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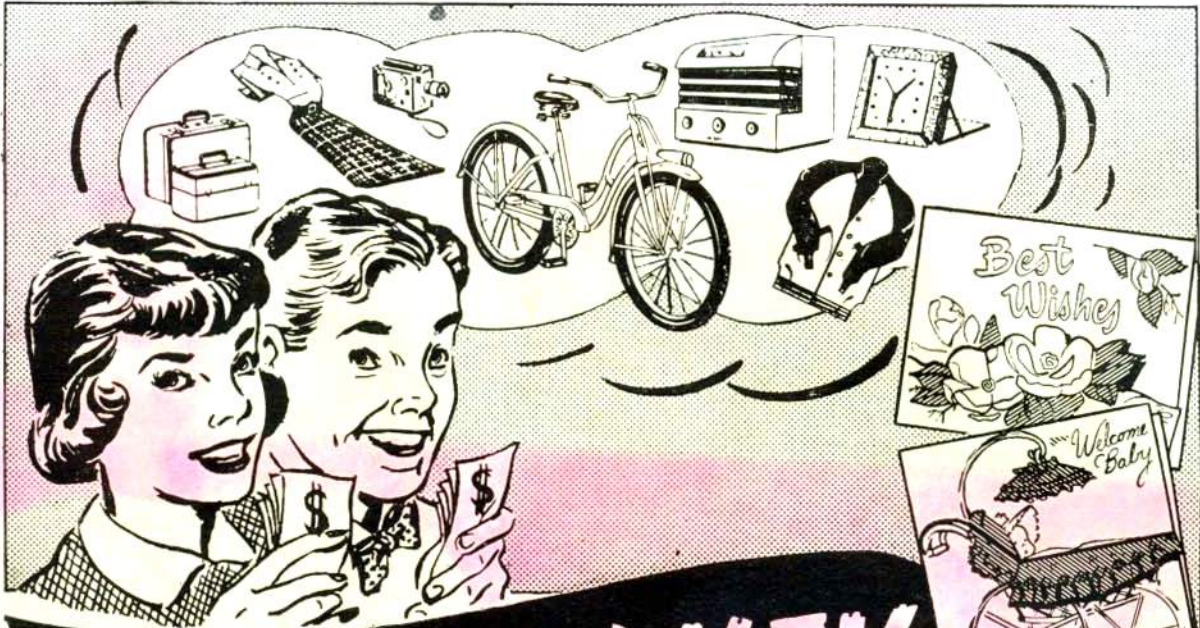
GANG BUSTERS

YOU'VE MADE THESE MASKS
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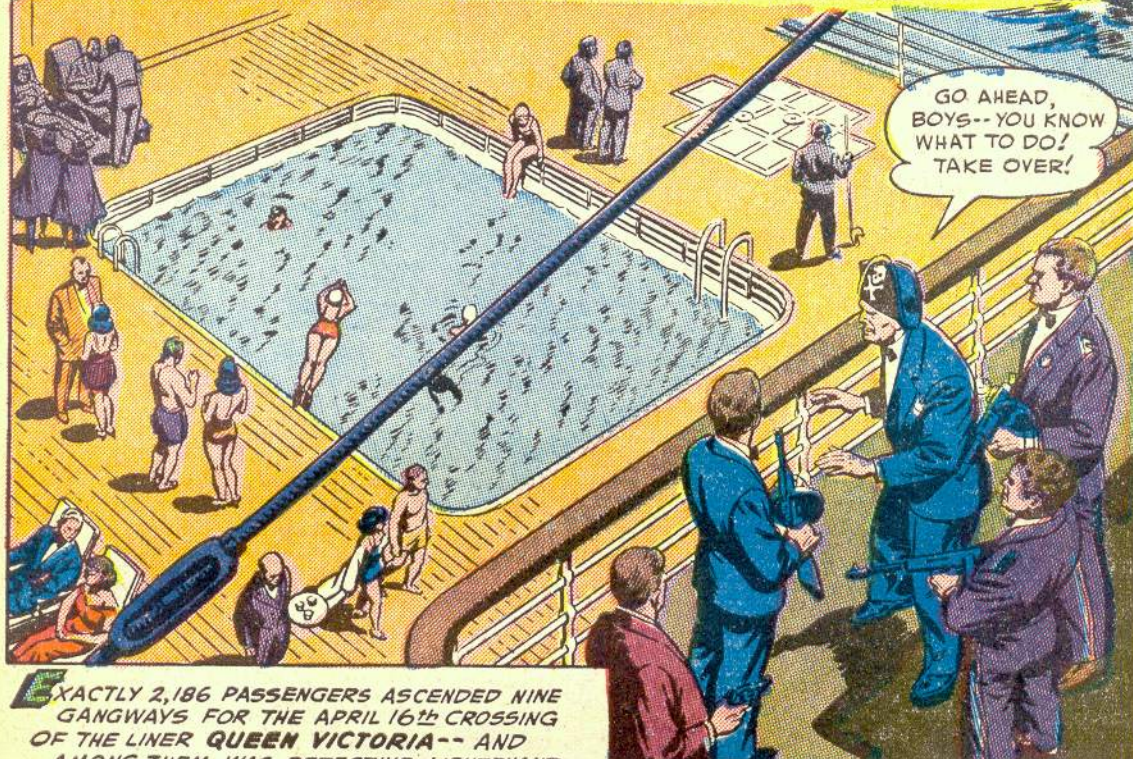
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The GREAT OCEAN-LINER ROBBERY!

A MODERN OCEAN LINER, CARRYING MORE THAN 3,000 PEOPLE, IS LIKE A SMALL, PROSPEROUS CITY! ON ITS 14 DECKS, AND IN ITS 1,000-ODD ROOMS, LIVE SOME OF OUR WEALTHIEST CITIZENS, MOST OF WHOM HAVE BROUGHT ALONG LARGE AMOUNTS OF CASH, AS WELL AS PRIZED AND PRECIOUS VALUABLES! WHAT FOLLOWS IS A CASE UNIQUE IN THE ANNALS OF CRIME... OF A GANG-ATTEMPT AT MODERN PIRACY ON A SCOPE UNPRECEDENTED IN MARITIME HISTORY! HERE ARE THE FACTS...



EXACTLY 2,186 PASSENGERS ASCENDED NINE GANGWAYS FOR THE APRIL 16th CROSSING OF THE LINER QUEEN VICTORIA-- AND AMONG THEM WAS DETECTIVE-LIEUTENANT HARRY HAINES AND HIS BRIDE...

IMAGINE, DEAR...
GOING TO
EUROPE FOR
OUR HONEYMOON!

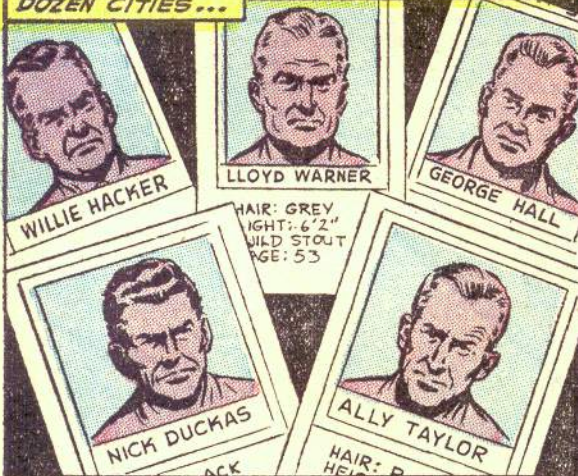
I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE IT,
HONEY! WHO EVER
DREAMED THE WHOLE
DEPARTMENT WOULD
CHIP IN WITH TWO TICKETS
AS A WEDDING PRESENT?



AT THE SAME TIME, FIVE MEN, CONSERVATIVELY DRESSED IN DARK BUSINESS SUITS, FILED UNOBTUSIVELY UP ANOTHER GANGWAY...



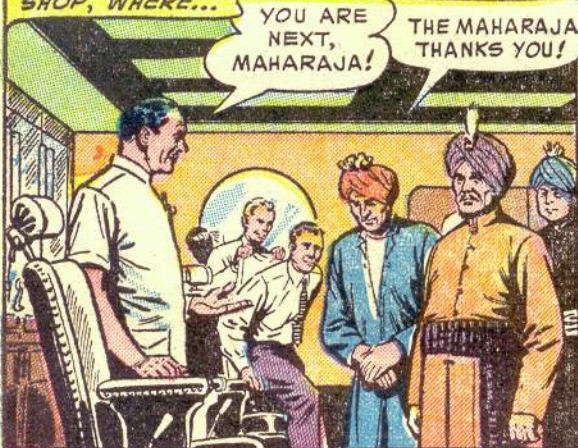
WHO WERE THESE MEN? THEIR NAMES WERE NO STRANGERS TO POLICE BLOTTERS IN A DOZEN CITIES...



REACHING THE FIRST-CLASS DECK, THEY PAUSED AGAINST THE RAILING TO HEAR WILLIE HACKER NONCHALANTLY WHISPER AN INSTRUCTION...



BY PRE-ARRANGED PLAN, THE MEN SEPARATED. ALLY TAYLOR STROLLED INTO THE BARBER SHOP, WHERE...



TAKE A SEAT, MR. BARBER! THE MAHARAJA ALWAYS TRAVELS WITH HIS OWN HAIR-CUTTER!

THE MAHARAJA CANNOT BE TOO CAREFUL! EXCUSE ME, PLEASE!



THE SECOND HOOD, GEORGE HALL, SAUNTERED OVER TO THE SWIMMING POOL, WHERE HE MINGLED WITH THE SPECTATORS...



WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO SOME SWIMMING, SIR?

NO, THANKS-- I DON'T SWIM!



NICK DUKAS, A THREE-TIME OFFENDER, JOINED THE CROWDS ON THE SPACIOUS SPORT DECK--



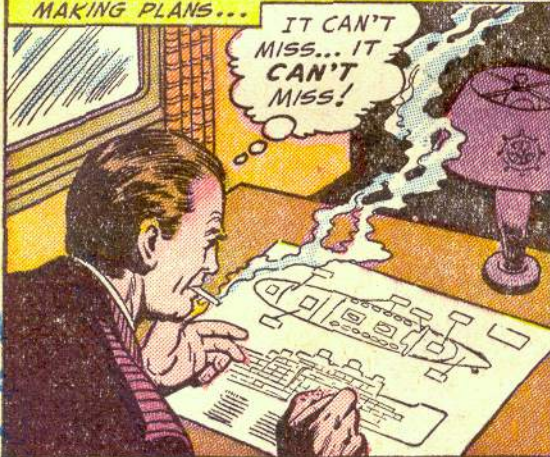
-- WHILE THE FOURTH MAN, LLOYD WARNER, CONVENIENTLY LOST HIMSELF IN THE GYMNASIUM.

THAT FELLOW'S PRETTY GOOD!

HE SHOULD BE! HE'S TOMMY NEWHOUSE, GOING TO ENGLAND TO FIGHT THE BRITISH WELTERWEIGHT CHAMP NEXT MONTH!

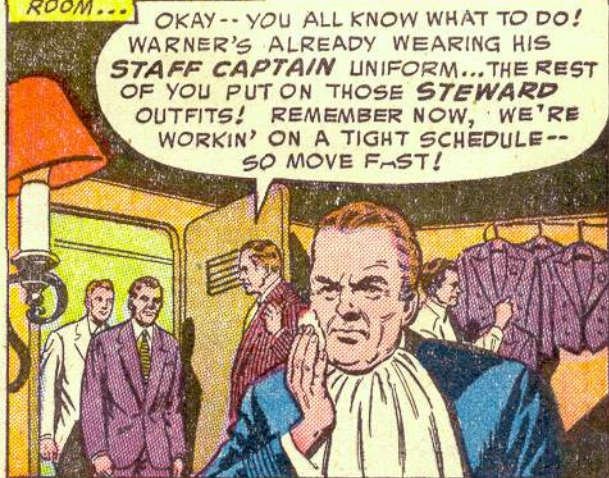


IN THE MEANTIME, WILLIE HACKER, LEADER OF THE GROUP, REMAINED IN HIS STATEROOM, MAKING PLANS...



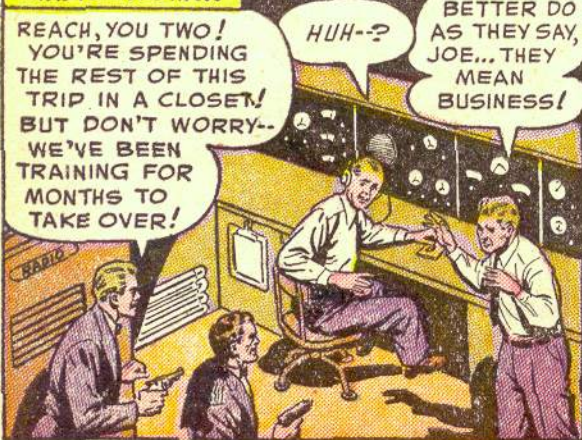
IT CAN'T MISS... IT CAN'T MISS!

FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS, THE FIVE MEN AVOIDED EACH OTHER IN THIS VAST FLOATING CITY! THEN, AT EXACTLY 2:45 THE FOLLOWING DAY, IN HACKER'S ROOM...



OKAY-- YOU ALL KNOW WHAT TO DO! WARNER'S ALREADY WEARING HIS **STAFF CAPTAIN** UNIFORM...THE REST OF YOU PUT ON THOSE **STEWARD** OUTFITS! REMEMBER NOW, WE'RE WORKIN' ON A TIGHT SCHEDULE-- SO MOVE FAST!

15 MINUTES LATER, THE MEN SWIFTLY AND SILENTLY WENT TO THEIR TASKS! DUKAS AND HALL GUNNED THEIR WAY INTO THE RADIO ROOM...



REACH, YOU TWO! YOU'RE SPENDING THE REST OF THIS TRIP IN A CLOSET! BUT DON'T WORRY-- WE'VE BEEN TRAINING FOR MONTHS TO TAKE OVER!

HUH--?

BETTER DO AS THEY SAY, JOE... THEY MEAN BUSINESS!

AT THE SAME TIME, HACKER AND WARNER ENTERED THE SUITE THAT SERVED AS THE CAPTAIN'S OFFICE...



WE WANT TO SEE THE CAPTAIN!

SORRY... HE'S IN CONFERENCE WITH THE STAFF CAPTAIN! WAIT... WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

SOMEONE WISH TO SEE ME, MISS DUNNING?

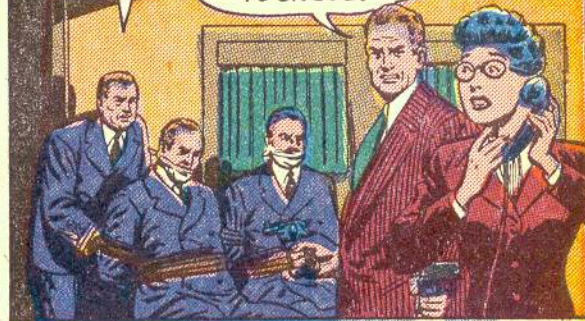
TAKE IT EASY, CAPTAIN--
THESE RODS ARE LOADED!
YOUR SHIP'S GONNA HAVE
TO DO WITHOUT YOU FOR
THE NEXT 24 HOURS--
AND WITH A BRAND
NEW STAFF
CAPTAIN!

HE--
HE'S A
DEAD
RINGER
FOR ME!

SURE...
THAT'S
WHY THE
BOSS
BROUGHT
ME IN ON
THIS JOB!

BUT, BOSS--
WON'T SOMEBODY
WONDER WHY THE
CAPTAIN NEVER
SHOWS UP ANY-
WHERE--LIKE
IN THE DINING
ROOM?

SURE, YOU FOOL! THAT'S
WHY THIS GIRL IS GONNA
SEND FOR THE DOCTOR,
WHO'LL SAY HE'S SICK!
AND WHEN THE CAPTAIN
IS SICK, THE **STAFF**
CAPTAIN TAKES HIS
PLACE! THAT'S
YOUR JOB!



THUS, WITH THE TWO MAJOR NERVE
CENTERS OF THE SHIP--THE CAPTAIN'S
QUARTERS AND THE RADIO ROOM--UNDER
THEIR CONTROL, THE GANG WAS READY
TO MOVE...

OKAY, YOU'RE ALL SET
NOW! WAIT TILL LUNCH BEFORE
YOU START-- AND MAKE SURE
YOU HIT THOSE 825 FIRST-
CLASS ROOMS AND CABINS!
KEEP AWAY FROM THE CHEAP-
SKATES TRAVELING TOURIST
CLASS! GOT IT?

RIGHT, BOSS!



THEN, WHILE THE PASSENGERS STREAMED INTO THE
SHIP'S SPACIOUS DINING ROOMS, THE HOODS WENT
TO WORK, LOOTING ON A SCALE NEVER BEFORE
ACHIEVED...



THEY SUFFERED ONLY ONE DISAPPOINTMENT--
IN THE ROOM OCCUPIED BY DETECTIVE
HARRY HAINES AND HIS BRIDE...

HOW'D THIS SLOB
EVER GET INTO
FIRST-CLASS?
NOT A SINGLE
THING WORTH
STEALING!

STOP YAPPING, AND
LET'S GET GOING--
WE GOT OVER 300
MORE ROOMS TO
WORK!



THE GANG HALTED OPERATIONS WHEN LUNCH
ENDED, INTENDING TO RESUME DURING THE
DINNER HOUR. BUT BY THIS TIME, FIRST
DISCOVERIES OF THE THEFTS WERE BEING
MADE...

HENRY!
MY--MY JEWELS ARE
GONE! THEY MUST'VE
BEEN TAKEN WHILE WE
WERE AT LUNCH!

I'LL NOTIFY THE
CAPTAIN **AT ONCE!**



AND WHEN THE "CAPTAIN" ANSWERED THE PHONE...

YOUR ROOM'S BEEN ROBBED? INCREDIBLE! BUT DON'T WORRY, SIR--THE RASCALS CAN'T GET FAR ON A SHIP! I'LL HAVE THE STAFF CAPTAIN INVESTIGATE AT ONCE! AND--ER-- PLEASE DON'T TELL ANY OF THE OTHER PASSENGERS WHAT HAPPENED!



TO PREVENT KNOWLEDGE OF THE WIDESPREAD LOOTING, WARNER PRETENDED TO INVESTIGATE EVERY REPORTED THEFT, EVENTUALLY APPEARING IN LT. HARRY HAINES' ROOM...

I'M THE STAFF CAPTAIN, SIR! CAPTAIN JOHNSON, WHO IS ILL, INFORMS ME YOU HAVE HAD AN INTRUDER IN YOUR ROOM!

THAT'S RIGHT! I OUGHT TO KNOW, BECAUSE I'M A DETECTIVE MYSELF!



