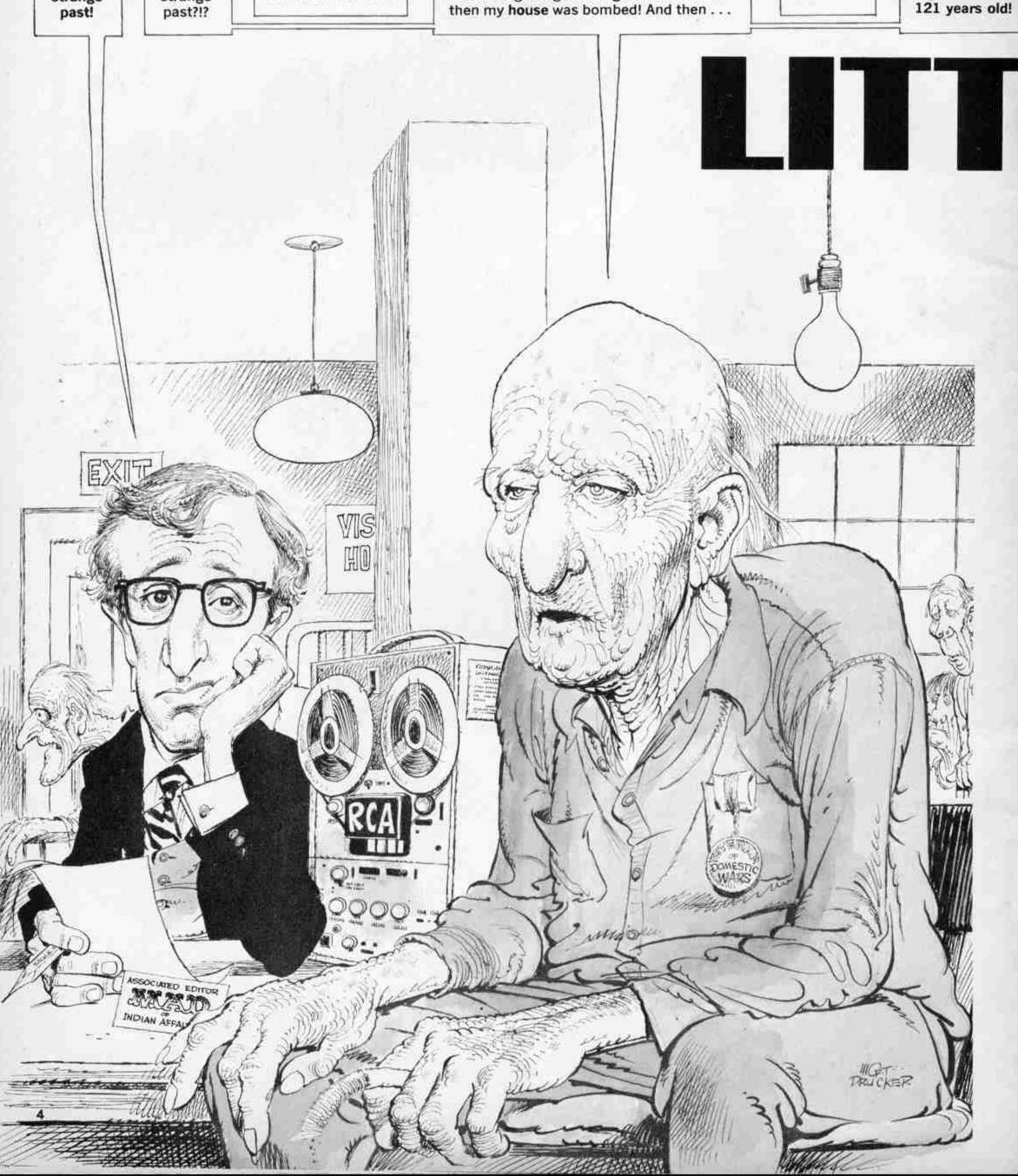
Sir, I'm from MAD Magazine, and I'm here to interview you about your strange

YOU'RE from MAD Magazine and you think I'VE had a strange Can you tell us the whole bitter story? How you suffered . . . how you endured many injustices . . . how you became one of the most neglected heroes of our time?

Sure I can! My name is Dustin Hoffman!
A few years ago I scored big with "The
Graduate" and "Midnight Cowboy" and was
touted by the Critics as the new Paul
Newman! But then I co-starred with Mia
Farrow in "John and Mary" . . . and after
that, Elliott Gould and Richard Benjamin
started getting all the good roles! And
then my house was bombed! And then . . .

No, No! I mean, can you tell us about the PART you play in the epic movie we're about to satirize?

Oh, that! Well, my name is Jerk Crabby! I am the oldest living survivor of the Battle Of The Little Big Horn! I am 121 years old!



121 years old . . .?! You don't look it!

Actually, I'm 131 years old, but the Producers made me lie about my age so the "kids" in the audience could relate to me!

I'm afraid,

Is it true that you actually KNEW General George Custer?

Yep . . . I knew **General Custer** for what he was! I also knew the Indians for what they was! And they all knew me for what I was . . .

Say, could you hurry up with your legend, Mr. Crabby? For some reason, I seem to be dozing off!

See . . .? That's just it! That's what I was! That's why they called me . . .

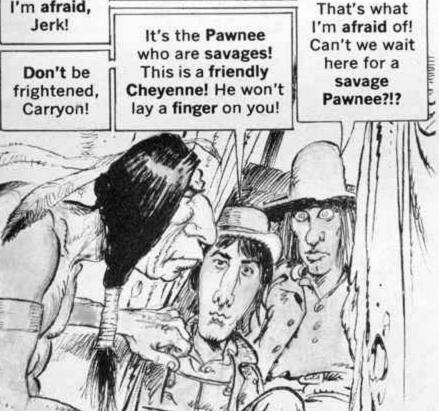


ARTIST: MORT DRUCKER WRITER: ARNIE KOGEN

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"It all began out on the plains! Our entire wagon train had been ravaged by the Pawnee. All that was left was me and nty "strange" sister, Carryon . . . "

"My sister eventually fled, probably to become the first 19th Century "Groupie", and the Cheyenne welcomed me as one of their own! Their leader was played by a real Indian, Chief Dan George."



Welcome, my son! We are the Cheyenne! We are not as violent as the Cherokee . . . more compassionate than the Navajo . . . and cuter than the Pueblo! Therefore, we call ourselves "Human Beans"!

Throughout this epic Western, you will be my adopted Grandson!

During the course of our relationship, we will have many personal difficulties and problems to overcome!

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... and You mean because I you am a White Man, and don't! Thank you you are a Red Man? Grandfather! But-but where do I fit in?

"So I became a Human Bean, and the Chevenne taught me to do all the things Indians are famous for . . ."

We teach you how to shoot the bow and arrow! Herehold this!

This scene is very symbolic! It's the first of many times in this film that I get the shaft!



"They taught me how to shoot a bow and arrow, how to read a trail, and how to take over abandoned prison islands . . ."

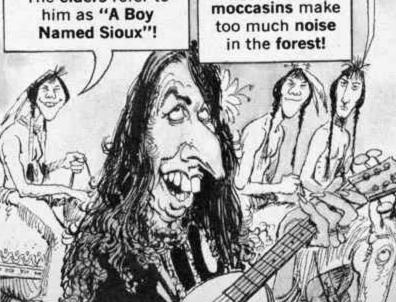
Who-or what is that?

He is an Indian Queen! He has many

names! We call him "Little Gay Wrist"! The elders refer to him as "A Boy

Why doesn't he ever go out hunting with us . . . ?

We do not let him! His high-heeled

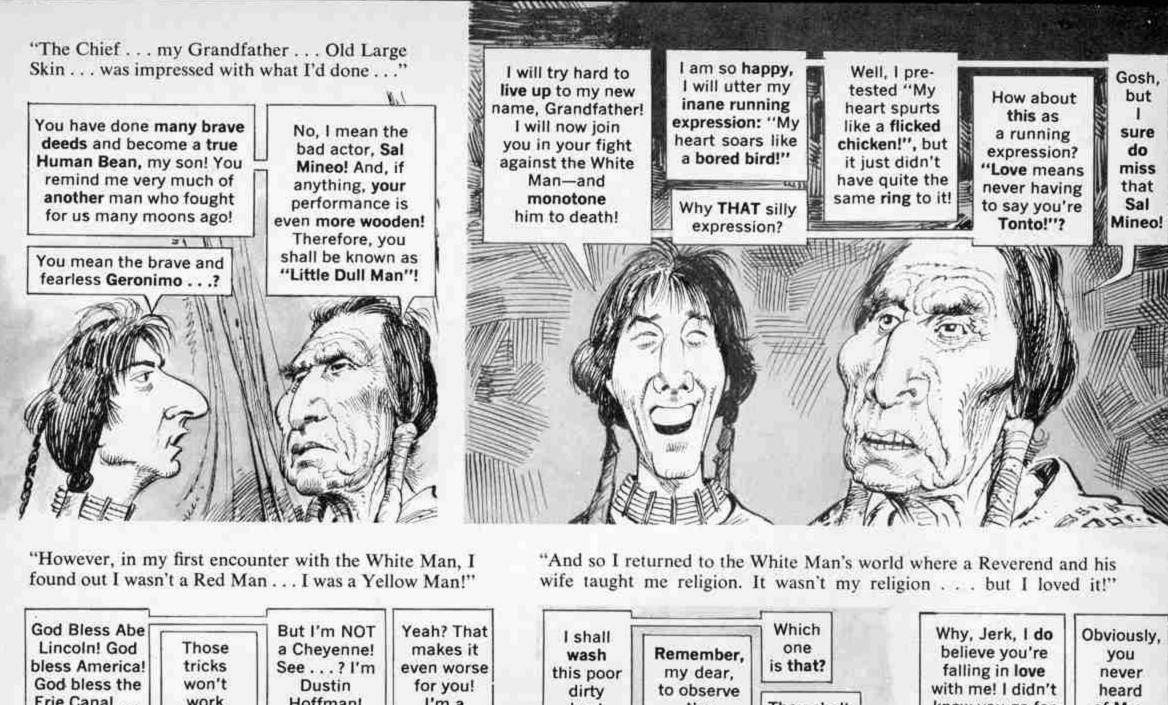


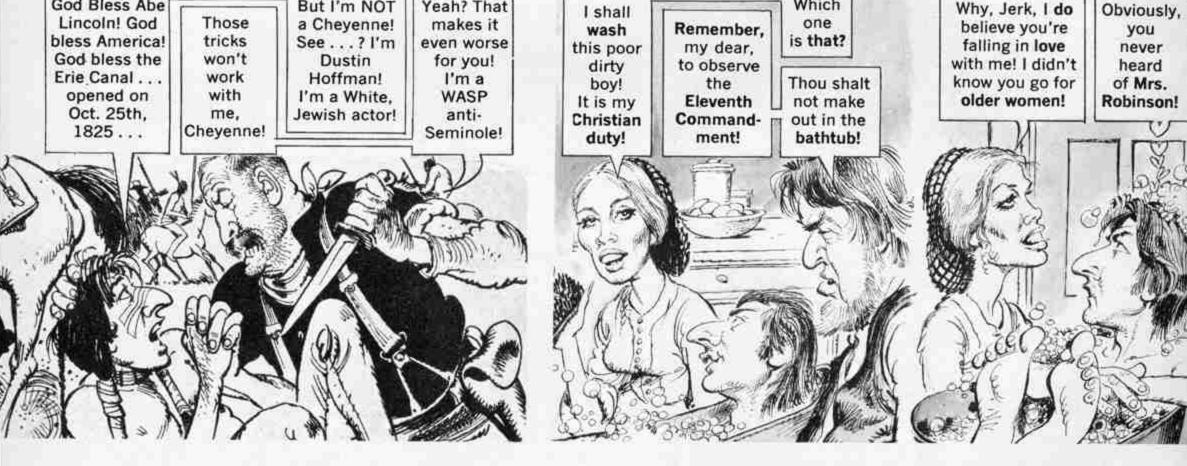
"Once, I saved Little Grudgeholder from being scalped by a Pawnee Brave . . ."

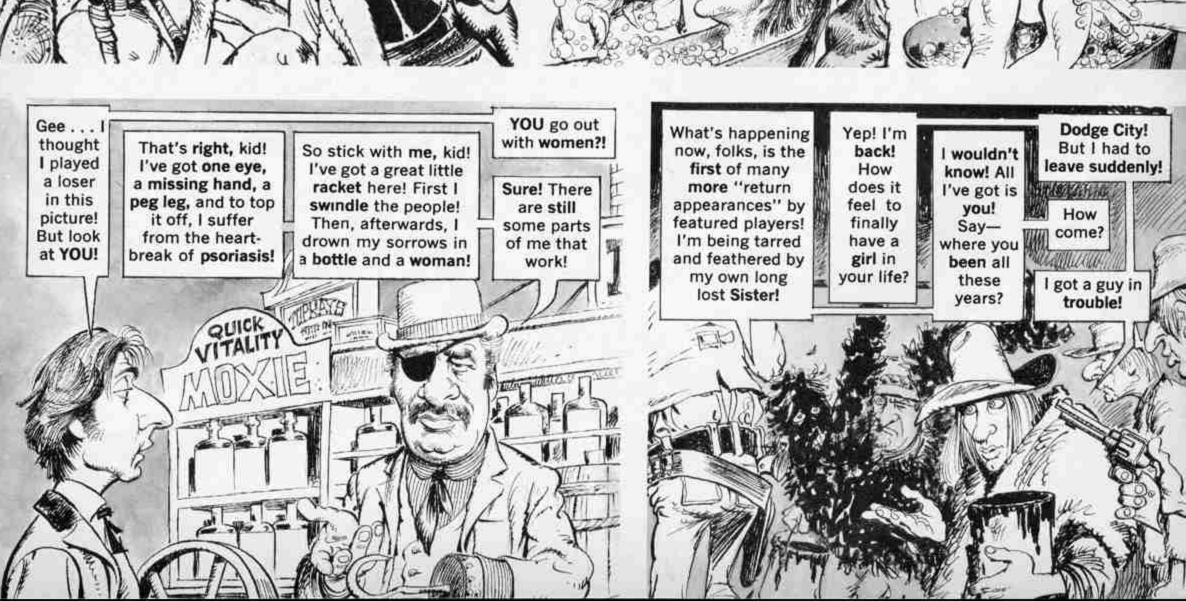
TOWN AND AND You saved my life! Therefore, by some strange Indian logic, I owe you a life! I will now noodger you for the rest of the picture until I can pay you back and take that life!

