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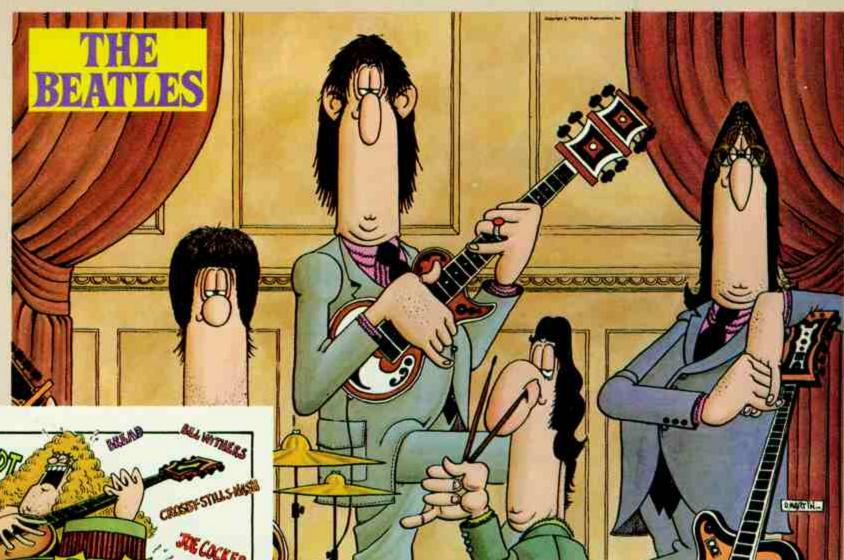
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COMPUTER DISPUTER COVER

I enjoyed your front cover on #198. It's about time somebody cut down those disgusting UPC symbols, the blemishers of every product you see!

Anthony Milanese Gibbstown, N.J.

I love the way you guys get back at people who force things like the "Universal Products Code" upon you. Just the thought of defacing your great cover with this symbol makes me UPChuck.

> Alan Daughton Syracuse, N.Y.

Everybody with eyes hates that UPC symbol. Since I collect magazine cover art from way back, I find it particularly distressing. It reduces everything to supermarket level.

Ken Anger

New York, N.Y.

Did you ever stop to think that maybe your yecchy cover will be defacing the UPC symbol from now on?

> William Rooney Notre Dame, Ind.

"THE DIP"

"The Dip" made me drown in a sea of laughter. Eve Deem Daytona Beach, Fla.

Hart and Drucker really went off "The Deep" end. "Is anything worth the terror of their 'Dip' "?

Paul Smith Sarnia, Ont., Canada

Liked your "seaquel"! Mark O'Neill Crestwood, N.Y.

ADVANCEMENT OF HUMOR

I'm very pleased with your advancement in humor. I appreciate what you're doing to make the world a little happier. Roxy Corlino Westfield, N.J.

WHEN THE "UPC" SYMBOL TAKES OVER

I truly pine for the old-time "Mom & Pop" grocery stores whenever that malevolent UPC symbol reminds me that "Big Brother is watching!" the store.

Fran Bojar Kearny, N.J.

Regarding Henry Clark's "When The 'UPC' Symbol Takes Over Completely", the man's an innovative genius.

> Barbara J. Keiler Chico, Calif.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES CATALOGUE

"School Supplies Catalogue" was very educational. You did, however, neglect to mention that the "Arctic Knight" gym showers, which filter out all hot and lukewarm water, channel that water directly to the drinking fountains. Mary Moad

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Congrats to Tom Koch and Bob Clarke on "School Supplies". After great effort, I managed to acquire a copy of the Cincinnati School Board Supply Listings. An exact duplicate! However, you did forget unlightable Bunsen burners.

> Greg Gast Cincinnati, Ohio

Koch and Clarke forgot those metaltipped, top-heavy, thoroughly unwieldy window poles that often bring down a shower of glass on some poor, straining Window Monitor. Karen Carbone Whitman, Mass.

It looks like my school bought all of the items!

Jim McDermott Wantagh, N.Y.

YOU CAN'T BEAT THE SYSTEM

"You Can't Beat The System" really hit home with me. I moved to Chicago six months ago and have been turned down repeatedly when I apply for credit cards to local stores. The reason: I don't have a sufficient credit record in Chicago, but obviously can't build a credit rating until I obtain some credit cards!

Judy Spira Chicago, Ill.

AROUND NOON ON A MOVIE SET

Don Martin's "Around Noon On A Movie Set" was very hard to swallow!

> Rick Dunlap Park Forest, Ill.

Was the actress in Don Martin's "Around Noon On A Movie Set" an apeitizer?

Lane Timmons
Baldwin Park, Calif.

MAD ONE-TIME-USE-PRODUCTS

What a match-up in Porges and Jaffee.
A writer-artist collaborating with an artist's artist-writer's writer. Not to be a "One-Time-Use"!

Hames Ware
Pine Bluff, Ark.

"One-Time-Use Products" was the limit!

Laurence Abraham
Teaneck, N.J.

I think your "MAD One-Time-Use Products" article should also be put on the list of "One-Time-Use-Products".

> Gwen Urdang Providence, R.I.

LEGENDARY WIRE HANGERS

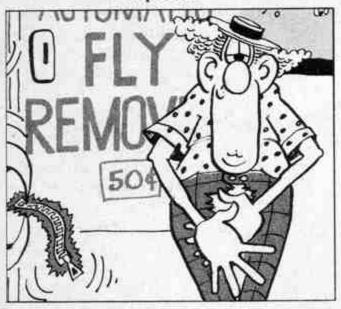
I was really hung up on "Some Legendary Wire Hangers". Jill Southers Encino, Calif.

BUS STATION CRIME

Don Martin's "One Evening In A Bus Station" was a real rip-off!

Greg Lamson Agawam, Mass.

Rip Off?



TEN LITTLE BUSINESSMEN

Frank Jacobs' "Ten Little Businessmen" was regrettably realistic. May I add: All the "Little Businessmen"

Who tried so hard to win, Now stand in long employment lines At Shell and IBM!

> Andy Siedlecki Dartmouth College Hanover, N.H.

I never thought I'd write a serious letter to MAD but I read "Ten Little Businessmen" and I wanted to cry. It's an
accurate picture of my beloved South
Bronx, which I fled! All the grimy goings-on that culminated in it becoming a
wasteland, where once there were dreams
and hope.

Dorothy Parker
Levittown, Pa.

The "Ten Little Businessmen"
Was really quite profound;
City fathers, please take heed,
Or else we're ghetto bound!

John Rios Los Angeles, Calif.

A WHALE OF A FOLD-IN

Happy to see Al Jaffee accentuated the fact that Japan and Russia were neck-toneck in the race for depleting the number of whales, to the shame of the humane world. Maybe a subsequent Fold-In could show the recent winner of that race, Japan. Thanks to the slaughter of one thousand dolphins, close relatives of the whale, by Japanese fishermen, their country has finished first on both accounts!

Mary-beth Gadzik New Britain, Conn.

We who love and respect whales are very grateful.

> Chas Stevenson Connecticut Cetacean Society Avon, Connecticut

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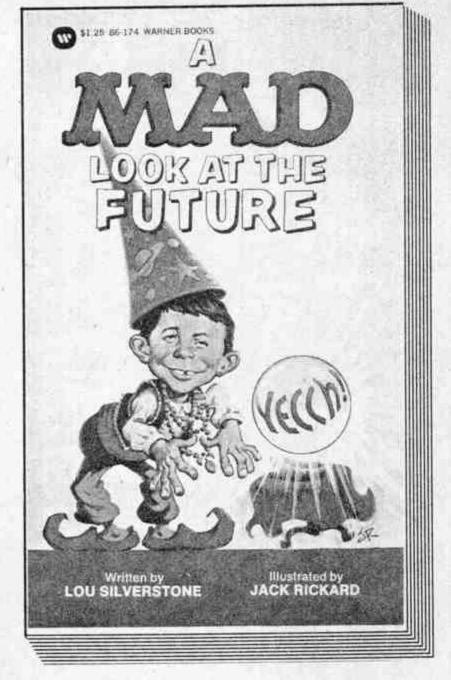
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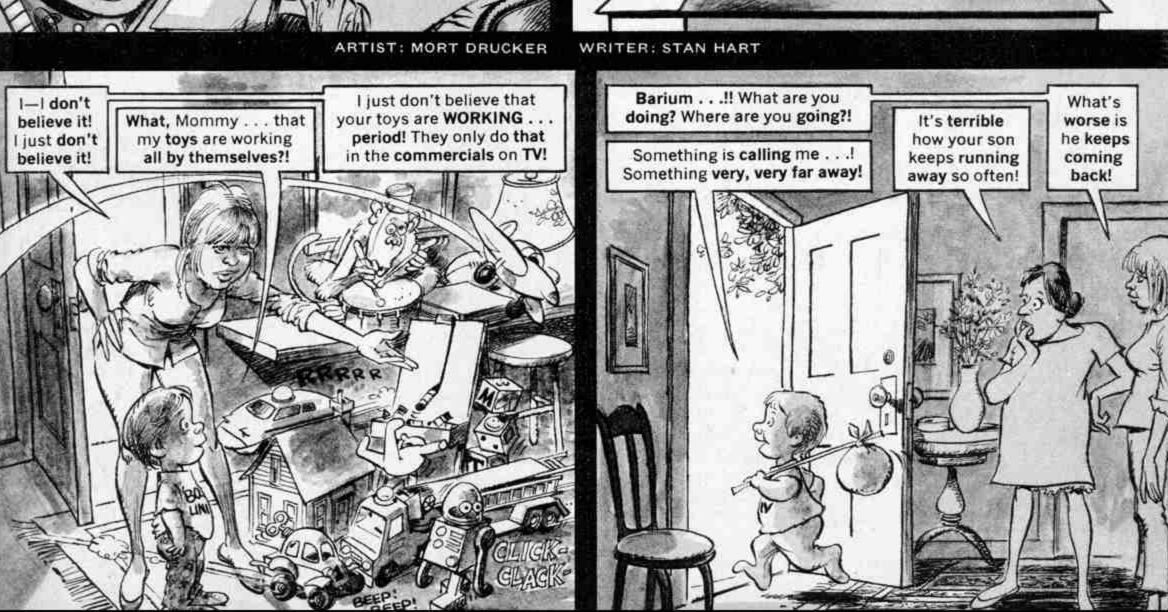
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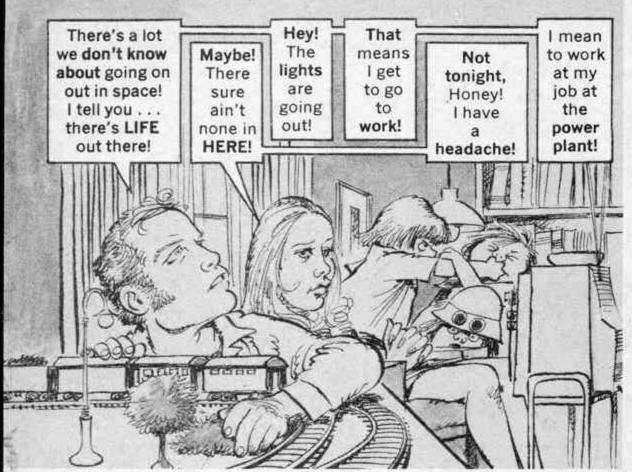


totally new experience! Sounds like a fantastic idea, huh? Well, somehow, between the idea and the execution, something went wrong, and what they ended up with was

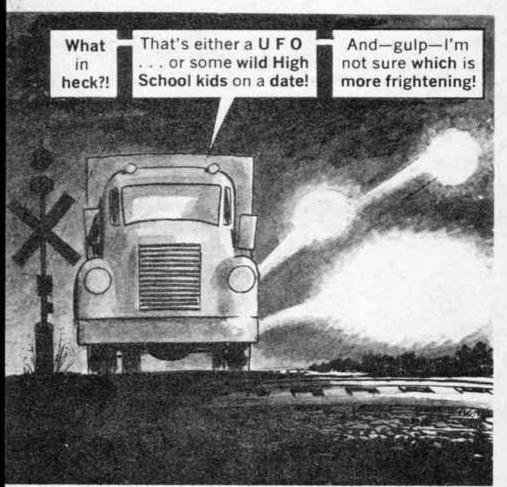
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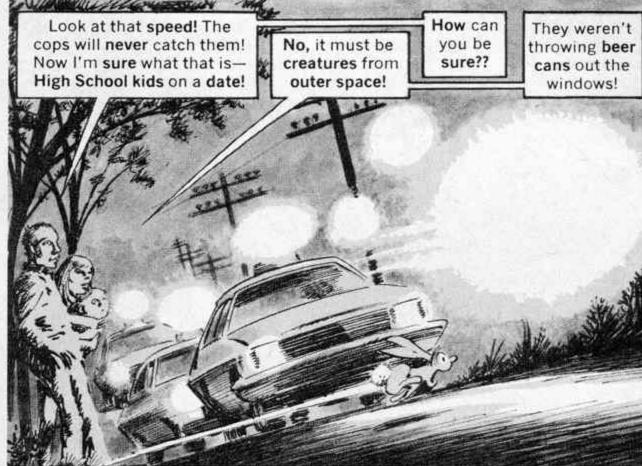






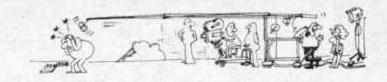


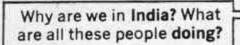












They heard some strange musical tones . . . coming from ze air!