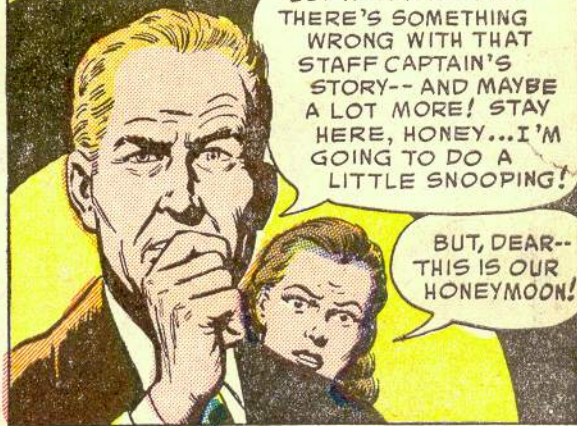
I--UH--SEE! WELL, SIR, I SHALL DO MY UTMOST TO UNCOVER THE SCOUNDREL! KINDLY SAY NOTHING TO THE OTHER PASSENGERS, AS IT MAY HINDER MY INVESTIGATION!



BUT NO SOONER DID WARNER CLOSE THE DOOR THAN SOMETHING CLICKED IN HAINES' MIND...

BUT WAIT A MINUTE -- THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH THAT STAFF CAPTAIN'S STORY-- AND MAYBE A LOT MORE! STAY HERE, HONEY...I'M GOING TO DO A LITTLE SNOOPING!

BUT, DEAR-- THIS IS OUR HONEYMOON!



MEANWHILE, WARNER LOST NO TIME IN REPORTING HIS DISCOVERY TO HACKER...

BAD NEWS, BOSS! HARRY HAINES, THE COPPER WHO SENT ALLY'S BROTHER UP FOR 10 YEARS, IS ON BOARD!

THAT IS BAD...GET RID OF HIM... PERMANENTLY! WE CAN'T TAKE CHANCES!



BUT JUST THEN...

WELL, WELL-- LOOK WHO'S SNOOPING! HARRY HAINES!

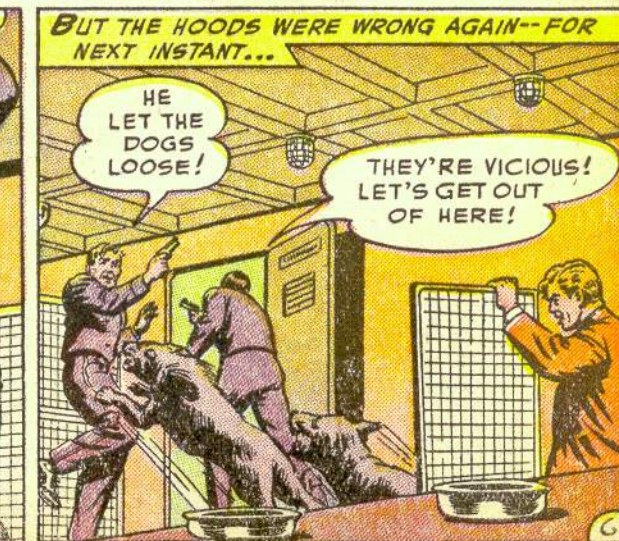
I'LL BE HANGED! WILLIE HACKER-- IN COMMAND OF THE SHIP! WAIT'LL THE STAFF HEARS ABOUT THIS!

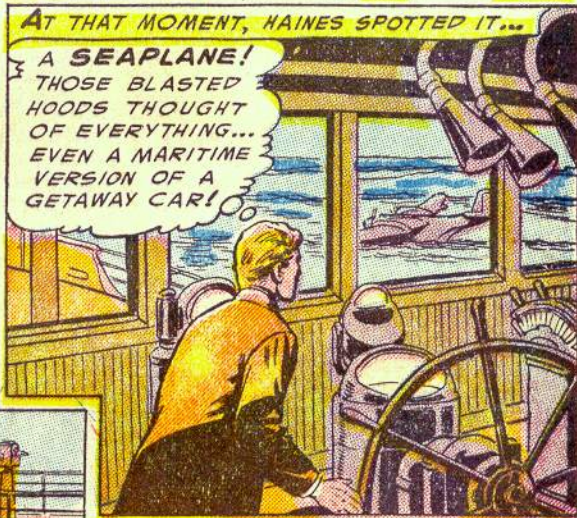
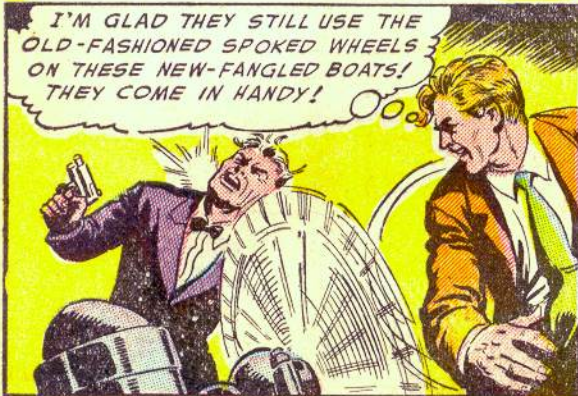
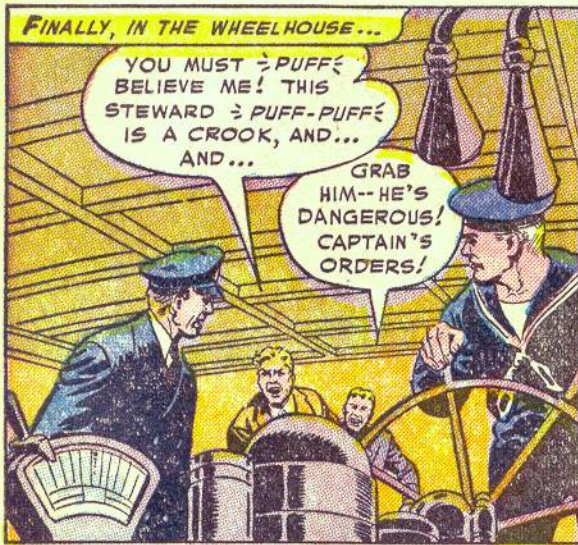
WHO'S GONNA BELIEVE YOU, SAP? HAINES, YOU'RE A DEAD MAN!





IN THE AMAZING PURSUIT THAT FOLLOWED, HAINES NARROWLY ESCAPED CAPTURE A DOZEN TIMES! FOR INSTANCE, IN THE FIRST-CLASS THEATRE...





HAINES QUICKLY BARKED SOME ORDERS DOWN TO THE ENGINE ROOM-- AND IN THE NEXT SECOND...

HACKER, LOOK! THAT STEAMSHIP-- IT'S COMING RIGHT AT US!

KARUNCH

WE'RE FINISHED!

AND SO, THAT SAME EVENING, AT THE CAPTAIN'S TABLE IN THE DINING ROOM...

IT WAS LUCKY FOR ALL OF US, LIEUTENANT, THAT YOU DECIDED TO INVESTIGATE! BUT TELL ME... EXACTLY WHAT MADE YOU SUSPICIOUS?

WHEN THE SO-CALLED CAPTAIN SENT THE **STAFF CAPTAIN** TO TAKE CHARGE OF THE THEFT IN MY ROOM!

YOU SEE, A CAPTAIN NEVER SENDS HIS STAFF CAPTAIN TO INVESTIGATE A CRIME! HE SENDS HIS **MASTER-AT-ARMS**, WHICH IS MARITIME LANGUAGE FOR **CHIEF OF POLICE**! I OUGHT TO KNOW... I'VE DONE BUSINESS WITH THEM IN THE PAST!

HOW CLEVER!

QUITE SO!

THE END

FEARLESS FOSDICK by Al Capp

EER!! ONE MUST BE DETECTIVE FOSDICK--SO THE OTHER MUST BE MUDDER-- ANYFACE-- THE WORLD'S TRICKIEST CRIMINAL

I'M FOS-DICK

AHA! I'VE GOT YOU THERE!! HOW CAN YOU BE FOSDICK WHEN I AM? AND, ON THE SALARY THEY PAY ME-- HARDLY ONE FOSDICK CAN LIVE!!