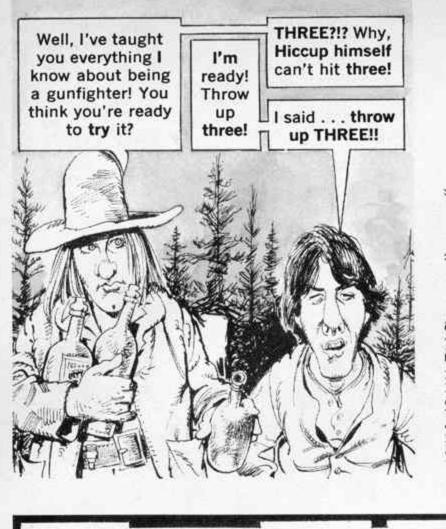
If the dialogue continues to be this pitiful, the life you



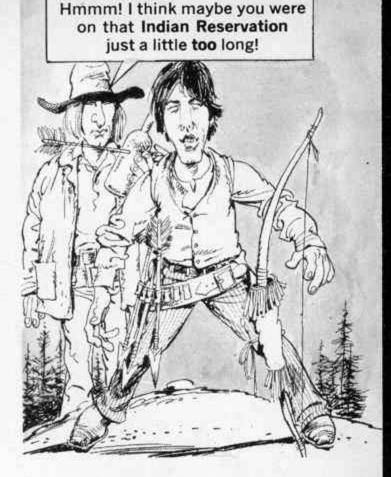


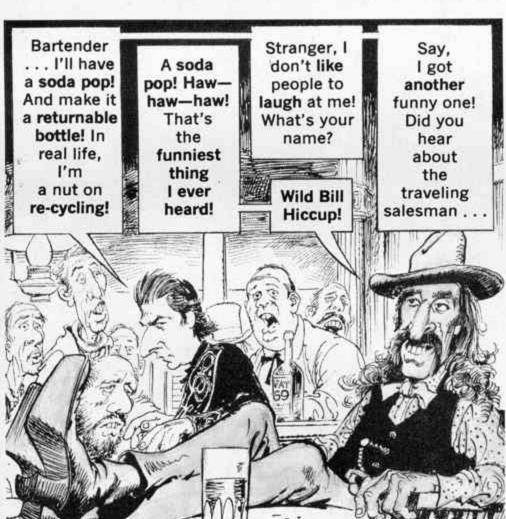


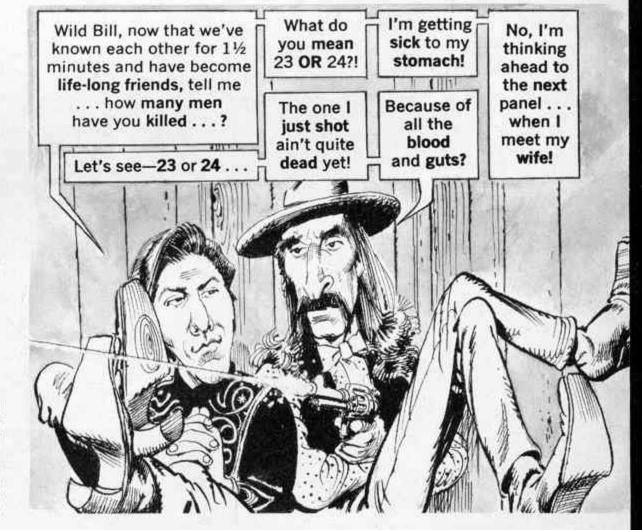


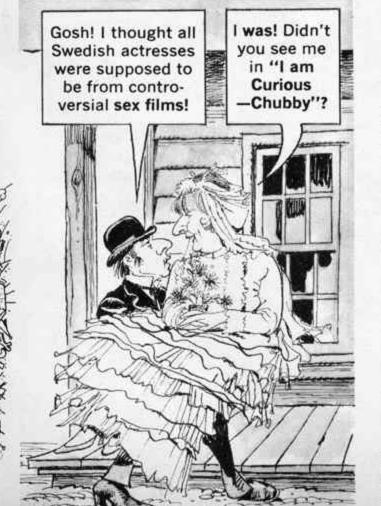






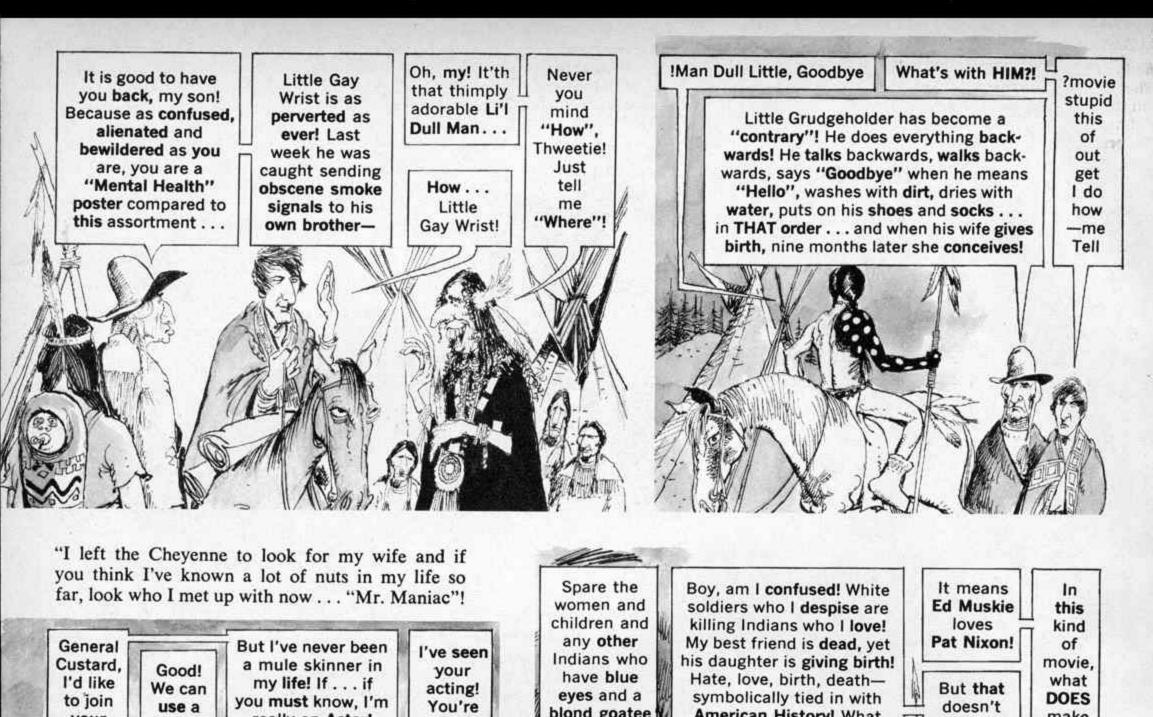




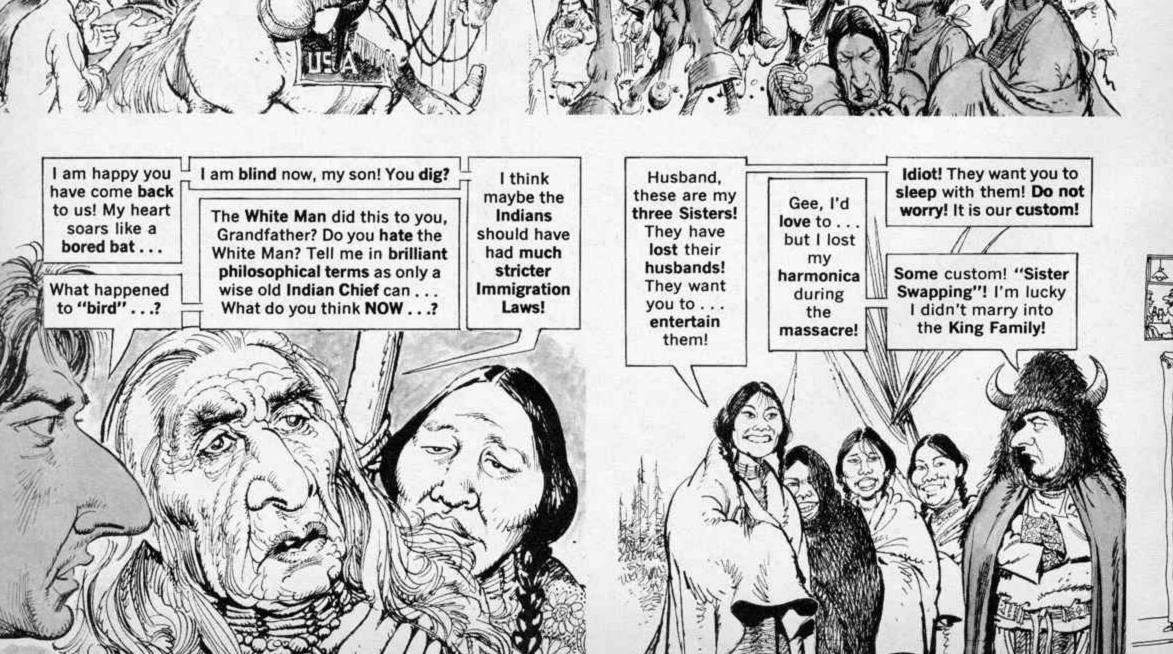


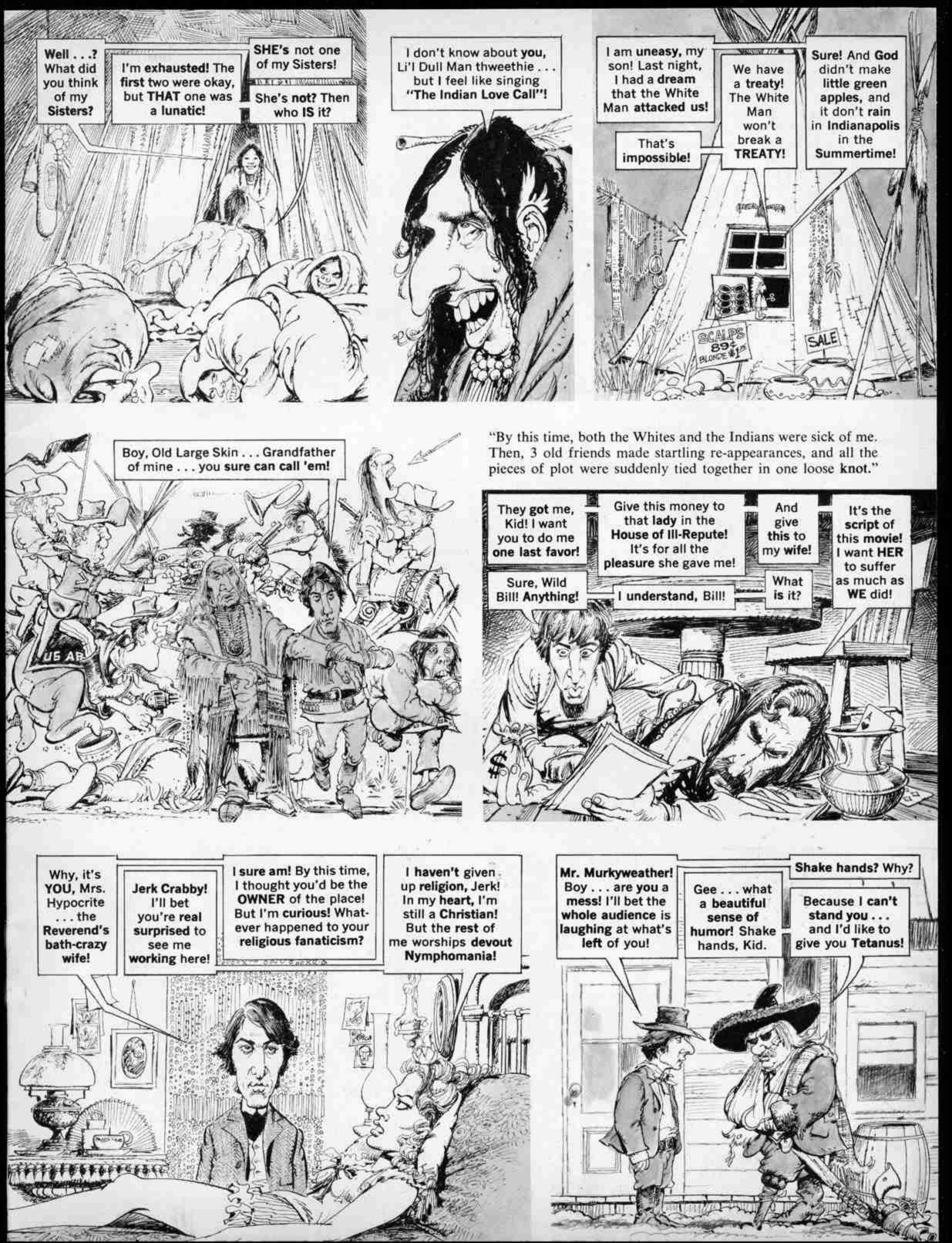
"After my wife, Ugla, was captured by Indians, who mistook her for an Oklahoma Reservation, I went deep into Cheyenne territory where I was captured by my friends who mistook me for a White Man. Meanwhile, the author of this film was captured by the Beverly Hills police, and was committed to a Rest Home—after he re-read his screenplay and mistook it for a Three Stooges picture."











