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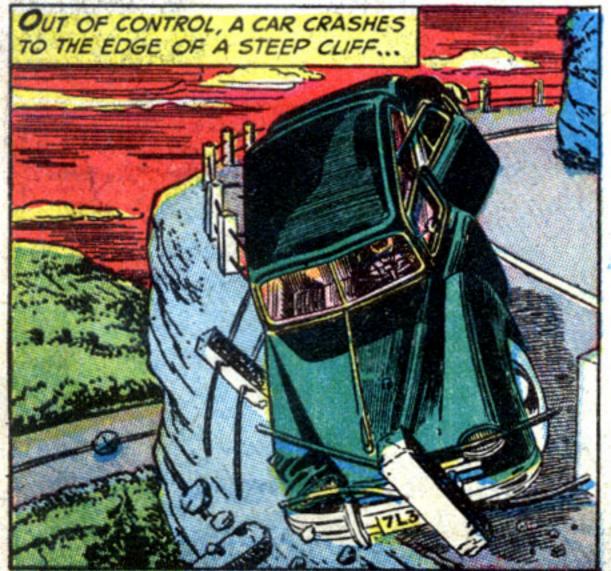
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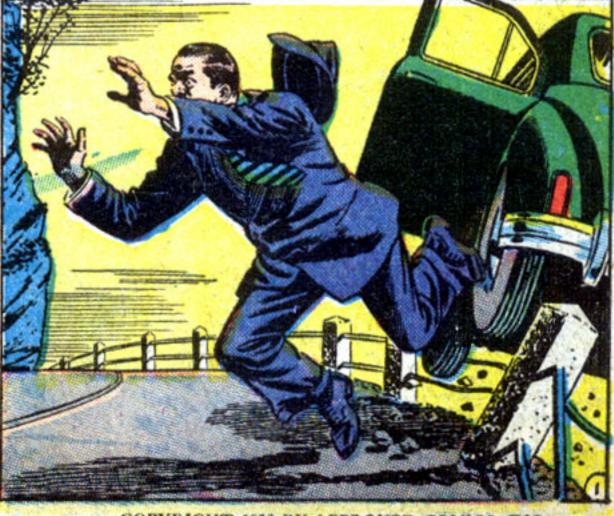
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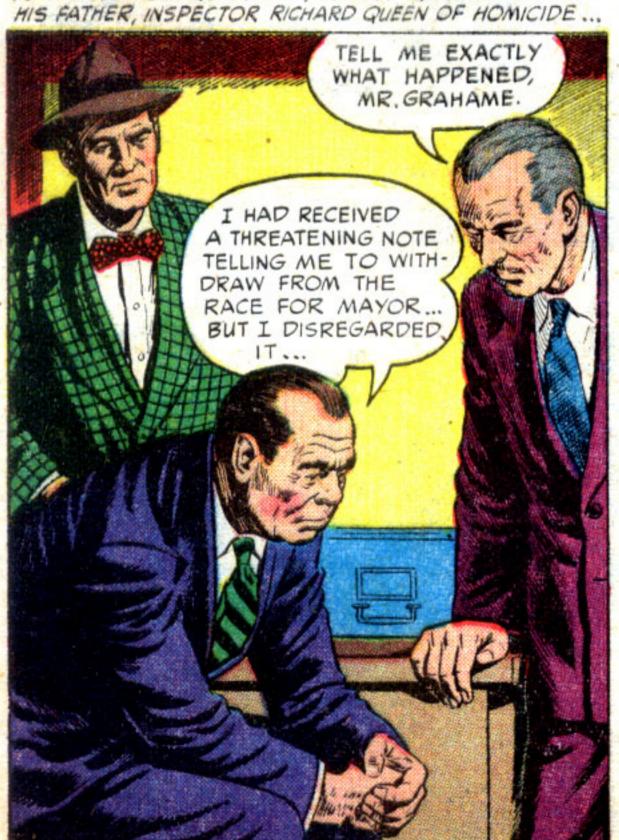


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AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS, ELLERY QUEEN WATCHES



"... POOR CHARLIE AND I WENT FOR A DRIVE IN MY CAR ... AS WE CRUISED ... "



