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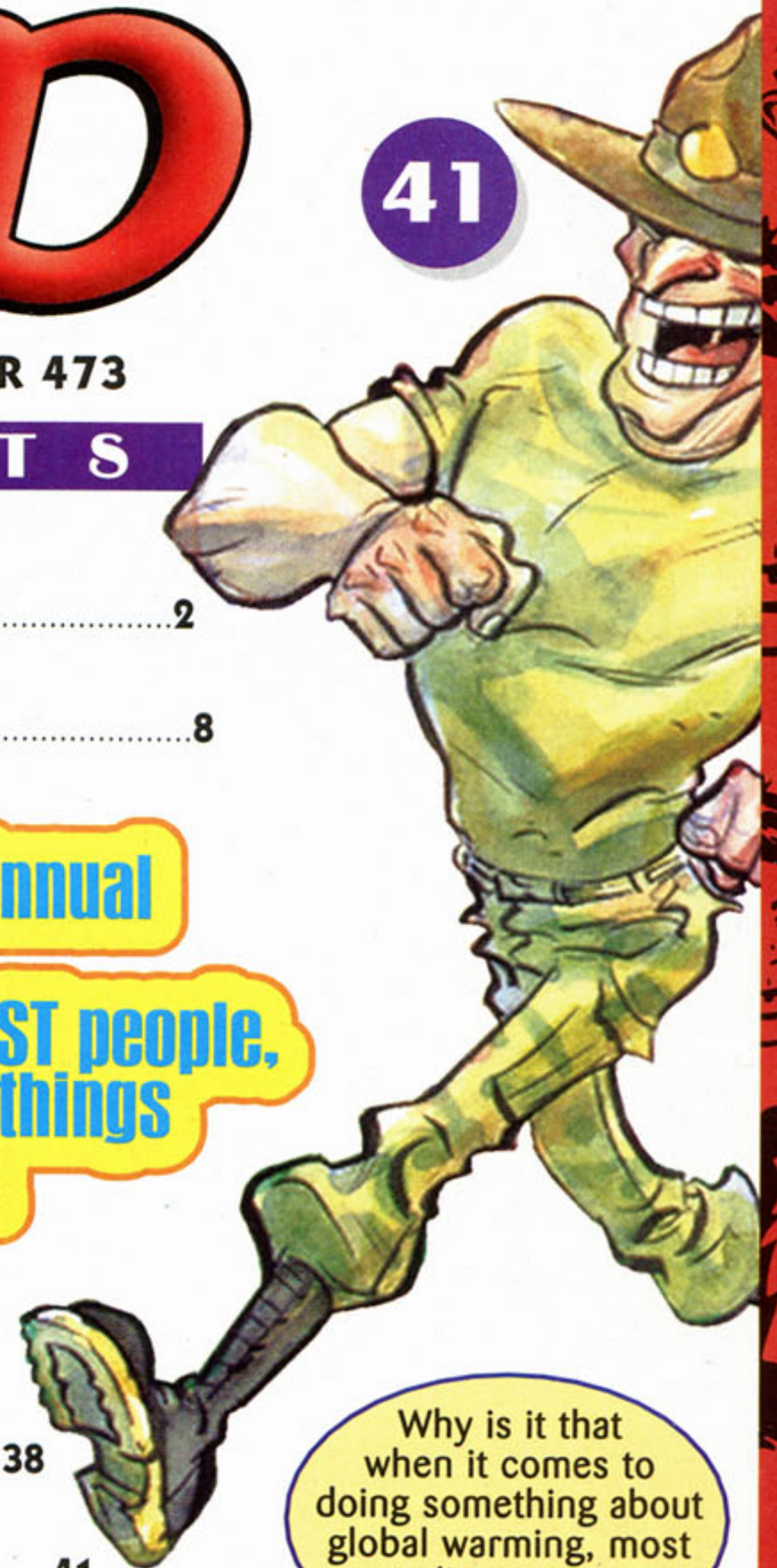
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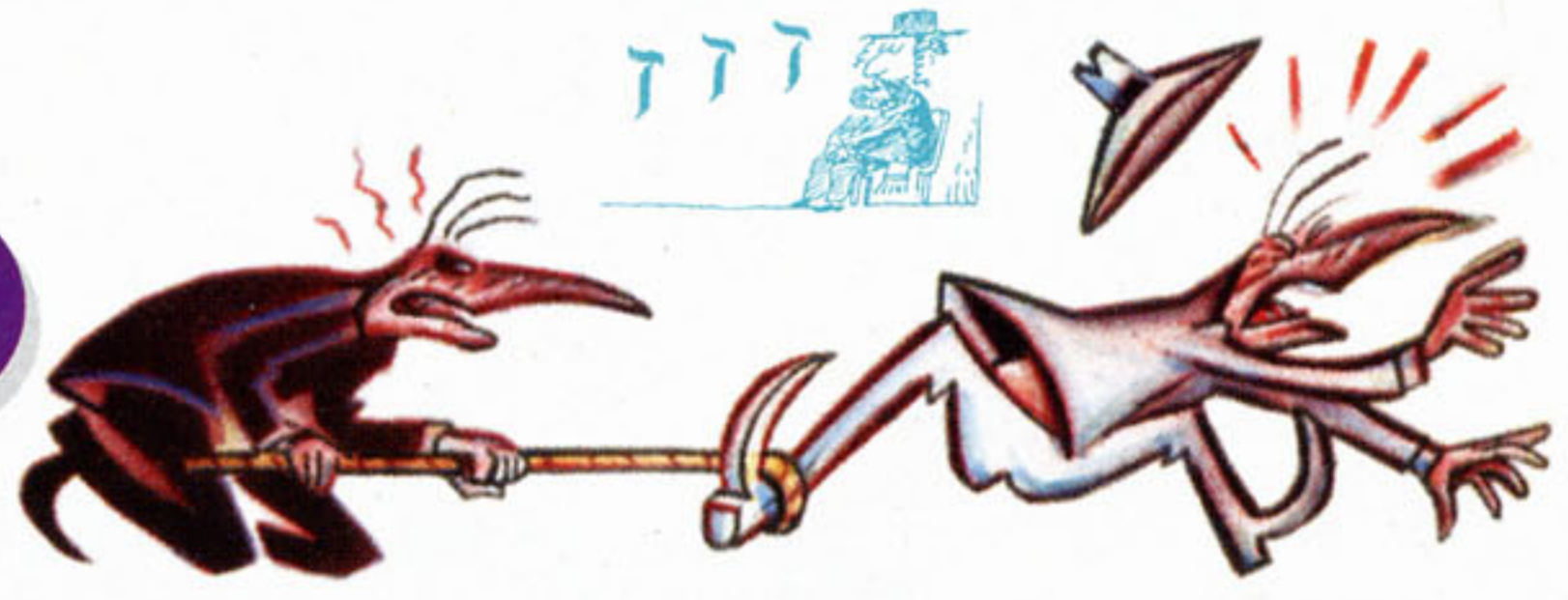
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Why is it that when it comes to doing something about global warming, most politicians get cold feet?



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THE OLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

While I was reading "10 Things Not to Say During a Hospital Visit" in MAD #470, the only thing I could think about was this funny experience I had last year. My best friend Will and I got paired up to visit a nursing home for a school project. We were both paired with an old lady named Bessie. Anyway, one day while we were talking to her, Will said, "My cat died yesterday." Bessie didn't respond. Then Will blurted, "He just got too old, he just kinda rolled over and died!" Everyone around us was shocked! I literally spewed punch all over the table! Everyone gave us dirty looks on the bus ride back to school!

Tyler McCardle, San Antonio, TX

Ty-lenol — Your letter got a similar response when we read it around the office — awkward and angry silence. Senior Editor Joe Raiola even spewed punch all over his desk. But he does that everyday so it probably had nothing to do with your letter. Tell Bessie we say hi... on second thought maybe you shouldn't say anything more to her! —Ed.

MAD CELEBRITY SNAPS

I was on the film set of a new comedy called *Big Ballin'* starring Todd Bridges (Willis from *Diff'rent Strokes*). When I asked Todd if he would pose with a copy of MAD, Todd said "For Celebrity Snaps? Sure." And before I could go to my car to get my issue of MAD, he pulled out two issues of his own! I asked if he reads MAD and he said, "I read all the important periodicals — *Newsweek*, *Sports Illustrated* and MAD."

John Sjogren, LaCanada, CA

Papa John — Consider yourself lucky! When we approach celebrities to pose with MAD and they go to their car to get something, they usually return with a tire iron! We're still seeing a little fuzzy after our encounter with Sir Ian McKellen! Congrats on the snap and enjoy your three-year MAD subscription! —Ed.

MOTHER IN LAW

Yours is my favorite section of the magazine. I love reading the snappy responses to the goofball letters and how you make fun of people's names. I'm writing for two reasons. I would like to know what you're going to do with my name. Note that I am a lawyer, but don't try "lawless," "at-law" or "law and order" because, frankly, we thought of those ourselves. Secondly, my two sons, who also read your magazine, don't believe that you would possibly publish a letter from their dumb old mom. Please help me prove them wrong! I'm sure there will be some kind of life lesson in it for them (although I'm not sure what yet!)

Nina Law, Long Beach, CA

Shock and Law — Wait, you mean to tell us that you're a lawyer and your last name is "Law"? We're hoping you didn't become a lawyer for that reason alone. Because if that's the way your mind works, count yourself lucky that your name isn't Nina Hooker! As far as teaching your sons a life lesson, it seems they were right *and* wrong. They were wrong, because we did print your letter. However, in your sons' defense, they were definitely right about their mom being dumb! —Ed.

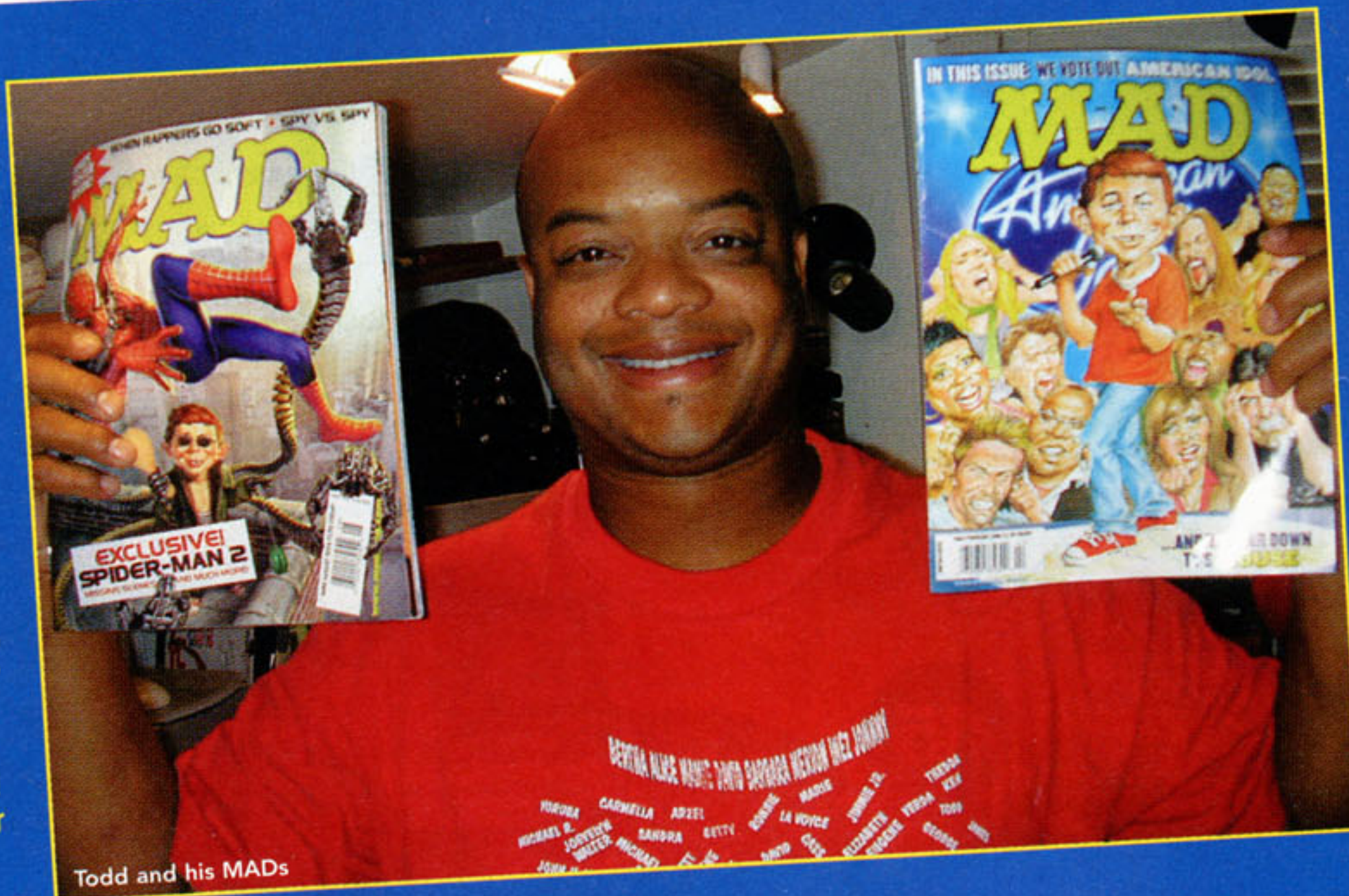


Make A Dumb Wish Foundation™

I read about your *Make A Dumb Wish Foundation™* and decided to write in! Lately, everyone around me is obsessed with *High School Musical*, even my family (except me)! My sister has the soundtrack and the DVD and my parents love it just as much as her! As if this wasn't bad enough, *High School Musical 2* is coming in December. So I'm getting back at everyone by writing to you! My dumb wish is for you to print a spoof, comic or anything that's funny and makes *High School Musical* look bad!

Jack Lewis, Baltimore, MD

Lucky Lewie — Here at the *Make A Dumb Wish Foundation™* yours is our favorite kind of dumb wish — the kind we've already granted and don't have to put any effort into! Check out MAD Kids #5 (on sale now!) — you'll find a page of stupid outtakes from that equally stupid movie. Come to think of it, MAD Kids #4 had the stars of *High School Musical* on the cover of our fake-out magazine *Pus Weekly*! If you really want to get back at your sister, you should give her a subscription to MAD Kids! —Ed. P.S. If you have any kind of dumb wish, feel free to send it to us! Snail mail it to: *Make A Dumb Wish Foundation™*, c/o MAD Magazine, 1700 Broadway, New York, NY 10019 or e-mail us at letters@madmagazine.com and make sure you put "Dumb Wish" in the subject line.



Todd and his MADs



OFFICE SPACED

I was reading your Letters and Tomatoes department and I was wondering where you write back. Do you write in an office or do you take it home and write your funny answers to people's silly questions?

Eric Campbell, Zion, IL

Saved By The Campbell — We don't ever sit in one place. We like to roam and ponder every nuance of the missive. In your case, we started reading your letter in the study in front of a roaring fire enjoying a frappuccino. We then took a morning stroll through our polo fields whilst further contemplating the nature of your query. Then, as we were nearing the heliport, it came to us — we'll just pass it on to an intern and let him worry about it! Thanks for writing! —Ed.

The Big Easel

Enclosed is a picture of my masterpiece "Vegetable Bitterman." As an art genius, I like to stick to the ROY G BIV format. I used vegetables to render Bitterman in the following way:

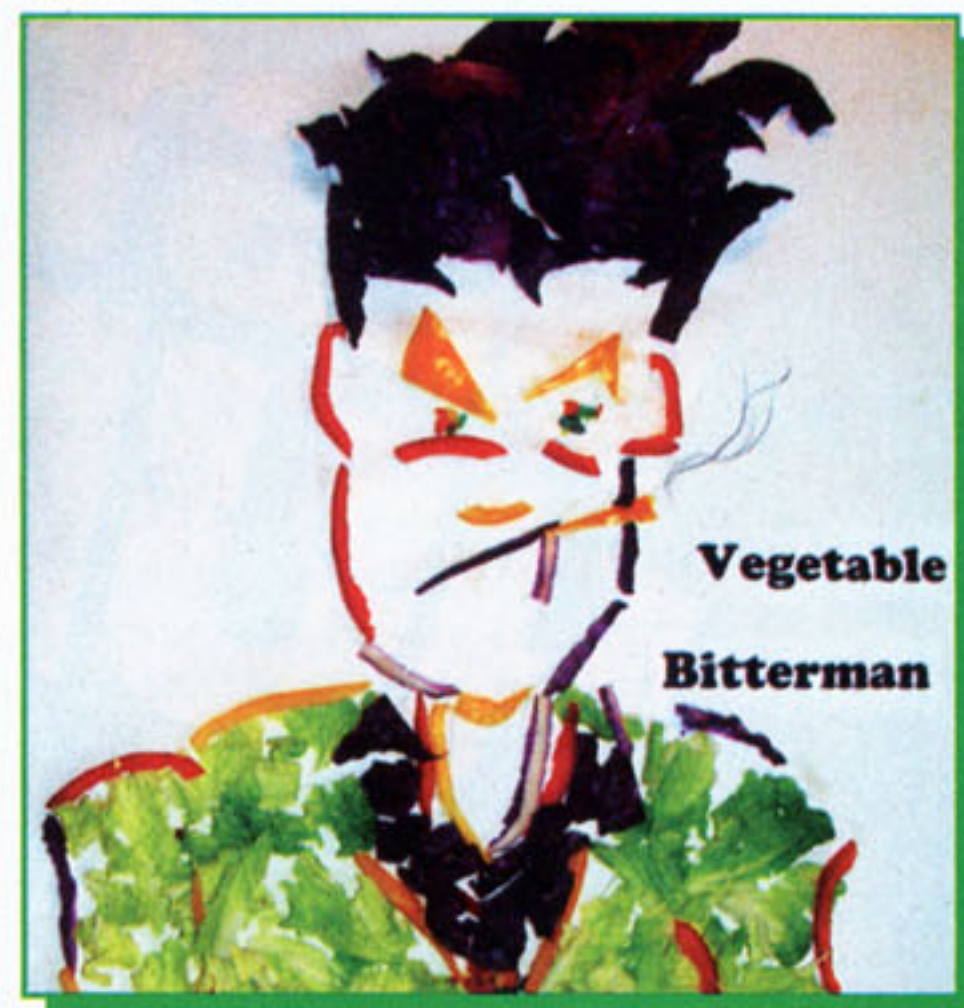
Red: Tomato
Orange: Bell Pepper
Yellow: Banana Pepper
Green: Lettuce
Blue: Blueberry
Indigo: Purple Onion
Violet: Cabbage

Please publish this in your magazine so my wife will quit calling my art master-works "astonishingly stupid!"

Jeff Robertson, Yellow Springs, OH

Jeff Leppard — We thought the stories about spinach and lettuce tainted with E. coli were the most disgusting thing to happen to vegetables. Our mistake! We're guessing there's not a

salad bar in the state of Ohio you're welcome at (we hear they posted your picture at the hostess stand in Sizzler with a "Do not serve" warning)! We hope this settles the dispute with your better half. But we have a sneaking suspicion that your "wife" is nothing more than a watermelon with a female face drawn on it! —Ed.



Jeff's salad spinnings

WE'VE OFFICIALLY BEEN PIMPED

On a recent episode of *Pimp My Ride*, Xzibit and the customizers at GAS put 7-inch monitors in the mud flaps of an '87 Chevy Blazer. X to the Z keenly pointed out, not only how freakin' stupid that idea is, but also the inspiration for that stupidity (namely the "Dump My Ride" parody from MAD #456). In case you missed it (which is easy to do, since MTV so rarely replays its shows), here are the screen captures along with the actual quotes from the show.



THE INSPIRATIONAL PANEL FROM MAD



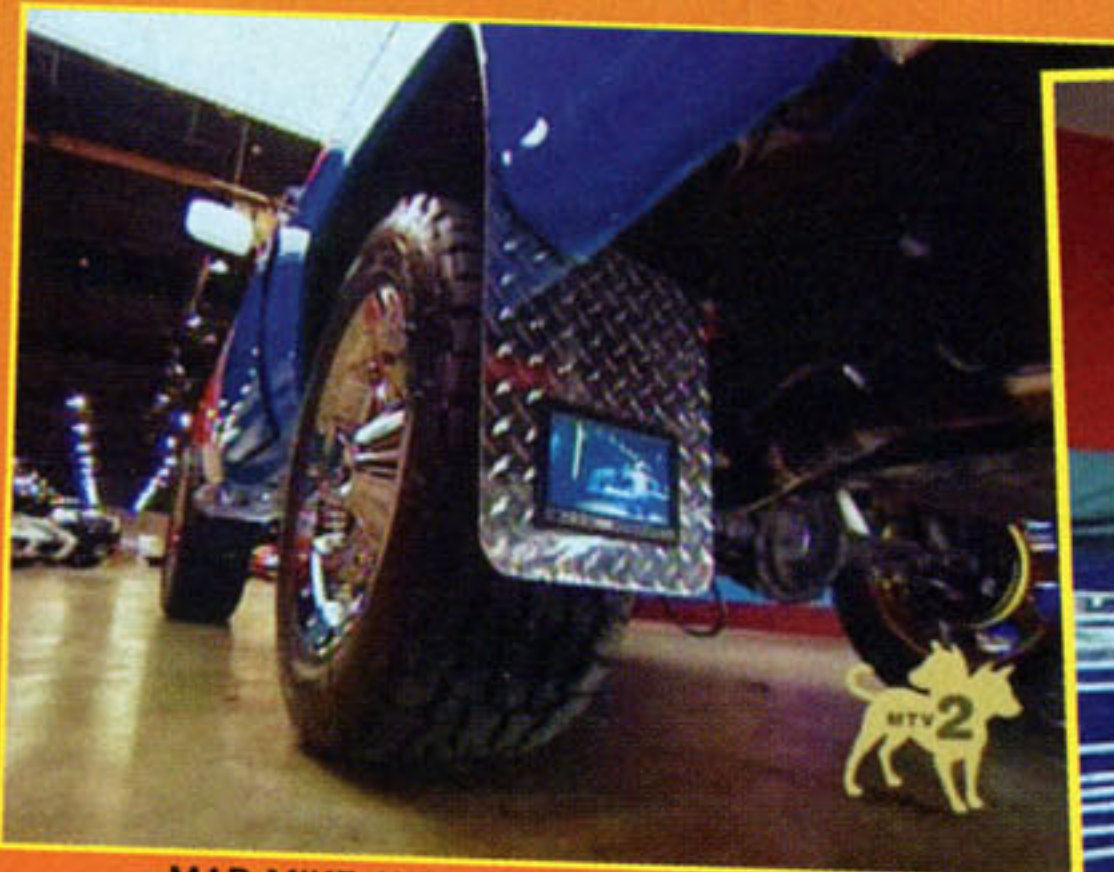
JOSH'S CHEVY BLAZER BEFORE GETTING PIMPED...



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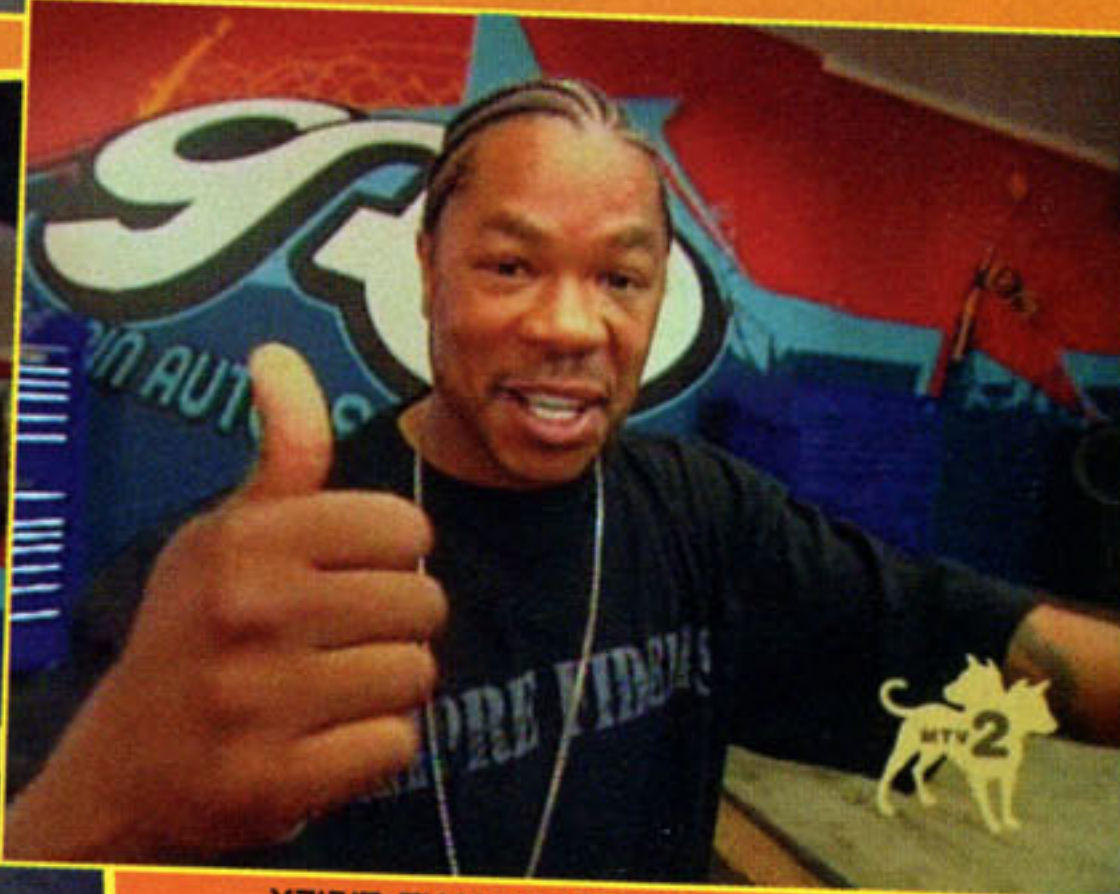
MAD MIKE: AND JOSH, CHECK THIS OUT...



MAD MIKE: WE CUSTOMIZED YOUR MUD FLAPS WITH 7-INCH MONITORS, DAWG!



XZIBIT: THAT'S USELESS.



XZIBIT: THANKS FOR THE IDEA, MAD MAGAZINE, KEEP 'EM COMING!



