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BE EXTREMELY
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YOU BELIEVE THAT
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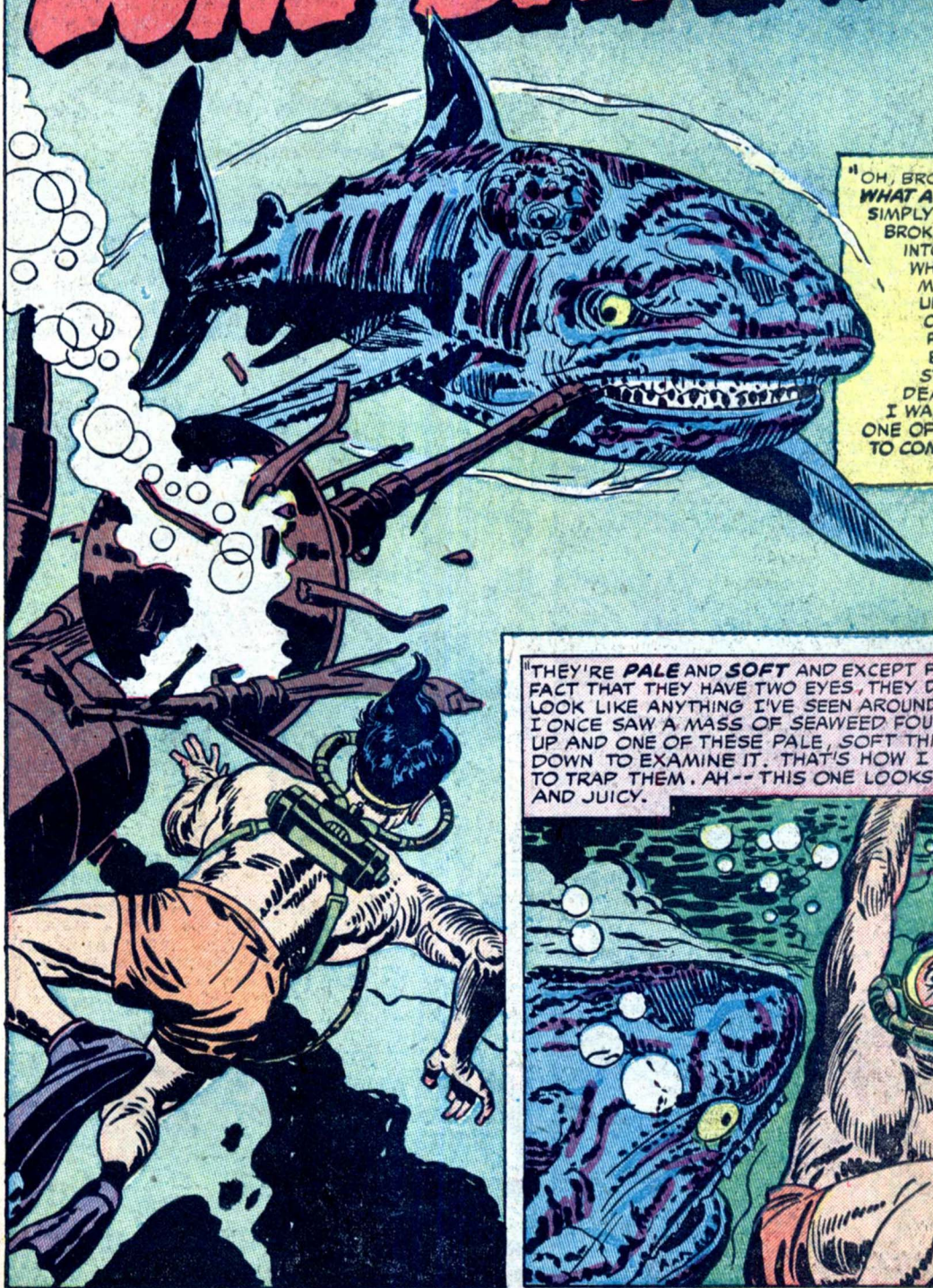
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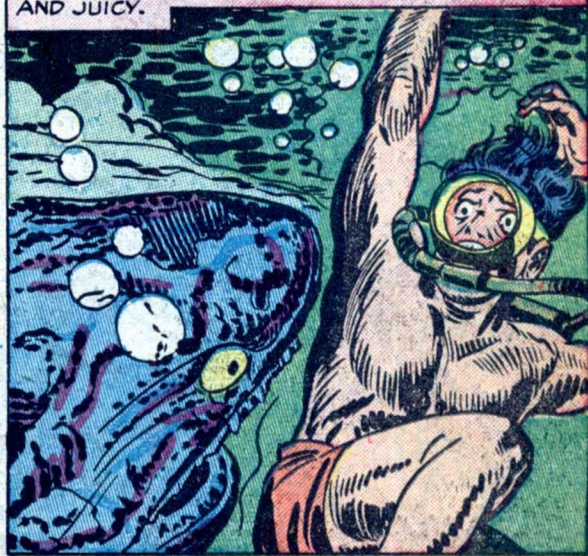
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LONE SHARK



"OH, BROTHER!
WHAT A GIMMICK!
SIMPLY RAM A
BROKEN SPAR
INTO THE
WHIRLING
METAL
UNDER ONE
OF THOSE
FLOATING
BOXES AND
STOP THEM
DEAD! THEN
I WAIT---FOR
ONE OF THEM
TO COME DOWN!

"THEY'RE PALE AND SOFT AND EXCEPT FOR THE
FACT THAT THEY HAVE TWO EYES, THEY DON'T
LOOK LIKE ANYTHING I'VE SEEN AROUND HERE.
I ONCE SAW A MASS OF SEAWEED FOUL THEM
UP AND ONE OF THESE PALE, SOFT THINGS CAME
DOWN TO EXAMINE IT. THAT'S HOW I LEARNED
TO TRAP THEM. AH-- THIS ONE LOOKS GOOD
AND JUICY.



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'BOY, THESE PALE, SOFT THINGS SURE TASTE GOOD... BETTER THAN ANYTHING I CAN CATCH DOWN HERE.' 'COURSE, PARTS OF THEM ARE HARD TO DIGEST.' BUT, I'D BE DOWNRIGHT GREEDY TO QUIBBLE ABOUT A LITTLE THING LIKE THAT...



'OOOH, THERE GOES THAT PAIN AGAIN! SOMETIMES, I FEEL LIKE IT'S GOING TO TAKE THE TOP OF MY HEAD OFF! I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY I GET THESE HEADACHES! NOTHING SEEMS TO BOTHER THE OTHERS WHO LIVE AROUND HERE.' GOSH, IT HURTS! IT DRIVES ME WILD!



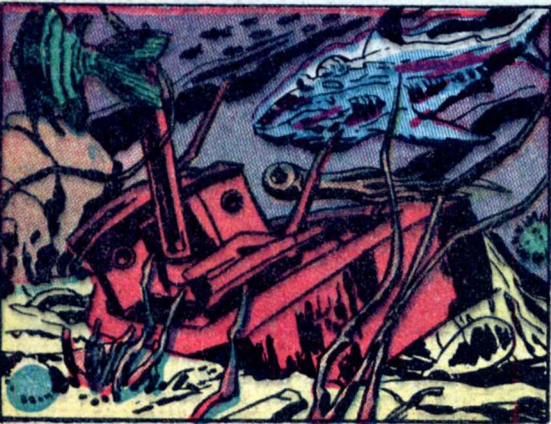
'WHEW! IT'S GONE! COMES AND GOES... JUST LIKE THAT! BUT I'M OKAY NOW! FACT IS, MY MIND IS CLEAR AS A BELL AFTER ONE OF THESE ATTACKS. CAN'T FIGURE IT OUT... NO MATTER HOW I TRY! OH-OH! HERE COMES ONE OF THOSE LITTLE SMART ALECKS.'



'A SWEET, LITTLE RACKET THEY'VE GOT! WITH THAT GISMO ON THEIR HEADS, THEY CAN STICK TO YOU LIKE GLUE AND FREE LOAD ON YOU WITHOUT DOING A STITCH OF WORK! THE OTHERS OF MY KIND DON'T SEEM TO CARE! BUT, I'M NO EASY MARK FOR THESE CHISELLERS! ...I'LL JUST GIVE THIS RUNT THE BUM'S RUSH!'



