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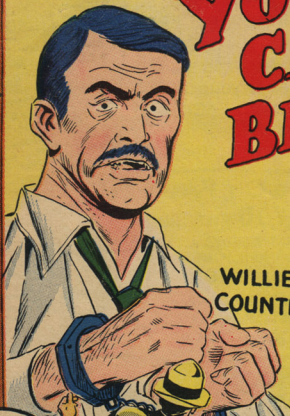
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What is  
"The SECRET of  
the SUPER-SIGNS" ?

**YOU CAN'T  
BEAT THE  
LAW!**



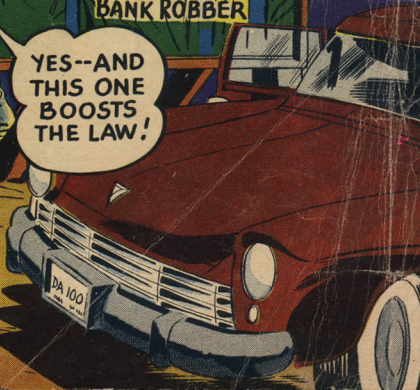
WILLIE WRIGHT,  
COUNTERFEITER



JOHN  
"THE SHARK"  
PETERS,  
BANK ROBBER

HERE'S  
ANOTHER ONE  
OF THOSE  
GIANT  
BILLBOARDS  
ERECTED  
BY THE  
UNDERWORLD!

YES--AND  
THIS ONE  
BOOSTS  
THE LAW!





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There's that skinny scarecrow JOHN. Let's pass him by!



John Sill  
NOW

Which of these  
2 ME'S is YOU ?

that 125 lb.—6 ft. ■  
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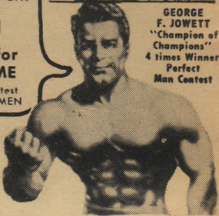
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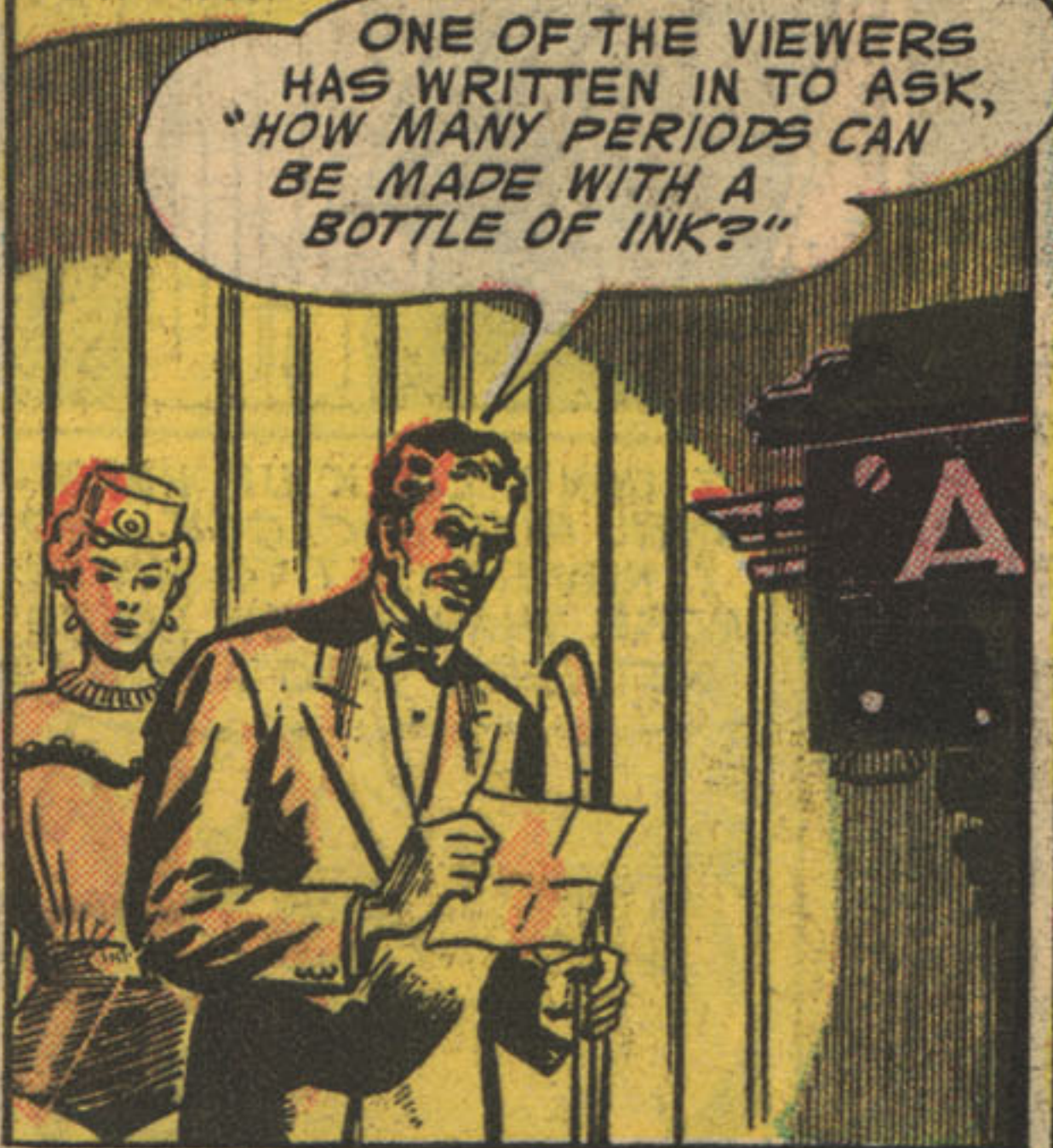
## YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS:

WHAT WAS THE EASIEST WAY OF BREAKING IN? HOW MANY NIGHT WATCHMEN WOULD BE ON DUTY? WHERE WAS THE BURGLAR ALARM SWITCH LOCATED? HERE WAS A GANG OF ROBBERS THAT COULD OBTAIN THE PRECIOUS ANSWERS TO THESE SECURITY QUESTIONS SIMPLY BY ASKING FOR THEM. YES--INCREDIBLE AS IT MAY SEEM--ALL THEY HAD TO DO, TO LEARN THE NECESSARY FACTORS FOR A PARTICULAR JOB, WAS TO ASK...

The  
UNDERWORLD  
ORACLE



HARRY HOSKINS, "THE MAN WITH A MILLION ANSWERS," WAS AN IMMEDIATE HIT WITH HIS UNIQUE TV SHOW...



I HAD THESE LOVELY GIRLS TRY IT, AND HERE'S THE ANSWER! THERE ARE EXACTLY 96,920,048 PERIODS IN A FOUR OUNCE BOTTLE OF INK!



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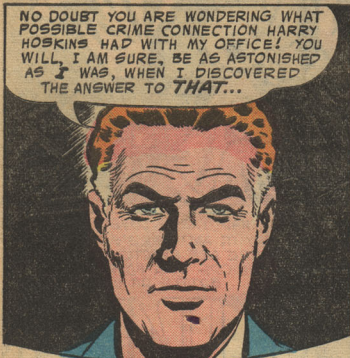


AND, TO THE FAN WHO WROTE IN, "IS IT TRUE THAT OFFICERS IN THE TURKISH NAVY WERE ONCE REQUIRED TO WEAR MINIATURE REPLICAS OF THEIR SHIPS ON THEIR HATS?"-- THE ANSWER IS **YES!**

MR. HARRY HOSKINS  
54, WOODS BLDG. CO.  
NEW YORK CITY,  
N.Y.



AND HERE'S A BLOWUP OF AN OLD PAINTING, TO PROVE IT!

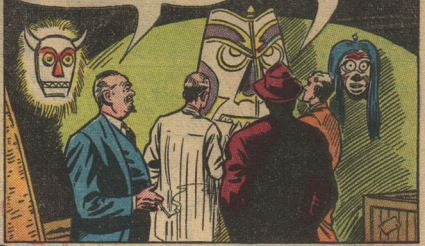


NO DOUBT YOU ARE WONDERING WHAT POSSIBLE CRIME CONNECTION HARRY HOSKINS HAD WITH MY OFFICE! YOU WILL, I AM SURE, BE AS ASTONISHED AS I WAS, WHEN I DISCOVERED THE ANSWER TO **THAT...**

**F**OR HOSKINS' POSITION, AS A MAN SEEKING ANSWERS FOR A TOP TV SHOW, GAINED HIM ENTRY WHERE OTHERS WERE FORBIDDEN--LIKE THE **58<sup>th</sup> STREET MUSEUM...**

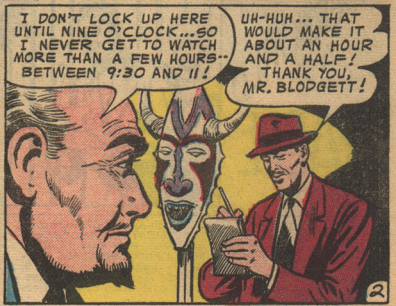
WE'RE RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF SETTING UP OUR EXHIBITION OF RARE AFRICAN CARVINGS, MR. HOSKINS!

VERY INTERESTING... BUT THAT'S NOT WHY I CAME TO SEE YOU, MR. BLODGETT!



MY VIEWERS ARE ALWAYS ASKING ME THE SILLIEST QUESTIONS! HERE'S ONE WHO WANTS TO KNOW HOW MANY HOURS OF TELEVISION A BUSINESS EXECUTIVE LIKE YOU WATCHES EACH DAY?

HA, HA, THAT'S EASY...



I DON'T LOCK UP HERE UNTIL NINE O'CLOCK... SO I NEVER GET TO WATCH MORE THAN A FEW HOURS-- BETWEEN 9:30 AND 11!

UH-HUH... THAT WOULD MAKE IT ABOUT AN HOUR AND A HALF! THANK YOU, MR. BLODGETT!



ONLY LATER DID WE LEARN THE REAL REASON FOR THOSE "SILLY" QUESTIONS...

