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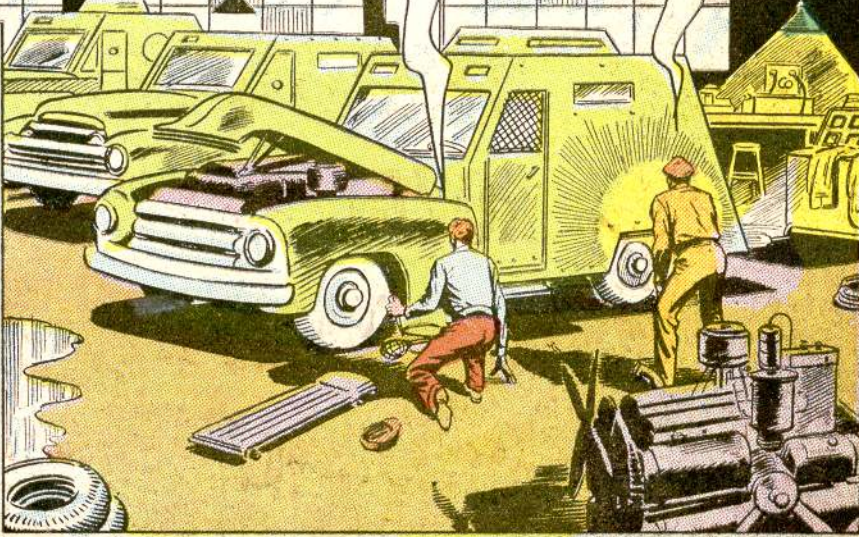
**YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS:**

IT WAS AN INCREDIBLE GARAGE EMPLOYING EXPERT MECHANICS TRAINED IN THE ART OF VEHICLE SABOTAGE! IN A FEW SHORT MONTHS, TRUCK-TAMPERING HAD NETTED THE RACKETEERS A FORTUNE! AND MY OWN INVESTIGATION REVEALED AN UNBELIEVABLE SCHEME TO ROB AN ARMORED CAR AND DOUBLE THIS AMOUNT! THIS HAVE I CALLED THIS CASE...

## THE CROOKED WHEELS OF FORTUNE

NOTHING SUSPICIOUS UNDER HERE, CHIEF! THIS ARMORED CAR CHECKS OUT PERFECTLY!

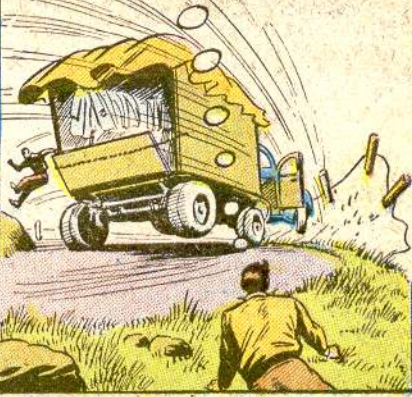
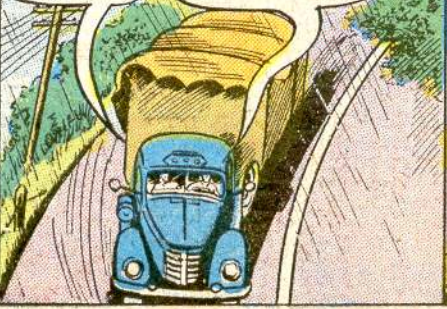
KEEP LOOKING, HARRINGTON! WE KNOW CRIMINALS HAVE TAMPERED WITH THE CAR SO THAT IT WILL BE A CLAY PIGEON FOR THEIR NEXT JOB!



IN THE EARLY MORNING OF OCTOBER 18th LAST YEAR, A TRAILER TRUCK WOVE ITS WAY THROUGH THE MAZE OF CITY STREETS TO A STEEP HILL ON HIGHWAY #9, WHERE...

IF THE ACCELERATOR'S STUCK, HIT THE BRAKES, FRANK!  
 THE HYDRAULICS GAVE! JUMP, ED... WE'LL NEVER TAKE TRIGGER CURVE AT THIS SPEED!  
 I-I DID...

I CUT THE MOTOR... AT LEAST OUR LOAD WON'T GO UP IN FLAMES!



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BUT WHEN THE BRUISED TRUCKERS REGAINED THEIR FEET AND OBSERVED THE WRECK...

HIJACKERS-- RIFLING OUR FUR LOAD! HOW'D THEY GET HERE SO FAST?

I DON'T KNOW... BUT THERE ARE TOO MANY OF THEM FOR US TO HANDLE! LET'S CALL THE POLICE!



HARRINGTON AND I PICKED UP THE POLICE RADIO BULLETIN IN OUR CAR AND DROVE IMMEDIATELY TO THE ACCIDENT SCENE...

YOUR DESCRIPTION OF THE HIJACK TRUCK HAS BEEN FLASHED TO ALL PROWL CARS-- WE'LL CATCH THE THIEVES! TELL ME, WHAT CAUSED THE ACCIDENT?

THE GAS PEDAL STUCK, D.A.-- AND THE BRAKES GAVE! BUT IT DOESN'T FIGURE... OUR TRAILER WAS JUST SERVICED AT THE **EMPIRE GARAGE!**



THE EMPIRE... AGAIN! GOSH, CHIEF... THAT GARAGE IS SURE HAVING A STREAK OF BAD LUCK!

YES, HARRINGTON-- PHENOMENALLY BAD! LET'S RETURN TO THE OFFICE!



LATER, AS HARRINGTON AND I CHECKED OUR COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ACCIDENT FILES...

FOUR ACCIDENTS IN FOUR MONTHS SOUNDS LIKE A LOT, CHIEF! BUT EMPIRE HANDLES TRUCKS EXCLUSIVELY-- THEY'RE BOUND TO HAVE A HIGHER PERCENTAGE OF TRAILER MISHAPS!

GRANTED! BUT TAKE NOTE OF THE CRIME ASPECT...



ALL FOUR OF THE TRUCKS IN QUESTION WERE HIJACKED BY THIEVES WHO WERE STATIONED CONVENIENTLY AT THE ACCIDENT LOCALES!

IN OTHER WORDS... YOU SUSPECT SOMEONE IN THE GARAGE IS TAMPERING WITH TRUCKS TO CREATE ACCIDENTS! THAT WOULD BE TOUGH TO PROVE, CHIEF!



NOT IF I WAS EMPLOYED IN THE GARAGE AND SAW IT WITH MY OWN EYES, HARRINGTON! I'M GOING TO MAKE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS IMMEDIATELY!

IT'S AN ANGLE, D.A.! BE SURE THE MAKEUP DEPARTMENT GIVES YOU A GOOD DISGUISE-- YOUR GOOSE WOULD BE COOKED IF THEY RECOGNIZED YOU!





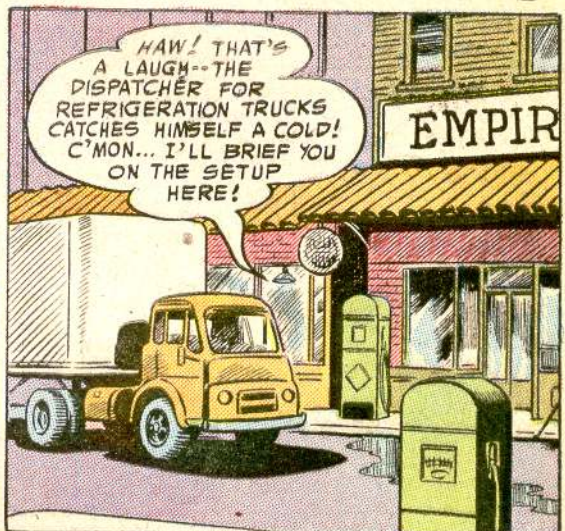
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THROUGH THE COOPERATION OF A LOCAL TRUCKING COMPANY, I REPORTED TO THE EMPIRE GARAGE POSING AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR AN "ILL" DISPATCHER...

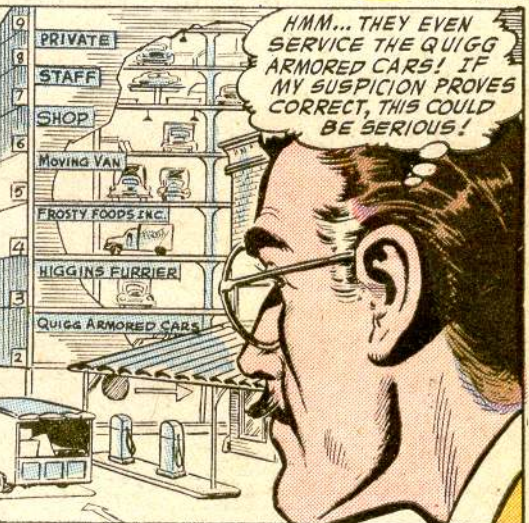
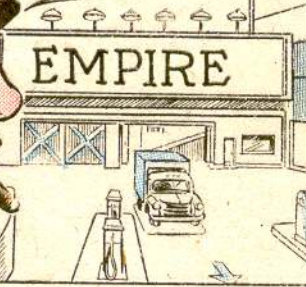
TELL ME, KEENE...WHAT HAPPENED TO MASTERS-- THE OLD DISPATCHER FOR "FROSTY"?

MASTERS WILL BE BACK SOON-- HE'S BEDDED DOWN WITH A BAD COLD!



MANAGER EARL WHITE LED ME TO A HUGE MODEL REPLICA OF THE TRUCKING GARAGE WHERE...

WELL, THERE IT IS, KEENE-- WE GARAGE MOST OF THE CITY'S BIG TRANSPORT TRUCKS! YOUR FROSTY FOOD HEAPS ARE ON THE 4<sup>th</sup> FLOOR!



SAY... HOW COME THE REPAIR SHOP IS LOCATED ON THE 6<sup>th</sup> FLOOR? MOST GARAGES HAVE IT ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> OR 2<sup>ND</sup> FOR CONVENIENCE!

WE'VE GOT OUR REASONS, KEENE! AND ANOTHER THING, THE SHOP'S STRICTLY FOR EMPIRE PERSONNEL! NO OUTSIDERS ALLOWED!



IT WAS THEN THAT MY ROVING EYE CAUGHT A GLIMPSE OF TWO CHARACTERS WHO WERE TO STRENGTHEN MY SUSPICIONS OF THE GARAGE...

LET US OFF ON SIX, BUSTER!

EX-CONS LARSON AND ATKINS! HM... THEY GO IN FOR BIG OPERATIONS! SOMETHING CROOKED MUST BE UNDER WAY HERE!





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MY HUNCH PROVED TRUE! FOR, AS WE WERE TO LEARN LATER, A FANTASTIC ROBBERY SCHEME WAS IN OPERATION WITHIN THE GARAGE...



THIS HERE'S ATKINS-- BURT! HE'S "IN" ON THE JOB!

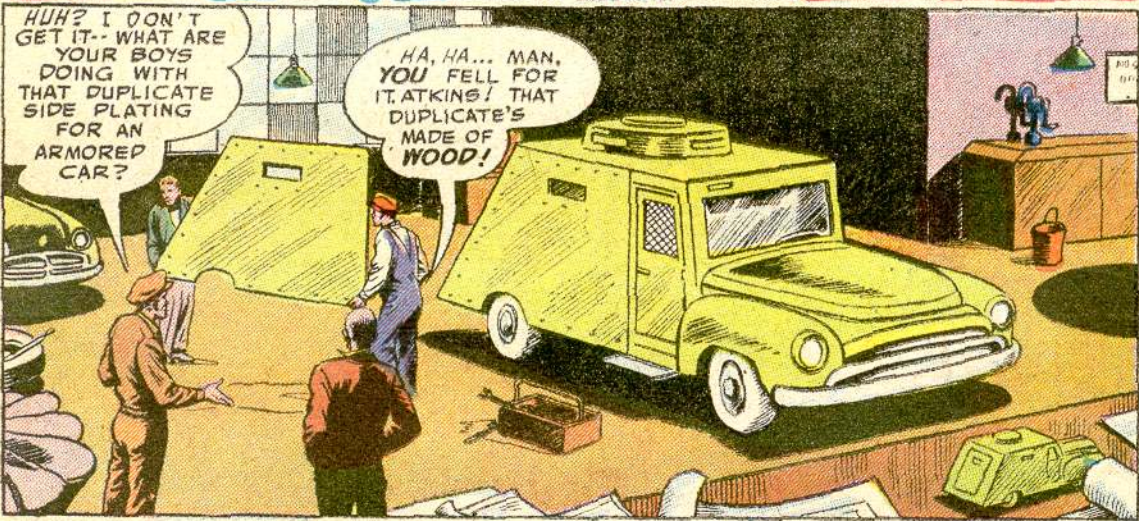
GLAD TO SEE YOU GUYS ARE ON YOUR TOES! I CAN HARDLY WAIT TO CUT IN ON THAT FIVE MILLION!

