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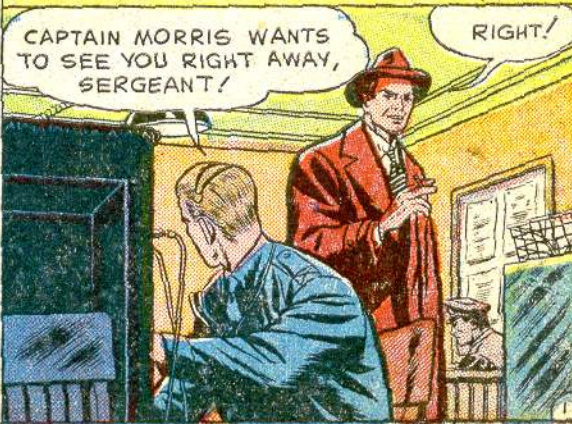
"THE COP WITH 100 FACES"

DID YOU EVER WONDER HOW THOSE ACTORS WHO PLAY THE ROLE OF DETECTIVES ON THE STAGE WOULD MAKE OUT ON A REAL CASE? THIS MAY BE THE ONLY CHANCE YOU'LL EVER HAVE TO FIND OUT... FOR THE NARRATOR OF THIS STORY, DETECTIVE-SERGEANT JAMES R. TATE, WAS ONCE A REAL ACTOR! WHEN HE ENTERED POLICE SERVICE, THE DEPARTMENT FOUND AN IMMEDIATE USE FOR HIS ACTING ABILITY! HOW TATE USED HIS THEATRICAL EXPERIENCE TO FIGHT CRIME IS REVEALED HERE, FOR THE FIRST TIME, IN THIS FACT-FILE CASE OF THE STAGESTRUCK SLEUTH.



* MY DAD ONCE WAS AN ACTOR AND SO WAS I... BUT I'LL ADMIT I WASN'T EXACTLY A SMASH HIT ON BROADWAY! MATTER OF FACT, I CAN COUNT THE NUMBER OF GOOD PARTS I LANDED ON THE FINGERS OF ONE HAND! SO...WHEN MY POP RETIRED FROM THE FORCE AND, FOR SENTIMENTAL REASONS, WANTED ME TO FOLLOW IN HIS FOOTSTEPS, I DRIFTED INTO POLICE WORK! "

" I'LL SAY THIS...I LIKED THE NEW ROLE OF POLICEMAN EVEN IF I NEVER **DID** GET THE ACTING BUG OUT OF MY SYSTEM! BUT I DIDN'T REALIZE THAT I'D **SOON** GET THE CHANCE TO WORK AT **BOTH** JOBS! "



"IT HAPPENED, TO BE EXACT, BACK IN FEBRUARY, 1947..."



THIS IS DOCTOR BANKS, TATE! HE JUST GOT A CALL AT HIS OFFICE FROM BUZZ ROACH! ONE OF BUZZ'S BOYS CAUGHT A BULLET AFTER THAT LAKESIDE ROBBERY!

HE SAID I SHOULD RUSH RIGHT OVER AND KEEP MY MOUTH SHUT, OR ELSE!

WHY DON'T YOU SEND A FEW SQUAD CARS OVER, CAPTAIN?

NO CAN DO! THEY'RE HOLED UP IN THAT TOOL SHED NEAR THE SCHOOL No. 4 PLAYGROUND! TOO MANY KIDS AROUND TO RISK GUNFIRE!

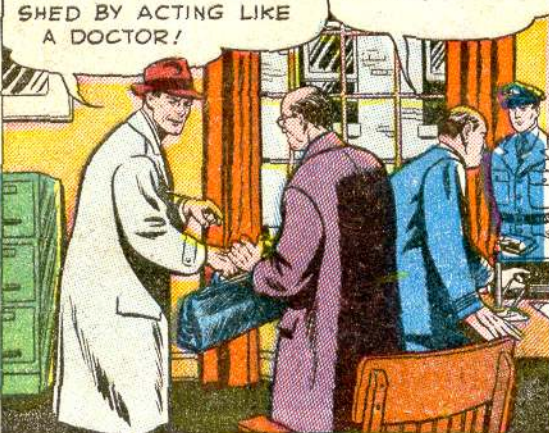
DO BUZZ AND HIS GANG KNOW YOU, DOCTOR?

NO...THEY PROBABLY PICKED MY NAME OUT OF THE PHONE BOOK!



LET ME BORROW THIS BAG OF YOURS, DOC! I'LL GET INSIDE THAT SHED BY ACTING LIKE A DOCTOR!

GOOD IDEA! I'LL FOLLOW ALONG IN A SQUAD CAR!



"SHORTLY AFTER..."

I HOPE YOU HAD ENOUGH SENSE NOT TO SPILL ANYTHING TO THE COPS, DOC!

JUST A MINUTE, BUZZ...THIS GUY'S NO DOCTOR!

WHAT?



YOU SEEN HOW DOCTORS TAKE A PULSE... BY COUNTING SECONDS ON A WATCH! HE AIN'T! HE'S A COP! I'LL KILL 'IM!

WAIT A MINUTE, YOU FOOL!



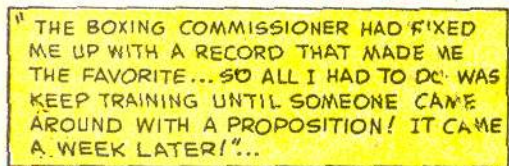
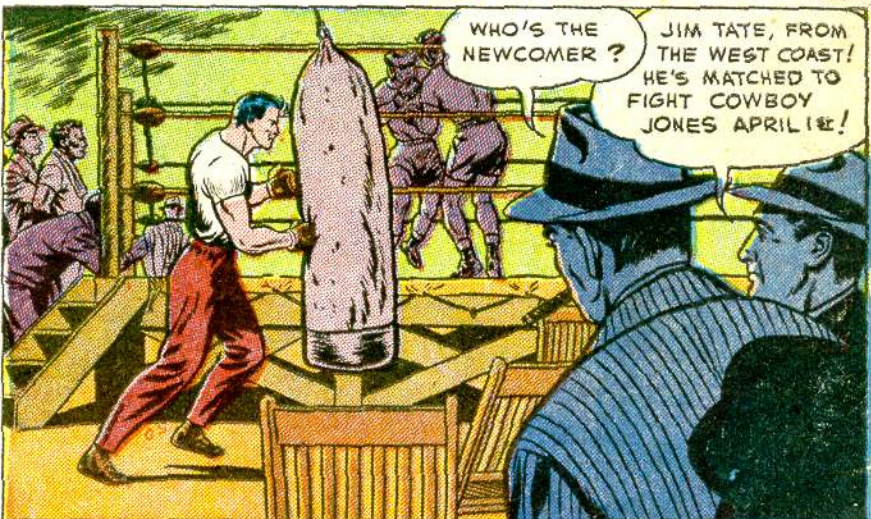
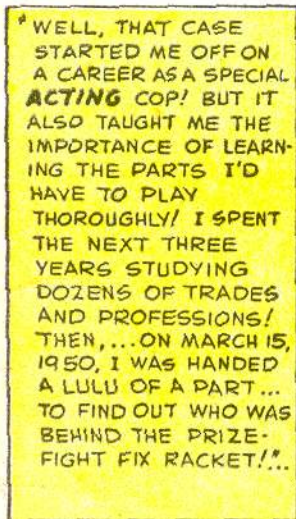
"IT WAS A BAD SLIP... AND I HAD TO THINK FAST!"...

I'VE TAKEN THOUSANDS OF PULSE BEATS! YOU THINK AN OLD-TIMER LIKE ME STILL HAS TO USE A WATCH?

WHILE YOU GUYS ARE ARGUIN', I'M DYIN'! FOR PETE'S SAKE, SHUT UP AND LET THE DOC PULL THIS SLUG OUT OF ME!

OKAY, GO TO WORK, DOC... AND YOU BETTER BE GOOD!





"I CAN'T SAY I ENJOYED EVERY PART I PLAYE!... SOME OF THEM WERE A LITTLE TOO REALISTIC FOR COMFORT! FOR INSTANCE, WHEN JOHN MACKAY, OF THE MACKAY CONSTRUCTION CO., REFUSED TO PAY OFF ON A PROTECTION RACKET, A SERIES OF ACCIDENTS RESULTED. FINALLY, ON MAY 3RD, WE WERE CALLED IN..."

THOSE HOODS GAVE ME TWO WEEKS TO PAY OFF...BUT WHEN THEY SHOW THEIR DIRTY FACES AROUND HERE, I'M GOING TO KNOCK THEIR BLOCKS OFF!

NIX, MACKAY! WE'VE BEEN AFTER THOSE HOODS A LONG TIME! ACT SCARED WHEN THEY SHOW UP! WE'LL BE WATCHING THE SHED AT ALL TIMES! PRETEND YOU'RE READY TO PAY UP, JUST UNTIL WE GET HERE!

I'M TOO MAD TO ACT SCARED!

I GUESS HE IS! YOU BETTER TAKE OVER THIS ACTING JOB, TATE!



"SO I BECAME TEMPORARY OWNER OF THE MACKAY CONSTRUCTION CO.! THEN, TWO WEEKS LATER, I WAS GIVEN THE CHANCE TO GO INTO MY BIG ACT..."

NO, NO...PLEASE DON'T HIT ME AGAIN! I'LL PAY, I'LL PAY!

HEY, SNAKE, THIS IS TOO EASY. I HOPE THIS GUY AIN'T A COP IN DISGUISE!

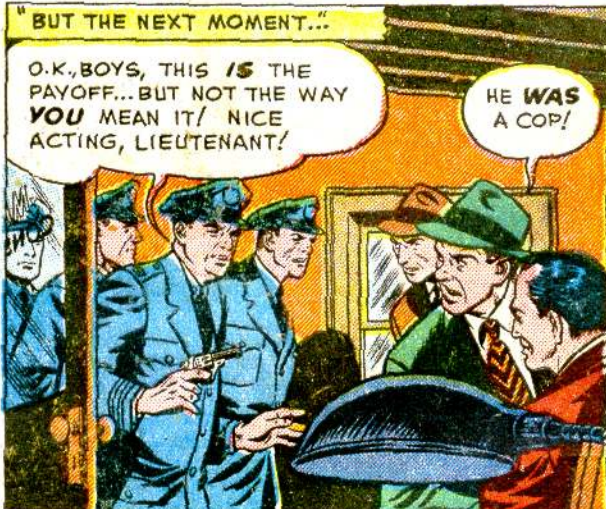
ARE YOU CRAZY? NO COP COULD BE THAT SCARED!



"BUT THE NEXT MOMENT..."

O.K., BOYS, THIS IS THE PAYOFF...BUT NOT THE WAY YOU MEAN IT! NICE ACTING, LIEUTENANT!

HE WAS A COP!



