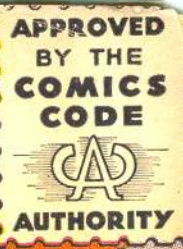




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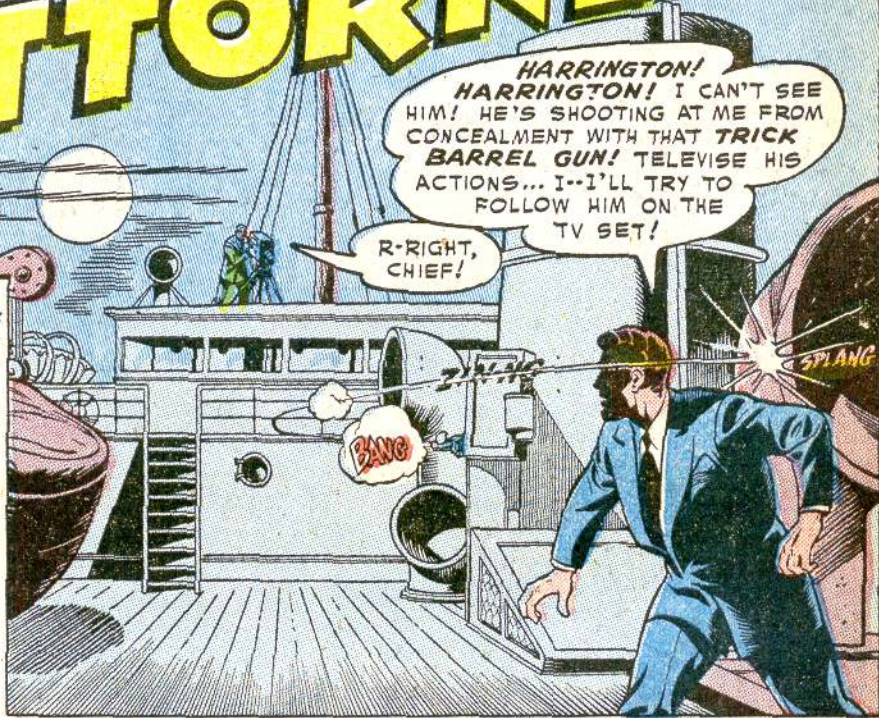
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MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY

YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS:

A UNKNOWN KILLER OPERATING AMIDST A CONVENTION OF WORLD FAMOUS DETECTIVES! THAT WAS THE DESPERATE PROBLEM CONFRONTING HARRINGTON AND ME AS WE MATCHED WITS WITH SUDDEN DEATH ON THE HIGH SEAS ABOARD...



The
S.S.
Justice

ON JUNE 5th OF LAST YEAR, MORNING NEWSPAPERS CARRIED FRONT-PAGE STORIES OF A UNIQUE INTERNATIONAL GATHERING...

AS OUR COUNTRY'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CONVENTION, I WAS AUTOMATICALLY THE HOST--AND AT 9:30 A.M. HARRINGTON AND I ARRIVED AT THE DOCK TO GREET OUR FELLOW DETECTIVES...



BY JOVE, P.A.--WE'VE HEARD A GREAT DEAL ABOUT YOU BACK AT THE "YARD"! I'M INSPECTOR WENDELL GRIMES!

AND I AM DETECTIVE AKAR-BEN-PHAR OF THE CAIRO POLICE!

IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO MEET YOU BOTH, GENTLEMEN!



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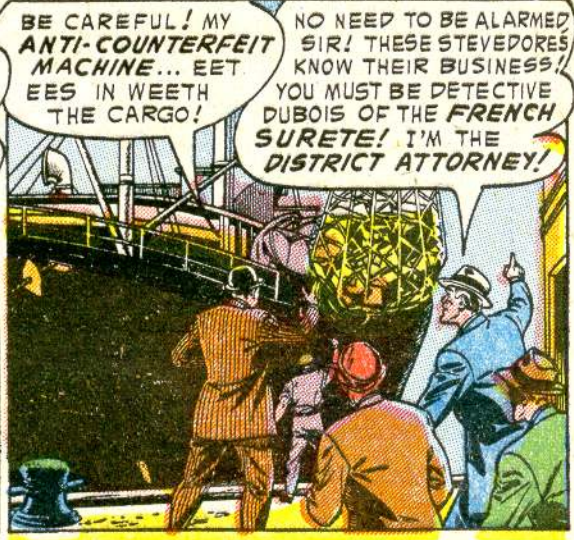
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I SAY... THAT'S A REAL JOLLY NAME FOR OUR CRUISE SHIP -- THE **S.S. JUSTICE!**

SINCE IT REPRESENTS THE COMMON BOND AMONG ALL DETECTIVES, HARRINGTON AND I THOUGHT IT WAS A GOOD IDEA TO... WHAT--?

SACRE BLEU! NON! NON!



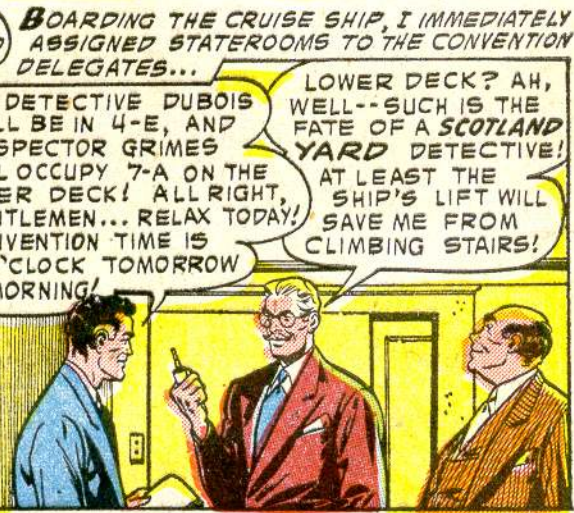
BE CAREFUL! MY **ANTI-COUNTERFEIT MACHINE...** EET EES IN WEETH THE CARGO!

NO NEED TO BE ALARMED SIR! THESE STEVEDORES KNOW THEIR BUSINESS! YOU MUST BE DETECTIVE DUBOIS OF THE **FRENCH SURETE!** I'M THE **DISTRICT ATTORNEY!**



AN HONOR, M'SIEUR **D.A.!** FORGIVE MY IMPATIENCE, BUT THAT MACHINE EES THE ONLY ONE IN EXISTENCE! THAT EES THE REASON FOR MY DEEP CONCERN!

I'M SURE IT WILL BE SAFE, MR. DUBOIS! ONCE ABOARD SHIP, ALL OF OUR DEMONSTRATION EQUIPMENT WILL BE PLACED UNDER LOCK AND KEY!

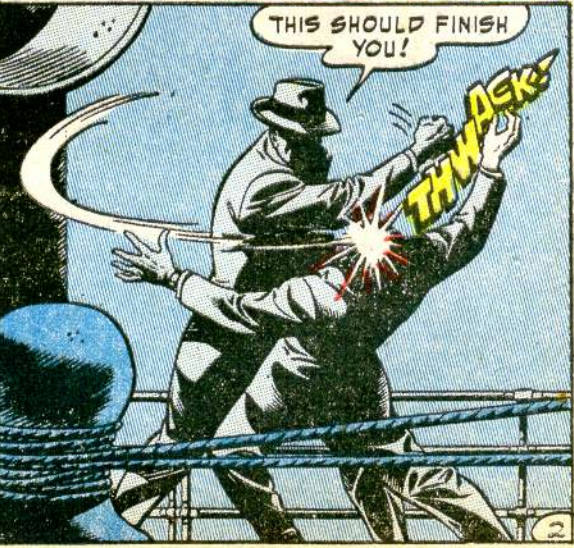
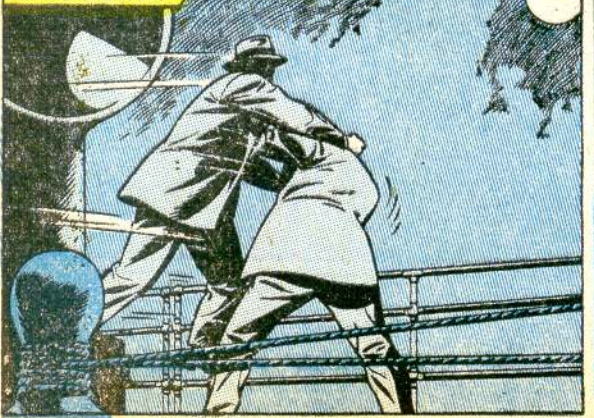


BOARDING THE CRUISE SHIP, I IMMEDIATELY ASSIGNED STATEROOMS TO THE CONVENTION DELEGATES...

... DETECTIVE DUBOIS WILL BE IN 4-E, AND INSPECTOR GRIMES WILL OCCUPY 7-A ON THE LOWER DECK! ALL RIGHT, GENTLEMEN... RELAX TODAY! CONVENTION TIME IS 9 O'CLOCK TOMORROW MORNING!

LOWER DECK? AH, WELL--SUCH IS THE FATE OF A **SCOTLAND YARD** DETECTIVE! AT LEAST THE SHIP'S LIFT WILL SAVE ME FROM CLIMBING STAIRS!

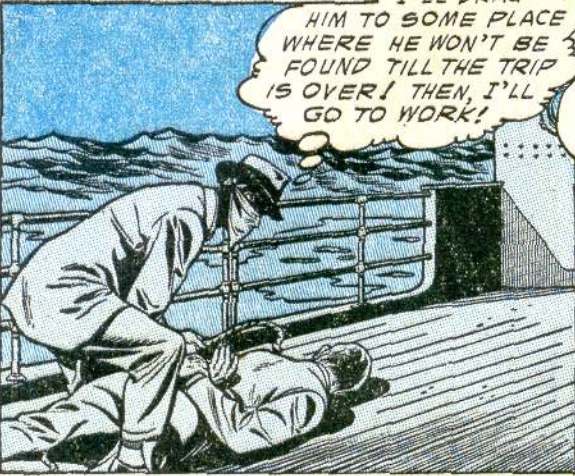
THERE WAS NO INDICATION OF TROUBLE AS THE SHIP CRUISED THAT EVENING-- BUT, AS WE LATER LEARNED, A TREMENDOUS PHYSICAL STRUGGLE WAS TAKING PLACE ON DECK...



THIS SHOULD FINISH YOU!

THWACK!

A MOMENT LATER, THE UNCONSCIOUS MAN WAS BOUND AND GAGGED...



I'LL DRAG HIM TO SOME PLACE WHERE HE WON'T BE FOUND TILL THE TRIP IS OVER! THEN, I'LL GO TO WORK!

THE FOLLOWING MORNING, COMPLETELY UNAWARE OF THIS EVENT, I OPENED THE CONVENTION BY DEMONSTRATING A NEW CRIME FIGHTING TECHNIQUE USED BY OUR POLICE DEPARTMENTS...

THROUGH TELEVISION, WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FLASH CRIMINAL LINE-UPS TO POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN ALL OUR MAJOR CITIES! WITH YOUR PERMISSION, I'LL DEMONSTRATE THE OPERATION! ALL RIGHT, HARRINGTON... LIGHTS OUT!



ALTHOUGH SUSPECTS MAY NOT BE WANTED IN THE PARTICULAR COMMUNITY WHERE THEY ARE PICKED UP, IT IS QUITE POSSIBLE THEY ARE SOUGHT BY POLICE ELSEWHERE! TV MAKES IMMEDIATE IDENTIFICATION POSSIBLE!



MAGNIFIQUE!

POLICE TV IS OPERATED ON A CLOSED CHANNEL! WE ARE NOW LOOKING FORWARD TO MOBILE PATROLS AND INSTRUCTION VIA THIS MEDIUM!

IF ONLY MY COUNTRY KNEW THE WONDER OF TELEVISION, WE COULD ADOPT SUCH A SYSTEM!

