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# BIG TOWN

OPERATOR,  
GET ME THE  
POLICE--  
**HURRY!**

*Featuring*  
**"The DREAMS  
THAT BAFFLED  
BIG TOWN!"**

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STORIES  
of TV'S  
HIT  
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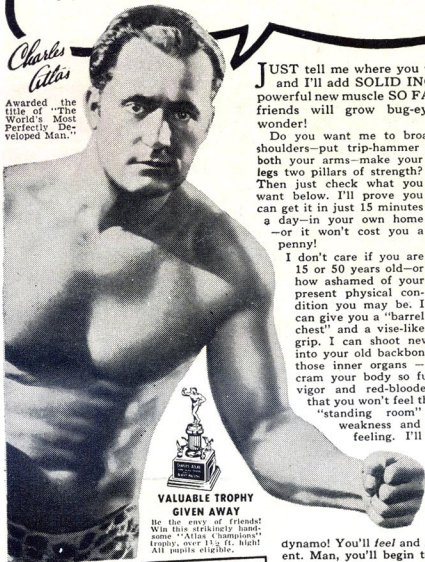
# Check the Kind of Body YOU Want!

**RIGHT IN THE COUPON BELOW**

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# BIG TOWN

MARCH OF DOLLS

FIGHT  
INDEFINITE  
PARADOXES

JANUARY 2-31

THE STORE WAS ROBBED TWENTY MINUTES AGO, STEVE!

GOOD GOSH! IT  
HAPPENED EXACTLY  
AS CARY NAYLOR  
DREAMED IT!

ARE YOU CONVINCED NOW  
THAT MY DREAMS COME  
TRUE, MR. WILSON?



NEWSHAWK CARY NAYLOR CAME FROM THE CENTERVILLE CLARION TO BIG TOWN'S ILLUSTRATED PRESS WITH A REPUTATION AS AN ACE CRIME REPORTER! BUT IT WASN'T UNTIL AFTER NAYLOR'S ARRIVAL THAT EDITOR STEVE WILSON LEARNED THE STRANGE AND INTRIGUING CIRCUMSTANCES THAT LAY BEHIND HIS NEW REPORTER'S BEST SCOOPS!

## The DREAMS that BAFFLED BIG TOWN!

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AT THE CENTERVILLE RAILROAD DEPOT...

GOOD LUCK, CARY! WE KNOW YOU'LL MAKE GOOD AS A REPORTER ON THE **ILLUSTRATED PRESS** IN **BIG TOWN**!

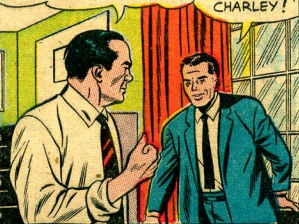
THANKS, EVERYBODY! SO LONG!



IN THE OFFICES OF THE **ILLUSTRATED PRESS** NOT LONG AFTERWARD...

CARY NAYLOR, THE REPORTER WE HIRED FROM THE **CENTERVILLE JOURNAL**, IS ON HIS WAY UP, STEVE!

SWELL! I WANT TO GREET HIM PERSONALLY, CHARLEY!



NAYLOR DID A GREAT JOB AS A CRIME REPORTER IN CENTERVILLE, CHARLEY! I KNOW HE'LL BE A FINE ASSET TO OUR PAPER!

HERE HE IS NOW, STEVE!



SO YOU'RE CARY NAYLOR!

RIGHT, SIR! THIS IS AN HONOR FOR ME, MR. WILSON! I'VE ALWAYS DREAMED OF WORKING FOR YOU!



I SUPPOSE YOU'LL NEED A FEW DAYS TO GET SETTLED...

NO, SIR! I'D LIKE TO GO TO WORK RIGHT AWAY!



BUT HOLD ON! ONE CARY NAYLOR LEAVES CENTERVILLE--AND ANOTHER, ENTIRELY DIFFERENT CARY NAYLOR, SHOWS UP IN **BIG TOWN**! FOR THE INCREDIBLE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THIS IDENTITY SWITCH, LET US GO BACK IN TIME...

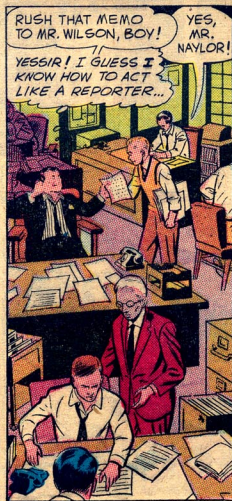
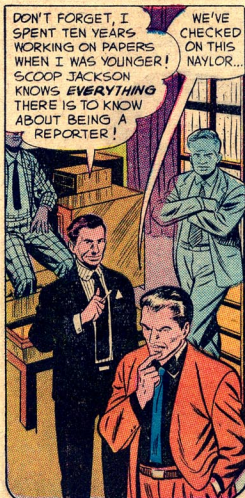
...TO A WELL-CONCEALED GANG HIDEOUT IN **BIG TOWN**, BEFORE CARY NAYLOR'S ARRIVAL FROM CENTERVILLE...

SCOOP, IF YOU CAN CARRY OFF THIS IMPERSONATION OF CARY NAYLOR, WE CAN PULL THE COUP OF OUR LIVES!

I'M SURE I CAN DO IT, WOODY!







I EARNED MY REPUTATION AS A **CRIME REPORTER**, MR. WILSON-- BUT NO ONE REALIZED THAT ALL MY BEST SCOOPS WERE THE RESULTS OF **DREAMS** I'D HAD!

DREAMS?

YESSIR! TAKE THE TIME THE CENTERVILLE BANK WAS ATTACKED BY THE BONSON GANG! I DREAMED ABOUT THE ROBBERY JUST BEFORE IT HAPPENED...



"MY VIVID DREAM JOLTED ME AWAKE..."

IF WHAT I DREAMED IS TRUE, THE ROBBERY WILL OCCUR IN **TEN MINUTES!** I'VE GOT TO RUSH TO THE BANK--

"...I HAD TO GET TO THE BANK TO SEE IF MY DREAM WOULD COME TRUE! AND SURE ENOUGH..."

OPEN UP THE VAULT--AND BE QUICK ABOUT IT!



"IN THE GUN BATTLE THAT FOLLOWED, I PHONED IN THE STORY WHILE IT WAS HAPPENING..."

