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I HAFF DISCOVERED A WAY TO SEND A ROCKET TO DE MOON! I CAN GET IT OFF DE EARTH! ONCE IN DE SKY, WIT' NO ATMOSPHERE TO FORM A FRICTION, IT VILL GO T'OUSANDS OF MILES A SECOND!











THE PROBLEM OF INTERPLANETARY TRAVEL PRESENTS TWO MAJOR DIFFICULTIES: FIRST, HOW TO GET A ROCKET FREE OF EARTH'S GRAVITATIONAL PULL; SECONDLY, A FUEL TO POWER IT WHOSE BULK WILL NOT BE SO GREAT AS TO PRECLUDE ITS USE-THESE PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN SOLVED BY THE USE OF CENTRIFUGAL FORCE SUFFICIENT TO LIFT A ROCKET, AND SPONTANEOUSLY COMBUSTED BLASTS IN THE ROCKET-JETS TO POWER IT THROUGH SPACE!













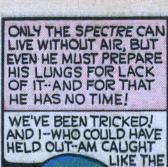














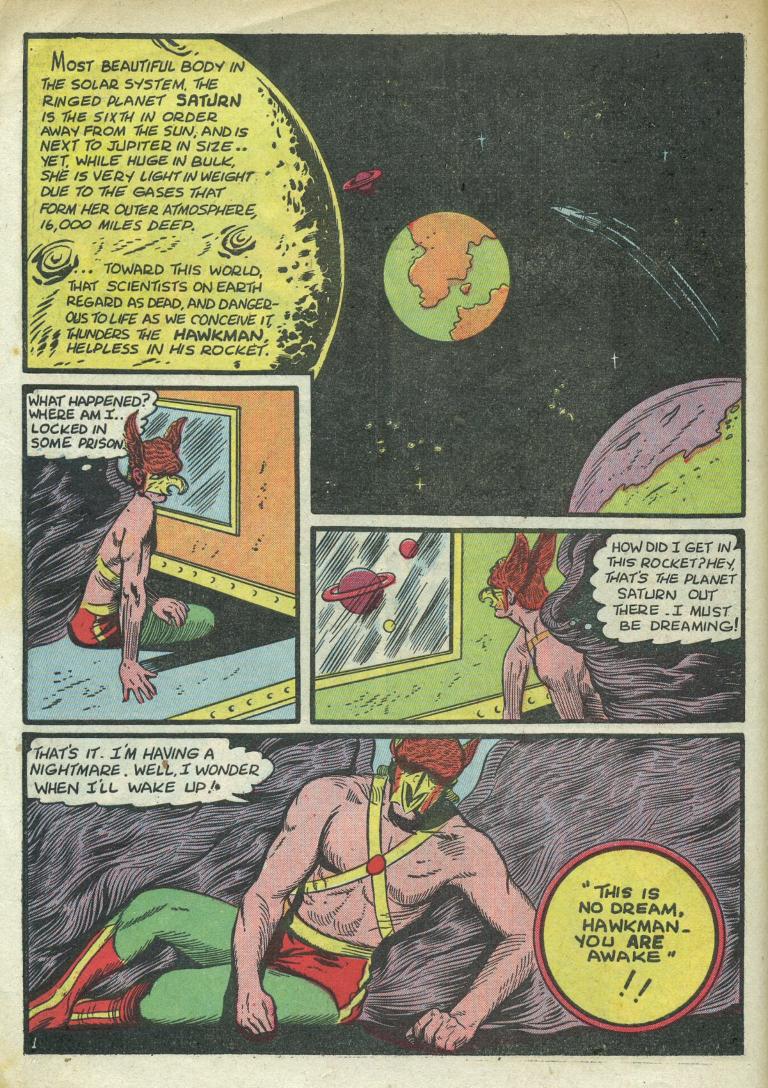






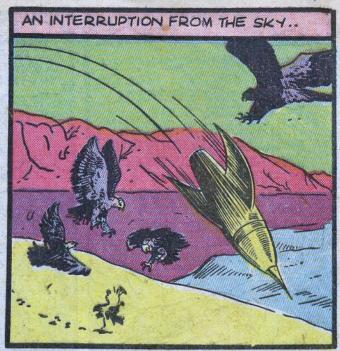


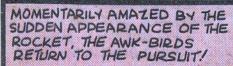




BENEATH THE MIGHTY BLANKET OF GASES THAT SHROUD SATURN, IS A THIN LAYER OF AIR, AND IN THAT ATMOSPHERE A WEIRD BIRD HOVERS...









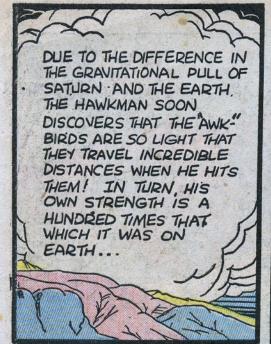




AS HE EXERTS THE MIGHT OF HIS RIPPLING MUSCLES, THE FLYING FURY IS OVERCOME WITH AMAZEMENT AT THE RESULT...





























