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Deadpool's got problems. Are you just figuring that out, now? He's crazy. Sure, it's usually the kind of crazy that's worth paying \$2.99 to read about every month, but that doesn't change the fact that the guy is nutso. So, it was just a matter of time until he got locked up in a loony bin, right? But he's a dangerous guy, so the only place willing to take him was Crossmore Prison in England...and even they wouldn't have volunteered, except Ella Whitby, their chief psychiatric doctor (and daughter to a bigwig with the purse strings), wanted Wade under her care. But just because 'Pool's locked up doesn't mean he'll play nice...

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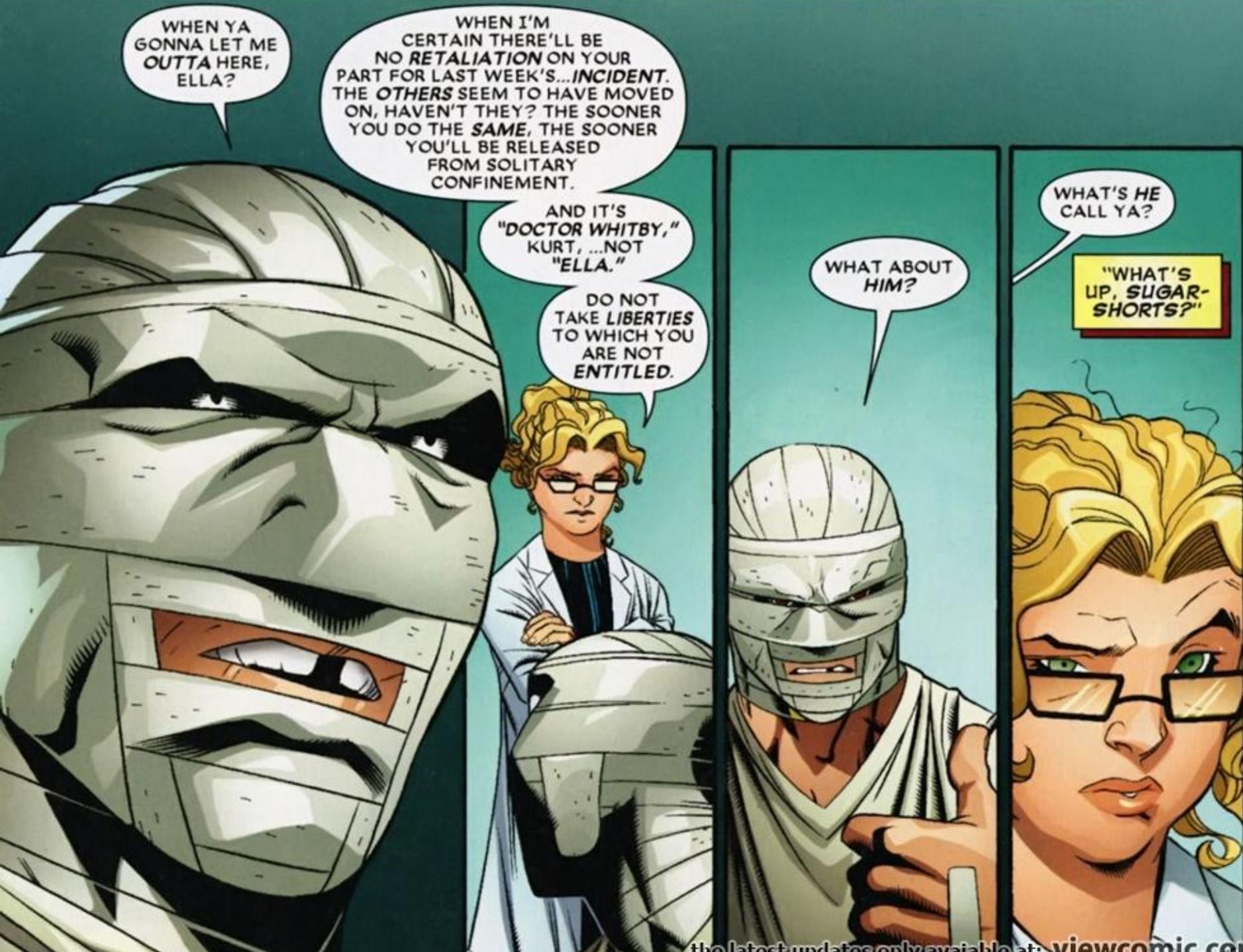
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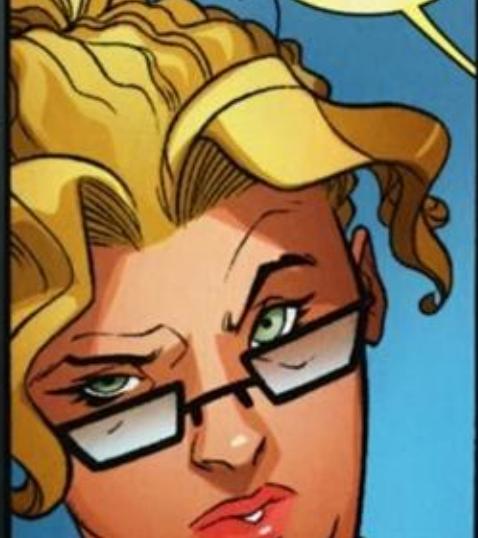
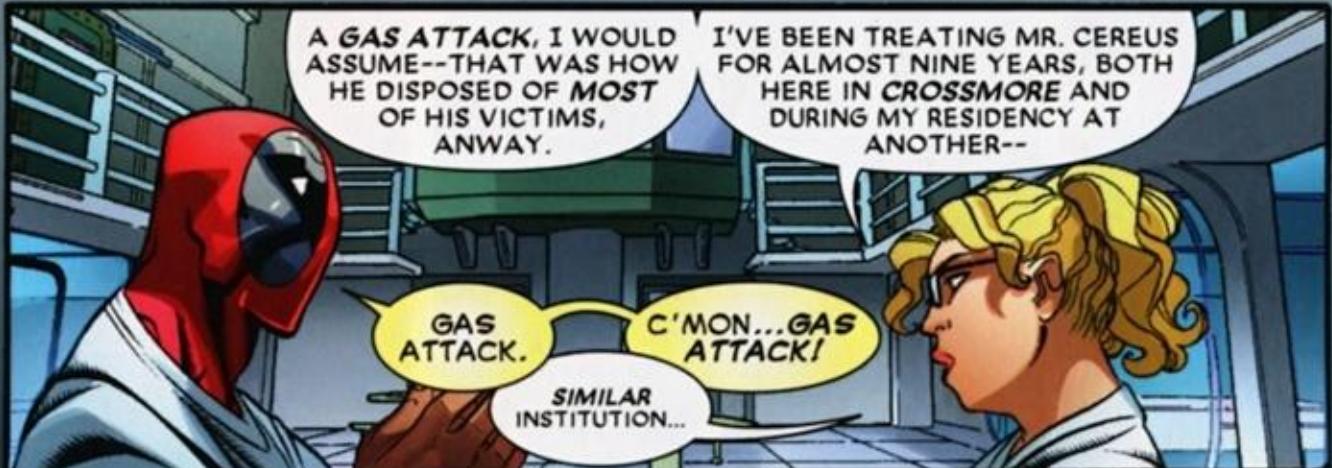
PART TWO OF THREE

FRUUUUUIT
COCKTAIL!









IF WHAT YOU'RE ASKING ME IS HOW I STOPPED YOU FROM HALLUCINATING...

...TELL ME, WERE THEY STRICTLY VISUAL HALLUCINATIONS OR WERE THEY ACCOMPANIED BY VOICES?