AN INTERN FOR THE WORSE

We want to give a big thank you to our 2006 interns! On the editorial side, Kiernan P. Schmitt, Chari Pere, Nicholas Michael Ferry IV and Harrison Greenbaum. And in the art department, Ashley Edwards and Timothy Yee. We couldn't have gotten our dry cleaning without you!

Are you a college student who thinks you have the goods to temporarily do our jobs for us? Write to us for information on how to become a 2007 summer intern. E-mail us at letters@madmagazine.com and be sure to put "editorial intern" or "art intern" in the subject line. Don't have a computer? For editorial, write Amy Vozeolas c/o MAD Magazine, 1700 Broadway, New York, NY 10019. For art, send it to Ryan Flanders at the same address.



Ashley



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Harrison



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Mike



Chari

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Have you ever licked a ferret? — northpixie...I fell in love with myself, but then I broke up — acid soda...Have you ever noticed how much an elephant upside down resembles a chocolate chip cookie? — i8pickles...my computer sings when I go to madmag.com — uglychicken...Files will sometimes refuse to sit on vinyl seats — opsman...Did you ever notice how waves come in waves? — mad-head911...My baboon plays the bassoon — dehydratedsquash...Why do I hear a strawberry squealing? — avsalltheway.



READER ALERT!

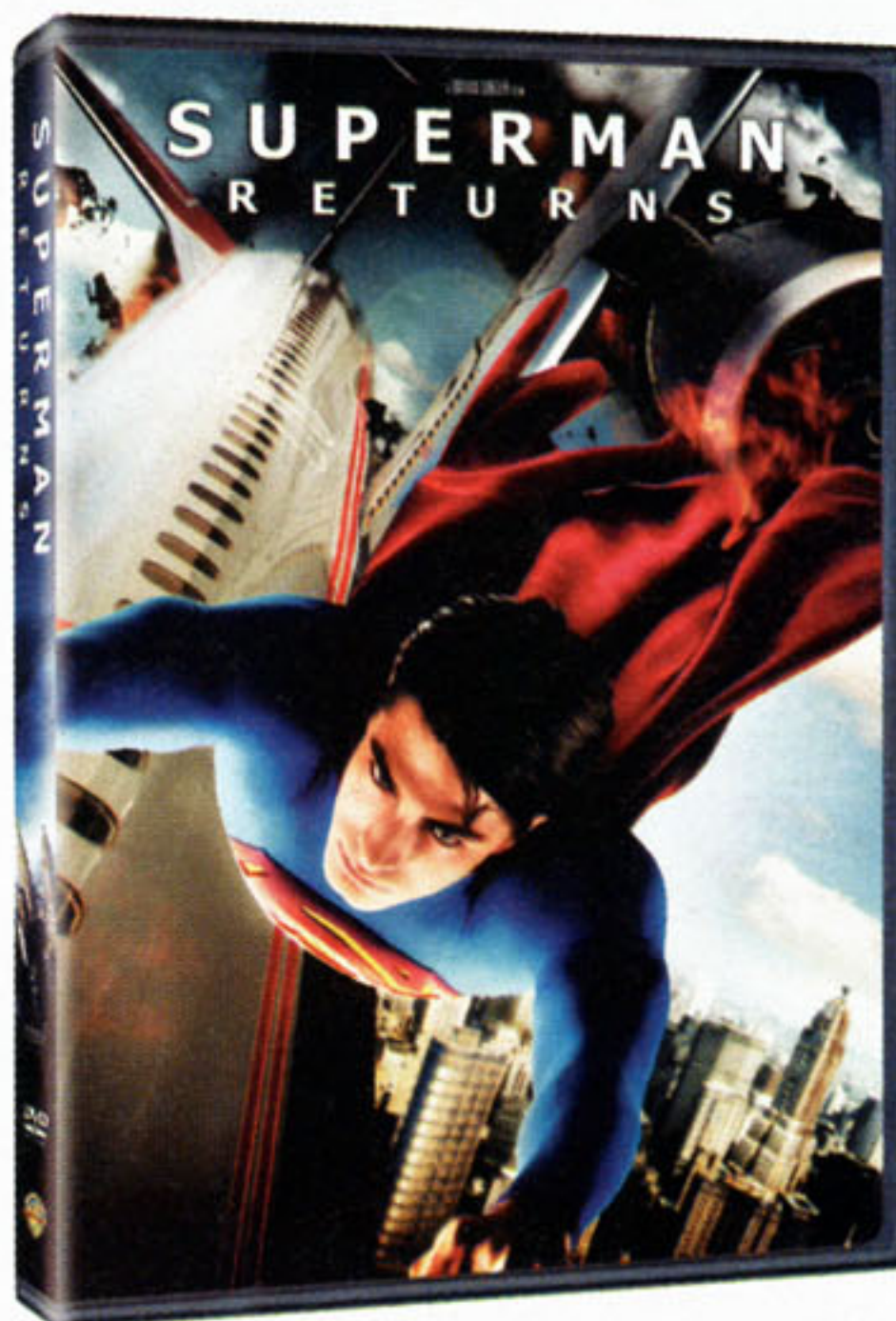
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READER ALERT II!

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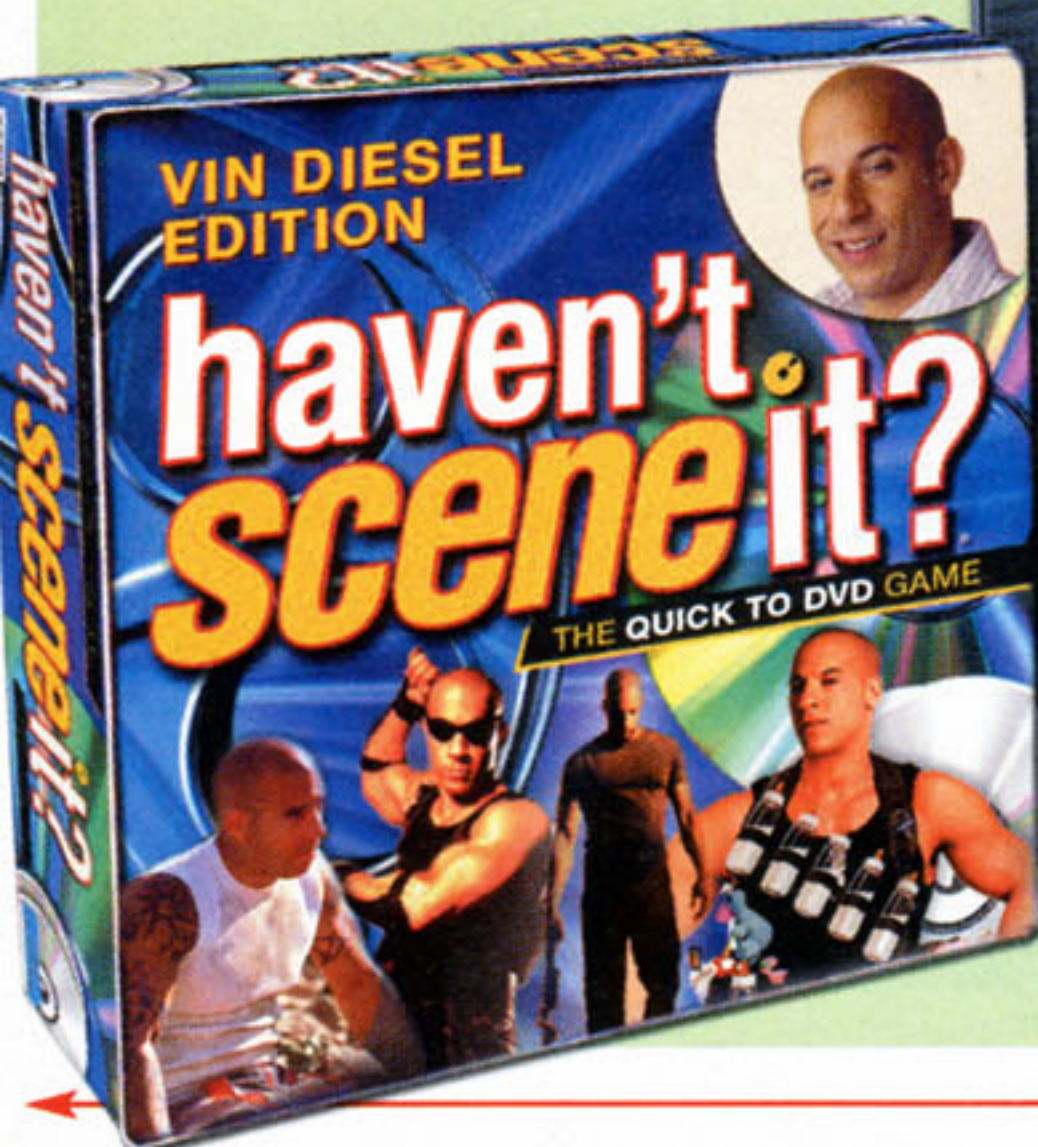
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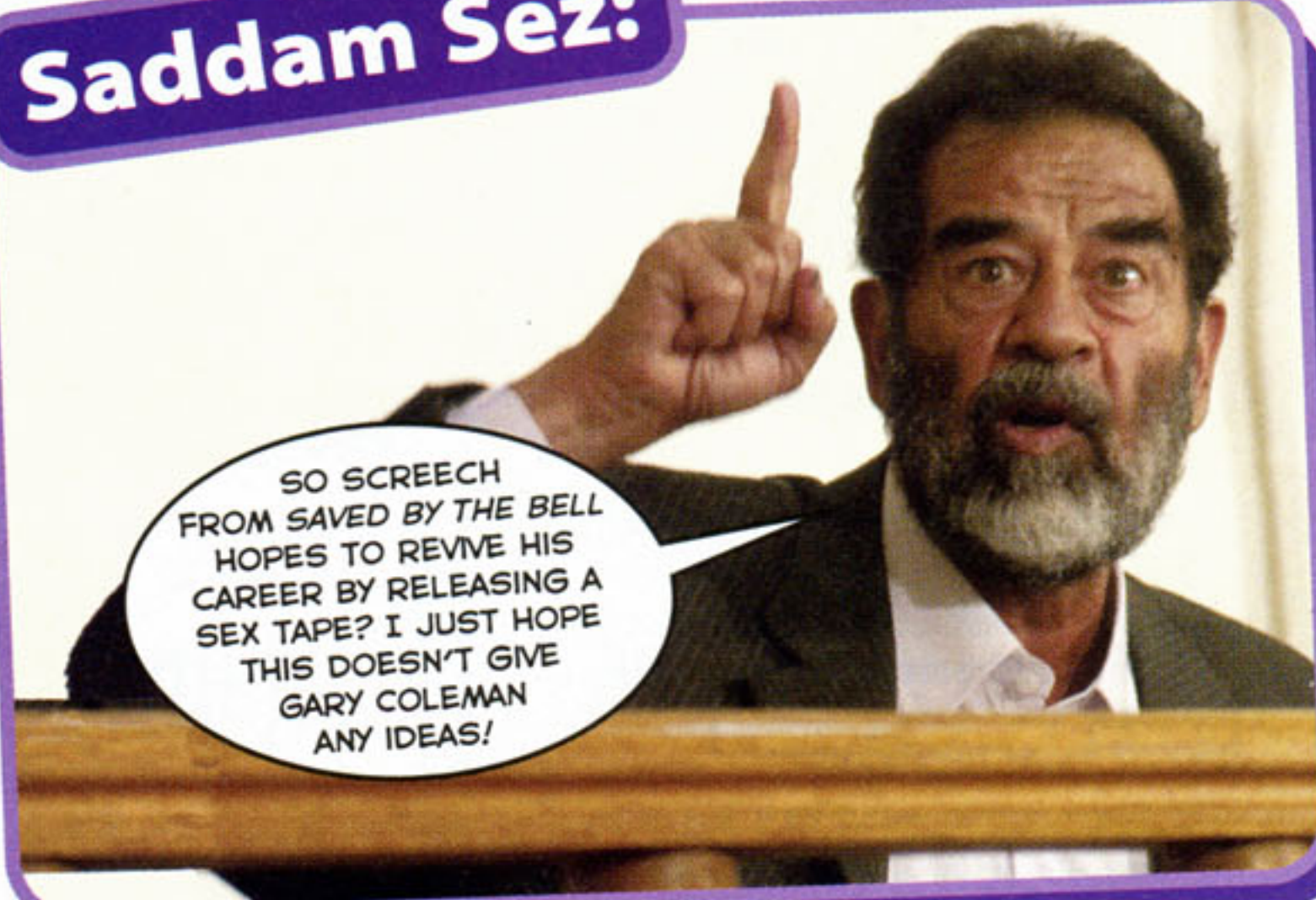


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VEY TO GO!



"IT STARTED AS A POLITICAL POLL AND BEFORE I KNEW IT, BLAM! IT TURNED INTO PHONE SEX."

OTHER THINGS, BESIDES OFFENDING MUSLIMS, THE POPE MUST APOLOGIZE FOR

- Not choosing a more creative papal name, like, say Billy Bob or Pope Diddy
- For giving on-the-go Catholics no option but to eat one of those awful McFish Filet things on Fridays during Lent
- Playing the "infallibility card" every time one of his words is challenged in Scrabble



- The Popemobile's constantly running over squirrels in Vatican Square

- Notre Dame football's over-exposure on TV and lopsided home-to-road game schedule

AN HONEST "PRINTER TEST PAGE" WE'D LIKE TO SEE

Do you see a car of vivid bright red?
A flower of dazzling orange?
An abstract painting of bright, bright yellow?
Do you see the multi-colored spools in bright hues?

Type 60pt
Type 48pt
Type 36pt
Type 24pt
Type 12pt

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Type 48pt
Type 36pt
Type 24pt
Type 12pt

If "Yes," CONGRATULATIONS!!

This means your new color printer cartridge is properly installed and working properly!

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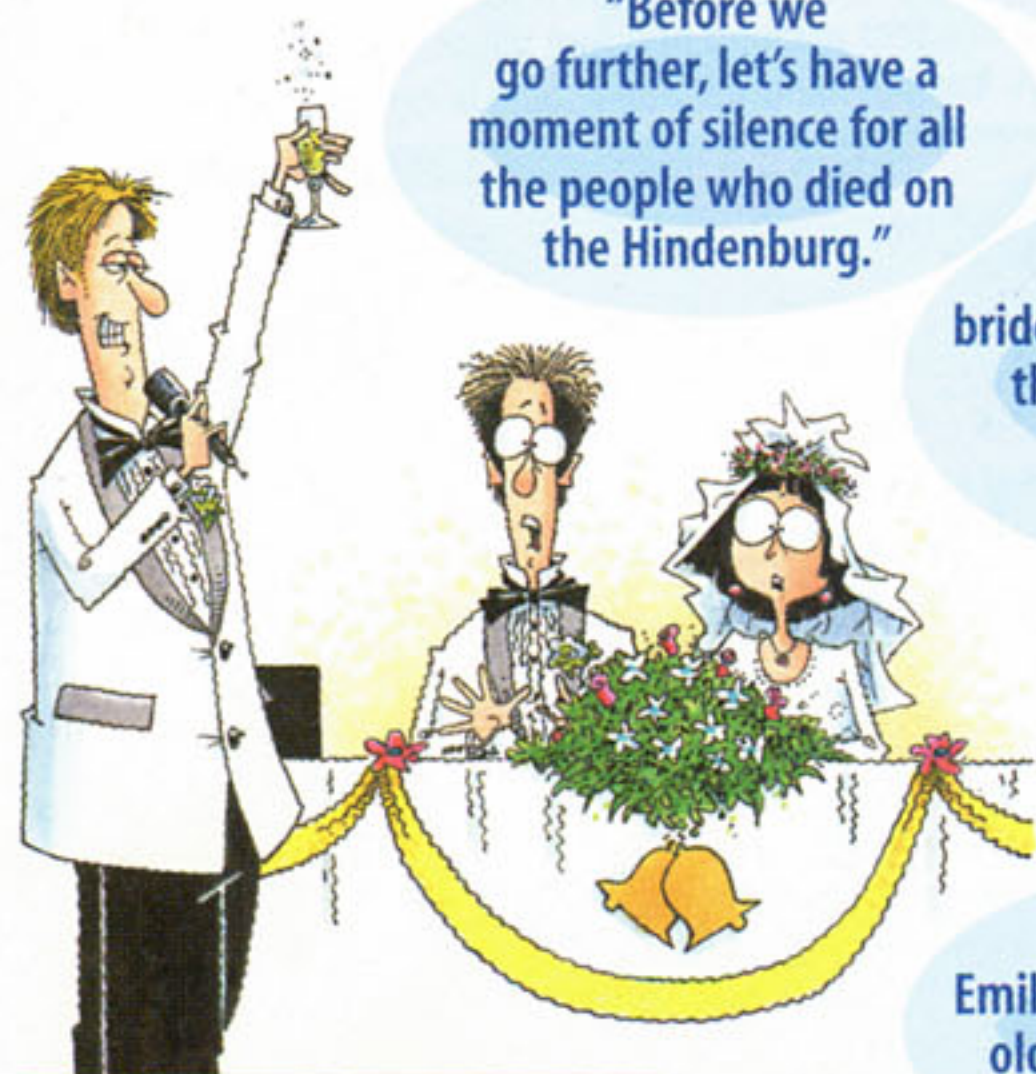
WHEN OTHER HELPLINES ARE OUTSOURCED TO INDIA

Thank you for calling dee suicide 'otline.
MY name is Robert, 'ow may I 'elp You?
Your Life is 'opeless and You weesh to end eet?
I undarstand perfectkLY. Eef You are at the end
of Your Rope, per'aps You should parchase some
more rope. I undarstand perfectkLY.
MY supervisor? Please 'old...



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THINGS YOU SHOULDN'T SAY IN A WEDDING RECEPTION TOAST



"May this be the first of many happy marriages for you both."

"Before we go further, let's have a moment of silence for all the people who died on the Hindenburg."

"A toast to the bridesmaids, even though they really didn't do anything except stand around."

"In the words of Larry King..."

"Here's to Jake, Emily, and their 4-month-old fetus, whatever its name will be."

MELVIN & JENKINS'

GUIDE TO NEW FRIENDS



Jenkins believes that you can tell a lot about a person by examining the contents of their bookshelf.



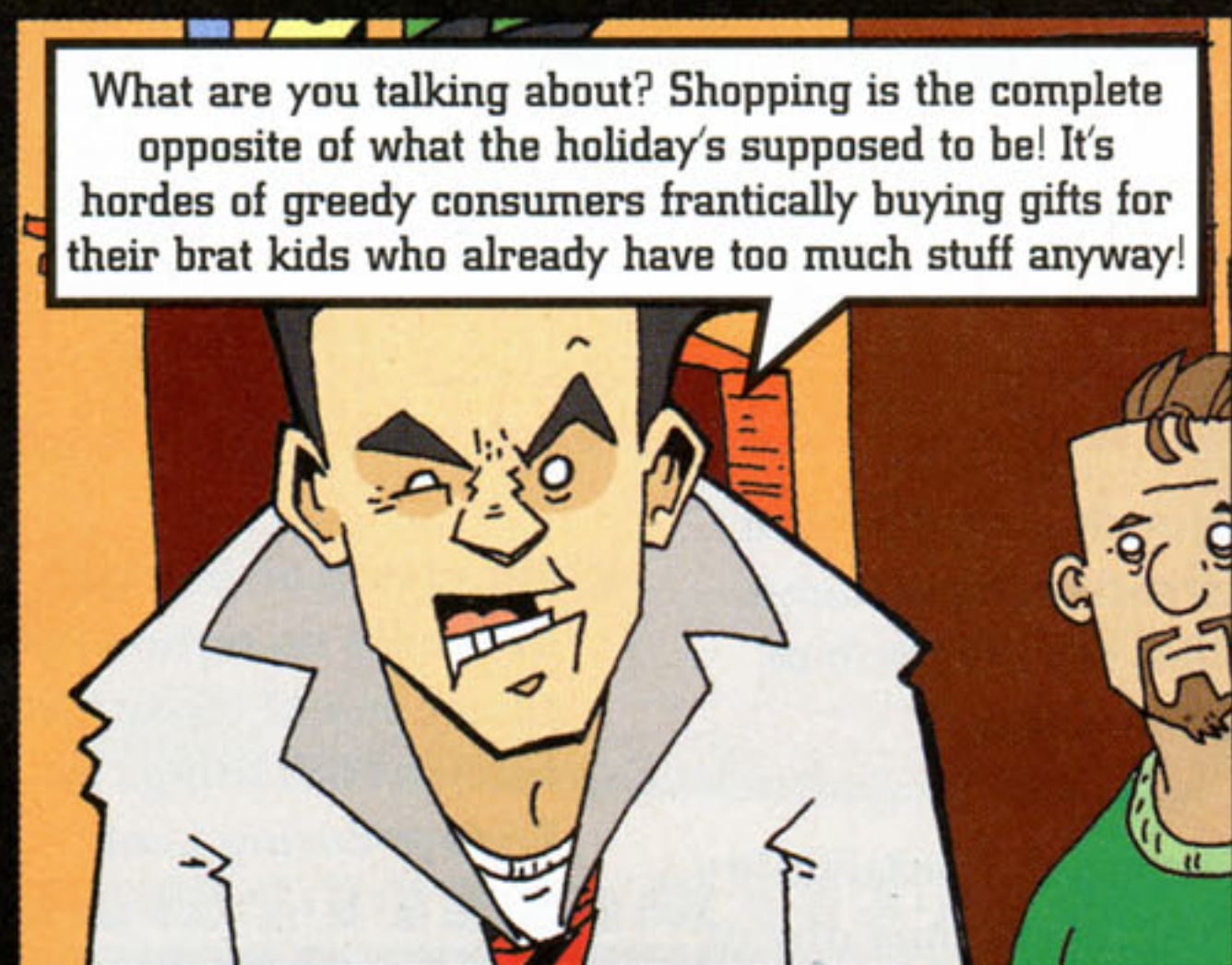
Melvin gets the 411 straight from the hamper.

BITTERMAN

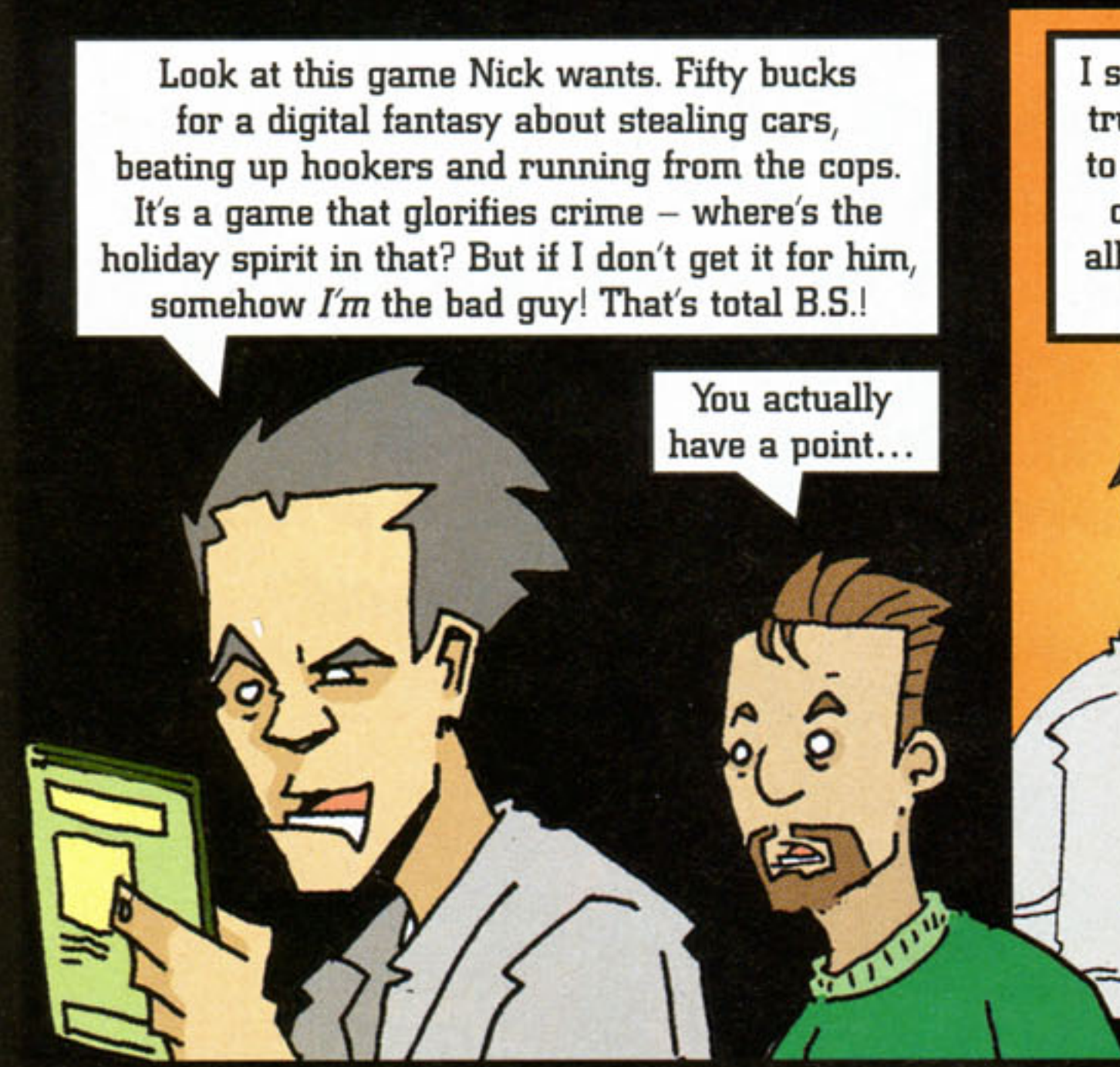


Christmas shopping really blows.

Yeah, but it's all part of the holiday.