MASTER OF HAWKS, ON



































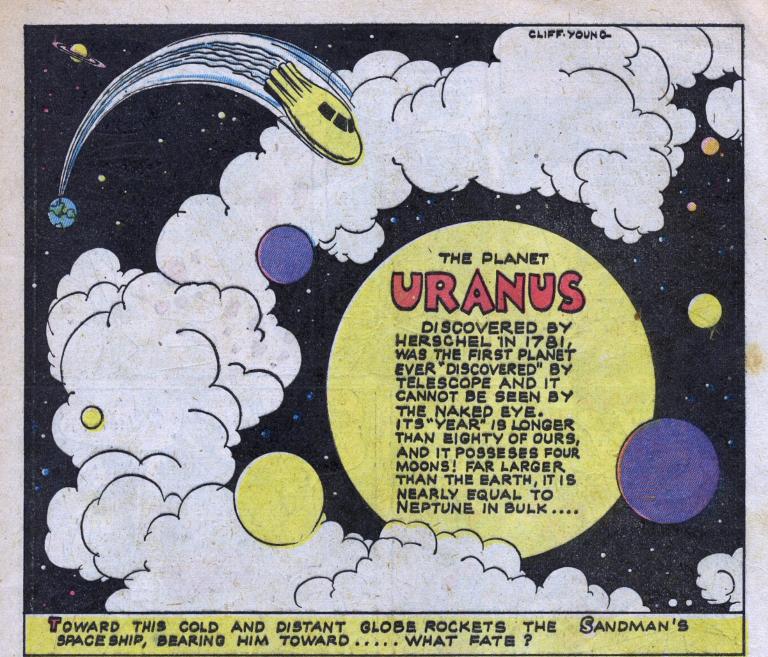








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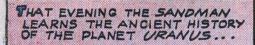




OUR BRAINS FEED
ON THE ENERGY OF
THE CRYSTALS.
WITHOUT THEM WE
DIE! KAFTA
DEMANDS TRIBUTE.
I REFUSE IT! NOW
HE THREATENS
MY DESTRUCTION,
AND THAT OF MY
PEOPLE!







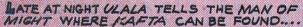
LIKE YOUR EARTH, URANUS ONCE WAS GAY WITH LIFE. BUT AS THE AGES WORE ON, WE DREW FARTHER AND FARTHER FROM THE SUN. IT GREW COLDER. FLOWERS AND PLANTS



OUR FORE FATHERS WERE
DESPERATE. AT LAST THEY
DISCOVERED A WAY TO
FEED THE BRAIN BY ENERGY
FROM CRYSTAL. WE HAVE
CRYSTAL MINES FAR
UNDER THE SURFACE,
AND REPLENISH OUR
BOOLES AT NEED BODIES AT NEED!



IN OTHER WORDS, WE ARE COMPOSED ONLY OF BRAINS, ENCASED IN CRYSTAL! WE NEED NO AIR AS YOU DO. BUT ONCE OUR ANCESTORS USED OXYGEN SUITS.... SUCH AS YOU WEAR. I'M MIGHTY GLAD YOU HAVE THEM, AND ARE ABLE TO EXTRACT OXYGEN FROM OTHERWISE BRRR!





MEXT MORNING, THE SANDMAN SETS FORTH IN AN ODD FLYING VESSEL



TWO POOR FELLOW CAUGHT INIT! WHAT CAN I DO?



WHOOPS! VELL, I GUESS DON'T NEED



AS THE MAN OF DREAMS RUSHES TO AID THE CRYSTALMEN, THE THONG'S OF HIS SAND BAG ACCIDENTALLY OPEN, AND THE BAND FALLS OUT....

BUT BEFORE HIS EYES A MIRACULOUS CHANGE OCCURS!

WHY ... WHY, THE SAND HMM, THE SILICITATE IN THE SAND MUST REACT TOWARD THAT GAS, WHATEVER IT IS!























