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# THE BLUE BEETLE



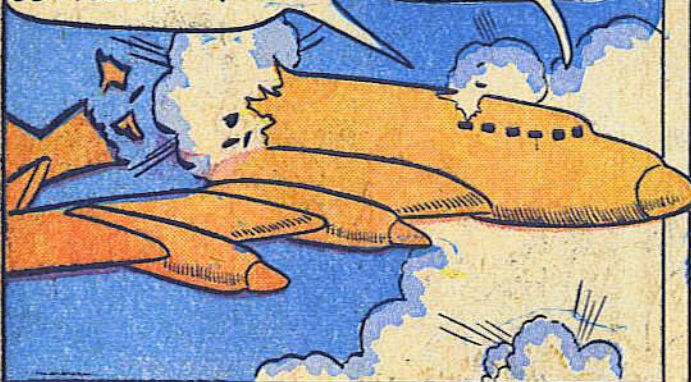
IT IS MOST STRANGE! IN THE GERMAN SURPRISE SUPER-BOMBER, DIRECTING THE DESTRUCTION OF BREMEN, IMPORTANT GERMAN CITY, IS DAN GARRETT, BETTER KNOWN AS BLUE BEETLE.

AS TOLD IN THE PREVIOUS BLUE BEETLE STORY, THIS SECRET SUPER-BOMBER WAS PRODUCED IN THE WUNDER PLANT, DEEP IN THE BLACK HEART OF NAZI-LAND. WITH IT, THE GERMANS HOPED TO WIPE OUT KEY U.S.A. CITIES.

BUT BLUE BEETLE, WORKING FOR THE F.B.I. AND U.S. MILITARY INTELLIGENCE, GOT CONTROL OF THE WUNDER PLANT, AFTER DANGEROUS ADVENTURES, AND RIGHT UNDER THE NOSE OF HIMMLER, HE SMUGGLED OUT THE SUPER-BOMBER, FLEW IT TO THE U.S.A. AND NOW, ON THE RETURN TRIP, HE IS GIVING THE NAZI GERMANS A SURPRISE TASTE OF THEIR OWN BITTER MEDICINE. IN PANIC, THE NAZIS CONCENTRATE ALL THEIR WEAPONS AGAINST BLUE BEETLE!



OH, DAN THE BLOOD IS  
POURING OUT OF YOUR  
CHEST! AT LAST THE  
NAZI FIRE GOT YOU AND  
SHOT AWAY TWO-THIRDS OF  
OUR FUSELAGE!



ORDER THE CREW TO  
BAIL OUT OVER FRANCE!  
THE NAZIS MUST NOT  
KNOW WHO OR WHAT  
STRUCK THEM!

BUT I'LL HAVE TO  
BAIL OUT OF THIS  
GERMAN SPOT BEFORE  
I BLEED TO DEATH!

OUR SECRET AUTO-  
MATIC PILOT OPER-  
ATING FROM AN  
UNDAMAGED SPOT  
SHOULD BRING THE  
SUPER-BOMBER  
BACK TO THE U.S.A  
EVEN WITHOUT A  
CREW!



LYNCH THAT WOUNDED  
AMERICAN PILOT!



WHY, I'M FRITZ VON  
STRAFF, GESTAPO  
OFFICER, WHO WAS  
KIDNAPPED IN THAT  
DISAPPEARING BOMB-  
ER!

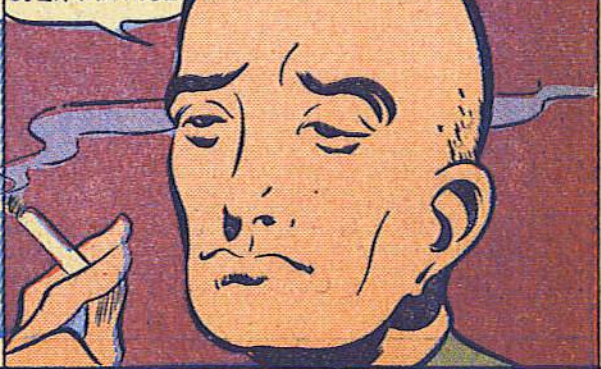
THEN, FORGIVE US, MOST HONORED  
SIR, WE WILL CARRY YOU TO THE  
GREAT BARON VON X AT  
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MY SPIES IN AMERICA TIPPED  
ME OFF, GARRETT THAT YOU  
WERE COMING. PLAY BALL WITH  
ME AND I WON'T  
SQUEAL



I'M READY TO THROW OVER HITLER AND  
HIMMLER BECAUSE THEY ARE SLIPPING. WHEN  
YOU AMERICANS LICK GERMANY, I WANT YOU TO  
MAKE ME RULER,  
THE WAY HITLER  
PUT PETAIN IN  
OVER FRANCE.



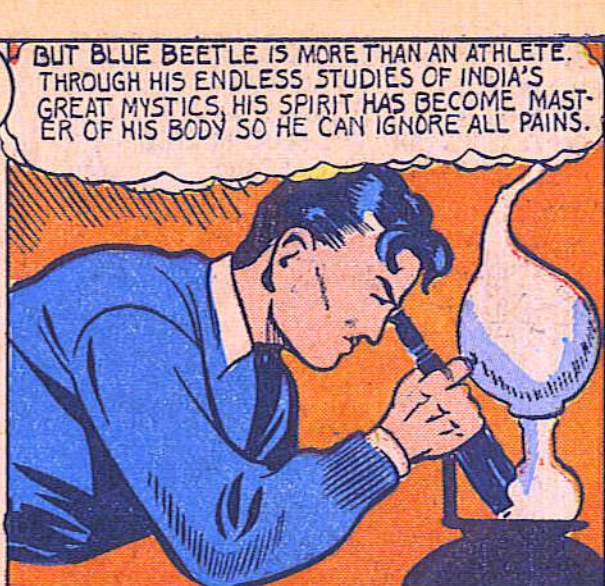








FIRST OF ALL, BLUE BEETLE, THROUGH THE MOST INTENSE TRAINING, HAS BECOME THE WORLD'S GREATEST ALL-AROUND ATHLETE, SINCE JIM THORPE.



BUT BLUE BEETLE IS MORE THAN AN ATHLETE. THROUGH HIS ENDLESS STUDIES OF INDIA'S GREAT MYSTICS, HIS SPIRIT HAS BECOME MASTER OF HIS BODY SO HE CAN IGNORE ALL PAINS.



BLUE BEETLE'S GREAT SPIRITUAL STRENGTH IS A GREAT DANGER TO US BECAUSE HE IS ALWAYS READY TO FIGHT ON THE SIDE OF JUSTICE AND KINDNESS. THINGS WE NAZIS DESPISE.



BLUE BEETLE HAS FOUND, AMONG THE MUSTY RECORDS OF THE MIDDLE AGES, THE LOST SECRET OF FORGING THE LIGHTEST AND STRONGEST ARMOR WORN BY THE GREAT KNIGHTS OF 900 YEARS AGO. HIS COSTUME IS MADE OF THIS ARMOR.

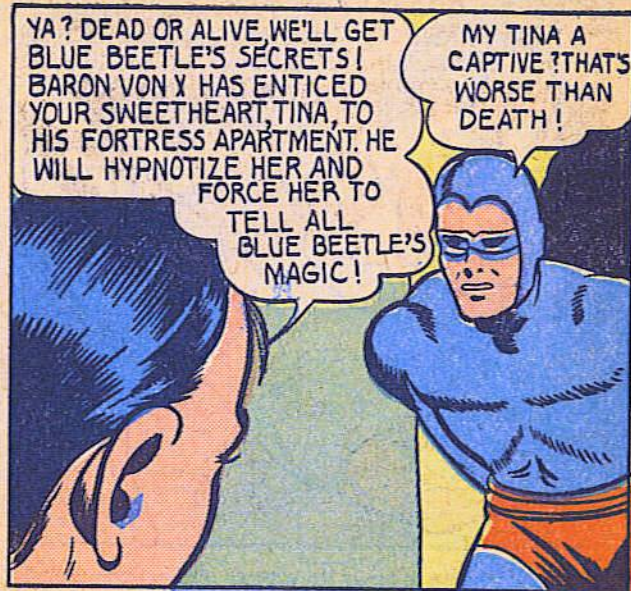


NOT ONLY IS DAN GARRETT, IN HIS ARMORED COSTUME, SAFE FROM RIFLE FIRE, BUT AT TIMES THAT COSTUME IS ABLE TO EMIT DEATH RAYS!



AS SOON AS WE LEARN ALL OF BLUE BEETLE'S SECRETS, WE WILL BE ABLE TO TURN OUR GESTAPO AGENTS INTO BLUE BEETLES. AND THEY WILL AT LAST CONQUER THE WORLD FOR GERMANY!







BLUE BEETLE SWERVES SUDDENLY AS HE SENSES A BOOBY TRAP AHEAD! BUT INTO IT RUN HIS PURSUERS! THEY ARE BLOWN TO BITS BY THE RESULTING EXPLOSION-DAN ESCAPES!



LATER AS DAN SEARCHES BERLIN FOR TINA, HE WALKS INTO SHEP--THE DOG THAT SAVED HIS LIFE NEAR THE WUNDER PLANT TUNNEL.



SHEP, PAL, TAKE A WHIFF OF TINA'S HANDKERCHIEF AND PLEASE PICK UP HER TRAIL! I'LL FOLLOW YOU!



SUDDENLY SHEP STOPS IN FRONT OF A HUGE OLD STONE BUILDING.....

WHAT A MYSTERIOUS PLACE! STEEL BARS OVER EVERY WINDOWS-- ARMED GUARDS EVERYWHERE!



KEEP AWAY! THE GREAT BARON VON X IS INSIDE!

SHEP, DON'T JUMP AT HIS THROAT THIS TIME-- I HAVE A MORE PRACTICAL IDEA. I'LL RETURN AS A HOUSE PAINTER.

LATER.....