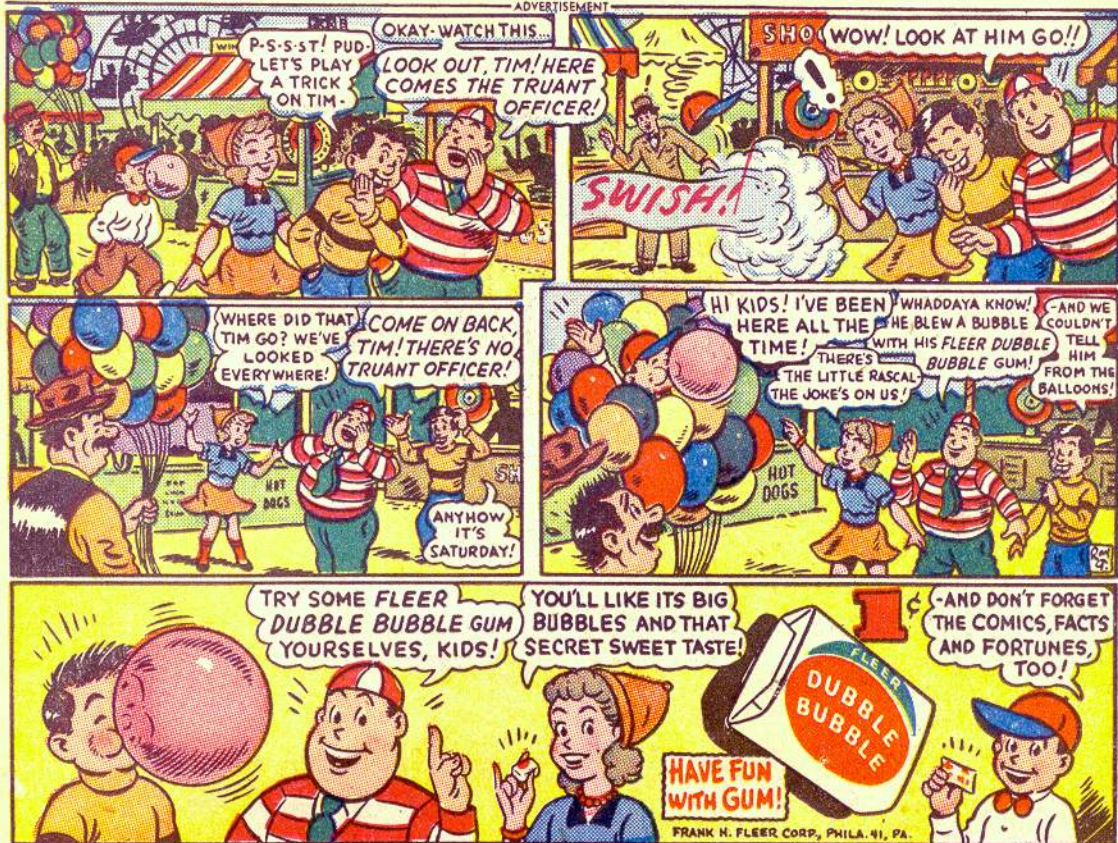
YOU ARE NOT FOSDICK FOSDICK! TURN IN YOUR BADGE!!

TURN IN YOUR HEAD, ANYFACE I'M SURE YOU'RE NOT ME, BECAUSE I USE WILDROOT CREAM-OIL, TO KEEP MY HAIR NEAT-- BUT YOURS IS A MESS!!

Q!! A* IF I'D THOUGHT OF WILDROOT CREAM-OIL I'D HAVE AVOIDED ARREST!!

YOU COULD'VE AVOIDED LOOSE DANDRUFF, TOO! SAME GOES FOR YOU, CHIEF. GET WILDROOT CREAM-OIL CHARLIE!

THAT WOULD BE ILLEGAL MY NAME IS IRVING!



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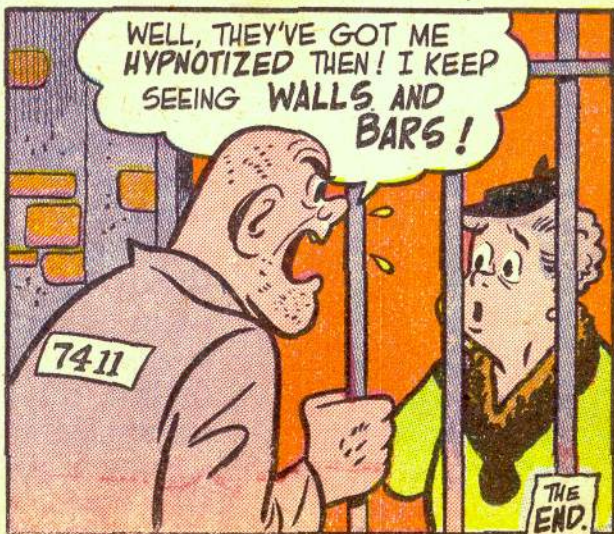
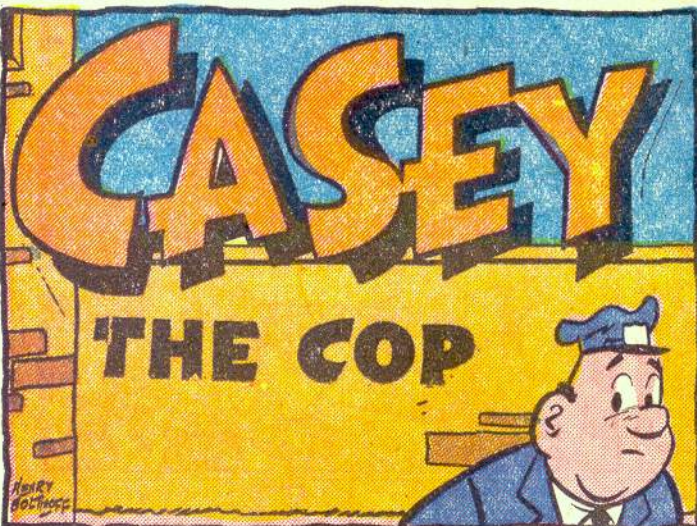
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"They trace the **POISON PEN-MEN**"

YOU REACH INTO YOUR MAILBOX ONE DAY AND GASP, HORROR-STRICKEN, AT ONE OF THE OPENED LETTERS... FOR IN IT, YOUR LIFE IS THREATENED! WHAT'S YOUR NEXT MOVE?... REGARD IT AS A JOKE AND FORGET IT? NOT IF YOU'RE WISE! YOUR BEST BET WOULD BE TO TAKE IT TO THE POLICE, WHO WOULD THEN TURN YOUR CASE OVER TO LT. HARRY JANSEN, HEAD OF THE POISON-PEN SQUAD! THAT'S ME!



this
is
the **LAST**
warning!!

I am GOING to KILL You!
DON'T CALL THE POLICE.
THEY WILL NEVER FIND OUT WHO I AM!

LET ME START THIS STORY BY TAKING YOU BACK TO A NOVEMBER AFTERNOON, LAST YEAR, AT THE ELMWOOD HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM...

YAY!... A TOUCHDOWN! PASCACK HIGH WINS!

TOUGH LUCK, DALES-- BUT YOUR BOYS PUT UP A GOOD FIGHT!

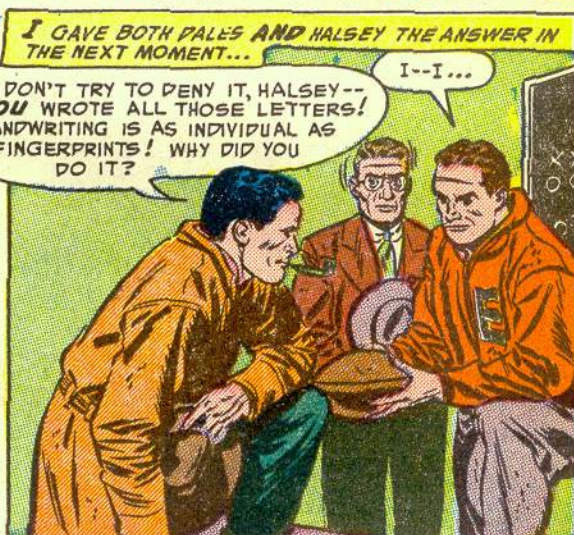
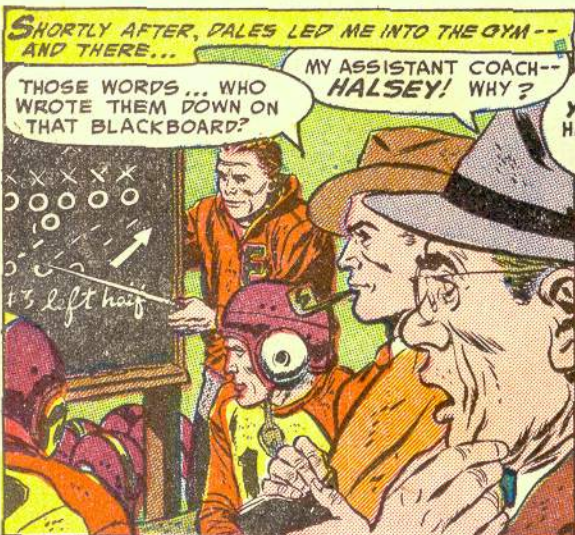


FROM THAT DAY ON, COACH DALES WAS TO HAVE NO REST...

LOOK, MR. TRENT... ANOTHER BATCH OF LETTERS, ALL OF THEM SAYING THE SAME THING-- THAT I WAS PAID OFF TO THROW THE GAME! I--I CAN'T STAND IT ANY LONGER!

SEE HERE, DALES-- WHY DON'T YOU GO TO THE POLICE?







BY FAR, MY DEPARTMENT'S BIGGEST CASE CONCERNED THE SERIES OF POISON-PEN LETTERS SENT TO THE AMBASSADOR OF A EUROPEAN COUNTRY. AND ONE MORNING, FOLLOWING THE FIFTH ONE RECEIVED...

IF ANYTHING ACTUALLY HAPPENS TO THE AMBASSADOR, SERIOUS INTERNATIONAL COMPLICATIONS CAN RESULT, LIEUTENANT!

AND HE'S RECEIVED FIVE OF THEM SO FAR, EH?



YES--AT FIRST WE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE A HARMLESS CRANK-- BUT NOW WE'RE CONVINCED HE'S A DANGEROUS FANATIC!

UH-HUH... THE WORDS WERE FORMED FROM LETTERS CUT OUT OF SOME MAGAZINE! VERY WELL, COLONEL-- I'LL GET TO WORK ON IT AT ONCE!



OF COURSE I NEEDN'T REMIND YOU, LIEUTENANT, THERE ISN'T MUCH TIME! AS YOU CAN SEE, YOU HAVE TWO DAYS TO CATCH ONE MAN OUT OF A CITY OF FIVE MILLION!

