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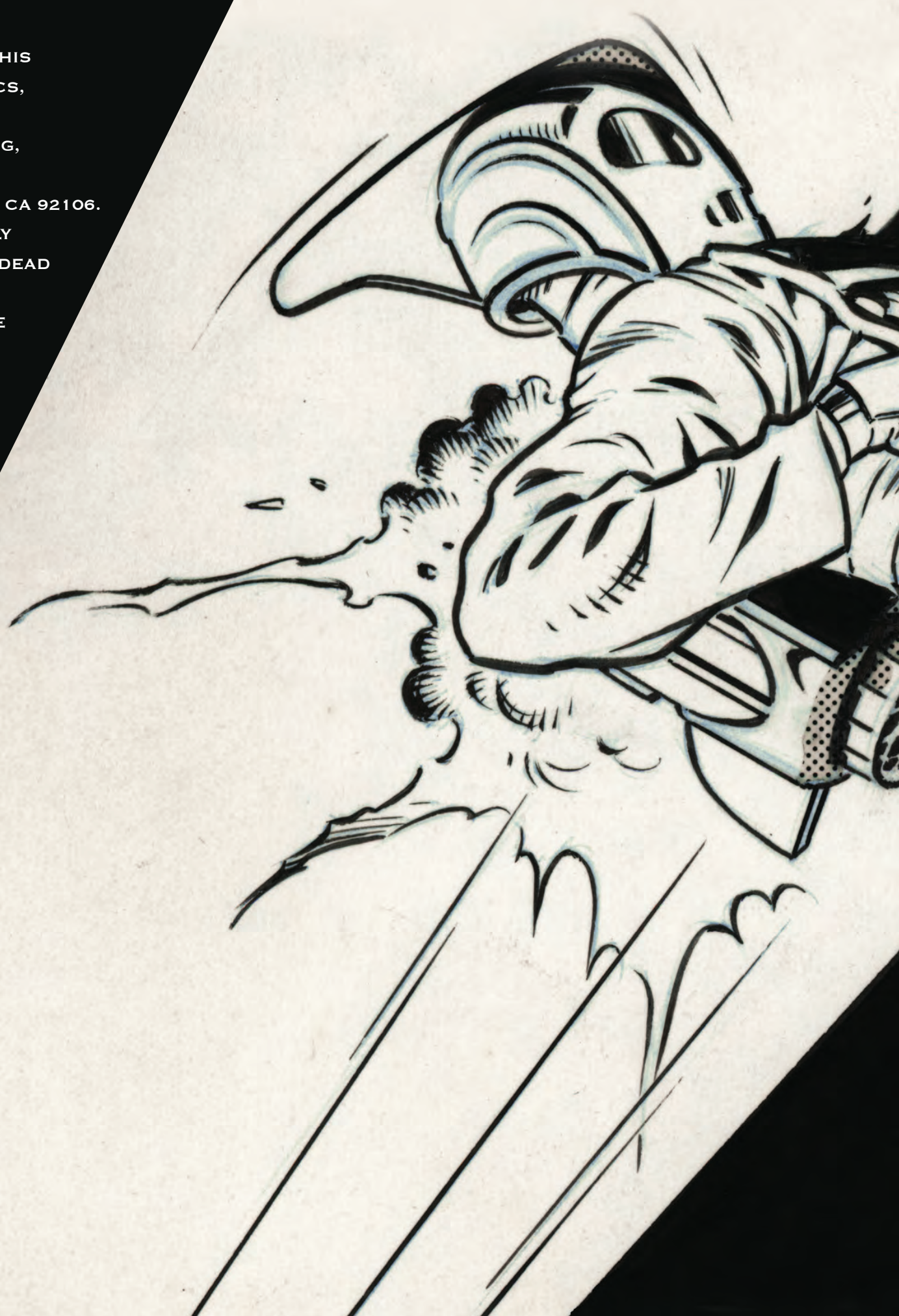
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The BULLDOG CAFÉ, A STONE'S THROW FROM CHAPLIN AIRDROME, AND SECOND HOME TO SEVERAL MEMBERS OF BIGELOW'S AIR CIRCUS...

...SO THEY TOOK ONE LOOK AT THE BOTTLE, AN' YANKED MY LICENSE--AND I HADN'T HAD A DROP!

