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Letters and Tomatoes



NOT-SO-DEAR JOHN



Recently my apartment was rehabbed and I had to box everything up. While getting ready for the bathroom to be painted, I pushed a stack of boxes to the center of the room. Well, I pushed too hard and a few things slid off the top of some boxes and (this really happened!) my MAD from June 2014 landed in the toilet! I'm not sure what to make of it. Keep up the "good" work, you've been making me laugh (retch?) since 1971!

Ken W. Reed • Berkeley, CA

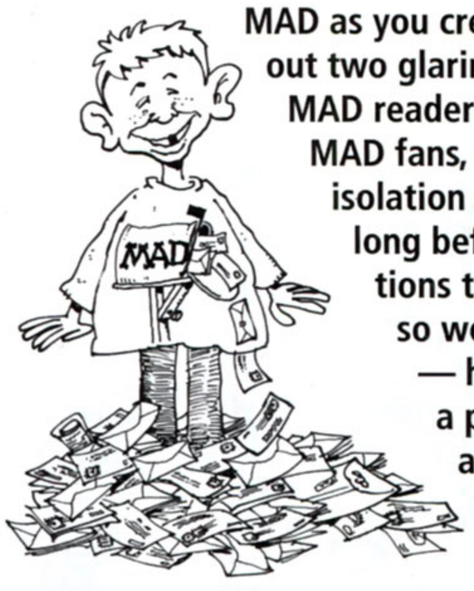
Reedy or Not — Let's not pretend for even a second that an issue of MAD is the most disgusting and damaging thing that's been in that toilet. We're guessing that if your landlord is rehabbing that bathroom it's because there's been irreparable, unmentionable, soul-churning damage rained down upon that cursed, God-forsaken slab of porcelain! Good luck getting your security deposit back, you monster! —Ed.

NOT WORTH A CENTENARIAN

I am 72 years old and have been digesting your magazine for many years. I'm expecting to live to be 100 and when I achieve that milestone, I would expect a free subscription. I don't think my mailperson looks at the magazine when it comes in the mail but he does leave the door open on the mailbox, and I suspect my neighbors see it. Hmm... maybe that's why they shun me.

Jim Lanctot • Indianapolis, IN

Rock 'Em Sock 'Em Lanctot — We're happy to hear about your dedication to MAD as you creep into your wily dotage. But we have to point out two glaring factual errors in your letter: for one, very few MAD readers live to 100. Studies have shown that longtime MAD fans, with their distressing lack of hygiene, leper-like isolation and tenuous grip on reality, tend to peter out long before that. Second, we don't give free subscriptions to 100-year-olds. (We just put the policy in place so we could stiff Al Jaffee when he turns 100 in 2021 — he can pay for his issues like anyone else!) On a positive note, however, you're absolutely right about one thing — your neighbors *are* shunning you...and judging by your letter, it seems they're doing the right thing! Happy digesting! —Ed.



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PHILADELPHIA PRETZEL LOGIC

I'm seeking advice about my 11-year-old. She has been reading my MAD magazines. I know that I was reading MAD at her age, but as a parent it seems so inappropriate and I'm more concerned about being a good parent than I was about being a well-adjusted child. To make matters worse, she snuck a few issues to school after we warned her not to. What will happen to our reputation as good parents if it's found out that I've been reading MAD for 25 years? Growing up in Philly will be hard enough on her, with all the murders and failing sports teams. Should she be punished if this MAD behavior continues?

Megan Polkus • Philadelphia, PA

High-Stakes Polkus — Should she be punished? Of course she should be punished, and as harshly as humanly possible! Let's see...what's the maximum punishment that an 11-year-old can receive under current law...hmm. Okay, we've got it: force her to live in a sketchy, Eagles-fan-ridden hellhole with a couple of parents whose minds have been irrevocably damaged by decades of reading MAD! That should teach her to disobey you — if Child Services doesn't get to her first! —Ed.

EPIC NAIL

They say you should dress for the job you want — so if you want to work at DC Entertainment, you darn well BETTER show up with some Spy vs. Spy nail art! New hire Sara Haskell landed a cherry job in the Subsidiary Rights Department because she displayed her corporate loyalty (despite also displaying her terrible taste in reading material)!



CRAZED AND CONFUSED

Hello, or is it just hell? I live in the basement of a small shack. I have a long, unkempt beard with this morning's waffles attached to it. No job — who would hire someone with waffles in his/her beard? I have no car, how can you drive with waffles in your beard? I need a break and if you publish this letter it may spark me to attain a lot of goals like move upstairs, shave and look for a job, then maybe become President, then president of MAD. But all this hinges on this letter being published. You guys have great responsibility and power. In the meantime, I will be in basement. Need more syrup — running low. Help!

Mark Lambert • Eden Prairie, MN

Alone in the Mark — At MAD, we always say that if we can change just one life, we've made a difference (not necessarily a change for the *better*, or a *positive* difference, but we don't have time to get into that right now). So if the publication of your incoherent ramblings will be the "spark" you need to clean yourself up and move into your shack's no-doubt spacious upper floors, well, we're happy to help. And who knows — maybe one day you really will "become President, then president of MAD"! Because goodness knows that America, and this magazine, wouldn't be any worse off if they were run by a filthy, waffle-bearded, basement-dwelling maniac. Good luck getting out of the cellar — we hope to see you soon, boss! —Ed.

CELEBRITY SNAP

I have a car rental agency in Costa Mesa, CA. I keep several copies of MAD on the counter to distract the drooling masses that wander into my establishment. One of your recent lampoonees — David Hester from *Storage Wars* — came in and I decided to harass him about his appearance in your fish-wrapping apparatus.

Addison Stansfield • Costa Mesa, CA



Stansfield of Dreams — When you're on a show like *Storage Wars*, it's no small feat to be considered "the shifty, reprehensible one" — and we're sure that appearing in MAD will do absolutely nothing to help that reputation. —Ed.

REMEMBERING TOM KOCH AND LOU SILVERSTONE

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of two of MAD's legendary writers.



Tom Koch passed away on March 22 at the age of 89. From 1957 to 1995, Tom was one of MAD's most prolific and funny writers, contributing more than 300 pages to the magazine in his distinctive comedic voice. Perhaps Tom's most memorable MAD article was "43-Man Squamish" — fifty years after its initial publication, it remains MAD's most requested reprint. We honor Tom by running another one of his classic articles in this issue's installment of "The MAD Vault."



Lou Silverstone passed away on March 9, at the age of 90. Lou wrote over 180 articles for the magazine between 1962 and 1990, touching on all aspects of politics, sports and American culture, and is particularly remembered for his movie and television satires. His first article was a spoof of Bonanza ("Bananaz") in MAD #73 (1962). He also wrote "Bats-Man," the classic MAD takeoff of the 1960s Batman TV series in MAD #105. We'll pay tribute to Lou in a special edition of "The MAD Vault" in MAD #535.

We extend our deepest condolences to the families of Tom and Lou.

LIVE AND LET JEDI

I read the new *Star Wars* sneak peek from my son's subscription. I thought to myself, you idiots used to be way more clever back when I subscribed in the 1980s. So I read the old *Star Wars* satires in my own collection. You weren't.

Chris Donovan • Albany, Australia

Donovan and Dirty — We can totally identify with that thought process! We thought to ourselves, there's no way this guy is as stupid and slop-brained as we think he is. So we read your letter again. You are! —Ed.

MISSIVES: IMPOSSIBLE

I am a long-time reader of your magazine, and one of my favorite sections is Letters & Tomatoes. However, I feel that it is fairly obvious that the letters are just written by some of the lesser members of the Usual Gang of Idiots. It is, in my opinion, unkind to exclude these writers' names from the credits. I currently have a bet on with my friend (who for some reason believes the letters are from real people) that all the letters are fake. We agreed that if this letter is not published (which it won't be), I win the bet.

Simon Leek • Cambridge, MA

Leek a Virgin — Well, we have good news and bad news. The bad news is that you lose the bet. The good news, however, is that you don't have to pay! Because — just as you're sure the letters are made up — we are completely confident that this "friend" of yours doesn't actually exist. And as far as not printing the names of the response writers, we simply do that as a service to those staff members. Having to communicate with someone like Simon Leek is bad enough, without the rest of the world being privy to that shame. Thanks for reading! —Ed.

TYPO NEGATIVE

I've been reading your magazine for about half a year. I recently believe that I have found a misprint on one of your ads for your books. It says "Greatest Writers." Obviously you meant to simply put "Writers."

Conrad Liechty • Goshen, IN

Conrad to the Bone — Accidents happen all the time in printing — even in this very issue! We mistakenly ran a letter from some moron in Goshen, instead of deleting his unintelligible ramblings. Oh well! Thanks for being such an eagle-eyed reader! See, we did it again! When we wrote "eagle-eyed reader," we MEANT to write "poop-shoed goof-nut." Hoo boy! It's gonna be one of those days! —Ed.

THE DOOR IS A-JARRING

Many readers pointed out that the May 3 installment of *Non Sequitur* by Wiley featured some MAD-centric names on the door of a law firm. When asked for a comment, Tom Richmond, Nick Meglin and Sam Viviano referred us to their lawyers. Irony!

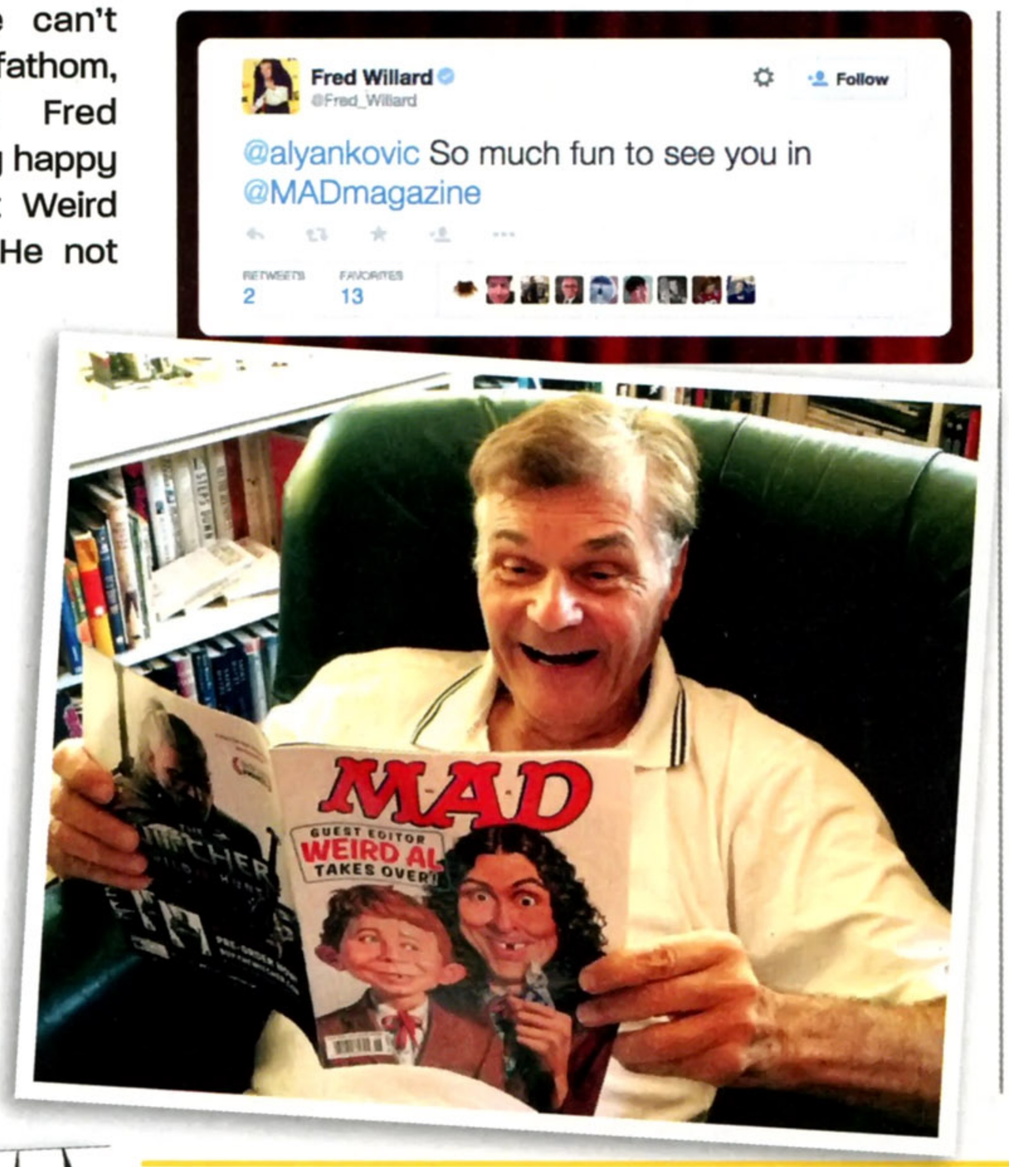


Letters and Tomatoes



GOOD WILLARD HUNTING

For reasons we can't even begin to fathom, comedy legend Fred Willard was pretty happy about our recent Weird Al-centric issue! He not only tweeted about it, but also posted a pic on Facebook of himself enjoying it. They say nothing is permanent on the Internet — but we suspect this tacit endorsement will haunt him!



RETAIL OF WOE

Once I went to my bookstore and was looking for MAD. There was nothing there. I persuaded my parents to go to the next town, but still, no MAD! So now I'm wondering what's up with that? Is it because the bookstores don't like your idiotically funny magazine? (Likely!) Or is it because someone confused MAD with rotten trash? (Likelier!) Or maybe because MAD has thousands of "adoring" fans who buy the magazine before me? (Likeliest!)

Annais Weiss • Framingham, MA

Weiss-A-Roni — For a MAD reader, you're pretty perceptive! For one thing, bookstores don't just dislike MAD, they actively despise it — after all, MAD's awfulness tends to taint every other publication within a half-aisle radius. Second, MAD is often confused with rotten trash because, well, it *is* rotten trash. And you're absolutely correct about other MAD fans beating you to the magazine (although "possibly lobotomized" might be a more accurate description than "adoring") — in fact, Framingham is widely known for its eager, ninja-quick MAD lovers. So here's what you do: pack a sleeping bag, pillow and a sack of Lunchables (gotta stay healthy!) and go set up camp in front of that bookstore. In a mere six or seven weeks, you'll be the first person in town to pick up MAD #535 — if you haven't been arrested for loitering first! —Ed.





READER ALERT

If you had your letter printed in this issue, you better hold on to your beret, Frenchie — because you're being rewarded with some cool free stuff! You'll be getting ***The Art of Rocksteady's Batman***, courtesy of our friends at Abrams Books; a Blu-ray combo pack of ***The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie: Sponge Out of Water*** from our buds at Paramount Home Media Distribution; ***Exploring Calvin and Hobbes***, courtesy of our pals at Andrews McMeel Publishing; a DVD copy of **Justice League: Gods and Monsters**, from our amigos at Warner Bros. Home Entertainment; and a blind-boxed **Mighty Morphin Power Ranger vinyl figure** from our chums at The Loyal Subjects! Write to us and have your (merchandise-based) dreams come true!



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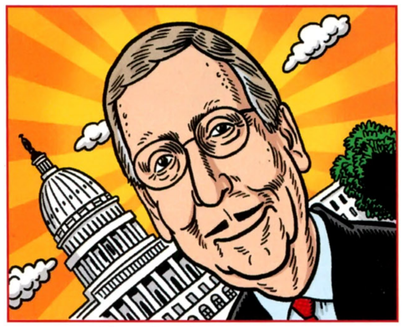
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Requiring all male congressmen to grow pencil-thin Zorro mustaches



Inviting everyone to Michele Bachmann's belated quinceañera



Letting Chris Christie eat at Chipotle five times a week instead of his usual three



Having Sarah Palin make her wild accusations in Spanish



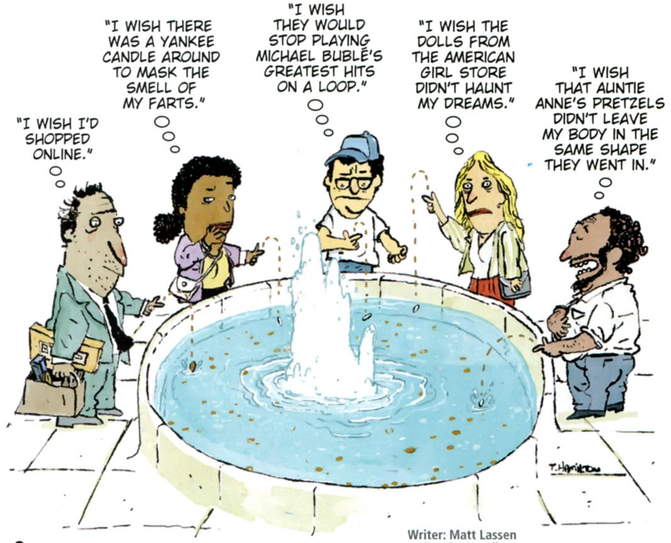
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Rolling their r's when they argue against immigration r-r-r-reform

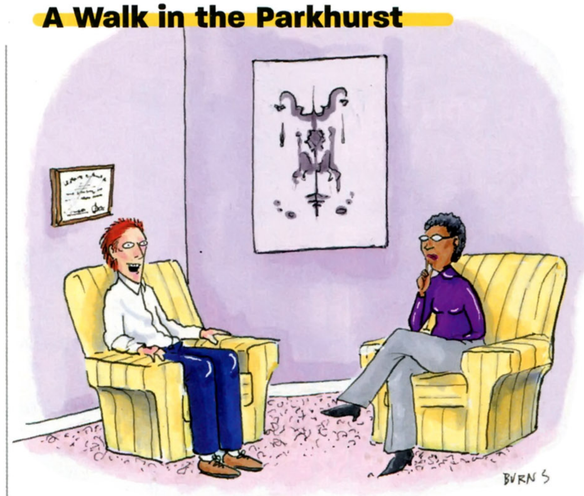
Writer: Matt Lassen Artist: Ward Sutton

MOST POPULAR MALL FOUNTAIN WISHES



Writer: Matt Lassen
Artist: Tim Hamilton

A Walk in the Parkhurst



Writer and Artist: Teresa Burns Parkhurst

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by Blaine Gribley

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Writer: Matt Lassen Photos: Dreamstime

COMMON MISTAKES TO AVOID IN A RAP BATTLE



Writer: Kenny Keil Artist: Jose Garibaldi

A YEEZY BOOST AD THAT TELLS IT LIKE IT IS



Writer: Kenny Keil

Gimme a Flake



"EXCUSE ME, MISS—I HAVE SOME THINGS TO SAY ABOUT YOUR LEGS, BUT FIRST I'D LIKE YOU TO SIGN THIS CONSENT FORM."