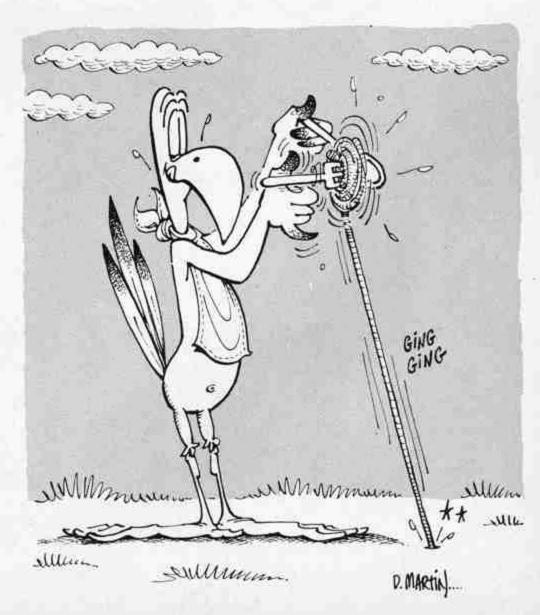


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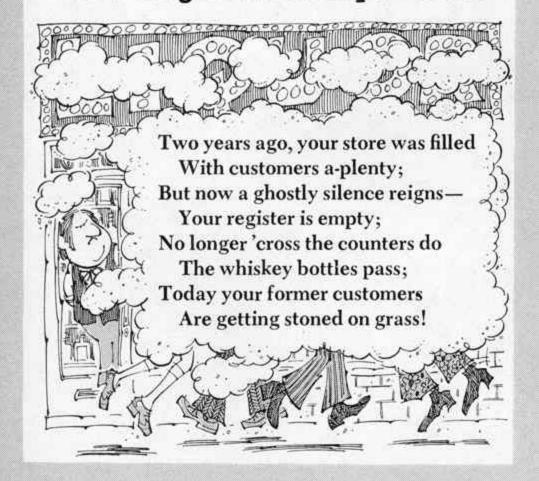
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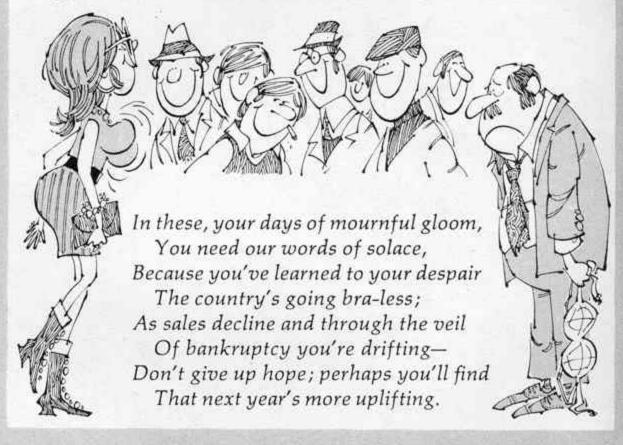
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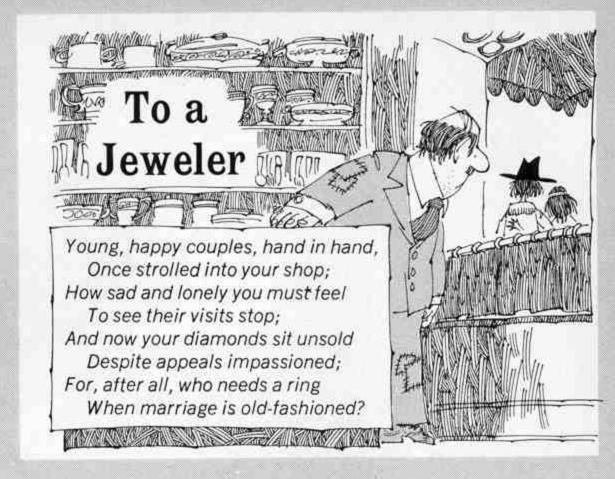
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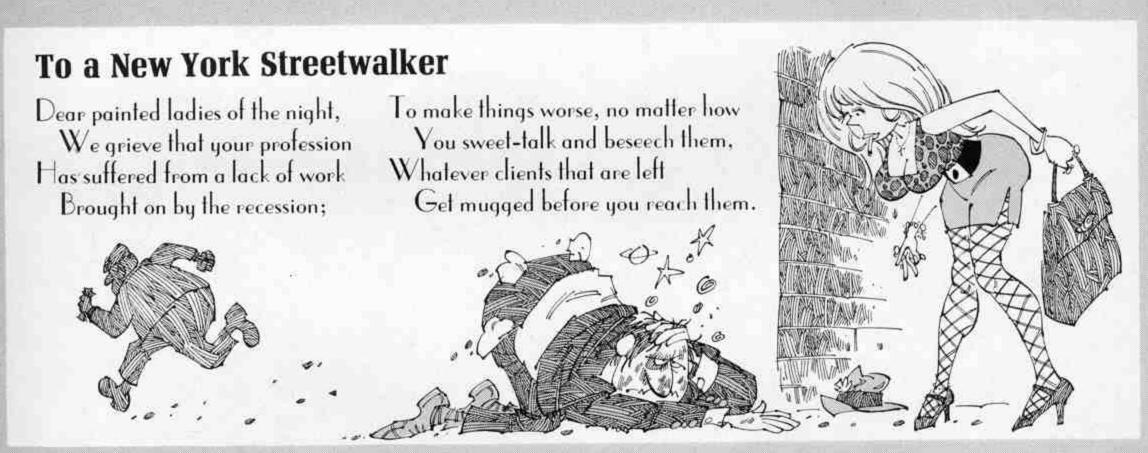


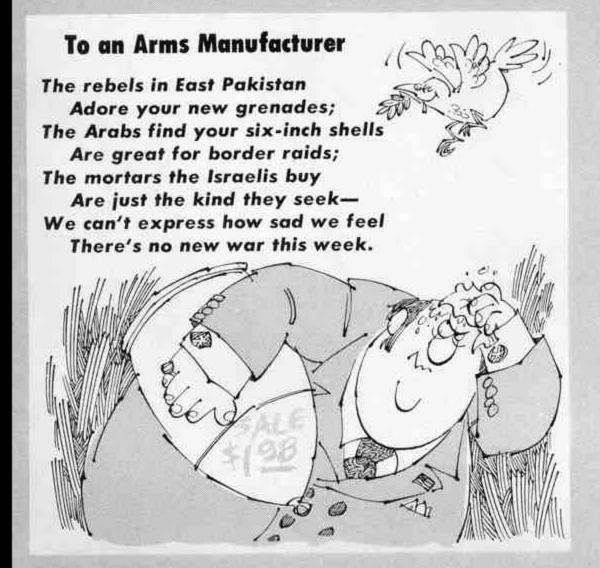


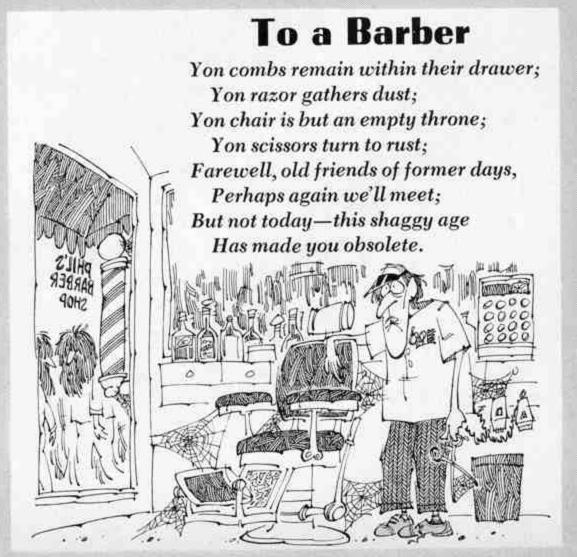
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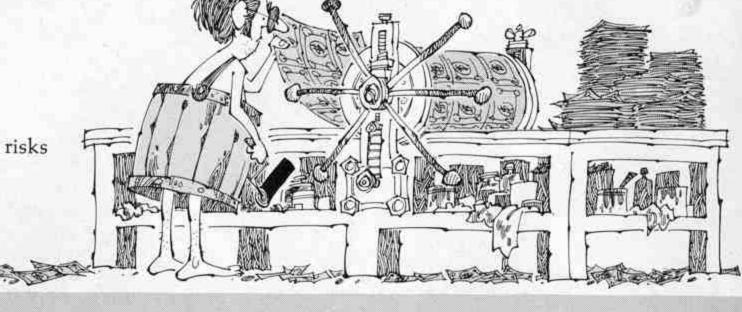




TO A COUNTERFEITER O plodding craftsman of your art, How patiently you forge Those bills that bear the likenesses

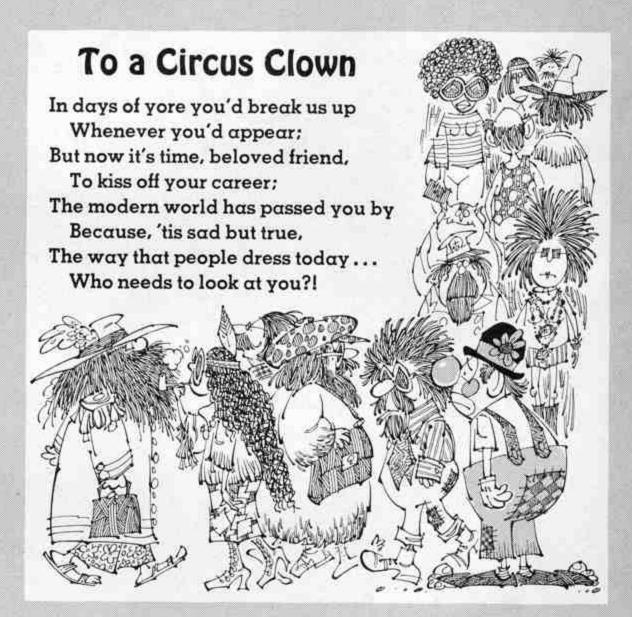
How grievous you should take such risks Within your life of crime; With what a dollar buys today, It's scarcely worth your time.

Of Abraham and George;





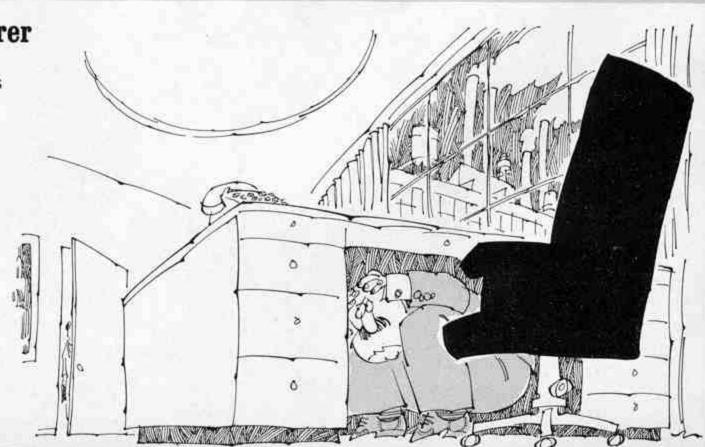
The joys a man may feel today
He may not feel tomorrow;
The surge of gladness in his heart
May turn to bitter sorrow;
Please know that we're prepared to share
Your grief, despair and strain,
Because we've heard a rumor that
You've traded for McLain.



To an Automobile Manufacturer

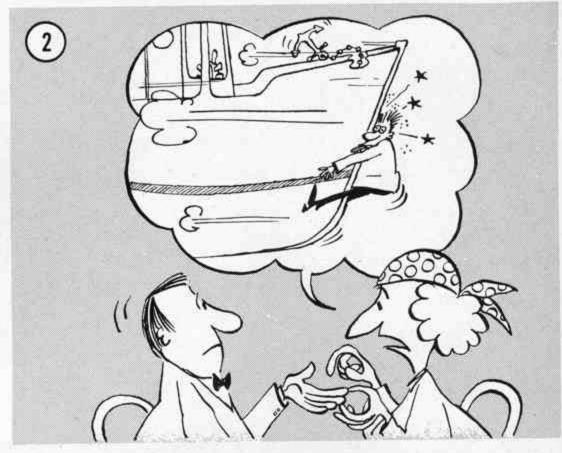
You've suffered, yeah, these many years At other people's hands; From soaring costs and overhead And labor's great demands;

You've faced the flood of foreign cars, Enduring each invader; How tragic that you must now face A visit from Ralph Nader.

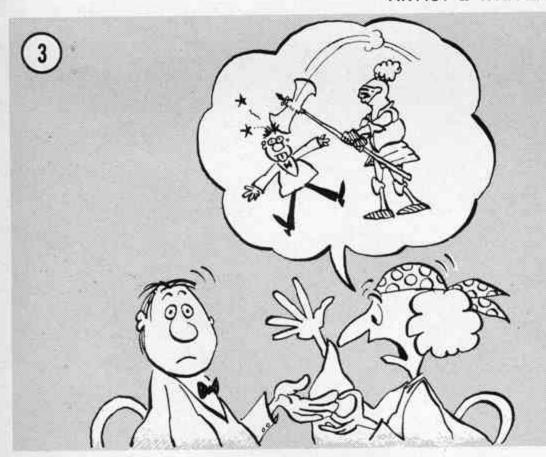


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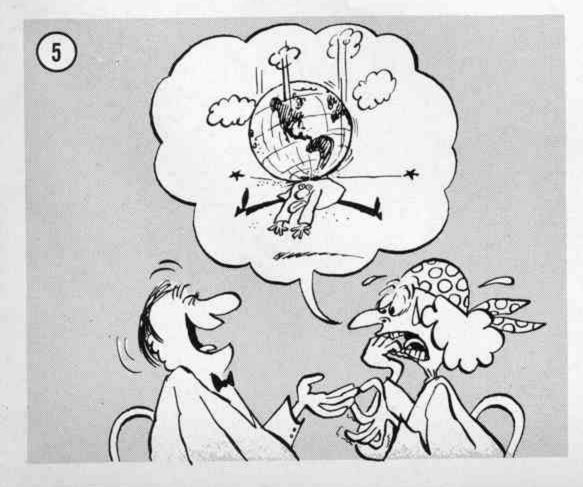