KEEP OUT



FIVE MILLION! THEN YOU WERE LEVELIN', LARSON! BUT WHAT ANGLE FIGURES TO PULL IN THAT KIND OF DOUGH?

FEAST YOUR EYES ON THAT, ATKINS! IT'LL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING...



HUH? I DON'T GET IT-- WHAT ARE YOUR BOYS DOING WITH THAT DUPLICATE SIDE PLATING FOR AN ARMORED CAR?

HA, HA... MAN, YOU FELL FOR IT, ATKINS! THAT DUPLICATE'S MADE OF WOOD!



IT'S A WOODEN BOARD, ALL RIGHT! BUT I STILL DON'T GET THE ANGLE!

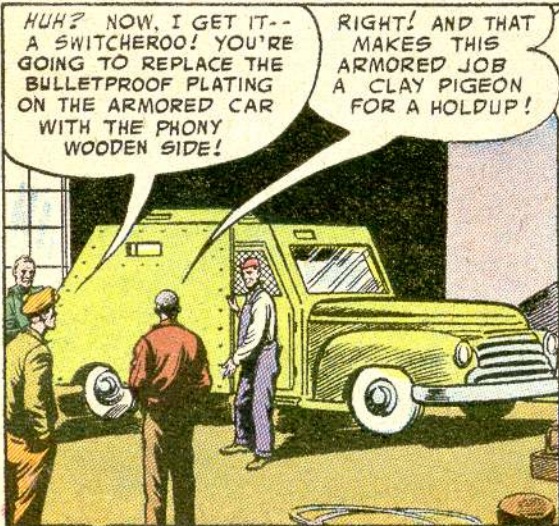
SIMPLE... THAT WOODEN BOARD'S BEEN TREATED AND PAINTED TO LOOK LIKE THE REAL BULLETPROOF SIDE OF AN ARMORED CAR!

KNOCK KNOCK



OKAY... SO WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO WITH IT? HANG IT ON THE WALL?

THIS IS WHERE YOU FIT IN, ATKINS! SHOW HIM, BOYS...!



HUH? NOW, I GET IT-- A SWITCHEROO! YOU'RE GOING TO REPLACE THE BULLETPROOF PLATING ON THE ARMORED CAR WITH THE PHONY WOODEN SIDE!

RIGHT! AND THAT MAKES THIS ARMORED JOB A CLAY PIGEON FOR A HOLDUP!

I'LL SAY... AND WHEN WE CUT LOOSE ON THAT WOODEN DUPLICATE WITH OUR CHOPPER, IT'LL BURST OPEN LIKE A CHEESE BOX!

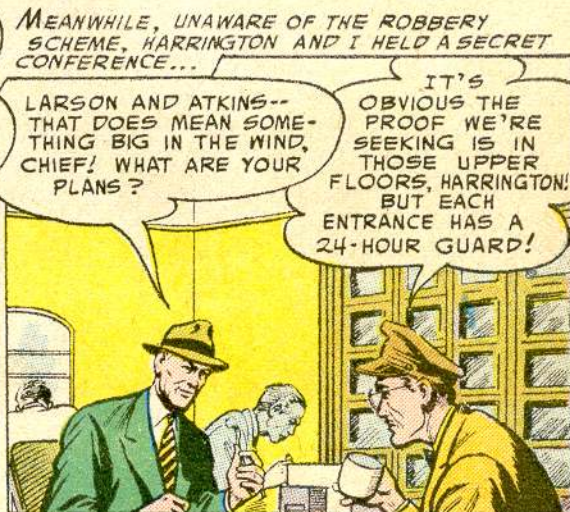
AW... SMART BOYS DON'T HAVE TO TOMMY-GUN THEIR WAY TO DOUGH! WE'VE GOT A BRIGHT ANGLE ON CRACKING THAT WOODEN EGG SHELL!



ENOUGH OF THE GAB! GET BUSY REMOVING THE IRON-PLATED SIDE, ATKINS-- AND DO A GOOD JOB!

NEVER FEAR-- I'LL CUT IT OFF AS SHARP AS A RAZOR, PAL! WHEN I GRAFT THAT WOODEN SIDE TO THE CAR, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE!

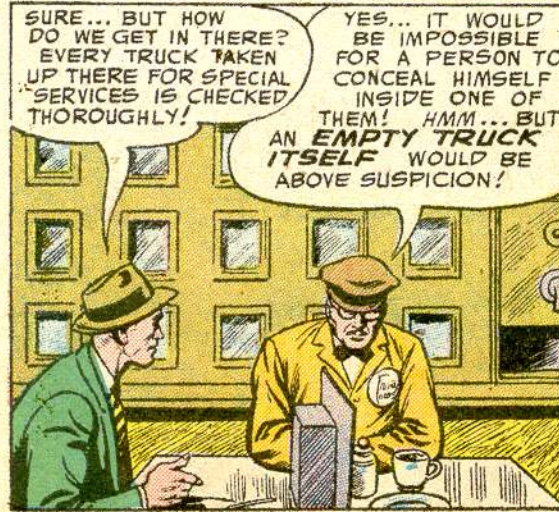
**WHOOOSH**



MEANWHILE, UNAWARE OF THE ROBBERY SCHEME, HARRINGTON AND I HELD A SECRET CONFERENCE...

LARSON AND ATKINS-- THAT DOES MEAN SOMETHING BIG IN THE WIND, CHIEF! WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS?

IT'S OBVIOUS THE PROOF WE'RE SEEKING IS IN THOSE UPPER FLOORS, HARRINGTON! BUT EACH ENTRANCE HAS A 24-HOUR GUARD!



SURE... BUT HOW DO WE GET IN THERE? EVERY TRUCK TAKEN UP THERE FOR SPECIAL SERVICES IS CHECKED THOROUGHLY!

YES... IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR A PERSON TO CONCEAL HIMSELF INSIDE ONE OF THEM! HMM... BUT AN EMPTY TRUCK ITSELF WOULD BE ABOVE SUSPICION!



HARRINGTON! I WANT YOU TO GO TO OUR PHOTO LAB AND REQUISITION THE FOLLOWING ITEMS! BETTER TAKE NOTES!

READY AND WAITING, CHIEF...

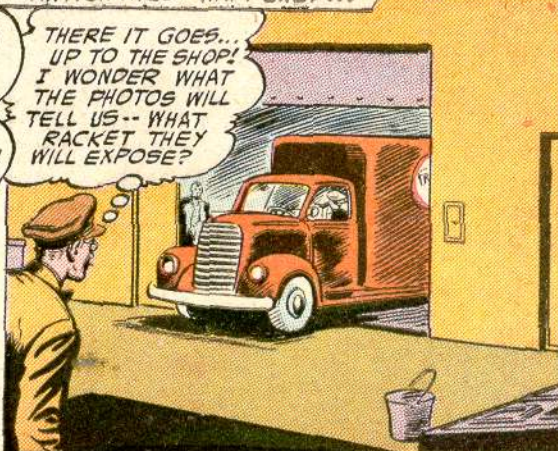
ASSUMING THE DISGUISE OF A DRIVER, HARRINGTON JOINED ME ON THE 4TH FLOOR OF THE GARAGE THAT EVENING...

THE FOLLOWING DAY, I FILED A SERVICE SLIP FOR FROSTY TRUCK #38! THE ANTICIPATED HAPPENED...

BUT, CHIEF, HOW DO YOU INTEND TO GET THAT TRUCK INTO THE SHOP AFTER YOU PLANT THAT AUTOMATIC MIDGET CAMERA IN ITS SPOTLIGHT?

I'VE REPLACED NEW MOTOR PARTS WITH OLD ONES, HARRINGTON! THEY'LL HAVE TO TAKE IT UP THERE FOR SERVICE! LET'S HURRY--

THERE IT GOES... UP TO THE SHOP! I WONDER WHAT THE PHOTOS WILL TELL US-- WHAT RACKET THEY WILL EXPOSE?



THAT NIGHT, I RETURNED TO MY OFFICE WHERE HARRINGTON AND I VIEWED THE VITAL FILM TAKEN FROM THE MIDGET CAMERA...

GOSH, THEY DON'T HAVE TO REMOVE A NEW MOTOR JUST TO EXCHANGE THE PARTS, P.A.!

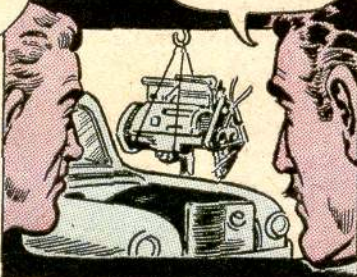
I KNOW, HARRINGTON! PERHAPS THE NEXT PHOTO WILL TELL US WHAT THEY'RE UP TO...

CHIEF... THEY'RE SWITCHING THE WHOLE MOTOR!

RIGHT... AND UNDOUBTEDLY, IT'S BEING REPLACED BY A RECONDITIONED JOB RIGGED TO FALL APART ON A HILL OR SUCH! THAT'S HOW THEY'VE BEEN SABOTAGING TRUCKS!

I GET IT... THEY PROFIT TWICE ON THE RACKET! THEY SELL THE VALUABLE NEW MOTORS THEY TAKE OUT AND HIJACK THE TRUCKS WHEN THE OLD ONES THEY INSTALL BREAK DOWN!

EXACTLY, HARRINGTON! AND THEY MANAGE TO DO THIS ON THE PRETENSE OF SERVICING THE TRUCKS IN THE GARAGE!



A MOMENT LATER, THE NEXT SCENE SHOOK US GRIMLY...

HUH...? THEY'VE GOT ONE OF THE QUIGG ARMORED CARS UP THERE, TOO!

YES... AND THAT'S LARSON AND ATKINS STANDING BEFORE IT! EVIDENTLY THAT'S THE JOB THEY'VE BEEN WORKING ON!

HADN'T WE BETTER MOVE IN BEFORE THEY PULL OFF AN ARMORED CAR CAPER, CHIEF?

NO, HARRINGTON! A THEFT THAT BIG WOULD REQUIRE ACCOMPLICES-- A RAID WOULD ONLY FRIGHTEN THEM OFF TO COMMIT OTHER CRIMES ELSEWHERE! WE'VE GOT TO BE PATIENT AND TRY AND GET A LEAD ON THEIR PLANS!







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THUS I WAS FACED WITH THE DIFFICULT TASK OF DISCOVERING THE ROBBERY SCHEME BEFORE IT COULD BE CARRIED OUT! FATE MADE THINGS DIFFICULT...

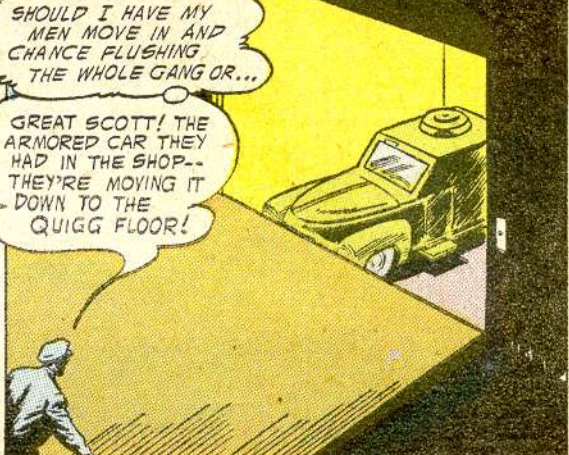
AS I PONDERED MY PROBLEM THAT EVENING, A REMARKABLE THING HAPPENED...

YOU DID A GOOD JOB, ATKINS! AND **TOMORROW** IT'S GONNA PAY OFF-- IN **MILLIONS!**

THE ROBBERY'S SCHEDULED FOR TOMORROW-- AND I HAVEN'T THE FAINTEST IDEA WHAT THEIR PLAN IS!

SHOULD I HAVE MY MEN MOVE IN AND CHANCE FLUSHING THE WHOLE GANG OR...

GREAT SCOTT! THE ARMORED CAR THEY HAD IN THE SHOP-- THEY'RE MOVING IT DOWN TO THE QUIGG FLOOR!



PUTTING THAT ARMORED CAR BACK IN SERVICE MUST BE PART OF THEIR PLAN! I'LL CONTACT HARRINGTON AND WE'LL GO OVER THE VEHICLE WITH A FINE TOOTH COMB!