CHIEF GUARD? HERR HIMMLER HAS ORDERED ME TO PAINT THE WINDOW SILLS OF THE BARON'S APARTMENT!

IN THAT CASE, MEIN HERR, I AM AT YOUR SERVICE!





IT WOULD BE EASIER TO BREAK IN OR OUT OF ALCATRAZ THAN INTO THE BARON'S BUILDING. AH, BUT THEY NEVER FIGURED ANYONE COULD GET IN THROUGH THE CHIMNEY!



HERE'S WHERE THIS HOUSE PAINTER BECOMES BLUE BEETLE, THEN A KIND OF SANTA CLAUS THE BARON WON'T LIKE!



BLUE BEETLE TURNS ALL BLACK AFTER SLIDING DOWN THE CHIMNEY INTO THE BARON'S APARTMENT.

MEIN GOTT! A BLACK BEETLE! HOW COULD ANYONE GET INTO THIS FORTRESS?!!



ACH HIMMEL! YOU'RE CHOAKING ME TO DEATH!

NOT TO DEATH BUT INTO A LONG FAINT-SO I CAN LOOK AROUND IN THE MEANTIME!



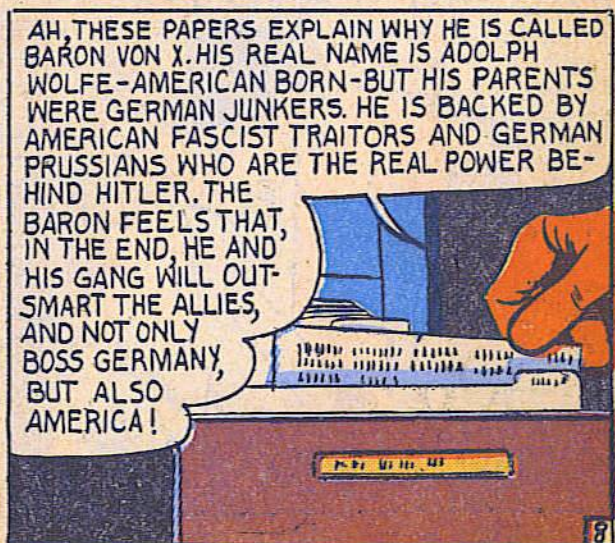
IN A NEARBY ROOM...

OH, DAN, IS IT POSSIBLE IT'S YOUR VOICE?

TINA DARLING, YOU SEEM DAZED. THE EVIL BARON HAD JUST STARTED TO HYPNOTIZE YOU! I'LL GET YOU OUT OF IT AND WE'LL LOOK AROUND.



AH, THESE PAPERS EXPLAIN WHY HE IS CALLED BARON VON X. HIS REAL NAME IS ADOLPH WOLFE-AMERICAN BORN-BUT HIS PARENTS WERE GERMAN JUNKERS. HE IS BACKED BY AMERICAN FASCIST TRAITORS AND GERMAN PRUSSIAN WHO ARE THE REAL POWER BEHIND HITLER. THE BARON FEELS THAT, IN THE END, HE AND HIS GANG WILL OUTSMART THE ALLIES, AND NOT ONLY BOSS GERMANY, BUT ALSO AMERICA!



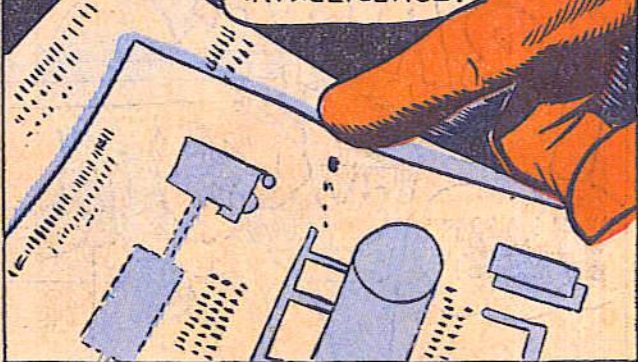


THE BARON IS SO DANGEROUS THAT I OUGHT TO KILL HIM, BUT AN AMERICAN CAN NOT KILL IN COLD BLOOD.



YOU ARE WONDERFUL, DAN, BUT I'M AFRAID YOUR ONLY WEAKNESS IS THAT YOU ARE TOO GOOD-NATURED!

I'LL BE ABLE TO CONTROL THE BARON IN GERMANY BECAUSE HERE'S A DOCUMENT PROVING THAT HE WAS READY TO OUST HITLER AND TAKE HIS PLACE. THE OTHER PAPERS REVEAL GERMAN WAR PLANS AND WILL GREATLY HELP U.S.A. MILITARY INTELLIGENCE!



LATER

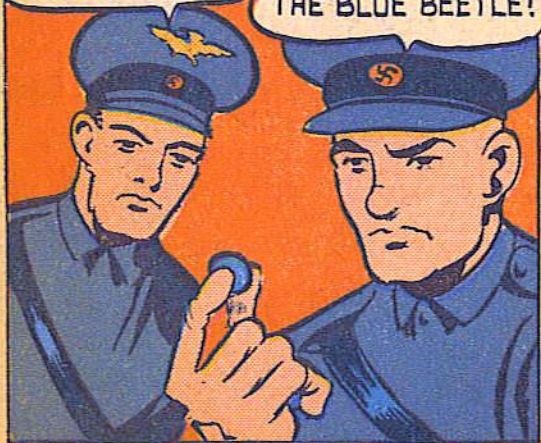


WELL, HERE'S ANOTHER SECRET SUPER-BOMBER MANUFACTURED IN GERMANY WE ARE BRINGING BACK TO UNCLE SAM. IT IS FILLED WITH MORE SECRET WEAPONS I GOT FROM THE WUNDER PLANT!

IT'S GRAND, DARLING, FLYING BACK TO BOSTON WITH YOU AGAIN. AND WHEN WE REACH THERE, I'LL BE HAPPY TO WORK WITH YOU ON OTHER EXCITING CASES.

IT SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE BARON'S ATTACKER TO HAVE GOTTEN IN. THE KEY IS STILL ON THE INSIDE LOCK OF THE STEEL DOOR AND NONE OF THE WINDOW'S STEEL BARS ARE BENT. ALL GUARDS WERE ON DUTY.

BLUE BEETLE IS EVERYWHERE AND WE CAN'T HOLD HIM ANYWHERE! HERE'S HIS BUTTON! NO WONDER HERR HITLER FEARS--- THE BLUE BEETLE!



HERE IS THE COVER OF THE NEXT BLUE BEETLE MAGAZINE.