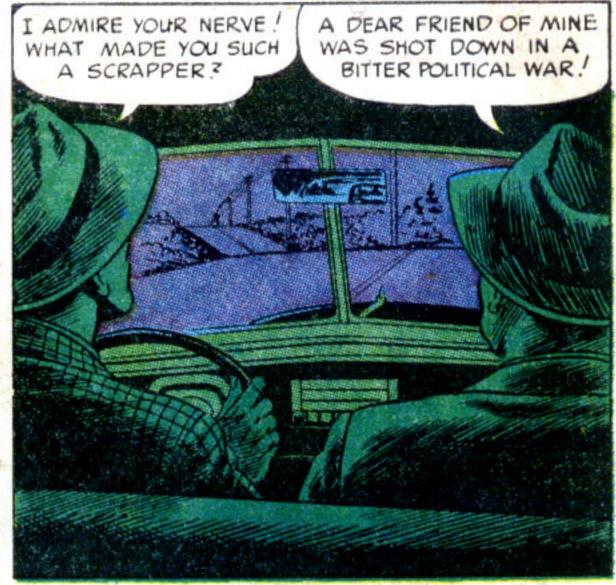


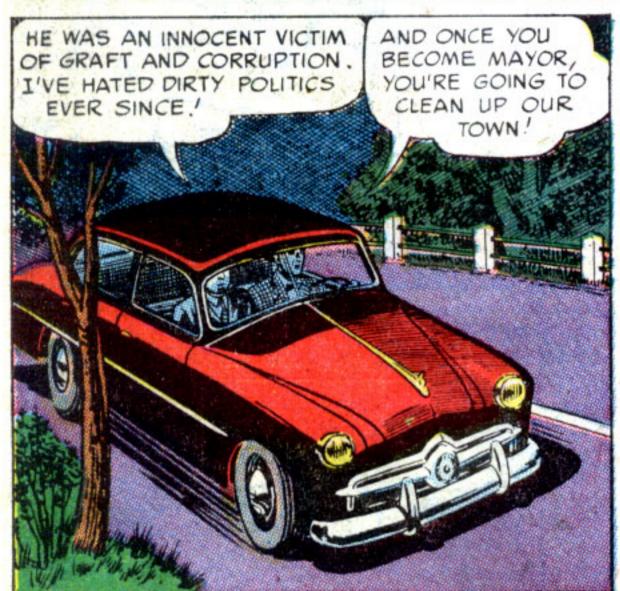




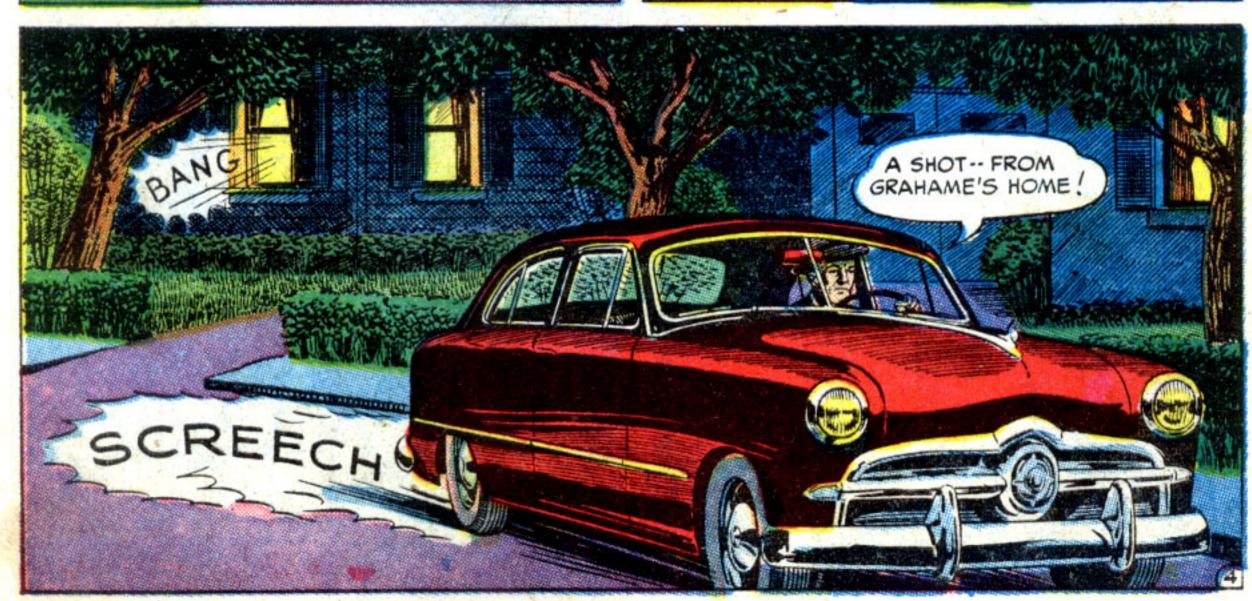




























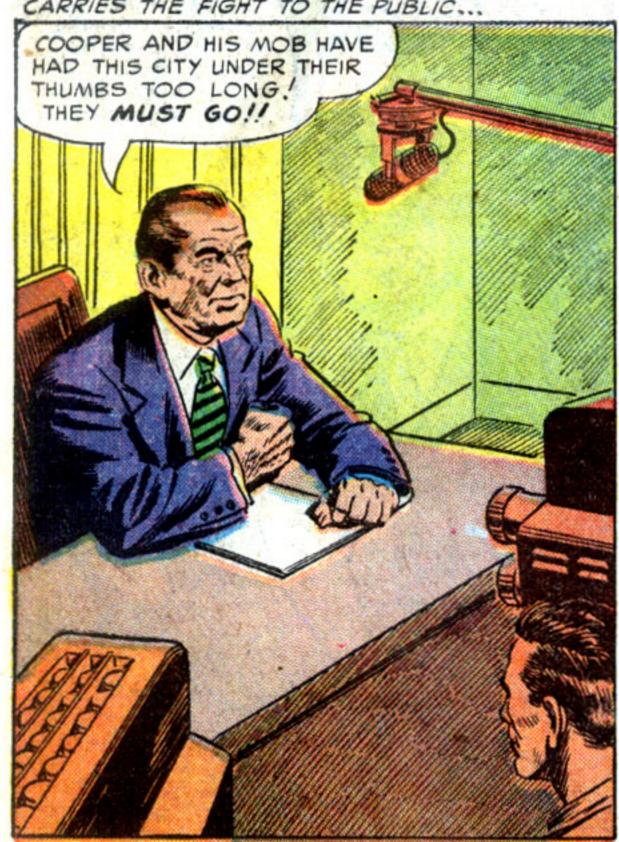








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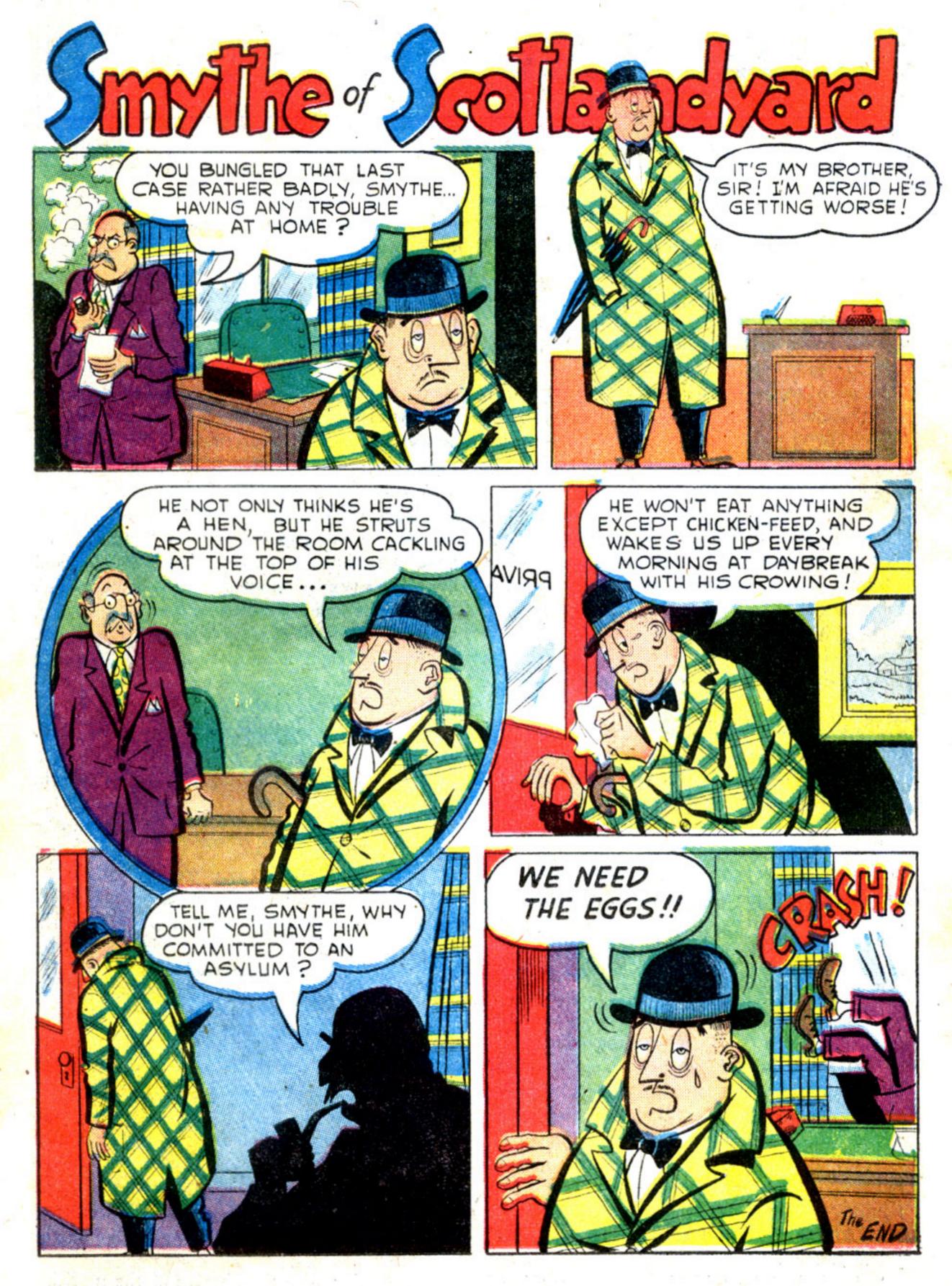












SHAKE WELL BEFORE USING

Paul Cresswell reached this decision in his mind a long time before he actually got around to carrying it out.

"He's eighty years old, miserly, bed-ridden and useless", Paul continued to himself. "And ungenerous with his only son", he added, with a touch of self-righteousness.

Paul was over forty, debt-ridden and greedy. His creditors were pressing him; his father, had Paul asked for help, would only have refused it.

"It's time that I began to live", reflected Paul.
"Time that I came into the inheritance which is really mine—time to dispose of the old man—once and for all!"

4.

Once he had decided to murder his father, Paul, like all good murderers, prepared himself well in advance. Knowing that his father was addicted to the use of sleeping tablets, and kept a supply always at hand, Paul procured a supply of similar tablets in a distant city. These he pounded to a powder and carried always with him in a medicine bottle.

"Ready for the day!" he murmured, as he patted the bottle in his pocket.

Paul lived with his father on the outskirts of a suburb, from which he drove to his work in the city every day. The two men lived alone, attended only by an old woman who came in the morning and left in the evening. The old Cresswell manse stood in a lonely place; there were no inconvenient neighbors.

As Paul was about to leave for work on the morning of the murder, his father, querulous as usual, called him.

