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I TOLD YOU I HAD THERE'LL BE A FIVE-STATE ALARM THAT PART OF IT ALI SET, LUKE! WE'RE OUT FOR ME BY MORNING! I'VE GOTTA FIND A ARCHITECT BOWEN! PLACE TO LAY HE'S EXPENSIVE ... BUT LOW! HE'S TOPS! CHARLE BRIDGE THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF TH

BOWEN DROVE TO THE ISLAND THAT NIGHT.

"THAT NIGHT, LUKE TELLER CONFRONTED HARRY BOWEN ... 5

GET THIS STRAIGHT BUSTER! I WANT A HIDEOUT WHERE I CAN COOL OFF! WHAT HAVE

YA GOT?

EVERYTHING, LUKE! YOU AND YOUR BOY COME WITH ME ... I'LL SHOW YOU ... IT'S REAL SAFE ...

WHAT'SA IDEA, BOWEN? THIS IS A CEMETERY FOR BROKEN-DOWN TRAINS! WHY'D YA BRING ME

"ONCE INSIDE..."

WITH LUKE TELLER LYING ON THE FLOOR IN THE BACK OF HIS CAR. TO A ROUNDHOUSE ... YOU WANTED A HIDEOUT,

WOW! LOOK WHAT

DIDN'T YOU? A GOOD ONE WHERE THE COPS WOULD NEVER THINK OF LOOKING FOR YOU! WELL. FOLLOW ME! HERE?

BOWEN LED THE WAY, WEAVING HIS WAY THROUGH THE INNUMERABLE CARS. FINALLY ...

WHAT IS THIS. CHARACTER? A BEAT-UP OLD CAR! I OUGHTTA KNOCK YOUR BRAINS IN BEFORE I LET

STAND BACK, BOSS ... LEMME AT 'IM ... IT'S THE

EASY, LUKE. AND STEP INSIDE THE CAR! THEN

TAKE IT

THIS PLACE IS LIKE! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! IT'S LIKE A PLUSH HOTEL SUITE! ONLY BETTER! COME ON ... TO THE CLUB CAR!













... POLICE WERE TO ADMIT IT WAS THE MOST



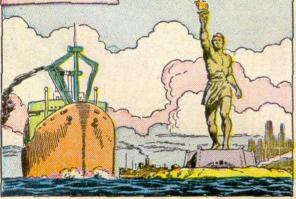








"IN THE HARBOR STOOD A GIGANTIC STATUE OF A GREEK OLYMPIC HERO ... ONE HAND HELD FORWARD, SYMBOLICALLY SUPPORTING THE



BOWEN! THING TO ME! MY PRICES ARE HIGH -- BUT MY HIDE OUTS HAVE ALWAYS BAFFLED THE COPS! FOLLOW ME! YOU'RE A GENIUS, BROTHER!

STATUE, THEN LANDED ON THE GREAT HAND ...

LEAVE EVERY-

THIS IS CRAZY.

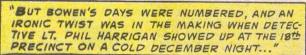
" THEY MADE THEIR WAY TO THE FLAME ... THEN ENTERED THROUGH ONE OF THE WINDOWS OF THE GIGANTIC TORCH

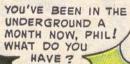












FIRST ... NEED OF A GOOD MEAL, A BATH AND A SHAVE! BUT SERIOUSLY. I THINK WE'VE GOT, THE



NOT ONLY IS HE WANTED FOR THAT OLD FORGERY JOB ... BUT HE'S BEEN THE BIG WHEEL IN HIDING OUT CROOKS IN THIS TOWN! YOU WON'T BELIEVE THIS WHEN I TELL YOU ... BUT, SO HELP ME, IT'S THE TRUTH! NOW LISTEN... I'VE GOT EVERY PLACE MARKED ...

IT WAS NEAR 10:00 THAT NIGHT THAT BOWEN RECEIVED A PHONE CALL ... FROM ONE OF HIS UNDERWORLD ASSOCIATES ...!

BOWEN TURNED OUT THE LIGHTS IN HIS FLAT, PEERED OUT THE WINDOW ... AND SAW A SQUAD CAR DRAWING UP IN FRONT.". HE WASN'T KIDDING ...



THEY HAVE TUMBLED! AND THEY'RE HERE ALREADY! I'D BETTER LAM!