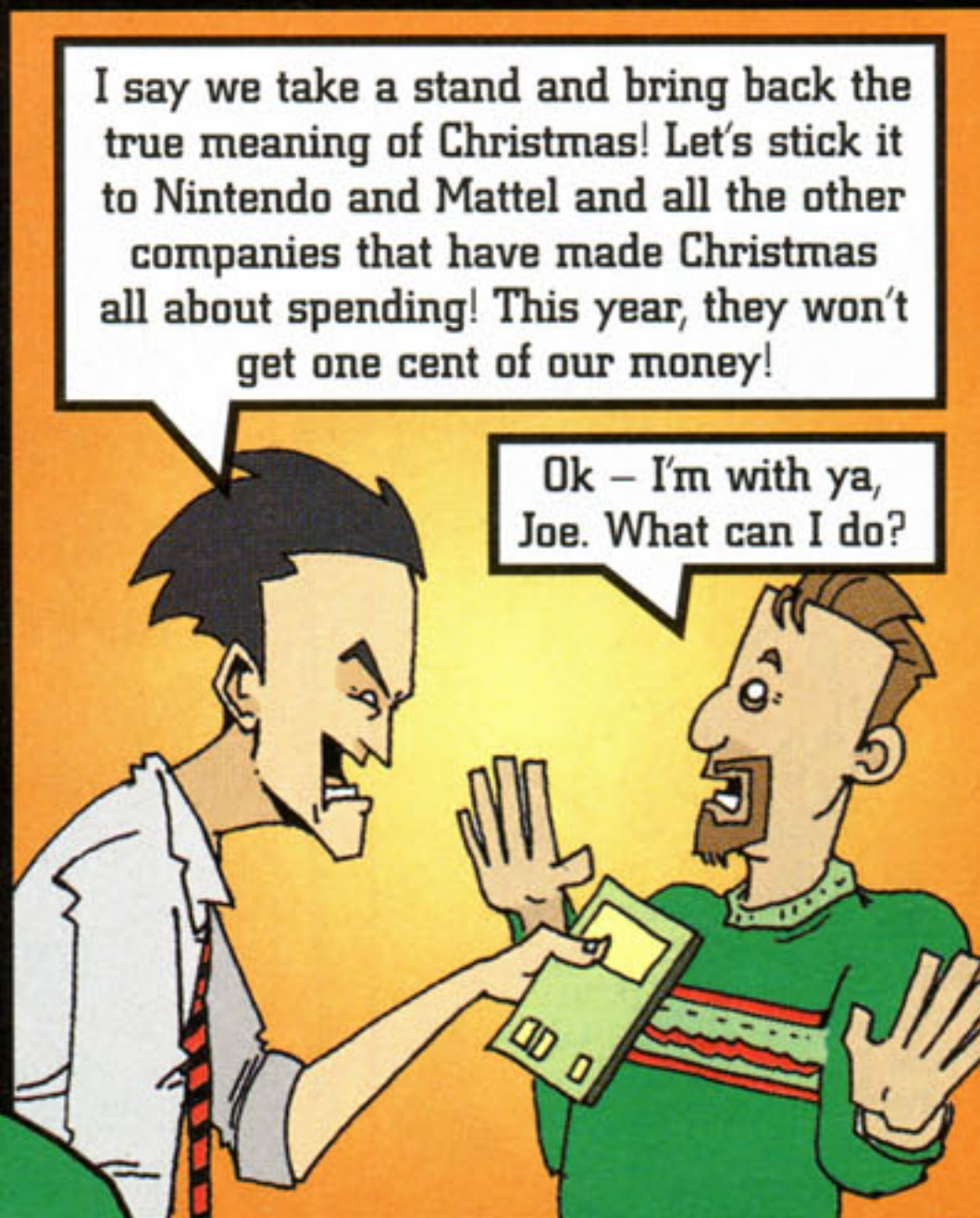


What are you talking about? Shopping is the complete opposite of what the holiday's supposed to be! It's hordes of greedy consumers frantically buying gifts for their brat kids who already have too much stuff anyway!



Look at this game Nick wants. Fifty bucks for a digital fantasy about stealing cars, beating up hookers and running from the cops. It's a game that glorifies crime – where's the holiday spirit in that? But if I don't get it for him, somehow *I'm* the bad guy! That's total B.S.!

You actually have a point...



I say we take a stand and bring back the true meaning of Christmas! Let's stick it to Nintendo and Mattel and all the other companies that have made Christmas all about spending! This year, they won't get one cent of our money!

Ok – I'm with ya, Joe. What can I do?



Stuff this in your jacket.

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The Dumbest People, Events and Things of 2006!



1 The Iraq War *Mish-mosh Accomplished*

For four years the Bush war mantra was to "stay the course" in Iraq. Now, with roughly 3,000 Americans dead and tens of thousands injured, the new Bush war mantra is "we won't leave short of victory." But our delusional Commander-in-Chief can't tell us what victory is and how we achieve it. So American G.I.s slog onward, like pawns in some never-ending sick game. That the War in Iraq is the dumbest thing of the year is painfully obvious. The only question remaining is whether or not it proves to be the dumbest thing of the century.

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MOSQUE
(IRAQI ROOK)



UDAY
HUSSEIN
(IRAQI
BISHOP)



ABU HAMZA
AL-MASRI
(IRAQI KNIGHT)

SUICIDE
BOMBER
(IRAQI PAWN)



The Rules

U.S. troops must fan out from the relative safety of Baghdad's "Green Zone" into a vast, unconquerable desert that's teeming with insurgents hell-bent on forcing the American military completely off the board. Just like in the real war, this is **no fair fight!** Should an American capture a suicide bomber before he strikes, he'll be replaced by two more desperate fanatics ready to blow themselves and everyone around them to smithereens. "Staying the course" has never felt so counter-productive!

OUR GUARANTEE

With Quagmire Chess™ "the violent last throes" will go on forever. And pretty soon the American player will throw up his hands in disgust and realize that he probably shouldn't have played in the first place!

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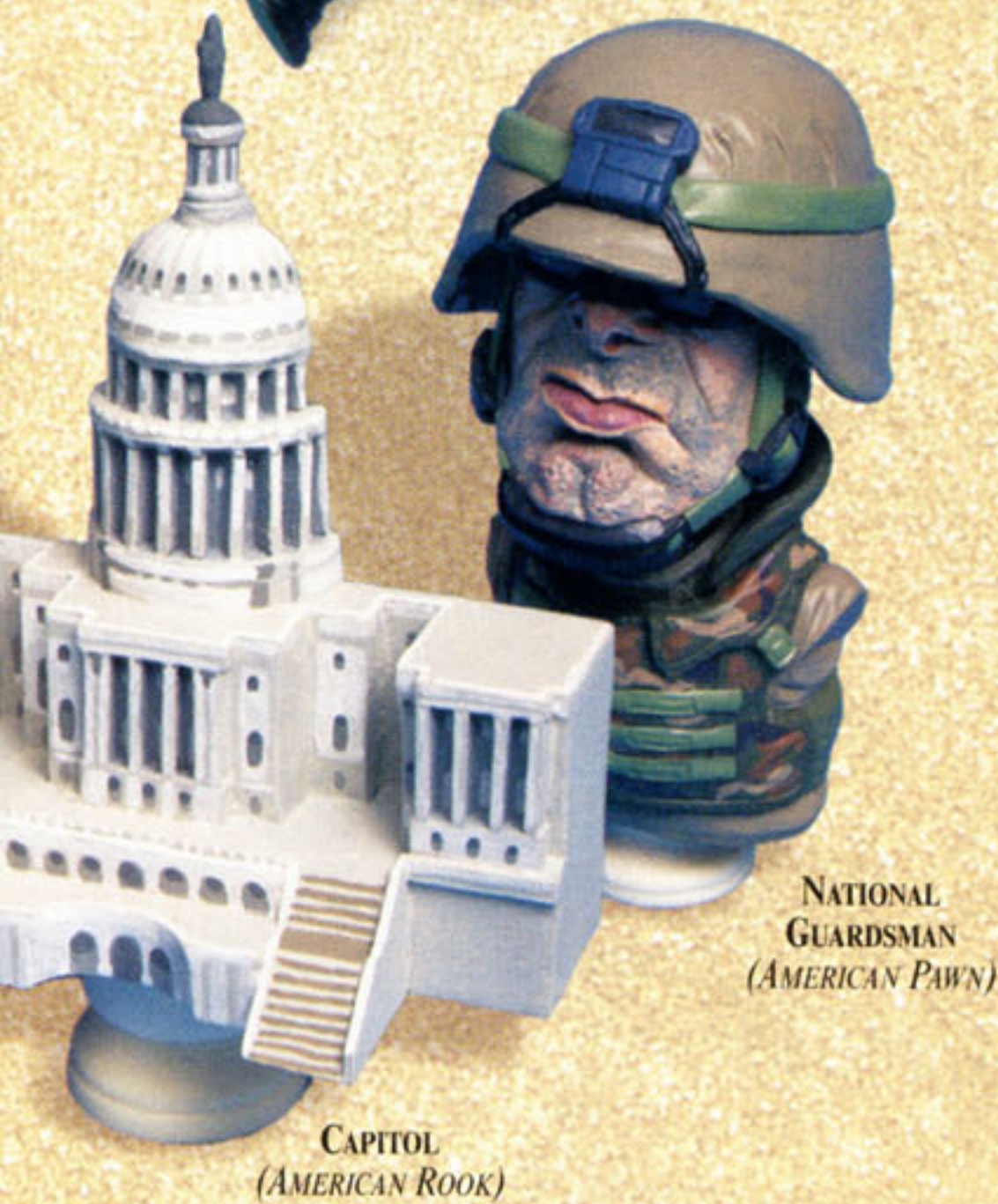
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2 Bode Miller at the Olympics *It's All Downhill from Beer*

The drinking, the dancing, the late night partying... all well-deserved perks after winning an Olympic medal. The only problem is, Bode Miller did this BEFORE winning any medals. The skiing prima-dumma, ranked #1 in the world in 2005, was expected to win multiple medals at February's winter games, but apparently couldn't resist the dual temptations of elbow-rubbing with the Latvian Women's Curling team and drinking his weight in beer. Failing to live up to all the media hype (and an entire Nike ad campaign built around him), in the end, Bode brought only disgrace and embarrassment to the U.S. Ski team. Should Bode be *Sports Illustrated's* Sportsman of the Year? More likely he'll be honored by a different type of magazine.

EDITORIAL:
Allow Pee Breaks
During The
Downhill

Sports Inebriated

OLYMPIC DRINKING
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BODE MILLER
TAKES THE
**OLYMPIC
GOLD (ALE)**

Slalom, Schussing and
6 Other Skiing Terms
That Still Sound
Correct When
Drunkenly Slurred

**Best
Between-
Race
Cocktails**



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The Cheney Hunting Accident Shoot Happens

The Vice President had planned on a pleasant day of quail hunting with his friend, 78-year-old GOP fat cat Harry Whittington. But in a matter of hours, the whole thing had blown up in his face...or Whittington's face, really — since he was the one who Cheney blasted in the face, neck and chest with birdshot. Even dumber than confusing a small terrestrial bird with a septuagenarian Texan, however, was the Veep's handling of the unfortunate event, where he seemed more concerned about his own reputation, than his hospitalized "friend." Still, we can't help thinking — if Cheney hadn't dodged the draft twice when he was younger, maybe he'd know how to handle a gun better.

Greetings from **Armstrong Ranch**



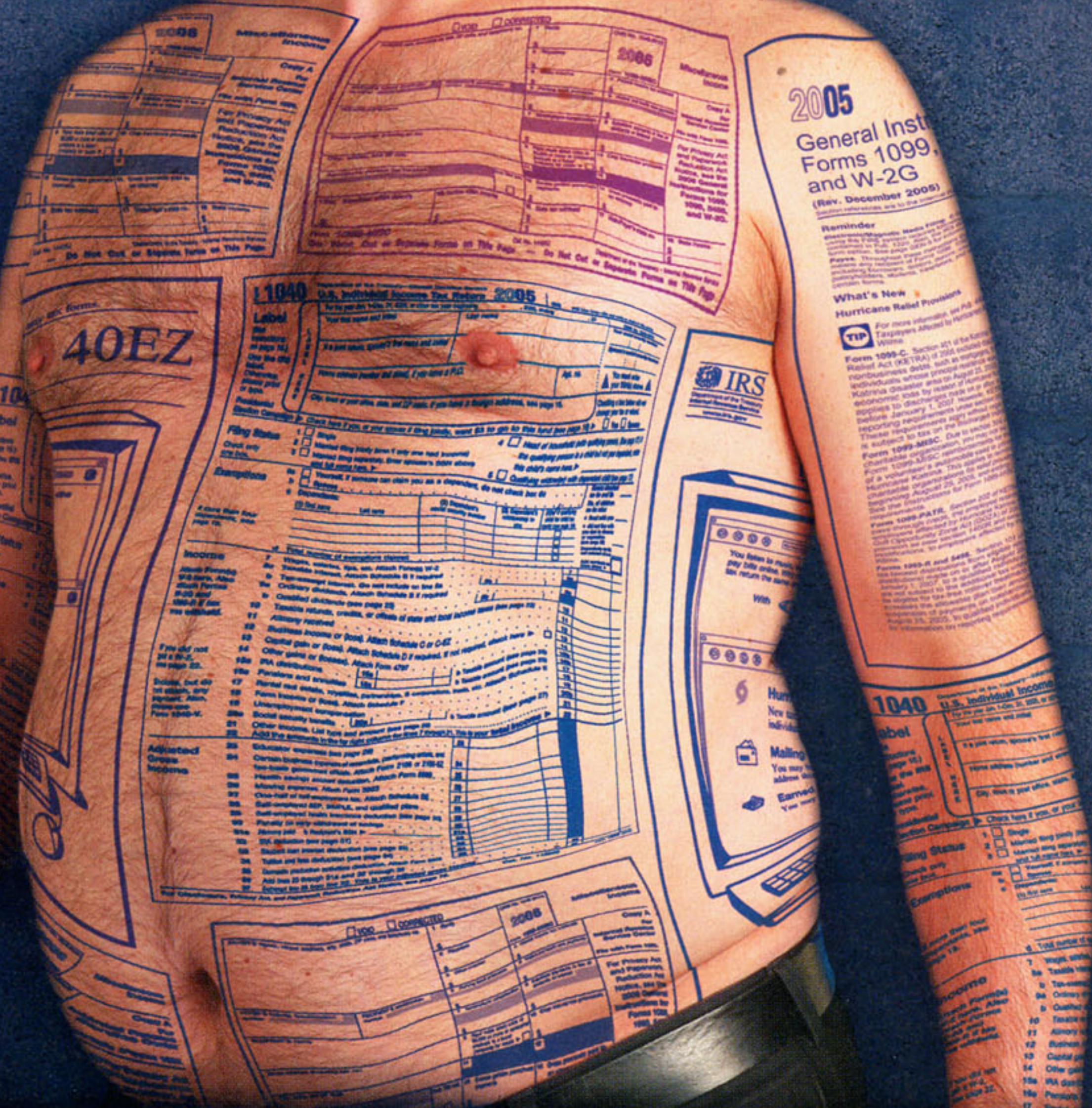
The Family Circus



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Richard Hatch Vs. the I.R.S. Debt Man Walking

Behold Richard Hatch, the portly, gay egotist who liked to cavort around naked during the first season of the TV show *Survivor*. His underhanded shenanigans allowed him to capture the first prize of \$1 million. Only one problem, Hatch never bothered to pay taxes on the prize money. He might be able to Outwit, Outplay and Outlast his fellow contestants, but not the I.R.S.! Richard (May we call you Dick?), the tribe has spoken. It's time for you to go — to prison.



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PRISON FREAK

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Zinedine Zidane A Butthead's Headbutt

Unless you're a rabid fan of soccer (the most popular sport in America after underwater tennis), you'd probably never heard of Zinedine Zidane until his infamous head-butting of an Italian player at this year's World Cup. Zidane's outburst, which got him ejected from the game and cost France the championship, was in response to the Italian player calling him "the son of a terrorist whore." Oooh, snap! Zidane crushes the dreams of millions of French soccer fans because of a "Yo mama" joke! Hey Zinedine, next time, before you use your head, use your head!

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ARTIST: MICK COULAS

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Ann Coulter Queen of the Vile

Here's a riddle: Why does smear-merchant Ann Coulter have such skinny legs? Answer: So she can easily crawl out from under the slimy rock where she lives. This year the shamelessly self-promoting Coulter decided that the grieving 9-11 widows needed to be taken down a peg. (Guess someone else was doing kids with cancer.) In her morally bankrupt book *Godless*, Coulter unleashes a tsunami of hate towards the widows, saying "these harpies" are enjoying their husbands' deaths and they should "hurry up and appear in *Playboy*." Sadly, this kind of despicable ranting is exactly what we've come to expect from Coulter, the poster girl for the right wing's dark side.

SHE WAS ONLY ONE WOMAN,
BUT HER VILE AND
TWISTED WRITINGS
OFFENDED AN
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HER SICKENING
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CONTAINS THOUGHTS AND IDEAS
REPULSIVE
TO ANYONE WITH DECENCY

7 Mel Gibson **The Passion of the Anti-Semite**

We don't know about you, but when a cop pulls us over for erratic driving, the first thing we do is roll down the car window, throw a hundred dollar bill on the ground and say, "Excuse me, officer, is that yours?" Maybe Mel Gibson didn't have a hundred dollar bill on him the day he was pulled over, having blown all his money on tequila shots just minutes earlier. Instead, the Hollywood star launched into a long anti-Jewish rant. Despite Mel's insistence that he's no anti-semiter, his behavior reminded us of an old Latin saying, "in vino veritas" — "in wine there is truth." It also reminded us of an old German saying — "Heil Hitler!"

Mel Gibson



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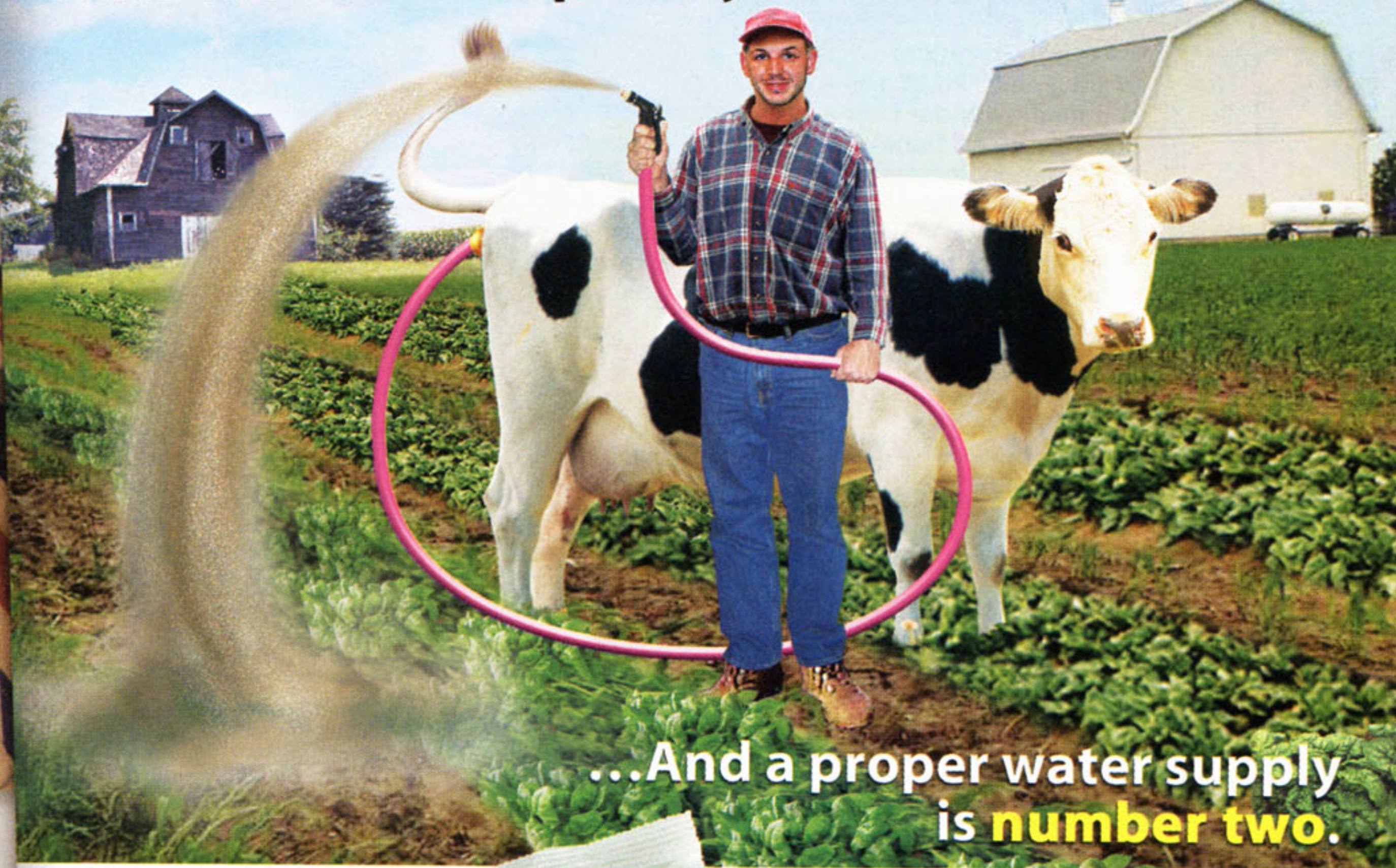
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Tainted Spinach It Ain't Easy Being Green

After Swiss chard, kale, collards, escarole, arugula, watercress, chicory, dandelion and bok choy, spinach is by far our favorite leafy green. So we were extremely upset when a nationwide E. coli outbreak linked to the vegetable actually killed someone and hospitalized about 100 others. The problem was traced to a California company called Natural Selection Foods (E. coli is "natural," right?), which quickly pledged to cooperate with the FDA to identify the source of the problem — irrigation water contaminated with livestock feces (also "natural"). The big problem now is what to do with all that tainted spinach, so look for a special promotion in your local newspaper soon.

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WRITER: SCOTT MAIKO

ARTIST: JACK SYRACUSE

YouTube A Streaming Pile of Sh*t

What a year it was for YouTube, the monumentally distracting website that wastes your time with fat-guy dance routines, nut-crunching skating accidents, and seconds-long TV clips that weren't funny the first time around. In October, the site's founders sold their crapucopia to Google for a cool \$1.65 billion — making it the first time all year that anyone had gotten *anything* worthwhile out of YouTube.

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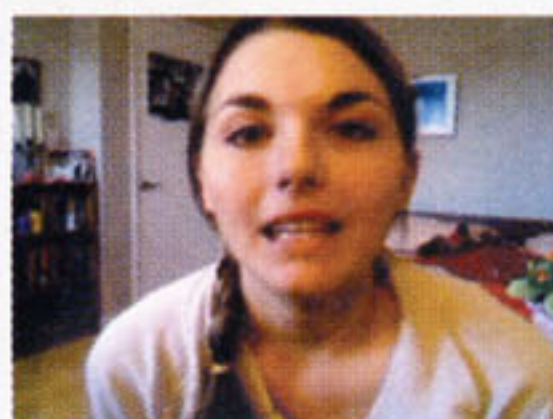
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01:33 (Feels like 33:10)

You might wonder how a hot chick like me could possibly be so "lonely," especially after watching my thrilling monologues about egg salad, toilet water, or the Holy Roman Empire. Ah, who am I kidding? I've been outed! Everything I say has actually been scripted by two wannabe screenwriters. Geez, you'd think if they were going to feed me lines they'd make them more interesting.

Tags: [GirlFraud](#) [Teenipulator](#) [DullardChat](#)

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From: [LonelyGirl15](#)

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[I Act Like an Imbecile, Day 7](#)

03:48

For the seventh straight day, I'm posting my lame, self-conscious "antics" on this site. My hope is that by dancing like a horny chimp, mooning the webcam, and singing about Nilla Wafers, I'll be able to gain a nanosecond's "fame" in the fast-growing field of dimwit YouTube pseudocelebrities. Wish me luck!

Tags: [FatKid](#) [Desperate](#) [ParentsBasement](#) [Unemployed](#) [NillaWafers](#)

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[International Retard](#)

03:21

Most people travel the world to broaden their horizons, experience other cultures, or see famous sights in person. Me? I do it so that I can dance a horrible little white-boy jig in each country! But of course, that's not **all** that I did on my travels—in places like Haiti, Kenya, and Thailand, I also did **plenty** of running from roving teen gangs who wanted to "kill the stupid American!"

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[Watch Frankie Fracture his Skull](#)

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This is my buddy Frankie doin' "gymnastics" after a long morning of bong hits, Jäger shots and Pabst Blue Ribbon. Unfortunately, this "routine" landed him in the County General Trauma Center...but, damn, if it ain't funny! And when he's done with physical therapy in a few months, I'm sure he'll agree!

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From: [DrunkTard05](#)

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[The REAL Lazy Sunday!!!](#)

[See it here FIRST!!!](#)

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This is that SNL sketch! You know, where they're all, like, lazy? And it's Sunday? When I saw it, I was, like, man, I've got to post this—'cause if I don't, who will? Even though I later found that the answer was "3,446 other people," mine is definitely the best! Check it out!

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What's New at YouTube



[Bad Musicians](#)

Are you a semi-talented musician craving your "big break"? If so, you're probably desperate enough to pin your slim hopes on a YouTube musician account! By signing up, you'll go from playing half-empty coffee shops to playing half-empty bars!

Active Channels



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123 Videos | 246 Subscribers



[ObviousStealthMarketing](#)

1 Video | 300,003 Subscribers

WRITER: JACOB LAMBERT

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Floyd Landis **Pedaling Dope**

Poor Floyd Landis — it can't be easy filling Lance Armstrong's snug spandex shorts. After all, the guy won the Tour de France six freakin' times in a row — and with only one 'nad! So this year, when Landis actually won, it seemed like he was picking up right where Lance left off...until he tested positive for illegal performance-enhancing drugs. Now his title is being protested and he may be banned from the sport for two years. After pulling a stunt like that, it looks like Landis was the one who was half nuts.

LANDIS' END

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All proceeds go to Floyd's lawyers, if he decides to sue to get his title back!



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North Korea Tests the Bomb *The Nutty Aggressor*

Our knowledge of the Korean War is pretty much limited to *M*A*S*H* reruns, but it's more than enough for us to know the last thing the world needs is another Korean War. Unfortunately, North Korean dictator/wackjob Kim Jong Il apparently doesn't share that sentiment. While his people are starving to death, "Lil' Kim" is spending his country's meager financial resources on developing a nuclear bomb. Now there's a new arms race brewing in the region and the rising likelihood that the midget dictator will sell WMDs to terrorists. Yeaks! If this is our last MAD 20, it's been fun.

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ARTIST: TOM RICHMOND

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The Muhammad Cartoon Controversy A Real Laugh Riot

When a Danish newspaper printed a dozen cartoons of the Muslim Prophet Muhammad, they had no idea what they were unleashing. Muslim extremists around the world reacted by rioting, vandalizing, burning and killing. We're going to pass on making the point about how whenever someone says Muslim extremists are intolerant and violent, they protest with intolerance and violence, (The Pope already tried that little maneuver and we know how that went!) Instead, we'll just let the footage speak for itself.