Writer and Artist: Emily Flake

The Godfrey Report

In	Five Minutes Ago	Out
Multiplexes	Drive-Ins	Nickelodeons
Apparel	Duds	Garb
Sloops	Dinghies	Junks
McMansions	Estates	Manors
Petting	Necking	Canoodling

The Stupid 7

TIPS FOR ENHANCING YOUR WINE EXPERIENCE

1. Before purchasing, examine the exterior. The box should have no punctures or tears.
2. If you're serving wine in dribble glasses to your guests as a prank, be considerate and use the lighter varieties, which won't cause as much of a stain.
3. Serious wine connoisseurs stay away from bottles with happy cartoon characters on them, as those are usually aimed towards younger drinkers.
4. 99-cent store selections are surprisingly good, especially when paired with off-brand fish sticks.
5. If you don't have a cellar for proper storage, be sure to polish off any wine on the day you purchase it.
6. If your entrée goes with red wine and all you have is white, simply add a few drops of food coloring and pretend it's a red.
7. *Silence of the Lambs* had it right: fava beans and human organs actually do go well with Chianti.



Writer: Jeff Kruse Artist: Rick Tulka

Samuel Ferri's Misconnected Moments



Writer and Artist: Samuel Ferri

PARENTS' TEXT ABBREVIATIONS EVERY CHILD SHOULD KNOW

GHASATKAA
Getting High as Soon as the Kids Are Asleep



O2BTKC$IV
Off to Blow the Kids' College Funds in Vegas



DSNRHBG?
Does She Not Realize Her Boyfriend's Gay?



SSGTFMWS14
She'll Start Getting the Family Mustache When She's Fourteen



Writer: Scott Maiko Artist: John Kerschbaum

Phrases You'll Never See in a *Car & Driver* Review



"The best thing to come out of Detroit since the 1943 race riots."

"The hood-mounted machine gun isn't street legal, so we used it sparingly."

"You'll be the envy of all the other hearse drivers on the road."

"It hugs the road like a deranged pervert who gets turned on by asphalt."

"We filled the tank with clamato juice, and only lost 17 miles per gallon."

Writer: Jeff Kruse

WORST SELLING POWER RANGERS DVDS



Writer: Kenny Keil Artist: Justin Peterson

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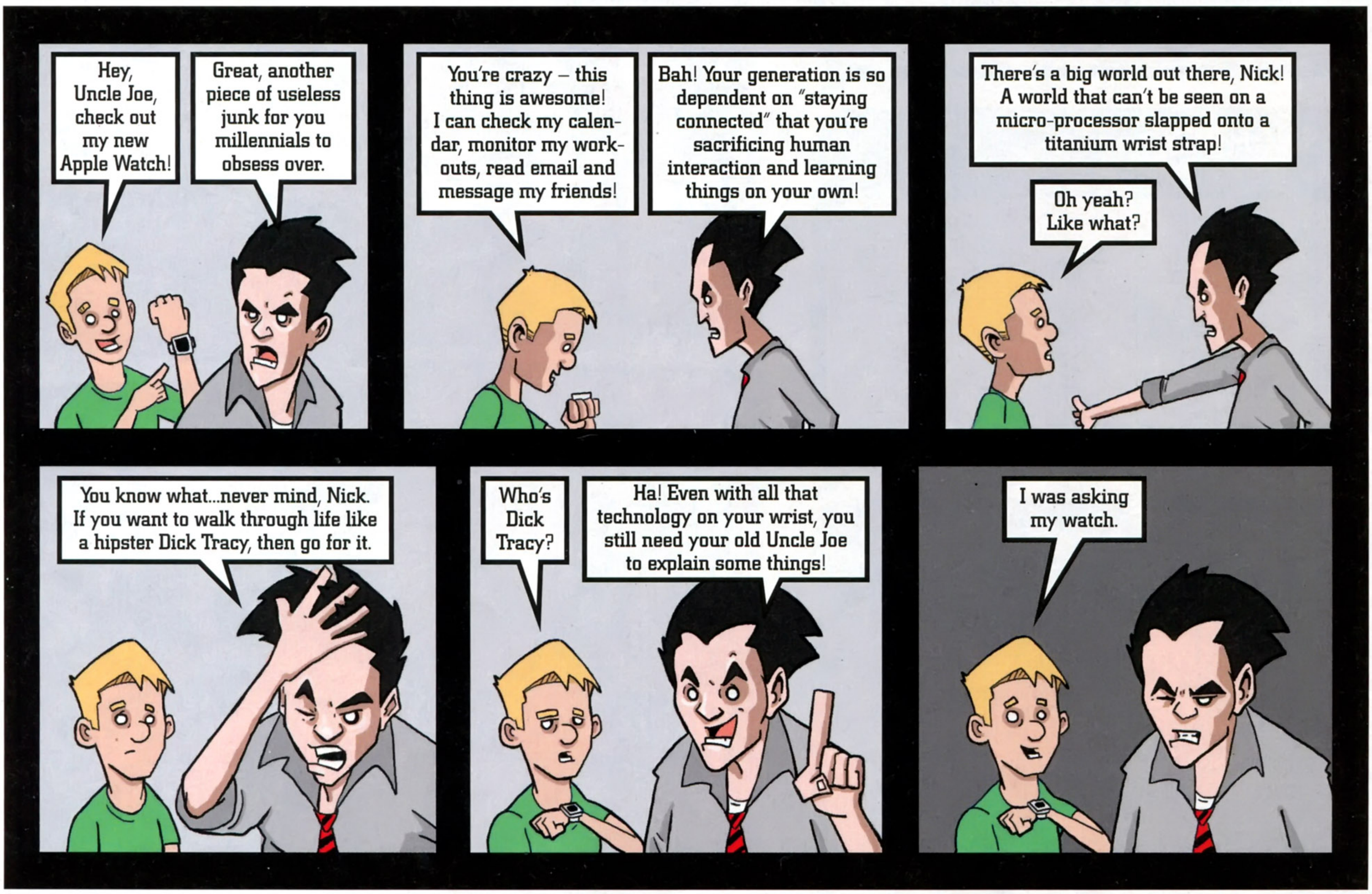
"WHOA, WHOA, STOP EATING, FRED... I DON'T THINK THAT'S TAPIOCA PUDDING."

Writer and Artist: Tom Cheney

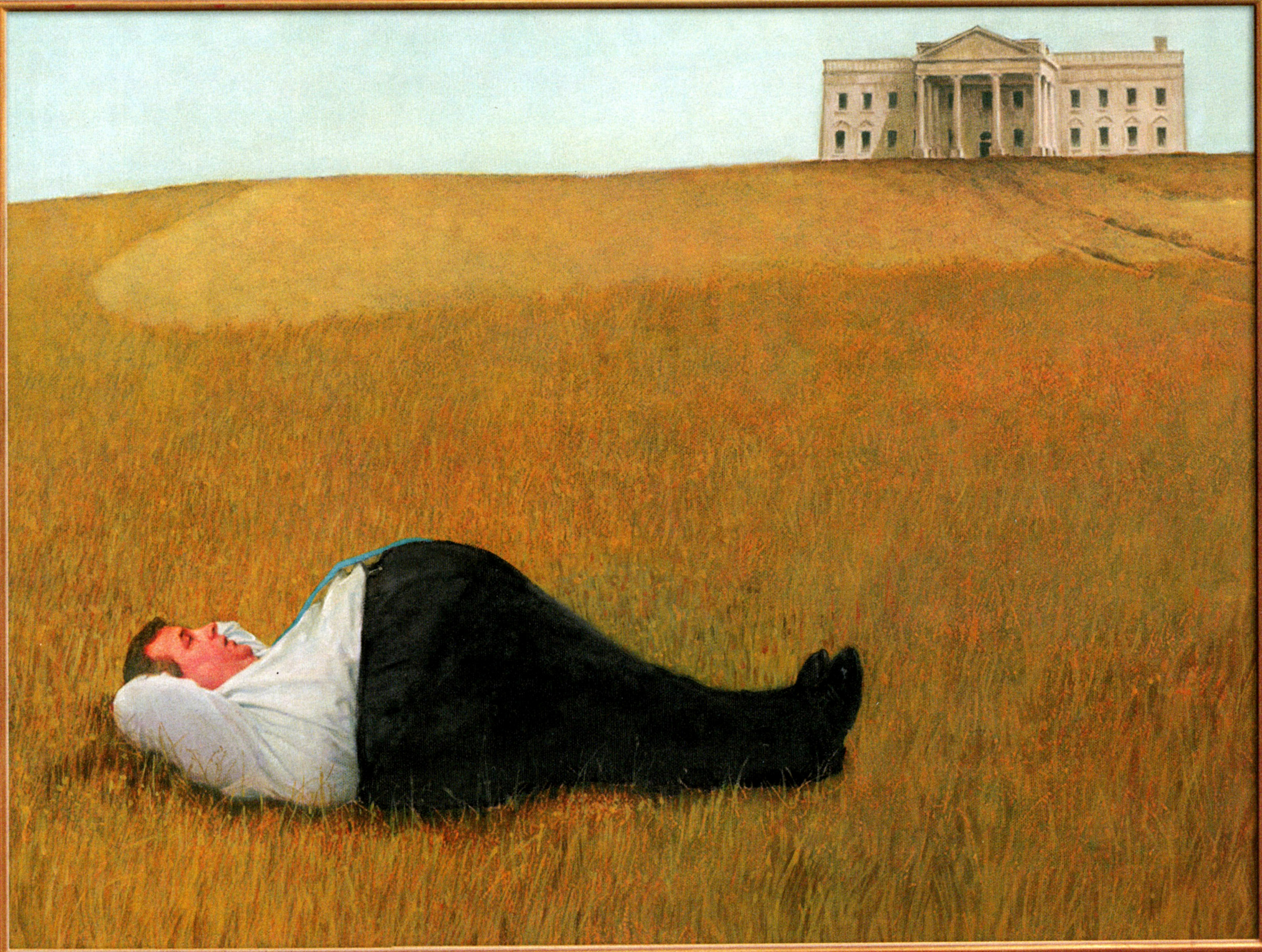
More "Up for Whatever" Labels That Bud Light Should Get Rid Of



BITTERMAN



Writer and Artist: Garth Gerhart



Chris Christie's World

WRITER: J.C. DUFFY ARTIST: RICHARD WILLIAMS

TO LIEV AND DIE IN L.A. DEPT.

In recent years, we've followed the journeys of Don Draper, Rust Cohle and Walter White. Okay, cool characters. Nice shows. So does TV really need another series about a troubled, middle-aged white dude with issues? No, but we've got one anyway! Premium cable's latest brooding anti-hero is a tough Irish bruiser from South Boston who doesn't jump on the "smile train" much. This guy makes Vladimir Putin look like the giggling Pillsbury Doughboy. Meet . . .

RAY DREARYMAN

I'm **Ray Drearyman**, a **Hollywood "fixer"** who can **fix anything** — except **weak scripts** on my **own series**. **This** is one of them.

I'm a **Los Angeles troubleshooter**. I **solve problems** for the **rich** and **famous**. I **bust heads**, I **speak** in **monosyllables**. I **communicate** mostly through **grimaces** and **pained expressions**. Word is at next year's **Emmys**, I'm going to be presented with a special "**Menacing Glare**" **award!**

I'm in the **thick** of **showbiz**. I went into a Paramount **pitch meeting** yesterday to **bat** a few things around. Mostly **heads!** This morning I **Louisville-Sluggered** two **agents**, a **commissary chef** who gave me **bad sushi** and the **studio exec** who **green-lit** a **Jonah Hill romantic comedy!**

I have a **wife**, **kids**, a **mortgage** and a custom **suit closet** the size of **Yosemite**. My **expenses** are through the f#$%in' **roof**. All in all I have a **big monthly nut**. It's called **my father!**

I'm **Muckey Drearyman** — the **Grandpa from Hell!** I'm the **toughest f#@$in' guy** in **AARP!** Here's the deal: I just did **20 years** at **Wolpole prison**, got out **early**, killed a **priest**, pistol-whipped **two orphans**, held up a **pot store** and then removed a stranger's **spleen!** And, oh yeah, I also **text** while **driving!** I came out west from **Boston** to **reunite** with my **three sons**. Now that I've seen how **screwed up** they are, I kinda wish I'd made a **u-turn** at **Tulsa!**

We're the **"screwed-up" sons** Muckey was talkin' about, **Dreary** and **Punchy**. We're **emotionally damaged brothers** who moved from **Boston** to **L.A.** for a **better life**. We're still emotionally damaged, but now at least we have **great tans!**

Being **brain-damaged** was **tough** in **Boston**, but not so **noticeable** out here. We seem to **blend in** with the **agents** and **studio executives!**

I'm **Crabby**, the difficult, premium-cable-channel **wife**. These are my two troubled teenagers, **Cruller** and **Bimbette**. Their **father** is sort of a **mystery man** who doesn't **communicate** much and is **emotionally absent**. Perhaps you've **seen** our family **before**. We were called ***The Sopranos*!**

Heavy and **Loner** here. We're Ray's trusted **assistants** who do all his **dirty work**. I'm an **ex-Mossad Israeli bad-ass** and my partner's an **angry lesbian**. When was the **last time** you caught a **combo** like **us** on **TV?** The fourth season of ***The View*?**

I'm **Tezra Glopman** and this is my partner, **Leech**. Our occupations: **entertainment lawyers**. In this series I'm **obsessed** with building a **hospital wing** in tribute to my **dead wife**. Yes, I'm a **deeply religious man** who, every week, honors the memory of my **beloved wife** right before engaging in some **illegal sleazeball activity**.

In case you're **curious**, in the Hollywood **social structure**, **"entertainment lawyer"** ranks in **importance** somewhere between **"movie usher"** and **"back-up lounge singer."**

This series takes shots at **South Boston**, **Hollywood** and the **Catholic Church**. The **Church** gets slammed especially hard. Yes, we've made **mistakes** — but are we any **worse** than **Hollywood?** At least the **Catholic Church** is trying to **correct** our mistakes. **Hollywood** is still giving us **sequels** to ***Dumb and Dumber*** and ***Horrible Bosses*!**

As a **motivational guru** I sense that **Ray** is a man who doesn't **waste time**. He **walks in**, he gets the **job done**, he **splits**.

I speak from **experience** — that describes not only his **work life**, but his **sex life!**

Yeah, he's **tough** and a **ball-breaker** but he does some **good** in this town.

Like **what?**

He had a "little **chat**" with **Russell Crowe** and convinced him **never** to do another **musical!**

WRITER: ARNIE KOGEN ARTIST: TOM RICHMOND

What's up?

Satch Holman, one of your **L.A. Clipper** clients, woke up in bed next to a **dead hooker**.

Easy fix. I can **deal** with that.

Luke Pittstop, the Hollywood **stud**, was caught with his **pants down** in the company of a guy in a **prom dress**.

No problem. I can **handle** it.

Your **wife** called.

F#$@! Now, **there's** a **problem!** For **this one** I may need **back-up!**

I hate **L.A.** I hate the **sunshine**, I hate my **life**, I hate my **voice**, I hate **you**, yet I **love** you. Don't come **near** me! Hey, has anyone seen my **mood swing pills?**

I **tossed** a **kid** down the **stairs** today. I got **expelled**.

I'm **dating** a **gangster rapper's kid**. I got a **tattoo** with a **dirty needle**. And yesterday I sold my **eggs** on **eBay**.

Things can't get much **worse** here at **home**.

Here comes **Grandpa!**

Check that. Things just got **worse!**

Okay, **gifts** for everyone! **Cocaine**, **condoms**, **guns** from **Cuba** and **duct tape**. Oh, and a little something for **you**, **Bimbette!**

Hey, and **this** is for you, **Cruller**.

Cool! A **new car!**

Well, **sorta** new. Put it **this** way, it was **new** to the guy I **boosted** it from! But it comes **loaded** with **extras**: **weed** in the **glove box**, a **hooker** in the **passenger seat** and a **dead body** in the **trunk!**

MY GRANDPA KILLED A CLERGYMAN IN BOSTON AND ALL HE GOT ME WAS THIS LOUSY T-SHIRT

I want you to **stay away** from my **family!**

This is **my family**, too.

You're a **sick**, **twisted old bastard!**

I'm **not** old.

You're a **sadistic psychopath!** You **strangled 18 people** at a **convenience store** yesterday!

It would have been **19** if not for that **arthritis flare-up!**

Gotta go back to **work**.

No.

Don't **lie** to me! You're going to **bang** that **bimbo** at the **beach**, aren't you?

Then you're going to have **sex** with that **aerobics instructor!**

If you **must** know, I'm going to **kill** somebody.

Oh, okay, **that** I can **deal** with. **Dinner** is at **six**. Try not to be **late!**

CAH AND DRIVAH
BAHSTEN EDITION

GARBAGE DUMP

What **is** this **place?**

It's the family **boxing gym**. But **Ray** is using this as a **front** to **launder money**.