"Stop in a drug store and have my prescription re-filled, will you Paul?", whined the old man.

"Certainly, father!" replied Paul. His heart leaped as he took the prescription from his father.

"I'm stopping off at a cocktail party after work", added Paul. "I'll be a little late getting home!"

"Cocktail party!", grunted the old man, disparagingly. "Well, I don't need the prescription in a hurry, anyway."

"I'll bring it to you at dinner time, father", promised Paul.

"This is it!", he told himself. "Everything is

perfect for it! Today's the day-for MURDER!"

Paul was delighted, when, upon filling the prescription in the city, he saw that it was a filmy, milk-like liquid. His plan was ready to hand. He took his medicine bottle, half-filled with powdered sleeping tablets. and filled it with milk. This he replaced in one pocket. The bottle containing the prescription went in another pocket.

4

After work, Paul drove to the Lassiters cocktail party, a scant mile from his home. Paul parked his new car in a prominent spot, where it would be seen by any guests entering or leaving. Thanking his stars that his hosts were wealthy and cursed with a rambling, old-fashioned house, Paul entered, greeted his host and hostess, and made a point of speaking to everyone in sight. Half an hour later, he disappeared unobtrusively. He could be gone for twenty minutes without being missed. Leaving the house by the rear entrance, unseen, he cut across the fields, dark in the winter evening. It took him eight minutes to get to his father's house.

Entering, he ran to the old man's room,

"Here's your prescription, father", he said. Wouldn't you like a dose right now?"

"That's what it's for isn't it?" replied the old man, testily.