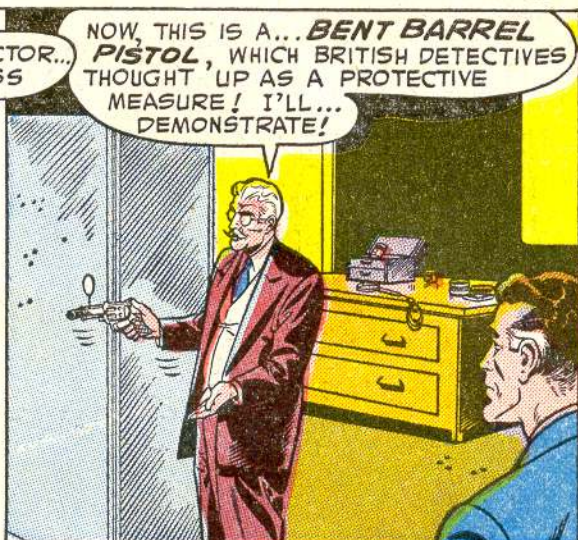
LET'S GIVE THE SHIP'S STEWARDS A HAND FOR ACTING AS OUR "CRIMINALS"! AND NOW, INSPECTOR GRIMES WILL GIVE YOU A DEMONSTRATION IN MODERN WEAPONS!





THANK YOU, MR. D.A.!
NOW LET ME SEE...
WHERE IS MY
EQUIPMENT?

WHY, IT'S RIGHT
BEFORE YOU, INSPECTOR...
THE PISTOL! I GUESS
YOU'RE A LITTLE
NERVOUS!

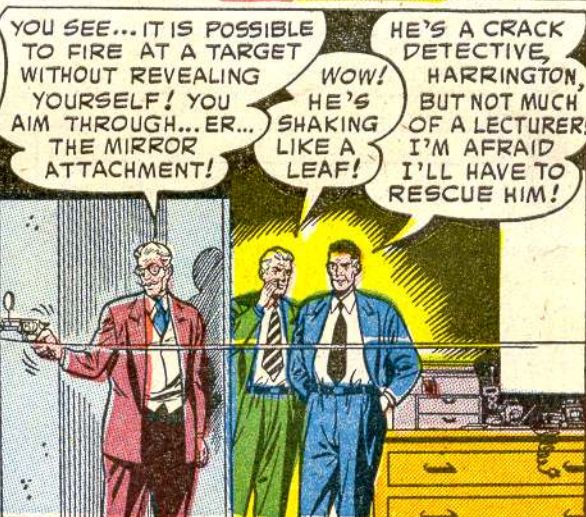


NOW, THIS IS A... **BENT BARREL
PISTOL**, WHICH BRITISH DETECTIVES
THOUGHT UP AS A PROTECTIVE
MEASURE! I'LL...
DEMONSTRATE!



GOSH, CHIEF... I
THOUGHT THE
INSPECTOR CALLED
THE WEAPON A
"TRICK BARREL"
PISTOL!

HE DID, HARRINGTON!
PERHAPS THE NAME
SLIPPED HIS MIND IN
THE EXCITEMENT OF
BEING ON STAGE!
LET'S WATCH...



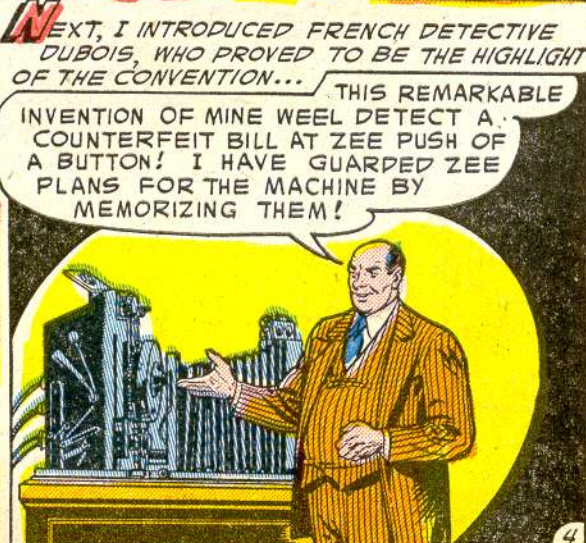
YOU SEE... IT IS POSSIBLE
TO FIRE AT A TARGET
WITHOUT REVEALING
YOURSELF! YOU
AIM THROUGH... ER...
THE MIRROR
ATTACHMENT!

HE'S A CRACK
DETECTIVE,
HARRINGTON,
BUT NOT MUCH
OF A LECTURER!
I'M AFRAID
I'LL HAVE TO
RESCUE HIM!

WOW!
HE'S
SHAKING
LIKE A
LEAF!



ER... THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
INSPECTOR! I'M SURE THAT
NEW WEAPON WILL SAVE THE
LIVES OF MANY POLICEMEN!



NEXT, I INTRODUCED FRENCH DETECTIVE
DUBOIS, WHO PROVED TO BE THE HIGHLIGHT
OF THE CONVENTION...

THIS REMARKABLE
INVENTION OF MINE WHEEL DETECT A...
COUNTERFEIT BILL AT ZEE PUSH OF
A BUTTON! I HAVE GUARDED ZEE
PLANS FOR THE MACHINE BY
MEMORIZING THEM!

GENTLEMEN, YOU WEEEL SEE ZE STARTLING RESULT AS I PLACE BOTH ZE FRAUDULENT AND ZE GENUINE BILL BEHIND ZE GLASS FACE PLATE... SO!

MIGHTY REVOLUTIONARY MACHINE, HARRINGTON! IT WOULD REALLY SPEED UP POLICE WORK!

WE STARED IN AMAZEMENT AS DUBOIS' MACHINE HUMMED INTO ACTION...

VOILA! ZE BAD BILL REVEALS ITSELF IN A SPLIT INSTANT!

WHEW!

ASTONISHING! THAT MACHINE COULD THOROUGHLY WIPE OUT THE BOGUS BILL RACKET!



SUDDENLY...

SACRE BLEU!
OH-H-H...

HEY! THE LIGHTS!

HARRINGTON... QUICKLY! PRESS THE LIGHT SWITCH!

AND WHEN THE LIGHTS WENT BACK ON...

DUBOIS! GREAT SCOTT! HE'S BEEN HURT!



SUFFERING CATS! THIS WAS ATTEMPTED MURDER! LOOK-- SOMEBODY THREW A SHIP'S FIRE AXE AT DUBOIS!

IT CERTAINLY LOOKS THAT WAY! GENTLEMEN, ONE AMONG US IS A WOULD-BE KILLER! THE CRUISE AND DEMONSTRATION ARE OVER... WE'RE HEADING BACK TO PORT! STEWARD, SEE THAT DETECTIVE DUBOIS IS TAKEN TO THE SHIP'S HOSPITAL!

UTTERLY FANTASTIC! WHO... WHO COULD THIS SLAYER IN THE DARK BE?

I DON'T KNOW, AKAR BEN PHAR, BUT AS HEAD OF THIS DELEGATION, I'M ORDERING EVERYONE TO HIS CABIN UNTIL AN INVESTIGATION CAN BE LAUNCHED!

A JOLLY BAD SHOW... I'LL PRESS FOR THE ELEVATOR, D.A.!





MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY



LATER, IN OUR QUARTERS, I STARTLED HARRINGTON WITH ANOTHER OF MY FINDINGS...

HUH--? YOU MEAN THAT FIRE AXE WASN'T MEANT TO HIT DUBOIS?

POSITIVELY, HARRINGTON! THE AXE STRUCK EXACTLY WHERE HIS ANTI-COUNTERFEITING MACHINE WAS, BEFORE HIS FALLING BODY ROLLED IT BACKWARDS!

THE ASSAILANT WANTED TO DESTROY THE MACHINE AND DUBOIS! HE WANTED TO BE POSITIVE NO ONE COULD BUILD ANOTHER! HE FAILED, HARRINGTON, AND THAT MACHINE IS OUR BAIT TO CATCH HIM!

SOON AFTERWARD, I STOOD WITH HARRINGTON ON DECK C, OUTSIDE THE LOUNGE...

I GET IT, CHIEF! WE'LL WAIT BY THE MACHINE UNTIL HE COMES BACK TO TAKE ANOTHER CRACK AT IT!

{WHISPER} GOSH, CHIEF--WHY WOULD ANY BIG-SHOT DETECTIVE HERE WANT THAT TERRIFIC MACHINE DESTROYED?

{WHISPER} I DON'T KNOW HARRINGTON, I-- WAIT! SOMEONE'S APPROACHING!



{WHISPER} THAT'S OUR MAN! HE'S GETTING A HATCHET TO BREAK THE MACHINE! LET'S GO, HARRINGTON... QUIETLY!

BUT OUR SNEAK ATTACK BLEW UP IN THE NEXT INSTANT, AS...

OOPS-- TRIPPED... ... OVER THE TV CAMERA LINES...



ABRUPTLY, THE CRIMINAL'S ARM SWUNG BACK, AND...

HE'S HEADING BELOW DECK, HARRINGTON! HURRY!

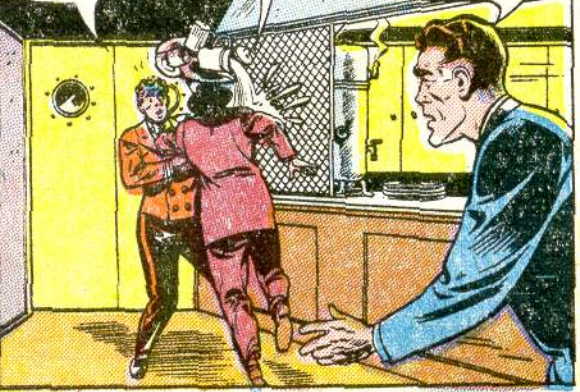


AND AS WE CHASED THE MASKED MAN DOWN TOWARD THE SHIP'S GALLEY...

BUT THE STUNNED STEWARD ONLY MADE THINGS WORSE FOR US...

HEY! WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? OW! HOT COFFEE! INTERFERENCE... STOP THAT MAN, STEWARD!

LOOK OUT! LOOK OUT... WE MUST GET THROUGH! HANNAH! HE'S GETTING AWAY! SUFFERING

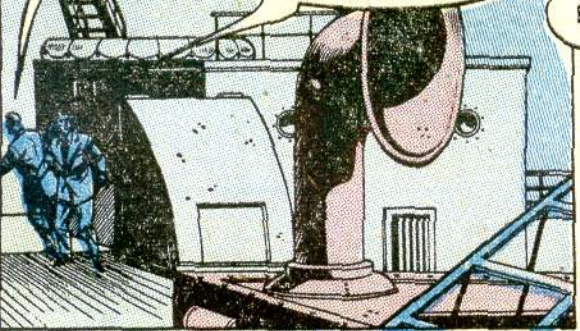


THUS, BY THE TIME WE DISENTANGLED OURSELVES...

NEXT MORNING, IN THE SHIP'S GRILL, I GRIMLY WEIGHED THE FACTS OF THE CASE...

GONE!... JUST AS WE HAD HIM IN OUR GRASP! YES, HARRINGTON, BY NOW, HE'S PROBABLY REMOVED HIS MASK AND RESUMED HIS NORMAL IDENTITY! IF ONLY WE HAD SEEN HIS FACE!

WELL, HARRINGTON, WE'RE STUCK! I'VE GOT DUBOIS' MACHINE UNDER LOCK AND KEY IN THE CAPTAIN'S CABIN, BUT THAT DOESN'T HELP US FIND HIS WOULD-BE KILLER! WE'RE SURE IF I JOIN YOU GENTS FOR A SPOT OF BEER? MIND IF I FIGHTING A CLEVER BABY, CHIEF? FOR A SPOT OF BEER?



A MOMENT LATER... SOMETHING IN MY MEMORY CLICKED WITH HIS WORDS-- AND I PLAYED A HUNCH...

