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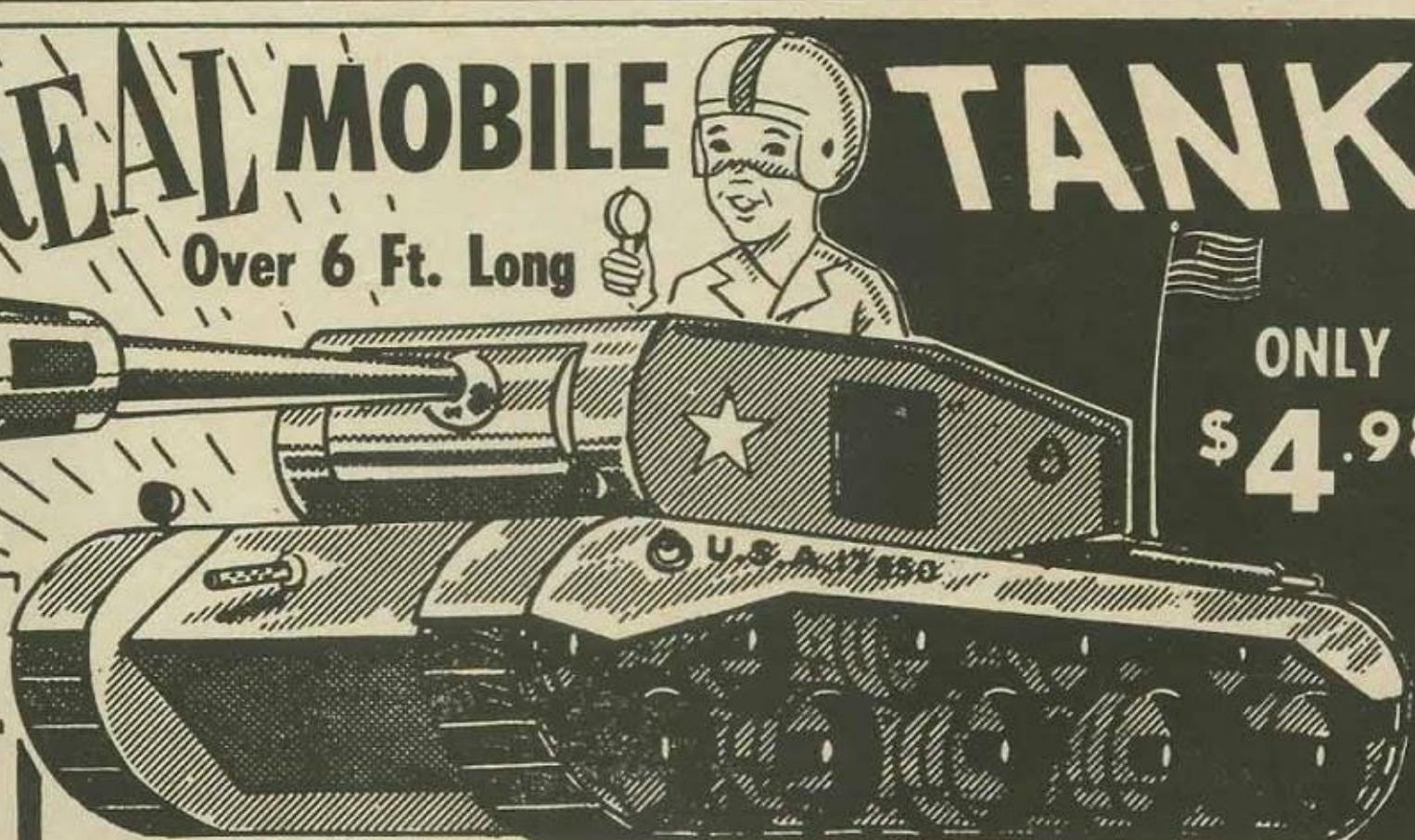
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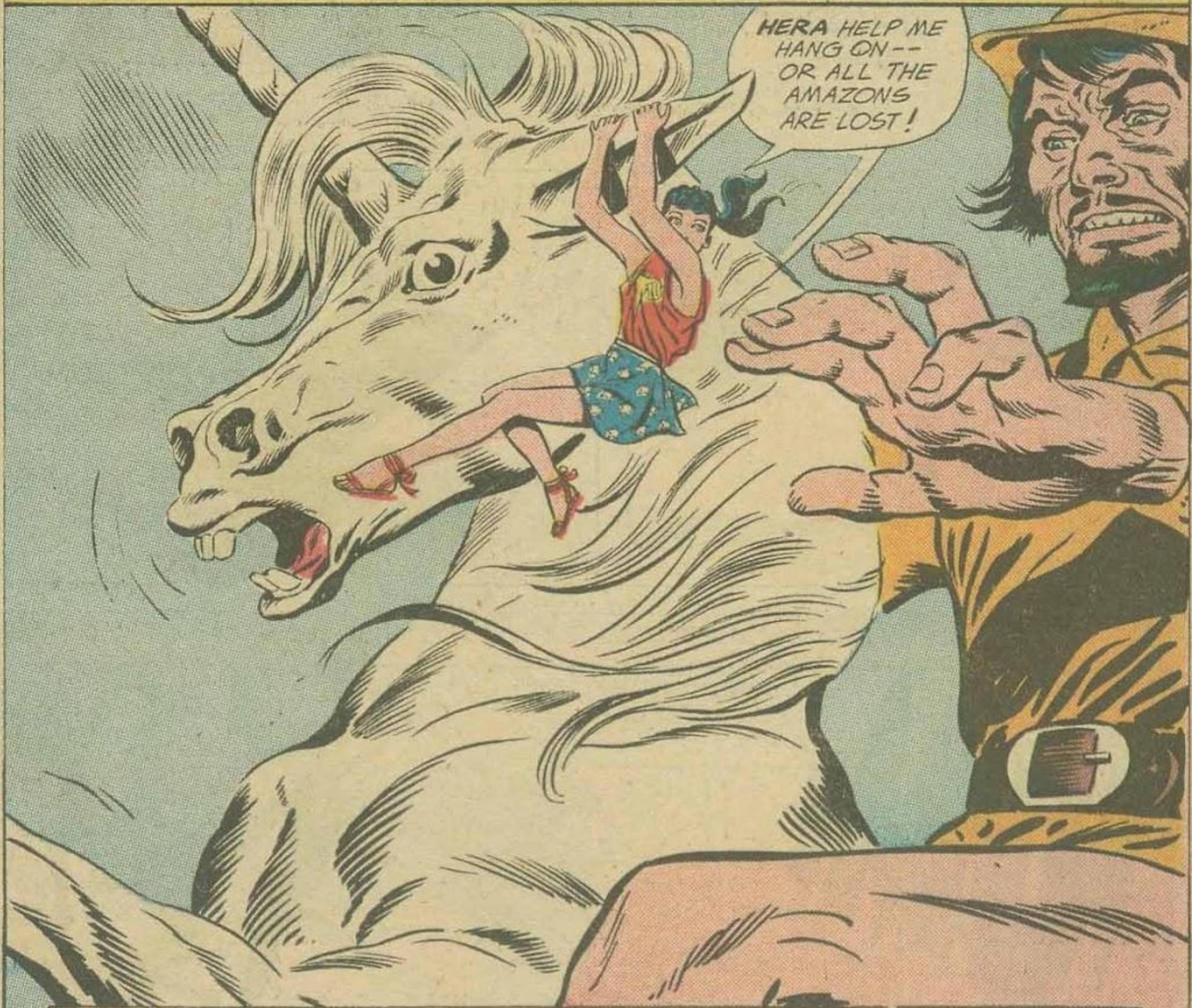
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"IN ANSWER TO REQUESTS FOR MORE TALES ABOUT MYSELF AS AN AMAZON TEEN-AGER, HERE ARE THE STARTLING ADVENTURES THAT I PLUNGED INTO -- WHEN PARADISE ISLAND SEEMED DOOMED BY A TOWERING MENACE AGAINST WHICH NO DEFENSE SEEMED TO PREVAIL!
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OR ALL THE
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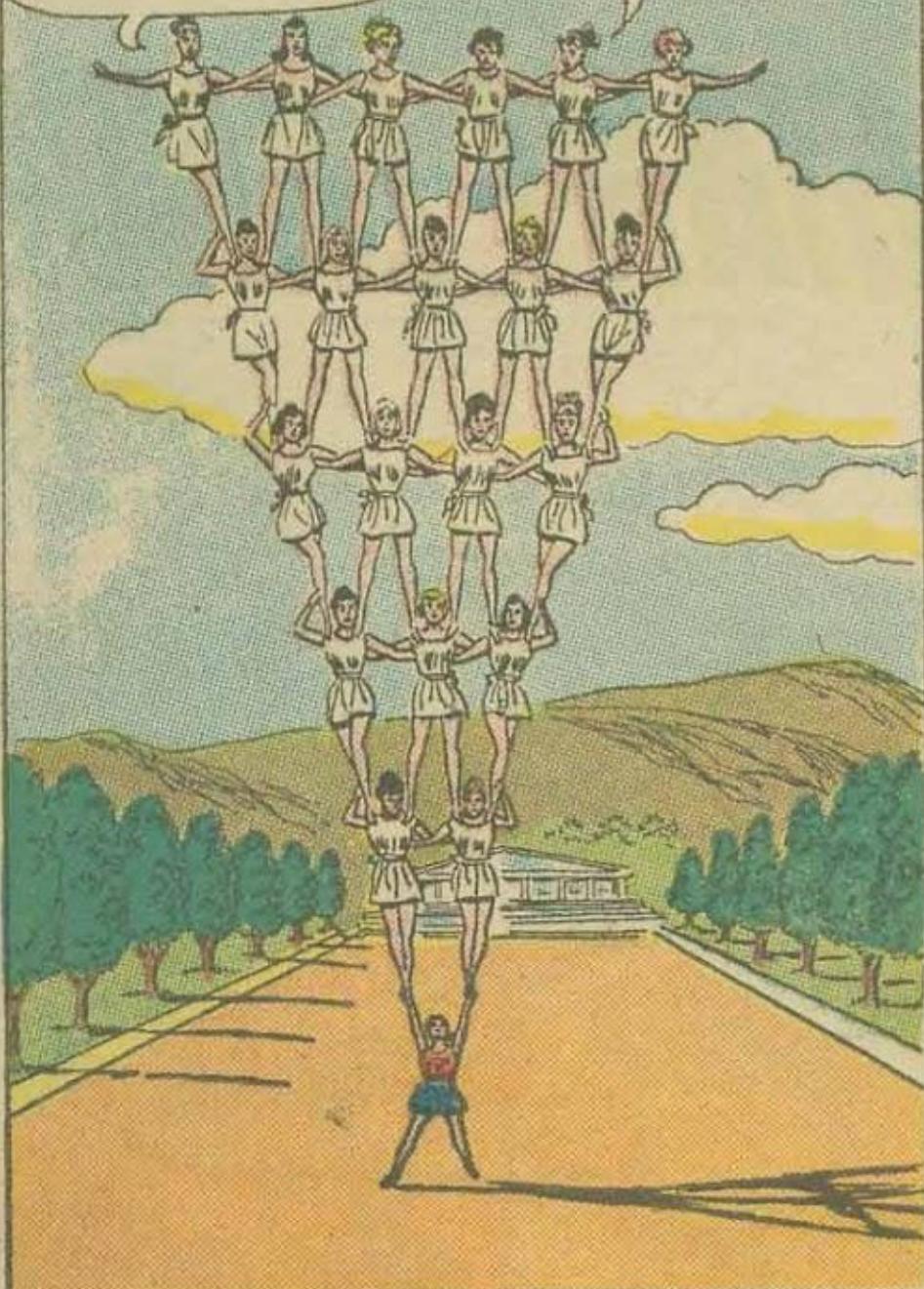
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AT PARADISE ISLAND, SECRET HOME OF THE AMAZONS, WONDER GIRL IS DEVELOPING HER SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE, WHEN, AS THE GROWN WONDER WOMAN, SHE WILL BATTLE CRIME AND INJUSTICE EVERYWHERE..

OUR PRINCESS HAS BEEN HOLDING US UP FOR AN HOUR!

SHE IS TIRELESS!



SUDDENLY, THE INCREDIBLY KEEN HEARING OF THE AMAZON TEEN-AGER-LIKE SONAR DETECTS...

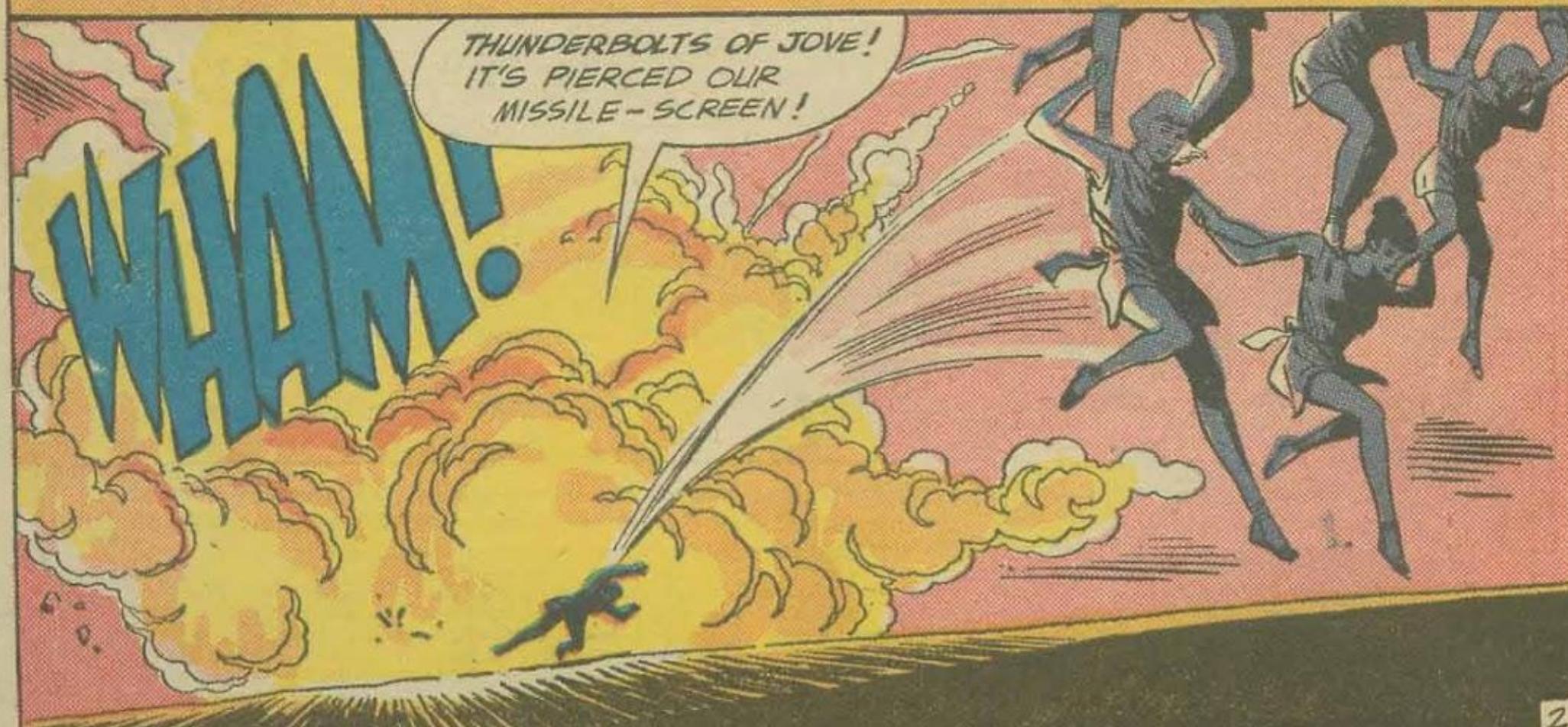
SOMETHING HUGE IS FALLING DOWN AT THE ISLAND FROM THE RIFT IN THE CLOUDS! BUT-- OUR AMAZON AIR RAID DEFENSES ARE SURE TO TURN IT AWAY BEFORE IT REACHES US!