NOW, GET THIS STRAIGHT... **BLODGETT LOCKS UP THE PLACE AT NINE O'CLOCK! THE FOOL TOLD ME HIMSELF! SO WE'LL MOVE IN HALF AN HOUR LATER!**



IT WAS NEXT MORNING THAT I OFFICIALLY ENTERED THIS CASE...

IT MUST'VE BEEN SOMEONE FAMILIAR WITH MY HABITS, MR. D.A.! THE CROOKS PULLED THE JOB SOON AFTER I LEFT-- AND BEFORE MY NIGHT WATCHMAN CAME ON DUTY!

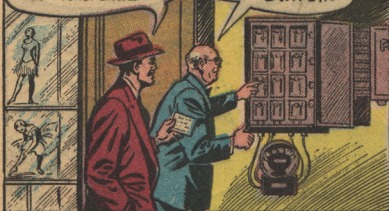
HMMM...



IN THE MONTHS FOLLOWING, HARRY HOSKINS PAID A WHOLE SERIES OF VISITS, ASKING HIS LOADED QUESTIONS...

THIS FAN WANTS TO KNOW HOW MANY LIGHT SWITCHES ARE USED FOR AN ART GALLERY OF THIS SIZE?

HMM... LET'S SEE... THERE SEEM TO BE AN EVEN DOZEN OF THEM! **THIS ONE ISN'T A LIGHT SWITCH!**



IT WAS A CINCH, FOR TWO NIGHTS AFTERWARD...

CAREFUL HOW YOU HANDLE THOSE MASKS, BOYS... THEY'RE VERY PRECIOUS! KEEP PASSING THEM ALONG!



MEANWHILE...

PUT PLENTY OF STRAW AROUND EACH CARVING, NOW! THESE HAVE TO BE SHIPPED TO OUR ART FENCE ON THE WEST COAST!

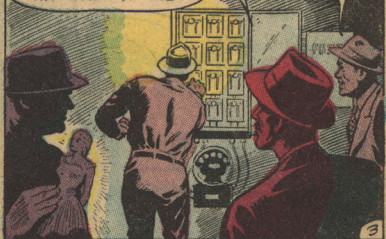
I GOTTA HAND IT TO YOU, BOSS... IT WAS LIKE TAKING CANDY FROM A BABY!



HOSKINS, AS USUAL, MADE GOOD USE OF THE INFORMATION...

FINDING OUT WHERE THE **BURGLAR ALARM SWITCH** IS LOCATED WAS EASY AS PIE!

YOU'RE A GENIUS, BOSS!







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AND SOME TIME LATER, IN A NEARBY MUSEUM OF MEDIEVAL ART...

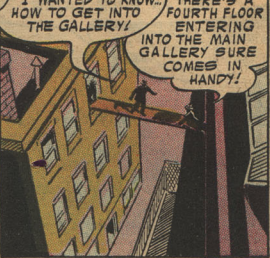
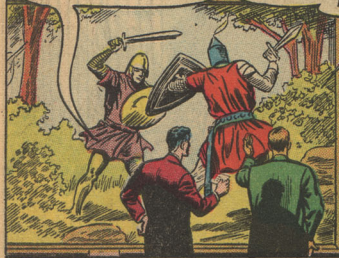
THE VIEWER WANTS TO KNOW HOW MANY SQUARE FEET OF WALL SPACE YOU HAVE TO HANG YOUR PAINTINGS?

WELL, THERE ARE 800 SQUARE FEET ON OUR REGULAR GALLERY WALLS-- AND AN ADDITIONAL 200 IN AN UNUSED STOREROOM ON THE FOURTH FLOOR!

THIS SCENE WAS SWIFTLY FOLLOWED BY ANOTHER...

HA, HA-- WITH MY FIRST QUESTION, I FOUND OUT WHAT I WANTED TO KNOW... HOW TO GET INTO THE GALLERY!

THAT'S RIGHT, HOSKINS... KNOWING THERE'S A FOURTH FLOOR ENTERING INTO THE MAIN GALLERY SURE COMES IN HANDY!



TO MY ASSISTANT AND ME, ONE FACT STOOD OUT...

NOTICE, HARRINGTON? ALL ART OBJECTS!

YES, CHIEF-- THIS GANG IS OBVIOUSLY WORKING WITH A FENCE WHO HAS ART CONNECTIONS!

BUT MISSING WERE THE ANSWERS TO THE IMPORTANT QUESTIONS...

BUT THE QUESTION IS, WHO ARE THE MEMBERS OF THIS GANG, HARRINGTON?

YES... AND HOW DO THEY ALWAYS FIND OUT THE WEAK SPOTS IN THOSE PLACES?



AND-- WHEN WILL THEY STRIKE NEXT?

I WONDERED IF I GOT THE ANSWER TO MY LAST QUESTION WHEN I OPENED UP THE AFTERNOON PAPER, AND SAW...

HMM... ANY GANG SPECIALIZING IN ART THEFTS PROBABLY WOULDN'T PASS UP A CHANCE LIKE THIS!







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HARRINGTON AND I SHOT RIGHT OVER TO THE MUSEUM'S WAREHOUSE ON PIER 35...

WE'RE JUST UNCRATING THESE DOLLS, D.A.! REMARKABLE, AREN'T THEY?

THEY CERTAINLY ARE, MR. HOYT!



THAT'S WHY WE CAME HERE... TO WARN YOU THAT AN ATTEMPT MAY BE MADE TO STEAL THEM!

THANKS FOR THE WARNING, MR. D.A.— BUT WE'LL BE MOVING THEM OUT OF HERE IN TWO DAYS!



JUST THEN, I HEARD A FAMILIAR VOICE...

WELL, WELL--LOOK WHO'S HERE... "THE MAN WITH A MILLION ANSWERS"! WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU, SIR?

MY VIEWERS REALLY KEEP ME ON THE GO, SEARCHING FOR ANSWERS TO THEIR SILLY QUESTIONS!



THE VIEWER WHO SENT ME THIS POSTCARD WANTS TO KNOW THE AVERAGE AGE OF YOUR EMPLOYEES?

I CAN ANSWER THAT EASILY!



THE REGULAR WORKERS ARE ALL UNDER 30! THE ONLY EMPLOYEE OVER THAT AGE IS TOM HOGAN, THE NIGHT WATCHMAN, WHO'S 63!

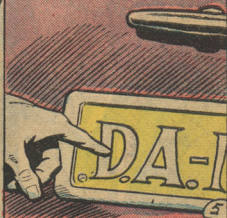
ONLY ONE NIGHT WATCHMAN... THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO KNOW!

THEN, AS WE BEGAN TO LEAVE...

BY THE WAY, MR. D.A., ONE OF MY FANS COLLECTS THE AUTO LICENSE NUMBERS OF FAMOUS PEOPLE! MIND TELLING ME YOURS?

NOT AT ALL! MY CAR'S PARKED RIGHT OUTSIDE...

LOOK FOR YOURSELF!





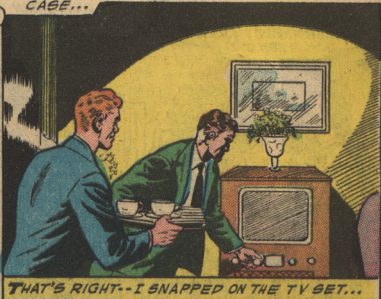
AS HOSKINS MOVED OFF...

ANYTHING WRONG, CHIEF?

YES... BUT I'M HANGED IF I KNOW **WHAT!** SOMETHING'S BOTHERING ME!



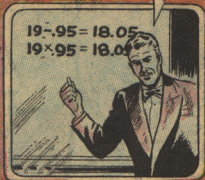
THAT SAME EVENING, IN HARRINGTON'S APARTMENT, I PERFORMED A SIMPLE ACT THAT LED TO THE EVENTUAL SOLVING OF THIS CASE...



THAT'S RIGHT-- I SNAPPED ON THE TV SET...

... AND TUNED IN ON THE SHOW STARRING "THE MAN WITH A MILLION ANSWERS!"

JIM COOMBS WANTS TO KNOW IF IT'S TRUE THAT THERE ARE TWO NUMBERS THAT GIVE THE SAME RESULT WHETHER THEY ARE MULTIPLIED OR SUBTRACTED! THE ANSWER IS **YES--** AND HERE THEY ARE!



BUT IT WAS HOSKINS' NEXT ANSWER THAT GAVE ME THE LEAD I WAS SEEKING...

AL STANTON WRITES IN TO ASK, "HOW MANY EYES HAS A GRASSHOPPER?" THE ANSWER IS **FIVE!** THAT POSTCARD! I'VE GOT IT, HARRINGTON!



HUH? GOT **WHAT,** CHIEF?

NO TIME TO EXPLAIN NOW! LET'S GET BACK TO THE OFFICE... WE'VE GOT SOME RESEARCHING TO DO!



IT WAS AFTER A DOZEN PHONE CALLS THAT I GOT MY FINAL ANSWER...

CHIEF, THE APEX ART GALLERY ALSO RECEIVED A VISIT FROM HOSKINS SOME TIME BEFORE IT WAS BROKEN INTO! THAT DOES IT! EVERY ART THEFT TOOK PLACE FOLLOWING A VISIT FROM HOSKINS! LET'S GET MOVING, HARRINGTON!

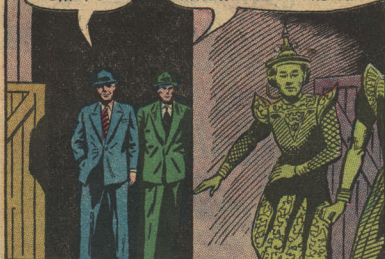




LATER THAT NIGHT, AT PIER 35...

WHAT MAKES YOU SO SURE THEY'LL BE HERE TONIGHT, CHIEF?