"IN THE THEATRE, EVERY ACTOR YEARNS TO PLAY HAMLET! YOU KNOW, THE BIG DEATH SCENE! THE BIGGEST CASE I EVER HANDLED INVOLVED A DEATH SCENE THAT ALMOST TURNED OUT TO BE MY LAST!..."

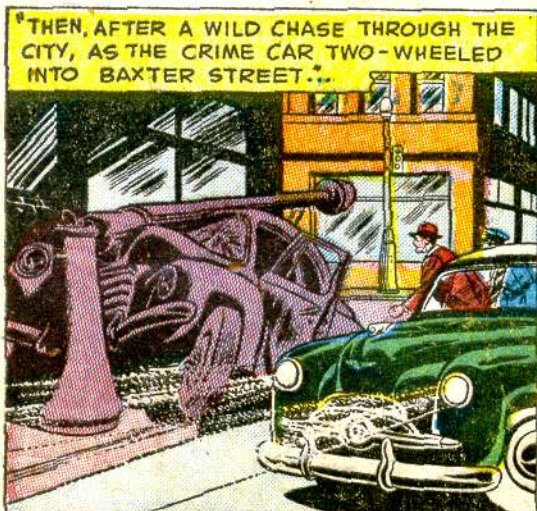
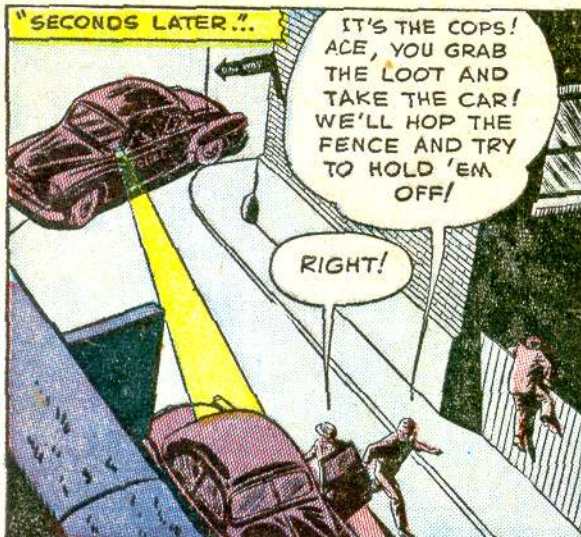
"IT ALL BEGAN ON THE NIGHT OF JUNE 14, WHEN THE CLAYTON MOB KNOCKED OFF THE CARTER WAREHOUSE ON EAST 78TH STREET..."

MAKE TRACKS, BOYS...WE KICKED OFF THAT BURGLAR ALARM!

RRR
RING!

OUT THROUGH THE ALLEY... FAST!





"ACCORDINGLY, THE NEXT MORNING..."



"AND AT THE SAME TIME..."

WE'VE GOT THE DOOR FIXED SO THAT WHEN IT'S OPENED WE'LL GET A SIGNAL DOWN IN THE BASEMENT!

GOOD ENOUGH...BUT MAKE SURE YOU GET UP HERE **FAST!** I CAN'T DEFEND MYSELF WRAPPED UP IN 10 MILES OF TAPE, YOU KNOW!



"THAT WAS THAT! NOW ALL I HAD TO DO WAS MAKE LIKE A DYING MAN! I **DID**, FOR **THREE HOURS...** THEN..."

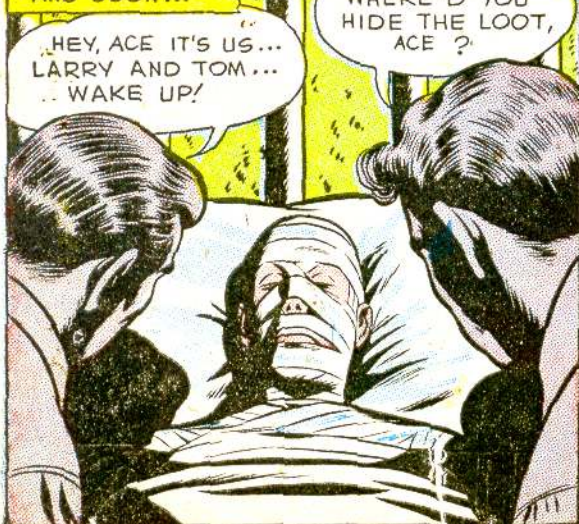


WAS AN OXYGEN TANK ORDERED FOR THIS PATIENT?

YEAH, WE WERE TOLD TO BRING IT IN AND SET IT UP!

HE'S **DYIN'**, AIN'T HE?

"AND SOON..."



HEY, ACE IT'S US... LARRY AND TOM... WAKE UP!

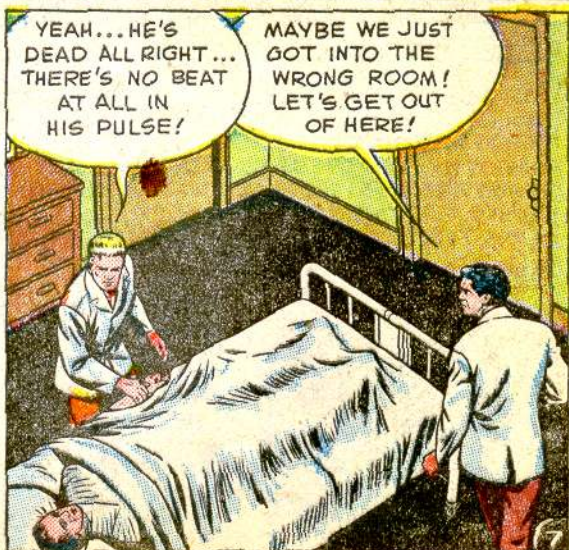
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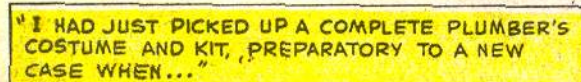
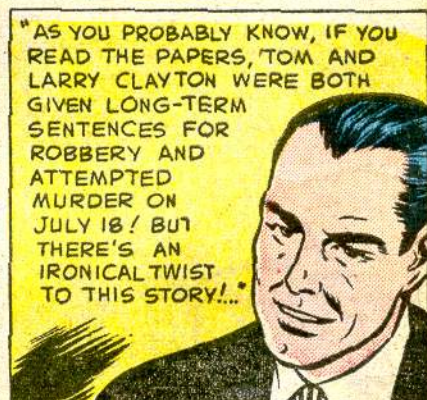
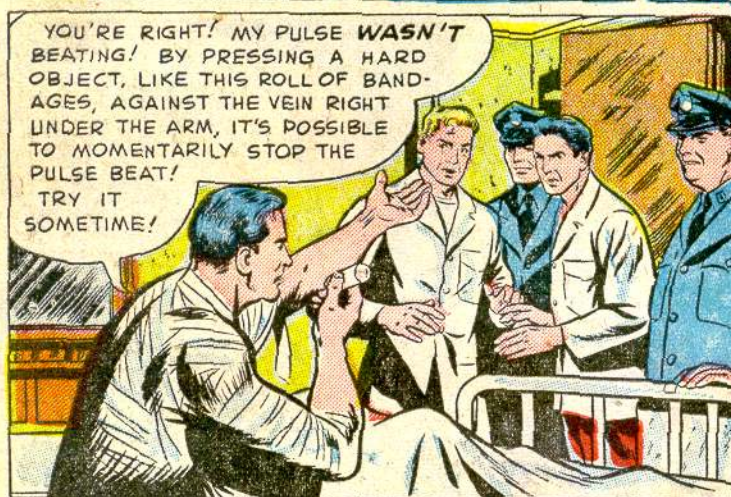
"UP TO THIS POINT, MY JOB WASN'T TOO TOUGH! ALL I HAD TO DO WAS STAY IN A COMA UNTIL THE CAPTAIN GOT HERE, BUT..."



COME ON, SPEAK UP, SPEAK UP!


WAIT A MINUTE, LARRY...LOOK AT HIS EARS!





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NOW LISTEN, FELLOWS! 8-2-2-2 8-2-2-2-2-2, 8-2-2-2-2-2-
REMEMBER NOW, LEIGH TO JOE TO ROLLO TO
PETE... **DON'T SLIP!** 

EVERYBODY TAKE A TASTY **TOOTSIE**
ROLL FOR EXTRA ENERGY! DON'T
FORGET WHAT I TOLD YOU, BOYS!

WE WON'T FAIL
YOU, CAPTAIN
TOTSIE!

TOOTSIE TOWNERS BALL. PETE IS 'WAY OUT AT LEFT END, THE BACKFIELD IS IN ONE STRAIGHT LINE, LEFT TO RIGHT, AS THE BALL IS SNAPPED TO LEIGH, THE QUARTERBACK.

WATCH IT,
JOE!

GET

LEIGH QUICKLY LATERALS
TO JOE...

GOT IT,
LEIGH

JOE THROWS TO ROLLO, DRAWING THE TIGERS TO THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE TOOTSIE LINE. ROLLO NOW THROWS A BULLET PASS TO PETE, WHO BY THIS TIME IS ALL BY HIMSELF ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE FIELD!

PERFECT
PASS!

RUN PETE,
RUN!

YIPPEE!
92 YAS
FOR A
TOUCH
DOWN

TOUCHDOWN!

MURRAY

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POINT, AND THE TOOTSIE-TOWNERS
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WELL DONE, BOYS! YOU EXECUTED THAT PLAY PERFECTLY! LET'S CELEBRATE... TOOTSIE ROLLS FOR EVERYBODY!

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TOOTSIE ROLLS!