ABRUPTLY, I KNEW I HAD MY MAN.

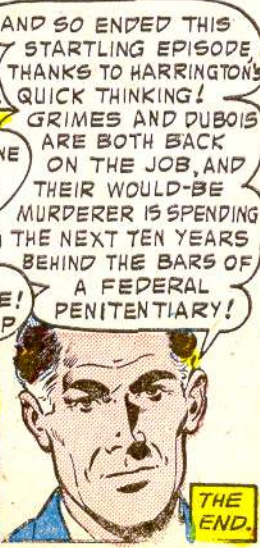
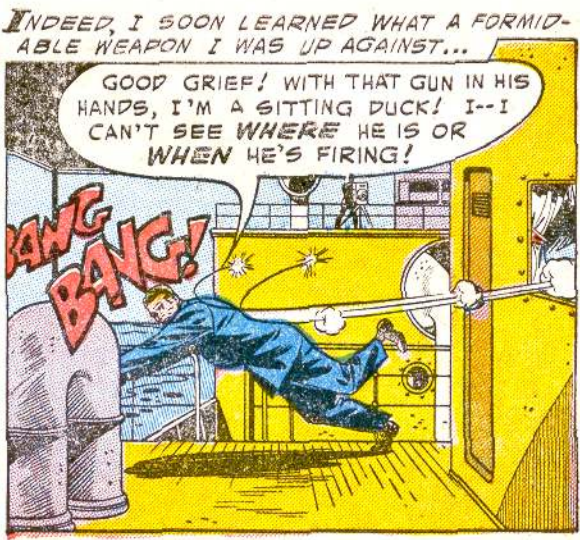
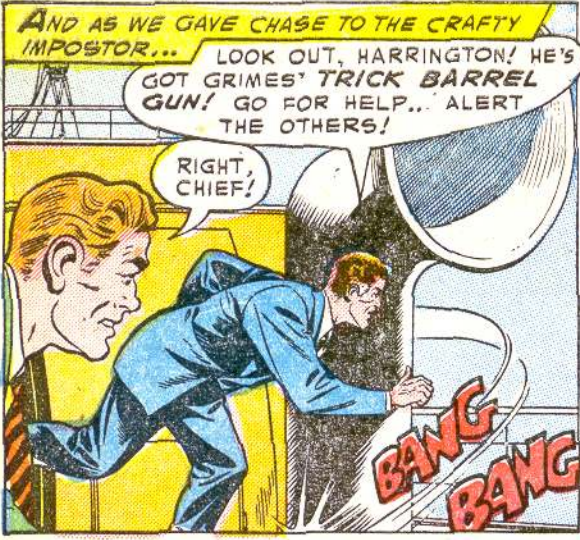
THIS WHOLE DEVILISH AFFAIR HAS ME QUITE UPSET, AND... WAIT, STEWARD! THIS BEER IS WARM AS TOAST! BRING ME A NICE COLD ONE LIKE A GOOD CHAP,

WHAT'S WRONG, GRIMES? GOT A SORE RIGHT SHOULDER FROM SCALDING COFFEE? YOU'RE A FAKE, PAL! REAL ENGLISHMEN LIKE WARM BEER... AND UNLIKE YOU, THEY SAY LIFT INSTEAD OF ELEVATOR!

CERTAINLY, SIR! WARM BEER? WILL YOU? HMM...

YIPES!





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to this

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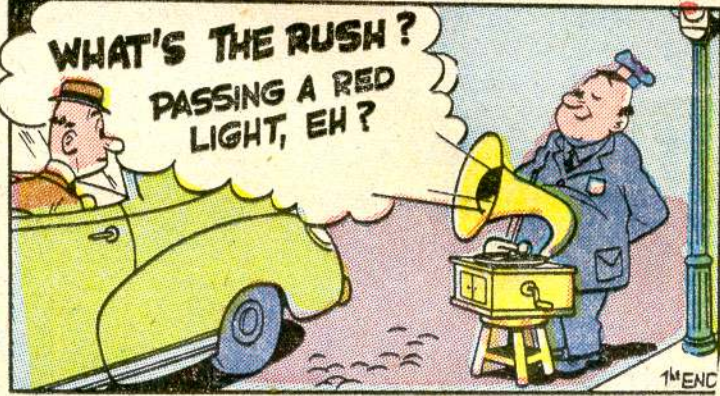
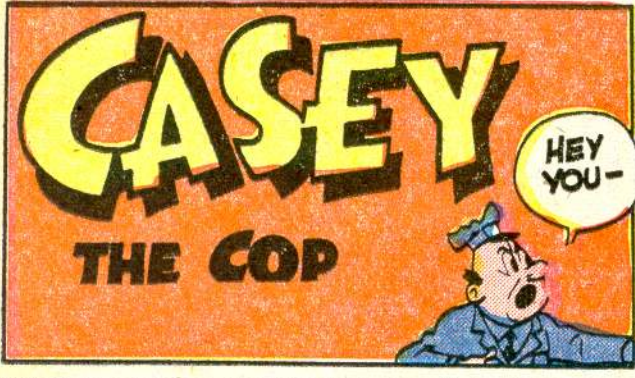
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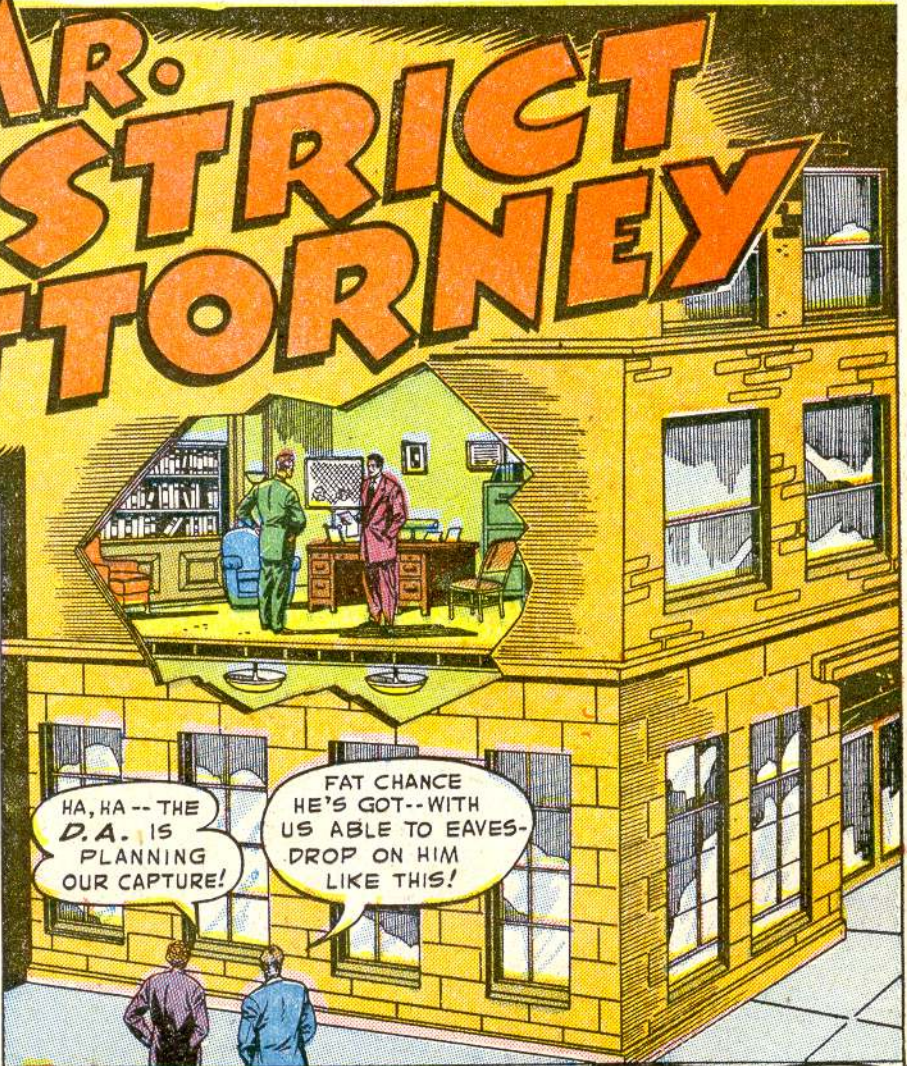


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YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS:

THE NEWSPAPERS STARTED OUT BY CALLING THEM MIND-READERS, AND ENDED UP CALLING THEM MAGICIANS! NO WONDER--HERE WAS A GANG OF HOODS WITH THE SEEMING POWER TO SEE OR WALK THROUGH WALLS, TO DISCOVER SECRETS ENABLING THEM TO COMMIT ONE CRIME-OF-THE-CENTURY AFTER ANOTHER! BUT WHAT HURT MOST OF ALL WAS WHEN MY OWN STAFF STARTED CALLING THIS GANG...

"**THE CROOKS WITH THE X-RAY EYES**"



HA, HA -- THE D.A. IS PLANNING OUR CAPTURE!

FAT CHANCE HE'S GOT-- WITH US ABLE TO EAVES-DROP ON HIM LIKE THIS!

THIS IS WHAT MY OFFICE WAS UP AGAINST... ON APRIL 18TH, LAST YEAR, FIVE MESSENGERS WERE SUMMONED TO THE OFFICE OF **WARING JEWELERS...**

YOU MEN HAVE BEEN BROUGHT HERE TO DELIVER \$50,000 IN CUT DIAMONDS ACROSS TOWN, TO **WEMBLY & COMPANY!**

WHY **FIVE** OF US, MR. WARING? ONE MAN COULD CARRY IT EASILY ENOUGH!

THAT'S JUST THE POINT-- ONLY **ONE** OF YOU **WILL** BE CARRYING THE REAL GEMS! THE REST WILL BE CARRYING SCRAP PAPER!

HUH--? WHAT'S THE IDEA?

WHICH ONE OF US WILL CARRY THE REAL STUFF?





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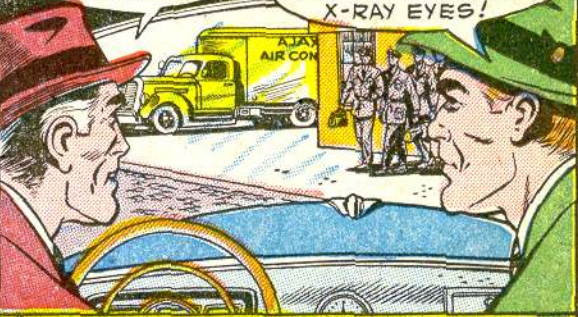
ONLY ONE PERSON KNOWS IN WHICH BAG THE REAL GEMS ARE--THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, WHO PERSONALLY FILLED THE BAGS BEFORE YOU ENTERED!

I MIGHT EXPLAIN THAT THIS PRECAUTION IS ALSO BEING TAKEN AS A TEST, IN THE HOPE WE'LL FIND OUT HOW PREVIOUS AND SIMILAR HOLD-UPS WERE DONE!

SO THE STAGE WAS SET--AND MINUTES LATER, WHILE HARRINGTON AND I WAITED OUTSIDE IN A SQUAD CAR...

HERE THEY COME NOW! WE'LL TAIL THE ONE CARRYING THE REAL GEMS!

HE'LL GET ACROSS ALL RIGHT, CHIEF! IF HE DOESN'T-- THEN THOSE CROOKS MUST REALLY HAVE X-RAY EYES!



AS IT TURNED OUT, HARRINGTON WAS PROPHETIC--

--FOR ON THE CORNER OF VESPER AND HUDSON STREETS. GET AWAY--OR I'LL SHOOT!