I UNDERSTAND, COLONEL!



THAT SAME DAY, MY ASSISTANT, SGT. GOLDEN, AND I TOOK THE LETTERS TO THE MAIN POST-OFFICE ON CONGRESS STREET...

THE CANCELLATION MARKS SHOW THAT ALL OF THESE LETTERS WERE MAILED BETWEEN 6 AND 7:30 FROM ANYONE OF THREE BOXES IN THE CENTRAL STATION AREA!

THAT'S ENOUGH TO START ON, MR. SIMMONS! THANKS!



20 MINUTES LATER, GOLDEN AND I WERE BACK IN THE LAB, TRYING TO PINPOINT THE EXACT MAILING BOX USED...

NUMBER 1 BOX IS LOCATED IN THE LOBBY OF A BUSY OFFICE BUILDING!

HMM... THE KILLER WOULDN'T TAKE THE CHANCE OF BEING RECOGNIZED BY THE ELEVATOR OPERATORS! HOW ABOUT NUMBER 2?

NUMBER 2 IS OPPOSITE A THEATRE!

WHERE THE CASHIER MIGHT RECOGNIZE HIM! SO IT MUST BE NUMBER 3, WHICH IS ON A RATHER DESERTED STREET! FINE... SURE! WE'LL HAVE ALL THREE BOXES WATCHED-- JUST TO MAKE SURE! NOW LET'S GET TO WORK ON THE LETTERS THEMSELVES!



I PUT THROUGH A CALL TO OUR TYPOGRAPHY EXPERT, WHO MET US IN THE PROJECTION ROOM MINUTES LATER...

LET'S SEE NOW... THAT'S AN EARLY FORM OF BODONI TYPE! IT'S CONSIDERED TOO OLD-FASHIONED FOR THE BIG SLICK MAGAZINES!

GOOD--THAT WOULD NARROW IT DOWN TO THE TECHNICAL AND TRADE PUBLICATIONS! HOP TO IT, MORRISON... IT SHOULDN'T BE TOO DIFFICULT TO TRACE!

IT WASN'T! HALF AN HOUR LATER, MORRISON DROPPED A COPY OF THE TEXTILE JOURNAL ON MY DESK...

THAT'S IT, LIEUTENANT-- FOR SURE!

SWELL--THANKS! LET'S GET OVER TO THE PUBLISHER'S OFFICE, GOLDEN!

SHORTLY, IN THE OFFICE OF ALVIN WALTHER, PUBLISHER OF THIS MAGAZINE...

TRADE MAGAZINES AREN'T SOLD ON NEWSSTANDS, YOU KNOW, SO IT SHOULDN'T BE TOO TOUGH TO FIND OUT IF I HAVE ANY SUBSCRIBERS IN THE AREA YOU MENTIONED!

I KNOW ALL THAT! THAT'S WHY I'M HERE! BUT HURRY, WILL YOU?... WE HAVEN'T MUCH TIME!

you

AH, HERE YOU ARE-- THE ONE AND ONLY SUBSCRIBER IN THE WHOLE SECTION! DOES THIS SOLVE YOUR CASE?

ARE YOU KIDDING? SO FAR, ALL WE'VE GOT IS A LONG SHOT-- BUT IT'S THE ONLY LEAD WE HAVE!

THE SUBSCRIBER'S NAME WAS HENRY DOWD, AGE 46, EMPLOYED BY A DYE HOUSE. GOLDEN I WERE CERTAIN WE HAD OUR MAN WHEN, AT EXACTLY 7:20, DOWD WALKED UP TO THE MAILBOX...

IF THAT LETTER HE'S DROPPING INTO THE BOX IS ADDRESSED TO THE AMBASSADOR, IT'S AN OPEN-AND-SHUT CASE!

I'M SURE OF IT-- BUT WAIT UNTIL HE GOES!

NEXT MOMENT, THE POSTAL INSPECTOR WE HAD BROUGHT ALONG OPENED UP THE BOX FOR US...

WHEW--THERE'S A STRONG ODOR IN THIS BOX!

NEVER MIND THAT... JUST MAKE SURE YOU TAKE THE LETTER LYING ON TOP OF THE PILE!

BUT WHEN WE TOOK A LOOK AT THE ENVELOPE...

WE'RE BARKING UP THE WRONG TREE, LIEUTENANT! THIS ISN'T ADDRESSED TO THE AMBASSADOR AT ALL, BUT TO A MRS. CORBIN, IN CONNECTICUT!

AND-- AND I WAS SURE WE HAD OUR MAN! WELL... MAYBE THE

WATCHERS ON THE OTHER TWO MAILBOXES WILL NAB THE NUT!

Mrs. Corbin,
East Hampton Dr.,
Connecticut

TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE, I HAD ANOTHER VISIT FROM COLONEL JACKSON EARLY THE NEXT MORNING--AND HIS FIRST WORDS STUNNED ME...

I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO STOP THESE LETTERS! LOOK... THE AMBASSADOR RECEIVED A FINAL POISON-PEN NOTE THIS MORNING--GIVING HIM ONE MORE DAY TO LIVE!

I-- I DON'T GET IT! ALL THREE MAIL-BOXES WERE CHECKED! HOW DID HE GET THIS LETTER PAST US ALL?



BUT AT THAT MOMENT, I DETECTED A SLIGHT TRACE OF A FAMILIAR ODOR...

WAIT A MINUTE... THIS ENVELOPE SMELLS LIKE THE MAILBOX DID WHEN WE OPENED IT LAST NIGHT! WHAT DID YOU SAY DOWD DOES FOR A LIVING?

WORKS IN A DYE HOUSE-- AS A CHEMIST, I BELIEVE!



THEN I THINK I'VE GOT IT! LETS GET OVER TO DOWD'S PLACE RIGHT AWAY!

DOWD MUST HAVE REALIZED THE GAME WAS UP AS SOON AS HE SAW US, BECAUSE HIS FIRST MOVE WAS TO ESCAPE-- BUT...

THE FANATIC WAS SWIFTLY SUBDUED, AND THEN...

I'LL PHONE DOWN FOR A SQUAD CAR!

YOU'LL NEVER TAKE ME!

NEVER'S A LONG TIME, DOWD!

HE DESERVES TO DIE! EVERYONE FROM EUROPE IT SHOULD DIE!

OH-- SHUT UP, YOU NUT! TELL ME, LIEUTENANT, WHAT TIPPED YOU OFF IT WAS DOWD?

THE SMELL THAT TURNED UP ON THAT POISON-PEN LETTER... IT'S AMMONIUM SULPHIDE!

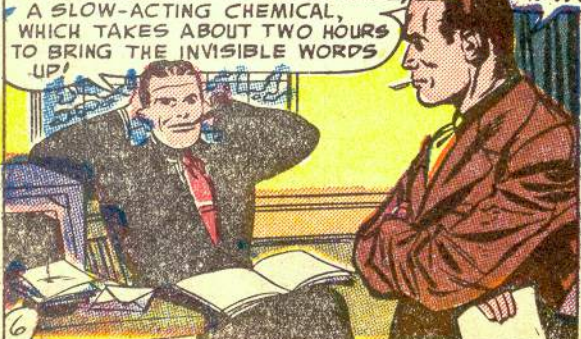


SGT. GOLDEN DIDN'T GET IT RIGHT AWAY, SO I COMPLETED THE EXPLANATION LATER, IN THE LAB...

GET IT? DOWD USED INVISIBLE INK TO WRITE THE AMBASSADOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS ON THE ENVELOPE. THEN HE SPRAYED IT WITH AMMONIUM SULPHIDE, A SLOW-ACTING CHEMICAL, WHICH TAKES ABOUT TWO HOURS TO BRING THE INVISIBLE WORDS UP!

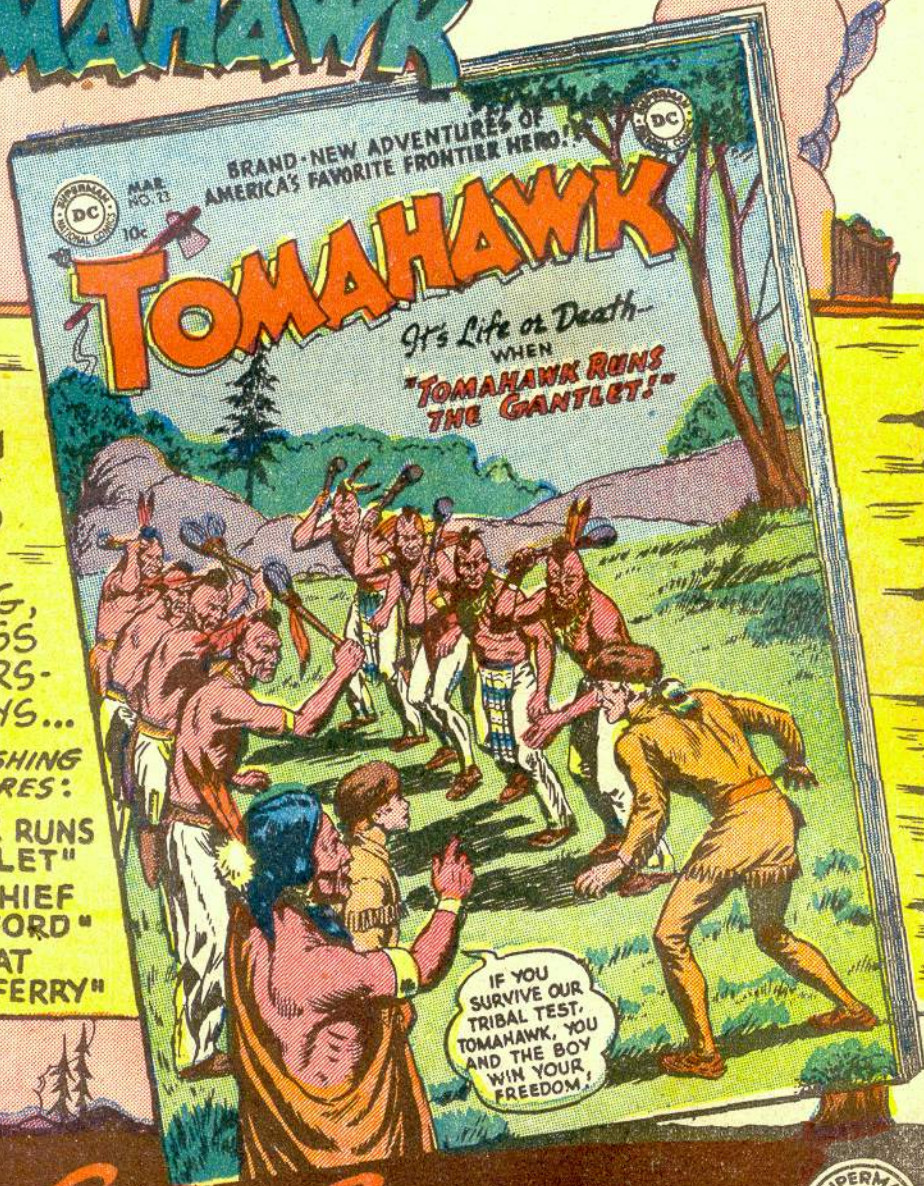
YES, BUT WHAT ABOUT THE ADDRESS THAT WAS ALREADY ON THE ENVELOPE? WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT?