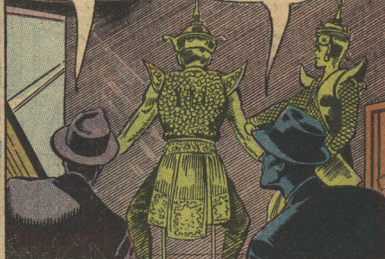
THESE DOLLS ARE BEING MOVED OUT OF HERE IN TWO DAYS, SO THE CROOKS HAVEN'T MUCH CHOICE!



JUST THEN...

LOOK, CHIEF-- THE RAMP'S BEING LOWERED!

THEY MUST'VE TAKEN CARE OF THE WATCHMAN. HIDE BEHIND ONE OF THESE DOLLS, HARRINGTON!



BUT, AT THAT INSTANT, AN OVERHEAD LIGHT WENT ON, AND...

OKAY, GET BUSY... MOVE THOSE DOLLS OUT OF HERE!

WAIT, BOSS! THERE'S THE D.A. AND HARRINGTON!



I'VE GOT YOU DEAD TO RIGHTS, HOSKINS!

A LOT OF GOOD THAT'LL DO YOU! TAKE CARE OF HIM, BOYS!



AND THAT'S WHEN IT STARTED TO POUR-- HOT LEAD...

WE SHOULD'VE BROUGHT ALONG SOME REINFORCEMENTS, CHIEF!

I DIDN'T WANT TO AROUSE ANY SUSPICION!



WE CAN'T FIGHT IT OUT WITHOUT HELP! WHAT'LL WE DO, CHIEF?

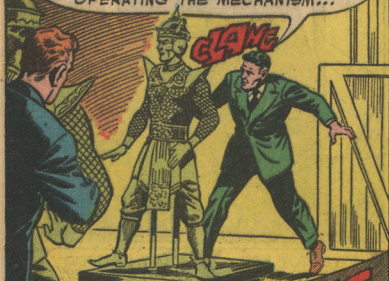
HA, HA... MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO ASK ME THAT QUESTION? I'M THE GUY WITH ALL THE ANSWERS, REMEMBER?





AT THAT MOMENT, AS A BULLET STRUCK ONE OF THE DOLLS...

SOUNDS LIKE METAL INSIDE THESE DOLLS--PROBABLY A MECHANISM--AND THE WAY IT'S ROLLING BACK, THERE MUST BE WHEELS UNDERNEATH! HOP ON, HARRINGTON--AND GRAB THE LEVERS OPERATING THE MECHANISM...



IN A MANNER OF SPEAKING, WE NOW HAD THE SITUATION FULLY UNDER CONTROL...

STOP THEM!  
STOP THEM!

OH-H-H...

SPLAT



IT WORKS!

OW-W-W!

SLAP



THESE SUMATRA DANCING DOLLS NEVER DANCED BETTER! I'LL TAKE THIS GUN NOW!

O-DOOF!



LATER...

WHAT MADE YOU SUSPECT ME, D.A.?

IT WAS SOMETHING THAT REGISTERED IN MY BRAIN WHEN I FIRST MET YOU, HOSKINS...



"YOU HELD UP A POSTCARD YOU SUPPOSEDLY RECEIVED WHEN YOU WERE CASING THE WAREHOUSE..."

SOMETHING'S WRONG-- BUT I CAN'T PUT MY FINGER ON IT!



THAT ONE BONER MADE ME CHECK FURTHER, AND I FOUND OUT YOU'D VISITED ALL THE OTHER ROBBED PLACES BEFOREHAND! BUT THAT'S ENOUGH QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR TONIGHT... GET MOVING!

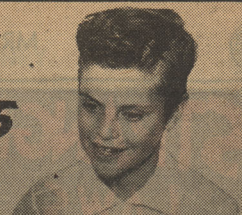
"I DIDN'T REALIZE, UNTIL MUCH LATER, WHAT WAS WRONG... THAT POSTCARD HAD AN UNCANCELLED STAMP--WHICH MEANT THAT IT REALLY HADN'T BEEN MAILED TO YOU..."





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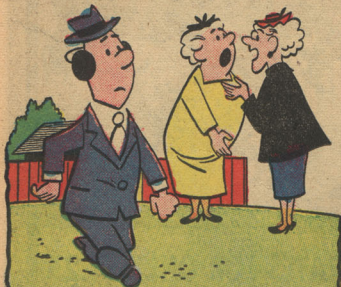
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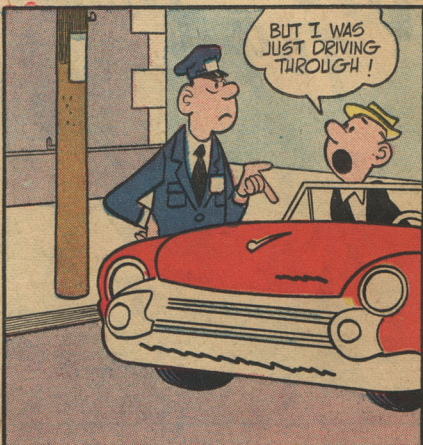
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# STRANGE LAWS



GEORGIA: "IT IS A MISDEMEANOR TO EAVESDROP."



BUT I WAS JUST DRIVING THROUGH!

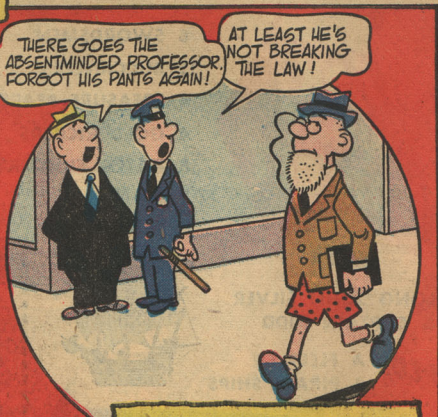
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.: "IT IS AGAINST THE LAW TO OWN A RED AUTOMOBILE."



DON'T RUN - IT'S ONLY THE ICE CREAM MAN!

DING!  
DONG!

LAKE BLUFF, ILLINOIS: "CATS MUST WEAR BELLS, TO WARN BIRDS OF THEIR APPROACH."



THERE GOES THE ABSENTMINDED PROFESSOR. FORGOT HIS PANTS AGAIN!

AT LEAST HE'S NOT BREAKING THE LAW!

DALLAS CENTER, IOWA: "MEN CANNOT APPEAR IN THE STREET MINUS A SHIRT."



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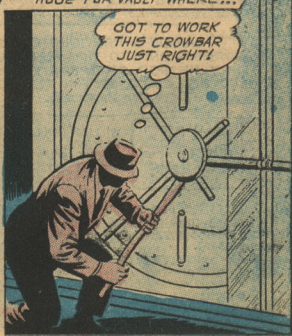
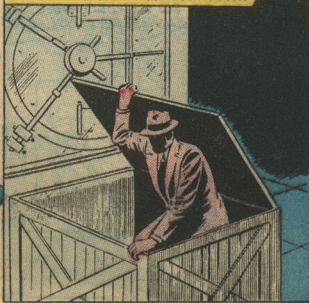


**YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS:**

FEW PEOPLE REALIZE THAT CRIMINALS HABITUALLY FOLLOW THE SAME PERFORMANCE PATTERN WHEN COMMITTING A CRIME! AND IN DOING SO, THEY UNWITTINGLY LEAVE BEHIND PERSONAL "TRADEMARKS" WHICH TIP OFF THEIR IDENTITIES! BUT THIS PARTICULAR CASE WAS THE EXCEPTION-- FOR THE CLUES WERE TOO PAT AS HARRINGTON AND I INVESTIGATED...

THIS CASE BEGAN ON THE EVENING OF MAY 10th WHEN AN OMINOUS FIGURE EMERGED FROM A STORAGE CRATE AT THE ATLAS FUR COMPANY...

THE THIEF PROCEEDED TO THE HUGE FUR VAULT WHERE...

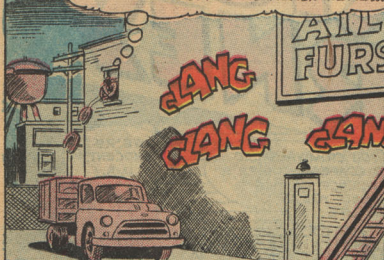


**THE CASES THAT WERE TOO EASILY SOLVED**



**THE ALARM SOUNDED THE INSTANT THE VAULT DOOR WAS SPRUNG--THE THIEF WORKED QUICKLY...**

HAVE TO MOVE FAST-- IT TAKES THE POLICE EXACTLY THREE MINUTES AND SIX SECONDS TO REACH HERE...



**THE CRIMINAL MADE GOOD HIS ESCAPE... AND LATER, AS HARRINGTON AND I INVESTIGATED THE ROBBERY SCENE...**

ANY CLUES, D.A.?

SOME VERY IMPORTANT ONES, CRANDALL! THE THIEF ENTERED VIA THIS STORAGE CRATE-- PRIED OPEN THE VAULT DOOR AND DROPPED THE FURS FROM THE WINDOW!



THOSE SPECIFIC "TRADEMARKS" POINT TO ONLY **ONE** CRIMINAL-- WILLIE LARKIN!

LARKIN? BUT... HOW CAN YOU TELL THAT, MR. D.A.?



CRIMINALS UNWITTINGLY LEAVE PERSONAL "TRADEMARKS" AT THE SCENE OF THEIR CRIMES! IF YOU NEWSPAPERMEN WILL COME DOWN TO MY OFFICE, I'LL EXPLAIN...



**SHORTLY, AT THE D.A.'S OFFICE, AFTER SELECTING LARKIN'S MICROFILM RECORD FROM THE POLICE FILES...**

LARKIN'S PREVIOUS CRIMES CORRESPOND TO THIS FUR THEFT--THE VERY METHOD OF OPERATION IS IDENTICAL! AND HE LEFT CERTAIN PERSONAL "TRADEMARKS"...