But why did they come to this spot?! There's no shelter from the scorching sun...nothing to drink...no toilet facilities...and they can't possibly see where the music is coming from!

They thought eet was a Rock Concert!

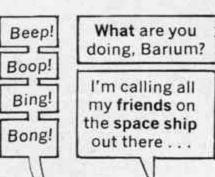


I've got it! Look!

If we convert those tones they heard in India into numbers and letters, we get "G-47" . . . "N-33" . . . "O-72" and "B-12"!!

Ah-hah! Zat is eet! Zat is eet! Mon dieu, we haf intercepted an inter-galactic "Bingo" game! No, I think they're global coordinates!
Someone . . . or some thing from outer space is trying to arrange a meeting with us somewhere!





Dopey kid! You'll outgrow all your silly fantasies by the time you're sixteen—which—unfortunately, is next year!





That blinding light! We'll be safe if I close all the windows and doors and block out that blinding light!





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now,
Barium!

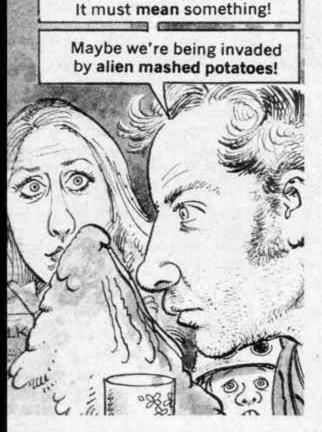
Barium? Barium?! Don't be frightened! You can talk now! Not . . . quite! You're standing on my throat!

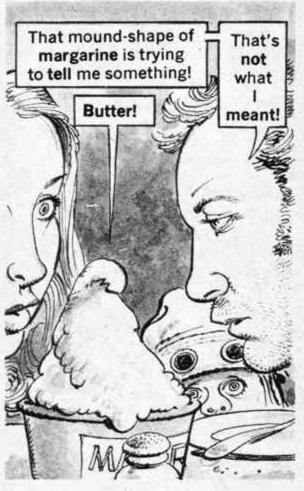


I've heard of child care centers
... but never one that picks up!

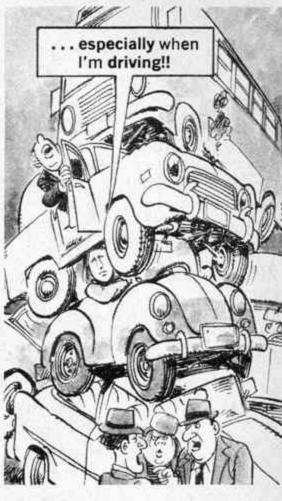




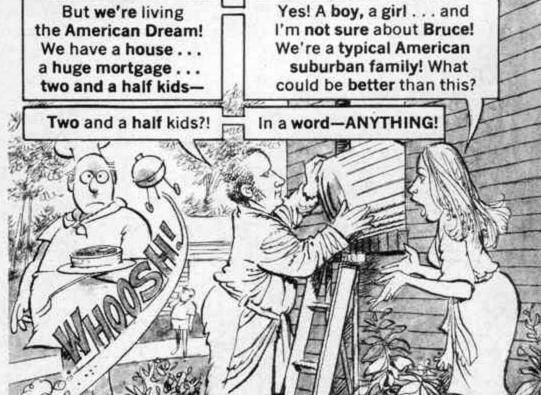




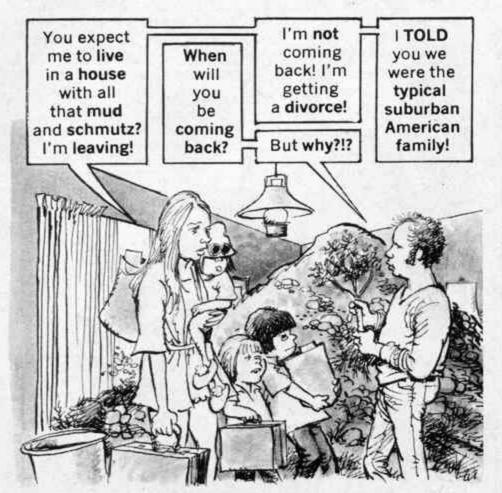


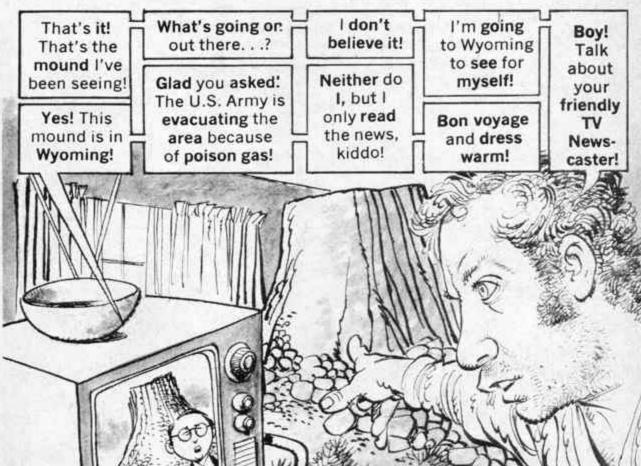






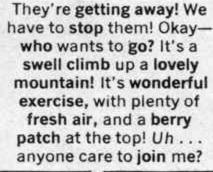












Boy, when they made it an allvolunteer army, they really made it an allvolunteer



They're spraying sleeping gas, but we're in luck! It's drifting away from us!

1 think some of the gas drifted into the audience!

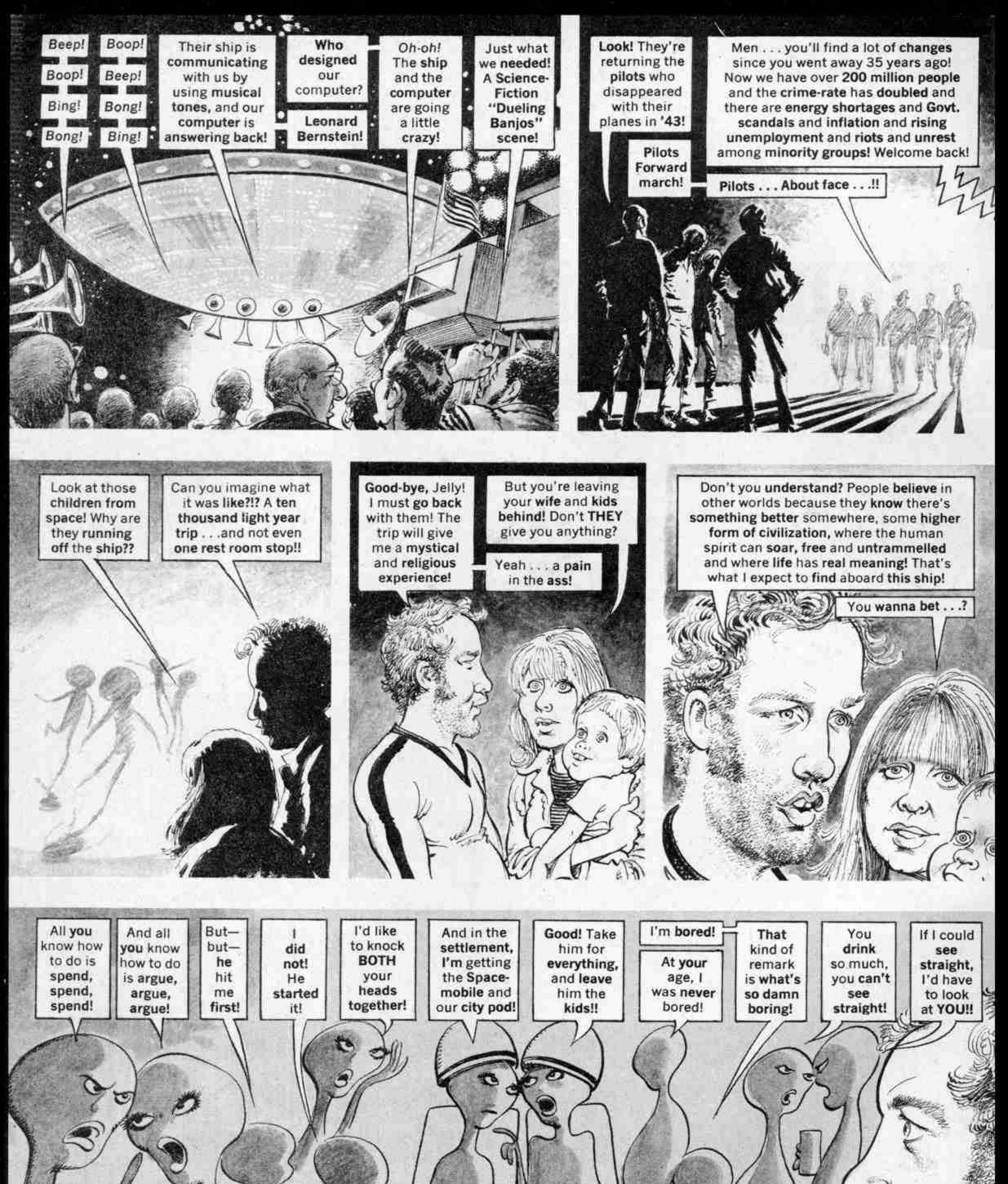
No ... THEY fell asleep waiting for the dazzling SPECIAL EFFECTS we publicized!



See?! | TOLD you there was on up here!!

We climb this whole damn mountain just something going oso you could take me to a NIGHT GAME?!?



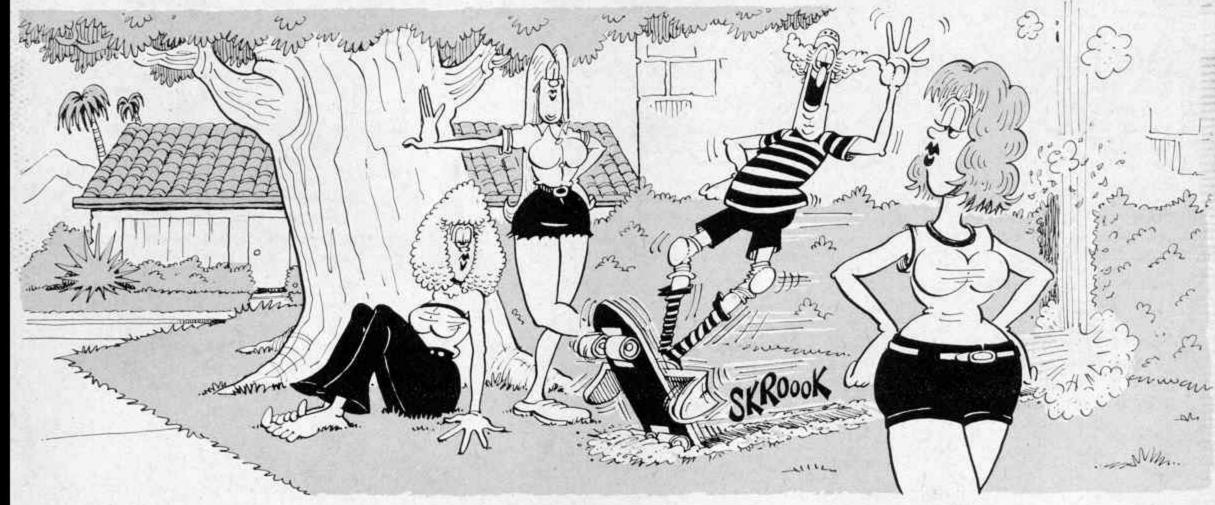




THE RIME OF THE MODERN SKATEBOARDER

(With apologies to Samuel Taylor Coleridge's "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner")

Written by Tom Koch Illustrated by Don Martin



He was a wild-eyed skateboard freak; He stoppeth one of three. "I've slalomed all through hell," he said.
"That's where I skinned my knee."

He freestyled up the wall and back; Then, crouching on his board,

He launched into his ghastly tale, While those around him snored.



"It started at a Skatepark near My California home.

'Twas there I met two kindred souls, Big Stan and Small Jerome. "The three of us all shared the dream
Of learning far-out tricks
Like tail-taps and three-sixty turns
To help us score with chicks.