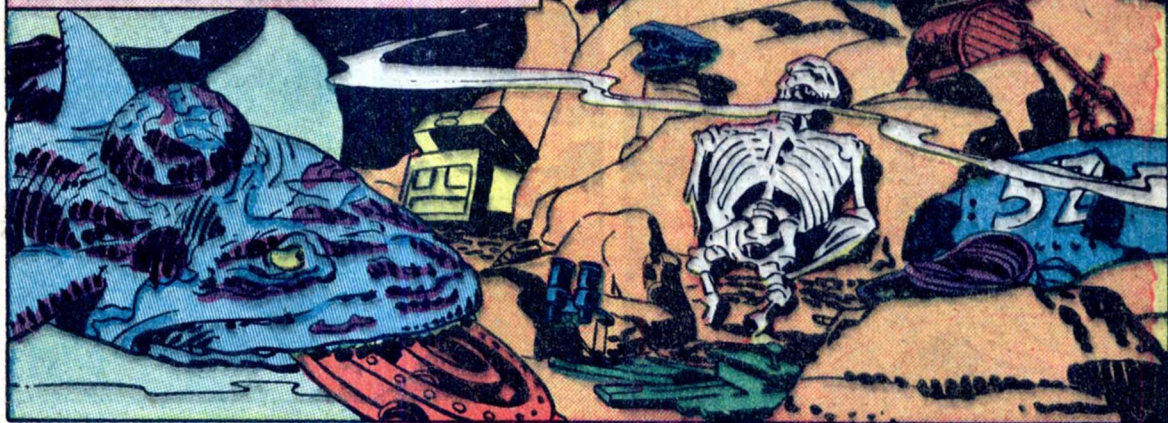
'WHAT A WORLD! NOBODY HERE SEEMS TO HAVE A THOUGHT IN HIS HEAD EXCEPT TO EAT, FIGHT AND RUN FOR COVER! THERE MUST BE MORE TO LIVING THAN JUST THAT! I SEE SO MANY THINGS THAT MAKE ME CURIOUS.'



'NOW, TAKE THESE WOODEN CONTRAPTIONS THAT I OCCASIONALLY FIND! ONE TIME I SAW ONE DRIFT DOWN FROM ABOVE! AND IT WAS PACKED WITH THOSE PALE, SOFT THINGS I'VE LEARNED TO TRAP! I POKE AROUND AND FIND ALL SORTS OF MEANINGLESS STUFF IN THESE BOXES! FOR SOME REASON, I FIND THEM INTERESTING.'



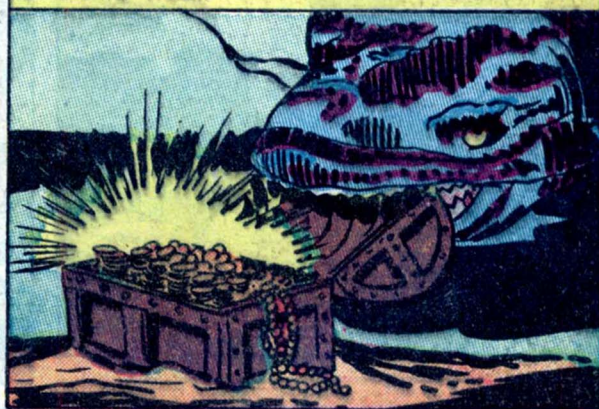
"I TAKE THESE THINGS TO A CAVE AND ARRANGE THEM SO I CAN LOOK AT THEM WITHOUT BEING DISTURBED BY THOSE BLUNDERING **MORONS** AROUND HERE! THEY'D NEVER APPRECIATE THIS! BUT, SOMEHOW, I GET A BANG OUT OF BUILDING THE COLLECTION..."



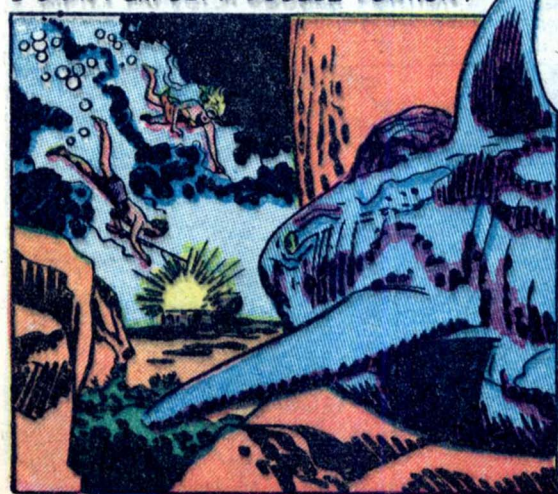
"I'M GETTING HUNGRY AGAIN! CAN'T HELP THAT, I GUESS! I'M A PRETTY BIG FELLOW WITH A BIG APPETITE! I THINK I'LL BAG ME ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE PALE SOFT THINGS. I JUST **CAN'T** GET ENOUGH OF THEM!"



"THERE IT IS... THE AREA WHERE THE LIGHT IS STRONG FROM ABOVE! NOW, I'LL DRAG OUT THIS BOX I FOUND AND I'LL OPEN IT UP... SO THE LIGHT CAN STRIKE THE PILE OF ROUND BITS OF **YELLOW METAL**! THIS SEEMS TO ATTRACT THE PALE SOFT THINGS! I FOUND THIS OUT BY ACCIDENT ONCE! AND IT NEVER FAILS TO WORK!"



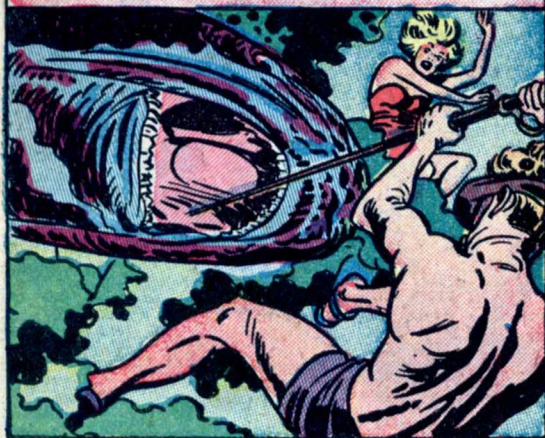
"YEP! HERE COMES ONE NOW! WELL, HE BROUGHT A **FRIEND** ALONG! THAT'S NICE! I DIDN'T EXPECT A DOUBLE PORTION!"



"I'LL LET THEM PLAY WITH THE METAL A BIT, BEFORE I COME UP BEHIND THEM! NOW! I RUSH THEM... CUT THEM OFF... AND... **WOW! WHAT'S THIS?**"



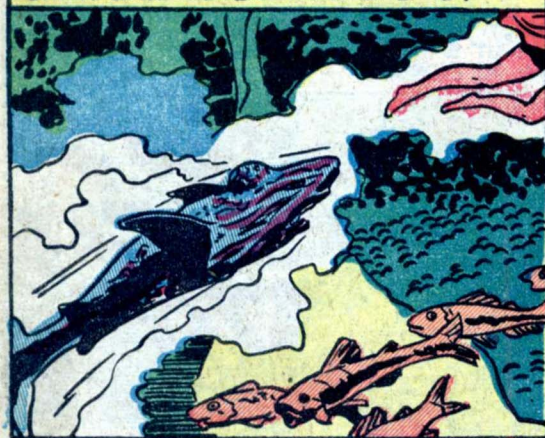
'A PALE, SOFT 'SHE'! IT CAN BE NOTHING ELSE! I'VE ALWAYS FIGURED THEY EXISTED BUT, I'VE NEVER SEEN ONE UNTIL NOW! WHAT GRACE AND COLOR! I WON'T EAT HER! I'LL ADD HER TO MY COLLECTION... AS SOON AS I'VE FINISHED WITH THE MALE!



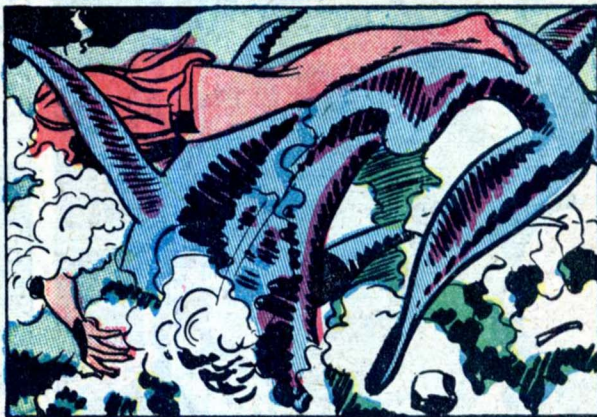
'OW! THAT CHARACTER CARRIED A STINGER! LUCKY, I SAW IT BEFORE HE JABBED AT ME! IF I HADN'T TWISTED IN TIME, I'D HAVE GOTTEN IT IN A VITAL SPOT INSTEAD OF A FLIPPER! WELL, HE NEVER GOT ANOTHER SHOT AT ME, I CAN TELL YOU THAT! WHERE'D THAT FEMALE GO TO?'