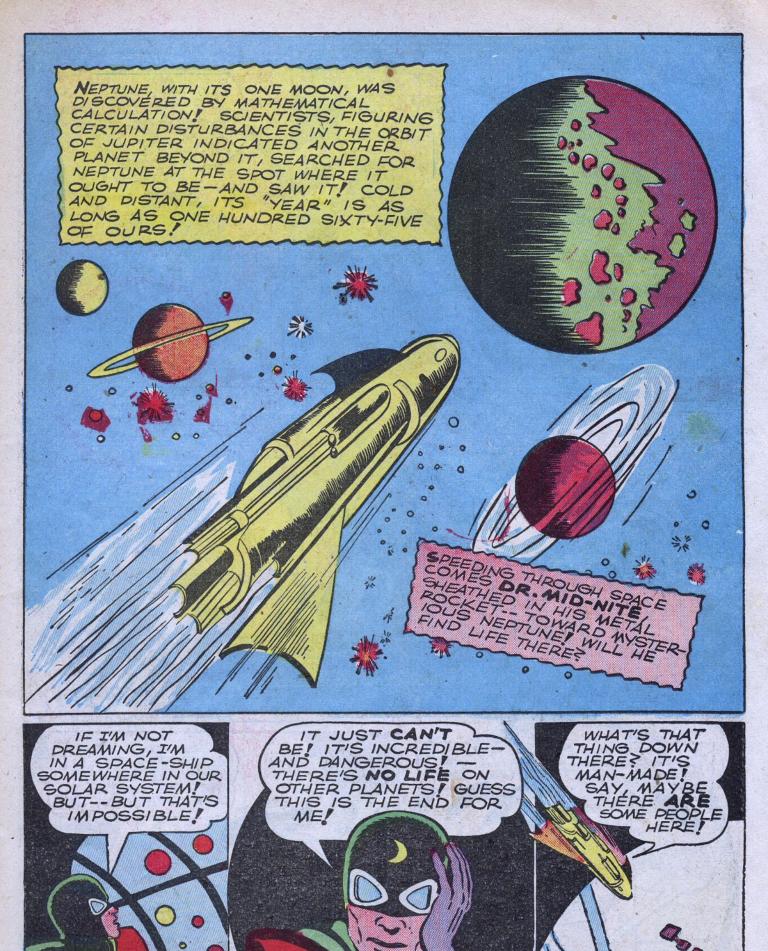








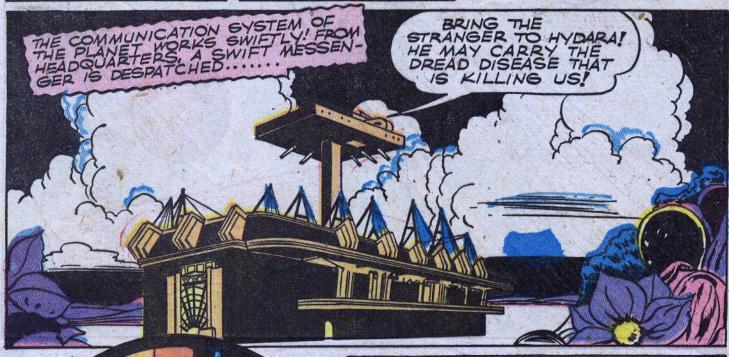
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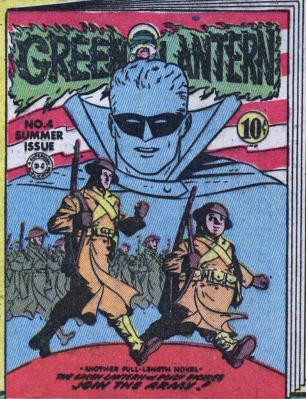


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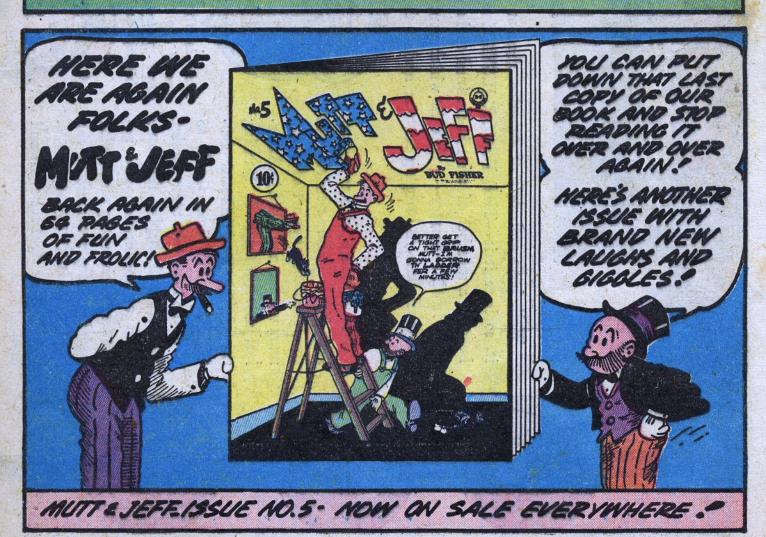
DICKLES
AS A TOP
SERGEANT
• with

ALAN SCOTT AS A BUCK PRIVATE UNDER DOIBY!



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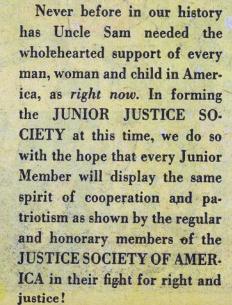
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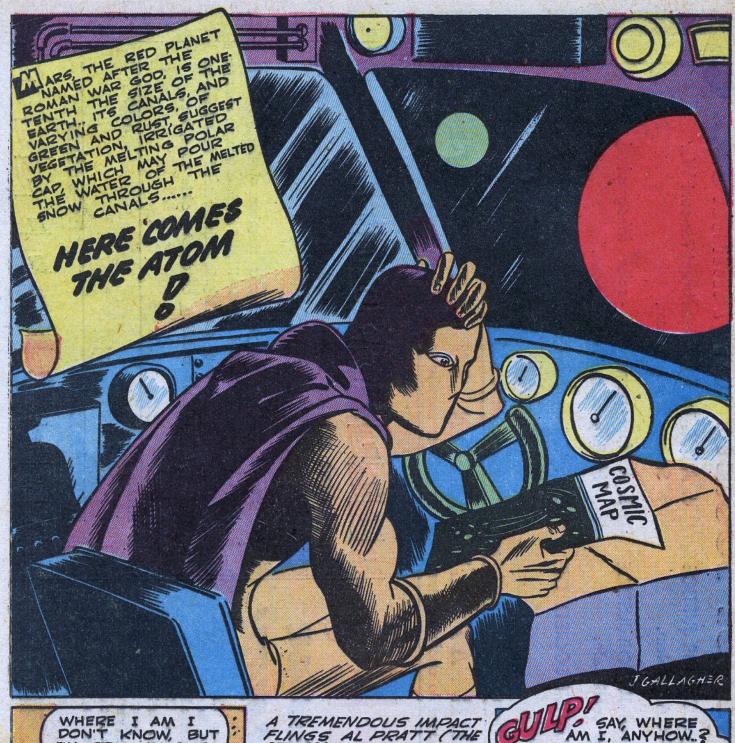
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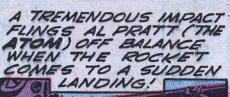
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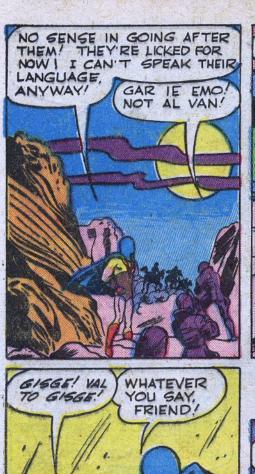