... AND THE THREE GUNMEN FORCED THEIR WAY INTO THE VAULT... BUT ONE GUARD OPENED FIRE ON THEM!

"FOLKS THOUGHT I JUST HAPENED TO BE IN THE BANK WHEN THOSE ROBBERS HIT IT! ACTUALLY IT WAS MY DREAM THAT LED ME THERE..."

AND HERE'S WHAT I STARTED TO TELL YOU--I HAD ONE OF MY **SPECIAL DREAMS** LAST NIGHT--ABOUT A CRIME HERE IN **BIG TOWN!** LISTEN--



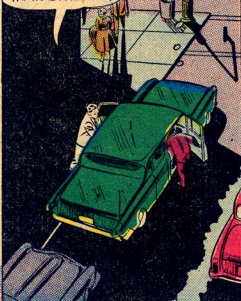


SOON, STEVE AND THE BOGUS REPORTER ENTER THE ILLUSTRATED PRESS CAR...

COME ON, NAYLOR-- WE'RE GOING TO CHECK ON THAT DREAM OF YOURS-- IF ONLY OUT OF CURIOSITY! YOU SAID THE JEWELER'S EXCHANGE ON MAIN STREET?

YESSIR!

I HOPE WOODY'S TAKEN CARE OF THAT JOB!



SHORTLY AT THE JEWELER'S EXCHANGE...

GREAT SCOTT! LOOK--!

THERE'S ALREADY BEEN A ROBBERY HERE!



AS LIEUTENANT GREGGORY GREETES THE VETERAN NEWS EDITOR...

NEWSBOYS SURE ARE ON THE ALERT, STEVE! THE HOLDUP ONLY HAPPENED FIFTEEN MINUTES AGO--AND MY MEN JUST GOT HERE!

I GUESS I'D BETTER EXPLAIN, LIEUTENANT...



...AND CARY NAYLOR, OUR NEW REPORTER, HAD A DREAM LAST NIGHT THAT THIS STORE WOULD BE ROBBED! SURE, IT SOUNDS LIKE A POP-EYED COINCIDENCE-- BUT CARY SAYS THIS KIND OF THING HAS HAPPENED TO HIM BEFORE!

INCREDIBLE!



LET'S NOT TAKE ANY CHANCES-- IF NAYLOR GETS ANY MORE DREAMS LIKE THAT, STEVE-- TELEPHONE MY OFFICE AT ONCE!

RIGHT, LIEUTENANT! WE'LL BE GLAD TO COOPERATE!



THE NEXT MORNING...

DREAMED LAST NIGHT, MR. WILSON, THAT THE CROOKS WHO ROBBED THAT JEWELER'S EXCHANGE HID THEIR LOOT IN AN EMPTY LOT IN NORTH BIG TOWN!

I'LL GET GREGGORY-- AND LET YOU TALK TO HIM!



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SOON AFTER IN NORTH BIG TOWN...

STOP THE CAR, LIEUTENANT GREGGORY! THAT LOOKS LIKE THE LOT IN MY DREAM!

THE PLAN CALLED FOR THE GANG PLANTING THE LOOT HERE!



AS FRESH DUG EARTH GIVES A CLUE TO WHERE TO DIG...

HERE'S THE STUFF-- IT WAS BURIED RIGHT HERE JUST LIKE NAYLOR SAID!

NAYLOR, YOU'RE TERRIFIC!



MAYBE I OUGHT TO MENTION SOMETHING ELSE, LIEUTENANT... I HAD ANOTHER SNATCH OF A DREAM LAST NIGHT THAT I COULDN'T FIGURE OUT-- SOMETHING ABOUT A GIANT EAGLE...

A--GIANT EAGLE? WAIT--!



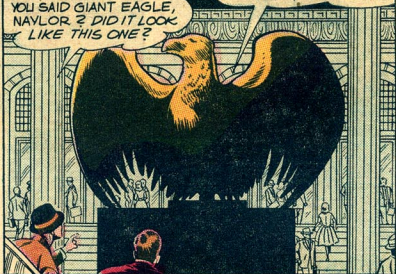
THAT COULD MEAN THAT THE TREASURY BUILDING DOWNTOWN IS IN DANGER! I'LL SHOW YOU WHY WHEN WE DRIVE THERE!



MINUTES LATER...

YOU SAID GIANT EAGLE, NAYLOR? DID IT LOOK LIKE THIS ONE?

YES, EXACTLY LIKE THAT ONE, LIEUTENANT!



AS DOZENS OF UNIFORMED POLICEMEN ARE WHISKED TO THE LOCATION...

--AND WE'VE GOT MEN ALL AROUND THE BUILDING, COMMISSIONER! THERE'S BEEN NO SIGN OF TROUBLE YET--BUT WE'RE TAKING NO CHANCES!

GOOD! STAY ALERT, LIEUTENANT!



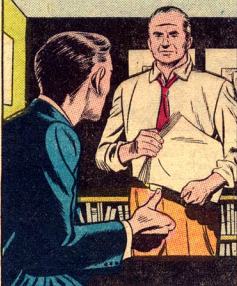


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MEANWHILE, AT THE **ILLUSTRATED PRESS...**

CHARLEY, SINCE THE DAY CARY NAYLOR GOT HERE, ONE THING'S BEEN BOTHERING ME! YOU REMEMBER HE SAID HE'D HAD HIS FIRST **WARNING DREAM** THE MORNING THE BONSON GANG STRUCK?

THAT'S RIGHT, STEVE!

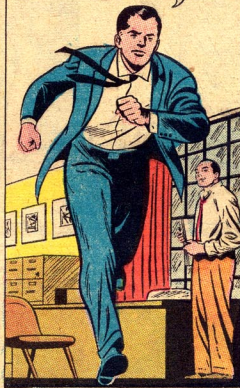


WELL, I CHECKED PRETTY CAREFULLY INTO NAYLOR'S RECORD BEFORE I HIRED HIM! AND THERE'S ONE FACT THAT DOESN'T FIT THE STORY--

WHAT'S THAT, STEVE?



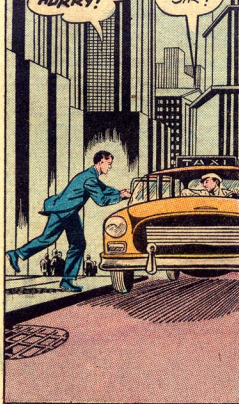
ONLY HAVE TIME NOW TO TELL YOU WE'VE BEEN **HOODWINKED--** AND A BIG ROBBERY IS GOING TO TAKE PLACE--BUT **NOT** AT THE TREASURY BUILDING!