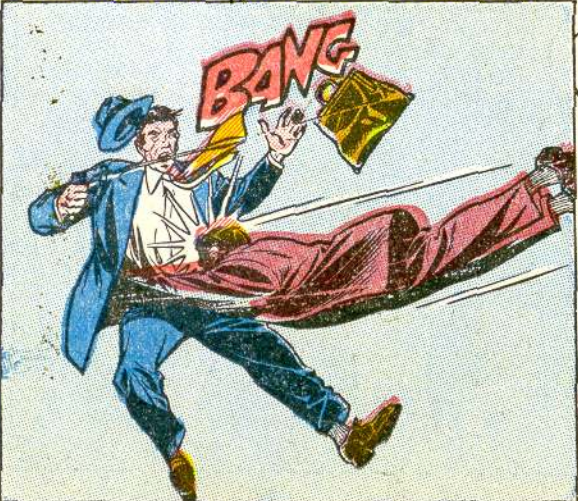
HE'S BEING ATTACKED, CHIEF!

SO I SEE! YOU GET THEM FROM THE SIDEWALK--I'LL BARREL IN FROM THE ROAD!

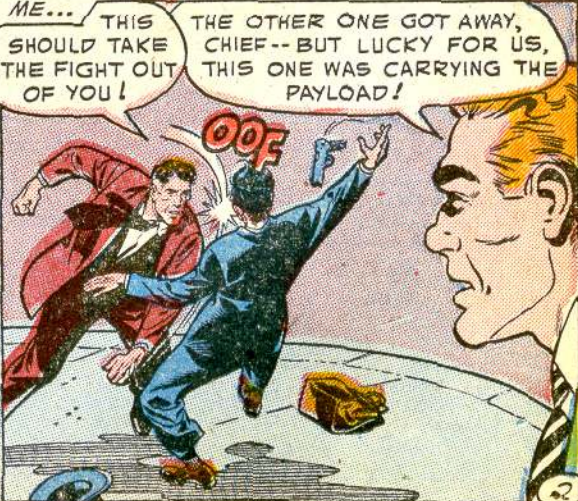


KEEP BACK, FOLKS! THESE MEN ARE DANGEROUS!

THE HOOD WAS PLAYING FOR KEEPS-- -- BUT BEFORE HE COULD GET ANOTHER SHOT AT ME...



BANG



THIS SHOULD TAKE THE OTHER ONE GOT AWAY, CHIEF-- BUT LUCKY FOR US, THIS ONE WAS CARRYING THE PAYLOAD!

OF

THEN, AS WE PILED INTO THE SQUAD CAR...

BUT, TO OUR SHOCKED SURPRISE...

WELL, CHIEF, WE GOT HIM-- BUT I'D STILL LIKE TO KNOW HOW HE PICKED THE RIGHT MESSENGER!

ONLY ONE WAY, HARRINGTON-- THEY MUST'VE OUTSMARTED US BY KNOCKING OFF **ALL FIVE MESSENGERS!** GET ON THE RADIO AND CHECK!

THEN SOMEHOW, THE GANG KNEW THAT **THIS** MESSENGER WAS CARRYING THE REAL GEMS! BUT **HOW?**

WEMBLY & COMPANY SAFELY!



THAT WAS WHAT I HOPED TO FIND OUT FROM OUR CAPTIVE, AS I QUESTIONED HIM AT HEADQUARTERS LATER...

LISTEN HERE, YOU HOODLUM---I'M THE ONLY MAN IN THE WHOLE WORLD WHO KNEW WHICH MESSENGER WAS CARRYING THE REAL GEMS! HOW DID **YOU** FIND OUT?

GOSH, DIDN'T YOU KNOW, **D.A.?**...



... I GOT X-RAY EYES!

WHICH WAS ALL WE COULD GET OUT OF HIM! NOR WAS THIS THE FIRST CASE CONCERNING THE SO-CALLED CROOKS WITH THE X-RAY EYES--AND IT WASN'T TO BE THE LAST--



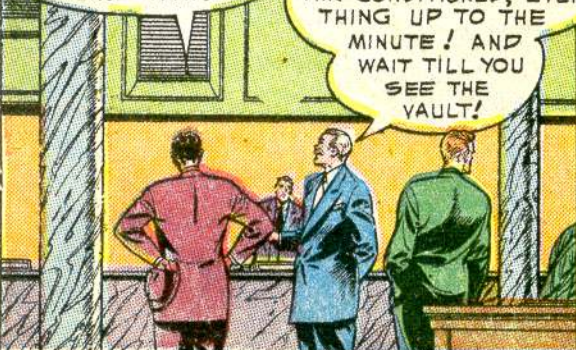
--FOR ONLY TWO WEEKS LATER, AT THE OPENING OF THE BLAIR SAVINGS BANK...

IT CERTAINLY DOESN'T LOOK LIKE A BANK, MR. BLAIR-- NO CAGES, BARS, OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT!

YES, MR. **D.A.**, THIS IS THE LAST WORD IN BANK ARCHITECTURE! IT'S SOUND-PROOFED, AIR-CONDITIONED, EVERYTHING UP TO THE MINUTE! AND WAIT TILL YOU SEE THE VAULT!

GET IT? A STEEL DOOR COVERS THE VAULT SO THAT CROOKS WOULDN'T EVEN KNOW IT'S HERE! AND EVEN IF THEY SOMEHOW FOUND OUT, THEY'D HAVE TO SOLVE THE MOST COMPLICATED COMBINATION IN THE WORLD!

YES--A FOOLPROOF PIECE OF MACHINERY...





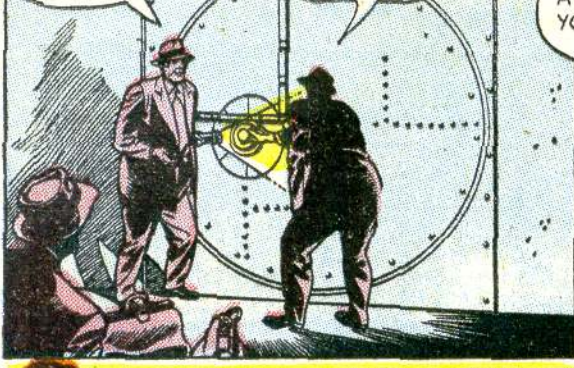
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YET, ON THE NIGHT OF MAY 11TH, THREE MEN GAINED ENTRY TO THE BANK, AND...

YOU SURE YOU GOT THE COMBINATION DOWN PAT?

OF COURSE I'M SURE! I COPIED IT DOWN WHEN THE BIG SHOT HIMSELF OPENED IT UP!



WHEN HARRINGTON AND I ARRIVED THE NEXT MORNING, OUR DARKEST SUSPICIONS SEEMED JUSTIFIED...

IS THERE ANY PLACE AN EMPLOYEE COULD HIDE HIMSELF AND OBSERVE YOU WHILE YOU WERE OPENING THE VAULT, MR. BLAIR?

IMPOSSIBLE, D.A.--UNLESS HE WAS A MIDGET WHO CRAWLED THROUGH THE PIPES AND WATCHED FROM THAT AIR-CONDITIONING REGISTER UP THERE!

SOUNDS LIKE THE X-RAY GANG AGAIN, CHIEF!



AS YOU CAN GUESS, THE NEWSPAPERS HAD QUITE A FIELD DAY OF IT...



WE WERE STILL SMARTING WITH THESE TWO SUCCESSIVE UNSOLVED CASES WHEN THE PHANTOM GANG STRUCK AGAIN--THIS TIME AT THE SHOP OF A RARE BOOK AND AUTO-GRAPH DEALER...

HERE'S A PARKING SPACE, CHIEF--WHERE THAT TRUCK'S PULLING AWAY! ER--WHEN DID THIS ONE TAKE PLACE?

JUST HALF AN HOUR AGO--WHEN CONN CLOSED HIS SHOP FOR LUNCH HOUR!



SOON, INSIDE THE SHOP...

I TELL YOU, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE--IMPOSSIBLE! MY ENTIRE COLLECTION OF LINCOLN LETTERS--STOLEN! LIKE MAGIC, IT WAS!

TAKE IT EASY, MR. CONN... JUST SHOW ME YOUR CRACKED SAFE!

THAT'S JUST IT--I DIDN'T KEEP THEM IN A SAFE! I HAD A BETTER PLACE, I THOUGHT! LOOK--THERE ARE OVER 5,000 BOOKS ON THAT WALL!

WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY, CONN?





THIS IS WHERE I KEPT MY LINCOLN LETTERS--IN THE SCRAPED-OUT HOLLOW OF THREE BOOKS LIKE THIS ONE!

GO ON!



THEN, I PLACED THE THREE HOLLOWED-OUT BOOKS IN DIFFERENT PLACES AMONG THE 5,000 BOOKS ON THE SHELVES! NATURALLY, FROM THE THE BACKS, YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY TELL THESE THREE FROM THE 5,000 OTHERS, CAN YOU?

WHY, NO!



NO, YOU SAY! JUST THE SAME, THE CROOKS KNEW EXACTLY WHICH THREE TO TAKE OFF THE SHELVES--WITHOUT DISTURBING A SINGLE OTHER BOOK IN THE ENTIRE STOCK!

THE X-RAY GANG, CHIEF-- NO DOUBT ABOUT IT!

YOU KEEP CALLING THEM THE X-RAY GANG! YET YOU AND I KNOW THOSE HOODS HAVEN'T REALLY GOT X-RAY EYES-- AND THAT THEY'RE USING SOME KIND OF A GIMMICK!

SURE, SURE, CHIEF--BUT WHAT IS THEIR GIMMICK?



JUST THEN, SOMETHING HAPPENED! IN ITSELF, IT WASN'T MUCH-- BUT WHEN FITTED INTO ITS PROPER PLACE IN THE JIGSAW PUZZLE OF THIS CASE, IT EVENTUALLY LED TO THE SOLUTION...



GOSH, IT'S SO WARM AND STUFFY IN HERE! EXCUSE ME WHILE I TURN ON MY AIR-CONDITIONING! I JUST HAD IT REPAIRED!



AND THAT'S WHEN IT STRUCK ME... HARRINGTON, I--I BELIEVE I'VE GOT IT! AND I'LL ONLY NEED AN HOUR OR SO TO MAKE SURE!

HUH?



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THE FIRST THING I DID WAS TO CLAMBER UP THE LIBRARY-LADDER-- AND, TO MY SATISFACTION... JUST AS I SUSPECTED--

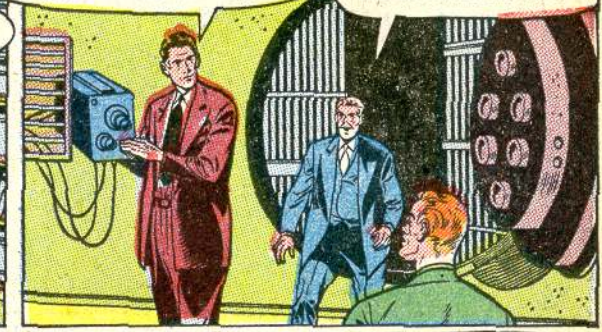
A SMALL TELEVISION CAMERA, HIDDEN BEHIND THE AIR-CONDITIONING VENT GRILLE! THIS IS HOW THAT PHONY X-RAY GANG KNEW WHICH BOOKS TO EXAMINE, CONN! NOW LET'S CHECK BACK ON THOSE OTHER CASES, HARRINGTON!



IT WAS THE SAME STORY AT THE BANK...

HERE'S YOUR "MIDGET," BLAIR... IT KEPT AN EYE ON YOU WHILE YOU OPENED THE VAULT! AND ON A TV SCREEN SOMEWHERE, CROOKS WERE ENJOYING THE SHOW-- AND WRITING DOWN THE COMBINATION!

IT NEVER OCCURRED TO ME TO ASK THOSE AIR-CONDITIONING "INSPECTORS" FOR THEIR CREDENTIALS!