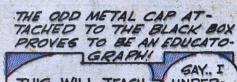










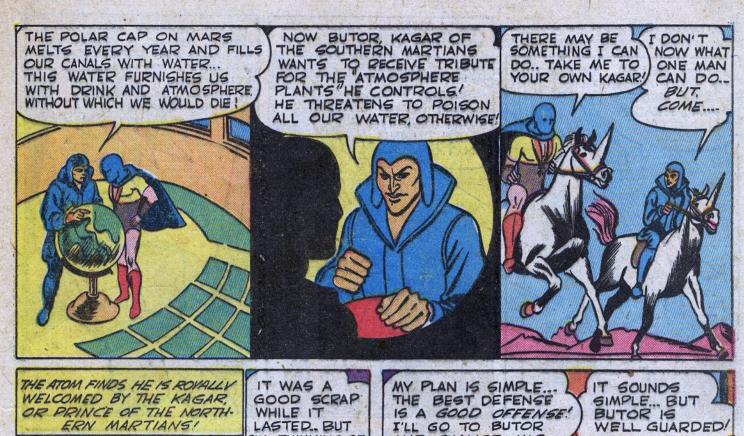


THIS WILL TEACH UNDER-THIS WILL TEACH YOU. BUT HOW CAN





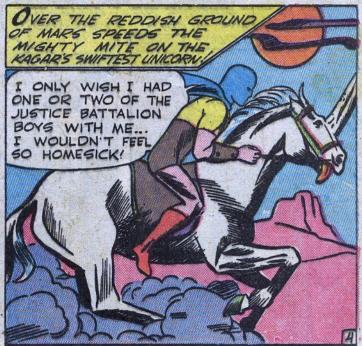












NEARING THE CITY OF BUTOR. THE ATOM DESERTS HIS MOUNT.



HIS HERCULEAN LEAP CAR-RIES HIM TO THE MIGHTY WALL AND RIGHT DOWN TO





A PRODIGIOUS LEAP CARRIES HIM LOOKS 15 SEEN!





HIDDEN IN THE SHADOWS THE













OUT LIKE A LIGHT. AH
HERE'S THE FORMULA
FOR THE CHEMICAL POISONS!
AND THEIR ANTIDOTE!
WITH THIS, THE REST OF
THE MARTIANS NEED
NEVER FEAR BUTOR
ANY MORE!



BUT JUST TO BE ON THE SAFE SIDE, I'LL TAKE YOU WITH ME

AFTER DARK, THE MIGHTY
MITE CARRIES BUTOR TO
HIS MOUNT THE DRUMMING
OF HOOVES ACROSS THE
RED PLAINS OF MARS
HERALDS HIS ESCAPE!



LATER ..

THE TREATY, WITH SUFFICIENT HOSTAGES FROM
BUTOR'S FAMILY WILL INSURE ETERNAL PEACE! AS
A REWARD, I GIVE THE
ATOM AN EDUCATOGRAPH AND THE

A REWARD, I GIVE THE ATOM AN EDUCATO-GRAPH AND THE SECRET OF MAKING AIR FROM WATER! IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR THAT EARTHMAN!

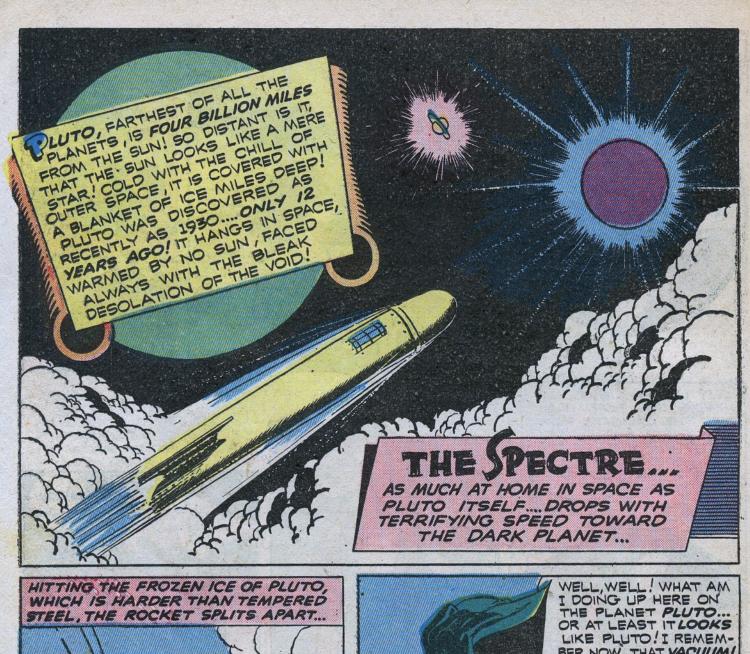
WHICH REMINDS
ME! I'D BETTER
BE SETTING OUT
FOR EARTH... I'M
WORRIED ABOUT THE
REST OF MY FRIENDS!