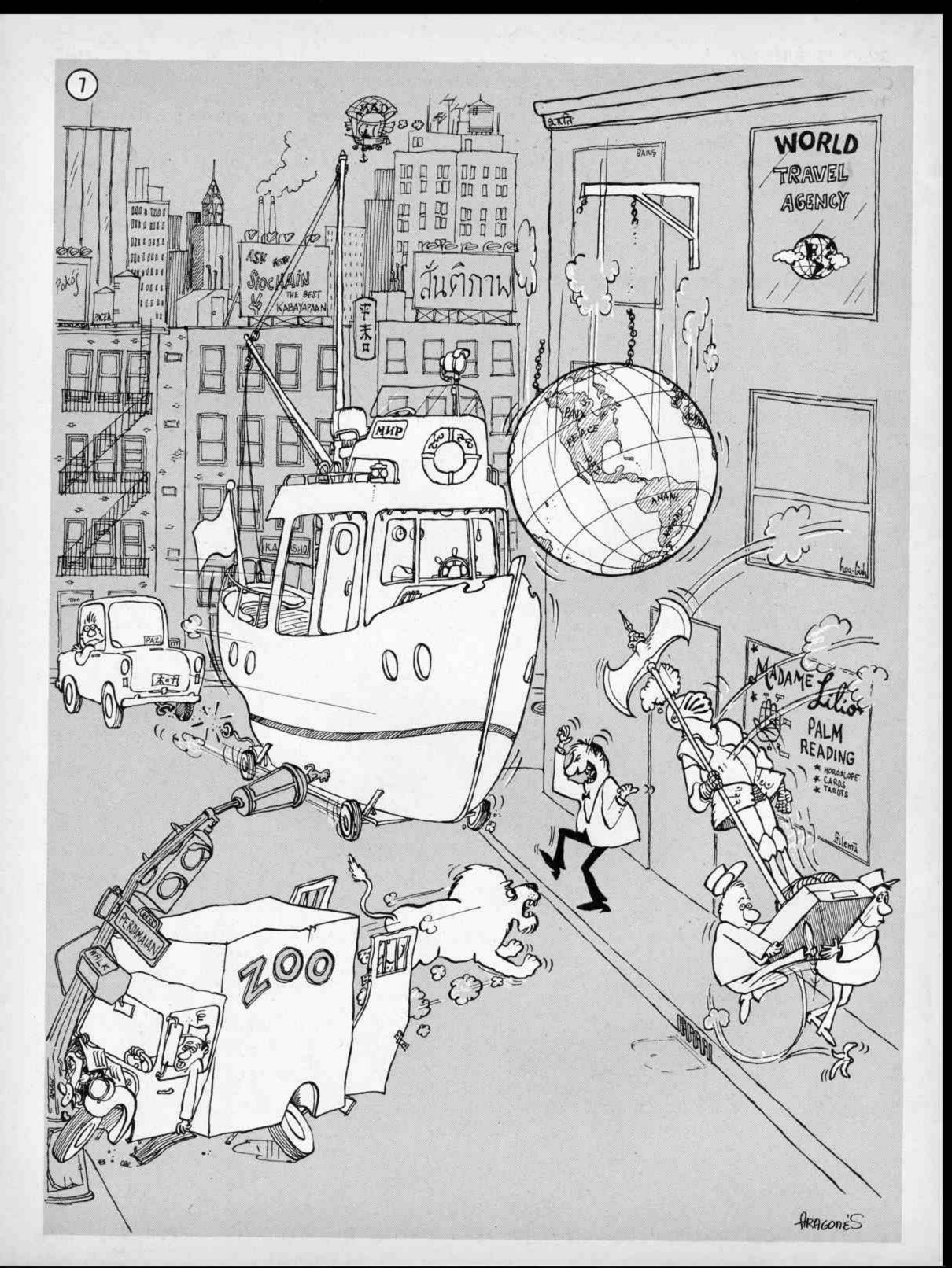
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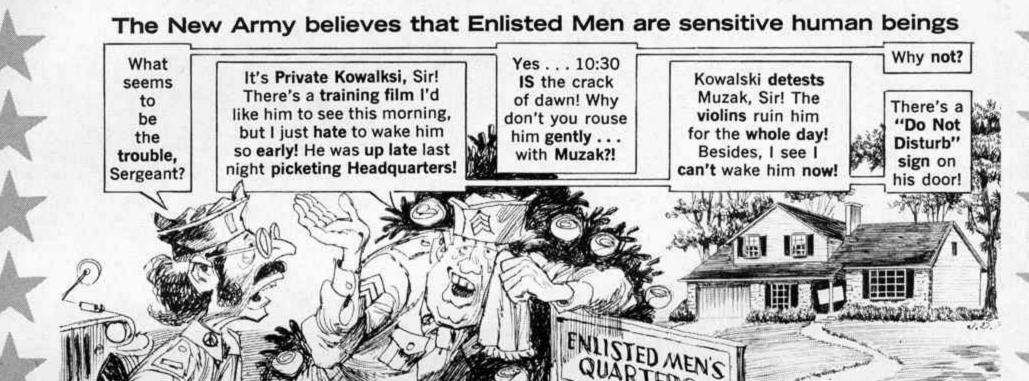


Once upon a time, there was a terrible place where young men were sentenced for two, three, sometimes even four years. It was called "The OLD Army". Today, there is a wonderful place where Draftees decorate their private rooms with peace posters and Enlisted Men chat about politics with their Commanding Generals. It is called . . .

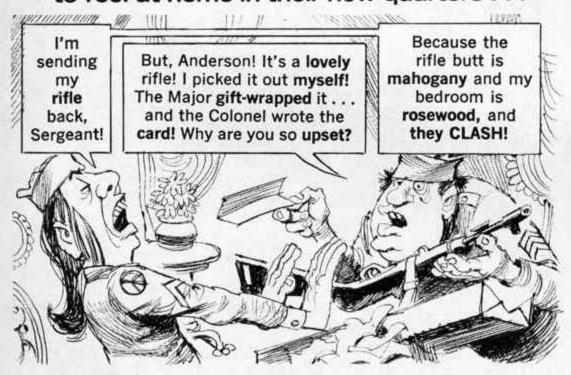
THE NEW ARMY

ARTIST: JACK DAVIS

WRITER: FRANK JACOBS



The New Army wants its Enlisted Men to feel at home in their new quarters . . .



The New Army appeals to the culture and vocabulary of the "Now" Generation . . .



In short, the New Army wants its troops to feel that they're understood . . .



THE WAR MOVIE OF THE PAST & ... AS FOUGHT BY THE OLD ARMY

THE "FIRST DAY OF TRAINING" SCENE

O.K., knock it off! I'm Grulnik! Call me either "Sergeant"or by my nickname . . "Psycho"!

For the next four months, I'm gonna drill you cruds till you drop! Yeah, you'll wind up hatin' my guts! But one of these days, you'll be sittin' in a stinkin' foxhole with Japs all around you . . . and you're gonna think back to these 18-hour days of back-breakin' sadistic torture . . .

An' ya know somethin'? You're gonna hate me even MORE!!

Good day, Gentlemen! I'm Sergeant Grulnik! You can call me "Waldo"!

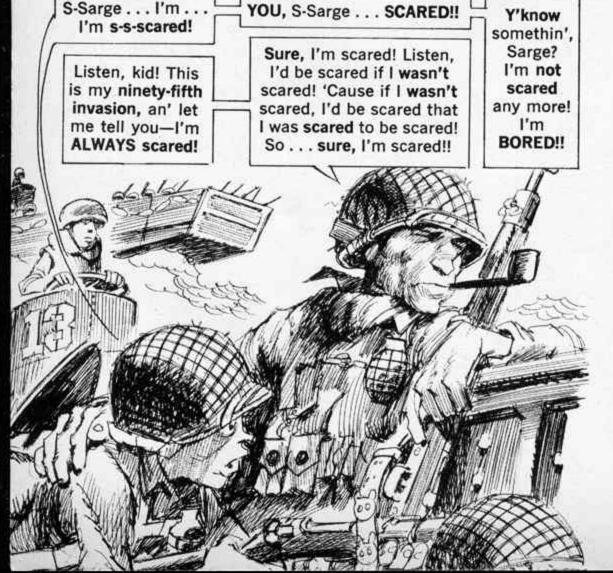
True, I have a higher ranking than you, but this does not mean that we are not equal in the sight of God! Naturally, you may have different ideas than mine on how to run this platoon! Therefore, each evening, we will have a discussion session to encourage debate and self-expression!

We'll chat more about it tonight . . at the General's reception for new recruits!





THE "PLATOON'S FIRST INVASION" SCENE





you how big a change there's been, let's look at some scenes from

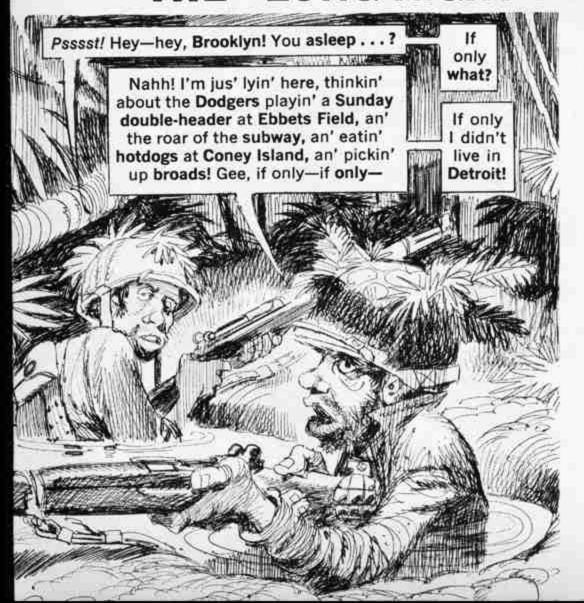
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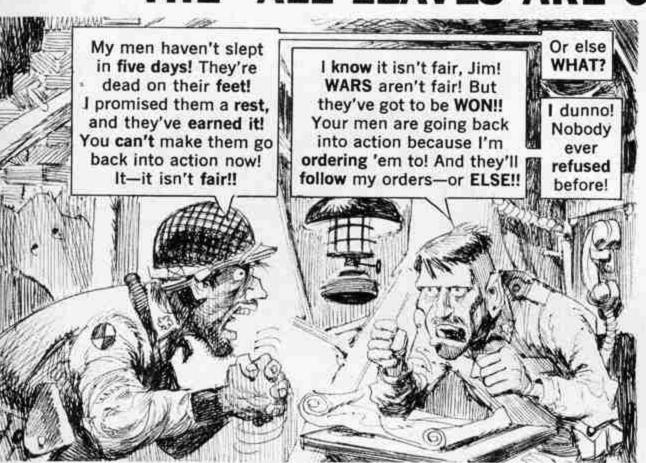


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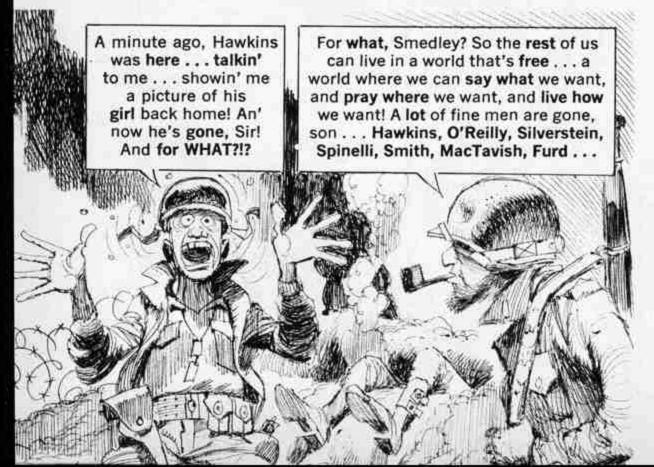


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THE HEART-RENDING "LOST BUDDY" SCENE



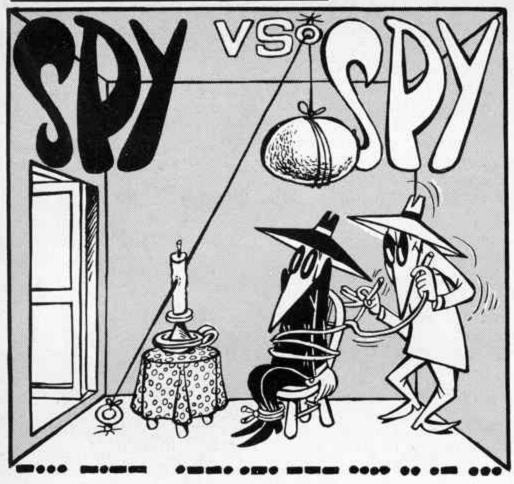
Hawkins is
GONE, sir!
He was
here a
minute ago,
and now
he's gone!
Why,
Sir? WHY??

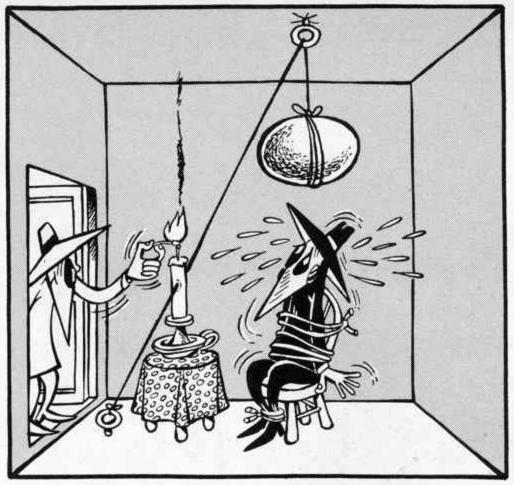
Knowing Hawkins, he went over the hill!

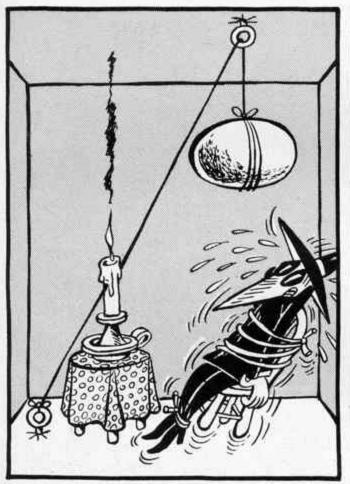
Because he abhorred violence! He chose to go that way so he wouldn't have to fight a war he hated! Sure, I'll miss his anti-war speeches, and his freaky imitations of the General, and his flag-burning! But don't mourn him, Smedley! Remember him!

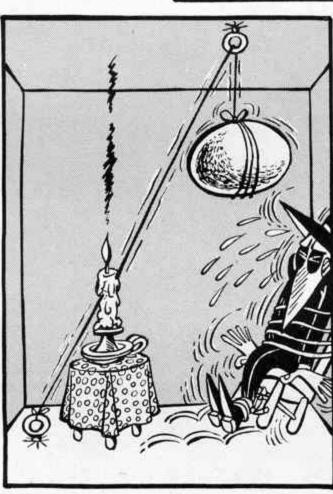
And avoid fighting! He would have wanted it that way!

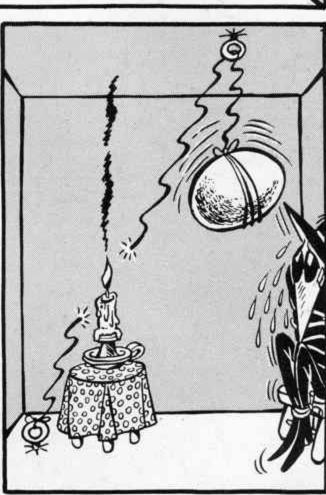




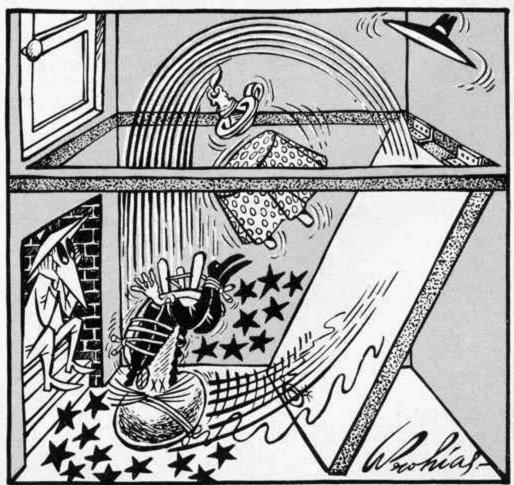












As a satirical demonstration of how the present Administration widens

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WRITER: LOU SILVERSTONE

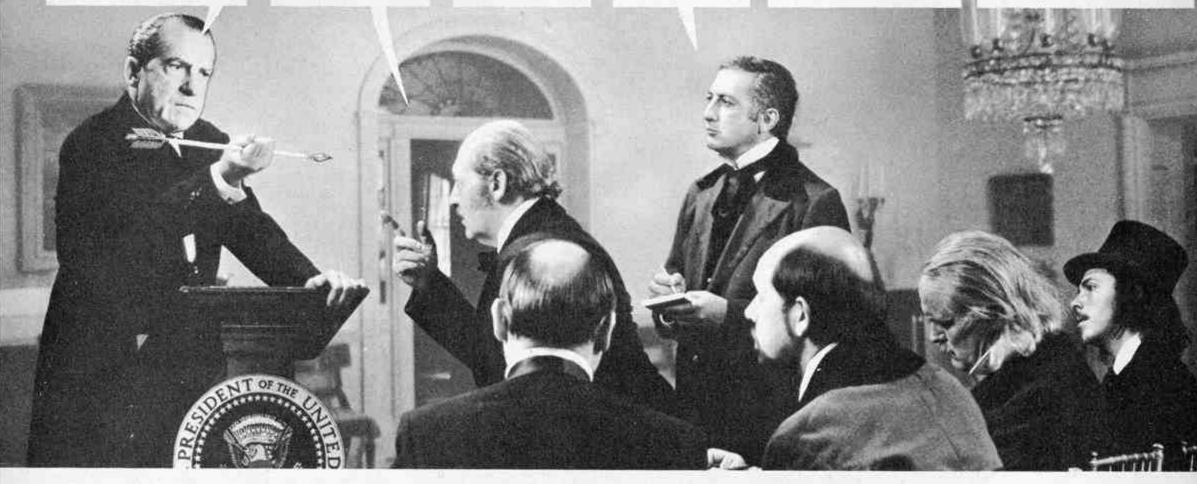
Gentlemen . . . before we start the questions, I'd like to show you this arrow . . . one of the many enemy weapons we captured at Little Big Horn!

