ONE-PUNCH MAN

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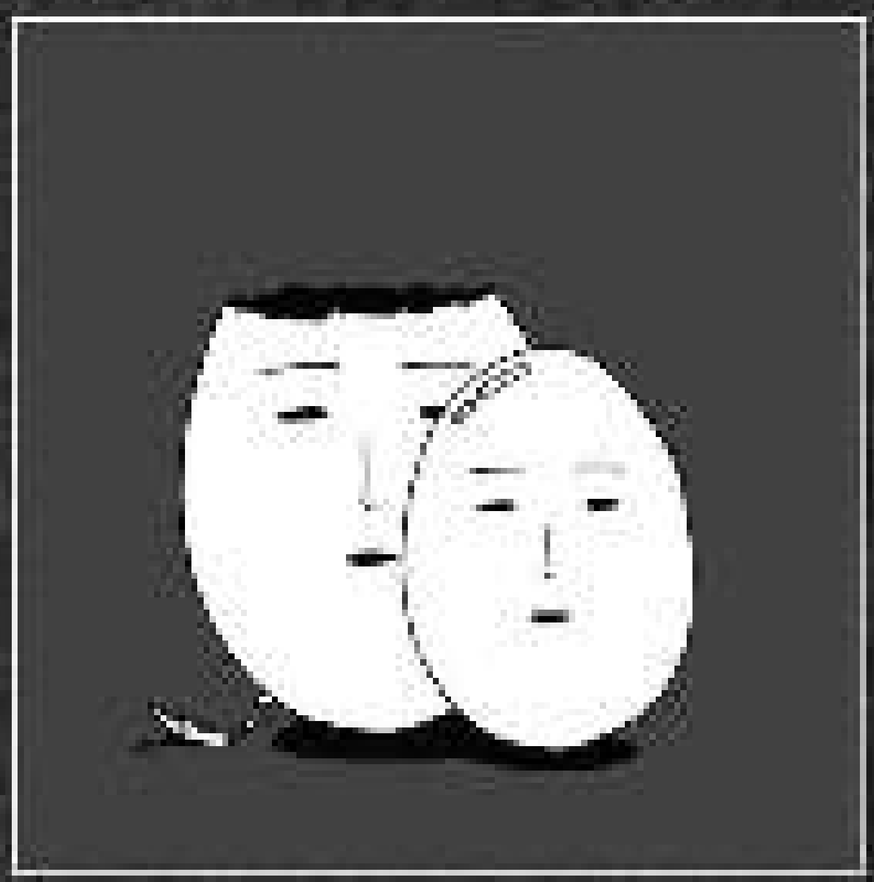

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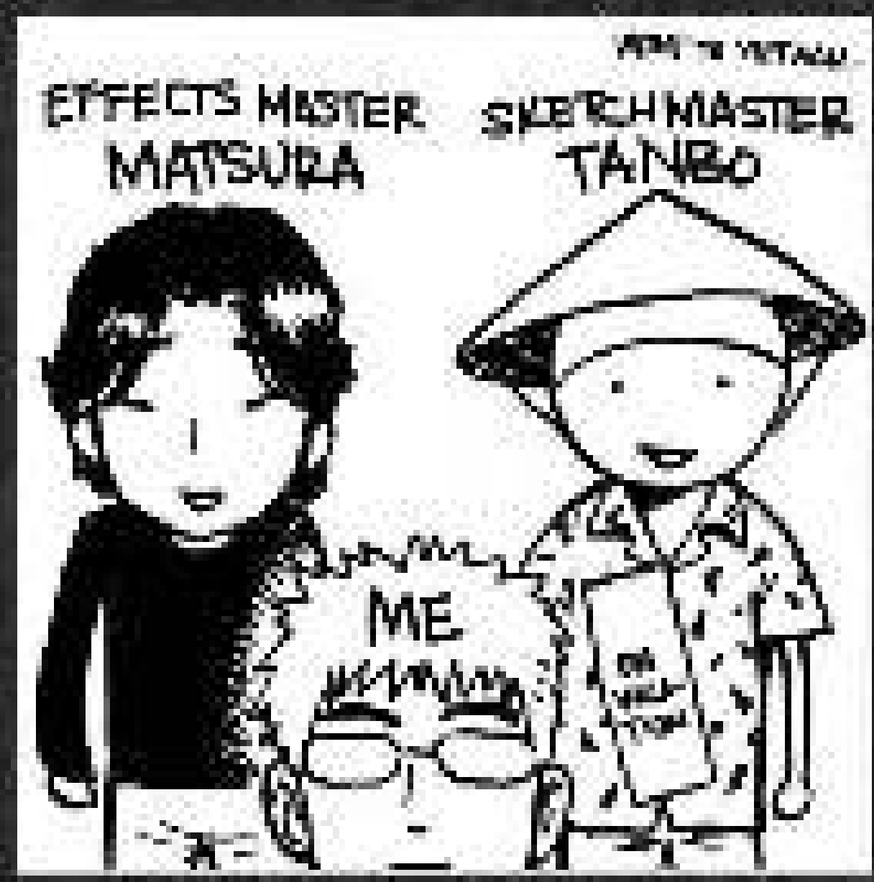
Every single positive comment from every reader is encouraging.

—ONE

Manga creator ONE began *One-Punch Man* as a webcomic, which quickly went viral, garnering over 10 million hits. In addition to *One-Punch Man* ONE writes and draws the series *Mob Psycho 100* and *Molester on Ocean*.



Y U S U K E
M U R A T A

(ONE OF TODAY'S MOST HOT MANGA STORIES)

Try sliding up the dust cover [on the Japanese graphic novel version]. Sonic will form one picture together with the inside illustration.

—Yusuke Murata

A highly decorated and skilled artist best known for his work on *Eyeshield 21*, Yusuke Murata won the 122nd Hop Step Award (2005) for *Partner* and placed second in the 51st Akatsuka Award (2006) for *Sand Land*.

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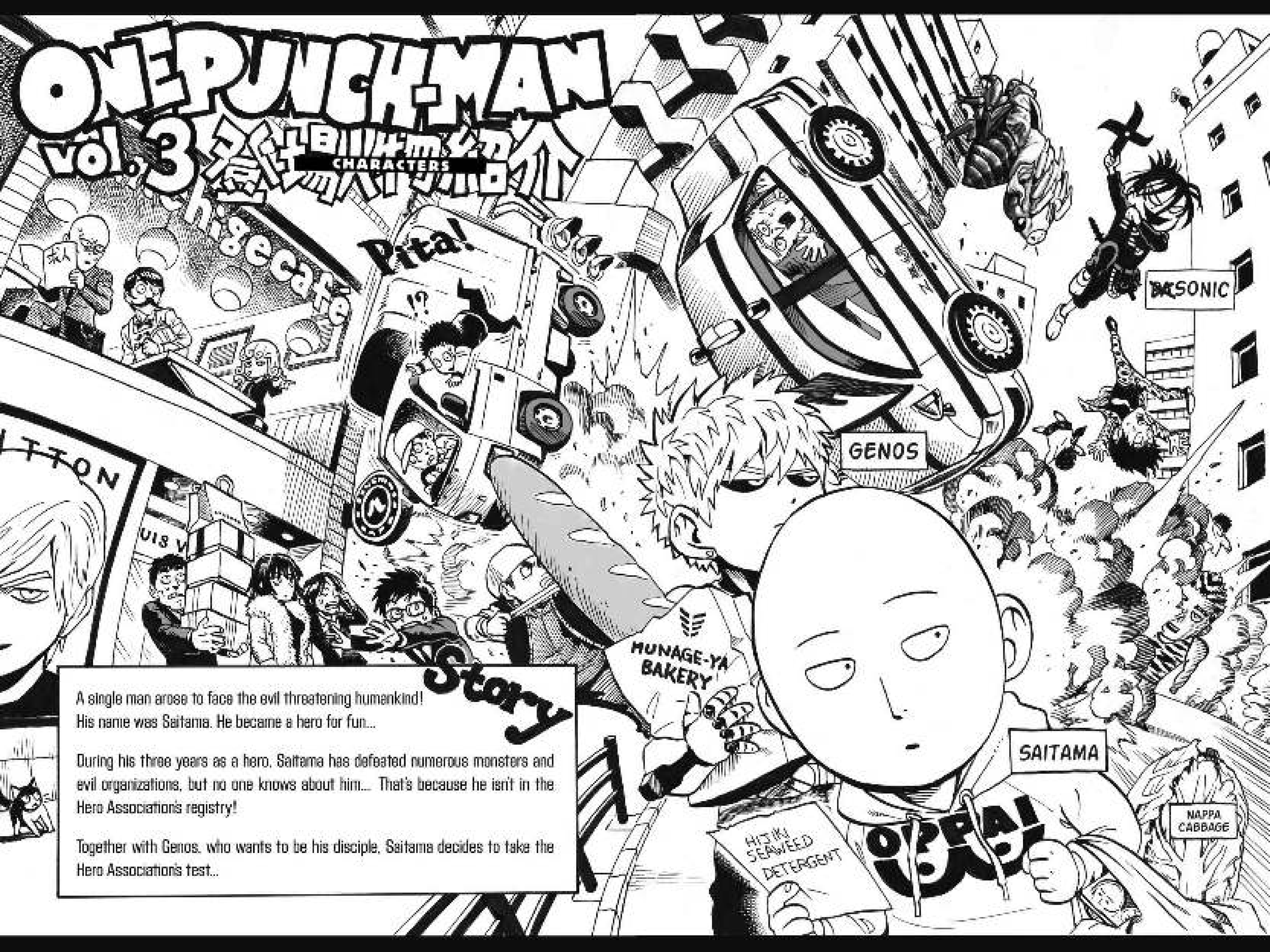
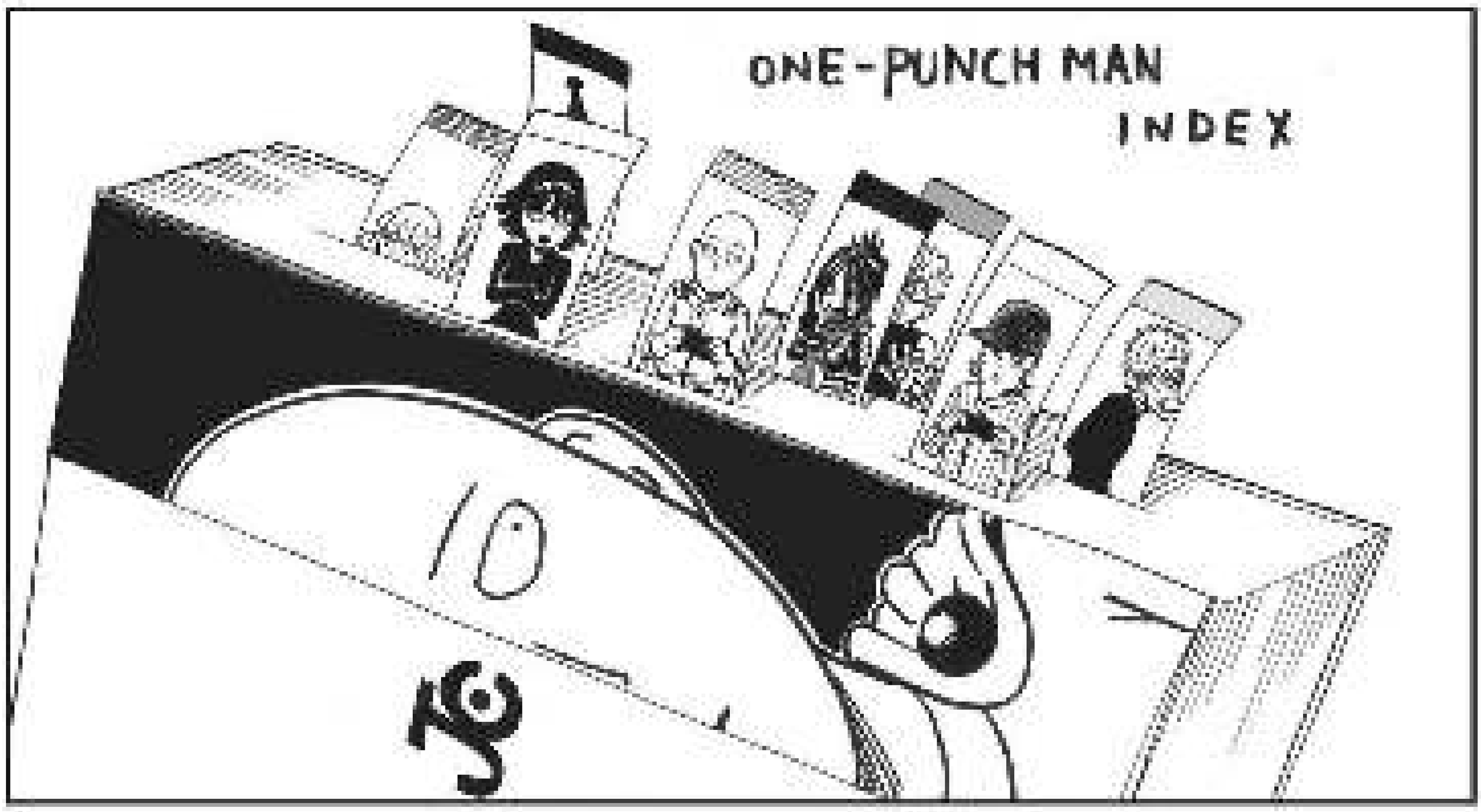

ONE-PUNCH MAN
vol. 3
CHARACTERS
Pita!
BACSONIC
GENOS
MUNAGE-YA BAKERY
SAITAMA
NAPPA CABBAGE
HOSHI SEAWEED DETERGENT
OPPAI
Story
A single man arose to face the evil threatening humankind! His name was Saitama. He became a hero for fun...
During his three years as a hero, Saitama has defeated numerous monsters and evil organizations, but no one knows about him... That's because he isn't in the Hero Association's registry!
Together with Genos, who wants to be his disciple, Saitama decides to take the Hero Association's test...



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ONE-PUNCH MAN

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My name is Saitama. I am a hero. My hobby is home exercise. I get my strong. Are that makes me sad. I can defeat any enemy with one blow. I lost my hair. And I lose a friend. I want to feel the rush of battle. I want to meet a really strong enemy. And I would like to defeat it with one blow. This is how I am One-Punch Man.