OUTSIDE, MOMENTS LATER...

TO THE **BIG TOWN ELECTRONICS COMPANY!** AND **HURRY!**

YES, SIR!

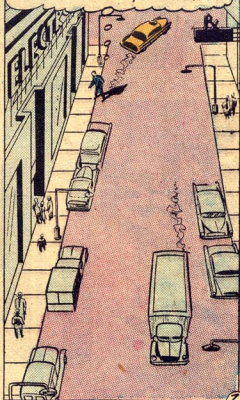


AS THE CAB SPEEDS THE CRACK EDITOR UPTOWN...

WHILE NAYLOR AND LIEUTENANT GREGGORY AND HIS MEN ARE DOWN AROUND THE **TREASURY BUILDING**, ONE OF THE BIGGEST PAYROLLS IN TOWN IS BEING DELIVERED AT THE **ELECTRONICS COMPANY** RIGHT NOW! OF COURSE IT COULD BE A COINCIDENCE ...

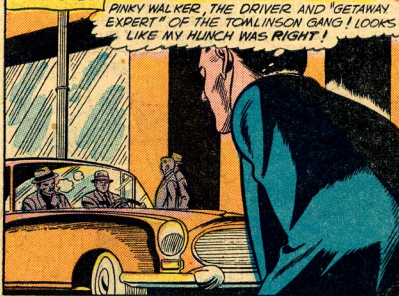


SOON... I'VE GOT TO CHECK BEFORE I NOTIFY THE POLICE AND SEND THEM ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE! COULD BE I'M ALL WRONG ABOUT NAYLOR, BUT--EH??



AS THE KEEN-EYED NEWSMAN GETS A GLIMPSE OF THE OCCUPANTS OF ONE OF THE CARS PARKED AT THE CURB...

PINKY WALKER, THE DRIVER AND "GETAWAY EXPERT" OF THE TOMLINSON GANG! LOOKS LIKE MY HUNCH WAS RIGHT!



GOT TO GET TO A PHONE-- FAST!

HEY! THAT'S STEVE WILSON, PINKY--AND HE'S SPOTTED US!!



A MOMENT LATER...

GET ME THE POLICE--

WILSON WILL GIVE AWAY THE WHOLE SHOW IF WE DON'T STOP HIM!

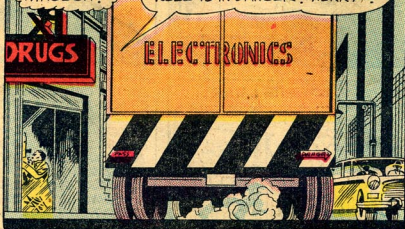
BAM!



DESPITE THE FLYING BULLETS, THE COURAGEOUS NEWS EDITOR STICKS TO HIS POST!

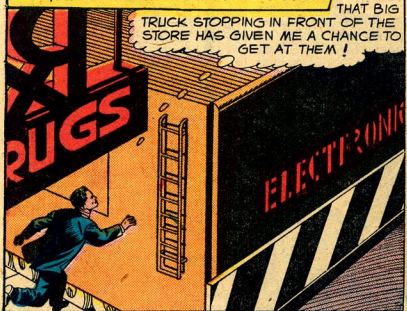
I'VE GOT TO GET THIS MESSAGE THROUGH!

POLICE HEAD-QUARTERS? THIS IS STEVE WILSON! THE ELECTRONICS COMPANY PAY-ROLL IS IN DANGER! HURRY--!



THEN, AS STEVE DARTS FROM THE STORE...

THAT BIG TRUCK STOPPING IN FRONT OF THE STORE HAS GIVEN ME A CHANCE TO GET AT THEM!



WITH RAPIDITY, THE AGILE NEWSHAWK CLIMBS TO THE TRUCK'S ROOF...

THEY'RE WAITING FOR ME TO SHOW MYSELF-- BUT THEY WON'T EXPECT ME FROM THE ANGLE I'M GOING TO HIT THEM!

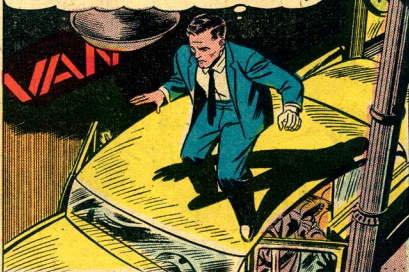




WITH JAW SET, STEVE JUMPS...



THEN... THEY'RE GETTING OUT OF BOTH SIDES OF THE CAR-- AT LEAST ONE OF THEM WILL GET ME! BUT I'VE GOT TO STOP THEM BOTH--!



QUICKLY KNEELING DOWN, THE ACE NEWSHAWK CARRIES OUT AN IDEA...

I'VE GOT TO ACT FAST--GRAB THEIR TWO GUNS SIMULTANEOUSLY-- BEFORE EITHER ONE CAN FIRE!



GOT THEM! NOW THIS FIGHT WILL BE A LITTLE MORE EVEN!

SOMEONE'S GRABBED MY GUN!



AS THE GUNLESS THUGS START TO FLEE, STEVE CATAPULTS HIMSELF FROM THE CAR...

WHERE YOU RUNNING? JAIL IS THE OTHER WAY!



MOMENTS LATER, AS THE REST OF THE GANG DASHES FROM THE BUILDING WITH THEIR LOOT...

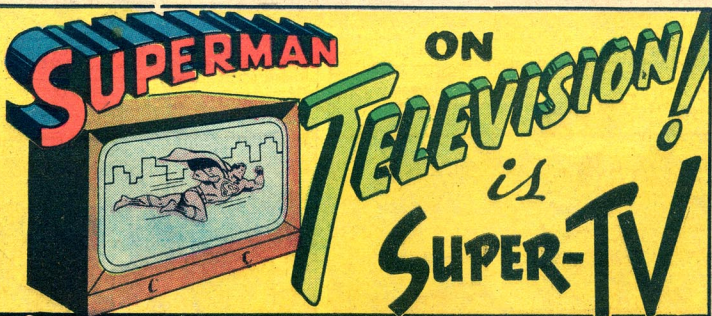
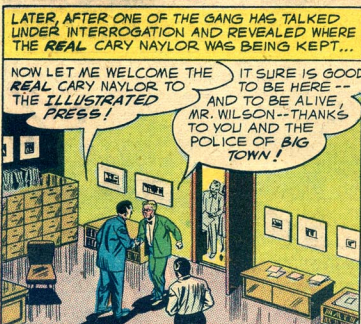
THE POLICE! HOW DID THEY KNOW--?