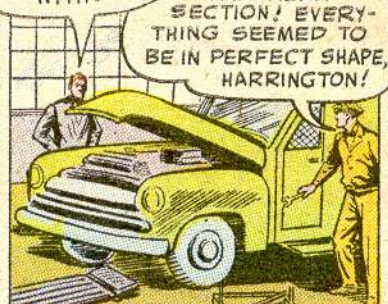
BUT AFTER HOURS OF FUTILE CHECKING...

THE MOTOR'S IN TIP-TOP SHAPE-- NOTHING WRONG WITH THE WHEELS-- THE GAS HASN'T BEEN TAMPERED WITH!

AND I LOOKED OVER THE UNDER CARRIAGE... AND INSIDE THE CAB AND REAR SECTION! EVERYTHING SEEMED TO BE IN PERFECT SHAPE, HARRINGTON!

BUT, CHIEF--HOW ARE WE GOING TO STOP THEM FROM PULLING OFF THIS ROBBERY IF WE CAN'T GET A HINT TO THEIR PLAN?

THERE'S ONE SURE WAY, HARRINGTON! WE'LL BE IN THIS ARMORED CAR TOMORROW WHEN IT MAKES ITS USUAL ROUNDS!

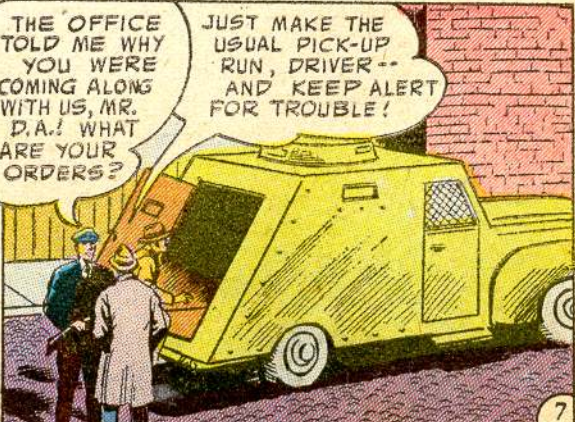


IT SEEMED THE ONLY LOGICAL SOLUTION TO OUR PROBLEM! IN THAT WAY WE COULD THWART THE HOLDUP AND AT THE SAME TIME APPREHEND ALL GANG MEMBERS!

IT WAS A BITTERLY COLD MORNING WHEN HARRINGTON AND I INTERCEPTED THE ARMORED CAR SEVERAL BLOCKS FROM THE GARAGE...

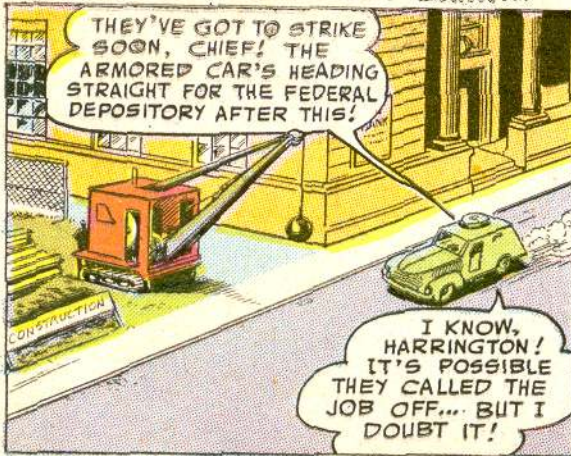
THE OFFICE TOLD ME WHY YOU WERE COMING ALONG WITH US, MR. D.A.! WHAT ARE YOUR ORDERS?

JUST MAKE THE USUAL PICK-UP RUN, DRIVER-- AND KEEP ALERT FOR TROUBLE!



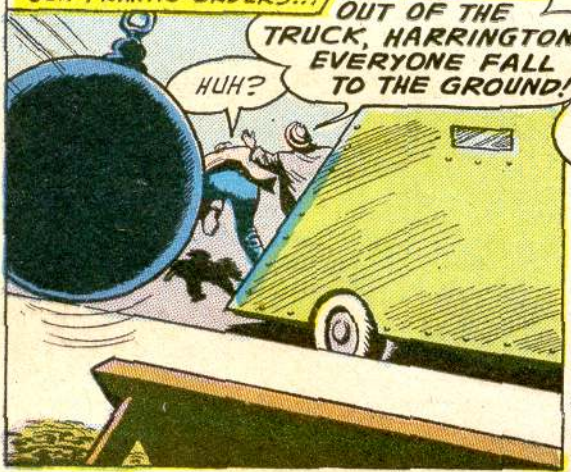
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THE MORNING WENT WITHOUT MISHAP! AND LATER THAT DAY, AS THE ARMORED CAR MADE ITS LAST STOP AT CITY BANK...



I KNOW, HARRINGTON! IT'S POSSIBLE THEY CALLED THE JOB OFF... BUT I DOUBT IT!

AS THE REALIZATION STRUCK ME, I BLURTED OUR FRANTIC ORDERS...



AN INSTANT LATER, MY WORSE FEARS WERE REALIZED AS...



WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE ARMORED TRUCK GUARDS, THE APPREHENSION OF THE CRIMINALS CAME OFF SWIFTLY! LATER...





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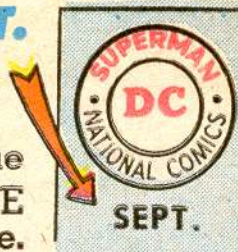
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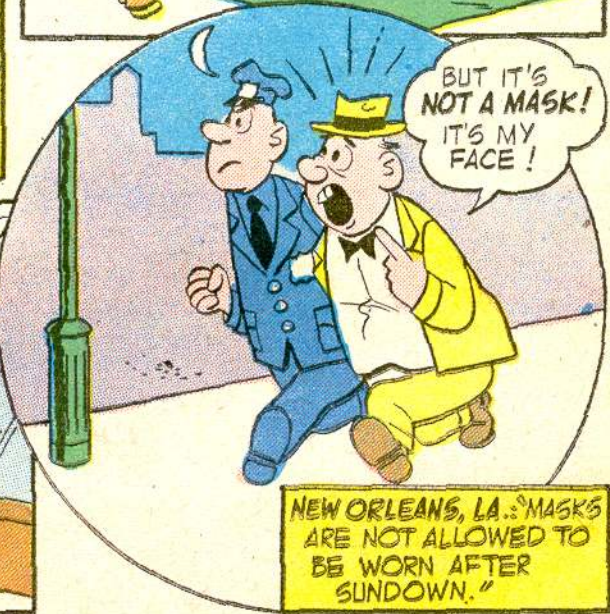
IOWA: "ANY KISS LASTING MORE THAN 5 MINUTES IS ILLEGAL."



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IMAGINE A TOWN IN WHICH EACH AND EVERY HOME-OWNER IS AN EX-CONVICT-- WHERE FORMER BANK-ROBBERS, BURGLARS, PETTY THIEVES AND SCORES OF OTHER PAST CRIMINALS RESIDE TOGETHER IN ONE COMMUNITY! THIS WAS THE LOCALE THAT HARRINGTON AND I ENTERED TO LAUNCH ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT INVESTIGATIONS OF OUR CAREERS AS WE SOUGHT TO UNCOVER THE

**ONE**

MAN WHO DIDN'T GO STRAIGHT IN...

## NEW CHANCE..

## POPULATION 4,000 EX-CONS



CHIEF... THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE! HOW CAN WE FIND ONE LONE THIEF IN A WHOLE TOWN OF EX-CONS?

IT'S CERTAINLY A CHALLENGE, HARRINGTON! BUT ONE OF THESE FORMER CONVICTS HAS GONE BACK TO CRIME... AND IT'S UP TO US TO SINGLE HIM OUT!

IT WAS ON MARCH 4<sup>th</sup> OF LAST YEAR THAT A SILHOUETTED FIGURE APPEARED BEFORE THE SKYLIGHT OF J. KRANSTON, AUCTIONEERS, INC. ...

AND SECONDS LATER, AS A PRICELESS DIAMOND WAS BEING AUCTIONED OFF WITHIN THE BUILDING...



DO I HEAR A BID OF ONE MILLION DOLLARS FOR THIS FABULOUS AFRICAN STAR DIAMOND...?

EEEE!

HERE'S MY BID, AUCTIONEER-- I'M TAKING IT... FOR... NOTHING!

**THE BRAZEN THIEF WORKED QUICKLY--HE SNATCHED THE SPARKLING GEM IN HIS FREE HAND...**

**HELPING HIMSELF TO THE PILE OF GEMS BEFORE HIM, THE THIEF BOLTED TOWARD THE DOOR WHERE...**

A COOL MILLION FOR THE TAKING... BUT THERE'S NO SENSE IN OVER-LOOKING THAT STACK OF ICE...



LOOK-- HIS POCKET CAUGHT ON THE DOOR KNOB!

THAT WON'T STOP HIM... HE'S GETTING AWAY! I'VE GOT TO CALL THE POLICE!

**A FLEETING MOMENT LATER, THE ASTOUNDING THEFT HAD BEEN SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED...**

**A SHORT TIME LATER, AS HARRINGTON AND I LAUNCHED OUR INVESTIGATION AT THE ROBBERY SCENE, OUR FIRST AND ONLY CLUE WAS UNCOVERED...**



GREAT SCOTT... WHAT NERVE! HE HASN'T EVEN GOT A GETAWAY CAR!

FARE TOKENS, D.A.-- EYEWITNESSES SAID THEY FELL FROM THE THIEF'S POCKET WHEN HE CAUGHT IT ON THE DOOR-KNOB!

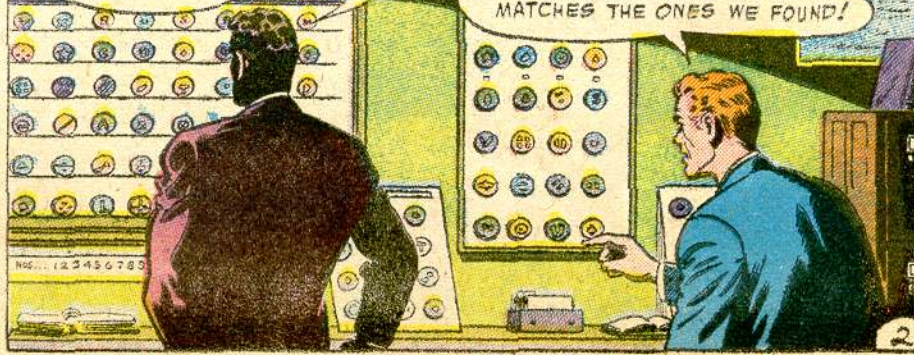
YES, HARRINGTON-- AND IT'S A LEAD THAT MAY PROVE MORE VALUABLE THAN WE EXPECT! LET'S GET DOWN TO HEADQUARTERS--WE'VE GOT SOME RESEARCH TO DO!



FARE TOKENS ARE ONLY USED BY RESIDENTS TRAVELING IN A **SPECIFIC** TOWN OR CITY, HARRINGTON-- THEY'RE LEGAL TENDER ON BUSES, TRAINS, TROLLEYS AND OTHER PUBLIC VEHICLES!

I GET IT, CHIEF! YOU FIGURE THE THIEF MUST BE A RESIDENT OF THE TOWN OR CITY WHICH ISSUED THE TOKENS WHICH WERE IN HIS POSSESSION! SAY... THAT **HORSESHOE** DESIGN MATCHES THE ONES WE FOUND!

**R**ETURNING TO MY OFFICE, HARRINGTON AND I STUDIED THE UNIQUE COLLECTION OF PASSENGER TOKEN CURRENCY ON FILE...



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I QUICKLY SCANNED THROUGH OUR POLICE CATALOGUE OF TRANSIT TOKENS AND...

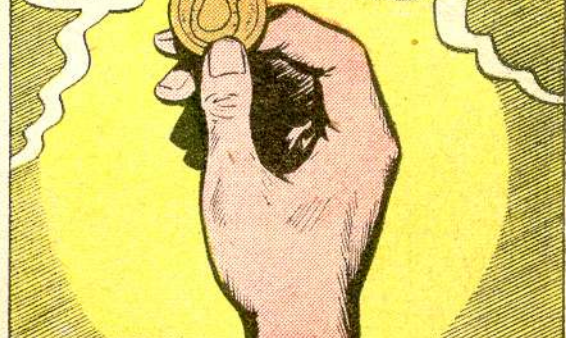
HERE WE ARE, HARRINGTON-- IT'S A **NEW CHANCE** BUS TOKEN!