THUS, KNOWING IN ADVANCE OF THE INTENDED RAID, BOWEN WAS ABLE TO SLIP OUT A BACK WAY, AND

INTO THE NIGHT ... S THEY'LL TRY TO TRACK ME DOWN ... GET A DRAGNET OUT FOR ME ... HAUL ME IN ON THAT OLD FORGERY JOB ... SEND ME TO PRISON ... NO! I WON'T LET THEM! I WON'T!

I'VE HIDDEN OUT MANY GANGSTERS ... AND THE COPS NEVER GOT THEM! IT'S EASY! I'LL HIDE MYSELF! YEAH ... SURE ... I'VE GOT THE BEST HIDEOUTS IN THE WORLD ... THEY'RE 4 NOT GETTING ARCHITECT

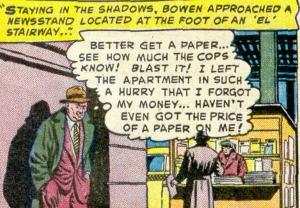


WAIT! THEY KNOW ABOUT MY HIDEOUTS! HE SAID THEY HAD 'EM ALL LISTED! I'D BE FOOLISH TO GO TO ANY OF THEM! THEY'D













WHAT A LAUGH... I'VE
HIDDEN THE BIGGEST
GUYS IN GANGLAND...
I'VE STYMIED THE
PO! ICE FOR YEARS WITH
MY HIDEOUTS! YET...
NOW I CAN'T FIND A
PLACE! I'M TOO HOT
TO HIDE! HUH...
SOMEONE'S
COMIN'...





THE VICTIM... LATER IDENTIFIED AS HAROLD L. DREWS... WAS KILLED INSTANTLY BY THE BLOW, AND AS BOWEN SEARCHED HIM, HE MADE AN UNUSUAL DISCOVERY...

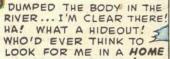
NOT MUCH CASH ON HIM... BUT THIS LETTER! THE GUY WAS BLIND! HE WAS TAKING A TAXI TO THE BLIND MAN'S HOME! THIS WAS HIS OD ADMITTANCE LETTER...

HIS IDENTIFICATION, TOO!

NOW IT'S MINE!









IT WAS 10:00 THAT NIGHT WHEN BOWEN ARRIVED AT THE HOME FOR THE BLIND ... AND IT WAS THERE I FIRST ENTERED THE CASE. I WAS AT THE SWITCHBOARD ...

THE _ YES ... I HAVE A ATTENDANT LETTER FOR YOU. IS OUT JUST A LETTER OF ADMITTANCE NOW --- MAY I HELP YOU? TO THIS HOME. I'LL SHOW YOU ...



I TOOK THE LETTER FROM HIM, READ IT. THEN SHOWED HIM TO A SPARE ROOM ...

THIS WILL BE YOUR ROOM UNTIL MORNING! THEN WE'LL COMPLETE

ALL THE NECESSARY

S THANK YOU .. THANK YOU VERY MUCH!



BEAUTIFUL! POSITIVELY BEAUTIFUL! ARCHITECT BOWEN DOES IT AGAIN ... THE INGENIOUS TERRIFIC HIDEOUT! I DEFY THE COPS TO FIND ME NOW!



BUT, TO THE CRIMINAL'S UTTER ASTONISHMENT... IT WAS ONLY FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER THAT THE POLICE FLUNG OPEN THE DOOR TO HIS ROOM ... COPS! IMPOSSIBLE! REACH, BOWEN! YET YOU'RE HERE! HOW DID YOU YOU DON'T STAND FIND ME ? A CHANCE!

HUH? YEAH ... YOU MURDERED A BLIND MAN ... AND TOOK HIS PLACE! BUT, THE PAPER YOU FORGOT TWO THINGS, IN MY POCKET! BOWEN! ONE ... A BLIND MAN DOESN'T READ A NEWSPAPER!

MISS RAY NOTICED THE NEWSPAPER IN YOUR POCKET WHEN YOU FIRST WALKED IN! THAT MADE HER SUSPICIOUS. THEN SHE SAW THROUGH THE TRANSOM THAT YOU HAD TURNED THE LIGHTS ON IN THE ROOM SHE GAVE YOU! SO SHE KNEW YOU WERE NOT BLIND ... AND PHONED US! COME ON, BOWEN ... LET'S WALK!

















