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Featuring
The BANDIT
with the
DEADLY
BOX!

STAND BACK--
CLEAR A PATH FOR
THIS MAN! WE CAN'T
TOUCH HIM AS LONG AS
HIS HAND IS IN
THAT BOX!



YOGI BERRA
HOMERS IN THE 9th-
WINS BIG GAME!

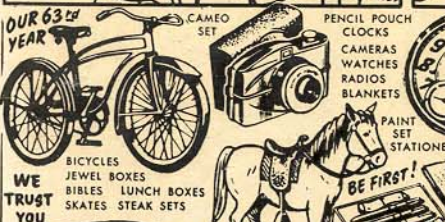
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GOSH! LOOK AT
ALL THOSE GIFTS
YOGI IS GETTING
FROM THE FANS!

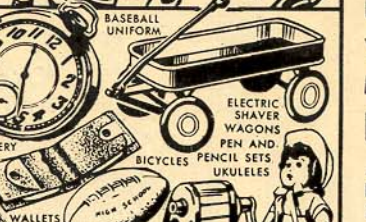


OUR 63rd YEAR-WE ARE RELIABLE

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MAY WE HAVE
YOUR AUTOGRAPH,
MR. BERRA?



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MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY



THIS IS YOUR LAST PICTURE FOR THE CHIEF'S MAGAZINE FEATURE... MAKE IT A GOOD ONE!

DON'T WORRY, HARRINGTON... THIS WILL BE THE BEST "SHOT" THE D.A. EVER HAD TAKEN!

YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS:

IN THE INCREDIBLE CASE OF "SLIP" SPEERS, MY VERY OFFICE NEARLY FELL VICTIM TO A MOST CUNNING CRIME! TREACHERY IN DISGUISE STALKED THE CORRIDORS AT HEAD-QUARTERS-- AND ALMOST TOO LATE DID I LEARN THE FANTASTIC FACTS BEHIND..

THE GREAT UNDERWORLD SPY PLOT

THIS CASE BEGAN IN THE OFFICE OF A DYNAMIC, HIGHLY RESPECTABLE MAGAZINE PUBLISHER...



WHY, IT'S A NATURAL... AN ABSOLUTE KNOCKOUT!

I THOUGHT YOU'D GO FOR IT, MR. HASTINGS!

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FRED HASTINGS NEXT SUMMONED HIS ENTIRE STAFF AND DROPPED A VERBAL BOMBSHELL...



WE LATER LEARNED THE NEXT STEP "JOHN FOSTER" TOOK, THAT SAME EVENING...

MY LITTLE CIGARETTE PACKAGE CAMERA SHOTS CAME OUT PERFECT! WITH MY MAKE-UP SKILL, I CAN BE A DEAD RINGER FOR COOPER!



"FOSTER" HAD STUDIED HIS MAN CLOSELY--HE NEEDED ONLY THE CLOSE-UP PICTURES TO PERFECT HIS PLOT...

HOW CAN I MISS? I'VE HAD A YEAR OF REPORTING FOR A SOUTHERN PAPER, AND PHOTOGRAPHY USED TO BE MY HOBBY!



NEXT MORNING, THE SECOND STEP IN THE PLAN TOOK PLACE, AS THE REAL JACK COOPER HEADED TOWARD MY HOME...

ALL RIGHT, GIVE ME HIS CAMERA AND CREDENTIALS--AND TAKE OFF FAST!

OH-H!



SO IT WAS THAT I SHORTLY GREETED A CRIMINAL IN DISGUISE, WITHIN MY VERY HOME...

WE'RE GLAD TO KNOW YOU, MR. COOPER! BUT FIRST, BECAUSE OF THE UNUSUAL NATURE OF YOUR FEATURE, I'M AFRAID I MUST SEE YOUR CREDENTIALS!

SURE THING, MR. D.A. ! I KNOW HOW CAREFUL YOU HAVE TO BE!



WHILE HARRINGTON MADE A ROUTINE CHECK OF HIS CREDENTIALS, I LISTENED TO THE CUNNING CRIMINAL'S PREPARED SPEECH...

...SO YOU SEE, MR. D.A., TO GIVE THE PUBLIC AN INSIGHT INTO YOUR ACTIVITIES, I'M GOING TO BE WITH YOU AROUND THE CLOCK!

HAPPY TO HAVE YOU AS MY GUEST, MR. COOPER!



NEXT DAY, THE MAN I THOUGHT TO BE JACK COOPER WAS INTRODUCED TO OUR DEPARTMENTAL PROCEDURE...

I ARRIVE AT HEADQUARTERS ABOUT 9:05 EVERY MORNING EXCEPT SUNDAY! MY FIRST STEP IS TO CHECK THE CRIME REPORTS OF THE NIGHT BEFORE!

I SEE, SIR! LET ME GET A PICTURE OF YOU WITH HEAD-QUARTERS IN THE BACKGROUND!



SHORTLY, AS I ESCORTED HIM THROUGH HEAD-QUARTERS...

IN OUR POLICE FILE, WE CARRY THE RECORDS OF OVER 2,000 CRIMINALS! ALL POLICE PAPERS ARE STAMPED WITH A SPECIAL SECRET INSIGNIA, TO PROVE THEIR AUTHENTICITY!



MY BACK WAS TURNED WHEN "FOSTER" DEFTLY MADE HIS FIRST **THEFT...**

EACH FILE CARD CONTAINS A COMPLETE HISTORY OF THE CRIMINAL FROM THE DAY HE FIRST BROKE THE LAW!

A WAX IMPRESSION OF THIS SECRET STAMP SHOULD BRING ME **PLENTY...**

AND NOW, I'M AFRAID YOUR ONLY JOB WILL BE TO WATCH ME AT A DESK! I HAVE SOME PAPER WORK TO DO UPSTAIRS!

FINE... THAT'S PART OF THE FEATURE TOO, MR. D.A.! I WANT TO SHOW THE PUBLIC HOW EVERY MINUTE OF YOUR CRIME-FIGHTING TIME IS SPENT!



IT WAS THE NEXT MORNING, AS WE LEFT MY HOME, THAT A FIRE BROKE OUT ABOARD THE LINER **QUEEN ANN...**

THE FORWARD HOLD'S SUDDENLY BURST INTO FLAME--ALL CARS GO TO PIER 43!

THE **QUEEN ANN**? LET'S GO, HARRINGTON...

AS WE REACHED THE DOCK...

GOSH, CHIEF... DO YOU THINK IT COULD BE **SABOTAGE?**

THE **QUEEN ANN** CARRIED EVERY MODERN FIRE PREVENTION DEVICE KNOWN, HARRINGTON... **SOMETHING** WENT WRONG!



SHORTLY, TWO CREW MEMBERS BROUGHT US VITAL PIECES OF EVIDENCE...

A FUSE AND A CHARRED KEROSENE CAN COVER, MR. D.A.! TO MY KNOWLEDGE, NO KEROSENE SHOULD HAVE BEEN STORED IN THAT HOLD!

I SEE! PLEASE KEEP THIS INFORMATION TO YOURSELF, MEN... WE DON'T WANT TO ALERT THE CRIMINALS INVOLVED UNTIL WE CAN TRACK THEM DOWN!

UNFORTUNATELY, NO EYES WERE UPON "JACK COOPER" AT THIS MOMENT...

PICTURES THAT SHOW THE POLICE HAVE SABOTAGE EVIDENCE WILL BRING BIG CASH WHEN THE BOYS PEDDLE IT TO THE RIGHT PLACES!



THE FOLLOWING DAY, THE VICIOUS SPY RUSHED WITH US TO THE SCENE OF A ROBBERY...

OWNER SAYS ABOUT \$4,000 WAS TAKEN FROM THE SAFE, MR. D.A.!

A SLICK, PROFESSIONAL JOB! **COOPER**... DON'T TOUCH ANYTHING!



START TAKING YOUR PRINTS, EDDIE... GET ME A REPORT ON THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! WITH LUCK, THEY MIGHT HAVE SLIPPED UP AND LEFT A FINGERPRINT OR TWO!

I'LL GIVE IT THE WORKS, D.A.!



LATER, AS I EXAMINED THE FINGERPRINT REPORT...

THAT'S IT, D.A.--JUST THE PRINT OF ONE MAN ON A MING VASE! HE CHECKS OUT IN THE WASHINGTON FILES AS "SLIP" SPEERS-- A CONFIDENCE MAN!

HMM... THAT'S MIGHTY ODD, A CONFIDENCE MAN SUDDENLY TURNING TO SAFECRACKING! ALL RIGHT-- THANKS, EDDIE!



AS THE DAYS PASSED, "COOPER" CONTINUED, STEP BY STEP, TO STEAL MY DEPARTMENT'S SECRETS...

THAT'S IT, MR. D.A.-- I WANT TO GET A GOOD DRAMATIC SHOT OF YOU THINKING OUT A CASE HERE IN THE CRIMINAL FILE ROOM!