Paul was removing the stopper from the bottle when the old man rasped,

"Don't forget to shake it, you idiot!"

Paul shook the medicine vigorously. He was about to pour the milky liquid into a glass when he said suddenly:

"I think I hear the telephone!"

Since the old man was deaf, he confined himself to saying, simply:

"Answer it, then!"

Paul, obeying, left the room with the bottle of medicine and the glass.

Once outside the room, Paul took the mixture of sleeping tablets and milk from his pocket, poured half the contents into the glass, and replaced the bottle in his pocket. Then he put the medicine bottle, un-opened, in another pocket. He returned to his father's room with a glass containing the filmy liquid.

"He won't notice the absence of the medicine

bottle", Paul assured himself.

"Who was it?" asked his father.

took the glass greedily, as he took everything, and finished it at one swallow. In less than a minute, he lay back and closed his eyes. Death would come shortly, very quietly, and would need no further assistance from Paul,

He took the bottle containing the prescription, wiped it carefully, and placed it on the bedside table. Then he hastened back to the cocktail party. His watch told him that he had been gone less than twenty minutes; his conversation with the other guests told him that it was assumed that he had not been absent from the party.

It was almost two hours later when he remembered, with a shock, that he had made a mistake, although not an irretrievable one. He should never have left the medicine behind him! But as long as he was the first one to enter the old man's room, all would be well!

Paul thanked his hosts for a pleasant-evening, climbed into his car and drove home. His father was dead, in the exact position in which he had left him.

"A sick old man!" thought Paul. "No coroner's jury could bring in a verdict other than suicideespecially since he was known to have sleeping tablets in his possession!"

Going to the telephone, Paul dialed hurriedly.

"Dr. Griswold?" he asked. "Paul Cresswell. I've just come home and found my father dead! You'll come at once? Good!" He hung up.

"An old country quack," he thought happily, "and as stupid as they come!"

Griswold arrived within (en minutes. He examined the body of the old man, sniffed at the medicine and held it up to the light.

"Is anything wrong with that medicine, sir?" asked Paul.

"It's the prescription I gave him, all right", replied Griswold. "When did you have it re-filled?" "Today in the city", replied Paul.

"And when did you bring it to him?" asked Griswold.

"Actually, I didn't", said Paul. "I carried it about in my pocket all day. After work, I went to the Lassiters' cocktail party, where I stayed for a couple of hours. Then I drove home with the prescription, and arrived here to find him dead. Naturally, he didn't take any of that medicine, because it wasn't here. He probably became morose and took sleeping tablets", Paul hazarded.

"He was killed by an overdose of sleeping tablets!" admitted Griswold. "I understand you to "Wrong number", murmured Paul. His father say that you haven't been home all day, until about fifteen minutes ago?" he added.

"That's right, Doctor", said Paul.

"And you carried this prescription in your pocket all day, until about fifteen minutes ago? In fact, you drove home with it from the cocktail party?"

"Certainly!" Paul replied testily. "Is there any-

thing wrong in that?"

"I'm afraid there is, sir", said the doctor. "Look here!"

With thumb and forefinger he held the bottle up before Paul's eyes. The medicine was solid white at the bottom, clear as water on top.

"Had you carried this about all day with you until a few minutes ago, this medicine would have been quite thoroughly shaken up. As you see, it is now settled. It takes two hours for this medicine to settle, Mr. Cresswell, although you tell me that you carried it about with you all day, placing it on this table only fifteen minutes ago."

"Wh-what's wrong with that?" gasped Paul.

"Had you carried it about with you all day, it would still be shaken up!" replied the doctor. "You force me to conclude, by your own statements, that for some reason this medicine was placed on this table at least two hours ago! Because of this discrepancy in your story, sir, I must call the police!"

Dr. Griswold went into the next room, where Paul heard him dialing.

"Hello! Police Department? This is Dr. Griswold. Please send a man to the Cresswell house right away. There's been a murder!"

At the last word, Paul slumped to the bed on which his father's body lay dead.

"Griswold knows!" he thought. "The police will come . . . they'll ask thousands of questions . . . soon they'll know, too!"

Paul knew that he was at the beginning of the trail that leads to the condemned cell. He had planned the perfect murder; he had failed. -

"No!" thought Paul. "I haven't failed completely! I can still escape!"

Fumbling in his pocket, he brought out the bottle still half filled with the solution of sleeping pills and milk-the solution that had so effectively disposed of his father.

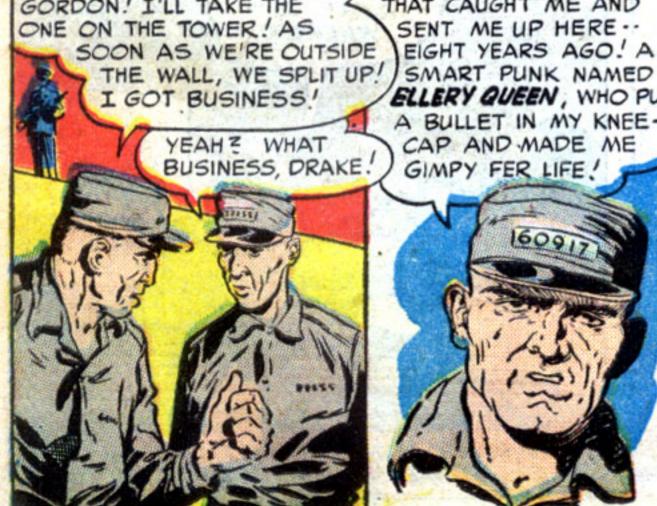
Quickly, he raised it to his lips and drank.

When Dr. Griswold entered, with the police, Paul and his father were side by side in death.

THE END







SENT ME UP HERE .. EIGHT YEARS AGO! A ELLERY QUEEN, WHO PUT A BULLET IN MY KNEE-CAP AND MADE ME GIMPY FER LIFE!