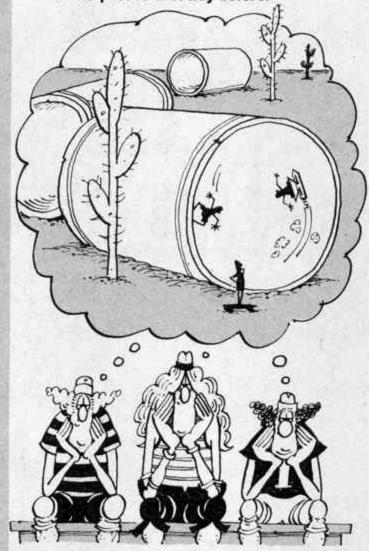
"Six days a week we practiced on The Skatepark's asphalt deck. (The seventh day, I washed my hair And cashed my welfare check.) "In time, we three had learned to do
The One-Wheel Pirouette;
And then we stopped to marvel that
No girls had noticed yet.

"Said Stan, 'I fear these hot-dog tricks Will never land a dame. So why not try for second best: The Skateboard Hall of Fame?"



"The Hall of Fame!!?? We'd seen its plaques, And knew its honored types Were those who'd dared to skate inside Of giant, hollow pipes.

"Two stories high, those lengths of pipe Loom o'er the desert floor, Abandoned there by thirst-crazed men Who'd passed that way before.



"To reach them, you must slog through sand A hundred miles from town. Still worse, when skating in a pipe, You're often upside down.

"This prospect panicked Small Jerome, Who asked, 'Why must we dare To skate someplace we might get killed?' Quoth Stan: 'Because it's there!'



"Such logic could not be denied. It drove us forth to meet The destiny that lurked there in The hellish desert heat.

"To make our trip a sure success, We packed our kits with care. I brought the jelly sandwiches, The plates and silverware.



"Stan brought some skateboard urethane In case the wheels got hot. Jerome said he'd bring water bags, But somehow, he forgot.

"And so, our throats became more parched With every passing day. Worse yet, we found no pipes to skate. We'd clearly lost our way.



"As time slipped by, our hopes grew dim Of ever being found. Then, suddenly, a gopher popped Its head above the ground.

"'A good luck omen!' cried Big Stan, And Small Jerome agreed: 'A gopher-powered skateboard is The very thing we need.'



"A tiny treadmill soon was built Where gopher paws could run. We nailed it to our strongest board; Then climbed on, one by one.

"Big Stan yelled, 'Mush!' The gopher strained.
I felt the skateboard start!
And as it moved, a giant weight
Was lifted from my heart.



"We all felt cheered, and foolishly We laughed and joked and talked; For we had yet to learn how slow A weary gopher walked.

"His treadmill pace was soon a stroll; Our motion all but ceased. Half crazed, I screamed, 'You goldbrick, you!' And then I killed the beast.



"'You fink! You've killed our good luck charm!'
I heard Big Stan emote,
While Small Jerome the gopher tied
Around my pulsing throat.

"My former friends then left me there. Stan put their reason well: 'In summer weather such as this, Dead gophers tend to smell.'



"Left with the skateboard all alone, Time weighed upon my hands. It's hard to practice wheelies 'mid The shifting, whisp'ring sands.

"In that unceasing desert heat, My mind began to fail. One time, I even thought I saw The gopher wag its tail.



"Thus, I assumed my eyes played tricks When on the seventh day, A grizzled skateboard spook appeared, And slalomed straight my way.

"I sensed he was no earthly thing, For though his speed was great, I saw his board had rusty wheels From some old roller skate.



"His eyes were wild; his socks were torn; His beard was long and fine. Said he, 'That gopher 'round your neck Was once a friend of mine.'

"'You killed my pal!' he shrieked at me.
'For that, you'll dearly pay.
My ghostly curse will follow you
Until it's Judgement Day.'



"He vanished, and I glumly thought That things could not be worse. Forever seemed like quite a while To stay beneath a curse.

"I can't recall how long I'd walked In mindless exercise When far away, I thought I saw A town of goodly size.



"It's only a mirage, I guessed. No town could really be In such a God forsaken spot. Still, why not check and see?

"To my surprise, the town was real.
I whooped with sheer delight
To see old broads in tennis shoes
Stand bathed in neon light.



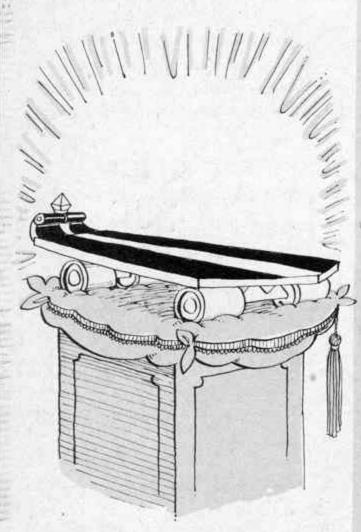
"'I'm saved!" I screamed at one old dame.
'This place is Xanadu!'
Said she: 'Las Vegas is its name,
I'll bet you five-to-two.'

"The gopher I soon flung aside To toast my change of fate. Its body struck a roulette wheel, And stopped on number eight.



"'You win!' I heard a voice call out.
'That's quite a clever play.'
And then I saw the man in charge
Push piles of chips my way.

"I won a million bucks that night, And made a gambler's vow To have the custom skateboard built That stands before you now.



"Its wheels are made of diamond dust Mixed in with urethane. The trucks are cast of solid gold. The kicktail's teakwood grain."

The skateboard freak then paused amid The tale he'd come to tell; And as he hugged his costly board, One teardrop on it fell.



Spake he at last: "I still have times When sorrow seizes me.
A guy gets glum to know he's cursed For all eternity.

"For though I've lived through my ordeal, And ditched the gopher, too, And have the finest skateboard known, One thing still makes me blue.



"I'm doomed through life to tell my tale, So ghastly and unreal. If you've been bored to hear it once, Just think how I must feel."

THAT OLD FAMILIAR STRAIN DEPT.

Pick up any popular magazine, and you're sure to find an article proclaiming, "Stress is the Number One health problem in the nation today! It can kill you!" Naturally, reading this statement causes you to suffer a lot more stress. But reading the rest of the article can push your blood pressure even higher, because the author invariably claims to have found some miraculous new thought process or life style that will enable you to escape from all of the pressures of daily existence. Who do these writers think they're kidding? They must take us for a bunch of idiots! Because, as anyone knows who lives in the real world of unending frustration and annoyance and fear . . .

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS

ARTIST: JACK DAVIS

WRITER: TOM KOCH

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



... having Tony Orlando and Dawn finally off weekly television offers absolutely no assurance that they won't soon be back.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



... even after you've studied hard and memorized the answer to every possible exam question, you still have to worry that you may get sick and throw up before you can write enough stuff down to avoid flunking.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



. . . Selective Service still keeps a file on every man who ever registered so they can all be drafted in case of a national emergency, but Lord only knows what the Pentagon considers a national emergency.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



... you're constantly reminded that Steve Cauthen is more successful at the age of 17 than you'll probably be in your entire life.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



... Carmelite nuns, Utah State football players, left-handed Volvo salesmen and Irish contraltos are all members, of minority groups, and there's no telling which will become the next to turn militant.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



... the world is made up of only two kinds of people: those who ride motorcycles, and those who have to listen to the people riding them.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



... that brainy kid who won your sixth grade spelling bee is still out there, somewhere in this world . . . just waiting for another chance to make you look bad.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



... ridding our society of all the substances that have been found to cause cancer in rats may just mean we'll soon be confronted by billions of robust, healthy rats.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



. . . we'll have at least five more Presidential elections in which Teddy Kennedy will still be young enough to run, and by then we'll have to start worrying about David Eisenhower.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE .



... buying a clock radio just means that you'll be jolted awake every morning by a grating disc jockey instead of a clanging bell or an irritating buzz.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



. . . there's a chance that this will be the day when Ralph Nader denounces the cereal you always eat for breakfast as being "... a dangerous potential killer."

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE .



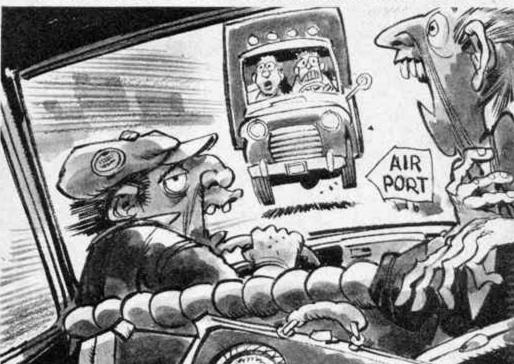
... members of other racial groups may interpret the way you behave in their presence as being too hostile . . . or too patronizing . . . and either way, you're in big trouble.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



. seeing how even Anita Bryant can become controversial makes you worry about your publicly expressed opinions of Ron Howard, Donny and Marie, Tom Seaver and Winnie the Pooh.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . .



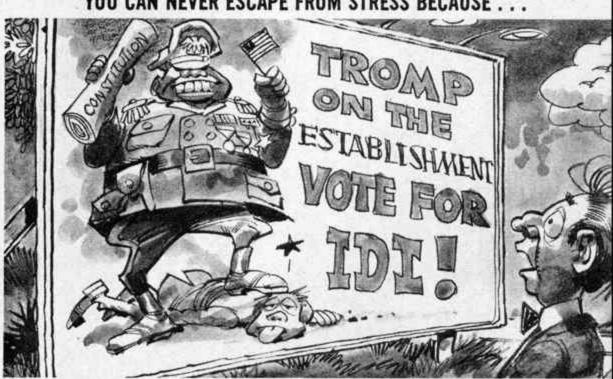
. . . commercial aviation is becoming safer at just about the same rate that your chances of getting to the airport alive are becoming almost negligible.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



every time you follow a highway flagman's signal, you know that you're putting your life in the hands of some high school drop-out who makes \$3.16 an hour.

YOU CAN NEVER ESCAPE FROM STRESS BECAUSE . . .



... you strongly suspect that Idi Amin's broad smile, lavish promises and professed love of the common people could get him elected President here, too, if he ever decides to run.

Did you know that "jeans"
... which were originally made to be worn by workmen, farmers and laborers, and are now the "IN" thing to wear in this country... are also the rage in Europe?!?



In fact, when I was in Moscow on this trip, a Russian guy offered me a lot of money for my jeans! Did you sell them to him? I never got a chance! A couple of Communist Policemen showed up suddenly and arrested him!



For wanting to look like a CAPITALIST!!



BERG'S-EYE VIEW DEPT.

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF...

If Roger Kaputnik calls, I don't want to talk to him! If he comes to the house, before you slam the door in his face, tell him he's no longer welcome here!!



But Roger is the BEST FRIEND you have in this world! You've been buddies ever since you were kids!



I don't care! It's all over between us! He cheated me out of thousands of dollars! I lost out on the biggest real estate deal I ever had going for me!!



But . . . but it was ONLY a Monopoly Game!!



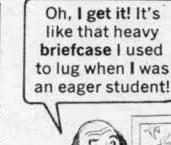


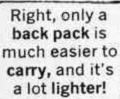


FAIDS FAIDS FAIDS FAIDS ARTIST & WRITER: DAVID BERG



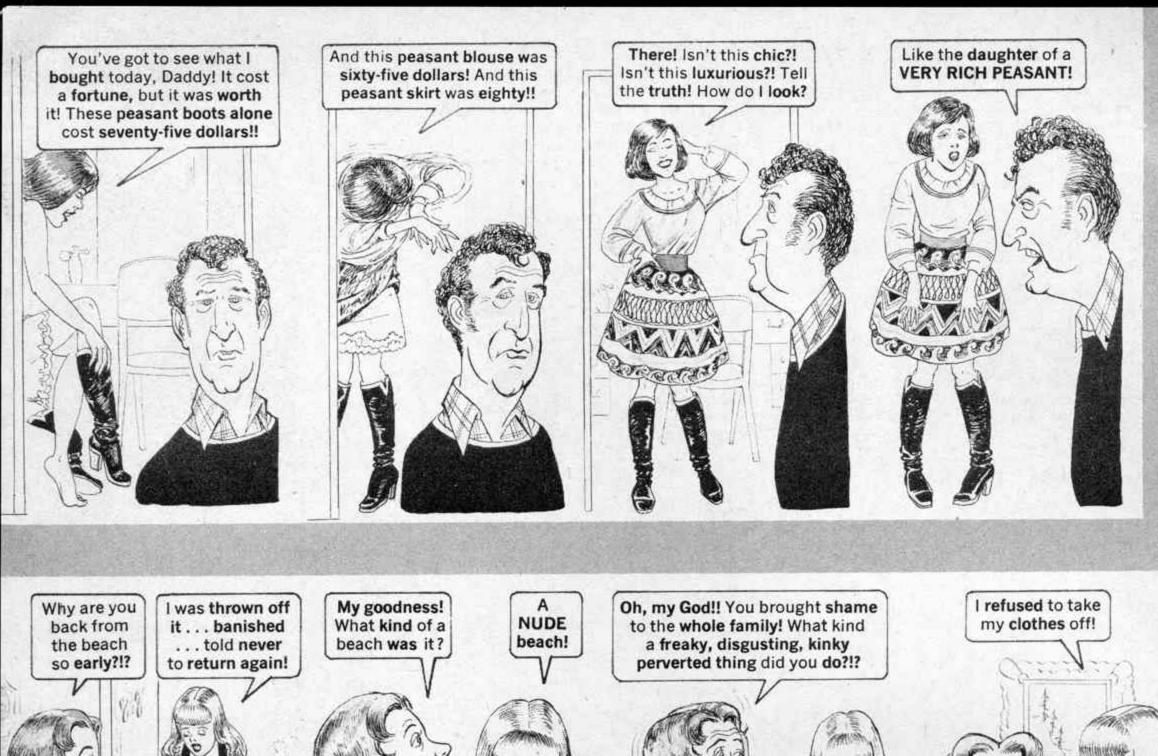
It's a back pack!
All the kids are wearing them to school, loaded with books! It's the style!