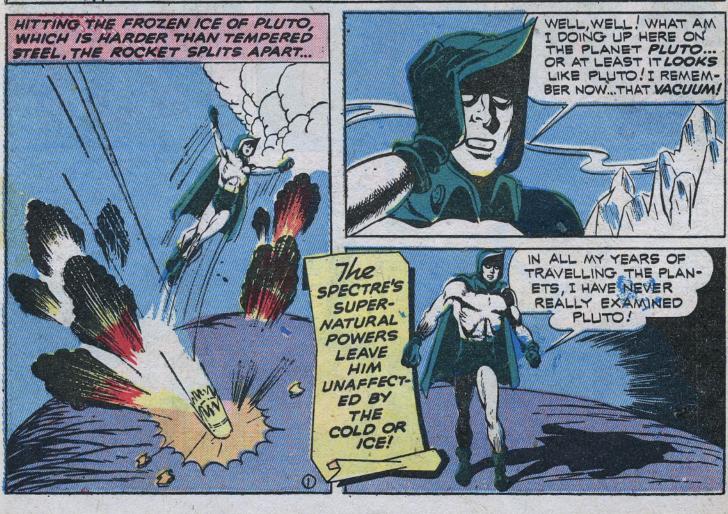
WITH FUEL HASTILY ASSEMBLED BY THE FOREMOST SCIENTIST OF MARS, THE ATOM IS ONCE MORE ON HIS SPACE, WAY BACK

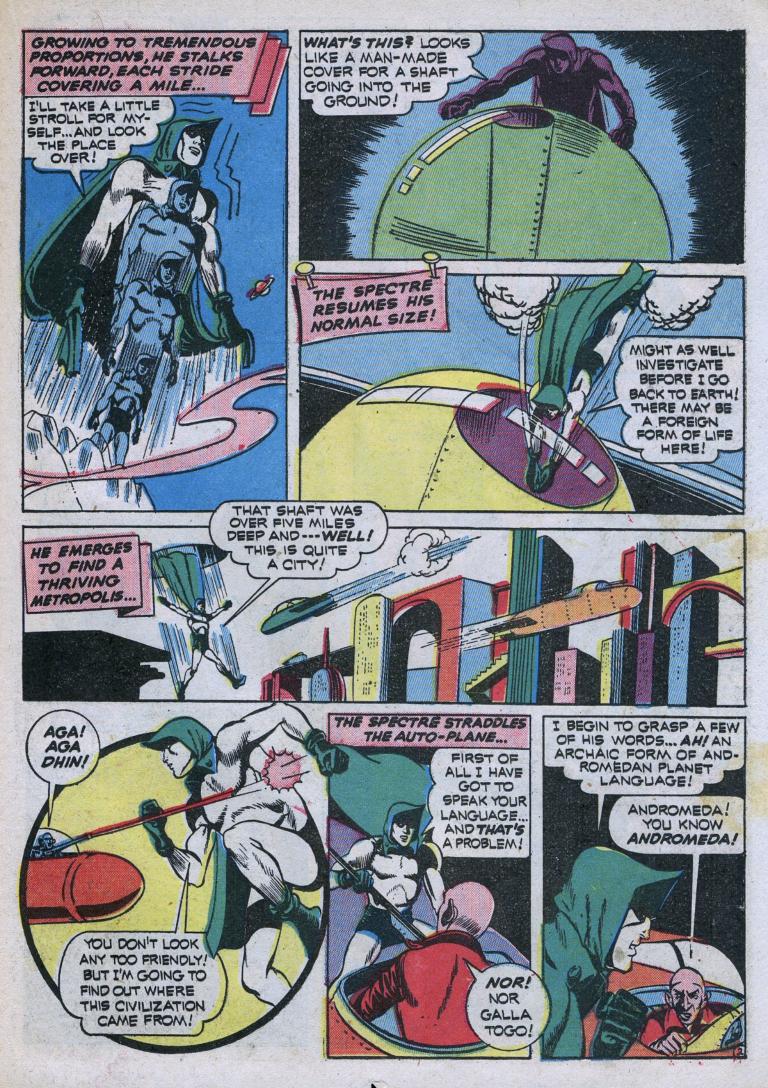
BACK TO EARTH! OH ME, NOW I WON'T BE ABLE TO JUMP OVER TREES ANY MORE!



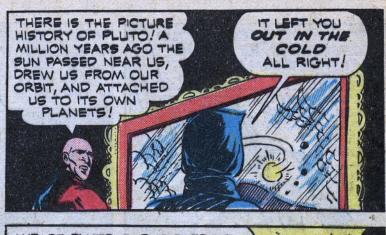
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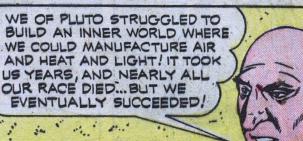














WE WOULD BE EVEN FURTHER ADVANCED WERE IT NOT FOR THE FURRED ONES WHO DWELL IN THESE SQUARE BUILDINGS! THEY PREY ON US, WHO HAVE GROWN WEAK WITH UNDERGROUND LIVING!