YOU'LL FIND OUT--WHEN WE BOOK YOU AT HEADQUARTERS!





## BIG TOWN



SEE YOUR NEWSPAPER FOR TIME AND CHANNEL !



# GIVEN!

WE GIVE YOU ....

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MAIL COUPON

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MYSTERY!

LOOK  
BETTY!

I'LL BET IT'S  
A FLYING  
SAUCER!

LET'S GET OUR  
TELESCOPE AND  
BINOCULARS  
AND SEE!

HEY! THAT LOOKS  
LIKE AN EARTH  
SATELLITE!

I CAN  
SEE IT  
CLEARLY.

FLASH! SCIENTISTS HAVE  
JUST LAUNCHED THE FIRST  
EARTH SATELLITE. ANYONE  
SPOTTING IT PLEASE  
CALL US AT ONCE!

GOOD WORK, BETTY AND  
JIM! YOU ARE THE  
FIRST TO SPOT OUR  
NEW OBSERVATION  
SATELLITE!

GOSH! HERE  
ARE BETTY AND  
JIM'S PICTURES  
IN TODAY'S  
PAPER!!

HOW DID YOU KIDS  
EVER GET A RADIO,  
A TELESCOPE AND  
BINOCULARS?

IT WAS EASY, KIDS—WE EARNED  
THEM, AND LOTS MORE SWELL  
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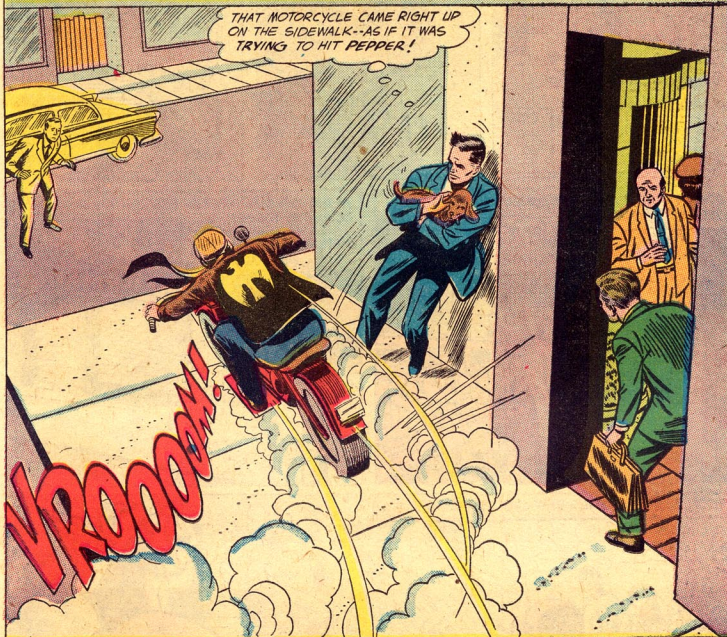
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PEPPER WAS A LITTLE DOG WITHOUT A MASTER--A FOUR-FOOTED CANINE WAIF WHOM NO ONE SEEMED TO WANT, AND WHO BECAME FOR AWHILE THE MASCOT OF THE *ILLUSTRATED PRESS*! BUT THEN EDITOR STEVE WILSON'S FAMED NOSE FOR NEWS PUT HIM AND THE DOG ON THE RIGHT TRACK WHICH LED TO PEPPER'S VANISHED OWNER--AND A HEADLINE STORY!

The **AMAZING NEWSHOUND**  
of the **ILLUSTRATED PRESS!**

ON THE WEST SIDE OF BIG TOWN  
EARLY ONE MORNING, A YOUNG,  
FLOP-EARED DOG PRANCES ALONG,  
SEARCHING FOR ... *WHAT?*



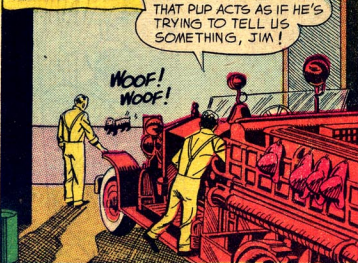
THEN, AT THE SITE OF A FORMER  
DEPARTMENT STORE, DARK AND  
UNUSED...



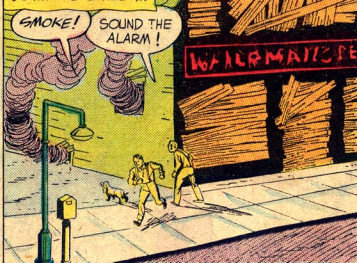
THE NEXT MOMENT, THE SLEEPING  
NEIGHBORHOOD IS RENT BY THE  
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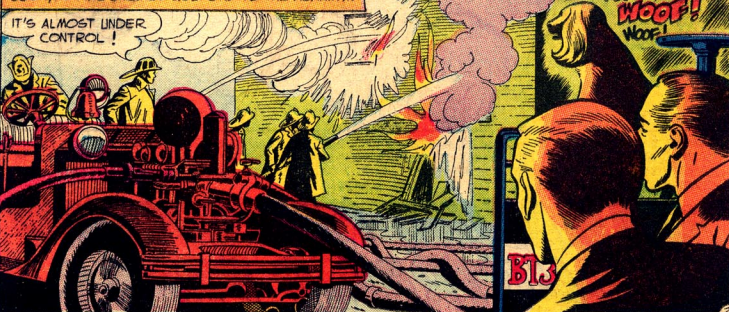
DOWN TO THE NEARBY FIREHOUSE CHARGES THE  
YELPING CANINE ...



AS THE CURIOUS FIREMEN FOLLOW THE PUPPY  
DOWN THE STREET...



SOON, AS FIRE ENGINES RESPOND TO THE ALARM...



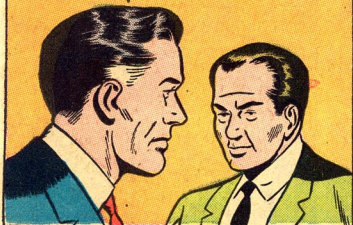




AS STEVE'S KEEN NEWSMAN'S INSTINCT COMES TO THE FORE ...