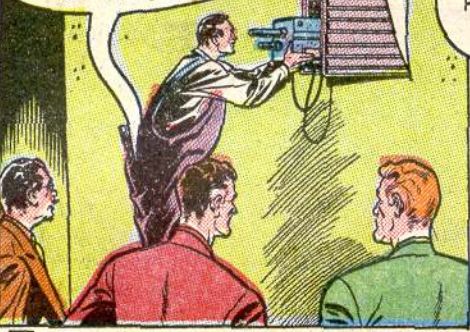
AND FINALLY, IN THE OFFICE OF WARING JEWELERS...

OBVIOUSLY, I **WASN'T** THE ONLY ONE WHO KNEW WHICH BAG CONTAINED THE REAL GEMS, WARING!

HOW DID YOU GET WISE TO IT, CHIEF?

WHEN CONN, THE BOOK DEALER, MENTIONED HIS AIR-CONDITIONING! IT SUDDENLY STRUCK ME THAT IN TWO OF THE PLACES, I'D SEEN THE SAME SERVICE TRUCK-- FROM THE **AJAX COMPANY**-- AND ALL THREE PLACES HAD JUST HAD THEIR AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEMS INSTALLED OR INSPECTED!

NEEDLESS TO SAY, THERE WAS NO **AJAX** FIRM LISTED AMONG THE LEGITIMATE AIR-CONDITIONING SHOPS IN TOWN! BUT AT LONG LAST, WE NOW HAD SOMETHING CONCRETE TO WORK ON!



THAT SAME DAY, HARRINGTON AND I CORNERED THE CHIEF ENGINEER OF A LOCAL TV STATION...

YOU SAY CROOKS USED A SMALL TV CAMERA TO CASE THEIR JOBS?

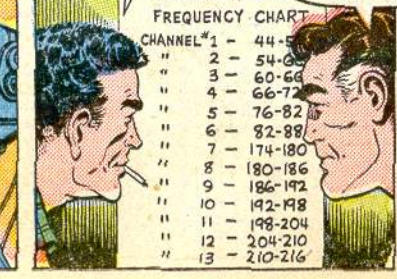
YES-- AND I WANT YOU TO TELL ME HOW IT'S POSSIBLE!

IT'S POSSIBLE, ALL RIGHT-- BY MEANS OF A FREQUENCY BAND NOT NOW BEING USED BY ANY OF THE REGULAR CHANNELS! FOR INSTANCE, THEY MIGHT BE TELECASTING ON A BAND OF 89-95, WHICH DOESN'T APPEAR ON THIS UP-TO-DATE CHART!

I CAN NOT ONLY LOCATE IT-- I CAN **TUNE IN** ON IT!

SWELL! KEEP SEARCHING THE BAND-- AND CONTACT ME THE MOMENT THEY BEGIN TELECASTING!

CAN YOU FIND THE BAND THEY'RE USING?



| FREQUENCY CHART | |
|-----------------|---------|
| CHANNEL #1 | 44-50 |
| " 2 | 54-60 |
| " 3 | 60-66 |
| " 4 | 66-72 |
| " 5 | 76-82 |
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| " 9 | 186-192 |
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THREE DAYS LATER, MY OFFICE RECEIVED AN URGENT CALL FROM THE STUDIO-- AND WHEN WE ARRIVED...

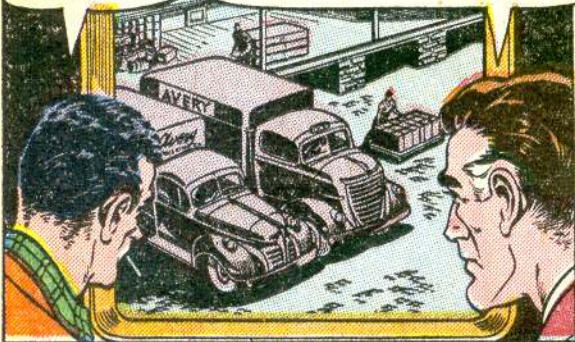
SHORTLY AFTER, AS WE APPROACHED THE AVERY TRUCKING WAREHOUSE...

I GUESS THIS IS THE SHOW YOU WANTED TO CATCH, D.A.!

HMM... LOOKS LIKE THE AVERY TRUCKING WAREHOUSE! LET'S GET MOVING, HARRINGTON-- I CAN ACTUALLY SMELL THE END OF THIS CASE!

THERE'S THE SAME TRUCK YOU SPOTTED, CHIEF! SHALL WE TAKE IT IN?

NO, HARRINGTON, I'M PLAYING FOR BIGGER GAME... THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE GANG AND ITS TOP DOGS!



SOON, IN THE OFFICES OF THE TRUCKING FIRM...

WE'RE MOVING \$1,000,000 WORTH OF FURS, D.A., BUT WE'RE LOADING UP TWO OTHER TRUCKS WITH JUNK SO THAT POSSIBLE HIJACKERS WON'T KNOW WHICH TRUCK IS CARRYING THE REAL STUFF!

I'VE GOT NEWS FOR YOU, AVERY-- THEY PROBABLY ALREADY KNOW! BUT I HAVEN'T TIME TO EXPLAIN NOW!

HARRINGTON, THIS IS WHERE WE GO INTO ACTION YOU HOP BACK TO HEADQUARTERS AND GET A VOLUNTEER FROM THE DETECTIVE FORCE TO TAKE THE PLACE OF THE REGULAR TRUCK DRIVER! I'M GOING BACK TO THE TV STATION FOR A PIECE OF EQUIPMENT!

RIGHT, CHIEF-- SEE YOU IN A LITTLE WHILE!



THREE HOURS LATER, THE TRUCK MOVED OUT ON SCHEDULE,-- AND SURE ENOUGH, 10 MILES BEYOND THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTES 23 AND 17...

PULL-OVER-- AND YOU WON'T GET HURT!

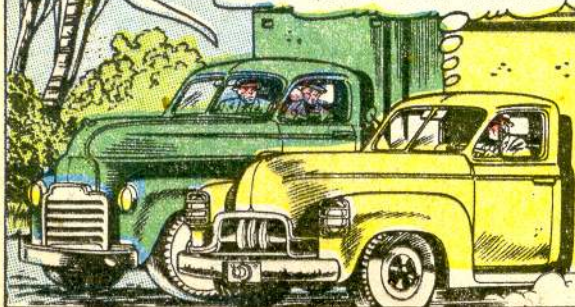
WOULDN'T ANYHOW, WITH THIS BULLET-PROOF VEST I'M WEARING! BUT THE D.A. SAID NOT TO USE MY GUN IF THEY DON'T GET TOUGH!

LUCKILY FOR THEM, THE GANGSTERS ONLY BOUND AND TRUSSSED UP THE DISGUISED TRUCK DRIVER! THEN, SOME TIME LATER, THE HIJACKED TRUCK PULLED INTO A DESERTED FARMHOUSE ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF TOWN...

NICE WORK, BOYS! HERE'S THE LITTLE TRUCK YOU WAS ASKIN' FOR, BOSS-- AND NO ONE FOLLOWED US!

NOW GET BUSY UNLOADING THE FURS! AND WHEN THAT'S DONE, GET RID OF THE TRUCK!

HA, HA--THE D.A. MUST BE GOING CRAZY TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THE MYSTERY OF OUR "X-RAY EYES"!



AT THAT MOMENT, HARRINGTON MADE HIS MOVE...

COME OUT WITH YOUR HANDS UP, YOU CHEAP HOODS! WE'VE GOT THE PLACE SURROUNDED!

OH, YEAH? GIVE IT TO HIM, BOYS!

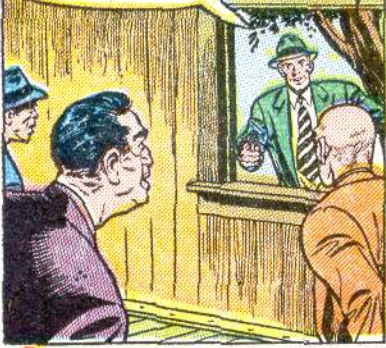
AND THAT'S WHEN I JOINED THE FRACAS...

NICE TIMING, CHIEF!

AND AFTER THE BRIEF BUT VIOLENT STRUGGLE...

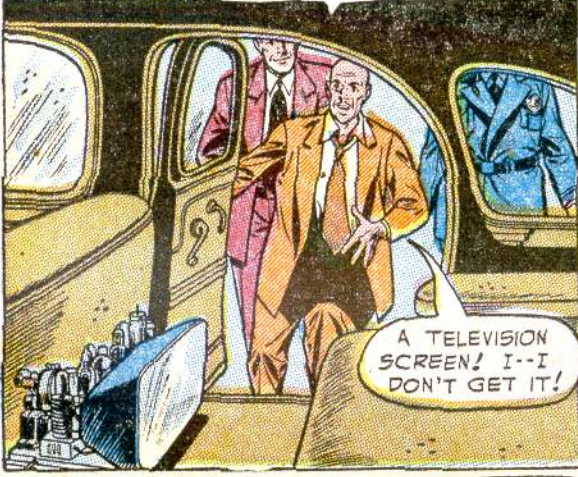
OKAY, OKAY-- THAT'S ENOUGH-- WE GIVE UP! BUT-- HOW'D YOU FIND US?

WE'VE GOT X-RAY EYES, TOO! COME ON OUT TO MY CAR, AND I'LL SHOW YOU!



PRESENTLY...

HOW DO YOU LIKE IT?



A TELEVISION SCREEN! I--I DON'T GET IT!

"IT WAS SIMPLE... HARRINGTON, BY KEEPING HIS EYES GLUED TO THE TV SCREEN, WAS ABLE TO TELL ME EXACTLY WHICH ROUTE THAT HIJACKED TRUCK WAS TAKING!"

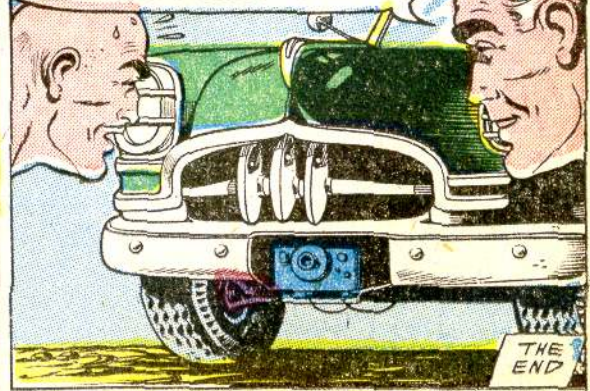


TURNING OFF ROUTE 23 INTO ROUTE 17, RIGHT? CHIEF!

YOU'RE LYING! MY BOYS SAID THEY WEREN'T FOLLOWED HERE! SO DON'T TRY TO TELL ME YOU WERE RIGHT BEHIND WITH A CAMERA!

YOU'RE RIGHT, PUNK-- WE WERE NOWHERE NEAR THE CAMERA!

AS YOU CAN SEE, I PLACED THE CAMERA UNDER THE VERY TRUCK WE COUNTED ON YOU TO HIJACK! SAME GIMMICK YOU USED IN YOUR CRIMES-- BUT IT LOOKS MUCH BETTER WHEN USED TO FIGHT CRIME!



QUICK QUIZ

WHY IS IT THAT TREES DO NOT CONTINUE TO GROW TALLER AS LONG AS THEY LIVE?



A MAIN REASON IS DUE TO THEIR INABILITY TO CARRY SAP TO GREATER HEIGHTS!

WHY DO THE TEETH OF FISH POINT BACKWARDS?



FISH HAVE TEETH POINTING BACKWARDS FOR SEIZING BUT NOT TEARING THE PREY.... WHICH THEY SWALLOW HOLE!

HOW MUCH LAND SURFACE IS THERE ON THE GLOBE?



ONLY 29% OF THE EARTH'S ENTIRE CRUST PROJECTS ABOVE THE OCEANS; THAT COVER ALL THE REST OF THE PLANETARY SURFACE!

HOW DID THE WORD "MOUNTEBANK" ORIGINATE?