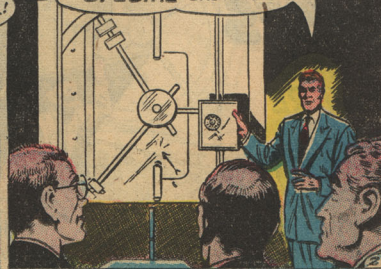


WILLIAM (WILLIE) LARKIN...  
HEIGHT, 5'11"  
WEIGHT...167  
AGE...47  
REMARKS

① 1952- SMUGGLED SELF INTO WAREHOUSE VIA CRATE--JIMMIED LOCK--DROPPED STOLEN GOODS FROM ROOF TO WAITING RIVER BOAT.

② 1955- CONCEALED SELF IN BUILDING VENTILATOR--JIMMIED BANK DRAWER--DROPPED MONEY OUT WINDOW TO ACCOMPLISH

FOR EXAMPLE...THE JIMMY MARKINGS FOUND ON THE VAULT DOOR AT THE FUR COMPANY MATCH THIS OTHER JIMMIED DOOR KNOWN TO BE SPRUNG BY LARKIN WITH A **SPECIAL CROWBAR!**





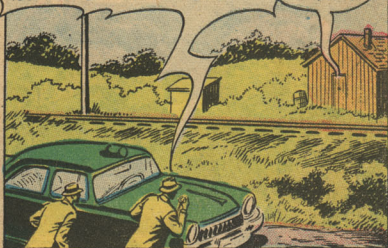
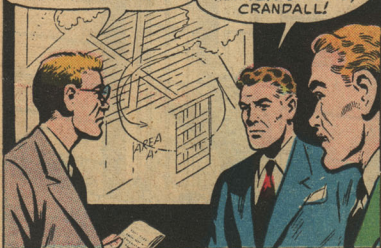
IN OTHER WORDS, CRIMINALS HABITUALLY FOLLOW THE SAME PERFORMANCE PATTERN! BUT TELL ME, D.A.-- ISN'T LARKIN ON YOUR "WANTED" LIST NOW?

MY MEN ALREADY HAVE HIS HIDEOUT PINPOINTED TO A SPECIFIC AREA IN TOWN! I'M SURE THERE WILL BE AN ARREST WITHIN A MATTER OF DAYS, CRANDALL!

**THE LARKIN CASE WAS BROKEN QUICKER THAN I EXPECTED! THE FOLLOWING AFTERNOON...**

COME OUT OF THAT SHACK WITH YOUR HANDS UP, LARKIN! WE HAVE YOU SURROUNDED--THERE ISN'T A CHANCE FOR ESCAPE--

COME AND GET ME, D.A.!

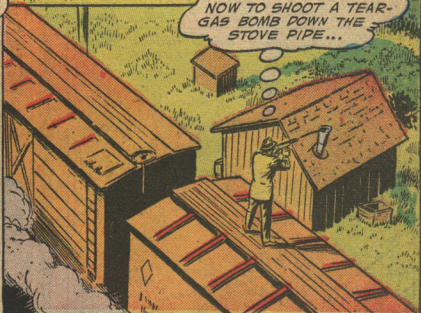
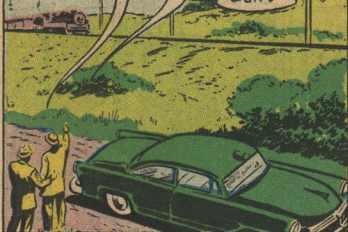


WHEN THINGS GET DESPERATE, HE'LL COME OUT OF THERE SHOOTING, D.A.! WE'D BETTER RUSH HIM NOW!

WAIT, HARRINGTON-- A FREIGHT TRAIN'S APPROACHING! IT'S GOING TO PASS ON THE TRACKS IN FRONT OF THE SHACK-- GET ME A TEAR-GAS GUN!

**I LEAPED ABOARD THE SLOW-MOVING FREIGHT AND WAITED UNTIL...**

NOW TO SHOOT A TEAR-GAS BOMB DOWN THE STOVE PIPE...



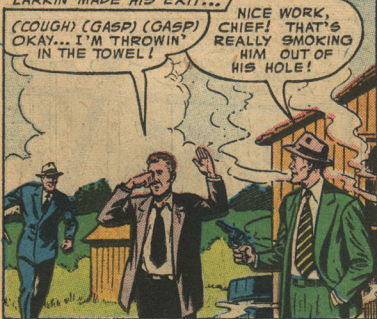
**WITHIN SECONDS, A COUGHING, GASPING LARKIN MADE HIS EXIT...**

(COUGH) (GASP) (GASP) OKAY... I'M THROWIN' IN THE TOWEL!

NICE WORK, CHIEF! THAT'S REALLY SMOKING HIM OUT OF HIS HOLE!

**AFTER BOOKING LARKIN, HE WAS BROUGHT TO MY OFFICE FOR QUESTIONING...**

YEAH-- I ADMIT ALL THE OTHER JOBS, BUT NOT THAT FUR HEIST! I WASN'T EVEN IN ACTION THAT NIGHT--!







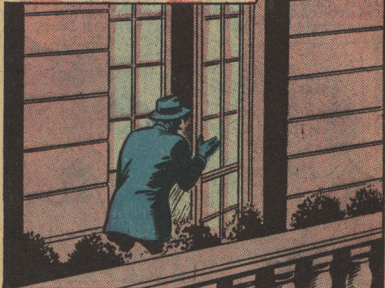
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THE SAME OLD STORY, CHIEF... UNLESS WE HAVE PROOF - POSITIVE, THEY DENY EVERYTHING!

EXACTLY, HARRINGTON! LOCK HIM UP! WE DO HAVE POSITIVE PROOF, MEANWHILE, TO CONVICT HIM ON HIS OTHER CRIMES!

TWO NIGHTS LATER, AS WE PREPARED OUR CASE AGAINST LARKIN FOR FORMER CRIMES, A FIGURE WAS SLIPPING INTO THE ART MUSEUM ON ELM STREET...

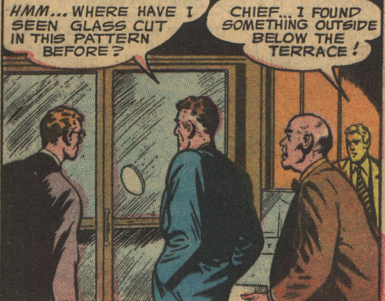


WE LATER REALIZED HE WORKED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF AN EXPERT. ONLY THE MOST VALUABLE PIECES WERE TAKEN...

AND NEXT MORNING, AFTER STUNNED MUSEUM OFFICIALS SUMMONED US...



BEAUTIES... REAL BEAUTIES...



HMM... WHERE HAVE I SEEN GLASS CUT IN THIS PATTERN BEFORE?

CHIEF... I FOUND SOMETHING OUTSIDE BELOW THE TERRACE!

A TWIN TAMPA CIGAR BUTT! AND THAT EGG-SHAPED GLASS-CUTTING JOB! OF COURSE!

THE TRADEMARKS OF "MUSEUM" MULLON... THE NOTORIOUS ART THIEF OF THE EARLY '30'S! HE'S BEEN OUT OF CIRCULATION FOR MANY YEARS, HARRINGTON, BUT WE'VE GOT HIS FILE! LET'S GO!

OUR INFORMATION LED US STEP BY STEP TO MULLON'S PRESENT ADDRESS...

OH, NO, BOYS... I'M A HAPPY, HONEST CHARACTER NOW! I WASN'T ANYWHERE NEAR THAT MUSEUM YESTERDAY!

CAN YOU PROVE IT?





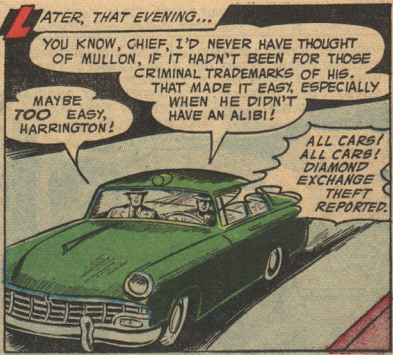


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WELL, NO... I WAS HERE ALONE...

HMMM... THAT'S TOO BAD, MULLON. I'M AFRAID WE'LL HAVE TO TAKE YOU IN ON SUSPICION...

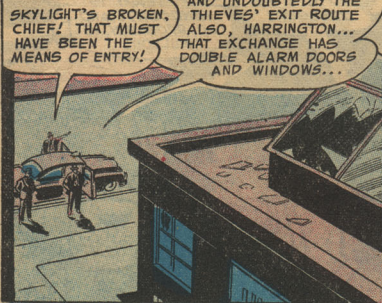


LATER, THAT EVENING... YOU KNOW, CHIEF, I'D NEVER HAVE THOUGHT OF MULLON, IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THOSE CRIMINAL TRADEMARKS OF HIS. THAT MADE IT EASY, ESPECIALLY WHEN HE DIDN'T HAVE AN ALIBI!

MAYBE TOO EASY, HARRINGTON!

ALL CARS! ALL CARS! DIAMOND EXCHANGE THEFT REPORTED.

WHEN WE REACHED THE DOWNTOWN DIAMOND EXCHANGE...



SKYLIGHT'S BROKEN, CHIEF! THAT MUST HAVE BEEN THE MEANS OF ENTRY!

AND UNDOUBTEDLY THE THIEVES' EXIT ROUTE ALSO, HARRINGTON... THAT EXCHANGE HAS DOUBLE ALARM DOORS AND WINDOWS...

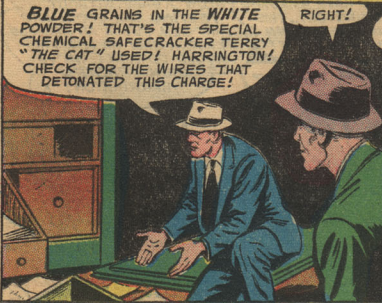
SHORTLY, INSIDE...



WOW! BLOWN NEAT AS YOU PLEASE, CHIEF! AND A FORTUNE IN DIAMONDS TAKEN!

NO AMATEUR DID THIS JOB! PLENTY OF POWDER MARKS HERE...