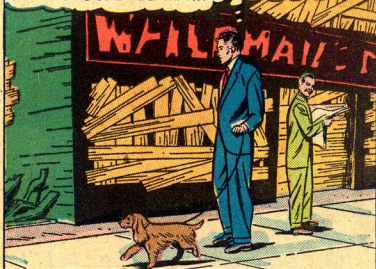
THERE COULD BE A STORY IN IT! ANYWAY, I'M GOING TO SEE IF PEPPER AND I CAN LOCATE HIS LOST OWNER!

SOUNDS LIKE A GOOD IDEA, STEVE!

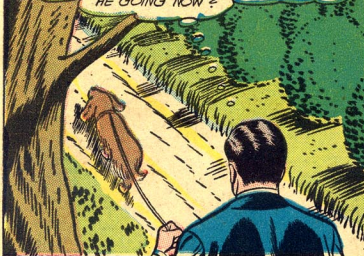


LATER, ON THE WEST SIDE ...

MY ONLY CLUE ABOUT PEPPER IS THAT HE WAS IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD THE MORNING OF THE FIRE! MAYBE IF I WALK AROUND WITH HIM, SOMEONE WILL RECOGNIZE HIM ...

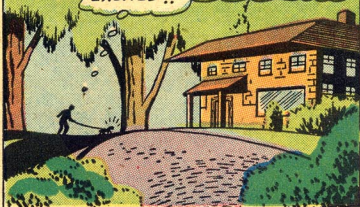


NOT A SINGLE PERSON I'VE QUESTIONED KNOWS ANYTHING ABOUT PEPPER AT ALL -- WHERE'S HE GOING NOW?



CURIOSLY THE VETERAN NEWSHAWK FOLLOWS THE DOG ...

PEPPER TOOK ME THROUGH A PARK AND NOW HE'S LEADING ME TOWARD THAT ISOLATED HOUSE -- AND HE'S ALL EXCITED !!



THEN ... PEPPER MUST LIVE HERE FROM THE WAY HE'S ACTING! BUT NO ONE'S HOME AND THERE'S BEEN NO ONE HERE FOR A FEW DAYS BY THE LOOKS OF THOSE MILK BOTTLES ...



PERRY WARREN--WHY, THAT COULD BE PERRY WARREN, THE WELL-KNOWN LAWYER! NOW MAYBE WE'RE GETTING WARM!



ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE NEXT EDITION OF THE ILLUSTRATED PRESS ...







# BIG TOWN



AT THIS TIME BEHIND DRAWN BLINDS IN A CERTAIN HOUSE IN BIG TOWN...

NOW WILSON'S FOUND OUT I'M MISSING ! SOONER OR LATER, HE'S GOING TO FIND THAT YOU THUGS HAVE ME CAPTIVE HERE !

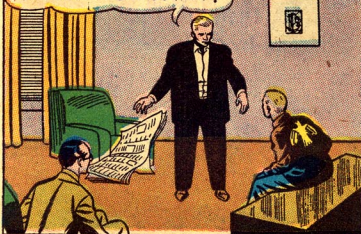
THINK SO, WARREN ?



THE ONLY WAY WILSON MIGHT FIND HIS WAY HERE IS BY THAT DOG OF YOURS -- PEPPER ! WE GRABBED YOU AN' BROUGHT YOU HERE BY CAR ! MAYBE PEPPER COULD TRAIL YOU HERE, I DUNNO ...



BUT WE'RE NOT GONNA TAKE ANY CHANCES ! YOU WON'T COOPERATE WITH US ! THAT LEAVES US NO CHOICE ! MIKE, YOU'RE GONNA MAKE SURE THE DOG DOESN'T GIVE US AWAY !



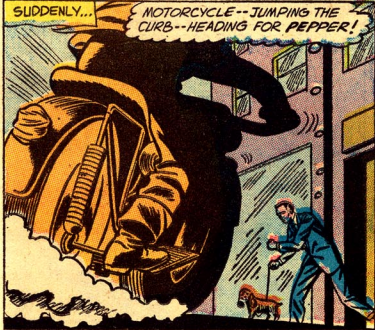
AS STEVE WILSON LEAVES HIS APARTMENT HOTEL NEXT MORNING WITH PEPPER ...

IT'S AS IF THE EARTH SWALLOWED UP PERRY WARREN ! NONE OF HIS ASSOCIATES OR FAMILY HAS HAD A WORD FROM HIM IN DAYS ... EH ?

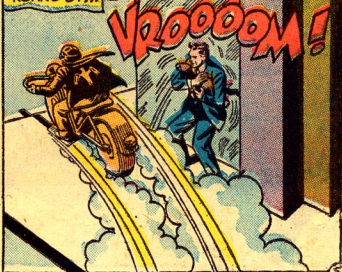


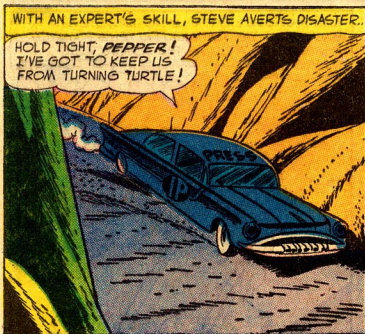
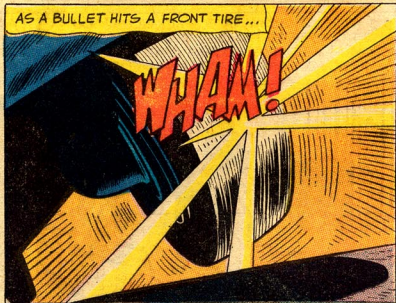
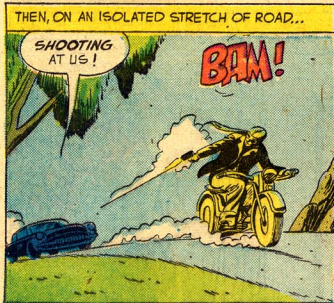
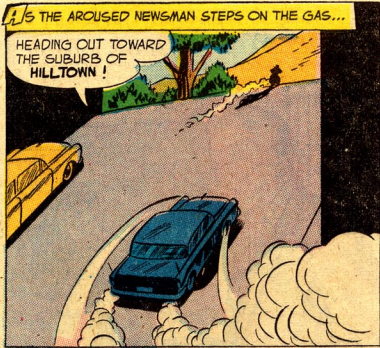
SUDDENLY...