**NEW CHANCE...** THE TOWN OF **EX-CONS, CHIEF!**



YES, HARRINGTON--IT'S A TOWN INHABITED SOLELY BY FORMER CONVICTS WHO HAVE GONE STRAIGHT. THIS EVIDENCE INDICATES OUR THIEF **LIVES** THERE! LET'S GO!

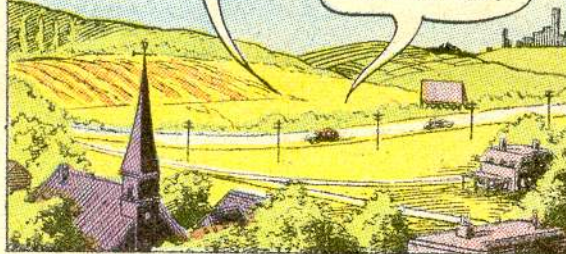
RIGHT, D.A.! THOSE TOKENS WOULD BE **USELESS** TO ANYONE WHO DIDN'T RESIDE IN NEW CHANCE!



AS OUR INVESTIGATION LED US TO AMERICA'S MOST UNUSUAL VILLAGE, HARRINGTON AND I REMINISCED...

CHIEF, HOW DID SUCH A FANTASTIC COMMUNITY ORIGINATE, ANYWAY? I NEVER DID LEARN THE WHOLE STORY!

A GROUP OF EX-CONVICTS POOLED THEIR PRISON EARNINGS AND BOUGHT THE LAND, HARRINGTON! ONLY REFORMED CONVICTS SEEKING TO LIVE AN **HONEST LIFE--** CAN BUILD A HOME IN NEW CHANCE!



SINCE ITS BEGINNING, THE TOWN HAS HAD A PERFECT ANTI-CRIME RECORD! BUT NOW WE HAVE A GRIM DUTY--INFORMING THE CITIZENS ONE OF THEIR RESIDENTS HAS REVERTED TO LAW-BREAKING!



SHORTLY, OLD MEMORIES WERE REVIVED AS I STEPPED INTO THE OFFICES OF THE NEW CHANCE MAYOR, PAUL DUNSTER...

MR. D.A.! WE HAVEN'T COME FACE TO FACE SINCE YOU PROSECUTED ME FOR FRAUD **TEN YEARS AGO!**

PT. DUNSTER, THE STOCK SWINDLER! I CERTAINLY HAD A DIFFICULT TIME RUNNING **YOU** DOWN!

YES, D.A. I WOULD HAVE ESCAPED YOUR PRAGNET IF YOU HADN'T SEEN THROUGH MY GETAWAY PLANS... BUT FORTUNATELY FOR ME, YOU **DID!**

THAT'S RIGHT, DUNSTER, AND NOW THAT YOU'VE PAID YOUR DEBT TO SOCIETY, YOU CAN SLEEP NIGHTS AND REAP THE REWARDS OF AN **HONEST LIFE!**

**ALL** CITIZENS OF NEW CHANCE HAVE LEARNED THAT LESSON, MR. D.A.! BUT TELL ME, WHAT BRINGS THE BIG CITY'S CRACK PROSECUTOR TO OUR PEACEFUL TOWN?

SAD NEWS, I'M AFRAID! LISTEN...





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MAYOR DUNSTER WAS GRIM-FACED WHEN I HAD FINISHED...

... SO, MAYOR, THE MAN WHO STOLE THE AFRICAN STAR AND A HANDFUL OF INEXPENSIVE INDUSTRIAL DIAMONDS HAD TRANSIT TOKENS FROM THIS TOWN!

I CAN'T BELIEVE ONE OF OUR CITIZENS HAS GONE BACK TO HIS FORMER HABITS, MR. D.A.!

THIS IS OUR JAIL... THE CELL DOORS HAVE NEVER BEEN LOCKED-- FOR NOT ONE CITIZEN OF NEW CHANCE HAS EVER COMMITTED A CRIME! BUT NOW... THE OUTSIDE WORLD MAY NEVER TRUST ANY OF US AGAIN!

DUNSTER, WITH YOUR COOPERATION, WE CAN CATCH THIS CROOK AND RID NEW CHANCE OF THIS ONE ROTTEN APPLE!



OF COURSE YOU'VE GOT MY COOPERATION! EVERY RESIDENT OF NEW CHANCE WILL AID YOU IN EXPOSING THIS CRIMINAL!

FINE! I'D LIKE TO BEGIN! I'D LIKE TO CHECKING YOUR FILES TO LEARN WHICH OF YOUR CITIZENS COMMUTE TO THE CITY!

HARRINGTON AND I QUICKLY BEGAN OUR INVESTIGATION...

A TOWN WHERE EVERY HOME-OWNER WAS A FORMER CRIMINAL AND WE'VE GOT TO FIND THE ONE MAN WHO HAS GONE BACK TO CRIME!

YES, HARRINGTON, IT WILL BE A GIANT JOB CHECKING THE ALIBIS OF THE THOUSANDS OF MALE CITIZENS IN NEW CHANCE... BUT WE'VE GOT TO START SOMEWHERE!



IT WAS SEVERAL HOURS LATER WHEN A CITIZENS' COMMITTEE APPEARED BEFORE US...

SUDDENLY, I THOUGHT OF AN IDEA TO HELP SPEED THE SOLUTION OF THE CASE...

MR. D.A.! THESE MEN WANT TO VOLUNTEER THEIR SERVICES!

YOU BET, SIR... WE WANT TO HELP FIND THE MAN WHO HAS GIVEN NEW CHANCE A BAD NAME!

YOU MEN-- AS FORMER CRIMINALS, YOU MAY BE ABLE TO HELP ME WITH YOUR FAST KNOWLEDGE! PLEASE MEET ME IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE IN A HALF HOUR!



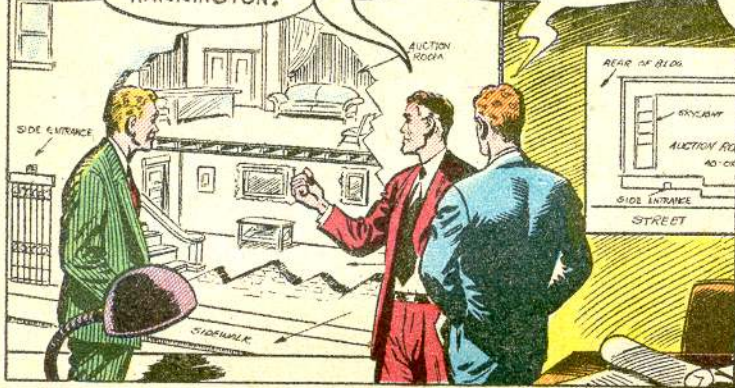


LATER, THE MACHINERY OF OUR INVESTIGATION MOVED INTO HIGH GEAR AS...

IF WE CAN IDENTIFY THE THIEF'S FORMER CRIMINAL SPECIALTY, WE'LL BE NARROWING DOWN THE LIST OF SUSPECTS, HARRINGTON!

I GET IT, CHIEF--THEN WE CAN CHECK THE ALIBIS OF THOSE SUSPECTS!

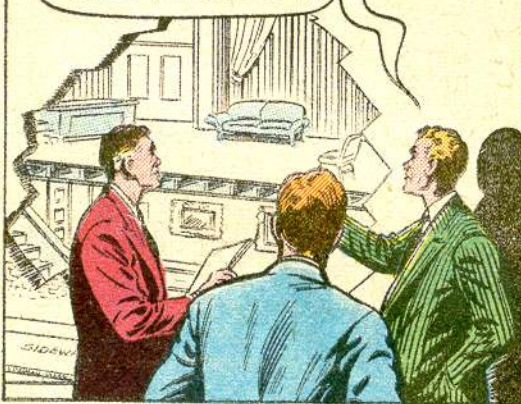
EXACTLY, HARRINGTON! WE'LL SELECT THE MOST LOGICAL GROUP FIRST!... MARTIN, YOU WERE ONCE KNOWN AS DIAMOND THIEF "EDDIE THE GLITTER" MARTIN... FROM THIS DIAGRAM OF THE CRIME SCENE, PLEASE TELL ME HOW YOU WOULD HAVE PLANNED IT!



WELL, I WOULD HAVE WORN A DISGUISE OF ACTOR'S MAKE-UP SO THAT I COULD ENTER AND MINGLE WITH THE CROWD TO CASE THE SET-UP...

"THEN I'D HAVE KEPT CLOSE TO THE AUCTIONEER'S STAND WITH MY EYES ONLY ON ONE THING... THAT BEAUTIFUL, GLITTERING AFRICAN STAR DIAMOND..."

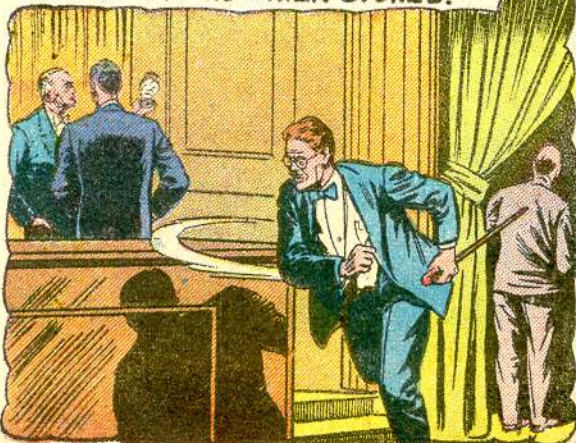
CAN'T WASTE A SPLIT SECOND... JUST TIME FOR ONE QUICK SNATCH AT THAT STONE AND THEN DOWN THE SIDE EXIT...



"THEN, WHEN THE TIME WAS JUST RIGHT, I WOULD HAVE STRUCK FAST AND STOLEN THE BIG DIAMOND-- AND NO OTHER STONES!"

THE ACTUAL THIEF TOOK TIME TO GRAB A FISTFUL OF THOSE INDUSTRIAL DIAMONDS ON THE TRAY, MARTIN! WHY WOULDN'T YOU HAVE DONE THE SAME?

HECK... HE MUST HAVE BEEN CRAZY! THEY'RE ONLY WORTH PEANUTS AND TAKING THAT EXTRA SECOND OR TWO COULD HAVE MEANT HIS CAPTURE!



NOW, COTTER, YOU USED TO BE A SECOND STORY MAN -- HOW WOULD YOU HAVE GAINED ENTRANCE TO THE BUILDING TO EXECUTE THE ROBBERY?

FIRST, MR. D.A., I WOULD HAVE CAREFULLY CASED THE BUILDING, AND AVOIDED THE ROOFTOP ON THE NIGHT OF A FULL MOON...



"I WOULD HAVE PICKED THE SHADOWED SIDE OF THE BUILDING, USING SUCTION CUPS TO SCALE ITS WALLS..."



"I WOULD HAVE ENTERED THROUGH A SECOND STORY WINDOW AND BIDED MY TIME TO STRIKE, PREFERABLY DURING INTERMISSION WHEN THE GUESTS WERE RELAXED AND OFF GUARD..."

THANKS, COTTER--THAT WILL BE ALL! SO--IF IT'S TRUE THAT A PROFESSIONAL BURGLAR WOULD HAVE ENTERED THROUGH THE WINDOW, WE CAN ELIMINATE ALL FORMER SECOND STORY MEN!

YES... AND AS WE ARE AWARE, SECOND STORY MEN RARELY OPERATE ON THE NIGHT OF THE FULL MOON--THEIR FIGURES WOULD BE SILHOUETTED ON ROOFTOPS!

WHEW!... WE'RE SURE CUTTING THIS SUSPECT LIST DOWN, CHIEF!

THAT'S RIGHT, CHIEF--OUR THIEF CAME DOWN THROUGH THE SKYLIGHT!



**N**EXT, "BANKS" BARKER, A REFORMED BANK ROBBER, GAVE ME HIS VERSION OF HOW HE WOULD HAVE ESCAPED FROM THE CRIME SCENE HAD AN EX-BANK ROBBER BEEN THE DIAMOND THIEF...



"SIMPLE, D.A.--MY BOYS AND I WOULD HAVE MADE A FAST EXIT TO OUR GETAWAY CAR..."

AT THIS POINT I STOPPED BARKER! I HAD HEARD ENOUGH TO ELIMINATE MEN IN HIS FORMER CATEGORY...

THANKS, BARKER... AS YOU SAID, AN EX-BANK ROBBER WOULD HAVE UNDOUBTEDLY HAD A GETAWAY CAR... AND CRONIES! OUR THIEF HAD NEITHER...

OKAY, PAL, STEP ON IT!





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AFTERWARD, HARRINGTON AND I LOST NO TIME IN UTILIZING OUR NEW INFORMATION...