TRY TO MAKE IT FAST, COOPER... MUSTN'T BOG DOWN MY DAILY INVESTIGATIONS!



HOLDUP MAN JERRY BURKE WILL PAY A FAT FEE FOR HIS CRIME FILE! WITHOUT IT, POLICE WILL BE DELAYED ON CHECKING HIS RECORD IF HE GETS NABBED AGAIN!



THE FIFTH DAY OF HIS POLICE RESEARCH BROUGHT COOPER IN CONTACT WITH VITAL UNDERGROUND AGENTS, FORCING ME TO TAKE PRECAUTIONS...

I CAN'T LET EVEN A HIGHLY RELIABLE REPORTER LIKE YOURSELF SEE THESE TWO UNDERCOVER AGENTS, COOPER! THEIR LIVES WOULD BE JEOPARDIZED IF THEIR IDENTITIES LEAKED OUT!

SURE, I UNDERSTAND, SIR! JUST LISTENING TO YOU INTERROGATE THEM WILL GIVE ME THE COLOR I NEED FOR THE FEATURE!



AGAIN, "COOPER'S" DEADLY LITTLE LAPEL CAMERA CAME INTO USE...

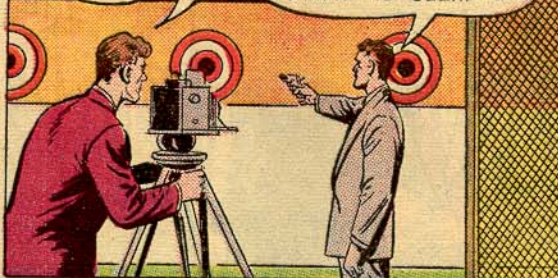
THIS IS THE BIGGEST BIT YET!
ONE OF MY BLIND SHOTS IS SURE
TO PHOTOGRAPH THOSE BIRDS...AND
THE GANG WILL PAY A FORTUNE FOR
PICTURES OF THEIR
FACES!



LATER, AS I TOOK MY WEEKLY TARGET PRACTICE, HE WAS AT MY SIDE...

BY THE WAY, MR. D.A.,
CAN YOU GIVE ME A LIST
OF THE SERIAL NUMBERS
ON CONFISCATED CRIMINAL
GUNS? THAT WOULD
MAKE INTERESTING
COPY!

THAT'S **TOO**
CONFIDENTIAL FOR
PUBLICATION,
COOPER! I'M
AFRAID I MUST
BE ALONE THE
REST OF THE DAY...
I HAVE SOME SERIOUS
THINGS TO CLEAR UP!



THAT NIGHT, WHEN I RETURNED HOME, "COOPER" WAS TYPING UP HIS FEATURE MATERIAL ON ME...

WELL, COOPER, TOMORROW
IS YOUR LAST DAY WITH US!
I'M AFRAID YOU WON'T GET
MUCH MORE DATA... IT'S
SUNDAY, AND I WON'T BE
GOING ON DUTY!

OF COURSE, MR. D.A.,
BUT I JUST WANT
ONE LAST PICTURE...
A REAL HOMEY
SHOT OF YOU
STANDING IN FRONT
OF THE HOUSE! YOU
KNOW-- WAITING FOR
TROUBLE TO COME!



I THINK I'LL GRAB ME A
LATE SNACK AT THE LOCAL
LUNCH WAGON AND WORK
THROUGH THE NIGHT!
THIS WILL BE A
GREAT FEATURE--
YES, SIR!

DON'T MAKE ME
TOO NOBLE, COOPER..
SEE YOU IN THE
MORNING!



"COOPER" LEFT MY HOME THAT EVENING AND WENT DIRECTLY TO A PHONE BOOTH, WHERE...

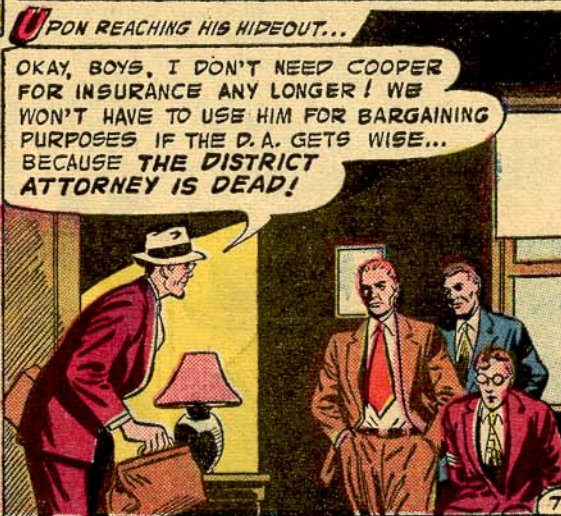
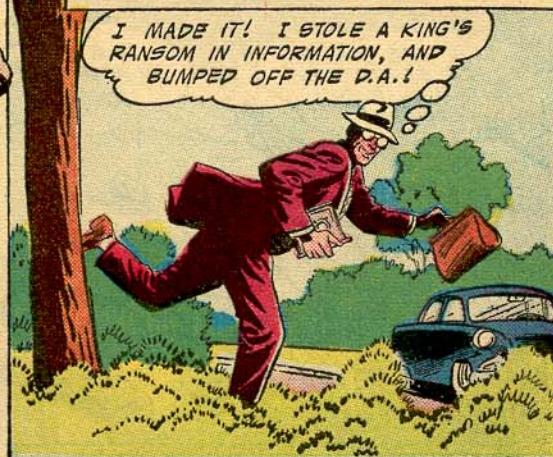
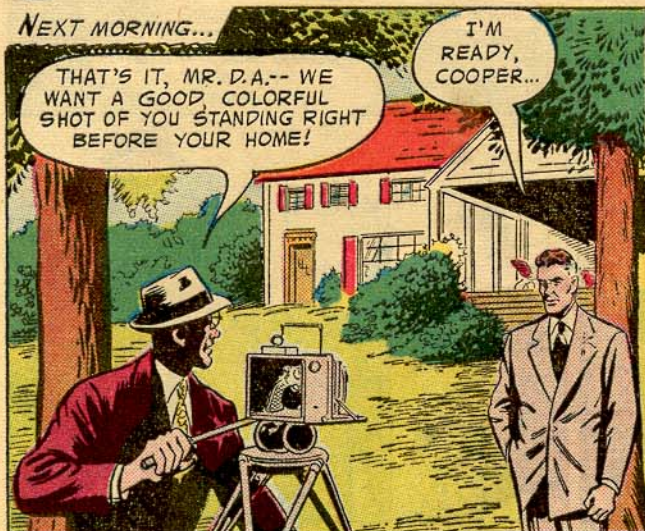
THAT'S RIGHT, BARNEY, I'VE GOT
A FORTUNE WORTH OF INFO IN THE
BAG-- BUT TOMORROW'S THE **BIG**
DAY...



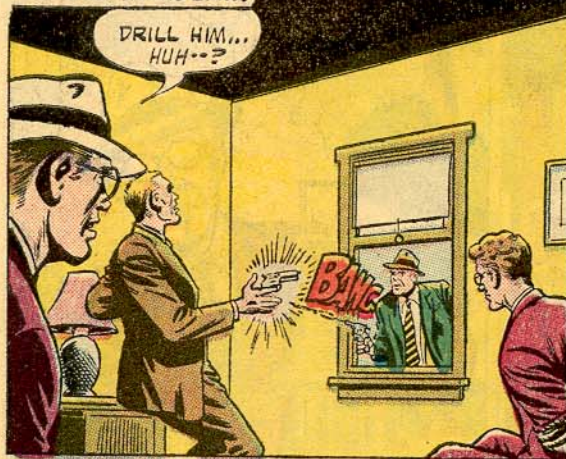
NOW THAT WE'VE GOTTEN ALL WE CAN OUT OF
THE D.A., I'M GOING TO GIVE IT TO HIM! I'M
TAKING **ONE LAST PICTURE**... BUT I'M
TRIPPING MY **GUN TRIGGER** INSTEAD
OF THE CAMERA SHUTTER!



NEXT MORNING...



IT WAS THEN THAT HARRINGTON UNLEASHED THE BOMBHELL THAT WAS TO BLOW "SLIP" SPEERS' SCHEME ASUNDER...



AND AS I BURST IN THE DOORWAY...



IT WAS WITH A SOUND SENSE OF SATISFACTION THAT I CHARGED INTO THE MAN WHO HAD TRIED TO DECEIVE ME...



YOUR VERY INGENUITY BROUGHT ABOUT YOUR DOWNFALL, SPEERS! DO YOU RECALL LIFTING UP A MING VASE AT THE SCENE OF THE ANTIQUE SHOP THEFT?

S-SURE... BUT HOW COULD THAT SINK ME?



WHEN OUR FINGERPRINT MAN CHECKED FOR THE PRINTS OF THE SAFE-CRACKERS, THEY FOUND YOURS... AND IN WASHINGTON, THOSE PRINTS REVEALED YOUR TRUE IDENTITY AS "SLIP" SPEERS, CON MAN!