ONCE AGAIN THE "SIGNATURE" OF THE CRIMINAL WAS LEFT BEHIND AS I EXAMINED THE POWDER...



BLUE GRAINS IN THE WHITE POWDER! THAT'S THE SPECIAL CHEMICAL SAFECRACKER TERRY "THE CAT" USED! HARRINGTON! CHECK FOR THE WIRES THAT DETONATED THIS CHARGE!

RIGHT!

WHEN THE WIRES WERE DISCOVERED, I RECALLED...



DOUBLE-KNOTTED. DETONATING WIRE-- "THE CAT'S" TRADEMARK! AND HE'S AGILE ENOUGH TO HAVE ENTERED BY THAT SKYLIGHT!



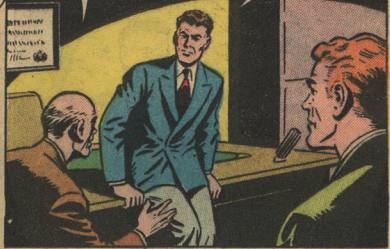
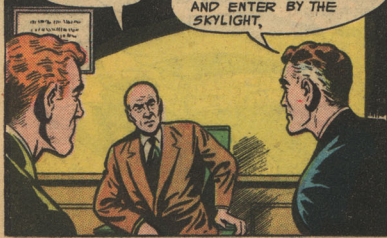
WITHIN AN HOUR, WE HAD TERRY "THE CAT" IN CUSTODY, BUT WE COULDN'T SHAKE HIS STORY...

SOMEBODY USED MY SPECIAL POWDER AND TWISTED THE WIRE LIKE I USED TO! I DIDN'T PULL THAT JOB, MR. D.A.!

JUST A COINCIDENCE, EH, TERRY? IT WOULD TAKE AN EXPERT CAT BURGLAR TO REACH THAT ROOF AND ENTER BY THE SKYLIGHT.

I'M AN EX-CON... BUT I'VE GONE STRAIGHT... HONEST! I'VE GOT A WIFE AND TWO KIDS! NOTHING COULD MAKE ME ROB AGAIN!

I'M GOING BACK TO THE DIAMOND EXCHANGE AND SEE WHAT ELSE I CAN DIG UP! HARRINGTON, SEARCH HIS HOME AND MEET ME THERE!



TWO HOURS LATER, HARRINGTON BURST INTO THE EXCHANGE...

CHIEF! WE FINALLY MADE A TRADEMARK STICK! I'VE GOT THE EVIDENCE!

LOOK AT THIS SMALL, HALF-CARAT ROUGH DIAMOND! I FOUND IT IN HIS DRESSER!

NO GOOD, HARRINGTON... TERRY IS INNOCENT! AND SO, PROBABLY, IS MULLON!



WE AVOIDED CLOSE EXAMINATION OF THIS SAFE BECAUSE WE'D REACHED A CONCLUSION FROM THOSE TRADEMARKS! BUT LOOK AT THE BOLT ON THIS SAFE, HARRINGTON...

IT'S INTACT! IF THE SAFE HAD BEEN LOCKED, THE EXPLOSION WOULD HAVE SMASHED THIS BOLT! HARRINGTON... THIS SAFE MUST HAVE BEEN OPEN WHEN THE THIEF BLEW IT!

"THE CAT" WAS AN EXPERT SAFECRACKER! HE'D NEVER BLOW A SAFE WITHOUT TESTING THE DOOR! AND THAT GEM PUT IN AN OBVIOUS PLACE... ONLY AN AMATEUR WOULD DO THAT! WE'VE BEEN TRICKED, HARRINGTON!





LATER, WE WERE BESIEGED BY REPORTERS AT HEADQUARTERS...

R.A.-- HOW COME TERRY "THE CAT" WAS LET OUT?

WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOUR EVIDENCE, P.A.?

SORRY... NO COMMENT, BOYS!



AND AS HARRINGTON AND I REASONED OUT THE PERPLEXING CASE...

THOSE "TRADEMARKS" IN ALL THREE CASES WERE PLANTED TO FRAME THOSE MEN! BUT WHO WOULD HAVE ACCESS TO SUCH CRIME INFO, CHIEF?

IT'S HIGHLY TECHNICAL TO LAYMEN! ONLY SOMEONE CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH CRIME WOULD KNOW THOSE TRADEMARKS! MAYBE THE LAB REPORT WILL GIVE US A CLUE!



NEXT DAY, THE PAPERS PLAYED OUR PROBLEM UP BIG! THEN...

HARRINGTON! THIS WRITER BLASTS US FOR NOT HOLDING "THE CAT"! HE SAYS ALL HIS TRADEMARKS WERE FOUND, INCLUDING RESIN USED ON HIS SHOES FOR CLIMBING!

HUH? WELL, I REMEMBER NOW TERRY "THE CAT" DID USE RESIN TO PREVENT HIS SHOES SLIPPING DURING CRIMES!



QUICKLY, I SEIZED THE LAB REPORT...

YES... BUT WE DIDN'T KNOW THAT CLUE TO HIS IDENTITY WAS THERE! WE HAVEN'T EVEN READ THIS LAB REPORT WHICH JUST CAME IN! THERE IT IS... RESIN ON THE FLOOR BEFORE THE SAFE!

B-BUT I DON'T GET IT, CHIEF!

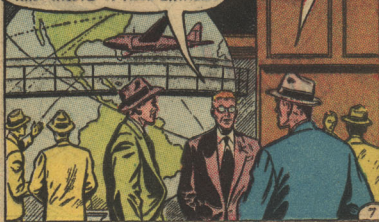


A REPORTER CAN KNOW CRIMINAL HABITS WELL ENOUGH TO FRAME AN HONEST MAN! AND THIS WRITER KNEW OF A PLANTED CLUE BEFORE WE DID! LET'S GO!

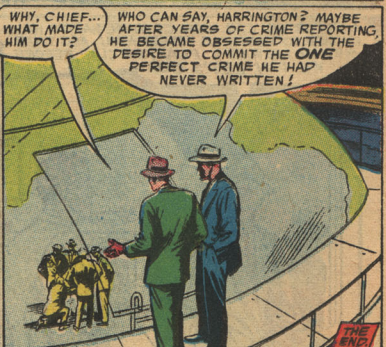
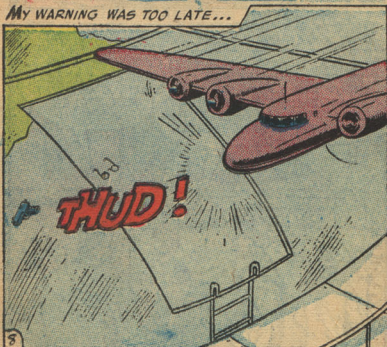
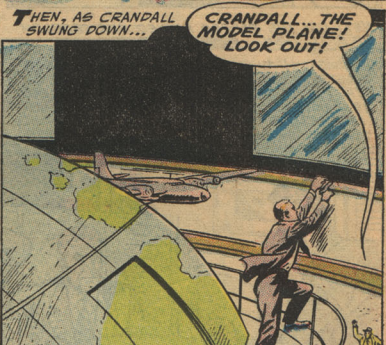
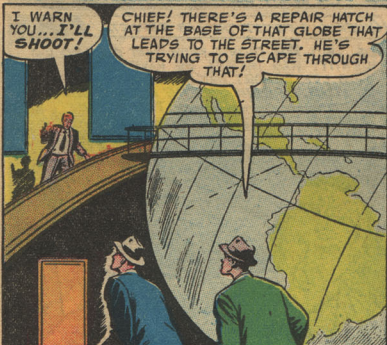
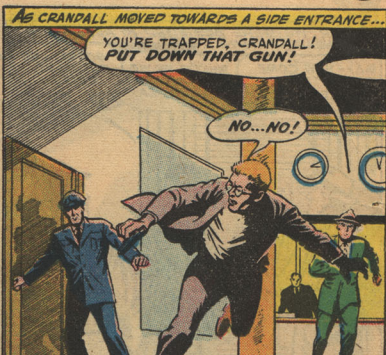
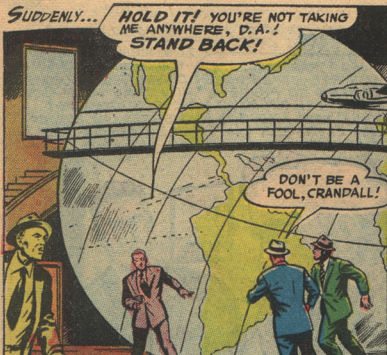
SHORTLY, WE APPREHENDED HERB CRANFALL IN THE DAILY GLOBE LOBBY...

BUT P.A., THAT'S FANTASTIC! I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE CRIMES! I-I GUESS I JUST REMEMBERED TERRY "THE CAT" USED RESIN AND WROTE IT ACCIDENTALLY!

THEN YOU WON'T MIND COMING WITH US WHILE WE SEARCH YOUR APARTMENT FOR STOLEN GOODS!





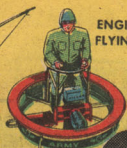




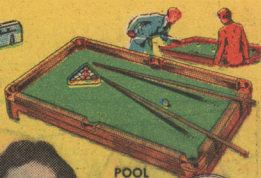
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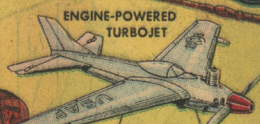
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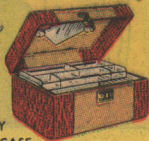
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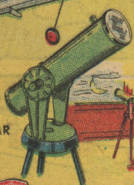
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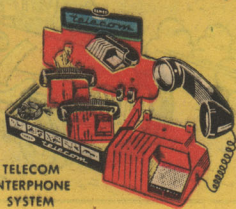
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# CASEY

## THE COP

WE'VE HAD COMPLAINTS FROM THE COMMISSIONER THAT THERE'S TOO MUCH SPEEDING AROUND TOWN. GET TOUGH WITH SPEEDERS GIVE THEM ALL TICKETS!