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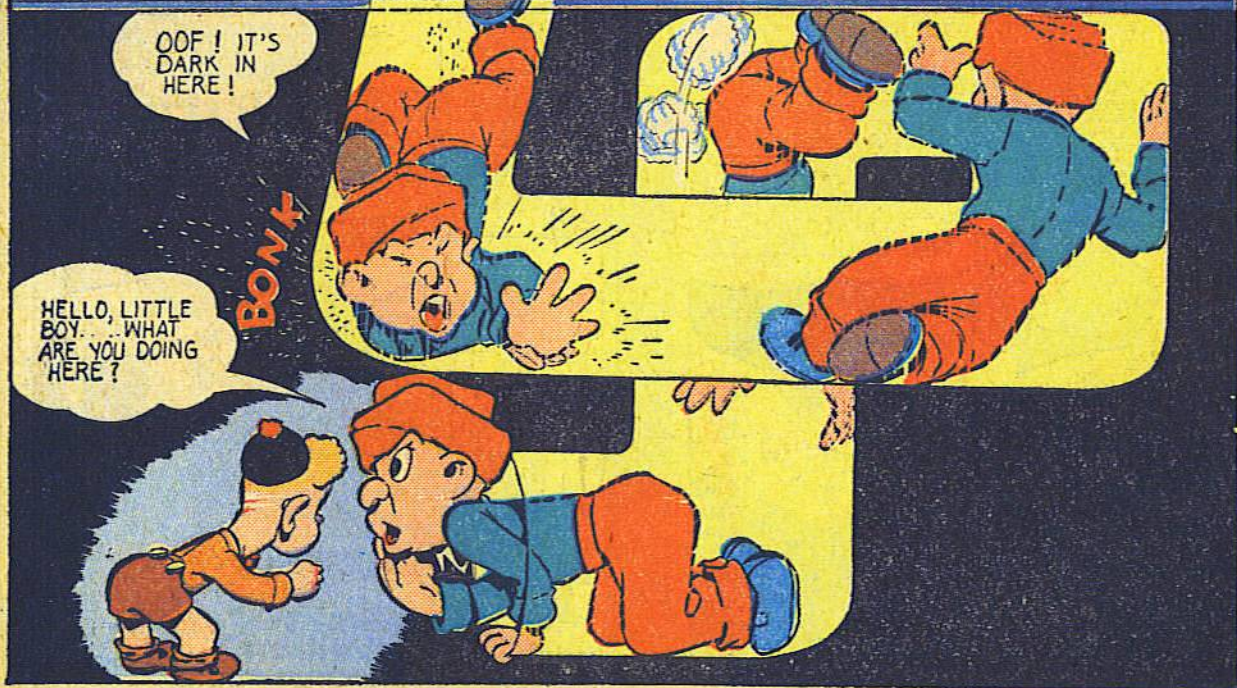
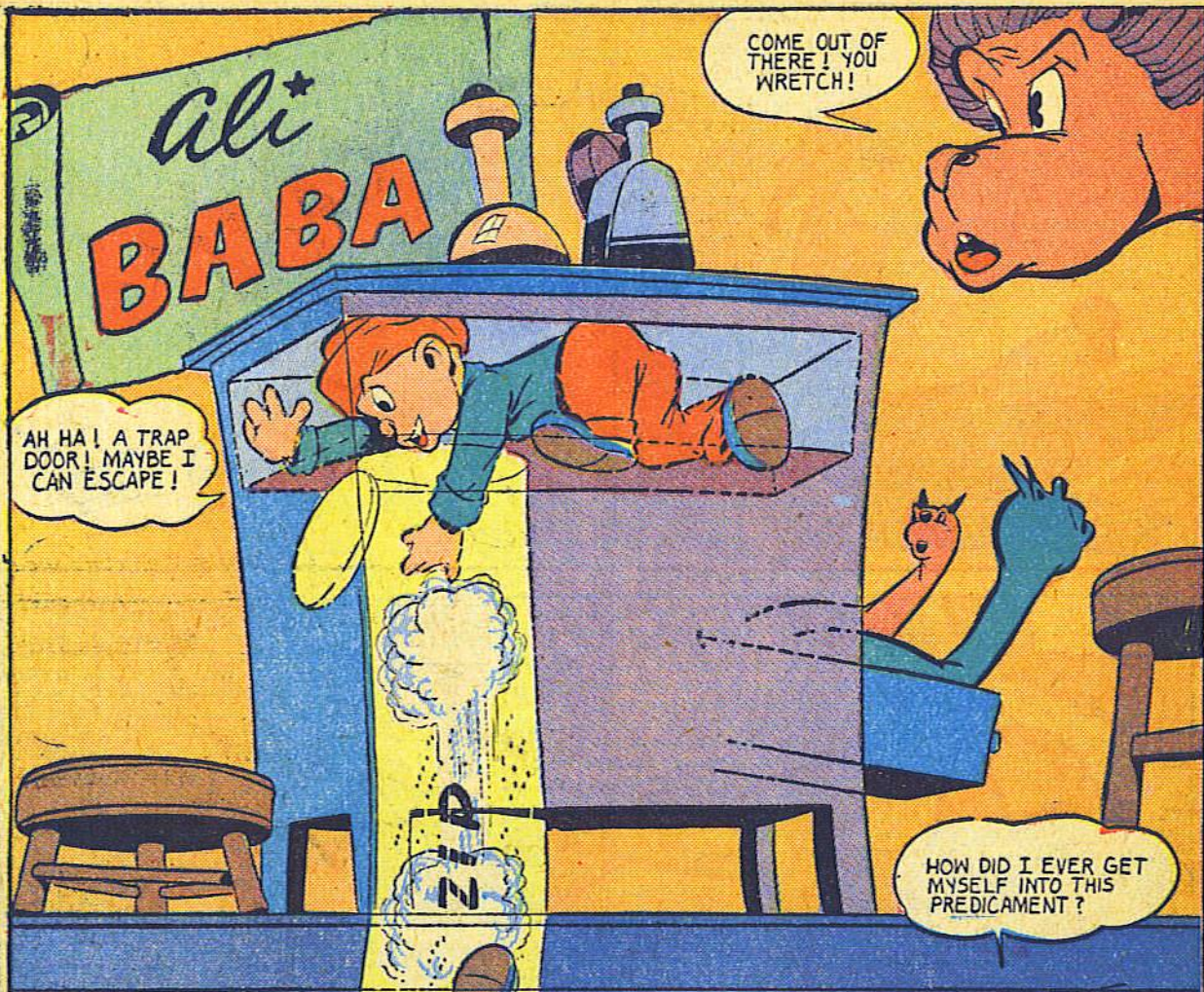
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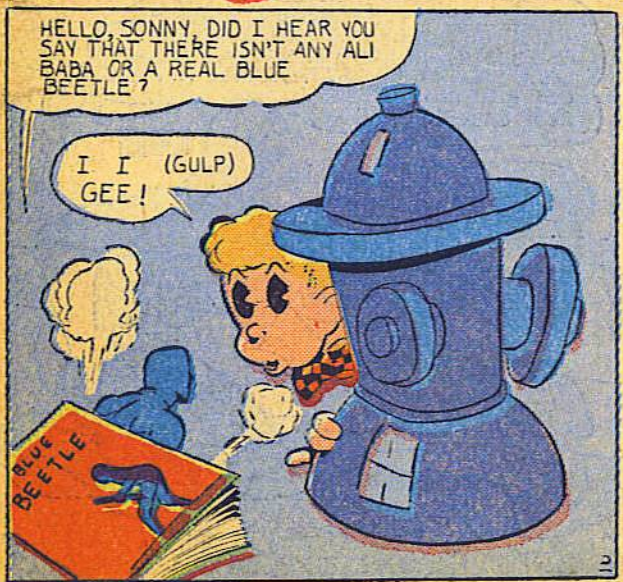
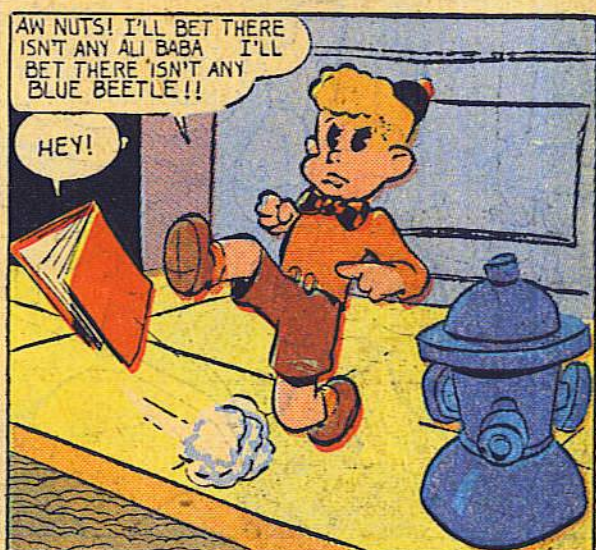
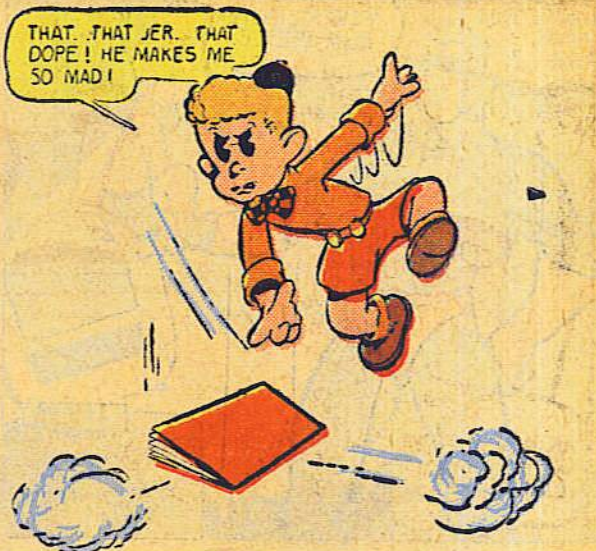
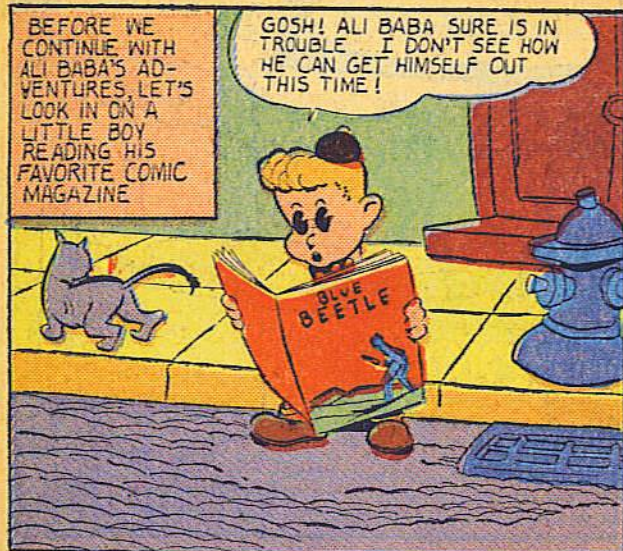


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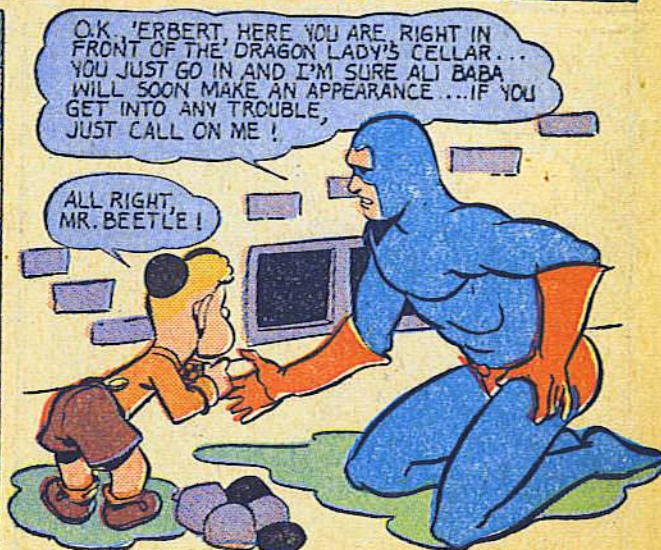
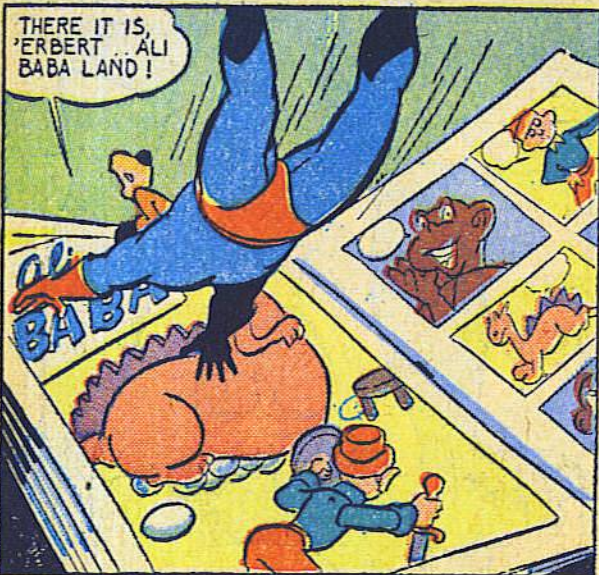
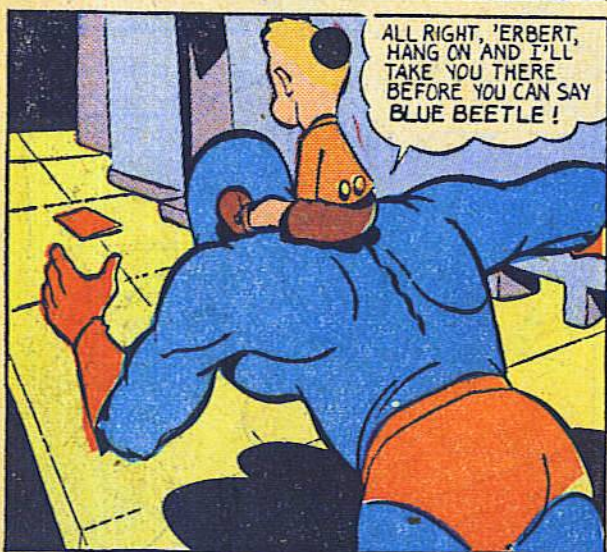