THE CHIEF SAW YOU HANDLE THAT VASE, PAL... THAT'S WHY WE SET UP REGULAR OFFICERS AS PHONY UNDERCOVER AGENTS FOR YOU TO PHOTOGRAPH!

BUT THE LAST PHOTOGRAPH... I SHOT YOU WITH MY GUN!

AFRAID FOR COOPER'S SAFETY, WE WATCHED YOU EVERY MOMENT FOR A CLUE TO HIS WHEREABOUTS! YOUR PHONE CALL GAVE US THE LEAD TO YOUR GANG... THEN WE EMPTIED ALL BUT A TINY AMOUNT OF POWDER FROM YOUR SHELLS!

THAT BULLET HAD ONLY ENOUGH POWER TO GO TWO FEET, SPEERS! AND NOW, I THINK IT'S OUR TURN TO PHOTOGRAPH YOU--FOR THE CRIMINAL FILES!



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BOLTWOFF

I WANT TO PUT IN
A COMPLAINT. HIS
DOG BIT ME!

YESSIR, I'LL TAKE CARE
OF THAT. FIRST, WE'LL
HAVE TO SWEAR
OUT A SUMMONS!

THE MATTER WILL
HAVE TO GO TO
COURT!

THE TRIAL WON'T TAKE
PLACE FOR AT LEAST
TWO MONTHS!

TWO
MONTHS?

I DON'T KNOW IF I
CAN HOLD ON TO
THE EVIDENCE
THAT LONG!

GRR

FINGERPRINT *Curios!*



FINGERPRINT KNOWLEDGE PROBABLY GOES AS FAR BACK AS **ANCIENT BABYLON!** DISCOVERIES SHOW THAT MERCHANTS THEN IMPRESSED THEIR FINGERS IN SOFT CLAY TABLETS TO RECORD **BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS!**

CENTURIES LATER, QUINTILIAN, A ROMAN LAWYER, (1ST CENTURY A.D.) DEFENDED A BLIND CLIENT ACCUSED OF MURDER, BY TRYING TO PROVE THAT THE **PALM PRINTS** ON THE WALLS AT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME WERE THOSE OF A NEIGHBOR!



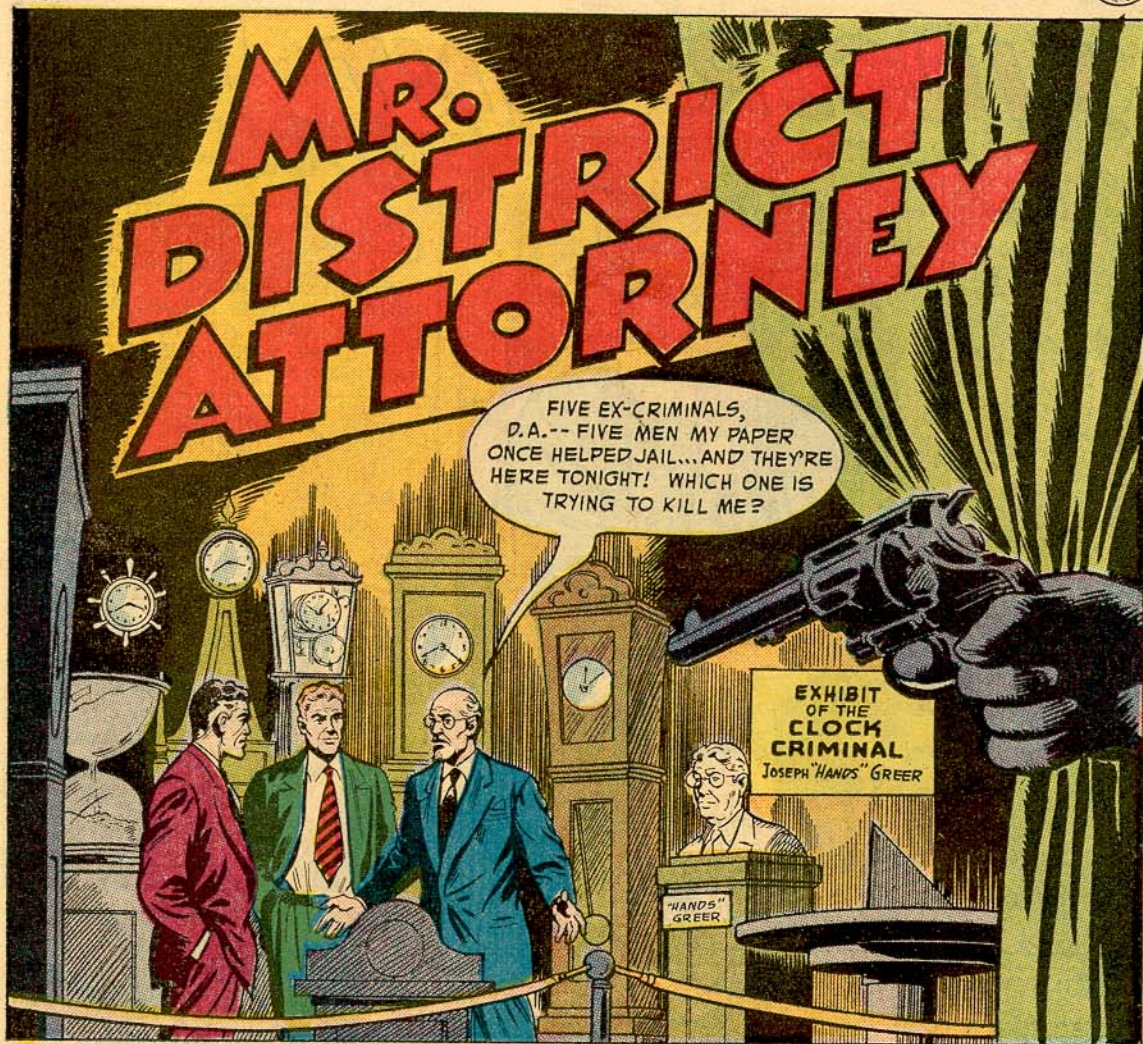
A DOCUMENT FOUND IN TURKESTAN BY SIR AUREL STEIN, THE EXPLORER, RECORDED A LOAN WHICH WAS **SIGNED AND SEALED BY THE FINGERPRINTS** OF THE PARTIES INVOLVED, IN 782 A.D.

IN THE CYCLO-PAEDIC HISTORY WRITTEN BY DOCTOR RASHID OF THE PERSIAN EMPIRE (1247-1318), HE STATED, "EXPERIENCE SHOWS THAT NO TWO INDIVIDUALS HAVE FINGERS PRECISELY ALIKE!"



IN 14TH CENTURY PERSIA, AMBASSADORS AND MERCHANTS ARRIVING IN THE COUNTRY WERE **FINGERPRINTED FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES!**





YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS:

OFTEN, ALL YOU NEED DO IS FIND A MOTIVE, AND YOU'VE FOUND YOUR KILLER. BUT WHAT HAPPENS WHEN FIVE SUSPECTS ALL HAVE THE SAME MOTIVE, AND YOU KNOW THAT ONLY ONE OF THEM PULLED THE TRIGGER? WHAT'S MORE, YOU'VE GOT TO UNCOVER THE MURDERER BEFORE HE PULLS THE TRIGGER AGAIN! IN OTHER WORDS, HOW WOULD YOU GO ABOUT TRYING TO SOLVE...

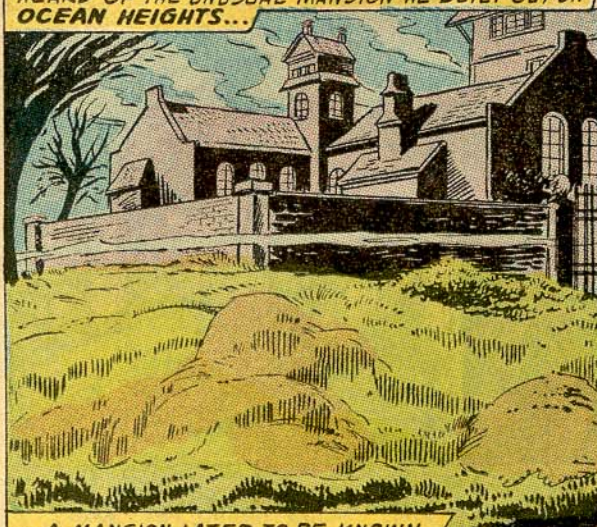
**THE MYSTERY
OF THE
MUSEUM
HOUSE**



IF YOU'RE AT ALL FAMILIAR WITH THE NAME OF J. WILLIAM PHELPS, NEWS-PAPER PUBLISHER, YOU KNOW OF HIS CEASELESS ANTI-CRIME CRUSADE...



AND, KNOWING J. WILLIAM PHELPS, YOU'VE CERTAINLY HEARD OF THE UNUSUAL MANSION HE BUILT OUT ON OCEAN HEIGHTS...