From the **look** of it, **money** may be the **ONLY** thing **laundered** here!

I've been real **busy**. Last **Wednesday** I installed two new **40-watt light bulbs** and then I scraped **dried blood** off three **punching bags**.

This place needs a **complete remodeling**.

That **WAS** our **remodeling!**

ALTAR BOYS ANONYMOUS

When we were **kids** in **Boston** we were **abused** pretty badly. We haven't **recovered**.

I can **relate**,fellas. Years ago **I** was **traumatized**, too.

You were **abused** by the Church?

Well, not **exactly** the **Church**. Ever see a **movie** called ***Deliverance*****?** I *still* have **nightmares** when I hear **banjo music!**

I **know** your **type**. You're a tortured **tough guy** with **anger issues**.

And **you're** a **nosy reporter** who likes **guys** with **anger issues**.

Did you **murder** Scrully?

Maybe.

Did you **bribe** the **head** of the **FBI?**

Could be.

Do you **always** talk this much?

Not really. You caught me on one of my **chatty days!**

Sit down, Ray. We have many **important matters** to **discuss**. But **first** I'm going to **read** from the **Torah** and then **spin** this **dreidel!**

What's the **deal** with **Tezra?** He **reads** from the **Torah**, he **plays** with **dreidels**, he **recites** his **bar mitzvah speech**. This stuff has **nothing** to do with our **story**.

A **portion** of our viewing audience **loves** it.

What portion?

The **anti-Semites!**

Daddy, I just **witnessed** a **double murder!** What do I **do?**

Don't f@#$in' do **anything**. I'll be **right there.**

I **meant** what do I do **FIRST?** Do I **post** to **Facebook**, **Snapchat**, **Twitter** or **Instagram?**

The **rapper/ mobster, Croaky**, has **threatened Bimbette's life.**

Croaky's in **deep trouble**. This is the **angriest** I've ever **seen** Ray.

How can you **tell?**

He's gearing up his **full arsenal** of **"tough guy glares."**

There's his **"death stare."**

..."**coiled intensity**"...

..."**inner turbulence**"...

...and "**sullen pencil head!**"

Today is the day I **settle** all **family business** and **tie up** all loose **plot points:** Killing **you**, beating up the **tailor** who **mis-measured** my **inseam** and **maiming** a Vegas **ventriloquist** and his **smart-ass dummy!**

He just **wasted Croaky!**

Man. **That** is the **toughest white dude** in **Hollywood.**

I'll send his **family** a **fruit basket!** Now I've got **one other score** to settle.

BLAM BLAM

This is **FBI headquarters.** How did you **barge in** past **security?**

I have my ways.

Damn! The **FBI** has **alarms** and **electric fences**, but apparently **no defense** for **"rugged good looks"** and **"smoldering sexuality."**

Honey, I'm **home.**

Ray? Is that **you?**

It's not **Zach Galifianakis.**

I was **hoping** you were **Jimbo**, the **cop** I'm having an **affair** with.

Our **sex life** is even **more disturbing** than your **Boston accent.**

God, we've got a **weird marriage.**

Maybe for **Duluth.** In **Los Angeles,** we set the **bar** for **normal!**



This **father-son power struggle** ends **now**. I'm putting **two bullets** in your **head!**

You're making a **big mistake.**

I know! It was going to be **six bullets,** but today is **Father's Day!**

Dad's gonna **shoot Grandpa!**

Your **father** needs **closure.**

He'll find **closure**. If he **shoots Grandpa,** this **series** will **end!**

Sure, **Grandpa's** a **raging psycho,** but he's the only **fun character** on the **show.** With Grandpa **gone,** this **series** is about as **exciting** as ***Extreme Couponing*!**

My **kids** are **spoiled rotten** but they have a **point!** I may have to **re-think** this one!

I've had **enough** of **L.A.** I'm **played out** here. I need to **move** to a "**fresh**" area where they really **need** my **services.**

Where is **that,** Ray?

A place called **Washington, D.C.!**

Hey, You can't **come in** here!

Shut up, Tubbo! I'm here to **rearrange** some **seats** in the **Senate** and also **rearrange** a few **faces!**

CONGRESS IN SESSION

Balance the **f%@$in' budget!**

Pass that **gun control law** or I'll **pop you one** in the **mouth!**

Stop **global warming** or I'll f%@$in' **punch your lights out!**

Fix healthcare or you're going to ***need*** **healthcare!**

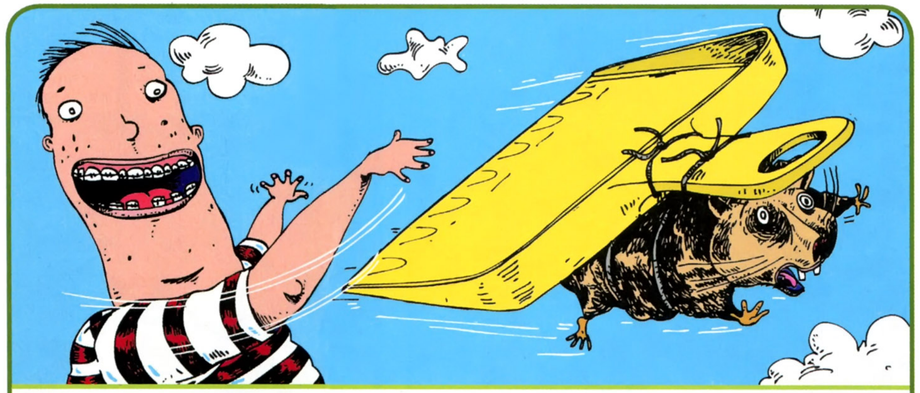
Finally, we've found **someone** who can **get things done** in **Washington!**

FAKING SHORTCUTS DEPT.

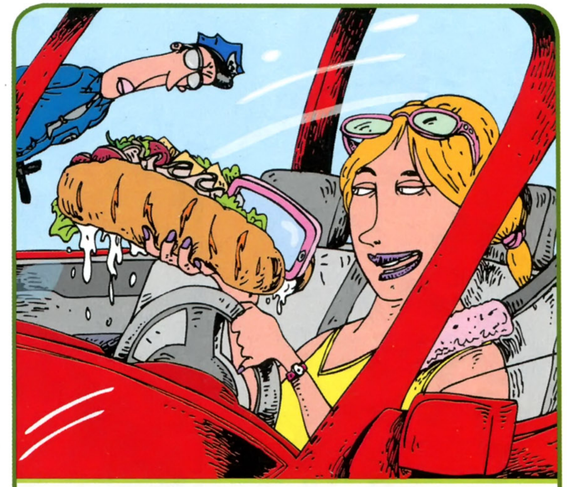
People are constantly looking for ways to make life easier. Just take a brief glance at #lifehacks on Twitter and you'll see all of the entirely unnecessary hints people are recommending, just to save two minutes of time. NO, we are NOT going to use a Tic-Tac container to store paper clips! But we WILL share our own list of entirely unnecessary...

amazing #lifehacks that will totally change your #life!

WRITER: KENNY KEIL ARTIST: KEVIN POPE



Having trouble finding a hang glider for your hamster? Use a dustpan!



Talking on your cell phone while you drive is illegal, but eating a sandwich while you drive is perfectly okay — so hide your iPhone in a hoagie!



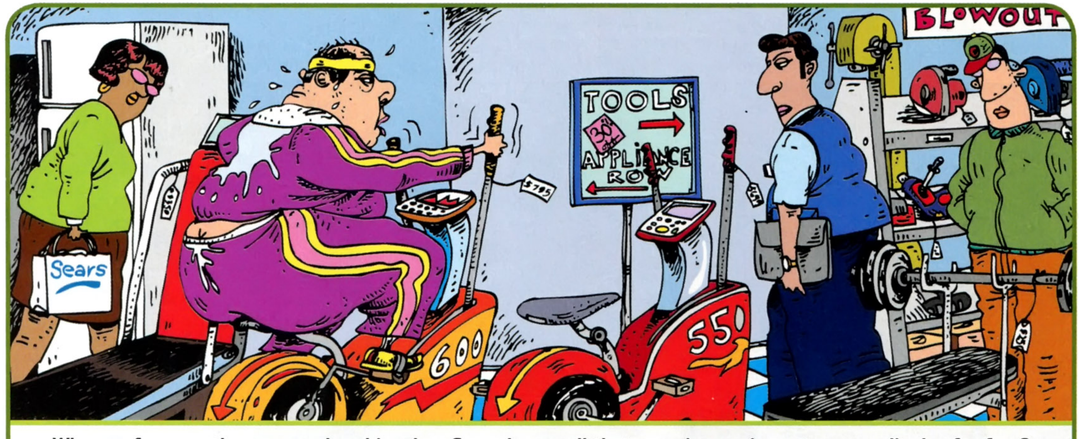
Tired of all that money you spend on mouthwash going down the drain? Just spit it back into the bottle after every rinse!



If you're down to your last dollar, simply go to Staples and print up some more. Once convicted of counterfeiting charges, you'll be living rent-free for up to 20 years!



Whenever Domino's runs a special on one large pizza with any topping, tell them you want that topping to be an *additional pizza*!



Why pay for a costly gym membership when Sears keeps all that exercise equipment out on display for free?

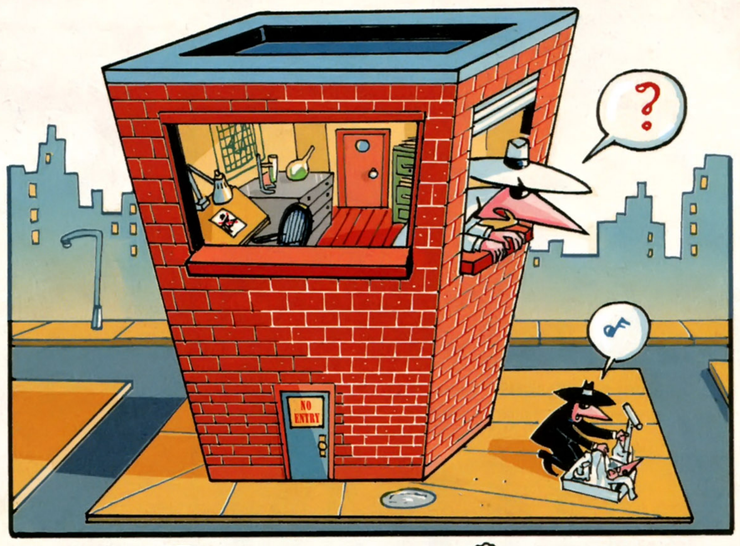


It doesn't matter where the stain is or what caused it — nine ounces of vodka will completely remove your capacity to give a damn about it!



If you ever walk into a Starbucks and there's nowhere to sit, tell the barista your name is "Fire." When they call you to pick up your order, lay low while everyone else runs out of the building in a panic. Now there'll be plenty of free seats — and maybe even a laptop or two!

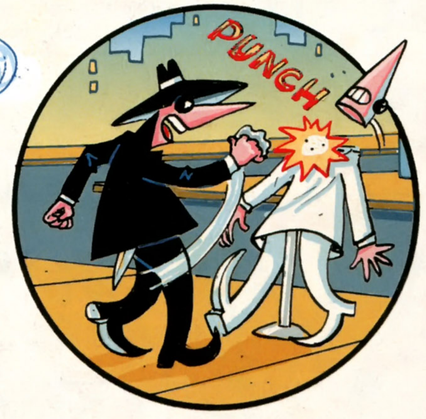
















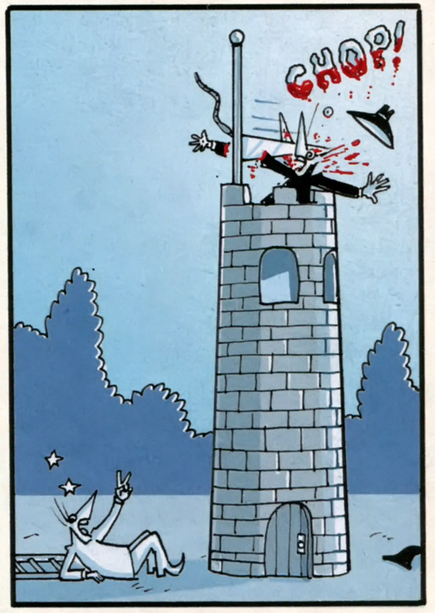












WRITER AND ARTIST: PETER KUPER

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PROS AND CONCERTS DEPT.

It's summertime and that can only mean two things — summer concerts and poorly-executed MAD pieces ABOUT concerts! We held up our end of the bargain with these terrible tips for...

Planning for Your Summer Music Festival

WRITER: KENNY KEIL

ARTIST: JOHN MARTZ

If at all possible, bring your own toilet from home.

Can't score a backstage pass? Try slipping past security in a homemade Daft Punk costume.

Be advised that Burning Man has begun charging for food — a cup of hummus will now set you back about three haikus and a scalp massage.

If the Coca-Cola Stage is a little too corporate and mainstream for your tastes, try discovering some new obscure indie talent over at the RC Cola Gazebo.

Please wait until Skrillex has finished his set to ask him if you can charge your phone on his laptop.

Don't do drugs! They cloud your judgment and dry out your mouth, all of which can result in you paying $8.50 for a bottle of Aquafina.

Wear sunglasses! For the UV protection, yes. But mostly for plausible deniability when your mom finds your festival photos on Facebook.

Find an easily recognizable landmark to meet at in case you get separated from your friends: lockers, merch booths, blackout drunk dudes in My Little Pony costumes, etc.

Pace yourself. There aren't going to be any intermissions, so try and catch some Z's during one of Kanye's three-hour rants.

Online ticket sales will often let certain credit card customers buy their tickets first. This ensures that only real banking fans are allowed to attend, and not a bunch of posers who are just in it for the free toasters.

Be selective in which bands you choose to see. Once you factor in the time you'll spend waiting in lines, setting up your tent, and getting to the stage, you're going to be left with about five to ten minutes of actual music, so make it count.

You didn't hear this from us, but if you let the people at the front gate know it's your birthday, the Wu-Tang Clan has been known to come out singing with free cookie cake.

Remember, you're going to be walking around in the sun all day, so only pack your most comfortable astronaut boots and Native American ceremonial headdresses.

Don't forget about Insect Repellent! (No, schmuck — they're playing the main pavilion at 9 PM!)

Be sure to study every band's discography well in advance — that way, when they take the stage you can complain about them like you were a lifelong fan.

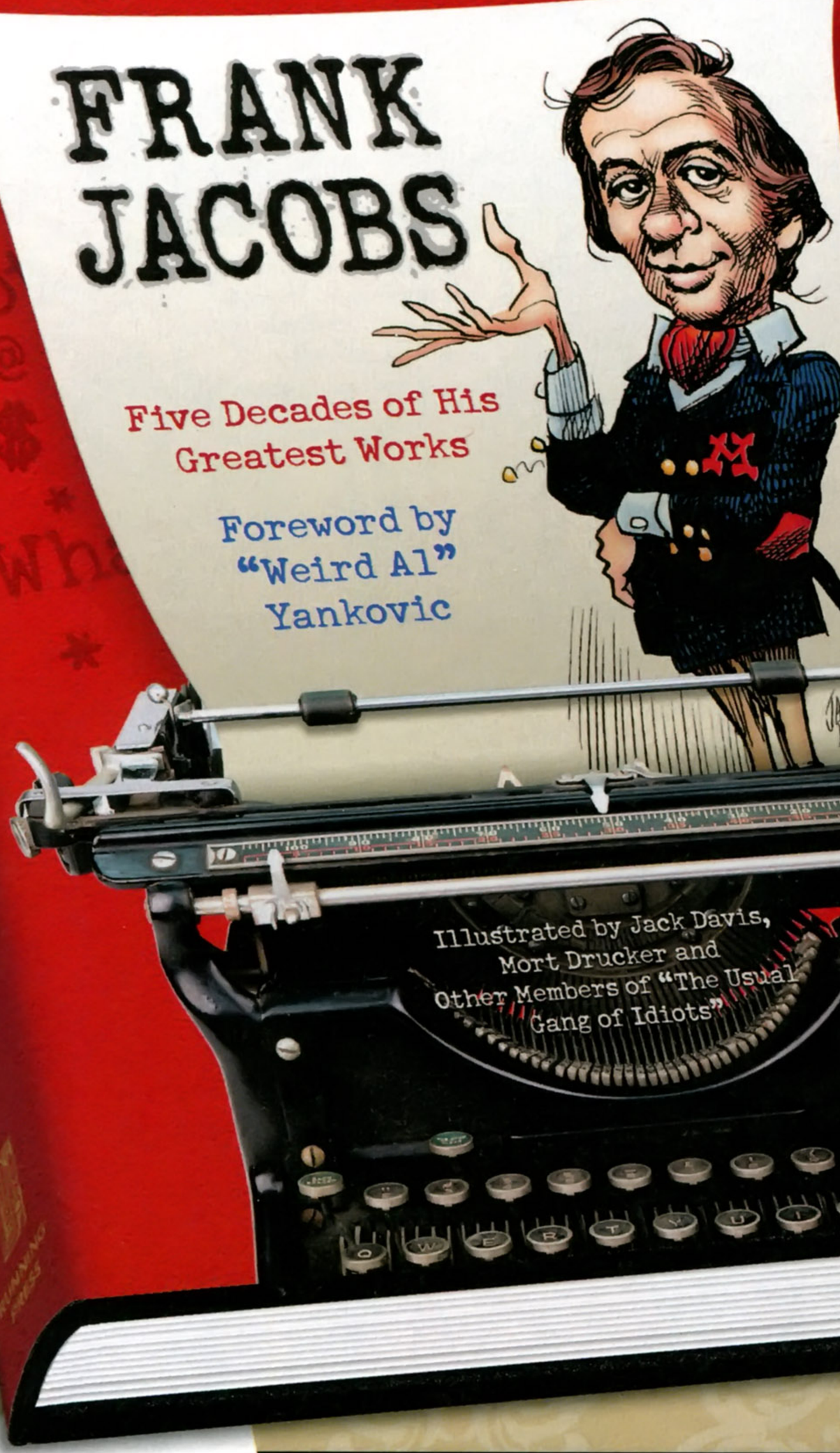
With 90,000 people in attendance, you probably won't get close enough to the stage to need earplugs. But given the fact that none of them will be bathing for the next three days, you might want to consider noseplugs.