What do you get when you combine a handful of OUTRAGEOUS Danish cartoons with the EXTREME followers of a religion who like it wild?

MUSLIMS gone WILD

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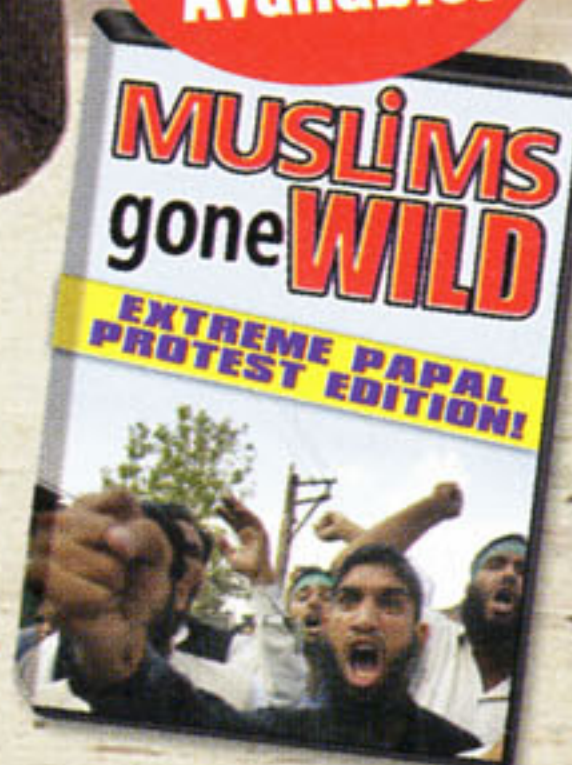
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WRITER: SCOTT MAIKO PHOTOS: AP/WIDE WORLD PHOTOS

Sweaty, angry protesters & wild, non-stop action!

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Barry Bonds, Home Run King **The Sultan of Squat**

With the publication this year of *Games Of Shadows*, the evidence that Barry Bonds used steroids has become so overwhelming, that he's the only person in the country with less credibility than John Mark Karr (see #18). While laughably continuing to maintain his innocence as he closes in on Hank Aaron's home run record, it's obvious to the whole world that Barry's slugging stats are inflated, though not as inflated as his obnoxiously bloated ego.

BARRY BONDS



IN AN AGE OF PHARMACEUTICALS
COMES A HERO FOR TODAY

The UNNATURAL

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Isaac Hayes Quits South Park L. Ron Hubbub

Incredibly enough, last year Tom Cruise wasn't Hollywood's dumbest Scientologist — that dubious distinction went to Isaac Hayes. After spending nearly a decade pitching in to anger Jews, bait Muslims and kill off Jesus himself, Hayes quit *South Park* after Matt Stone and Trey Parker dared to make fun of his religion. Hypocritical? Absolutely! Idiotic? Yep. Professional suicide? Maybe not — with the publicity from his walkout and his years of experience as Chef, he shouldn't have a problem launching a new career in the food business.

ISAAC HAYES PRESENTS...



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K-Fed Raps **Some Records Were Meant to be Broken**

Say what you will about Kevin Federline (for example: he's untalented, a deadbeat dad, a gold digger, and has facial hair that would creep out even James Lipton) — but he's living the American dream! Up until very recently he was a walking punch line. But almost overnight K-Fed has reinvented himself. Now he's a *rapping* punch line!

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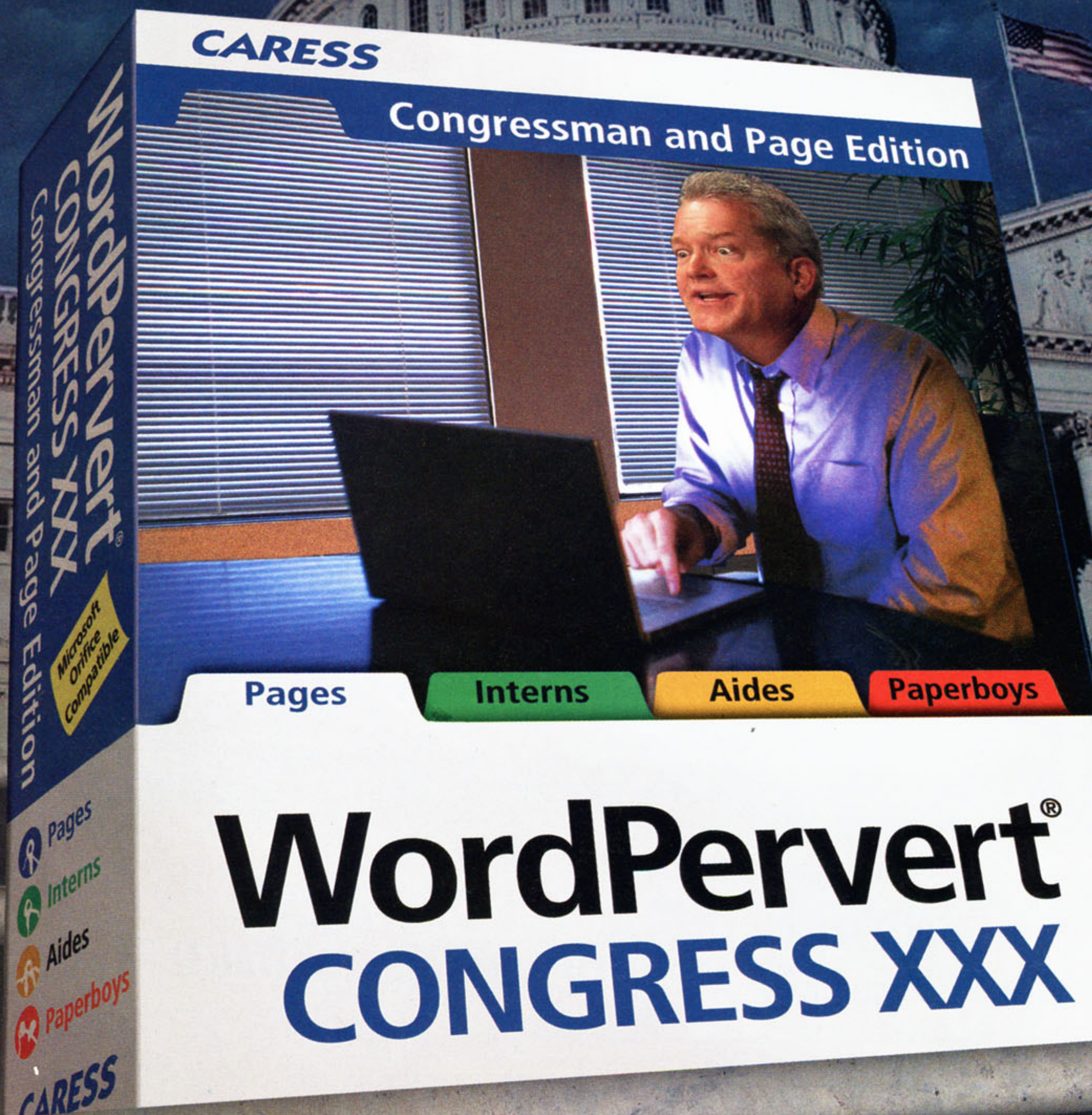
A PORTION OF ALL PROCEEDS GO TO KEVIN'S FIRST BABY-MAMA (YOU KNOW, WHAT'S-HER-NAME THAT GOT DUMPED FOR BRITNEY) AND THE TWO UN-FAMOUS KIDS THEY HAD TOGETHER.

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Congressman Mark Foley The Louse of Representatives

Not every dumb political thing this year had to do with W...Mark Foley, a six-term GOP Congressman from Florida, resigned in disgrace after uncovered emails and instant messages revealed that his most frequent activity in the Congressional Cloakroom was hitting on underaged male pages (something Republican House leaders had known about and covered up for years). Ironically, Foley had sponsored legislation protecting children from sexual predators, apparently under the mistaken notion that if you sponsor a law, you're exempt from it. It was even reported that Foley left the floor of the House during a vote in order to send erotic text messages to a young page. The solution to this travesty is clear: congressmen chicken hawks like Foley need a new software application to better manage their deviant multi-tasking.

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Paris Hilton's Vow of Celibacy Just Say Ho

Certain people are known for doing certain things: The Pope talks about religion. Johnny Knoxville gets smacked in the 'nads. And Paris Hilton sleeps with...well, just about anyone — perhaps, for all we know, even the Pope and Johnny Knoxville! Within weeks of the horny hotel heiress telling the world, "I'm not having sex for a year — I'll kiss, but nothing else," she kissed her "promise" good-bye and was seen sneaking into a hotel with Blink 182 drummer Travis Barker. Hey, Paris: When it comes to celibacy pledges, if you can't keep your legs shut, keep your mouth shut!



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John Mark Karr's Extradition Fake on a Plane

With the notable exceptions of Michael Jackson, Clay Aiken and Clint Howard, has there ever been anyone creepier than John Mark Karr? The self-confessed "murderer" of JonBenet Ramsey, Karr was a cable news darling for about 72 hours before being exposed as nothing more than a lying little weirdo. Treated more like a rock star than a potential pedophile murderer, Karr flew (in pampered Business Class and on the Colorado taxpayers' dime) from Asia to the United States and in doing so, probably created a new business model.

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Star Jones Gets Sacked *The View* to a Kill

There are many theories why Star Jones got fired from *The View*. Maybe it was because Rosie O'Donnell was joining the cast, and the two of them don't get along. Or maybe it was because she shilled for companies on the show in exchange for them sponsoring her wedding. Or maybe, just maybe, it's because she's a self-important blowhard who, now more than ever, looks like E.T. in drag. Still, *The View* did the right thing and let her say it was her decision to leave, so she could depart with dignity. But Star and dignity are like oil and water — and soon she was bitching to anybody in earshot about how she was fired. Not that it matters what version of the story is true — they all have the same happy ending.

VERY WIDESCREEN

Rosie O'DONNELL

Joy BEHAR

Elisabeth HASSELBECK

and

Ms. Star JONES

barbara WALTERS'

FIRING OF A MAD BLACK WOMAN

"...A nauseating clash of egos!"
The Viewing Public



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Bush's Assault on Civil Liberties The Kill of Rights

Arrgh! Shiver me timbers, matey! Some right-listing scallywags have been schemin' to hornswaggle us out of our civil liberties — the greatest booty our forefathers bequeathed us! Blimey! Flogging is too good for those bilge rats! They should be made to walk the plank in the deep sea! Arrgh!