HIGH ABOVE THE CITY SHRILLS





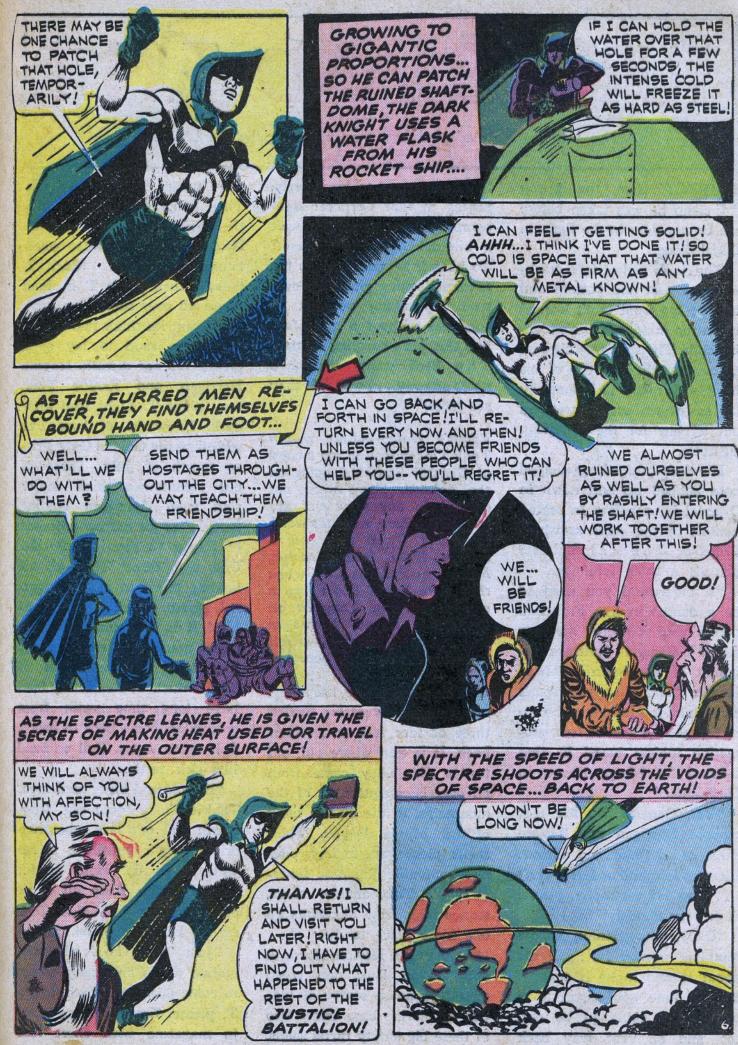












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TURTLES AND T.N.T.

A Hop Harrigan Story adapted from the Comic Strip by Jon L. Blummer.

DIRECT from the prison camp he was taken before the Commander in the Panama Canal Zone.

The Jap's yellow face cracked open near the bottom and his one big front tooth loomed up in the middle of the widening split. The split was his cavernous mouth. The top of his head was made an island by his large grin as he stretched out a "claw" for the American cigarette.

His close-cropped, egg-shaped pate bobbed up and down in Oriental bows before he seated himself in the chair at which Brigadier General Smithers pointed a thick forefinger.

"I understand you used to be a dentist in San Francisco before your Emperor ate loco weed?" General Smithers inquired of the squirming Nipponese, "and that you speak English after a fashion and were in charge of a nest of four submarine raiders based in that infernal La Minga Bayou in Nicaragua?"

"Yes, General Sir. Me met Hoppie Harrigan and Tankie Tink, he mad man, too, alltime. Blow-up Hirohito undersea craft . . . very big castrophy, please. Sink very cluickly!"

"Okay, you grinning, yellow toothless wonder . . . tell me about it and make it snappy. By the time your cigarette is out, you're going to be out, too, and on your way back to the prison camp." General

Smithers turned to his orderly. "Bring in that Corporal stenographer, Lacey and ... wait a minute! Also my camera." To himself he said, "this is the funniest looking gink I've ever seen. My album wouldn't be complete without a gulch-face like this lad's carrying around! The Staff wants illustrated notes anyway... wait 'till they see these!"

Editor's Note: — Last month Tank Tinker showed me a copy of General Smithers' notes on the episode. They were not deleted in any way and are transcribed here, word for word. Hop and Tank were on a routine flight from Tacalpa, Mexico to Panama City when they were forced down thru a clogged oil line. They lit on La Minga Bayou, Nicaragua and . . . well, let the Jap tell it, before his cigarette goes out.

"This place, please, has many, many turtles. Great big turtles, three or four feet across their back. It is also where old, old turtles die. They come from all over Nicaragua west of the mountains, to die on the bank of La Minga Bayou. Their shells, please, are in high piles like honorable Japanese funeral pyre. Two, mabbe three, stories high. Like elephants go one same place to die."

"General Sir, Hoppie Harrigan and Tankie Tink, they creep up on Japanese sentry at hidden submarine base under two of these big empty turtle shells. Sentries think there are two more turtles. Pay no attention. Then jumping from under turtle shell, jump on sentries. Next break into powder warehouse. Steal TNT. Much T. please; then plant T in land mines all over submarine base. More sentries think two turtles digging in sand to lay eggs. please. Do not disturb. Hoppie Harrigan and Tankie Tink, they plant T. Light fuse after dark. Fireworks at base like sometime see Golden Gate Frisco fourth of July. Three of our submarines think major raid from American landing party. Flee for narrow entrance of Bayou to run into Pacific. One, two, three! They all hit floating mines in narrow channel, please. Cluickly sink. Hirohito! It is saddening! Floating mines made from empty shells like baby bath-tub. Full of TNT. Much T, please. My men have long time swim from crocodiles; come back to beach. Spit much water. Roll on sand like sick turtle.