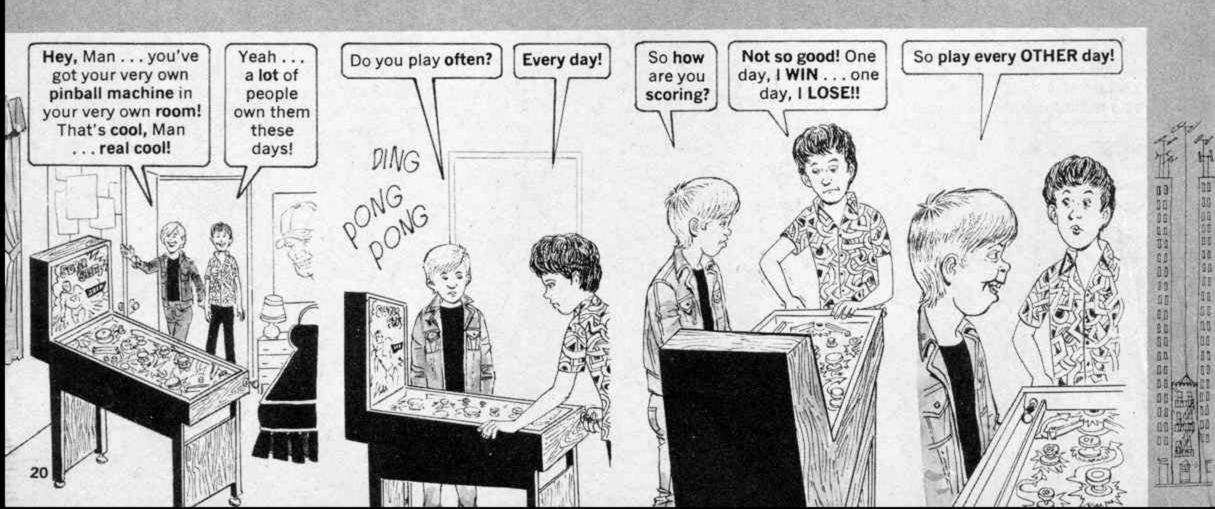


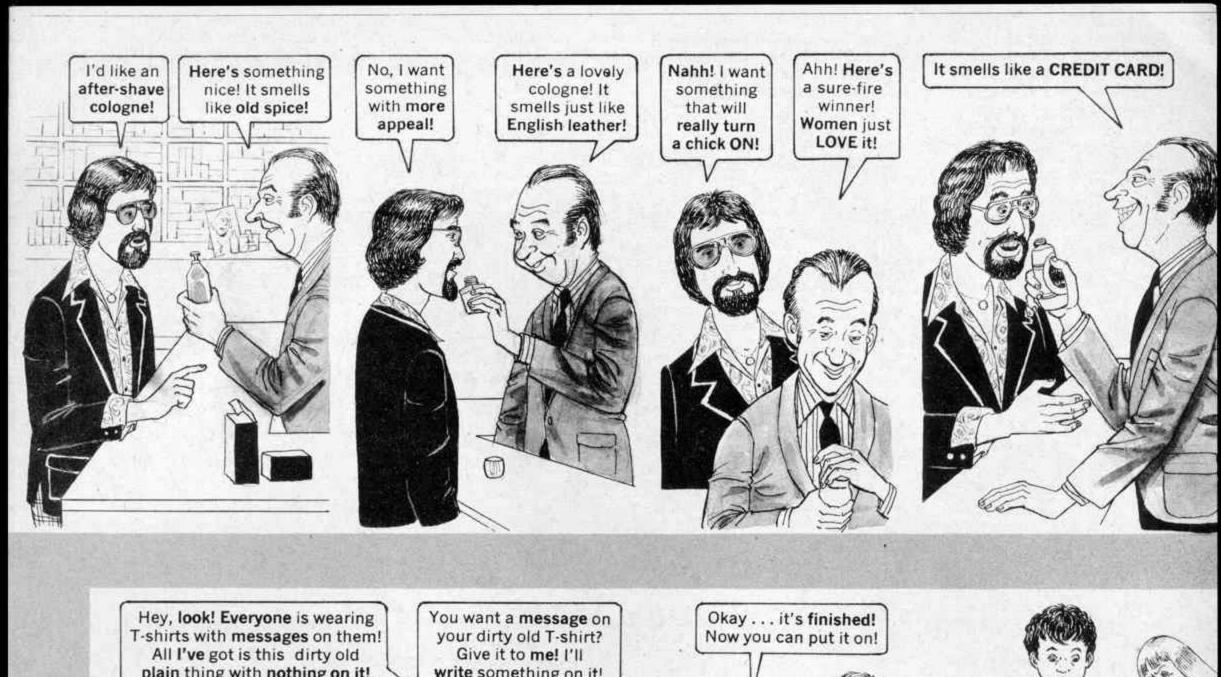




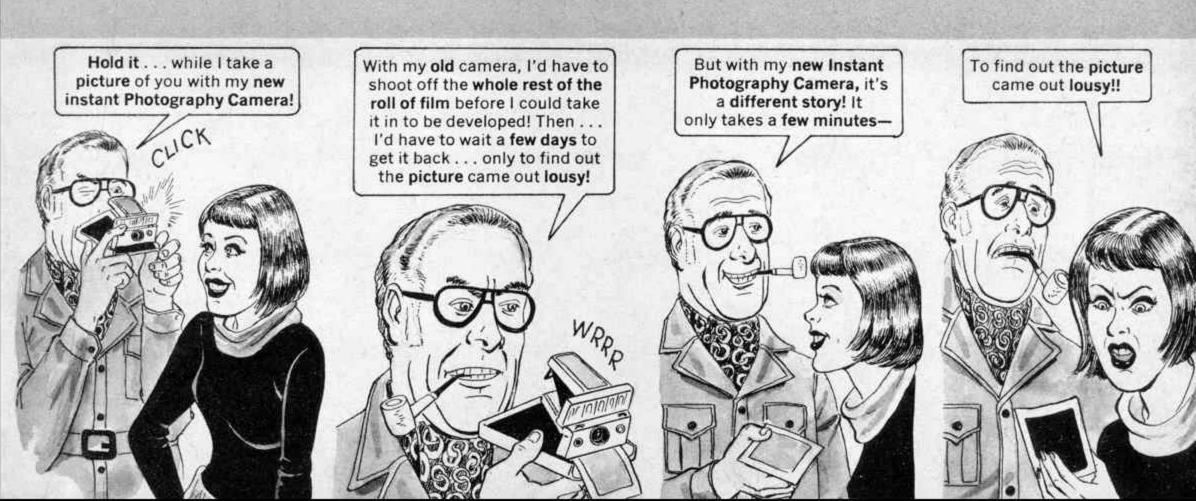




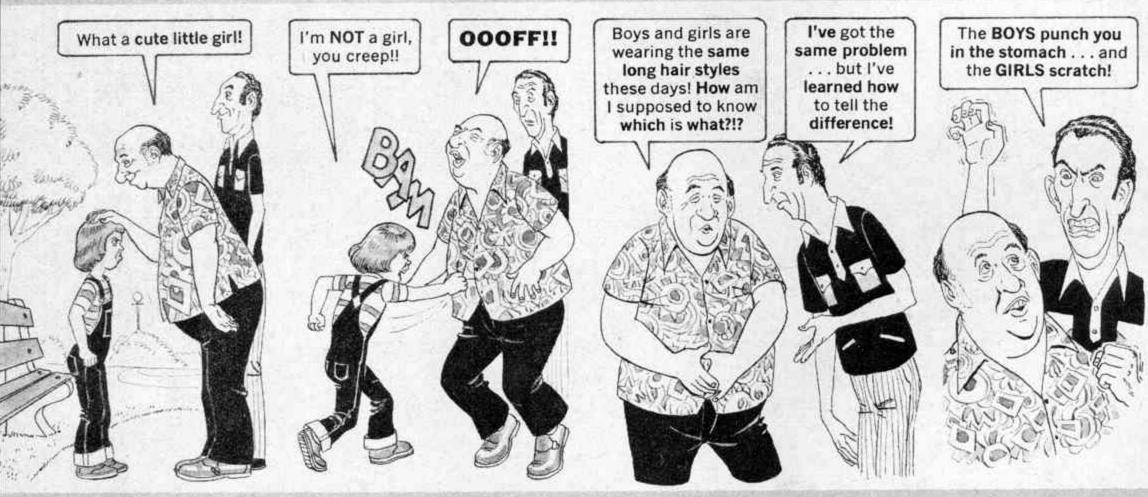


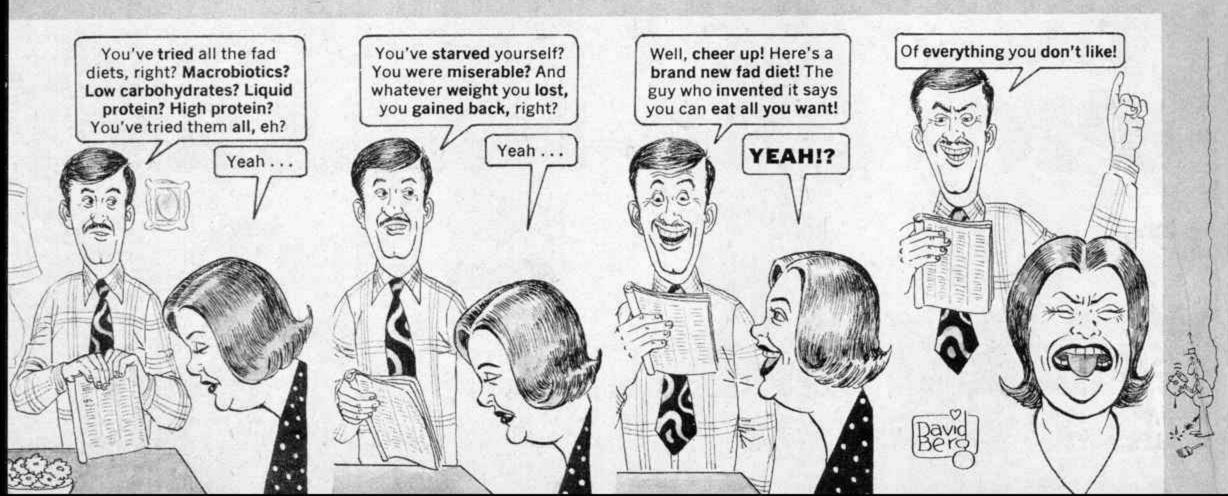












Like this example most Graduating Class pictures are usually unexciting groupings of the subjects, lacking in creativity and void of inspiration. Which got us at MAD to thinking that it really doesn't have to be that way. Like f'rinstance, why not hire talented people to stage interesting interpretations of these usually deadly groupings? Like these



GRADUATING CLASS PICTURIS

AS STAGED BY SOME OF THE WORLD'S BEST-KNOWN

ARTIST: HARRY NORTH, ESQ.

WRITER: PAUL PETER PORGES







FEDERICO











BUSBY BERKELEY

JOHN FORD

FELLINI

ALFRED HITCHCOCK

SAM PECKINPAH

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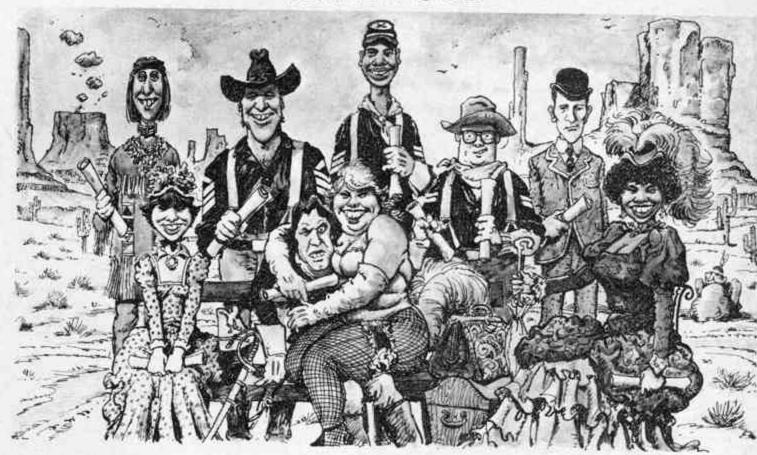


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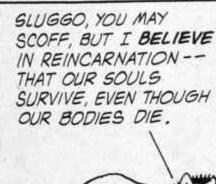
TRIED AND TRUDEAU DEPT.