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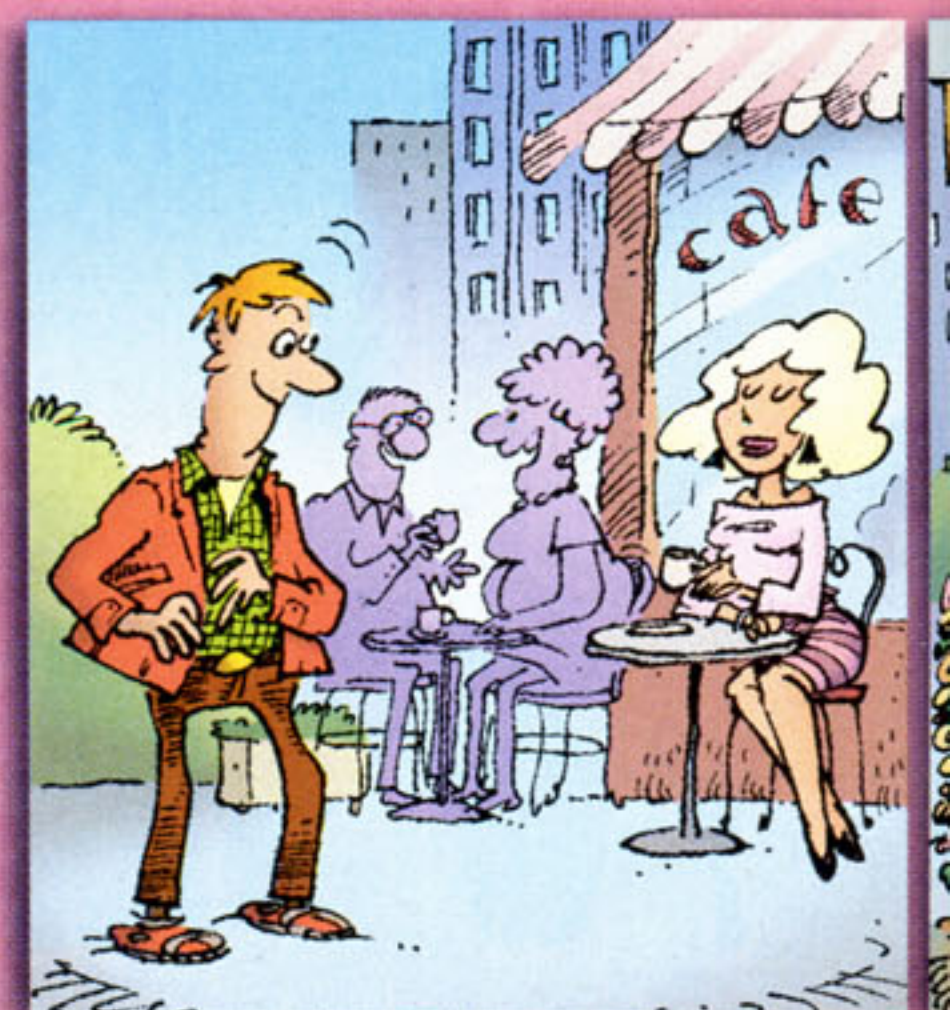
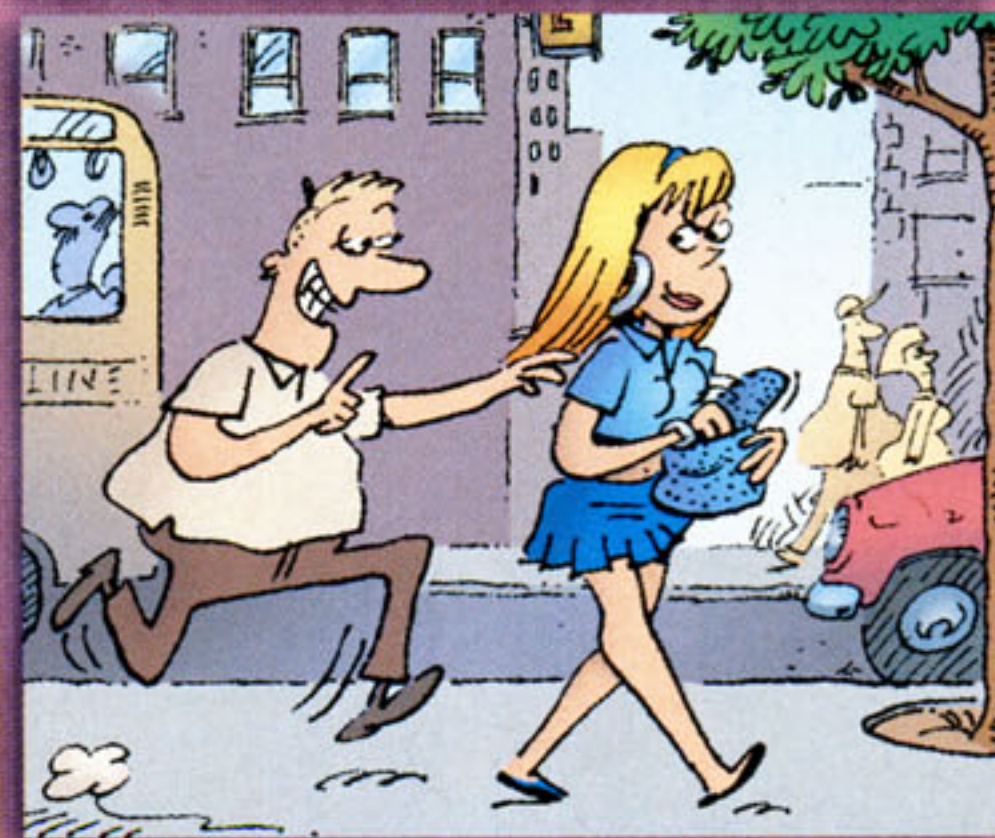
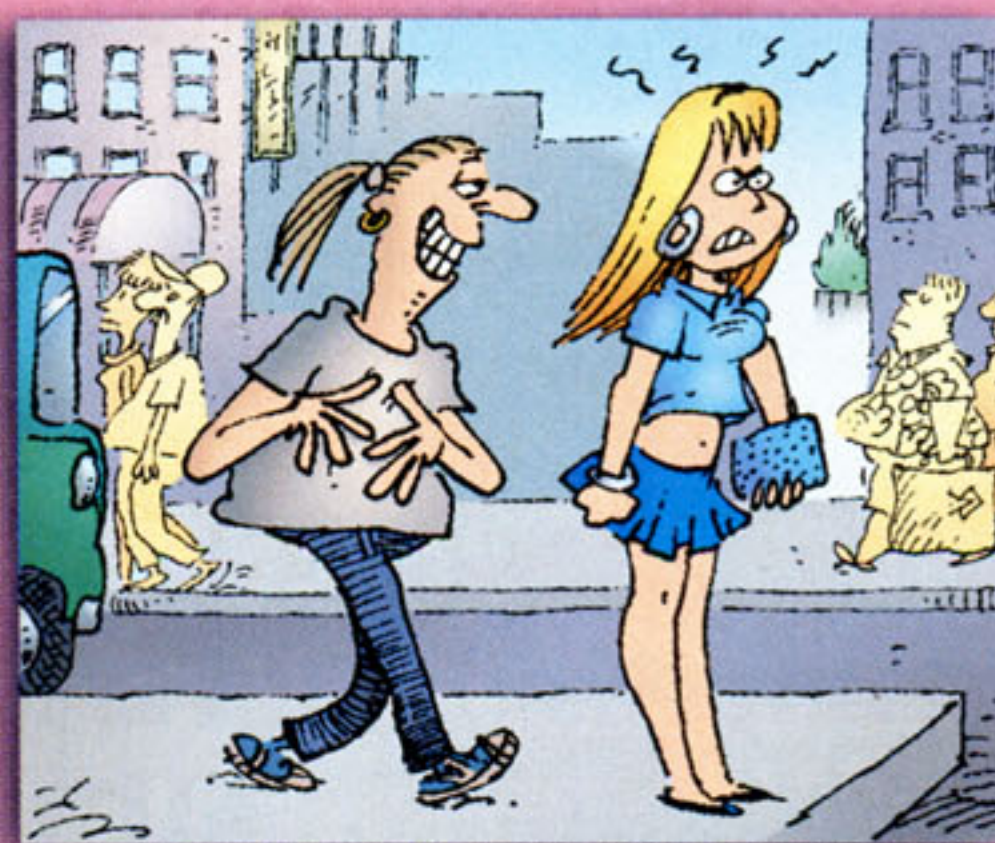
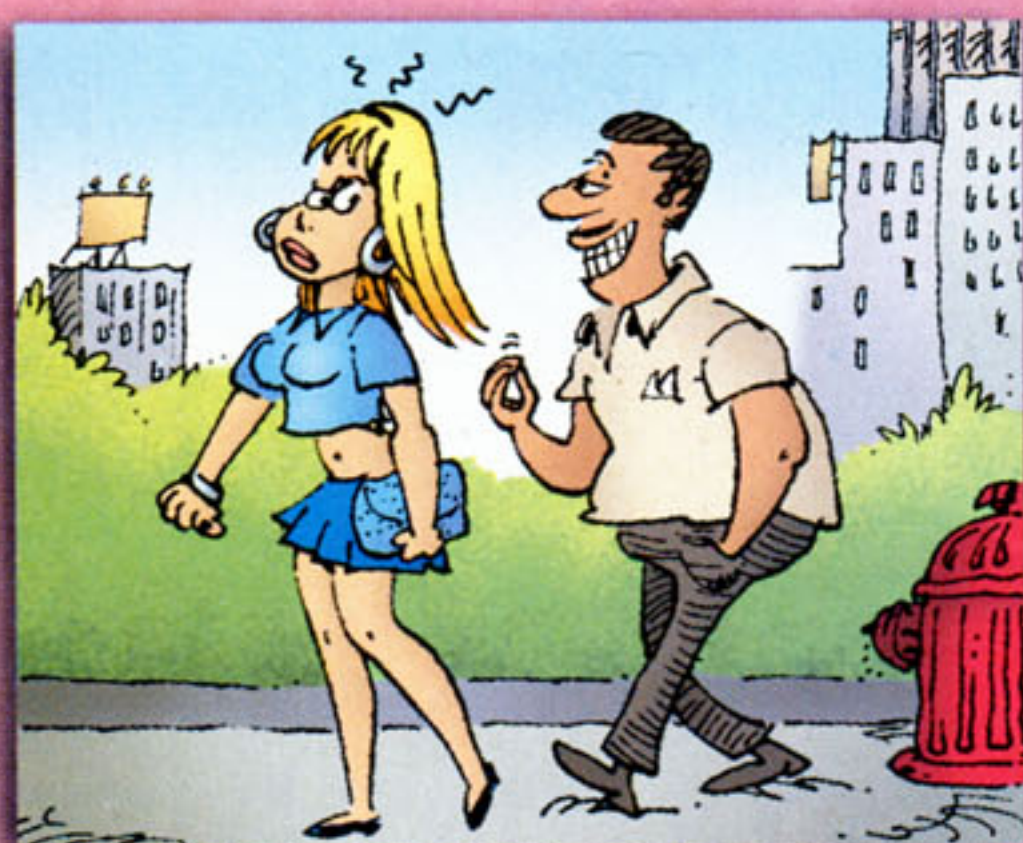
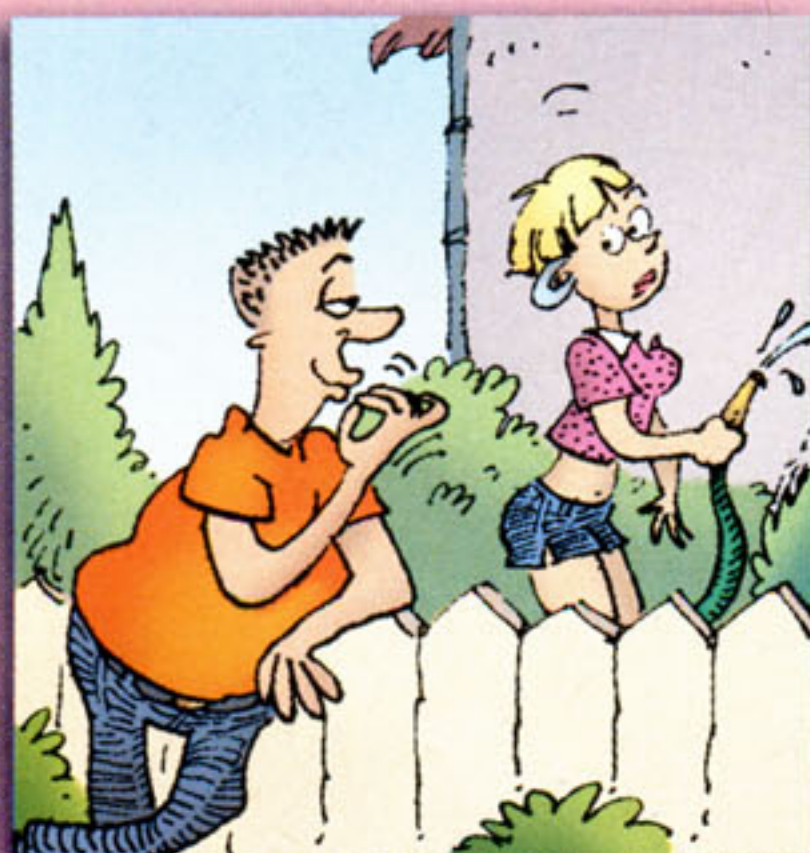
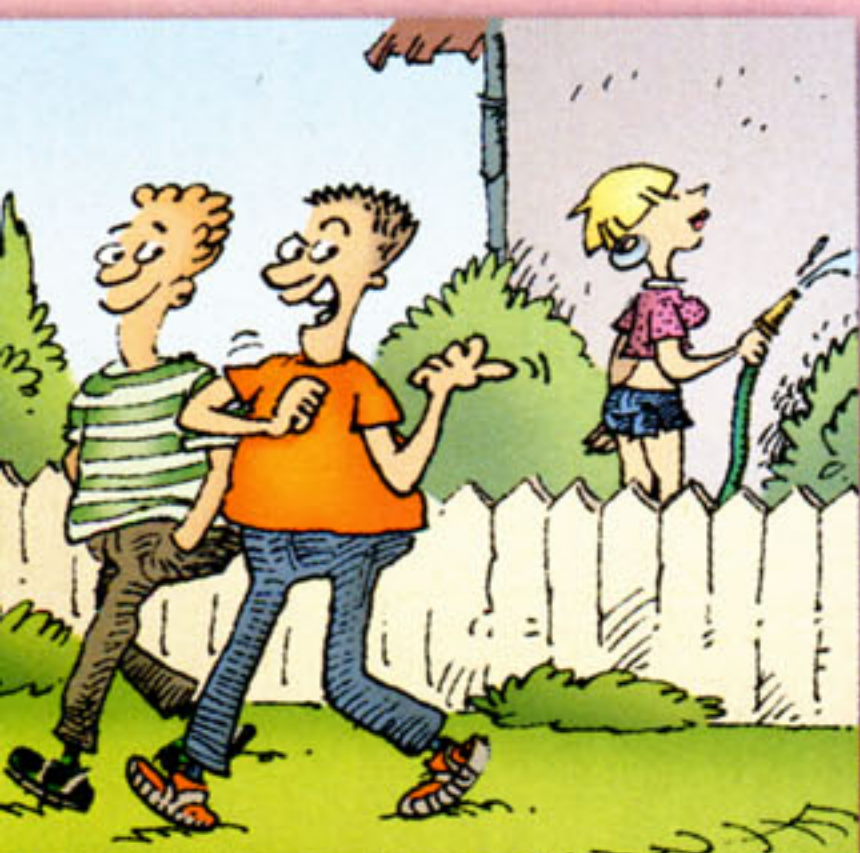
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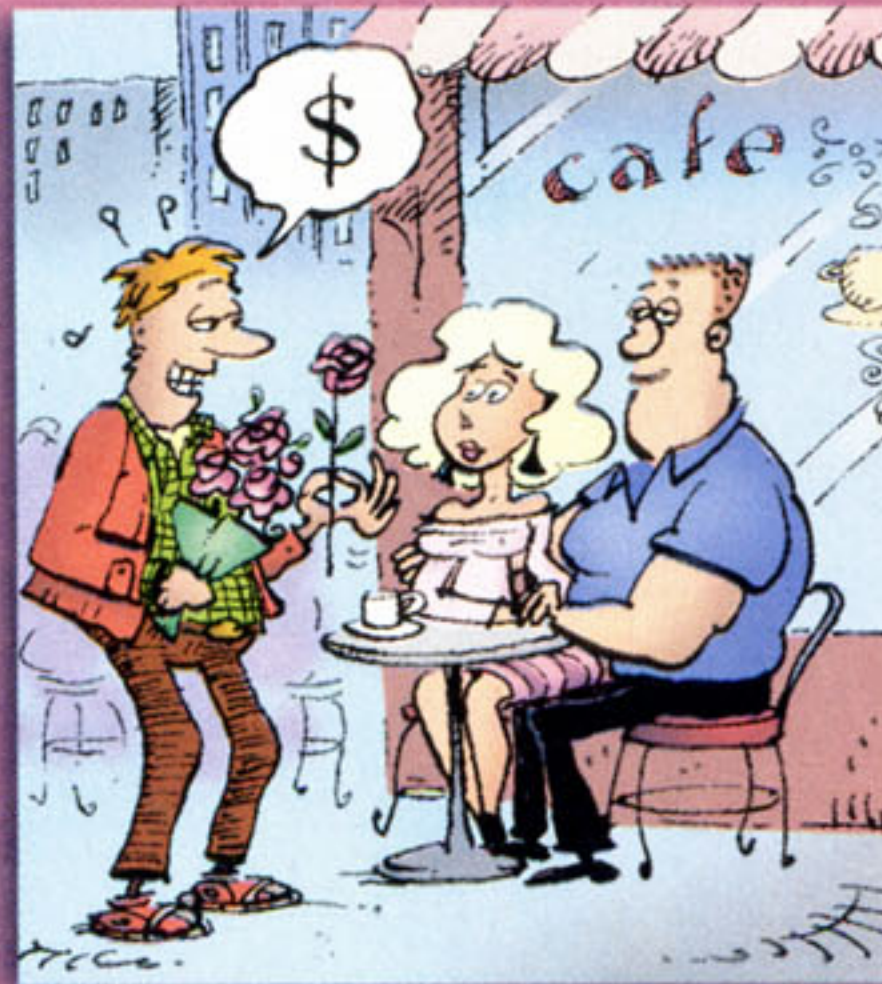
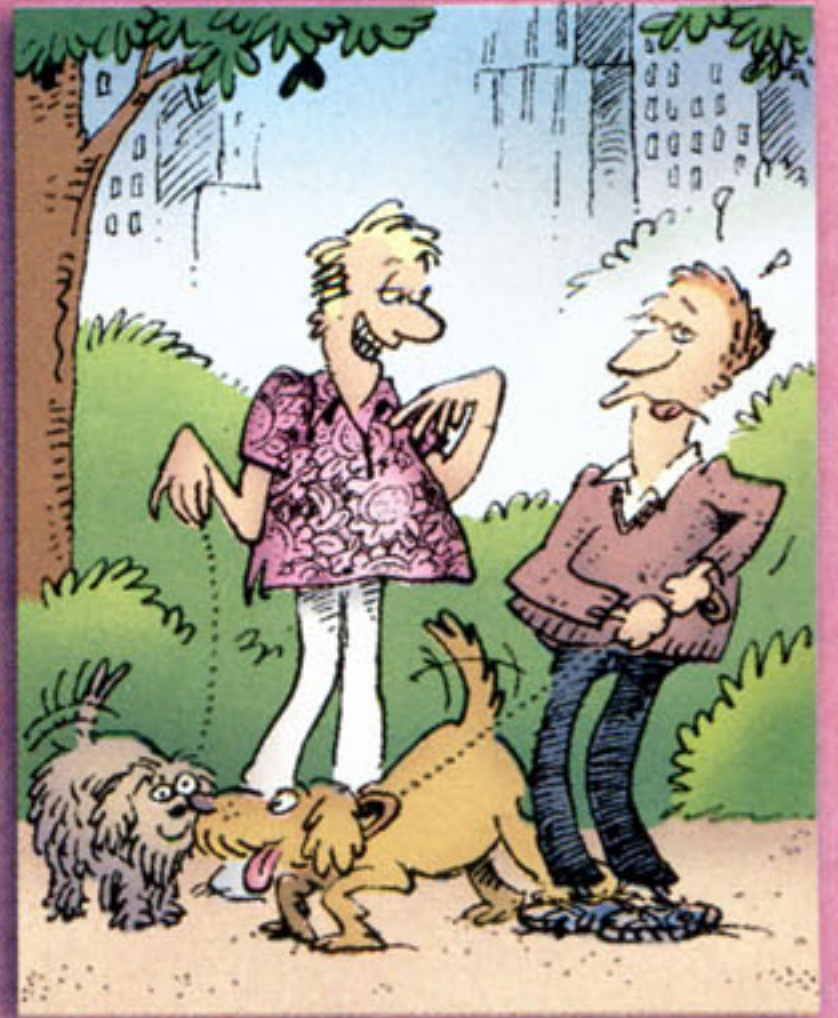
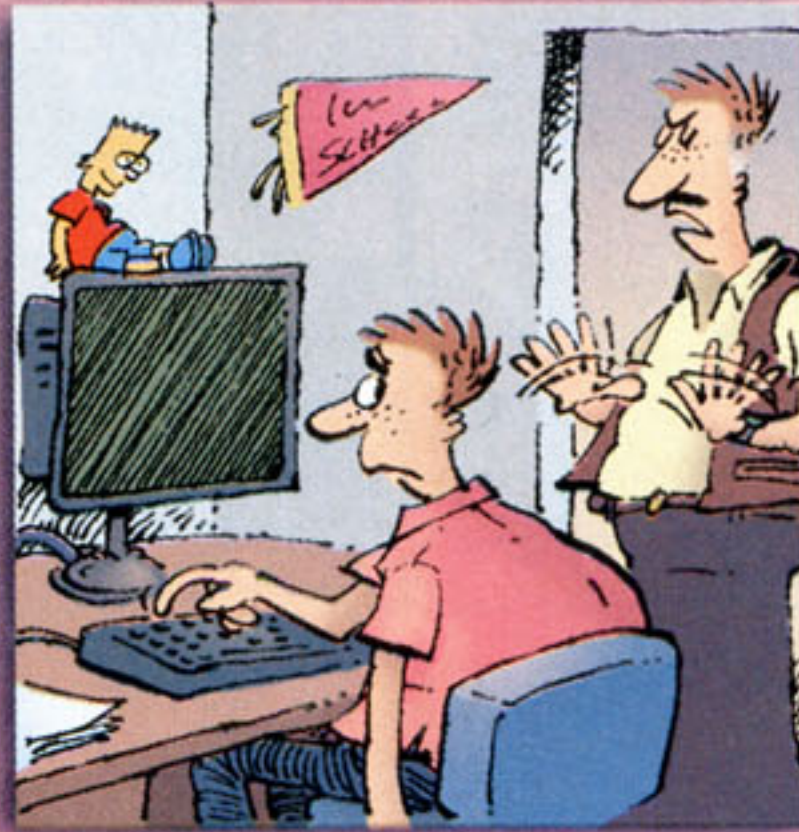
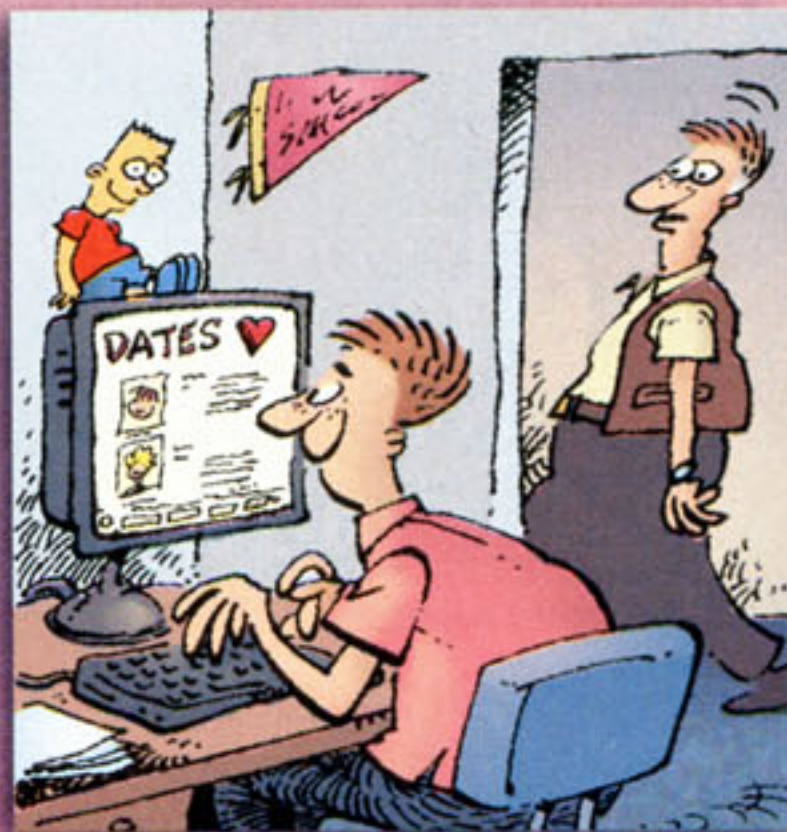
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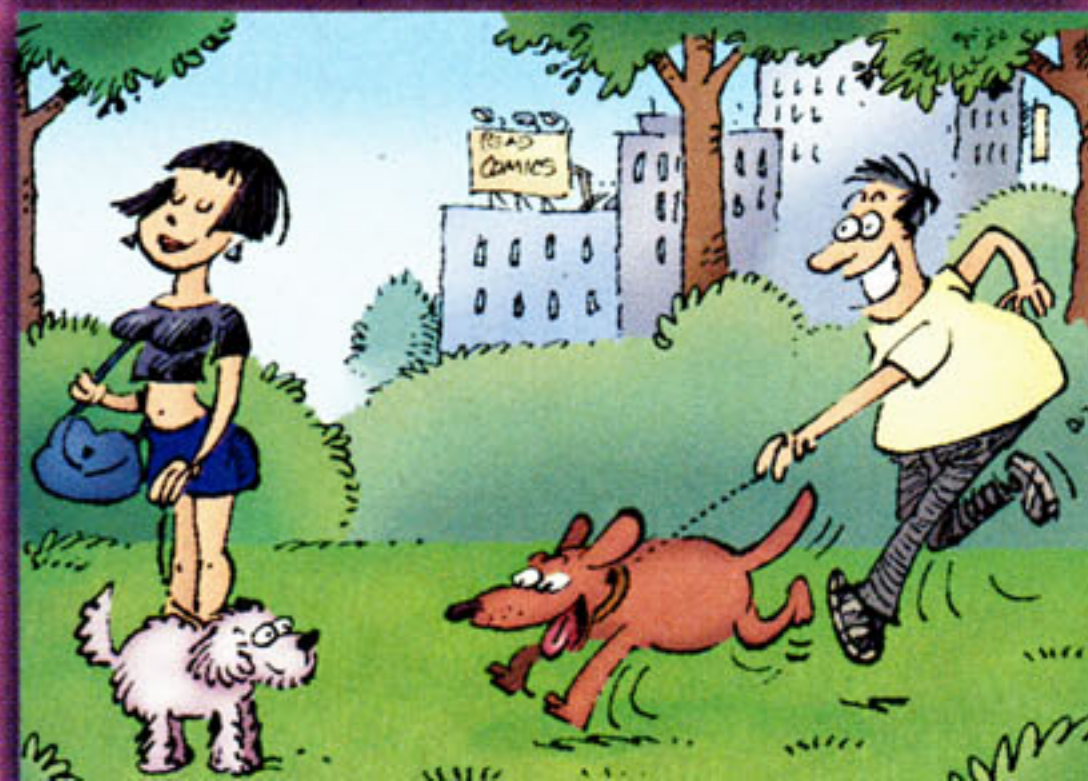
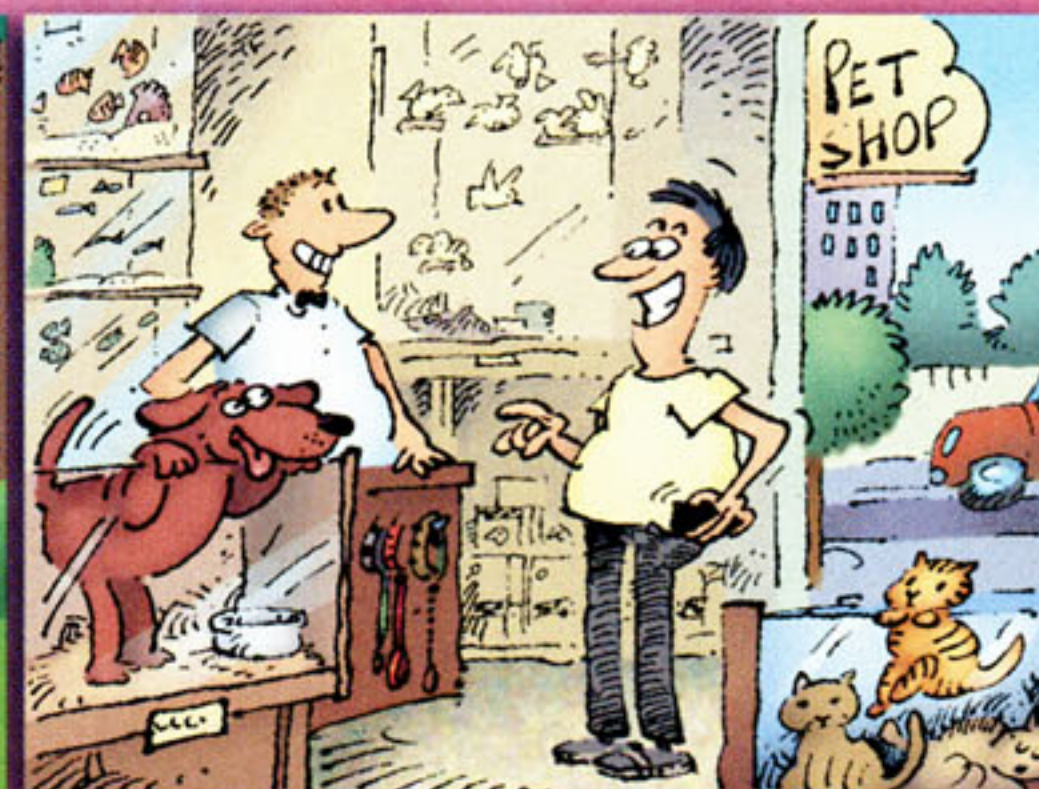
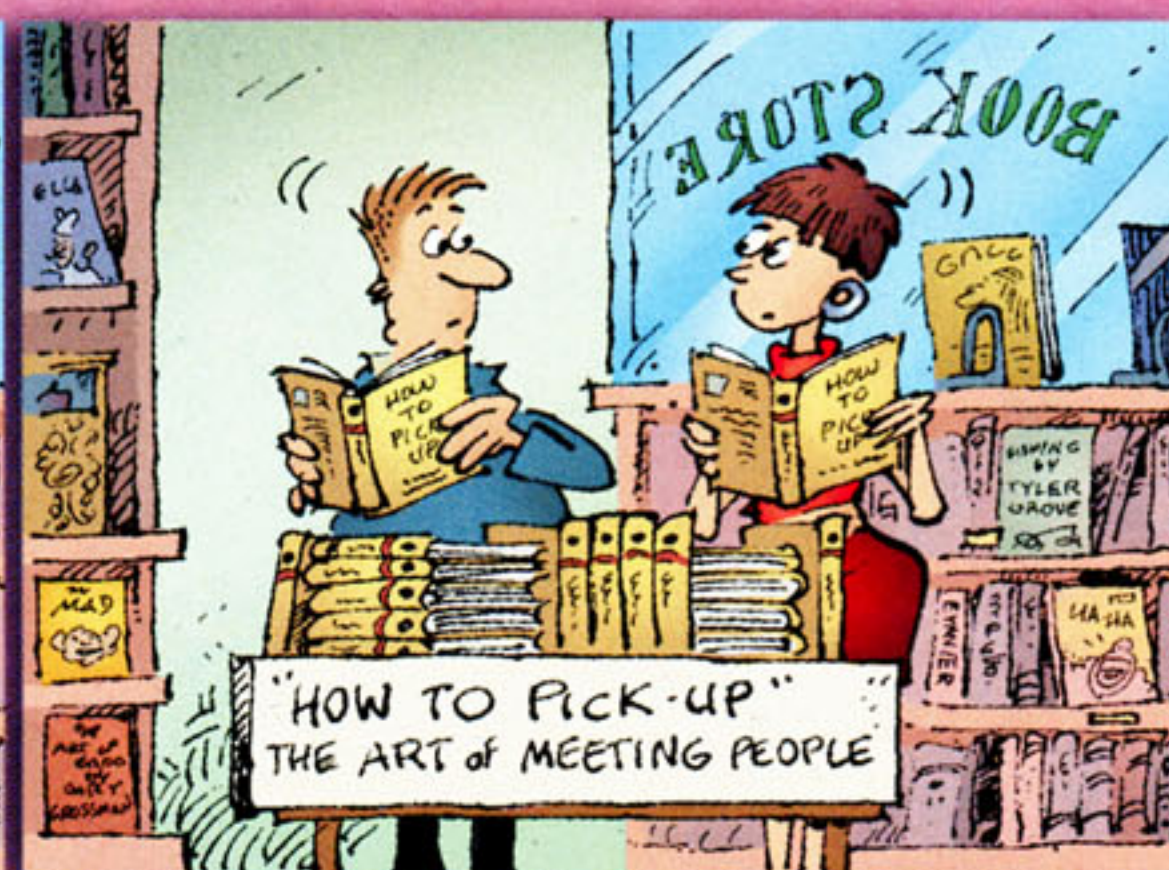
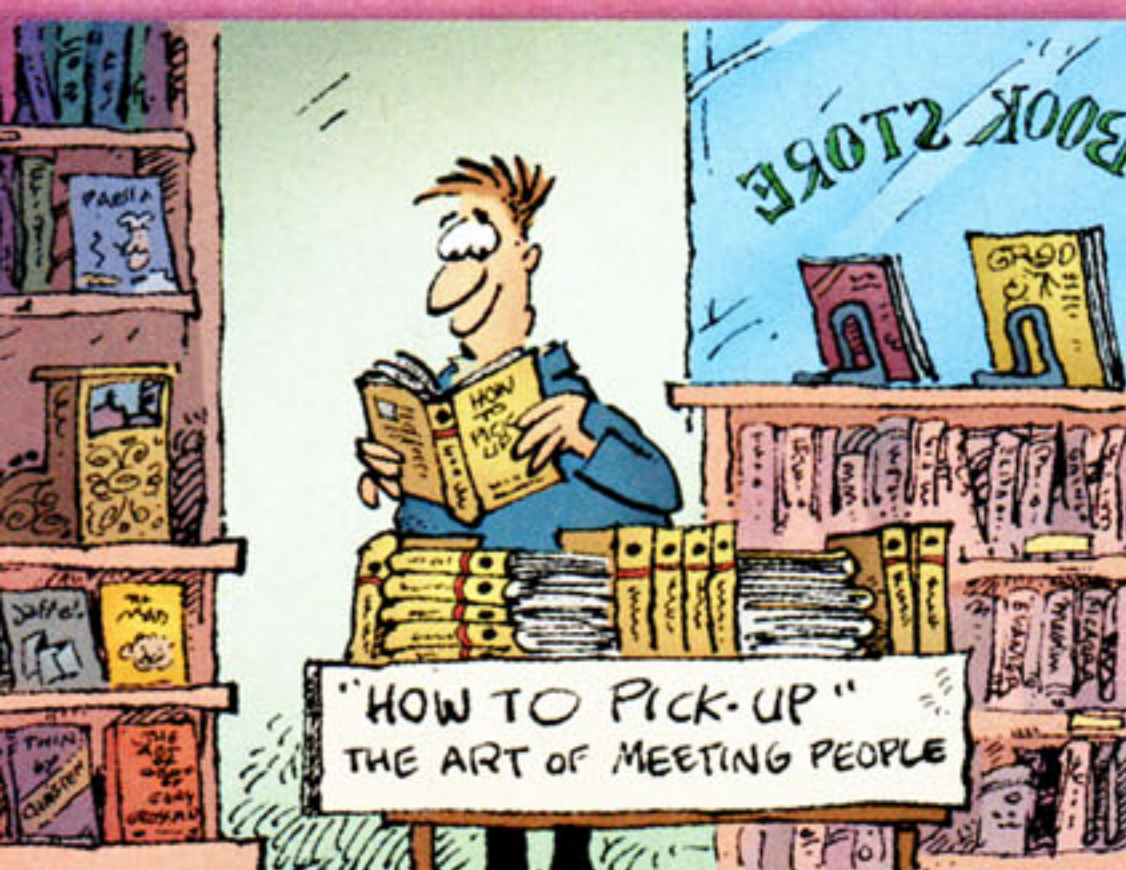
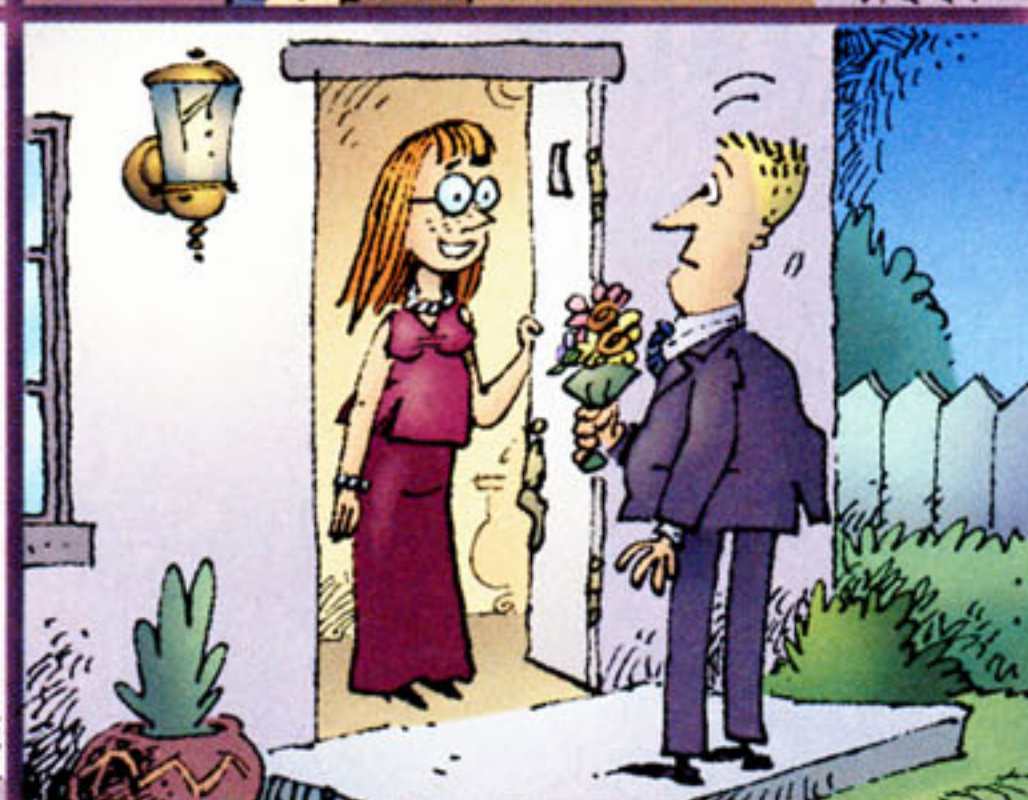
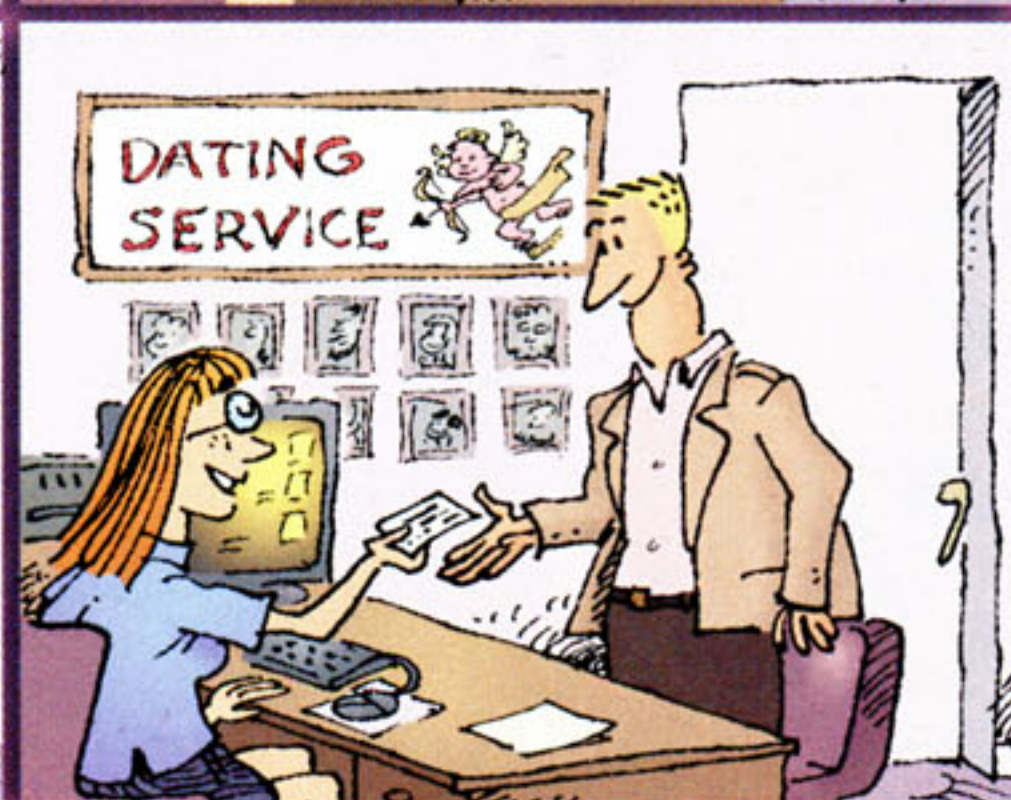
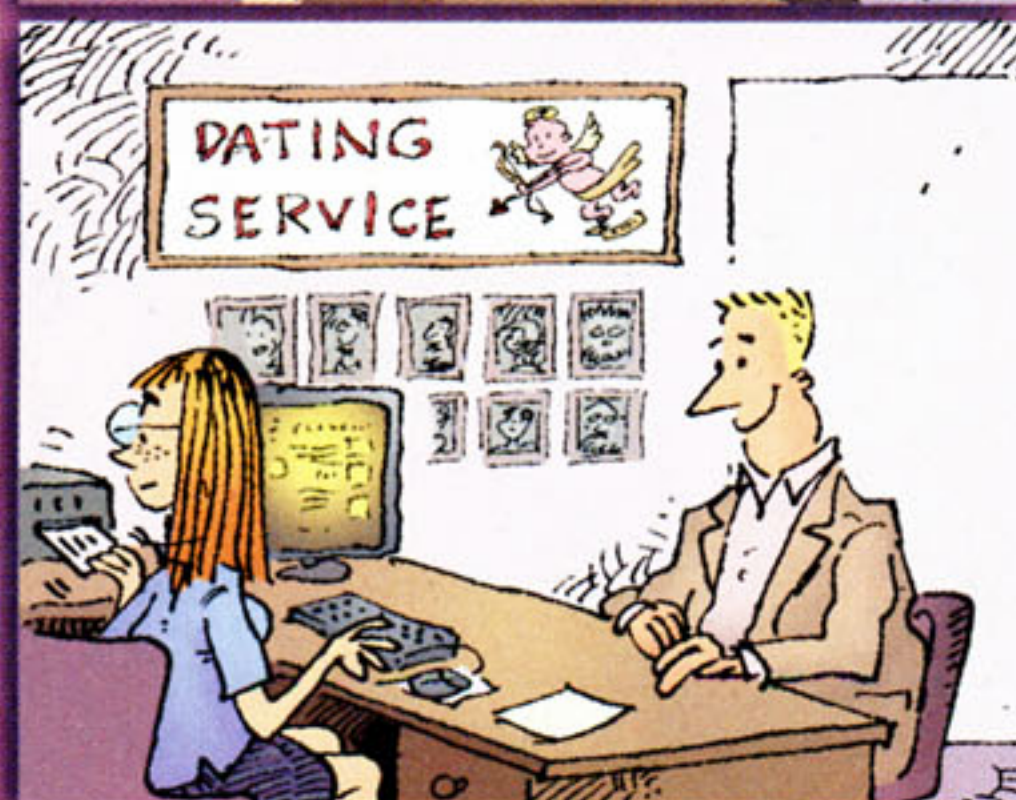
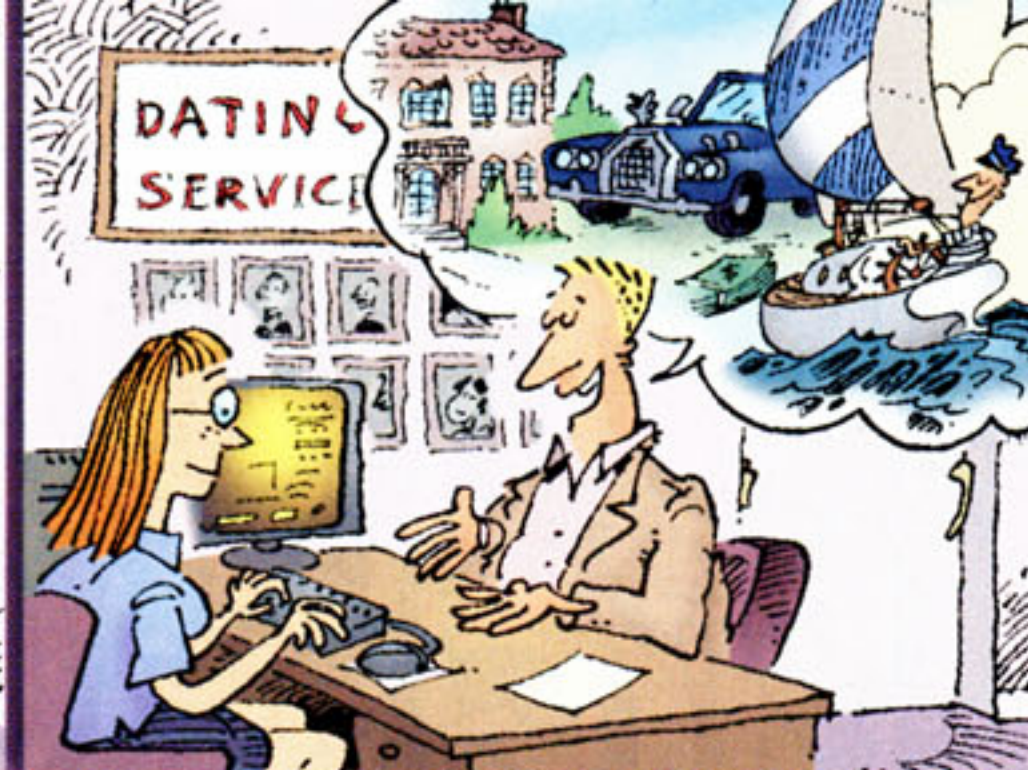
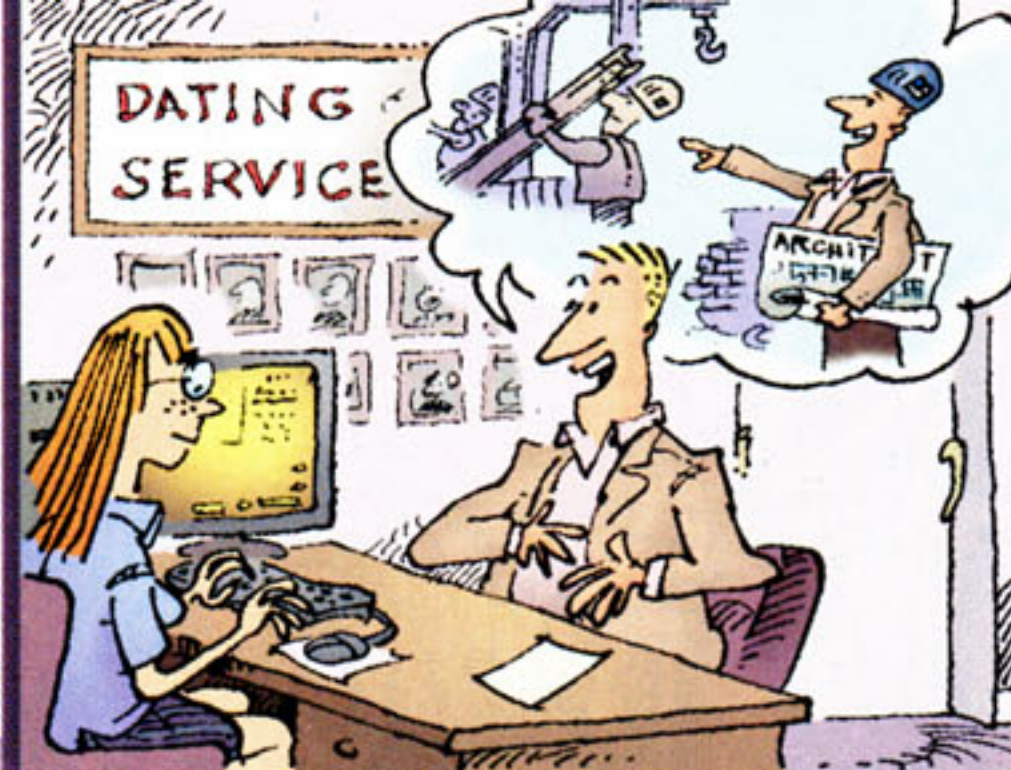
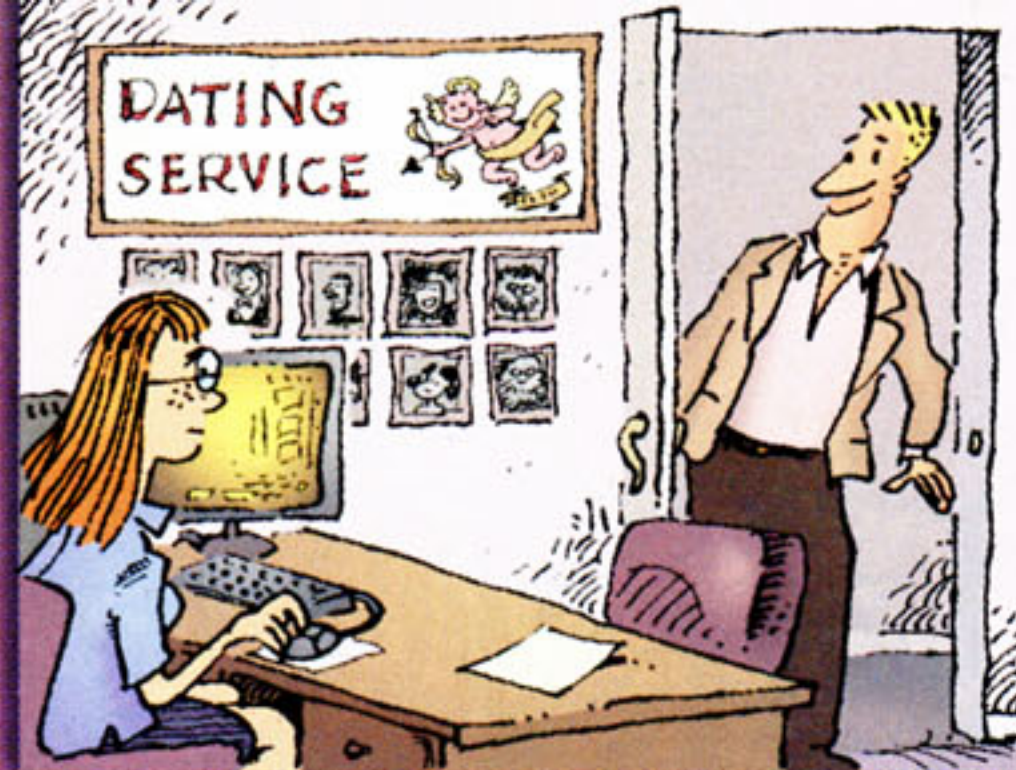
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I'LL COUNT THAT AS A YES.