SURE ENOUGH 'ERBERT DIDN'T WAIT LONG BEFORE ALI BABA APPEARED

WHO ARE YOU, LITTLE BOY, AND WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

MY NAME'S 'ERBERT AND THE BLUE BEETLE SENT ME HERE TO GET YOU OUT OF THIS MESS

OH, DON'T BE SILLY, LITTLE BOY. I DON'T NEED ANY HELP. I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF!

GOSH!

WHY DOESN'T THE BLUE BEETLE STAY IN HIS OWN PART OF THE BOOK. THIS IS MY SECTION AND I I ULP

OOH, LOOK AT THE KITTY!

VIPES! IT'S ONE OF THOSE LITTLE MONSTERS. IT MUST HAVE FOLLOWED ME

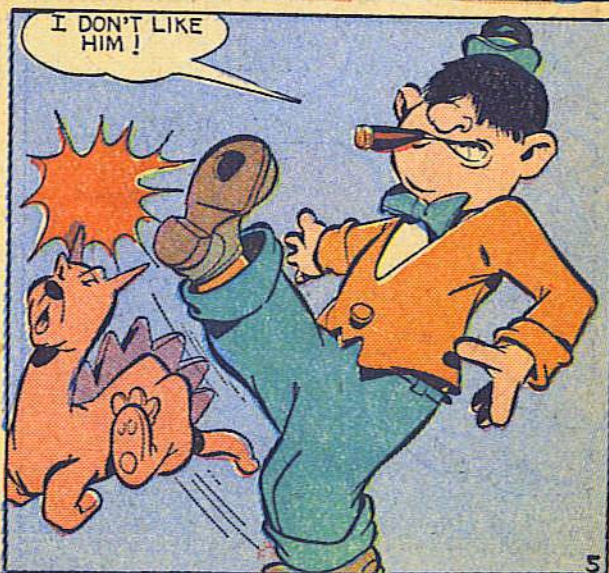
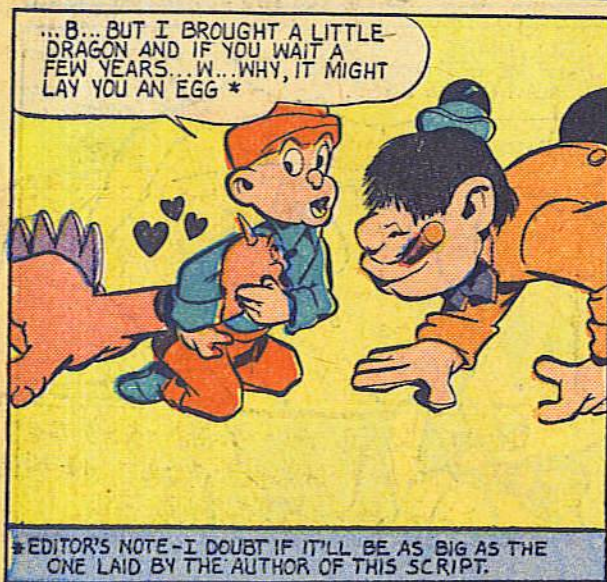
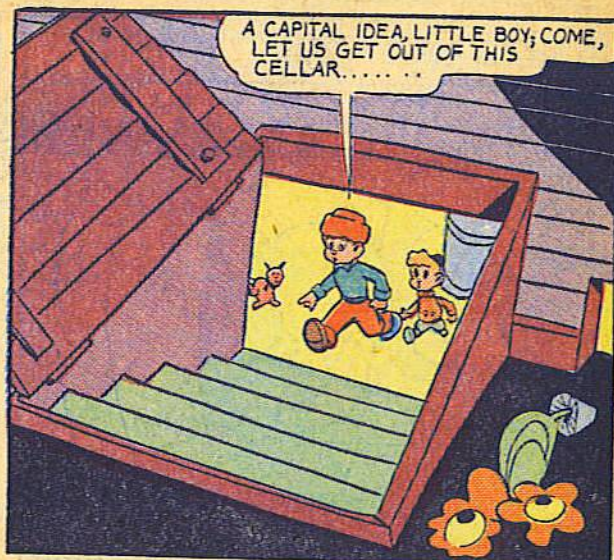
DON'T WORRY ABOUT HIM. HE WON'T HURT YOU.

HMMM PERHAPS YOU'RE RIGHT!

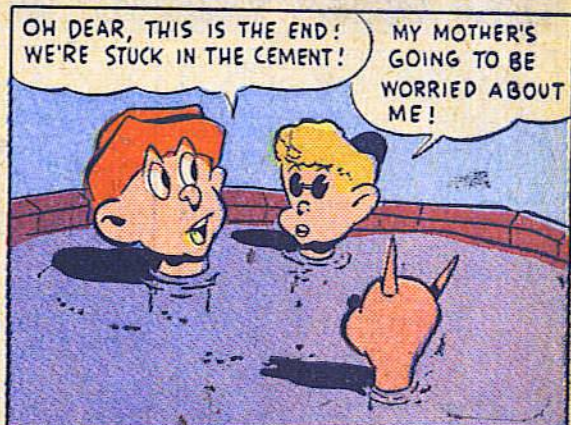
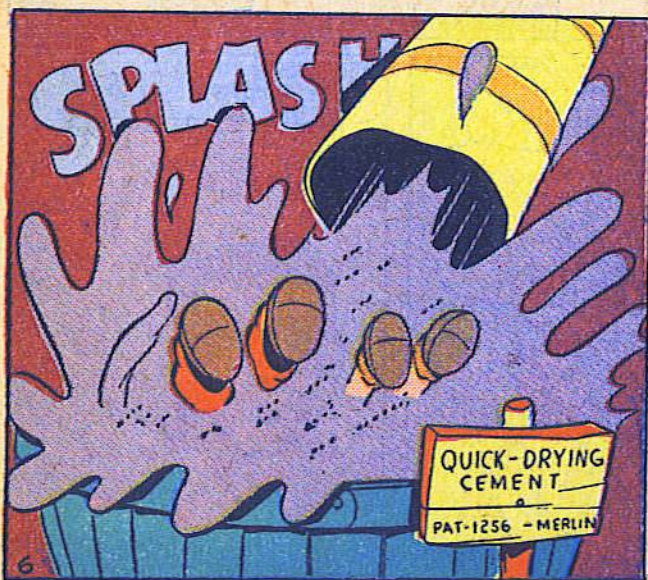
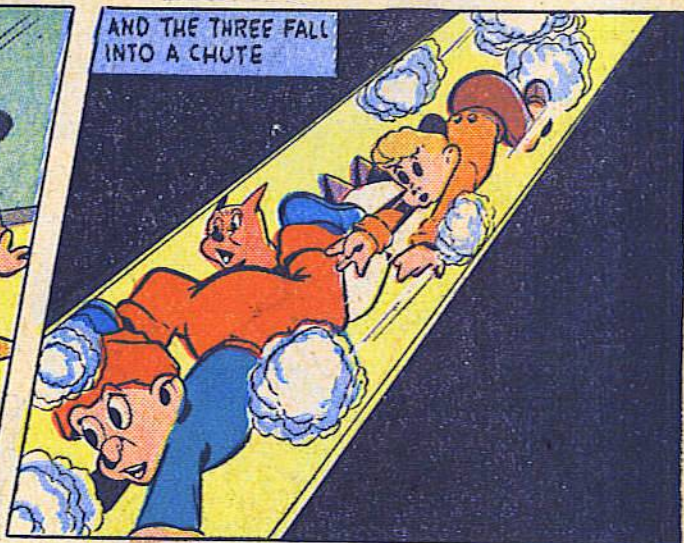
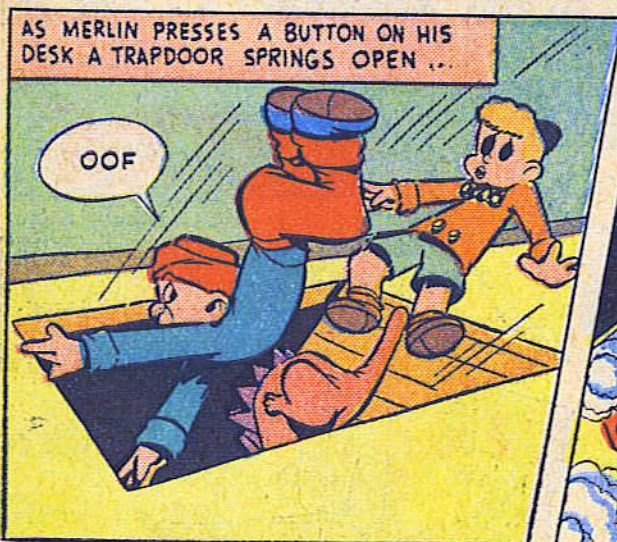
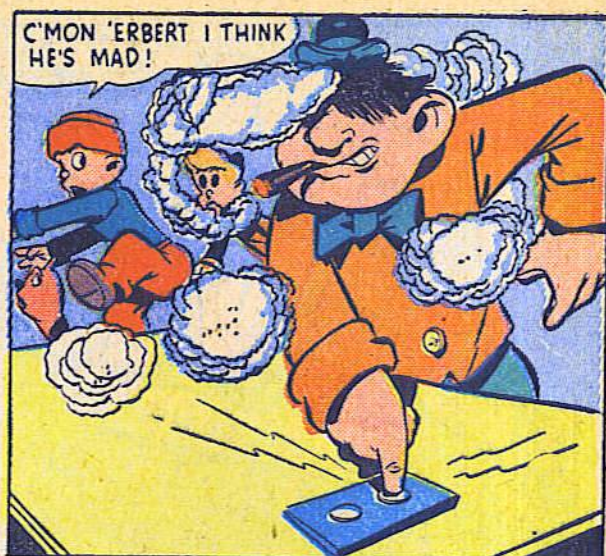
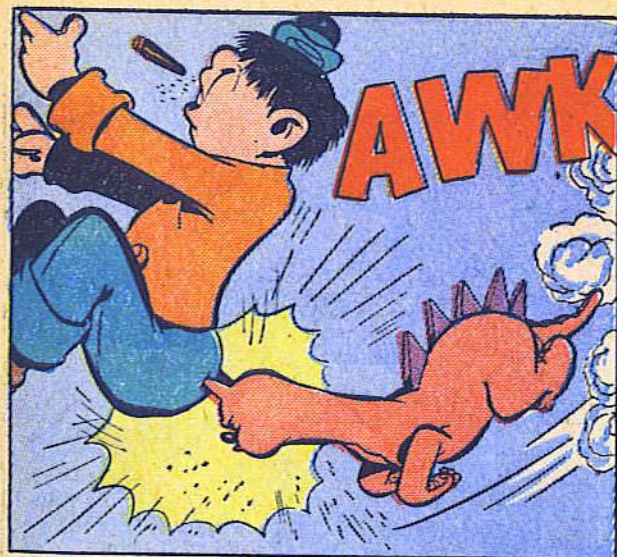
STILL, THAT'S NOT GOING TO HELP ME GET ONE OF THE DRAGON LADY'S EGGS.