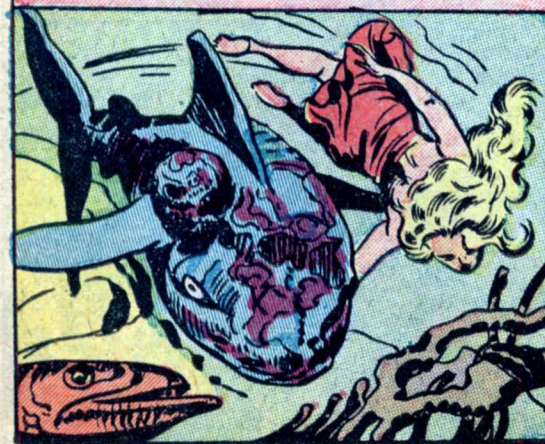
'SHE'S HEADING UP...UP TO THE GREEN ROOF...IF SHE GOES BEYOND IT, SHE'LL DISAPPEAR! BUT, SHE WON'T GET AWAY! I'M FAST... FASTER THAN SHE IS!'



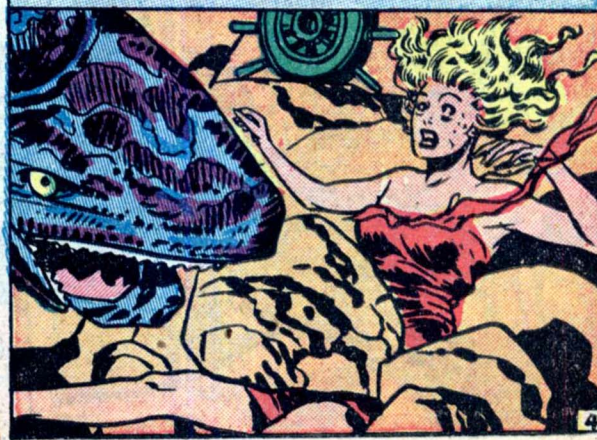
'GOT HER! BOY, THESE PALE, SOFT THINGS PUT UP ONE HECK OF A BATTLE FOR THEIR PUNY SIZE AND STRENGTH! THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THE WAY THEY LOOK AT ME WHEN I NAIL THEM THAT OFTEN MAKES ME WONDER... IF THEY'RE ABLE TO THINK... LIKE ME, I MEAN! THEY'RE CERTAINLY DIFFERENT THAN THE OTHERS AROUND HERE!'



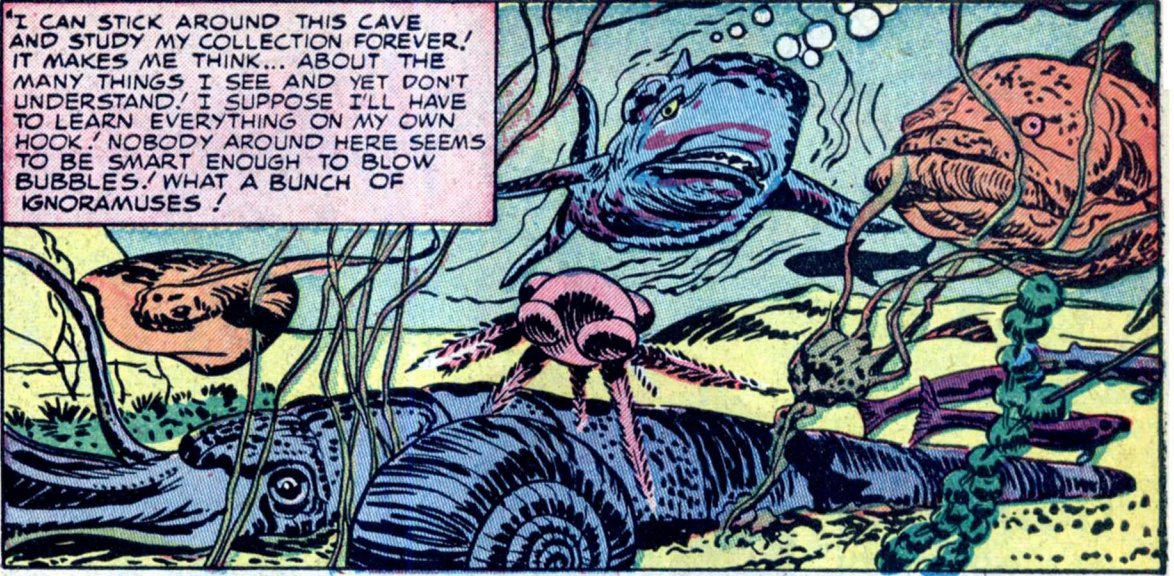
'WELL, ANYWAY THEY DON'T LAST AS LONG! FOR SOME REASON THEY CAN'T LIVE DOWN HERE! LIKE THIS ONE! SHE'S GONE LIMP ALREADY! NO LIFE IN HER! TOO BAD! OH, WELL! SHE'D NEVER HAVE UNDERSTOOD THAT I WASN'T GOING TO HURT HER!'



'THERE! NOW, THAT I'VE PLACED HER IN MY COLLECTION, SHE SURE BRIGHTENS UP THE WHOLE WORKS! I HAD TO PLACE STONES ON HER TO KEEP HER FROM DRIFTING OFF, BUT IT DOESN'T SPOIL THE EFFECT TO ANY GREAT DEGREE!'



"I CAN STICK AROUND THIS CAVE AND STUDY MY COLLECTION FOREVER! IT MAKES ME THINK... ABOUT THE MANY THINGS I SEE AND YET DON'T UNDERSTAND! I SUPPOSE I'LL HAVE TO LEARN EVERYTHING ON MY OWN HOOK! NOBODY AROUND HERE SEEMS TO BE SMART ENOUGH TO BLOW BUBBLES! WHAT A BUNCH OF IGNORAMUSES!

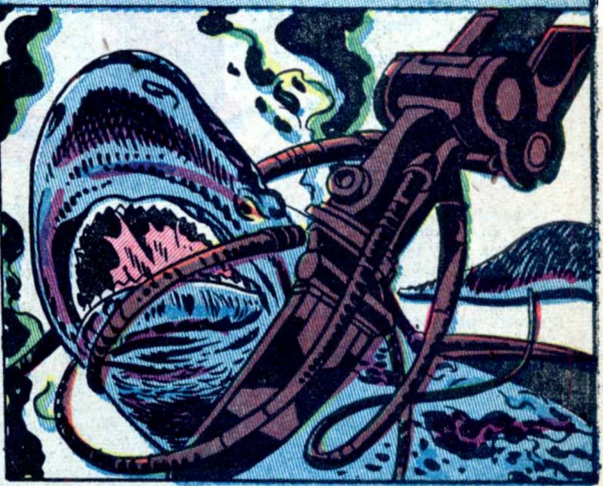


"WHAT'S ABOVE THE GREEN ROOF? I'VE
POKED MY NOSE THROUGH IT A FEW
TIMES AND I CAN'T FOR THE LIFE OF ME,
SEE HOW THE PALE SOFT THINGS CAN
LIVE IN THAT BLINDING LIGHT AND KEEP
FROM GAGGING UP THERE. /HEY/ THERE'S
SOMETHING COMING DOWN FROM THE
GREEN ROOF NOW."



OW! OWOWOWOWOWOWOWOW!

IT'S GOT ME./OW...IT'S DRAGGING ME UP
THERE./IT HURTS./I CAN'T SHAKE IT LOOSE./



"(COUGH!)(GASP!) I'VE BEEN LIFTED ABOVE THE GREEN ROOF! I'M ALMOST BLINDED... I CAN HARDLY BREATHE... (COUGH!)(GASP!)(GAAA SSSPP!)"