IN OTHER WORDS, DID YOU "HEAR" VOICES IN YOUR HEAD? OR DID YOU LITERALLY SEE WORDS AND THEN READ THEM, AS IF YOU WERE READING FROM, SAY, A COMIC BOOK?

ANSWER MY QUESTION FIRST.

AND I SAID "BOXES" NOT "HALLUCINATIONS," OKAY?

OKAY...

OKAY, SO HOW'D YOU MAKE THE BOXES GO AWAY?

I HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING, WADE.

UH-UH... NO, YOU DID SOMETHING-- YOU'RE A DOCTOR, YOU KNOW HOW TO DO THINGS LIKE THAT.

LIKE WHAT?

LIKE HOW TO CHANGE PEOPLE.

HOW TO, LIKE, PUT THINGS IN THEIR BRAINS AN'... AN' TAKE THINGS OUT THAT AREN'T USEFUL TO THE MISSION.

THINGS THAT'LL... SLOW US DOWN...

WADE?

I'M NOT THAT KIND OF DOCTOR.

PERHAPS YOU SHOULD TELL THE YOUNG MAN WHAT KIND OF DOCTOR YOU ARE, HMM?

I, MYSELF,
HAVE DEGREES
IN--

CAN YOU
NOT SEE THAT WE
ARE IN SESSION,
MR. CEREUS?

I CAN SEE THAT,
DR. WHITBY, AND
I WOULD VERY MUCH
LIKE TO OFFER YOU
MY PROFESSIONAL
HELP.

I DO NOT REQUIRE
YOUR HELP, MR. CEREUS,
AND YOU--AS I HAVE
REMINDED YOU ON
COUNTLESS OCCASIONS--
ARE NO LONGER A
PROFESSIONAL.

SADLY,
THAT IS TRUE...
HOWEVER, HAVING
MY CREDENTIALS
REVOKED DOES
NOT VOID--

MR. CEREUS, IF
YOU CONTINUE TO
INTERFERE I WILL PLACE
YOU IN SOLITARY
CONFINEMENT!

...WOULD THAT
MEAN I'D NOT HAVE
TO DO THE PUZZLES
ANYMORE?

GUARDS?

WHAT?
NO!

NOOO!

BZZZI-

GEEZ, ALL
BECAUSE
HE DOESN'T
WANNA DO A
PUZZLE?!

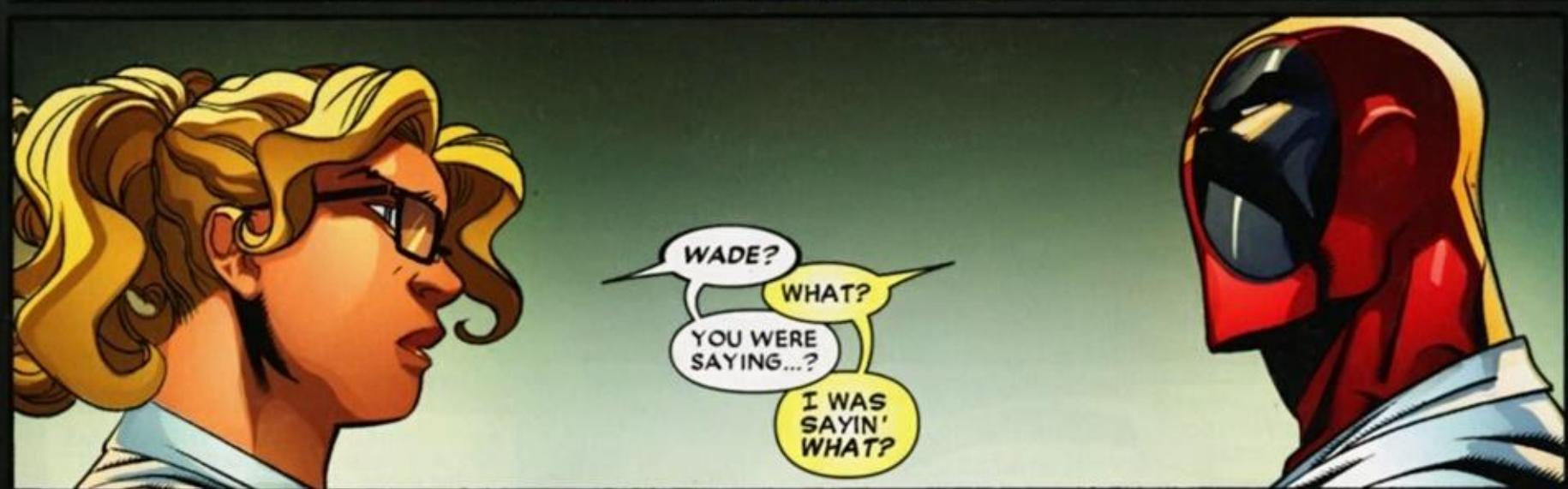
WHAT'S
SO BAD ABOUT
PUZZLES?
PUZZLES ARE
RAD!