HE CALLED ME A MAN! I'M IN, TOO.



LOOK OUT, POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER, HERE WE COME!



Stay the course, it's...

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and...

The Army Part 2

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT. OUR LITTLE FELLA, GOING OFF TO THE SERVICE.

IT'S ONLY ONE WEEKEND.



I REMEMBER MY FIRST DAY, SHIPPING OUT TO ITALY, THEN FRANCE AND THE SOUTH PACIFIC. AHHHH... SO WHERE ARE YOU HEADING?

WE MAKE CAMP IN THE PARKING LOT BEHIND THIS TIRE SHOP.



NOT EXACTLY BALI HA'I, KID.



HELLO, SON. WELCOME TO THE BASE! I'M THE REAL-LIFE VERSION OF DUKE FROM G.I. JOE! REMEMBER ME?

WHOA. CREEPY.



SORRY, IT'S THE PLASTIC HAIR. I'M HERE TO LET KIDS KNOW HOW COOL THE ARMY CAN BE.

YOU KINDA LOST YOUR COOL WHEN I WAS SIX.



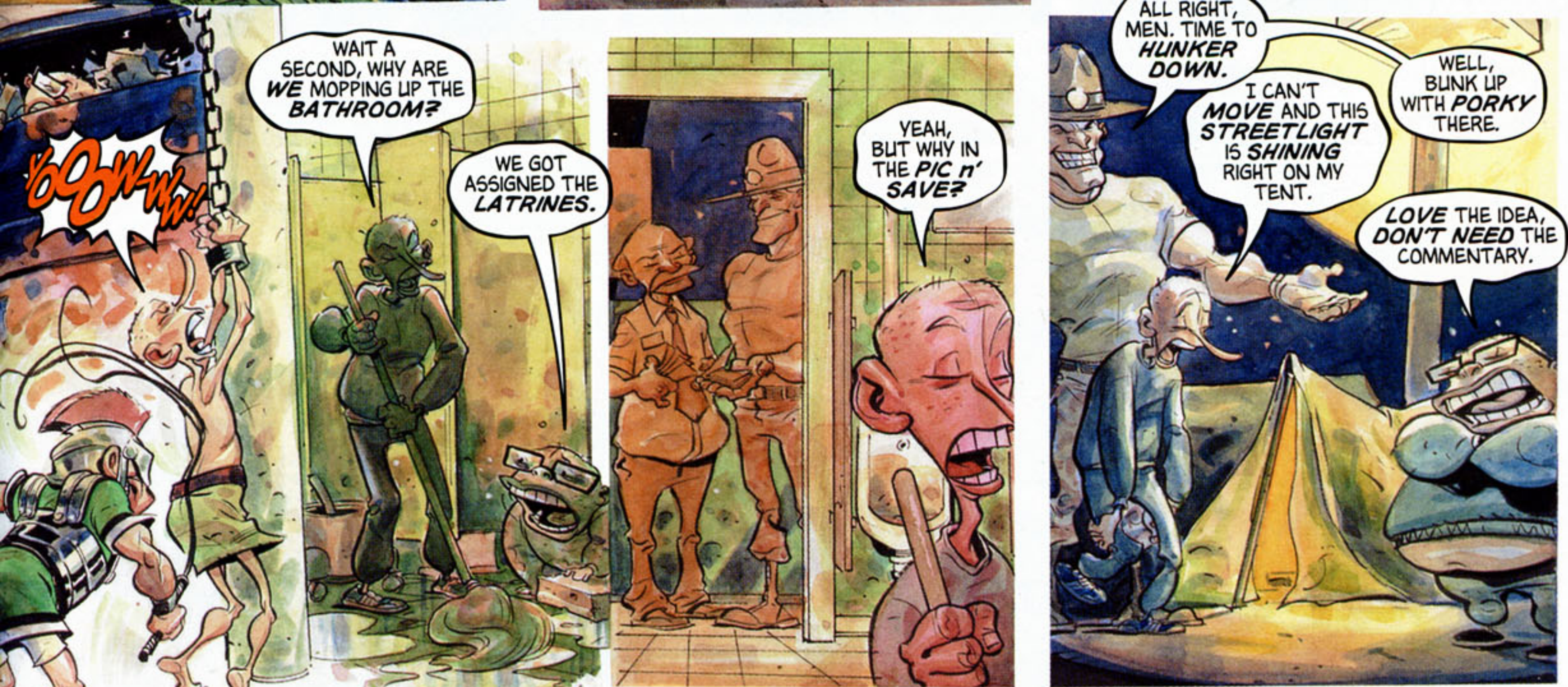
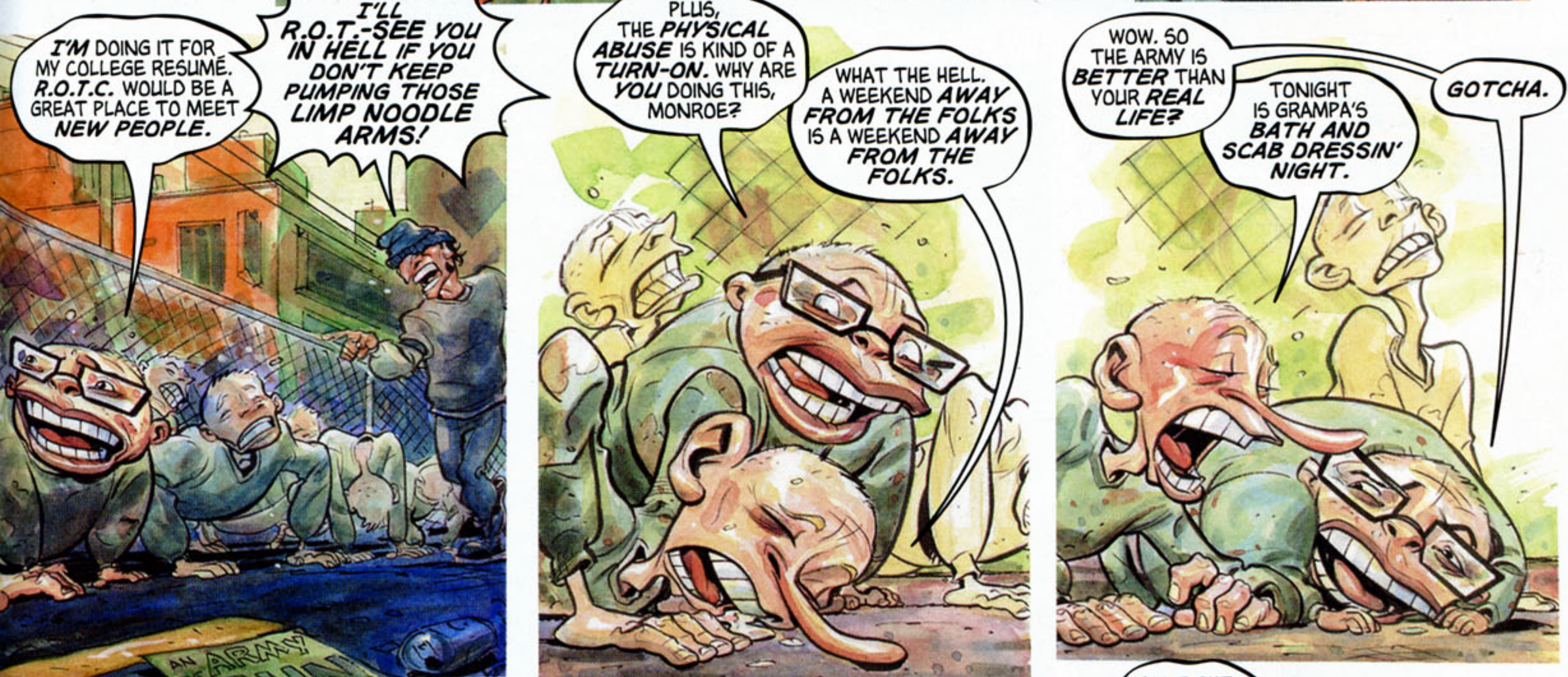
UNFORTUNATELY, WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO TARGET QUITE THAT YOUNG. YET!

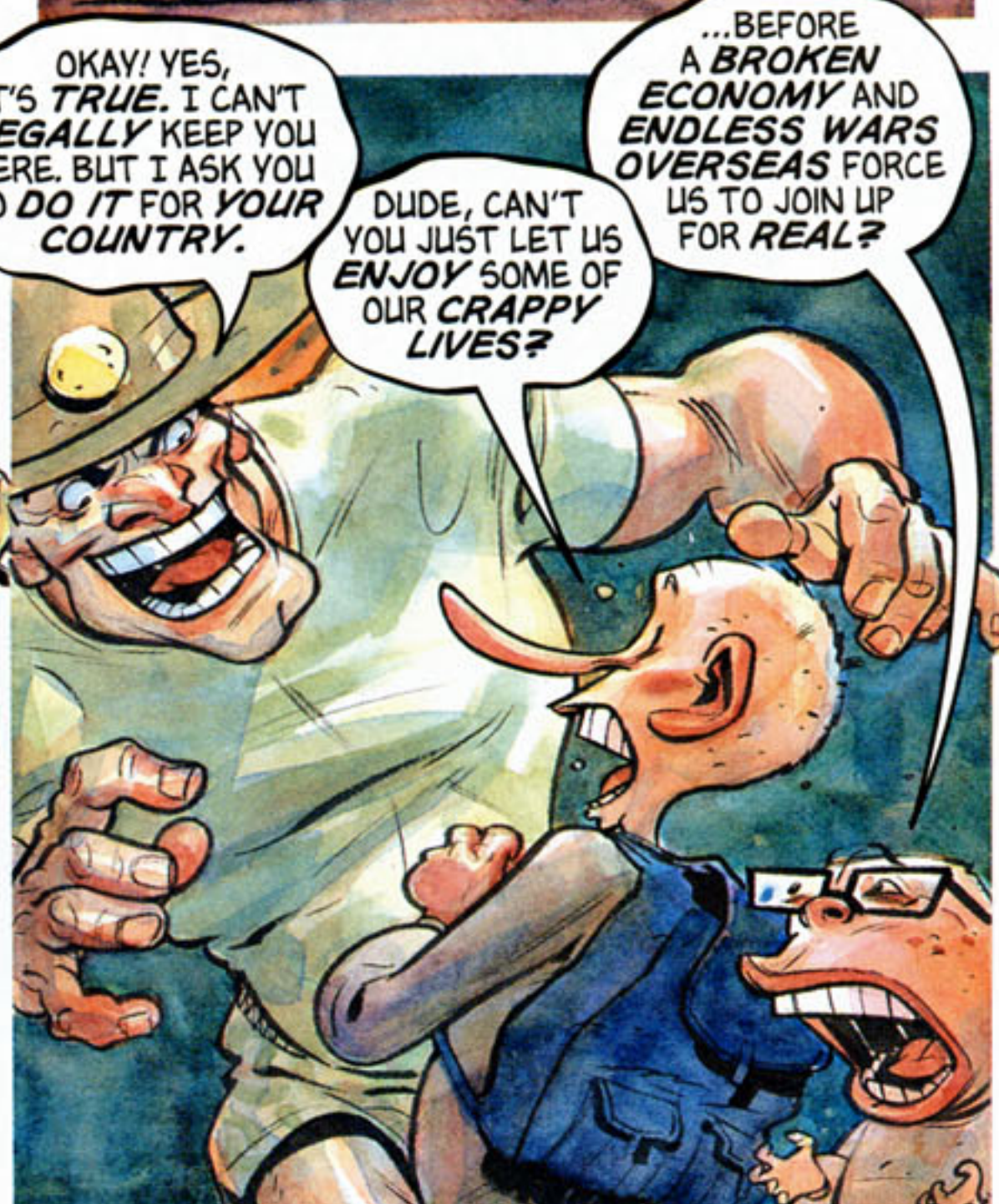
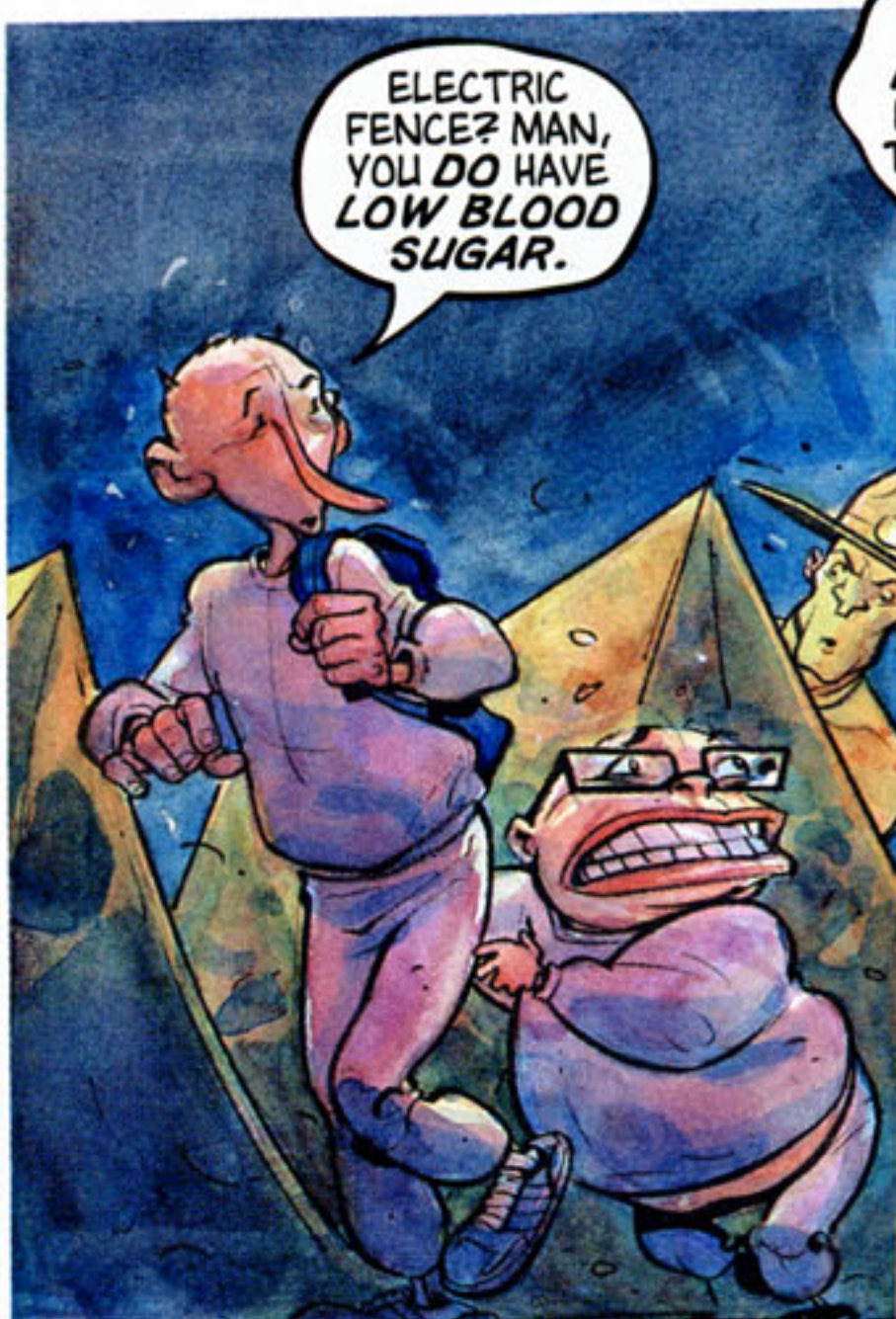
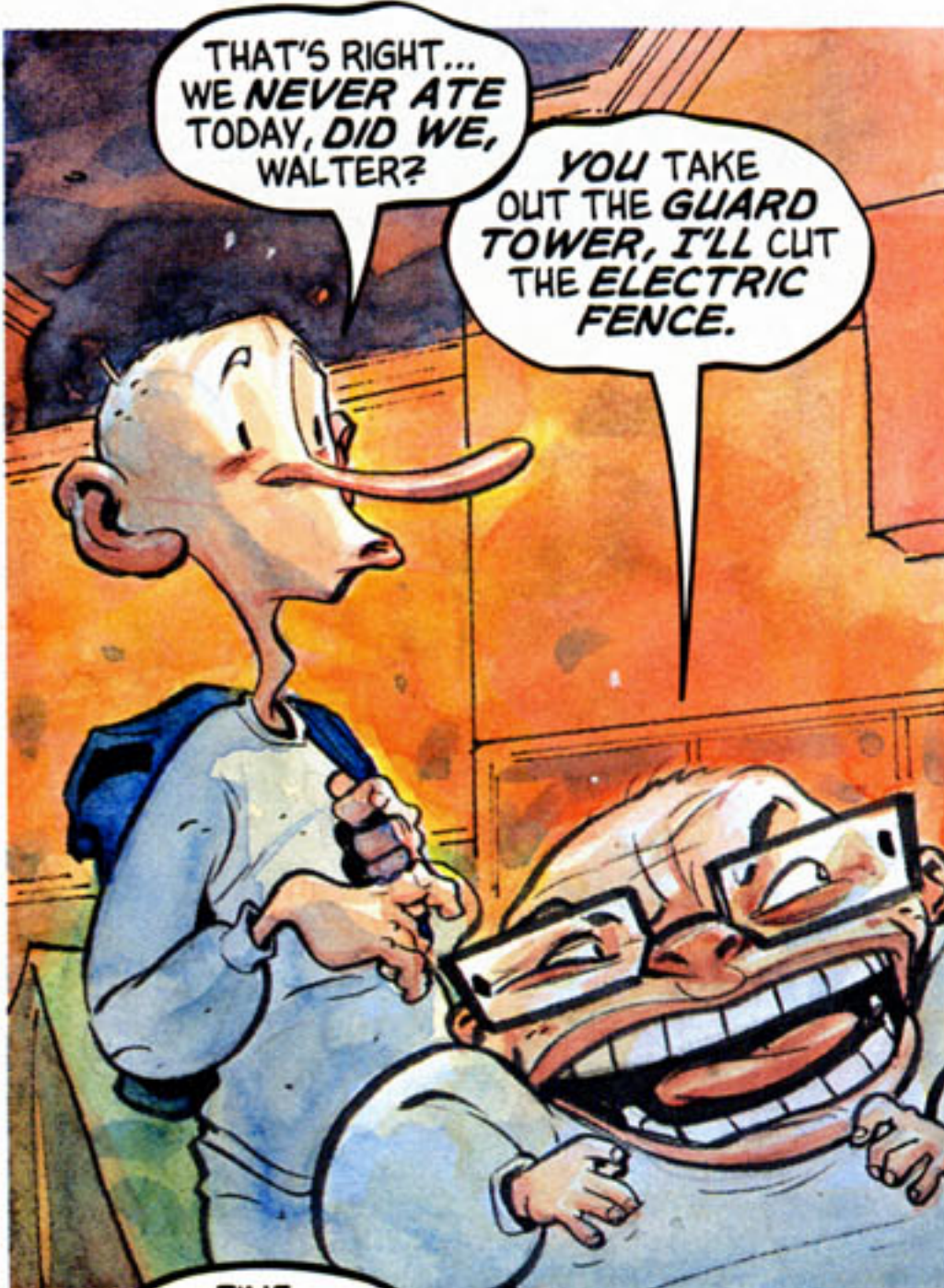
I GOTTA GO, DUDE.