"Hoppie and other mad man, Tankie Tink, come out from fourth and our last submarine driving my countrymen ahead with hands up. Hold armful hand-grenades. Keep all of us on beach until Tankie Tink fix up Hoppie's plane, please.

"Just then, fourth submarine fly in air, many pieces to come down on beach. Much T, please. Crazy Hoppie plant in magazine with short fuse were sad, please, by this time. Soon come daylight.

"I think I commit hari kari on the beach with sharp edge of turtle shell. It was just after these two mad men wade out to their plane and fly away before we can find gun to shoot, please.

"One stops wading and turns back to look at me. It is this Hoppie Harrigan and from the glint I can see in his eye, I think mabbe he help me commit hari kari. He comes within twenty feet and says, 'Haven't I seen you before, Nip?'

"I say politely please, 'Yes, sometime Frisco', but General Sir, I was so humiliating and full of swamp water I had swallow while swimming the Bayou, I could not say more.

"Then he say, 'You pulled a tooth for me one time in Frisco. Down by the docks. I couldn't stand the pain and run-

into the first drill master's chair I could find. Well, here . . . he says, 'is where I even the score with you, Nip, for a clumsy job on that molar.' And General Sir, please, he threw not one but whole eternal armful of handgrenades at me. Ah! Hirohito! But I wanted to die. I was wretched, please. But shame! Eternal shame! As the Sun Goddess is my witness, they were not grenades that held my entire company on the beach. Not grenades to blow me away to Eternal Bliss, please. But looking as much like them as twins in the carriage of the Emperor! I do not try to doge this death. I wait fearlessly to end my humiliation. They hit me over my heart ... over my medals, General please. But do I die? I do not! This mad man Hop-

pie Harrigan has hit me with four big brown turtle eggs!

They splatter into my nostrils, please and they are not fresh eggs!

"Then, please, my nerves shattered and I swooned. I come to my senses in hands of American Marines that Hop Harrigan and Tankie Tink have sent. One more cigarette please... ah, I go now please."

Editor's Note: — As I folded the typewritten paper and handed it back to the grinning Tank, I glanced at his left forearm and just below where the sleeve was rolled back I saw a freshly made tattoo mark. It was a tortuga. The academic name for the sea-tortoise!

Tank saw me eye it and cut in before I could open my mouth.

"Yeah . . . I'm having the eggs tattooed on NEXT week!"





I HAVE MADE THIS

DRAWING TO SHOW WHY
A SPOTTER MUST KEEP UP
WITH CHANGES IN DESIGN
THIS IS ANOTHER VERSION
OF THE PLANE SHOWN IN
NO.10 OF THIS SERIES.

MATHIEL

VULTEE VANGUARD-P48.

THIS LATER MODEL HAS A BLUNT INSTEAD OF A SHARP NOSE — OTHERWISE IDENTIFICATION POINTS ARE VERY SIMILAR.

THE PLANE ILLUSTRATED ABOVE SHOWS HOW FAST A PACE IS BEING SET IN AIRPLANE DEVELOPMENTS. THE PICTURE CHANGES WITH INCREDIBLE SPEED. THE STANDARD FIGHTER, CURTISS P40, HAS GROWN INTO THE P40D, WITH 100 MORE HORSEPOWER AND 25% MORE FIRE-POWER. AND NOW —A P40E, WITH EVEN HIGHER HORSEPOWER AND GREATER FIRE-POWER. WE HEAR, TOO, OF THE NEW "AERIAL BATTLESHIP", —A

GREAT MARTIN FLYING BOAT WITH A 200 FT. WING-SPREAD AND A WEIGHT OF 140,000 LB., A THIRD LARGER THAN THE BIGGEST CLIPPERS, AND COMPARABLE IN SIZE TO THE DOUGLAS B-19... A NEW FLYING FORTRESS B-17E IS BIGGER AND MORE DEADLY THAN ITS FAMOUS PREDECESSOR ... JUST TO KEEP UP WITH THE NEWS IS ALMOST A FULL-TIME JOB THESE DAYS.

WHICH ANSWER IS RIGHT?

WHAT IS "PROPELLOR WASH"?

