

I WORSHIPPED  
MY DAD  
GROWING UP.


HE LIKED  
THE COLD.

SO I'LL LIKE  
THE COLD.

RNCH







I REMEMBER THE STORY HE  
TOLD ME ABOUT US, HOW  
TEXAS LEFT FIRST BECAUSE OF  
THEIR OIL AND AGRICULTURE.

BUT WE STARVED  
THEM WITH TARIFFS.

THE SOUTH FOLLOWED, FELT THEIR  
VALUES WERE MOCKED AND THE  
ELITISTS WERE HAPPY TO SEE THEM  
GO. EVENTUALLY, THE PALACE STARTED  
TO PUSH OUT THE OTHERS, TAKING  
RESOURCES AS THEY WERE NEEDED.

IT SOUNDS  
COLD.

BUT IT WAS NECESSARY,  
DAD WOULD SAY, AND DAD  
NEVER LIED. "EDAN," HE'D SAY,  
"THEY'RE MONSTERS OUT THERE..."

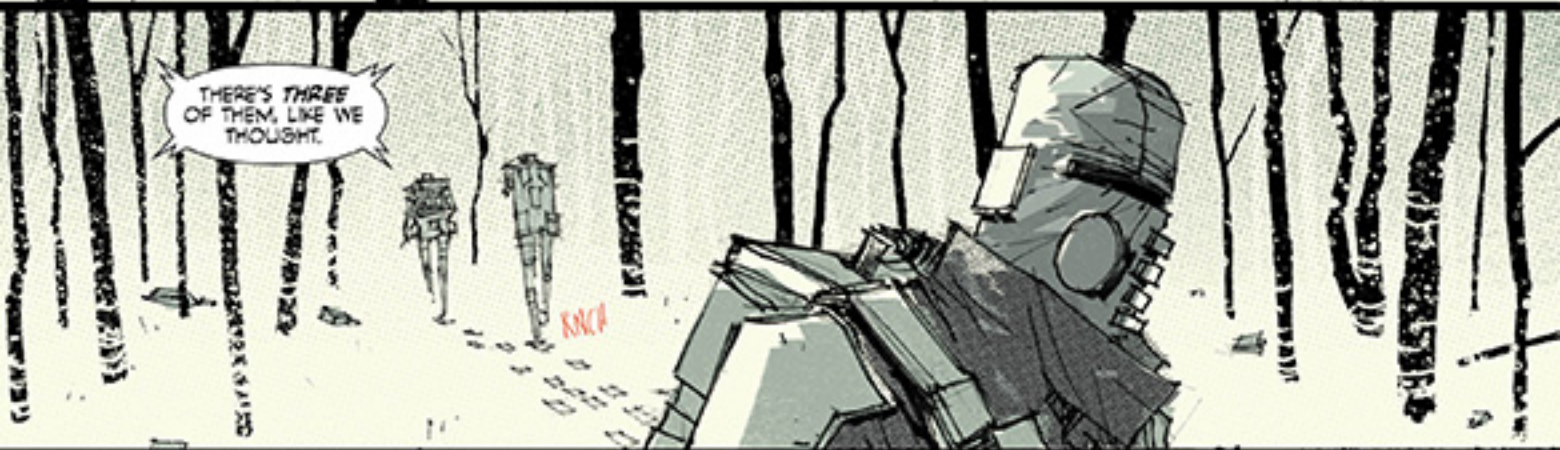
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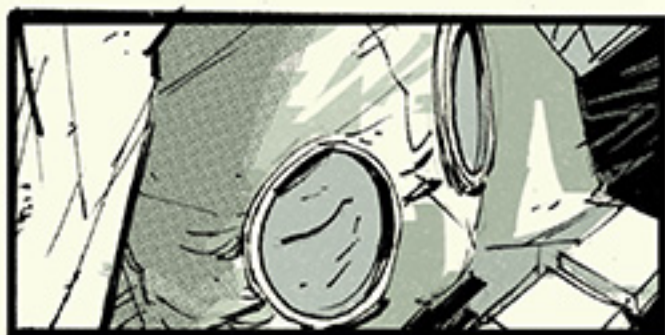
"...YOU CAN'T EVEN  
BREATHE THEIR AIR."



THERE'S *THREE*  
OF THEM, LIKE WE  
THOUGHT.