I TELL YA, PEEV... THEY WAS LAYIN' FOR ME!

CLIFFY SURE GOT HOPPED-UP ABOUT IT! HE SNUCK INTO BIGELOW'S OFFICE THAT NIGHT...

...AN' TOOK ALL A' THE SCREWS OUT A' THE OL' MAN'S CHAIR!

REAL MATURE!

OH, MALCOLM...

HAH! THEN HE SMEARED LIMBURGER ALL OVER THE OFFICE--HOO!!

HEY THERE, BUTCHY--HOW'S THAT OLE' TAPEWORM DOIN'?

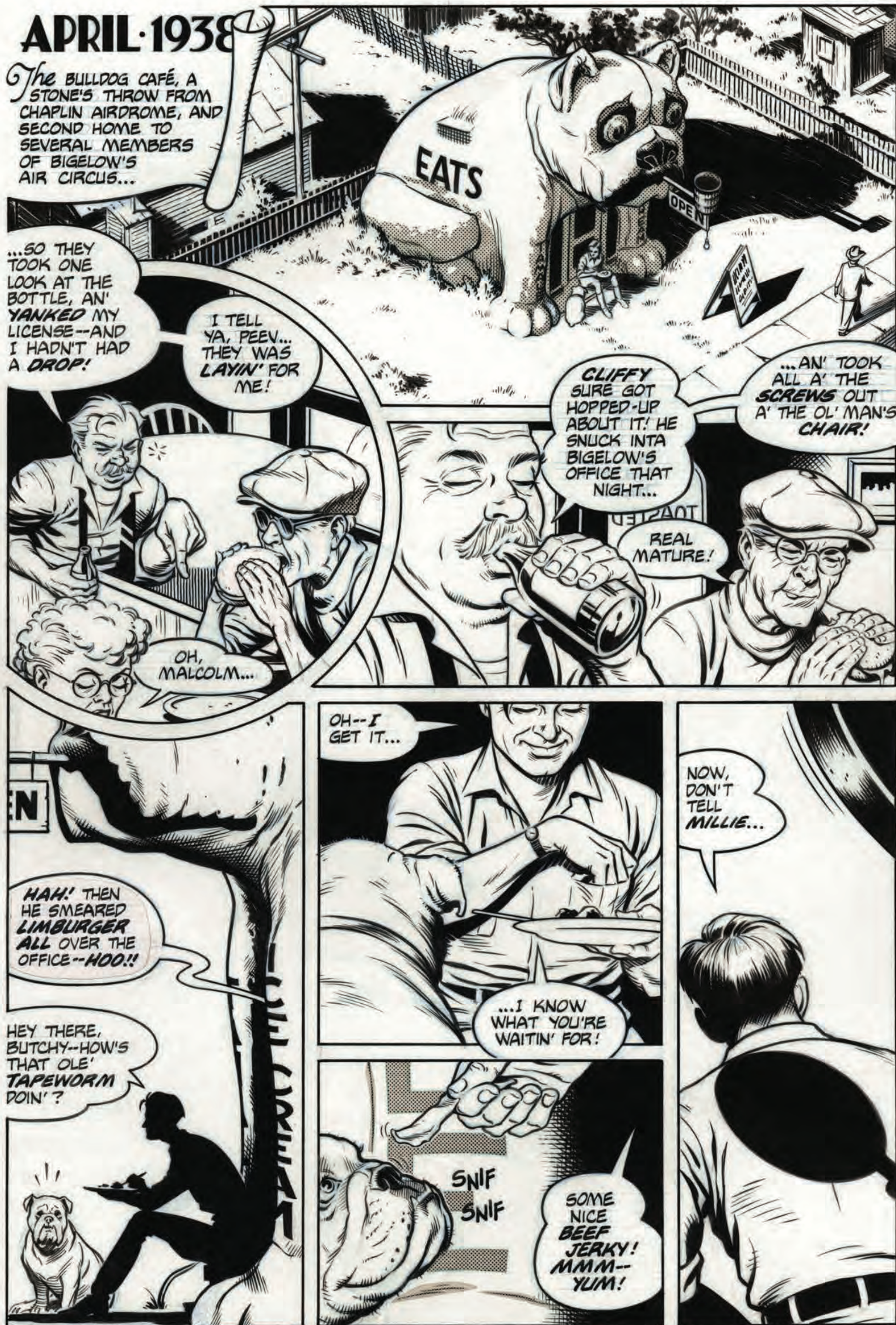
OH--I GET IT...