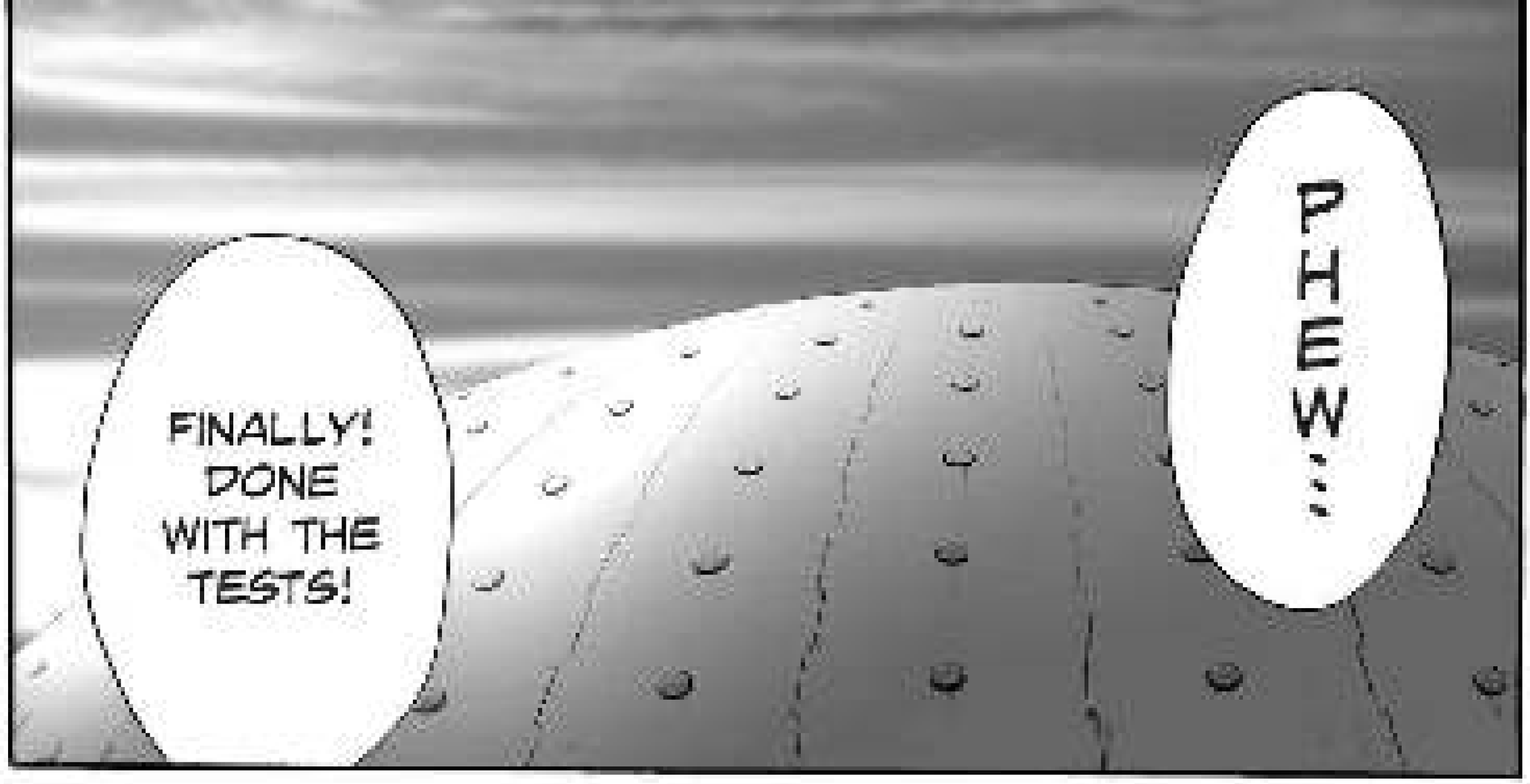
PUNCH 16: I PASSED

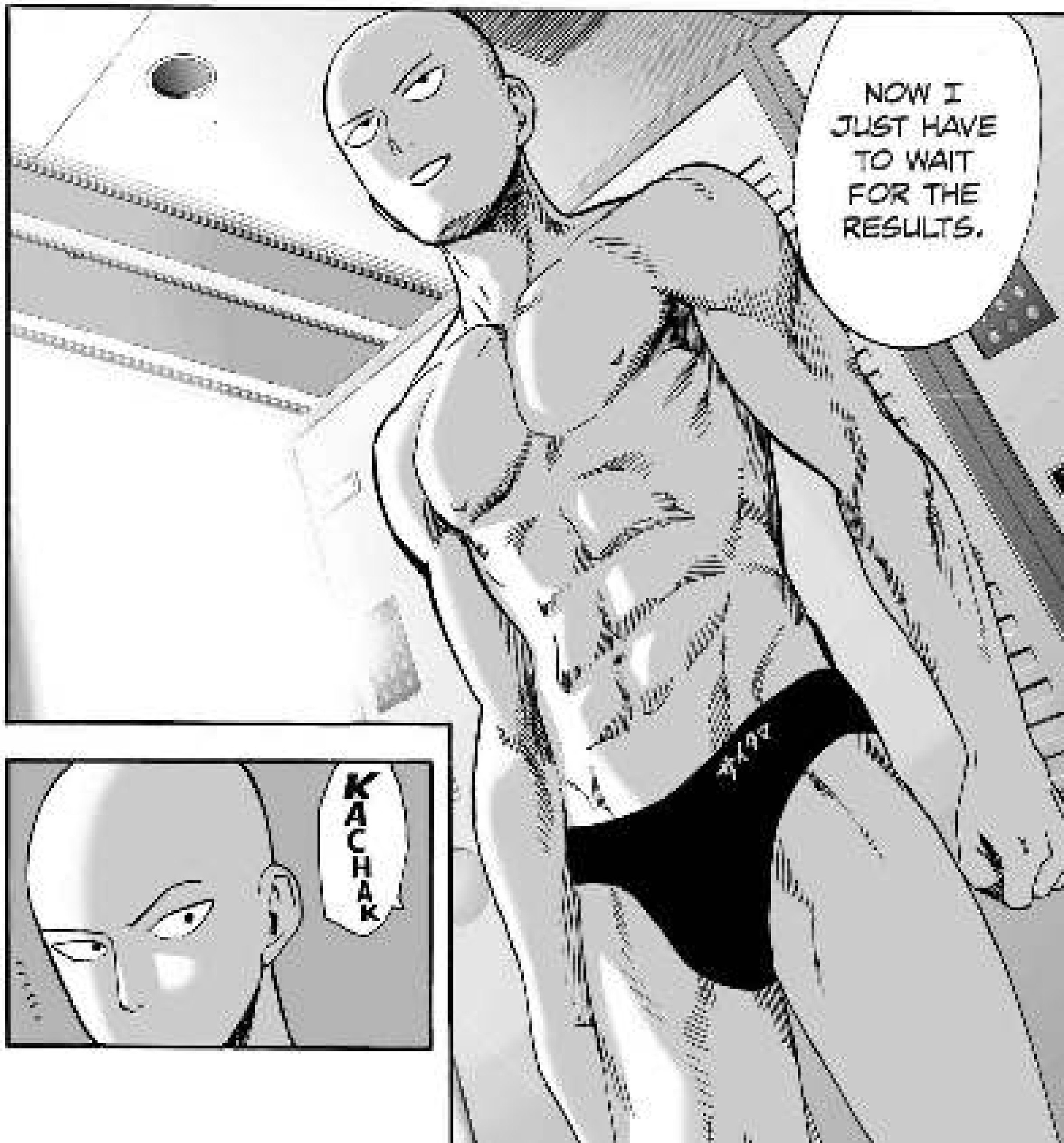
NEXT!
LATERAL JUMPS! THIRTY SECONDS!
SKIP

ちょすけ!!

NEXT!
THE 1500-METER DASH!

WEIGHT-
LIFTING!
VERTI-
CAL
JUMP!

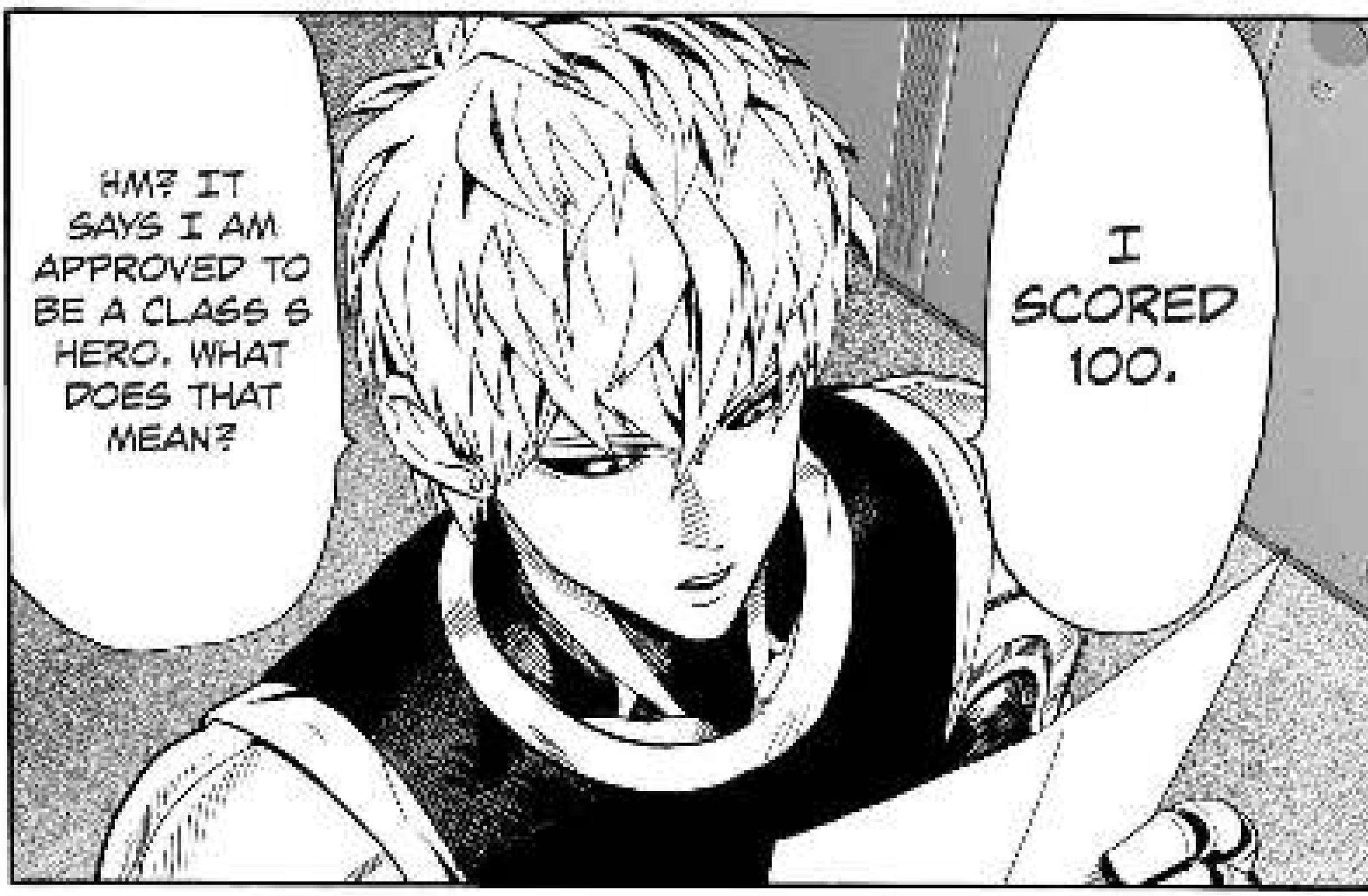

FINALLY! DONE WITH THE TESTS!
PHEW...


NOW I JUST HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE RESULTS.
KACHAK

YES.

OH, YOU'RE DONE TOO?

ONE HOUR LATER.



...WITH 71 POINTS, MAKING CLASS C.

I PASSED ...

NO! IT'S TOO EMBAR-RASSING!

I WILL LODGE A COMPLAINT WITH THE TESTERS.

WE PASSED, SO WE'RE IN. LET'S FINISH UP AND BLOW THIS JOINT.

ALL RIGHT! LET'S GO!

CONGRATU-LATIONS ON PASSING!

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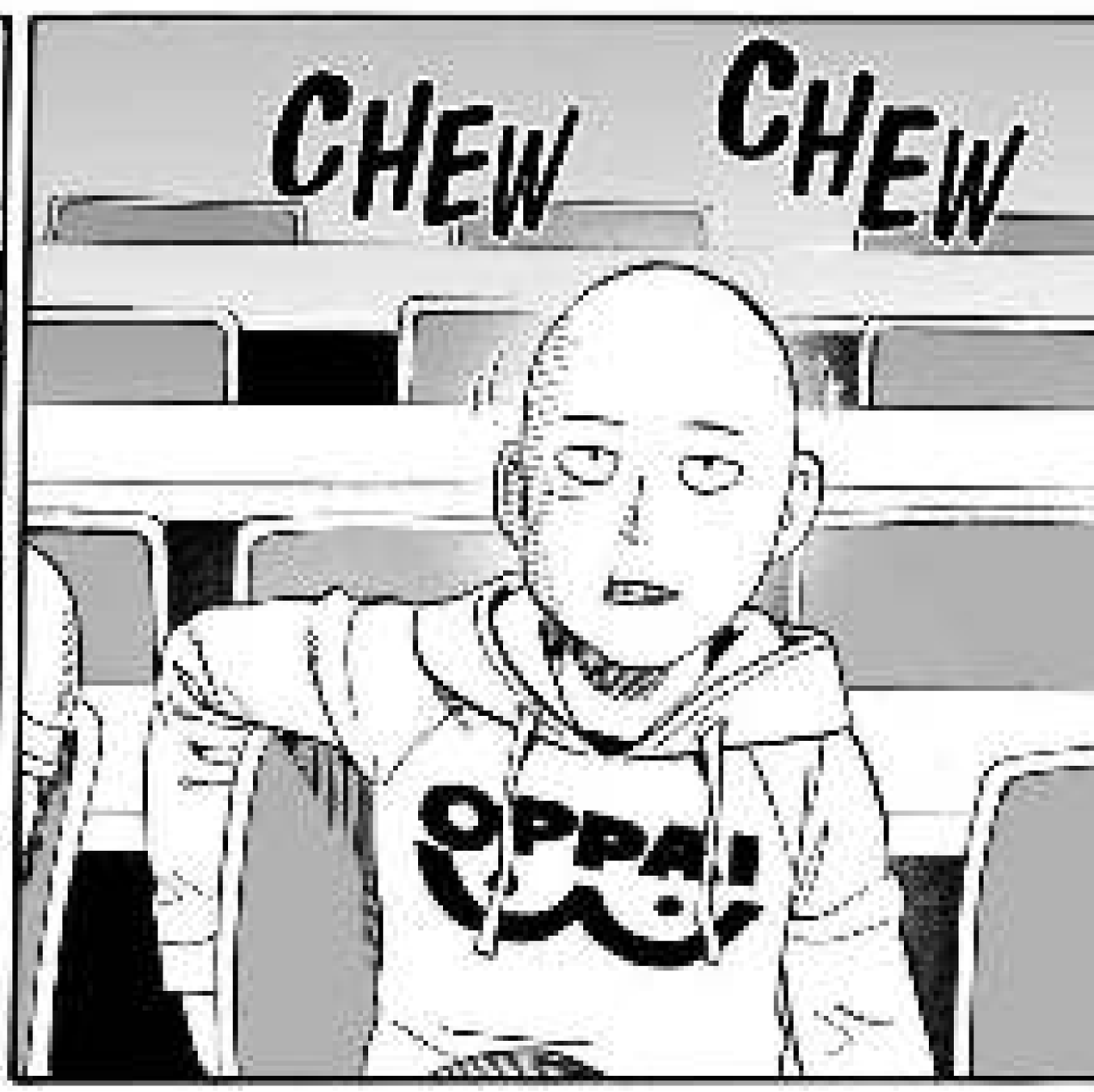
HALL 3



BUT DON'T GET COCKY!

YOUR FACES WILL BE ON THE HERO ASSOCIATION'S OFFICIAL WEBSITE!

FROM NOW ON, YOU MUST LIVE AS BEFITS HEROES!

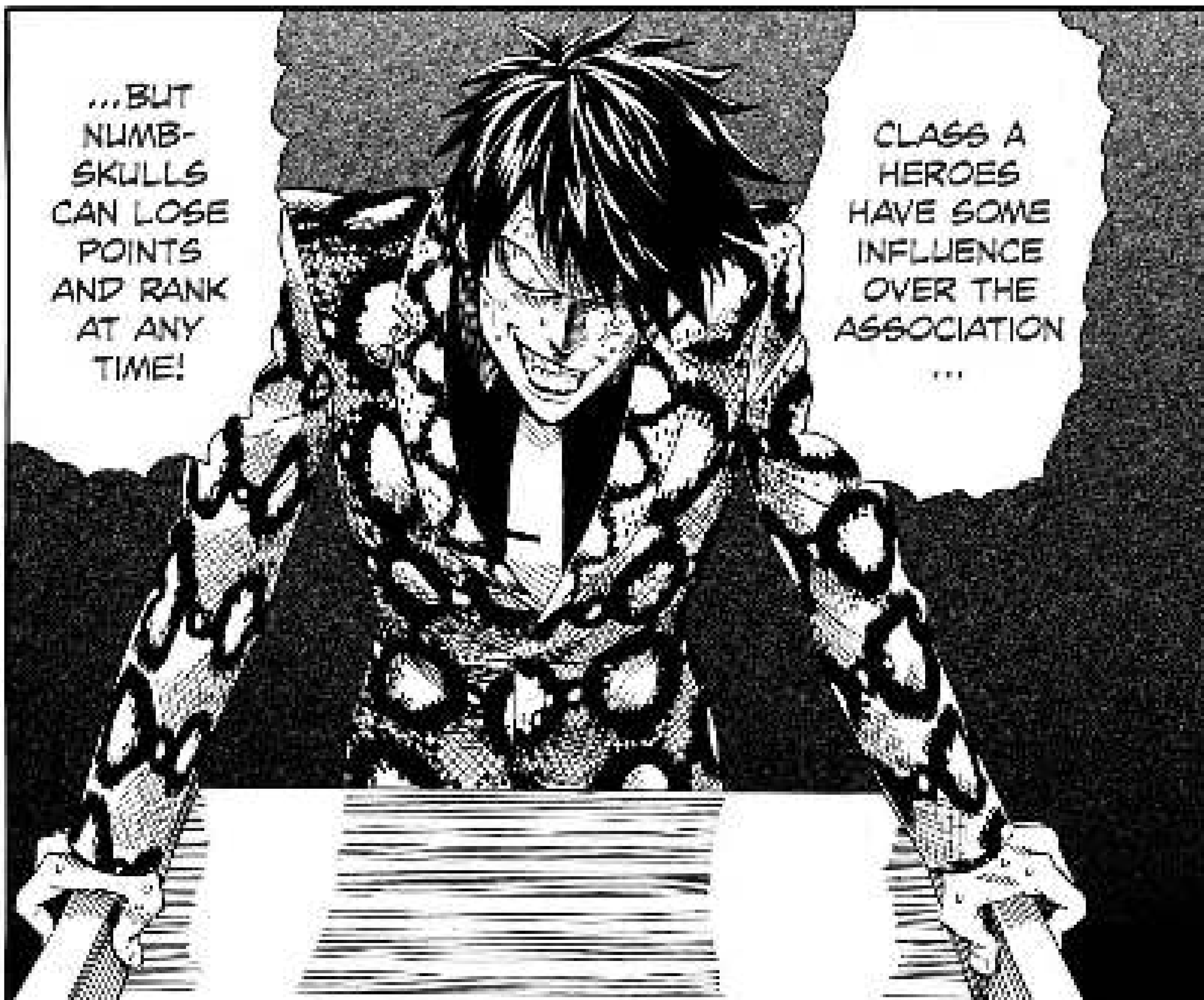
SH

HNUP
HNUPHNUP

...
AIM TO BE-COME A MAG-NIFI-CENT HERO LIKE ME!
TADUMM

POP
OPPAI

OPPAI


...BUT NUMB-SKULLS CAN LOSE POINTS AND RANK AT ANY TIME!
CLASS A HEROES HAVE SOME INFLUENCE OVER THE ASSOCIATION ...