THE SARGE WAS IN A TOUGH MOOD TODAY. I BETTER WATCH OUT FOR SPEEDERS!

WHAT'S THAT? SOUNDS LIKE A CAR SPEEDING!

I'LL SAY -- LOOK AT THEM SPEED! AND THE SARGE SAID TO GIVE ALL SPEEDERS TICKETS!

OKAY, BUD - LET ME SEE YOUR LICENSE!

AUTO RACES

THE END



# THE D.A. FILE

## AIR CRASH SLEUTH

When a DC-6 crashed recently at Bryce Canyon, Colorado, investigators of the Civil Aeronautics Board went to work at once to determine why the tragedy occurred. In charge was William K. Andrews, Chief of the Board's Bureau of Safety Investigation, who often emerges with stunning information from scraps of wreckage.

Chemical analysis by Andrews revealed magnesium ashes, produced by emergency flares with which planes were equipped to be used in crash landings. Result: such flares were immediately banned from all DC-6's.

This is typical of the way in which the Bureau, commonly known as the "F.B.I. of the Air," works. In the 20 years of its existence, the Bureau has traced the cause of 98% of all air accidents.

Agents are instructed to seize all records of the flight: tape recordings between pilot and control tower to determine whether the pilot was on-course and at correct altitude. Then follows a lengthy process of elimination to learn the cause of the crash. A check of propeller damage reveals whether the engines were functioning or idling. Chemical analysis discloses whether the plane caught fire before or after it cracked up.

One of the Bureau's duties is not only to pinpoint the reason for the crash but to recommend action to prevent similar accidents. In the above-mentioned tragedy at Bryce Canyon, when Andrews' scrutiny divulged that the flares had been set off by a heating unit directly under them, they were replaced by a different type. Preventive measures, as well as detection, are the Bureau's keywords.

Andrews, a stocky man of 60, has been in Government service for 30 years, head of the Bureau since 1947. A graduate of Culver Military Academy and Cornell, he runs his own cruiser on Washington's Potomac River, and pilots his own small plane when occasion or emergency demands.

## SUCH RUBBISH

Hailed into a Fridley, Minnesota, court for having tossed rubbish from his car into the street, a motorist was reminded by the magistrate that an ordinance forbade such behavior. Given his choice of fine or jail, the offender chose the latter. He was sentenced to sweep the streets for 2½ months!

## WATCH THAT NAME

To prevent private firms from giving a false impression that they represent the government, Congress has passed a bill prohibiting use of United States, Federal and National from names of private detective and bill-collecting agencies. Violators are subject to \$10,000 fine, a year's jail term, or both.

## BLOTTER JOTTINGS

**HUNSTANTON, England:** American youngsters cannot attend school in Wild West garb, according to the School Superintendent, "because it turns the yard into something like Custer's Last Stand."

**PARIS, France:** A pickpocket working on the Champs Elysees slipped his hand into a victim's pocket, withdrew a pair of handcuffs—which he retained, on his wrists, until he reached the precinct. His "mark" was a detective.

**LOS ANGELES:** A burglar, raiding a market, made himself a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, dropped it, slipped on it, knocked himself out, was revived by police.

**DAVENPORT, Iowa:** Finishing a 35-year term, an inmate refused to leave the reformatory, had to be evicted.

**CHICAGO:** Having invaded an electronics company, two thieves were startled to hear a voice announce: "Good evening. This place is electronically guarded. We suggest that you leave." They turned and fled as alarms started to sound, and the voice boomed: "Police! Burglars! Police!"—right into the arms of police, who had raced up in squad cars.



## PHONEY CLUES CASE

Some years ago, a man named Robinson Tibbett did away with a friend who had discovered his implication in a fraudulent stock swindle and had threatened to expose him. When police appeared on the scene, they quickly found a number of clues that would lead to the identity of the criminal. To their surprise, they deduced that the clues had been deliberately planted to thwart them.

There were, for instance, a man's small hat, size 6, but a large-sized 46 jacket; different brands of cigarettes strewn about the floor, and cigar ashes spilled from an ashtray; the carpet stained with mud from various areas of the city; shreds of envelopes bearing postmarks from several cities, in the wastebasket. It seemed that at least a half-dozen men had committed the crime.

But the police weren't baffled for long. A careful scrutiny of the premises led to the arrest, and conviction later, of Robinson Tibbett. Despite the incongruity of the assembled clues, the police had narrowed their search down to one item, which Tibbett had overlooked. His were the only fingerprints which were found on each of the various articles he had so cunningly planted!

## WEEKEND INMATE

When the judge sentenced him to 90 days in jail, a Passaic, New Jersey, defendant claimed that he would be unable to provide for his family. Unwilling to make his innocent family suffer for the man's crime, but sworn to mete out justice and punishment, the magistrate said:

"We'll make an exception in your case. You can come to jail every Saturday night and stay until Sunday night—for a total of 90 days."

## WHAT'S YOUR VERDICT

A Long Island suburbanite constantly complained to his neighbor that his row of bushes had grown over to his back yard, and demanded that they be cut back. But the neighbor never bothered to correct the situation. One day, the suburbanite tripped over a bush and injured himself.

In his suit for damages, he claimed that since the shrub belonged to the neighbor, it was his responsibility to trim them. "That's not so," replied the neighbor, indignantly. "Any part of the shrub that extended onto your property didn't belong to me. It was you who were at fault for that accident, for not having cut the bush."

If you were the judge, what would your decision be?

His Honor based his decision on a similar case, which had been tried before the District of Columbia Court of Appeals. He ruled that the neighbor was right, and consequently did not have to pay. For any bushes or tree limbs that invaded another's grounds became the property of that person.

*According to the French Ministry of Agriculture, underwater game wardens will be hired next summer to make sure that underwater spear fishers have fishing licenses.*

## SUTTER'S CELL

Visitors to Sutter's Fort in Sacramento, Calif., now can view Capt. John A. Sutter's calaboose. This is the jail, built by Sacramento's founder in 1839, that accommodated both Indian and white men alike. The cell has been made to look as it did during Sutter's time. Straw on the floor, a tin cup and a wooden plate for eating, leg irons and handcuffs lend authenticity to the scene of the criminal.

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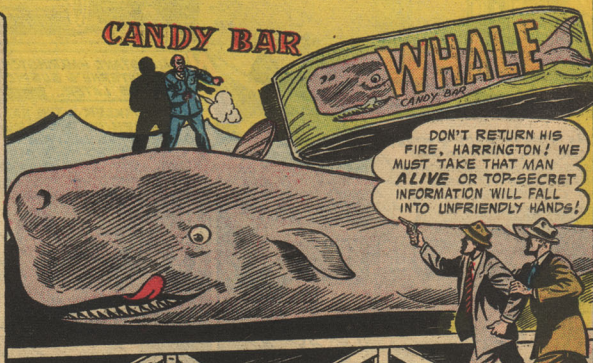
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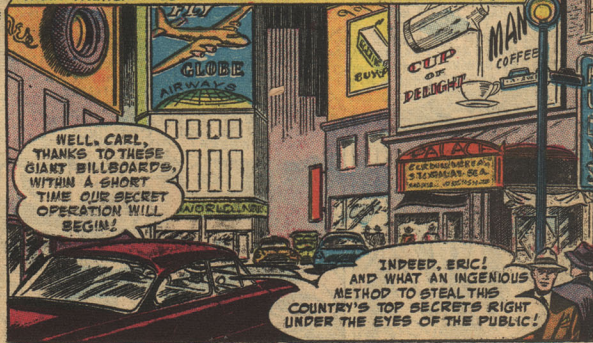
ALL OF YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE GIANT OUTDOOR SIGNS THAT ADVERTISE BRANDS OF CIGARETTES, COFFEES AND EVEN PEANUTS! BUT WHEN CRIMEPOM FOUND A UNIQUE WAY TO UTILIZE THESE SIGNS FOR ITS OWN NEFARIOUS GAIN, IT THREW MY OFFICE AND THE F. B. I. INTO A DILEMMA! FOR IN ORDER TO APPREHEND THE CRIMINALS WE FIRST HAD TO CRACK...



DON'T RETURN HIS FIRE, HARRINGTON! WE MUST TAKE THAT MAN ALIVE OR TOP-SECRET INFORMATION WILL FALL INTO UNFRIENDLY HANDS!

LAST JULY TWO MEN DROVE THROUGH MY CITY ON A STRANGE INSPECTION TOUR-- THEIR TREACHEROUS PURPOSE WAS NOT LEARNED UNTIL LATER...

## THE SECRET OF THE SUPER SIGNS



WELL, CARL, THANKS TO THESE GIANT BILLBOARDS, WITHIN A SHORT TIME OUR SECRET OPERATION WILL BEGIN!

INDEED, ERIC! AND WHAT AN INGENUOUS METHOD TO STEAL THIS COUNTRY'S TOP SECRETS RIGHT UNDER THE EYES OF THE PUBLIC!



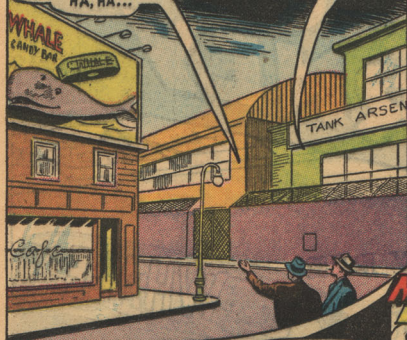


# MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY



WHO WOULD EVER SUSPECT INNOCENT OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS LIKE THESE OF BEING OUR SECRET WEAPON TO SPY ON GOVERNMENT PLANTS!  
HA, HA...

YES... OUR LEADER IS A TRUE MASTER-MIND!



JUST ONE WEEK LATER--ON THE 14TH-- FATE IN THE GUISE OF AN AUTO ACCIDENT WAS TO PROPEL MY OFFICE INTO ONE OF THE MOST INCREDIBLE CASES ON RECORD...



HEY, MISTER-- LOOK OUT FOR THAT CAR!

HUH...?