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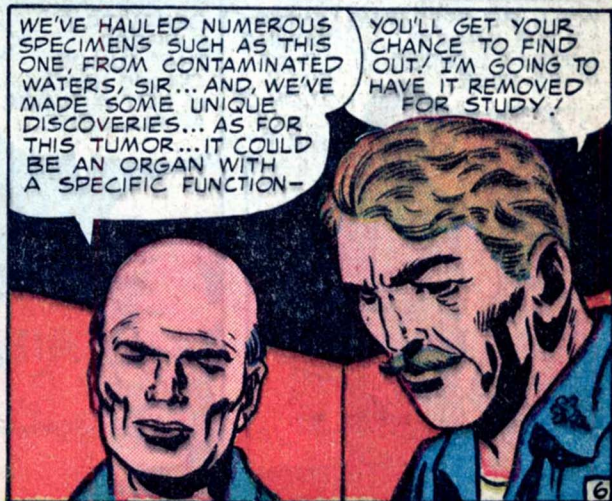
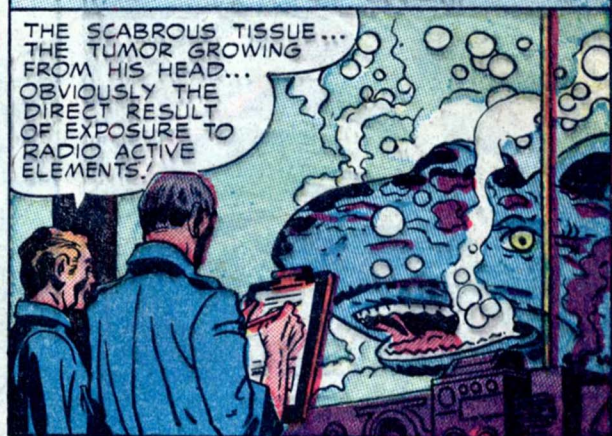
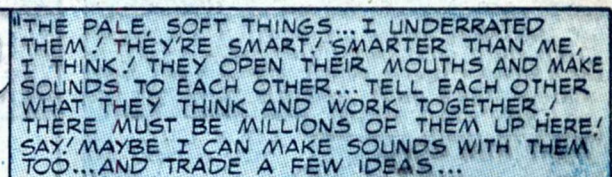
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THE DOC SAYS POUR IN THE "SLEEP JUICE" AND THAT'S WHAT I'M DOING!

YOU'RE LUCKY! I GOTTA GO DOWN THERE AND MAKE SURE THIS MICKEY FINN HAS DONE ITS JOB...



I DON'T LIKE THIS! WHAT ARE THEY UP TO! EVERYTHING SEEMS TO BE CLOUDING UP... GETTING HAZY... I FEEL A KIND OF BUZZING INSIDE MY HEAD! HEY, YOU UP THERE! YOU CAN'T KEEP ME IN HERE, YOU UNDERSTAND? LET ME OUT! LET ME OUT, YOU DEVILS!

LOOK OUT, YOU GUYS!



I'M GETTING WEAKER... CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY... THE FIGHT'S GONE OUT OF ME... JUST WHEN I NEED IT MOST! MY HEAD IS POUNDING AND MY EYES ARE GROWING HEAVY... CAN'T KEEP 'EM OPEN... DON'T KILL ME, DO YOU HEAR? IT'S NOT RIGHT... IT'S NOT RIGHT... NOT RI...

THE ANESTHETIC IS TAKING EFFECT! TELL THAT DIVER TO GET READY TO DOUBLE CHECK!

YES SIR!



MEANWHILE, IN THE DOCTOR'S QUARTERS...

WE'LL BE OPERATING ON THE SHARK SOON! I WONDER IF IT'S WISE...

STILL ENTERTAINING THAT SILLY NOTION OF YOURS, SIR?



YOU'VE READ MY NOTES ON THAT BEAST'S UNCANNY BEHAVIOR! SUPPOSE THAT TUMOR ON HIS HEAD... IS NOT A TUMOR AT ALL... BUT...

BUT WHAT, DOCTOR? WHAT DO YOU THINK WE'LL FIND WHEN WE CUT INTO IT?



POSSIBLY, A HIGHLY DEVELOPED AUXILIARY BRAIN! OUR SUBJECT MAY BE A THINKING BEING...

HA-HA... I SHOULD HOPE NOT, DOCTOR... BECAUSE IF IT'S REALLY SO, OUR INTELLIGENT FISH WILL BE A MORON WHEN WE ARE DONE WORKING ON HIM!



THE END

The **STRANGEST** facts



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GIVING HER THE BIRD..

PARISIAN WOMAN SUED HER NEIGHBOR WITH WHOM SHE HAD LEFT HER PARROT FOR A FEW WEEKS... UPON HER RETURN THE PARROT BEGAN SPOUTING WORDS NOT EVEN USED IN FRENCH SLANG!



APPRENTICE

She waited for him on the porch in the warm blackness fragrant with honeysuckle and freshly turned earth. The crickets vocalized for their nightly chorus and the moon seemed determined to spend the evening hiding behind the clouds. Kate wished she felt as calm as the familiar sights and sounds and smells, but she didn't and she never would again unless she could make Carl understand--tonight.

In a few minutes he would be here and not much later he would ask her to marry him for the hundredth time. Only tonight instead of half promises and noncommittal yeses, she was going to say "no". If that didn't snap him out of his lethargy, nothing would. A house like hers took money to maintain. Carl didn't earn that kind of money working as general handyman in the same dress house where she was a seamstress.

He was efficient, capable and a hard worker. He just didn't have the courage to go to Mr. LaFarge, the boss, and ask for a better position or a raise. "It's not the time," he would tell her when she goaded him, "I'm still an apprentice to Mr. LaFarge. It took him years to learn the business. I'll know when the time is ripe." He spoke softly, gently, "My voices will tell me--they always do."

"Pouf!" she chided. "This is one time when your voices went to sleep! Does it take an apprentice 20 years to learn his job?"

As always, she had to stop so that he would not read the fear in her heart. The insurance John had left was almost gone. And she was so tired of working. If she married Carl and he stayed on at his present salary she would have to continue as a seamstress in order to maintain the house that had been her home for the last 19 years.

She heard his step on the walk and her

heart leaped to see him. She really loved him. Not in the way she had first loved John, but in the way of a woman who knows there is no time to cultivate a new love. She kissed him and the moon smiled out upon the two. But before it faded behind a darkening cloud, the house was clearly outlined and Kate knew her moment of weakness was over. She would not say yes. She would not live in the city with Carl, nor would she continue working if she married him.

He sat beside her on the steps. "The voices," he began, "Can't you hear them, Kate? They're urging us, compelling us to get married."

"Silly!" she said, "you're listening to the crickets."

"I love you," he told her, "I've been trying to get you to marry me for a year. What do you want?"

She tried to be gay, nonchalant, but her voice broke. "You're a failure," she screamed at him. "You've got no guts! You expect me to marry an old man who's been an apprentice all his life?"

When he left or what he said before leaving, she could not remember, but she would never again smell honeysuckle without thinking of him.

The next morning she received a special delivery letter from him: "Kate, in order not to embarrass you at the shop, I have handed in my resignation, effective today. Carl."

When she returned to work three days later, she found the shop buzzing feverishly. Mr. LaFarge had died the night before, leaving his entire fortune to Carl, plus the management of the business. There was only one provision--Carl was to be in his employ at the time of his death.

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ACCIDENT! YOU,
STEVE MUNSON,
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THAT WAY! IT
JUST HAPPENS
THAT YOUR
MOTOR BREAKS
DOWN! AND
THERE YOU ARE,
A HUNDRED
MILES FROM
NOWHERE!

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ROCK STICKING UP
OUT OF THE PACIFIC!
YOU AND YOUR IDEAS!
STEVE MUNSON, THE
BIG BRAIN! "BUY A
BOAT," HE SAYS!
"HIRE A NAVIGATOR!"
NOW, LOOK!

SHUT UP!
THE IDEA WAS
GOOD! I'VE
GOT A WIFE
TO THINK
OF!

WE COULDN'T BOOK
A PASSAGE ON A
REGULAR LINER.
REMEMBER?
WE'RE HOT! THE
COPS WANT US!
I DON'T LIKE
THIS ANY MORE
THAN YOU DO!

NOR... DO
I, **MISTER
MUNSON**. THIS
ISLAND... IT IS
TABU! LONG
AGO, MY PEOPLE
MAROONED A
WOMAN HERE!
A WOMAN CALLED
LARUKI...

THE **WITCH
WOMAN!**
I'VE HEARD
THE STORIES!

NOT A WITCH!
WHAT YOU
WOULD CALL
A VAMPIRE!
THE UNDEAD!
MR. MUNSON, THIS
IS NOT A GOOD
PLACE! STORIES
SAY **LARUKI
STILL LIVES!**



IT HAS BEEN A LONG, HARD CHASE! FOR MONTHS, THE POLICE HAVE PURSUED YOU, HALF WAY AROUND THE WORLD! BUT, YOU'RE SMART, AND TOUGH! SO, YOU DON'T WORRY ABOUT FAIRY TALES!

SKIP IT! HOW LONG TO FIX THAT MOTOR?

I DON'T KNOW! BUT MR. MUNSON, LET'S GO BACK TO THE BOAT! IF NOT FOR YOUR OWN SAKE, THEN FOR YOUR WIFE'S, IT'S **SAFER!**



IN THIS STORM? ROSA STICKS WITH ME, ON SOLID LAND! COME ON! WE'LL FIND A DRY SPOT AND WORRY ABOUT THE MOTOR AFTERWARD!