THAT'S EASY! HE WROTE THE "VISIBLE" ADDRESS WITH A WEAK SOLUTION OF ANILINE INK, WHICH DISAPPEARED IN TWO HOURS! THERE IT IS NOW, BROUGHT UP BY THE ULTRA-VIOLET LIGHT!



FOLLOW THE DANGER TRAIL

WITH
TOMAHAWK



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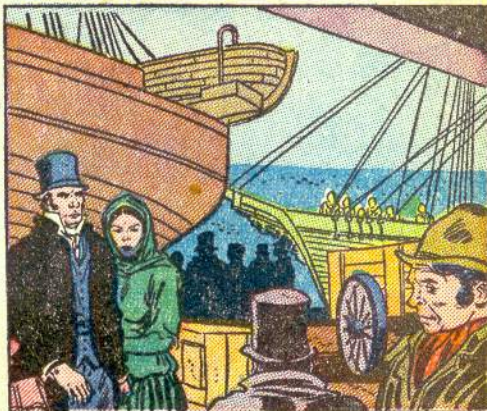
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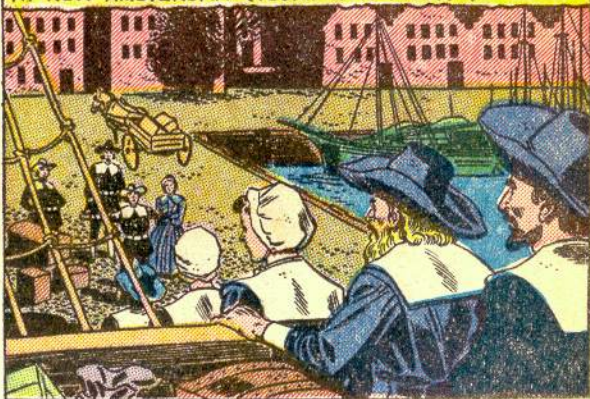
WHO FLED FROM CROMWELL'S PERSECUTION IN 1649 TO SET UP FARMS IN VIRGINIA AND NEW ENGLAND ?



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



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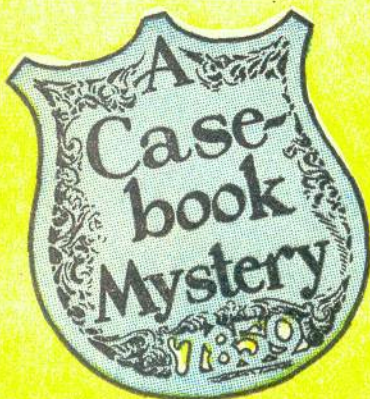
WHO WERE BROUGHT TO AMERICA, BEGINNING IN 1619, TO WORK ON THE PLANTATIONS IN THE SOUTH, AND TODAY ARE ONE OF THE LARGEST GROUPS IN OUR POPULATION ?



The ANSWERS...

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



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BUT OUTSIDE THE TICKET OFFICE...

CUSTOMS INSPECTOR! THEY MUST HAVE BEEN TIPPED OFF! NOW WHAT'LL I DO? THEY'RE PROBABLY WATCHING THE PIERS, TOO!



BUT, JUST THEN...

DID THAT NEW CO-PILOT ARRIVE YET TO TAKE THE PLACE OF JOHNNY?

YOU'VE GOT ME! I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT HE LOOKS LIKE! THE COMPANY BORROWED HIM JUST FOR THIS TRIP FROM ANOTHER AIRLINE!



I USED TO PILOT A B-29 IN THE WAR BEFORE I WAS DISHONORABLY DISCHARGED! THOSE GUYS GAVE ME AN IDEA! MAYBE I CAN GET AWAY WITH IT!



ALL I'VE GOT TO DO IS GET MY HANDS ON THAT NEW CO-PILOT BEFORE HE CHECKS IN! I'LL HANG AROUND THE ENTRANCE!





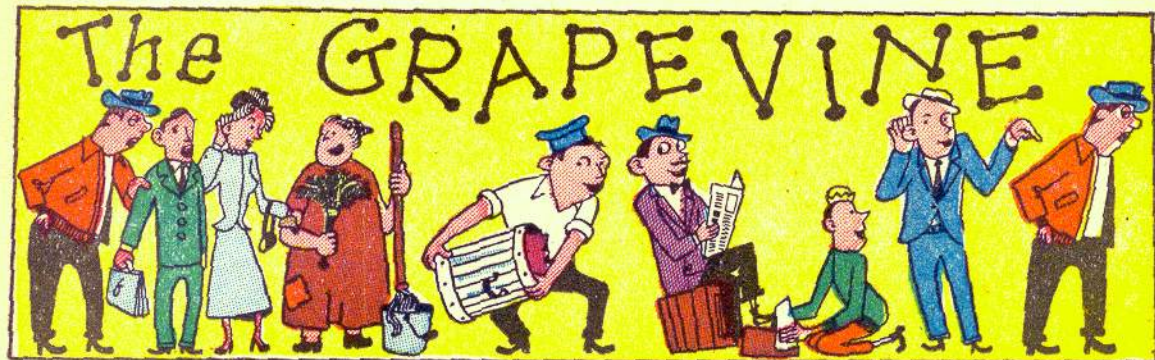


HOW ABOUT IT, READER? CAN YOU FIND THE CLUE THAT HAS APPARENTLY GIVEN THE SMUGGLER AWAY? GO OVER THE FACTS OF THIS CASE AGAIN BEFORE YOU READ THE NEXT PAGE!



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HOTEL HOOSEGOW

The new city jail recently opened in Reno, Nevada, is perhaps the most comfortable in the country. Three stories high, with a marble-like finish, and glass doors, it has all the appearances of a modern museum. It is also air-conditioned, and therefore no bars cross its windows. In fact, because of this temperature control, there are no windows.

Another unique feature is its "pent-house," as the roof is referred to by the inmates. This is used for recreation, and the excellent view from this summit is one that is denied residents of the city. One thing that mars the panorama is a slight technicality insisted upon by the warden. The roof is encircled by barbed wire.

Reno residents are very proud of the fact that their jail was Reno-vated, to coin a phrase, and point to it with pardonable pride. For what other prison can boast of such comforts? In fact, on the day of the establishment's opening for business, an advertisement was published in the daily newspapers, contributed by "The Skid Row Boys," who publicly acknowledged their gratitude to the city.

What to call this streamlined citadel of correction was a knotty problem faced by many. Mayor Harry E. Stewart, under whose administration the building was erected, insisted at the dedication ceremonies that it be enhanced with a better label than mere City Jail. Imaginative citizens went to work

at once and emerged with all sorts of odd names. Even the Sierra Pacific Power Company referred to it in its publicity booklet as "The Modern Reno City Jail."

But all these have come to naught. It still is identified merely as the City Jail, and, in spite of its deluxe accommodations, a glum institute of incarceration for lawbreakers.

DOGS IN UNIFORM

In Austria, the canine corps comprises an important element in the police department. Recently, when a number of them had been destroyed or caught and used as house pets by villagers who assumed that they were unattached, the Federal Police Department took corrective measures.

The police dogs were instructed to wear uniforms for identification. Hereafter, citizens were warned, they must not molest and must respect canines sporting yellow capes. They were deputies of the Police Department!

STRANGE THEFTS

Insurance company executives who met not long ago for a national conference fell to discussing some of their oddest cases. When the discussion ended, all agreed on a tie between two of the rarest robberies.

In Gooding, Idaho, one night, a man stole a complete 20-ton bridge. In Los Angeles, a thief snatched a \$3,000 diamond

ring from the finger of a woman driver as she put out her hand to signal a turn.

P.S.: The insurance companies made good on both claims.