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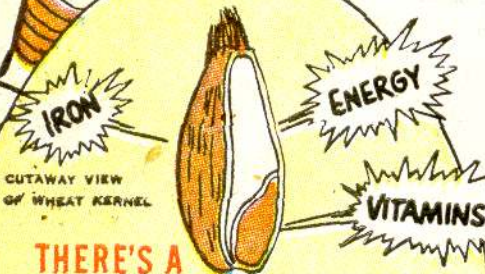
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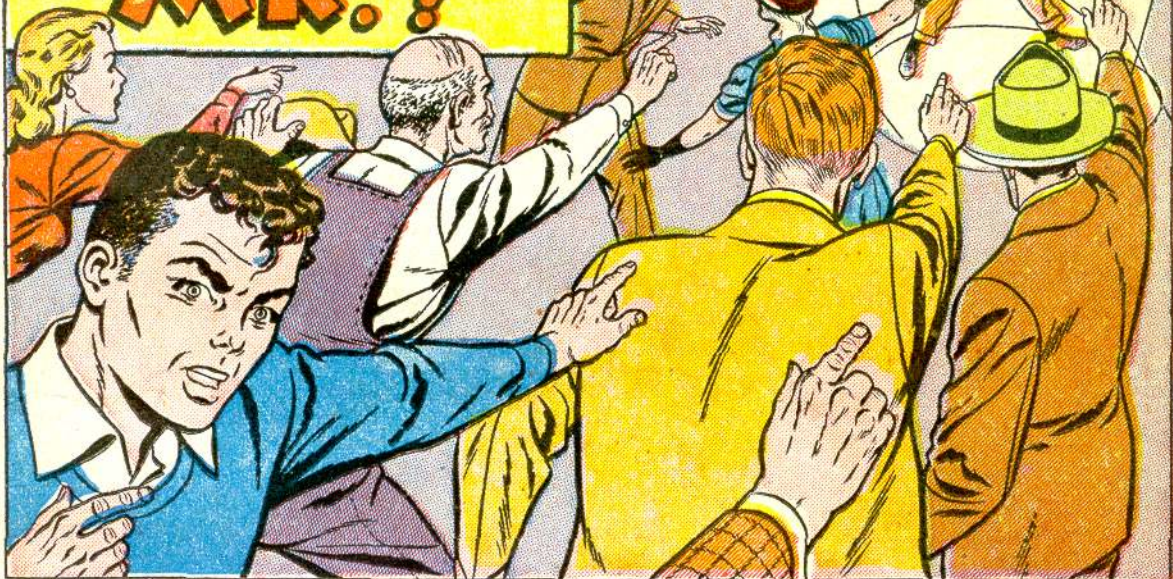
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"BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS"

DID YOU EVER HELP THE LAW BRING A CRIMINAL TO JUSTICE? THE POLICE WANT YOUR AID! YOUR POST OFFICE DISPLAYS "WANTED" PLACARDS OF KNOWN CRIMINALS... MAGAZINES, AND RADIO PROGRAMS DRAMATIZE TRUE-LIFE STORIES ABOUT WANTED CRIMINALS... AND YOU ARE ASKED TO CONTACT YOUR LOCAL POLICE OR NEAREST F.B.I. OFFICE IF YOU RECOGNIZE ANY OF THEM! HOW YOU, THE PUBLIC, ARE ANSWERING THIS CALL, IS DEMONSTRATED IN...

"the PEOPLE vs. MR.?"



IN THE CLOSING MONTHS OF 1950, THE POLICE OF WEST CITY FOUND THEMSELVES UP A BLIND ALLEY!

LET'S FACE IT, CHIEF... MARTY FORBES HAS THE TOWN WRAPPED UP IN HIS PROTECTION AND GAMBLING RACKETS LIKE A STRAIT JACKET! BUT WE CAN'T FIND ANYONE WHO'LL TESTIFY AGAINST HIM!

WELL, I'M STYMIED! I'VE TRIED EVERYTHING, BUT ALL WE'VE GOT AGAINST HIM IS A **BIG SUSPICION** THAT'LL NEVER HOLD UP IN COURT!



THERE'S ONLY ONE THING TO DO ... **GO RIGHT TO THE PEOPLE!** ASK THEM TO GET BEHIND US!

THAT'S EASIER SAID THAN DONE, LIEUTENANT... THE PEOPLE ARE SCARED STIFF OF FORBES!



SCARED? THEY WERE DEATHLY AFRAID OF MARTY FORBES...

WE'RE RAISING YOUR PROTECTION FEE TO \$50, MR. SIMPSON...BEGINNING RIGHT NOW!

BUT I CAN'T AFFORD THAT MUCH!

THINK YOU CAN AFFORD TO PATCH UP THIS JOINT AFTER A LITTLE BOMB IS DROPPED IN HERE SOME NIGHT?

OKAY, OKAY...HERE'S THE MONEY! I DON'T KNOW HOW I CAN MAKE A LIVING WITH YOU FELLERS BLEEDING ME!



THEN, ON THE MORNING OF OCT. 31, THE OPENING SHOT IN THE CAMPAIGN TO ENLIST THE HELP OF THE PEOPLE WAS FIRED...

IF THE POLICE CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT, WHAT ARE **WE** SUPPOSED TO DO?

MAYBE THEY'LL TELL US!

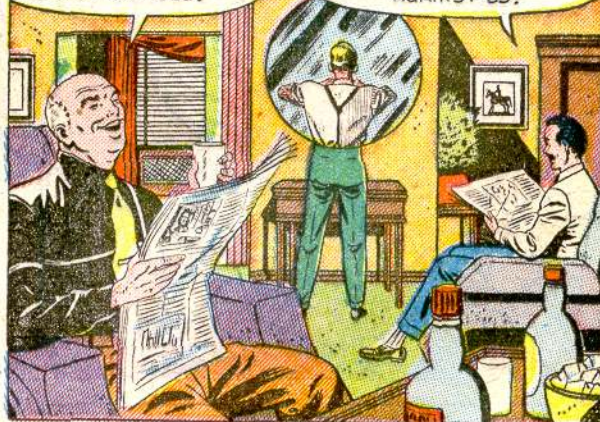
IT'S ABOUT TIME THIS TOWN WOKE UP!



BUT SECURE IN HIS PENTHOUSE APARTMENT...

HEY, MARTY, READ WHAT IT SAYS FURTHER DOWN IN THAT ARTICLE!

YEAH...THEY'RE EVEN ASKING THE WOMEN'S CLUBS TO FIGHT AGAINST US!



THOSE COPS...ASKING OLD LADIES AND KIDS TO DO THEIR WORK FOR 'EM! WELL, THEY CAN'T TOUCH **ME**! I'M BIGGER THAN ALL OF 'EM IN TOWN PUT TOGETHER!



MEANWHILE...

YOU SAY YOUR PROTECTION FEE IS DUE TUESDAY? WELL, LOOK, MR. WITHERS, WE'RE ASKING YOU TO REFUSE TO PAY! **WE'LL** PROTECT YOU FROM NOW ON!

WELL, IF YOU SAY SO, BUT, FRANKLY, I THINK I'M MAKING A MISTAKE...THEY'RE A PACK OF KILLERS! THEY'RE NOT AFRAID OF YOU POLICE!





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SUSPECTING A TRICK, MARTY FORBES' COLLECTOR ARRIVED THE DAY BEFORE, ON MONDAY... AND WHEN WITHERS TURNED HIM DOWN...

THIS WILL TEACH ANY OTHER WISE GUY WHO THEY SHOULD LISTEN TO... THE COPS OR MARTY FORBES!

LET'S SCRAM, JOE... THERE'S A KID COMING DOWN THE STREET!

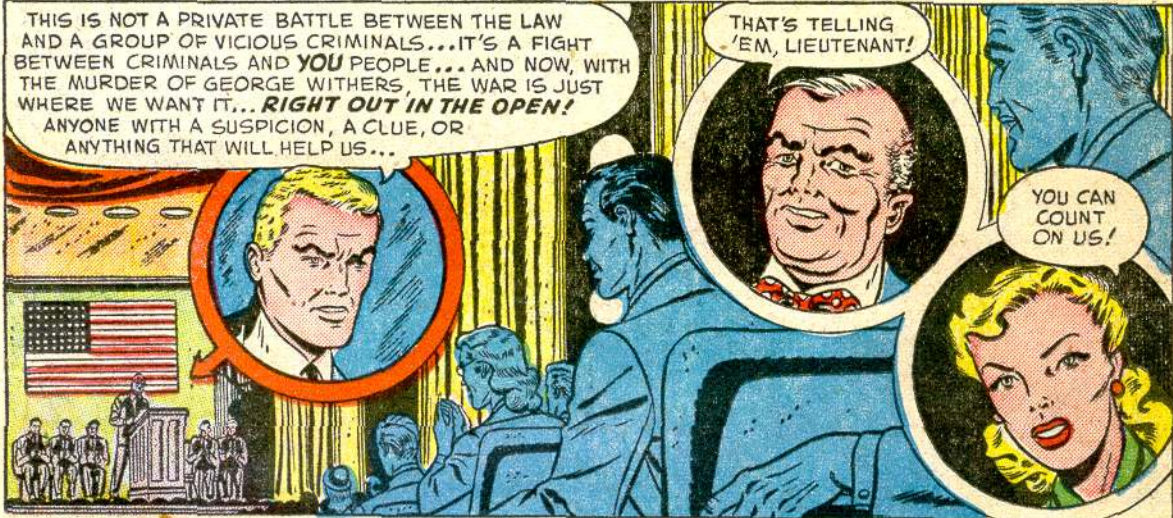


BUT IF MARTY FORBES EXPECTED THIS BRUTAL SLAYING TO INTIMIDATE THE CITIZENS OF WEST CITY, HE WAS WRONG. FOLLOWING WITHERS' FUNERAL, ON THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER 10TH, AT THE TOWN HALL...

THIS IS NOT A PRIVATE BATTLE BETWEEN THE LAW AND A GROUP OF VICIOUS CRIMINALS... IT'S A FIGHT BETWEEN CRIMINALS AND **YOU** PEOPLE... AND NOW, WITH THE MURDER OF GEORGE WITHERS, THE WAR IS JUST WHERE WE WANT IT... **RIGHT OUT IN THE OPEN!** ANYONE WITH A SUSPICION, A CLUE, OR ANYTHING THAT WILL HELP US...

THAT'S TELLING 'EM, LIEUTENANT!

YOU CAN COUNT ON US!

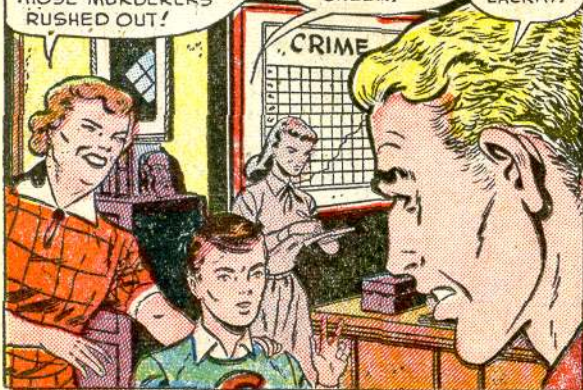


THE ROUSING PLEA BROUGHT RESULTS. EARLY NEXT MORNING...

MY LITTLE BOY WAS WALKING TOWARDS MR. WITHERS' STORE WHEN THOSE MURDERERS RUSHED OUT!

THERE WERE TWO OF THEM... AND THE TALL ONE HAD A RED SCAR ON HIS LEFT CHEEK!

GOOD BOY... SOUNDS LIKE JOE LACKAY!



AND LATER THAT SAME DAY...

YES, LIEUTENANT, I WAS LOOKING OUT OF MY WINDOW... AND I SAW THEM GET INTO AN OLD BLACK LINCOLN SEDAN...

MM... WON'T HELP US VERY MUCH... THAT BLACK LINCOLN WAS REPORTED AS A STOLEN CAR!





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BUT THAT EVENING...

YES, SIR... AS SOON AS THEY GOT PAST THE FIVE FORK ROAD, THEY GOT OUT OF THEIR LINCOLN AND PILED INTO A '48 CHEVY. CONVERTIBLE... LICENSE PLATE NUMBER TRI5966!