...I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE WAITIN' FOR!

NOW, DON'T TELL MILLIE...

SNIF SNIF

SOME NICE BEEF JERKY! MMM--YUM!





OWW--JEEZ!
WHAT'SA BIG
IDEA, MILLIE?!
I WAS JUST-

I KNOW
WHAT YOU WERE
JUST DOING! I
TOLD YOU WHAT
THAT STUFF
DOES TO HIM!

MAYBE NOT,
BUT I'VE GOT
CUSTOMERS,
BIRD-BRAIN!

...Y' THINK
I WANT 'IM
IN HERE,
STINKIN' UP
TH' PLACE??

AAAH...
C'MON,
BUTCH!
WE KNOW
WHEN WE
AIN'T
WANTED!

AWW...
MILLIE!
IT DON'T
HURT 'IM
NONE!

YEA...
AN' KEEP
'IM WITH
YOU, 'TILL
HE'S WALKED
IT OFF!

SOON...

HOWDY, PARD'NER...
Y'ALL STOPPIN' AT
TH' WATERIN' HOLE,
UP YONDER?

YESSUP!
GETTIN'
SODA POP!

...AN'
LICK-
RISH!

WELL...
TELL YA WHAT!
IF YOU TAKE
BUTCH HERE,
WITH YA...
JUST TAKE 'IM
RIGHT ON
INSIDE...

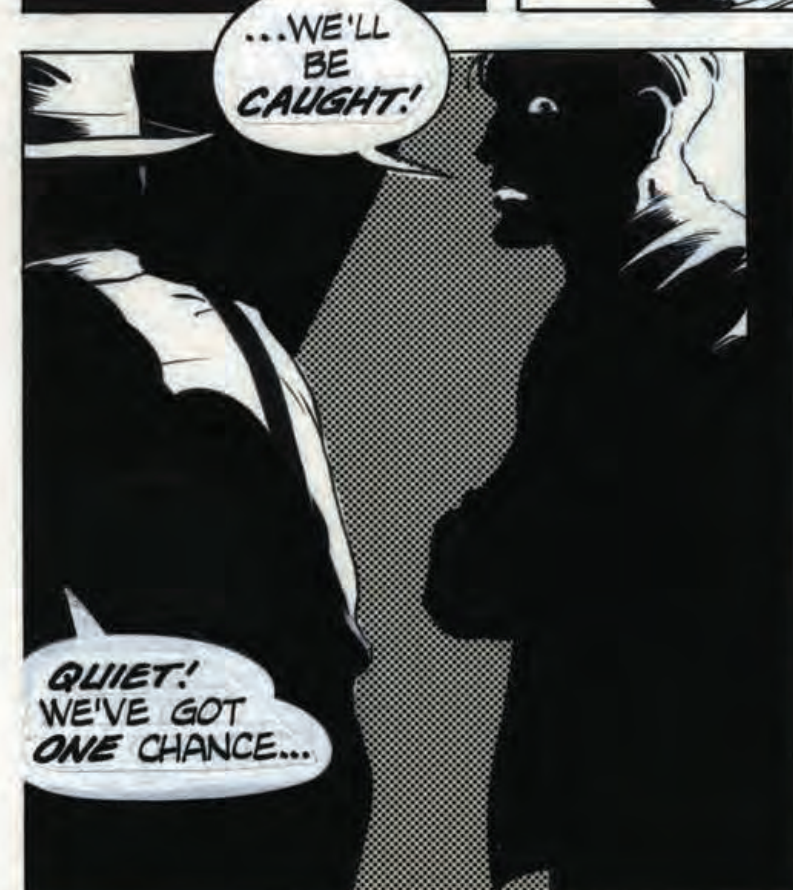
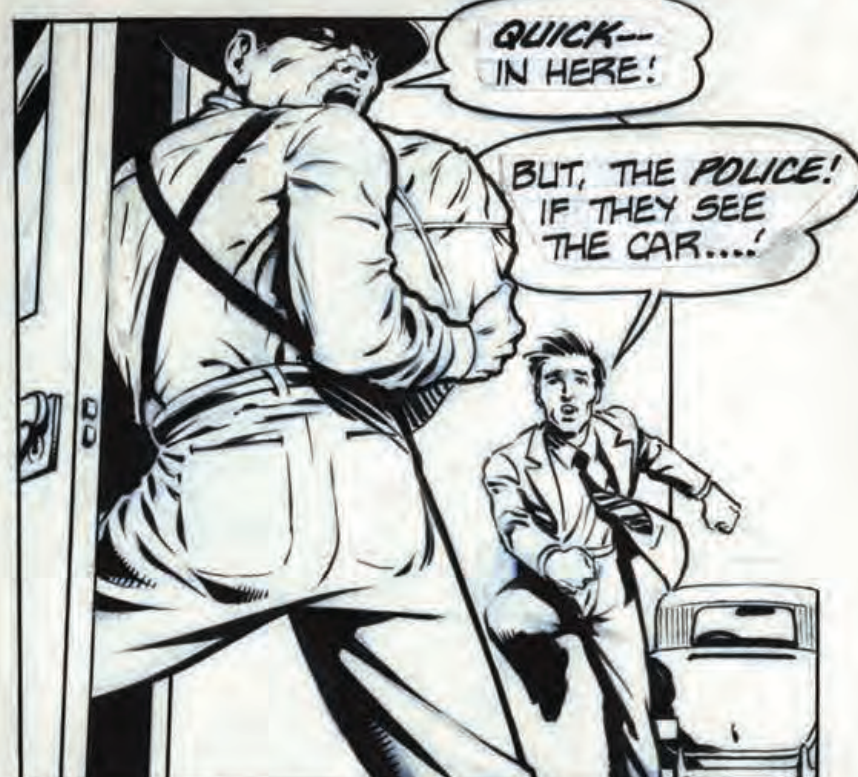
...MILLIE'LL GIVE
YA A FREE ICE-
CREAM CONE--
JUST TELL 'ER I
SAID SO!