YES, I KNOW.









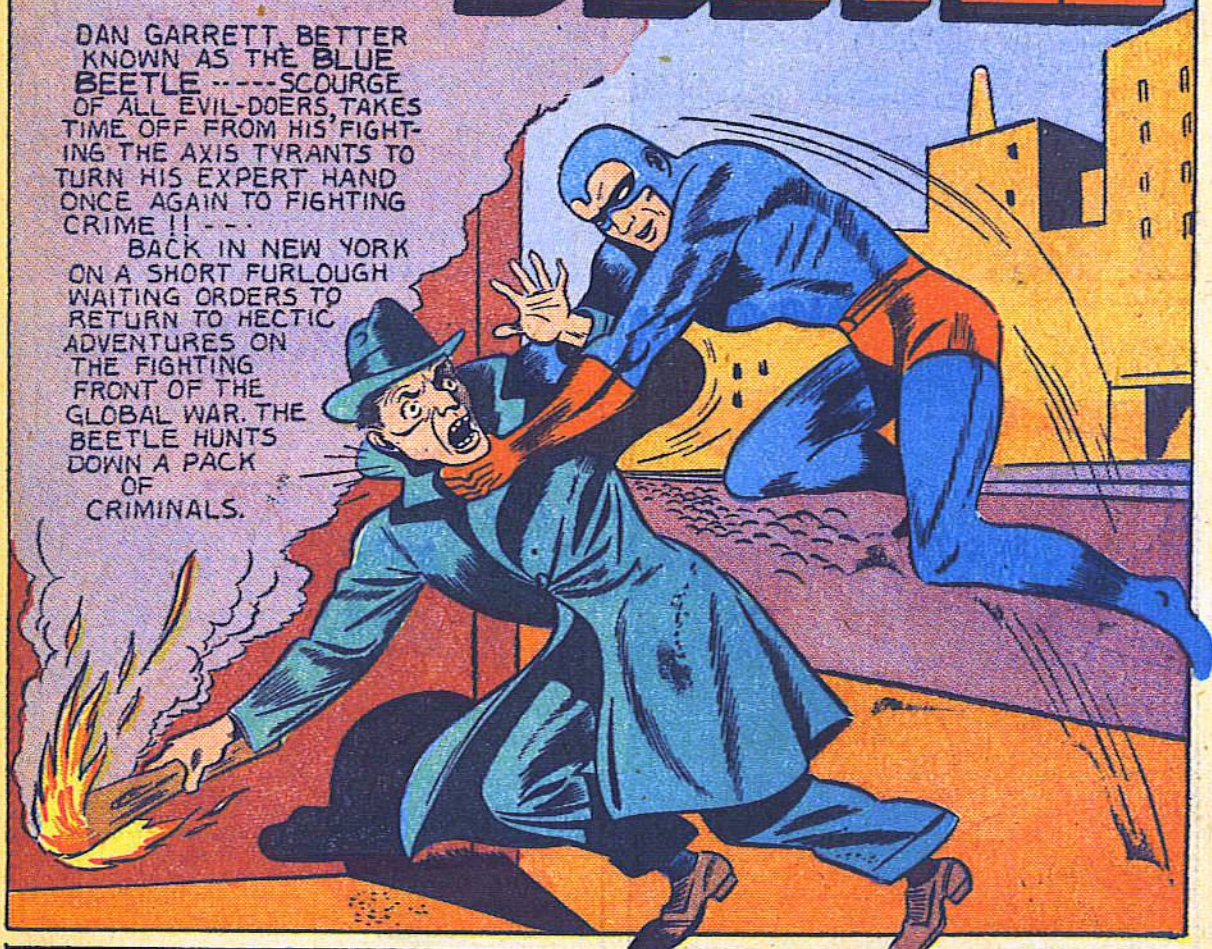
HOW DOES ALI BABA GET OUT OF THIS? READ NEXT MONTH'S BLUE BEETLE!



# BLUE BEETLE

DAN GARRETT BETTER KNOWN AS THE BLUE BEETLE ----- SCOURGE OF ALL EVIL-DOERS, TAKES TIME OFF FROM HIS FIGHTING THE AXIS TYRANTS TO TURN HIS EXPERT HAND ONCE AGAIN TO FIGHTING CRIME !!!

BACK IN NEW YORK ON A SHORT FURLOUGH WAITING ORDERS TO RETURN TO HECTIC ADVENTURES ON THE FIGHTING FRONT OF THE GLOBAL WAR. THE BEETLE HUNTS DOWN A PACK OF CRIMINALS.



DAN GARRETT ??  
YOU'RE AN  
ANSWER TO A  
POLICEMAN'S  
PRAYER !

OH! HELLO,  
SLADE!

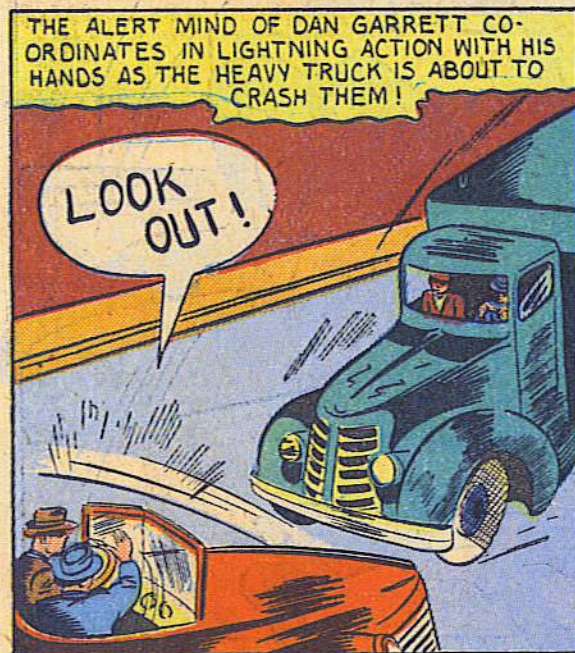
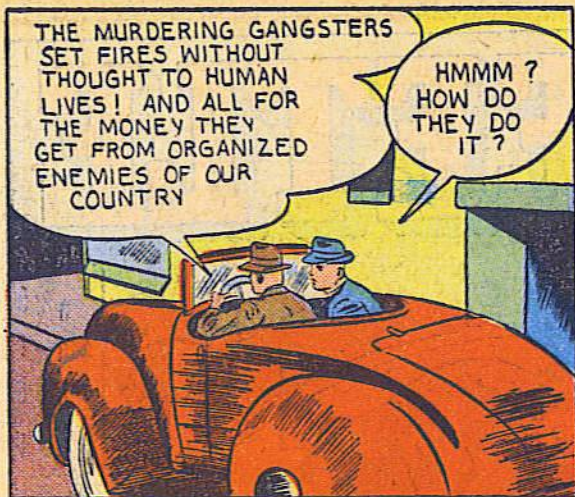


WHAT'S A  
NEW YORK  
POLICE  
INSPECTOR  
DOING  
WATCHING  
A FIRE ?

TRYING TO CATCH  
A BUNCH OF  
MURDERIN'  
FIREBUGS!









IT WAS AN  
ACCIDENT, I  
TELL YER!

I'M TAKING YOU BACK  
TO SEE ABOUT SLADE!  
MAKE UP YOUR MIND,  
RAT-- THAT YOU'RE  
GOING TO TALK!



THAT'S ONE OF  
THEM, ALL RIGHT!  
OUCH! GUESS MY  
FOOT'S BROKEN!

HE'S WRONG! I  
AIN'T DONE  
NOTHIN'... I...