FROM THE SKIES OVERHEAD A MONSTROUS MISSILE HURTS THROUGH THE RIFT...



INSTANTLY--THE ALERT WONDER GIRL HURLS THE HUMAN PYRAMID TOWARDS SAFETY JUST AS...

THUNDERBOLTS OF JOVE!
IT'S PIERCED OUR
MISSILE-SCREEN!





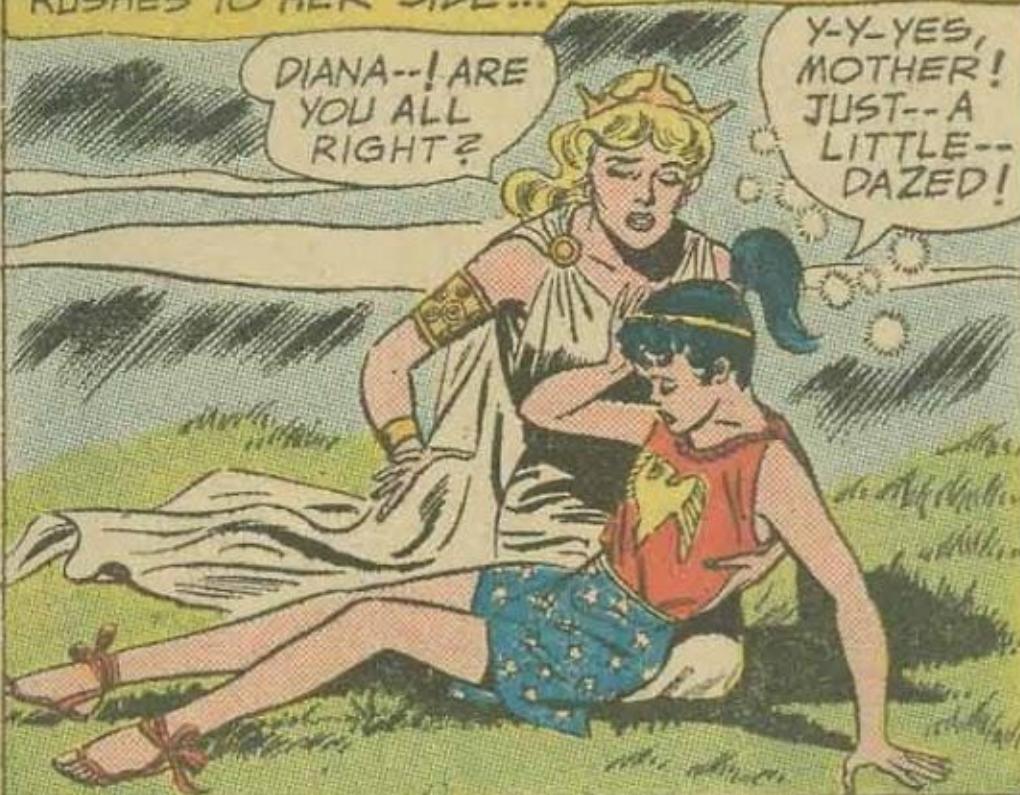
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QUEEN HIPPOLYTA, WONDER GIRL'S MOTHER, RUSHES TO HER SIDE...

DIANA--! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

Y-Y-YES, MOTHER! JUST--A LITTLE--DAZED!



JUST THEN...TWO MORE OF THE GIGANTIC MISSILES HURTLE DOWN FROM SPACE... THROUGH THE RIFT IN THE CLOUDS...

WEEEEE!

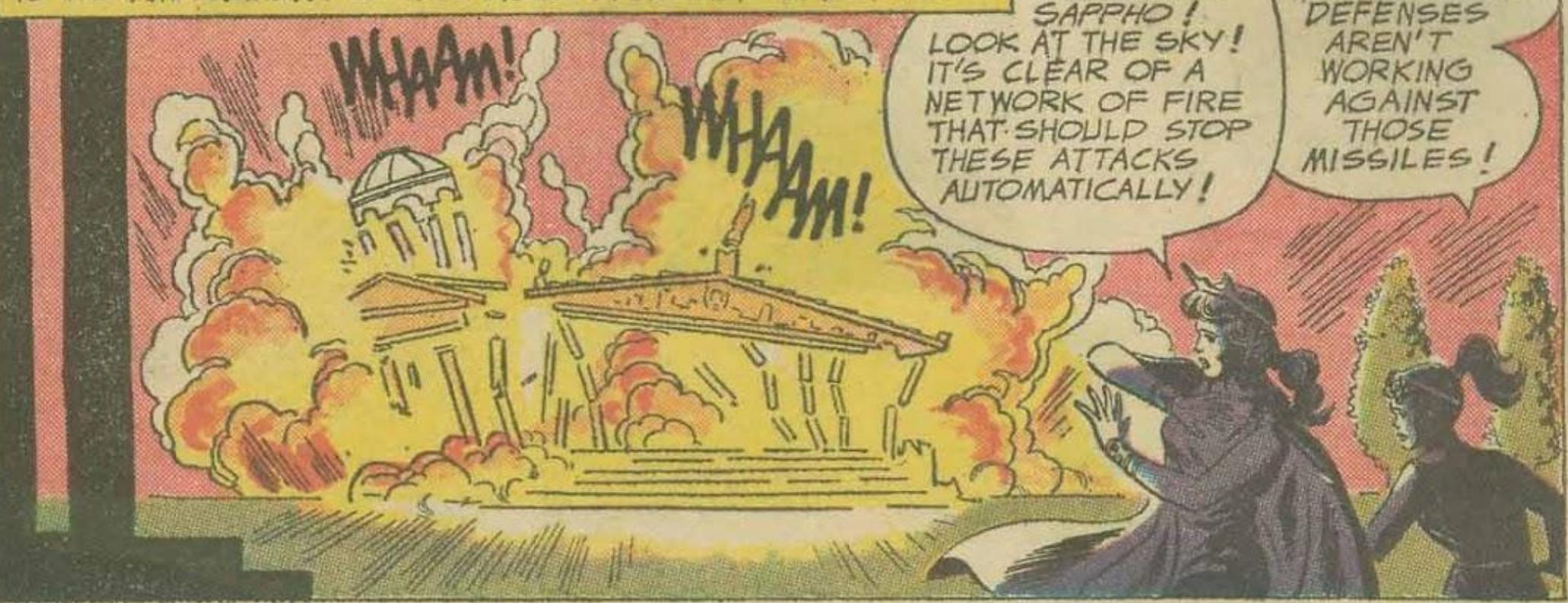


TO THE AMAZEMENT OF THE QUEEN AND HER DAUGHTER...

SUFFERING SAPPHO!

LOOK AT THE SKY! IT'S CLEAR OF A NETWORK OF FIRE THAT SHOULD STOP THESE ATTACKS AUTOMATICALLY!

MOTHER--OUR DEFENSES AREN'T WORKING AGAINST THOSE MISSILES!



HERE COMES ANOTHER ONE THROUGH THAT RIFT IN THE CLOUDS! RUN, DIANA! I'LL TRY TO STOP IT!

MOTHER IS TRYING TO SACRIFICE HERSELF FOR ME!



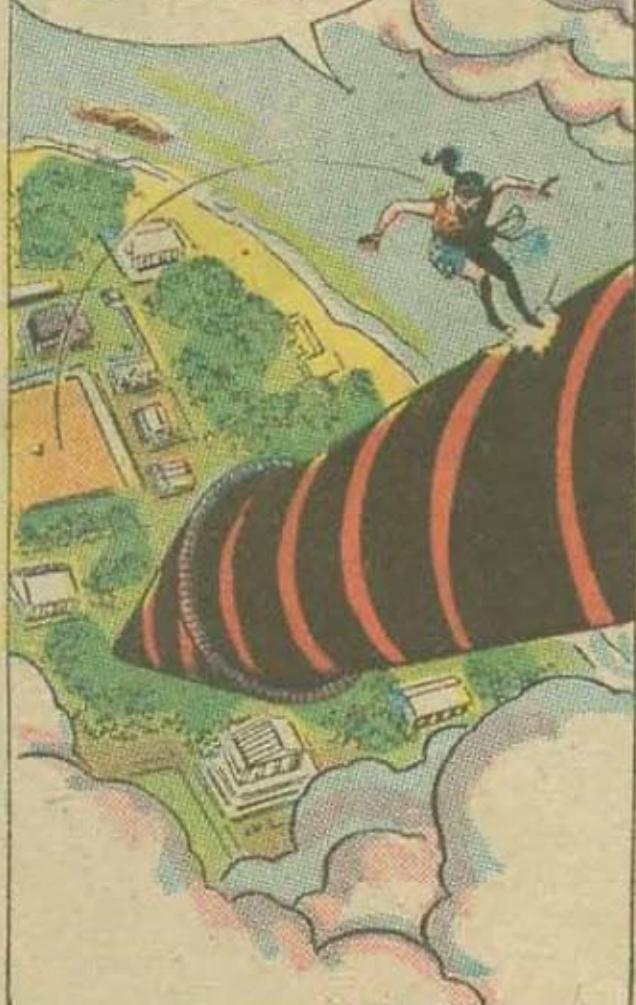
INSTANTLY, WITH THE UNCANNY SKILL SHE IS RENOWNED FOR, WONDER GIRL HURLS HERSELF UP ON AN AIR CURRENT...

DIANA--DAUGHTER!



AGILELY, WONDER GIRL ALIGHTS ON TOP OF THE HUGE MISSILE ...

HERA HELP ME TURN THIS SHELL AWAY OR PARADISE ISLAND WILL BE DESTROYED!



THE AMAZON TEEN-AGER LASOSES THE DEADLY MISSILE ...

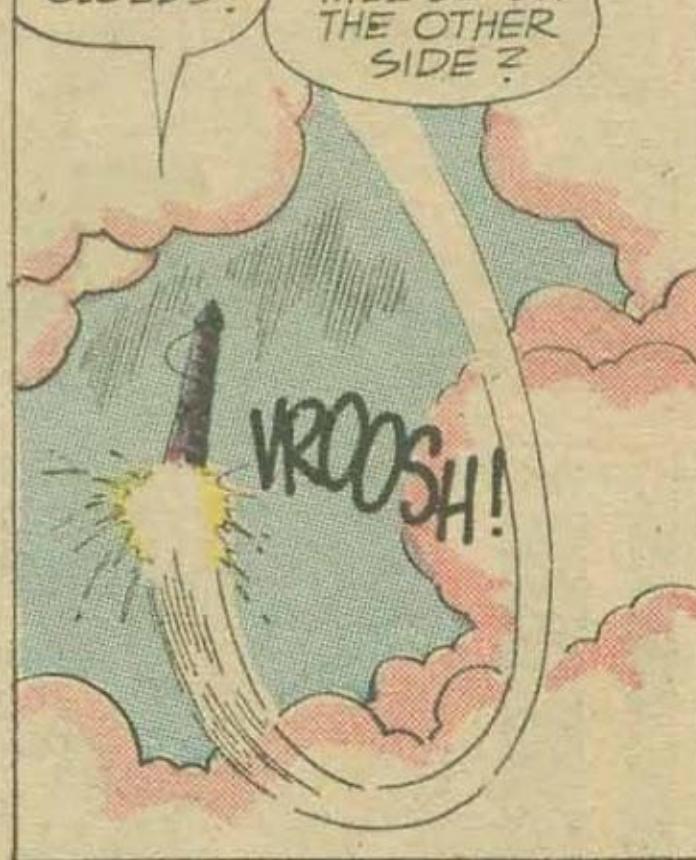
CAN I TURN IT? WILL I BE ABLE TO DISTURB WHATEVER MECHANISM IS PROPELLING THIS--SO I CAN DIVERT IT AWAY FROM THE ISLAND?



AS IF SHE WERE RIDING A ROBOT STEED, WONDER GIRL MANEUVERS IT WITH STARTLING SPEED STRAIGHT TOWARDS...

ALL THE MISSILES CAME THROUGH THIS RIFT IN THE CLOUDS!

I'LL STEER THIS ONE RIGHT BACK THROUGH IT! PERHAPS THE ANSWER TO WHERE THEY CAME FROM--WILL BE ON THE OTHER SIDE?



NO SOONER DOES SHE PLUNGE THROUGH THE CLOUD-RIFT THAN ...

SHADES OF PLUTO! THIS IS NO ORDINARY OPENING IN THE CLOUDS!

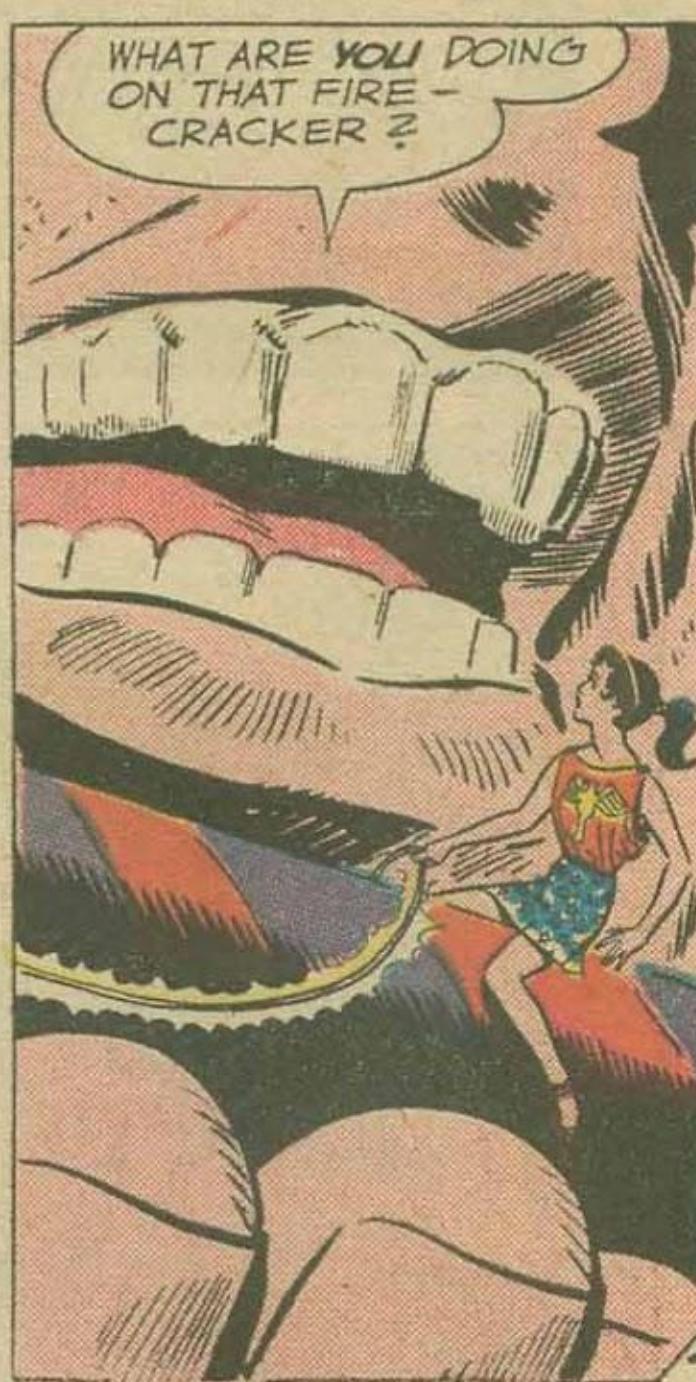


SUDDENLY, WHAT TO WONDER GIRL HAD BEEN A HUGE MISSILE--A MIGHTY ENGINE OF DESTRUCTION--IS NO MORE THAN A TOY TO A GIGANTIC HAND!