There's a new look to the comics, and the man most responsible for it is Gary Trudeau, the creator of

"Doonesbury". Thanks to Gary, more and more strips are becoming intellectual and cerebral and involved

...When Those 'Old Li The New Wave, Cerebr

NANCY











REX MORGAN, M.D.









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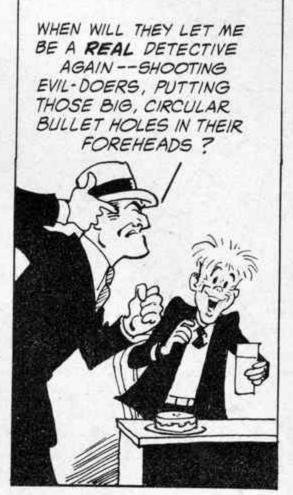
in the social issues of today. The old strips, how- stock situations and routines. Eventually, they'll

ever, stay the same as they were-with the same have to get with it, and we'll see what happens . . .

ne'Comic Strips Follow al "Doonesbury" Trend WRITER: FRANK JACOBS

DICK TRACY









BLONDIE









BEETLE BAILEY









LI'L ABNER









DONALD DUCK









Hi! I'm Chivy Chaste and you're not! I'll bet you're wondering what a superstar like me is doing here! Well, after my last TV comedy special . . . and it may very well be my last —ha-ha . . . N.B.C. felt that maybe my talent lies in a different direction, like doing interviews! Who knows? If I do good on this assignment for MAD, I might become the male Barbara Walters . . . or, as I used to refer to her on Saturday Night . . . Babwa Wawa! But seriously, folks, I'm here to interview Mr. Cool Carnal, who has been designated as . . .

MAD'S COLLEGE CONCERT COMIC OF THE YEAR

Cool, why have you become the "Big Comic on Campus?" Do you have something special the kids relate to?

Nahh! Nothing like that, Man! I need the bread!

Actually, I had better vibes with their parents! See, I was a standup comic!

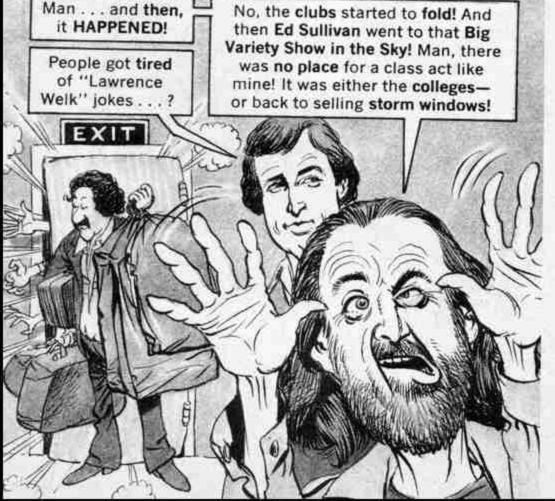
"Carl Carnal . . . the Clown
Prince of Comedy"—
that was me! I was doing
real groovy material . . .
like my great
Lawrence Welk classic . . .

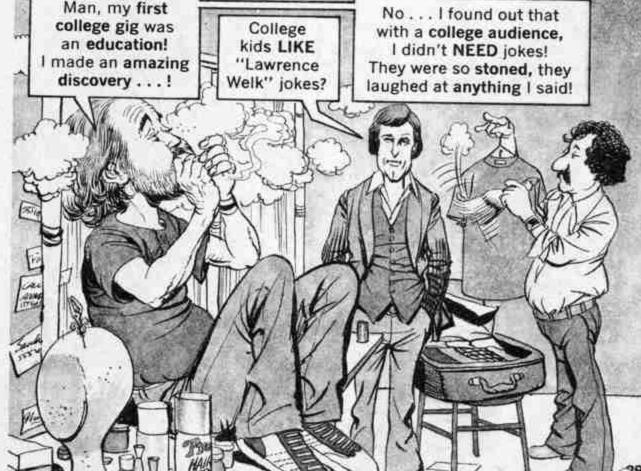
Mr. Welk, do you think violence should be banned on TV? Violence are d' most important instruments in my orchestra!! A-vun anda two anda t'ree . . . Hahah! Violence! Violins! Oh, Cool, you really kill me!

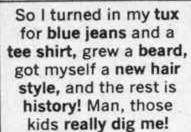


ARTIST: GEORGE WOODBRIDGE

WRITER: LOU SILVERSTONE





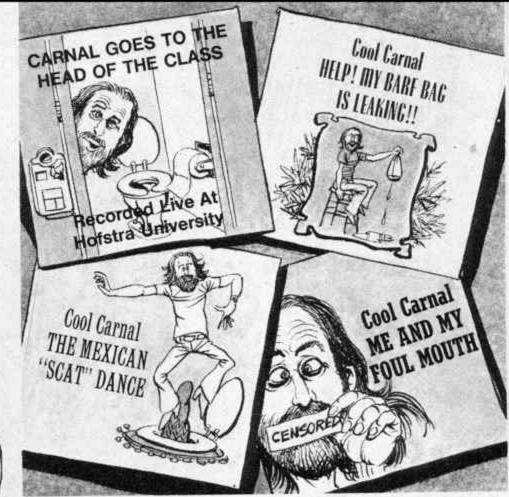


In other words, they got your message!

Man . . . 1 ain't got no message! I'm disgusting! DIS-GUST-ING!! That's my message!!

Yeah . . . he's disgusting . . . but funny!! Here, look at these record albums! They'll KILL yuh!





Cool, besides "Bathroom Humor," what else makes the kids laugh? Do they go for "Sex Humor"?

No way, Man! Sex is OUT!

You mean college students aren't interested in sex?

Sure, they dig sex! But they aren't HUNG UP on it like their parents! I mean, these kids don't have to READ about it or JOKE about it! Man ... they DO IT!!



Are young people today turned off by "Political

No, these kids are into the political scene! I mean, they just don't dig the **HEAVYWEIGHT** stuff ... like Kissinger

Whatever! But they flip over my **Billy Carter**

That's

'MONdale!"

Do your Billy Carter Nose Bit! Ha-ha! I'm laughing



shticks! already! Humor"? ... or Moondale!

You know how Billy Carter gets "high"? Man, he grabs a six-pack and climbs up to Amy's treehouse!

I'm only kidding! Billy really gets it on by sniffing peanuts! Man . . that's a groovy high-sniff-sniff! But there's only one problem . . .

You sniff too hardand one of them goobers is gonna get stuck up your nose!

Ha-ha! Isn't he fantastic!? You dig how cleverly he works in the "Finger Up The Nose" bit! That's what he's most famous for!!

Sometimes, when I play them egghead "Ivory League" schools, I go into more sophisticated political stuff

Did y'hear about Jimmy's new energy program? He wants everybody to put Castor Oil in their car so it'll GO faster!

Tell 'im about your 'Bean-Eating Contest" to relieve the natural gas shortage!!









You call this "comedy"?!?

Like, when

they elect

If he was

right . . .

My Old Man

used to tell

Sir, as a

Well . .

He'd

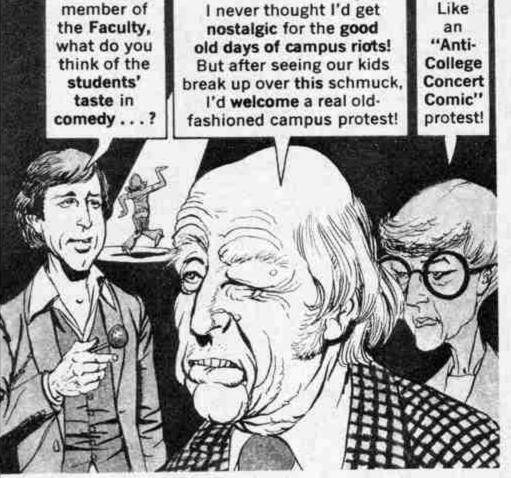
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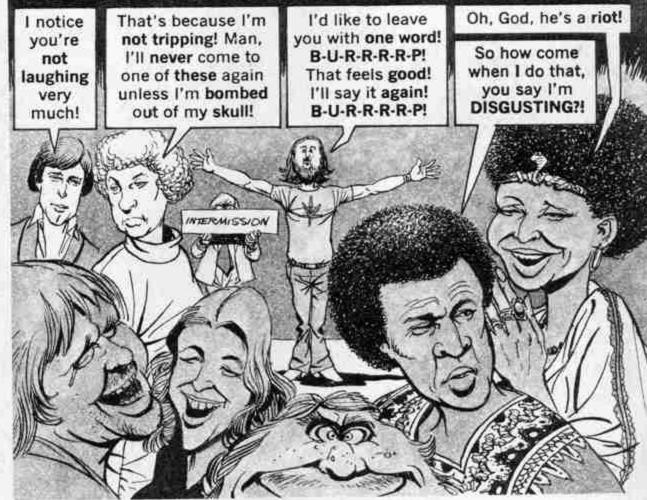
Fantastic!

He just

Yeah!

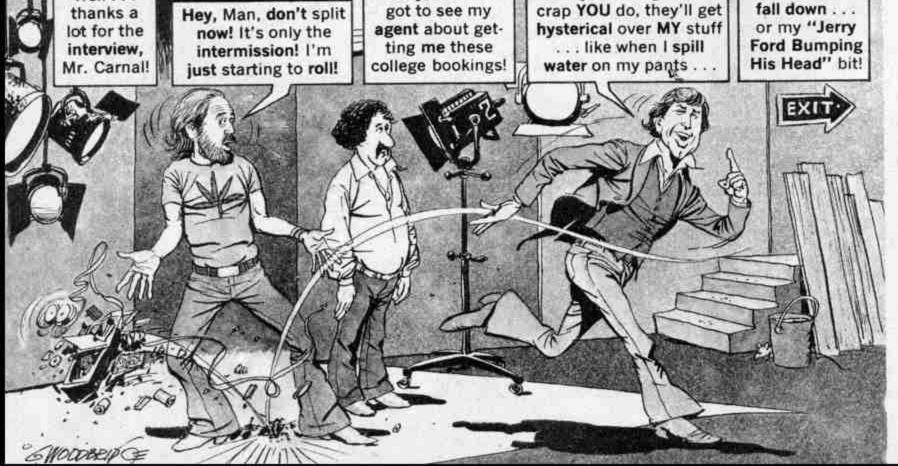






. or when I

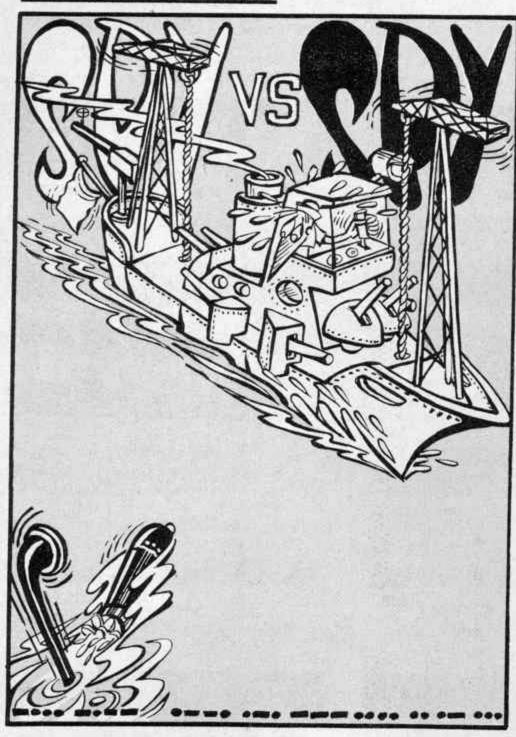
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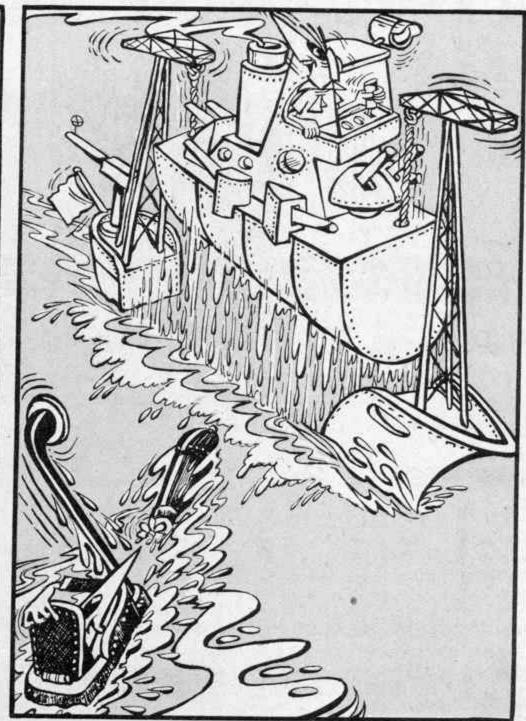


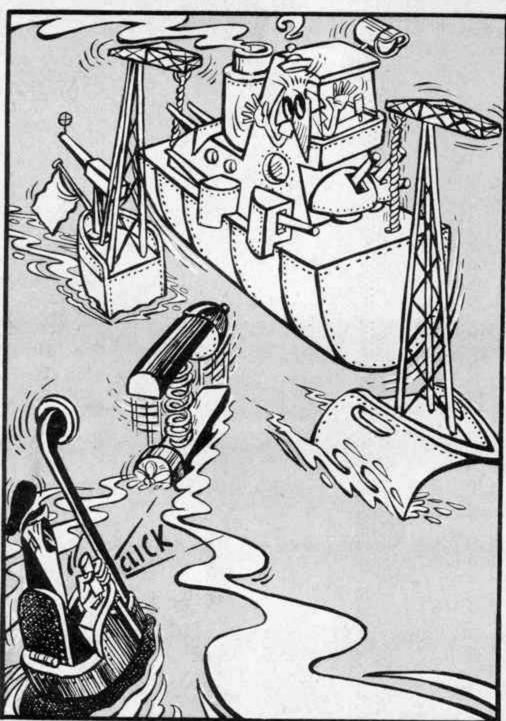
Sorry, but I've



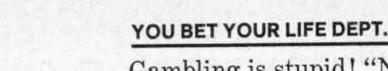
JOKE AND DAGGER DEPT.