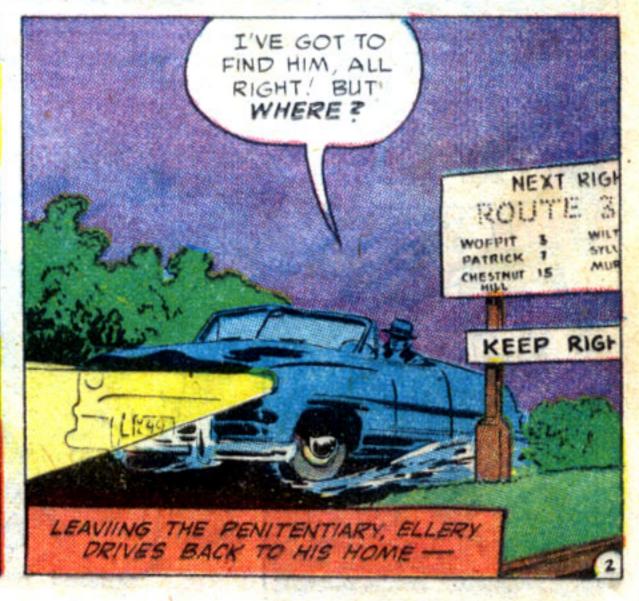


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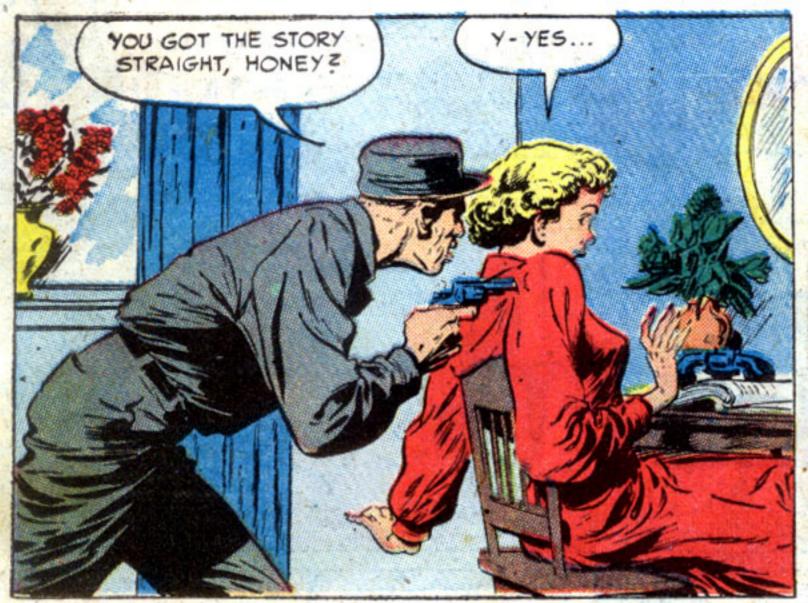