THIS RIFT IN THE CLOUDS--IS REALLY--A TIME WARP! I'VE PASSED THROUGH IT--TO ANOTHER DIMENSION!

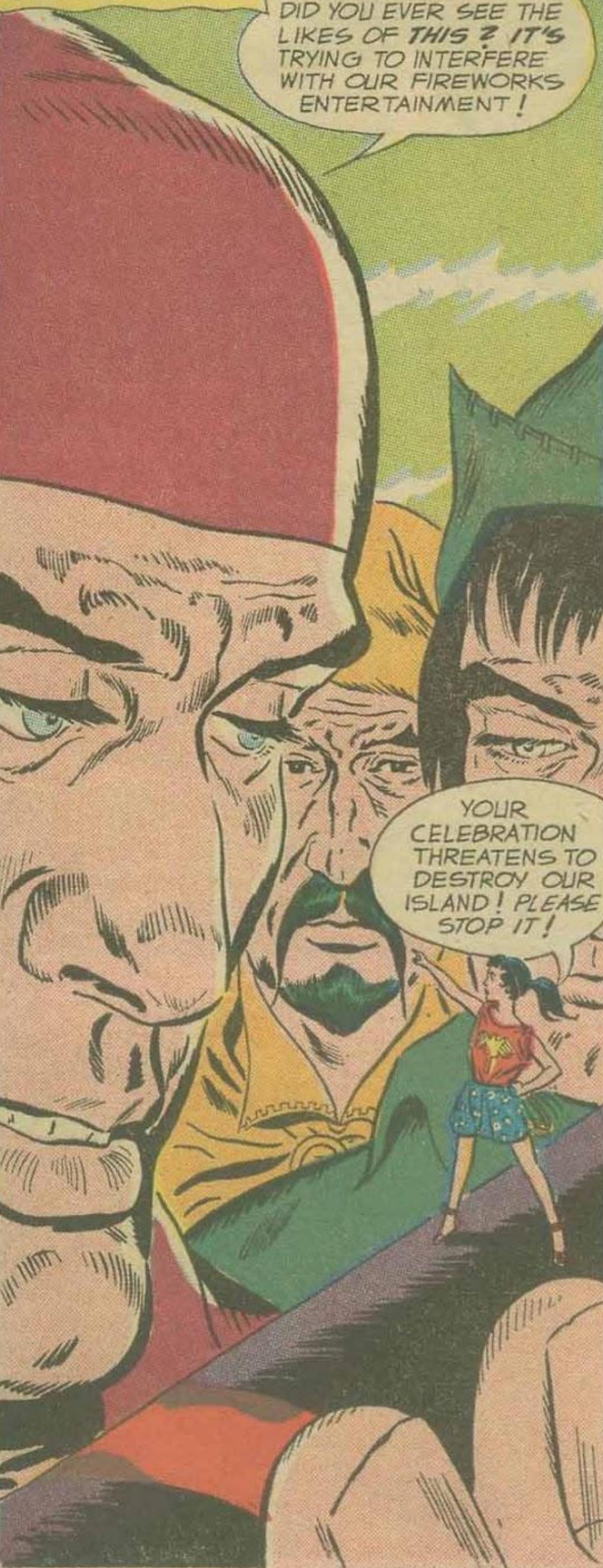


WHAT ARE YOU DOING ON THAT FIRE-CRACKER?



WONDER GIRL FINDS HERSELF UNDER THE GIGANTIC GAZE OF THE GIANTS--BUT BRAVELY CONFRONTS THEM...

DID YOU EVER SEE THE LIKES OF THIS? IT'S TRYING TO INTERFERE WITH OUR FIREWORKS ENTERTAINMENT!



THE LAUGHTER OF THE GIANTS IS DEAFENING...AS...

MERCIFUL MINERVA! THEY'RE STARTING AGAIN! I'VE GOT TO STOP THEM SOME WAY--OR IT WILL BE THE END OF THE AMAZONS!

HO!

HO!



WOOOSH!

HO!

DAUNTLESSLY, THE AMAZON TEEN-AGER ISSUES A CHALLENGE...

I'LL MEET ANY OPPONENT YOU SELECT--IN ANY KIND OF COMPETITION YOU DEVISE! IF I WIN--YOU WILL STOP SENDING OFF THESE FIREWORKS! WOULDN'T SUCH A CONTEST BE MORE ENTERTAINING THAN THE FIREWORKS?

WAIT! YOU HAVEN'T SAID WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU LOSE! WE WILL CONTINUE WITH OUR FIREWORKS--AND SINCE YOU WILL BE THE LONE SURVIVOR OF YOUR ISLAND--WE WILL KEEP YOU HERE! AGREED?



AT WONDER GIRL'S REPLY...

AGREED!

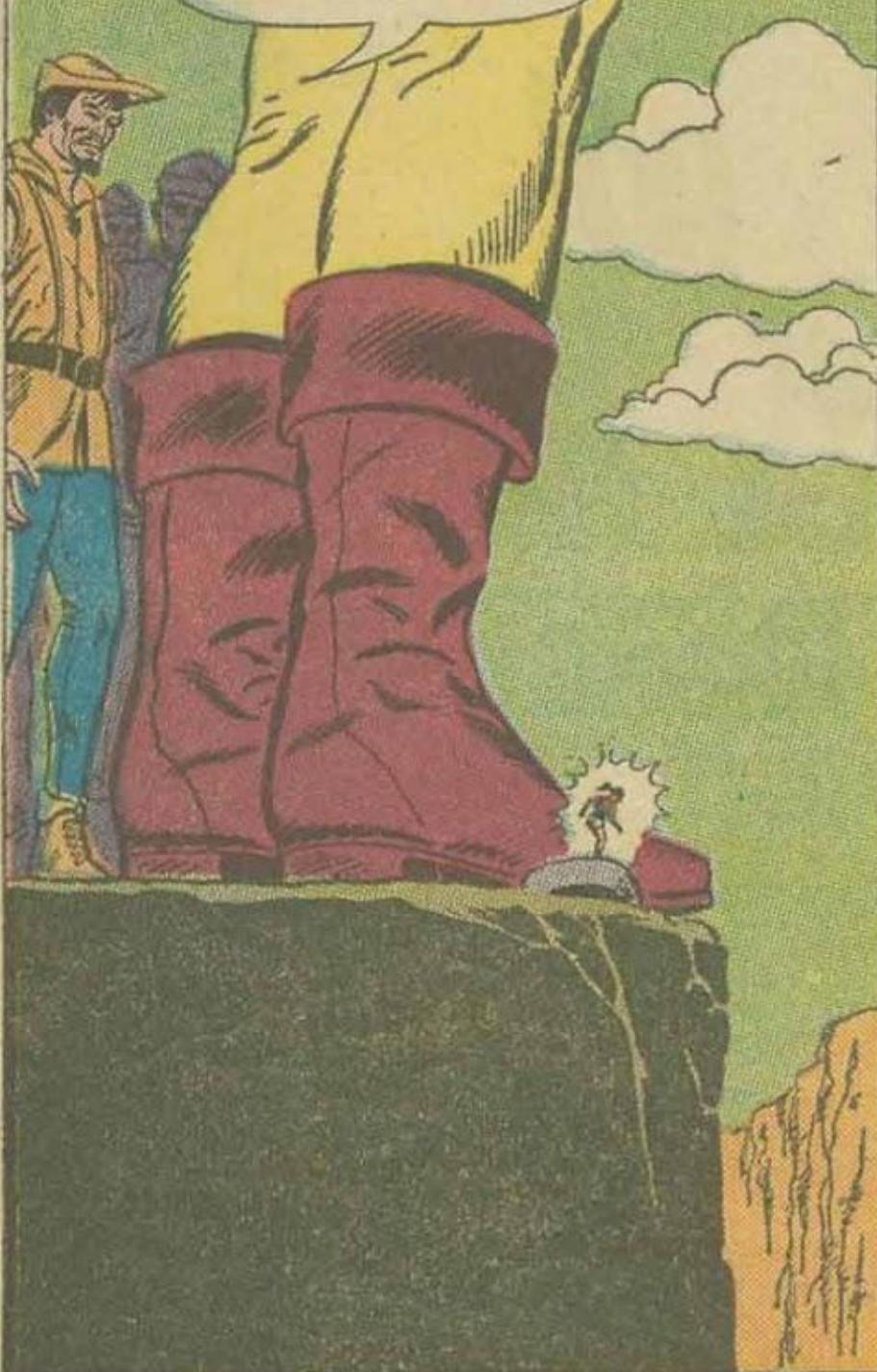
YOU DON'T KNOW IT! BUT YOU CANNOT POSSIBLY WIN--AS YOU SHALL SOON FIND OUT! FOR--WE ARE GOING TO ASK YOU TO PERFORM FEATS--WHICH EVEN WE CANNOT!

HO! HO! HO!



WONDER GIRL IS TAKEN TO THE EDGE OF A VAST CHASM WHERE ...

NONE OF US HAS EVER BEEN ABLE TO LEAP ACROSS THIS WITHOUT FALLING DOWN! IF YOUR OPPONENT SUCCEEDS--AND YOU FAIL--YOU LOSE THE CONTEST! USE ANY MEANS YOU CAN! IT WILL AVAIL YOU NOT!



SUDDENLY, THE GROUND TREMBLES AS...



INSTANTLY, THE DARING AMAZON TEEN-AGER HURLS HERSELF ONTO THE GREAT BOOT OF THE GIANT! ...

THEY SAID I COULD USE ANY MEANS! I'LL "RIDE" ACROSS ON HIS BOOT!





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SWIFTLY, WONDER GIRL CLIMBS UP THE GIANT'S BOOT...

I'M TOO FAR AWAY HERE—
FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE CHASM!



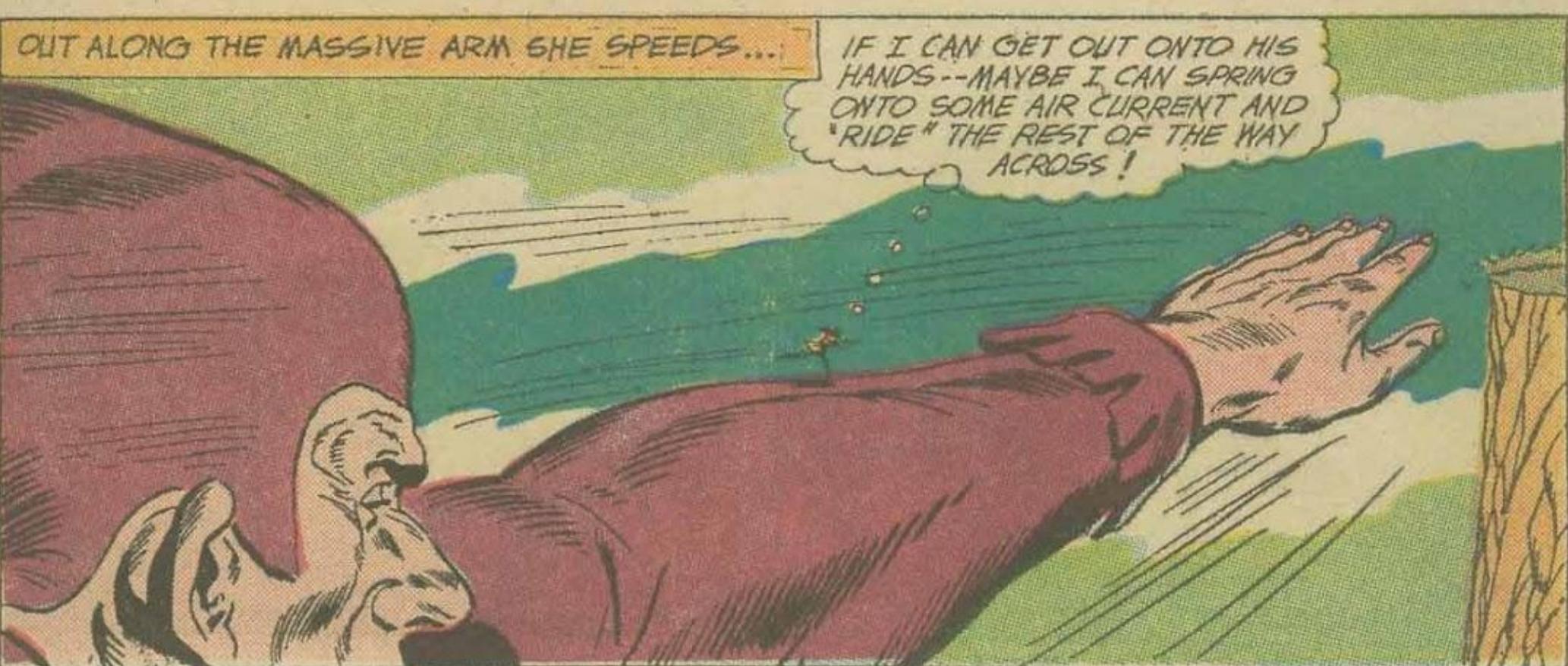
AGILELY, SHE RACES ALONG THE FLYING FORM...

I'VE GOT TO GET CLOSER!



OUT ALONG THE MASSIVE ARM SHE SPEEDS...

IF I CAN GET OUT ONTO HIS HANDS--MAYBE I CAN SPRING
ONTO SOME AIR CURRENT AND "RIDE" THE REST OF THE WAY
ACROSS!



FINALLY, PERCHED ON A GIANT HAND, WONDER GIRL IS DISMAYED TO LEARN...

THE AIR IS
ABSOLUTELY STILL!
THERE ARE NO AIR
CURRENTS I CAN
RIDE!



IT IS AT THAT MOMENT THAT THE GIANTS BREAK INTO THUNDEROUS LAUGHTER ...

HO! HO! HO!
HO!

HE'S NOT GOING TO REACH THE OTHER SIDE! AND NEITHER WILL SHE! SHE HAS FAILED!





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THE ROARING LAUGHTER OF THE GIANTS TURNS INTO A BOON TO WONDER GIRL AS HER OPPONENT STARTS TO FALL ...



GRACEFULLY AS A FLOATING LEAF, THE AMAZON TEEN-AGER SOARS ALONG THE AIR CURRENTS ...



THE INTREPID WONDER GIRL WAVES FROM THE FAR SIDE OF THE CHASM!



THE GIANTS JOIN THE YOUNG AMAZON BY A BRIDGE ACROSS THE CHASM AND TAKE HER TO A HUGE FIELD WHERE...

IT'S A GIGANTIC UNICORN!

PERHAPS YOUR OPPONENT WILL BE ABLE TO RIDE HIM THIS TIME! NONE OF US HAS UP UNTIL NOW! BUT-- YOU WILL HAVE TO-- NOT TO LOSE!