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POLIO

GAMMA GLOBULINobtained from human blood-

protects for a few weeks. But it is in very short supply.



When POLIO is around, follow these PRECAUTIONS

- 1 Keep clean
- 2 Don't get fatigued
- 3 Avoid new groups
- 4 Don't get chilled

A VACCINE

is not ready for 1953. But there is hope for the future.



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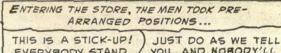
PAWNSHOP POLICEMAN

WHAT DO YOU THINK A PAWNSHOP IS? ONLY A SOURCE OF MONEY WHERE THE DESPERATE CAN
HOCK THEIR VALUABLES FOR CASH? TAKE A CLOSER LOOK, SOMETIMES, AS IN THIS
PARTICULAR STORE, YOU'LL SEE HOLES EMBEDDED IN THE WOODWORK, THEY INDICATE
ANOTHER, MORE DANGEROUS TYPE OF ACTIVITY THAT OCCASIONALLY OCCURS WITHIN
A PAWNSHOP!



ON THE AFTERNOON OF DECEMBER 15, 1952, AT THE HEIGHT OF THE CHRISTMAS SHOPPING HOUR, A BLACK FOUR-DOOR SEDAN ROLLED TO A STOP IN FRONT OF BELDING'S JEWELRY STORE, AT 374 JAY STREET. THREE MEN EMERGED...

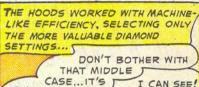




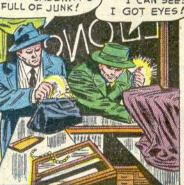








I CAN SEE!



A CLERK, THOUGHT HE SAW AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESS THE ALARM BUZZER, AND ... MAKE IT SNAPPY. YOU GUYS! WE

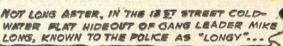
JUST THEN, JAMES SLATTERY, 32,











NOT A BAD HAWL, EH, LONGY? I MADE SURE I GRABBED ONLY THE REAL EXPENSIVE

YEAH ... MAYBE A LITTLE TOO EXPENSIVE!

DYA MEAN. TOO EXPENSIVE?

TAHW

STUFF, EVERY FENCE IN TOWN WILL BE WATCHED BY THE POLICE. HOW WE GONNA TURN IT IN? SAY, I NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT, LONGY!

JUST WHAT I SAID! WE NEED READY

CASH IM A HURRY! WITH THIS KIND OF





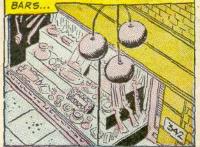




WAIT A MINUTE ... JOE'S RIGHT! VASSALLO /S
KINDA PALSY WITH THE COPS, BUT ONLY WHEN
HE'S SUSPICIOUS! MAYBE IF WE PLAY OUR
CARDS RIGHT, HE'LL NEVER



AT THIS POINT, RUDY VASSALLO, LICENSED PAWNBROKER, OWNER OF A SMALL STORE AT 342 SICKLE STREET, ENTERED THE CASE. VASSALLO WAS NO STRANGER TO CRIME. HIS VAST KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF HUMAN NATURE HAD PUT DOZENS OF HODDLUMS BEHIND BARS...



FOR INSTANCE, ONLY A MONTH BEFORE, WHEN A THUG HAD ENTERED THE SHOP TO PAWN A CAMERA...

HOW MUCH WILL I GIVE YOU FOR THIS CAMERA? LET'S SEE ...MM, HOW ABOUT \$10?



BUT INSTEAD OF FALLING ON CASH, RUDY'S HAND GRASPED A GUN...

YOU CHEAP CROOK,
YOU STOLE IT! THIS
CAMERA IS WORTH
PLAYS?
\$250.22 AND NO ONE
WOULD ACCEPT A
MEASLY \$10.22 FOR
SOMETHING THAT HAP
COST HIM 25 TIMES
MORE... AND BE IN
A HURRY TO GET



AND, DURING THE BLIZZARD OF THE PREVIOUS FEBRUARY, WHEN A MAN ENTERED CARRYING AN EXPENSIVE BEAVER COAT... S OF COURSE

VERY NICE TAILORING!
I CAN LET YOU HAVE
\$100 ON IT! DOES
YOUR WIFE KNOWYOU'RE PAWNING
IT?

OF COURSE...

IT WAS HER IDEA!

BUT SHE NEEDS THE

MONEY FOR AN

OPERATION.