SURE THING, LIEUTENANT!

MARTY FORBES' CAR! THANKS, PAL, YOU'VE BEEN A BIG HELP! HEY, SAM, ASK THE CHIEF TO COME IN HERE RIGHT AWAY!

NOW ALL WE NEED FOR A PERFECT CASE AGAINST FORBES' GANG IS THE MURDER WEAPON!

A MR. FLYNN FROM SYCAMORE DRIVE PHONED IN A TIP THAT MIGHT TURN OUT TO BE FORBES' HIDEOUT! I'M GOING TO LOOK INTO IT RIGHT NOW!

THE **PEOPLE** SURE ARE DOING THEIR PART IN THIS CASE!

THEN, ON NOV. 12th...

HEY, MARTY, OUR SHACK WAS BROKEN INTO! THAT ROD'S GONE!

LOOKS LIKE THE COPS ARE MOVING IN!

STOP BLEEDING! ALL OUR MONEY IS IN THE SAFE AT THE CLUB... WHICH THE COPS DON'T EVEN KNOW WE OWN... WE'LL GRAB IT AND TAKE IT ON THE LAM!

BUT THEIR FURTIVE MOVEMENTS DIDN'T ESCAPE VIGILANT EYES...

MARTY FORBES AND HIS GANG... THE POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR THEM!

YES, WE JUST HEARD ON THE CAR RADIO THAT WE SHOULD NOTIFY THE POLICE IN CASE WE SEE THEM! LET'S PHONE, JIMMY!

WITHIN 15 MINUTES, POLICE HAD SEALED OFF THE ENTIRE AREA SURROUNDING THE CLUB ZEBRA...

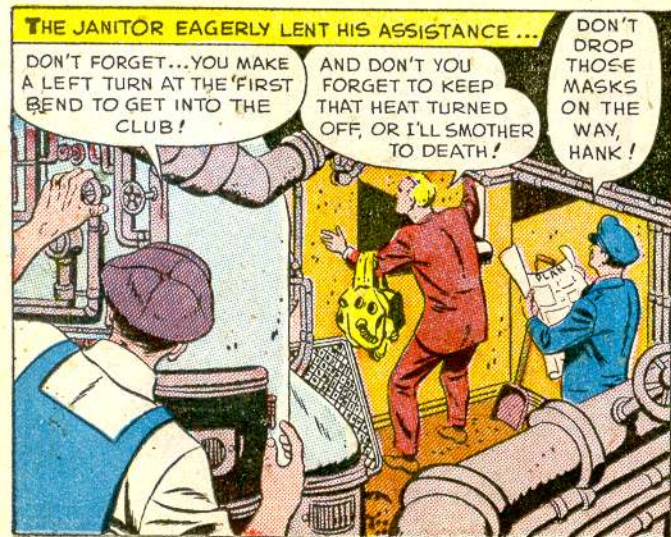
CAR 9, HURRY TO CORNER OF ELM AND MAIN AND TAKE YOUR POSITION... OPERATION 4 IN PROGRESS... CARS 5 AND 8...

WHILE INSIDE...

MARTY, WE'RE TRAPPED! THE JOINT'S SURROUNDED!

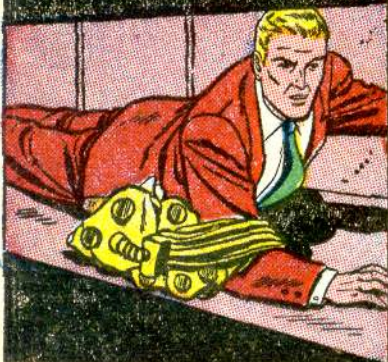
FOLLOW ME... THE COPS WEREN'T BORN YET WHO COULD OUTSMART MARTY FORBES!





AND WHILE LT. BARKHEAD WRIGGLED SLOWLY AND TORTUOUSLY THROUGH THE TWISTING VENTILATING SYSTEM...

A FEW MINUTES MORE, AND I'LL REACH THE SCREEN...



LOOK, MARTY! THAT PIECE OF RAG STOPPED FLYING! SOMEONE MUST'VE TURNED OFF THE HEAT!

YEAH, AND I CAN FIGURE OUT WHY!



CLIMB OUT OF THERE, YOU!... OR I'LL FILL YOU FULL OF LEAD!



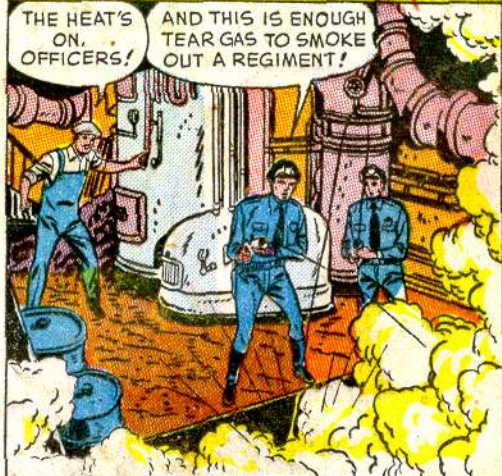
YOU PULLED YOUR LAST TRICK, CHIEF! NOW I'VE GOT YOUR LIEUTENANT, TOO, AND HE'LL DIE LIKE THE OTHERS!



THEN, AT A PRE-ARRANGED SIGNAL FROM THE CHIEF...

THE HEAT'S ON. OFFICERS!

AND THIS IS ENOUGH TEAR GAS TO SMOKE OUT A REGIMENT!



I'M...I'M... CHOKING!

HERE, PUT THESE MASKS ON... QUICK!



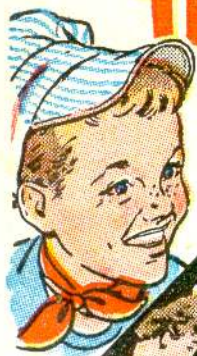
THIS WILL BE A BETTER CITY TO LIVE IN WITH THESE HOODS IN JAIL!

A COMMUNITY IS ALWAYS WHAT THE **PEOPLE** MAKE IT...AND IT'S GOOD TO KNOW THE PEOPLE WERE BEHIND US IN OUR WAR AGAINST CRIME!



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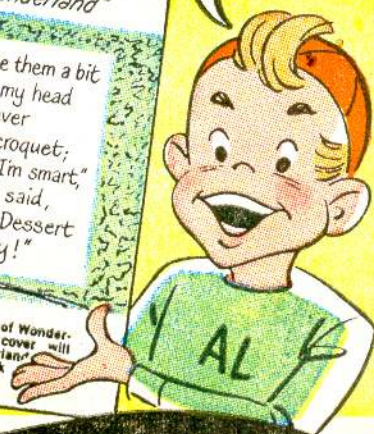
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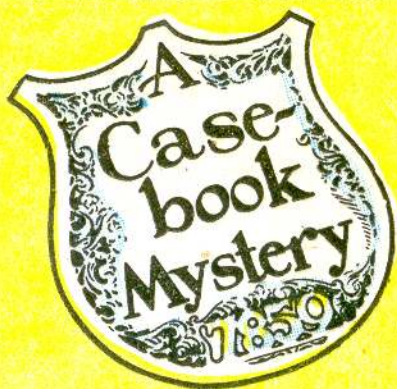
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LAST JULY 14TH, AFTER TWO WEARY WEEKS OF BUR-
ROWING IN THE BED OF NEW JERSEY'S HACKENSACK
RIVER...

MY HUNCH THAT
THOSE BANK ROBBERS
DROPPED THEIR LOOT
IN THE RIVER WHILE
BEING CHASED BY
THE POLICE WAS
RIGHT! THERE MUST
BE AT LEAST
\$100,000 IN
THIS SACK!



AT THE SAME TIME, ABOVE ...

THIS IS LIKE OLD TIMES,
WORKING WITH FRANK
AS A DIVING TEAM--!
OH-OH--HE'S SIGNAL-
ING TO COME UP!



AND SOON...

WE FOUND THE MONEY!
THAT'S WONDERFUL!
NOW WE CAN COLLECT
THE \$5000 REWARD
THAT THE BANK OFFERED
FOR THE RECOVERY OF
THIS MONEY! THAT
MAKES \$2,500
EACH, FRANK!

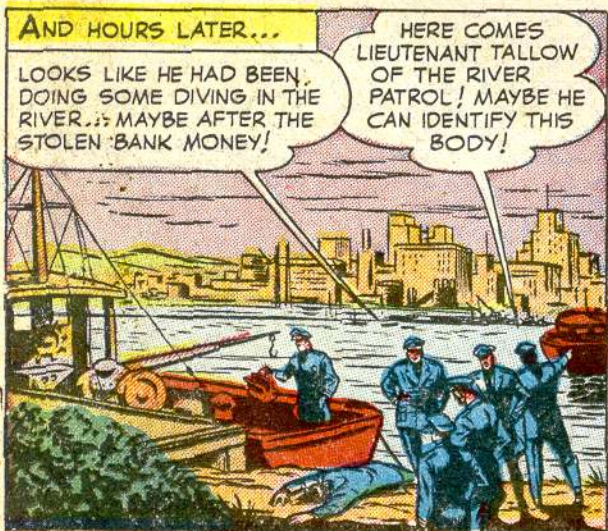
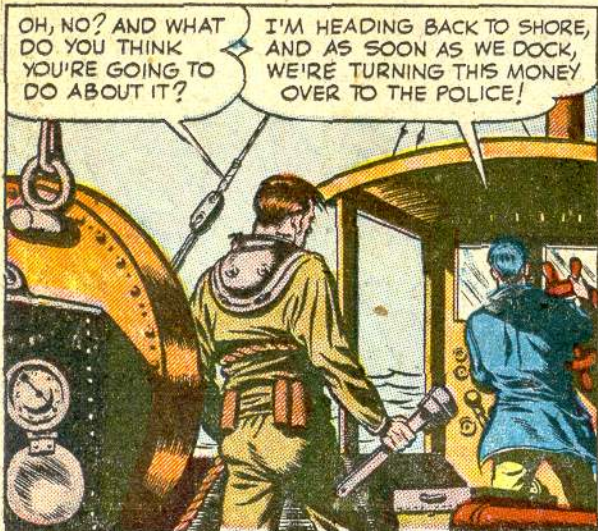
ARE YOU KIDDING?
WHY DO YOU THINK I
WARNED YOU TO KEEP
OUR DIVING A **BIG
SECRET?**



AND WHY DO YOU THINK I
CAME ALL THE WAY FROM
DETROIT? SO I CAN GIVE
UP \$100,000 FOR A
MISERABLE \$5,000?
WE TOOK ALL THE RISKS,
AND **WE'RE** KEEPING
ALL THE DOUGH!

WHAT A DIRTY, SNEAK-
ING THING TO DO!
BUT YOU'RE NOT
GETTING **ME** MIXED
UP IN ANY OF YOUR
SHADY DEALS!