But Mr. President!
That's an Iroquois
arrow! We were
fighting the
Sioux at
Little Big Horn!

Well . . . Um as the Vice-President says, "When you've seen ONE Redskin, you've seen 'em all!"

Mr. President, what was the reason for our sudden invasion at Little Big Horn? Our main objectives in this incursion . . . and I use the word "incursion" instead of "invasion" because incursion doesn't sound as bad . . .

Our objectives in this incursion were to destroy SHIN . . . Supreme Head-quarters for the Indian Nations . . . to cut enemy supply lines . . . and thereby shorten the war!



Mr. President, did we have many casualties as a result of this operation? Let me say this: As far as I'm concerned, one American casualty is one too many!
However, in a mission of this magnitude, we expected to suffer some losses—and we did! Mainly, General Custer and his men!



But, Gentlemen—I would like to add that the latest official body count of enemy dead is three hundred and seventy-seven!

Three hundred and seventy-seven Braves?

No... that figure includes thirteen Indian ponies and a herd of Buffalo!





the "Credibility Gap", MAD wonders what it might have been like . . .

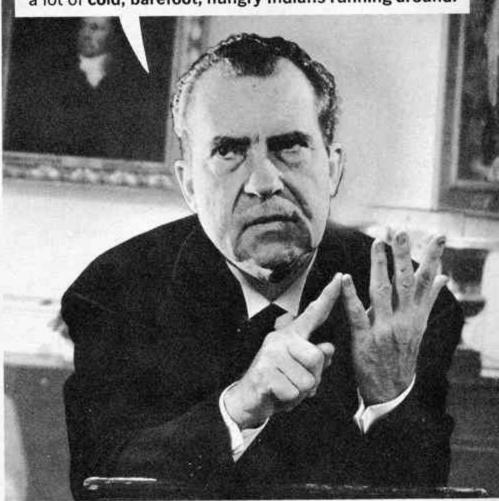
PRESIDENT RELASIPERAND

PHOTOGRAPHY: BY IRVING SCHILD

And, Gentlemen, let me make one thing perfectly clear! This is not Nixon's war! I inherited it! We were fighting Indians before George Washington was President! I'm just trying to bring that fighting to an honorable end!

Mr. President, do you feel that we accomplished all of our main objectives at Little Big Horn?

I'm glad you asked that question! For the record, we captured seventy-nine arrows, thirteen bows, two totem poles, three peace pipes, six beaded loin cloths, a dozen blankets, five tomahawks, a bushel of feathers, fifteen bags of corn and twenty pairs of moccasins! There'll be a lot of cold, barefoot, hungry Indians running around!



PHOTOS BY: UPI AND WORLD WIDE

Many people are saying that this operation was a colossal failure!
Would you say that Little Big Horn was a success?

As your President, let me assure you that the operation went exactly according to plan! The effects of arrow depletion and supply dissipation will, without a doubt, debilitate and thoroughly enfeeble the enemy's future assault potential in this critical area of American involvement!



But the Indians are saying that Little Big Horn was a massacre! They're claiming a great, decisive victory! Who . . . and I ask you this in all sincerity . . . who are you going to believe? Some savage Redskin—or YOUR PRESIDENT?!

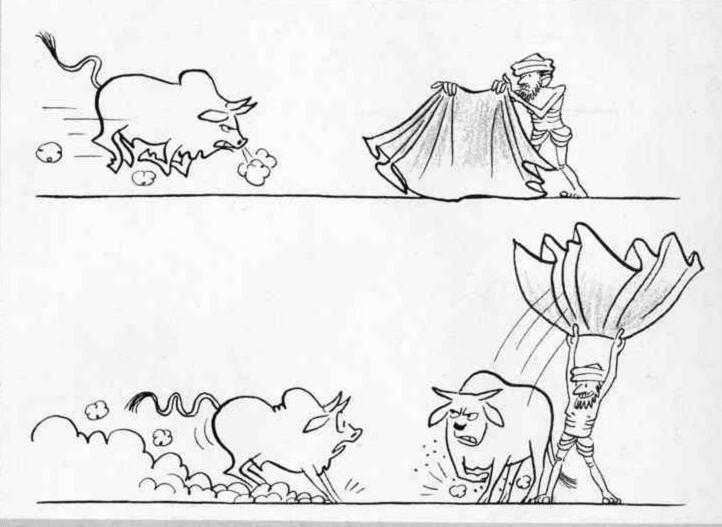


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Some time ago (MAD #110) we introduced you to the delightful cartoons of a delicious Brazilian "nut" named Ziraldo Pinto. Now, we'd like you all to...

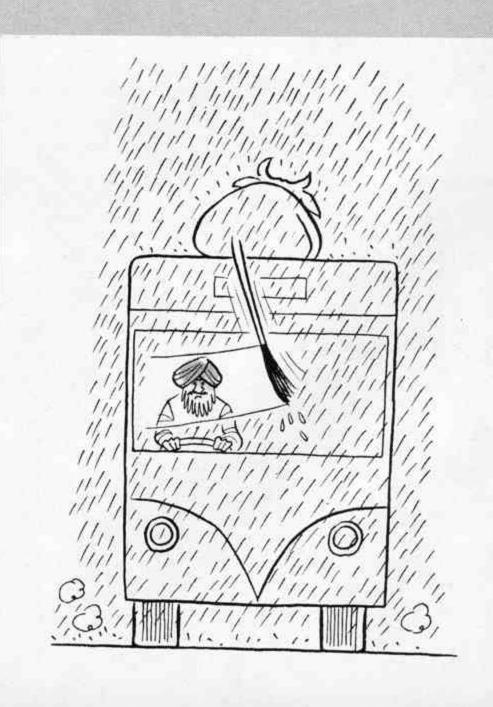
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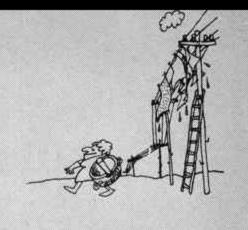






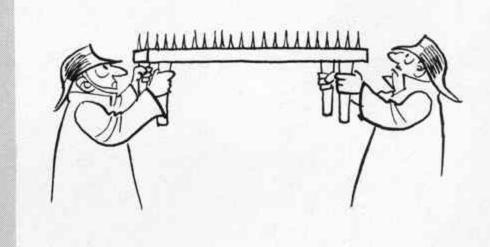
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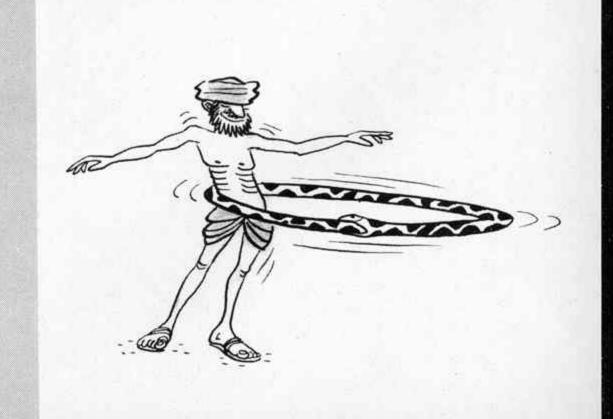


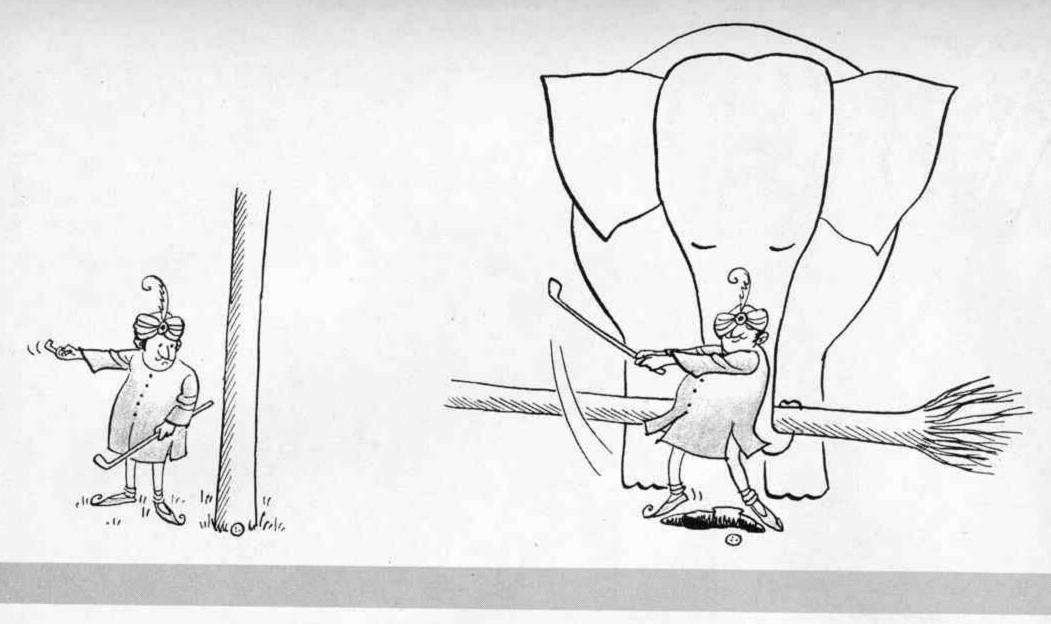


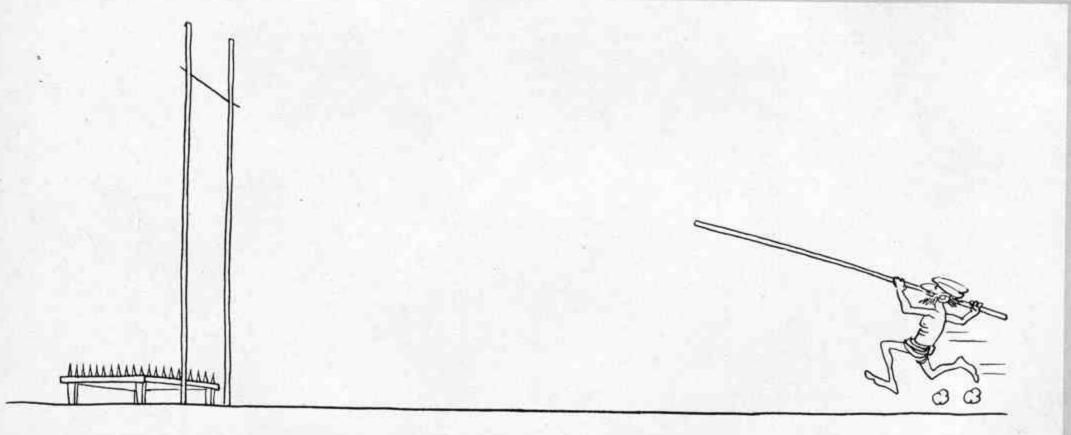
















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PRIVATE DOVES





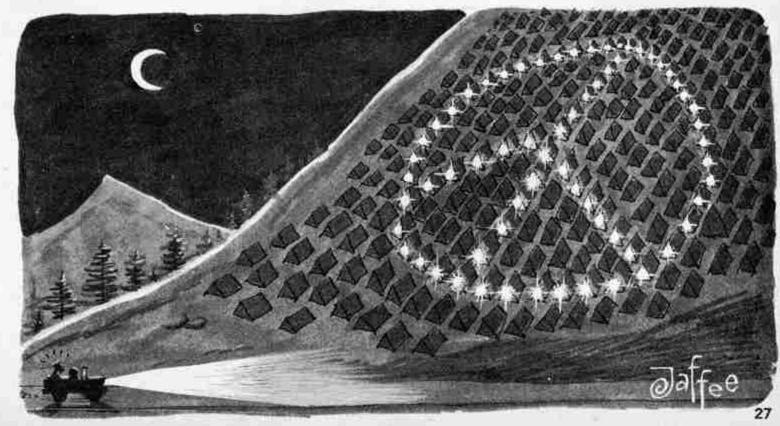












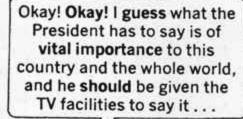
THE LIGHTER SIDE OF...

The program originally scheduled for this time period will not be seen so that we may bring you this important address by the President of the United States!



What a rotten trick!! That's my favorite show they pre-empted!

Shame on you! The world is about to blow itself up—but you'd rather watch a silly TV show than listen to the President!









I'm hoarse from lecturing your son . . . who takes after your side of the family . . . about the foolishness of wasting valuable time!



With all there is to see and do and read and experience in this exciting modern world, your son's idea of doing something is to do nothing! It's a sheer waste of time!



For two whole hours I lectured him!

You're a fine one to talk!

You just WASTED TWO VALUABLE HOURS!!



will you hurry up?! We'll be late!

We've got plenty of time! We don't have to be there until nine o'clock! And, according to our new digital clock, it's only eight fifty!



Oh, yeah? Well . . . according to my old wrist watch, it's ten minutes to nine!

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Ten minutes to nine?!









ARTIST & WRITER: DAVE BERG

Oh, won't this period ever end? This is the longest 45 minutes in the history of time-keeping! C'mon, bell-ring already, so I can go on to the next period!





Oh, boy!



Oh, won't this period ever end? This is the longest 45 minutes in the history of time-keeping! C'mon, bell-ring already . . .



Man, I got this real hang-up about Dentists! I get, like, uptight, and I really go to pieces in a Dentist's chair!



Not only that, but I get psyched out every time I have a Dental appointment! My mind blocks it, and I forget to go! It got so bad, my Dentist started charging me for appointments I don't keep!