...OH, AN'
BE SURE TO
FEED 'IM ALL
A' THESE ON
TH' WAY...HE
LOVES 'EM!

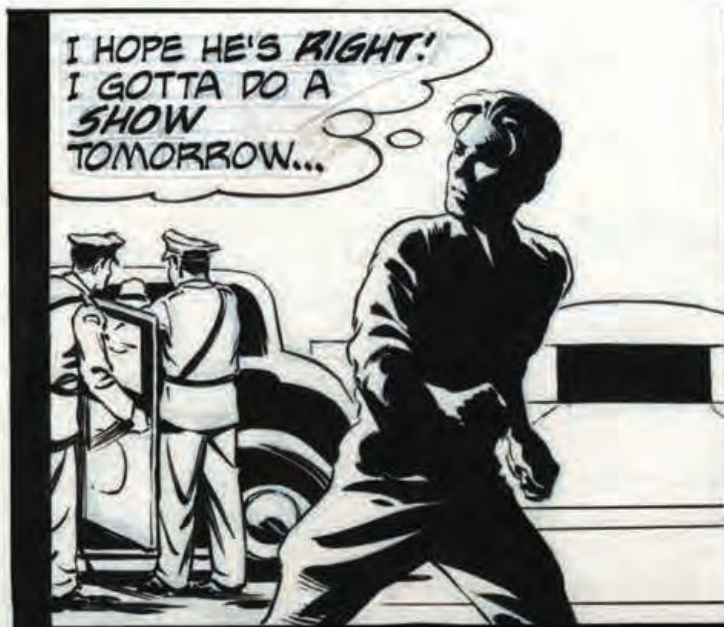
THE YEAR IS 1938, AND
LOS ANGELES IS ABOUT TO MEET...