SAY, THIS IS THE BAG THE CLAYTON BANK LOOT WAS IN!

IT **COULD BE** THAT BRUCKNER AND CAMLOT GOT TOGETHER FOR ANOTHER DIVING JOB, AND CAMLOT GOT GREEDY! BUT TO PROVE THAT, WE'D HAVE TO PLACE CAMLOT AT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME! SEND OUT A TELETYPE TO HAVE HIM PICKED UP!

BUT NEXT MORNING, SECURE IN HIS DETROIT APARTMENT...

DON'T FORGET, MABEL-- I WAS **HERE ALL DAY** YESTERDAY, IN CASE ANYBODY ASKS YOU! I NEVER LEFT THE HOUSE!

SO WHY ARE YOU CALLING UP THE NEW JERSEY POLICE? YOU MUST BE CRAZY!

HELLO, CAPTAIN JEROME? THIS IS FRANK CAMLOT! I SEE BY OUR MORNING PAPER THAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR ME!

WHERE ARE YOU CALLING FROM, CAMLOT?

DAILY TELESCOPE

I'M IN **DETROIT**, WHERE I LIVE, BUT I'M HOPPING THE NEXT PLANE TO JERSEY SO I CAN CLEAR MYSELF!

OKAY, CAMLOT-- WE'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU!

LATER THAT SAME DAY...

CAPTAIN JEROME? YOU COULDN'T HAVE KNOCKED ME OVER WITH A FEATHER WHEN I READ THE PAPERS! I HAVEN'T BEEN OUT OF DETROIT FOR TWO YEARS!

SORRY, CAPTAIN, BUT I DON'T RECOGNIZE THIS MAN AS BEING ON ANY OF OUR PLANES YESTERDAY!

LATER, AT HEADQUARTERS...

AND YOU'RE WILLING TO SWEAR THAT YOU WEREN'T IN NEW JERSEY AT ALL YESTERDAY?

WHAT DO I LOOK LIKE, A MAGICIAN? HOW COULD I? OF COURSE, I REALIZE IT'S YOUR JOB TO CHECK EVERY ANGLE, BUT NO HARD FEELINGS, LIEUTENANT. HAVE A CIGARETTE?

I'LL HAVE ONE! AS A MATTER OF FACT, I'LL HAVE THE **WHOLE PACK!** AND BEFORE I'M DONE, I'LL HAVE **YOU** IN THE HOT SEAT FOR THE MURDER OF GEORGE BRUCKNER!

DON'T LOOK AT THE NEXT PAGE! HERE'S A CHANCE TO MATCH YOUR DEDUCTIVE POWERS WITH CAPTAIN JEROME'S! HE DISCOVERED THE HIDDEN CLUE THAT PROVES FRANK CAMLOT HAD BEEN IN NEW JERSEY YESTERDAY? CAN YOU FIND THAT CLUE?



SO YOU THINK YOU CAN PIN THIS RAP ON ME, CAPTAIN! I'D CERTAINLY LIKE TO KNOW HOW!

WITH **THIS** PACK OF CIGARETTES, CAMLOT!



YOU SAID YOU HADN'T BEEN OUT OF DETROIT FOR **TWO YEARS!** THIS PACK OF CIGARETTES SAYS YOU'RE **LYING!**

YOU'RE CRAZY! THAT BRAND OF CIGARETTES IS SOLD ALL OVER THE COUNTRY!



SURE IT IS--BUT NOT WITH A **NEW JERSEY STATE SALES TAX STAMP** ON IT! I WAS WITH YOU SINCE THE MOMENT YOU GOT OFF THE PLANE, SO YOU CAN'T SAY YOU BOUGHT IT ON **THIS TRIP!** NO--YOU BOUGHT IT ON YOUR **LAST TRIP--YESTER-DAY--** WHEN YOU KILLED **GEORGE BRUCKNER!**

NO! I--I--! OH, WHAT'S THE USE! I CAN'T EXPLAIN AWAY THAT TAX STAMP! YES, I DID IT!

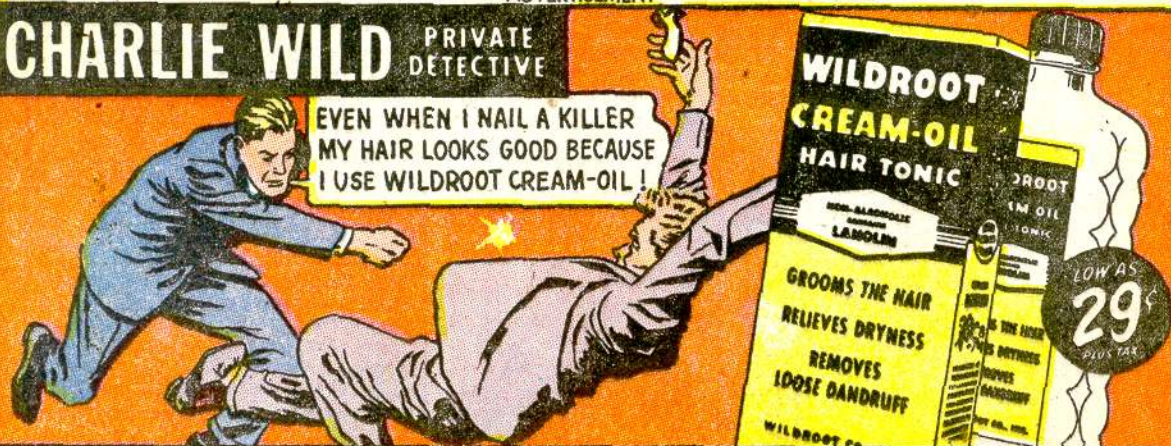
THAT DAY, DETROIT POLICE RECOVERED THE LOOT IN CAMLOT'S FLAT, AND ON OCTOBER 14, IN THE NEW JERSEY CRIMINAL COURT, FRANK CAMLOT RECEIVED THE MAXIMUM SENTENCE UNDER THE LAW FOR THE MURDER OF GEORGE BRUCKNER!

The End

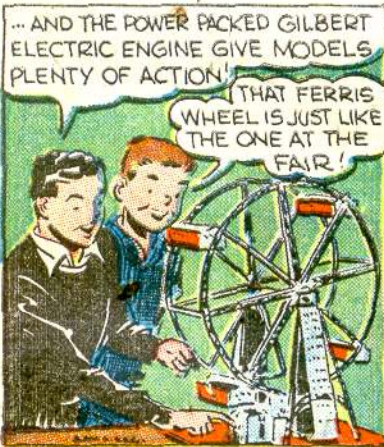
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HERE'S OUR \$50! WHERE'S YOUR BAGGAGE?

WE'LL STOP AT MY HOTEL AND PICK IT UP!

NEXT MORNING AT 10 A.M.

YOU FOLKS SIT STILL AND I'LL HAVE MY LUGGAGE SENT RIGHT DOWN!

WE'LL BE HERE!

AT THE HOTEL

HE HASN'T COME DOWN, OR HIS BAGS, EITHER! I'LL HAVE A TALK WITH THE DESK CLERK!

A GOOD IDEA!

11:30 A.M.

I'M VERY SORRY, BUT WE'VE NEVER HAD A MR. BROWN AS A GUEST HERE!

I'LL SEE THE POLICE!

11:35 A.M.

IT'S AN OLD STORY, SIR! YOU CALLED HIM AT A PUBLIC PHONE, HE STOLE A CAR, GOT YOUR MONEY AND SKIPPED! YOU'LL HAVE TO COME TO THE PRECINCT AND PROVE YOU HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS CAR-THEFT!

12 NOON

IF YOU ARE EVER TEMPTED TO REPLY TO ONE OF THESE ADS, DEMAND AN IRONCLAD REFERENCE BE PRODUCED! IF THE "DRIVER" CAN'T DO THIS, YOU WILL BE SMART TO FIND ANOTHER MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO THE PLACE YOU WISH TO GO TO... REMEMBER... IT CAN HAPPEN TO YOU!

HERE YOU ARE, MEN, 20 SOCKS FOR A DOLLAR!

I'LL TAKE ONE!

ME TOO!

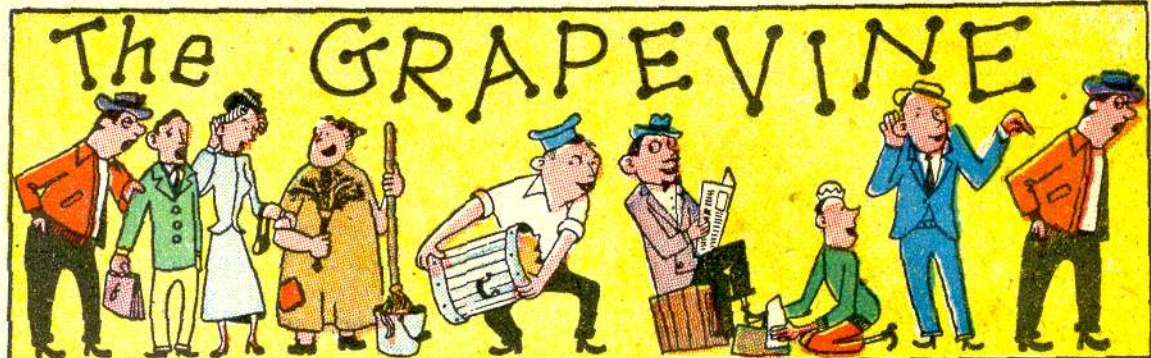
NO MATTER HOW MUCH OF A BARGAIN SOMETHING MAY SEEM TO BE... ALWAYS EXAMINE IT FIRST!

OH, BOY! WAIT'LL THE WIFE SEES HOW I CAN SAVE MONEY ON BUYING MY CLOTHES!

20 SOCKS AND NOT ONE PAIR IN THE WHOLE LOT!

IT WAS ONLY A DOLLAR, BUT THAT SMALL AMOUNT HELPS SUPPORT A SMALL-TIME RACKETEER, OR "GRIFTER"!

"GRIFTERS" LIKE THIS PICK VERY BUSY STREET CORNERS TO "MAKE THEIR SALES!" A "GRIFTER" IS A SMALL-TIME CROOK!



SKIN SLEUTH

You've heard of the art detective, who authenticates canvasses of famous masters; the jewel specialist who examines precious stones. Now, meet the fur detective, newest exponent to combat racketeering. His clients generally are insurance companies and furriers, who seek his services to support their claims against wily fur-bearing patrons.

Most prominent of this division of unique detection services is a fellow called Max Bachrach, whose mid-Manhattan office and laboratory is a clearing house for fine-fur information. Bachrach is a pioneer in this science, which began to interest him as a lifework after he had submitted a treatise on hair while a student at Columbia University. The FBI now uses a Bachrach-authored book as its authority on hairs obtained at the scenes of crime.