WHAT SHOULD I HAVE FOR SUPPER?
KRA K OOM
RE-MEM-BER THAT!
THE WORLD WILL NOW RECOGNIZE US AS HEROES.
NOW YOU CAN OPERATE WITH YOUR HEAD HELD HIGH.
KEH!
WHAT A BORING SEMINAR.
...I AM OFFICIALLY YOUR PUPIL.
AND NOW ...

OH NO. I SHOULDN'T HAVE PROMISED THAT!

I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO LESSONS!

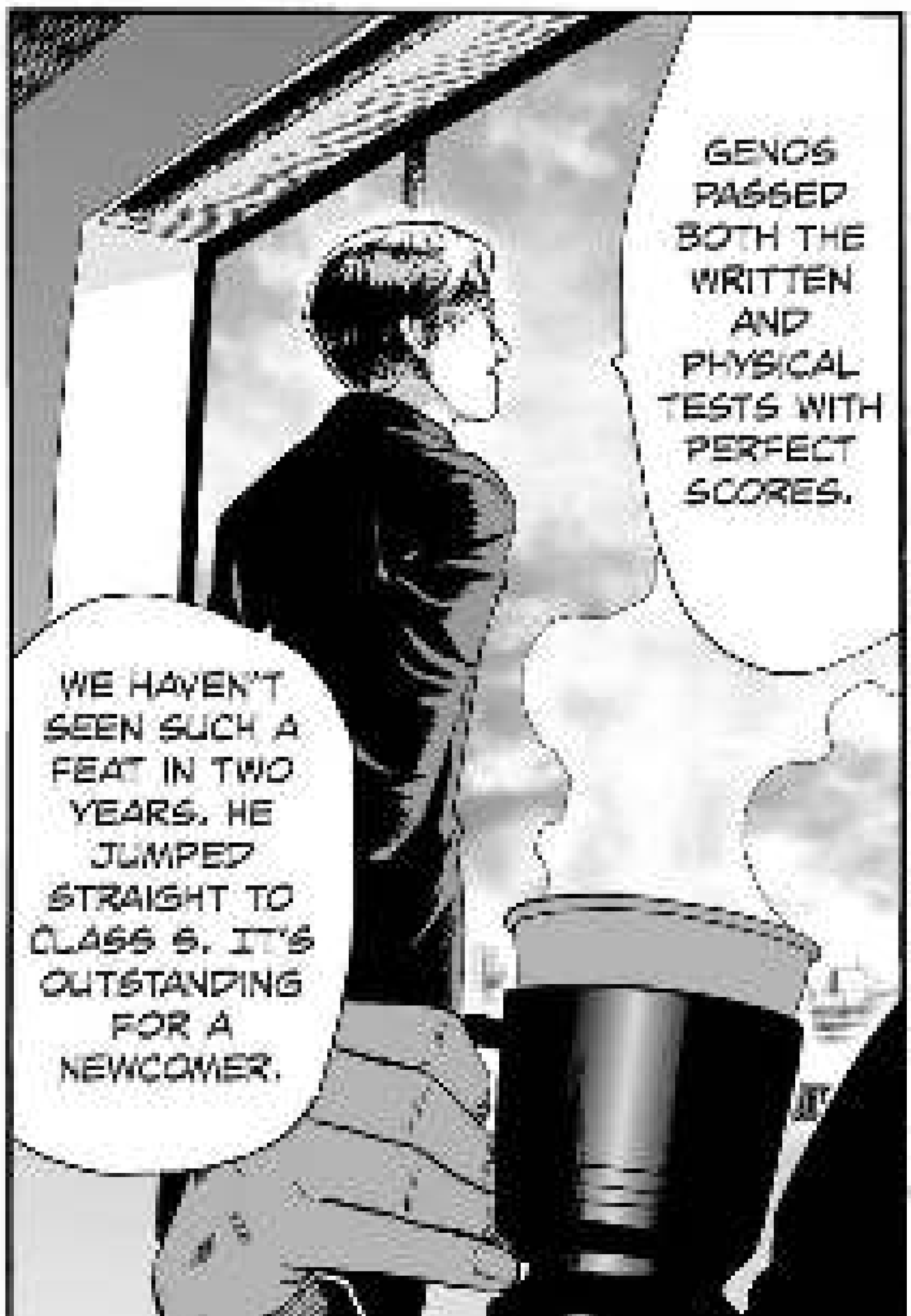
Y-YEAH. BYE.

BUT I GUESS WE ARE DONE FOR TODAY.

ESPECIALLY TO HIM!

THE AMATEURS!

I'M CLASS A, RANK 38, AND THEY DIDN'T KNOW ME. THEY ALSO SEEMED IGNORANT OF HOW HARSH THE WORLD IS.



OVERALL, HE JUST BARELY SCRAPED BY, BUT...

AND WHILE SAITAMA'S WRITTEN TEST AND ESSAY WERE DREADFUL, HE SCORED THE FULL 50 POINTS IN PHYSICAL STRENGTH.

...GENOS HAS ALREADY SURPASSED YOUR RANK...
SNEK ...

...AND SAITAMA MAY SOON OVERTAKE YOU.

THAT GUY ?!

IF I REACH THE TOP OF THE CLASS C RANKING, I BECOME CLASS B.

CLASS S IS ABOVE CLASS A.

MAYBE GENOS IS REALLY AMAZING ...

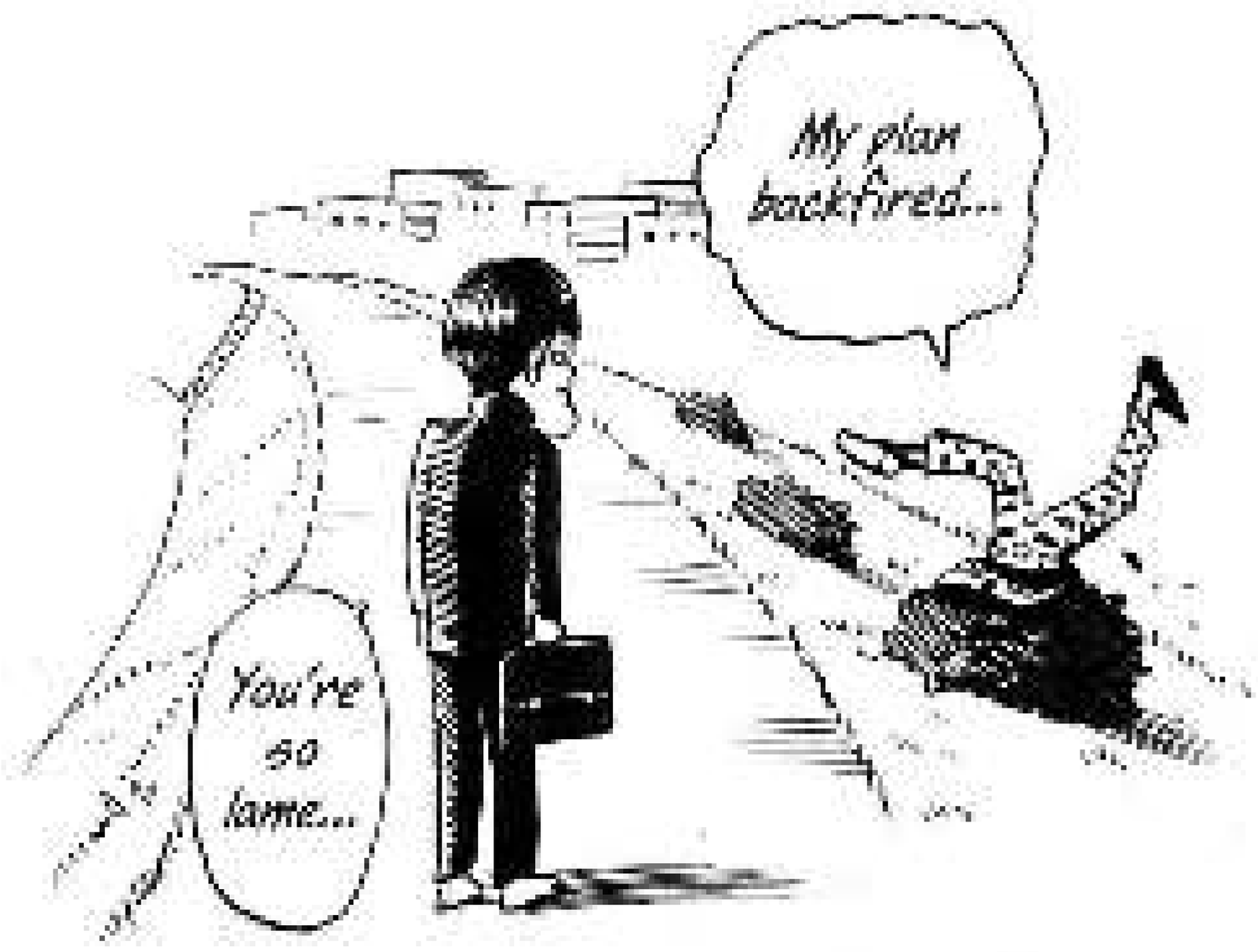
...I'M NOT THE HERO I WANTED TO BE.

I FEEL LIKE MAYBE...

HWIP
LET'S CONTINUE THE SEMINAR!
HWIP
IN THIS BUSINESS, WE CRUSH NEWBIES!

SWIP
QUITE A FEW HEROES ARE WORRIED ABOUT GETTING SURPASSED IN RANK.

SO I'M CRUSHING YOU NOW!

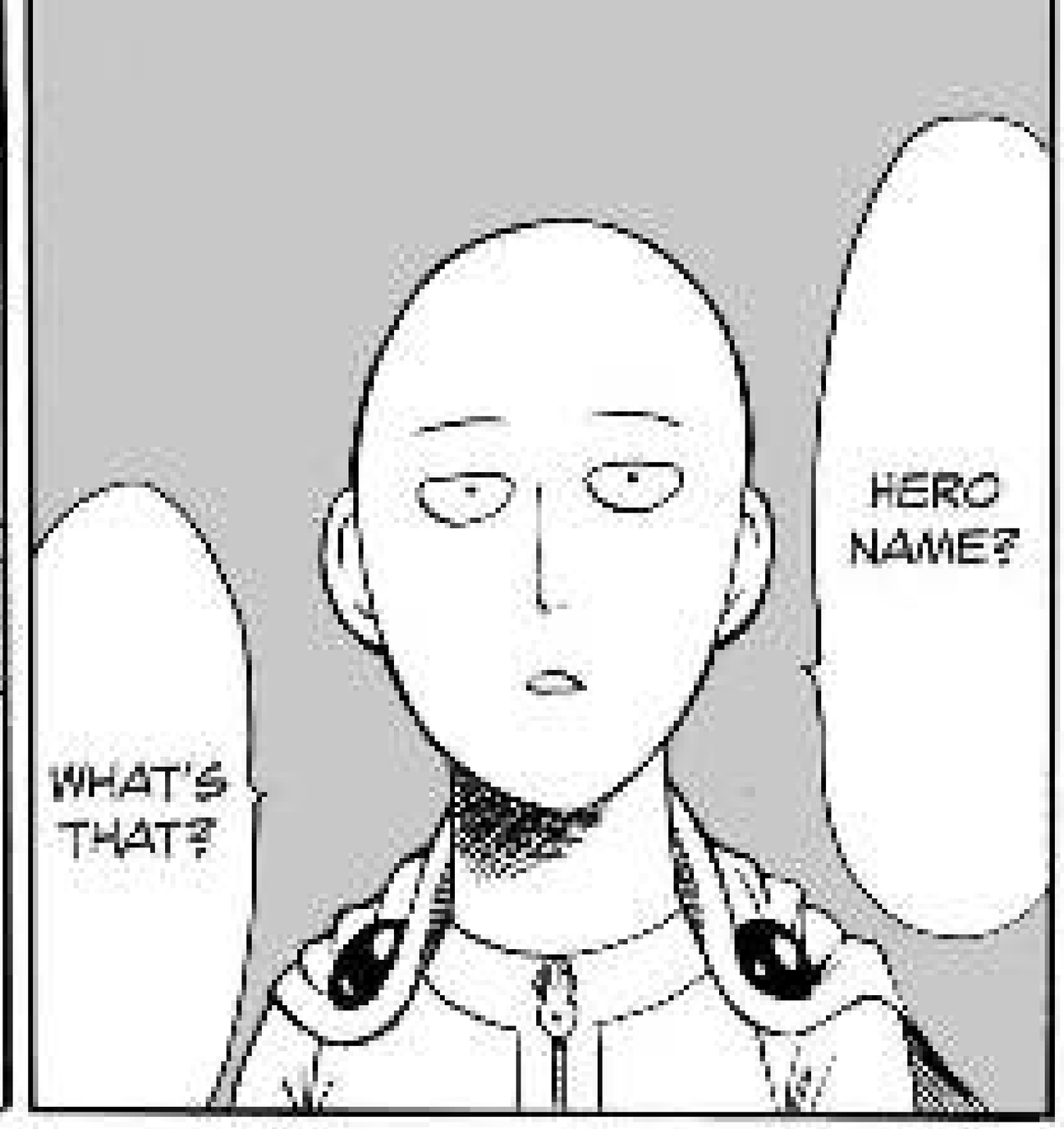

My plan backfired...
You're so lame...

PUNCH 17: SPARRING

BIP
BIP
BIP

FOR NOW, IT LISTS US AS GENOS AND SAITAMA, BUT AT SOME POINT WE WILL ACQUIRE HERO NAMES.
I'M AT THE BOTTOM OF THE CLASS S RANKING AND YOU'RE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE CLASS C RANKING IN THE HERO REGISTRY.

I SUPPOSE IT IS A NICKNAME THAT HIGHLIGHTS A HERO'S CHARACTERISTICS.
FOR EXAMPLE, I COULD BE THE BLOND CYBORG.


WHAT'S THAT?
HERO NAME?

BUT THAT DOES NOT REALLY MATTER.
THEN I WOULD BE THE BALD CAPE.

THANK YOU FOR GRANTING MY REQUEST TODAY.

WE'RE GONNA SPAR, BUT NOT TOO SERIOUSLY, RIGHT?

HWOOO...

WELL, I *DID* PROMISE TO TAKE YOU AS MY STUDENT.

TMP

TMP

AND I WILL MAKE SURE *YOU* ARE TOO.

NO, I AM SERIOUS.

VRMMMM
NOW LET US BEGIN.

SHONK
GWUP
SH

Oh...
Oh...
Oh...
Oh...