LATER, AFTER VAINLY TRYING TO GET  
THE FRIGHTENED THUG TO TALK--

TAKE HIM  
DOWN TO  
HEADQUARTERS!  
THE "BOYS" WILL  
MAKE HIM SPILL  
WHERE HIS BOSS  
IS AND WHO  
HE IS!

O.K! I'LL SEE YOU  
AT THE HOSPITAL!



SLADE'S WRONG! THIS  
RAT WON'T TALK! BUT  
I CAN TRY A LITTLE  
TRICK THAT  
MAY LEAD  
ME TO HIS  
BOSS! HERE  
GOES!



OOPS!

I FAKE A  
STUMBLE  
AND  
FALL!

AH, THE RAT TOOK  
THE BAIT! NOW TO  
CHANGE! HE'LL BE  
LOOKING FOR DAN  
GARRETT TO CHASE  
HIM!

THE BEETLE'S  
RUSE WORKS  
AND THE  
PURSUIT ENDS.

WHAT A  
BREAK!  
THIS IS  
MY CHANCE  
TO BEAT  
IT!



THERE  
HE GOES INTO  
THE LOFT BUILD-  
ING! NOW WE'LL  
SEE!







HAVE TO WAIT TILL THOSE  
OTHER PEOPLE GO AWAY  
AND THEN TRY TO  
LISTEN!



WITHIN THE LOFT AS THE  
BLUE BEETLE LISTENS ---

YOW! I  
TELL YA  
I WASN'T  
TRAILED! I  
KEPT WATCHIN'  
FOR DAT GUY  
WHO COLLARED  
ME!

THIS  
CHANGES  
OUR  
PLANS--

FREIGHT ELEVATOR



HURRY AND GET THE  
REST OF THE STUFF OUT  
AND BRING IN THE EMPTY  
CASES! WE'LL FIRE  
THIS JOINT AND  
BEAT IT!

ELITE  
IMPOR

WOW!  
SO THAT'S  
HOW THEY  
WORK!



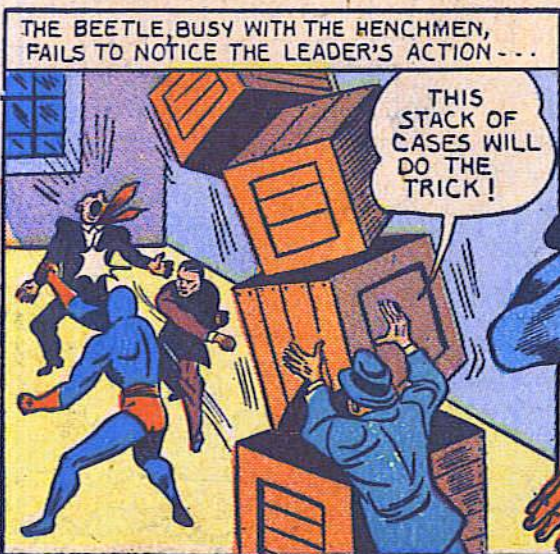
YOU MURDERING RATS! SO YOU'RE  
GOING TO START A FIRE? AND THE  
BUILDING FULL OF  
PEOPLE!

WHAT TH...?  
THE BLUE  
BEETLE!



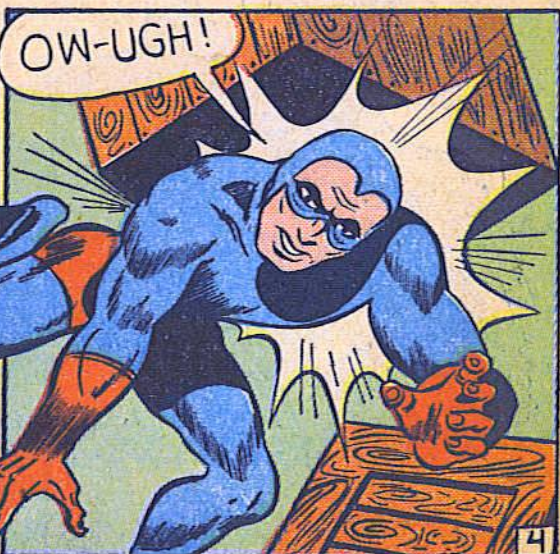
UGH!

I'M GOING TO GRIND YOU  
THUGS TO A PULP!  
AND YOU IN  
PARTICULAR!



THE BEETLE, BUSY WITH THE HENCHMEN,  
FAILS TO NOTICE THE LEADER'S ACTION ---

THIS  
STACK OF  
CASES WILL  
DO THE  
TRICK!



OW-UGH!





HA-HA! SO YOU CAME TO FIND OUT HOW WE WORK OUR LITTLE TRICK EH? O.K.! I'LL SHOW YOU!



THAT TIME MECHANISM WILL SET OFF THAT 'WHIRLER' ONE MINUTE AFTER WE LEAVE! LIQUID THERMITE WILL BE SPRAYED ALL OVER THE ROOM AND THIS PLACE WILL BE A BLAZING HELL!



THE FIRE WON'T DESTROY THAT CONTRAPTION! IT WILL BE FOUND BY THE FIREMAN!

WRONG, BEETLE! HA-HA! YOU WON'T BE ALIVE TO FIND OUT HOW WE MANAGE NOT TO LEAVE A CLUE!



AND I WOULDN'T DEPEND ON THAT SPRINKLER SYSTEM, I MADE SURE THAT IT WON'T WORK! HA-HA!



ONE MINUTE HE SAID! I MUST STOP THAT CONTRAPTION! UH-UH! IF I COULD ONLY GET A GRIP ON THE FLOOR WITH MY FEET!



PRECIOUS SECONDS LATER..

NO USE! (GROAN) ALL THOSE INNOCENT PEOPLE IN THE BUILDING MUST BE SAVED! HEY! WAIT! I'VE GOT IT!



HOPE IT WORKS! IF I CAN SWING HARD ENOUGH TO HOOK MY LEGS OVER THAT PIPE?



AH, MADE IT! THAT GIVES ME  
ENOUGH SLACK IN THE ROPES TO  
WORK ON THEM! BETTER HURRY,  
ONLY SECONDS LEFT!



EVEN AS THE BLUE BEETLE SUCCEEDS IN  
FREEING HIMSELF, THE LETHAL FIRE  
SPREADING MECHANISM IS SET OFF!



THIS ALARM WILL ROUSE  
THE PEOPLE IN THE  
BUILDING BEFORE THAT  
FIRE CAN SPREAD!



THANKS TO THE BLUE BEETLE'S WARNING,  
OCCUPANTS OF BUILDING FLEE TO SAFETY  
SECONDS MORE AND  
WE'D ALL BE  
TRAPPED!



HA-HA! HERE  
THEY COME! NOW  
TO GET THAT  
'WHIRLER'!



THIS WHIRLER CONTRAPTION  
WILL PROVE HOW THESE RATS  
START THEIR FIRES  
HEY! WHAT TH-?





THE BEETLE QUICKLY HIDES AS THE  
FIGURE HEADS STRAIGHT FOR THE WHIRLER--

HEY! THAT GUY  
IS NO FIREMAN!  
HE KNEW EXACTLY  
WHERE THAT  
THING WAS!



WITH THE EVIDENCE  
REMOVED, THE POLICE  
WILL NEVER  
KNOW--  
WH--!

THAT'S  
WHAT  
YOU  
THINK!



YOU! THE  
BLUE BEETLE!  
AND ALIVE

VERY MUCH  
SO! AS YOU  
RATS SHALL  
LEARN!

WHAM



THOUGHT SO! THIS MUG  
IS THE LEADER OF  
THOSE MURDERING  
FIREBUGS!

UGH!



FIRST I'LL TAKE  
THIS --- OOPS!

NOT  
SO  
FAST!

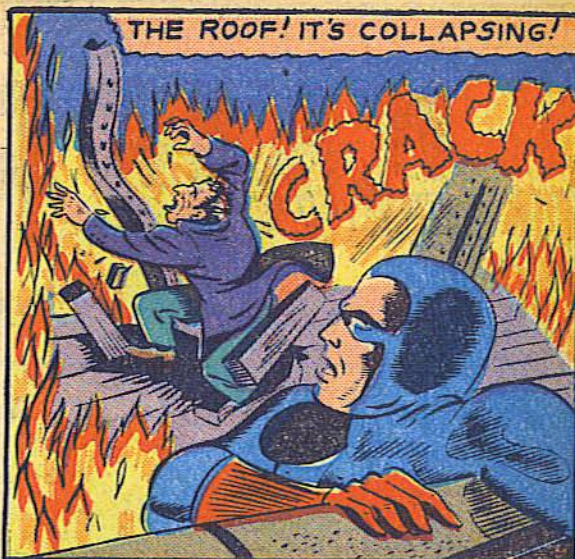
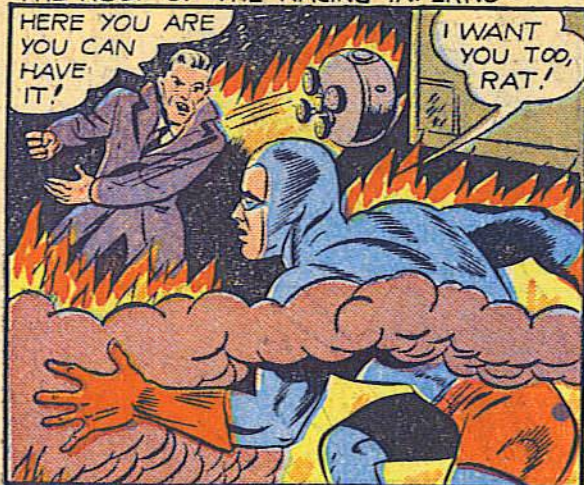


GOOD THING HE ONLY  
GRAZED MY CHIN!  
HE'S NOT GETTING  
AWAY FROM ME!





THE TERRIFIED LEADER, WITH THE FAST CLOSING BEETLE IN PURSUIT, FLEES TO THE ROOF OF THE RAGING INFERNO..