How does Bachrach operate? For instance, an insurance company recently requested his aid when a client demanded payment for a silver fox jacket she had stored for the Summer, and which had been returned to her reeking of a skunk odor. The storage company was firm in its refusal to pay, claiming that it was impossible to reduce fox to skunk.

Bachrach's lab tests brought quick results. Not only were the foul odors genuine, but he determined to discover their source. Investigation at the storage plant revealed that a certain type of gas was being used as a refrigerant. A slight leak in the pipes permitted the room to be permeated by the gas, which, when mixed with a chemical ordinarily used to clean garments, had an odorous affect on the furs. Q.E.D.

Another case proved much simpler. Called in by a store to refute a customer's demand for repayment when recently-sold Persian lamb coat lost its curl in the back, Bachrach didn't waste time splitting hairs. Subsequent chemical tests revealed paint specks and cleaning fluid. Obviously, his verdict read, the client had sat on a freshly painted park bench and had tried to remove the stains with a cleaning fluid, which had affected the fur.

Pets are often at fault in the damage of fur apparel. There was the time Bachrach was puzzled by the appearance of strange bald areas on an expensive mink coat. The coat had been returned to the store after the buyer had accused the furrier of having sold her inferior merchandise. Bypassing his scientific apparatus, Bachrach visited the apartment of the irate customer, and after a friendly visit, turned in his decision.

Not the furrier but the complainant's pet fox terrier was at fault. Weary of toying with his playthings and bones, the dog had made occasional attacks on the garment which the customer had carelessly dropped on a chair.

PILLS FOR PRISONERS

Prison authorities are showing increasing interest in the use of medication on their inmates to correct their faults and to transform them into useful citizens.

Typical is the case of a young prisoner in a mid-western jail, whose irritability and bursts of uncontrollable temper were the bane of the warden's existence. Friendless, thin, intense, the youthful inmate was examined by staff doctors, who recommended that he be given cal-

cium glucose to make up for the blood calcium he lacked.

Every three days thereafter, he was given calcium gluconate pills. After six months, definite progress was noticeable. He was friendly, he had gained weight, his disposition had become placid. Soon, prisoners with similar symptoms were treated, with excellent results.

In view of these successful treatments, penologists are weighing the possibility of initiating a system whereby all prisoners would be examined for their blood calcium content. If calcium gluconate can remove one of the causes for crime, a giant stride forward will be made.

POLICE NIP NIPS

Business was good in Tokyo. A man called Harumi Hirata decided to share in the profits—illegitimately. Using his junkyard as a base of operations, he formed a company of six men, each a specialist.

One was an expert with locks, another a racing car driver; a third, a mastermind at casing an apartment, bank, or business; a fourth, a nimble ex-acrobat who could scale formidable walls and get into tight places. Number Five was a sharpshooter, and Number Six, a judo expert who could eliminate any opposition.

Hirata and henchmen did a flourishing business. As the entrepreneur of his enterprise, Hirata took to wearing striped trousers and morning coat. Nipponese police regarded him as Public Enemy Number One but failed to pin any specific rap on him.

Then, as it must to all criminals, the law caught up with Hirata & Co. Police circulated the story about a shipment of Japanese silk to the United States, suspecting that it might lure the mob. While Hirata and his hooligans slipped into the dock warehouse, police closed in.

Public Enemy Number One soon was given a new number in the city jail.

PAYS TO ADVERTISE

When William McCann reported to the suburban train conductor that someone had stolen his valise, he was told in all likelihood, the thief would keep the contents and throw away the bag.

A newspaper reporter, McCann recognized the value of the printed word. In next day's

paper, he inserted an ad, asking the culprit to drop the empty valise on his front lawn. The thief co-operated; returning from work that day, McCann found the bag in the designated place.

RAZOR-SHARP WIT

The late Clarence Darrow was regarded as not only one of the nation's greatest lawyers but one of its shrewdest wits as well. In his early courtroom days, opposing attorneys, vexed by his brilliance, often sought ways to embarrass him.

During one particular trial, Darrow was becoming sorely impatient with his adversary's remarks about "this beardless youth." When it was his turn to address the court, young Darrow slipped his thumbs under his suspenders and began:

"The King of France once sent a young ambassador to the King of England to discuss a trading pact. The King of England was appalled by the age of the diplomat, and said scornfully:

"Does France lack men? To negotiate its business, must its King send a beardless boy?"

Darrow now eyed the other lawyer balefully. "The youth refused to be humiliated," he went on. "He stared directly at the King and replied:

"If the King of France assumed for a moment that you attached so much importance to a beard, good sire, it strikes me that he would have sent a goat!"

BLOTTER JOTTINGS

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.: A shopkeeper enroute to make a \$1,500 deposit in a local bank, was stopped in the revolving door by one thief, deprived of his money by another who escaped.

IRVINGTON, N. J.: After many tries, crooks abandoned the job of opening the strong-box of the Bell Telephone Co. and sauntered off, unaware that the combination was scribbled on the wall.

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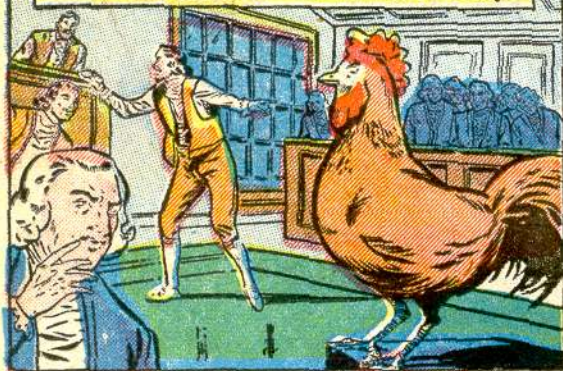


UNUSUAL LAWS!

IN ANCIENT TIME, IF A MAN WERE RUN OVER BY A CART AND KILLED, HIS SISTER RECEIVED THE VALUE OF THE CONDEMNED CART!



A ROOSTER WAS CONVICTED OF SORCERY FOR LAYING EGGS AND WAS SENTENCED TO BE BURNED IN BASLE, SWITZERLAND (1700)!



IT IS UNLAWFUL TO CARRY A CIGAR MAKER'S KNIFE IN PUERTO RICO BETWEEN 1 A.M. AND 2 A.M.!



A MAN WAS KILLED WHEN STRUCK BY A FALLING WOODEN IDOL IN FOUCHOW, CHINA (1900). AS A RESULT, SEVERAL SIMILAR WOODEN IDOLS WERE SENTENCED FOR MURDER AND ORDERED BEHEADED!



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FEW CRIMINALS ARE CAUGHT RED-HANDED IN THE COMMISSION OF THEIR CRIMES! USUALLY, THE LAW MUST PIECE TOGETHER ALL THE EVIDENCE AGAINST THE SUSPECT. THIS IS KNOWN AS "CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE!" BUT, SOMETIMES, A CRIMINAL TRIES TO USE THIS LEGAL LOOPHOLE TO HIS OWN ADVANTAGE, WHILE AN INNOCENT PERSON IS TRAPPED IN A NETWORK OF FALSE EVIDENCE. HERE IS HOW ONE POLICE OFFICER RIPPED APART HIS OWN INSIDIOUS WEB TO SAVE A MAN JUST ONE DAY FROM DOOM!

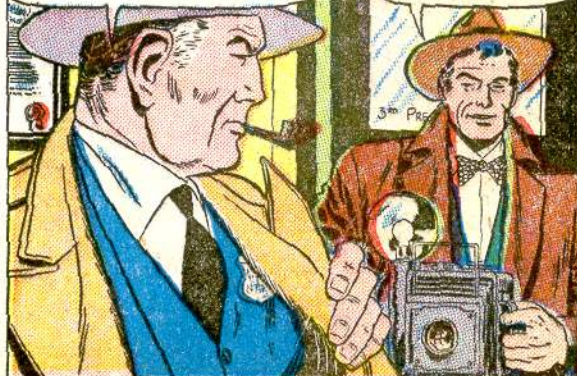
THE STATE'S CASE AGAINST TOM RHODES BEGAN ON A DAY IN FEBRUARY, 1951...

LT. BLACKMAN, BODY OF A MAN REPORTED LYING IN AN EMPTY LOT BETWEEN 21ST AND 22ND AVENUE, IN THE ROSEMONT SECTION!

I'LL JUMP ON IT RIGHT AWAY!

WELL, IF IT ISN'T THE NOSIEST NEWS PHOTOGRAPHER IN THE BUSINESS, CLYDE TINSLEY! NOW THAT YOU'RE TAGGING ALONG, THIS CASE IS IN THE BAG!

CAN THE SARCASM, DAVE--I SUPPOSE I DIDN'T HELP YOU ON THAT WESTVALE CASE!



SHORTLY AFTER, AT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME...

MM -- NOTHING MUCH IN THE WAY OF IDENTIFICATION! DEATH OBVIOUSLY CAUSED BY A BULLET IN THE BRAIN!

THAT MUST BE THE MURDER WEAPON, DAVE -- LOOKS LIKE A LUGER TO ME!



NOTICE THE COLOR OF THE FLESH, CLYDE?

SORT OF A LIGHT GREEN, WASN'T IT? MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE IT'S SO COLD OUT!



NEXT MORNING, BLACKMAN RECEIVED THE FIRST REPORTS FROM THE POLICE LAB...

JUST CHECKED THE FINGERPRINTS OF THE VICTIM, DAVE -- HE SERVED TIME SIX YEARS AGO FOR BURGLARY! NAME, LEONARD HAMMOND -- AGE, 26 -- MARRIED -- ADDRESS GIVEN, 201 SOUTH 2ND!

WANT TO COME ALONG AND SNAP A PICTURE OF THE WIDOW, CLYDE?

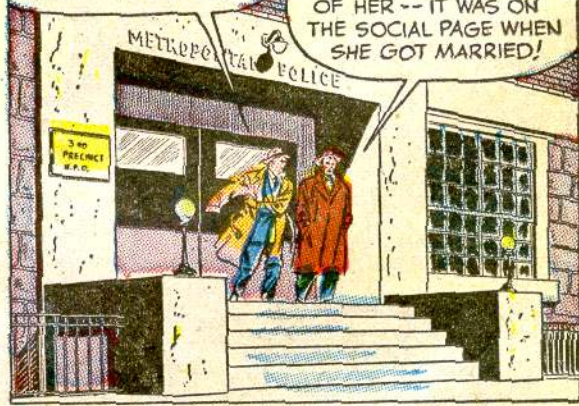
SOME OTHER TIME -- RIGHT NOW I'VE GOT A DATE!

LT. BLACKMAN



FIRST TIME I KNEW YOU TO EVER GIVE UP THE CHANCE OF GETTING A PICTURE SCOOP!

EVEN MURDER TAKES SECOND PLACE TO LOVE, DAVE! BESIDES, MY PAPER HAS A PICTURE OF HER -- IT WAS ON THE SOCIAL PAGE WHEN SHE GOT MARRIED!



SHORTLY AFTER, AT THE HAMMOND HOUSE...