VOLUME

RIS

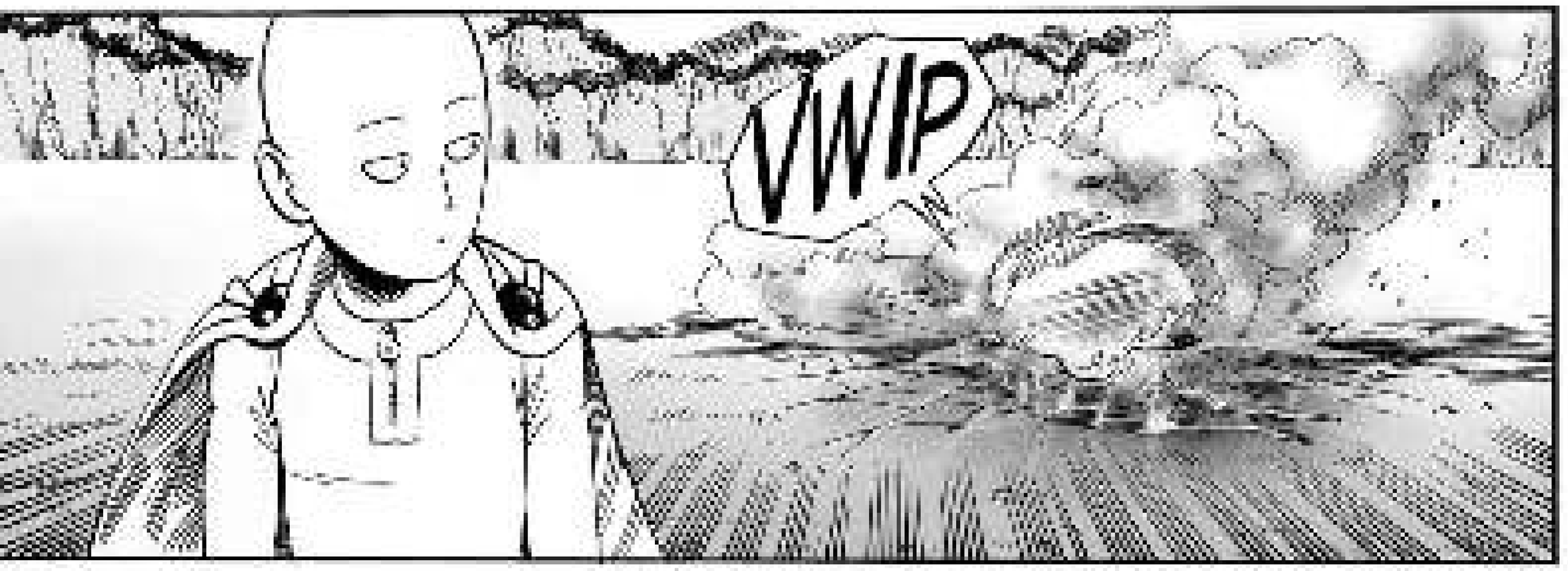
KRSH

RMMMMMM
FLESS

R R M M M M M M
THAT WAS CLOSE.
R R M M M M M M
MY CLOTHES ALMOST GOT BURNT.

IT'S NO USE.
KHAK

SUMMER
I NEED MORE SPEED.


WHIP

Kusu
Pa Pa
HELP

KRUMBL

KRUMBL

?

HAVE I BEEN PUNCHING HIS AFTERIMAGE THE WHOLE TIME?!

HE IS NOT HERE?

THERE HE IS!..
TIP TIP TIP

THOMP
ARK

INTERRATE!!

SMASH!

BEIND...?!

VIP

DO NOT WORRY ABOUT ME.

...

EVADE ANY BLOWS THAT ARE POSSIBLE TO EVADE.

AND...

FIGHT WITHOUT ANY FOOLING AROUND.

...KEEP FIGHTING UNTIL I AM IMMOBILIZED.

...BUT THIS BATTLE MAY AFFORD ME A CLUE!

EVEN HE CANNOT EXPLAIN THE SECRET TO HIS PURE STRENGTH...

THAT IS ALL!

FWIP

HE IS SO CLOSE!!

IMP

ドンッ
ドンッ

DEATH

WH-WHAT?

SPLAT

SMACK
HOW ABOUT GOING FOR UDON?
I'M HUNGRY. LET'S EAT!

STAGGER

...

YES, LET'S ...

...EVER APPROACHING MASTER'S STRENGTH.
...I SIMPLY CANNOT IMAGINE...

HE IS IN A DIFFERENT DIMENSION.
HM? WHAT'S THE MATTER?
YOU DON'T LIKE UPON?

PUNCH 18: POUNDING THE PAVEMENT

IT'S NORMAL FOR ME TO HAVE NOTHING TO DO.

HA HA ...

BUT ONE THING IS BOTHERING ME.

MANGA: COCKROACH KISHI

GENOS CAME AGAIN TODAY.

GLANCE

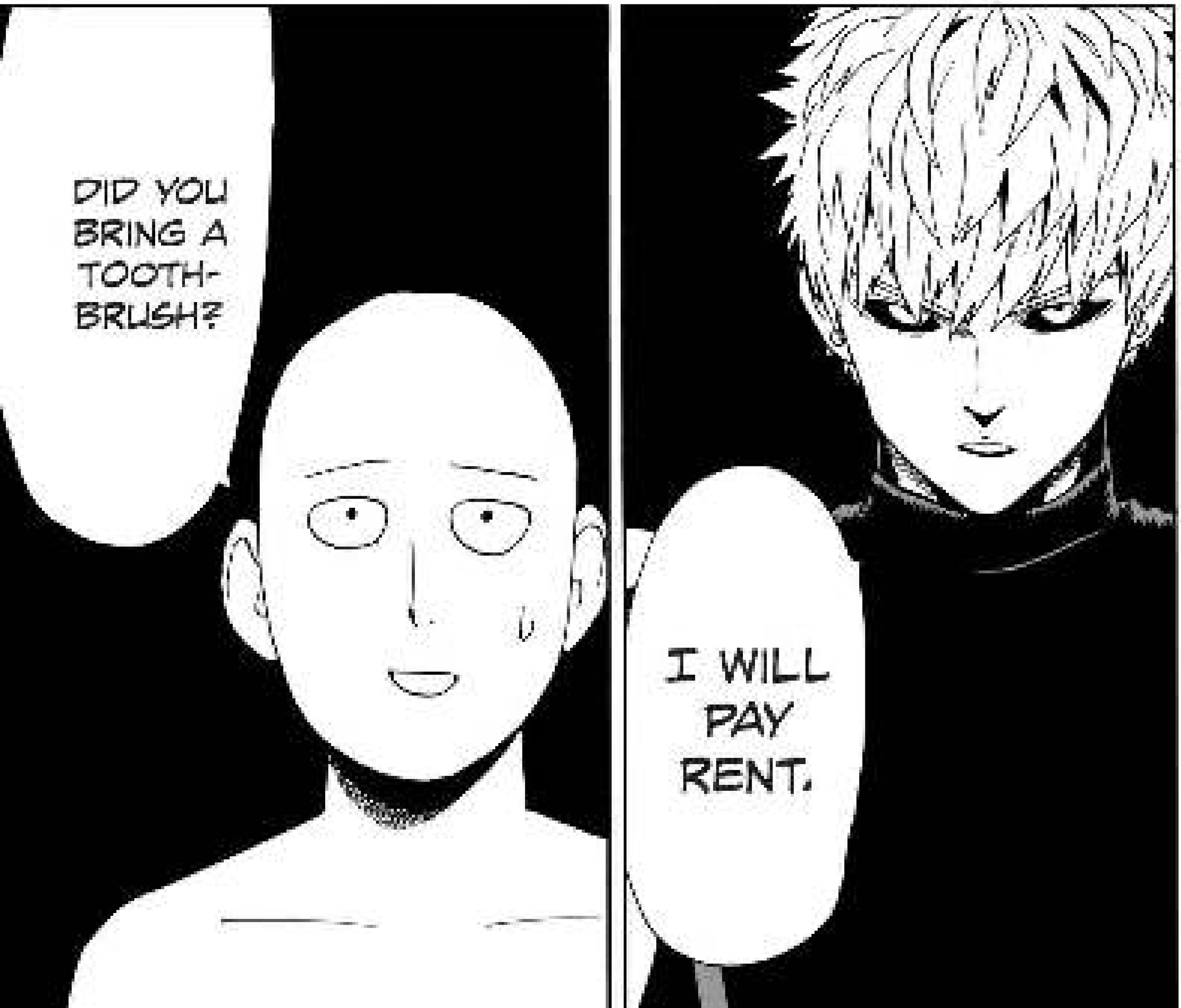
...

AND IT APPEARS HE HAS A LARGE PACK ON HIS BACK.
WHY IS HE JUST STANDING THERE?
OR IS THAT JUST MY IMAGINATION?

FLICK

UH...
...ABSO-LUTELY *NOT*.
IS HE SERI-OUS?
MAY I LIVE HERE?

FIVE


DID YOU BRING A TOOTH-BRUSH?
I WILL PAY RENT.

SKRK
SKRK
WHAT ARE YOU WRITING?
I AM RECORDING YOUR TEACHINGS AND TRAINING EXERCISES.
MY DIARY.

SKRK
SKRK
SKRK

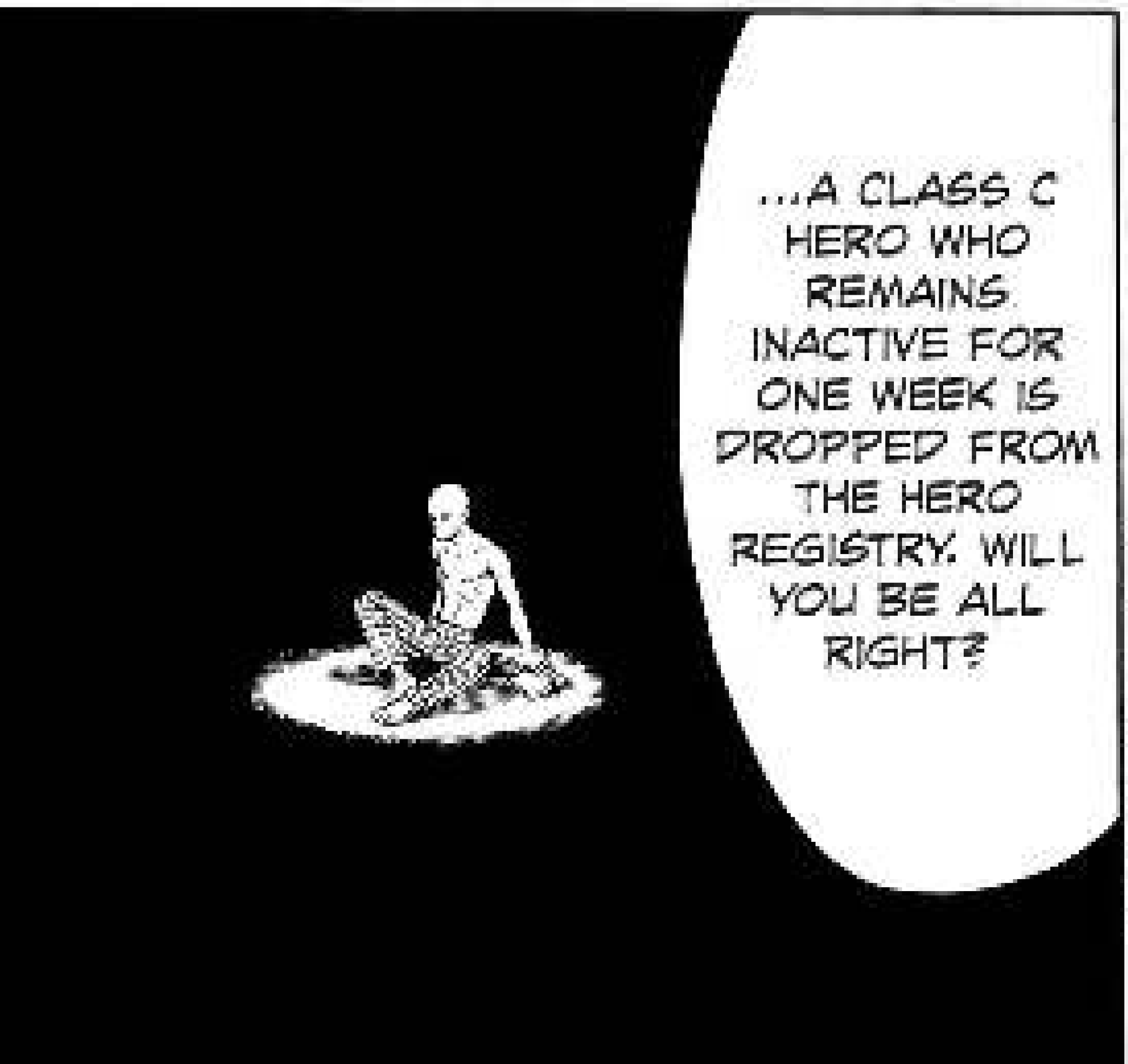
HE JUST RAISED THE BAR AGAIN!
OH MAN...

...SO IT FEELS WRONG TO KEEP PLAYING THE MASTER.

I DON'T HAVE A SINGLE THING TO TEACH HIM...

ARGH! IT'S NO USE! I CAN ONLY THINK OF MUSCLE TRAINING! THAT'S ALL I EVER DID! BUT HE WON'T ACCEPT THAT!

THINK! COME UP WITH SOME KIND OF TRAINING METHOD OR SPIRITUAL TEACHING!



WHAT?

THERE ARE TONS OF CLASS C GUYS, AND THE BAR IS LOW, SO THEY WEED THEM OUT.

YES.

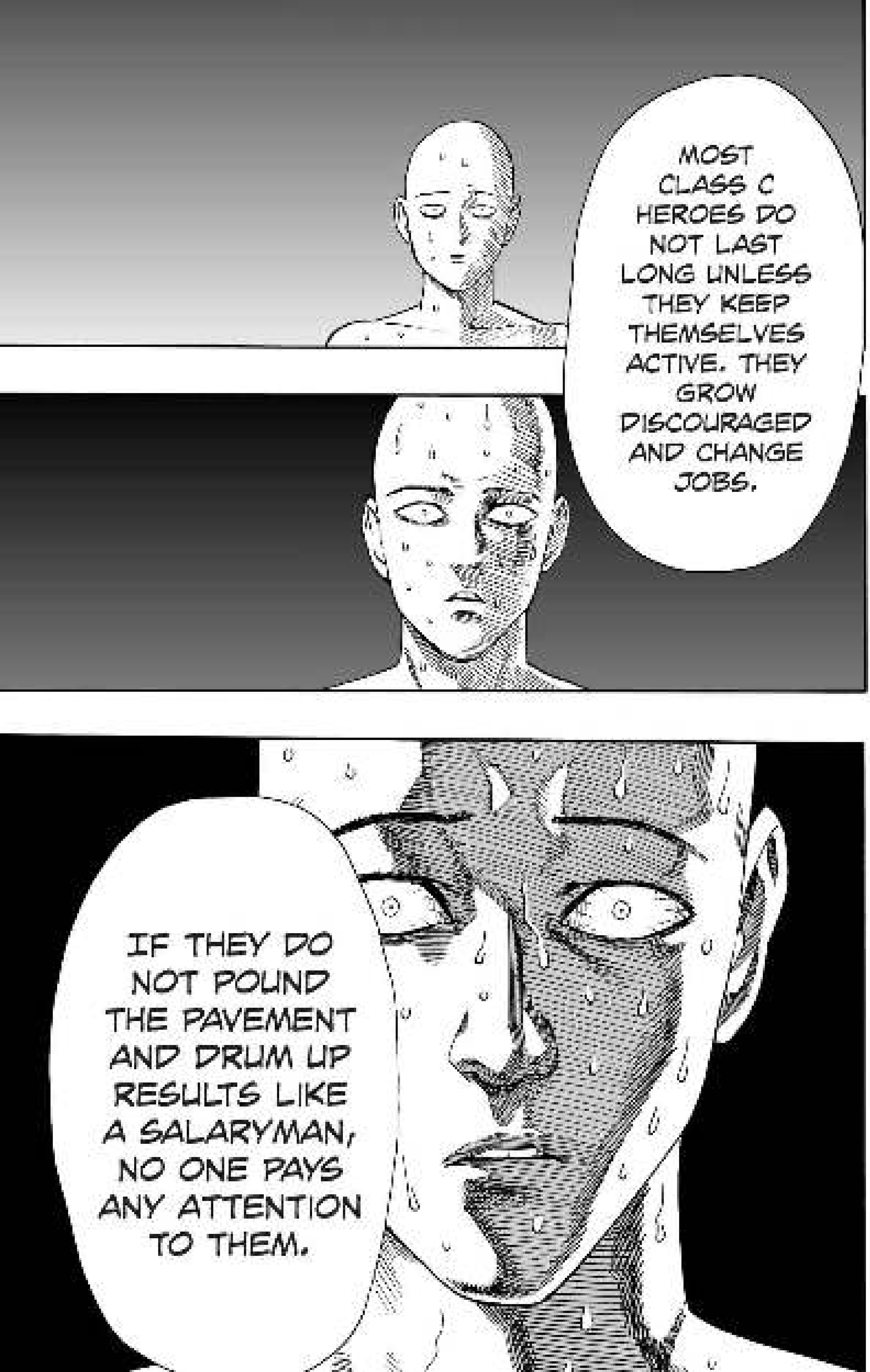
THEY SAID THAT?

THE MEDIA ONLY REPORTS BIG INCIDENTS SUCH AS DISASTERS REQUIRING EVACUATION, TERRORISM AND THE APPEARANCE OF DANGEROUS MONSTERS.