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UNEXPECTEDLY, AS THE GIANT RIDER IS SEATED...



IN A FEW MOMENTS, EVEN THE MASSIVE GRIP OF THE GIANT RIDER IS TORN LOOSE...



AGAIN THE GIANTS ROAR...

SHE IS INDEED PROVIDING US WITH ENTERTAINMENT!

BUT SHE IS LOST! ANY MOMENT NOW--SHE WILL BE DRAGGED OFF BY THE VINES IN THOSE WOODS!



THE NEXT MOMENT, THE AMAZON TEEN-AGER HOLDS ON FOR DEAR LIFE AS...



DESPERATELY, THE AGILE WONDER GIRL SEIZES HOLD OF THE HUGE ANIMAL'S MANE...



BUT, THE INGENUITY OF WONDER GIRL COMES TO HER AID--BECAUSE EVEN AS THE VINES WHIP AT HER ... SHE SNATCHES AT THEM ...

THE GIANTS TRIED TO RIDE THIS UNMANAGEABLE BEAST WITHOUT REINS! BUT--IF I CAN FASHION REINS OUT OF THOSE TOUGH VINES--PERHAPS--





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WITH DAUNTLESS COURAGE THE AMAZON TEEN-AGER SLIPS THE HUGE LOOP INTO THE PLUNGING UNICORN'S MOUTH ...

THANK HERA I DON'T HAVE TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO OPEN HIS MOUTH !



ONTO THE RAGING ANIMAL'S BACK, WONDER GIRL LEAPS...

NOW--WE SHALL SEE HOW HE'LL ACT UNDER THE CONTROL OF REINS !



DESPITE THE BUCKING UNICORN'S STRUGGLE, THE YOUTHFUL AMAZON HANGS ON GRIMLY ...

CAN'T LET--GO--LIVES OF ALL--THE AMAZONS--AT STAKE !



IN FRONT OF THE GIGANTIC AUDIENCE--WONDER GIRL REINS HER MOUNTAINOUS STEED...

YOU ARE A GREAT BATTLER ! BUT--YOU MUST FAIL--IN THE LAST FEAT ! JUST AS ALL OF US HAVE !



AT THE EDGE OF A FOAMING RIVER, WONDER GIRL WATCHES A GIANT PLUNGE IN... AND...

NONE OF US HAS BEEN ABLE TO SWIM UPSTREAM TO THAT ROCK--AS YOU CAN SEE !



WITHOUT WARNING, THE AMAZON TEEN-AGER IS TOSSED IN...

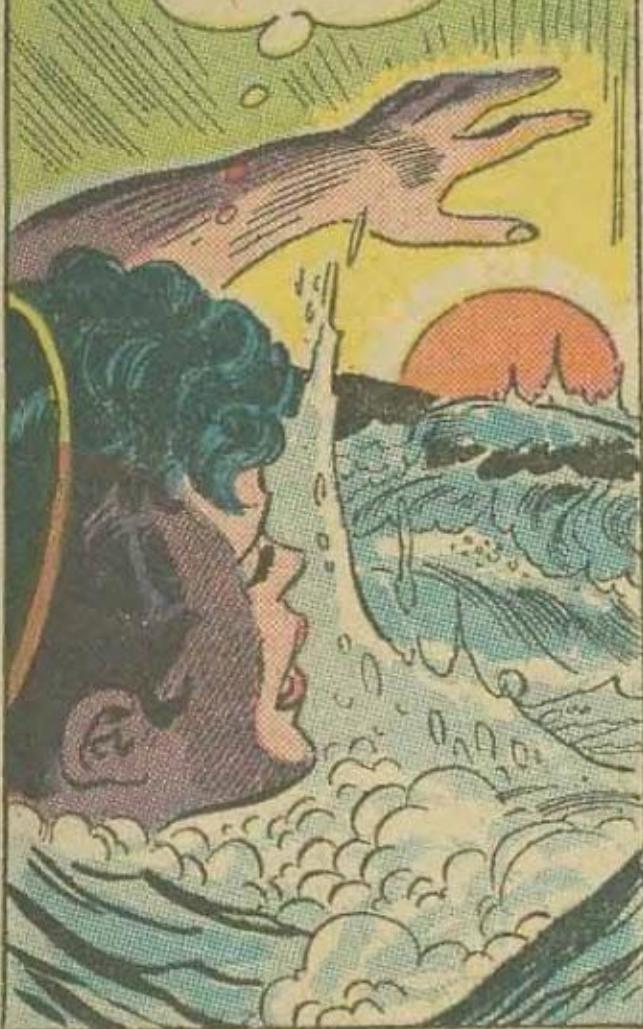
SWIM UPSTREAM TO THAT ROCK--AND YOUR ISLAND WILL BE SAVED ! FAIL--AND WE WILL CONTINUE WITH OUR FIREWORKS ENTERTAINMENT !



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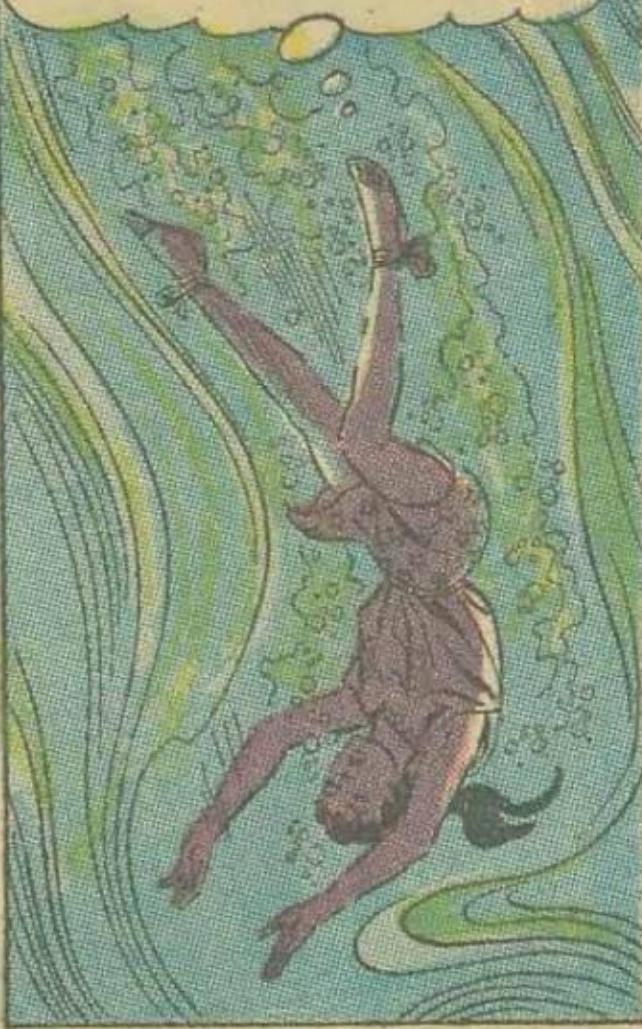
INSTANTLY, THE RAGING CURRENT YANKS THE AMAZON BACK ...

THEY'RE RIGHT! THAT SUN-- NOW SETTING-- WILL RISE AND SET A MILLION TIMES-- BEFORE I CAN SWIM UP- STREAM!



BELOW THE SURFACE WONDER GIRL IS HURLED BY THE CURRENT...

I'VE HAD NO TROUBLE--SWIMMING IN WORSE--WHIRLPOOLS THAN--THAN--? HMM-- THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA!



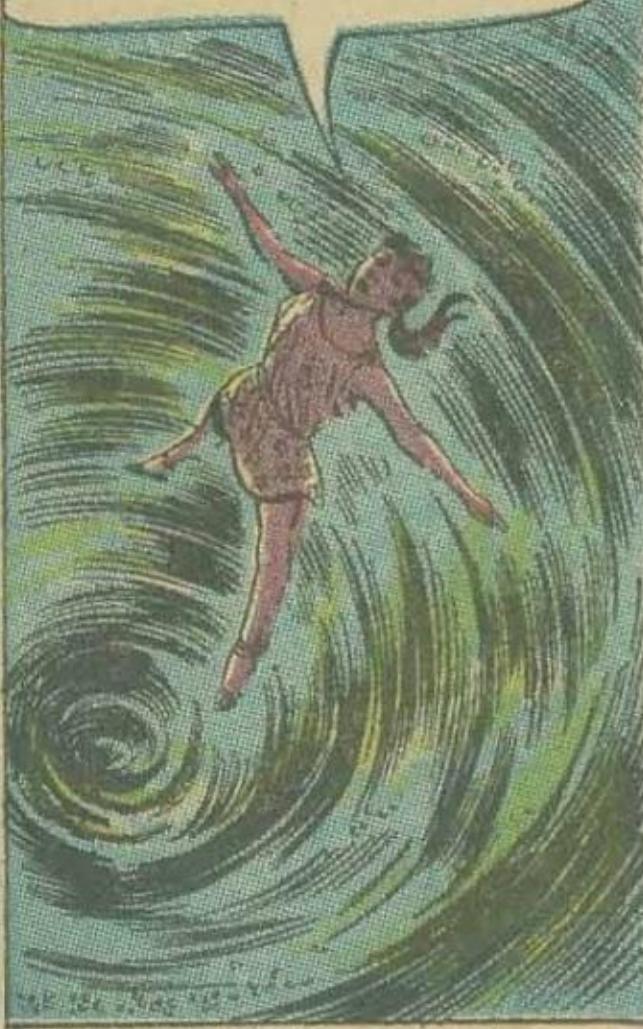
WITH A STRENGTH BORN OF DESPERATION, THE AMAZON SCOOPS A DEEP HOLE IN THE RIVER BED...

ONLY WAY I CAN MANAGE TO SWIM UPSTREAM--IS TO--DIVERT--THE CURRENT!



FINALLY... WITH THE HOLE DUG...

THE HOLE--HAS CREATED A WHIRLPOOL--



UP--UP--UP--WONDER GIRL FOLLOWS THE WHIRLPOOL UNTIL...

THANK HERA! THE POSITION OF THE SUN--TELLS ME WHERE TO AIM MYSELF! BUT--I'LL ONLY HAVE AN INSTANT TO DO IT IN!



LIKE A CHIP IN A SPINNING ROULETTE TABLE THE AMAZON IS WHIRLED AROUND...

THE SUN IS AT MY RIGHT!



NOW THAT WONDER GIRL IS IN THE GRIP OF A FIERCE CIRCULAR MOTION--WHAT DOES SHE HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH?



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AT THE PRECISE MOMENT, THE DARING SWIMMER UTILIZES THE SPINNING VELOCITY OF THE OUTER EDGE OF THE WHIRLPOOL TO HURL HERSELF UPSTREAM...

THAT MEANS UP-STREAM...



LIKE A PEBBLE BOUNCING ON THE SURFACE OF THE WATER, THE INGENIOUS WONDER GIRL ALIGHTS ON THE ROCK...

SHE HAS WON!



AS THE AMAZON TEEN-AGER BIDS FAREWELL TO THE GIANTS...

IF A MERE CHILD CAN DO ALL YOU'VE DONE -- WE WOULD BE OVERWHELMED BY YOUR ELDERS! SO -- GO IN PEACE -- AND FORGIVE US FOR UNWITTINGLY CAUSING YOU TROUBLE! YOU WON'T HEAR FROM US AGAIN! FAREWELL!

FAREWELL!



BACK THROUGH THE RIFT IN TIME WONDER GIRL RIDES A HARMLESS ROCKET BACK TO PARADISE ISLAND...

WE'LL HOLD A CELEBRATION ON PARADISE -- WITHOUT FIREWORKS!



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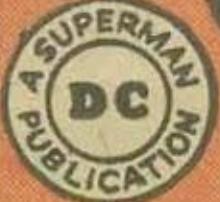
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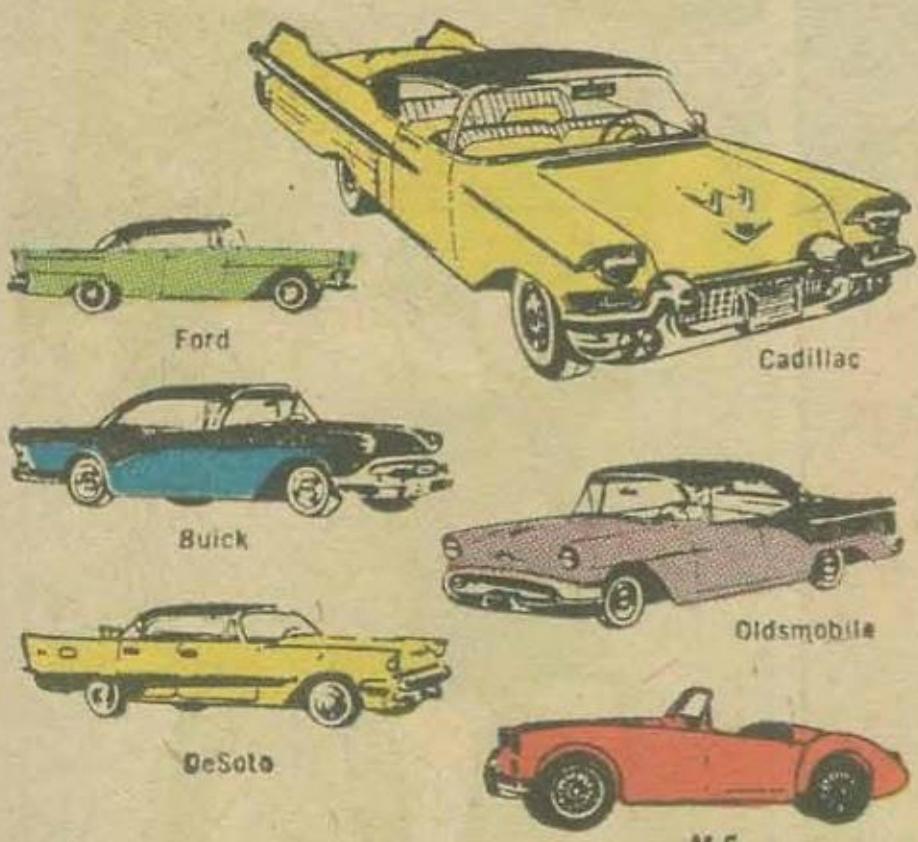
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IN CERTAIN RURAL AREAS OF FRANCE, **MAY DAY** SIGNALLED THE TIME FOR BACHELORS TO GO OUT ON A FIELD, LIE DOWN, AND PRETEND TO SLEEP. SHOULD A VILLAGE GIRL BE IN LOVE WITH THE YOUNG MAN AND WANT TO MARRY HIM, SHE WOULD FOLLOW HIM AND AWAKEN HIM WITH A KISS...



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Wonder Woman



Wonder Woman

By CHARLES MOULTON

GREAT HERA! MY PLANE'S FLYING OUT OF MY REACH-- TO AVOID BEING HIT BY THAT METEOR! -- AND STEVE -- CAN'T EXIST OUT HERE WITHOUT OXYGEN!



MANY TRAPS HAVE BEEN SET FOR WONDER WOMAN, BEAUTIFUL AS APHRODITE, WISE AS ATHENA, SWIFTER THAN MERCURY, AND STRONGER THAN HERCULES -- BUT NONE MORE DIABOLICAL THAN THE ONE IN WHICH SHE DELIBERATELY CAUGHT HERSELF! HOW? THE STARTLING TALE WILL UNFOLD FOR YOU IN WONDER WOMAN...

The MILLION DOLLAR PIGEON!