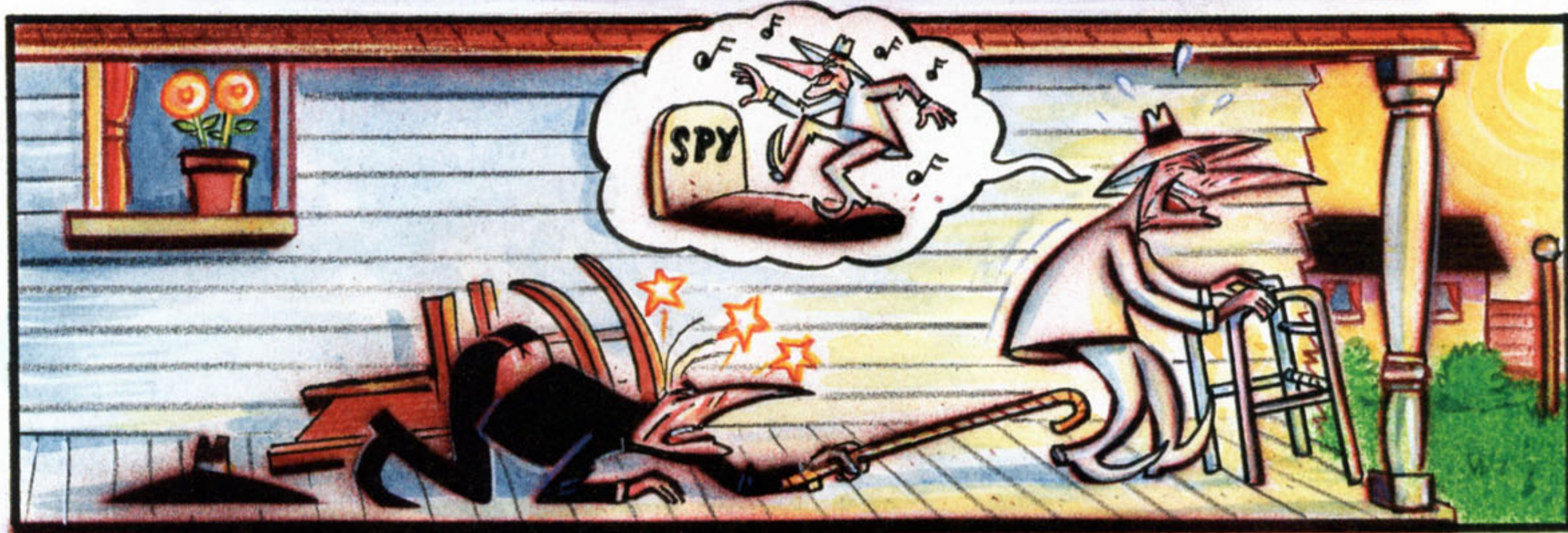
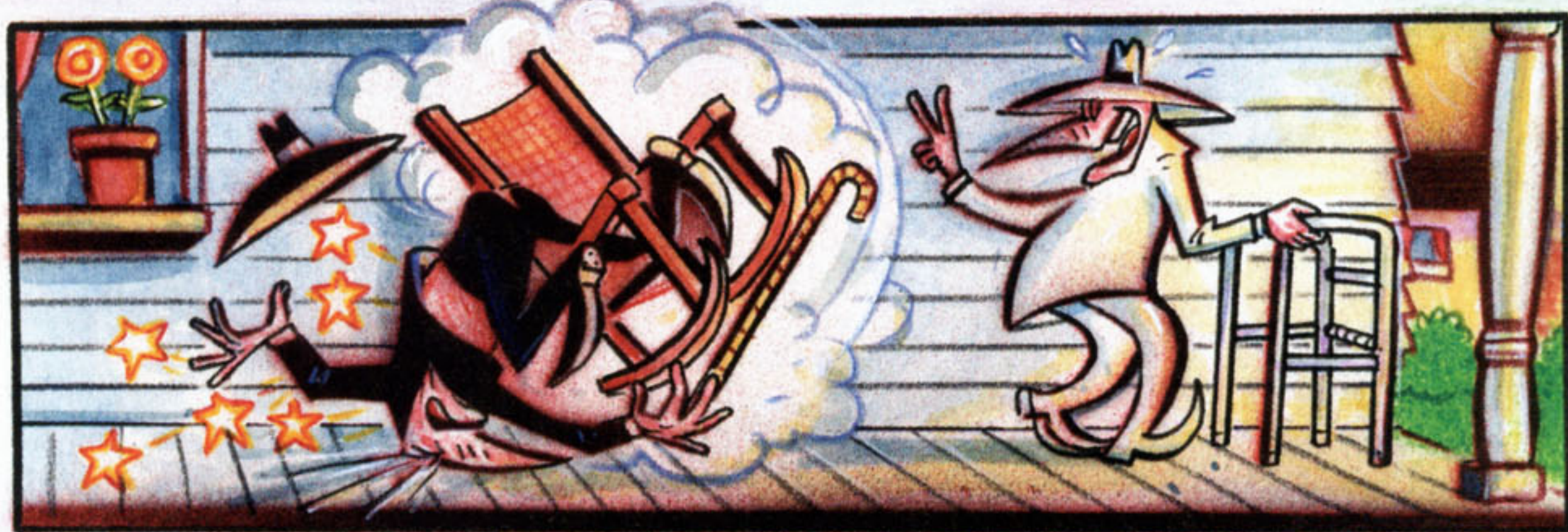
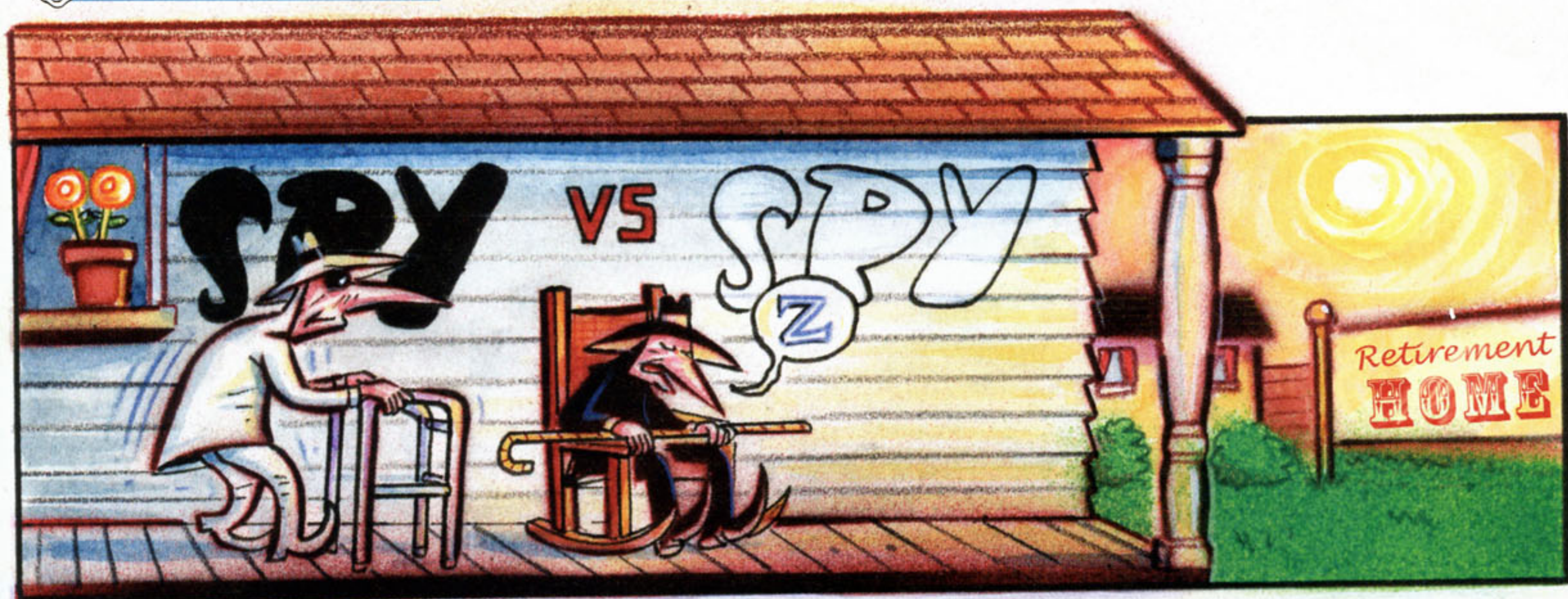
WAIT! DON'T YOU WANT A COLIN POWELL POG?

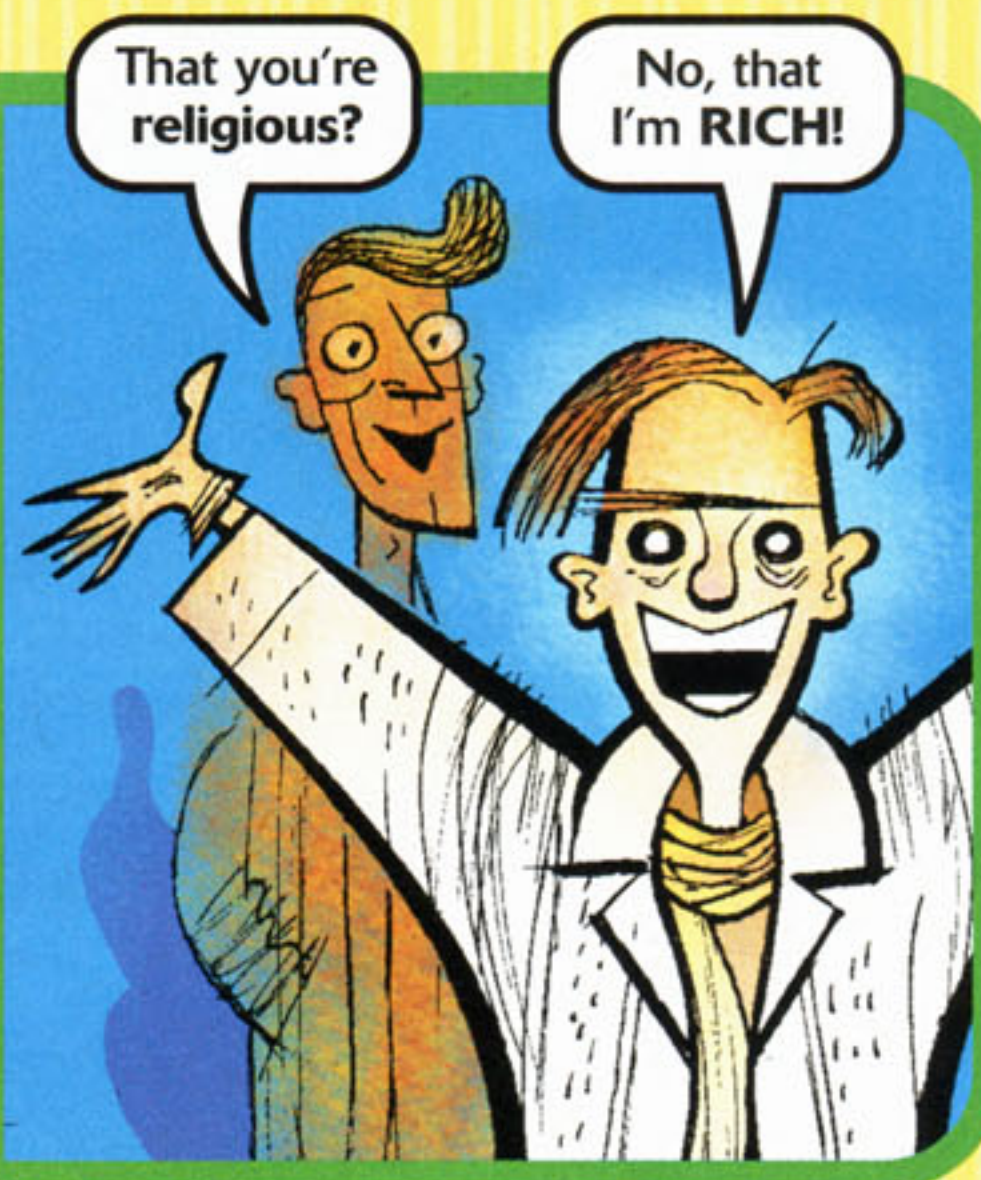












SEASON'S GRATINGS DEPT.

TheMAD WORLDof...



Tell me, why did you wait till the last minute to do your shopping?

Well, you know, it's an annual tradition...

Just like you coming down here every year and asking the same *&^%ing question!

Barbie represents an unrealistic, male-oriented fantasy of what women should be...

Video games glamorize violence and desensitize children to bloodshed.

G.I. Joe promotes militarism and glorifies warfare.

Y'know, maybe a politically correct Santa Claus wasn't such a good idea.

The HOLIDAYS

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ARTIST: MARC HEMPEL

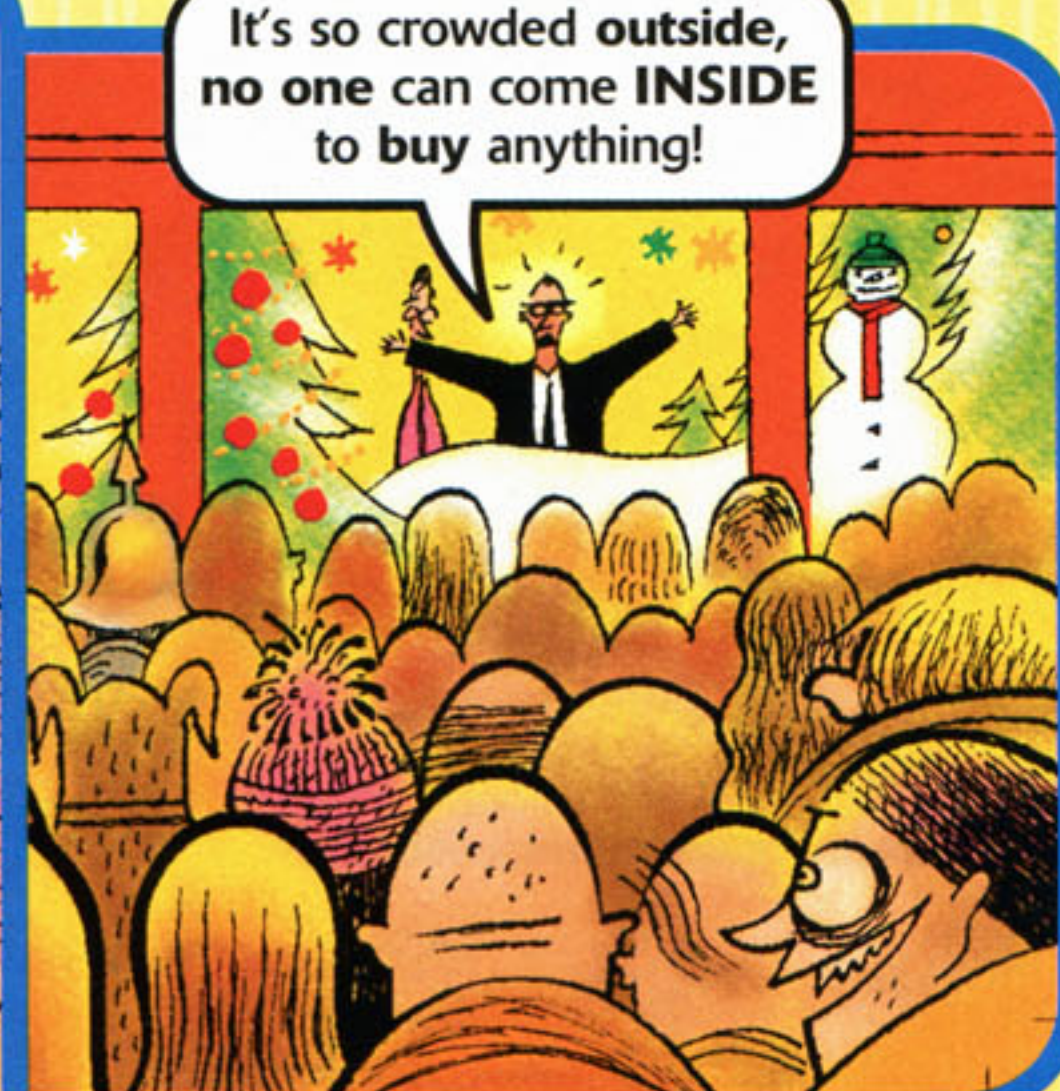
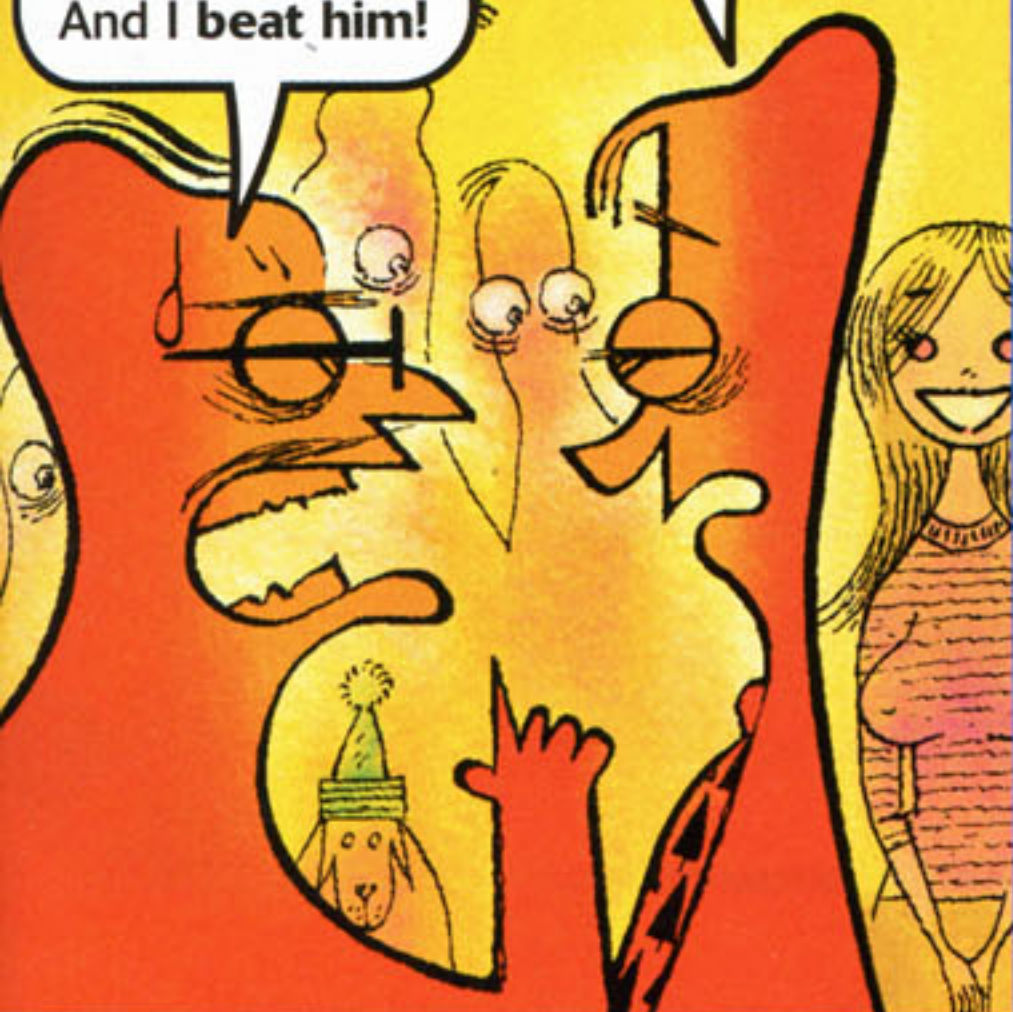
Ah, Christmas. For one day, all stores are closed, our national buying bacchanalia halted.