QUACK DOCTORS OF OLD WOULD MOUNT A BENCH (THEN CALLED "BANK") AND PEDDLE THEIR FAKE MEDICINES AND "MAGIC" SYRUPS! HENCE MOUNTEBANK... TO SIGNIFY A HUMBUG!

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APRIL 1952, NEAR A VILLAGE IN FAR-OFF IRAN...

WHY ARE YOU SAD, FATHER? LOOK AT THE FINE CROPS WE HAVE RAISED.

BAD NEWS, ALI. SWARMS OF LOCUSTS LIKE THIS ARE BLOWING OUR WAY. THEY WILL DEVOUR OUR CROPS. WE CANNOT SAVE THEM.



BUT AT THAT VERY MOMENT IN FAO HEADQUARTERS IN ROME...

BAD NEWS FROM IRAN, SIR. HUGE LOCUST SWARMS. THEY HAVEN'T ENOUGH EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT TO COMBAT THEM. CROPS OF THE ENTIRE MIDDLE EAST ARE IN DANGER.



A FEW DAYS LATER...

FATHER, MUST WE LOSE ALL OUR CROPS?

I'M AFRAID THERE IS NO HELP FOR IT, MY SON!

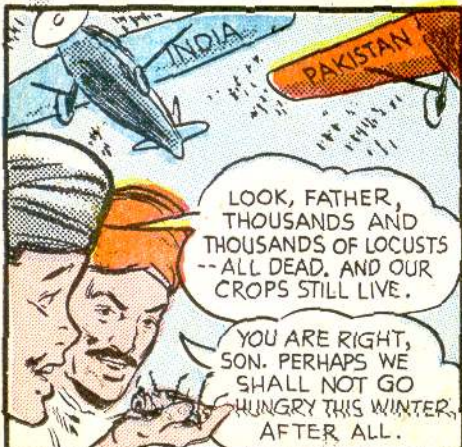


ALI! HASSIM! LOOK! PLANES FROM OUR UNITED NATIONS FRIENDS! THEY ARE SPRAYING OUR FIELDS TO KILL THE LOCUSTS!



LOOK, FATHER, THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF LOCUSTS -- ALL DEAD. AND OUR CROPS STILL LIVE.

YOU ARE RIGHT, SON. PERHAPS WE SHALL NOT GO HUNGRY THIS WINTER, AFTER ALL.



LATER--ATA MEETING OF THE FAO...

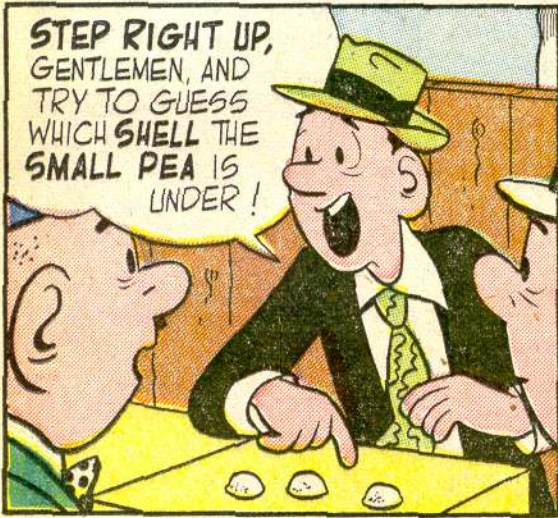
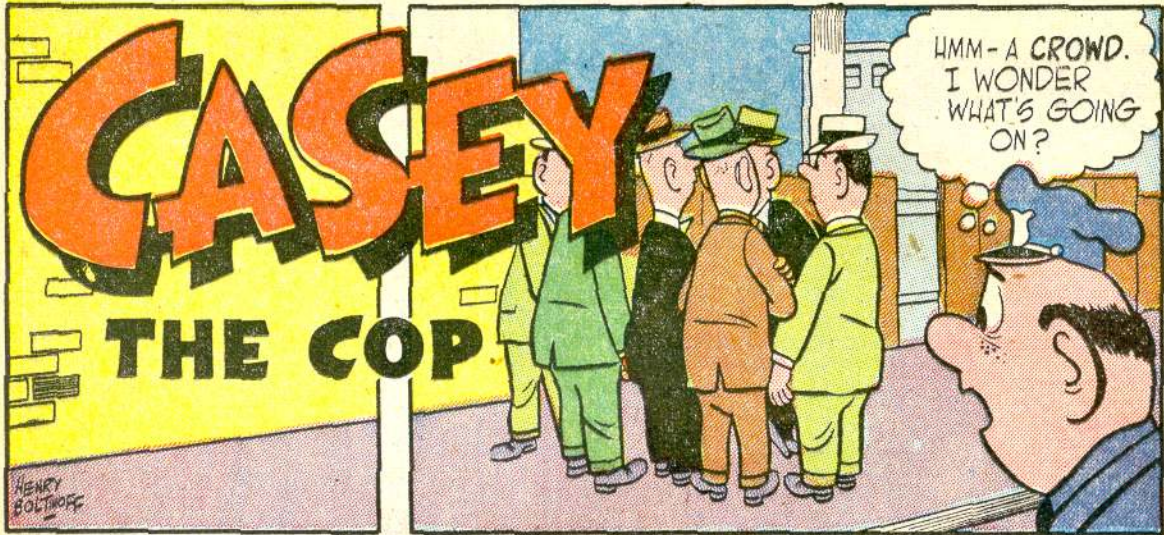
WILL THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM IRAN REPORT ON THE LOCUST PLAGUE? IS IT TRUE THAT IT IS NOW UNDER CONTROL?

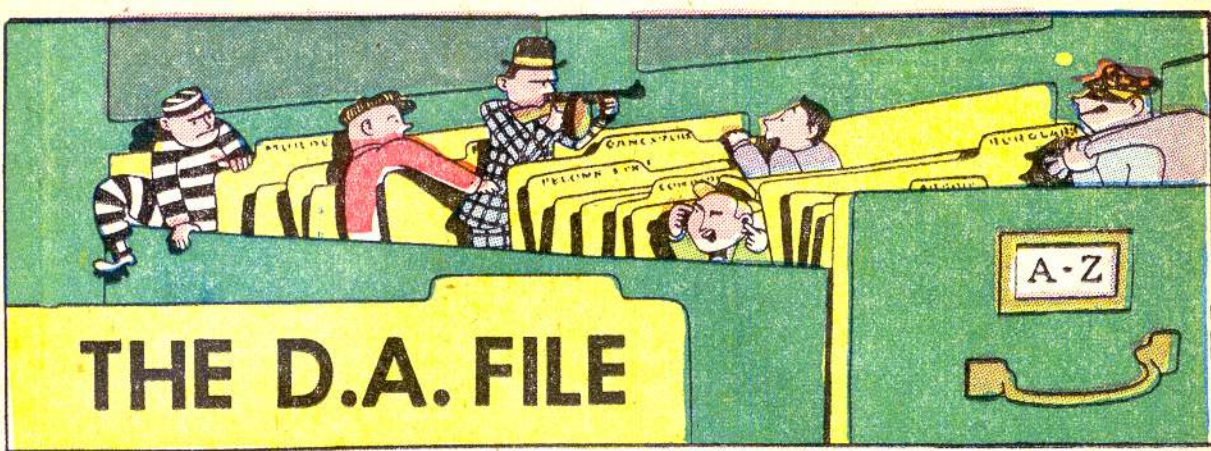
YES, THANKS TO THE COUNTRIES WHO SENT HELP SO QUICKLY. THE PLANES AND TONS OF INSECTICIDE WORKED MIRACLES, AND THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FROM FAO WILL HELP US PREVENT FUTURE DISASTERS.



ALI'S FAMILY AND MILLIONS OF OTHERS WERE SAVED FROM MONTHS OF HUNGER BY INTERNATIONAL TEAMWORK. HELPING COUNTRIES TO HELP THEMSELVES IS PART OF THE JOB OF THE FAO, ONE OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

This is your UNITED NATIONS at Work!





HOAXED BY OWN HAND

The law finally caught up with Jim Wadsworth. He was arrested for forgery and extradited from California to New York, where he was brought to trial. But, aware of his client's skill at handwriting, O. P. Hammett, his attorney, demanded his fee in advance.

"Don't worry," said Wadsworth. "I have \$4,500 in a savings account back in L. A. I'll drop the bank a letter, instructing them to send you a check for your thousand."

The prosecutor's chief witness against Wadsworth at the trial was a veteran handwriting expert, named Benjamin Fash. He insisted that Wadsworth had indeed perpetrated the crime, namely, forging a check to the tune of \$25,000, using the name of a depositor. Now, Wadsworth's lawyer, O. P. Hammett, came to bat. He tried to shake Fash's testimony, to discredit his value as an expert. Finally, he dug into his pocket and, folding the letter so that letterhead and signature were concealed, he submitted it to Fash.

"If you are so expert at detecting handwriting, perhaps you would be good enough to inform the court who signed this," he snapped, tasting triumph.

Fash scrutinized the paper for a moment, then looked up, unabashed. "Why, certainly. I know who wrote this. It was the defendant, Jim Wadsworth."

The lawyer spoke cautiously. "Would you

stake your reputation, would you say that everything you have stated previously would be true or false, depending on the authenticity of this signature?"

Fash nodded. The lawyer swiveled to the judge, and tossed the letter towards the bench. "I offer this letter in evidence. It was not signed by my client, Jim Wadsworth, but by the president of the California bank, which forwarded me his check!"

"But I insist that Wadsworth faked that signature," interrupted Fash. "If you have its envelope, may I see it?"

The lawyer brought forth the envelope and passed it to him. He studied it for some time. Then, as judge and spectators moved forward, Fash said, "I still maintain what I said. The defendant not only wrote that signature, but also faked this postmark on the envelope! That letter never was mailed from California, but was slipped into this duped lawyer's daily mail!"

Jim Wadsworth was so startled by the discovery, that he confessed to the crimes. Pleading guilty to two forgery charges instead of the original one, he was sentenced to five years in jail on each count.

DETECTIVE QUIZ

Think you'd make a good detective? Here's a list of questions to test yourself. Count 25 points for each answer, then add up your sleuth's score. Seventy-five is the passing grade.

Questions

1: Does a bullet in a murder victim's body always line up with the entrance wound so that the killer's position and his approximate height can be deduced from the angle of fire?

2: If a victim were shot through his clothing, does that indicate the likelihood of homicide or suicide?

3: If a thumbprint were discovered on a glass tumbler, could it be distinguished as being from the left or right digit?

4: Can typing be traced to an individual writer?

Answers

4: It may be difficult to achieve, but the following points would be of help. (a) *Touch misalignment*: an unskilled typist sometimes will strike a wrong key, especially one which is done by the little finger. (b) *Spelling*: poor spelling cannot be corrected on a typewriter. Often this is due to lack of coordination, which produces transposed letters, such as "teh" for "the." (c) *Wording*: Personal habits, idiosyncrasies, peculiarities manifest themselves in type-writing as well as handwriting.

3: In right thumbs, the whorls spiral to the right, loops open to the right. Left thumbprint characteristics run in the opposite direction.

2: Homicide would be indicated. Persons committing suicide, it has been found, usually expose their skin to the weapon's barrel.

1: The position of the killer while firing could be ascertained. But sometimes the bullet, having penetrated the body, drops into a vein or in the abdominal area, shifting its location, and voiding the possibility of deducing the murderer's position.

FROM SOUP TO ETC.

Ever wonder what the condemned man ate for his last meal? A survey of death cells during the past year revealed the following courses of the full and final dinner:

Fruit cocktail, chicken consomme, roast chicken, home-fried potatoes, peas, hot biscuits and butter, lettuce and tomato salad with Roquefort dressing, apple pie a la mode, coffee with cream and lots of sugar.

BLOTTER JOTTINGS

MEMPHIS: Court was recessed for five minutes while a juror went out to insert another nickel in the parking meter outside the court house.