... A MANSION LATER TO BE KNOWN AS THE MUSEUM HOUSE!

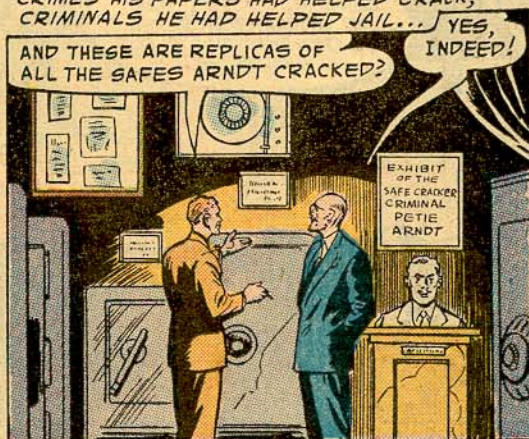
AND NOW, IF YOU'LL STEP INTO THE CAT-BURGLAR'S EXHIBIT, I'LL SHOW YOU A NUMBER OF--

PARDON ME, SIR!-- AN URGENT LETTER! IT CAME SPECIAL DELIVERY!

THE MUSEUM HOUSE DERIVED ITS NAME FROM THE NUMEROUS EXHIBIT ROOMS PHELPS BUILT INTO THE MANSION--EXHIBITS DEPICTING CRIMES HIS PAPERS HAD HELPED CRACK, CRIMINALS HE HAD HELPED JAIL...

AND THESE ARE REPLICAS OF ALL THE SAFES ARNDT CRACKED?

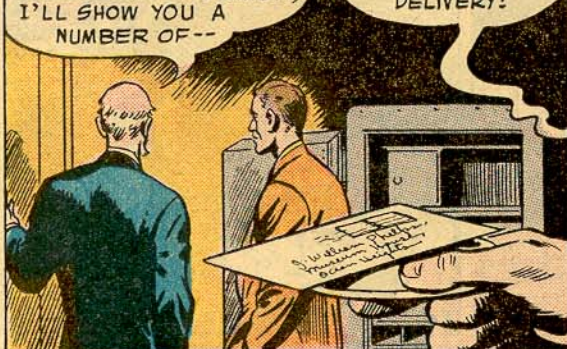
YES, INDEED!



PHELPS TOOK THE LETTER--PRESUMABLY A BUSINESS COMMUNIQUE--OPENED IT, AND...

BLAST IT! WITH MY POOR EYESIGHT, I CAN'T READ SUCH SMALL TYPE! WHERE'S CLAREMONT?

I'LL SUMMON MR. CLAREMONT AT ONCE, SIR!

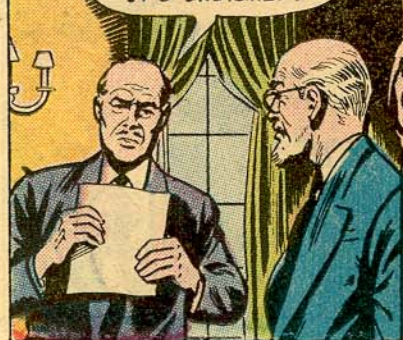


CLAREMONT, LONG-TIME SECRETARY TO PHELPS, OPENED THE LETTER, WHICH CONTAINED EXACTLY EIGHT WORDS...

SIR! THIS SAYS: "PHELPS-- AT LAST I'M GOING TO GET YOU!" IT'S UNSIGNED!

A THREAT! A THREAT ON MY LIFE!

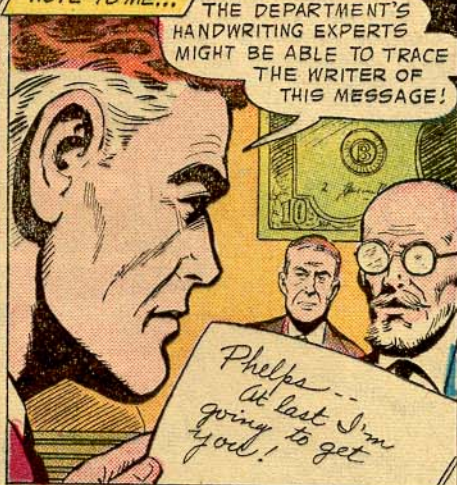
I'VE LONG SUSPECTED MY ENEMIES MIGHT STRIKE BACK AT ME! WELL, I'M TAKING THE BULL BY THE HORNS! I KNOW OF AT LEAST FIVE MEN WHO WOULD LIKE TO KILL ME... I'M INVITING THEM ALL TO THIS HOUSE!



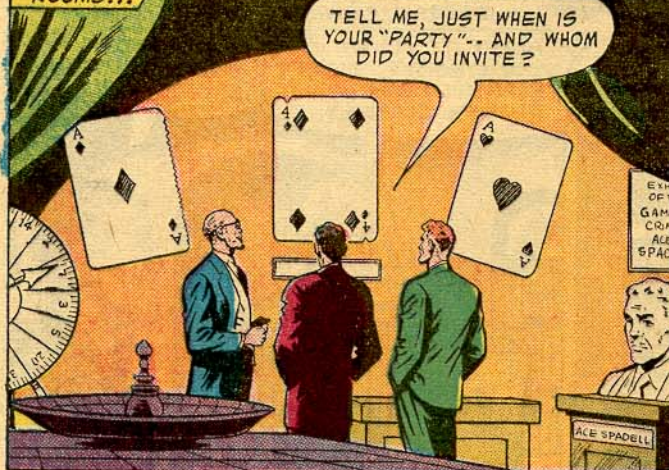
THE FOLLOWING MORNING, FEBRUARY 6th, PHELPS SENT FOR ME. HIS BUTLER, WILKINS, LED HARRINGTON AND ME TO ONE OF THE EXHIBIT ROOMS, WHERE...



FIRST, PHELPS TURNED OVER THE THREAT NOTE TO ME...



NEXT, HE TOOK US ON A TOUR OF THE FASCINATING MUSEUM ROOMS...



MY GUESTS ARE ALL ON EXHIBIT, HERE, D.A.: "HANDS" GREER, PETIE ARNDT, "PLATES" VERNON, ACE SPADELL-- AND, OF COURSE, "BULLETS" JACKSON!



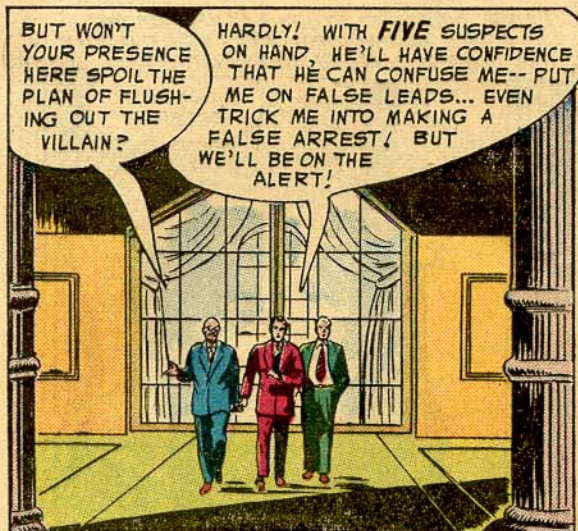
HOW WELL I REMEMBERED "BULLETS" JACKSON, THE CRIMINAL WHO NEVER USED THE SAME WEAPON TWICE...



THE BIG NIGHT IS TUESDAY, THE 12th-- MY NEWSPAPER'S ANNIVERSARY! D.A., SHOULDN'T YOU AND HARRINGTON COME DISGUISED-- SAY, AS WAITERS?

NO...YOUR DOMESTIC HELP WOULD SURELY SEE THROUGH THE SCHEME!





THE HANDWRITING DEPARTMENT GAVE US A NEGATIVE REPORT ON THE NOTE-- WHICH MEANT WE COULD ONLY HOPE TO NAIL OUR MAN AT THE PARTY THE FOLLOWING TUESDAY NIGHT...



NEXT, "PLATES" VERNON, EX-COUNTERFEITER, ARRIVED...



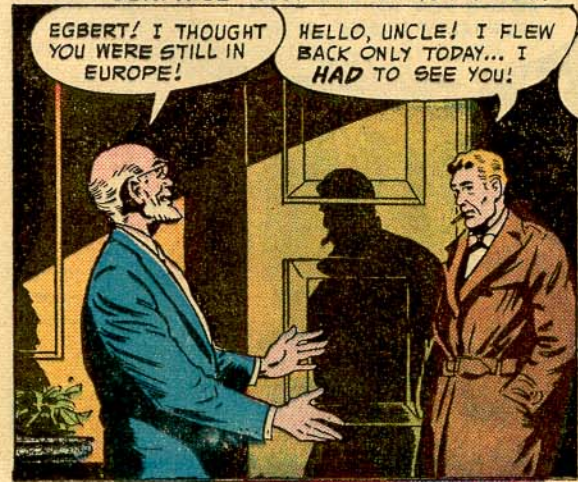
AND THE EX-GAMBLER, ACE SPADELL...