WITH A DEAFENING ROAR OF CRASHING, FLAMING TIMBERS, THE ROOF COLLAPSES, PLUNGING THE LEADER TO HIS DOOM!



JUST AS THE BUILDING COLLAPSES IN A FIERY SHOWER OF FLAMING EMBERS, THE BLUE BEETLE FLASHES DOWN INTO THE WAITING NET!

LATER, THAT SAME DAY AT THE HOSPITAL! PRETTY SLICK CONTRAPTION, DAN!



YEP, SLADE! AND SO WAS THAT LEADER'S SCHEME OF DRESSING AS A FIRE-MAN, WALKING RIGHT THROUGH YOUR POLICE LINES WITH THE EVIDENCE UNDER HIS RUBBER COAT!

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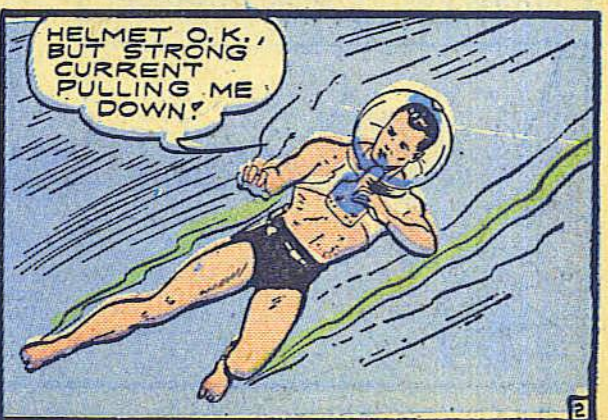
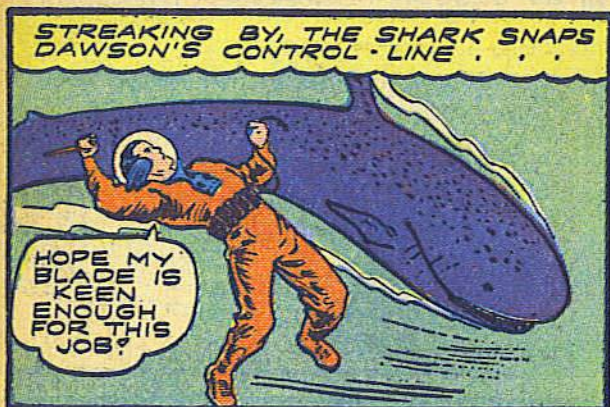
# DEEP SEA DAWSON

1000 FATHOMS  
UNDER THE SEA!

BY  
GORDON  
FISHER





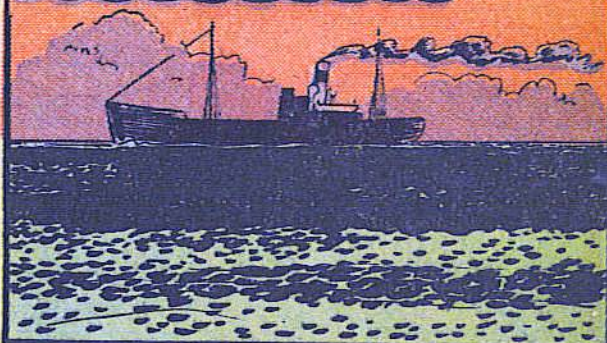




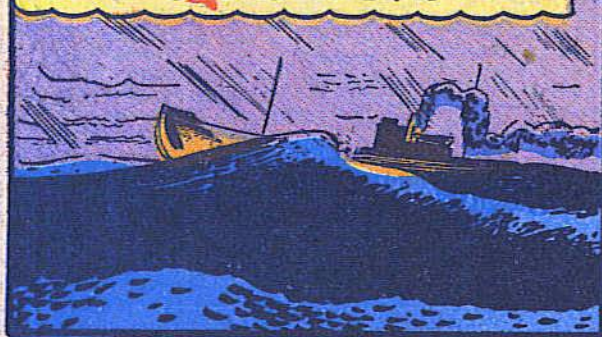
DAWSON? DAWSON?  
WHY DON'T YOU  
ANSWER? WHAT'S  
THE MATTER?  
COME IN,  
DAWSON?



HOURLY AFTER HOURLY THEY  
SEARCH, BUT IN VAIN



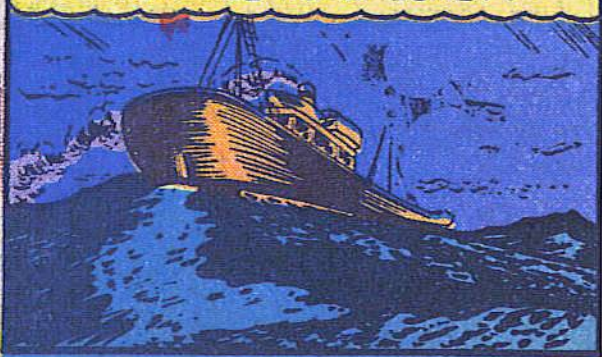
A STORM SWEEPS THE OCEAN,  
CHURNING THE SEA INTO A  
BLACK BOILING INFERNO . .



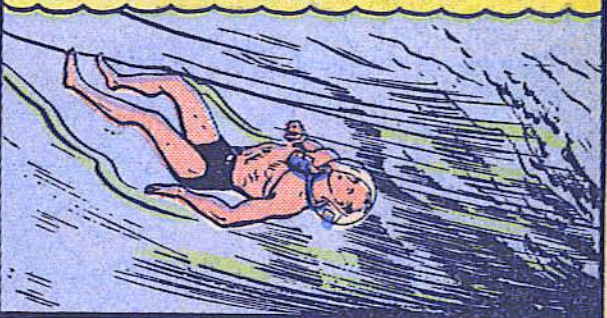
HE COULDN'T POSSIBLY  
SURVIVE THESE SEAS?



RELUCTANTLY, THE SHIP RETURNS  
TO PORT, ALL HOPE GONE . .



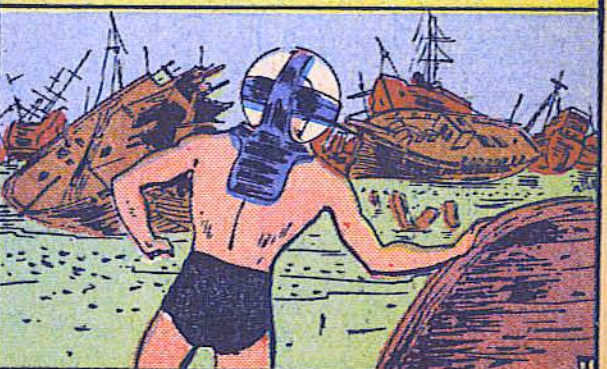
MEANWHILE, DAWSON, HIS RADIO  
OUT OF ORDER, IS SWEEPED DOWN  
WITH TREMENDOUS SPEED INTO  
A HUGE CAVERN . .



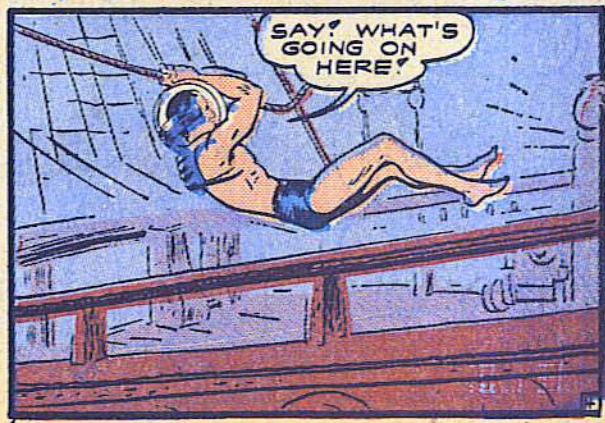
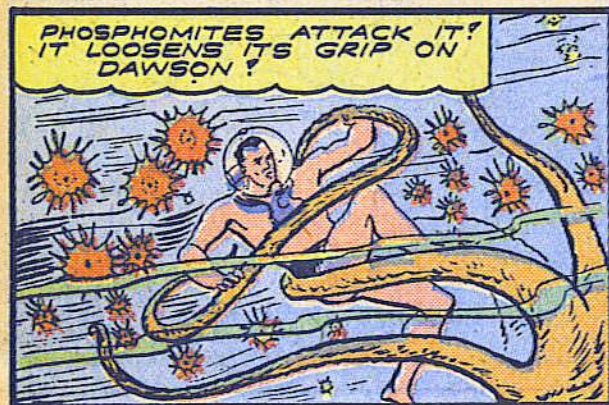
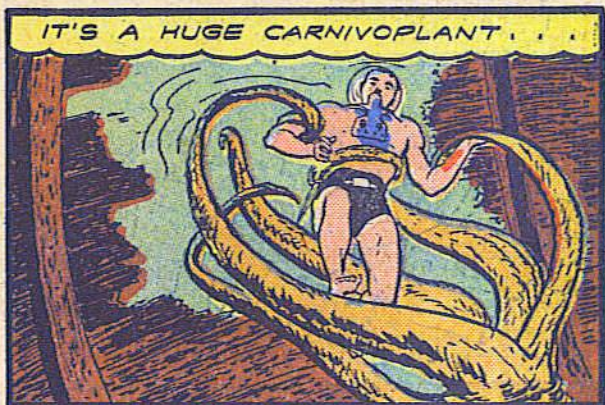
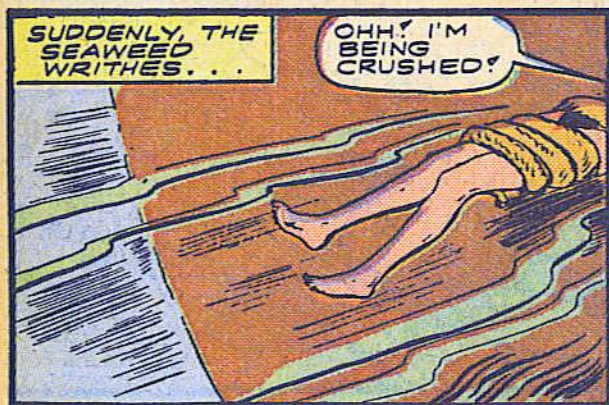
..AND OUT INTO A STRANGE  
WORLD . . .