AN INTERNE MADE A STARTLING DISCOVERY AS HE CHECKED THE UNCONSCIOUS MAN FOR IDENTIFICATION AT CITY HOSPITAL...



"PERFORMANCE DATA OF TOP SECRET U.S. TANK T-36..." GOOD GRIEF... I THINK THIS MAN'S A SPY! CALL THE AUTHORITIES, NURSE-- NOTIFY THE D.A.!

MY ASSISTANT HARRINGTON, AND I CONFIRMED THE INTERNE'S SUSPICION JUST THIRTY MINUTES LATER...

CARL KRINKLER... THE NAZI SPY LEADER OF THE EARLY FORTIES! HE'LL HAVE A MIGHTY HARD TIME EXPLAINING HOW THESE SECRET PAPERS FELL INTO HIS POSSESSION!

I'M AFRAID HE NEVER WILL, MR. D.A.! KRINKLER'S PULSE JUST STOPPED BEATING!



THAT'S A TOUGH BREAK, D.A.! IF KRINKLER HAD LIVED WE MIGHT HAVE DISCOVERED HOW HE GOT THE TOP SECRET INFORMATION! WHAT'S OUR NEXT MOVE...?



AFTER I GAVE AGENTS CRAIG AND MARTIN THE FULL DETAILS IN MY OFFICE...

THE AND YOU SAY YOU'RE BEGINNING A FULL-SCALE INVESTIGATION, CRAIG! HARRINGTON AND I WOULD CERTAINLY LIKE TO JOIN YOU!

I'M CHECKING THE SECURITY SET-UP AT THE TANK ARSENAL TOMORROW, D.A.! WHY NOT COME ALONG-- YOUR HELP IS WELCOME!

YOU'VE GOT IT, CRAIG! SEE YOU TOMORROW...

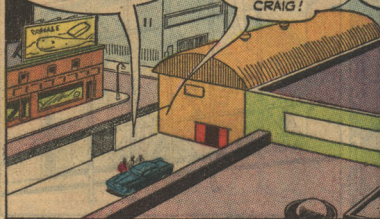




THE NEXT MORNING, AS WE ARRIVED AT THE ARSENAL...

RIGID SECURITY IS ENFORCED HERE, D.A.! IF THERE WEREN'T PROOF TO THE CONTRARY, I'D SAY IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR SECRETS TO LEAK OUT!

THIS SPY RING MUST HAVE STRUCK ON SOME UNIQUE METHOD TO OBTAIN THEIR INFORMATION, CRAIG!



MEANWHILE, AS WE WERE TO LEARN AFTER THE CASE HAD BEEN BROKEN, A FANTASTIC MEETING WAS BEING HELD AT THE BREEZE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING COMPANY...

A SITUATION DEMANDING YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION HAS ARISEN, HERR LEADER! YOU MUST SEE THIS FILM AT ONCE!

VERY WELL-- BUT BE QUICK ABOUT IT! I HAVE IMPORTANT MATTERS TO ATTEND TO!

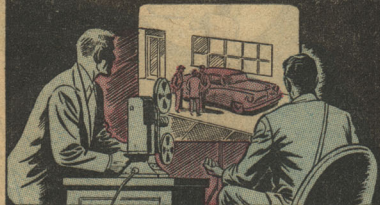


OUR TELEPHOTO CAMERA TOOK THESE PICTURES THIS MORNING! ONE OF THOSE MEN IS A GOVERNMENT AGENT--THE OTHER TWO ARE THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND HIS ASSISTANT!

SO...WHY BOTH ME WITH THIS MINOR DETAIL?

BUT, HERR LEADER... IT MEANS THEY ARE AWARE OF OUR OPERATIONS! PERHAPS THEY SHOULD BE DISCONTINUED FOR A TIME!

FOOL! IDIOT! THE BUNGLING AMERICANS WILL NEVER DISCOVER OUR INGENUOUS METHOD FOR STEALING THEIR SECRETS! GET OUT... OUT!



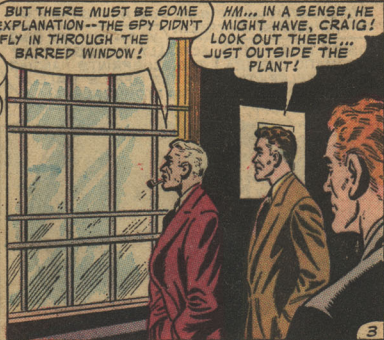
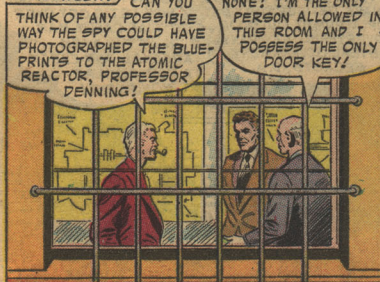
MEANWHILE, AGENT CRAIG, HARRINGTON AND I WERE INVESTIGATING A GOVERNMENT ATOMIC PLANT WHERE ANOTHER SECURITY LEAK WAS IN EVIDENCE...

CAN YOU THINK OF ANY POSSIBLE WAY THE SPY COULD HAVE PHOTOGRAPHED THE BLUE-PRINTS TO THE ATOMIC REACTOR, PROFESSOR DENNING?

NONE! I'M THE ONLY PERSON ALLOWED IN THIS ROOM AND I POSSESS THE ONLY DOOR KEY!

BUT THERE MUST BE SOME EXPLANATION--THE SPY DIDN'T FLY IN THROUGH THE BARRED WINDOW!

HM... IN A SENSE, HE MIGHT HAVE, CRAIG! LOOK OUT THERE... JUST OUTSIDE THE PLANT!





IT'S JUST AN OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGN, D.A.!

YES, CRAIG-- BUT WHY WOULD A COMPANY GO TO THE EXPENSE OF ERECTING SUCH A SIGN WHEN THE MESSAGE IS ONLY SEEN BY A FEW HUNDRED WORKERS? THIS ISN'T A WELL-TRAVELED HIGHWAY, YOU KNOW!

AND LOOK IN WHAT DIRECTION THAT RIFLE BARREL IS POINTED-- STRAIGHT AT THIS WINDOW!

D.A.-- ARE YOU SAYING THE ATOMIC PLANS WERE STOLEN FROM OUTSIDE THE PLANT? BUT HOW?

IT'S POSSIBLE-- WITH PROPER EQUIPMENT. HARRINGTON! AND IT'S RATHER ODD THAT THE TWO PLANTS WITH SUSPECTED SECURITY LEAKS HAVE HUGE BILLBOARDS IN FRONT OF THEM!

THAT'S RIGHT-- THERE'S AN OUTDOOR CANDY AP BEFORE THE TANK ARSENAL! LET'S CHECK INTO IT!

MINUTES LATER, AS WE SCALED A GREAT LADDER WITHIN THE GIANT HUNTING FIGURE...

I STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU EXPECT TO FIND IN THE BARREL OF THE DUMMY RIFLE, D.A.!

THERE'S ONLY ONE POSSIBLE WAY THE SPIES COULD STEAL ANY SECRETS FROM THIS DISTANCE, HARRINGTON-- WITH A TELEPHOTO CAMERA!

AND SHORTLY, AS WE MADE OUR WAY TO THE END OF THE WOODEN BARREL...

THERE IT IS-- AN AUTOMATIC CAMERA WITH A TELEPHOTO ATTACHMENT! YOUR HUNCH PAID OFF, D.A.!

YES-- THE SPY RING ACTUALLY PHOTOGRAPHED THE BLUEPRINTS HANGING ON THE OFFICE WALL AT THE ATOMIC PLANT!

THEN THE SPY RING MUST HAVE DELIBERATELY SET UP A DUMMY OUTDOOR ADVERTISING COMPANY TO STEAL GOVERNMENT SECRETS, D.A.!

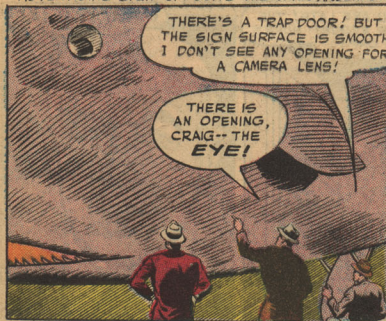
EXACTLY, HARRINGTON! NOW LET'S GET OVER TO THAT CANDY BAR SIGN AT THE TANK ARSENAL AND CHECK IT FOR SIMILAR EQUIPMENT!



SHORTLY, AS WE REACHED THE COLORFUL ADVERTISING SIGN OPPOSITE THE TANK ARSENAL...

THERE'S A TRAP DOOR! BUT THE SIGN SURFACE IS SMOOTH! I DON'T SEE ANY OPENING FOR A CAMERA LENS!

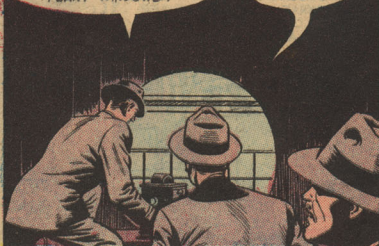
THERE IS AN OPENING, CRAIG-- THE EYE!



THEN, INSIDE THE GIANT WHALE...

THERE WE ARE-- A CAMERA AND AUTOMATIC TELEPHOTO LENS SHOOTING OUT THROUGH THE WHALE'S EYE DIRECTLY AT THE TANK PLANT WINDOWS!

WOW, CHIEF! THEY WERE PHOTOGRAPHING EVERY BLUE-PRINT IN THE TOP SECRET ROOM!



THE CASE WAS OPENING UP... BUT NOW WE REALIZED THE FULL RESPONSIBILITY OF OUR SITUATION...

BUT WE'VE GOT TO DO BETTER THAN THAT! CAPTURING ONE AGENT DOESN'T SMASH A SPY RING! CRAIG, HARRINGTON... WHEN WE CATCH ONE OF THESE SPIES I'M GOING TO TAKE HIS PLACE!

TWO HOURS LATER, THE FLY WALKED INTO OUR PARLOR...