FINALLY, "HANDS" GREER, FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE "CLOCK CRIMINAL"...



BUT THE **SURPRISE** GUEST WAS YET TO ARRIVE...



EGBERT, PHELPS' NEPHEW-- AND ONLY LIVING KIN-- WAS AN INTERNATIONAL PLAYBOY AND NE'ER-DO-WELL...

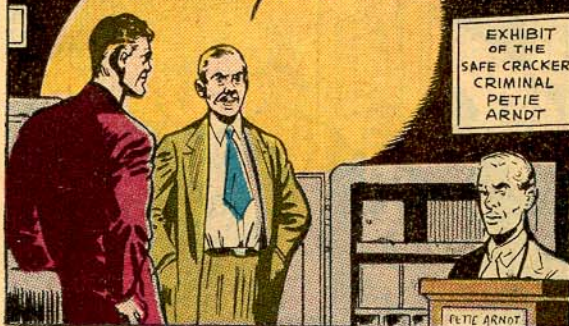


HARRINGTON STAYED CLOSE TO PHELPS, WHILE I MOVED WITH THE GUESTS THROUGH THE EXHIBITS...

RECOGNIZE ALL THESE SAFES, PETIE?

I OUGHT TO, D.A.! USED TO MAKE MY LIVING ON 'EM... HA, HA!

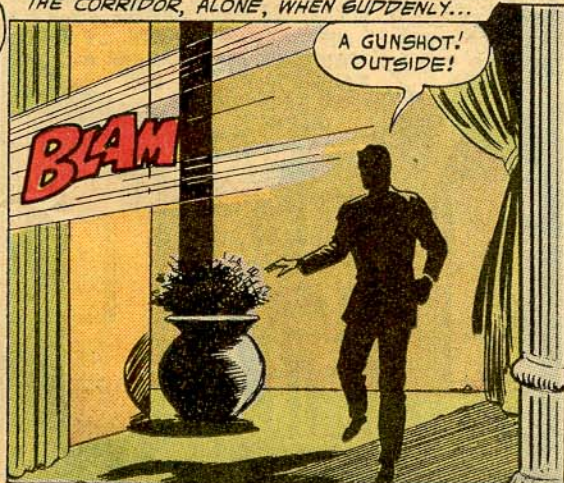
EXHIBIT OF THE SAFE CRACKER CRIMINAL PETIE ARNDT



LATER, I DECIDED TO GET A SAMPLE OF THE NEPHEW'S HANDWRITING-- AND I STARTED DOWN THE CORRIDOR, ALONE, WHEN SUDDENLY...

A GUNSHOT! OUTSIDE!

BLAM



WE RUSHED OUTSIDE, TO THE PATIO ON THE CLIFF, WHERE...

IT'S WILKINS!

GOOD HEAVENS! WHY WOULD ANYBODY SHOOT THE BUTLER?



THE SHOT WASN'T MEANT FOR WILKINS! YOU SEE, I OFTEN TAKE AN EVENING STROLL OUT HERE! THE MURDERER THOUGHT POOR WILKINS WAS ME!

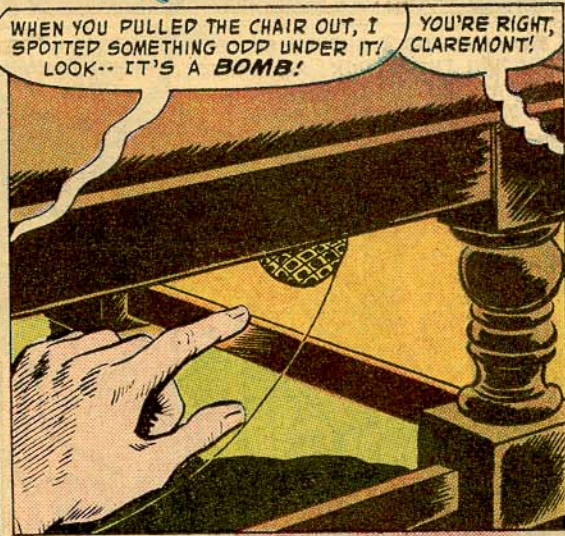
ALL RIGHT-- INSIDE, EVERYBODY!

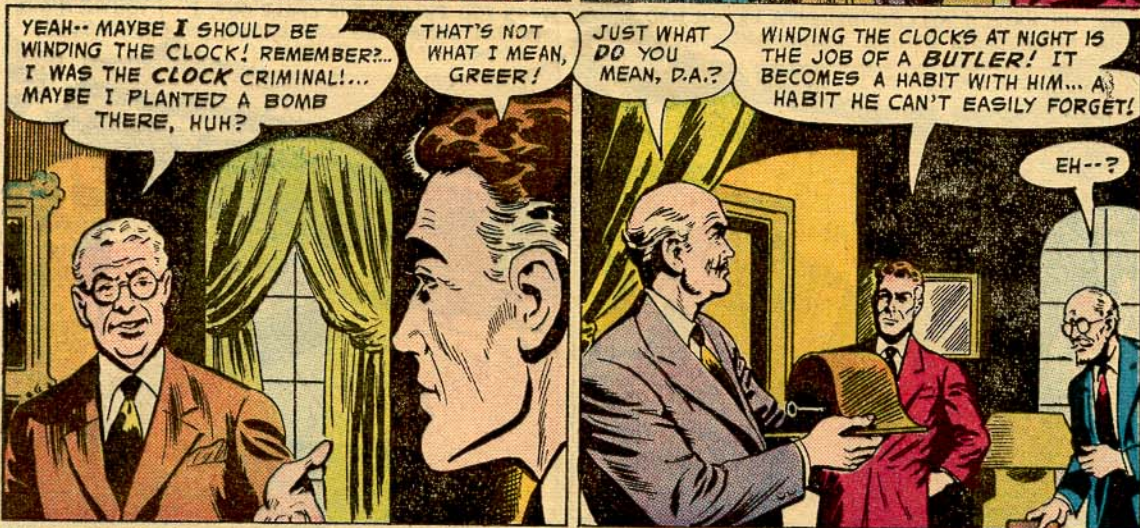


THERE WAS NO CHANCE OF RECOVERING THE BODY BEFORE IT WAS WASHED OUT TO SEA...

EACH OF YOU SEATED HERE HAS A MOTIVE FOR WANTING TO KILL MR. PHELPS... ONE OF YOU FIRED THAT SHOT!

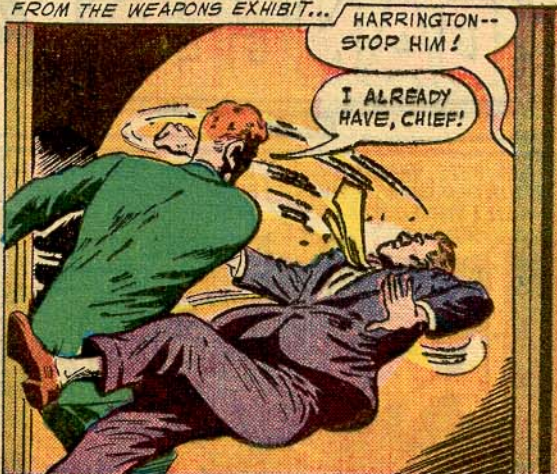








AS WILKINS RACED FROM THE LIBRARY, HE RAN HEAD-ON INTO HARRINGTON, WHO WAS RETURNING FROM THE WEAPONS EXHIBIT...



LATER, WITH THE KILLER IN HANDCUFFS, WE GATHERED AGAIN FOR A FEW EXPLANATIONS... **MONEY, PHELPS!**

BUT WHY DID WILKINS DO IT? WHAT WAS HIS MOTIVE?

KNOWING CLAREMONT WAS TO RECEIVE \$100,000 IN YOUR WILL, HE DREAMED UP THIS FANTASTIC PLAN TO GET THAT MONEY!



WILKINS HIMSELF SENT THE THREAT NOTE, REALIZING YOU'D THINK IT CAME FROM ONE OF YOUR LONG-TIME ENEMIES! HIS NEXT STEP WAS TO KILL CLAREMONT QUIETLY, DRESS HIM IN THE BUTLER'S CLOTHES, THROW THE BODY OVER THE CLIFF, THEN FIRE A SHOT...



...AND MAKE IT APPEAR THE SHOT WAS MEANT FOR YOU, MR. PHELPS! THEN HE DISGUISED HIMSELF AS CLAREMONT, KNOWING YOU COULDN'T RECOGNIZE HIM TOO WELL, WITH YOUR BAD EYESIGHT!



HE NEXT MEANT TO KILL YOU! AS CLAREMONT, HE'D COLLECT THE \$100,000 AND QUICKLY SKIP TOWN!