I'M GLAD
TO HEAR YOU
SAY THAT...

ESCORT
MR. CEREUS
TO POD TWO,
PLEASE.







TEN DAYS LATER:

DEADPOOL,
I MEAN.

THE DAILY REPORTS SHOW HIM LEAVING HIS POD ONLY SPARINGLY...SOME DAYS, NOT AT ALL. ARE YOU SEDATING HIM?

WELL,
WHATEVER IT
IS YOU'RE DOING,
IT SEEMS TO BE
WORKING QUITE
WELL.

I DISAGREE
COMPLETELY.

NO...

HMM.

WELL, THAT'S TO
BE EXPECTED,
OF COURSE...

MY TREATMENT
PROGRAM IS BASED
UPON IDENTIFICATION
BETWEEN THE PERPETRATOR
AND HIS VICTIMS--
INTIMATE, DETAILED
IDENTIFICATION.

THE
PUZZLES.

YES, THE
PUZZLES.

AS THEY RECONSTRUCT THEIR CRIME SCENES FROM AN IMPARTIAL POINT OF VIEW, THEY'RE FORCED TO CONFRONT THE STARK REALITY OF WHAT THEY'VE DONE, WHICH... DEFLATES THEIR GRANDIOSE PERCEPTION OF THOSE ACTIONS, AND OF THEMSELVES. IT BRINGS THEM "DOWN TO EARTH," SO TO SPEAK.

IT'S BEEN QUITE SUCCESSFUL WITH MY OTHER PATIENTS BUT FOR SOME REASON, IT'S HAVING THE OPPOSITE EFFECT UPON DEADPOOL. EVERY DAY, HE BECOMES MORE AND MORE DESPONDENT, HIS PERSONALITY MORE...MUTED...

I'M LOSING
HIM.

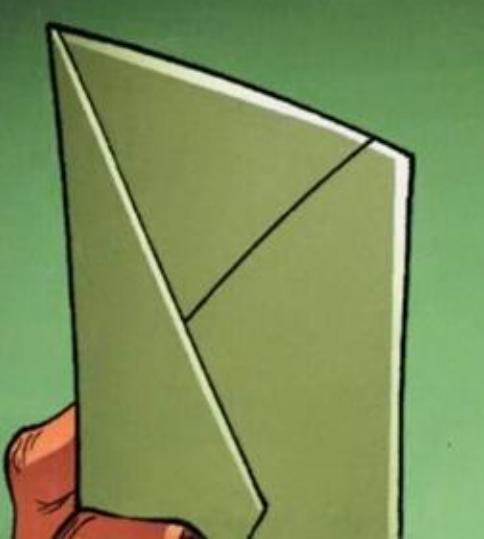
IF YOU'D BE SO
KIND, DR. WHITBY...
WOULD YOU PLEASE
POINT ME IN THE
DIRECTION OF THE
PROBLEM?