Get out there and mingle! Remember, a stranger is just a friend who hasn't thrown up all over you during a game of Strip-Twister yet.

And finally, don't forget to remove all your body glitter and wristband passes before returning to the job you just called in sick to for the past three days.

Things have gone from bad to verse!

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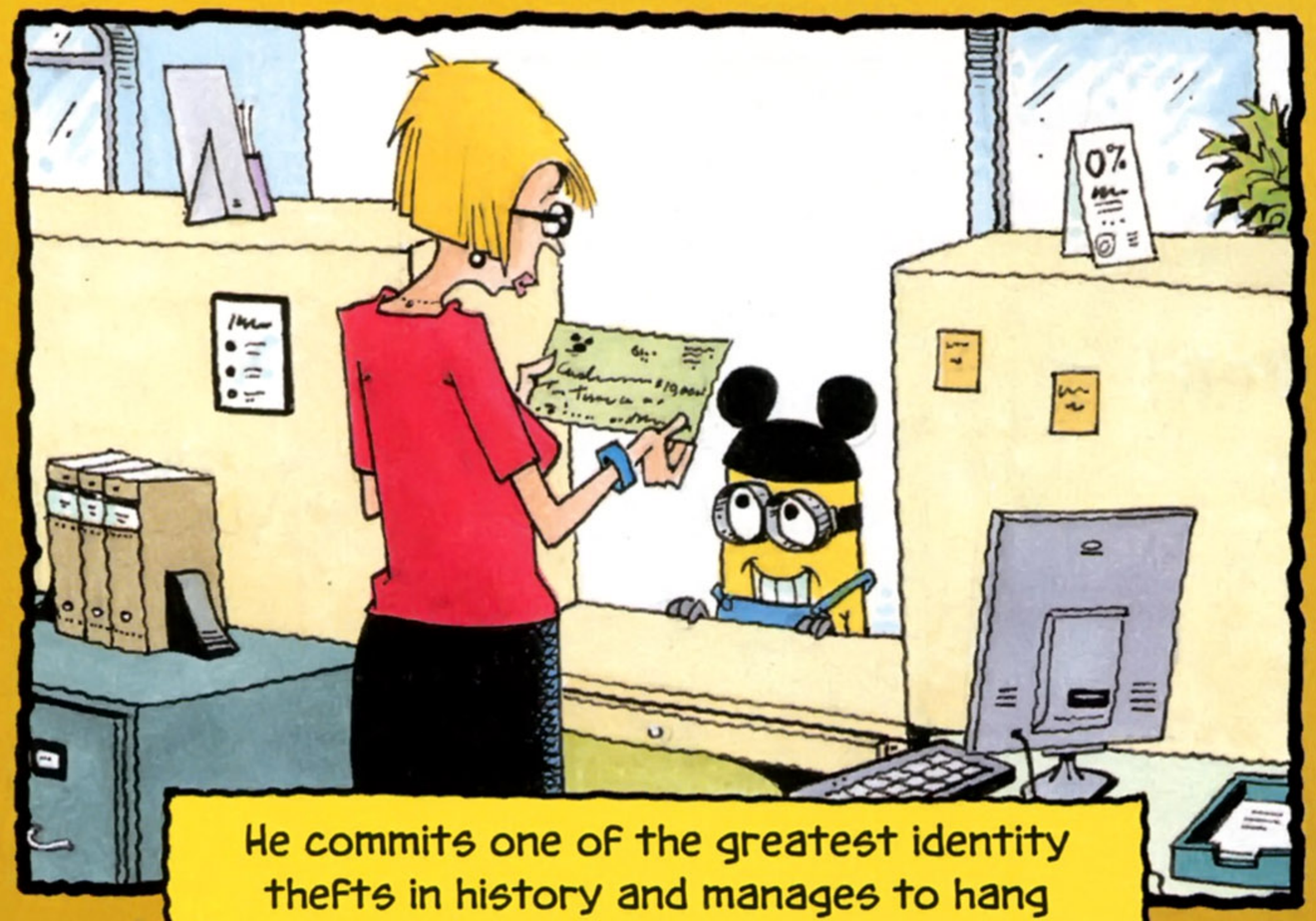
Buy it today ~ because rhyme waits for no man!

HENCHMEN AT WORK DEPT.

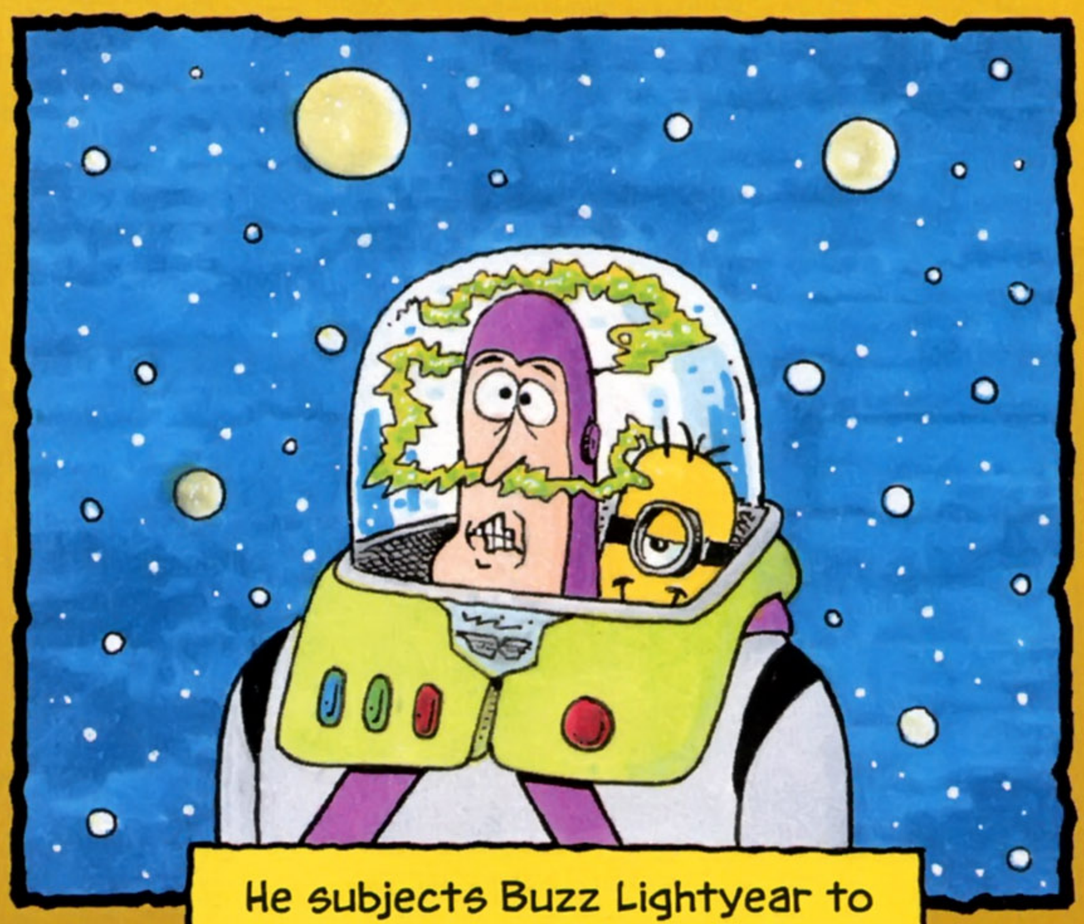
For over 20 years, John Caldwell has been relentlessly researching and chronicling the misdeeds, deliberate indiscretions and wicked transgressions of certain groups of individuals. His work has cast a cold journalistic eye on Priests, Veterinarians, Clowns, Lifeguards, Nuns and even Department Store Santas. With the following article, Caldwell breaks new ground, focusing for the first time on a group that was bad to begin with — and now has gone one step further in its ruthlessness. But there's more. These fiends do not exist in the real world, but rather in the shadowy realm of computer-generated animation. Worse still: they're yellow! Gird yourselves for what happens...

WHEN MINIONS GO REALLY, REALLY BAD

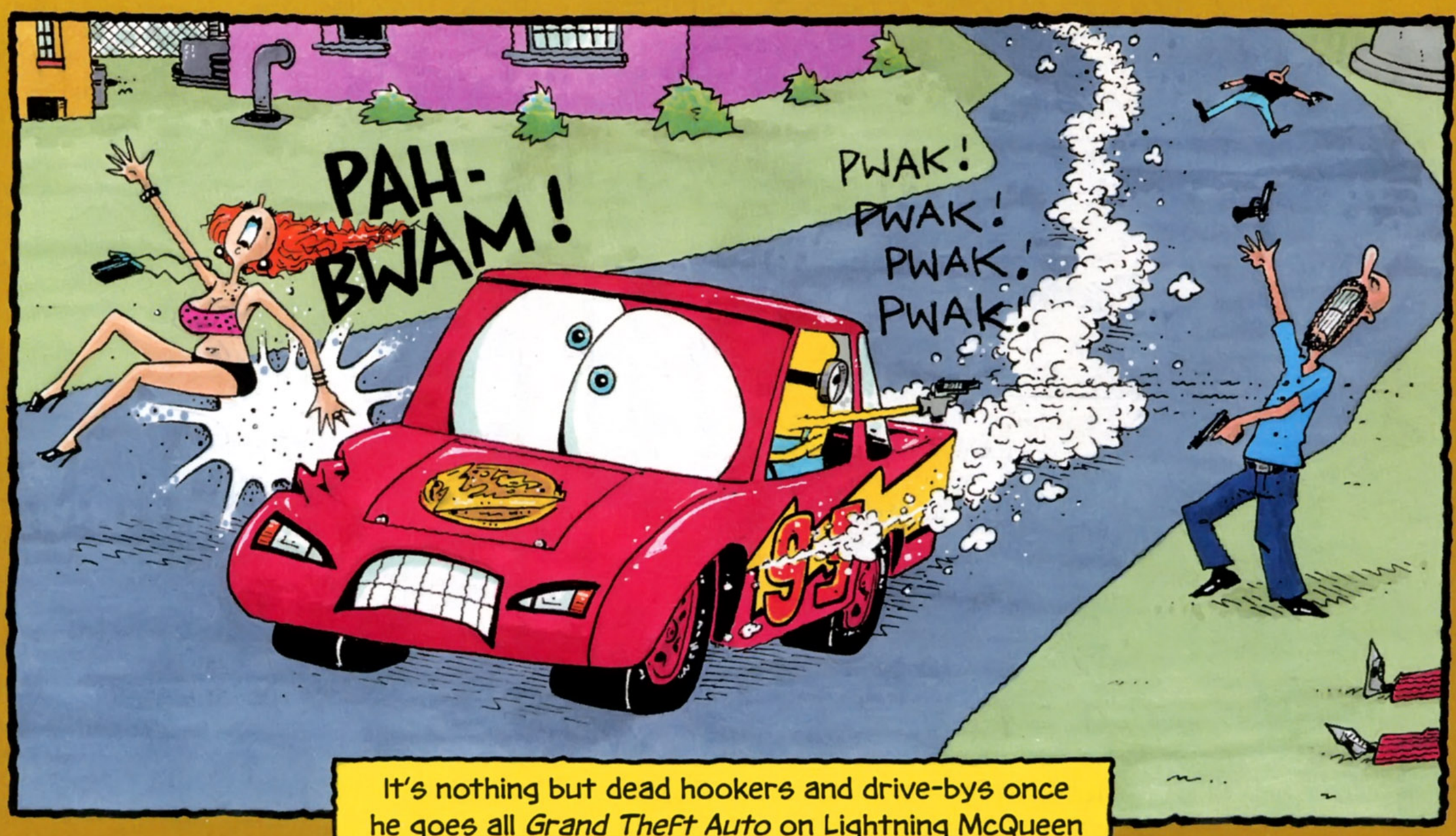
WRITER AND ARTIST: JOHN CALDWELL



He commits one of the greatest identity thefts in history and manages to hang bad paper all over the greater Orlando area



He subjects Buzz Lightyear to an intergalactic Dutch Oven



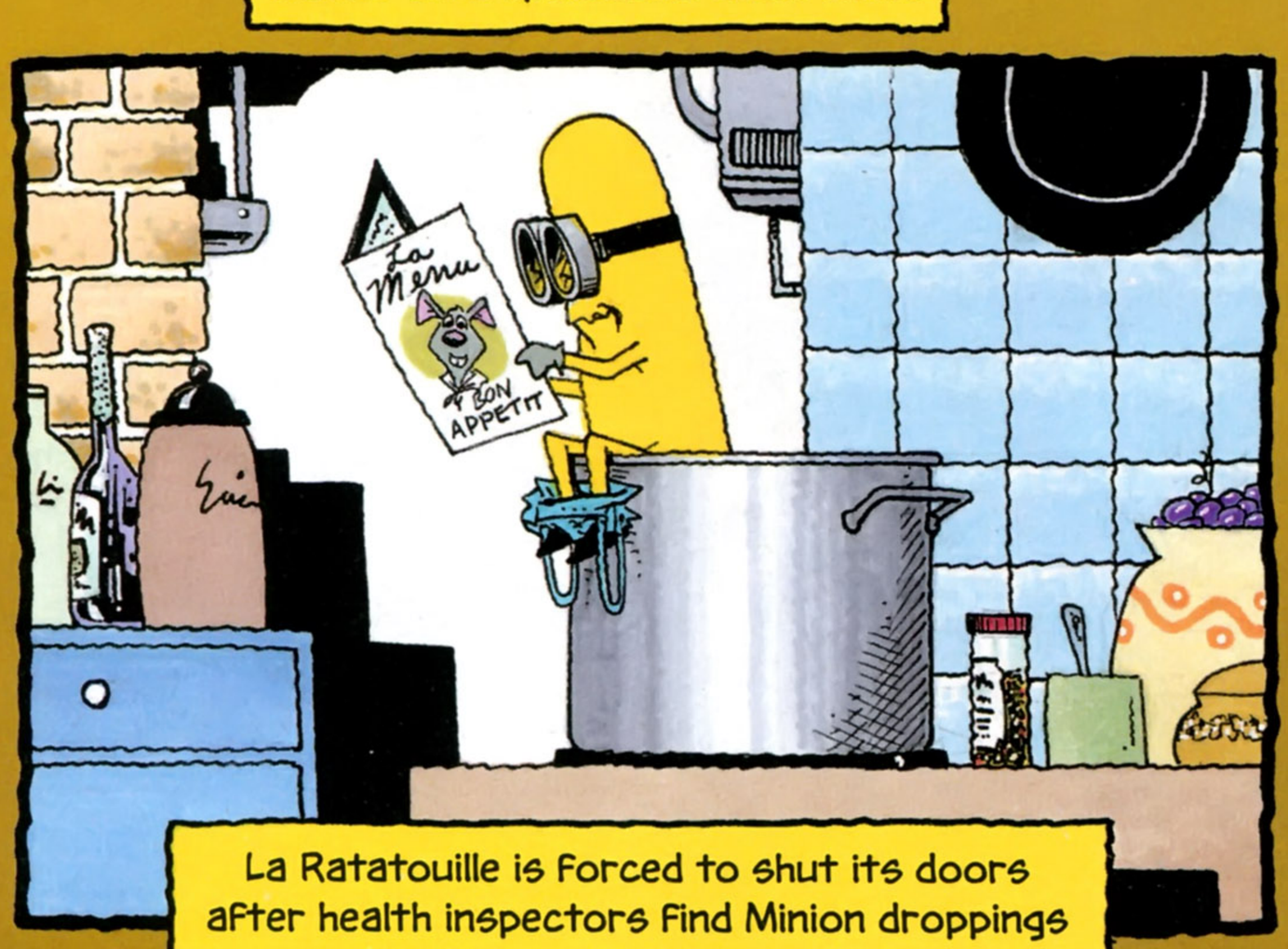
It's nothing but dead hookers and drive-bys once he goes all *Grand Theft Auto* on Lightning McQueen

He plants the seed for what will become Dexter's Meth Lab

He shoots a Smurf in Reno, just to watch him die

FSSSSHHHHLUUURRP!

He plants a record number of hickies on a spellbound Snow White



La Ratatouille is forced to shut its doors after health inspectors find Minion droppings in the Moroccan Chickpea Bisque

After one chorus too many, he does indeed "let it go"

He gleefully snitches on Mario
For having an expired Green Card

He makes Gumby an offer
he can't refuse

He gigolos an aging, twice-widowed
Olive Oyl out of her life savings

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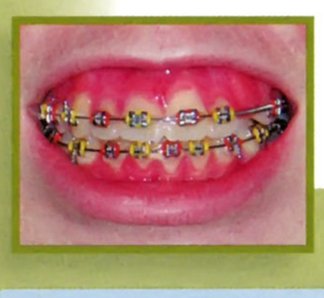
He exploits destitute, elderly
characters by promoting bum fights

Bottom line? Don't even bother looking for Waldo



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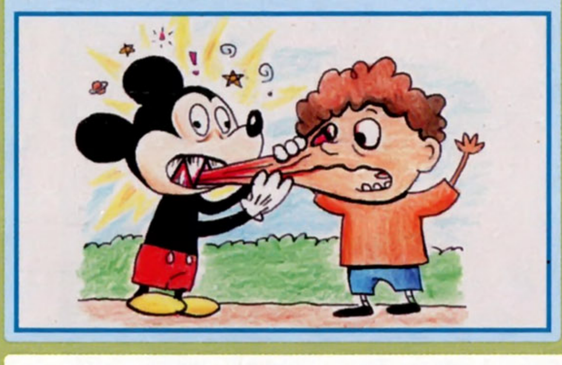


PLANET TAD!!!!!