THE STORM BUILDS SWIFTLY! YOU FIND A CAVE! YOU EVEN MANAGE A SMILE FOR ROSA, YOUR WIFE! THE ONLY PERSON IN THE WORLD YOU REALLY **TRUST!**

MM-M! THIS ISN'T TOO BAD, IS IT, BABY! IT'S **NOT** THE RITZ! BUT, JUST YOU WAIT! ONE OF THESE DAYS THE COPS'LL BE OFF OUR NECKS AND THEN I'LL MAKE IT ALL UP TO YOU!



THE RAIN, THE THUNDER, MAKE A SYMPHONY OF SOUND! A DULL, STEADY DRONE! SO, AFTER A WHILE YOU SLEEP! BUT... NOT FOR LONG!



LARUKI! I SEE THE ACCURSED ONE!

AR66HN..

SAVE YOUR BULLETS! THEY **CANNOT** HARM HER! ONLY HOGA CAN DRIVE HER OFF! IT'S A CHARM AGAINST ALL EVIL!



IT MUST WORK! SHE'S **GONE!** I... I NEVER SAW ANYTHING LIKE IT! IT WAS A WOMAN! BUT A MINUTE AGO I'D HAVE SWORN IT WAS AN ANIMAL!

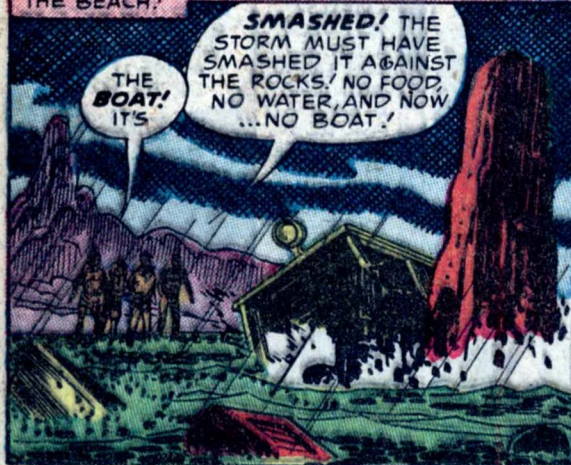
DANNY!

DANNY'S **DEAD!** HIS THROAT! IT'S A MESS!

MR. MUNSON, LET'S GO BACK TO THE BOAT! LARUKI CANNOT CROSS WATER! THAT IS WHY MY PEOPLE BROUGHT HER **HERE!**



YOU'RE NOT A SUPERSTITIOUS MAN! IN THE RACKETS YOU LEARN TO BE HARD, PRACTICAL! BUT HAVE ROSA TO THINK OF, SO YOU AND THE OTHERS STUMBLE THROUGH THE BLACKNESS TOWARD THE BEACH!



THE BOAT! IT'S

SMASHED! THE STORM MUST HAVE SMASHED IT AGAINST THE ROCKS. NO FOOD, NO WATER, AND NOW ...NO BOAT!

THERE IS NO ESCAPE! BUT AFTER-WARD, IT IS NOT OF FOOD AND WATER THAT MATTERS! A SMART MAN PLACES FIRST THINGS FIRST!

STEVE, WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO? I KNOW WHAT WE HAVE TO DO FIRST! KIMA, THIS VAMPIRE...WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT IT? THERE MUST BE SOME WAY, TO GET RID OF IT!



THERE IS! WE MUST FIND HER AND DRIVE A STAKE THROUGH HER HEART! DURING THE DAY, WHILE SHE SLEEPS! IN THE OLD DAYS, MY PEOPLE DID NOT KNOW THAT WAS THE **ONLY** WAY TO KILL A VAMPIRE!

IF WE DON'T FIND HER, SHE WILL COME AGAIN! TONIGHT! STAY CLOSE TO ME! THIS HOGA WILL PROTECT US!

YEAH! LAST NIGHT WHEN SHE SAW THAT THING, SHE TOOK OFF...AND I FIGURE TO GO ON LIVING! **GIVE ME THAT!**

NO! IT IS **MINE!** LAY OFF, MIKE! WE'LL WORRY ABOUT THE HOGA TONIGHT! IF WE HAVE TO! RIGHT NOW, WE'RE GOING TO FIND LARUKI!



FOR A STAKE, YOU PICK UP A BIT OF FLOTSAM FROM THE BEACH! THEN THE SEARCH IS ON! THE ISLAND IS SMALL, BARE! AND YET... AT SUNDOWN, YOU HAVE FOUND NOTHING!

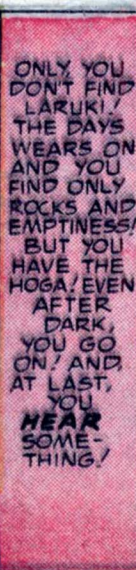
NOT A SIGN OF THAT... **THING!** AND IT'S GETTING DARK! WHAT'S NEXT? WE HOLE UP! THESE ROCKS WILL GIVE US COVER! WE ALL STICK NEAR KIMA AND THAT GADGET OF HIS! AND ONE OF US STAND GUARD! **YOU!**

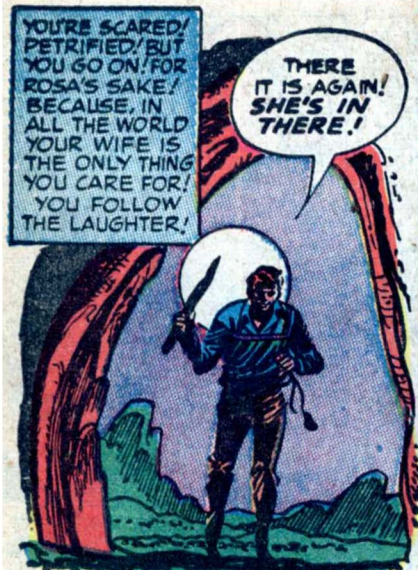
THE TROPIC NIGHT COMES SUDDENLY! YOU DON'T SLEEP! YOU CAN'T! LATER, YOU DOZE! FITFULLY! THE NIGHT PASSES! BUT NOT UNEVENTFULLY! IN THE MORNING, YOU **FIND OUT!**



MIKE! WHAT IS IT? **WHAT'S WRONG WITH KIMA?**

IT WAS HERE! IT MUST HAVE BEEN! KIMA IS DEAD! JUST LIKE DANNY! I... FELL ASLEEP! I NEVER SAW IT!





YOU'RE SCARED, PETRIFIED, BUT YOU GO ON! FOR ROSA'S SAKE! BECAUSE, IN ALL THE WORLD YOUR WIFE IS THE ONLY THING YOU CARE FOR! YOU FOLLOW THE LAUGHTER!

THERE IT IS AGAIN! SHE'S IN THERE!

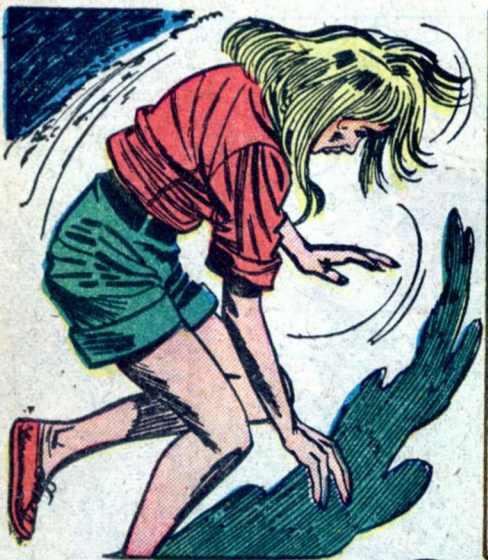


NOTHING! IT'S EMPTY!



ROSA!

STEVE! AT LAST! I WAS AFRAID! I'VE BEEN FOLLOWING YOU FOR HOURS! I'M SO... TIRED...



FUNNY! YOU'RE A KILLER, BUT FOR ROSA YOU HAVE ONLY TENDERNESS! WHEN SHE FALLS YOU FORGET LARUKI! YOU FORGET EVERYTHING!



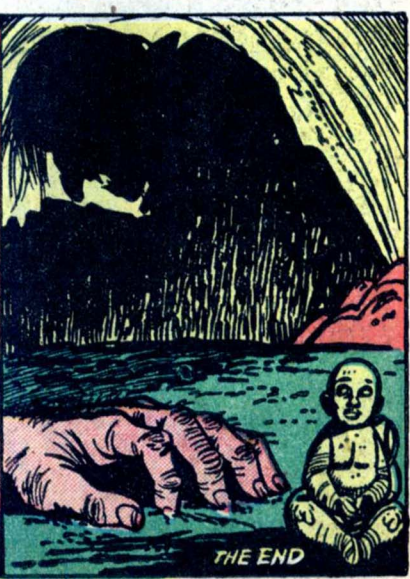
ROSA, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? YOU POOR KID! YOU MUST BE WORN OUT! YOU FAINTED! JUST TAKE IT EASY! I'LL FIND LARUKI TOMORROW! SHE MUST HAVE A HIDEOUT SOMEWHERE!