OGDEN, Utah: Burglars, who dumped a stolen safe into a forest thicket on the city's outskirts because they couldn't open it, hurried back for another try on learning that it was loaded with a huge sum. Waiting police nabbed them when they arrived. The police had circulated the story of the safe's contents.

PHILADELPHIA: The law caught up with a thief who possessed a master key that fitted all of the city's 8,800 parking meters.

SEATTLE: When an office worker indicated to an armed robber that there was only \$5 in the till, an amount hardly worth stealing, the would-be thief agreed and hastily left.

LOS ANGELES: A shopper returned to his car, found its front end jacked up, two tires gone. Racing off, he returned with a policeman only to find the rear jacked up, its two back tires gone. Police later nabbed the culprit when he tried to sell the set.

MIDLAND, Texas: The following advertisement appeared in a local newspaper: "Will party or parties that constantly have robbed my mail for the last year, please give me your name so I can claim dependents on my income tax."

CLAYTON, Okla.: Burglars bored a tunnel under and into the State Bank, bore off several heavy sacks of money, which they assumed held a fortune. The actual contents: 30,000 pennies.

BALTIMORE: Arrested for having stolen a hearse, a culprit claimed that he merely wanted to see how the vehicle rode before he died.



MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY

YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS:

POLICE LABORATORIES AND STOREROOMS CONTAIN THOUSANDS OF CRIMINAL "SOUVENIRS" THAT COULD WELL BE USED TO TEACH CITIZENS HOW THEIR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OPERATE. BUT WHEN MY DEPARTMENT DECIDED TO UNVEIL THESE EXHIBITS TO THE PUBLIC, WE NEVER DREAMED THAT OUR DISPLAY OF EQUIPMENT WOULD RESULT IN AN ASTOUNDING.



DURING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 6th, HARRINGTON AND I KEPT CONSTANT VIGIL OVER ROBBERY SUSPECT RICKY SALES FROM AN ADJOINING HOTEL ROOM...

HMPH--LOOKS LIKE SALES HAD A BUST MADE OF HIMSELF! HOW CONCEITED CAN A GUY GET?

ODD... SALES NEVER STRUCK ME AS THE ARTISTIC TYPE! NOW WHY WOULD HE HAVE THAT BUST MADE?

MYSTERY IN THE POLICE MUSEUM!

RICKY IS CERTAINLY A SLICK ONE, D.A.! WE'VE BEEN WATCHING HIM THROUGH THIS TRICK TWO-WAY MIRROR FOR SIX DAYS, AND HE HASN'T TIPPED HIS HAND!

EVERYTHING POINTS TO HIS GUILT, HARRINGTON! IF WE COULD ONLY DIG UP SOME CONCRETE EVIDENCE TO ARREST HIM! SAY... HIS VISITOR IS GUNMAN JOEY BLACK!



THE ANSWER TO MY QUESTION CAME JUST THREE SECONDS LATER...

LOOK, HARRINGTON... THAT BUST CONTAINS MONEY WRAPPED IN CURRENCY BANDS! THIS IS THE BREAK WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR!

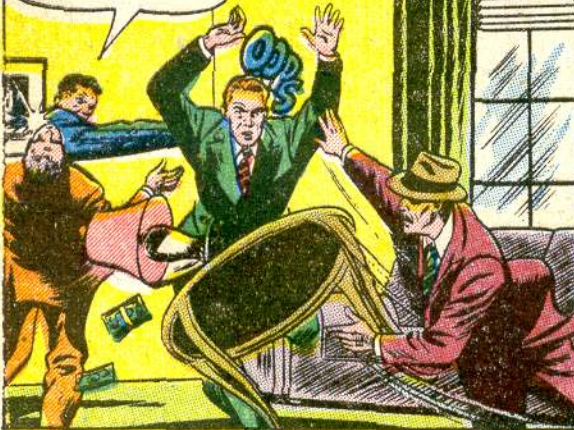


SO THAT'S WHERE SALES HID THE STOLEN LOOT! LET'S NAIL THEM, P.A.!

ALL RIGHT, SALES... WE'VE CAUGHT YOU RED-HANDED! TH-THE P.A.!! RUN FOR IT, SALES!



NOT SO FAST, MISTER! THE ONLY PLACE YOU'RE HURRYING TO IS A JAIL CELL!



A CLEVER GIMMICK, SALES, HIDING THAT BANK MONEY IN A BUST OF YOURSELF! YOU NEARLY OUTSMARTED US...BUT NOT QUITE! THE BOYS WILL GET YOU FOR THIS, P.A.!! NOBODY PUTS THE PINCH ON RICKY SALES!



BLACK MADE GOOD HIS ESCAPE IN THE CROWDED STREET, CHIEF! I WAS AFRAID OF HITTING SOME-ONE IF I FIRED! I'LL ORDER A GENERAL ALARM FOR BLACK RIGHT AWAY, HARRINGTON! MEANWHILE, TAKE THIS PUNK DOWN TO HEAD-QUARTERS AND BOOK HIM! WE'VE GOT AN AIR-TIGHT CASE AGAINST HIM!



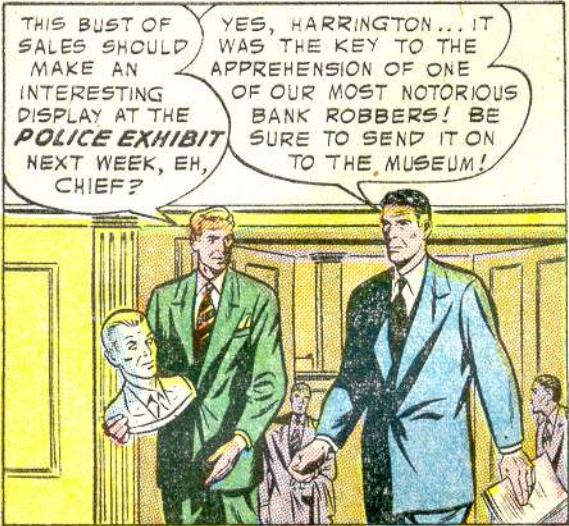
WITH THE BANK MONEY AS EVIDENCE, IT TOOK THE JURY EXACTLY SEVEN MINUTES TO CONVICT RICKY SALES...

AW RIGHT, P.A.-- SO I DIDN'T BEAT THE RAP! BUT YOU'LL PAY WITH YOUR LIFE FOR PULLIN' ME IN! MY BOYS WILL SEE TO THAT! HOODLUMS LIKE YOU NEVER LEARN, SALES... THAT THERE'S NO HONOR AMONG THIEVES! THE ONLY TIME I'LL MEET UP WITH YOUR "BOYS" IS WHEN I RUN THEM IN!





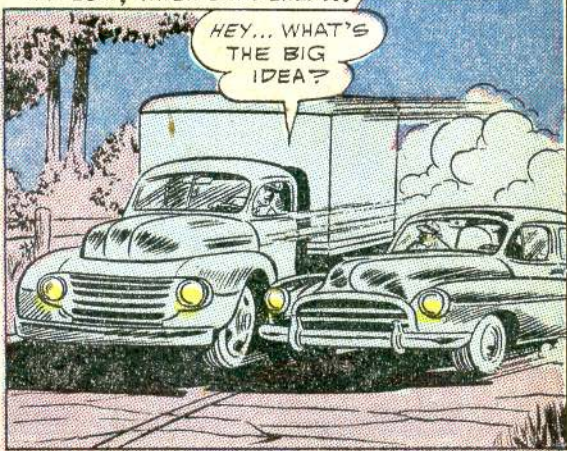
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THIS BUST OF SALES SHOULD MAKE AN INTERESTING DISPLAY AT THE **POLICE EXHIBIT** NEXT WEEK, EH, CHIEF?

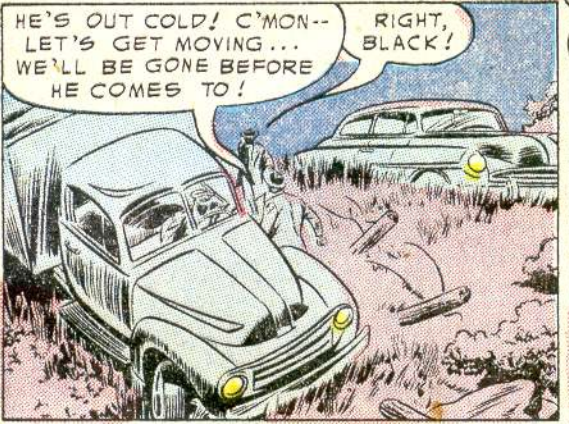
YES, HARRINGTON... IT WAS THE KEY TO THE APPREHENSION OF ONE OF OUR MOST NOTORIOUS BANK ROBBERS! BE SURE TO SEND IT ON TO THE MUSEUM!

AT EXACTLY 9:07 THAT EVENING, A TRUCK SPED ALONG HIGHWAY 5 TOWARD THE POLICE MUSEUM, WHEN SUDDENLY...



HEY... WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?

THE DRIVER OF THE TRUCK, OFFICER WILLIAM CLANCY, WAS SLAMMED AGAINST THE DASHBOARD AND KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS...



HE'S OUT COLD! C'MON-- LET'S GET MOVING... WE'LL BE GONE BEFORE HE COMES TO!

RIGHT, BLACK!

THERE'S THE REAL BUST OF SALES! ALL WE GOTTA DO IS SUBSTITUTE THE DUPLICATE AND... GOODBYE, P.A.!



ARE YOU SURE THE BOMB WILL GO OFF, BLACK?

IT'S A SURE THING, DENNING! WHEN THE D.A. UNSCREWS THE BASE OF **THIS** DUMMY BUST, HE'LL BE BLOWN SKY-HIGH! THAT'S A SIGHT I WON'T WANT TO MISS!

HEY, LET'S GET A MOVE ON! THIS IS RISKY BUSINESS!



SOME 20 MINUTES LATER, OFFICER CLANCY REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS AND REPORTED THE INCIDENT--BRINGING HARRINGTON AND ME RACING TO THE SCENE...



I'VE CHECKED THE INVENTORY, SIR...NOTHING'S MISSING!

HMM... IT'S QUITE POSSIBLE THEY WERE FRIGHTENED OFF!

NOW WHY WOULD ANY HOOD WANT TO LIFT **POLICE EXHIBIT DISPLAYS?**



OBVIOUSLY, HARRINGTON, THIS IS THE WORK OF AMATEUR HIJACKERS! WHEN THEY DISCOVERED THE EXHIBITS INSIDE, THEY PANICKED AND FLED!

I GET IT, CHIEF! PROFESSIONALS WOULD HAVE CASSED THE LOAD AND KNOWN WHAT WAS INSIDE BEFORE ROBBING IT! WHAT DO WE DO NOW?



IT'S STILL A CRIME, HARRINGTON! THERE DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE ANYTHING MISSING, BUT HAVE EVERY ITEM CHECKED FOR FINGERPRINTS AND CLUES!

RIGHT, CHIEF!

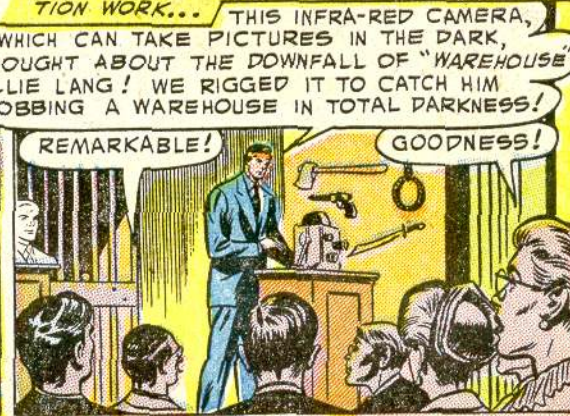
TWO DAYS LATER, I CHECKED THE POLICE LAB REPORTS BEFORE LEAVING TO OFFICIATE AT THE POLICE EXHIBIT...