That's why this time I'm making sure I don't forget my next Dental appointment! See? I've circled the date with a red pencil! Tomorrow . . . Tuesday, the sixth . . . at two o'clock!



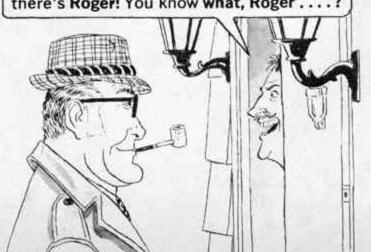
TODAY is Tuesday, the sixth ... and it's FOUR o'clock!!



Ten-nine-eight-seven -six-five-four-

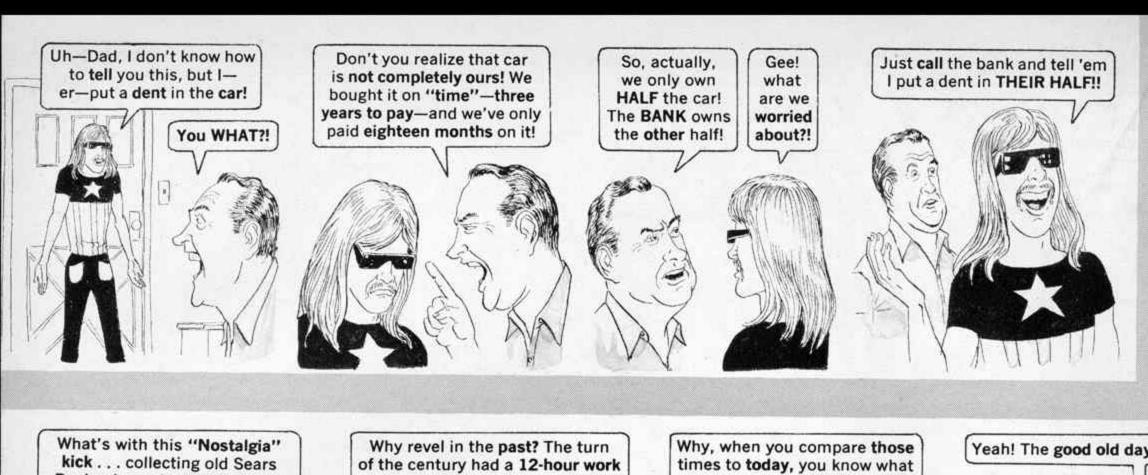


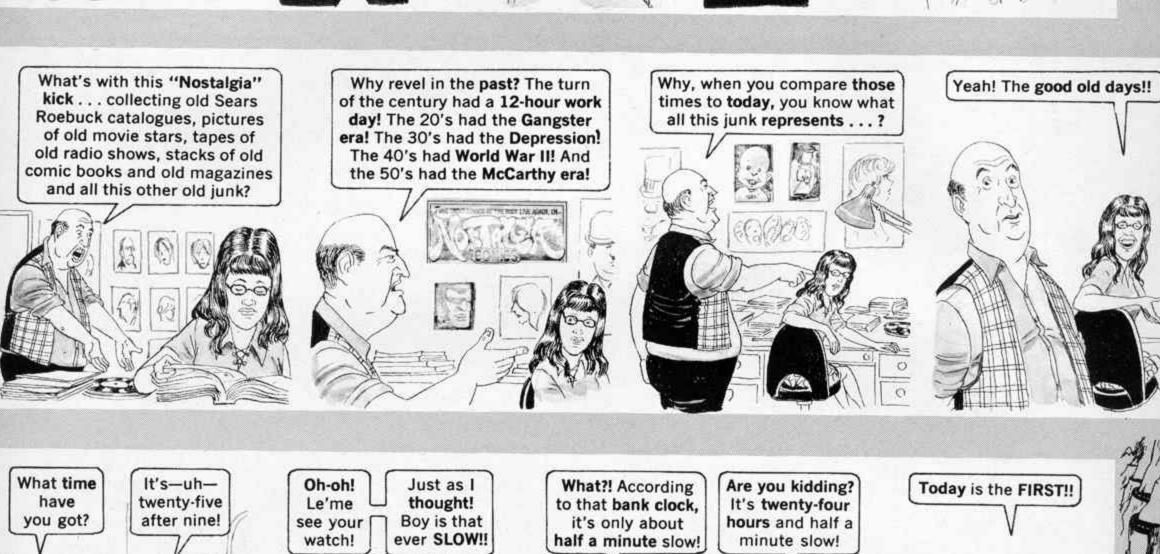
Roger Kaputnik!! Good ol' dependable, precise, punctual Roger Kaputnik! In our entire circle of friends, there is nobody who is always on time like Roger Kaputnik! Invite him to an eight o'clock dinner party, and on the dot of eight, there's Roger! You know what, Roger ?



YOU'RE A BIG FAT PAIN IN THE NECK!!













Uh . . . excuse me, sir, but I couldn't help noticing your complicated wrist watch!



What's that large outside ring with the red numbers? And what are those small inside dials with the white numbers? And what are those buttons on the side?



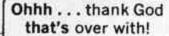
I'm darned if I know!

You don't know?! Then why did you ever buy such a complicated watch?



It makes me FASCINATING!







Miss Finch, I think I just made Dental history! I must have broken the record for extracting a tooth! It took



Irving, I think I just made Dental history! That sadist must have broken the record for extracting a tooth!



It took about THREE HOURS!!



Sidney, why are we rushing like this?

The last show starts at 8:20, and it's a murder mystery! I want to see it from the very beginning so I can figure out who dunnit!



You rushed me for nothing! The first



So

WHAT?! But we Okay! Let's just got here! Why do you want go to go home now? home!



I just saw who dunnit!



This is ridiculous! There are eight clocks in this house . . . and no two have the same time! How am I gonna know what time it really is?



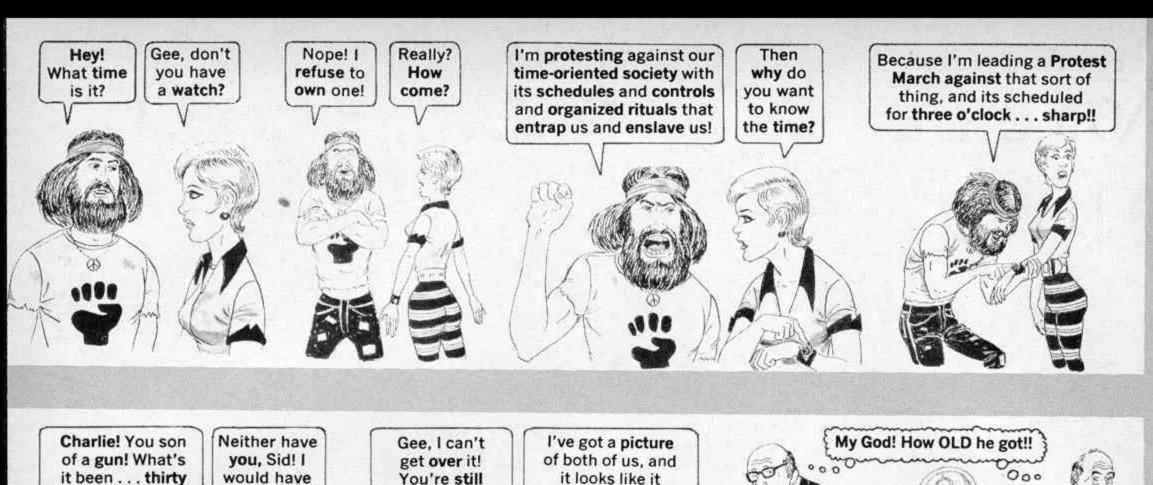
Why? What difference does it make . . . ?

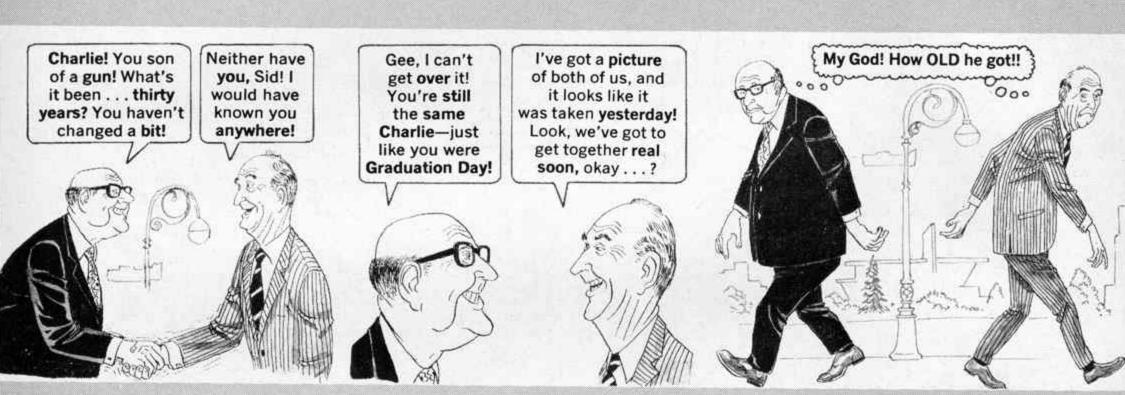
Because if it's only six o'clock, it means I have time to eat supper before I leave!



Take it from your Mother . . . who loves you . . . this one is correct!!





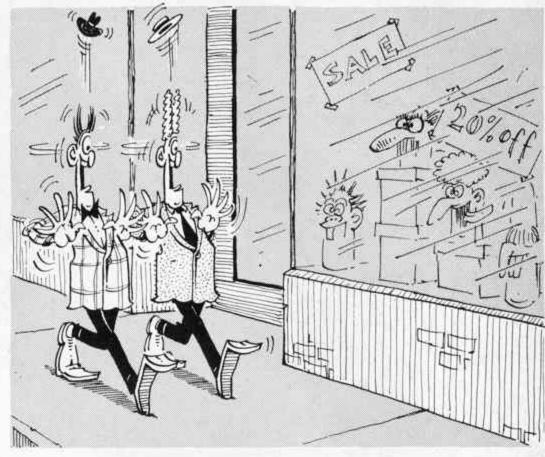


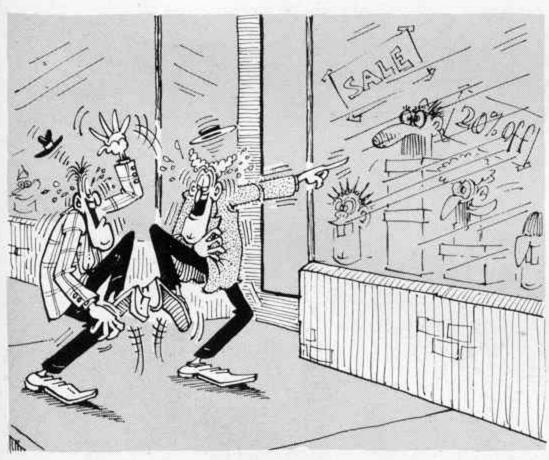


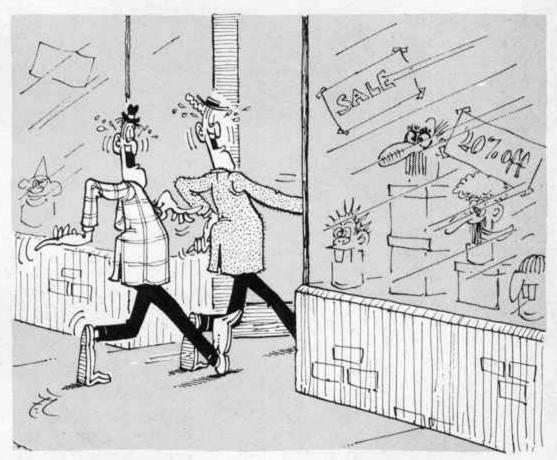


ONE MORNING ON MAIN STREET





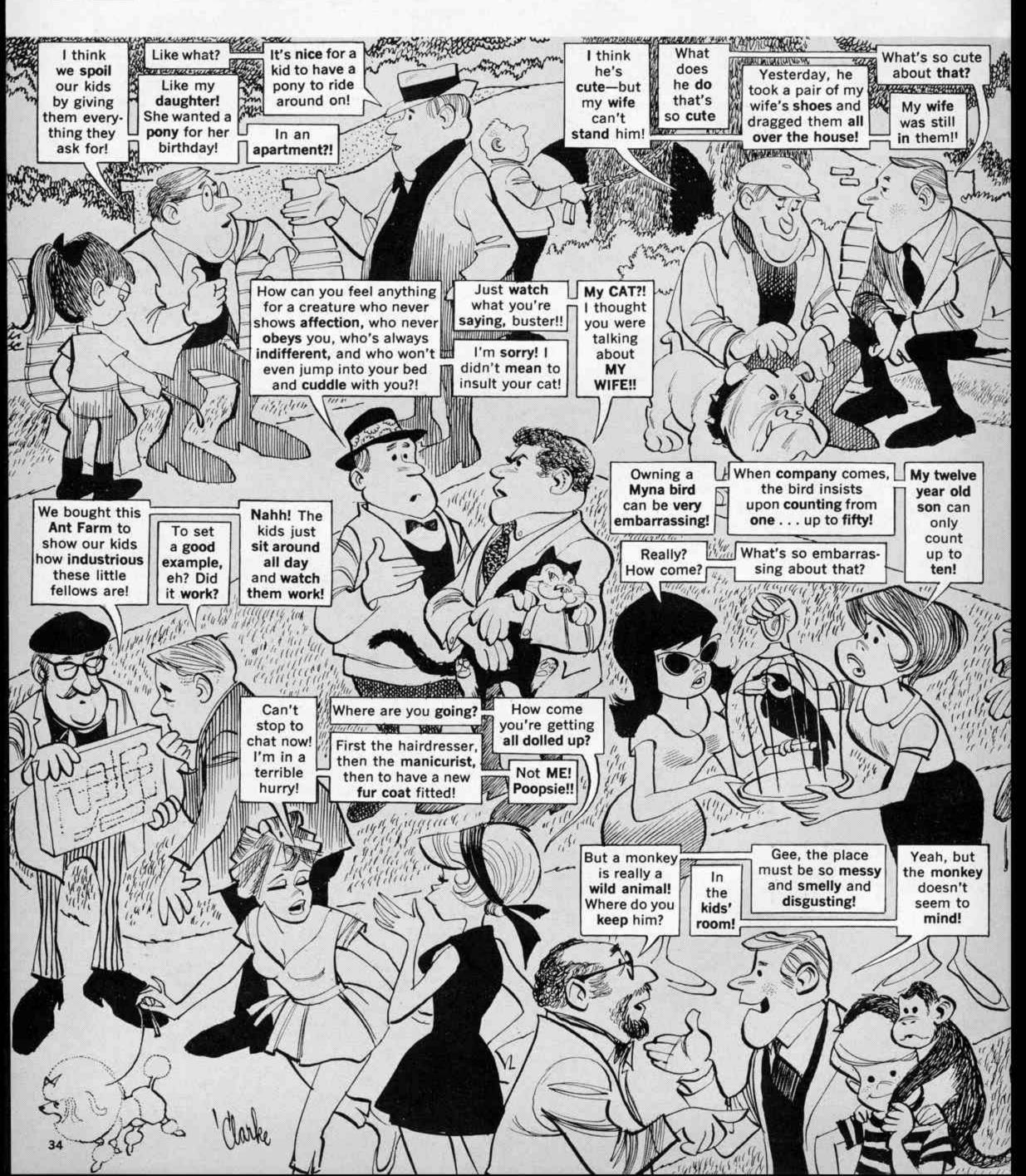








A MAD LOOK AT





PET OWNERS

WRITER: STAN HART ARTIST: BOB CLARKE How can you say What makes you say that? How Yeah! He may look he's almost human?! He's can Just nasty, but the guy? He just sits and great! you like my he's great The other day, someone stares for hours He's tried to beat up my son, like protection father without moving! almost watching and the dog went right an for the human! for the guy's throat! Iguana?! children! TV! Because a turtle A turtle takes lives so long? the grief out of owning a pet! There's No, because Not completely! no trouble if it dies, Don't you I can't stand I don't mean about dying! think it's who can tell? this mutt! He's r He does it on I don't cruel to HIM! But not a newspaper! cruel . . . such a slob! think I mean cruel while keeping a so! He to the people I'm big dog in seems who have to reading Why? Isn't he Well, isn't he the city!? WALK here! happy! housebroken? supposed to? Sometimes, when What's there's a brand We know! And that?? new baby in the that's why house, the poor Put the we've already The male Right after a Gee, that's doggie can get decided to baby male Praying quite jealous do the only 1000000 Mantis makes it can never humane thing! | adoption! and upset! with a female, BRAG It's Nature's the female way! What's so to his devours him! terrible? friends!