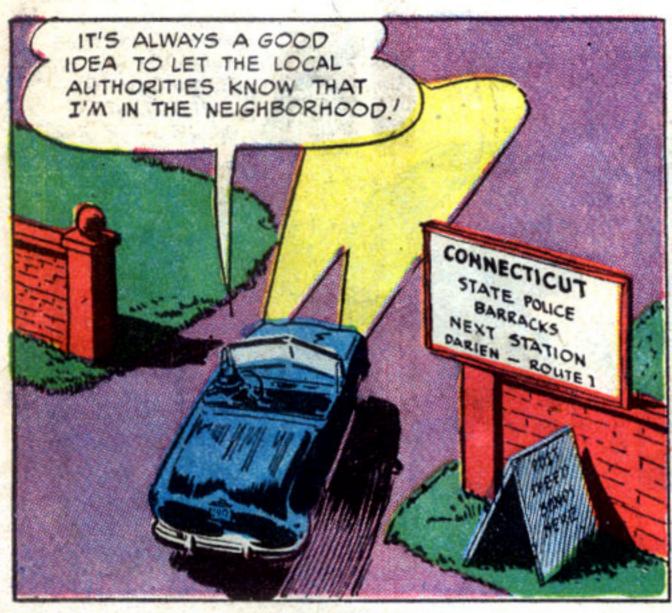








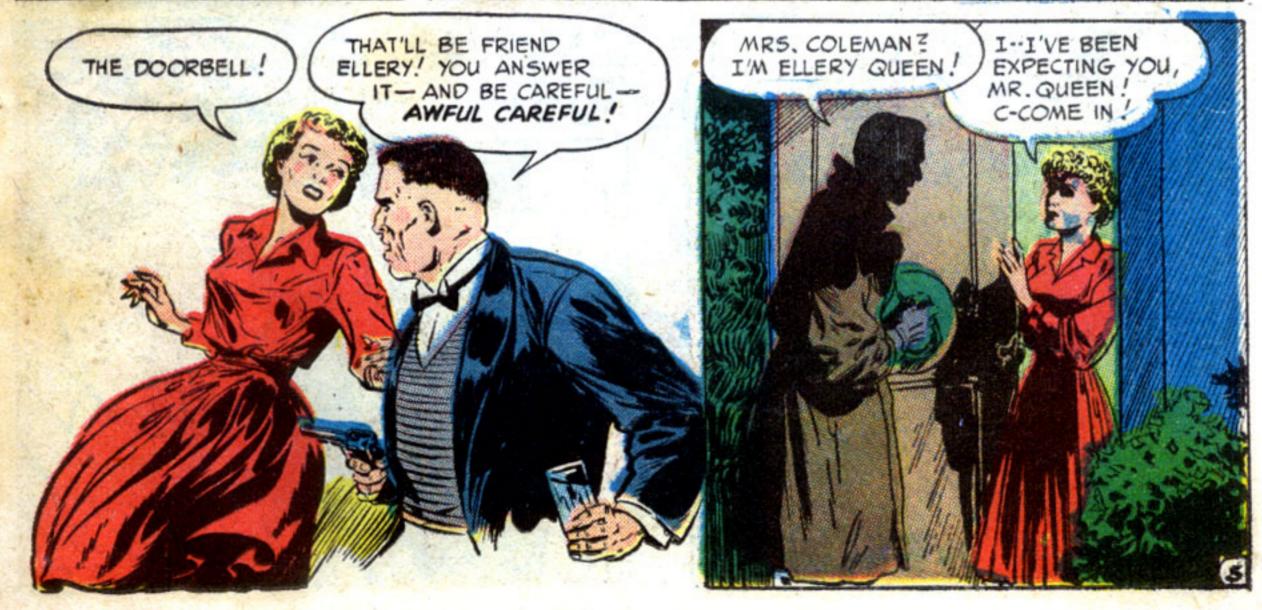






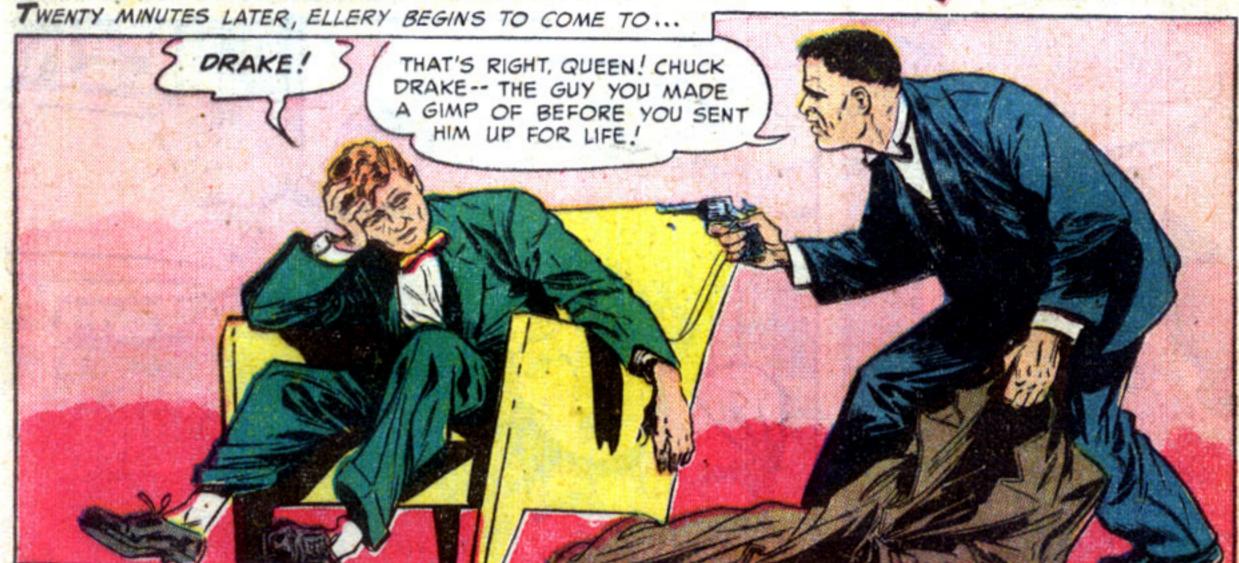








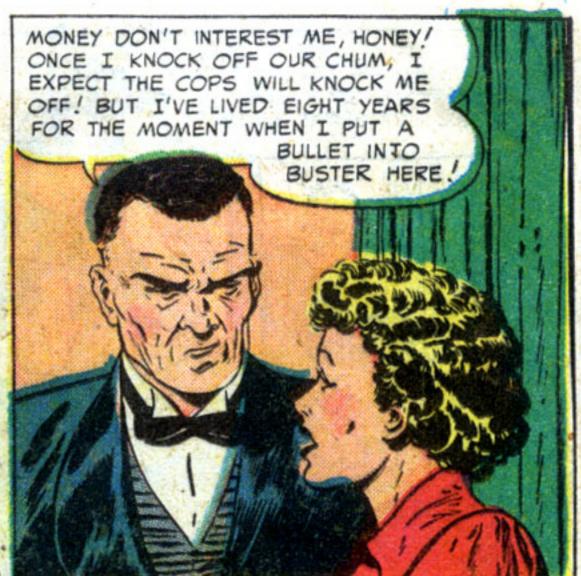
















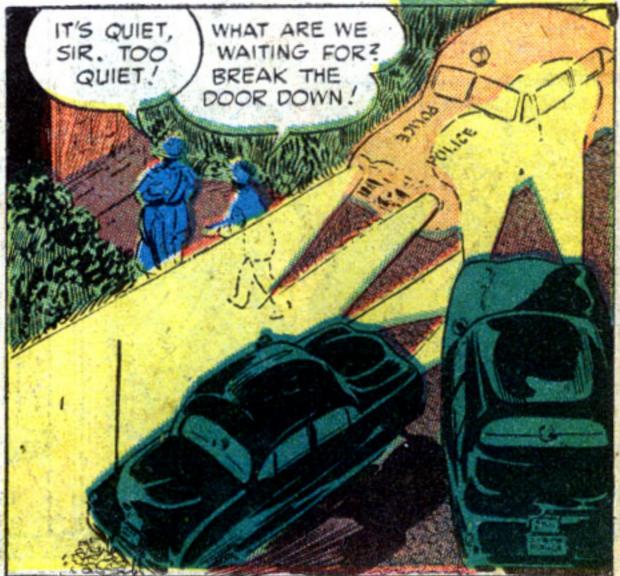




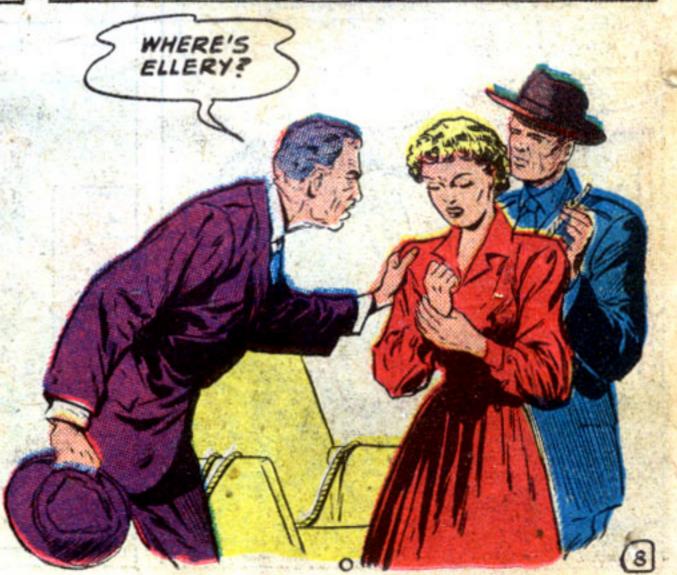


















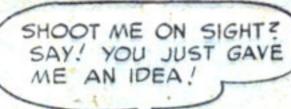


