SHE... HAS, STEVE!



THAT'S WHEN YOU BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND! YOU SEE ROSA'S EYES, AND YOU LET HER GO! YOU TURN FRANTIC! TERRIFIED!

AT LAST, YOU KNOW WHERE LARUKI HAS BEEN HIDING! AND YOU KNOW THAT YOU HAVE ONLY ONE CHANCE! YOUR FINGERS CLAW FOR THE HOGA! BUT, YOU NEVER REACH IT!



THE END

Lesson for a conqueror! In the process of destroying everything that's living -- make sure you don't --

WAKE UP THE DEAD!



IT WASN'T A CHAIN REACTION THAT BURNED EARTH BARE, IN THE END! IT WAS FIRE, CLOUDS, RIVERS, OCEANS OF FLAME! STONE AND EARTH MELTED! THE VERY SEAS BOILED! YET, SOMEHOW THERE WERE SURVIVERS!



THESE CREATURES ROAMED THE SHATTERED WORLD, DAZED AS IF WITH LONG SLEEP! AND, IT WAS WITH THESE, THAT THE INVADERS WERE CONCERNED WITH LATER... WHEN THEIR SPACESHIP KNIFED IN TO COMPLETE THEIR GRIM WORK!

COMMANDER! I THOUGHT I SAW SOMETHING MOVE BELOW! YES! THERE! IS IT POSSIBLE THAT SOMETHING LIVED THROUGH OUR ATTACK?

POSSIBLE, EVEN IF IMPROBABLE! BUT I SEE IT ALSO! A HUMAN! AND IF THERE IS ONE, THERE WILL BE OTHERS! WE SHALL HAVE TO LAND!

OUR ORDERS WERE TO BURN THE PLANET CLEAN... SO, THAT ONE DAY, WHEN IT HAS RENEWED ITSELF, OUR COLONISTS MAY SETTLE UPON IT! WE WERE NOT TO LAND UNLESS IT WAS NECESSARY! NOW IT IS NECESSARY!





BUT IT WOULD BE AN **EASY** MATTER TO BURN THAT CRAWLING LITTLE THING!

AND IF THERE ARE OTHERS? LOGIC ADMITS ONLY ONE SOLUTION, CAPTAIN! **WE SHALL LAND AND HUNT THEM DOWN!** GIVE THE ORDER!



LOGIC, THAT WAS THE ONE, THE ONLY LAW OF THE CONQUERORS! MEN THOUGH THEY WERE, THEY WERE STILL NOT MEN! THEY WERE BEINGS WHO COULD COLDLY SLAUGHTER A WORLD, AND COLDLY HUNT DOWN THE FEW WRETCHES WHO DID NOT DIE!

THE FIRST SCOUT SHIP HAS RETURNED, COMMANDER! TWO PRISONERS! **EXTERMINATION?**

FIRST THINGS FIRST, CAPTAIN!

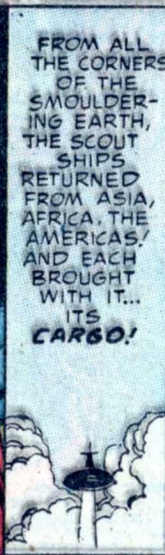


DID THESE HUMAN **FIGHT BACK?** ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE?

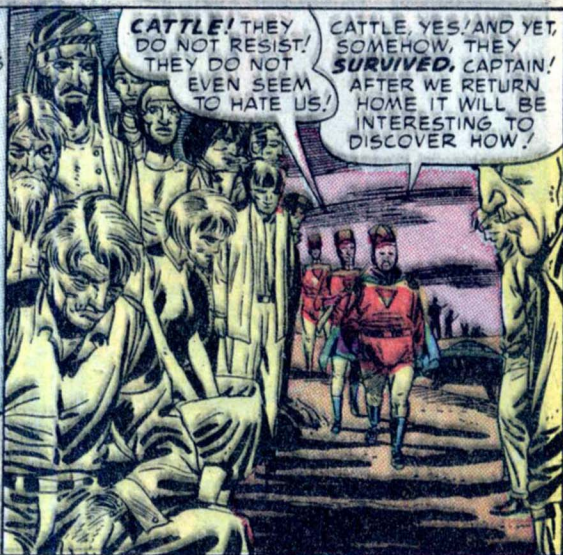
WHY, NO, SIR! THEY SEEMED MEEK, DAZED... AS IF IN **SHOCK...**



THAT IS TO BE EXPECTED! GIVE THEM FOOD! WE SHALL TAKE THEM WITH US! OUR TECHNICIANS WILL BE GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO **STUDY** THEM!



FROM ALL THE CORNERS OF THE SMOULDERING EARTH, THE SCOUT SHIPS RETURNED FROM ASIA, AFRICA, THE AMERICAS! AND EACH BROUGHT WITH IT... ITS **CARGO!**



CATTLE! THEY DO NOT RESIST! THEY DO NOT EVEN SEEM TO HATE US!

CATTLE, YES! AND YET, SOMEHOW, THEY **SURVIVED**, CAPTAIN! AFTER WE RETURN HOME IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO DISCOVER HOW!



NO EYES SAW THE COMETS THAT STREAKED SKYWARD SOON AFTER! THERE WAS **NO ONE** LEFT ON EARTH TO WATCH!



NOR DID ANYONE CARE! FOR THE HUMANS SAT QUIETLY, THE FOOD BEFORE THEM... **UN-TOUCHED!**



ALL IS **WELL**, GUARD?

THEY DO NOT EAT THEIR FOOD, SIR! WHAT'S MORE, I THINK IT IS **I** WHO AM BEING WATCHED! THEY LOOK AT ME AND WHISPER AMONG THEMSELVES!

I THINK YOUR IMAGINATION IS PLAYING TRICKS WITH YOUR LOGIC! LOGIC IS OUR CREED, SOLDIER! USE IT!

YES, SIR...

IT GREW WITH UNEASINESS, WITH A TENSION WHICH GREW SLOWLY BUT SURELY! IT DROVE THE CREW INTO SMALL, FRIGHTENED KNOTS, UNTIL LOGIC DEMANDED ACTION!

ENOUGH! A HANDFUL OF STARVED HUMANS PENNED IN A CAGE AND YOU TELL ME MY CREW **FEARS** THEM! WE BURNED THEIR PLANET, YOU, MY OFFICERS SHUDDER WHEN YOU PASS THEM!

I UNDERSTAND THEM NO MORE THAN YOU! AS A SOLDIER, I FIND THEM DOCILE PRISONERS! MILD, HARMLESS! YOU TECHNICIANS WILL HAVE YOUR SAY WHEN WE REACH HOME PLANET!

SIR, I MEAN NO DISRESPECT! BUT WOULD IT NOT BE SIMPLY MERELY TO OPEN A LOCK AND DROP THEM INTO SPACE?

IT WOULD BE SIMPLE, AND ILLOGICAL! I UNDERTOOK TO BRING THE HUMANS TO OUR WORLD! I SEE NO LOGICAL REASON FOR ALTERING THAT DECISION! RETURN TO YOUR DUTIES!

AND STILL THE HUMANS SAT SILENT, WHILE THE FLEET RACED ON, UNTIL AT LAST, IT HAPPENED, SO SUDDENLY, THAT AT FIRST THE COMMANDER HARDLY WAS AWARE IT WAS TAKING PLACE!

YES? WHAT IS IT, CREWMAN?

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS? HOW DARE YOU BRING THOSE CREATURES ON MY BRIDGE!

NO ANSWER! A UNIFORMED ROBOT STOOD STIFFLY, AS IF IN A TRANCE! AND FOR THE FIRST TIME THE COMMANDER KNEW AN EMOTION AGAINST WHICH LOGIC WAS OF NO AVAIL! FEAR!

WEAPONS WILL NOT HELP YOU, COMMANDER! NOR AN ALARM! THE OTHERS OF YOUR CREW ARE ALREADY LIKE THIS GUARD! WE GIVE THE ORDERS NOW!

WHY YOU INSOLENT...



AND, SO IT WAS! THOSE EYES! IT WAS AS IF THE COMMANDER COULD READ HIS DOOM IN THOSE LUMINOUS EYES! AS IF HYPNOSIS WERE A GIANT FIST CLOSING UPON HIS BRAIN!