THAT'S RIGHT, CHIEF... THERE ARE EXACTLY TWELVE CITIZENS WHO COMMUTE TO THE CITY ON THE **NEW CHANCE** BUS!

LET'S SEE, NOW... BY ELIMINATING EVERY DIAMOND THIEF, SECOND STORY MAN AND BANK ROBBER AMONG THEM THAT LEAVES US JUST 38 COMMUTING SUSPECTS...



HALF OF THOSE WERE WOMEN, SO WE HAVE **JUST NINETEEN** MEN TO CHECK ALIBIS ON, HARRINGTON! LET'S GO!

LATER, WE COULD HARDLY BELIEVE THE GOOD LUCK WHEN OUR INVESTIGATION LED US TO THE **NEW CHANCE** BOWLING ALLEYS...

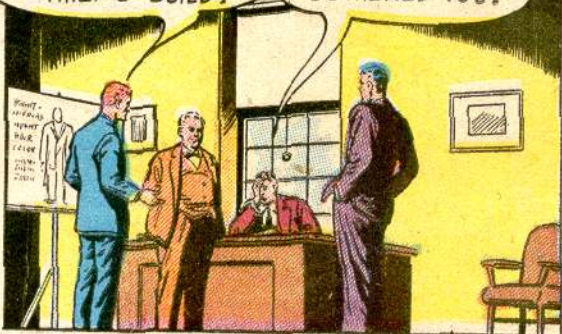
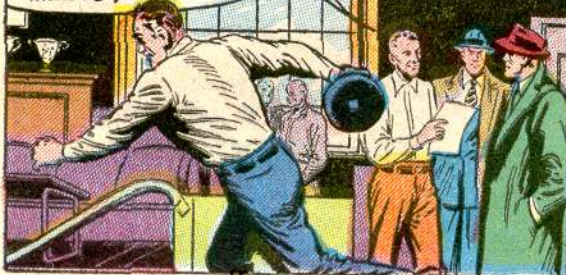
HOW WRONG HARRINGTON WAS... FOR, WHEN WE CALLED THE REMAINING TWO MEN IN...

I'M SURE OF IT, MR. D.A.. SEVENTEEN OF THOSE MEN WERE RIGHT HERE AT THE TIME OF THE ROBBERY... IT'S THE NIGHT THE **COMMUTERS' BOWLING LEAGUE** MEETS!

JUST **TWO** SUSPECTS LEFT, CHIEF... ONE OF THEM **HAS** TO BE OUR MAN!

GOSH, CHIEF, THESE MEN DON'T EVEN COME CLOSE TO EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTIONS OF THE THIEF'S BUILD!

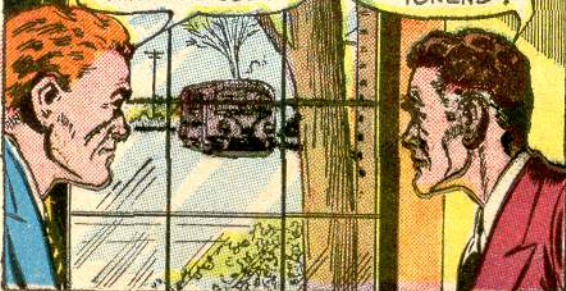
YES, HARRINGTON... YOU MAY GO, GENTLEMEN! I'M SORRY TO HAVE BOTHERED YOU!



WELL, I GUESS OUR METHOD OF INVESTIGATION DIDN'T CLICK AFTER ALL, CHIEF! MAYBE THE THIEF **WASN'T** A COMMUTER... OR HE MIGHT HAVE CHANGED HIS CRIME STYLE FOR THIS ONE JOB!

IT CERTAINLY APPEARS SO, HARRINGTON! HMM, AND YET, WHO ELSE BUT A DAILY COMMUTER WOULD CARRY BUS TOKENS?

GREAT CAESAR! THAT COULD BE THE ANSWER... THERE WAS NO GETAWAY CAR! AND HE **WOULD** CARRY TOKENS! HARRINGTON... WE'VE GOT TO PREPARE A TRAP AT ONCE!





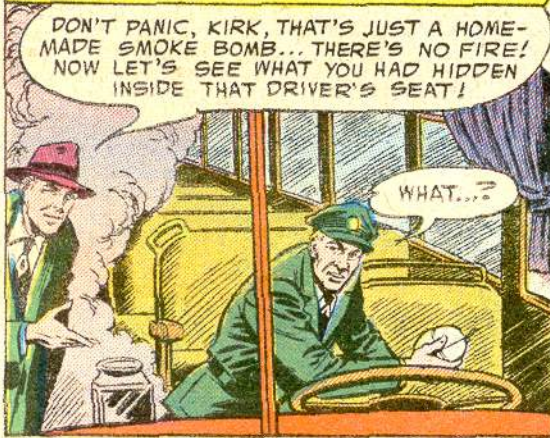
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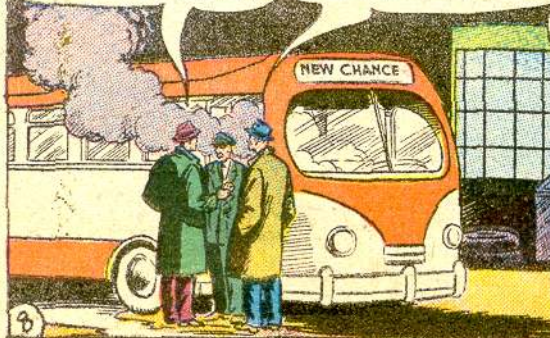
JUST 23 MINUTES LATER, A FRIGHTENING CRY BOOMED FORTH FROM THE **NEW CHANCE** TRANSPORTATION YARD...



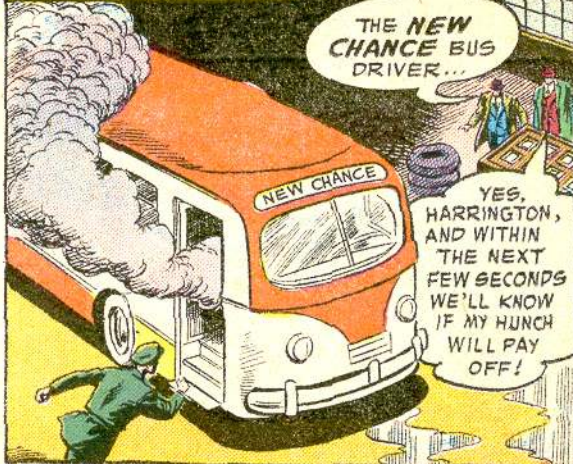
THEN, AS THE BUS DRIVER WILLIE KIRK, A FORMER PICKPOCKET, GROPED INTO THE PADDING OF THE OPERATOR'S SEAT...



THIS ALSO EXPLAINS WHY NO GETAWAY CAR WAS NECESSARY! HE TIMED THE ROBBERY TO COINCIDE WITH THE TIME OF HIS RETURN TRIP TO **NEW CHANCE!**



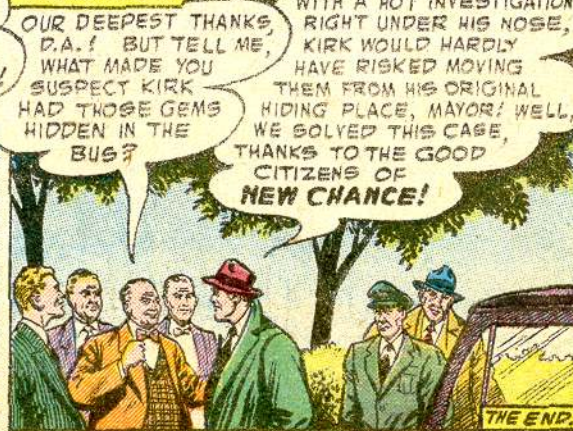
FLEET MOMENTS LATER, A FIGURE DARTED INTO THE GARAGE WHERE...



A MOMENT LATER, AS HARRINGTON OPENED THE PACKET...



AND LATER, AS HARRINGTON AND I LEFT **NEW CHANCE** WITH OUR EX-CON AND FUTURE CONVICT, WILLIE KIRK...



# O'MALLEY

of the 4th PRECINCT

ALL RIGHT, YOU CROOKS-  
PULL OVER! YOU'RE  
UNDER ARREST!



HERE YOU ARE, CHIEF! THE \$50,000  
STOLEN FROM THE CITY BANK!



NEXT NIGHT...



HERE YOU ARE, CHIEF! THE  
\$100,000 BONDS  
AND SECURITIES-  
ALL INTACT!



AND  
THE  
FOLLOW-  
ING  
NIGHT...



YOU'RE  
UNDER ARREST!

\$50,000  
IN GEMS-  
ALL  
HERE!

GOOD WORK, O'MALLEY-  
NOW ABOUT THAT  
\$1.65 YOU OWE ME...

SORRY,  
CHIEF-THIS  
WEEK I'M  
FLAT BROKE!



THE END

BE MY GUEST AT  
PALISADES AMUSEMENT  
PARK, NEW JERSEY.

THIS COUPON ENTITLES  
YOU TO

**FREE** ADMISSION-  
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# "DO-IT-YOURSELF SAFETY RULES!"

OFFICER BROWN AND I WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS AHEAD YOU WON'T HAVE THE SAME SAFETY SET-UP YOU HAVE DURING SCHOOL DAYS...

THAT MEANS YOU HAVE TO BE EVEN MORE CAREFUL THAN USUAL IN FOLLOWING STREET SAFETY RULES!

SO TO TIP YOU OFF TO THE MOST IMPORTANT ONES, WE'RE GOING TO SHOW YOU THE THREE WINNERS OF OUR SAFETY SLOGAN POSTER CONTEST!

DON'T BE A "WEDGIE", WHERE NOBODY CAN SEE YOU. KEEP FROM BETWEEN PARKED CARS!

**CROSS ONLY AT CROSSINGS AND LOOK ALL WAYS FIRST!**

ONE BLOCK TO PLAY-GROUND

**PLAY AWAY FROM TRAFFIC!**

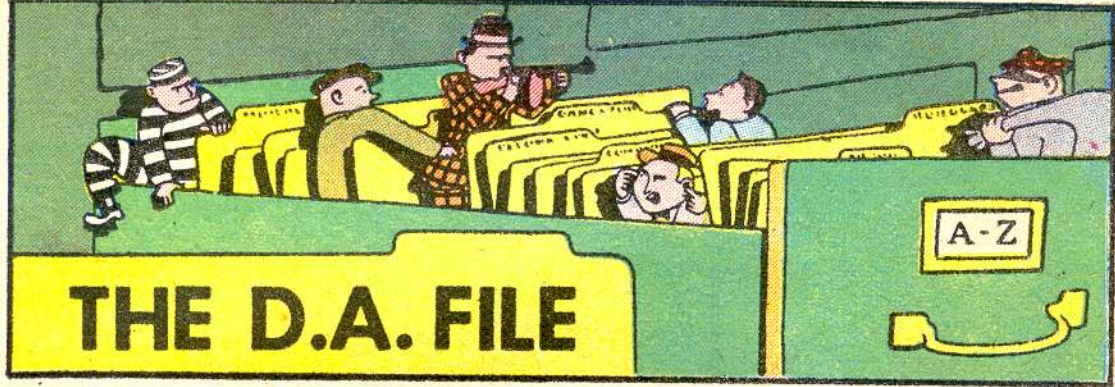
PLAY IT SAFE FOR EVERYBODY

ON COUNTRY ROADS, WALK ON THE LEFT, SO YOU CAN SEE THE TRAFFIC COMING TOWARD YOU!

REMEMBER, YOUR OWN SAFETY DEPENDS ON YOU!

IF YOU FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE RULES, YOUR SUMMER WILL BE MORE FUN!

**PLAY IT SAFE... BE SAFE**



## WAS GREENE'S FACE RED!

Most criminals like to brag about their feats, and it is this arrogance that often brings the law down on their own heads. But Allen Greene preferred to be anonymous and live a frugal existence which belied his ill-gotten wealth. For as a counterfeiter, he had amassed a small fortune in five and ten dollar bills, which weren't as suspect as bills of larger denomination.

In all ways, Allen Greene was the average man. A bachelor, he lived in a small two-room apartment, ate in diners and inexpensive restaurants. After printing a batch of counterfeit, which he distributed along with genuine money, he settled for a brief time in one city after another.

The Treasury Department had a hard time catching up with Allen Greene because of these idiosyncracies. Counterfeit money, undeniably of Allen Greene's origin, reached the T-agents from time to time, but from all four points of the country.