Wonder Woman

OUR STARTLING STORY BEGINS WITH THE WORLD-FAMOUS WONDER WOMAN WALKING DOWN MAIN STREET ACCOMPANIED BY JEERING LAUGHTER...



AND THEN, TO ADD TO THE MYSTERY...

YOU'RE TOO SKINNY TO BE THE REAL WONDER WOMAN! I'M REALLY WONDER WOMAN!

ANYONE COULD SEE I'M WONDER WOMAN-- AT A SINGLE GLANCE!



IN THE CROWD, RUTHLESS EYES WATCH THE ARGUING TRIO OF IDENTICAL FIGURES...



SUDDENLY, WITH A CASUAL GESTURE...

I'LL PROVE I'M THE REAL WONDER WOMAN! WHO ELSE CAN PICK UP TWO PEOPLE WITH ONE HAND?

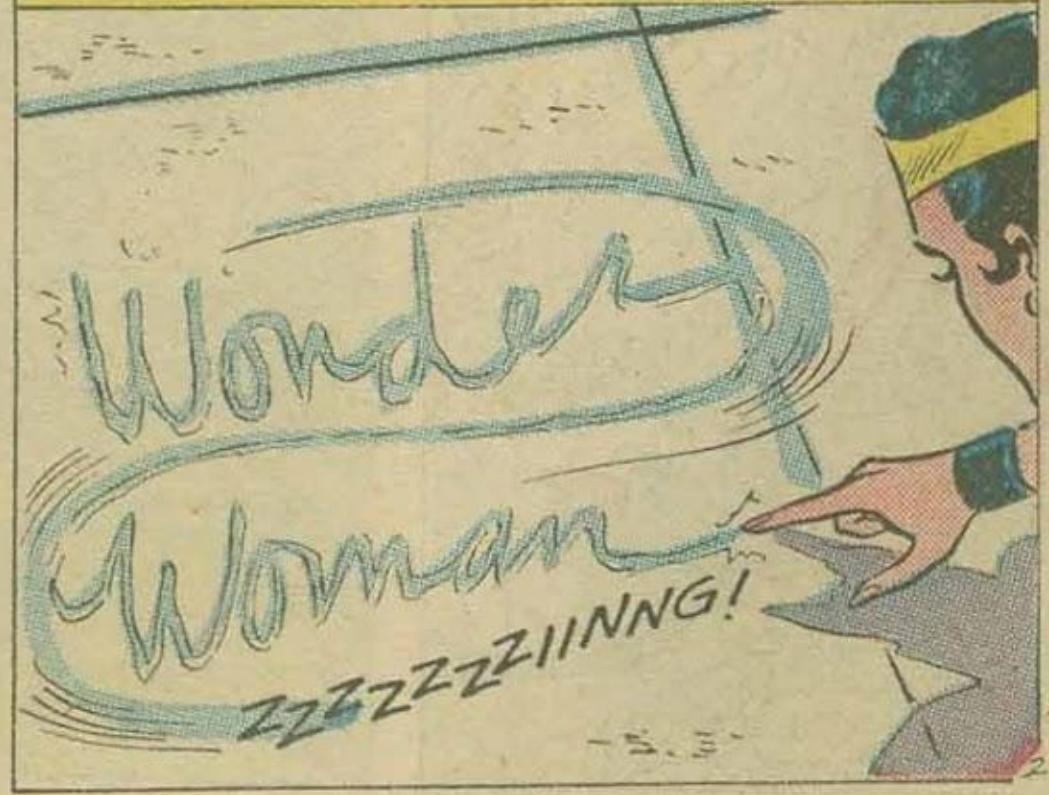


BUT, NO SOONER HAS THE AMAZON FIGURE LET THE OTHER TWO DROP TO THE GROUND THAN...

ANY STRONG WOMAN COULD DO THAT! I'LL SHOW YOU SOMETHING THAT ONLY THE REAL WONDER WOMAN COULD DO!



QUICKLY STOOPING TO THE SIDEWALK, THE SECOND AMAZON FIGURE SCRATCHES IN THE SOLID CONCRETE WITH HER FINGERNAIL ...





Wonder Woman

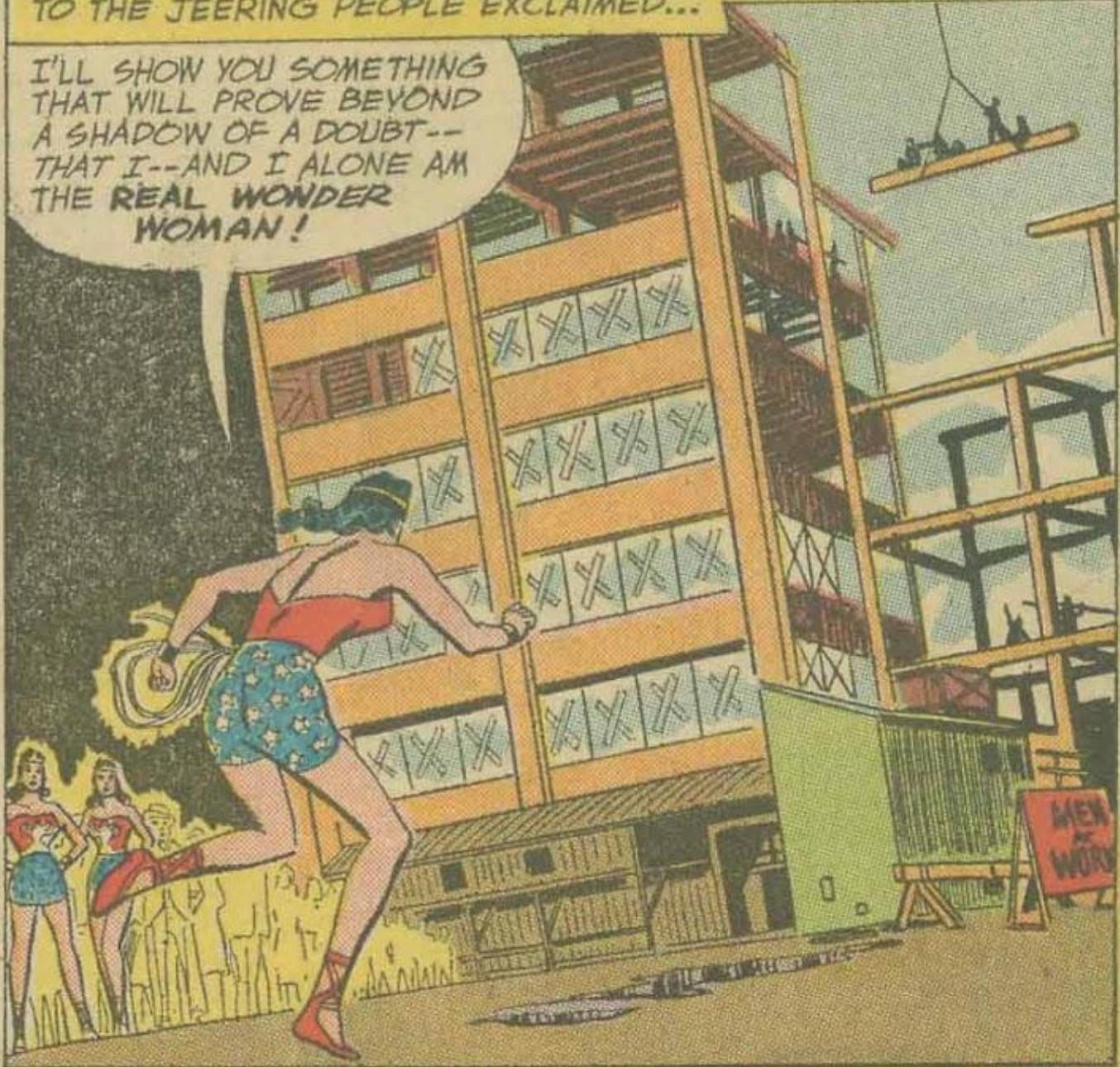
AND WHEN SHE IS FINISHED,
THE SAME PAIR OF COLD,
CALCULATING EYES GAZE AT
THE RESULT...

THAT'S AN
EVEN MORE TYPICAL
WONDER WOMAN
STUNT THAN THE
FIRST ONE!



BUT THEN, THE WONDER WOMAN WHO HAD FIRST APPEARED
TO THE JEERING PEOPLE EXCLAIMED...

I'LL SHOW YOU SOMETHING
THAT WILL PROVE BEYOND
A SHADOW OF A DOUBT--
THAT I--AND I ALONE AM
THE REAL WONDER
WOMAN!



BUT--HURLED FORWARD BY
THE OILY SLICK ON THE
STREET FROM THE TRAFFIC...



IN THE SURGING DEPTHS OF
THE WATER UNDERNEATH...

I'VE GOT TO SWIM
OUT OF SIGHT OF
EVERYONE--BEFORE
I CAN SURFACE!



FROM THE SWIRLING CURRENTS
FINALLY, THE SWIMMER
EMERGES...

I'VE GOT TO WORK FAST--
AND GET BACK TO WHERE
EVERYONE SAW ME FALL IN!





Wonder Woman



UNOBSERVED, THE AMAZON FIGURE REMOVES A LINK FROM HER GOLDEN LASSO... WHICH IMMEDIATELY EXPANDS WHEN EXPOSED TO THE ATMOSPHERE... UNTIL IT BECOMES THE FULL-LENGTH COSTUME OF LT. DIANA PRINCE !

ATTIRED IN THE COSTUME OF THE YOUNG MILITARY INTELLIGENCE OFFICER, SHE RACES IN A FEW INSTANTS BACK TO WHERE SHE HAS FALLEN...

IT'S LT.
DIANA
PRINCE!

WONDER WOMAN'S CLOSEST FRIEND ! SHE CAN TELL US WHICH ONE IS REALLY WONDER WOMAN !



JUST THEN, BY AN IRONICAL TWIST OF FATE, NONE OTHER THAN COL. STEVE TREVOR, THE AMAZON'S SWEETHEART IS STOPPED BY THE TRAFFIC ...

COL. TREVOR ! LT. PRINCE WON'T ANSWER US ! BUT YOU SURELY CAN ! YOU TELL US ! WHICH ONE IS THE REAL WONDER WOMAN ?



AGAIN, COLD MERCILESS EYES WATCH THE COLONEL STARE AT ONE AMAZON FIGURE AND THEN THE OTHER ...

HE DOESN'T KNOW HE'LL SIGN THE DEATH WARRANT OF WHICH-EVER ONE HE PICKS !



AT THAT MOMENT, HIGH ABOVE THE TENSE CROWD, ON THE BUILDING BEING ERECTED ACROSS THE STREET...

CABLE SNAPPED !

NOTHING CAN SAVE US !

CRACK !



AND THEN, A GASP IS HEARD FROM THE CROWD AS...

IT'S LT.
PRINCE !

I NEVER SAW DI MAKE SUCH A STUPENDOUS LEAP !

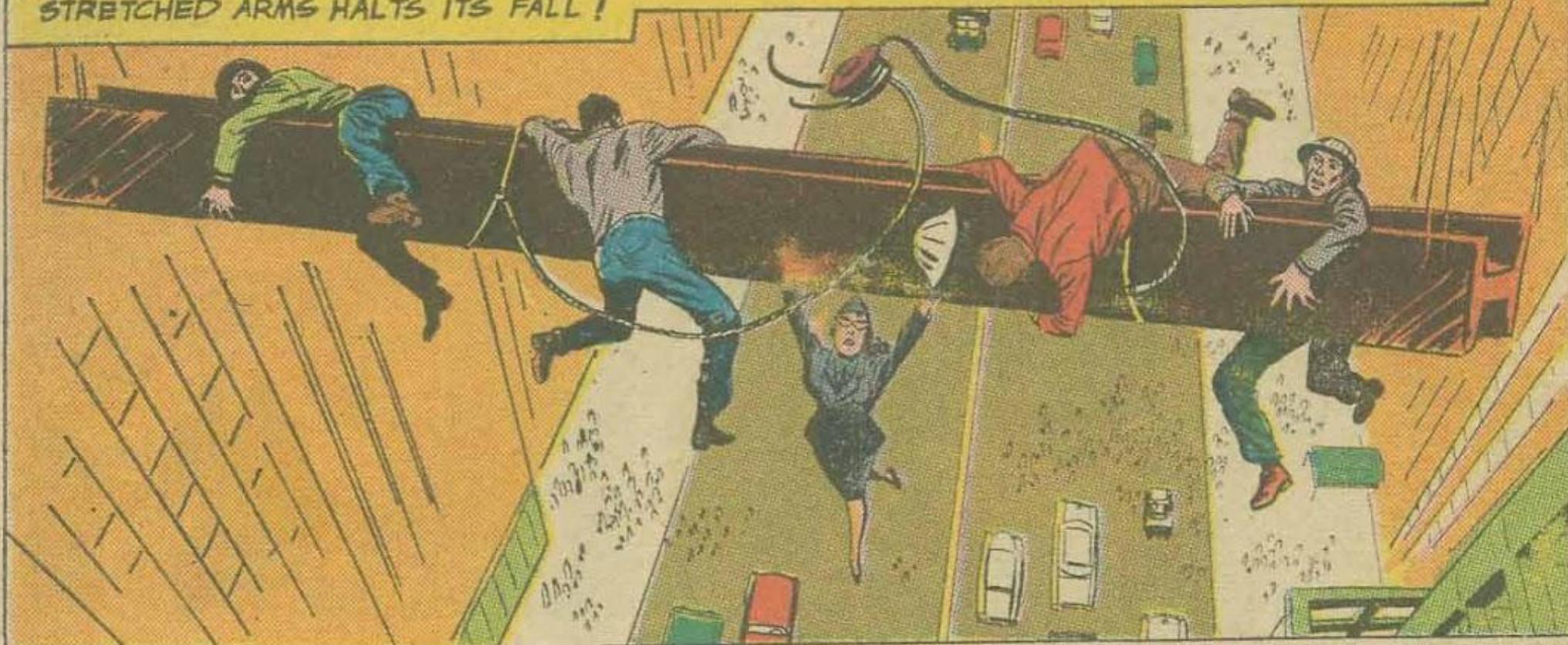




Wonder Woman



LIKE A HUMAN ARROW, LT. PRINCE FLASHES UNDER THE MASSIVE GIRDER--AND WITH OUT-STRETCHED ARMS HALTS ITS FALL !



SHIFTING THE IMMENSE WEIGHT ONTO ONE HAND--
SHE AGILELY STEPS ONTO THE NEAREST CATWALK
OF THE STEEL STRUCTURE...



AS THE MEN SCRAMBLE TO SAFETY...



WHAT PLAN IS DIANA REFERRING TO? TO SHED
SOME LIGHT ON ALL THIS MYSTERY WE MUST
TURN BACK THE CLOCK TO A WEEK AGO...

THIS STARTLING TALE STARTED A WEEK AGO
AT A SINISTER-LOOKING RETREAT IN THE NEAR-BY MOUNTAINS...