Gambling is stupid! "No," you say? You wanna bet?! Okay, go ahead and gamble... but know the odds. Because knowing the odds is necessary if you're gonna gamble

THE MAD BO

ARTIST: PAUL COKER, JR.





... when you get stuck in traffic, you'll have to go to the bathroom.

IT'S 7 TO 5 ...



... you'll get a whole new cluster of pimples the day of the Senior Prom.

IT'S 2 TO 1 ...



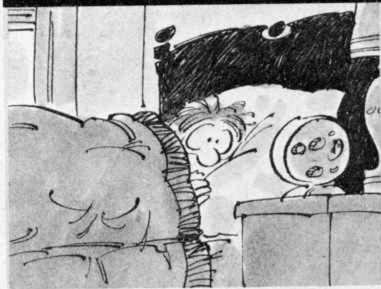
... your nose will start to run when you don't have a handkerchief.

IT'S 5 TO 1 ...



... that when you get a Summer job, your Mother will come into the store every day to see how you're doing.

IT'S 3 TO 2...



... that the morning you have an important job interview, your alarm will fail to go off.

IT'S 8 TO 5 ...



... you'll finish an exam in record time, only to find out later that there were 13 questions on the last page you didn't see.

IT'S 4 TO 3 ...



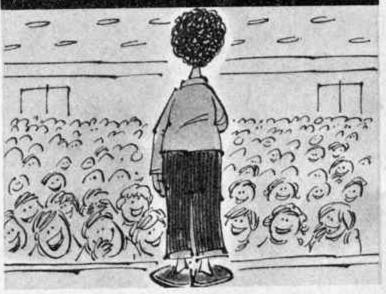
. . . your finger will slip just as you dial the last number of a long distance telephone call.

IT'S 5 TO 3...



. . . on the first day of your family vacation, your Mother and Father will have an argument, and then fight the entire trip.

IT'S 5 TO 2...



. . . when you're selected to lead the assembly in "The Pledge Of Allegiance" you'll discover later your fly was open.

and win. And that means not only the odds on horse races and ballgames, but on life's everyday situations as well. To help you in this important area, here is...

OK OF ODDS

WRITER: STAN HART



IT'S 3 TO 1 ...

. . . that the next time you have a blind date, you'll be disappointed.

AND IT'S EVEN MONEY...



... your date will be disappointed.

IT'S 3 TO 2 ...

. . . it'll rain on your overnight hike.



... while trying to impress your pretty tennis partner, you'll hit her in the back of her head with your first serve.

IT'S 21/2 TO 1 ...



. . . whenever you try to hail a cab to impress your date, you'll have ugly sweat stains under your arms.

IT'S 4 TO 1 ...



. . . your Mother will take a "terribly important" telephone message for you but she can't remember who it's from.



... your date's old man is asleep when you go out, but awake when you return.

IT'S 3 TO 2



. . . the worst picture ever taken of you will be in your School Year Book.

IT'S 6 TO 5 ...



... when you go to the bathroom in your date's house, the toilet doesn't work.

HIDDEN MEANIES DEPT.

So you believe everything you read, eh? Well, if you do, you're a dummy (and that you can believe!). Because what is most important about what is said in print is what is NOT said! Got that? No? Well, maybe with these examples, we here at MAD can teach you clods

How To Rea

A BOOK JACKET

THE ACTUAL QUOTE WAS, "I COULDN'T PUT IT DOWN FAST ENOUGH!"

THE HYPNOTIC POWER OF THE BOOK IS THE POWER TO PUT YOU TO SLEEP!

IT WAS EAGERLY
AWAITED BY THE
PUBLISHER BECAUSE SOSNICK
TOOK THE \$2500
ADVANCE AND
PARTIED IN MEXICO
FOR SIX MONTHS!

THE NEGOTIATIONS
ARE VERY HEATED.
MR. SOSNICK WANTS
THEM TO BLLY IT AND
THE STUDIO DOESN'T!

PRINTED HIS "LETTER TO THE EDITOR" COM-PLAINING THAT THERE WEREN'T ENOUGH DIRTY PICTURES IN THE MAGAZINE!

SHE HAS TO WORK
AS A WAITRESS
BECAUSE MR. SOSNICK
IS UNEMPLOYABLE!



Here's what the Critics have to say about Norman Sosnick's masterful new novel...

"...I couldn't put it down..."

Cleveland Plain Dealer

"...a novel that really makes you feel ..."

Saturday Review of Books

"...has hypnotic power..."

Kirkus Service

one of the great mysteries of modern literature.

The eagerly awaited first novel has caught the public by storm. Over 100,000 copies are now in print, and Mr. Sosnick is currently negotiating with a major film studio for the motion picture rights.

Mr. Sosnick's writings have appeared in such prestigious publications as "The Atlantic Monthly" and "Esquire", and he has been a frequent contributor to "The New York Times".

Mr. Sosnick lives in Greenwich, Connecticut, with his wife, Beth, who pursues her own career, and their two children, who are in college. Mr. Sosnick is hard at work preparing to write his next novel.

HE'S TRYING TO GET HIS FAVORITE CRAYON SHARPENED! THE BOOK MADE THE REVIEWER FEEL..."NAUSEOUS."

WHATEVER COMPELLED THE PUBLISHER TO PUT OUT SUCH A PIECE OF CRAP IS A MYSTERY!

100,000 COPIES WERE PRINTED, AND 99,992 ARE STILL SITTING ON BOOK STORE SHELVES!

HE ONCE HAD A
"WANT AD"
PRINTED IN THE
ATLANTIC MONTHLY,
TRYING TO SELL HIS
TWO-SPEED BIKE!

#2.ºº TO THE
NEW YORK TIMES
"SEND A KID TO
CAMP" FUND
EACH YEAR!

THE KIDS ARE
IN COLLEGE
BUT THEY
HAVEN'T TOLD
GOGNICK
WHICH ONE
BECAUSE THEY
DON'T WANT
ANYTHING TO
DO WITH THE
OLD BORE!



d Between The Lines

A CAMP BROCHURE

WRITER: STAN HART

THAT'S INDIAN FOR
"ABE SHAPIRO
AND HIS COUSIN
OWN 51% OF THE
BUSINESS"!

HE WAS ONCE
KNOWN AS
JIM GRABOWSKY,
WHO WAS THROWN
OUT OF THE NFL
FOR FONDLING
A WATERBOY!

PURING THE GREAT FAMINE OF 1878!

WHERE ANY GIRL WHO LOOKS LIKE ANYTHING IS IMMEDIATELY GLOMMED BY A COUNSELOR OR JC!

THEY'RE HAPPY BE-CAUSE THEY LOVE TO PICK ON YOU, FRENCH YOUR BED AND NAIL YOUR SHOES TO THE FLOOR!

SHE'S REGISTERED IN NEW YORK CITY AS A DEADLY WEAPON!

AND NEVER FORGIVE YOU FOR IT, EITHER!

CAMP ARAMAPOOPOO

Nestled high on a lush mountain in Pennsylvania,
Camp Aramapoopoo offers a carefree active summer
for your child. Our camp has long been famous for
its well-rounded program of athletics, supervised
by Uncle Bulljock, a former professional athlete.



Camp Aramapoopoo features movies every Saturday, food just like the Indians once ate, and social dances with its sister camp, Camp Yippeedoodoo.

Camp Aramapoopoo is a friendly place, filled with happy campers living in comfortable modern bunks.

The food is tastefully prepared by our Master Chef, and your child's health needs are supervised by Aunt Ilsa, who is a Registered Nurse.

Send your child to Camp Aramapoopoo, and he will never forget you for it.

A MOUNTAIN OF SMOLDERING COAL SLAG.

THE COUNSELORS
ARE WELL-ROUNDED
EACH BEING FROM
20 TO 50 POUNDS
OVER WEIGHT.

THAT'S INDIAN
FOR "THE LAKE
THAT DIED FROM
DOODY"!

MOVIE ALL MOVIE ALL SEASON LONG: "THE EXCITEMENT OF LEATHERCRAFT"!

FORMER MIGRANT WORKER SHACKS THAT WERE CONDEMNED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE!

A SANITATION
WORKER! IN
WINTER HE
MAKES PICKUPS...
IN SUMMER
HE MAKES DELIVERIES!

SO GOOD THAT NO ONE IN THE FIRM COULD THINK OF A SON OR A NEPHEW TO TAKE THIS COCKAMAMIE JOB, SO THEY RAN AN AD IN THE PAPER TO CATCH A SUCKER.

WHICH MEANS IF YOU REALLY MAKE A GOOD IMPRESSION, YOU GET THE MINIMUM WAGE!

YOUR FIRST LESSON WILL COME WHEN YOU TRY TO COLLECT YOUR PAY CHECK AT THE END OF THE WEEK

A WANT AD

BUSINESS TRAINEE

Excellent opportunity for a bright young person willing to start at the very bottom. No experience is necessary. Just ambition and a strong desire to get the job done. Salary open. Our office is convenient to transportation. Chance to learn the exciting field of finance awaits the person who can fill the bill. Call in AM for appointment.

555-0809

BY THE AFTERNOON, THE ENTIRE BUSINESS MAY HAVE DISAPPEARED!

AND STAY

THEY NEED A DUMMY WHO CAN'T COMPARE THIS LOUSY JOB TO ANYTHING HE'S HAD!

THIS JOB IS ANYTHING THE BOSS WANTS YOU TO DO FROM CLEANING TOILETS TO DRIVING HIS WIFE DOWNTOWN!

RIGHT NEXT TO THE SANTA FE R.R. STOCKYARDS. IT'S CONVENIENT IF YOU HAPPEN TO BE A HEAD OF CATTLE!

A WEDDING INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Fairfax take great pleasure in announcing the wedding of their daughter Melanie Beth to Mr. Elliot Weemsborough October 24th, 1977 at St. Czonka Church A reception will follow Pierre Française Manor R. S. V. P.

A SKATEBOARD WARRANTY

THIS MEANS YOU MUST KEEP THE RECEIPT FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE! ALSO, IF YOUR PARENTS BOUGHT THE SKATEBOARD FOR YOU, IT IS ACTUALLY THEIR SKATEBOARD, NOT YOURS. AND THE COMPANY CAN NOT TAKE ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR SKATEBOARDS LOANED TO OTHER PEOPLE!

THE SKATEBOARD CAN ONLY BE CLASSIFIED AS NOT FUNCTIONING IF 3 OR MORE WHEELS FAIL TO ROTATE, OR 3 OR MORE WHEELS HAVE FALLEN OFF ENTIRELY:

IT WILL COST YOU FOUR BUCKS TO MAIL THE THING BACK TO THE MANUFACTURER!



GONIFF SKATEBOARD LIFETIME WARRANTY

This Warranty is in effect as long as you own your Goniff Skateboard.

It covers any defective parts, or any parts that may become defective from normal wear and tear.

If the skateboard fails to function,

return it along with this Warranty to: The Goniff Skateboard Company Rte. 6 South, Secaucus, New Jersey.

(Allow five weeks for servicing)

YOU MAY THINK THAT IF A SKATEBOARD BREAKS WHEN YOU STAND ON IT, IT IS DEFECTIVE, BUT THE MANUFACTURER WILL NOT! AND WHO KNOWS SKATEBOARDS BETTER THAN THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE THEM.

NORMAL WEAR AND TEAR MEANS RIDING ON IT ONLY IN A STRAIGHT LINE ON SOFT CARPETING KEEPING IT AT ROOM TEMPERATURE AND LUBRICATING IT TWICE DAILY WITH IMPORTED TIBETAN YAK OIL!

ONCE YOU SEND THEM THE WARRANTY, YOU NO LONGER HAVE IT ... DO YOU ?