In 1951, however, Allen Greene, now aged 62, decided to end his drifting and settle down in a St. Louis suburb. Accompanying a real estate agent on a tour of houses that were for sale, he finally chose a tidy-looking five-room home,

agreed to meet the agent next day at his office to close the sale.

The negotiations were concluded without a hitch. Allen Greene gave the agent \$8,500 in cash in exchange for the deed to the house. This time, Greene had taken the precaution of using genuine bills only to stave off the possibility of some of his phoney money reaching the T-men.

But, unknown to him, the real estate agent regularly received circulars from Washington listing wanted criminals. He needed only to compare the photograph and the name to realize that he had netted a fugitive.

Within 24 hours, Allen Greene was arrested to stand trial at a future date. As he languished in prison, he had ample time to reconstruct his life of crime. The role of Mr. Average Man should have been invincible, but it was this very thing, he realized with a shock, that had led to his downfall.

For he had tired of eating in cheap restaurants, and, in longing for a home and some home-cooked meals, he had bought this house!

Allen Greene was spared eating out by the state. At his trial, the judge sentenced him to eat in—in a prison, for 15 years.

## TRUTH ABOUT A SUIT

He was a hefty fellow, bigger than the policeman who had arrested him, according to the story in "Irish News," but he was allowing himself to be marched meekly to the station.

It was not his first visit by any means, and a crowd had collected in anticipation of the usual scrap, but they drifted away when they saw that there was nothing doing. Even the policeman was surprised.

"It isn't like you to go so quietly," he remarked. "What's taken the ginger out of you?"

The prisoner sighed. "If you'd known what I'd paid for this suit, you'd understand."

## FELON FRIENDS

The guard felt sorry for one of his charges. Every visitors' day, all the inmates received friends or family, but this fellow just stayed in his cell.

One day, the guard could contain his curiosity no longer. "Jack, I know you haven't any family who'd come to see you. But don't you have any friends?"

"Oh, sure," replied the unhappy con. "But they're all in here!"

## CRIME QUIZ

How smart a sleuth are you? Here are five questions, each marked 20%. If you can't get a top score, can you earn a passable 60%?

1) How can police deduce whether a dead man was left handed? There are four clues, at least.

2) What are the mathematical chances of two fingerprints being exactly alike?

3) When a person is shot, how can police determine how far away the gun was?

4) Must an ordinary citizen assist an officer in subduing a criminal? Can he be arrested if he refuses?

5) What is the derivation of the word bloodhound?

## ANSWERS

came from fine, purebred, blooded stock. dogs were given that name because they believe, had nothing to do with it. The

5) Ability at sniffing blood, as some meanor.

4) Yes. A person who refuses can be charged with being guilty of a misde- the flesh.

3) By the severity of powder burns and powder marks. These marks are caused by the imbedding of carbon granules in

semble each other. 2) There's only one chance in 64,000,000 that two single fingerprints will re-

on the same finger of his right hand. middle finger of his left hand instead of small writer's bump would be on the appear on the fingers of his left hand; a wear; if he smoked, nicotine stains would side on his clothes would show greater his right hand; the pockets on the left left hand and arm would be greater than tion; the muscular development of his knot going in a counter-clockwise direc-

1) His necktie would be tied with a

## BLOTTER JOTTINGS

MEMPHIS, Tenn.: A car thief gained easy access to a brand-new convertible, raced away, but several blocks later was pinched by a motorcycle policeman. What had made the officer suspicious? A "Just Married" sign was stuck on the rear of the car, but the driver was alone!

OAKLAND, Calif.: A fellow who liked to impersonate an Army officer was easily spotted and arrested when he was observed wearing a colonel's eagle on one shoulder, a brigadier general's star on the other.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.: Summoned to the scene of a burglary, patient police soon were paid off when the thieves returned to recover the tools which they had left behind.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.: Paroled from prison after he'd been taught to read and write, an illiterate convict soon was back in the hoosegow for having forged checks.



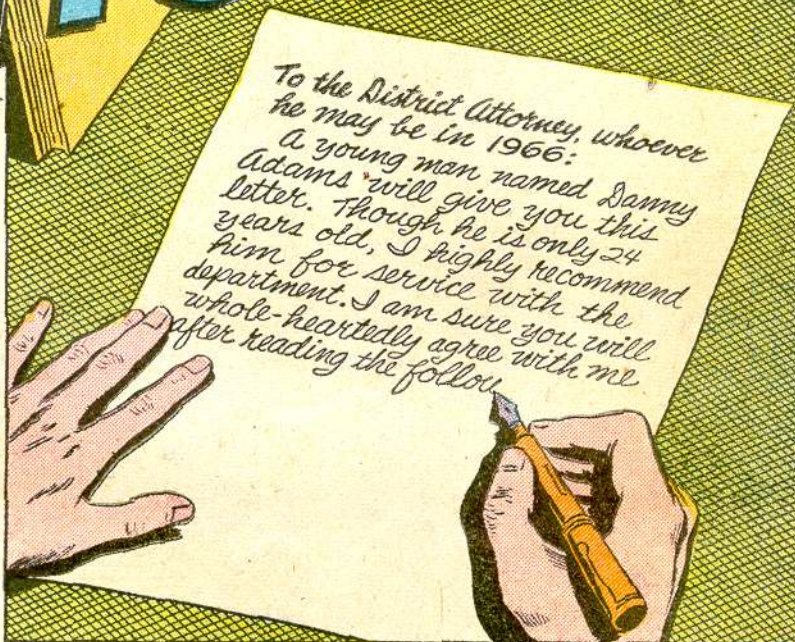


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**YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS:**

**T**HIS IS THE MESSAGE I'VE WRITTEN TO THE FUTURE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF OUR CITY! IT INTRODUCES A BOY WHOM I CONSIDER A BORN DETECTIVE, THOUGH HE IS ONLY 14 YEARS OLD! YOU'LL UNDERSTAND WHY AFTER READING OF THIS CASE WHICH I'VE FILED UNDER THE HEADING OF...



To the District Attorney, whoever he may be in 1966:  
A young man named Danny Adams will give you this letter. Though he is only 24 years old, I highly recommend him for service with the department. I am sure you will whole-heartedly agree with me after reading the follow...

## THE BOY D.A.

LAST MAY, MY ASSISTANT AND I WERE KEENLY INTERESTED IN A PARTICULAR QUIZ SHOW...

HARRINGTON AND I MOVED TO THE EDGE OF OUR CHAIRS AS THE QUIZ BEGAN...

YOUNG DANNY ADAMS' CATEGORY IS **CRIME AND PUNISHMENT**... AND TONIGHT, HE WILL ATTEMPT TO ANSWER THE \$19,000 QUESTION, WHICH HAS THREE PARTS!

THAT BOY'S FANTASTIC, HARRINGTON! IN THE PAST SIX WEEKS, HE'S ANSWERED QUESTIONS THAT WOULD STUMP MANY A LAW-MAN!

**PART ONE:** A CRIMINAL SET FIRE TO A WAREHOUSE IN NEW YORK CITY ONE SUNDAY AT 12:00 NOON, WAS CAPTURED AND CONVICTED OF FIRST DEGREE ARSON... TRUE OR FALSE?

**FALSE!** IT WOULD BE **SECOND DEGREE ARSON**-- BECAUSE IN NEW YORK, THE ARSON MUST OCCUR AT NIGHT, WITH THE BUILDING UNINHABITED, FOR IT TO BE CONSIDERED **FIRST DEGREE!**



ABSOLUTELY CORRECT! AND NOW, **PART TWO!** EXPLAIN THE EXACT MEANING OF **ASSAULT AND BATTERY!**

IN A CASE OF ASSAULT, IT IS ONLY NECESSARY TO PROVE AN **OFFER OR ATTEMPT AT ASSAULT!** BATTERY PRESUMES **PHYSICAL VIOLENCE!**

RIGHT AGAIN, DANNY! AND NOW, LISTEN CAREFULLY... YOU'RE ONLY ONE ANSWER AWAY FROM **\$99,000!**

THE BOY'S KNOWLEDGE OF THE LAW IS REMARKABLE, HARRINGTON...



**PART THREE:** ON WHAT DATE DO MORE PEOPLE HAVE THEIR LEGAL BIRTHDAYS THAN AT ANY OTHER TIME?

MARCH 1ST, SIR... BECAUSE IT NOT ONLY INCLUDES ALL PEOPLE BORN ON THAT DATE-- BUT ALSO BORN FEBRUARY 29th!

YOU SEE, FEBRUARY 29th ONLY FALLS ONCE EVERY FOUR YEARS--SO PEOPLE BORN ON THAT DATE ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE MARCH 1ST AS THEIR LEGAL BIRTHDAY!

GREAT SCOTT! HE DID IT, HARRINGTON! THAT YOUNGSTER IS A BORN LAWYER!



NEXT MORNING, STILL MARVELING OVER THE BRILLIANT BOY'S PERFORMANCE, I ARRIVED AT WORK TO BE GREETED BY NONE OTHER THAN-- **DANNY HIMSELF!**

IT DIDN'T TAKE US LONG TO DISCOVER HOW VERY LITTLE DANNY HAD TO LEARN...

WHY... THIS NOTE FROM THE GOVERNOR, REQUESTS ME TO LET YOU SPEND THREE DAYS WITH THE DEPARTMENT, LEARNING POLICE PROCEDURE, DANNY!

THAT'S RIGHT, MR. D.A.-- I'VE BEEN WANTING TO STUDY YOUR OPERATIONS FOR MONTHS! AFTER LAST NIGHT'S SHOW, THE GOVERNOR GRANTED MY WISH!

WE CALL THAT INSTRUMENT A **COMPARISON MICROSCOPE**, DANNY! IT COMPARES BULLETS... TELLS US BY THE GROOVES, WHICH GUN FIRED THEM!

CAN YOU TELL US WHICH WEAPON FIRED THE SLUG YOU'RE LOOKING AT NOW, KID?

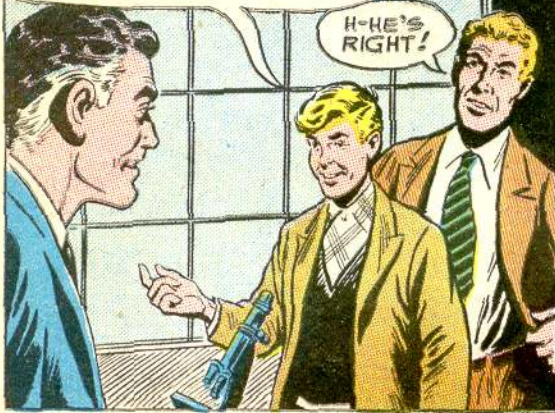




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SURE... THE GROOVES GO COUNTER-CLOCKWISE, SO THE BULLET MUST COME FROM A COLT REVOLVER! THOSE FIRED FROM A SMITH & WESSON ARE GROOVED CLOCKWISE!



H-HE'S RIGHT!

WHILE SHOWING DANNY THE LINEUP ROOM, HOWEVER, I RECEIVED NEWS THAT FORCED ME TO SUSPEND THIS LITTLE GEEK'S TOUR...

D.A.! IT'S "SNARE" TRAVIS... CURRAN AND PERRY THINK HE'VE SPOTTED HIM CASING THE JEWELRY EXCHANGE UPTOWN!

GREAT! LET'S GO, HARRINGTON... SEE YOU LATER, DANNY!



BUT AS WE RUSHED OUT TO OUR PATROL CAR...

WAIT... PLEASE, MR. D.A.! THE GOVERNOR OKAYED ME TO OBSERVE ALL TYPICAL POLICE PROCEDURE... SO CAN'T I GO ALONG?

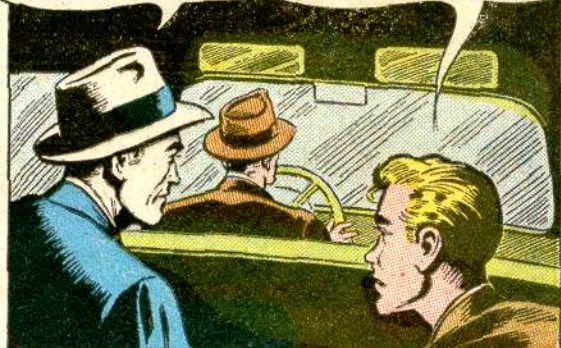
WHAT--? WELL... I SUPPOSE IT CAN'T HURT IF YOU'RE CAREFUL! ALL RIGHT-- HOP IN... HURRY!