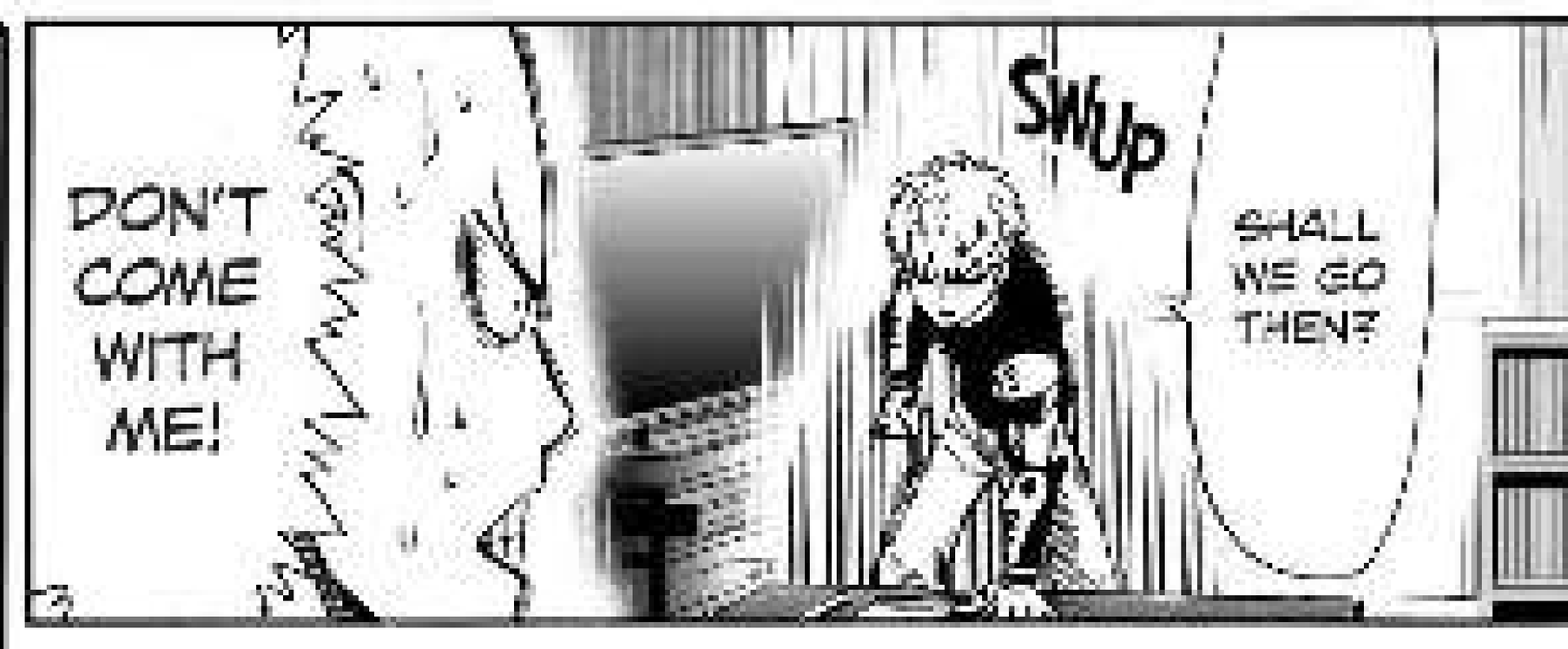
BUT NOTHING'S COME UP ON TV...

YOU MAY NOT BE AWARE OF IT BECAUSE YOU HAVE ONLY CONFRONTED SUPERVILLAINS AND EVIL ORGANIZATIONS THAT NO ONE ELSE COULD HANDLE...

...BUT CLASS C HEROES MAINLY ADDRESS PURSE-SNATCHERS, ROBBERS AND STREET ASSAILANTS.


MOST CLASS C HEROES DO NOT LAST LONG UNLESS THEY KEEP THEMSELVES ACTIVE. THEY GROW DISCOURAGED AND CHANGE JOBS.
IF THEY DO NOT POUND THE PAVEMENT AND DRUM UP RESULTS LIKE A SALARYMAN, NO ONE PAYS ANY ATTENTION TO THEM.

THIS IS NO TIME TO BE READING MANGA!



TO PUT IT BLUNTLY, YOU'RE A CYBORG, SO PHYSICAL TRAINING MEANS NOTHING. YOU MAY BE ABLE TO GET STRONGER WITH SIMPLY THE RIGHT ATTITUDE.

GENOS! MY STRONG DESIRE TO BE A HERO LED ME TO TRAIN AND GET STRONG. MAYBE IF YOU TOO LIVE AS IF AIMING FOR THE HEIGHTS OF HERODOM, SOMETHING WILL CHANGE.

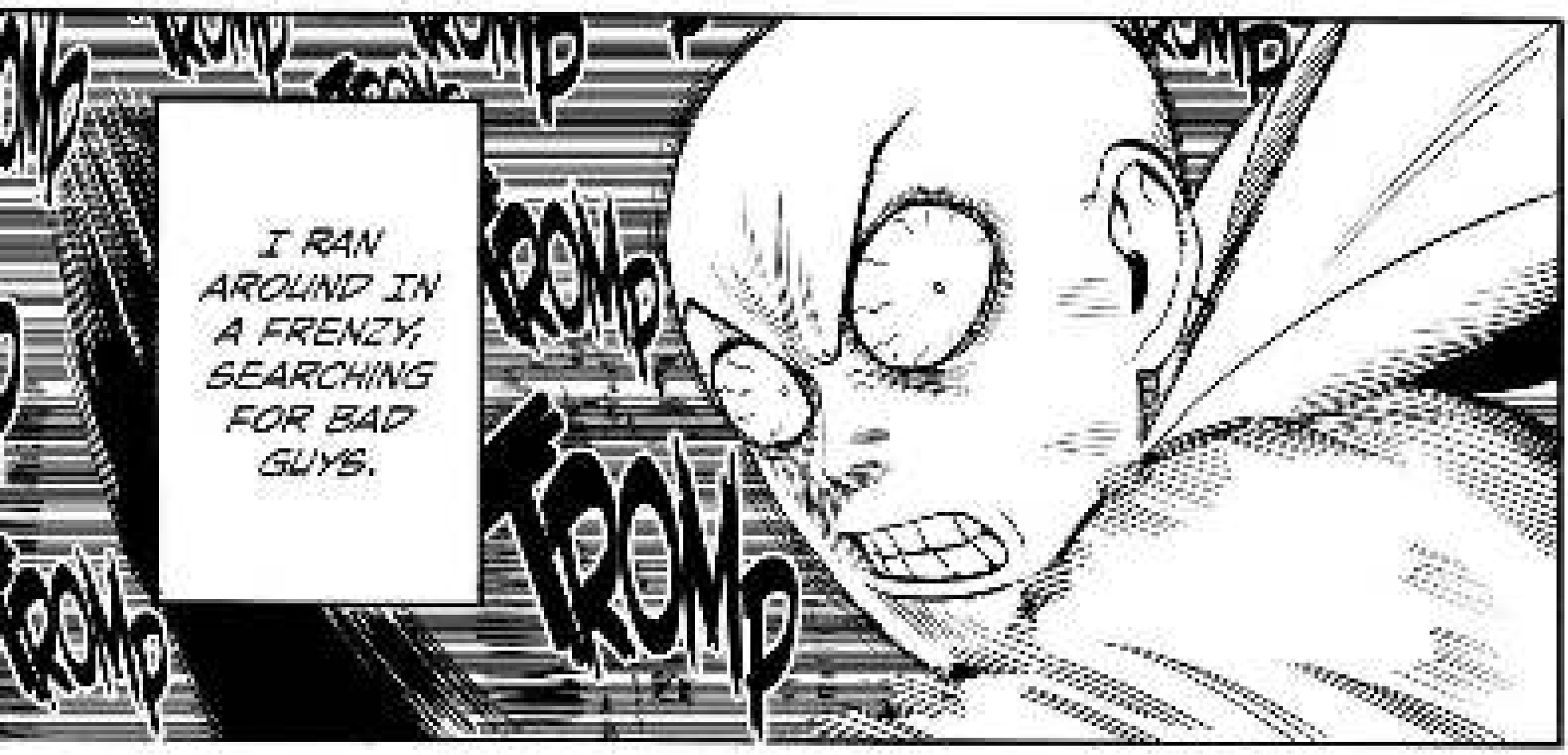
AIM TO MAKE THE TOP TEN OF THE CLASS S RANKING. THAT IS THE RIGHT TRAINING FOR NOW.

IN OTHER WORDS, TRAIN YOUR SPIRIT BEFORE WORRYING ABOUT STRENGTH THROUGH POWER OR TECHNOLOGY. TO THAT END, FIGHT IT OUT IN THE STRICT WORLD OF PROFESSIONAL HEROES.

WHAT AM I SAYING? OH WELL. I'LL BLUFF MY WAY THROUGH.

I WILL DO IT!
GIVE IT YOUR BEST. BYE NOW.
HE BOUGHT IT. PHEW!
YOU ARE RIGHT!

AFTER THAT, I RACED AROUND.


I RAN AROUND IN A FRENZY, SEARCHING FOR BAD GUYS.

I RAN AND RAN...

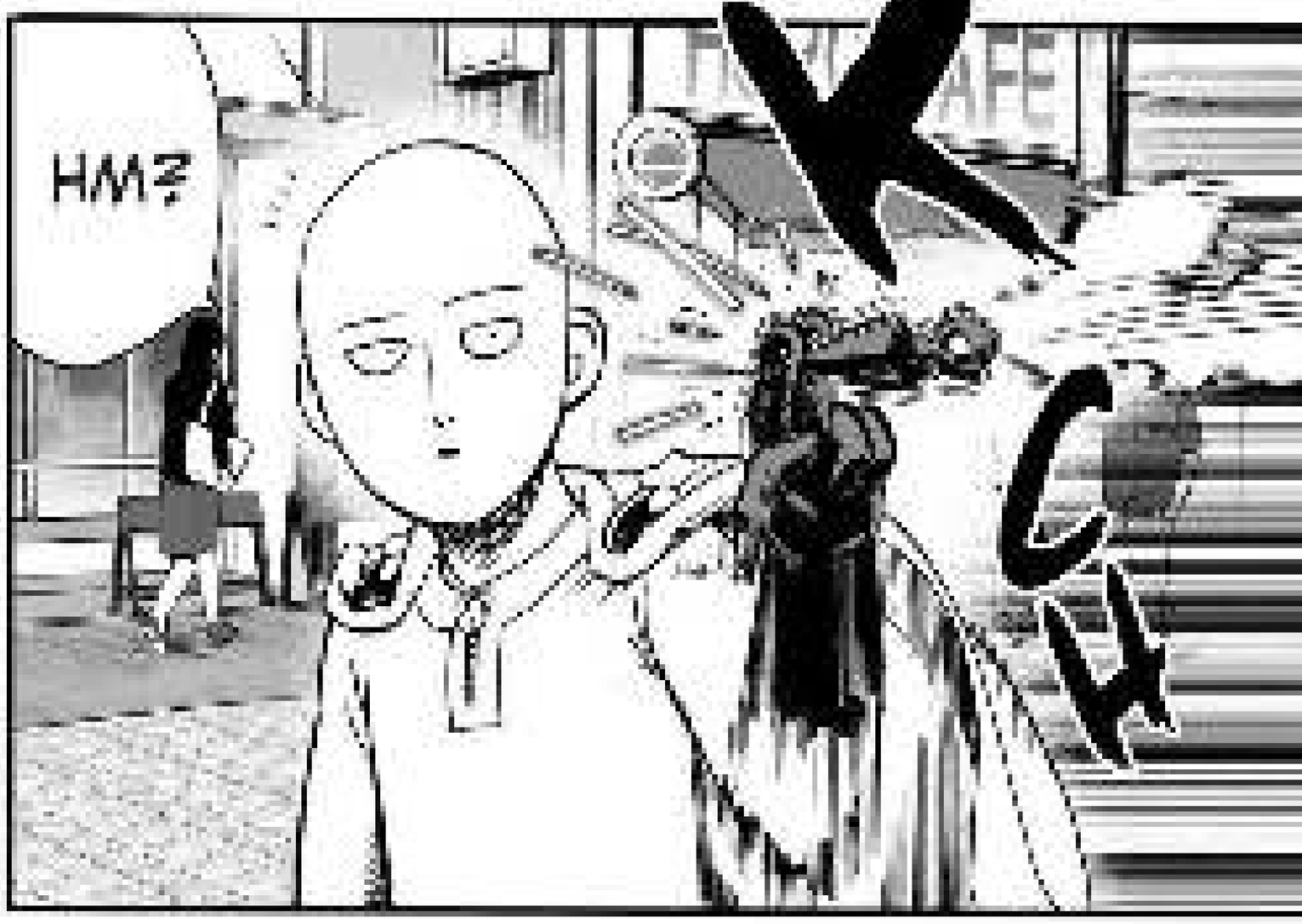
...BUT THE TOWN WAS PEACEFUL.
AAAA-ARRR-RRGH!
IT'S NO USE! ONLY ONE DAY LEFT!

I GUESS I'LL JUST HEAD HOME.

I'LL LEAVE TOMORROW TO TOMORROW'S ME.

THE NEXT DAY

PHASE



PADOOM

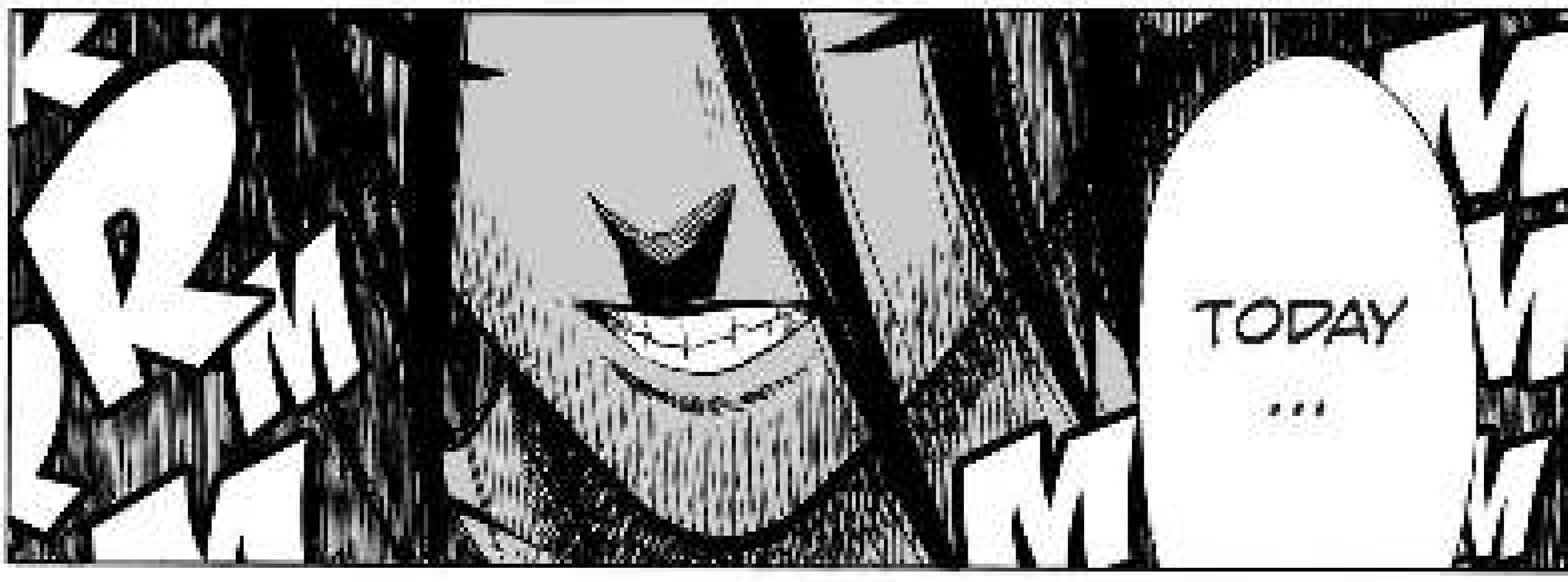
JOINTS-O'-PAIN PANIC?
NO. SPEED -O'- SOUND SONIC!