WHAT KID CAN GO FIVE WEEKS WITHOUT HIS SKATEBOARD ?! YOU KNOW YOU'LL DRIVE YOUR FOLKS CRAZY TO BUY ANOTHER ONE IN THREE DAYS! SO WHEN THE MANUFACTURER DOESN'T RETURN YOUR OLD ONE, YOU WON'T EVEN NOTICE BECAUSE YOU'LL HAVE BOUGHT A NEW ONE!

GREAT PLEASURE ?!? THEY'RE THRILLED BEYOND BELIEF THAT THEIR DAUGHTER, WHO HAS BEEN LIVING IN SIN FOR TWO YEARS IS FINALLY LEGALIZING IT!

THE KIDS HAVE WRITTEN THEIR OWN CEREMONY CONSISTING OF CHANTING DAVID BOWIE'S LATEST HIT SINGLE AND SWAPPING ROACH TEE SHIRTS!

THIS IS THE FIRST AND PROBABLY
THE LAST TIME THE FAIRFAX'S WILL
REFER TO ELLIOT AS "MISTER"! THEY
USUALLY CALL HIM "THAT PERVERT"!

THIS WILL GIVE THEM SEVEN MONTHS BEFORE THE BABY COMES! THE FAIRFAX'S PRAY THAT THEIR FRIENDS EITHER FORGET THE DATE, OR CAN'T COUNT!

ST. CZONKA CHURCH WAS THE KID'S IDEA! IT'S LOCATED IN A TREE!

THIS MEANS "PLEASE TELL US YOU CAN'T COME SO WE CAN SAVE MONEY, BUT SEND A WEDDING GIFT ANYWAY!

A YEARBOOK ENTRY



DORA SHICKSA

One of the most popular gals among the faculty at Finster High is Dora Shicksa. Nicknamed "Bunny" because of the cute way her nose moves whenever she laughs, Dora has beaus aplenty, including star quarterback Rick Brock. Some of Dora's extra-curricular activities include the Drama Club, where she won attention for her memorable performance in "Oklahoma," and the Camera Club, where her pictures have won her an enthusiastic following. Writing is Dora's hobby, and she's real good at it, too. When she graduates, she wants to go to U.C.L.A., where she plans to study Anatomy.

Dora's favorite motto is, "in God We Trust."

SHE PUTS OUT FOR TEACHERS!

HER NOSE DOESN'T BUDGE! SHE'S CALLED "BUNNY" FOR MORE OBVIOUS REASONS!

WHO GOES OUT WITH HER ONLY AFTER HE FAILS TO SCORE WITH GLORIA EPPS, HIS STEADY GIRL FRIEND!

SHE WAS IN THE CHORUS, BUT WON ATTENTION WHEN SHE HIGH-KICKED WITHOUT WEARING ANY PANTIES!

SHE POSES IN THE NUDE!

SHE WROTE THE FAMOUS
GRAFITTI IN THE PHONE
BOOTH: "WANT ACTION -CALL DORA-555-3421"!

NOT IN THE CLASSROOM--IN THE CO-ED DORM!

WHICH MEANS SHE SOME -TIMES FORGETS TO TAKE THE PILL!

A CHARITY LETTER

San Fernando School Of Podiatry Box 2295 New York, N.Y. 10095

Dear Sir:

Today, it costs a great deal of money

to run a school!

To put it frankly, we need money ...

a lot of money!

Think for a second! What if--God forbid--someone in your family, some loved one, should suddenly need a Podiatrist in the middle of the night, and there is no one to call -It could happen...

because there simply are not enough
Podiatrists to go around, leaving many

people without their services.

The San Fernando School of Podiatry trains young people and helps them get their degrees so they can go out into their communities.

So when you contribute, don't think that you're just helping a school! You may be helping yourself! Thank you,

Roscoe Knipe, Dean

A "FAMILY MEMBER"
AND A "LOVED ONE" ARE
NOT NECESSARILY
THE SAME THING. THIS
APPEAL IS TO THE GUY
WHO FOOLS AROUND
AS WELL AS TO THE
SOLID FAMILY MAN!

CALL YOUR OLD AUNT!
SHE'LL PROBABLY HELP
YOU AS MUCH, AND
IT WON'T COST YOU \$50!

AND GOLF ON COMMUNITY COURSES, AND DRIVE THEIR ROLLS ROYCES ON COMMUNITY ROADS, AND SAIL THEIR BIG BOATS ON COMMUNITY LAKES!

P.S. EVEN IF YOU DON'T CONTRIBUTE, PLEASE KEEP THE ATTRACTIVE KEY CHAIN AS A GIFT FROM A FRIEND!

IT COSTS 45¢ TO PRINT STUFF AND MAIL EACH OF THESE BEGGING LETTERS!

WE NEED IT TO AT LEAST BREAK EVEN ON THIS EXPENSIVE CAMPAIGN!

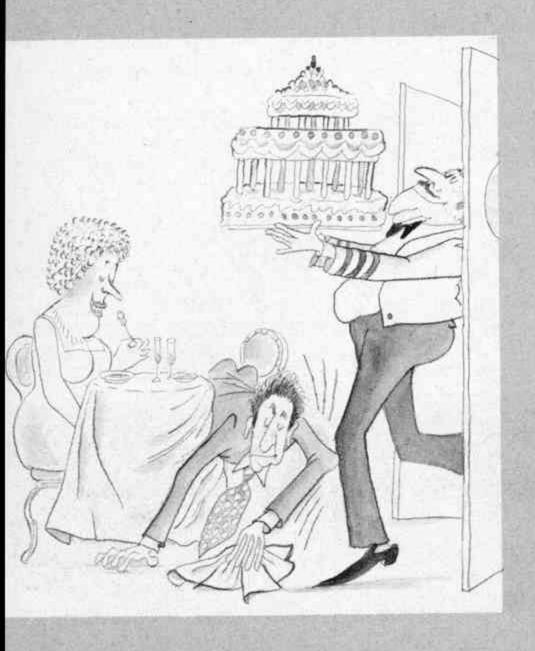
BUT ONLY A SECOND! IF YOU THINK ANY LONGER, YOU'LL REALIZE THAT THIS IS JUST ANOTHER SLICK HYPE JOB!

SOME PEOPLE ARE LUCKY!

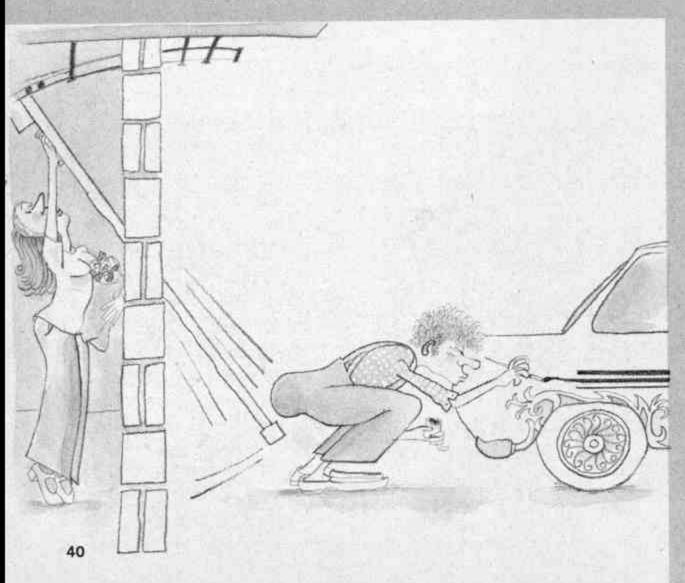
YOU'RE NOT! ACTUALLY
YOU'RE HELPING THE
FUND RAISER WHO GETS
A HUGE PERCENTAGE OF
THE TAKE...PLUS HIS
EXPENSES WHICH LEAVES
ABOUT 3 CENTS ON EVERY
DOLLAR FOR THE SCHOOL.

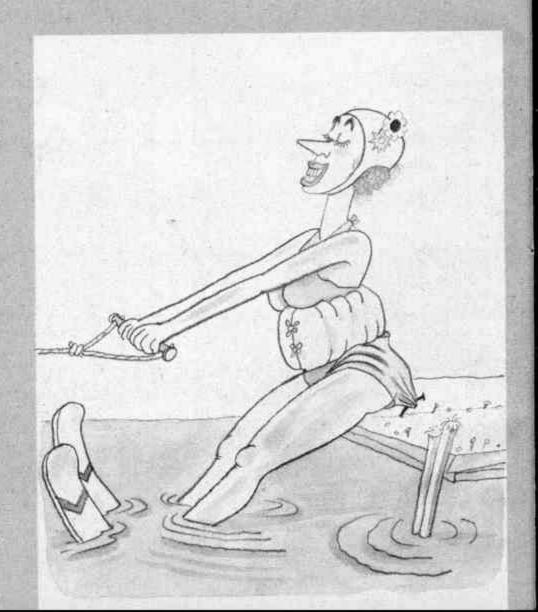
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AMAD LOO Ment Before