MOTORCYCLE--JUMPING THE CURB--HEADING FOR PEPPER !

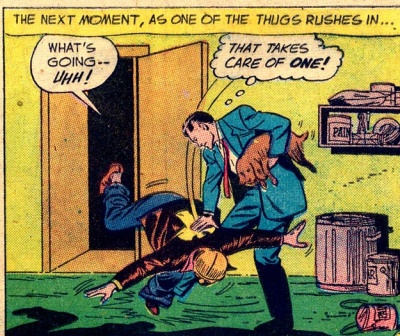
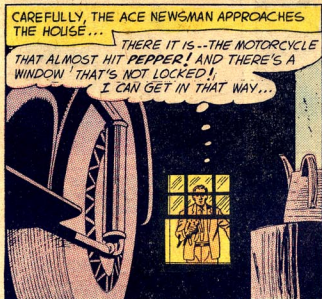
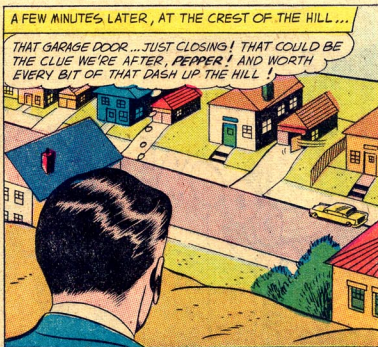


WITH A SINGLE LIGHTNING MOTION, STEVE SWOOPS UP THE PUP AND FLATTENS HIMSELF AGAINST THE WALL AS THE MOTORCYCLE ROARS BY...











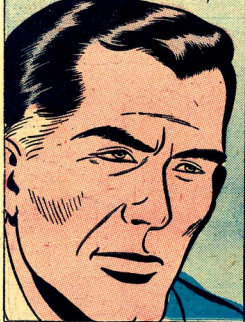
QUICK AS A WINK, STEVE'S RIGHT ARM SNAPS FORWARD...



AFTER THE POLICE HAVE TAKEN THE TWO THUGS INTO CUSTODY...



--BUT KEENE ALSO KNEW THAT WARREN NEVER TOOK HARDENED CRIMINALS LIKE HIM AS CLIENTS! SO HE HAD HIS MEN SEIZE WARREN AND THREATEN HIM! HE FIGURED THAT WOULD DO THE TRICK--BUT HE WAS WRONG! WARREN WAS DETERMINED HE'D DIE RATHER THAN LOOSE A MAN LIKE KEENE ON SOCIETY!

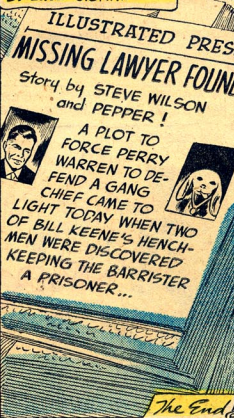


THEN WHEN PEPPER NOTICED THAT FIRE--HE WAS LOOKING FOR HIS MASTER! THAT RIGHT, STEVE?

ON THE BUTTON, LIEUTENANT GREGORY! IN FACT, IT'S PEPPER WE HAVE TO THANK FOR SEWING UP THIS ENTIRE CASE! HE'S A REAL NEWSHOUND!



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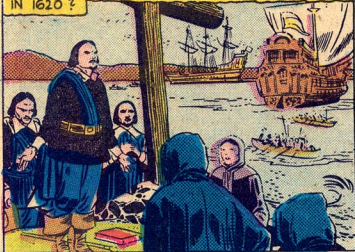
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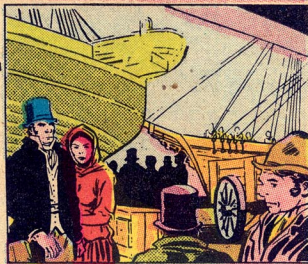
ANSWERS IN LAST PANEL

WHO CAME TO AMERICA FROM ENGLAND TO SEEK RELIGIOUS FREEDOM AND LANDED AT PLYMOUTH, MASS. IN 1620?



WHO FLED FROM CROMWELL'S PERSECUTION IN 1649 TO SET UP FARMS IN VIRGINIA AND NEW ENGLAND?

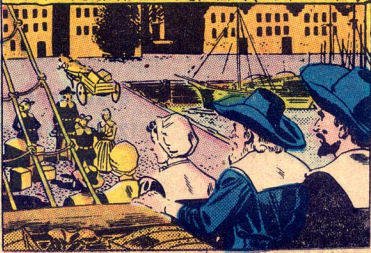
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WHO CAME TO SAN FRANCISCO AFTER THE GOLD RUSH OF 1849 TO HELP BUILD RAILROADS ON THE PACIFIC COAST?



WHO CELEBRATED IN 1954 THE ARRIVAL OF THEIR FIRST AMERICAN ANCESTORS 300 YEARS EARLIER TO SEEK REFUGE WITH THE DUTCH AT NEW AMSTERDAM (TODAY NEW YORK)?



WHO WERE BROUGHT TO AMERICA, BEGINNING IN 1619, TO WORK ON THE PLANTATIONS IN THE SOUTH, AND TODAY ARE ONE OF THE LARGEST GROUPS IN OUR POPULATION?

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### The ANSWERS...

READ UPSIDE DOWN

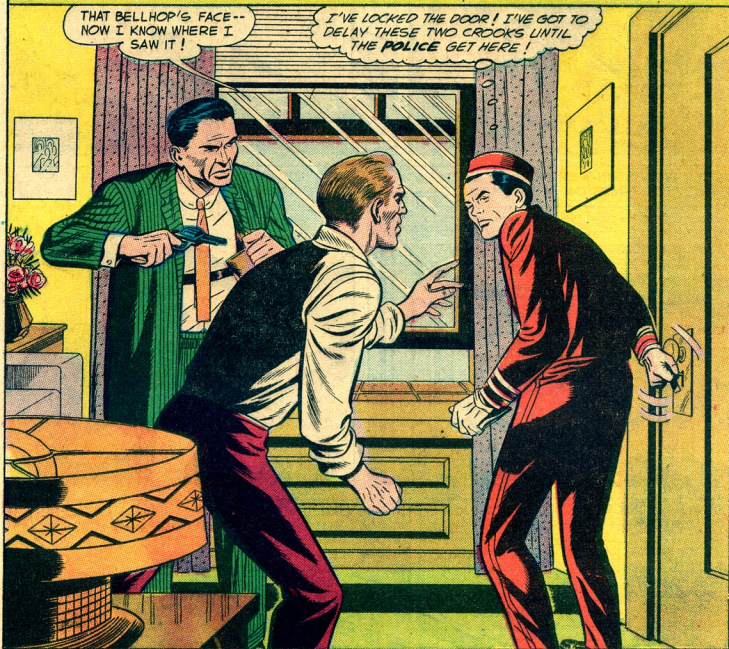
1. THE PILGRIMS
2. THE IRISH
3. THE CHINESE
4. THE JEWS
5. THE NEGROES



# BIG TOWN

THAT BELLHOP'S FACE--  
NOW I KNOW WHERE I  
SAW IT!