MY POOR HUSBAND -- I -- I DON'T KNOW WHY ANYONE WOULD WANT TO KILL HIM!

IS THIS HIS DESK? THERE MAY BE A CLUE AMONG HIS PAPERS!



HERE'S A NOTE FOR \$500 YOUR HUSBAND OWED SOMEONE NAMED TOM RHODES! ANY IDEA WHO HE IS?

OF COURSE! TOM IS A VERY GOOD FRIEND OF OURS!



DID YOU EVER
OVERHEAR TOM
RHODES AND
YOUR HUSBAND
IN AN ARGUMENT?

WELL--AS A MATTER OF FACT,
TOM **DID** HAVE A LITTLE
SPAT WITH LEN A FEW DAYS
AGO! BUT HE WOULDN'T
KILL HIM, NOT TOM!



IF TOM RHODES HAPPENS TO DROP
IN, DON'T MENTION ANYTHING OF
THIS NOTE, MRS. HAMMOND! I
WANT TO CHECK SOMETHING
ELSE BEFORE I TALK TO HIM!

I WON'T,
LIEUTENANT!



THEN, BACK AT HEADQUARTERS, THE CASE AGAINST
TOM RHODES BEGAN TO BUILD...

THIS BULLET WE
REMOVED FROM
THE VICTIM'S HEAD
CAME FROM THAT
LUGER, LIEUTENANT--

--WHICH WAS
REGISTERED
IN TOM
RHODES' NAME!

LOOKS LIKE
YOU'VE GOT
YOUR KILLER
ALL TIED
UP WITH A
PINK RIBBON,
DAVE!
GOING TO
PICK HIM
UP NOW?



THAT AFTERNOON, AT HIS HOME ON CLARENDON
DRIVE, TOM RHODES WAS COMPLETELY SURPRISED...

--BUT YOU'RE CRAZY IF YOU
THINK I'D KILL LEN! HE
WAS MY BEST FRIEND!

JUST THE SAME, I'M
AFRAID I'LL HAVE
TO HOLD **YOU** ON
SUSPICION!



AT HEADQUARTERS, TOM RHODES ANSWERED
QUESTIONS IN A STRAIGHTFORWARD MANNER...

SURE, THAT'S MY LUGER --
BUT I NEVER HAD BULLETS
FOR IT! LEN HAMMOND
BORROWED IT SOME WEEKS
AGO-- HE SAID HE WANTED
TO SCARE SOMEONE!

CAN YOU TELL ME
EXACTLY WHERE
YOU WERE BETWEEN
7 AND 9 O'CLOCK
TUESDAY NIGHT?



NOWHERE SPECIAL--I
JUST WENT FOR A WALK--
SOMETHING WAS
BOOTHERING ME!

AND I'VE GOT A
PRETTY GOOD IDEA
WHAT IT WAS!
AFRAID I'LL HAVE TO
CONTINUE TO HOLD
YOU ON SUSPICION,
RHODES!



THEN LT. BLACKMAN PAID ONE MORE CALL BEFORE CLOSING THE CASE...

PLEASE BE AS BRIEF AS YOU CAN, LIEUTENANT-- MRS. HAMMOND IS VEGING ON A COMPLETE COLLAPSE!

YES, DOCTOR-- I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT SHE KNEW OF NO OTHER PERSON WHO MIGHT HAVE WANTED TO KILL HER HUSBAND!

NO, NO, NO-- I DON'T KNOW ANYONE AT ALL!

I GUESS THAT WINDS IT UP! BUT IF YOU THINK OF ANYTHING, YOU KNOW WHERE TO FIND ME!

YES, LIEUTENANT!

THAT DAY THE EVIDENCE WAS TURNED OVER TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, VINCENT COLLINS...

WELL, DAVE-- YOU'VE GIVEN ME THE MOTIVE-- THE VICTIM REFUSED TO RETURN \$500 HE OWED THE ACCUSED-- AND THE MURDER WEAPON BELONGED TO TOM RHODES--!

AND HE CANNOT EXPLAIN HIS WHEREABOUTS AT THE TIME OF THE MURDER, D.A.!

IT'S AN OPEN AND SHUT CASE, DAVE-- I'M GOING TO ASK FOR AN IMMEDIATE TRIAL! DON'T FORGET TO BE AROUND TO TESTIFY!

DON'T WORRY-- I'LL BE THERE!

THE TRIAL OPENED IN THE 3RD DISTRICT CRIMINAL COURT ON APRIL 2ND...

RIGHT FROM THE START, IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT THE CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE AGAINST TOM RHODES WAS OVERWHELMING...

ANY CHANCE OF THE VICTIM'S WIDOW ATTENDING THE TRIAL, DAVE?

NO-- SHE SUFFERED A NERVOUS BREAKDOWN!

AND AFTER FOUR DAYS OF ARGUMENT BETWEEN THE OPPOSING LAWYERS...

WE, THE JURY, FIND THE DEFENDANT, THOMAS J. RHODES, GUILTY OF MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE!

WELL, I GUESS THAT'S A FEATHER IN YOUR CAP, TOO, DAVE!

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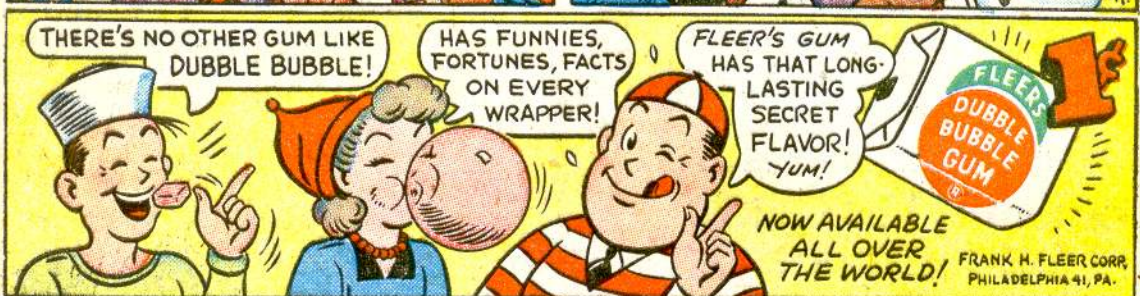
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JUDGE OSCAR HAWLEY SENTENCED THE CONVICTED MAN FOR THE SLAYING OF LEONARD HAMMOND, AND SET THE DATE OF EXECUTION FOR JUNE 15TH...



ONLY ONE MAN DIDN'T REJOICE--THE MAN WHO HAD BROUGHT ABOUT RHODES' ARREST AND CONVICTION--LT. DAVID BLACKMAN!...

THE EVIDENCE AGAINST TOM RHODES WAS CONCLUSIVE FOR THE JURY-- BUT NOT CONCLUSIVE ENOUGH TO ME! THE FIRST THING A KILLER DOES AFTER HE COMMITS A CRIME IS ARRANGE AN ALIBI! BUT HE DIDN'T EVEN MAKE A STAB AT AN ALIBI!



AND WHY DID HE LEAVE HIS LUGER RIGHT OUT IN THE OPEN WHERE WE COULDN'T MISS IT IF WE TRIED? WHY DIDN'T HE HIDE IT, LIKE ANY ORDINARY KILLER WOULD? WHY? WHY?



IN HIS ROOM THAT NIGHT, BLACKMAN VOICED HIS DOUBTS TO CLYDE TINSLEY...

ALL THROUGH THE TRIAL, I KEPT THINKING, "THE CASE IS TOO PAT--EVERYTHING FITS IN TOO PERFECTLY--AS IF--AS IF IT WAS ALL SET UP TO PIN THE RAP ON RHODES!"

FORGET IT, DAVE--YOU'RE JUST NOT HAPPY UNLESS YOU CRACK YOUR CASE THE HARD WAY!



BUT, ON JUNE 12, WHILE CHECKING AN ACCIDENT AT A LOCAL PHOTO-GRAPHERS...

IT WAS JUST STUPID OF ME, THAT'S ALL! I USED A GLASS THAT HAD IN IT SOME OF THE CHEMICAL WE USE HERE!

SHE'LL BE ALL RIGHT!

THE COLOR OF HER SKIN SEEMS TO HAVE TURNED BLUE! HOW COME?



THAT'S FROM THE SILVER SALTS SHE TOOK! A MINOR DOSE TURNS THE SKIN BLUE-- BUT A FATAL DOSE TURNS IT GREEN!

DID YOU SAY, GREEN?



WE WERE SURE LEN HAMMOND DIED OF A BULLET IN HIS BRAIN-- BUT I'M GOING TO ORDER HIS BODY EXHUMED AND DEMAND AN AUTOPSY!

IT'S ALL OVER WITH, DAVE--WHY DON'T YOU LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE?





GANG BUSTERS



THEN, AT THE LAB NEXT DAY, CAME SHOCKING, CORROBORATIVE NEWS...

LOOKS LIKE YOUR HUNCH WAS RIGHT! DEATH RESULTED FROM A DOSAGE OF 30 GRAINS OF SILVER SALTS! THAT BULLET IN HIS HEAD WAS JUST A DECOY!

THANKS, SAM-- TOM RHODES IS SET TO BURN IN TWO DAYS-- IT DOESN'T LEAVE MUCH TIME--!



BLACKMAN VISITED HAMMOND'S WIDOW, WHO WAS NOW LIVING WITH HER MOTHER ON THE EAST SIDE OF TOWN...

VERA HAS JUST RECOVERED FROM A COMPLETE BREAKDOWN-- PLEASE DON'T START THAT BUSINESS ALL OVER AGAIN!

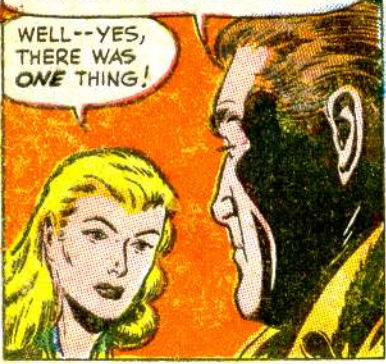
MRS. JOHNSON, I'M SURE YOUR DAUGHTER WOULDN'T WANT AN INNOCENT MAN TO PAY FOR THE MURDER OF HER HUSBAND!

HE'S RIGHT, MOTHER-- WE MUST BE **SURE!** I'M GLAD YOU DON'T THINK TOM DID IT-- HE WAS A GOOD FRIEND OF OURS!



I WANT YOU TO CONCENTRATE-- THINK BACK-- DEEP INTO YOUR MIND-- WAS THERE ANYONE-- ANYONE AT ALL YOUR HUSBAND QUARRELED WITH-- ANYTHING EVEN SLIGHTLY OUT OF THE WAY--?

WELL--YES, THERE WAS **ONE** THING!