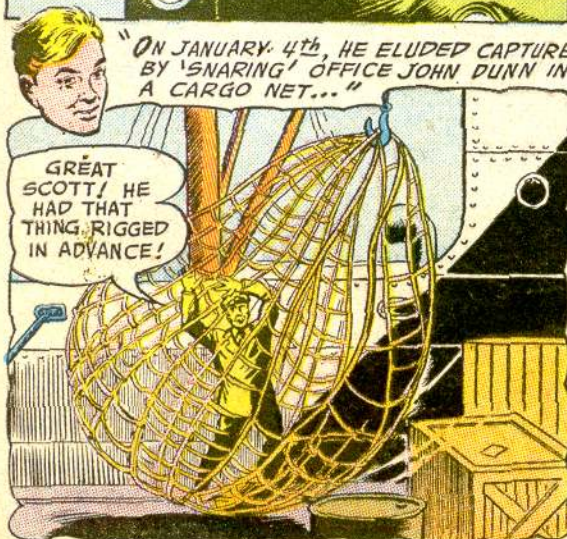
AS WE RACED UPTOWN, I STARTED TO BRIEF DANNY ON THE CASE...

"SNARE" TRAVIS IS CURRENTLY OUR CITY'S MOST DANGEROUS CRIMINAL, DANNY...

I KNOW, MR. D.A.! GEE, I REMEMBER MONTHS BACK, WHEN HE FIRST APPEARED...



"ON JANUARY 4<sup>th</sup>, HE ELUDED CAPTURE BY 'SNARING' OFFICE JOHN DUNN IN A CARGO NET..."



GREAT SCOTT! HE HAD THAT THING RIGGED IN ADVANCE!

"ON FEBRUARY 8<sup>th</sup>, HE LURED A GUARD INTO A TRAP AT THE 12<sup>th</sup> AVE. BANK..."



HA, HA... WALKED INTO MY SNARE LIKE A HELPLESS RABBIT!



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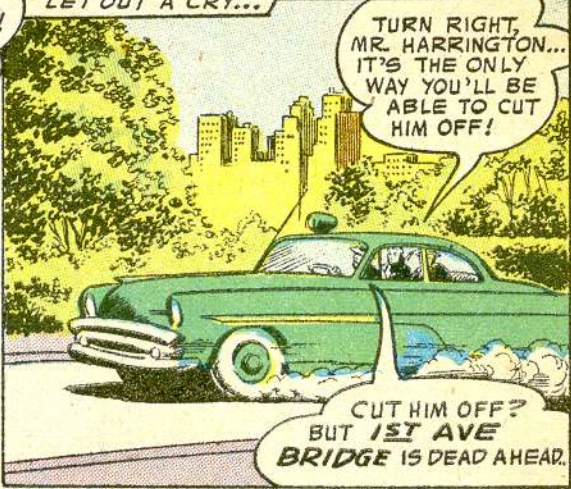
YES, THAT'S CORRECT, DANNY... HE-- WAIT! LISTEN...

TRAVIS NOW HEADING TOWARD 1ST AVE. BRIDGE BY CAR...

CHIEF... THAT'S ONLY A FEW BLOCKS AHEAD! WE SHOULD OVERTAKE HIM BEFORE HE GETS OVER THE BRIDGE!

THEN, OUR SCHOOLBOY "SHERLOCK HOLMES" LET OUT A CRY...

TURN RIGHT, MR. HARRINGTON... IT'S THE ONLY WAY YOU'LL BE ABLE TO CUT HIM OFF!

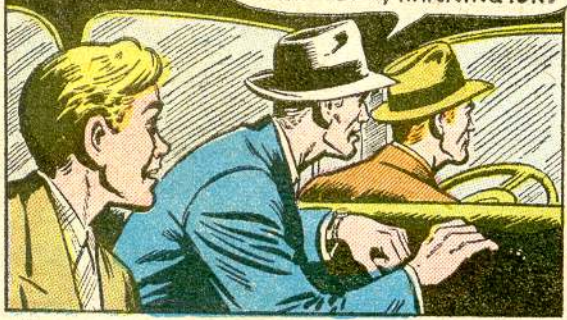


CUT HIM OFF? BUT 1ST AVE BRIDGE IS DEAD AHEAD.

I KNOW... BUT THE TIME--IT'S 12:30! HE CAN'T POSSIBLY TAKE THAT BRIDGE!

OF COURSE...IT'S UP AT 12:30 EVERY DAY, TO LET THE SIGHTSEEING BOAT THROUGH! TRAVIS WILL HAVE TO TAKE THE 2ND AVE. BRIDGE, ON THE NEXT BLOCK! MAKE THE TURN, HARRINGTON!

SURE ENOUGH, EXACTLY TWO MINUTES LATER, AS WE APPROACHED THE 2ND AVE. BRIDGE...



THERE HE IS, CHIEF!

HE SPOTTED US... HE'S SWINGING AROUND!

WE PURSUED TRAVIS' SPEEDING CAR FOR HALF A MILE BEFORE HE MADE HIS MOVE...

BUT AS WE CHARGED INTO THE BUILDING AND FOLLOWED THE SOUND OF HIS FOOTSTEPS INTO A SMALL OFFICE...



HE'S HEADING INTO THAT WAREHOUSE! LET'S PIN HIM DOWN BEFORE HE HAS TIME FOR ANY TRICKS, HARRINGTON!

RIGHT!



GAS! A TRAP!

JUST ONE OF THE MANY I'VE DEVISED AROUND TOWN, IN CASE PURSUERS GET TOO CLOSE TO ME!

RIGHT, D.A.!



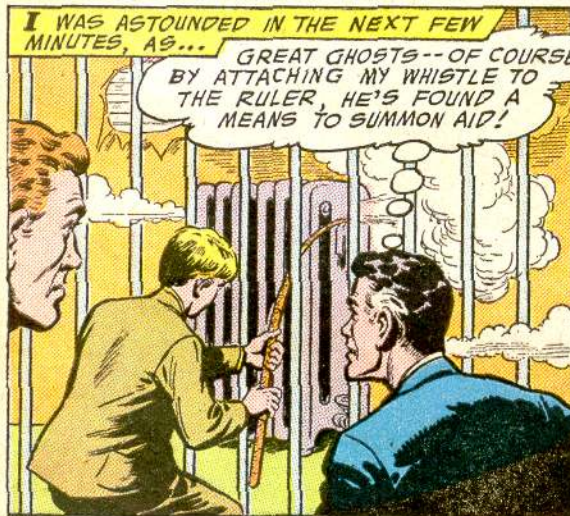
BUT DON'T PANIC... MY GAS HAS MERELY PARALYZED YOUR VOCAL CORDS TEMPORARILY, ALLOWING ME TIME ENOUGH TO MAKE MY ESCAPE COMFORTABLY!

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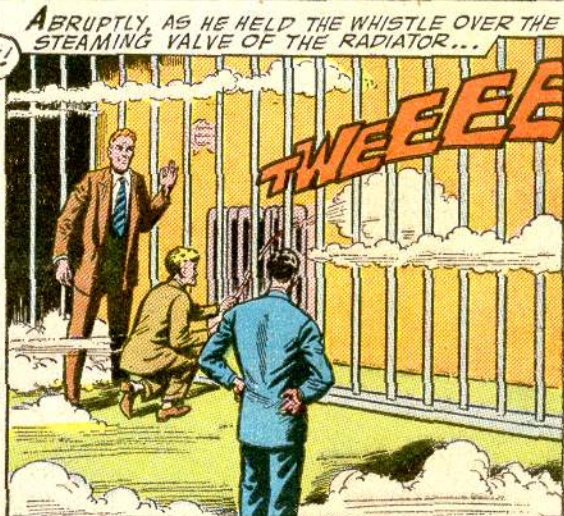
AS TRAVIS LEFT US TO STAGGER HELPLESSLY WITHIN HIS "SNARE" CELL...

DANNY'S TAKING MY POLICE WHISTLE! HOW IN THUNDER CAN HE BLOW IT WHEN OUR THROATS ARE PARALYZED? AND THAT COLLAPSIBLE RULER... HE TOOK FROM HIS POCKET... WHAT'S HE UP TO?



I WAS ASTOUNDED IN THE NEXT FEW MINUTES, AS...

GREAT GHOSTS--OF COURSE! BY ATTACHING MY WHISTLE TO THE RULER, HE'S FOUND A MEANS TO SUMMON AID!



ABRUPTLY, AS HE HELD THE WHISTLE OVER THE STEAMING VALVE OF THE RADIATOR...

TWEEEE



THE SHRILL NOISE ATTRACTED HELP IN SHORT ORDER...

GOOD THING WE HEARD THAT WHISTLE, D. A.!

YES, OFFICER... AND BY THUNDER, I WANT EVERY MAN ON DUTY LOOKING FOR A LEAD TO TRAVIS AT ONCE!

I HAVE A LEAD, MR. D.A.!



THE GAS DIDN'T HIT ME DIRECTLY IN THE FACE... I WAS ABLE TO NOTICE BLUE CHALKDUST UNDER HIS FINGERNAILS!

BLUE CHALKDUST... MOST LIKELY FROM THE BLUE CHALK COMMONLY FOUND IN POOL ROOMS! NICE WORK, DANNY.. THAT GIVES US A GOOD CLUE TO HIS HIDEOUT!



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THE SPUNKY LAD EVEN DEDUCED WHY I CHOSE TO COVER THE WATERFRONT POOL PARLORS FIRST...

ONE THIRD OF TRAVIS' "SNARES" HAVE BEEN SET ON OR NEAR THE WATERFRONT! IT SEEMS LOGICAL HE WOULD FREQUENT A POOLROOM IN AN AREA HE KNOWS!

YES, DANNY... PLUS THE FACT HE WOULD STAND LESS CHANCE OF DETECTION HERE THAN IN A CROWDED SECTION OF TOWN!



FINALLY, AT THE TENTH PARLOR ON OUR LIST...

MR. D.A.!  
THERE'S YOUR MAN!

WHAT--? HOW CAN HE TELL THAT MAN DOESN'T BEAR THE SLIGHTEST RESEMBLANCE TO TRAVIS!



DON'T YOU SEE, HARRINGTON? UNDER THAT STRONG LIGHT, EVERYBODY'S PERSPIRING EXCEPT THAT ONE MAN!

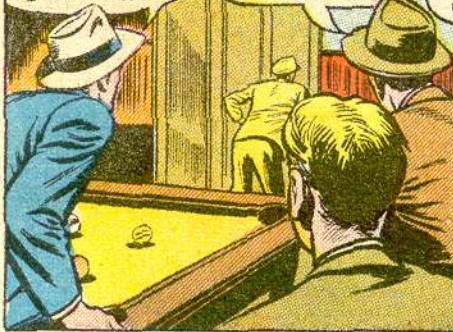
I GET IT... MAKE-UP MUST BE CLOGGING HIS PORES... AND ONLY A WANTED MAN WOULD WEAR SUCH AN ELABORATE DISGUISE!

WHEN WE REACHED THE DOCK AREA, HOWEVER...

HE'S GONE! TRAVIS MUST'VE PURPOSELY PLANTED A BOAT AMIDST DOZENS OF OTHERS, SO PURSUERS WOULD BE CONFUSED!

THAT'S HIS VESSEL, MR. D.A.!

NICE GUESS, KID! I CAN SEE WHY YOU PICKED THAT BOAT...

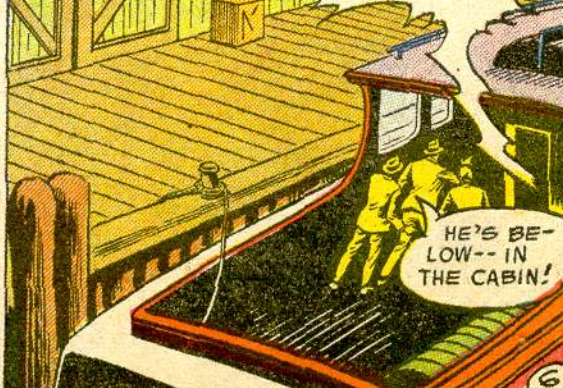


NO SEAMAN WOULD DOCK A BOAT WITH SUCH A CRUDE LAND-LUBBER'S KNOT...

AND TRAVIS HAS NEVER BEEN KNOWN TO OWN A BOAT! COME ON... THIS MUST BE IT!

AS WE SPRANG ABOARD, IT SEEMED CERTAIN WE HAD OUR MAN...

YOU'LL NEVER GET ME... NEVER...