LET'S EAT

BEAST KING
FWAP
FWAP
PECK
PECK
PECK
PECK
KRAK
POP
GRUMP
Hm?
TRASH
TRASH

PUNCH 19:
NO TIME FOR THIS

SAITAMA ...
RORM

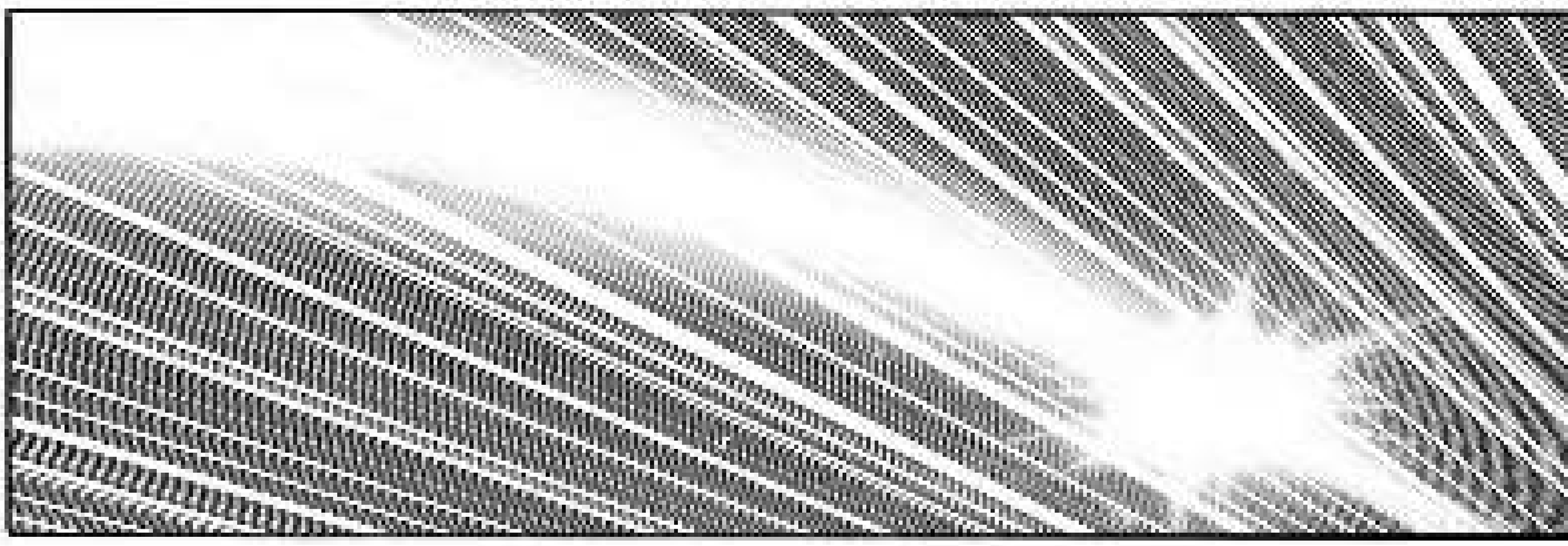

TODAY ...

SORRY, BUT I'M BUSY. SOME OTHER TIME.
...I'M GOING TO KILL Y...
SAITAMA

...FROM *ME*?!

DO YOU THINK YOU CAN RUN...

CHITTER
CHITTER
SWIP
SWIP



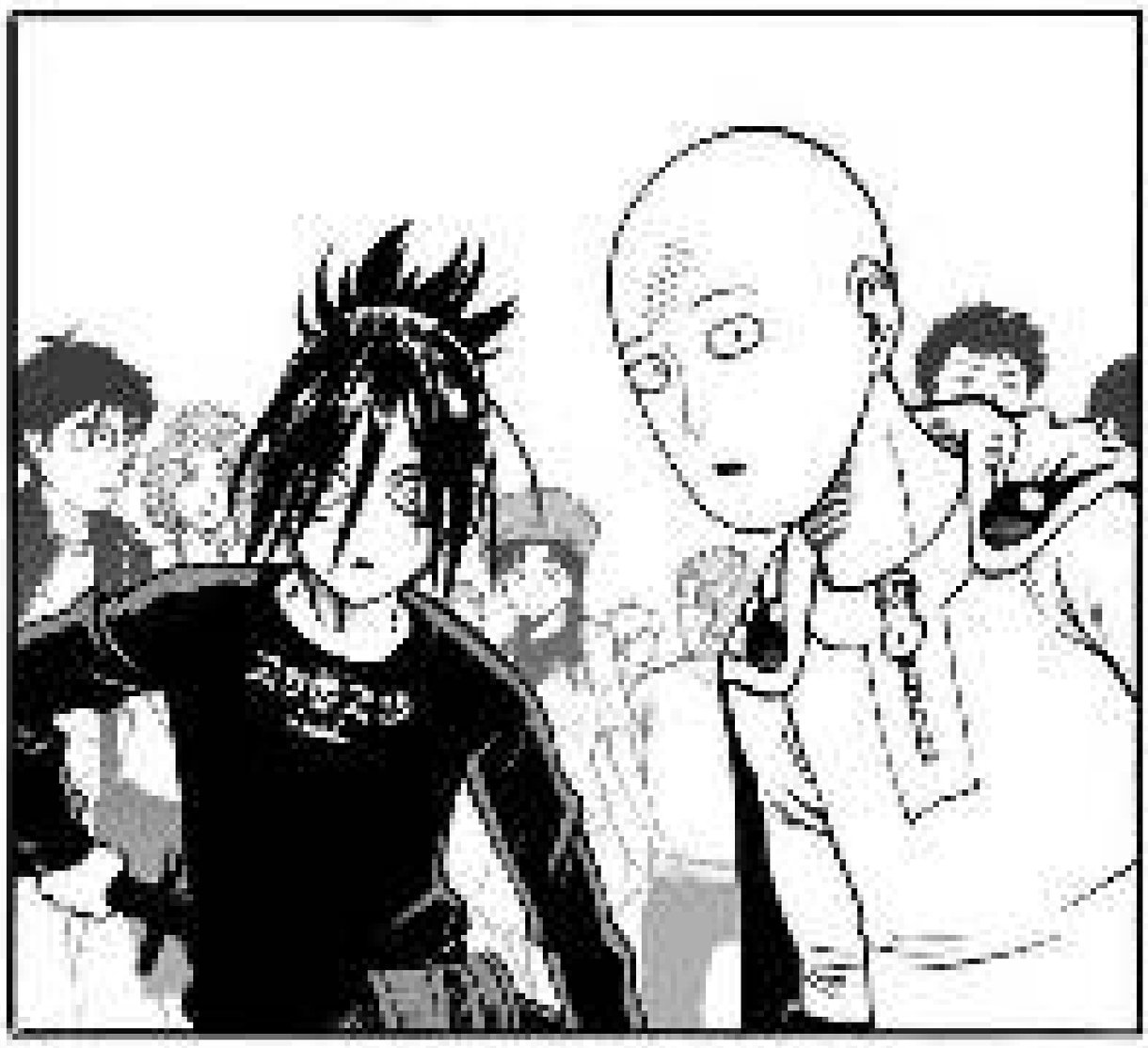
SWIP
SWIP
SWIP
SWIP

I SWUNG INTO HIS FACE, BUT THE BLADE SHATTERED!
HM? I DIDN'T QUITE SEE THAT..
I'M IRRITATED, SO STAY OUTTA MY WAY!
I TOLD YOU, I'M BUSY, YOU DIMWIT!

OR I'LL *PUNCH* YOU.

you!

YOU LOOK SUSPI-CIOUS!



HE'S THE ONE!

HE'S A HERO?

BUT NOW THE HERO TANK-TOP TIGER...
...IS HERE!

MAYBE A GOOD BEATING WILL COOL YOUR HEAD!
BWA HA!
THIS IS WHAT YOU GET FOR PICKING A FIGHT!
THAT GUY'S DANGEROUS! DO SOMETHING ABOUT HIM!
PAT

I WAS TALKIN' TO *YOU.*

EVER SINCE YESTERDAY, HE'S BEEN RUNNING AROUND TOWN WITH THE MOST AWFUL LOOK ON HIS FACE!

OR DO YOU WANT TO CROSS A CLASS C, RANK 6 HERO?

WELL, YOU'RE BOTHERING PEOPLE, SO SCRAM.

YOU'LL RUIN OTHER HEROES' REPUTATIONS!

A HERO SHOULDN'T BOTHER PEOPLE!

* SIGN: "PEACE STREET"

...PEOPLE RECOGNIZE ME.
HEH HEH! EVER SINCE MY RANK BROKE THE TOP TEN OF CLASS C...

...AND MAKE ME LOOK GOOD?
HEY, NEWBIE ...
...WHAT SAY YOU GET ROWDY...

KABOOM

EXPLODING SHIKEN!!

GUH...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ...

UUUUK!

FWUD!

WHAT'S ALL THE COMMO-TION?!

TANK-TOP TIGERRR!

... SONIC ?!

HE WAS IN MY WAY, SO I TOOK HIM OUT.

SO YOU HAVE ONE OF THOSE STUPID HERO TITLES TOO, HUH?

KYAAH

GYAAH

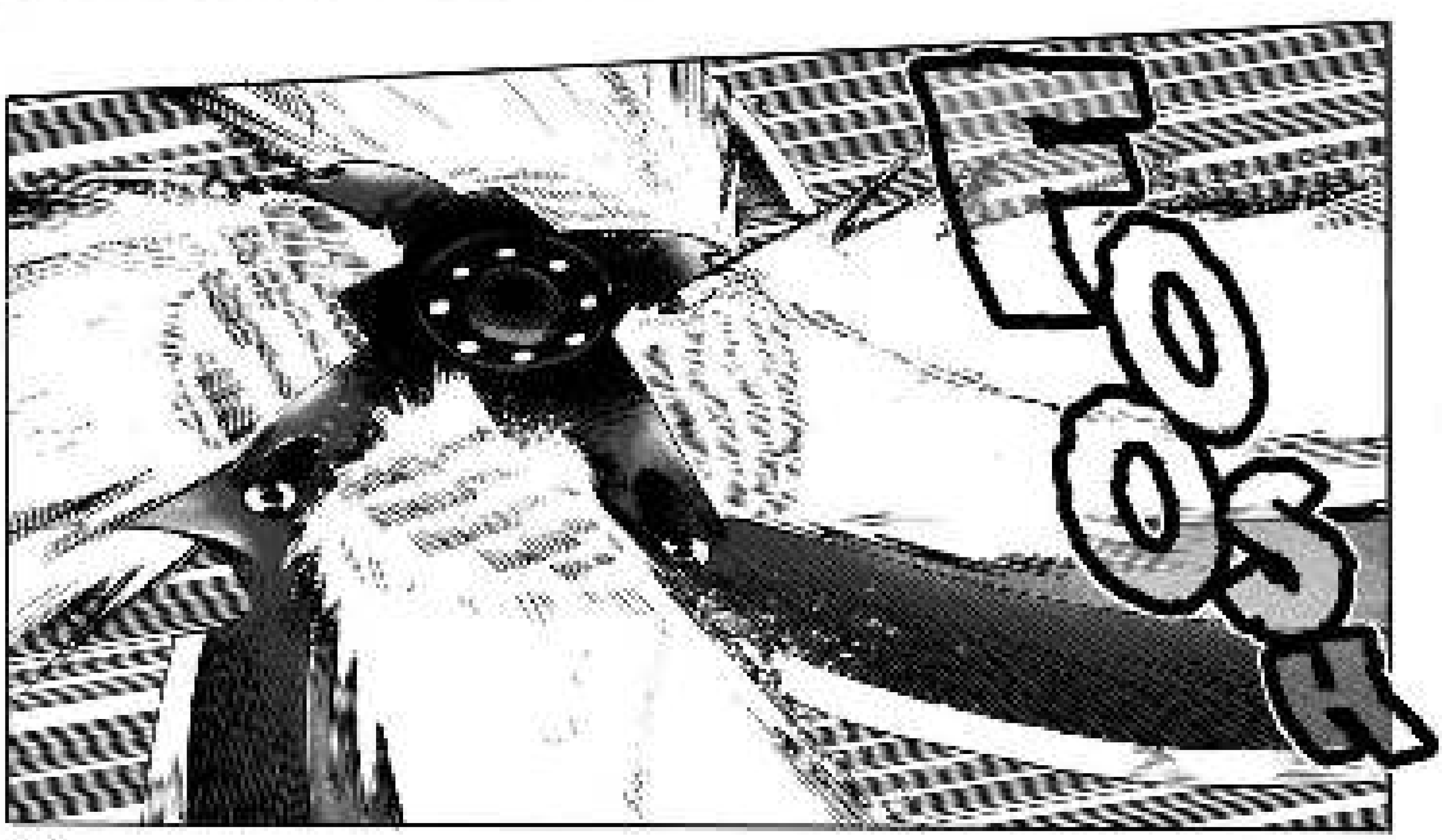
RUN!

CALL A HERO!

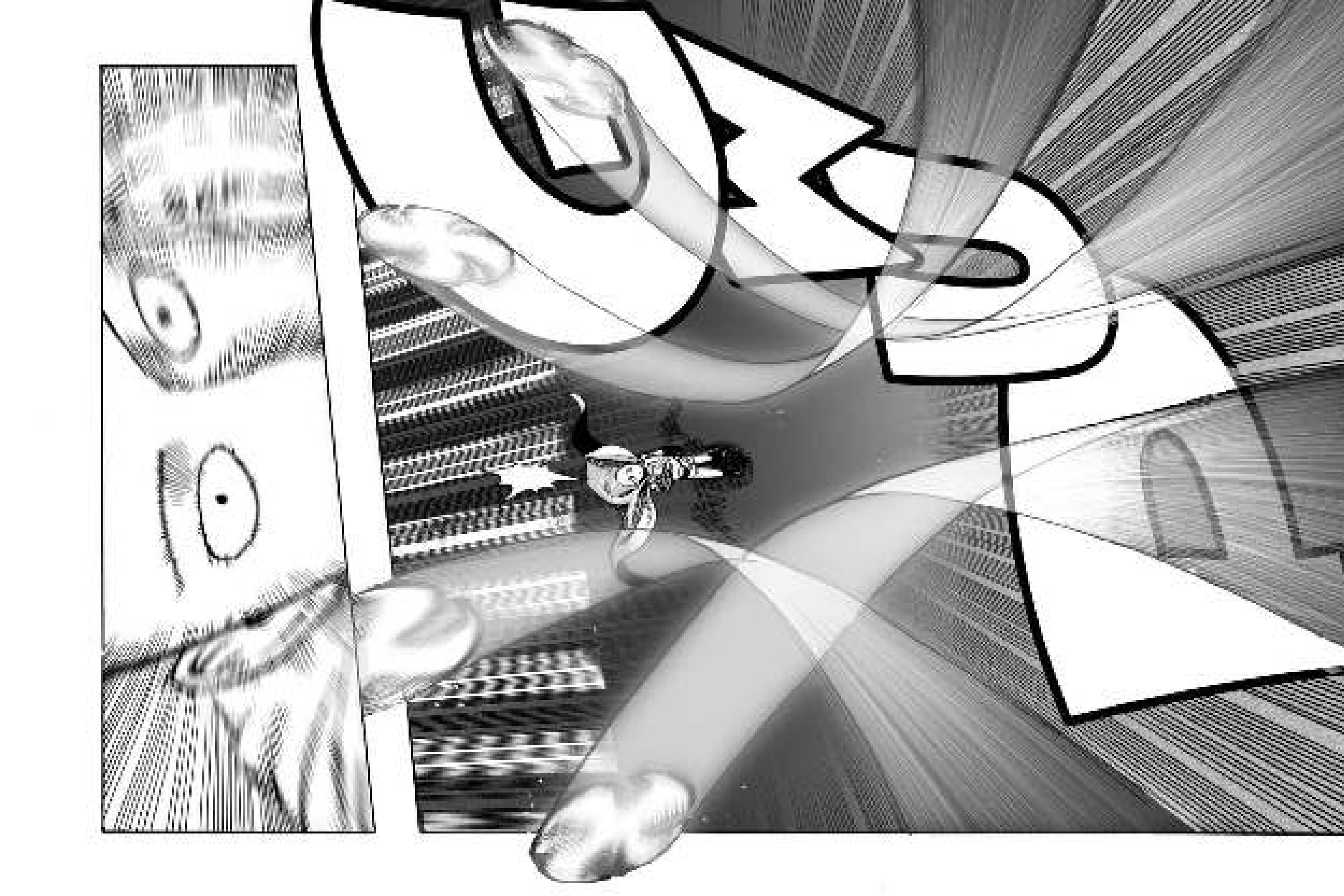
SAITAMA!

HERO SAITA-MA!

THEN I'LL MAKE IT SO YOU HAVE TO FIGHT ME...