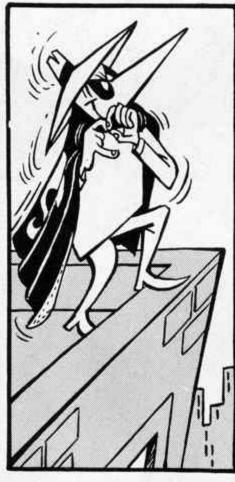
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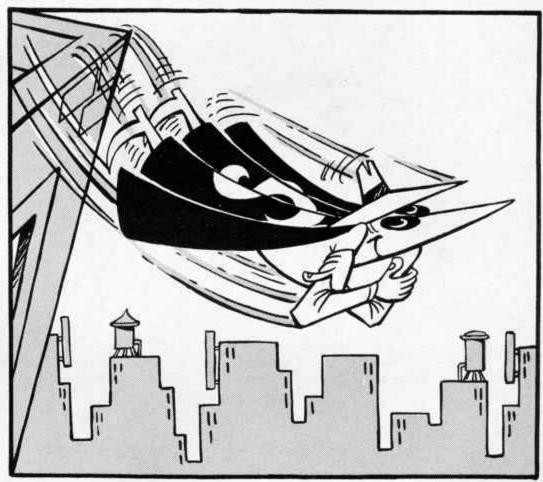


















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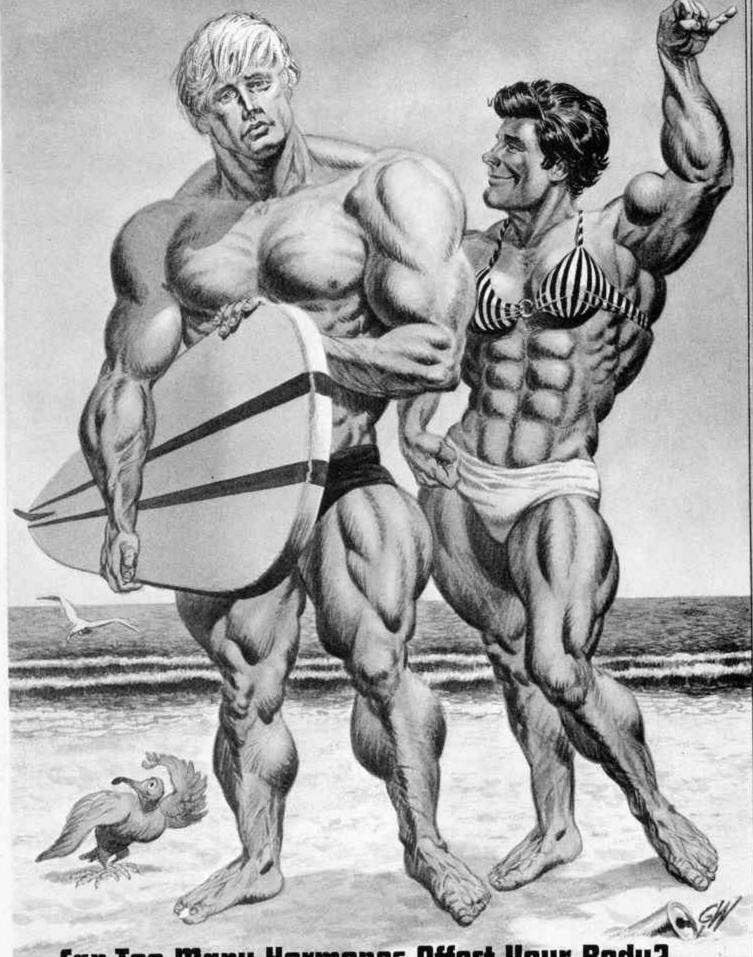
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Why I Left
My Husband
by Mrs. Carol
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Can Too Many Hormones Affect Your Body?

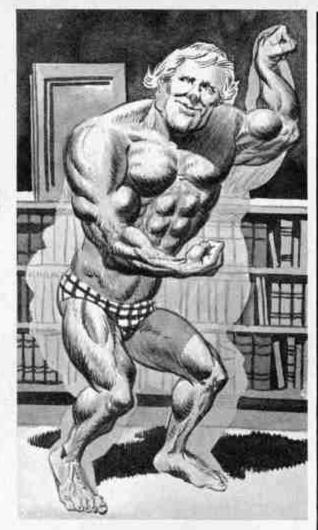
by (left to right) Robert Richmond & Chuck Tischler

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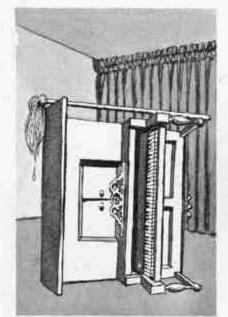
YOUR BODY, THE CAR

OUR body is not unlike a machine in design. Compare it, if you will, to the car. The food you eat is your fuel. (And sometimes it gives you gas-get it? I couldn't resist that funny aside.) Your eyes are the headlights, your eyelashes the windshield wipers, your nose the hood ornament (some bigger than others), your heart the carburetor. I can go on and on-but can your body the car? What are you doing to take care of it? When was the last time you had a check-up? 5,000 miles ago? 10,000 miles ago? If you want to keep your system in top running condition, you must keep all the working parts in tip-top shape. Why not take your body down to your local service station? Do some chinups on the grease rack! Some sit-ups on the mechanic's dolly! Some arm-tension exercises by stretching the air hose! You'll also get plenty of badly-needed sprinting exercise when the station manager starts chasing you with a wrench!

If you accept my theory that your body is no different than a car, you will take better care of it. It has helped me tremendously! Just ask my wife the prettiest little Oldsmobile in town!

> Hy Octane Editor

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Unlike the finals for "Mr. Back and Shoulders," staged last month at the Hollywood Bowl, which Lats Dorsi won easily, or the "Golden Calves" finals won by Frank Corelli at the Metropolitan Cow Palace the month before, the "Mr. Hand" elimination finals had no shoo-in contenders. Thus, suspense and excitement reached a fever pitch when the contestants were narrowed down to the last three.

The crowd quieted down for the final pose-off. Dave Drapeless stepped onto the darkened stage, the spotlight focusing only on his impressive, clenched fist. The audience buzzed with obvious approval at the gleaming knuckle structure. Drapeless revealed the pinky and was applauded enthusiastically. Spurred on, he then revealed both his ring and center fingers. The crowd responded with four minutes of cheers and roars! They could sense the hours, the heartache, the sacrifice, and the nail polish that went into the making of a prize fist!

And then the entire hand was bared—naked and unashamed—for all the world to share! The orchestra took the cue and struck up "The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You" (despite the California locale) and the audience responded with a standing ovation. John Forbotten, a former trophy winner turned coach, stepped out from the wings and placed a satin robe over his protege's hand as they made their exit.

And now it was time for Artie Zelda to take the spotlight. And take it he did! Hardly giving the audience a chance to catch their breath from the sight of his massive, rippling knuckles, Zelda suddenly exposed every finger in one flip of his limp wrist. The gasps had to be heard to be (continues on page 73)



DIGIT GOES TO HOLLYWOOD

Dave Drapeless displays exciting
extremity before SRO crowd.



Dave Drapeless



Artie Zelda



Marvin Edam



"Give me your poor, your tired, your wretched mass of flesh and bones yearning to be firm-

... AND I'LL GIVE YOU A **BODY OF STEEL!**"

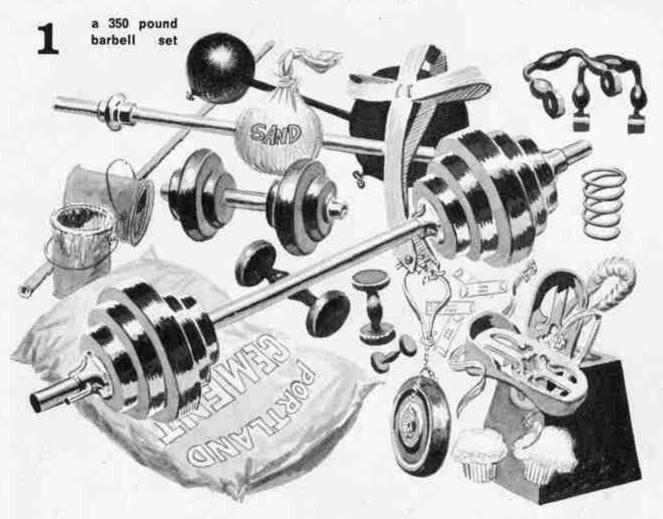
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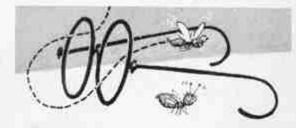
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SPOTLIGHT ON



MODERN MUSCLE'S Monthly Interview Conducted by Rock River

QUESTION: Can too much sex make you crazy? ASKED OF: Dr. Errol Virile, B.S., M.S. (Bachelor Swinger and Master of Sex)

Interviewer's note: In every issue of Modern Muscle we probe into some aspect of sex. Why? Well, as anyone in the magazine trade can tell you, the word "sex" appearing on any cover can mean the difference of 10,000 readers! And since we sell only 10,102 copies a month, we got little choice! But perhaps more important is the fact that today's bulging-biceps-ed, tapered-torsoed, gorgeous-looking muscle builder is too often thought of as being "less than a man," usually in words too demeaning or disgusting to print here! Just because that someone labors feverishly to improve it

by lifting weights or shaving the ecchy hair from his body, or oiling his body with skin lotions and balms so that his body shimmers gloriously in the sun as he struts about the beach, that's no reason for people to laugh and point and say nasty things about his "masculinity"! I'm a body builder and proud of it! And I'll scratch the eyes out of the first person who says anything nasty about me!

With this in mind, let us begin our candid interview with this month's guest, Dr. Errol Virile, Head Researcher at the Jasters and Monson Sex institute.

MM: Dr. Virile, it is obvious from your background and experience that you have been involved in many, many sexual encounters, and certainly a lot more than the typical average person. Does this in any way affect your stability or mental state?

VIRILE: Good morning.

MM: Your biography states that you were a top scorer at college, yet there are no sports listed. Does this imply something?

VIRILE: Fine, thank you.

MM: Speaking specifically, Doctor, what, in your professional opinion is the "healthy" frequency for normal sexual activity?

VIRILE: I take it with milk, one teaspoon of sugar, thanks.

MM: Doctor, in one of your lectures at the Institute, you were quoted as (Cont. on page 92)



"I hold to the belief that there is nothing abnormal about a man and a cow living together, provided they both have their respective parents full consent!"



"Freud once said, just before he died, or maybe it was after, I forget . . . anyway, he said, "'Oh, to be Jung again!" And who dares to say otherwise, right?"



"In the final analysis, a man is nothing more or less than what he believes himself to be, without introspection, without guilt, and without Cheese Danish!"

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Okay, he-man. So now you're beautiful... on the beach—but in clothes you look like a slob! Come to Sol, I'll fix you in a suit you'll be a king. Expensive? Of course! But you should have thought of that before, bubbie! Sol, suit-maker of Samsons, N.Y.C.

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MALE BAG



In the last issue you published 45 different poses of me. I sent you 100. What was wrong with the other 55? Give the public a break, will ya! Also, you mentioned I was "Mr. All-American Man", "Mr. North American Hercules", "Mr. Far East Atlas", and "Mr. Shaker Heights Adonis". But you forgot to mention I was also "Miss Nebraska".

Verily truly,

Sonny Capistrano Muscle Bitch, California

A few months ago I read your ad about how the skinny guy's girl friend would say, "Hey, skinny!" to him and guys would kick sand in his face. Then he sent away for your barbell set and he became strong and not skinny anymore. Well, there was this guy in my neighborhood who always made fun of me and called me, "Hey, skinny!" so I sent for your barbells and I really fixed him. One day I challenged him to weight-lifting contest. I put 120 lbs. on the bar. He went first and lifted it easily over his head. Then I tried but I couldn't get it past my waist. So I dropped it on his foot! And now he's stopped making fun of me because everyone calls him, "Hey, gimpy!"

Thanks,

Skinny Atlas Syracuse, N.Y.

I always thought the health food and exercise bit was just so much bull. But then one day I decided to give it a try, and boy, what a difference it made! I feel like a new man! I look like a new man! My friends don't recognize me! My father doesn't know me! My bank won't cash my checks anymore! Last night my wife had me arrested as an intruder! I've been fired from my job as an imposter! Just one question—how can I get back the old me?

A new and lonely man,

Englewood, N.J.

In your magazine you always show adonis-type people. Quite frankly, I am ugly and very badly proportioned. I have extremely short legs, long arms, and I'm grossly overweight. I've tried to work out in the gym, but people laugh at me, so I've stopped going. Should I be content and just accept myself as I am? I enclose a recent photograph of myself so you can judge.

Please help,

Ill Chick Chic, Ill.