IT MIGHT'VE WORKED, TOO, IF THE D.A. HADN'T BEEN SO SHARP AS TO NOTICE WILKINS' LONG-STANDING HABITS AS A BUTLER!



DANGER

Prejudice at Work!

GEE, PETE, WHERE'S ALL YOUR OLD GANG I MET WHEN I VISITED YOU LAST SUMMER?

OH, SOME MOVED AWAY-- BUT A LOT OF NEW KIDS MOVED IN HERE, TOO.



YEAH, AND THEY DON'T LOOK LIKE OUR KIND.

HUH?... COME ON, SAM, THE GAME'S GOING TO START NOW!



CARAMBA! THAT'S HITTING THEM BASE-BALL!

GET THAT! CAN'T EVEN SPEAK ENGLISH.



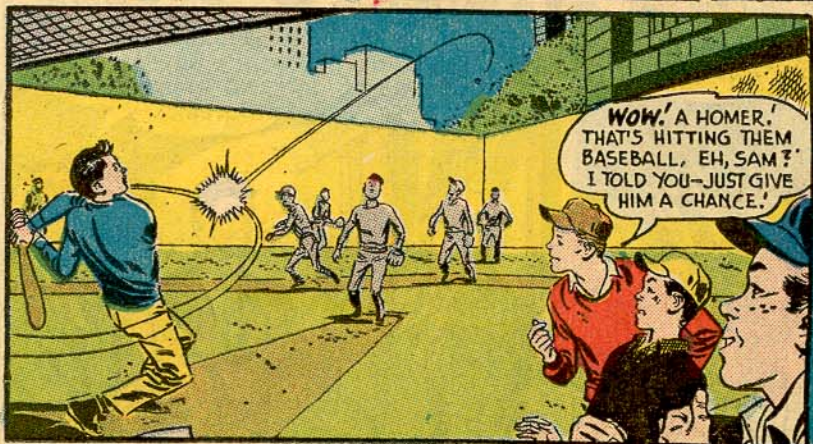
OH, BROTHER, THERE GOES YOUR GAME. HE PROBABLY CAN'T HIT A BALL EITHER.

AW, LAY OFF, SAM. GIVE LUIS A CHANCE.



STRIKE ONE!

WHAT'D I TELL YOU? GEE, YOU SURE GOT A BUNCH OF LEMONS MOVED INTO THIS NEIGHBORHOOD!



WOW! A HOMER! THAT'S HITTING THEM BASEBALL, EH, SAM? I TOLD YOU--JUST GIVE HIM A CHANCE!

PETE'S RIGHT IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE. WHEN NEW FOLKS, KIDS OR GROWN-UPS MOVE INTO YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD, GIVE THEM A CHANCE--TO BE FRIENDS AND GOOD NEIGHBORS!

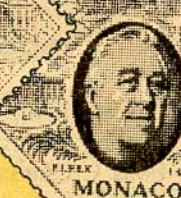


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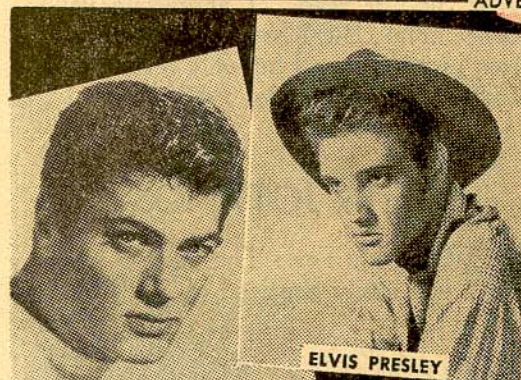
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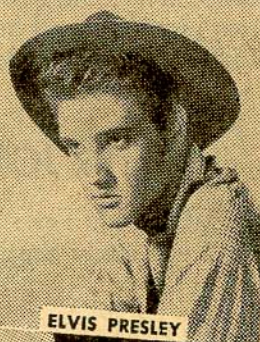
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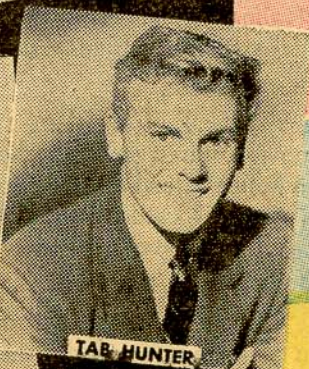
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THE D.A. FILE

DOUBLE IDENTITY

One man's resemblance to another's might have advantages or disadvantages, but in the case of William Townsend or Robert McHenry it had both. The strange story begins one stormy night, when four men held up a store, which resulted in the proprietor's death. One of the men was caught, and in exchange for revealing his cronies' hiding place, he was given a lighter sentence than they.

The man who wielded the gun—William Townsend—remained at large, while police pressed their search for more than a year. In due time, an alert citizen recognized Townsend, put the authorities on his trail. Arrested, Townsend indignantly claimed that he was actually Robert McHenry, a sailor, who, on the night of the storekeeper's slaying, was aboard his ship until dawn, when he went ashore with some of the crew.

At the trial, witnesses for the prosecution identified Townsend as the man seen fleeing from the store. But no sooner was the jury impressed with this testimony than the defense called upon half a dozen witnesses, who identified him as Robert McHenry, Able Seaman. Faced by this dilemma, the jury acquitted the accused. But he did not leave the courtroom a free man.

For immediately, a sheriff placed him under arrest. If he was Robert McHenry, as he had just proved, and had come ashore at dawn on that particular morning, he was wanted in another state in connection with the slaying of an innkeeper! Too stunned to retort, McHenry was taken off to jail.

Faced by an open-and-shut case, strengthened by witnesses who swore that they'd seen him, McHenry was a doomed man until his lawyer resorted to a unique tactic. He called to the stand the prosecution's witnesses of the previous trial, who had positively identified him as William Townsend!

Once more, McHenry (or Townsend) was acquitted. But he remained free for only

a short time. Justice was to triumph ultimately, for, soon after, during a daring hold-up attempt, the culprit was shot down by police bullets.

CORRECTION NOTED

Describing the term "prison guards" as lacking in dignity, New York City Corrections Commissioner Anna Kross has ordered that henceforth they will be referred to as "correction officers".

JUVENILE JUROR

When a potential juror received a summons to jury duty, she had good reason for balking. She mailed back the summons to the sheriff of Pineville, Ky., accompanied by a letter of explanation.

"Dear Sir," it read. "I appreciate your confidence in me. But I beg of you to release me from jury duty, as I am only seven years old and am attending third grade."

BLOTTER JOTTINGS

FT. WORTH, Tex.: The "Easy Get It Grocery" was easily deprived of \$200 by a thief.

SEATTLE, Wash.: Nabbed for car-stealing, a man explained that he wanted to make regular visits to his parole officer.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.: A western movie inspired an escaped convict to surrender to police after he'd seen cowboys mow down a gang of cattle rustlers. "Crime just don't pay," he acknowledged.

CLEVELAND, O.: Police were called in by a manufacturer of magicians' equipment to locate 220 yards of material "made especially to give the illusion of not existing."

MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY

SEE FOR YOURSELF, MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY-- I'M NO HOAXER! THE SLIGHTEST MOVEMENT OF MY FINGER WILL BLOW US ALL SKY-HIGH!

STAND BACK, HARRINGTON! THIS BURGLAR'S BOMB BOX IS RIGGED WITH DEADLY EXPLOSIVES!

YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS:

IT WAS THE TENSEST SITUATION IN THE HISTORY OF MY DEPARTMENT! A BRAZEN THIEF ROAMED OUR CITY STREETS, PLUNDERING AT WILL, AND IT SEEMED WE WERE HELPLESS TO INTERVENE! FOR WE WERE ALL WELL AWARE OF THE DANGEROUS MENACE CONTAINED IN THE HAND OF...

THE BANDIT WITH THE DEADLY BOX

THIS INCREDIBLE CASE BEGAN IN FRONT OF A SUPER-MARTON MAY 12TH OF LAST YEAR...

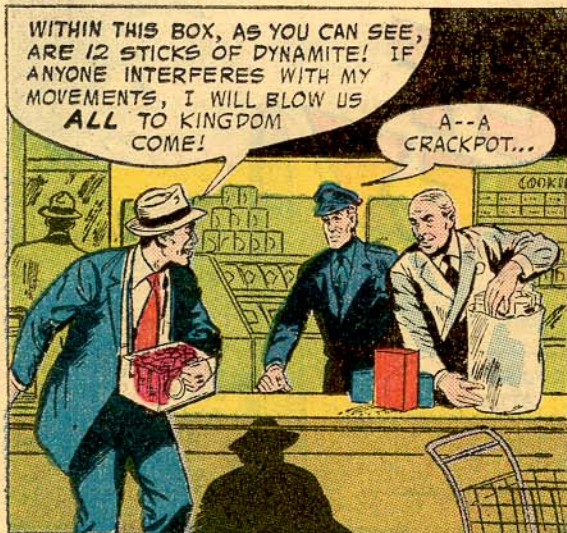


THE MAN WHO WAS GOON TO THROW THE CITY INTO A STATE OF NEAR PANIC LAUNCHED HIS FANTASTIC THEFT BOLDLY...

