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To be a coal passer on a cargo vessel was no part of Larry Matthews' plan when he came to New Orleans looking for a job. But an unpleasant encounter with the police brought him to a quick decision—he must either sign on the Creole Trader or spend the night in jail for vagrancy, to be sent back home to Texas the next morning.

That was how Larry and his dog shipped for the South Sea Islands. It wasn't long before Larry knew that things were not right on the ship. The Captain and his chief engineer hated and distrusted one another. Larry's accidental discovery of a locked chest concealed in the coal bunkers was only the beginning of a series of mysterious happenings, ending with a murder.

The mystery deepened when the ship reached Tahiti, where a native schooner was ready and waiting to slip away into the night with their secret cargo.

It was Larry—no longer the frail and frightened boy who had signed on with fear and trembling, but a courageous, spirited and full-fledged seaman now who foiled the escaping criminal and solved the mystery.

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GEE, I T'INK ALL DESE YOUNG MUGGS IS TRYIN' TER KID ME ABOUT DESE "POIFECT CRIMES"!!

HE PUTS OVER A FAST ONE ON EGBERT, THE BOY SCOUT...





















HOSE IS MISSIN'



HEY BUTCH!

JUST

THEN SPIDER

WEBB! ONE OF THE MOB-STERS. ENTERS





























BOYS AND GIRLS!

We have tabulated your votes as to how you like the ALL-FLASH novel idea and MOYLAN, BOYLAN AND TOYLAN. The Three Dimwits.

We discovered that while most of you like the Dimwits, there are as many of you who like the separate stories as well as the fulllength novel.

So with the next issue we have planned a compromise which will not only satisfy all of you, but will be something that's never been done before in comic books!

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The Editors



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COMICS

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It is understood that I am to receive a Membership Card and emblem and be entitled to all the privileges of the organization.

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A LONG RANGE BOMBER, WHICH
IS BASED ON THE COMMERCIAL PLANE
USED IN JAPAN'S "GOOD WILL PLIGHT"(?!)
AROUND THE WORLD...THERE ARE, AT THE
MOMENT, NO EXACT SILHOUETTES AVAILABLE,

AND TIMES ARE TOO SERIOUS FOR THE RISK OF "GUESS WORK" DRAWINGS.

NOTE THE SLENDER FUSELAGE, SLEEK NOSE, AND DAYLIGHT BETWEEN FLAPS AND TRAILING EDGE OF WINGS.

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THE "PIPISTRELLO" (BAT) BOMBER.
SO-CALLED BECAUSE IT IS USED FOR
NIGHT BOMBING. SOME ARE IN
JAPANESE SERVICE.

WING SPAN 78'82",- LENGTH 60 FT,
WEIGHT LOADED 20,500 LB,
MAX. SPEED 211 M.P.H.;
RANGE 931 MI, SERVICE CEILING
22,960 FT, 4 12 MM. MACHINE GUNS.

RECOGNITION POINTS: 3 MOTORS... FIXED UNDERCARRIAGE... NOTE SHAPE OF TAILPLANE.





























DECOYS ... MADE IN JAPAN

Another Hop Harrigan Story

Based on the Strip by JON L. BLUMMER now appearing monthly in All-American Comics

THERE washed ashore on Moa Island one day, a Jan Zero fighter plane, with the lone Nip aboard "dead as a herring."

At the hidden airfield on the Timor Sea island Hop Harrigan and his flying buddy, Tank Tinker, looped a length of stout rope around the plane's struts and hauled it ashore

with a jeep.

"This Zero is just what I've been looking for, Tank!" However, Hop eyed the Nip with forefinger and thumb pinched to his nose. "But we can do without the dead rat in the cockpit. His ancestors will never take him back if he doesn't lose that smell. Whew!"

"Yeah, Hop, this is what we've been looking for alright. A real honest-to-gosh decov . . . made in Japan."

Two days later while Tank with three ground crew men watched from the edge of the jungle, a lumbering Mitsubishi bomber droned overhead. It circled like a ponderous buzzard, observing below on the small airfield chopped out of the lush jungle, a figure of a man waving frantically beside a Zero fighter. The early morning sun shone brightly and plainly upon the 'rising sun' lacquered on the wings. It was the perfect decoy.

Hop grinned as he heard the big bomber take reduced throttle and slip in for a land-

ing, for he was the man on the ground doing all the waving. But he was worried. That was a small airfield. Would the Nip bomber pilot be good enough to set her down without over-running the field. Hop wanted that bomber in working order. "No smashee!" Hop velled, confident of not being heard above the noise of the whirling props, "me wantee, good shapee . . . you runty Nipponese rutabaga!"

The Nip was good. He braked to a halt ten feet from the first zapote tree at the jungle's edge. But what he didn't know was that his ship had stopped only twice that distance from an American reception committee. As the Nip crew opened the bomber doors and stepped out, Tank and his men rushed them.

The big red head, waving a tommy gun, promptly persuaded all but one to hoist digits in token of surrender. The fifth member was still in the plane. He was a gunner and tried to swivel the tail gun. But Hop, approaching on the run, took quick aim with his side arm and let drive. His bullet creased the Jap's funny bone, but that Nip happened to be a sour puss. It just didn't get a laugh out of him but he did hop down off his perch right quick and joined the others shooting their cuffs for more altitude!