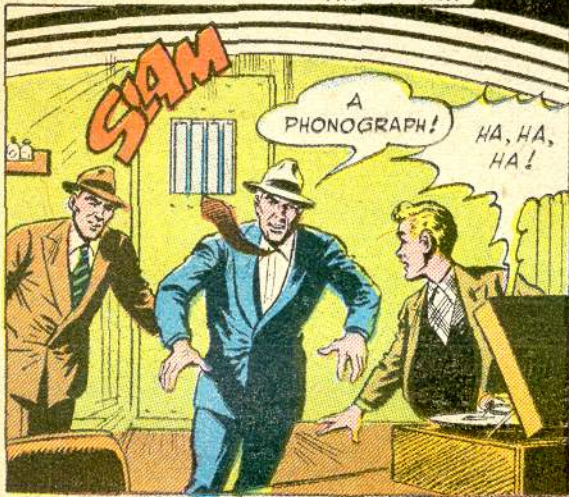
HE'S BELOW-- IN THE CABIN!



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**BUT WHEN WE BURST INTO THE CABIN...**



A PRE-RECORDED RECORD... MADE FOR JUST SUCH AN EMERGENCY!

YOU'VE FALLEN INTO ONE OF MY BEST SNARES! IT WAS MY ACE IN THE HOLE, JUST IN CASE! HA, HA... I SHALL CERTAINLY ENJOY WATCHING YOU DIE WHEN A BOMB GOES OFF IN THE COCKPIT IN 20 MINUTES!

**FRANTICALLY, WE SEARCHED FOR A WAY OUT...**



ONLY 15 MINUTES LEFT! HURRY, HARRINGTON... WE'VE GOT TO ESCAPE BEFORE THAT MADMAN'S BOMB GOES OFF!

IT'S NO USE, CHIEF... THE WALLS ARE STEEL-ENFORCED!

IT WAS THEN THAT DANNY CAME UP WITH THE SUGGESTION THAT EVENTUALLY SAVED OUR LIVES...



MR. D.A.--MAYBE THESE SIGNAL PENNANTS CAN HELP US IN SOME WAY!

GREAT SCOTT--MAYBE THEY CAN, DANNY! IF WE FIND THE RIGHT ONE, THAT IS...



CLANG



AND IN THAT WAY, THE CRUISER MARY II UNWITTINGLY CAME TO OUR RESCUE...

**MINUTES LATER, OUTSIDE OUR FLOATING PRISON...**



SAY... THAT'S A STRANGE PLACE TO DISPLAY IT-- BUT IT'S MIGHTY NICE OF THEM ANYHOW!

SURE IS... WE'LL CRUISE OVER AND JOIN THEM!

AND IN THAT WAY, THE CRUISER MARY II UNWITTINGLY CAME TO OUR RESCUE...



GOOD GRIEF! WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND HERE?

NEVER MIND! JUST GET A CROW-BAR AND PRY THIS DOOR OPEN!

ONCE FREE, WE RACED TO THE COCKPIT AND QUICKLY NEUTRALIZED THE TIME BOMB...

THAT WAS SMART THINKING, CHIEF-- HOLDING THAT COCKTAIL PENNANT OUT THE PORTHOLE! EVERY SEAMAN RECOGNIZES IT AS AN INVITATION TO BOARD THE VESSEL FOR A PARTY!

DANNY DESERVES SOME CREDIT, TOO! IT WAS HIS SUGGESTION THAT WE SEARCH AMONG THE PENNANTS FOR A WAY OUT... THAT'S WHAT GAVE ME THE IDEA!

TROUBLE IS, WE'VE LOST TRAVIS' TRAIL NOW! IT MAY BE WEEKS-- EVEN MONTHS-- BEFORE WE PICK IT UP AGAIN!

THERE WAS A DINGHY UP HERE WHEN WE FIRST BOARDED SHIP... IT'S GONE NOW! TRAVIS MUST'VE USED IT TO ESCAPE BY WATER!

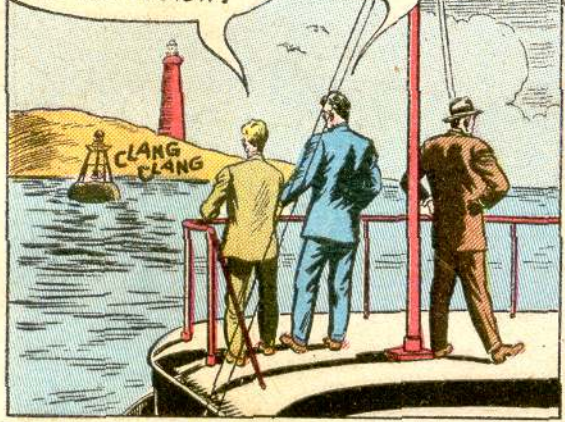


BUT DIDN'T HIS RECORD SAY HE WANTED TO WATCH THE EXPLOSION?

YES-- BUT HE COULD'VE CHANGED HIS MIND AND...

NO... HE DIDN'T CHANGE HIS MIND! HE IS WATCHING OUT THERE ON THAT BUOY!

WHAT--? WHY... OF COURSE! START UP THE ENGINE, HARRINGTON!



AND WITHIN A FEW SHORT MINUTES...

ALL RIGHT, TRAVIS, THIS IS IT! GET ABOARD!

YOU TWO REALLY HAVE ME CONFUSED NOW! WHAT MADE YOU SO SURE YOU'D FIND HIM HERE?

IT JUST HAD TO BE! THE SEA WAS SMOOTH AS GLASS--YET THE BUOY WAS RINGING! THAT MEANT SOMEBODY'S WEIGHT MUST HAVE BEEN SHIFTING ON IT... CAUSING IT TO SWAY!

AND SO, BACK AT MY OFFICE, I STRUCK UPON THIS NOVEL WAY OF SHOWING OUR APPRECIATION TO DANNY FOR THE HELP HE GAVE US IN CAPTURING TRAVIS...

GOSH... YOUR OWN PERSONAL RECOMMENDATION OF ME TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF 1966! I'M SURE YOU WILL, SON! IN FACT, I WOULDN'T BE A BIT SURPRISED IF YOU YOURSELF BECAME A D.A. SOME TIME IN THE FUTURE!

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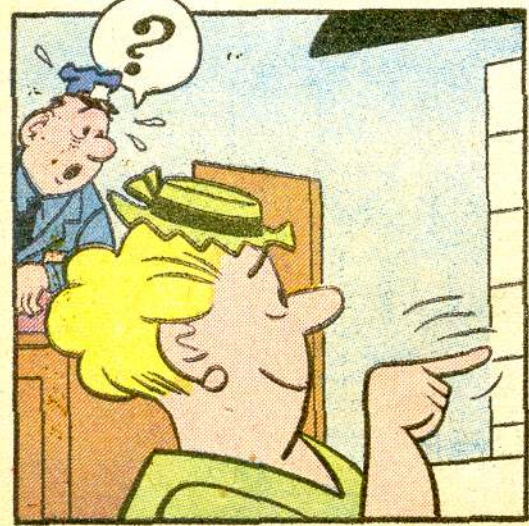
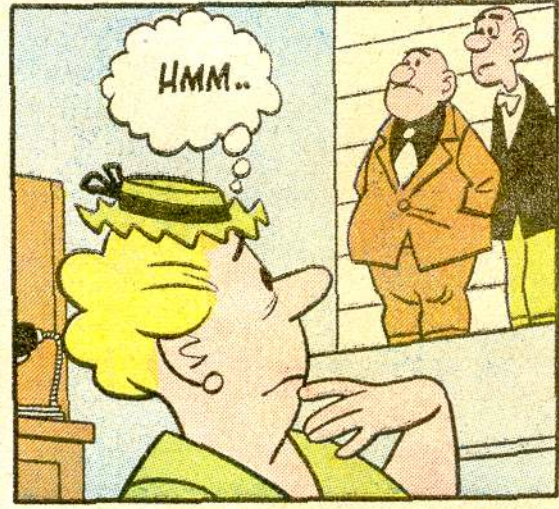
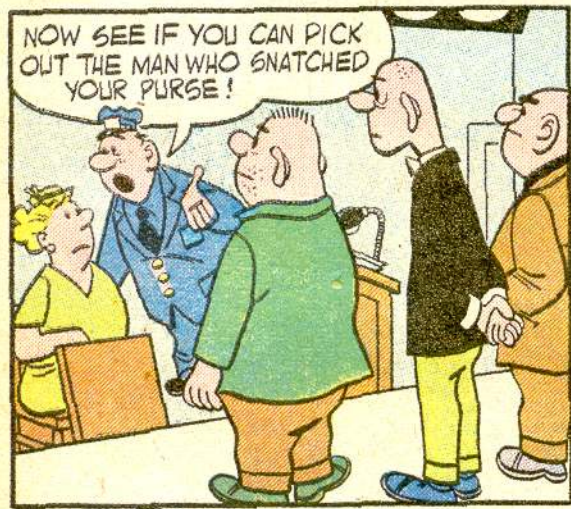


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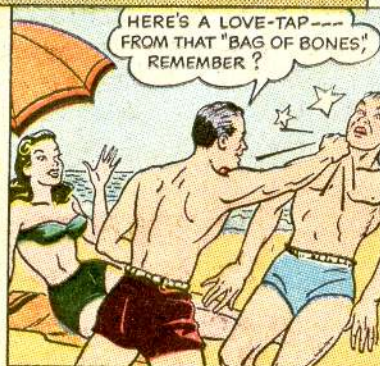
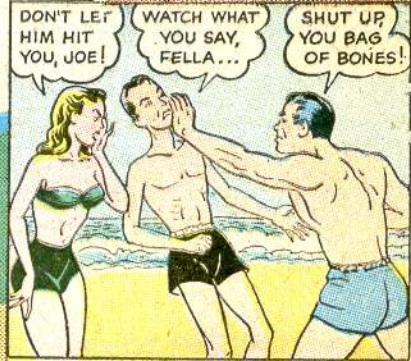
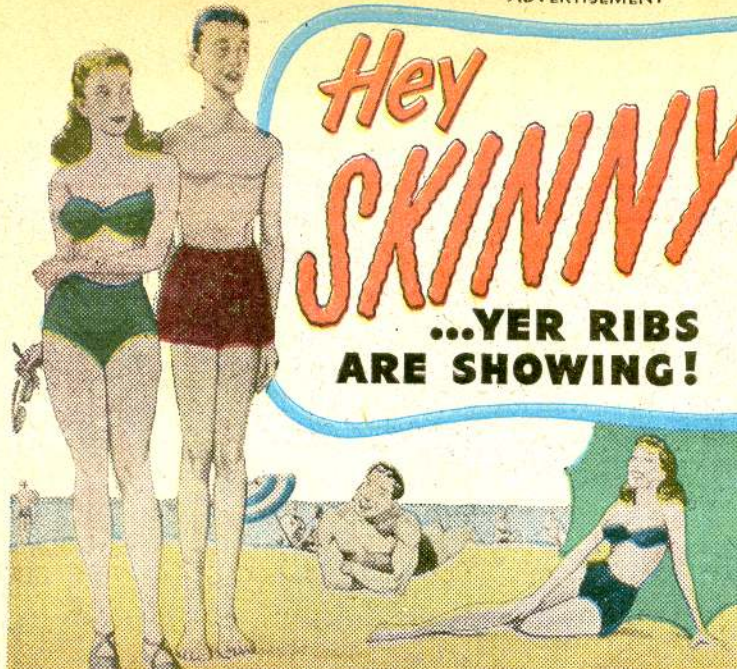
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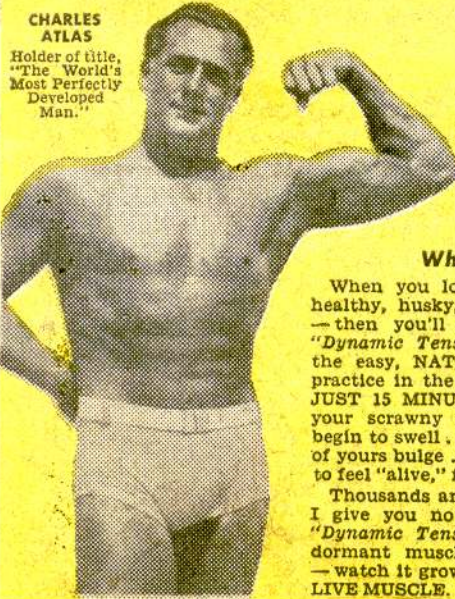
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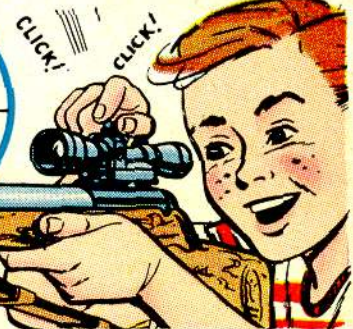
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