the **ROCKETTEER**

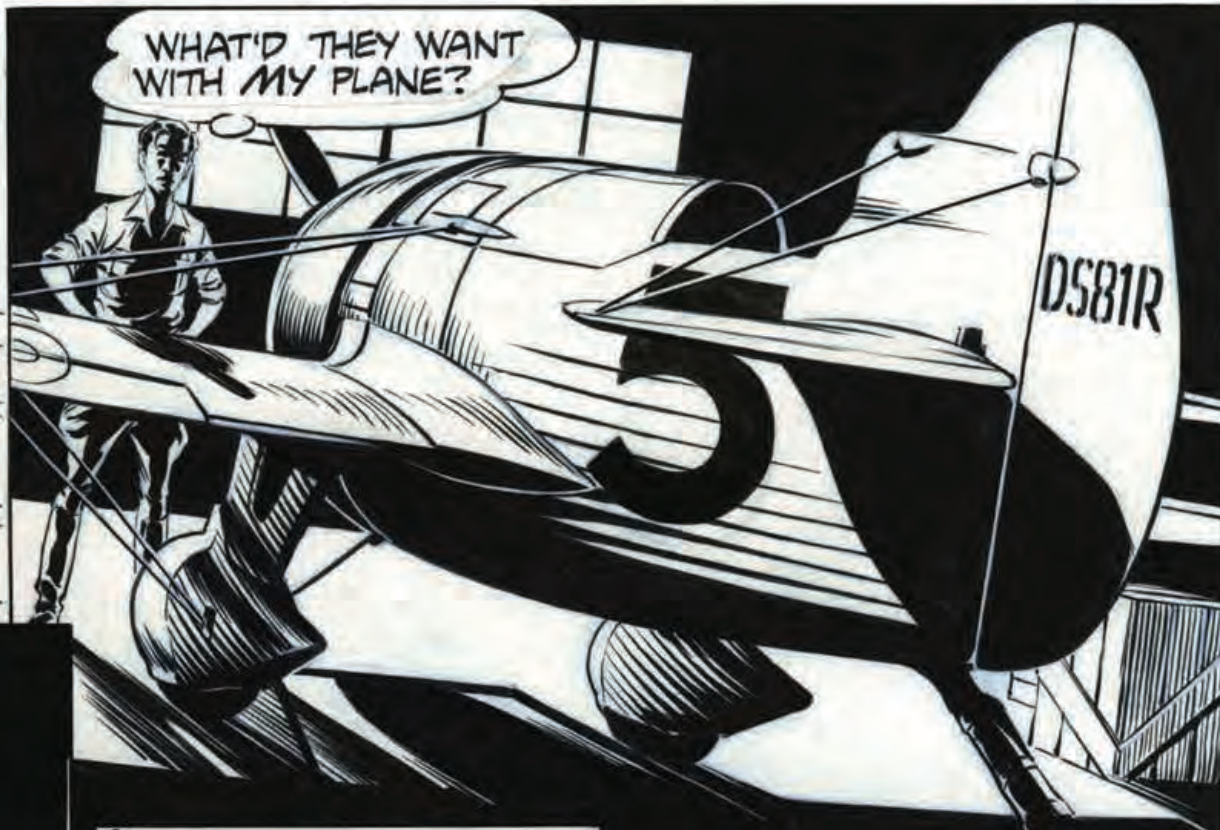
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I HOPE HE'S RIGHT!
I GOTTA DO A
SHOW
TOMORROW...



WHAT'D THEY WANT
WITH MY PLANE?



UH-OH...

THE BUNDLE, UNWRAPPED,
REVEALS A COMPACT,
BULLET-SHAPED ENGINE
AND A PACKET OF
PAPERS, BEARING THE
STAMP: "TOP SECRET"!



WOW!!
THIS LITTLE
BABY DOES
200 MILES
PER??

LIKE MANNA
FROM HEAVEN--!



LOOKS LIKE THEY
FORGOT SOMETHING!



THE ANSWER TO
MY PRAYERS JUST
DROPPED INTO
MY LAP....!

...AND I KNOW
JUST WHAT TO
DO WITH IT!!



BUT FIRST,
I'LL NEED
SOME
HEAD-GEAR!

PEEVY? LISTEN, I NEED YER
HELP ON A NEW ACT I'M
PUTTIN' TOGETHER!

FLYING--ONLY
WITHOUT A PLANE!

SURE,
I'M SOBER!
LISTEN, I'LL
SHOW YOU--

--IF YOU
PROMISE
TO KEEP MUM!