BUT WHEN THE MAN SOON TRIED TO LEAVE ...









WAS ANOTHER MATTER...
HARDENED AND SHREWD CRIMINALS
WHO PLAYED FOR KEEPS, AND
"LONGY" WAS NO SMALL-TIME HOOD
WHO MADE STUPID MISTAKES! HE
WAS HARDLY RECOGNIZABLE AS
THE CRIMINAL HE
ACTUALLY WAS BY THE
TIME HE WAS READY TO PAY
RUDY VASSALLO A VISIT NEXT
DAY...





AN HOUR LATER LONG CASUALLY STROLLED VINTO RUDY VASSALLO'S PAWNSHOP...

AFRAID I'LL HAVE TO BORROW A BIT ON THE FAMILY JEWELS, OLD MAN! PLAYED THE WRONG HORSE ONCE TOO OFTEN, YOU KNOW!































BUT RUDY VASSALLO'S AIM WASN'T AS BAD AS THE HOODS THOUGHT! IN FACT, HE WAS HITTING HIS TARGET EVERY TIME ...





SHOOT! DON'T SHOOT!

NICE WORK, VASSALLO! I HATE SAY, I DON'T WEAR TO ADMIT IT, BUT I THINK THIS HONORARY POLICE YOU'VE CAUGHT AS MANY LIEUTENANT'S BADGE FOR CROOKS AS I HAVE! NOTHING, YOU KNOW!



FOR THE COLD-BLOODED MURDER OF THE JEWELRY CLERK, ON THE AFTERNOON OF DECEMBER 15, ALL FOUR MEN WERE TRIED AND FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE. AND ON APRIL 17th THE FOURSOME WAS EXECUTED AT THE DEATH HOUSE IN STATE PRISON ...

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SHERIFF WALKER ARRIVED SOON AFTER, EXAMINED THE CORPSE OF GERALD PUTNAM, THEN ENTERED THE RANCH HOUSE ...

IT-IT HAPPENED THIS WAY SHERIFF. I HAD THE LIGHT OUT IN HERE, WAS GETTING READY FOR BED, WHEN I SUDDENLY HEARD, A NOISE OUTSIDE, I REMEMBERED THAT WOLF YOU MENTIONED, AND GRABBED MY RIFLE



WHEN I GOT OUTSIDE, IT WAS PITCH BLACK, AS YOU MAY'VE NOTICED! ALL I SAW WERE TWO EYES SHININ' IN THE DARK NESS! I WAS SURE THEN IT WAS THE WOLF, AND BLAZED AWAY!"



SHOT GERALD PUTHAM!

IT'S A CONVINCING STORY. ISNT READERS BUT WILL SHERIFF WALKER FALL FOR

THINK IT OVER NOU YOU READ THE NEXT PAGE!











TWO OF A KIND

The stories of famed Samuel S. Leibowitz, judge and former attorney, are legion. But among the best are those concerning his career when he was a young and struggling lawyer, whose courtroom tactics always were marked with a brilliance unmatched by his colleagues.

This anecdote concerns the case of one John B. Coughlin, whose wife retained Leibowitz as defense counsel after her hus band had been arrested for swindling strangers of several hundred dollars. Twenty victims swore that Coughlin—using the name of Miller—had duped them. An incongruous accusation, thought Leibowitz, when Coughlin himself admitted to having \$40,000 in the bank. Moreover, his employer furnished an A-1 character reference and friends and business associates rallied to Coughlin's support. Nonetheless, the charge remained, and one morning John B. Coughlin, as the mysterious Miller, came to trial.

En route to court, Leibowitz snapped up a copy of a newspaper, whose front page bore a photograph of yesterday's tragic disaster, the burning and destruction of the German dirigible, *Hindenburg*, in New Jersey. He scanned through the paper, and both Coughlin and his wife could not help but notice a radiant glow of confidence when he greeted them.

Leibowitz's first witness was one of Coughlin's accusers. He addressed the judge. "I shan't repeat this question of the remaining 19 witnesses, Your Honor, because I doubt whether it will be necessary even to summon them to the stand." He faced the witness. "And now, Sir, would you be good enough to identify the gentleman at my table?"

The witness, Atkinson, glared balefully. "His name is Miller, and he gypped me out of \$100!"

Leibowitz extended the carefully-folded newspaper, proffering a man's photograph. "And who is this?" he added.