LEN AND I HAD BEEN ARGUING-- HE SEEMED TO BE SPENDING AN AWFUL LOT OF HIS WEEKLY PAY-CHECK! THEN HE PROMISED TO CHANGE HIS WAYS--AND A FEW NIGHTS BEFORE HE WAS MURDERED, WE WENT FOR A DRIVE! LEN DIDN'T SEEM TO BE GOING ANYWHERE SPECIAL, BUT...



*...WHEN WE REACHED THE CORNER OF MACKLIN AND HOWE STREETS, HE PARKED, AND SAID HE HAD TO SEE SOMEONE! THEN, I NOTICED THAT SOMEBODY WAS WAITING FOR HIM IN THE ALLEY...

I WONDER WHO THAT IS? I NEVER SAW HIM BEFORE!



DID YOU GET A GOOD LOOK AT THIS MAN? COULD YOU DESCRIBE HIM?

WELL, THERE WAS NOTHING DISTINCTIVE ABOUT HIM-- BUT I THINK I'D RECOGNIZE HIM IF I SAW HIM AGAIN!



I'LL GET YOU SOME POLICE PHOTOS TO LOOK AT--MAYBE YOU'LL PICK HIM OUT! BY THE WAY, WHERE DID YOUR HUSBAND WORK, MRS. HAMMOND?

HE WAS A BOOKKEEPER AT THE JAYSON LOCK COMPANY!



BLACKMAN WENT DIRECTLY TO THE OFFICES OF THE COMPANY ON BEAVER STREET...

DID YOU KNOW THAT LEN HAMMOND HAD SERVED TIME FOR BURGLARY, MR. JASON?

OF COURSE NOT! LEN HANDLED OUR PAYROLL! AS MUCH AS I LIKED HIM, I WOULDN'T HAVE DARED TO LET HIM WORK HERE IF I'D KNOWN THAT!



AND NEXT DAY--THE SAME DAY THAT TOM RHODES ENTERED THE DEATH HOUSE...

CHIEF, THIS IS HOW I RECONSTRUCT THE CRIME-- LEN HAMMOND WAS BEING BLACKMAILED BY SOMEONE WHO THREATENED TO TELL HIS BOSS HE WAS AN EX-CON IF HE DIDN'T PAY OFF! WHEN HE TRIED TO STOP THE PAY-OFF, HE WAS KILLED BY A HEAVY DOSE OF SILVER SALTS!

WELL, YOU HAVEN'T MUCH TIME FOR MRS. HAMMOND TO PUT THE FINGER ON THIS MAN SHE SAW IN THE ALLEY! RHODES DIES TOMORROW!



SUDDENLY...

CHIEF, A REPORT JUST CAME IN--THERE'S BEEN AN EXPLOSION AT VERA HAMMOND'S MOTHER'S HOUSE! SOMEONE SENT HER A BOMB IN A PACKAGE!

GOOD GRIEF! SHE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN IDENTIFY THE REAL KILLER, AND SAVE RHODES FROM THE CHAIR!



BUT WHEN BLACKMAN ARRIVED AT MRS. JOHNSON'S HOME 10 MINUTES LATER...

THE PACKAGE WAS ON THE FRONT PORCH, ADDRESSED TO VERA-- SO I PUT IT ON HER DRESSER, BECAUSE SHE WASN'T HOME AT THE TIME--

WHERE IS SHE?



WELL, SHE AND LEN WERE BOTH GOOD FRIENDS OF TOM RHODES, YOU KNOW-- SO NOW THAT SHE FEELS BETTER, SHE DECIDED TO PAY TOM A VISIT AT THE PRISON! SHE TOOK A TAXI!

I'VE GOT TO GET TO HER!



BLACKMAN SPED TO THE PRISON, BUT...

SORRY, DAVE, BUT SHE LEFT ABOUT FIVE MINUTES AGO! ANY IDEA WHO THE REAL MURDERER IS?

NO, BUT-- WAIT A MINUTE!-- YES, I DO KNOW! BECAUSE ONLY ONE MAN KNEW I WAS ON THE TRACK OF THE REAL KILLER! AND ONLY ONE MAN KNEW THAT VERA HAMMOND COULD PUT THE FINGER ON HIM!



WHAT'S MORE, HE WOULD KNOW ALL ABOUT THE DEADLY EFFECTS OF SILVER SALTS, WHICH IS USED IN PHOTOGRAPHY!

WHO IS IT, DAVE?



CLYDE TINSLEY, THE NEWS PHOTOGRAPHER! HE ALSO KNOWS THAT HIS PACKAGED BOMB DIDN'T KILL VERA HAMMOND! HE'S GOT TO TRY AGAIN! AND I'VE GOT TO STOP HIM!

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I'LL PHONE DOWN FOR A MOTORCYCLE ESCORT, DAVE!

MEANWHILE, 'AT MRS. JOHNSON'S HOME...

I'LL BE BACK AS SOON AS I FINISH SHOPPING, DEAR!

BETTER GET A DOZEN EGGS, TOO, MOTHER!

WHY, YOU'RE THE MAN I SAW WITH LEN IN THE ALLEY THAT NIGHT--!

THAT'S RIGHT--HE THREATENED TO SPILL MY BLACKMAILING RACKET TO THE COPS! IF HE'D KEPT HIS MOUTH SHUT, HE'D BE ALIVE TODAY! AND IF YOU HADN'T SPOTTED ME THAT NIGHT, I WOULDN'T HAVE TO KILL YOU NOW!

AND IF YOU DIDN'T THINK YOU COULD BLACKMAIL AND MURDER AND GET AWAY WITH IT-- YOU WOULDN'T BE ABOUT TO BE ARRESTED YOURSELF!

OW-- MY HAND!

WORKING WITH THE POLICE, YOU KNEW WHEN CONS WERE RELEASED! THEN, WHEN THEY TRIED TO HIDE THEIR PRISON BACKGROUND AND GO STRAIGHT, YOU BEGAN BLACKMAILING THEM! WHEN LEN HAMMOND GOT SICK OF PAYING YOU OFF AND THREATENED TO SPILL THE WHOLE ROTTEN STORY TO US, YOU HAD TO KILL HIM!

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GOVERNOR, I'VE GOT DEFINITE PROOF TOM RHODES IS INNOCENT, AND THAT CLYDE TINSLEY IS GUILTY OF HAMMOND'S MURDER!

I'LL ORDER A STAY OF EXECUTION IMMEDIATELY, DAVE!

AND NEXT DAY...

THANKS FOR WORKING OVERTIME, LIEUTENANT-- THAT CIRCUMSTANTIAL CASE AGAINST ME WAS SO STRONG, I WONDERED IF I ACTUALLY WAS THE KILLER!

I NEVER WONDERED FOR A MOMENT-- AFTER YOU WERE CONVICTED, BUT I HAD TO PROVE IT!

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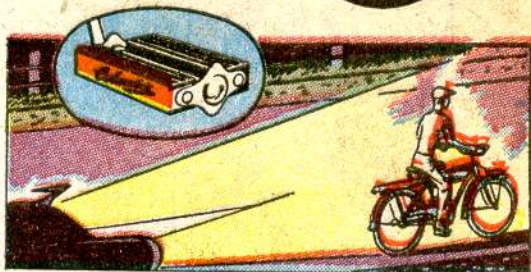
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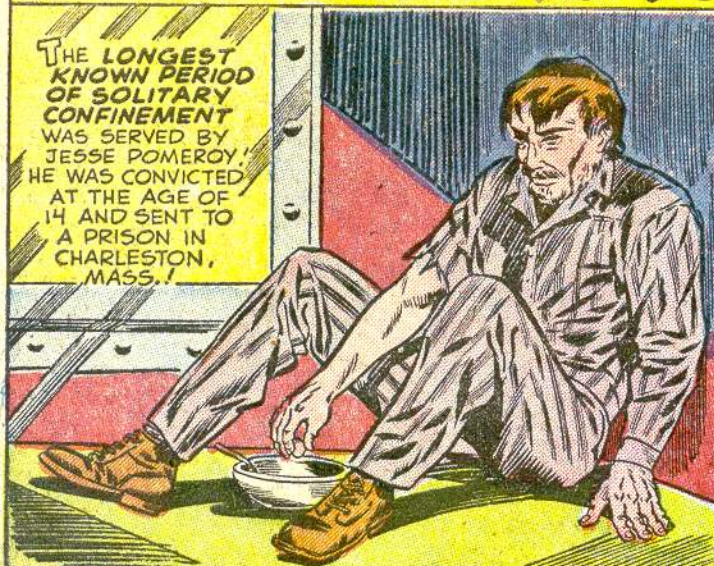
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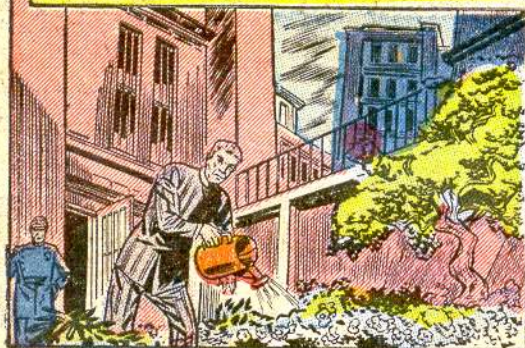
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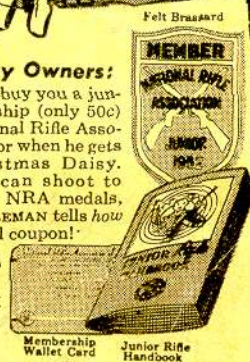
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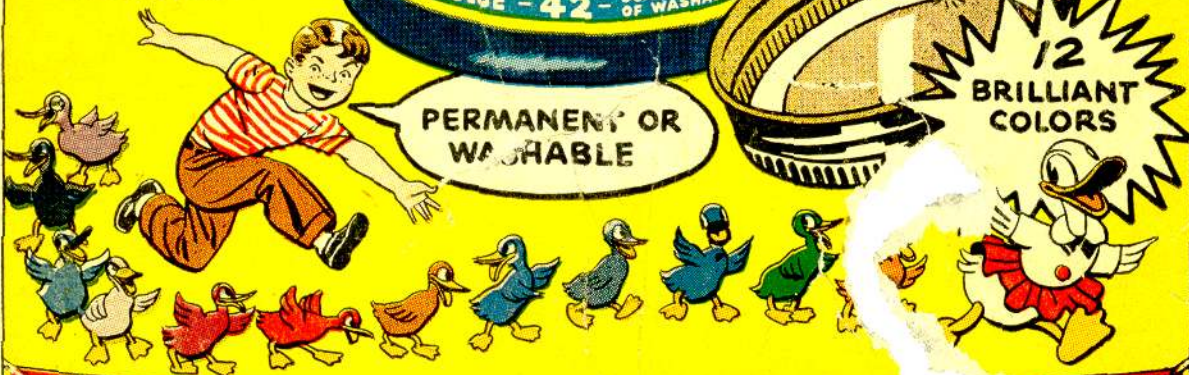
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