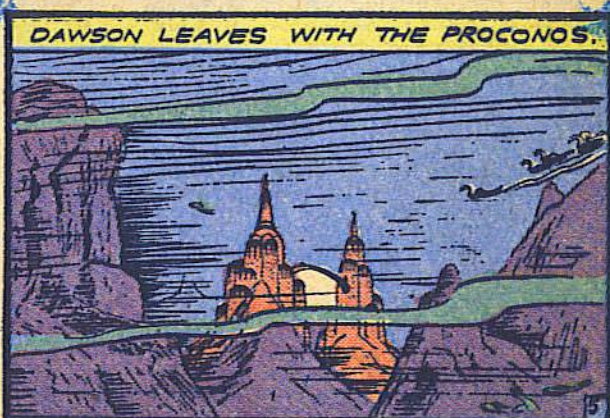
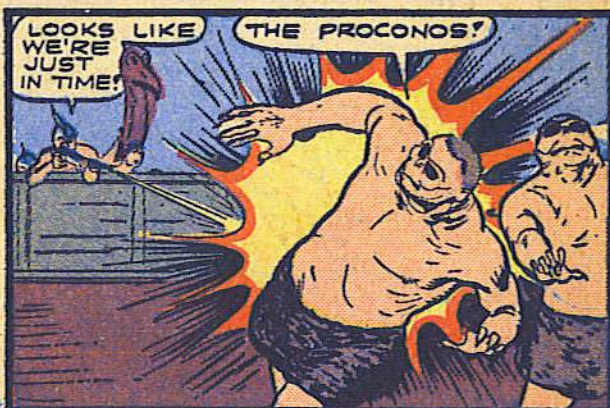
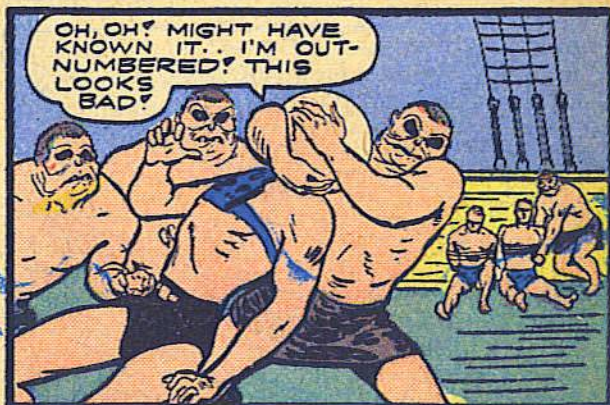
..THE GRAVEYARD OF LOST SHIPS?













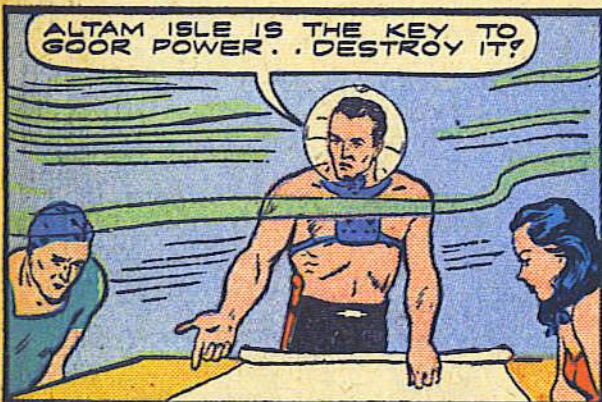
THE COUNCIL DEBATES  
PROTECTION AGAINST  
THE GOORS.



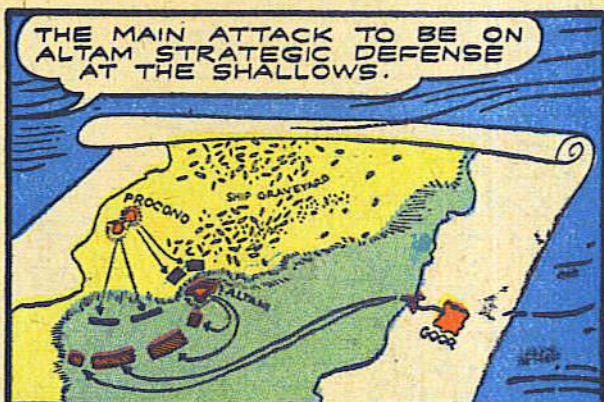
THE GOORS ARE  
COMING BY WAY  
OF THE  
SHALLOWS?



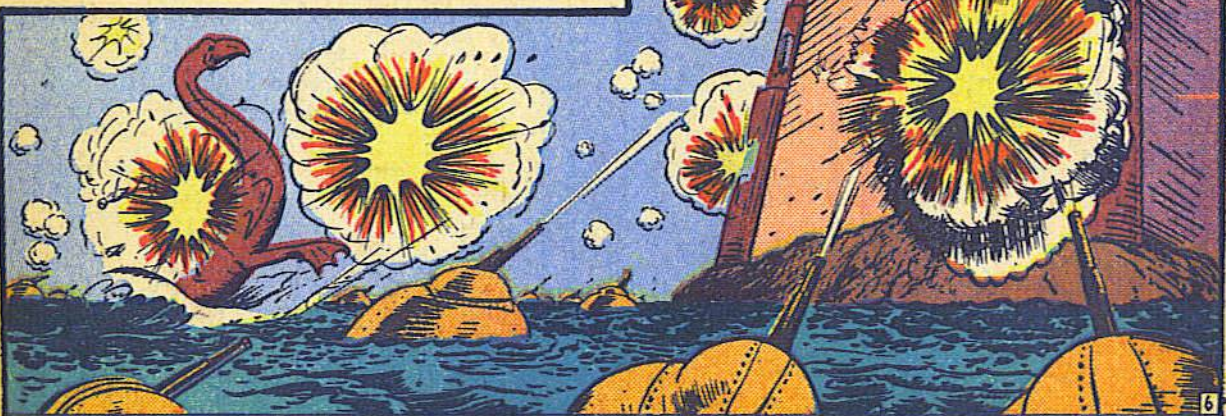
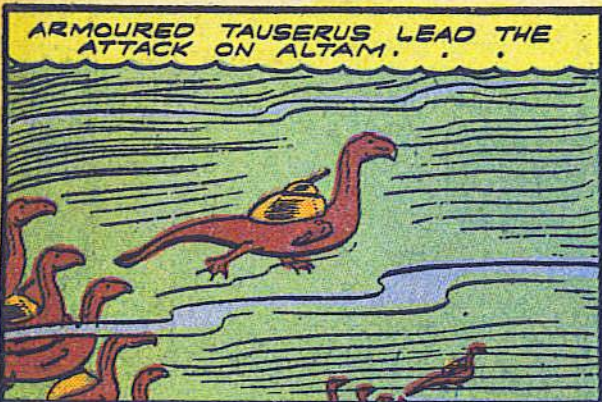
ALTAM ISLE IS THE KEY TO  
GOOR POWER. . . DESTROY IT?



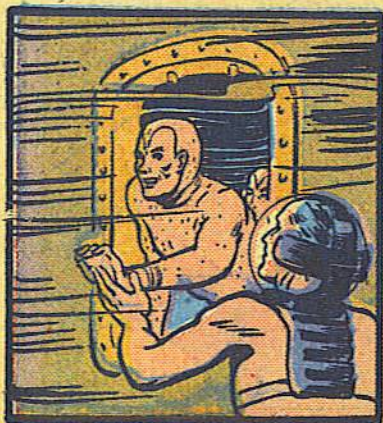
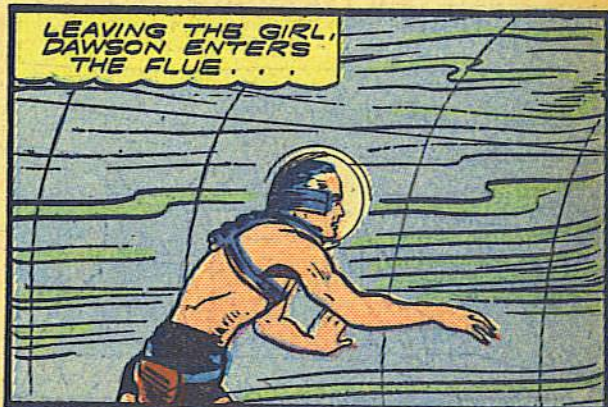
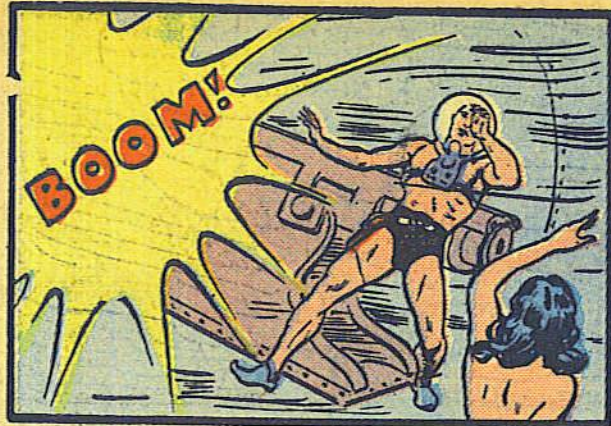
THE MAIN ATTACK TO BE ON  
ALTAM STRATEGIC DEFENSE  
AT THE SHALLOWS.



ARMOURD TAUSERUS LEAD THE  
ATTACK ON ALTAM.







ONE OF THE  
FREED  
SLAVES  
LEADS  
DAWSON  
TO THE  
MUNITIONS  
ROOM.  
HE SETS  
A TIME  
FUSE...