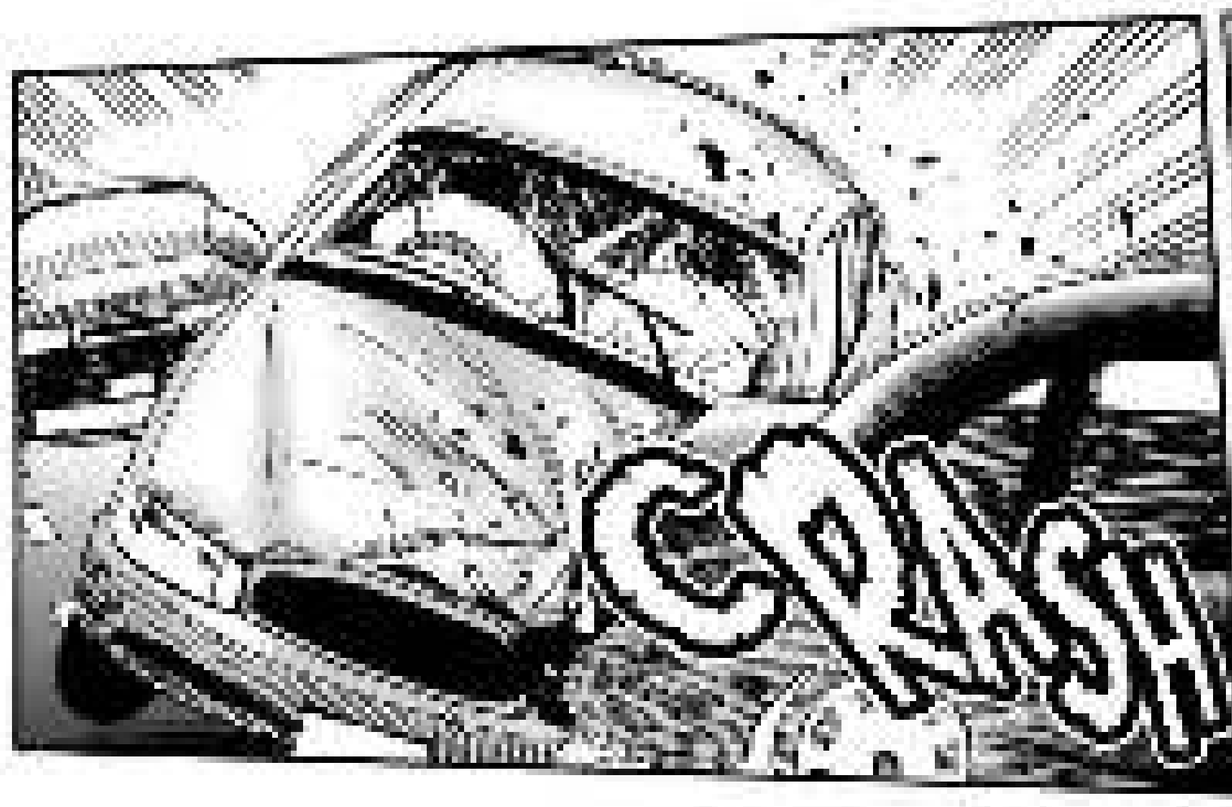


ШХАШОА-ZЦ...
ГЛЯМ
...ЭЕЗДЖ-ЖШZ!!



CAR-KA
HAIL
SOM
OF
NAGE
!!!!!
HUH
...?

EEK!
WHAT?!
WAAH
SCREEECH


CRASH

WHOA!

HEY!
HONK
WHAM
EEEK
CRASH
STOP IT!

FIGHT ME!

SAITAMA!

WAAH!

WAAH!

HONK

YOU'RE A *HERO*, RIGHT?

YIKES! I'M GONNA DIE!

OH NO! OH NOO-OOOO-OOOO!

I'LL *SLAUGH-TER* THEM ALL!

BOOM

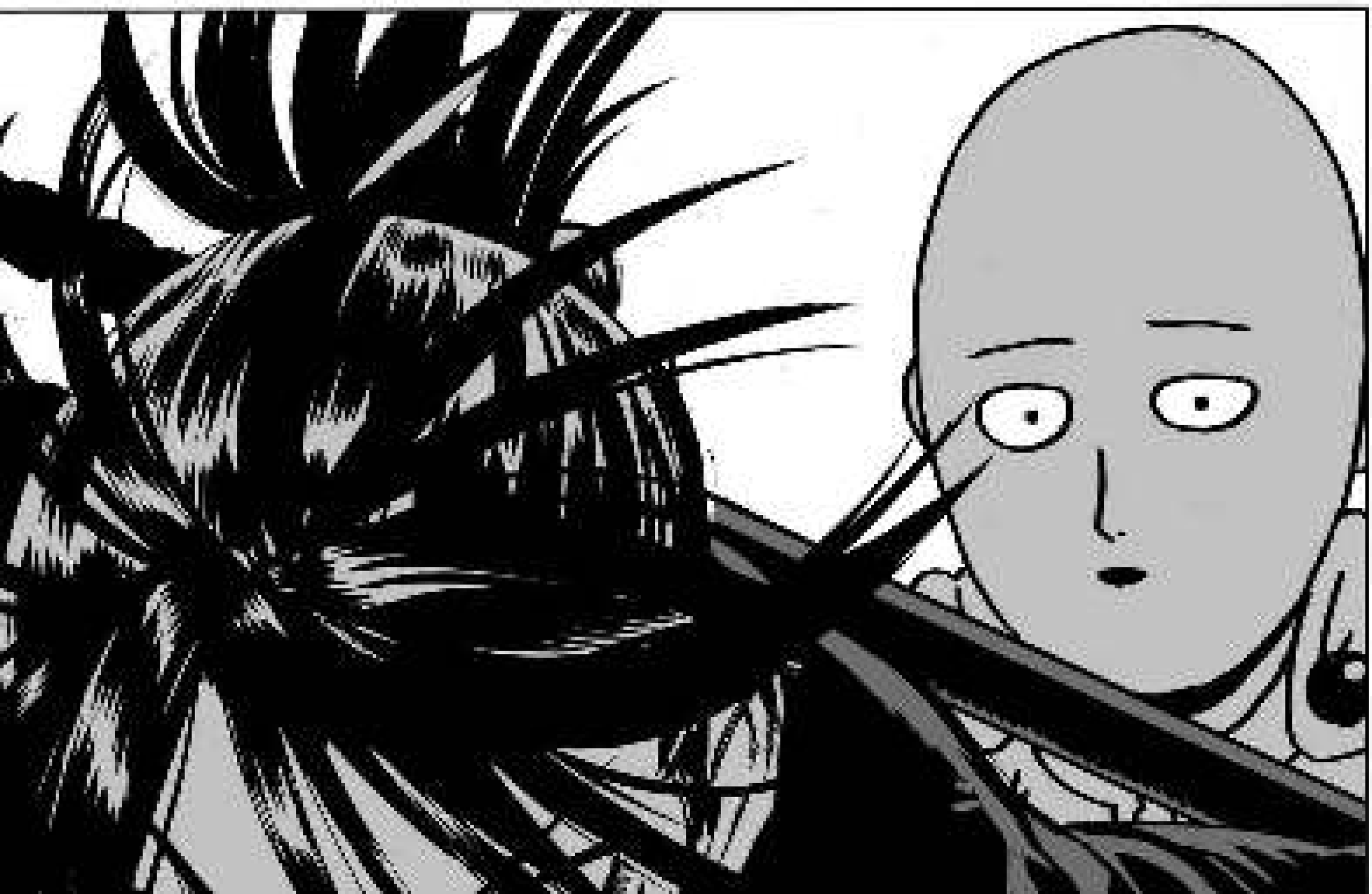
SH UFF

SH...

EVERYONE'S GETTING IN MY WAY...

ARGH!

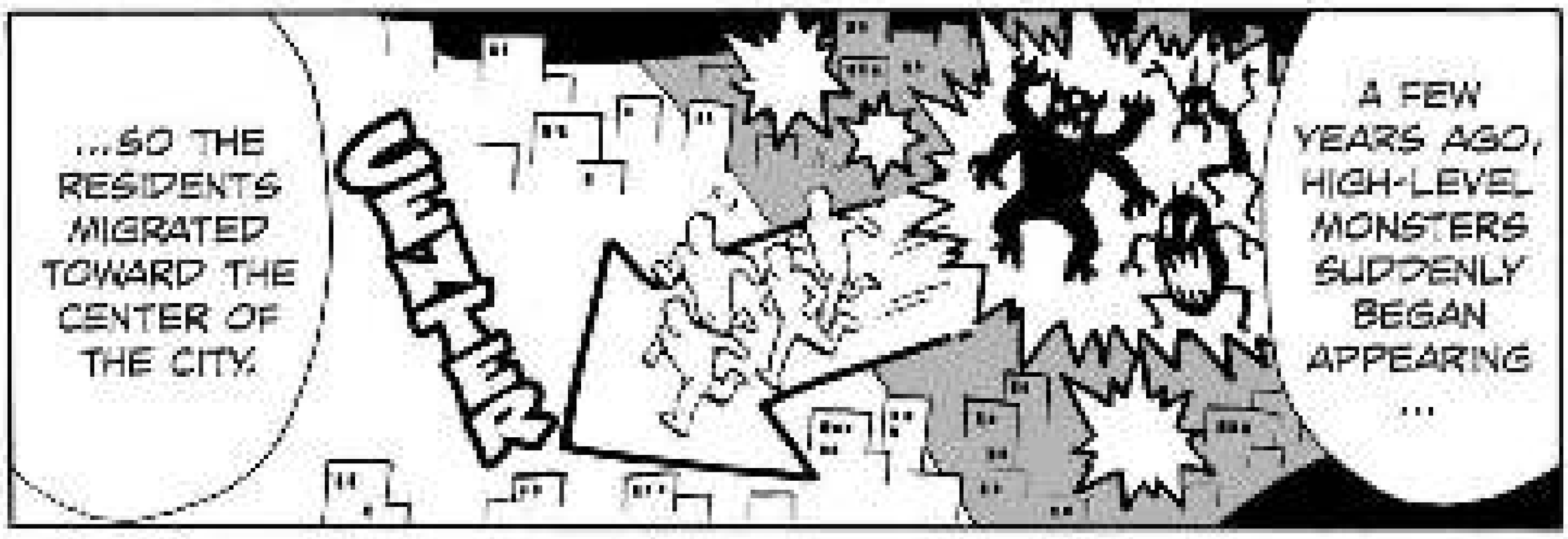
IF YOU WON'T COME TO ME, THEN I'LL BRING THE FIGHT TO *YOU*!



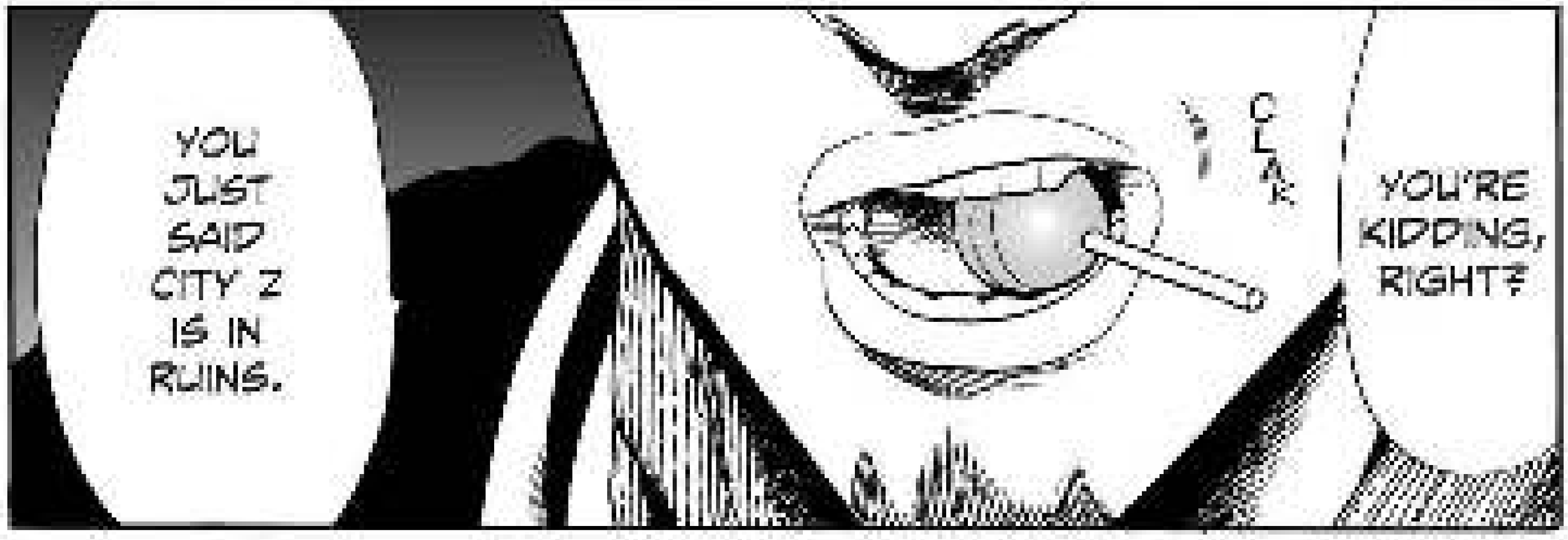
WHAM
WAIT A SEC, HERE'S A BAD GUY.
PHEW...
WONDER IF THAT COUNTS AS WORK...

SO... THIS IS CITY Z.
GOLDEN BALL
LET'S BEGIN OUR INVESTIGATION IMMEDIATELY.
PUNCH 20: THE RUMOR

...BUT IT'S UNINHABITED FROM HERE ON EAST.
IT'S A LARGE CITY...


...SO THE RESIDENTS MIGRATED TOWARD THE CENTER OF THE CITY.
A FEW YEARS AGO, HIGH-LEVEL MONSTERS SUDDENLY BEGAN APPEARING ...

WE COULD LIVE HERE CHEAPLY.
NOW IT'S A GHOST TOWN, WITH INFRASTRUCTURE LIKE ELECTRICITY AND WATER LEFT INTACT.


YOU JUST SAID CITY Z IS IN RUINS.
CLARK
YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT?

YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT IT, RIGHT?

RUMOR HAS IT AN AWFUL MONSTER LIVES HERE.

TWO

OF COURSE.

I SUPPOSE THAT'S WHY THEY SENT *US* TO THIS AREA.

GOLDEN BALL

THE NUMBER OF DISASTER ALERTS HAS DECREASED...

...BUT BE ON YOUR GUARD.

Class A, Rank 33 Hero
SPRING MUSTACHIO

IF WE RUN INTO A MONSTER, I'M *NOT* RUNNING AWAY.
CLINK
IF WE'RE GOING INTO A GHOST TOWN, WE BETTER GET READY TO FIGHT.
Class A, Rank 29 Hero
GOLDEN BALL

CITY A HERO ASSOCIATION HEAD-QUARTERS

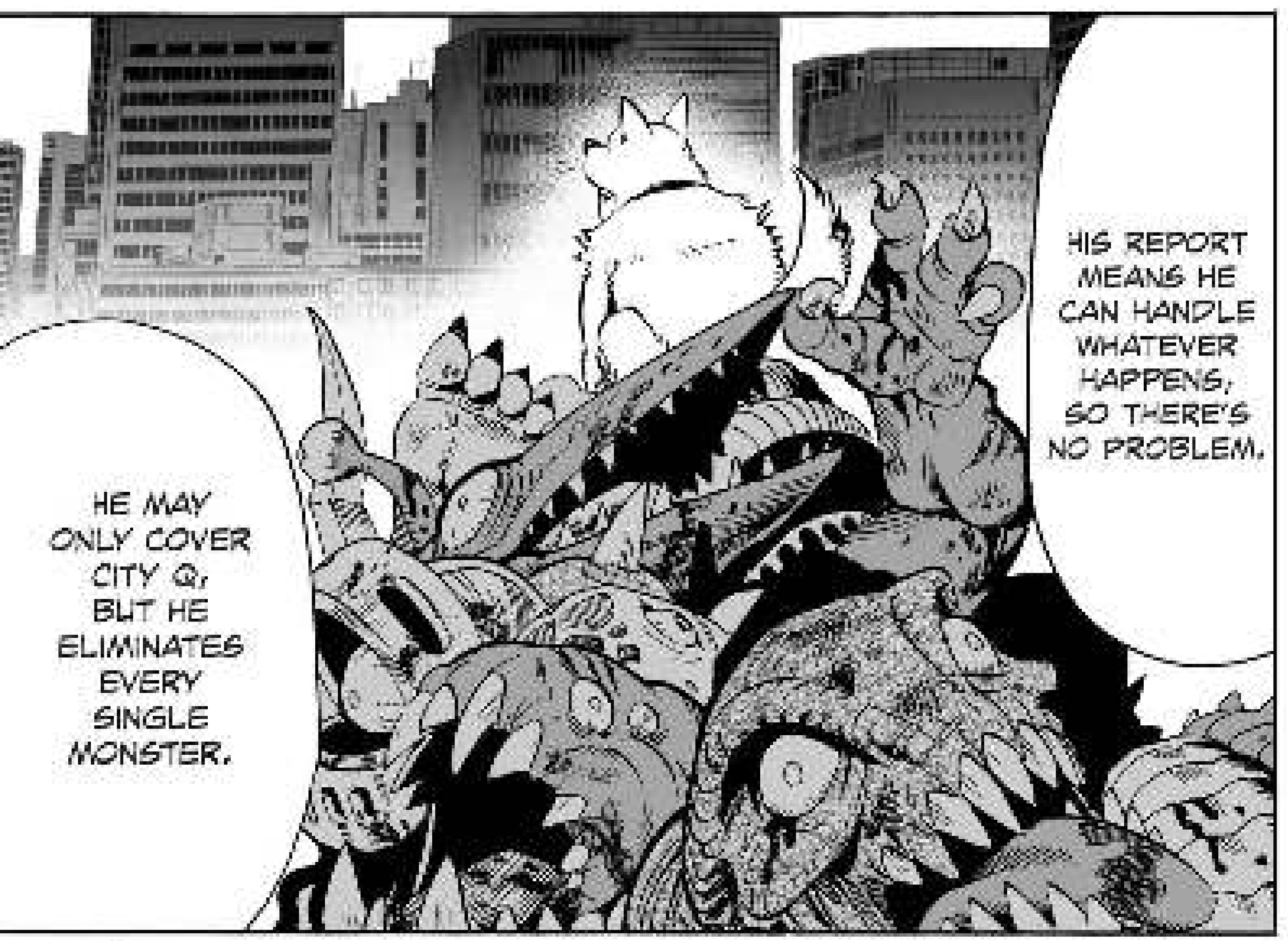
INVESTIGATION REPORTS ARE ALREADY COMING IN.