"That's Miller, too!"

"Thank you, sir," snapped Leibowitz, and offered the newspaper to the judge, unfolding the page so that it revealed the pictures and names of the Hindenburg's victims. "Your Honor, this witness—and 19 others—positively identified my client, John B. Coughlin, as the man who had swindled them. This witness also identified this photo as that of Coughlin. Yet, according to the caption, this picture is that of a man who died in yesterday's catastrophe in New Jersey, a man who had never been in this country, a passenger aboard the Hindenburg. If Your Honor please, I submit this photo in evidence!"

The case, of course, was dismissed, for ironically, while a double for Coughlin, someone named Miller, had caused his arrest, another double had set him free.

LOONEY LAWS

Whether they are inspired by a sense of humor or have a serious basis that nobody is willing to admit, legislators in many states are meeting to consider some unusual laws. For instance, in California, it would be illegal to give a kitten to a child without consent of

the parents. Women would be prohibited from wrestling in Massachusetts. Connecticut would impose a special tax on people who are tall or fat, or who have big feet. And persons in Oregon wishing to dig a hole more than 10 feet deep would have to fill it before they can dig it!

If passed, these would be on a par with some of the whoppers already on the books of some states. For instance, it is a statutory offense to give away a cigarette in Illinois. In North Dakota, it is against the law to dance in the dark or sell candy cigarettes to children, and if you dangle your feet out of an automobile window in Massachusetts, you can either be fined or sent to jail!

PREXY'S GUARD

Any time you see a picture of the President of the United States in public, you are aware of several grim-looking guardians. President Eisenhower's predilection for golf has added two men to the staff of agents, charged with his safety. On the links, one precedes him, the other follows.

Who are these Secret Service men, who dedicate their professional lives to protecting the Chief Executive and his family? According to U. E. Baughman, Chief of the unit, no estimate of the number of agents is available to anyone. A branch of the Treasury Dept., the Secret Service's main task is detecting counterfeiters, among other unpublicized duties which concern the security of the nation. Guarding the President, the Vice-President and their families is only one of their details. But this is top priority.

Before McKinley's assassination, a president enjoyed no extra police precautions. Congress took the matter in hand, and thus in 1901, Theodore Roosevelt was the first to be the subject of an elaborate protective system. Since then, the motto of the Secret Service has been "Never take a chance," although a few potential killers have slipped through their network.

The agent goes through a rigorous course before assigned to duty. He is a scholar as well as a strongman, for his classroom curriculum includes the fundamentals of biological, atomic and chemical warfare as well as other heady subjects. He is trained in judo, first-aid, and firefighting. And last but not least,

he is expert with automatics, revolvers, and every type of weapon.

Wherever the President appears, alert agents surround him, always scanning crowds and rooftops for danger. They know that as long as there are fanatics, he is a marked man. Before the President goes anywhere, agents scout the area, inspect the route, note entrances and exits in case of emergency, investigate persons who will serve him or be close enough to pose a threat to his life.

Often a presidential trip takes on the appearance of a military campaign. Agents plotted President Truman's visit to New York on Navy Day in 1946 in 250 typewritten pages, with every phase made known to the forces.

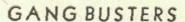
Another function of the Secret Service is handling the threatening letters received by the President. This is handled by the Protective Research Section, which, in most cases, dismisses the writers with a word of caution. As Chief Baughman says:

"We realize that sometimes personal problems stemming from present conditions may result in intemperate oral or written outbursts which justify an investigation, but which later prove to be of little protective interest."

BLOTTER JOTTINGS

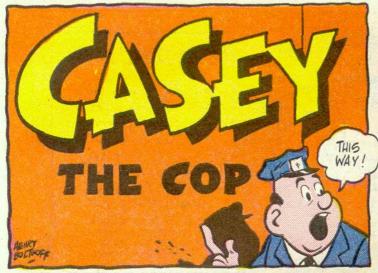
NEW YORK CITY: The author of a book entitled, "How to Commit Murder and Get Away with It," sentenced to jail for 20 years to life after being found guilty on an assault and robbery rap—his 21st arrest—put his off-hours to good use. Recently, after studying the law, he appealed his case on the contention that sentence was imposed on him illegally because he had not been represented by counsel and hadn't been advised of his right of counsel when he had pleaded guilty. General Sessions Court sustained him, reducing the term 10 years.