PICKPOCKET PATTERN

These days, everyone appreciates the value of a dollar, and thereby tries to make a few more—especially the pickpocket. Reports of pickpocket crimes are on the increase, and police of all communities are making a determined drive to alert the public to their danger.

Ordinarily, the "cannons," as police have dubbed them, work singly, either resorting to swift movements of their hands or a newspaper to shield their manipulations. These are called "stiffs." On the streets, in elevators, in stores, in fact, wherever crowds congregate, you must be on the defense. "Cannons" and "wires" are at work.

The sign that reads—"Look out for pickpockets!"—has a useful function, but some police doubt whom it benefits. For people, as a rule, feel their wallets to insure their safety. And thus pinpoint the targets for lurking "cannons."

Another classification of specialists are the "moll buzzers." Their victims are women, exclusively. Police put them into one of two categories. They are "hanger bingers," robbing or "binging" a purse which hangs from the shoulder, or they are "patch workers," a name derived from the side pocket in a woman's jacket.

Not the least of these money menaces are the "pit workers." They operate in teams of five and six, at sports events, busses and subways and railroad stations.

Yet, whether they work singly, in pairs, or in groups, sooner or later, they are nabbed by vigilant police. Until that time, however, here are some preventive measures you can take:

1) At all times, be wary of the threat of pickpockets. A knowledge of their techniques will help you be on guard. If you are victimized, notify the police at once. You might get your money back. If not, you will, at least, be protecting others.

2) Women should not allow their bags to dangle. In crowds, they should hold their purses with hands over the clasp.

3) Only carry what money you need. Carrying excessive cash is a needless risk—and never, at any time, flash it. This is an invitation to disaster.

4) If jostled by a stranger, move instantly. He may be a "cannon"—"fanning" you—trying to learn the location of your wallet.

BLOTTER JOTTINGS

SPRINGFIELD, N. J.: A fuming magistrate demanded cash on the line when fining a motorist, who had previously paid by check. When the check bounced, the signer was recalled to court, sternly reprimanded and threatened with a jail sentence if he ever should repeat the feat. "I can't understand it," said the angry judge, "how you expected to get away with giving a bad check to the court. Don't let it happen again, because next time the penalty will be more than a fine."

LOS ANGELES, Calif.: A store owner was indignant at the stupidity of thieves who broke in and vainly tried to jimmy open his safe despite the presence of a sign on it assuring that there was no money inside and giving the combination.

CHICAGO, Ill.: Serving a 30-day sentence for disturbing the peace, a zealous insurance agent used the time to sell life insurance policies to five other inmates.

OAKLAND, Calif.: Fleeing from police, a hold-up man dodged through some rosemary hedges, was picked up three blocks away in a diner, sipping coffee, when a cop sniffed the rosemary scent on his coat.

WICHITA, Kansas: A decree makes it illegal to throw rice, confetti, flour or talcum powder at anyone.

COLUMBUS, Montana: Perhaps many of them don't know it, but an old ordinance makes any resident guilty of a misdemeanor if he does not raise his hat on passing the mayor.

THERE HAD BEEN ONE-MAN CRIME WAVES BEFORE! BUT THE LAW SWIFTLY OBTAINED A FULL DESCRIPTION OF THE WANTED CRIMINAL! THIS TIME, HOWEVER, THERE WAS A BAFFLING TWIST-- THE HOOD NEVER LOOKED THE SAME TWICE! EVERY MAN ON THE FORCE WAS ALERTED IN A DESPERATE EFFORT TO LEARN THE IDENTITIES BEHIND...

The 12 FACES of CRIME!

WELL, LIEUTENANT, DID YOUR EYEWITNESS PICK THE HOOD RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT ONE-MAN CRIME-WAVE?

ER, YES, CAPTAIN-- HE PICKED THEM ALL!



POLICE RECORDS NOW REVEAL: ON THE AFTERNOON OF MARCH 14, OF LAST YEAR, AT AN EASTERN RACETRACK...

THE WINNER IS "LILY MARLENE"!

WHAT ROTTEN LUCK! I LOST AGAIN!



THE UNHAPPY GAMBLER WAS BARRY DELMAR, A TELEVISION ACTOR WHO SPECIALIZED IN TOUGH-GUY ROLES, AND SUCH IS THE FAME OF TV CHARACTER ACTORS THAT HE PASSED UNNOTICED BY THE BIG CROWD, LOST IN HIS OWN GLOOMY THOUGHTS...

I--I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! I WENT WAY OVER MY HEAD ON THAT BET!





THE ACTOR, STILL WEARING HIS MAKE-UP, SLIPPED OUT THROUGH THE SIDE ENTRANCE, AND THREADED HIS WAY TO A GAS STATION ON HALEDON AVENUE WHERE...

REACH, YOU GUYS, AND KEEP REACHING!

DELMAR HAD ACTED OUT THIS PART DOZENS OF TIMES ON TV, AND FINGERS DIDN'T FUMBLE DURING THE REAL THING, AS...

NOT A BAD HAUL! A COUPLE MORE LIKE THIS ONE, AND I'LL HAVE ENOUGH TO PAY BACK THAT BOOKIE!

MAKE SURE YOU GET A GOOD LOOK AT HIM, JOE!



TWENTY MINUTES LATER, WHILE AN ALERT WAS SENT OUT TO CRUISING PROWL CARS...

THE BURGLAR HAD BROWN HAIR, A REDDISH BROWN MUSTACHE, AND HE WORE A LIGHT SUIT AND A BLUE SHIRT!

BARRY DELMAR WAS BACK IN THE STUDIO, BUSILY DESTROYING THE POLICE CLUES...

HA, HA--THE COPS'LL SPEND THE REST OF THEIR LIVES LOOKING FOR THE GUY THAT PULLED THE JOB TONIGHT! IT'S PERFECT, PERFECT!



IN THREE WEEKS, BARRY DELMAR HAD PAID OFF HIS BOOKIE, BUT THE GERM OF EASY MONEY HAD NOW TAKEN ROOT, AND ON THE APRIL 11TH TELECAST OF THE THRILL THEATRE SHOW...

THIS IS SO YOU'LL REMEMBER ME, BUDDY!

NO, DON'T, DON'T--!



THEN, HALF AN HOUR LATER, AT CAVERLY'S, A POPULAR ROADSIDE RESTAURANT ON ROUTE 4...

DON'T SAY A WORD, LADY--JUST HAND THE CASH OVER!

DON'T SHOOT, MISTER-- YOU CAN HAVE IT ALL!

MOMENTS AFTER DELMAR HAD FLED THE PLACE.

YES, OFFICER, I DID-- HE WAS ABOUT FIVE FEET 10 INCHES TALL, RATHER DARK, BEETLE-BROWED, AND WORE A BLUE SHIRT!

LOOK! HE GRABBED EVERY LAST NICKLE!



AT 11:30 THE NEXT MORNING, LIEUTENANT OF DETECTIVES MARK ROSS AND POLICE CAPTAIN ROY CANFIELD MET IN THE LATTER'S OFFICE, WHERE...

USUALLY, CAPTAIN, A SUDDEN OUTBREAK OF LONE WOLF BURGLARIES AND HOLD-UPS IN ANY GIVEN AREA SIGNIFIES THE WORK OF ONE MAN!

THERE'S ONLY ONE THING WRONG WITH THAT THEORY, MARK!

THESE ARE POLICE ARTIST'S DRAWINGS, MADE FROM THE DESCRIPTIONS OF EYEWITNESSES TO THE VARIOUS CRIMES! BUT THEY'RE ALL DIFFERENT! THE ONLY COMMON DENOMINATOR IS THAT IN EACH CASE THE CRIMINAL WORE A BLUE SHIRT!

MMM...

AS YOU CAN SEE, BARRY DELMAR'S CRIME GIMMICK WAS WORKING LIKE A CHARM, AND IN THE WEEKS THAT FOLLOWED, HE STRUCK AGAIN AND AGAIN...



THEN, ON MAY 19TH, AS DETECTIVE ROSS SOUGHT RELIEF FROM THE PERPLEXING CASE WITH A QUIET EVENING AT HOME...

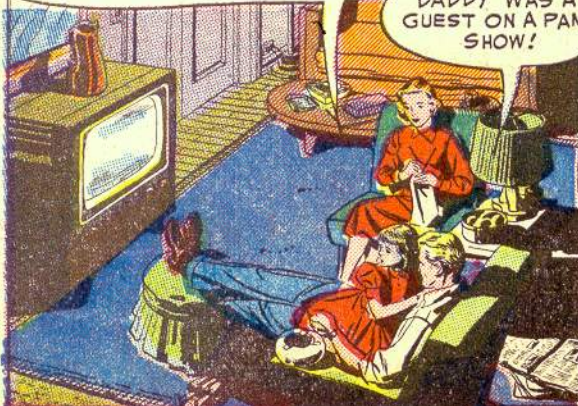
YOU WERE ONCE ON TELEVISION, TOO, WEREN'T YOU, DADDY?