»NAME: TAD »AGE: FOURTEEN »TOES: 10 (AT LAST COUNT)

JUNE 1, 2015

I don't understand who would ever go to **Jurassic World**. Haven't there been at least three major incidents where **Jurassic Park** facilities were sites of horrible deaths? I feel like, if **Mickey Mouse** had gone crazy and bitten dozens of people's faces off three separate times, at a certain point, people would stop going to **Disneyland**.



JUNE 2, 2015

So, today my friend Chuck and I rode our bikes up to the Shop-Mart to get sodas, and we saw this sign outside:



That sign doesn't seem quite clear enough. Like, can you get service if you have shoes, but no shirt? Or a shirt, but no shoes? Do you have to be wearing the shoes and shirt, or can you just carry them in in your hands? And what if you only have one shoe? Can you come in and hop around and still buy something? We tried asking the clerk, but he just sighed and said, "There's people waiting in line behind you."

JUNE 3, 2015

At dinner tonight, my mom said, "Tad, be careful with your bike — I saw Mrs. Goldberg at the store, and she said someone's been stealing bikes in our neighborhood left and right." And I said, "OK." And she said, "I'm serious — she tells me three other kids have had their bikes stolen lately." And I said, "Fine, I get it." And she said, "You really need to make sure you use the lock we got you." I swear, sometimes my mom thinks I'm an idiot.

JUNE 4, 2015

So, my bike got stolen today. I rode it to the **Shop-Mart** and left it outside unlocked for, like, a minute, and when I came back, it was gone. When I told my mom, she rolled her eyes and said, "I'm not even going to say it." And my little sister Sophie said, "What? That you told him so? I'll say it: She told you so."

I really hate when Sophie decides to help out like that.

JUNE 5, 2015

Today I walked down to the **Shop-Mart** and put up this sign:



I don't even have any photos of my bike, so I had to draw it as best I could. I don't think it's a very good drawing.

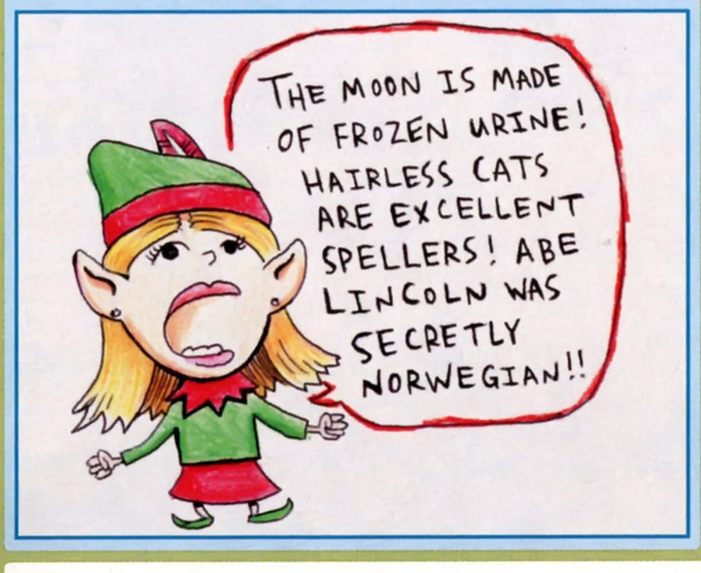
JUNE 6, 2015

I walked back up to the **Shop-Mart**, and my sign is gone. I considered putting up this sign, but decided not to:



JUNE 7, 2015

I watched a little bit of that show **"Pretty Little Liars"** today. Totally disappointing. I was hoping it would be about tiny, attractive elves who just scream fake facts all day long.



JUNE 8, 2015

Amazing news! I got a call from Chuck today — he was up at the **Shop-Mart**, and he said, "Come quick — your bike's here!" I ran down there, and sure enough, my bike was out front — clearly, the thief who stole it had ridden it up there and left it outside. And, amazingly, it wasn't even locked! You'd think a bike thief would be more careful — but then again, maybe he figured he was the only bike thief in the neighborhood, so it was totally safe.

In any case, I got on it and rode home as fast as I could. I could hear the thief shouting at me, "Hey, come back!", but I just rode faster. Serves him right for stealing my bike!

JUNE 9, 2015

So, today, my mom noticed that my bike was back in the garage and said, "I thought you said your bike was stolen." And I told her the whole story of finding the bike at the **Shop-Mart** and taking it back. And she said, "Are you sure it was your bike?" And I said, "Um, yeah." And she said, "OK..." but in that tone of voice where you could hear the three little dots after the "OK."

JUNE 10, 2015

So, tonight at dinner, my mom said, "So, um, Tad — not to dwell on this, but are you positive that that's your bike?" And I said, "Yes. It's the exact same color, and kind, and size." And she said, "Are you positive?" And I said, "Yes, I'm positive." And she said, "Absolutely positive?" And I said, "Why do you keep asking that?" And she said, "Because I was at the **Shop-Mart** today, and saw this." And she showed me a photo she'd taken of a reward poster:



And I had two thoughts. The first was, "Wow, that's a much better poster than the one I made. I wish I'd thought to put details about when my bike was stolen on mine. And offered a reward. And included a way for people to contact me. Those are all really good ideas."

My second thought was, "Uh-oh." Because it did look exactly like my bike. And it was stolen at exactly the time I took my bike back. Which could have just been a coincidence — I mean, maybe someone had their bike stolen from the exact same store where, at the very same time, I happened to be taking an identical bike back from a thief.

But it wasn't. I checked the serial number. It's the bike on the poster.

I have accidentally stolen someone's bike.

And my mom tells me that tomorrow, I have to return it.

JUNE 10, 2015

So, I emailed the address on the poster, and said, "I have your bike — when can I bring it by?" And the bike's owner gave me his address, so I rode it over there today. It turns out, the kid who owned the bike wasn't home, but his mom was, and she said, "Are you the Good Samaritan who found Elliott's bike?" And I said, "Yeah." And she said, "Where did you find it?" And I suppose I could have told her that I was the one who accidentally stole it.

But instead, I just said, "Um, just a few blocks away from the **Shop-Mart**? I guess the thief didn't take it far." And she said, "Well, thank you so much for finding it and being kind enough to return it!" And I said, "No problem." And she said, "Let me get my purse — you deserve a reward!" And I said, "No, I don't." And she said, "No, I insist!" And I said, "Really, it's fine." And she was about to press $50 into my hand when her son came home and said, "That's him! That's the kid who stole my bike!"

And you'll never believe it, but I told them all about the mix-up, and we all laughed, and then Elliott's mom invited me to dinner, and we had a great time.

You'll never believe it, because that's not what happened. Instead, I just turned and ran as fast as I could, and will now just try never to walk anywhere near that neighborhood or the **Shop-Mart** ever again.

Also, I will never, ever forget to lock my bike. Ever.

LATEST TWEETS

PLANET TAD @PlanetTad 1m
When they were making "America's Got Talent", did anyone even try to point out that, technically, it should be "America Has Talent"?

PLANET TAD @PlanetTad 21m
The story of "The Princess and the Pea" is mostly about making absolutely sure you marry someone who's going to be difficult and demanding.

PLANET TAD @PlanetTad 1hr
If I ever invent something, I'm going to name it something starting with "X", to make Scrabble easier.

PLANET TAD @PlanetTad 4hr
I think it's weird that Mother's Day is just a day, but sharks get a whole week.

PLANET TAD @PlanetTad 5hr
If they were being strictly accurate with their titles, there would only be one "Final Fantasy" game.

NICKNAMES



- Tad
- ThunderCat
- The Beast
- The Tad-inator
- Tadillac
- Tad the Impaler

(I'm trying to make those last five catch on)

ACTIVITIES



Tad is crumpling paper into balls and telling people he's making origami snowballs

LIKES



Captain America



American Horror Story

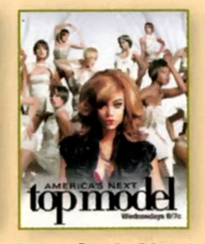


American Sniper

DISLIKES



American Idol



America's Next Top Model

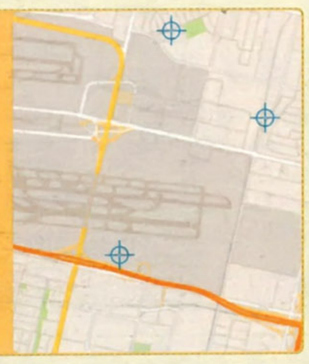


American History Class

PLACES

Tad visited:

- Home
- Shop-Mart
- Bike Owner's House



WRITER: TIM CARVELL

NAME STICKER, CRUMPLING PAPER: DREAMSTIME

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MAD'S GREATEST ARTISTS: DAVE BERG

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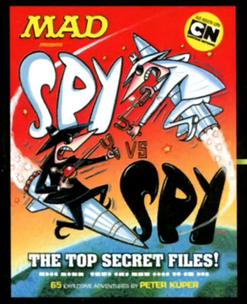


PLANET TAD

239 pages of all-new adventures! From the executive producer of *Last Week Tonight with John Oliver*!

RETURN TO PLANET TAD

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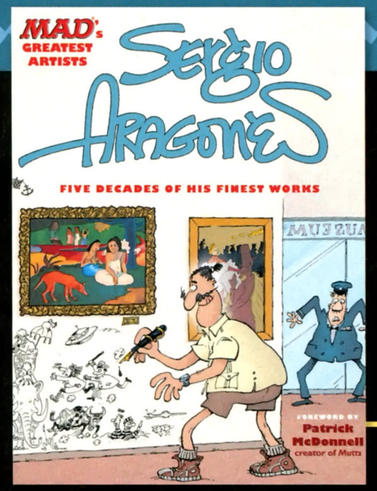


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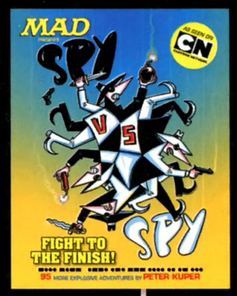


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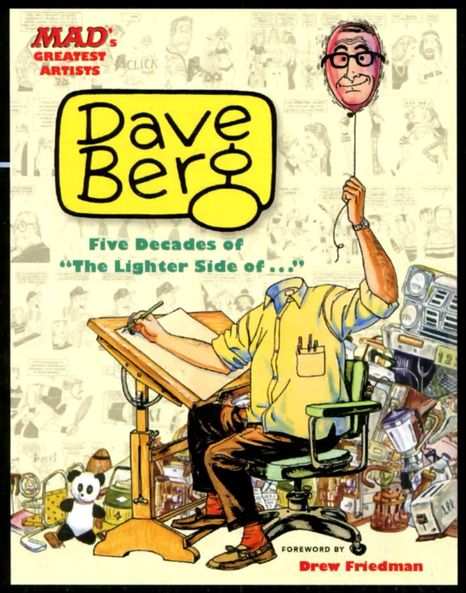


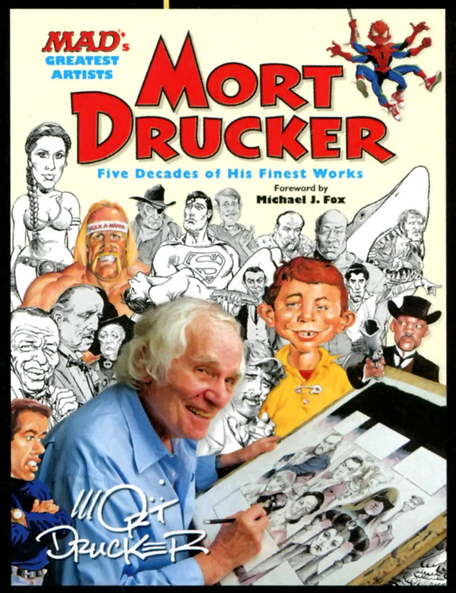
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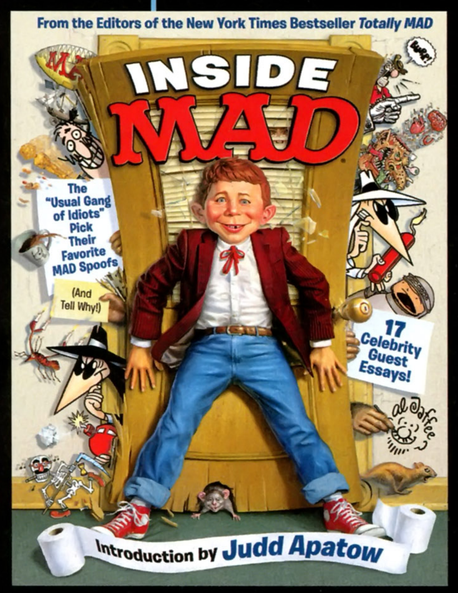
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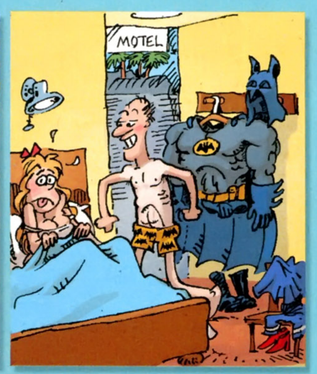
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Sergio Aragones Presents MAD LOOK AT COSPLAY



























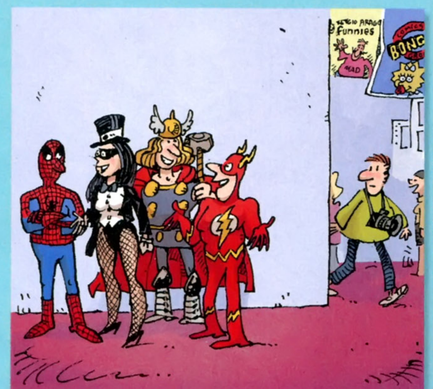








WRITER AND ARTIST: SERGIO ARAGONÉS COLORIST: JIM CAMPBELL



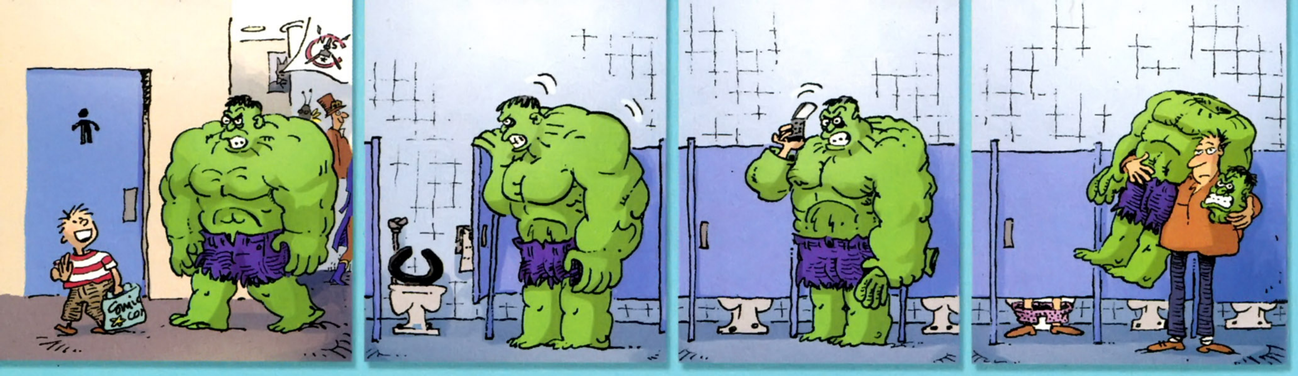




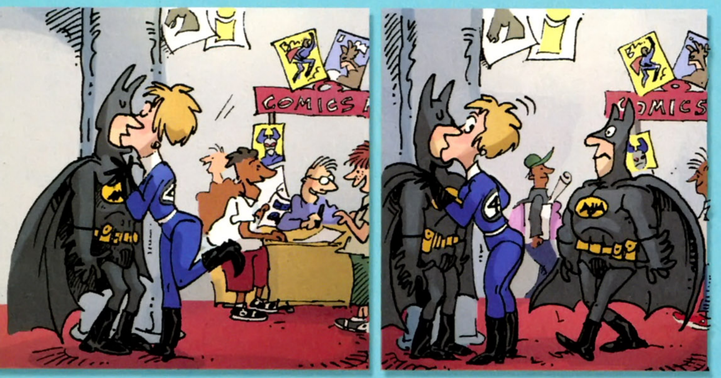


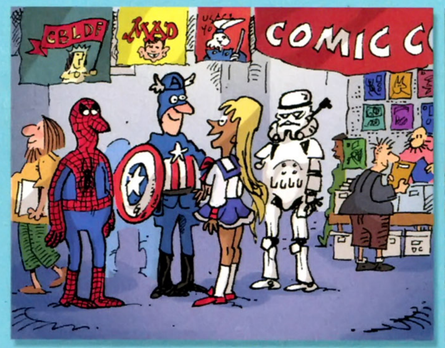





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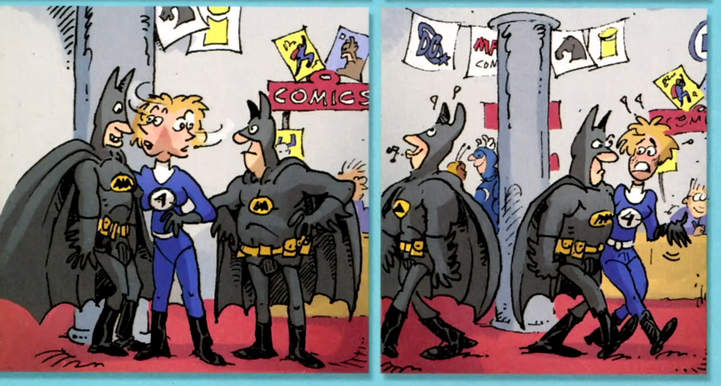

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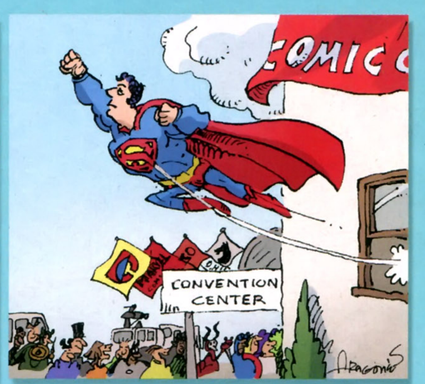

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FIRST PACE DEPT.