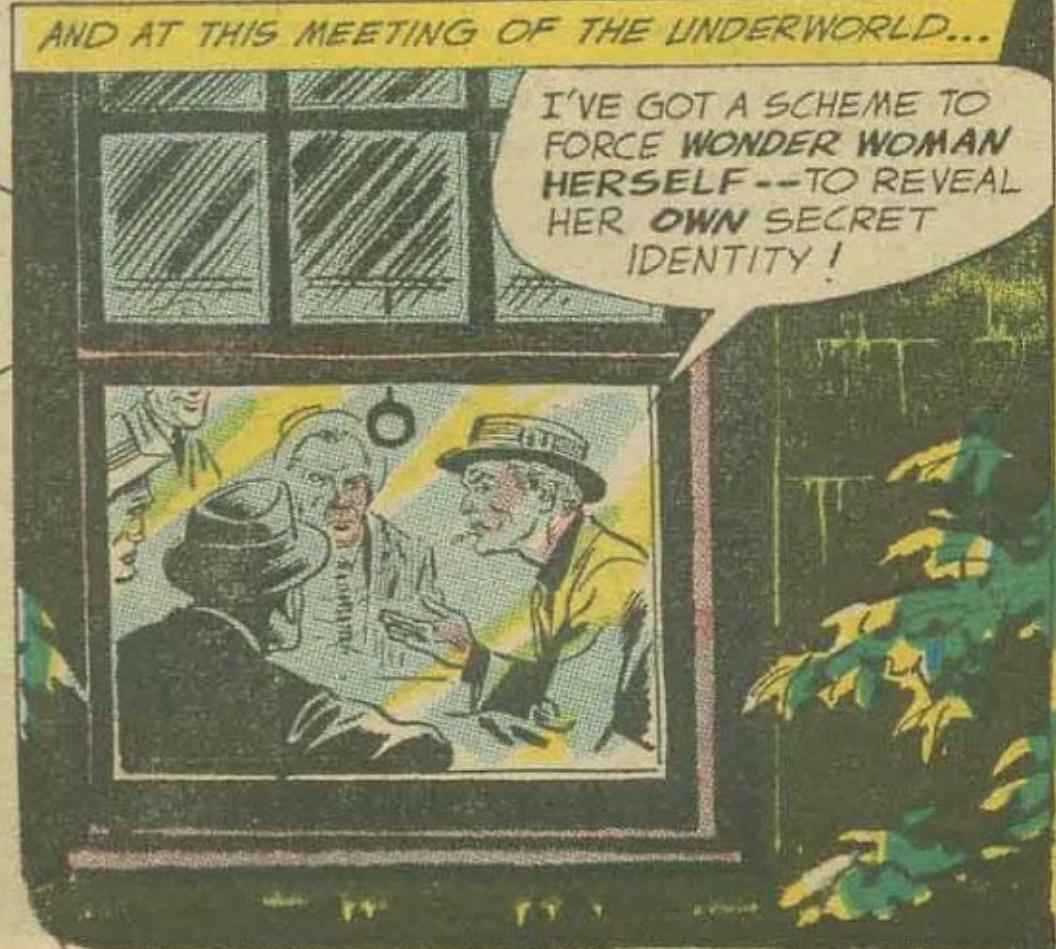
AS LONG AS WE DON'T KNOW WHO
WONDER WOMAN IS IN HER
SECRET IDENTITY--SHE CAN
STRIKE AT OUR OPERATIONS
FROM ANYWHERE AT ANY-TIME!

IT'S NO USE TRYING TO LOCATE WONDER WOMAN OURSELVES! WE'D NEED AN ARMY!



AND AT THIS MEETING OF THE UNDERWORLD...

I'VE GOT A SCHEME TO FORCE WONDER WOMAN HERSELF--TO REVEAL HER OWN SECRET IDENTITY!





Wonder Woman



WE'LL START A PHONEY ORGANIZATION. WE'LL OFFER A MILLION DOLLARS TO **WONDER WOMAN**--IF SHE REVEALS HER SECRET IDENTITY! HUNDREDS OF MIXED-UP PEOPLE WILL BE HURT--TRYING TO PROVE THEY'RE **WONDER WOMAN**!

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CONTEST!!

NAME
WONDER WOMAN

YOU ALL KNOW **WONDER WOMAN**! TO SAVE ALL THOSE PEOPLE FROM HARM-- SHE'LL HAVE TO RISK REVEALING HER SECRET IDENTITY! **THEN**-- WE'LL NET HER LIKE A PIGEON!

CONTEST!!

NAME
WONDER WOMAN

HERE'S
TO THE
**MILLION
DOLLAR
PIGEON!**

TERRIFIC
IDEA,
SLICKER!
WE
CAN'T
MISS!



NEWS OF THE PRIZE MONEY SWEPT THE COUNTRY...

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MILLION DOLLARS
FOR WONDER WOMAN'S
SECRET IDENTITY!

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THE AMAZON IF--!
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AT FIRST, LT. DIANA PRINCE AND COL. STEVE TREVOR HAD A GOOD LAUGH ABOUT IT...

THEY SHOULD ASK ME WHAT **WONDER WOMAN'S** SECRET IDENTITY IS! I SHOULD KNOW! WE'RE ENGAGED! AND THE MOMENT I EVER MEET HER IN HER OTHER IDENTITY--I WOULD SPOT HER INSTANTLY! BUT I HAVEN'T YET!



I WONDER WHAT STEVE WOULD SAY IF HE KNEW THAT HE WAS RIDING RIGHT NEXT TO **WONDER WOMAN** AT THIS VERY MOMENT!



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BELLES OF THE BALLET

WITHIN recent years, ballet has become one of the most popular art forms in America, and more and more girls are entering schools to learn the intricacies of the "batterie," the "entrechat," and the other difficult ballet steps.

When did the ballet, as a dance form, begin? Some historians claim that there was ballet before men learned how to speak properly. They base this claim on the very nature of ballet, which tells a story in dance form. There may be some justice to this claim, for primitive man is known, from his cave drawings, to have danced. The dances usually related tribal history, or took the form of giving praise to their gods.

Other historians take us back to ancient Rome and Greece for the origins of ballet. Actually, ballet in its modern form was developed at the court of the French kings when it was brought from Italy by Marie de Medici.

In the beginning it was a lavish spectacle, part dance, part song, and part recitation. There were no professional dancers at first so the courtiers and the king himself took part in these early ballet performances.

The biggest step forward toward ballet of today took place during the reign of Louis XIV, who was not only the greatest of all the French kings but was also the greatest patron of the arts. Louis himself was an accomplished dancer in his youth, but the time came when he grew too fat to continue the strenuous exercise required for ballet. Consequently, he decided to found an Academy of the Dance, in which people would be trained for the sole object of dancing as a career.

This Academy, the first school in the world to teach ballet, is still in existence, having headquarters at the Grand Opera in Paris. And this origin of modern ballet explains why all of the ballet terms are in the French language. The term "ballet" itself is, of course, a French word meaning a dramatic dance, a dance that tells a story.

One of the things we remember most after our first visit to a ballet performance is how skilfully the dancers are able to dance on their toes. And the question is often asked, how did the idea of toe-dancing come about?

Toe-dancing was introduced in about the 1830s, during the great age of Romanticism. The nature of literature had changed from the severe classical to the highly romantic, and writers were entertaining their readers with stories about nymphs and sylphs, unearthly beings who could hover and fly. Before long, ballets came to be based upon these stories, and dancers were expected to imitate flying creatures.

What was more natural, therefore, than that the dancers should pretend to fly by rising on their toes? That was the beginning of toe-dancing. And while ballet stories eventually involved other subjects, the graceful toe-dancing remained a part of ballet.

It takes many, many years of extremely hard work to become a ballet dancer. Most students start going to ballet school before attending regular school, and the training is difficult. But many girls feel it is all worth it to become a famous ballerina.

CIRCULATION PROMOTION STUNTS!

IN CONJUNCTION WITH REPORTER "NELIE BLY'S" ATTEMPT TO CIRCLE THE EARTH IN LESS THAN THE 80 DAYS TAKEN BY JULES VERNE'S FICTIONAL HERO, THE NEW YORK **WORLD** IN 1889 CONDUCTED A GUESSING CONTEST IN WHICH THE PERSON WHO MOST CLOSELY GUESSED THE TIME OF THE AROUND-THE-WORLD TRIP WAS AWARDED AN ALL-EXPENSE TRIP TO EUROPE. NEARLY A MILLION GUESSES WERE SUBMITTED...



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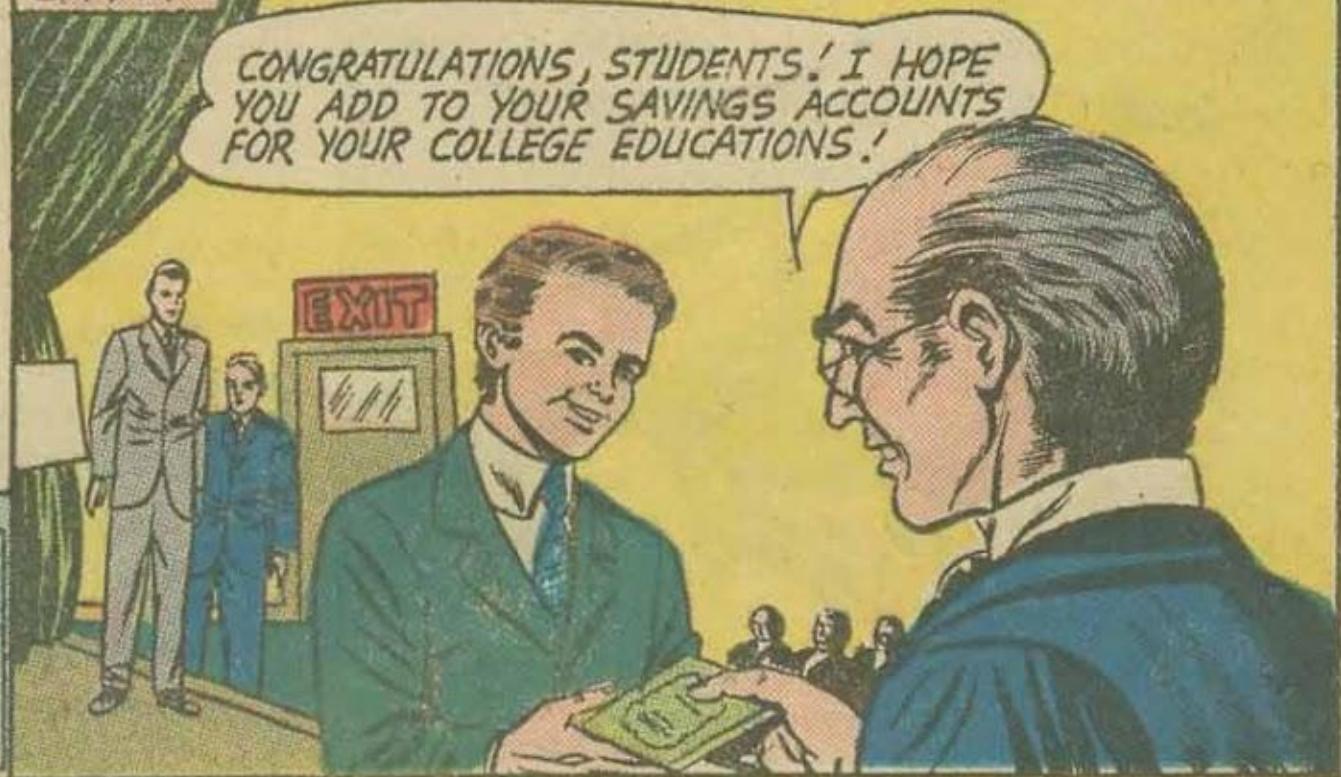
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THE PUBLISHERS OF THE BOSTON **GLOBE** CELEBRATED THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PAPER IN 1903 BY AWARDING SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS TO THE MOST POPULAR SCHOOL CHILDREN IN THE CITY...

CONGRATULATIONS, STUDENTS! I HOPE YOU ADD TO YOUR SAVINGS ACCOUNTS FOR YOUR COLLEGE EDUCATIONS!



THE ENTIRE FRONT PAGE OF THE NEW YORK **HERALD** FOR NOVEMBER 9, 1874, FEATURED A SENSATIONAL STORY OF THE ESCAPE OF WILD ANIMALS FROM THE CENTRAL PARK ZOO, DETAILING THE "AWFUL COMBATS BETWEEN THE BEASTS AND THE CITIZENS." AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE STORY, IT WAS REVEALED THAT IT WAS ALL A **HOAX**, DESIGNED TO ALERT CITIZENS TO A SIMILAR CATASTROPHE WHICH THE PAPER WARNED COULD EASILY OCCUR...





Wonder Woman



JUST THEN...

WONDER WOMAN!

SHE'S JUST AN IMPERSONATOR!
I'M WONDER WOMAN! BUT--
I CAN'T SAY ANYTHING WITHOUT
REVEALING MY SECRET IDENTITY--
WHICH HAS ENABLED ME TO BATTLE
CRIME AND INJUSTICE!



THE AMAZON FIGURE RACED UNHESITATINGLY
INTO THE CAR'S PATH...

I'LL PROVE I'M
THE REAL WONDER
WOMAN--BY LEAP-
ING OVER THAT
CAR!



AS STEVE DESPERATELY WRENCHED THE STEERING
WHEEL TO AVOID HITTING THE ONRUSHING FIGURE...

THE CAR PLUNGED OVER--OUT OF
CONTROL ...

I'M GOING INTO A
SKID! WE'RE GOING
TO GO OVER THE
CLIFF!



GREAT HERA! STEVE'S
BEEN THROWN OUT OF
THE CAR!

CRASH!



WITH SPEED NO HUMAN COULD MEASURE, DIANA
CHANGED INTO WONDER WOMAN INSIDE THE
HURTLING CAR ...

WITH ANOTHER DAZZLING BURST OF
MOTION, SHE DIVED TOWARDS THE
PLUMMETING STEVE ...



ALIGHTING ON THE BEACH BELOW WITH HER BURDEN, SHE THRUST UP A POWERFUL ARM JUST AS...

I THOUGHT I WAS A GONER--UNTIL YOU ARRIVED, ANGEL! I GUESS YOU ALREADY SAVED DI?

YES, DARLING!



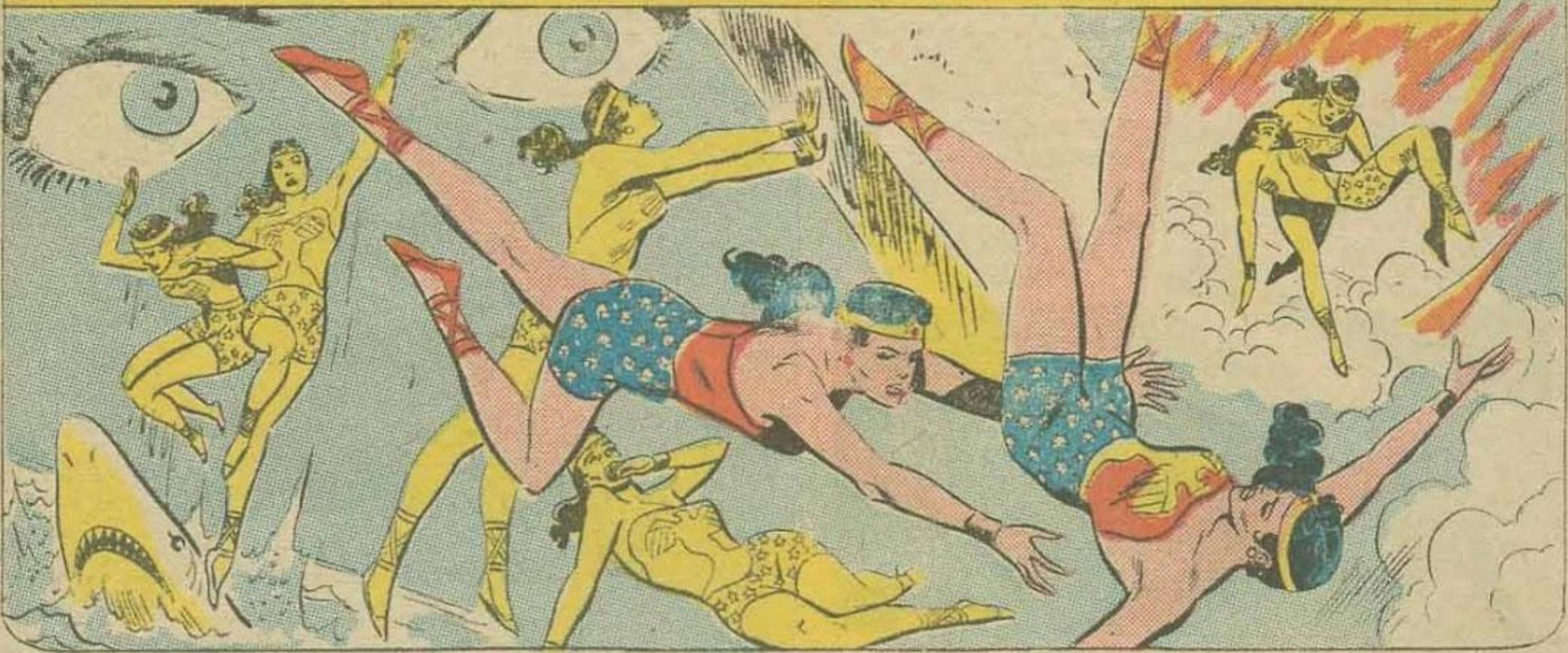
WITH THE DISASTER AVERTED...