Dear Ill, Do not give up! There is no reason why a physical fitness program won't help you! And do not let the fact that people laugh at you affect your purpose. Their laughter is a reflection on themselves, not you! Hope we've been of some help to your tortured ego. Just one favor from you now, okay? Could you please send me a few more copies of your photo? They make fantastic gag postcards.

Thanks.

Joe Weedgerm, Editor

OVERWEIGHT?

I went from a 280 lb. overweight slob to a streamlined 78 lbs., thanks to TAKE-OFF Weight Reducing Formula!



Says Lou Rickets of Gaines, Indiana

Each 6 oz. can of TAKE-OFF contains only 1/10th your daily minimum requirement of the important vitamins and minerals. This is by design! The result is simple — you become too weak to pick up a spoon or fork! Opening the refrigerator becomes an impossibility! What better way to lose weight FAST!

TAKE-OFF Weight-Reducing Formula

\$3.95 per 6 oz. can Weedgerm Laboratories, Inc. Vegahoggit, Pennsylvania

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I went from a 78 lb. weakling to a 280 lb. dynamo of strength, thanks to PUT-ON Weight-Gaining Blend!



Says Lou Rickets of Gaines, Indiana

Each 6 oz. can of PUT-ON contains 10 times your daily minimum requirement of all the important vitamins and minerals — and the un-important ones as well! You'll get so much phosphorus you'll actually glow in the dark! Yes, you'll get so much starch you'll be stiffer than your shirt collar! You'll get energy running through your body 10 times quicker, you'll be 10 times as active, and you'll die 10 times sooner! What better way to fill out!

PUT-ON Weight-Gaining Blend \$3.95 per 6 oz. can

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Stay just as you are with

STATUS QUO

A new product from the famous Weedgerm laboratories designed for those who want to stay as lovely as they are! And just what is this miracle ingredient? You guessed it—"Take-Off" and "Put-On" (see above ads) in equal proportions to counter-balance each others effect! A new first for famous

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STATUS QUO

\$4.95 per 6 oz. can

Weedgerm Laboratories, Inc. Vegahoggit, Pennsylvania Ever since Television began, situation comedies have been, more or less, the same. Now, all of a sudden, a new situation comedy has come along . . . and it's entirely different from the old-fashioned family fare. It doesn't deal with the same old stupid subjects involving idiotic, unbelievable characters. Instead, it concerns itself with relevant "now" subjects, involving even more idiotic unbelievable characters! Here, then, is MAD's version of . . .

GALL IN THE FAMILY FARE

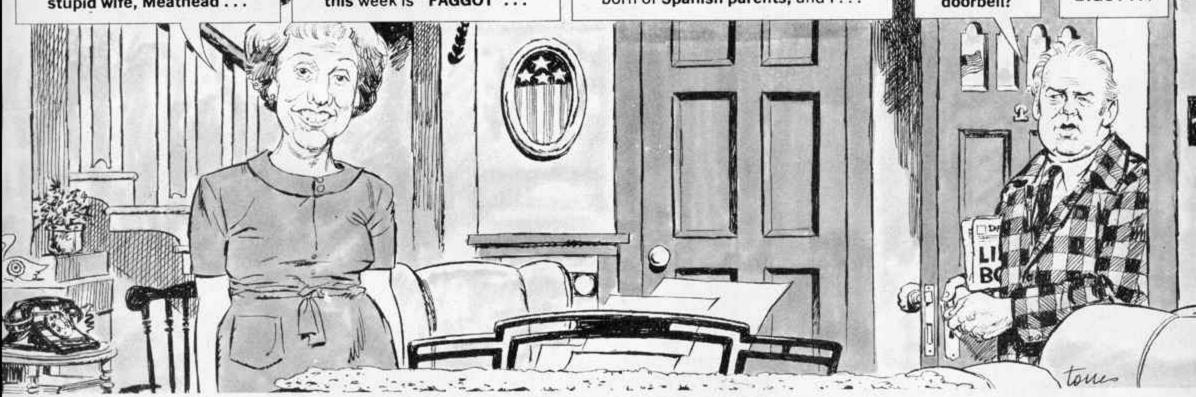
This Week's Episode: "A Visit From A World War II Buddy"

Hi, there—and welcome to the Middle American home of TV's first and foremost foul-mouthed father-image, Starchie Bunker-hill . . .and me, his incredibly stupid wife, Meathead . . .

Each week we bring you another episode in our lives . . . filled with hilarious controversy and uproarious vulgarity! Oh—our "Special Guest Shock-Word" for this week is "FAGGOT". . . .

And now, before Starchie arrives home from work and starts his usual tirades against everyone . . . regardless of race, creed or national origin . . . let me tell you a little about myself! I was born of Spanish parents, and I . . .

Hey, you dumb Spick! Di'n't you hear me ringin' the doorbell? And here he is now, folks! AMERICA'S BELOVED BIGOT . . .



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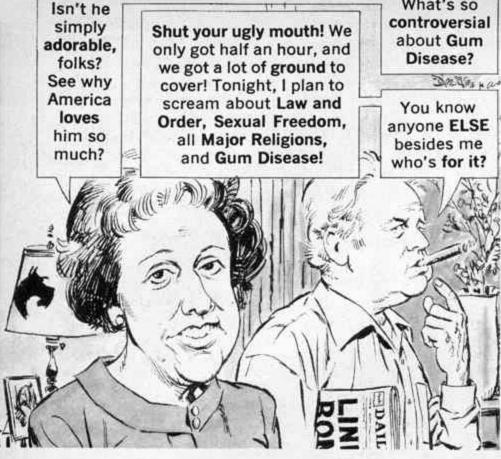


Listen to me, you dirty rotten Hebe! I had it with you pushy Jews! When you seen one Kike, you seen 'em all! Starchie, who's that on the phone?

My FATHER! Boy, I hate all kinds of Jews! Orthodox . . . Reformed . . . But, Starchie . . Your Father is Protestant!

They're the worst kind!!





What's so



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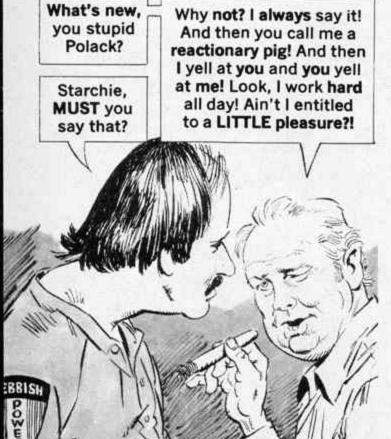
We've got a special function on the show! While Conservatives in the audience identify with him, the Liberals can identify with us!

Now you know why Liberalism is dying in this country!

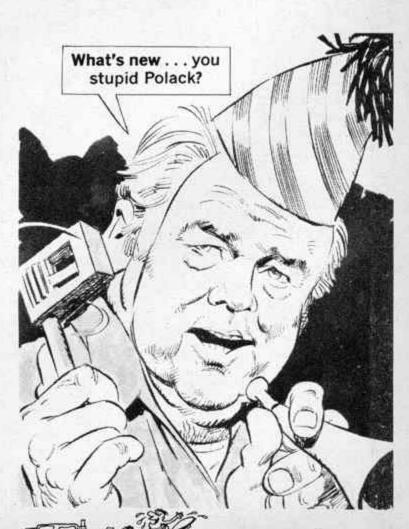


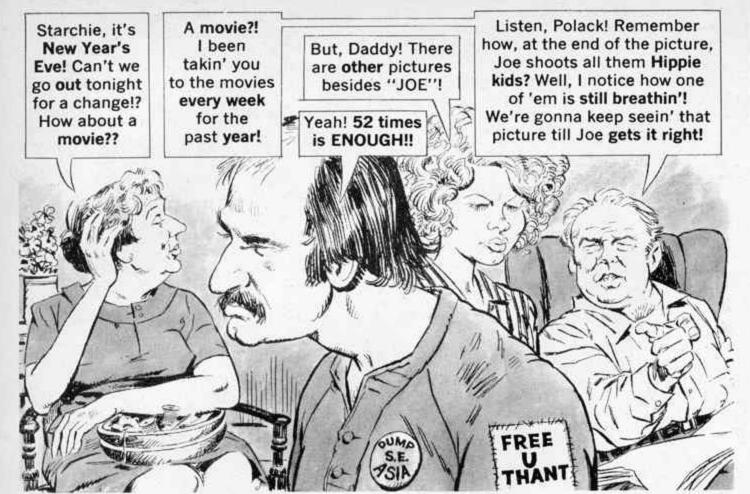
















I'll get it! I'm expectin' a visit from an old World War 'Il buddy of mine! He's the dearest friend I ever had!



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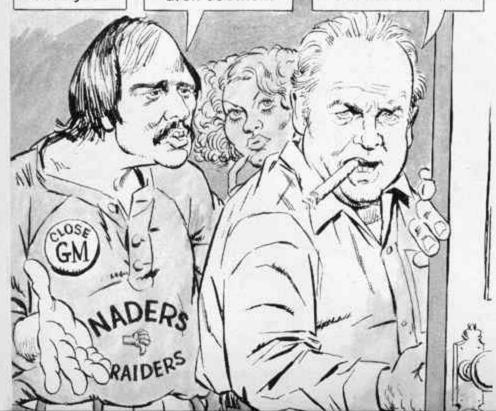
Hil We're the "Brady Bunch" kids! Anyone for a pillow fight?

Whoops! Oh-oh! I think we're in the wrong house! Boy . . . are you EVER in the wrong house!



More Hebes! I can't stand Jews, I tell you!

Starchie, the Brady Bunch kids aren't Jewish! Who's talkin' about kids?! Did you see that pushy, hook-nosed DOG?!?

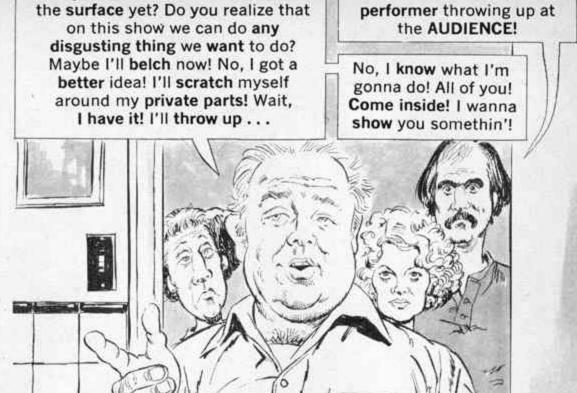


Le'me know when my World War II buddy gets here! Jig . . . Sheeny . . . Queer . . . Commie . . . Belly Button! What's he doing in there, Mother?

Reading the script for next week's show! It's gonna be the most controversial episode yet! It's called, "A Visit From A Gay Black Jewish-Italian Commie Rapist With A Sinus Condition"!







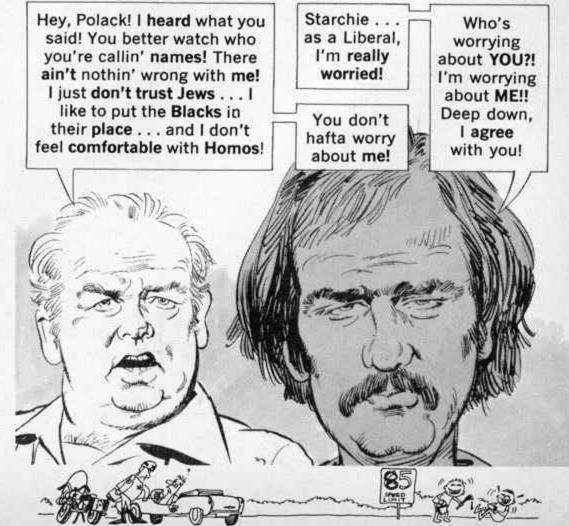
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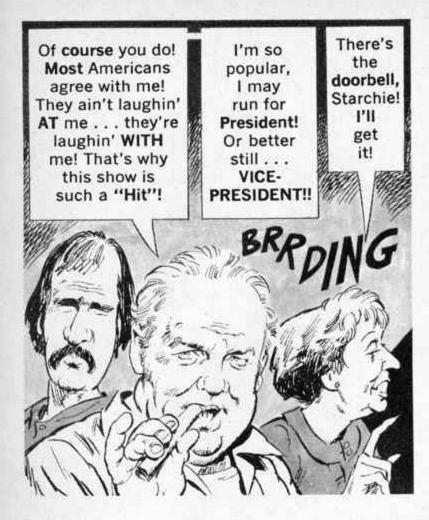
Can't you see we ain't even scratched





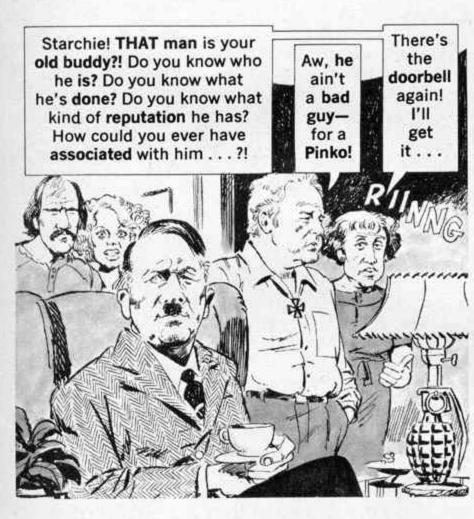
















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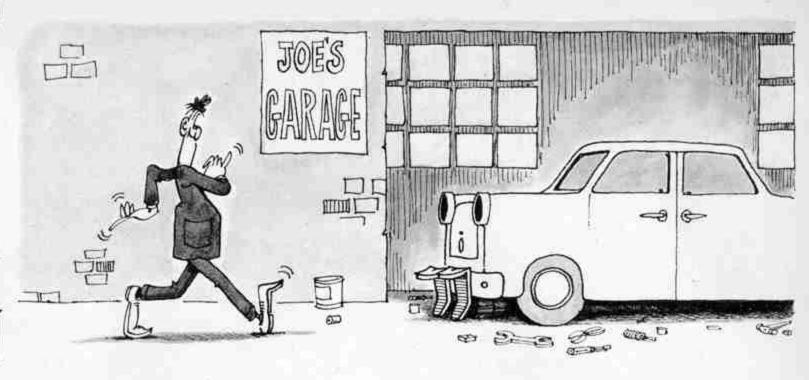
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PREPARED FOR
OUR V.P.?

HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS

MAD FOLD-IN

Our outspoken Vice-President has roused many Republicans who are now assessing the chances of their party in the upcoming political war. As far as the V. P. is concerned, many of them feel they have a bandwagon strategy that would prove effective in winning that war. To find out what type of bandwagon it is, fold in page.



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ARTIST & WRITER: AL JAFFEE A DUTIFUL GROUP OF STRATEGISTS IN THE GOP CAMP
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TRULY FEEL THAT THEIR PLAN WOULD DO THE TRICK