IT'S TRUE! I CAN'T MOVE! AND YOU... YOU SPEAK OUR LANGUAGE!

WE LEARN! WE KNOW MANY THINGS COMMANDER! EARTH HAD MANY MYSTERIES! AND WE ARE GRATEFUL TO YOU!



ONE QUESTION THE COMMANDER MANAGED... BEFORE THE DARKNESS CLOSED IN UPON HIM! ONE QUESTION... AS AN OLD MAN BENT OVER HIM...

YOU SHALL TAKE US THERE... LEAD US TO THIS FRUITFUL PLACE OF YOUR KIND...

WHO... WHAT ARE YOU?



BUT THE ANSWER MEANT NOTHING TO THE COMMANDER! HIS WAS A WORLD OF LOGIC! AND LOGIC DOES NOT ADMIT THAT THERE CAN BE SUCH THINGS AS... THESE!

WE HAVE HAD MANY NAMES DOWN THROUGH THE CENTURIES, COMMANDER! BUT, BEFORE YOU DESTROYED THEM, THE PEOPLE ON EARTH CALLED US VAMPIRES!



THE RING

The man and girl stood on the pier that stretched out into the ocean and watched the myriad lights reflected in the midnight waves below. Finally the man said, "I've got it," and reached into his pocket, "the ring you wanted. Janie, I love you!"

But the girl was more interested in the ring than in his embrace. He had asked her to marry him before and she had agreed, but her heart was set on the blue white emerald cut diamond they had seen in Boulton's Jewelry Store window. It was far too expensive for a man in his position. But if he bought it for her, would it not prove he was capable of making a good living?

She held the ring in her fingers and turned it back and forth to catch the lights. It was perfect. "It must have cost you a pretty penny," she said coyly. "Ask me again, Bert. And when I give you my answer, you may put the ring on my finger."

He was too blinded by his love to do anything except her bidding. Women required dramatics, he assumed. But as his big fingers trembled to hold her hand in his, the ring slipped, rolled on the boardwalk, and fell soundlessly into the swirling waters below.

In an effort to retrieve it, they both stooped quickly, bumped heads. She looked up with tears in her eyes. "Clumsy oaf!" Janie said, and ran from him.

When he caught up with her, she was standing pale beside his car. "Take me home," she said, "I never want to see you again."

The man had been fishing all day and he was tired. He had expected the boat excursion to leave him rested as it usually did, but the pressure on his mind would not let him relax. Tonight he would have to tell Mary the truth and then, he supposed, they would call in the police but because of the time that had already elapsed, it would be a long, perhaps never concluded affair.

Tonight was their anniversary and Mary would expect to wear the ring. How could he tell her it had been sold by mistake to the young man who had come in last week? For a song, too. He should never have put it in the window, but it was so lovely that he had used it as a come-on. It had been his first real gift to Mary, celebrating the opening of Boulton's Jewelry. She would never forgive him.

He walked down the pier with his catch and suddenly the odor was repugnant to him. He threw his entire haul to a fisherman. "Use them for bait," he called.

The fisherman was busy dressing his own haul. Boulton's fish were too good for bait--the Mrs. might enjoy that bass for dinner. He split the fish deftly from head to fin. Inside was a large, emerald shaped ring.

"The bigger they are, the cheaper they are," he said, "Must have dropped from a crackerjack box!" He tossed it back into the water and continued to dress his fish.



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BOTANIST TREMBLE AS HE MIXES A CONCENTRATED
SOLUTION OF THE FLUID...AND GULPS IT DOWN!

THERE! IT'S DONE! NOW
ONLY TIME AND SCIENTIFIC
TESTS CAN PROVE
WHETHER MY THEORY
IS CORRECT! THIS MAY
BE THE GREATEST
DISCOVERY OF
ALL TIME!!



HIS MIND FILLED WITH THE NEW AND POTENT ELIXIR, HE SLEPT RESTLESSLY THAT NIGHT. THEN, IN THE MORNING...





INTO THE MOIST, DARK EARTH, THE MAN WHO WOULD CONQUER DEATH TOOK ROOT, ALONE TO WATCH THE CENTURIES ROLL BY! THEN...

I CAN'T IMAGINE WHAT HAPPENED TO ALAN. HE SAID HE'D BE BACK TWO DAYS AGO...

I...I HOPE NOTHING HAPPENED TO HIM. HE SAID HE WAS WORKING ON THE GREATEST EXPERIMENT THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN...



BILL! TIM! H-HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS TREE! I WAS HERE LAST MONTH AND THIS TREE WASN'T HERE!! YOU GO IN... I...I WANT TO LOOK AT IT MORE CLOSELY...



NOT A SIGN OF HIM...NOT... NOT EVEN A NOTE! I WONDER...

THAT...THAT SCREAM! IT SOUNDS LIKE-- LIKE MARTHA! LET'S GO!

HELLP!! LET ME GO! HELP!



LIKE THE SOUND OF A TORMENTED SOUL; THE ANGUISHED SCREAM OF THE GIRL ECHOES OVER THE GRUESOME ESTATE. THEN, SUDDENLY, IT STOPS...



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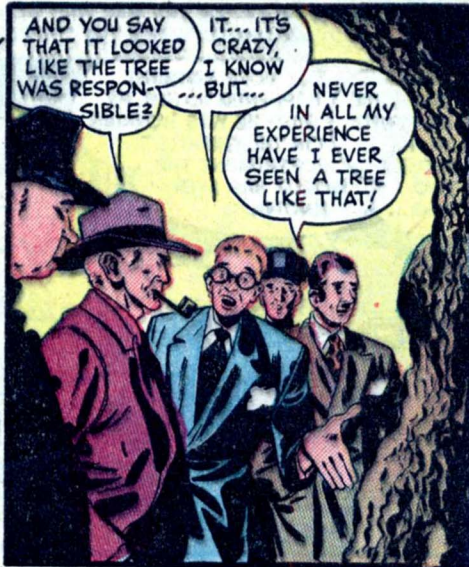
SHE...SHE'S DEAD! BUT HOW? WHO...

I...I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT! THERE WAS NO ONE--NO--THING IN SIGHT...EXCEPT THAT WEIRD-LOOKING TREE...

IT...IT'S INSANE-- BUT...BUT IT SEEMS AS IF THE TREE TRIED TO HARM HER...WE'D BETTER CALL THE POLICE!



THE GHASTLY TREE SEEMED TO **SMILE WICKEDLY** AS A GROUP OF POLICEMEN AND SCIENTISTS APPEARED A FEW HOURS LATER.



AND YOU SAY THAT IT LOOKED LIKE THE TREE WAS RESPONSIBLE?

IT... IT'S CRAZY, I KNOW... BUT...

NEVER IN ALL MY EXPERIENCE HAVE I EVER SEEN A TREE LIKE THAT!



L-LOOK! IT--IT'S CAPTURED THAT ANIMAL...

THAT THING IS MORE THAN A PLANT... IT SEEMS A CREATURE OF EVIL!!



UGGGH! LOOK HOW THE POOR BIRD'S CONTORTED...

WHA... WHAT HAPPENED?? HOW DID THE BIRD DIE??



LOOK... LOOK HOW THE BIRDS AVOID THE TREE...

ONE'S GOING TO LAND ON IT!! LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS...

AS THOUGH THE GNARLED, HORRID TREE WAS CHARGED WITH A VENOM MORE DEADLY THAN THE STING OF A FETID VIPER, THE BIRD PLUMMETED TO THE GROUND SECONDS AFTER IT TOUCHED THE TREE.



WE'RE GOING TO FIND OUT JUST WHAT GIVES THIS TREE ITS POWER! WHY... IT... IT'S BLEEDING!!!

L--LOOKS LIKE HUMAN PLASMA!

BE... BE CAREFUL, DOC... THE DEVIL ONLY KNOWS WHAT'S IN IT...



HELP!! HELP ME... ARGGNNH!!

LOOK OUT!... THE TREE... IT... IT'S CRUSHING HIM.

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Are You Worried About Your Children, Your Home Life, Your Marriage?

Is Some One Dear to You Drinking Too Much?

Do You Ever Get Lonely, Unhappy or Discouraged?