The average length of a baseball game in 2014 was three hours and eight minutes. And during most of that time, nothing happened, unless you consider waiting for a pitch to be thrown "something." A committee was formed (slowly) to address the problem, which introduced a handful of new rules that haven't helped much. That's where we come in with...

NEW IDEAS TO SPEED UP Baseball

Allow pitchers to throw three baseballs at once, thus enabling them to strike out a batter with one pitch.



Shorten the commercial breaks between innings by limiting erectile dysfunction ads to one every three innings.



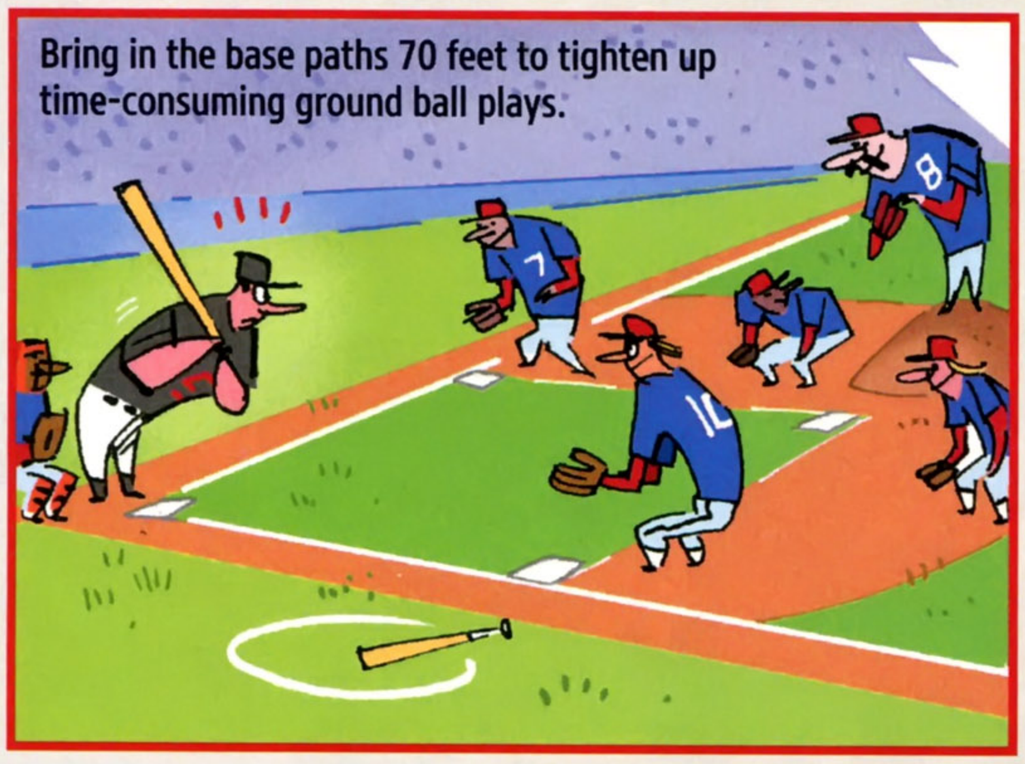
New rule: A home run or foul ball caught by a fan counts as an out.



To avoid that interminable walk to the mound, catapult relief pitchers in from the bullpen.



Bring in the base paths 70 feet to tighten up time-consuming ground ball plays.



To avoid the non-stop uniform, glove and cap adjustments, make everyone play naked.



WRITER: MIKE MORSE ARTIST: BOB STAAKE

SECOND PACE DEPT.

The average length of a baseball game in 2014 was three hours and eight minutes. Yes, now more than ever, our great national pastime offers a welcome lengthy respite from our frenetically-paced modern world. It's truly bizarre then that a committee was hastily formed to make suggestions to speed up the refreshingly torpid pace of the game. So here are our recommendations for...

NEW IDEAS TO SLOW DOWN Baseball

Have the grounds crew roll out the tarp at even the *hint* of a rain cloud.



Use instant replay on every single play, just to be 100% sure.



Relocate the on-deck circles to Section 7 of the stadium parking lot.



Keep reminding players that a base on balls is called a "walk," not a "jog."



After a suspiciously long home run, stop the game and test for steroids right there.

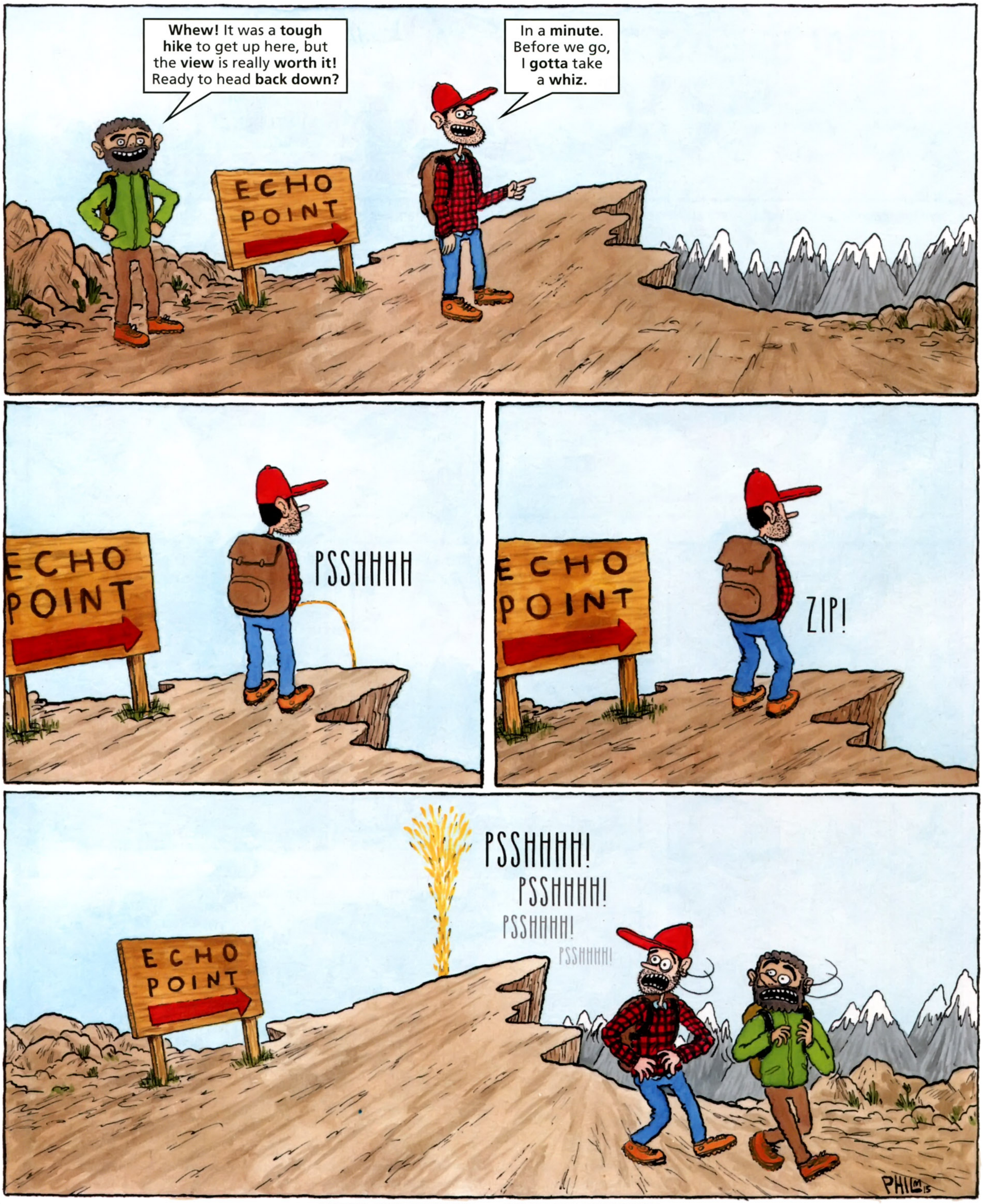


New promotion: "Bring Your Dog to the Game and Let it Run Around on the Field Night."



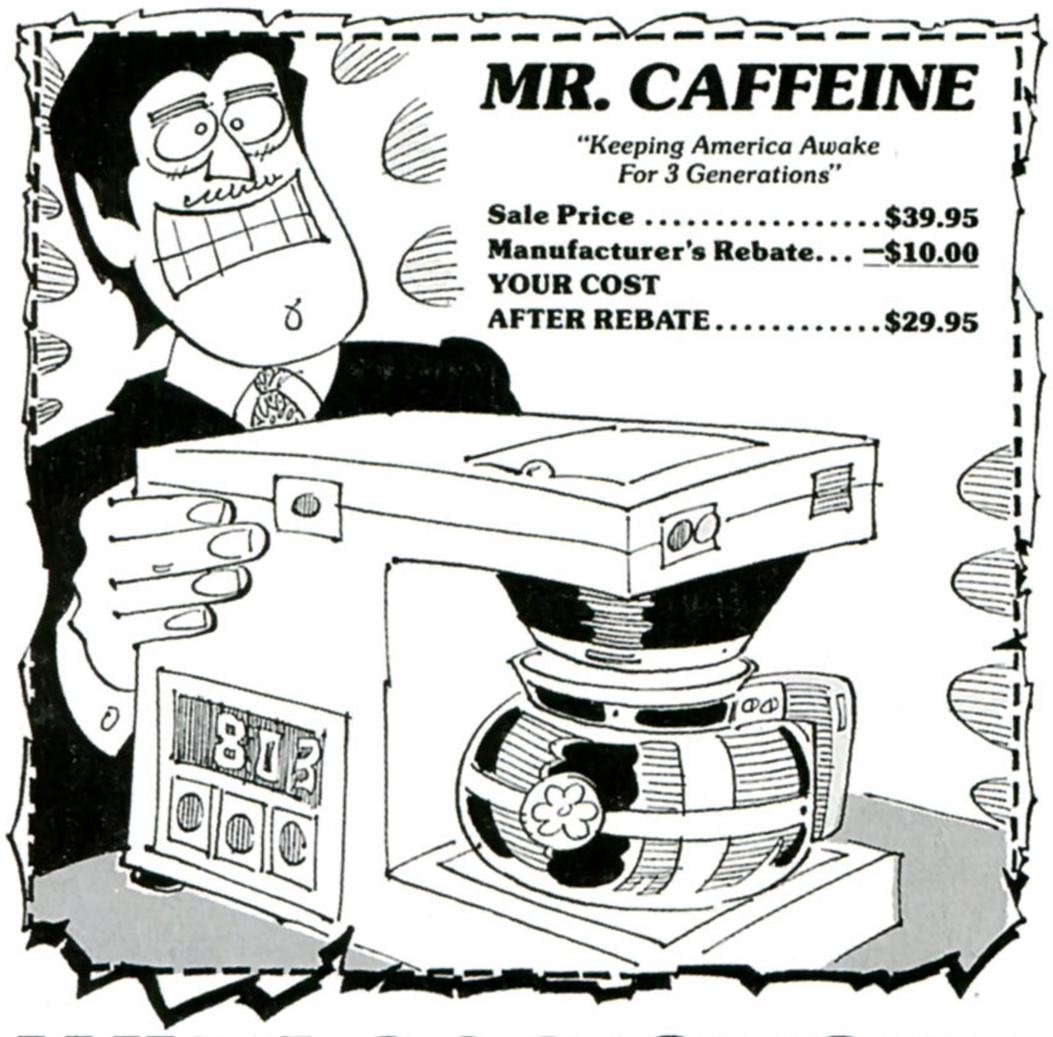
WRITER: JEFF KRUSE **ARTIST: BOB STAAKE**

THE HAUNTING LEGEND OF ECHO POINT



WRITER: JOHN CALDWELL ARTIST: PHIL MCANDREW

A classic article from MAD #264 • July 1986



GOOF OF PURCHASE DEPT.

For the benefit of those who have been on planet Mars since the decade's latest sales gimmick was born, the ad to the left is not trying to sell you a coffee maker for less than 30 bucks. Rather, it's trying to sell you a coffee maker for considerably more, and then telling you how to get part of your money refunded. Now you may ask why manufacturers just don't lower prices by the amount they seem anxious to give back anyway. The answer? That would really cost them money! But manufacturers figure that by making you go through a time consuming and complex (not to mention annoying!) rigamarole, the odds favor something going awry and they will never have to give any of your money back. Confused? Unconvinced? Then see for yourself as we now expose...

WHY 999 SHOPPERS OUT OF 1,000 NEVER COLLECT THOSE MANUFACTURERS' REBATES

Among 1,000 shoppers chosen at random...



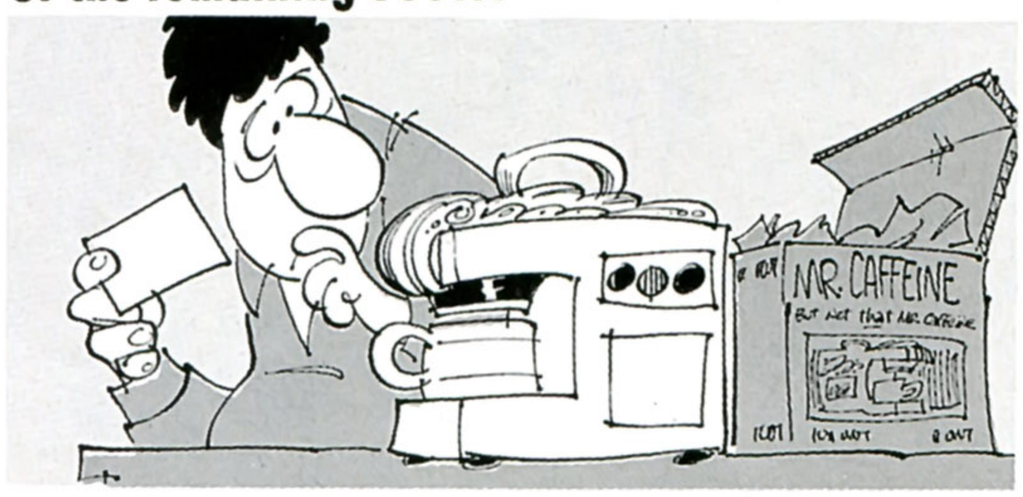
...183 will never get the product at all because they don't realize they have to take enough cash to the store to pay full price, and then engage in a major hassle to try to get some of it back.

Of the remaining 817...



...151 will attempt to get the rebate coupon and will be told that the store has just run out of them—but will not return the purchase price of the item, which has already been paid for.

Of the remaining 666...



... 46 will succeed in getting the coupon, only to find the model they just bought is not the one qualifying for the rebate.

Of the remaining 620...



...12 will be mugged in an alley next to the store and robbed of the product, the rebate coupon, the sales slip and maybe, their shoes.

ARTIST: PAUL COKER WRITER: TOM KOCH

Of the remaining 608...



...32 will buy more than one product offering a rebate, thus setting the stage for total failure when the coupons get mixed together and are ultimately all mailed to the wrong manufacturers.

Of the remaining 509...



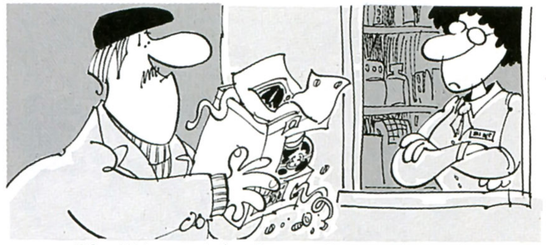
... 40 will permanently install their purchase with its serial number facing the wall before they read that it must be copied onto the rebate application.

Of the remaining 397...



...23 will successfully grab the box back from the trash man, and then discover that they don't know what a "Proof Of Purchase" label looks like.

Of the remaining 356...



...52 will buy a defective product, and then learn their warranty isn't any good unless they return the item with the same sales slip and register receipt they planned to use to collect the rebate.

Of the remaining 576...



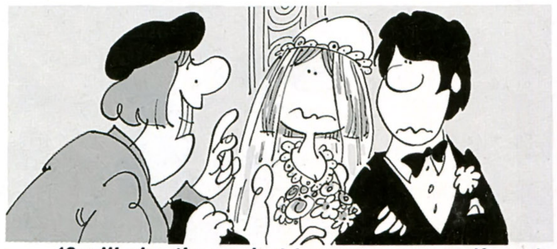
...67 will never know if the date is printed on the register receipt because the lettering is a little too faint for them to read and a lot too faint for the manufacturer to accept.

Of the remaining 469...



...72 will put the empty box out with the trash, forgetting that the "Proof Of Purchase" label printed on the side of it must also be mailed to the manufacturer.

Of the remaining 374...



...18 will give the product to someone as a gift, and then face the embarrassing job of trying to get the box back to obtain that vital "Proof Of Purchase" label.

Of the remaining 304...



...65 will successfully manage to assemble the rebate coupon, proof of purchase label, sales slip and register receipt, only to realize they have no idea where they're supposed to send it.