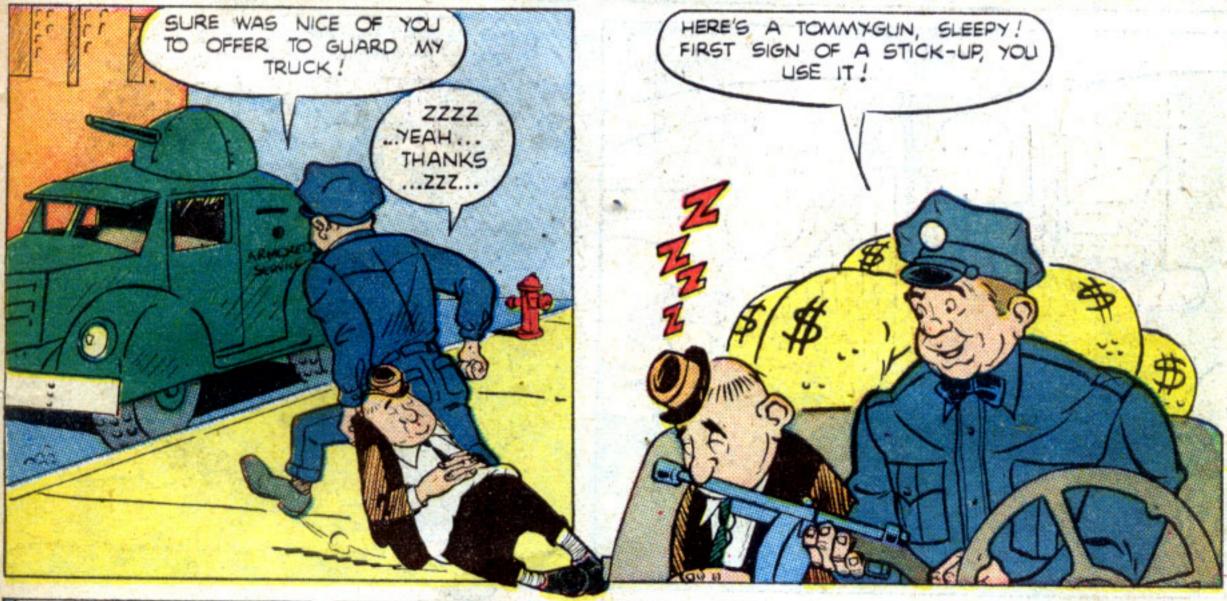


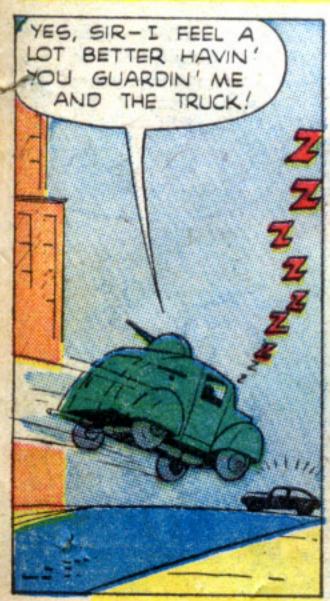


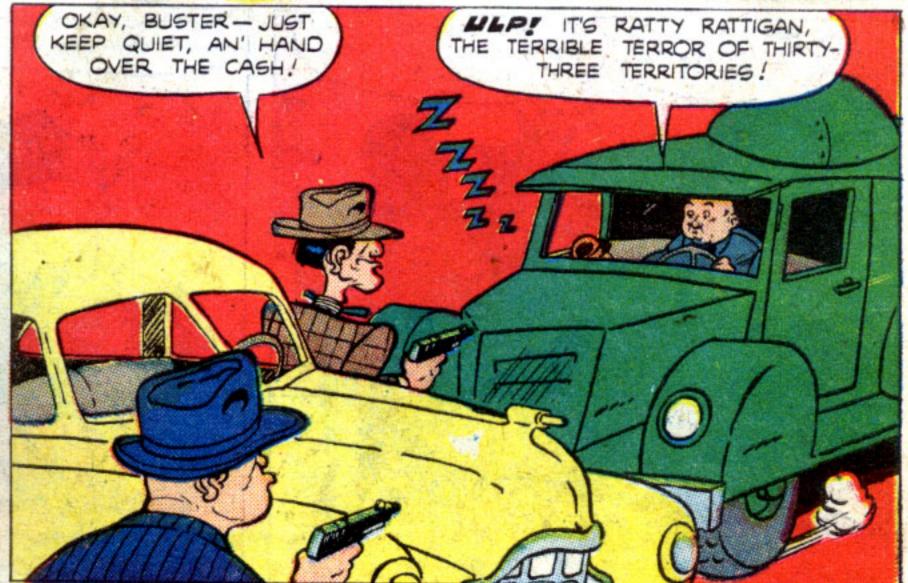


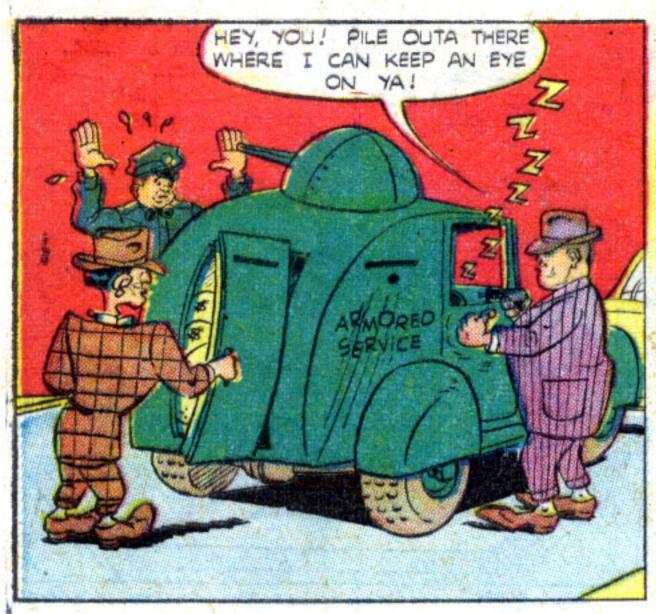




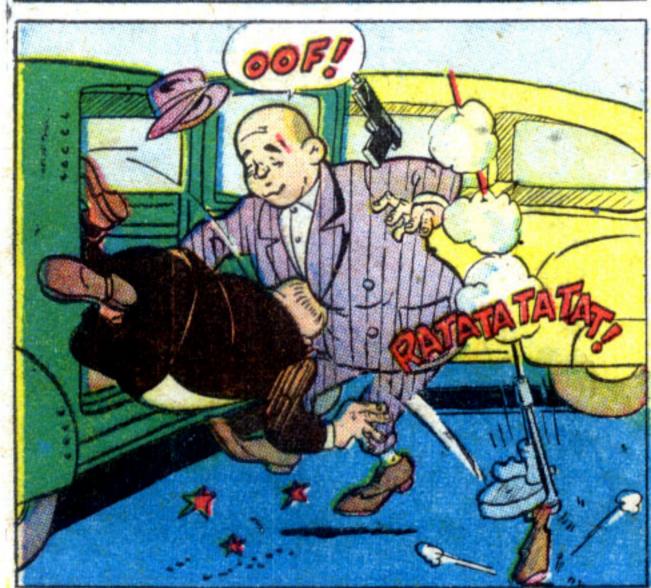


















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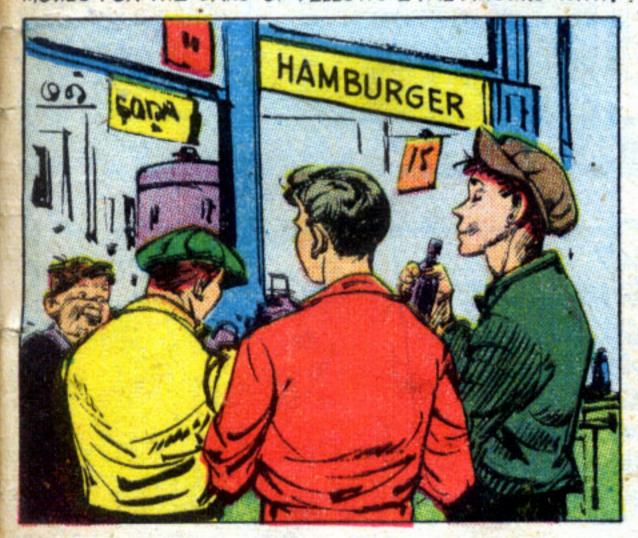