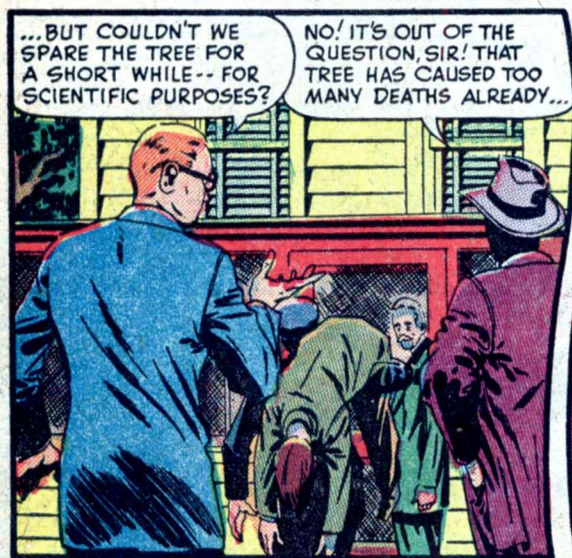
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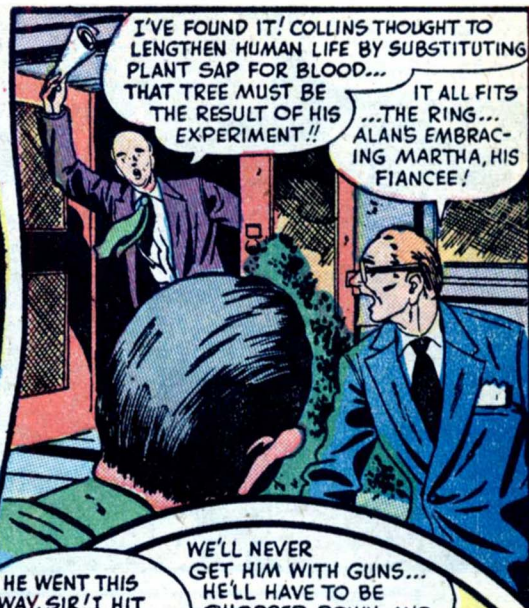
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IT...IT'S GONE!!
COULD IT BE THAT
THE TREE UNDER-
STOOD WHAT I
SAID...

THIS TREE IS NOT
A MERE PLANT! IT
SEEMS TO HAVE A
HUMAN INTELLIGENCE...



I'VE FOUND IT! COLLINS THOUGHT TO
LENGTHEN HUMAN LIFE BY SUBSTITUTING
PLANT SAP FOR BLOOD...
THAT TREE MUST BE
THE RESULT OF HIS
EXPERIMENT!!

IT ALL FITS
...THE RING...
ALAN'S EMBRAC-
ING MARTHA, HIS
FIANCEE!

A CORDON OF MEN IS THROWN AROUND THE AREA...
SEARCHING, HUNTING DOWN THE MADDENED TREE-
MAN...



BANG!!
BANG!!
CRACK



HE WENT THIS
WAY, SIR! I HIT
HIM BUT IT DIDN'T
DO ANY GOOD...

WE'LL NEVER
GET HIM WITH GUNS...
HE'LL HAVE TO BE
CHOPPED DOWN AND
BURNED...

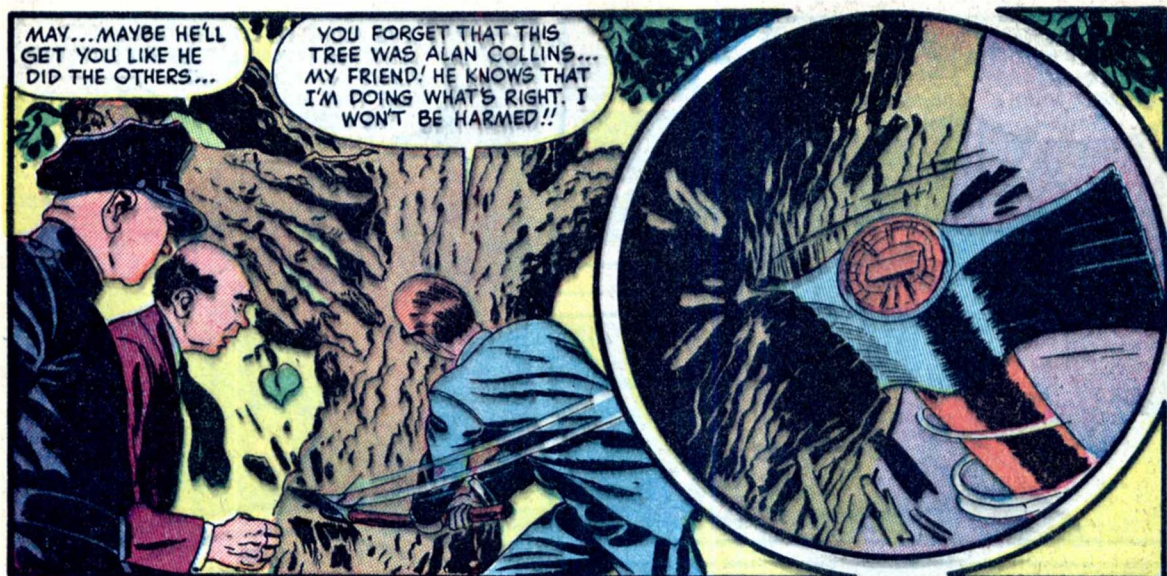


LIKE A WEIRD AND FIERCE HOMING BEAST, THE
MAN-TREE PLODS BACK...

IT'S BACK AGAIN...THE TREE HAS
A VEGETABLE INSTINCT TO KILL
MEMBERS OF THE ANIMAL
KINGDOM...PERHAPS, IN TIME,
IT WILL LOSE ITS
HUMAN INTELLIGENCE,
ITS WARPED THINKING
POWERS!

...BUT WE CAN'T
TAKE THE CHANCE.
I'LL CUT IT
DOWN...





CUTTING DEEPLY INTO THE PULPY CORE OF THE TREE, THE AXE FOUND THE **HEART** AND THE TREE CRUMBLLED TO THE EARTH...



FORGIVE ME---ALAN... IT HAD TO BE DONE! AT LEAST YOU PROVED THAT THE THEORY OF LIFE WAS FALSE. YOUR EXPERIMENT WASN'T WASTED...



AS THE SMOKE RISES THE **UNNATURAL** VOICE COMING FROM THE TREE GRADUALLY FADES AWAY AND THERE IS...SILENCE.



HELLO, BOB-HAVE YOU FOUND THAT UNDERSEAS TREASURE?

GIVEN!

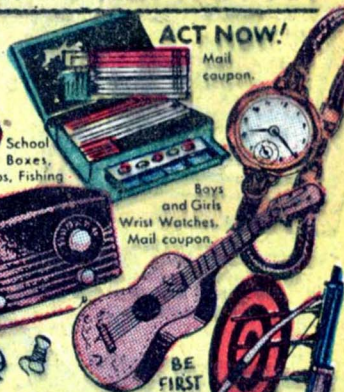
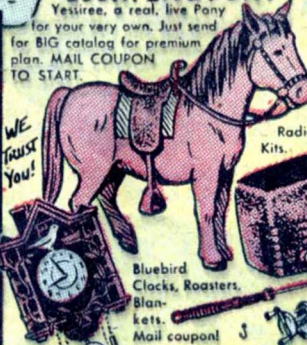
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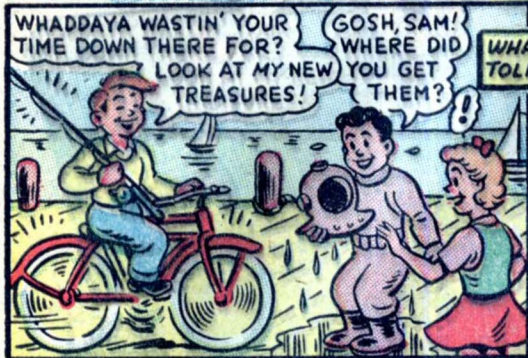
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BE FIRST



GOSH, SAM! WHERE DID YOU GET THEM?

WHAT SAM TOLD THEM

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LET'S GO!

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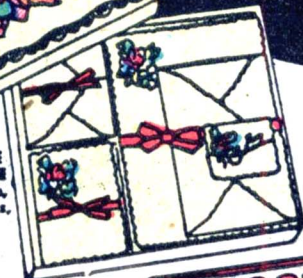
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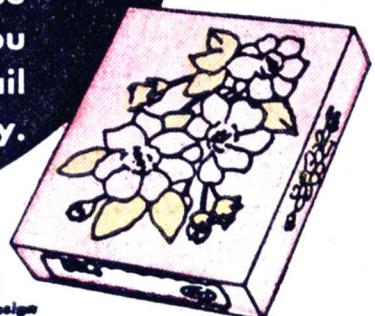
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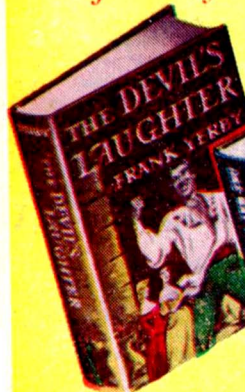
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