Of the remaining 239...



...27 will thoughtlessly transpose the manufacturer's post office box number and zip code, resulting in delivery to someone thousands of miles away who has no idea what all those papers are.

Of the remaining 158...



...11 will remember to put a stamp on the envelope but then carelessly leave it in their coat pocket when they take the garment to the dry cleaners.

Of the remaining 138...



...52 will assume they've mailed their rebate application when they thoughtlessly drop the envelope into a laundry chute, bank depository or public trash can.

Of the remaining 81...



...15 will have their application returned through the mail and get the cheery news the manufacturer moved and conveniently forgot to leave a forwarding address.

Of the remaining 212...



...54 will do an acceptable job in getting all of the correct documents into a properly addressed envelope and then will forget to put a stamp on it before they drop it in a mailbox.

Of the remaining 147...



...9 will prove to be the owners of new puppies that love to chew anything made of paper into tiny little bits—especially the outgoing mail.

Of the remaining 86...



...5 will leave their applications for the mailman, not knowing he's a grump who shows anger over making pickups by stuffing them in a storm drain.

Of the remaining 66...



...65 will have forgotten about the whole thing before their rebate check arrives six months later and will toss out the unopened envelope, thinking it's an ad.

Most people who want to see *Minions* are looking to kill a couple of hours watching a goofy, over-the-top cartoon. The problem is that some people are goofy, over-the-top cartoons themselves. And when those people see it, they'll be so affected, they'll just have to write about it!

Despicable People Live-Tweet "Minions"



Kim Jong-un
@DaddysBoy
Short bumblers with terrible haircuts, bent on world domination? I haven't felt this parodied since "The Interview"!



Chris Brown
@ChrissyFit
I like how they clearly love each other, but they still sometimes beat the s%&* out of each other. Realness!



Dr. Oz
@QuackQuack
Their apple-and-banana diet MUST be their secret to living for thousands of years...I'll have to recommend that on my next show!



Donald Trump
@MeMeMeMeMe
Gru calls his lackeys "Minions"! Nice! Starting now everybody on my payroll shall be known as "Trump Minions!"



Bill Cosby
@YoureGettingSleepy
They're organized, loyal and too unintelligible to reveal a secret. If they can mix a drink, they're hired! #notfinishedyet #totallyinnocent



Kris Jenner
@Daughters4Sale
They're weirdly smooth, they're half-naked, and they talk high-pitched nonsense...the Minions could be Kardashians!





Jenny McCarthy
@ScienceShmience
I can't help but think these poor Minions' afflictions could have been avoided if only they hadn't been vaccinated!



Brian Williams
@PantsOnFire
What a trip down memory lane to see the '68 Orlando Villain-Con! I remember covering it like it was yesterday!



Robert Durst
@BillionaireButcher
Those poor Minions – I KNOW what happens when you allow your evil past to be explored on film! #screwjarecki #checkyourmic



Bill Belichick
@AllYouCanCheat
Gru wanted them to steal the moon for him — it should be easy for them to help me steal a few playoff games!



Roger Ailes
@SpinCity
Hmm. They're cute, speak gibberish and work for nothing…slap blonde wigs on them and I've got a whole new lineup for Fox & Friends!

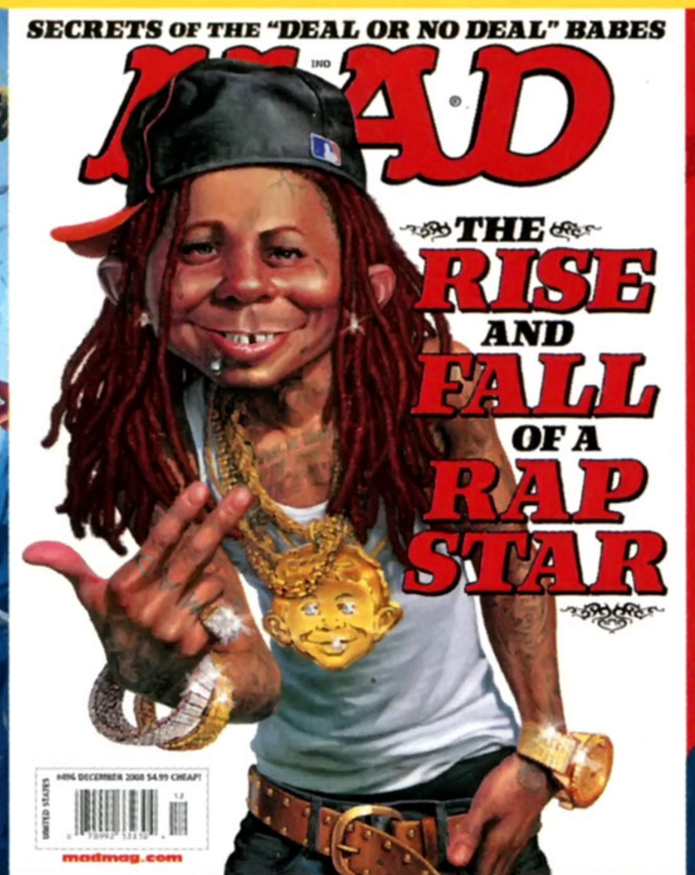


Justin Bieber
@ImmaBigBoy
Finally — an entourage that would make me seem tough and deep-voiced!

ARTIST: ANTON EMDIN

CATCH UP ON THE STUPIDITY YOU WERE LUCKY ENOUGH TO MISS!

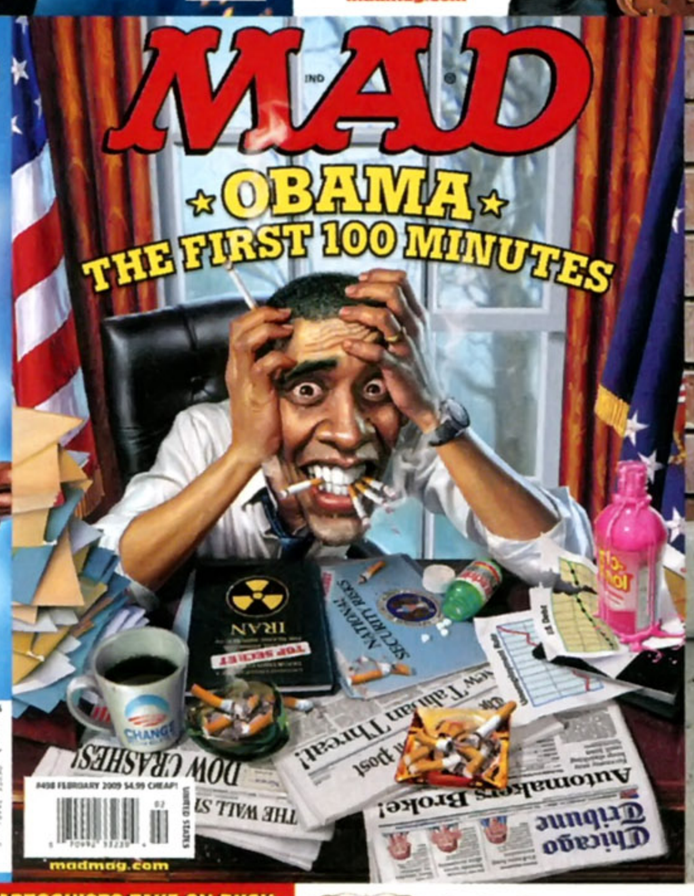












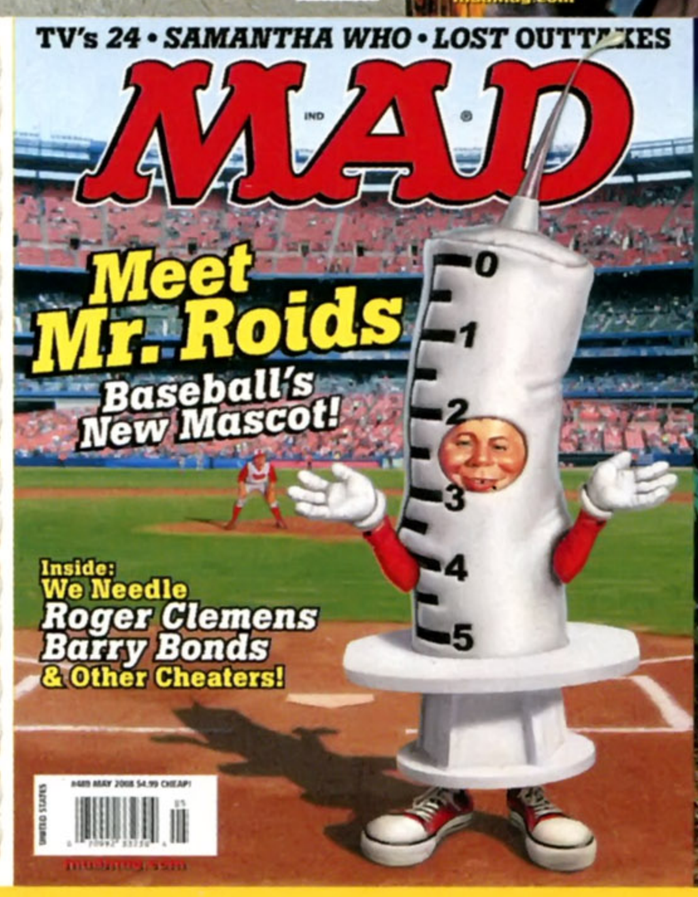














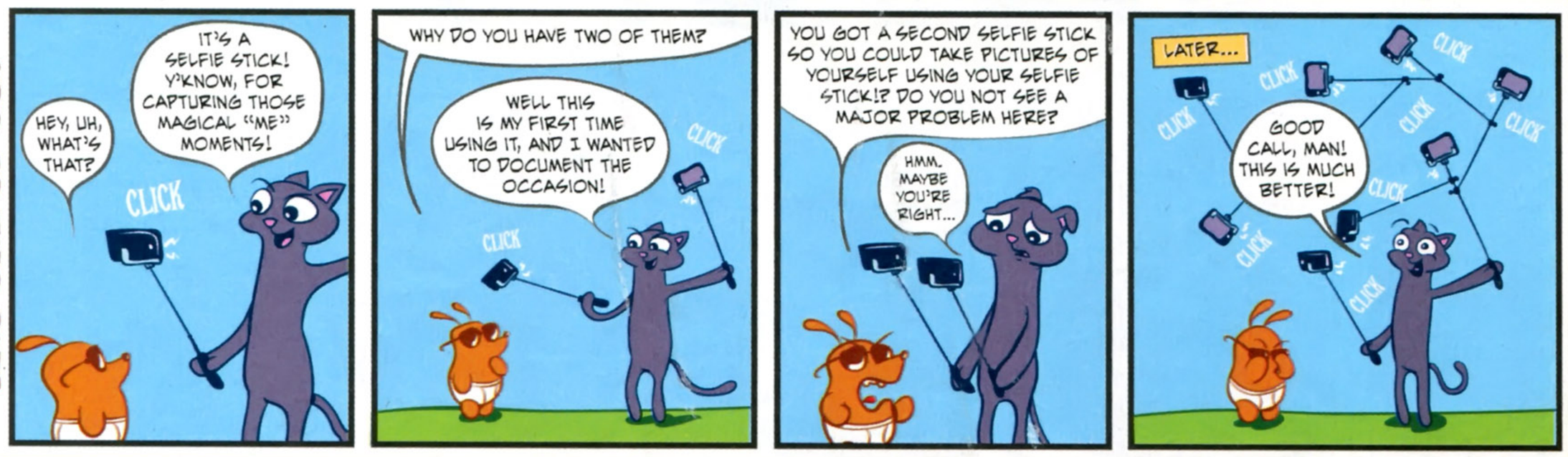
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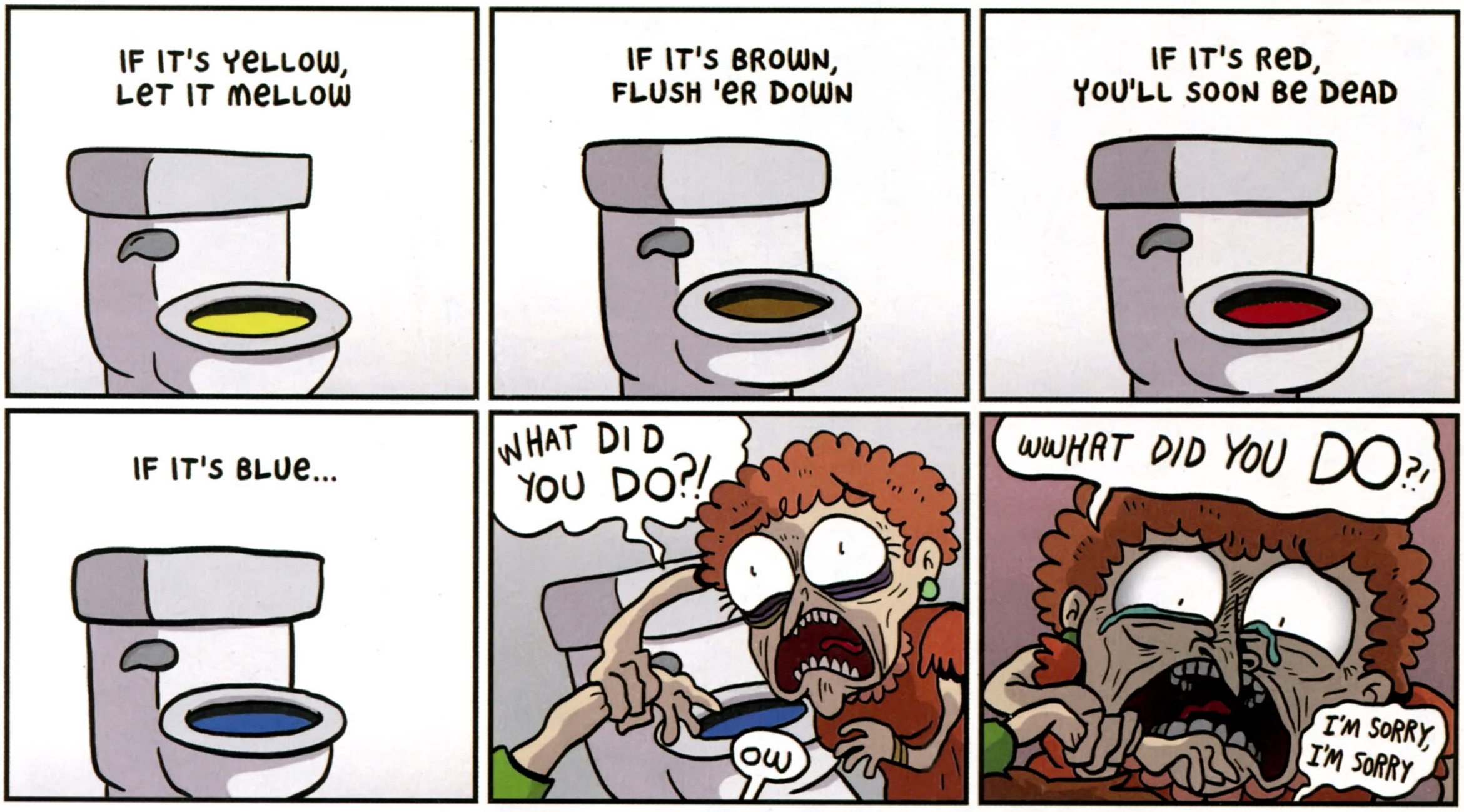
WHAT IF DOG WAS ONE OF US?