ATTENTION, EVERYONE! YOUR LIVES ARE IN MY HANDS!

GREAT SCOTT! WHO... WHAT IS THAT?





THE BEWILDERED GUARD GAPED WIDE-EYED, AS "THE MAN WITH THE BOX" CONFRONTED HIM...



WE CANNOT SAY WHETHER THE GUARD ACTUALLY WOULD HAVE FIRED OR SOUGHT TO SUBDUED THE MAN--FOR, AT THAT MOMENT...



THUS DID A BIZARRE, SILENT CRIME TAKE PLACE UNDER THE VERY EYES OF THE VICTIMS...



SHORTLY, OUTSIDE, AS HE STRODE PAST OFFICERS CALLAHAN AND DRAKE...



LATER, AS MY ASSISTANT AND I HEARD THE FACTS OF THE CASE...



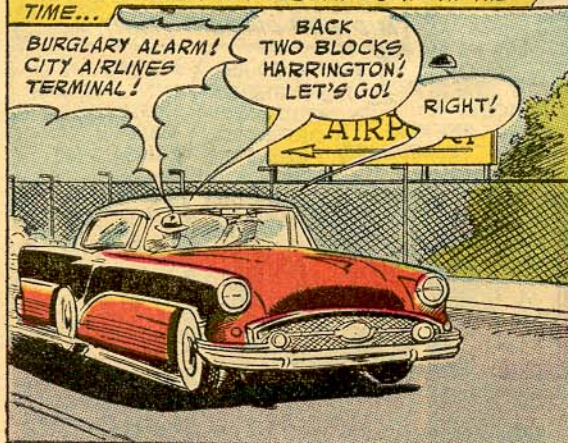
OUR HANDS ARE TIED FOR THE MOMENT, HARRINGTON! WE'VE GOT TO WAIT FOR HIS NEXT MOVE, AND HOPE TO FIND A COURSE OF ACTION!



THAT WAS THE CHIEF PROBLEM FACING US AS TWO DAYS LATER, AT THE CITY AIRLINE TERMINAL...



BY GOOD FORTUNE, HARRINGTON AND I WERE CRUISING NEAR THE ROBBERY SCENE AT THE TIME...



AND IT WAS THEN THAT I FIRST CAME FACE TO FACE WITH THE FANATICAL BOMB-BOX BURGLAR...



JUST A MOMENT, PLEASE! IF YOU REALLY HAVE ENOUGH EXPLOSIVES THERE TO BLOW US UP, YOU CAN'T OBJECT IF I SEE FOR MYSELF!

CERTAINLY NOT, SIR--LOOK AS CLOSELY AS YOU WISH!



HMM... DYNAMITE LOOKS GENUINE--AND HIS HAND IS CLUTCHING SOME SORT OF TRIGGER! BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN IT ACTUALLY WOULD DETONATE IF WE KNOCKED HIM OUT...

SATISFIED, MY FRIEND?





MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY



RETURNING TO MY OFFICE, I IMMEDIATELY LAUNCHED A PLAN OF OPERATION...



BACK AT HEADQUARTERS, OUR HEARTS STOOD STILL AS WE EXAMINED A BLOW-UP OF THE VITAL PICTURE...

GENTLEMEN, BOMB EXPERTS STUDYING THIS PHOTO ASSURE ME OUR THIEF IS NO HOAXER! THE THING IS MECHANICALLY RIGGED TO EXPLODE THE MOMENT HIS FINGERS RELEASE THE TRIGGER!

GREAT GHOSTS! AND HIS HAND WILL LET GO THE MOMENT HE'S SHOT OR KNOCKED OUT!



INDEED, THERE SEEMED NO SOLUTION--FOR OUR CRIMINAL MOVED ONLY AMID CROWDS, WELL AWARE OF THE PROTECTION THEY OFFERED HIM...

THIS MAN **MUST** BE TAKEN WITHOUT LOSS OF LIFE! I'M ASKING FOR VOLUNTEERS-- SIX MEN WHO WILL RISK THEIR LIVES IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT A MAJOR CALAMITY!



NEXT DAY, A GRIM TRAINING PROGRAM BEGAN AT THE POLICE GYM...

ALL RIGHT, MOVE IN ON OUR "MAN"! PARKER, YOU DISTRACT HIM,... ELLIOT, REACH FOR THAT TRIGGER HAND-- FAST!



NOW... MOVE!

LET'S TALK THIS OVER, MISTER...



BUT THE RESULTS WERE DISASTROUS...

NO GOOD, D.A.! BEFORE HE COULD REACH MY HAND, I HAD PLENTY OF TIME TO RELEASE THE DYNAMITE TRIGGER!

KEEP TRYING! KEEP TRYING! WE'VE GOT TO BEAT THIS THING!

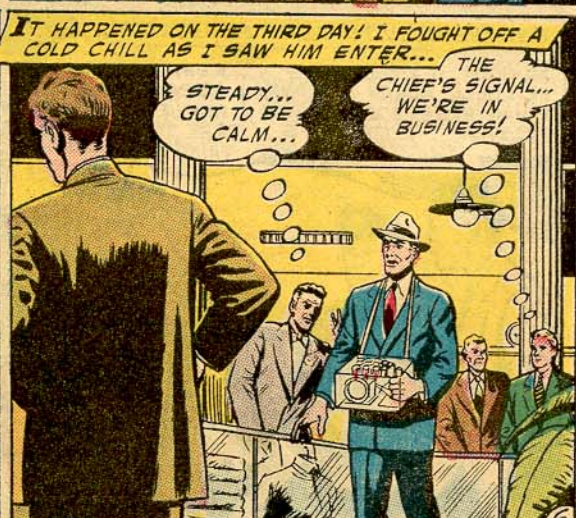
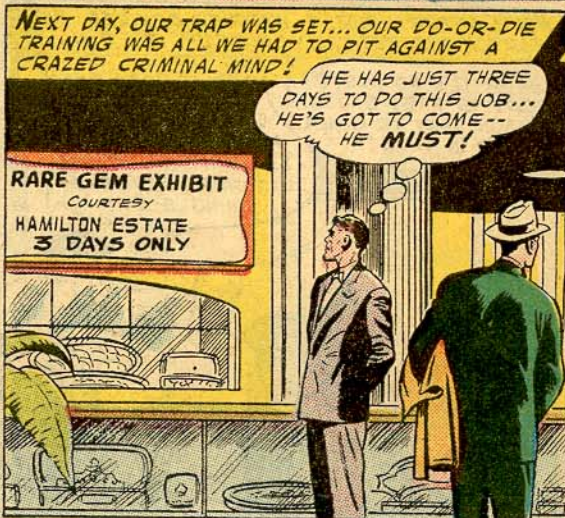
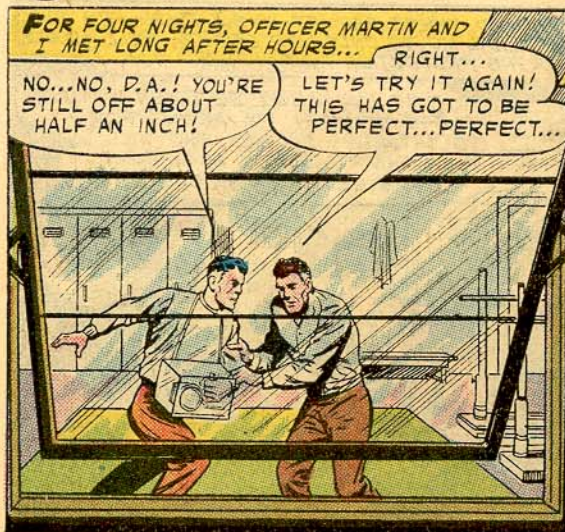


HOUR AFTER HOUR, I WATCHED OFFICER REARDON THEORETICALLY "BLOW UP" THE GYM...

GUESS IT'S NO USE, D.A.! **NOBODY** IS FAST ENOUGH TO REACH THAT TRIGGER HAND IN TIME!

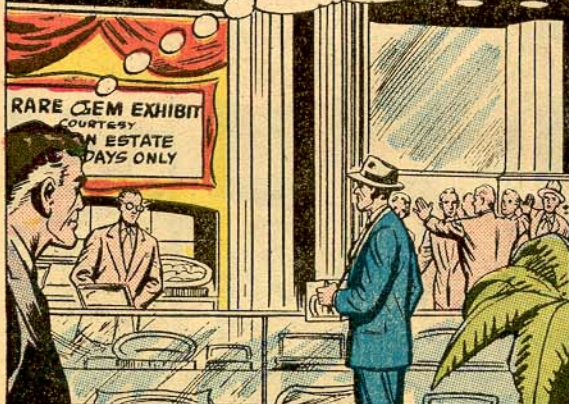
YES, IT DOES SEEM HOPELESS! MARTIN, I'D LIKE YOU TO REMAIN AFTER THE OTHERS LEAVE... PERHAPS WE CAN WORK OUT SOMETHING ELSE!