I HOPE NO ONE ELSE TRIES ANY MORE FOOL STUNTS LIKE THAT FOOL GIRL! IF YOU WEREN'T ON THE SCENE--WHO KNOWS HOW MANY PEOPLE WOULD HAVE BEEN HURT!

IT PROBABLY WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN!



SOON, WONDER WOMAN WAS SO BUSY RESCUING HER IMPERSONATORS... AROUND THE CLOCK...



THAT... I HAVE NO TIME ANYMORE TO BATTLE CRIME AND INJUSTICE! THERE'S ONLY ONE THING TO DO TO HALT THIS MADNESS--REVEAL MY SECRET IDENTITY--BEFORE IMPOSSIBLE DAMAGE HAS BEEN DONE!



AND SO, THE AMAZON DELIBERATELY REVEALS HER SECRET IDENTITY OF LT. DIANA PRINCE... AND AS SHE RETURNS FROM HER RESCUE OF THE MEN ON THE GIRDER--WE CONTINUE WITH THIS STARTLING TALE...

DI... WHAT A FOOL I'VE BEEN! CAN YOU EVER FORGIVE ME?



AND AS THE TWO DROVE AWAY TOGETHER--
RUTHLESS EYES WATCHED THEM...

THERE GOES OUR MILLION
DOLLAR PIGEON!
WONDER WOMAN IS
FINISHED--NOW THAT WE
KNOW HER SECRET
IDENTITY!



AND IN THE CAR...

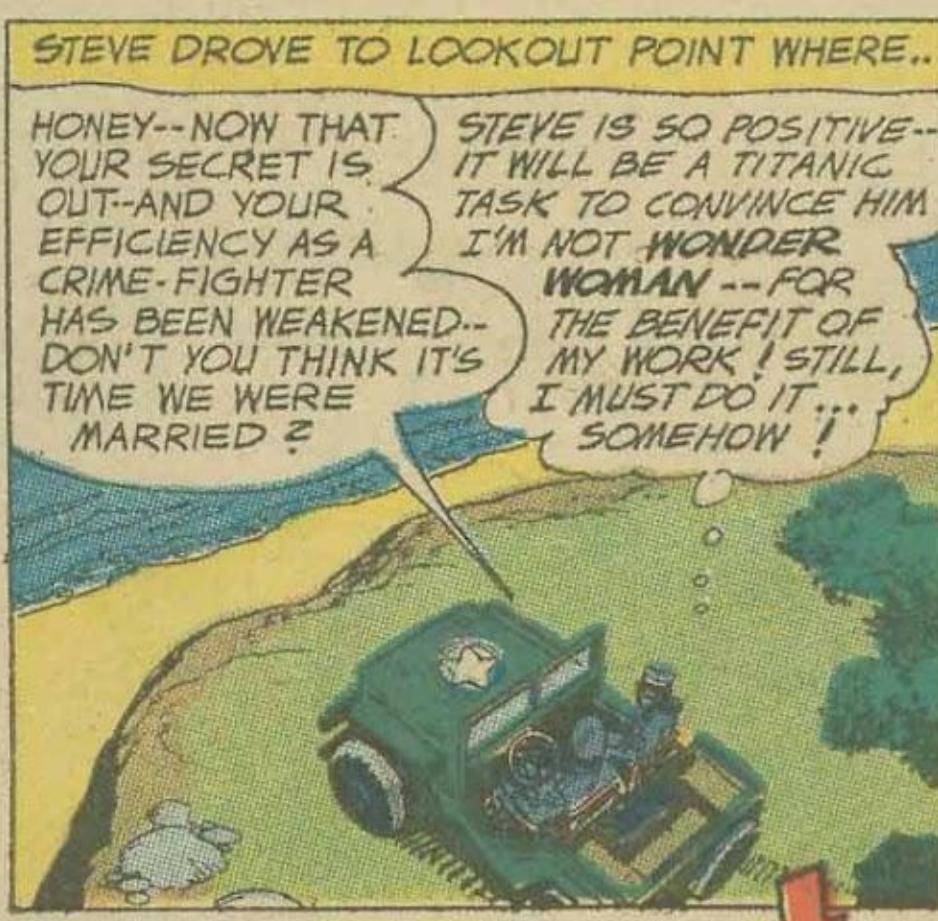
I HAVE SET MYSELF
AN ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE
TASK! TO FOOL BOTH
STEVE--AND WHOEVER
IS BEHIND THIS PLOT
TO LEARN MY DUAL
IDENTITY--THAT I AM
NOT WONDER
WOMAN!



STEVE DROVE TO LOOKOUT POINT WHERE..

HONEY--NOW THAT
YOUR SECRET IS
OUT--AND YOUR
EFFICIENCY AS A
CRIME-FIGHTER
HAS BEEN WEAKENED--
DON'T YOU THINK IT'S
TIME WE WERE
MARRIED?

STEVE IS SO POSITIVE--
IT WILL BE A TITANIC
TASK TO CONVINCE HIM
I'M NOT WONDER
WOMAN --FOR
THE BENEFIT OF
MY WORK! STILL,
I MUST DO IT...
SOMEHOW!



SUDDENLY, A CONTAINER HURTLED DOWN
AT STEVE'S JEEP FROM ABOVE...

DI--R-R-RUN
BEFORE--
BE--!

SUFFERING SAPPHO!... I
DIDN'T THINK... THE VILLAIN...
BEHIND... TH-THIS... WOULD
ST-STRIKE SO SOON... I DIDN'T
F-F-FIGURE ON STEVE B-BEING
WITH M...



AND THEN, FROM THE VILLAIN'S GIANT HELICOPTER WHICH HAD BEEN TRACKING STEVE'S JEEP, A MASSIVE CRANE IS LOWERED...

WE'VE GOT WONDER
WOMAN--WHEN WE'VE
GOT LT. DIANA PRINCE!

YOU SURE
DID,
SLICKER!



TO A DESERTED BEACH THE HELICOPTER DRONED AND THERE...

LOWER WONDER WOMAN INTO THE ROCKET!



SHORTLY, THE GIANT ROCKET IS FIRED TO THE GREAT GLEE OF THE ASSEMBLED VILLAINS...



THERE'S THE END OF WONDER WOMAN! FROM NOW ON -- SHE'LL CIRCLE THE EARTH FOREVER -- IN A FLYING PRISON! AND WE CAN PLOT OUR BIGGEST CRIMES WITHOUT INTERFERENCE FROM HER!



IN THE ROCKET HURTLING INTO SPACE, THE INDOMITABLE WILL OF THE AMAZON BEGAN TO ASSERT ITSELF...

TH-THANK HERA-- STEVE'S ST- STILL UNCONSCIOUS... AT LEAST... I'LL HAVE A CHANCE TO TRY TO RESCUE HIM-- AND FOOL HIM INTO TH-THINKING DIANA PRINCE IS NOT WONDER WOMAN!



AGAIN AN EYE-BLURRING TRANSFORMATION IS MADE ...

BUT CONVINCING STEVE HE IS MISTAKEN-- IS ONLY HALF THE BATTLE! I MUST ALSO CONVINCE THE VILLAIN BEHIND THIS PLOT!



CAN WONDER WOMAN ACCOMPLISH THIS IN A ROCKET SOARING INTO SPACE?



Wonder Woman

SUDDENLY, A SURGE SHOCKED THE WHOLE ROCKET AS...

GREAT HERA! THE FIRST STAGE HAS ALREADY DROPPED OFF! I HAVE VERY LITTLE TIME LEFT!



WITH ALL THE POWER OF HER VOCAL CORDS WONDER WOMAN CALLED FOR HER UNIQUE AMAZON PLANE WHICH ONLY RESPONDED TO THE VIBRATIONS OF HER VOICE...

CALLING PLANE!... CALLING PLANE!...



FOR A MOMENT, RECOVERING CONSCIOUSNESS, STEVE DAZEDLY RECOGNIZED...

WONDER WOMAN'S PLANE!... H-H-HOW IS TH-THAT POSSIBLE-- IF--IF--?



EVEN AS THE PILOT LAPSED BACK INTO UNCONSCIOUSNESS AGAIN...

THE SECOND STAGE HAS FALLEN OFF THE ROCKET! IN A FEW MORE INSTANTS-- THE NOSE CONE WE'RE IN WILL BE ORBITING IN SPACE!



DESPERATELY, WONDER WOMAN TOOK OFF HER TIARA, MADE OF AMAZONIUM, HARDEST METAL KNOWN AND...

I'VE GOT TO CUT AN ESCAPE HATCH!



AND THEN, HOLDING HER SWEETHEART, THE DARING AMAZON LEAPED OUT OF THE ROCKET AS...

HERA HELP ME REACH THE INSIDE OF MY PLANE IN TIME -- BEFORE THE LACK OF OXYGEN KILLS STEVE



Wonder Woman



BUT, JUST AS THE TWO FLYING FIGURES NEARED THE PLANE--IT DARTED IN A DIFFERENT DIRECTION AS...

THUNDERBOLTS OF JOVE! MY PLANE AUTOMATICALLY DIVED OUT OF THE WAY OF THAT METEOR--AND OUT OF MY GRASP! STEVE CAN'T SURVIVE OUT HERE WITHOUT OXYGEN!



INSTANTLY, EVEN AS SHE HURLED HERSELF AFTER THE ROBOT PLANE WONDER WOMAN ACTS LIKE AN INGENIOUS OXYGEN TANK!

GOT TO... BREATHE WHATEVER AIR... IS IN MY... LUNGS... INTO... STEVE'S... OR HE'S... FINISHED... !



WITH A DAZZLING BURST OF SPEED, THE AMAZON REACHED THE EMERGENCY ENTRANCE INTO HER PLANE WITH STEVE SAFELY...

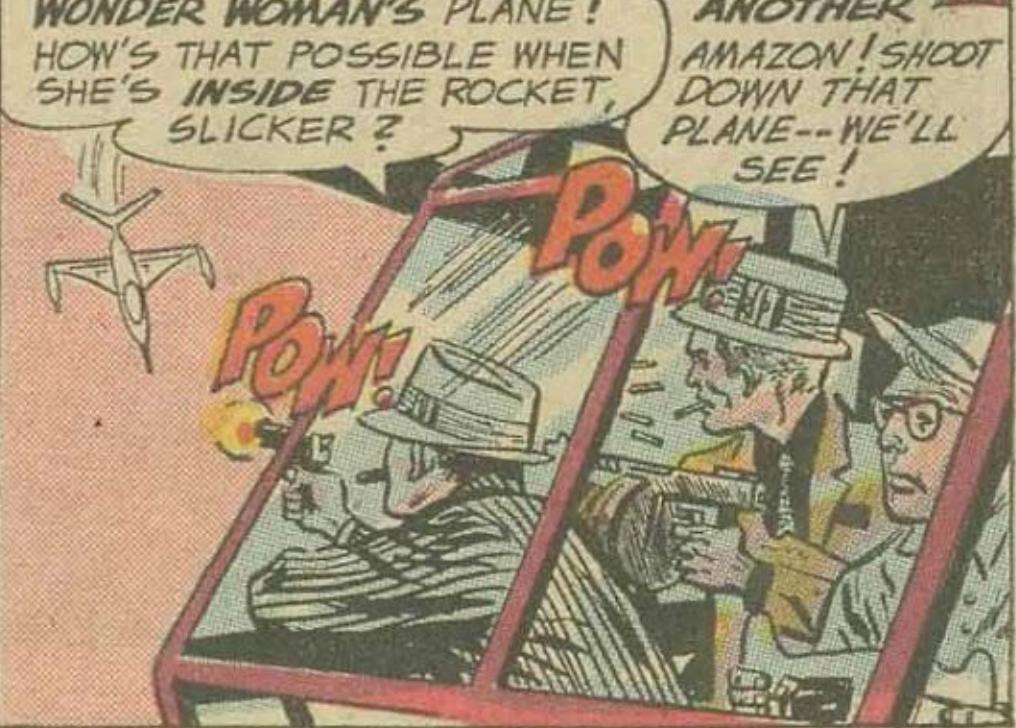
THANK HERA! STEVE WILL BE ALL RIGHT! I'LL HEAD DOWN FOR THE LAUNCHING SITE FROM WHICH THE ROCKET WAS FIRED!



DOWN, WONDER WOMAN PILOTED HER FLASHING PLANE UNTIL ...

WONDER WOMAN'S PLANE! HOW'S THAT POSSIBLE WHEN SHE'S INSIDE THE ROCKET, SLICKER?

MAYBE IT'S ANOTHER AMAZON! SHOOT DOWN THAT PLANE--WE'LL SEE!



BUT, WONDER WOMAN LEAPED OUT ON A WING OF HER PLANE, AND WHIRLING HER LASSO AROUND AT TREMENDOUS SPEED...

WOOH!

SHE'S TURNING US OVER JUST BY WHIRLING HER LASSO AROUND--ONLY WONDER WOMAN CAN DO THAT STUNT!