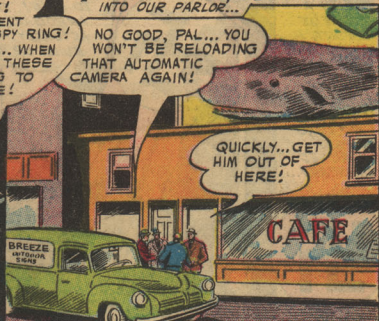
NO GOOD, PAL... YOU WON'T BE RELOADING THAT AUTOMATIC CAMERA AGAIN!

WE'VE BROKEN DOWN THEIR METHOD OF OPERATION OKAY-- AND IF WE SET A POLICE TRAP HERE WE'LL NAB ONE OF THEIR AGENTS SOONER OR LATER!

SOONER, I EXPECT! THOSE FILMS MUST BE PICKED UP EVERY DAY...



QUICKLY... GET HIM OUT OF HERE!



CHIEF! HOW ARE YOU EVER GOING TO ASSUME THIS CHARACTER'S IDENTITY? HE'S FAT AND PARTIALLY BALD!

I KNOW! IT WILL BE TOUGH-- BUT IT'S GOT TO BE DONE! FOLLOW US IN HIS PHONEY SIGN TRUCK, HARRINGTON!

I HAD AN EXPERT POLICE MAKE-UP MAN WORK ON ME FOR A FULL HOUR...

I'LL NEED MORE TIME TO MAKE IT PERFECT, MR. D.A.! THIS IS A DIFFICULT DISGUISE FOR A MAN WITH YOUR ATHLETIC BUILD TO ASSUME!

I CAN'T TAKE ANY MORE TIME! THIS AGENT MUST HAVE BEEN DUE TO REPORT BACK WITHIN THE HOUR! I'M GAMBLING PRECIOUS SECONDS NOW!





IT WAS JUST NOON WHEN I DROVE UP TO THE BREEZE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING CO...

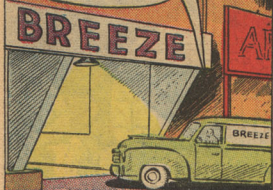
LUCK PLAYED INTO MY HANDS A MOMENT LATER AS...

THEN, AS I ENTERED THE THICK, SOUND-PROOFED DOOR...

GOT TO BE ON MY TOES! AS A FOREIGN AGENT, THAT MAN WAS CAREFUL TO CARRY NO IDENTIFICATION PAPERS! I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT NAME TO ANSWER TO... I'LL HAVE TO FEEL MY WAY ALONG...

MUELLER! YOU ARE LATE! THE MEETING HAS BEGUN! HURRY, YOU OAF!

GREAT CAESAR!



WITH A SUPREME EFFORT, I CONTROLLED MYSELF AND GAVE A SALUTE THAT I BELIEVED HAD LONG PAST VANISHED IN INFAMY...

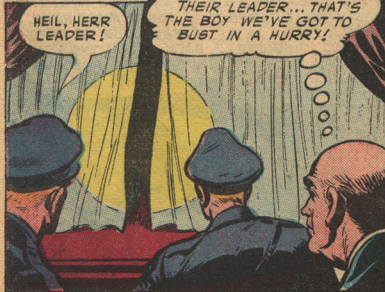


NAZI FANATICS COME BACK TO LIVE! FANTASTIC! THE ARROGANT MADMEN--THEY'RE ACTUALLY ATTEMPTING TO BUILD UP POWER AGAIN!

DER FATHERLAND DER FATHERLAND...  
♪ ♪ ♪

ABRUPTLY, THE MUSIC STOPPED! I WAITED TENSELY AS ALL EYES TURNED TO AN ENTRANCEWAY...

SUDDENLY, A SECOND SHOCK ROCKED ME AS THE CURTAINS PARTED...



HEIL, HERR LEADER!

THEIR LEADER... THAT'S THE BOY WE'VE GOT TO BUST IN A HURRY!

HITLER! ADOLF HITLER! SO THE REPORTS OF HIS DEATH WERE FAKE!



I COULD SCARCELY BELIEVE MY EYES AS THE FORMER MONSTER OF BERLIN SPOKE...

HIS FANATICAL VOICE WHIPPED THE NAZIS INTO A LATHER OF HATE...

DER FATHERLAND WILL RISE AGAIN WITH NAZI MIGHT! THIS TIME THERE MUST BE NO FAILURE!

HERE... IN AMERICA WE SHALL SOW THE SEEDS THAT WILL SPREAD THE GLORIES OF NAZI CULTURE ACROSS THE FACE OF THE EARTH!

HITLER... ALIVE! INCREDIBLE! CRAIG AND HARRINGTON WAITING FOR WORD OUTSIDE... GOT TO ACT FAST... CAN'T RISK LETTING THIS MONSTER SLIP OUT...



MINUTE AFTER MINUTE DRAGGED BY AS THE MOST HATED MAN ON EARTH SPEWED OUT HIS VENOM! FINALLY, THE FARCE ENDED...

SHORTLY, AS HITLER FINISHED, I CASUALLY WALKED TOWARD THE EXIT, AND...

HEIL HITLER! HEIL HITLER! HEIL HITLER!

NOW... GOT TO CONTACT THEM OUTSIDE BEFORE THIS MADMAN ELUDES US...

MUELLER... WE HAFF THE SURPRISE YOU HAVE LONG WANTED!

ER... WHAT IS THAT?



SUDDENLY, MY ESCAPE PLANS WERE SHATTERED AS...

I WAS TOO LATE! A POZEN ARMS CLUTCHED FOR ME... A SPY! HE ISS DISGUISED AS MUELLER!

THE WIG YOU ASKED FOR! VOY? HIS HEAD--IT'S ALREADY GOT SOMETHING ON?

I'M DONE FOR... HE'S NOTICED MY FAKE BALD HEAD DISGUISE... GOT TO RUN FOR IT...

SEIZE HIM!







# MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY



I WAS DRAGGED TO HITLER'S PRIVATE CHAMBER! AND IT WAS THEN THAT I SAW THE REMARKABLE CLUE...

HERR LEADER... THIS MAN WAS DISGUISED AS MUELLER! A SPY! DUMPKOPFS! HOW DID HE GET IN OUR MIDST?

HE'S NOT HITLER... HE'S A FRAUD!



EVERY SECOND COUNTED IF MY LIFE WAS TO BE SAVED... OBVIOUSLY THESE FANATICS AREN'T AWARE THAT THEIR LEADER IS AN IMPOSTOR-- MAYBE I CAN TURN THE TABLES ON "HERR HITLER"!

HAVE SOME CREAM...



THE THUG EXPLODED WITH WRATH AND...

MEN, TAKE THIS COP OUT AND BUMP HIM OFF!

LISTEN TO THAT LANGUAGE! THIS MAN'S NOT HITLER... HE'S AN AMERICAN GANGSTER DECEIVING YOU! HE'S SELLING THE PLANS YOU STEAL FOR HIS OWN PROFIT!



AS THE NAZI-LOVERS GASPED IN BEWILDERMENT, I TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE MOMENT TO SIGNAL THE F. B. I. MEN OUTSIDE...

AMERICAN SLANG... GANGSTER TALK!

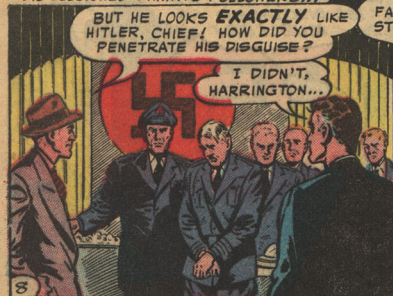
THIS CAN NOT BE DER FUEHRER!



WITHIN MINUTES, THE FEDERAL MEN AND HARRINGTON HAD ROUNDED UP THE PHONEY HITLER AND HIS DISILLUSIONED FANATIC FOLLOWERS...

BUT HE LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE HITLER, CHIEF! HOW DID YOU PENETRATE HIS DISGUISE?

I DIDN'T, HARRINGTON...



HIS EATING HABITS GAVE HIM AWAY! EUROPEANS EAT WITH THEIR FORKS IN THEIR LEFT HAND... LIKE THIS! OUR FAKE HITLER WAS EATING AMERICAN STYLE WITH HIS FORK IN HIS RIGHT HAND!



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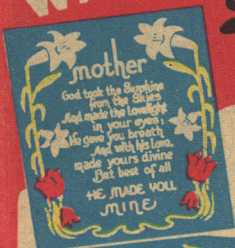
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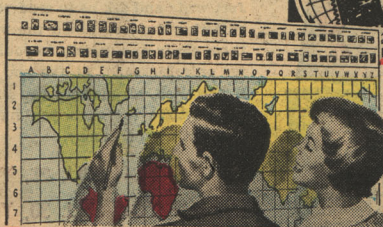
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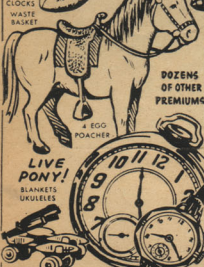
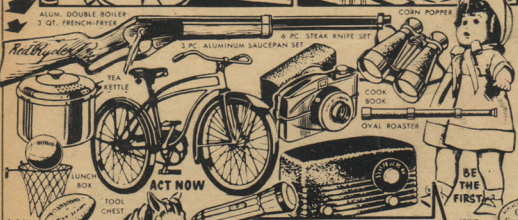
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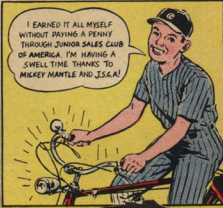
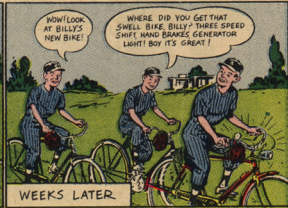
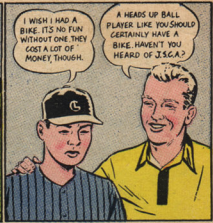
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