THE TENSION AMID OUR GROUP COULD BE CUT WITH A KNIFE, AS WE WENT QUIETLY INTO ACTION...

HE'S MOVING RIGHT FOR THE EXHIBIT...

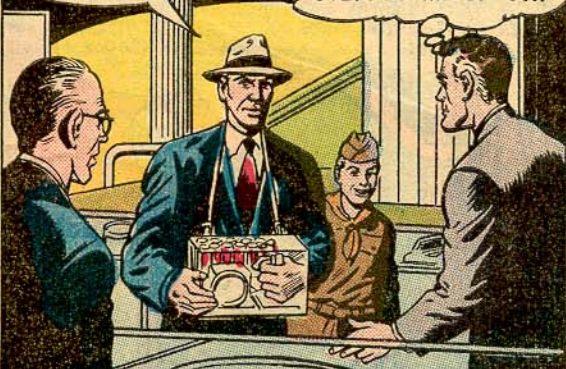


MY MEN MOVED IN, TAKING THEIR PLANNED POSITIONS...

YOU KNOW WHO I AM! I INTEND TO ROB THE GEM EXHIBIT! STOP ME IF YOU WISH... AND DIE!

I...ER...UNDERSTAND!

MUST BE PERFECT TIMING-- WHEN HE'S OCCUPIED WITH STEALING THE GEMS...



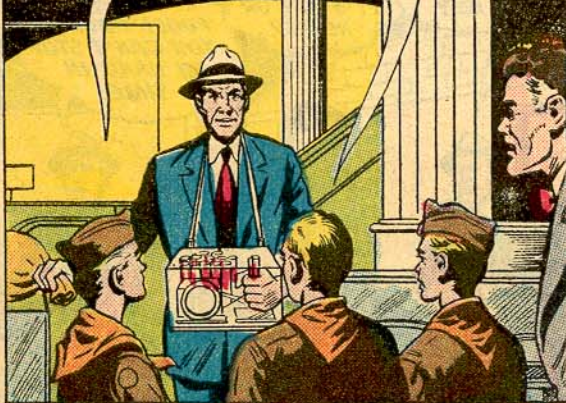
SUDDENLY, OUR ENTIRE SCHEME WAS SHATTERED AS...

GOSH! LOOK AT THE MAN WITH THE FUNNY BOX!



WHATCHA GOT IN THE BOX, MISTER, HUH?

ARE YOU SELLING SOMETHING? WOW! WHAT ARE THOSE STICKS INSIDE?



ANYTHING COULD HAPPEN! THIS CRAZED CRIMINAL COULD BECOME EXCITED--SET OFF THE BOMB BY ACCIDENT...

YOU MUST HAVE SOME HUMAN FEELINGS... WHOEVER YOU ARE! LET ME GET THESE YOUNGSTERS SAFELY OUTSIDE!

HUH? WHY DO YOU WANT THESE KIDS SAFELY OUTSIDE, UNLESS... I GET IT! A TRAP-- THE STORE IS CLEARED! BUT I'LL WALK OUT WITH THESE KIDS!



EACH SECOND WAS AN ETERNITY, AS THE THIEF COMPLETED HIS THEFT...

PSST... I-I COULDN'T HELP IT, CHIEF! THE KIDS RUSHED PAST ME!

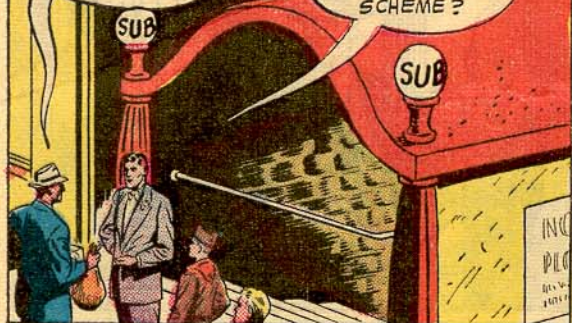
HARRINGTON, I'M GOING OUT WITH THAT MAN AND THE SCOUTS! FOLLOW ME AT A DISTANCE...



MOMENTS LATER, I PLAYED MY DESPERATE HAND WITH BATED BREATH...

I NEED THE BOY SCOUTS NO LONGER! IT'S RUSH HOUR... IF YOU INTERFERE, I'LL BLOW THIS SUBWAY ENTRANCE DOWN ON THE CROWDS BELOW!

I WON'T... BUT, SINCE WE'RE HELPLESS TO STOP YOU, MAY I WALK ALONG AND CHAT ABOUT YOUR AMAZING CRIME SCHEME?



HIS EGO WAS TOUCHED--AND TOGETHER, WE ENTERED THE SUBWAY STATION...

YES, I AM QUITE CLEVER, AREN'T I? I SHALL CONTINUE TO ROB UNTIL I'M SATISFIED... AND THEN VANISH FROM SIGHT! WHAT'S MORE, I-- WAIT A MINUTE!



THE STATION'S EMPTY! WHAT ARE YOU UP TO? FOOL! WILL YOU SACRIFICE YOUR OWN LIFE TO STOP ME?

NOW! IT'S NOW OR NEVER!

I LUNGED FORWARD, DESPERATELY AWARE THAT I HAD TO FOLLOW OFFICER MARTIN'S TRAINING TO PERFECTION...

FOOL! FOOL! YOU CAN'T STOP MY HAND IN TIME!

HARRINGTON! NOW! ON THE DOUBLE! MOVE IT!

THE STUNNED CROOK COULDN'T UNDERSTAND THE NEXT THING THAT HAPPENED TO HIM...

HURRY, HARRINGTON! DISCONNECT THE GADGET! I'M USING A JUDO HOLD TO PRESS A NERVE AND "FREEZE" HIS HAND!



WITHIN SECONDS, IT WAS ALL OVER...

WHEW! THANK GOODNESS WE CLEARED THE SUBWAY EXIT WE KNEW HE'D TAKE, AS AN ADDED PRECAUTION! BUT, CHIEF... YOU DIDN'T TELL US ABOUT THIS JUDO BUSINESS!

ONLY BY PRESSING A VITAL NERVE, IN EXACTLY THE RIGHT SPOT, COULD I HOPE TO INSTANTLY PARALYZE THE HAND IN THE BOX!

IT WAS ENOUGH THAT OFFICER MARTIN, OUR JUDO EXPERT, ALONE KNEW MY PLANS! THERE WAS NO NEED FOR ALL OF YOU TO BE UNDER SUCH PRESSURE, TOO!

D.A., I'M SURE GLAD YOU TURNED OUT TO BE AN "A" PUPIL!



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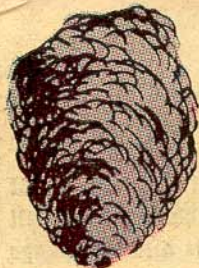
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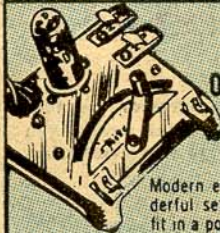


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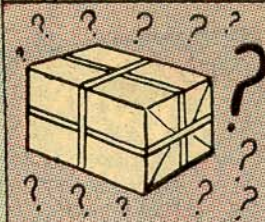
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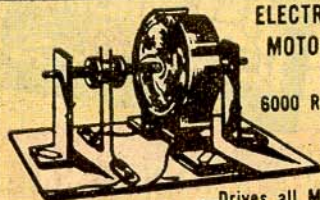
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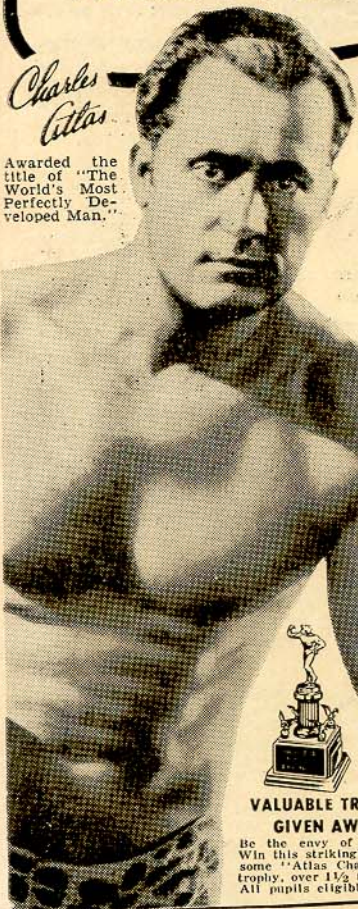
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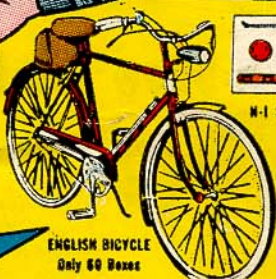
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