BECAUSE WHAT
I'M HEARING IS THAT
ONE OF THE MOST VIOLENT
AND MENTALLY UNSTABLE
REPROBATES ON THE PLANET
HAS GONE FROM RAVING
LUNATIC TO MODEL
PRISONER IN LESS THAN
THREE WEEKS.

QUITE THE
ACCOMPLISHMENT,
I'D SAY...

...AND I,
FRANKLY,
CANNOT STAND
YOU.









BUT THEN AGAIN, IT'S YOUR RECOMMENDATION THAT WOULD CARRY THE **MOST** WEIGHT IN SUCH MATTERS...

...PARTICULARLY SINCE YOU'RE AN OVER-INDULGED, TYRANNICAL LITTLE BRAT WHOSE FATHER--WHOM YOU HAVE TWISTED AROUND YOUR HARRY-LIKE CLAW OF A FINGER--CONTROLS THE PURSE STRINGS OF THIS PRISON AND YOU'RE NOT LISTENING TO A SINGLE BLOODY WORD I'M SAYING, ARE YOU?



HMM...?
OH.
NOT UNTIL HIS WOUNDS ARE FULLY HEALED...AND NOT UNTIL I'M SURE HE WON'T SEEK RETALIATION.
AGAINST DEADPOOL, YOU MEAN.
YES.

VERY WELL, THEN.

EVEN THOUGH I'M OF THE OPINION YOU'RE BEING IMPROPRIETARILY PROTECTIVE OF PRISONER WILSON, A/K/A "DEADPOOL," I'M OF THE MUCH STRONGER OPINION THAT THE LESS EXCITEMENT AROUND HERE, THE BETTER.

NOW, AS YOU ARE NO DOUBT IN A HURRY TO BEGIN YOUR SCHEDULED HOLIDAY, LET'S MOVE ON TO OUR LAST ORDER OF BUSINESS, SHALL WE?

MAYBE THAT'S THE ANSWER...



PRISSNER GERHARDT-- WHEN WILL HE BE RELEASED FROM SOLITARY CONFINEMENT?

PERHAPS IF I WERE TO SOMEHOW EXCITE DEADPOOL, TO INTRODUCE SOME SORT OF *STIMULATION* THAT WOULD DISSIPATE THIS...*FOG OF MALAISE* THAT HAS FILLED HIS MIND, IT WOULD BRING HIS SENSE OF *SELF* BACK TO THE FORE AND I COULD--

DR. WHITBY? CAN YOU, AT THIS MOMENT, HEAR MY VOICE AS I'M SPEAKING TO YOU?



I BEG YOUR PARDON? OF COURSE I CAN HEAR YOU.

FORGIVE ME, I SIMPLY WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU HEAR WHAT I'M ABOUT TO SAY TO YOU, BECAUSE IT IS OF THE *UTMOST* IMPORTANCE:



THAT IS THE ABSOLUTE WORST IDEA ANYONE HAS EVER HAD, DATING BACK TO THE DAWN OF BLOODY CREATION.





THAT EVENING:



AT WORK?!
OH, PLEASE SAY
YOU'VE NOT BEEN
SLEEPING IN THAT
AWFUL PLACE...



I'M... SO SORRY
ABOUT THAT, MA'AM--
I'VE BEEN SO ENgrossed
IN MY WORK LATELY, YOU
SEE, AND I'M AFRAID I'VE
BEGUN TO... LOSE
TRACK OF CERTAIN
THINGS.

YOU BE CAREFUL
OF THAT, NOW,
DEAR... SPENDING SO
MUCH TIME AROUND CRAZY
PEOPLE CAN'T BE GOOD
FOR YOUR OWN MIND,
I WOULD THINK.

MMM...
YES.

INDEED.

"WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE
SHE DOES IN HER SPARE
TIME, EH?"

"WHO,
WHITBY?"



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NEXT MONTH



MADNESS TAKES ITS 'POOL!

NO THAT'S NOT THE REAL COVER. DUH!

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