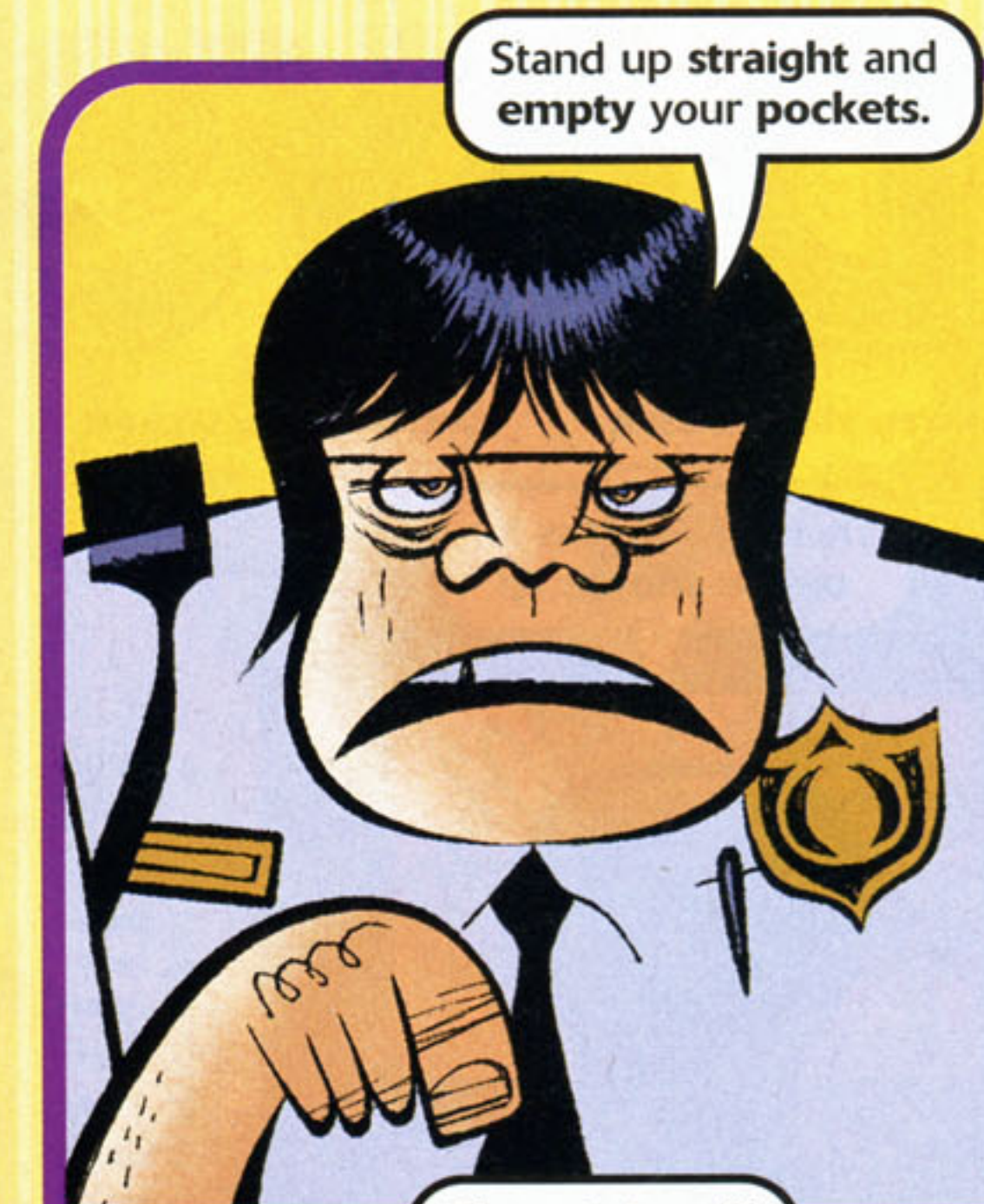
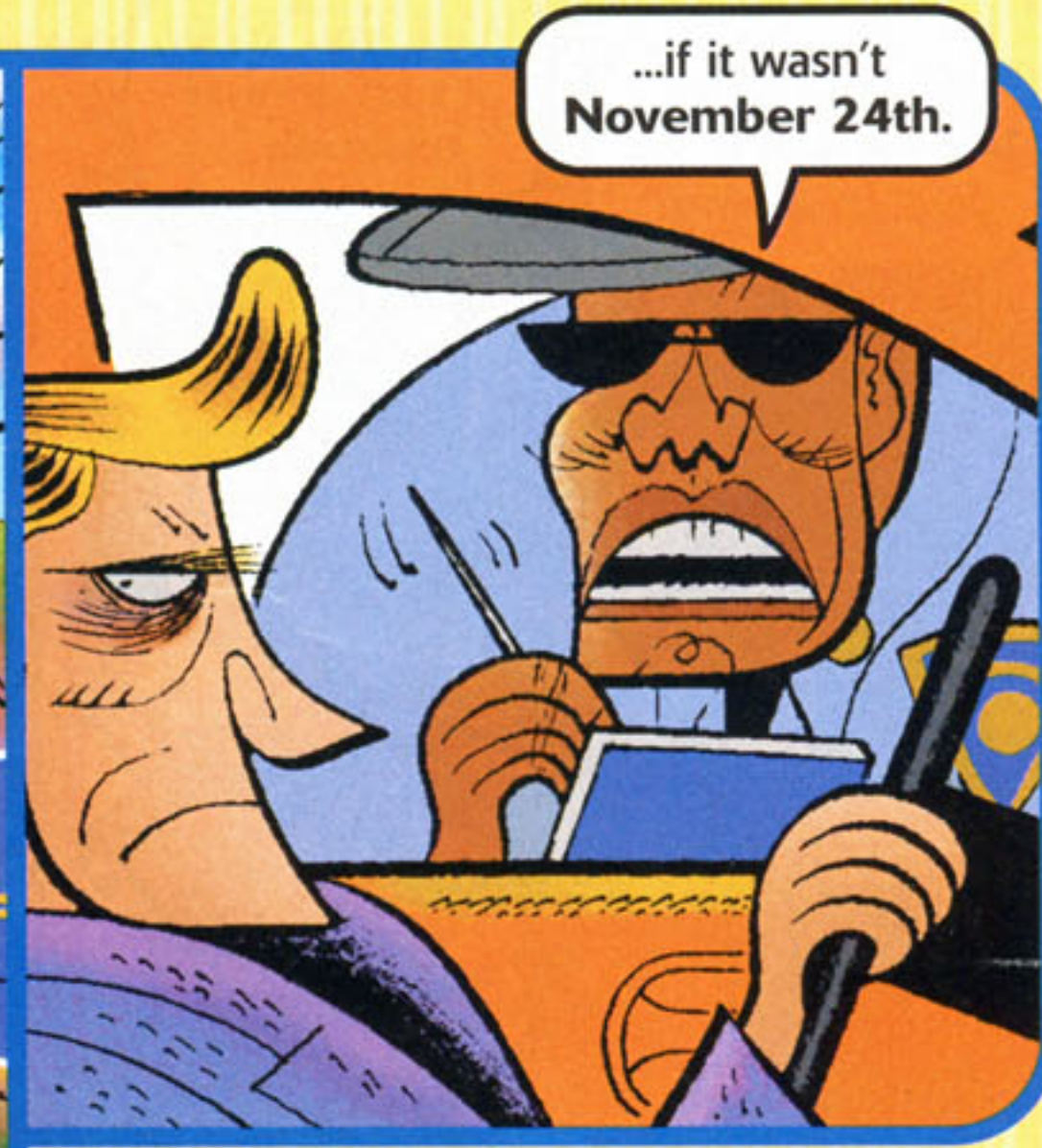
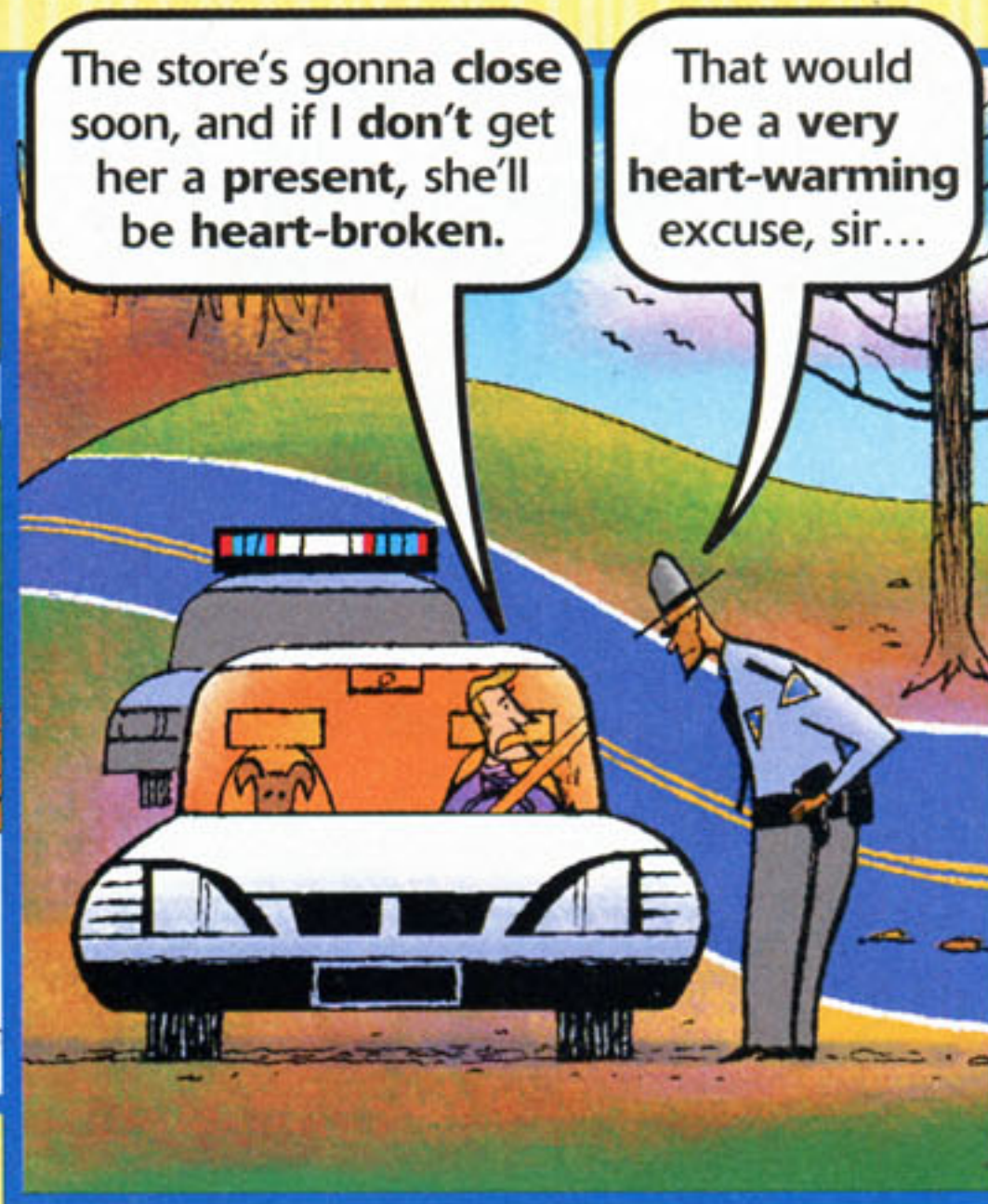
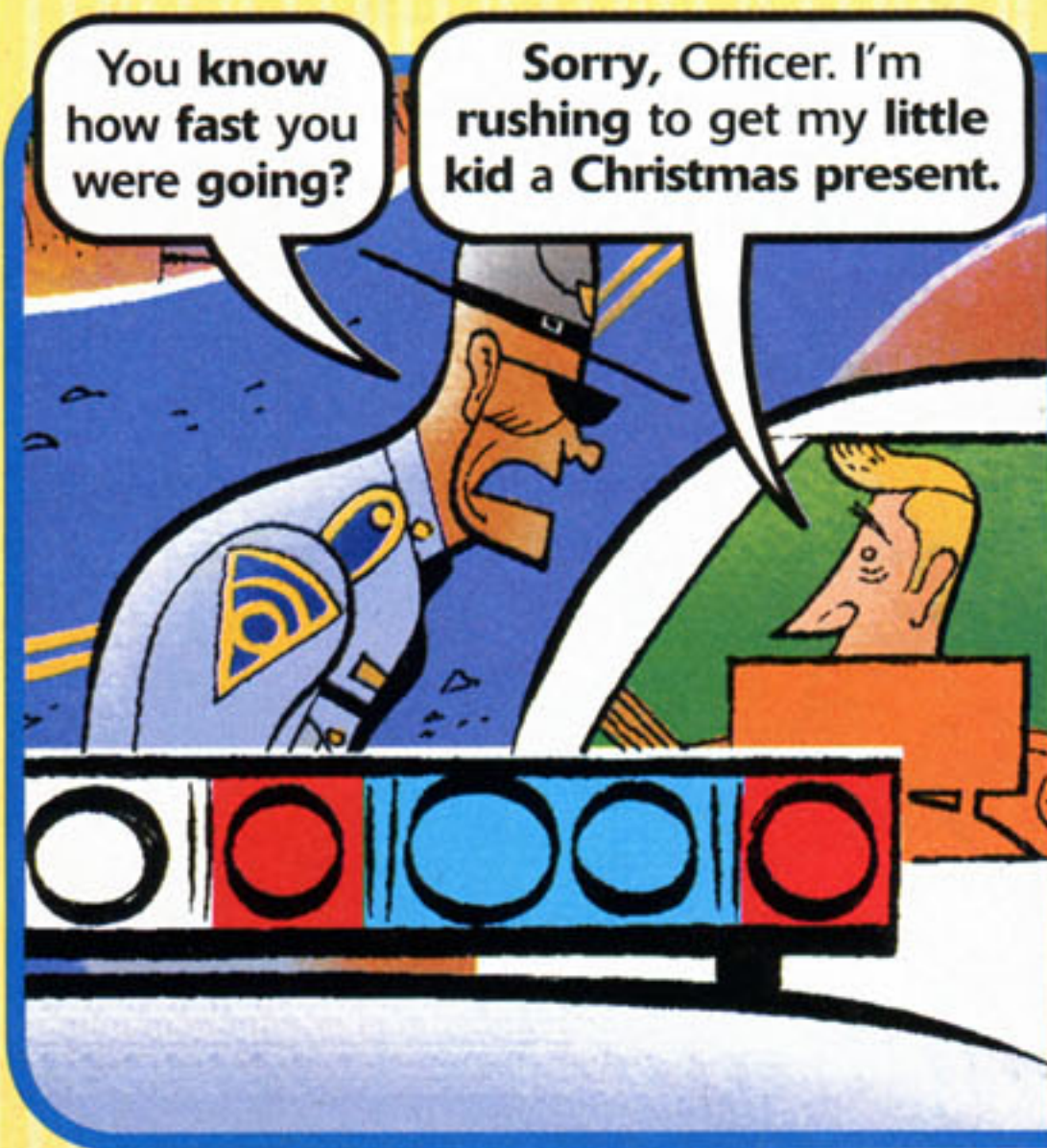
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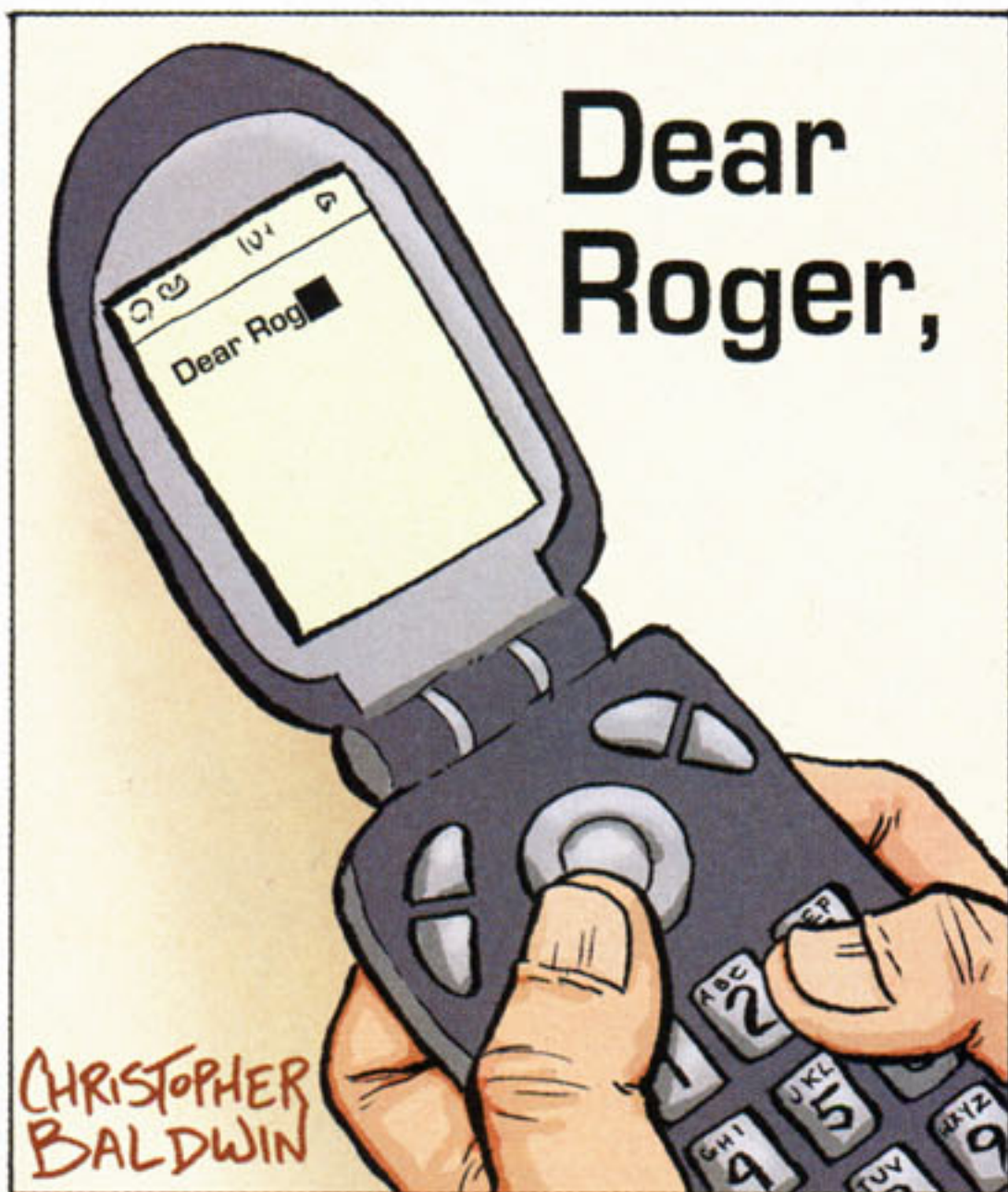
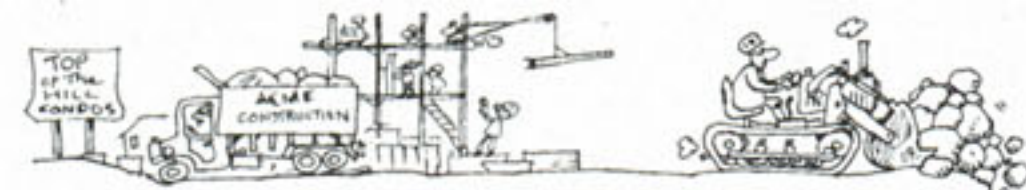
I pulled out all the stops! I spared no expense! And I beat him!

So why do you look so miserable?

It's so crowded outside, no one can come INSIDE to buy anything!







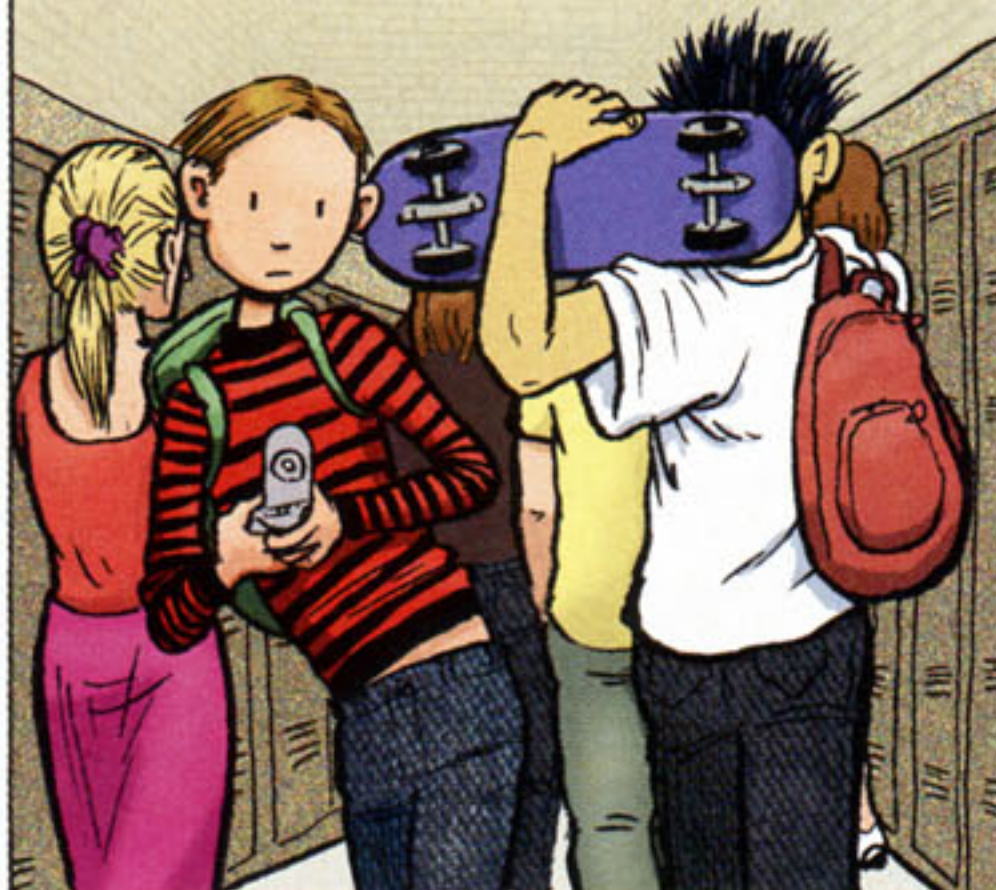
Dear Roger,
Another school day is
done and thnx 2 modern
tech, I am now text
messaging U.



IMHO, I believe "might"
does not make right and
the pen is mightier than
the sword, which is Y I
am writing U rather than
simply turning U in.



I am hoping that this
will open up some frank
dialogue between us
regarding some issues
we need 2 work out.



More specifically, U stealing
my homework, telling girls
that I'm a hermaphrodite,
and beating me up at the
bike racks every day after
school. :-[



Im guessing UR anger
is merely an expression
of some childhood
trauma, and so I want
2 B understanding.

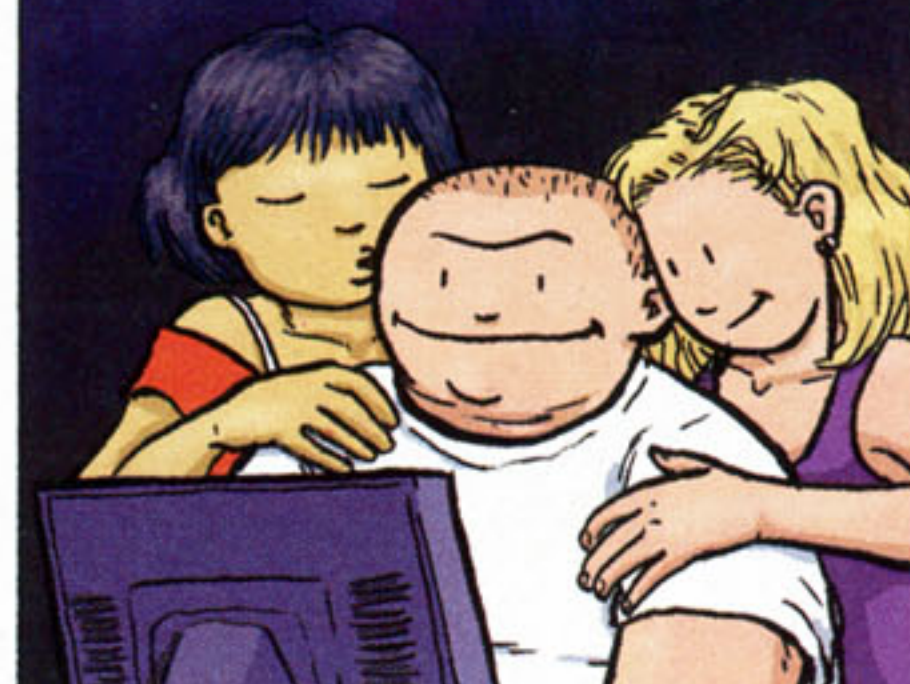


If U wish 2 talk, I'm
here 2 listen. BCOZ
Roger, I care, I truly
do. BCNU L8R
-Jeremy



**WHOMP
BASH
HIT
TROMP
WHAM
BAFF**

Myspace Dawgs,
Today I fragged Jermy
the Hermy again.
-Rodge



WHAT ATHLETIC
EMBARRASSMENT
DO MANY AMERICANS
NEVER WANT TO SEE
COMPETE AGAIN?

HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS MAD FOLD-IN

It's a tough time to be a sports fan. With constant scandals and poor performances, it's tough to find anything to get excited about. There's one figure in particular, however, that the public would like to see banned forever. To find out who this scourge of the sports world is, fold page in as shown.



FOLD PAGE OVER LIKE THIS!

A

FOLD PAGE OVER LEFT

B FOLD BACK SO THAT "A" MEETS "B"

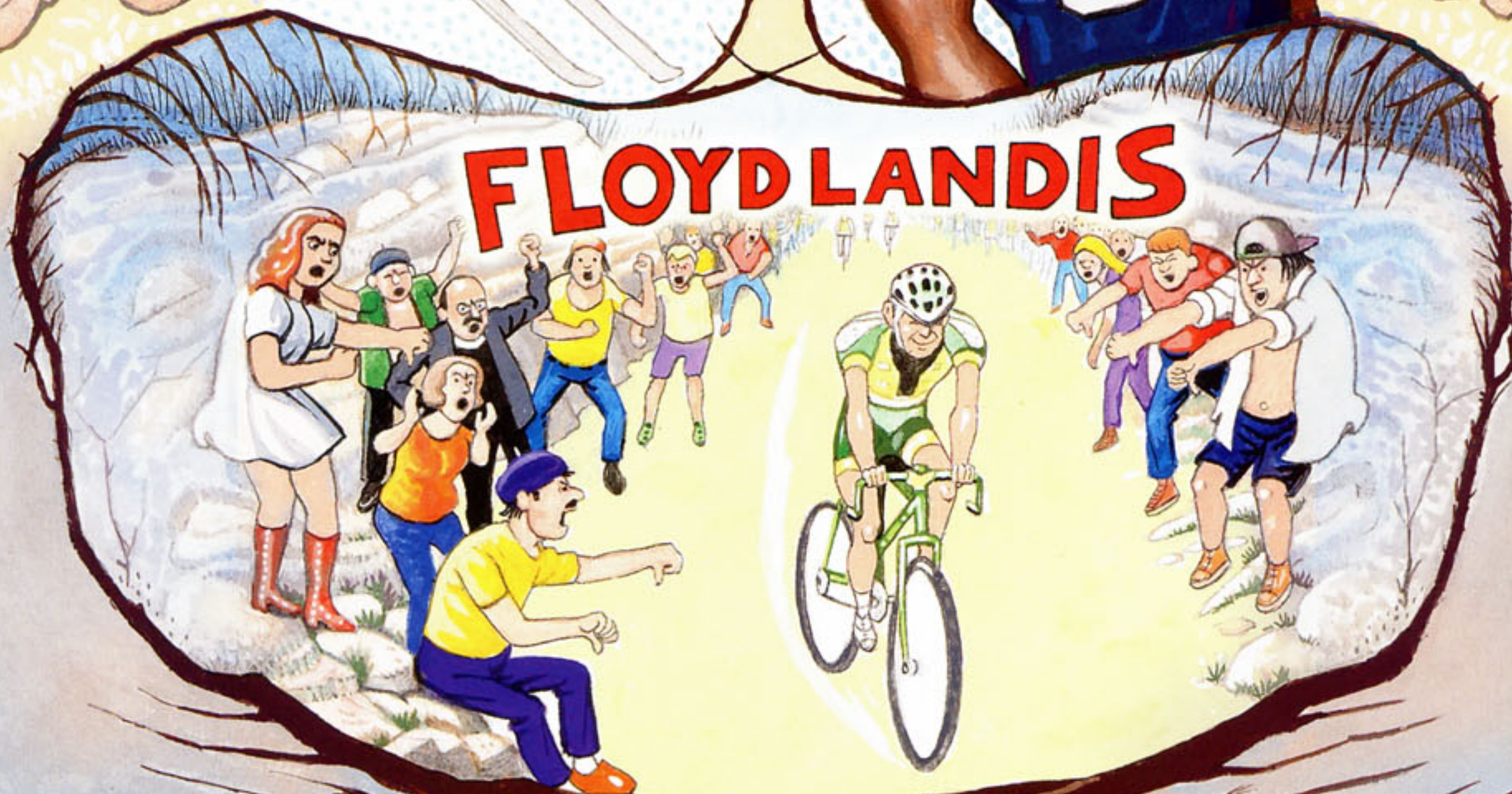
BODE MILLER



T.O.



FLOYD LANDIS



BARRY BONDS



ZIDANE



ROOTING FOR CERTAIN ATHLETES IS SURELY A WACKY BAL-
ANCING ACT. THEY'RE NOT OPEN AND ABOVE
BOARD IN THE WAY THEY ACT AND COMPETE.

A

WRITER AND ARTIST: AL JAFFEE

B

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FOLD PAGE OVER LIKE THIS!

A **B** FOLD BACK SO THAT "A" MEETS "B"

BOO.



ROCKY BAL-

BOA

A **B**