I'VE LOCKED THE DOOR! I'VE GOT TO  
DELAY THESE TWO CROOKS UNTIL  
THE POLICE GET HERE!



FOUR YEARS IN THE ARMY--FOLLOWED BY FIVE LONG, GRUELING YEARS IN PRISON CAMP--DID NOT EXACTLY FIT FRANK HOLMES FOR A RETURN TO HIS OLD JOB OF REPORTER ON BIG TOWN'S ILLUSTRATED PRESS! BUT CANNY EDITOR STEVE WILSON KNEW THE EX-SOLDIER'S TRUE WORTH, AND TOOK A CALCULATED CHANCE--THAT PAID OFF, IN...

*The* **MARK of a REPORTER!**

IN A GRIM BATTLE, A YOUNG SOLDIER STRUGGLES...

GOT TO KEEP HOLD OF THIS RIFLE! CAN'T LET HIM TURN THE BAYONET TOWARD ME!

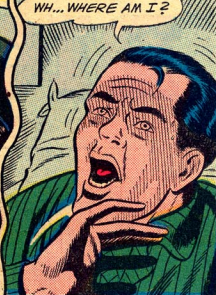


THE BAYONET MOVES CLOSER ... CLOSER ...



BUT SUDDENLY...

WH... WHERE AM I?



BOLT UPRIGHT IN BED, FRANK HOLMES SLOWLY RECOVERS FROM THE NIGHTMARE ...

IT WAS JUST A DREAM! I'M NOT IN THE ARMY ANYMORE... OR IN THAT AWFUL PRISON CAMP WHERE I SPENT ALL THOSE YEARS! I'M HOME--IN **BIG TOWN!**



I'VE GOT TO GET READY! THIS IS MY FIRST DAY BACK AT MY OLD JOB--REPORTER ON THE GRAND OLD **ILLUSTRATED PRESS!** AND GOSH--I'M AS NERVOUS AS A CUB!



SOON AFTER, IN THE EDITORIAL OFFICE OF **BIG TOWN'S** FOREMOST NEWSPAPER...

BUT CAN FRANK HOLMES HANDLE A REPORTER'S JOB NOW, STEVE? DON'T FORGET, HE'S BEEN AWAY A LONG TIME!

I KNOW, CHARLEY! FOUR YEARS IN THE ARMY--PLUS FIVE YEARS IN THAT PRISON CAMP!



YEARS LIKE THAT CAN'T HELP CHANGING A MAN! BUT WE'VE GOT TO GIVE FRANK EVERY CHANCE--IT'S THE LEAST WE CAN DO!

HERE HE COMES NOW!





AFTER GREETINGS ARE EXCHANGED...

YOUR FIRST ASSIGNMENT OUGHT TO BE RIGHT UP YOUR ALLEY, FRANK! GENERAL CARTER HAS JUST RETIRED FROM THE ARMY AND IS RETURNING FROM HIS POST IN EUROPE! HE'S BEING GIVEN A **HERO'S WELCOME!**



THERE'LL BE A **TICKER TAPE PARADE** DOWN MAIN STREET! I WANT **YOU** TO COVER IT!

BUT, MR. WILSON-- CAN'T YOU GIVE ME **MORE EXACT ORDERS?**



I MEAN... IT FEELS STRANGE NOT KNOWING PRECISELY WHAT I'M SUPPOSED TO DO!

FRANK, YOU'RE A REPORTER NOW! YOU HAVE TO **ACT ON YOUR OWN!** JUST DO YOUR BEST...



OUT ON THE STREET, SHORTLY AFTERWARD...

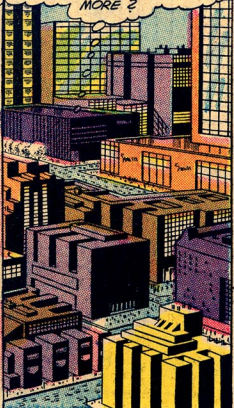
**ACT ON MY OWN!**

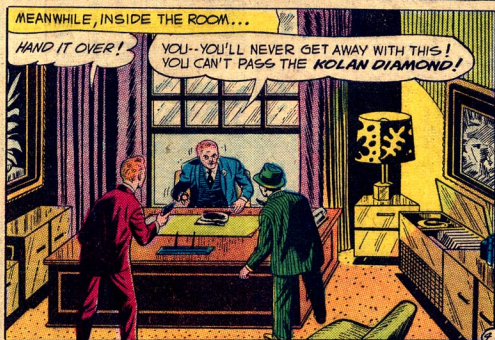
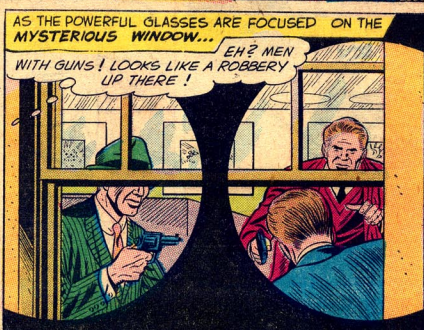
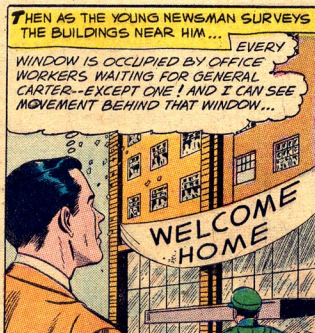
SOUNDS EASY... BUT FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS I WAS TOLD WHEN TO SLEEP, WHEN TO GET UP, MY WHOLE DAY WAS REGIMENTED...