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Nightmare Zone

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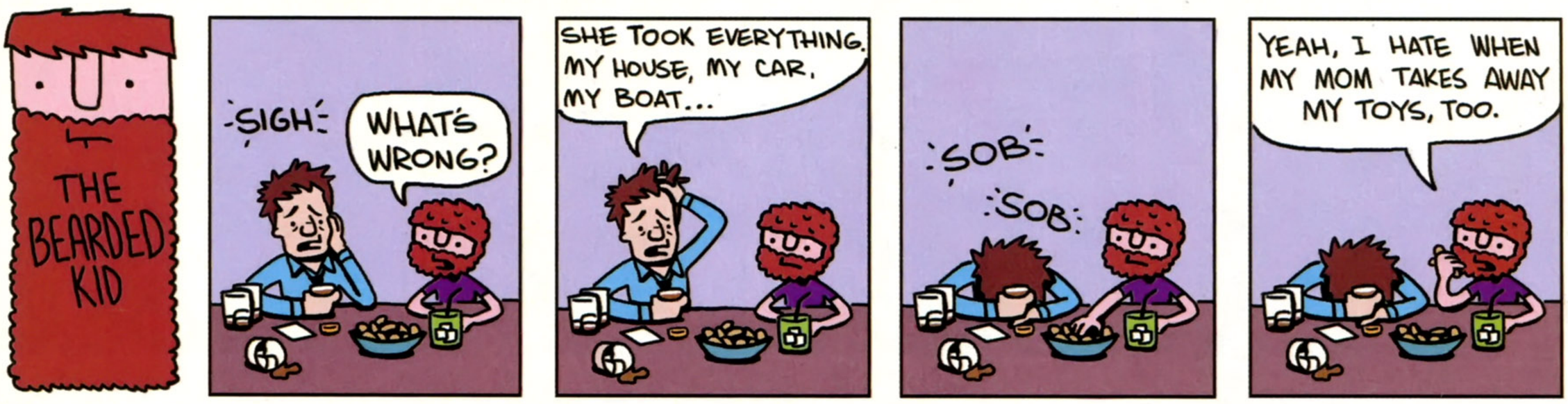


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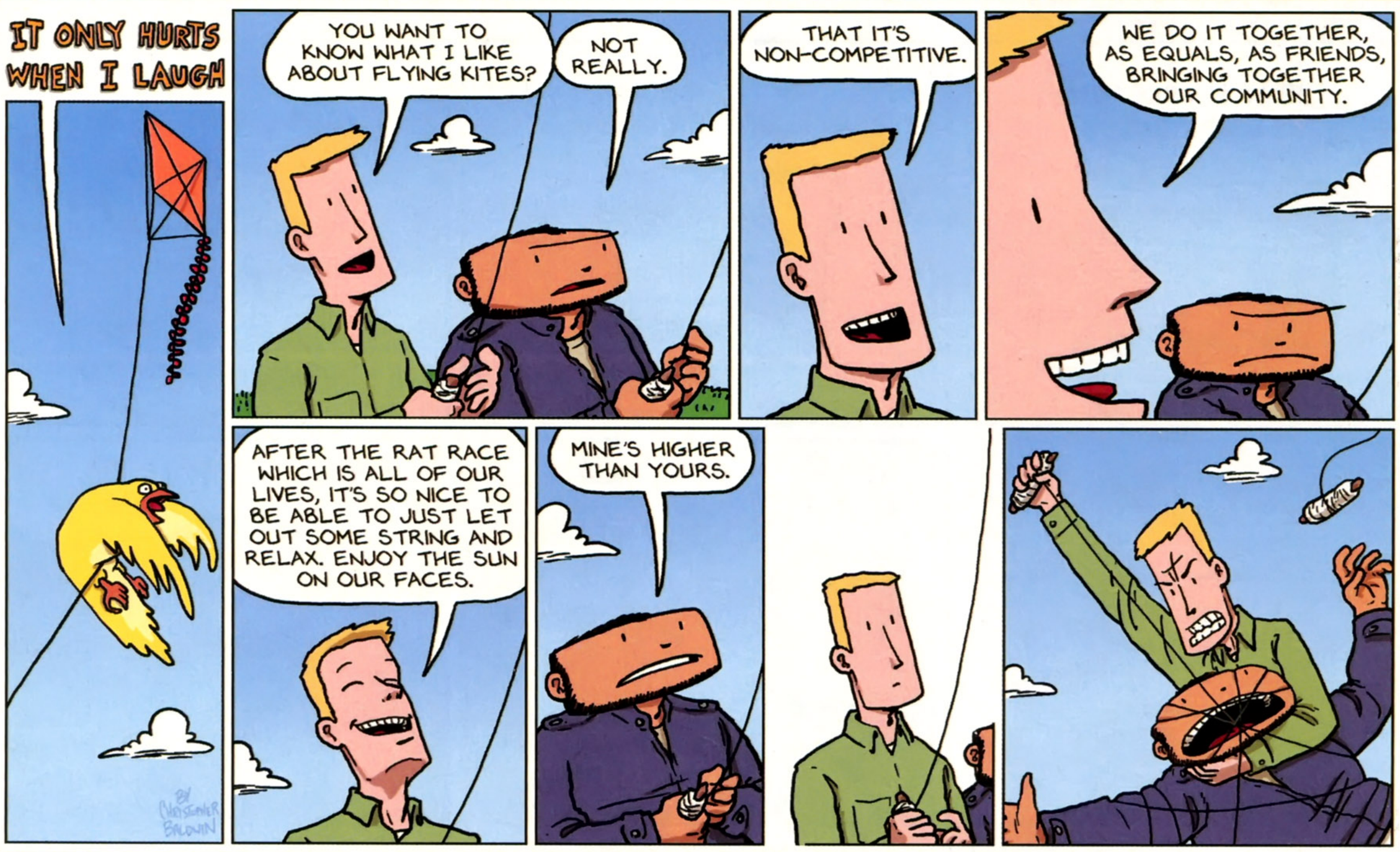


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KEVIN WERTH

IT ONLY HURTS WHEN I LAUGH



CHRISTOPHER BALDWIN

THIS WEEK ON...

DEADLY SURVIVAL

OUR VEHICLE JUST DIED...

LEAVING US STRANDED IN THE WILDS OF THE FRIGID YUKON TERRITORY!

IF YOU EVER FIND YOURSELF IN A SIMILAR SITUATION, WE'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO SURVIVE UNTIL HELP ARRIVES.

I'M GOING TO SEE IF THERE'S ANYTHING USEFUL IN THE TRUCK.

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SUMMER FROCKBUSTER DEPT.

Sure, superheroes have super powers, but not necessarily a super sense of style. Vanquishing evil is one thing, but doing so while looking good is quite another. Unfortunately, superheroes often embarrass themselves in this all-important area, as you'll see when...

FASHION POLICE TAKES ON AVENGERS AGE OF ULTRON

The Ghost of Joan Rivers

Giuliana Rancic

Brad Goreski

Guest Host Tim Gunn

IRON MAN

The Ghost of Joan Rivers: So sad. I heard that Tony Stark peed himself and now his fly is rusted shut!

Brad Goreski: He looks like what would happen if C-3PO and a Sony Playstation had a bastard child!

Guest Host Tim Gunn: His is the only suit that you have to take to a blacksmith for tailoring!

Giuliana Rancic: It's the perfect outfit for anyone who wants to look like a six-foot-tall Oscar statue!

THOR

Giuliana Rancic: Yoo-hoo! Thor! Let me hammer this home: Your outfit sucks!

Guest Host Tim Gunn: You might say that his fashion sense has gone from *bad* to *Norse*!

Brad Goreski: Scraggly beard, unkempt hair, pretentious cape... is he a superhero or a Williamsburg hipster?

The Ghost of Joan Rivers: You tell me: How can he walk on the red carpet when he's wearing it on his back?

WRITER: MIKE MORSE

ARTIST: HERMANN MEJÍA

THE HULK

No shirt, no shoes, no sense of style!

Ugh! The *real* reason he's green is because he's jealous of people who can *afford* shirts!

Sorry Hulk, but capri pants for men went out in 2010!

It ain't easy being green — or being dressed like a homeless 'roid head!

HAWKEYE

If he's aiming for tacky, then BULLS-EYE!

He looks like Cupid at a bad S&M party.

I don't know where he got the other parts of his arrow from, but his designer definitely gave him the shaft!

Hey, Hawk! Daryl from *The Walking Dead* called and he wants his look back.

CAPTAIN AMERICA

I have three words for this ensemble: red, white and BLECCH!

I agree with his shield. I give this costume ONE star!

If you ran this garish outfit up the flagpole, NO ONE would salute it!

This Captain should be court-martialed for treason against good taste!

NICK FURY

I like Nick, but when I look at his clothes I wish I was wearing *two* eye-patches!

He's dressed like he just delivered the eulogy at a funeral for his own fashion sense!

I just can't see eye-to-eye with him on this fashion faux pas.

It's great — *IF* you're going for a 1980's "WWE manager" look!

BLACK WIDOW

WTF! It's summer and she's dressed head-to-toe in leather. Her superhero name should be "Pit Stains"!

I know why she's a widow — her husband took one look at that outfit and killed himself!

She could stick me with that baton where the sun don't shine and I'd *still* say she looks like an abomination!

Even Christian Grey would say, "That get-up's a little too kinky for my taste."

THE VISION

Oof! I'm assuming his face is red over the embarrassment of what he's wearing!

I recognize that cape! It used to be a table-cloth at Spago's!

Forget his outfit, somebody lance that infected boil he calls a head!

Ironically, he's The Vision, but looking at his outfit makes me wish I'd lost mine!

SCARLET WITCH

Scarlet Witch? In that get-up she's more ghoulish than the *Blair* Witch! Can we talk?!?

I hope she kept the receipt so she can return that monstrosity to Hot Topic!

Usually, an outfit *that* classy has twenty dollar bills sticking out of the garter belt!

Someone please let Michael Jackson's estate know we found his jacket!

QUICKSILVER

He looks like he just got laid off as a personal trainer at Crunch!

My Lord! Since when did superheroes start shopping at Sports Authority?

Super speed or not, he can't run away from that horrible look fast enough!

If he's so fast, let's see how quickly he can change out of that!

ULTRON

It's the first time I've seen someone this poorly dressed who wasn't even wearing anything!

He'd better call Maaco! He looks like a Transformer with a bad paint job!

That ensemble ought to be dismantled and sold for scrap metal!

I loved this look — in 1984, when it was on The Terminator!

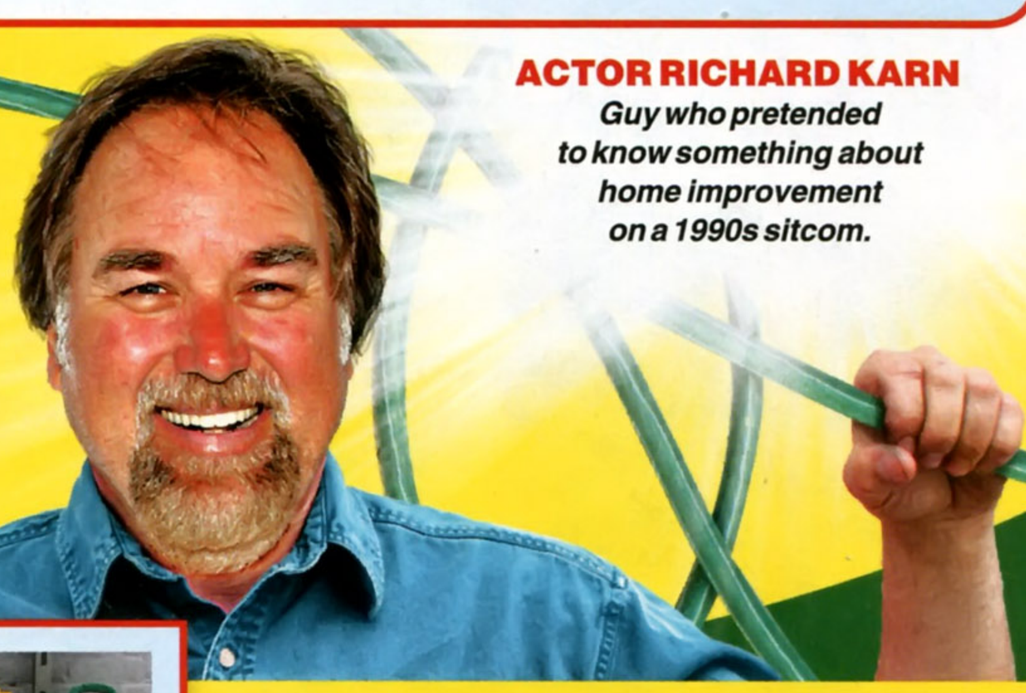
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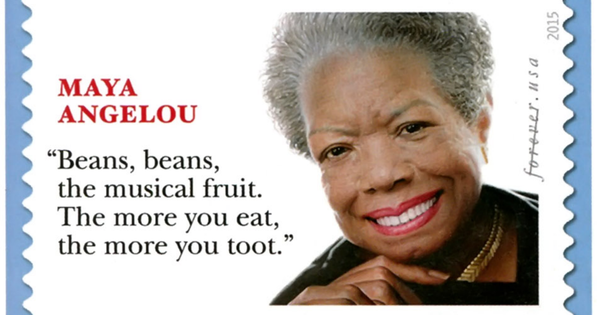
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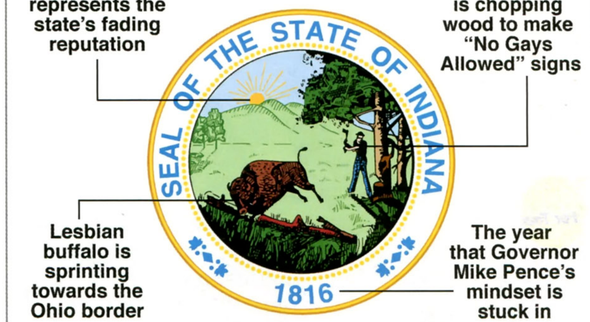
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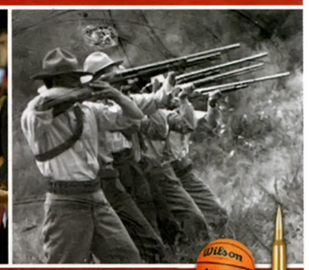


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The Startling Similarities and Differences Between MARCH MADNESS and UTAH REINSTATING THE FIRING SQUAD





	Wilson NCAA	
Lots of shots taken	✓	✓
Brent Musburger will be providing color commentary	✓	—
The NRA has an office pool going on it	✓	✓
If there's a long line at the concession stand, you might miss all the action	✓	✓
Substitutions allowed	✓	—
To take a family of four costs a fortune	✓	✓
It's as American as apple pie	✓	✓



7 Effects of California's Water-Use Restrictions

The Dodgers will now be forced to jam themselves into one cramped post-game bathtub

All "Employees Must Wash Hands" signs are now just for decoration

Mickey Rourke finally has an excuse for showering once every three months

There are now extensive background checks and waiting periods to purchase a Super Soaker

Disneyland's Splash Mountain is now just a bone-dry, 50-foot death drop

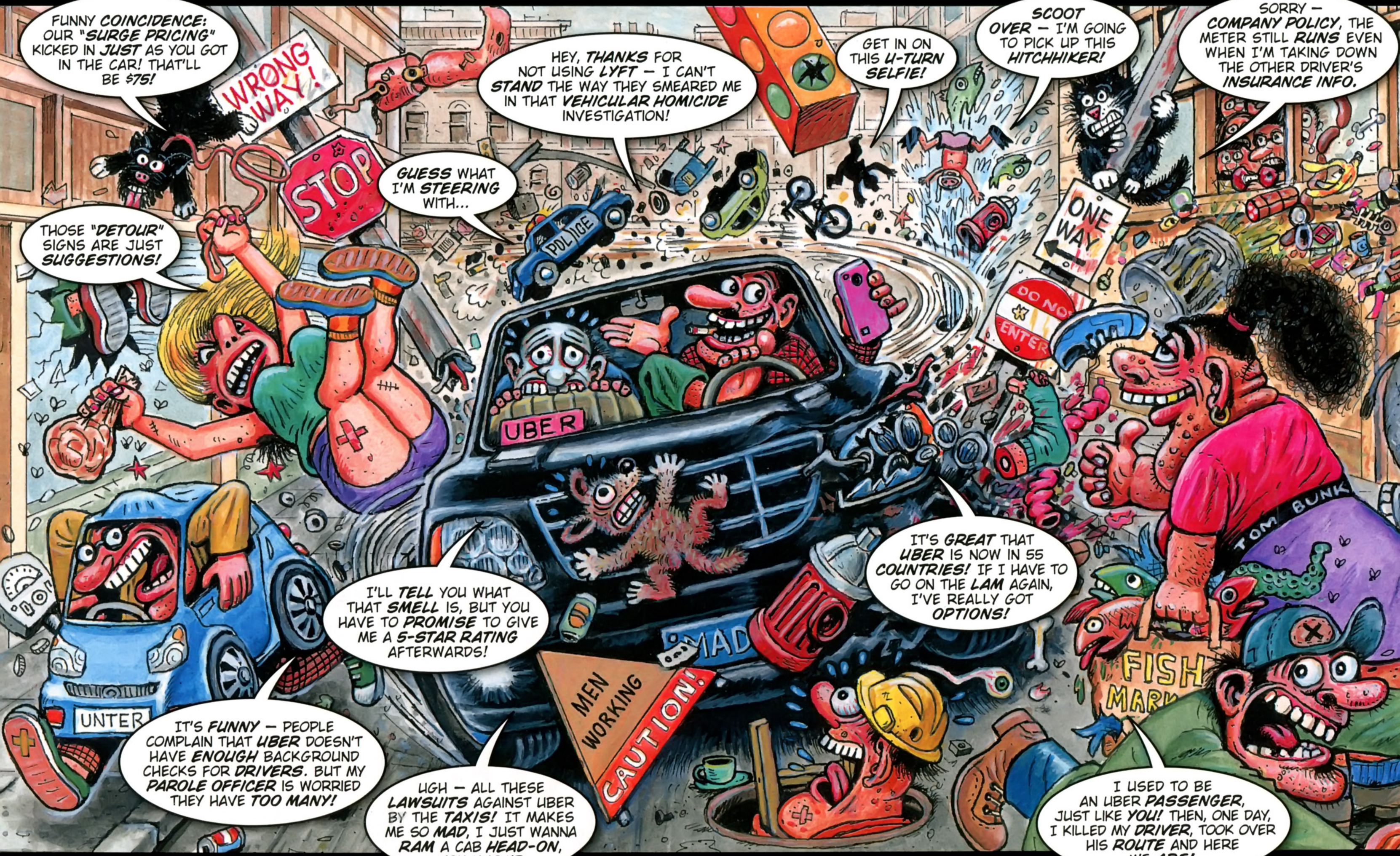
The LAPD has been instructed to cut down on the vigorous beatings, so as not to need so much hydration afterwards

A resourceful Leonardo DiCaprio will drink the pooled navel sweat of the models in his harem



DEATH AND TAXIS DEPT.

THINGS YOU DON'T WANT TO HEAR FROM YOUR UBER DRIVER



WRITER: MATT LASSEN ARTIST: TOM BUNK

WHAT POWERFUL FIGURE WILL CONSERVATIVES BE MOST THRILLED TO SEE LEAVE THE PUBLIC STAGE?

HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS

MAD FOLD-IN

There's a powerful figure who for years has energized the left, while consistently embarrassing the right. For many conservatives, the power of this movement was no laughing matter. However, after a very successful tenure, an era is coming to an end — and many are delighted that the curtain is finally falling.



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BARACK OBAMA?

HARRY REID?

BARBARA BOXER?

FLIGHT SCHEDULE

BO

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CONSERVATIVES EVERYWHERE WILL BE RE-JOICING, WATCHING DEMOCRATS AS THEY BEGIN STEWING OVER A TOP COLLEAGUE'S PLANS TO DEPART

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WRITER AND ARTIST: AL JAFFEE

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