YOU'RE DUE AT THE EXHIBIT IN 15 MINUTES, CHIEF!

HMM... ALL RIGHT! HARRINGTON -- I'M READY!

SHORTLY AFTERWARD, THE PUBLIC WATCHED AGOG AS I OPENED ITS EYES, FOR THE FIRST TIME, TO THE MYSTERIES OF POLICE DETECTION WORK...



THIS INFRA-RED CAMERA, WHICH CAN TAKE PICTURES IN THE DARK, BROUGHT ABOUT THE DOWNFALL OF "WAREHOUSE" WILLIE LANG! WE RIGGED IT TO CATCH HIM ROBBING A WAREHOUSE IN TOTAL DARKNESS!

REMARKABLE!

GOODNESS!

AND THESE ARE THE GUNS AND DISGUISES USED BY THE INFAMOUS "TEN-FACE" LARRY BINKS... AND HERE IS THE ACTUAL PRISON CELL HE FINALLY DIED IN!



FINALLY, I REACHED THE LATEST ADDITION TO OUR EXHIBIT...



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN-- IN OUR VERY LAST CASE, THIS BUST WAS THE EVIDENCE THAT JAILED THE CITY'S MOST ELUSIVE BANK THIEF!



HIDDEN WITHIN ITS HOLLOWED-OUT BASE WAS THE STOLEN BANK MONEY. THAT PUT THE FINGER OF GUILT SQUARELY UPON ONE RICKY SALES!



I'LL DEMONSTRATE TO YOU HOW CUNNING CRIMINALS ARE IN HIDING THEIR LOOT!

CHIEF!

ABRUPTLY, AS MY HANDS UNSCREWED THE BASE... IN AN INSTANT, THE EXHIBITION HALL BECAME A SCENE OF WILD CONFUSION...



I'VE GOT HIM SPOTTED, CHIEF...

OH-H-H!



IT'S HIM... IT'S BLACK, ALL RIGHT... HE'S MAKING A BREAK FOR IT!

LOOK OUT, HARRINGTON! HE'S REACHING FOR THAT POLICE FLARE GUN!



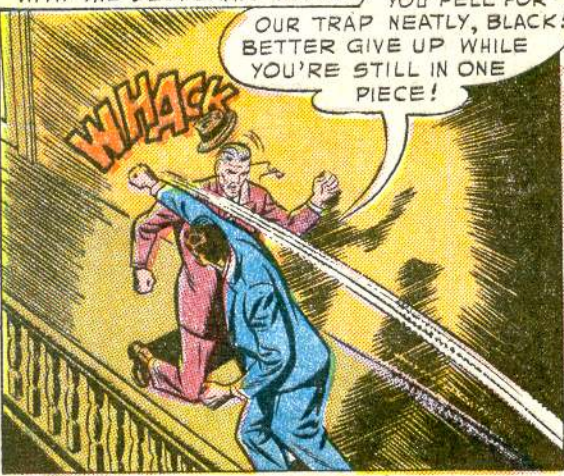
G-GREAT SCOTT! MUST STOP HIM BEFORE THE CROWD IS INJURED!



BLAST YOU, D.A.! ONLY A BAD EXPLOSIVE CHARGE SAVED YOUR NECK!

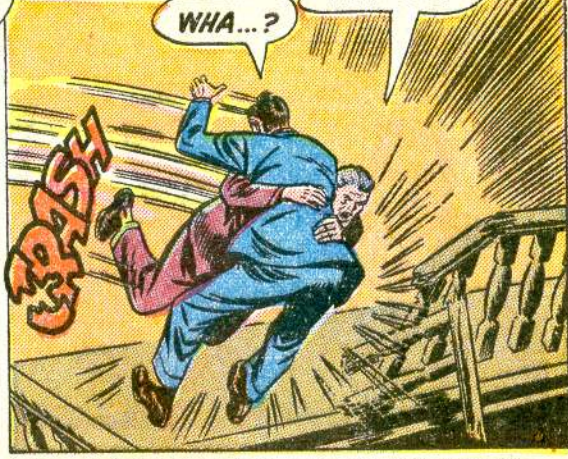
THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK, BLACK!

ATOP THE STEEP STAIRCASE, I GRAPPLED WITH THE DESPERATE MAN...



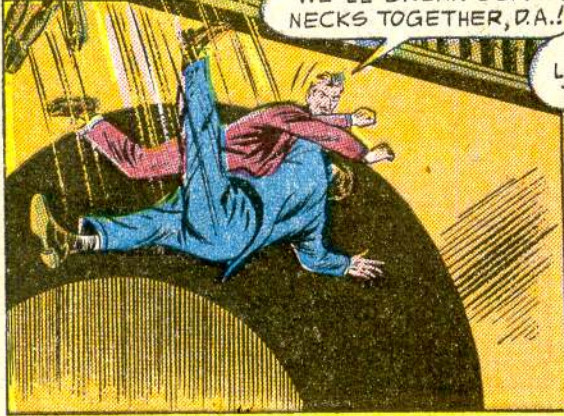
YOU FELL FOR OUR TRAP NEATLY, BLACK! BETTER GIVE UP WHILE YOU'RE STILL IN ONE PIECE!

GIVE UP? I SWORE TO GET YOU, AND I WILL, D.A.-- EVEN IF I HAVE TO GO WITH YOU!



WHA...?

LOCKED TOGETHER, WE PLUMMETED DOWN TOWARD THE EXHIBITION HALL AND CERTAIN DEATH...



WE'LL BREAK OUR NECKS TOGETHER, D.A.!

BUT, INSTEAD OF LANDING ON THE HARD FLOOR... WOW!



WHAT A BREAK WE DECIDED TO DISPLAY THAT POLICE LIFENET TODAY!

AND AFTERWARD, WE REVEALED TO THE STUNNED CRIMINAL JUST HOW HIS SCHEME OF MURDER HAD BACKFIRED...



YOU'VE SEE, BLACK, WHEN YOU ENTERED THE POLICE EXHIBITION TRUCK, YOU ACCIDENTALLY TRIPPED THE SHUTTER OF A LOADED INFRA-RED CAMERA WE WERE DELIVERING -HERE! THIS PICTURE SHOWED US TWO BUSTS OF SALES!

RIGHT! AND WHEN WE EXAMINED THE BUST AND FOUND A NITRO CHARGE IN IT, WE SIMPLY REPLACED IT WITH A HARM-LESS FLASH-POWDER EXPLOSION!

BUT HOW DID YOU SPOT ME? I--I WAS DISGUISED!

SIMPLE, BLACK... YOU WERE THE ONLY PERSON WHO PUT UP HIS HANDS TO WARD OFF THE GLARE OF AN EXPLOSION BEFORE IT HAPPENED! HARRINGTON KEPT A CLOSE LOOKOUT FOR JUST SUCH AN ACTION!

THUS DID JOEY BLACK'S PLOT AGAINST MY LIFE BACKFIRE AND PLACE HIM BEHIND PRISON BARS WITH SALES! SOON AFTER, WE APPREHENDED BLACK'S ACCOMPLICE, WHO IS NOW SERVING A FIVE-TO-TEN YEAR TERM!



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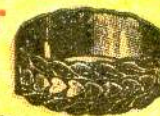


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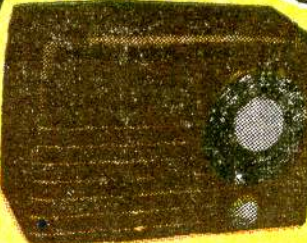


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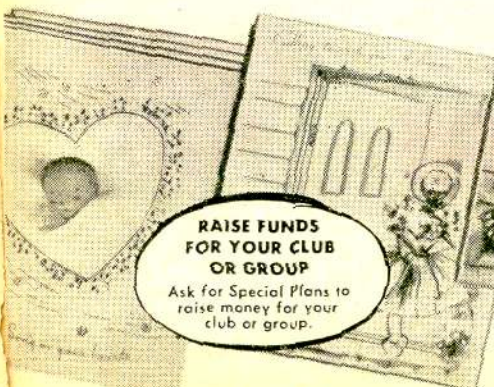
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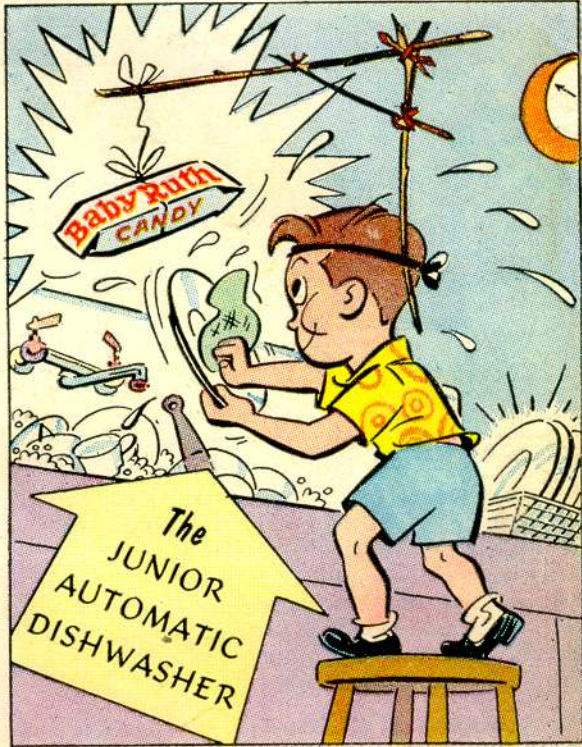
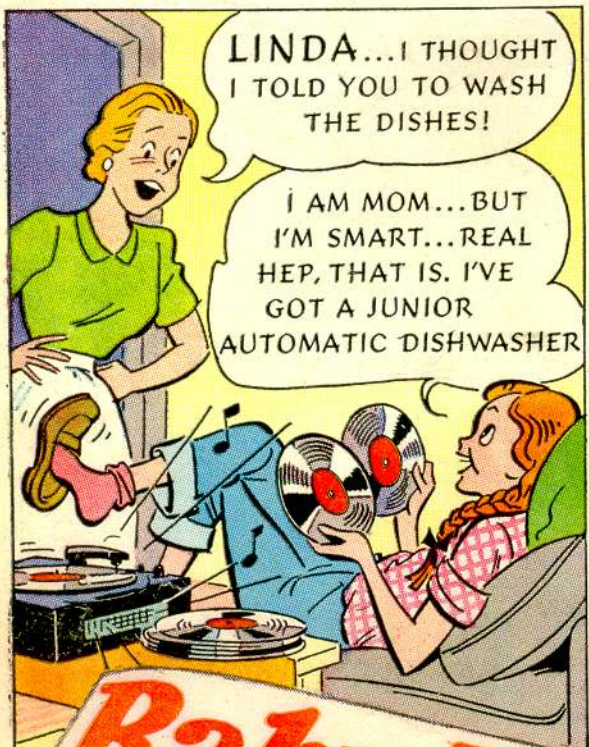
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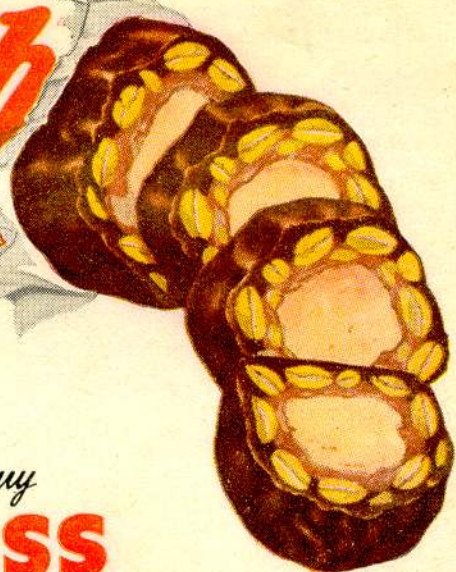
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