NOW SUDDENLY I'M ON MY OWN! IT ISN'T EASY... WHAT IF I'VE FORGOTTEN HOW TO THINK FOR MYSELF? WHAT IF I CAN'T BE A REPORTER ANY MORE?

AS THE CITY IN WHICH HE WAS BROUGHT UP SEEMS TO CONVERGE STRANGELY ON THE YOUNG MAN...

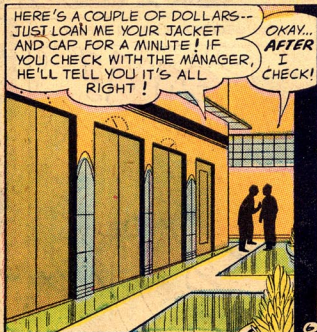
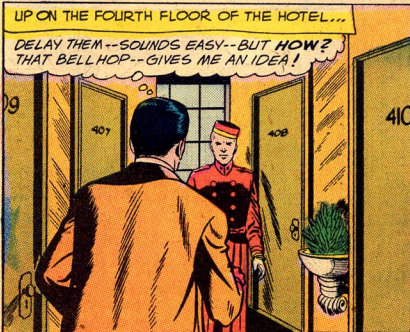
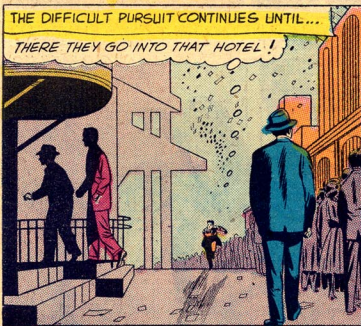
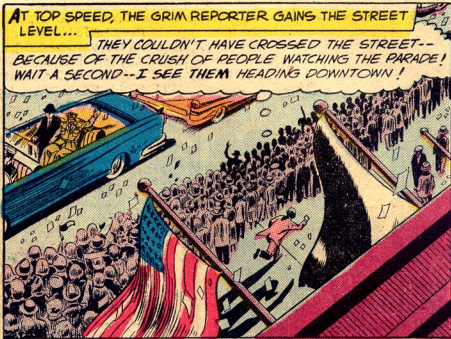
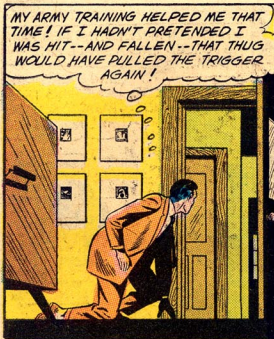
AND THE NOISE HERE IN **BIG TOWN!** SO DIFFERENT FROM THE QUIET OF THAT PRISON CAMP... CAN I GET USED TO IT AGAIN? CAN I?













A COUPLE OF MINUTES LATER ...

TELEGRAM--FOR US?  
BUT NO ONE KNOWS--

SIGN  
HERE  
PLEASE...

AS THE PUZZLED GUNMAN COMPLIES, FRANK'S HAND STEALS BEHIND HIM TO THE DOOR, AND...

OKAY! NOW  
BEAT IT!

LOCKED IT!

A MOMENT AFTERWARD...

ER--I CAN'T  
GET THE  
DOOR  
OPEN!

WHERE'S THE KEY?  
IT WAS THERE A  
SECOND AGO!

WAIT-1

LOOK AT THIS BELL-  
HOP'S FACE! AM I <  
CRAZY--OR IS THIS  
THE GUY I PLUGGED  
BACK THERE--?

**YOU'RE  
RIGHT,  
CUTTER!  
IT'S HIM!**

BUT AS THE GUNMAN MAKES HIS  
MOVE, FRANK STRIKES FIRST...

AS THE NEWSHAWK CONFRONTS THE SECOND THUG...

YOU WON'T BE  
WALKIN' AROUND  
AFTER THIS SHOT!

BUT BEFORE THE GUNMAN CAN PULL THE TRIGGER...

WH--21

**CRASH**



# BIG TOWN



AS THE DOOR GIVES WAY...

THROW DOWN YOUR GUN!

THE POLICE!



LATER, AFTER FRANK HAS BROUGHT IN A PAGE ONE STORY ABOUT THE CAPTURED DIAMOND THIEVES...

FRANK, THIS STORY IS GREAT! YOU'VE PROVED THAT YOU'RE JUST AS GOOD A REPORTER AS YOU EVER WERE--IN SPITE OF THE MANY YEARS SINCE YOU'VE GONE OUT ON AN ASSIGNMENT!



AND WHAT'S MORE, YOU'VE PROVED THAT YOU CAN ACT **ON YOUR OWN**--AND THAT'S THE MARK OF A REAL REPORTER!

THANKS A LOT, MR. WILSON!



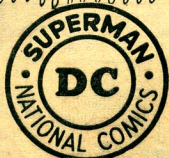
WHEN FRANK HOLMES LEAVES THE **ILLUSTRATED PRESS** BUILDING...

I GUESS MY COMEBACK IS A SUCCESS ALL RIGHT! EVEN THE NOISES OF **BIG TOWN** SOUND GOOD TO ME AGAIN! THAT PRISON CAMP AND THE PAST ARE BEHIND ME NOW--FOREVER!



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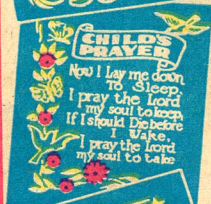
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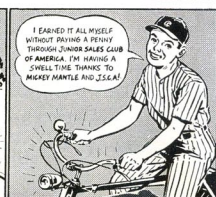
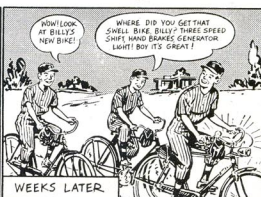
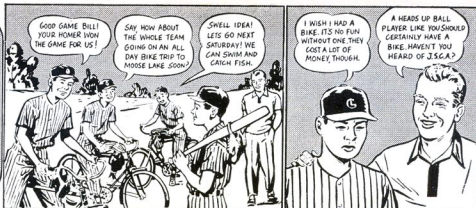
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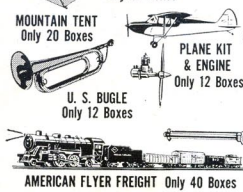
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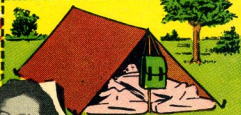
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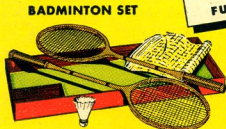
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