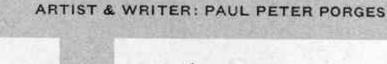




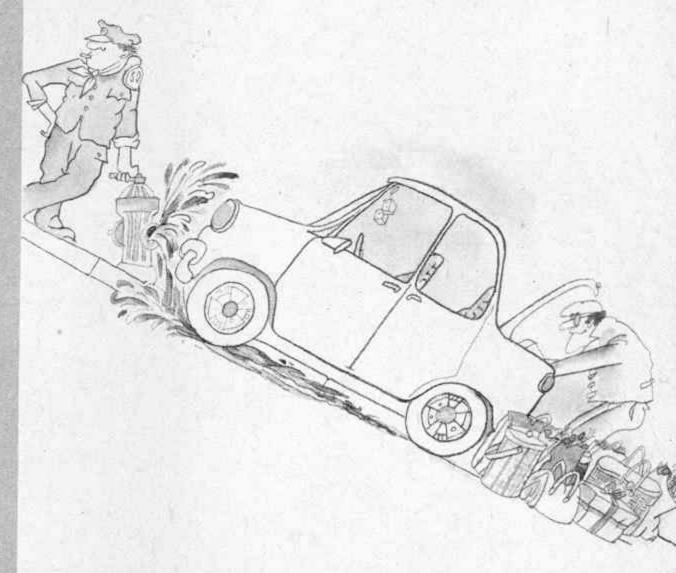


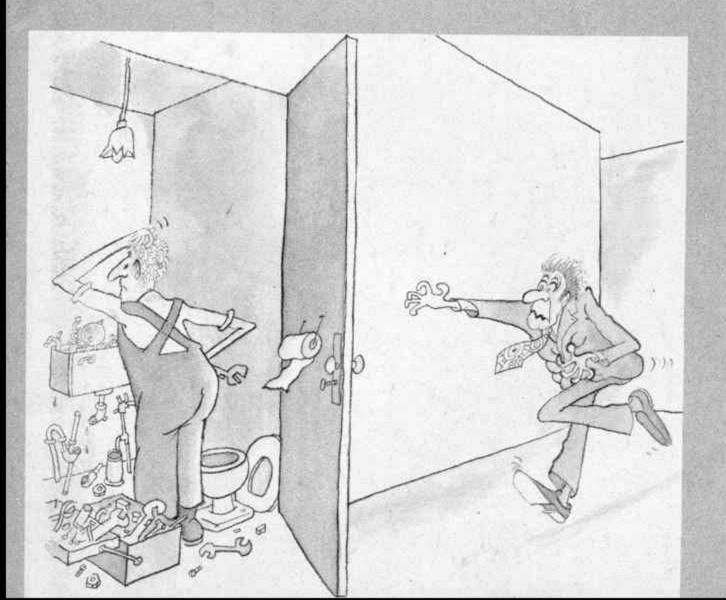
KATTHE The Disaster



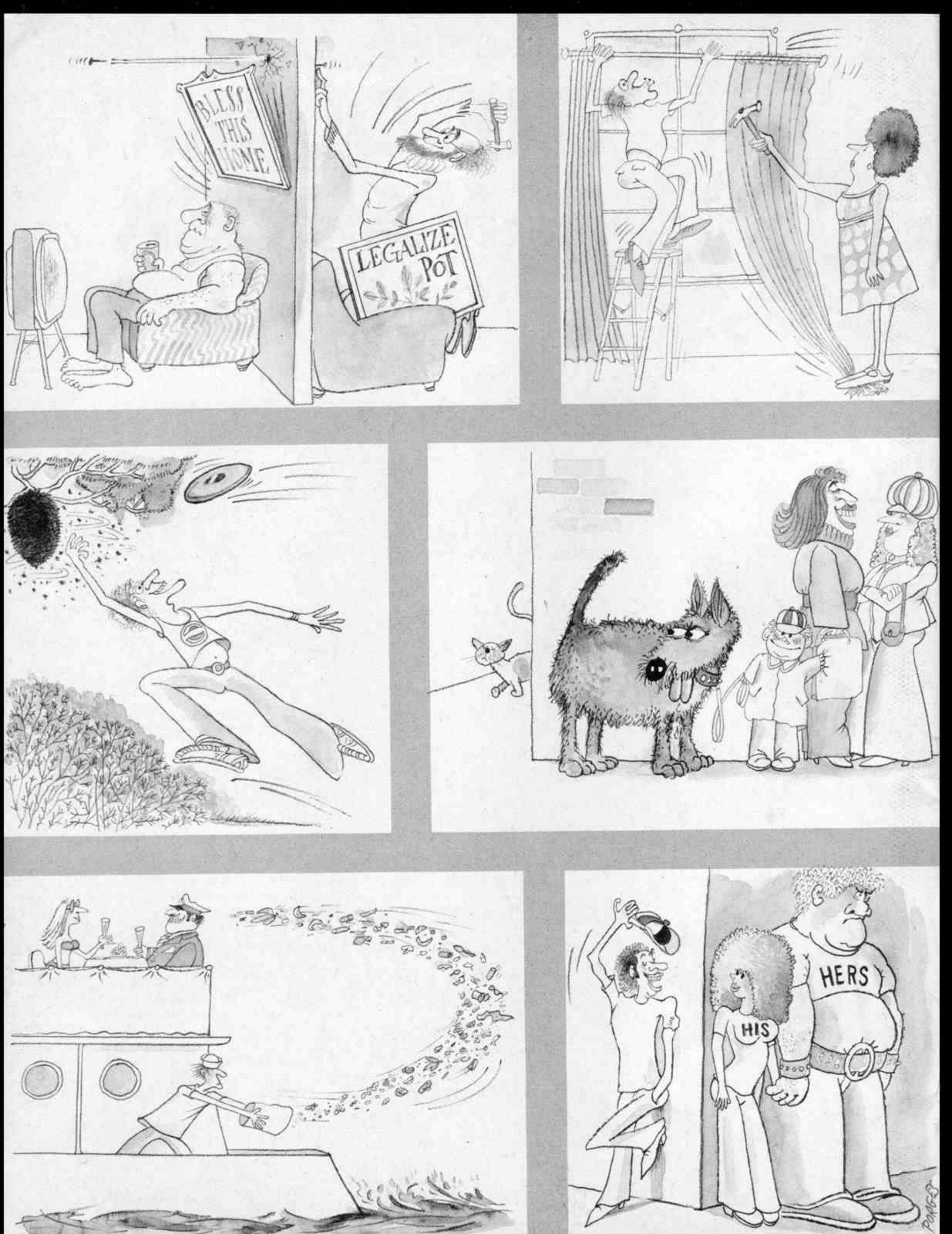






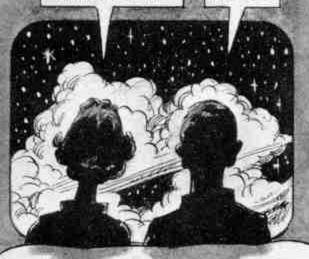






Wow! Look at those clods!

You mean look at those clouds . . . ! ! No . . .
I mean look at those CLODS! It's . . .



THE DUMMY & MAREK SHOW

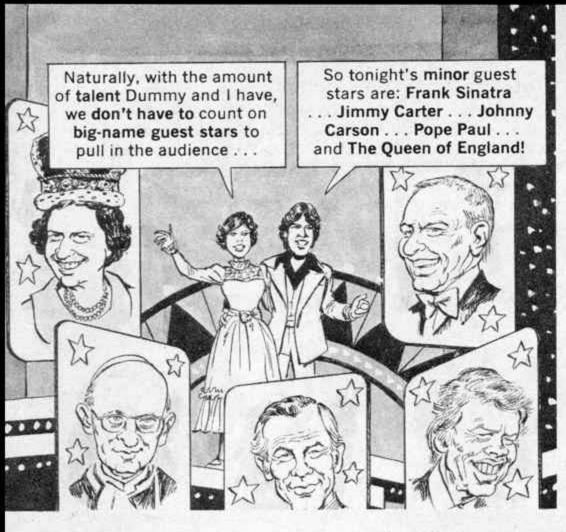
ARTIST: ANGELO TORRES

WRITER: DICK DE BARTOLO

















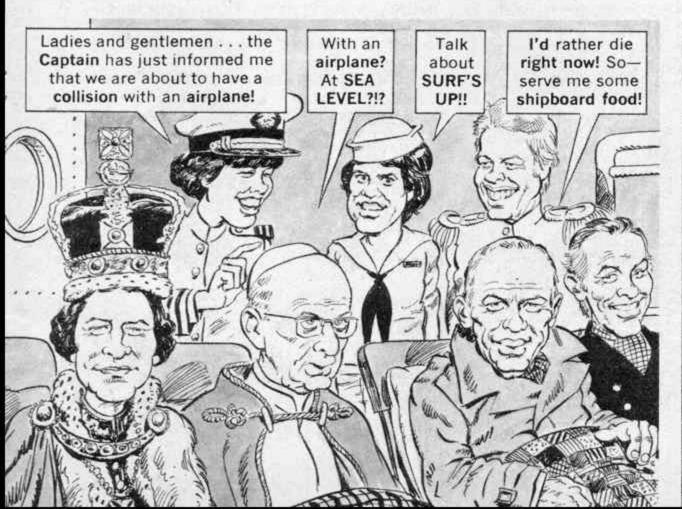








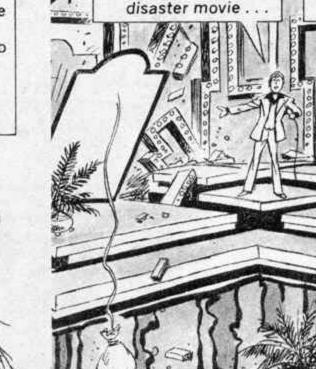
NEXT ON
YOUR
SCREEN:
Another
Comedy
Sketch!
(This
will be
your
only
warning!)





I'm sure, at this point, you're probably saying to each other, "Gosh, but Dummy and Mareek have been so wonderful, with their skating and their singing and their jokes and their acting and their playing musical instruments... but now, how about a little ENTERTAINMENT?!" Well, Dummy and Mareek Osmundane are not going to monopolize the entire hour! No sir! And so, ladies and gentlemen, welcome JAKE Osmundane...

attention
to the subtle
production we
give Jake's
number . . . to
take your
attention
away from
his voice!!



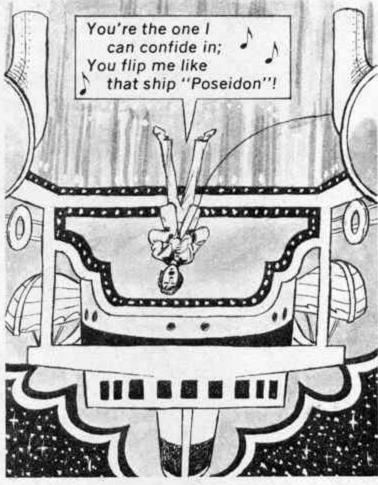
My love for you

More fun than a

is really groovie;









When I'm near you, I

begin to shake;

living "Earthquake"!

It's just like I'm a



As you know, on every show, we have a huge "theme" finale! In the past, we've had as our themes such dynamic subjects as Movies, Broadway, Circus, and like that! And then there were weeks when we had to resort to lesser "themes" like Air and Lint! Well . . . tonight's wild, wacky, way out "theme" is "TRANSCENDENTAL MEDITATION"!









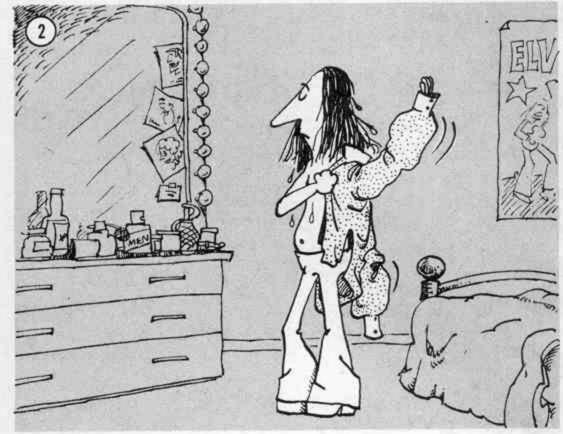


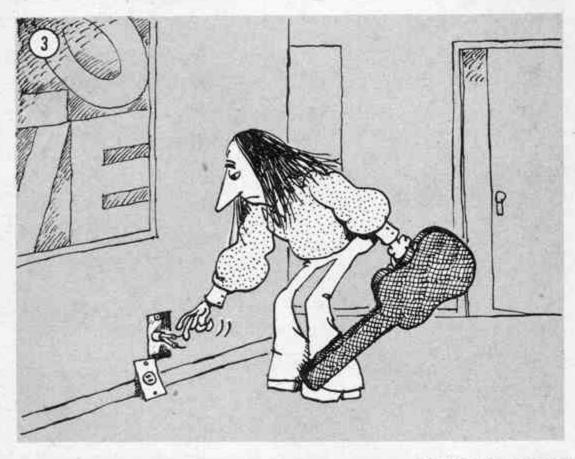


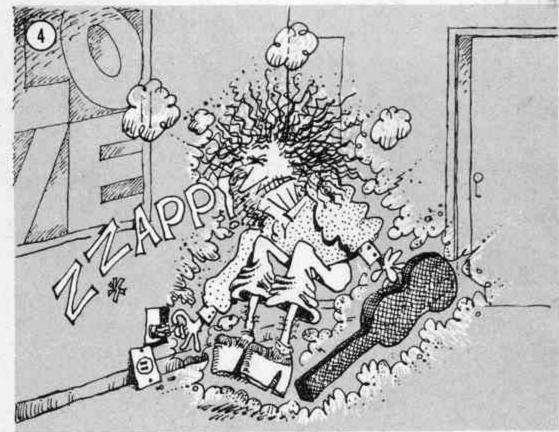
THE PRODUCERS WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE THIS SHOW THE HIT IT IS! NO, NOT THE PRO-**FESSIONALS WHO WORK** ON THE SHOW ... BUT THE IDIOTS WHO GIVE US THE LAUGHTER . . . THE SHILLS WHO GIVE US THOSE TONS OF EXTRA APPLAUSE . . . AND THE SUB-NORMALS **OUT THERE WHO WATCH** US AND GIVE US THOSE FANTASTIC RATINGS!!

BEFORE THE ROCK CONCERT

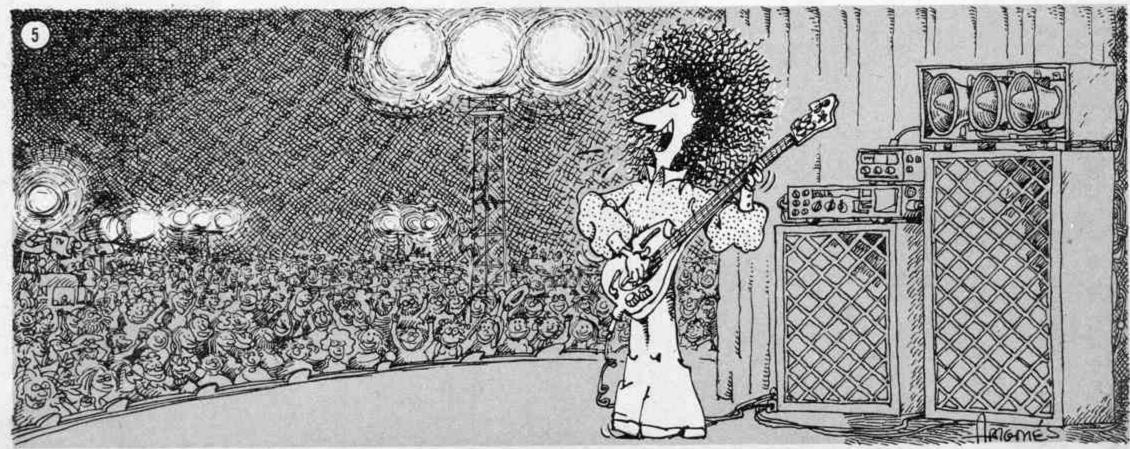








ARTIST & WRITER: SERGIO ARAGONES



WHAT VOLATILE INGREDIENTS—
NOW BEING FORMULATED—
ARE SURE TO CAUSE FUTURE CATASTROPHES?

HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS

MAD FOLD-IN

It's always a mystery why human beings are constantly developing new formulas guaranteed to cause future disasters. To find out what one such formula is, fold in the page as shown at the right.



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FOLD THIS SECTION OVER LEFT

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ARTIST & WRITER: AL JAFFEE RESPONSIBLE SCIENTISTS EVERYWHERE ARE AFRAID THAT CHINESE, RUSSIAN, ARAB, OR AMERICAN RADICALS WILL ACQUIRE DEADLY WEAPONS. A SPECIAL POLICE FORCE IS NEEDED TO CONTROL THESE ENEMIES

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WHAT VOLATILE
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ARTIST & WRITER: AL JAFFEE AFRICAN RACIAL POLICIES MORE

SCENES WE'D LIKE TO SEE

(THE FROG PRINCE)