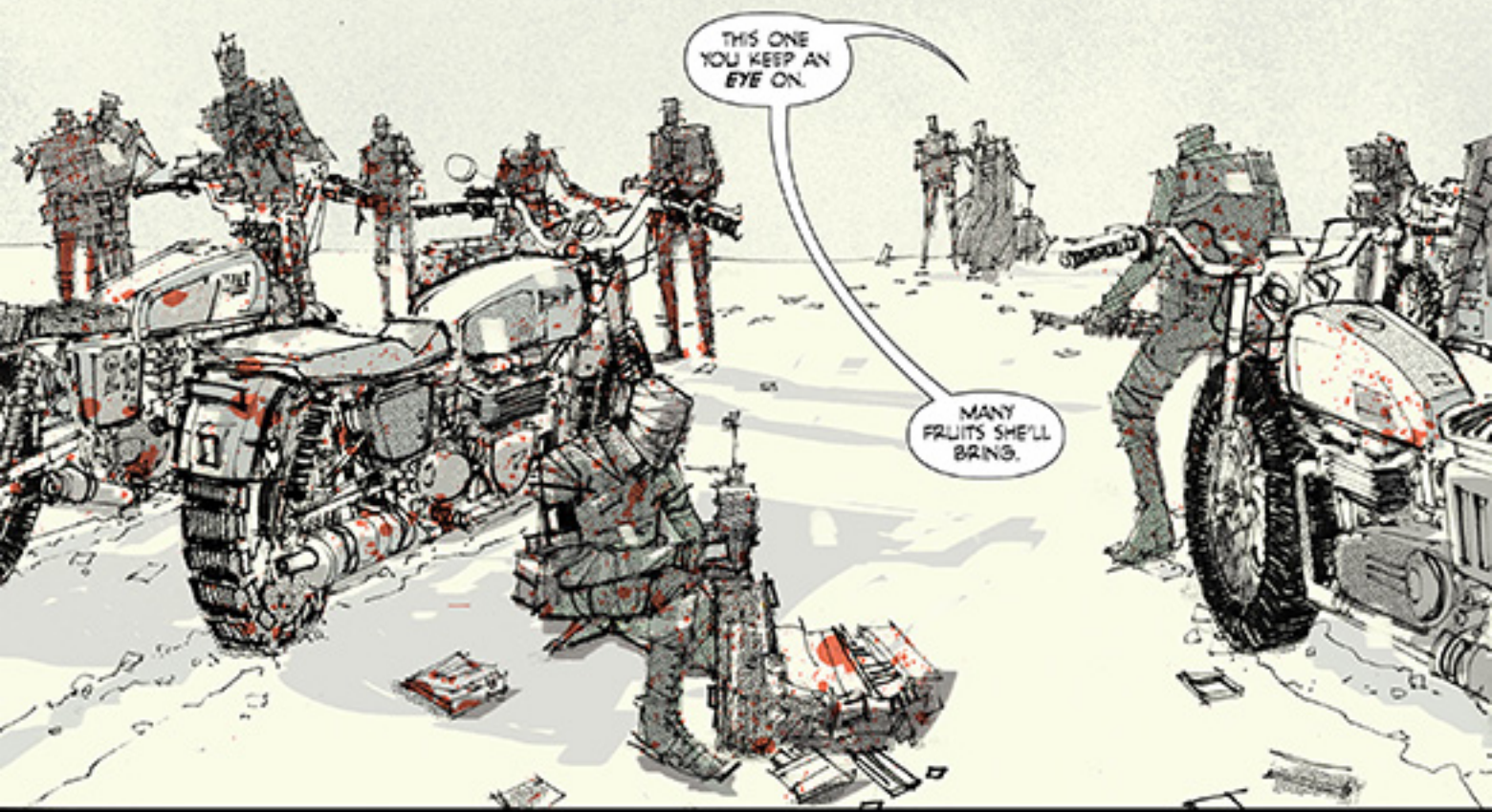
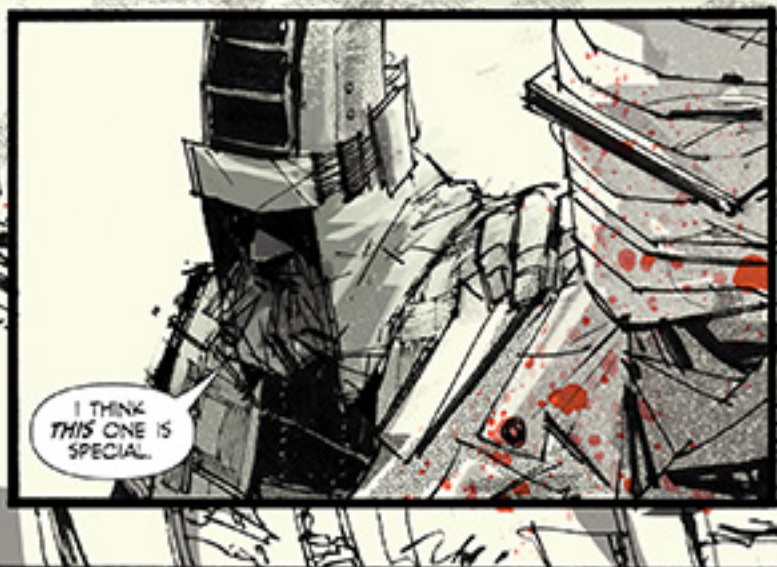






KILL  
HER?









MALE, WE'RE  
ALMOST THERE. PUT  
YOUR HELMET BACK  
ON.

DAVEY DOESN'T KNOW  
I'M PANICKED.

HYPERVENTILATING.

I'VE BEEN A SOLDIER  
MY WHOLE LIFE.

DAD'S A  
SOLDIER.

BROTHERS ARE  
SOLDIERS.

AND NOW I'M JUST A TARGET.  
RISKING IT ALL FOR A KID--

OH THE  
DANGEROUS THOUGHTS  
WE GET UP TO...