I. A PREPARATION FOR CLEANING PROPELLORS.

2. THE WIND-STREAM SET UP BEHIND A WHIRLING PROPELLOR.





















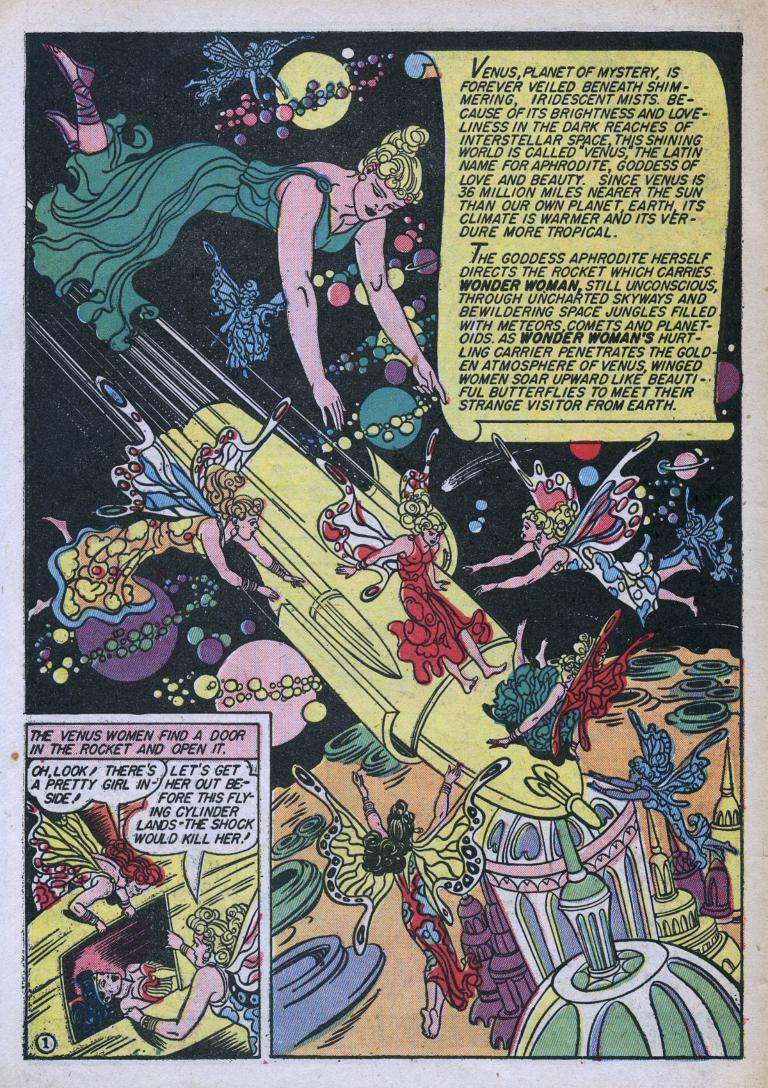








































































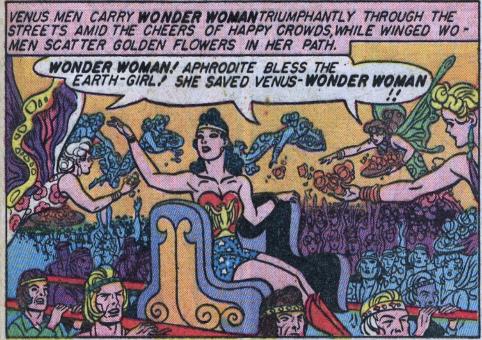


















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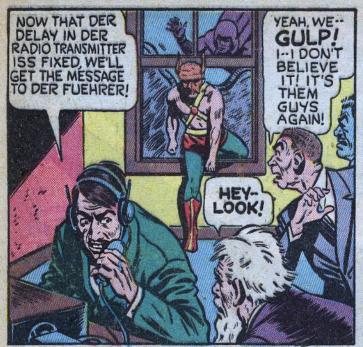












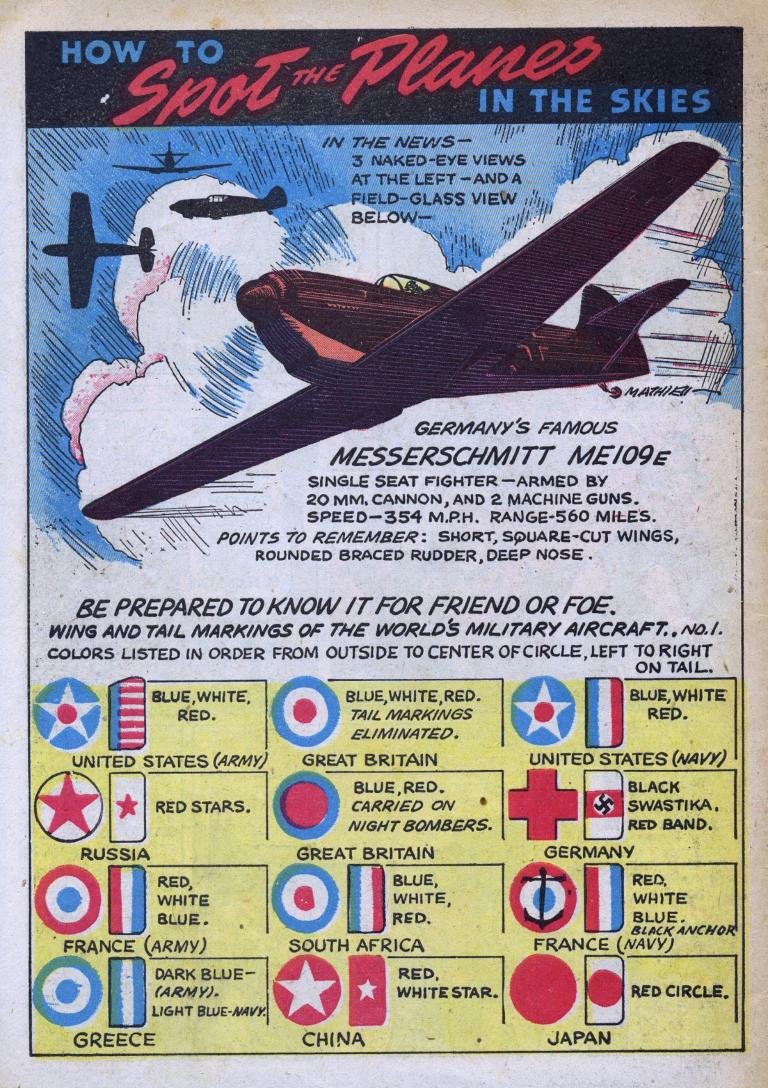














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