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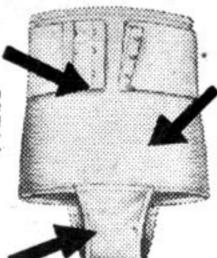
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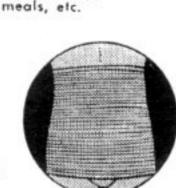


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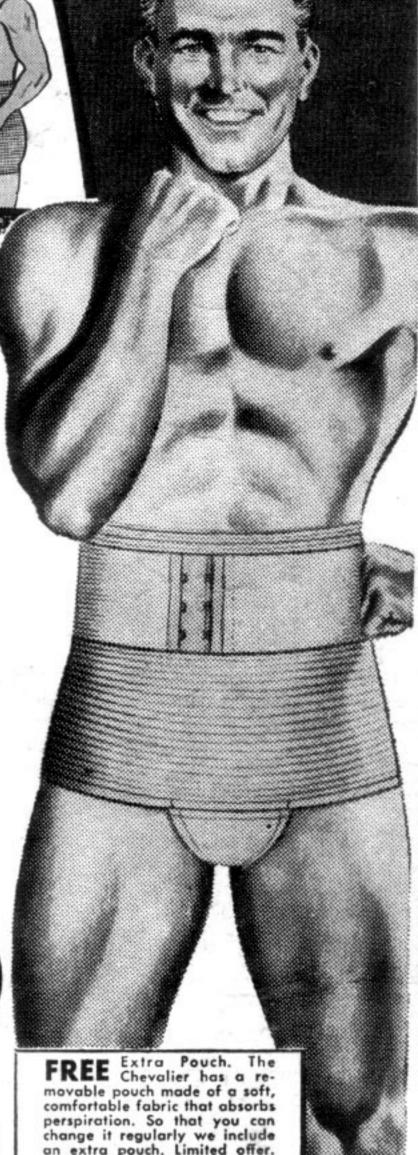
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