Wonder Woman

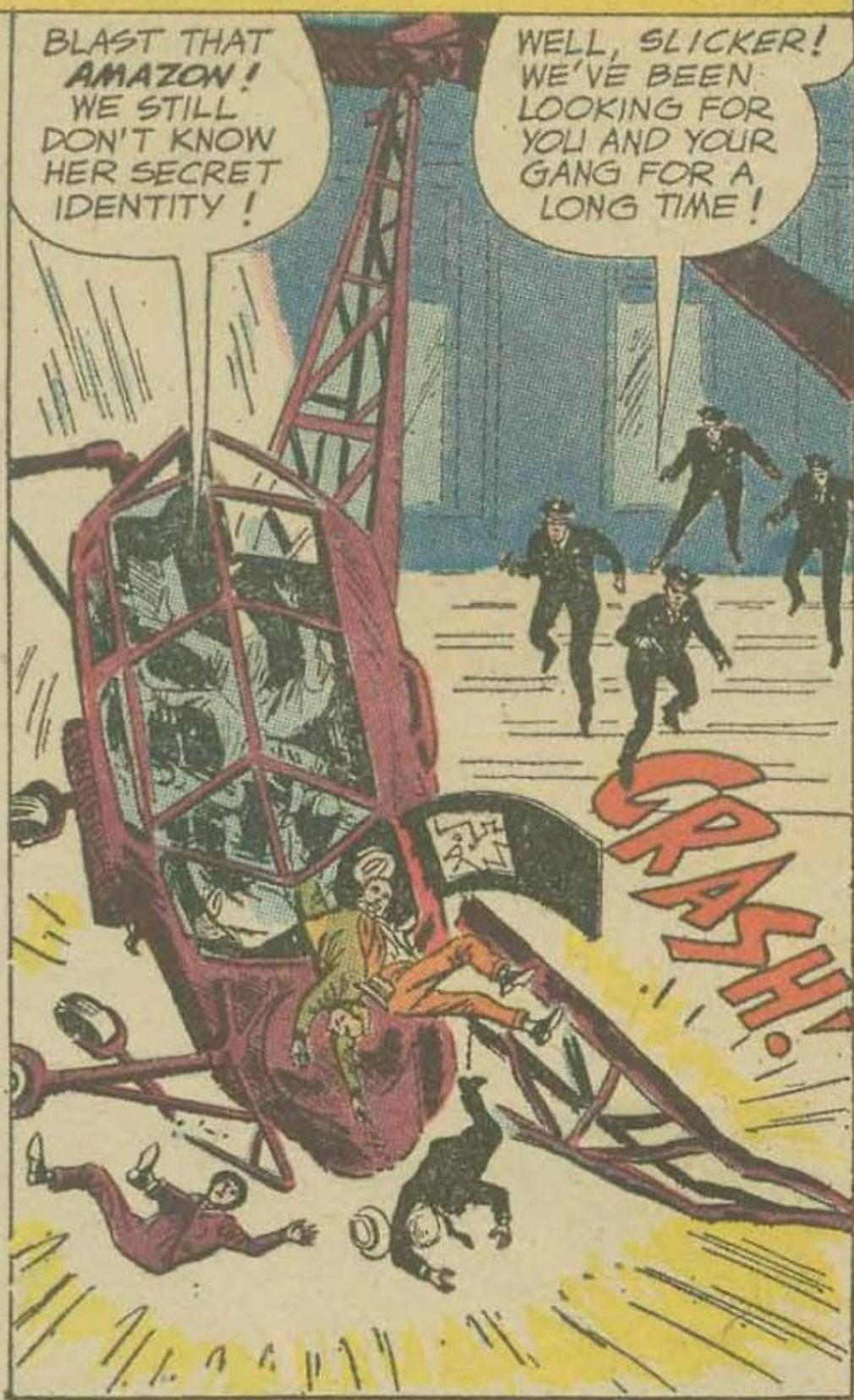


LIKE A GIANT CARTWHEEL, WONDER WOMAN DROPS THE STUNNED GANG AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS...



BLAST THAT AMAZON!
WE STILL DON'T KNOW HER SECRET IDENTITY!

WELL, SLICKER!
WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU AND YOUR GANG FOR A LONG TIME!



SLOWLY, STEVE RECOVERED CONSCIOUSNESS...

I THOUGHT SO! IT WAS YOU... FLYING TO DIANA'S AND MY RESCUE... I SAW YOUR PLANE OUTSIDE THE ROCKET... GUESS SHE'S ALL RIGHT--OR YOU WOULDN'T BE HERE! FUNNY--ME THINKING ANYONE AS BEAUTIFUL AS YOU--COULD ALSO BE DI!



I DREAMED YOU KISSED ME!

DREAM'S OVER, STEVE!



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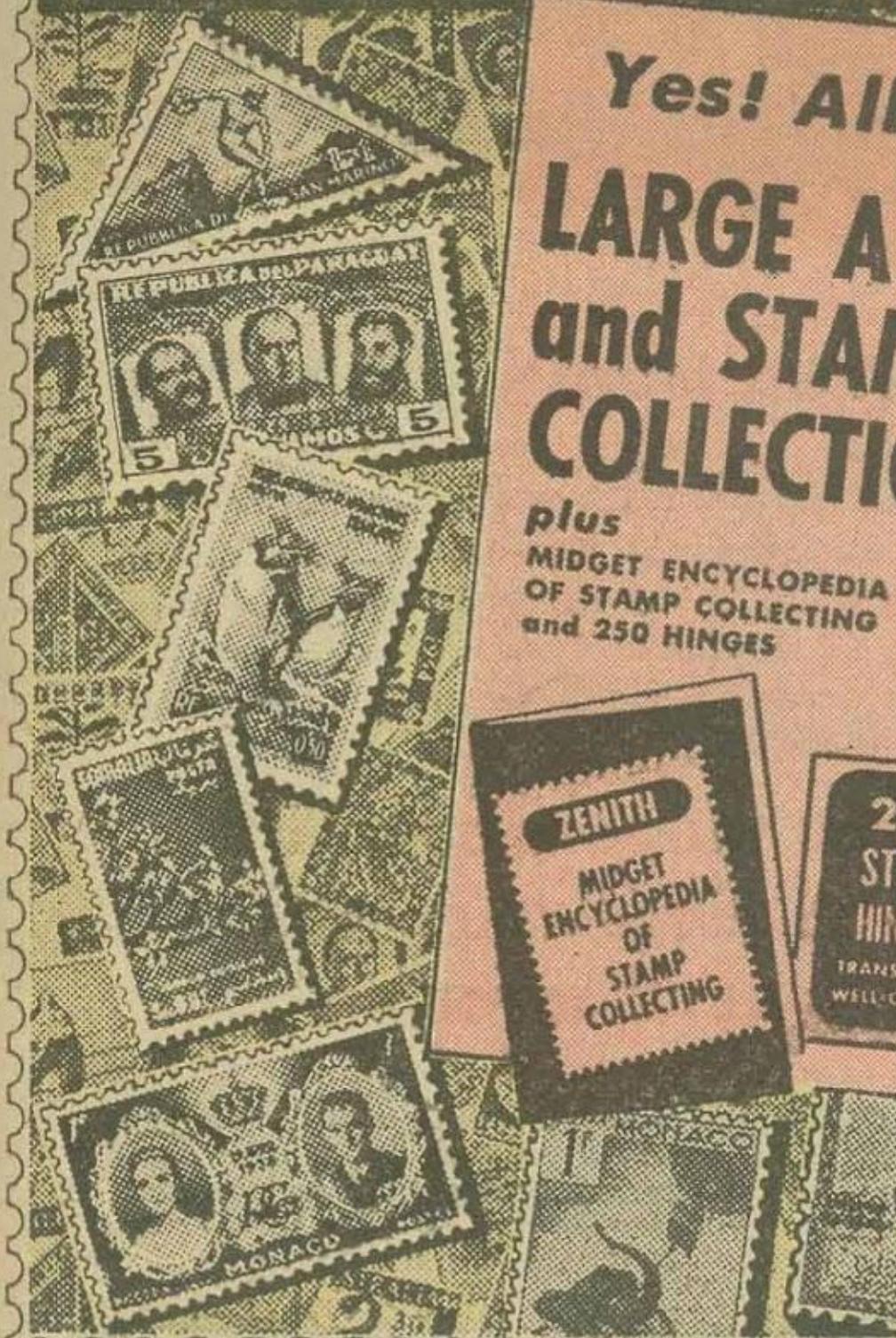
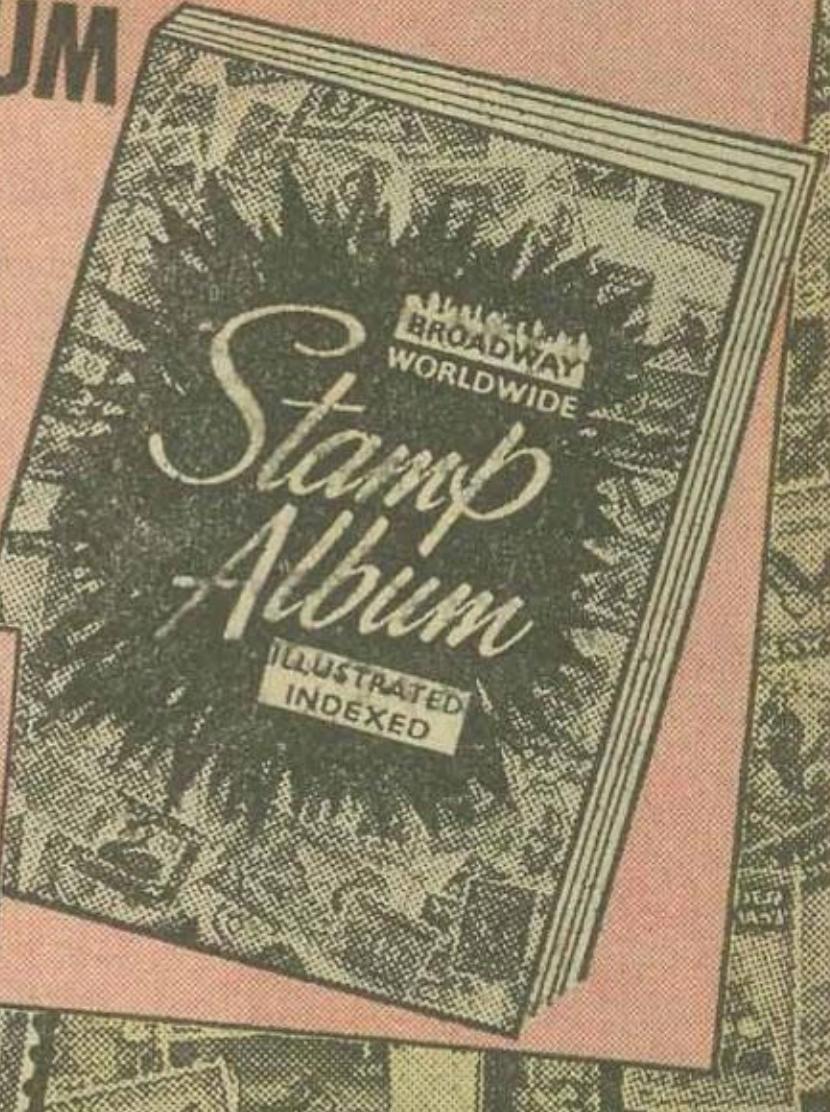
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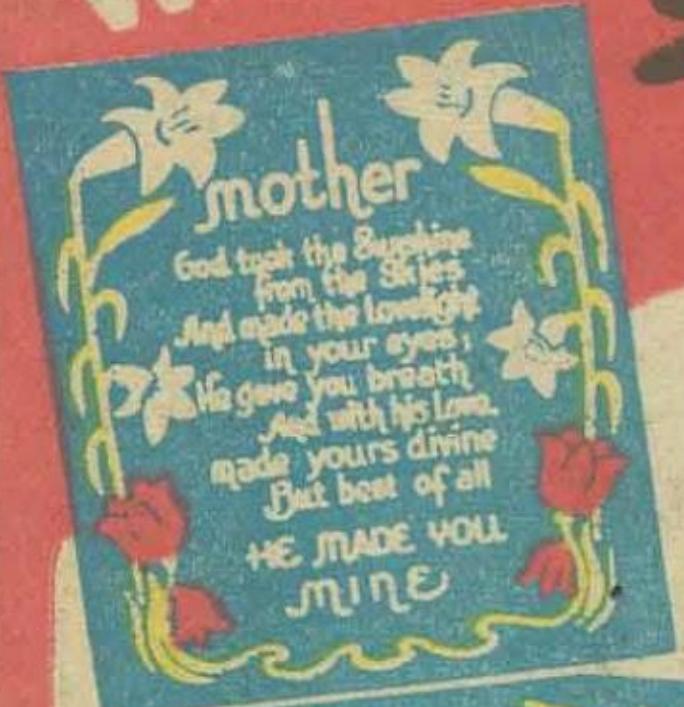
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IN 15 MINUTES I'LL PROVE YOU CAN HAVE A RUGGED, VIRILE, HE-MAN BODY!

Let me add 5 to 50 Pounds of "He-Man" muscles to your body. Pack 3 inches of "Steel-like" muscles to your arms. Add another 10 inches of rugged muscles to your chest — right in the privacy of your own home!

THIS CERTAINLY CAN HAPPEN TO YOU!

What I did for these former weaklings I can do for you!

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LIVING
PROOF!

**ANDRE
LEPINE**

**Gains 80 lbs.
OF
SOLID MUSCLE**



BEFORE



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JUST 15 MINUTES TO THAT RUGGED, DYNAMIC, HE-MAN BUILD YOU ALWAYS WANTED!

Give me 15 minutes right in the privacy of your own home and I will prove to you that in half the time and with twice the ease, in just a few minutes daily, I will, through my TRIPLE-PROGRESSION COURSE, slap inches of steel muscles to your pipe stem arms, pack your chest with power and size, give you life-guard shoulders, dynamic, speedy athletic legs — add jet-charged strength to every muscle in your body. I don't care if you're short or tall, skinny or fat, office-worker, laborer, school-boy, or businessman, I must make a new virile he-man out of you, and also . . . help you build "inner strength" that will give you the virile look that women admire and men envy. What I did for Andre Lepine, Jack Delinger, Ray Schaffer and other "Mr. America" winners — and thousands of weaklings — I can do for you! Yes, I can turn you into a Real He-Man.

YOURS FREE! NOTHING TO BUY! AMAZING FREE TRIAL OFFER!

Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity

**LET ME PROVE TO YOU AT MY OWN EXPENSE
THAT EVERYTHING I SAY CAN BE DONE!**

FREE MUSCLE BUILDING TRIAL OFFER. Fill out coupon and mail to me. I'll rush you my Giant 48-page course, filled with exercises, training secrets, heroic photos of the mighty champions and private advice on how you can become a muscle star fast! A-C-T-I-O-N Is The Key To Strength. Make your first he-man decision to-day. Rush in this coupon for your free trial course. You have nothing to lose but your weakness.

**MY FREE TRIAL OFFER IS NOW YOURS AS A
FREE GIFT! NO OBLIGATION ON YOUR PART...
JUST RUSH ME THIS COUPON NOW.**

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MAIL COUPON FOR YOUR FREE COURSE

Check here where you want bigger muscles . . . I'll show you how to put 'em there!

I WANT

Added Weight

Broader Shoulders

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More Endurance and Energy



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() CHEST

() WAIST

() THIGHS

() CALVES

(check the gains you want)

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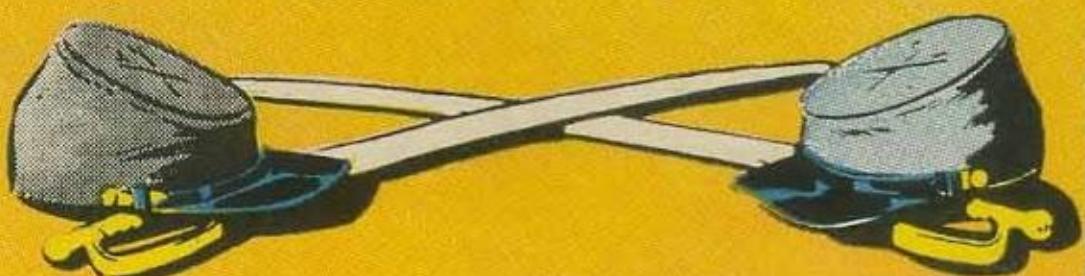
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