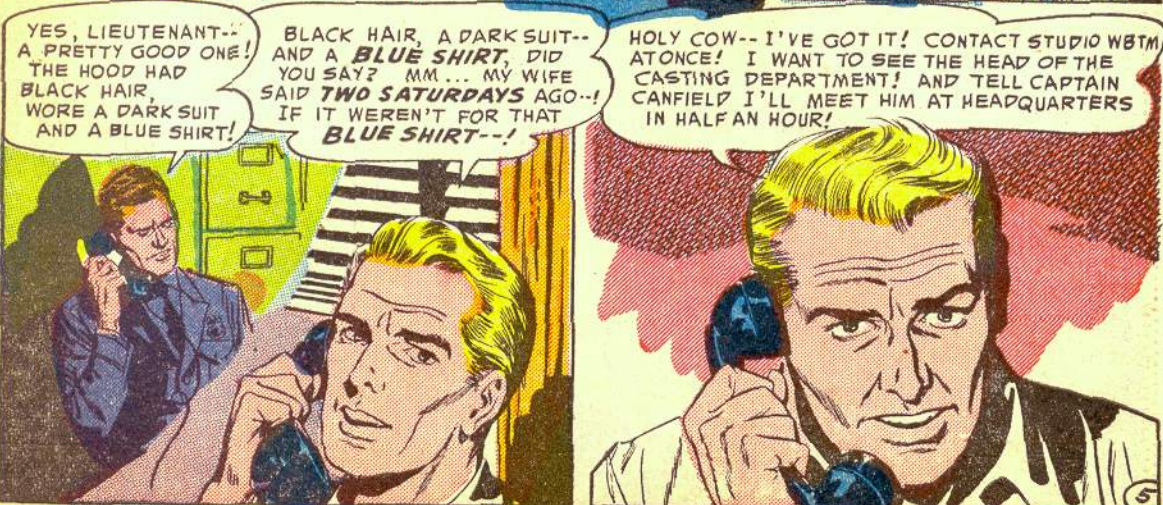
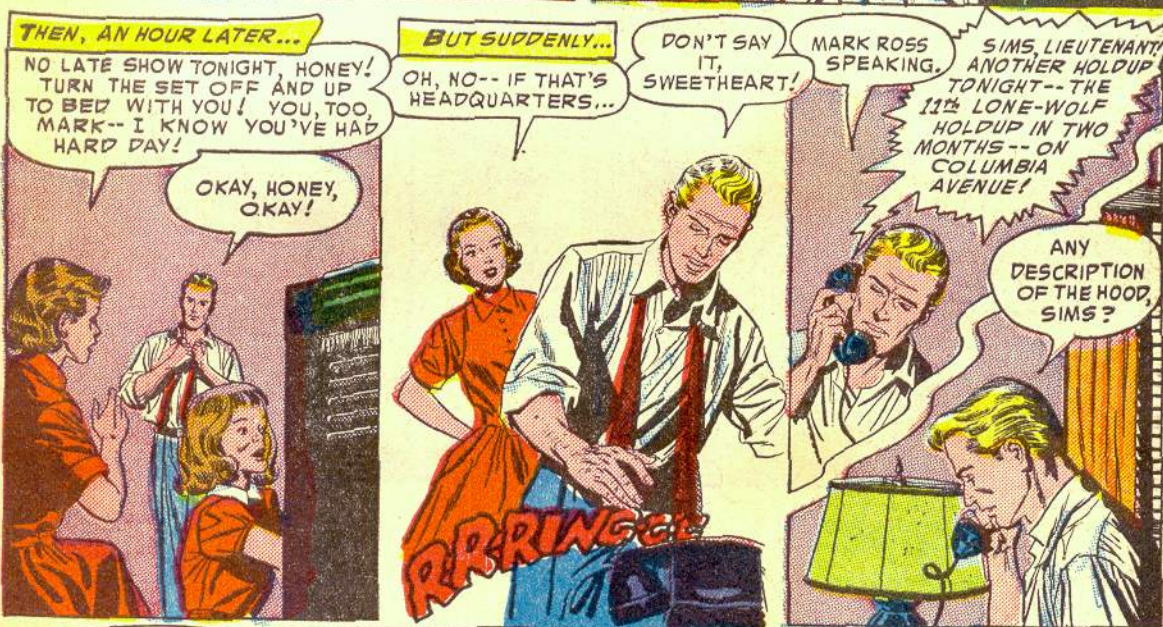
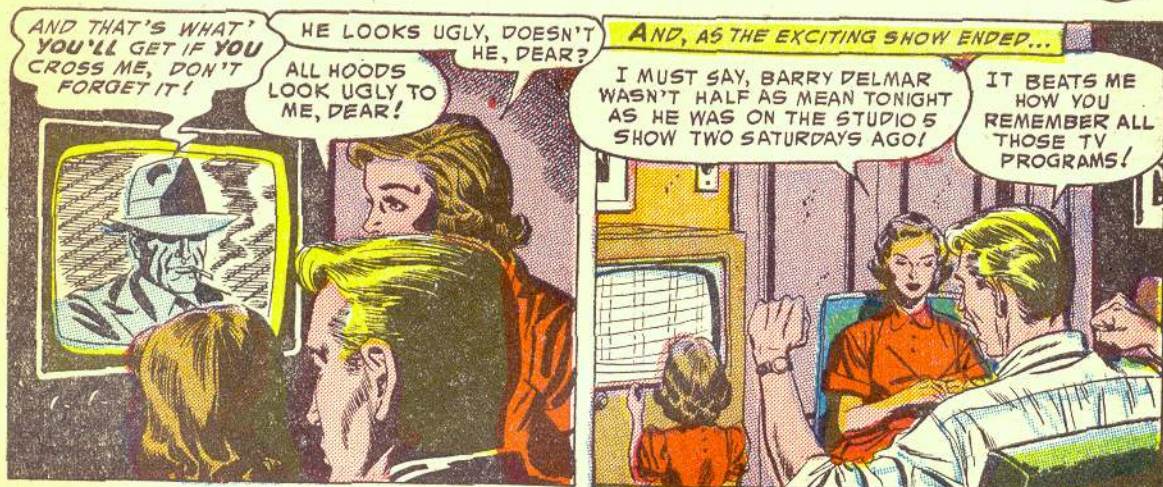
SURE, HONEY, BUT NOT AS AN ACTOR-- DADDY WAS A GUEST ON A PANEL SHOW!

MOMENTS LATER, AS THE TV CRIME PLAY REACHED ITS CLIMAX...

OOO, HE'S A BAD MAN, ISN'T HE, DADDY?

DON'T BE AFRAID, HONEY! HE'S ONLY AN ACTOR-- BARRY DELMAR'S HIS NAME, AND HE'S ONLY A BAD MAN ON TELEVISION!





AND THAT SAME NIGHT, AT HEADQUARTERS...

THIS CASE IS GOING TO YOUR HEAD, MARK! YOU MEAN, JUST BECAUSE THAT HOOD TONIGHT HAD BLACK HAIR AND WORE A BLUE SHIRT, YOU THINK--?

I'M SURE OF IT, CAPTAIN, BUT WE'VE GOT TO CATCH HIM RED-HANDED! NOW, LISTEN...



THIS CASE NEARED ITS END WHEN, ON THE EVENING OF MAY 29th, BARRY DELMAR COMPLETED PLAYING HIS USUAL TOUGH-GUY ROLE ON STAGE, AND...

THIS IS MY 12th AND BIGGEST JOB YET! IF IT GOES WELL, I'LL BE ABLE TO LAY LOW FOR A WHILE!



THE ACTOR MOVED CROSS-TOWN TO EAST 57th STREET, AND SLIPPED INTO A CELLAR NIGHTCLUB, WHERE...

DON'T MAKE A FALSE MOVE, MISTER, AND YOU WON'T GET HURT!



JUST THEN...

DON'T YOU MAKE A FALSE MOVE, BARRY, AND YOU WON'T GET HURT!

HUH?



YOU-- YOU FOLLOWED ME HERE! YOU KNEW! BUT, HOW? I HAD A FOOL-PROOF GIMMICK!

YES, YOU DID--WEARING A DIFFERENT GET-UP FOR EVERY JOB-- THE IDENTICAL ONES YOU WORE ON YOUR TV SHOWS! EXCEPT FOR ONE THING, BARRY--THAT BLUE SHIRT YOU WORE ON EVERY ONE OF YOUR 12 JOBS!



YOU SEE, I PLAYED A GUEST SHOT ON TV MYSELF ONCE, AND I SUDDENLY REMEMBERED WHAT THE DIRECTOR TOLD ME-- TO WEAR A BLUE SHIRT, BECAUSE WHITE CAUSES DARK SHADOWS ON THE SCREEN!



AND WHEN I CHECKED WITH THE CASTING DEPARTMENT OF YOUR STUDIO AND FOUND OUT THAT YOUR TV APPEARANCES COINCIDED WITH THE DATES OF THE HOLD-UP, I WAS SURE IT WAS YOU!

OKAY, OKAY, YOU'VE GOT ME-- LET'S GET IT OVER WITH!



BARRY DELMAR PLEADED GUILTY AND IS CURRENTLY SERVING A 12-YEAR PRISON SENTENCE

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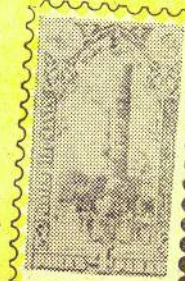
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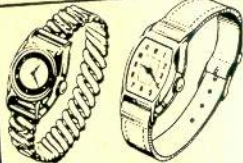
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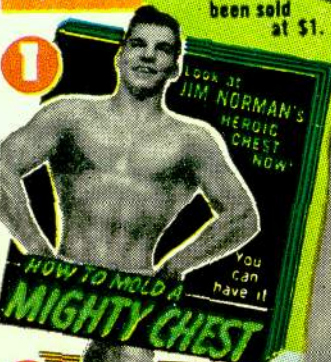
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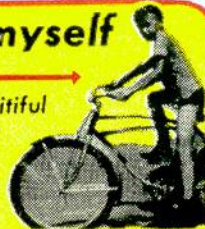
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