After that successful decoy-

ing of one of the Jap's largest bombers, Hop really got ambitious.

"Tank, old wind sock, I've always wanted to see the inside of one of those gargantuan Wawanishi flying boats! They say they are even larger than our PBY's! Say, if we could decoy one of those babies we'd really have something. Now that we have two dead ducks to use as bait maybe we can snare one of 'em!"

"Well, as long as we're marooned here on account of our own crash landing in the hills back there, we might just as well garner us a half dozen or so of these Nips while we're waiting for repairs to be made. Personally, I like these Mitsubishis. They look like ready

money!"

"Oh, you do, do you," Hop grinned at his partner, "well, we'll set the stage and see what falls in the net. The bomber on the beach; the Zero on the airfield. Decoys! Around and around she goes and where she stops, nobody knows!"

But it was a Wawanishi boat that finally fell into the clever net that Harrigan and Tinker set for the Nips. Ten crew members joined the Mitsubishi bomber crew prisoners under the watchful guardianship of the ground crew men.

"Lt. Harrigan, sir!" it was the radio man who had just approached on the run. "I've just been in communication with our base. The plane that left with gear to repair our ship, has been shot down. The Japs have assembled a tremendous fleet off Formosa with four carriers and fighter protection. They said we should stay here until further notice and expected to get another plane thru as soon as possible."

"Hear that, Tank?" Hop looked quizzically at his flying partner. "Any ideas?" "Right! I believe you must

"Right! I believe you must guess what it is, too!"

"You bet I do!" exclaimed Hop. "Com'n fella; no time to lose!"

The two flyers tumbled aboard the huge Wawanishi flying boat riding at anchor a dozen yards off shore. The Nip eraft held a complete load in the bomb racks. Hop gunned the four motors and they crested the waves for a full mile before she rose over the brass-colored sea.

Two hours and forty-five minutes at top cruising and they spied the vaunted Jap fleet steaming slowly Southeast into the sun.

At fifteen thousand the Jap flagship looked like a long splinter with many chips about her on the water. Her signalman had already spotted the big Wawanishi with the rising sun insignia glinting on her wings. A sputter came thru the receiver. "Pay it no mind, Tank, they'll think the radio is out of commission. Before they realize what's happening we'll be over her at a thousand and then you drop every tarnation bomb we're carrying. They won't fire on their own craft; that's what we're going to count on!"

Tank rubbed his mighty fists in anticipation and squinted thru the Jap bombsight.
"Quite a rig, this," he told Hop, "but I guess it"ll do at the lower altitude. Hold 'er the way she goes, Hop, I'm about ready to turn them loose!"

With a deafening roar the flyers dove at the Jap flagship. Then zoomed up as fast as the lumbering Wawanishi could get away. When the flyers looked back at their handiwork there was no need for words. They winked solemnly at each other, grinned and shook hands. The Jap flagship was on fire and already sliding her nose under the Yellow Sea The attack by one of their own craft had temporarily stunned the Zero pilots. But now they came zooming upwards to knock the traitor out of the sky. But Harrigan and his partner had too much headstart. They froze the fighters out as they climbed to 28,000 feet. With no oxygen masks in the single seaters, they were quickly left behind. The two Americans straightened out and set a course for their base.

Back again to ten thousand feet they were startled by the presence of three Curtiss Tommyhawks on their tail. A stream of tracers sieved thru the Wawanishi. She caught on fine along the right wing! Hop and Tank, still gloating over the damage they had wrought upon the Jap navy, had entirely forgotten that they were now flying a craft plainly marked with the Rising Sun!

"Nothing left to do but bail out, Tank!" Hop's voice plainly showed his chagrin. How he ever expected to bring home the Wawanishi, unscathed, was a point for much ribbing from

Tank suddenly started bellowing from the interior of the cabin. "Hey, Hop! Those Japs only give the pilot a parachute. They let the others of the crew go down with the ship. A suicide squadron with the co-pilot taking over. You've got the only darn 'chute on board!"

The hungry flames were eating away the covering fast. Hop made a quick decision. "Alright, Tank, grip me around the middle and loop your lanky legs around mine. We'll make one 'chute do the work of two, that's all!"

The flyers bailed out of the do on me d Wawanishi. The 'chute opened with a snap. It held . . and so did Tank . . for dear life. But not for long as he saw circling Tommy-hawks. "Just to make sure they know who we are and don't start any machine-guning . ." he reached inside his voluminous shirt . . "we'll just unfull us a flag!"

There unfurled then, out of Tank's shirt, a four by six Star Spangled Banner. The circling Tommyhawks came in close and the pilots cruising by, waved at them.

Hop turned a puzzled grin down at Tank. "How come you happened to have that flag with you, old dog; it may have saved our necks!"

"Well, what day is it,

"June 14th so what?"
"That's National Flag Day,
that's so what. And just be-

that's so what. And just because I'm busy fightin' these yellow Nips, I ain't forgetting it either. No sir, Bud, I ain't forgetting what she stands for, neither!"





