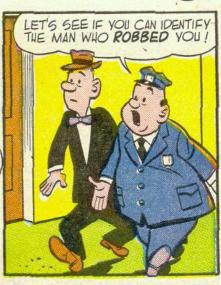
ST. LOUIS: On opening his cleaning-and-dyeing store, an owner found his safe with \$800 missing. Soon after, he received a phone call from the thief, who offered to return the safe in exchange for the combination, otherwise he would have to wreck it. Rather than have his \$300 safe ruined, the store proprietor complied. A short time later, he arrived to claim his safe, undamaged but empty, at a specified place.







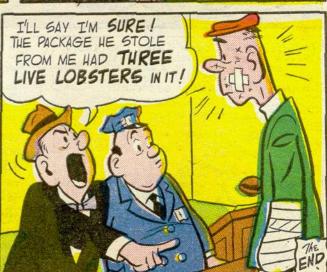






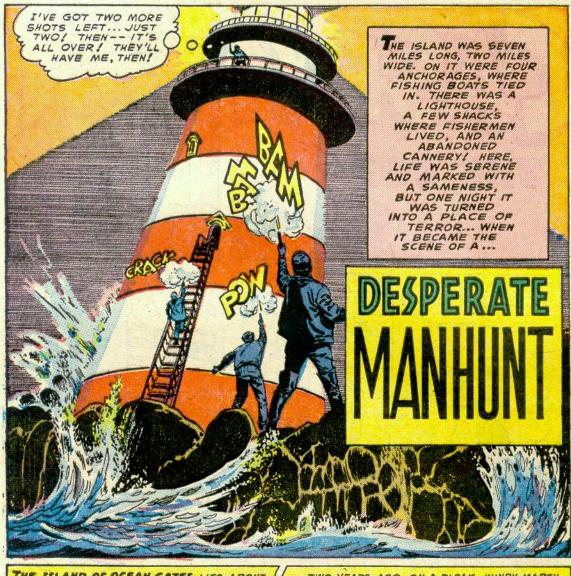






















A LIGHTER WITH A MIRROR BUILT INTO ITS. CASE.



WELL! WAYBE WE'RE HITTING PAY DIRT! THOSE TWO SUSPECT ME OF SOMETHING! THEY'RE FOLLOWING .





DON'T KNOW ... WE'VE LOST HIM! WE'D BETTER GET BACK AND TELL THE BOYS! HE MIGHT BE A SPOTTER!









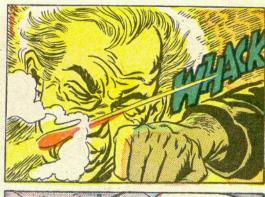
















HE WAS HERE -- TAKING DOWN THE MESSAGE YOU WERE SENDIN !! HE COULD HEAR THE RADIO FROM OUT HERE! I GOT HIS DESCRIPTION -- I SURE GOT A GOOD LOOK AT HIM!

YOU GOT A GOOD TOUCH OF HIM, TOO! OKAY -- CALL THE OTHERS ON THE ISLAND! HAVE 'EM FORM A DRAGNET!

HE CAN'T SWIM TO THE MAINLAND --- WHOEVER HE WAVES AND COLD WATER WILL BEAT HIM! OUR JOB IS TO GET 'IM! AND WE WILL! LET'S GO!











































TO MATT DOERR'S MIND CAME BLACKNESS, AND AFTER THAT, THE LIGHT ... AND WARM SHEETS ...

YOU'VE AWAKENED AT LAST!
YOU'RE ON THE MAINLAND,
MATT, AND YOU'VE BEEN
UNCONSCIOUS FOR TWO
HOURS... A SCALP
WOUND!

I'M GLAD YOU
TOLD ME! I WAS
BEGINNING TO THINK.
LOOK, JUST WHAT
DID HAPPEN BACK

WOUND! THERE?

THE LIGHTHOUSE CARETAKER
TURNED OUT THE BEACON
LIGHT! THAT WAS FAST
THINKING, MATT-BECAUSE
IT IMMEDIATELY SUMMONED
A COAST GUARD CUTTER!
THEY TOOK THE GANG IN
HAND-MAND IT'S ALL

NOW I CAN TAKE THAT LONG, LOOKED-FOR VACATION! AND, CHIEF--THIS MIGHT EVEN BE BETTER THAN THE SOUTH SEAS!