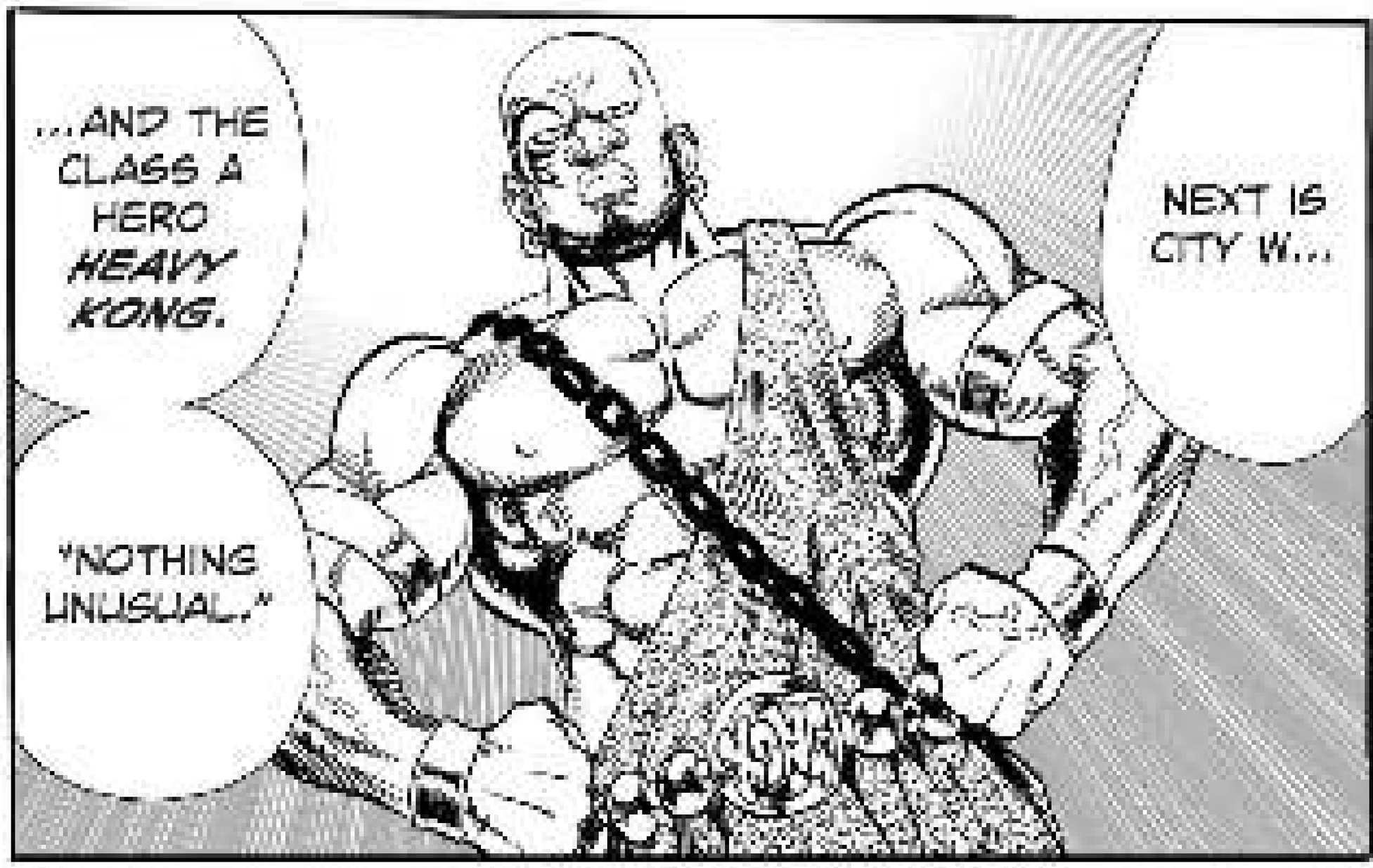
THE FIRST IS FROM A CLASS S HERO IN CITY Q...

...NAMED *WATCHDOG MAN.*

WELL, YOU KNOW HOW WATCHDOG MAN IS.
IN NUMBER OF DISASTERS AND AVERAGE LEVEL OF MONSTERS, CITY Q IS A HOT ZONE.
ANOTHER CARELESS ANSWER...

NOTHING ?!
"NOTHING UNUSUAL."

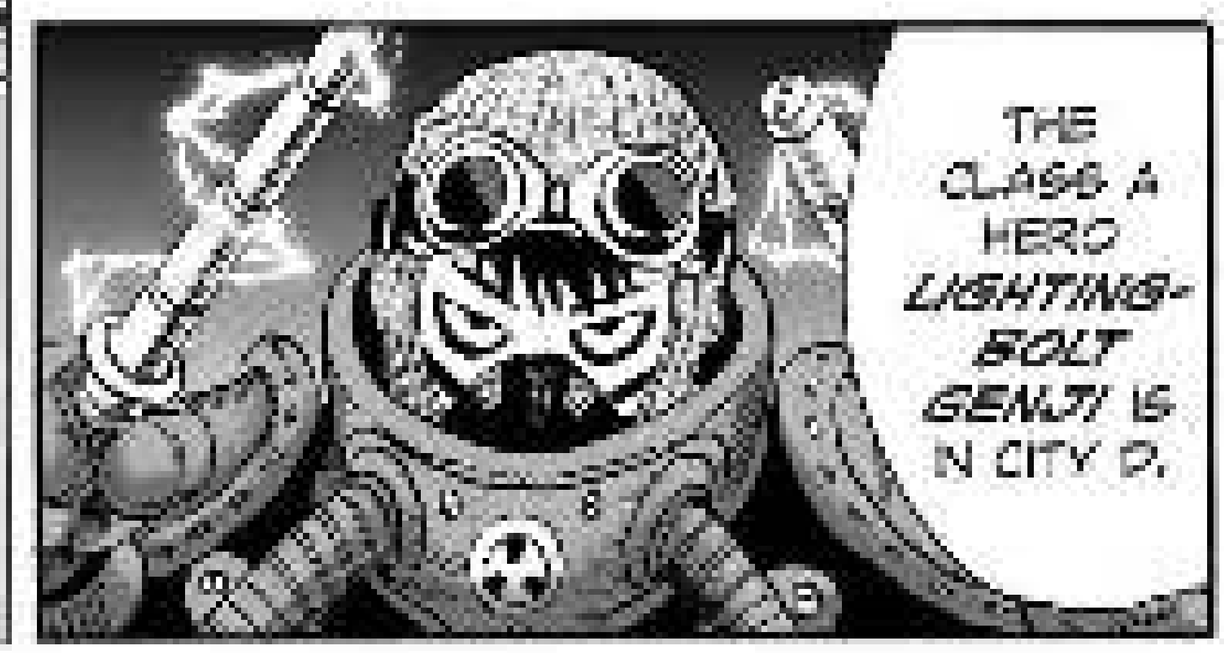

HE MAY ONLY COVER CITY Q, BUT HE ELIMINATES EVERY SINGLE MONSTER.
HIS REPORT MEANS HE CAN HANDLE WHATEVER HAPPENS, SO THERE'S NO PROBLEM.

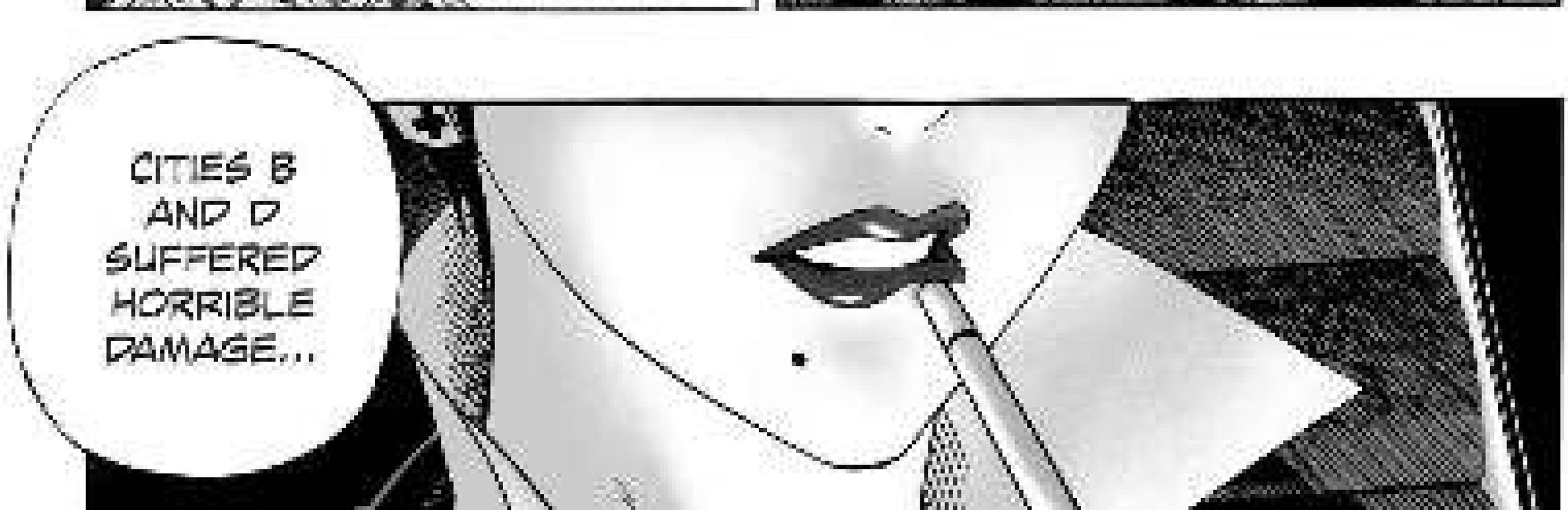

...AND THE CLASS A HERO *HEAVY KONG.*
"NOTHING UNUSUAL."
NEXT IS CITY W...

Class S heroes are too impressive for a decent report...

TOK TOK TOK
"NOTHING UNUSUAL, ASIDE FROM THE SLOW RECOVERY SINCE THE CITY'S DESTRUCTION BY GIANT CREATURES."

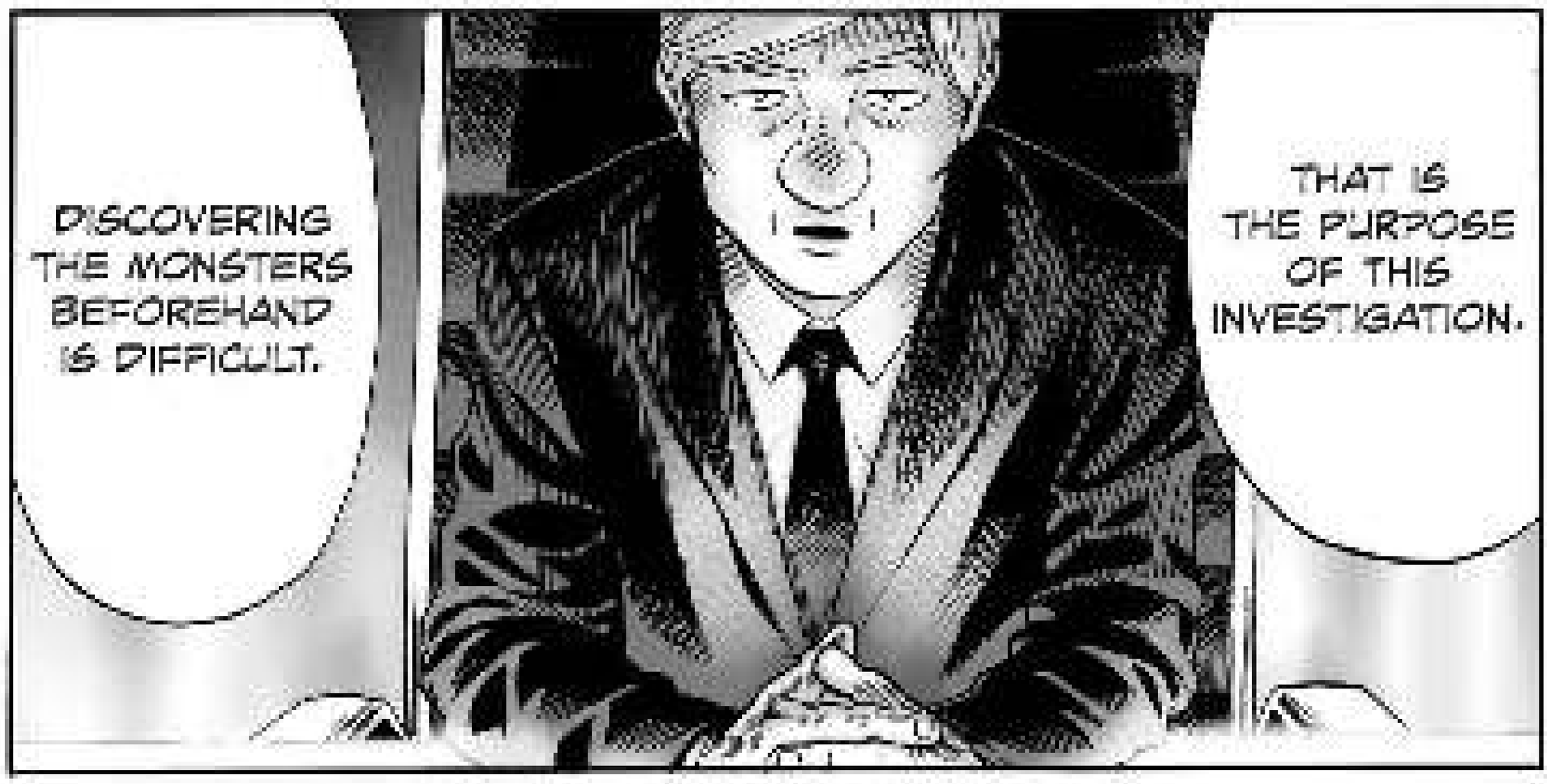
"NOTHING UNUSUAL."
THE CLASS B HERO *MUSHROOM* AND CLASS C HERO *HORSEBONE* ARE IN CITY H.


THE CLASS A HERO *LIGHTING-BOLT GENJI* IS IN CITY D.


CITIES B AND D SUFFERED HORRIBLE DAMAGE...

...CAUSING INTENSE CRITICISM OF THE ASSOCIATION.

IN ORDER TO PREVENT SUCH TRAGEDIES, WE MUST ASCERTAIN WHETHER ANY DISTURBING SHADOWS LURK BENEATH THE WATER'S SURFACE.



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WE'VE HEARD THAT THE SEEDS OF DISASTER LIE IN THAT SUBURBAN GHOST TOWN.

TWO CLASS A HEROES SKILLED IN BATTLE ARE PERFORMING THE INVESTIGATION.

NO REPORT HAS COME IN YET.

HOWEVER, THE SOURCE OF DISASTER HAS NOT BEEN LOCATED, SO THE CAUSE OF THE APPEARANCES REMAINS A MYSTERY.

THE NUMBER OF SIGHTINGS HAS BEEN INCREASING FOR OVER TEN YEARS, SINCE BEFORE THE FOUNDING OF THE HERO ASSOCIATION.

THE NUMBER OF MONSTER APPEARANCES IN CITY Z IS MUCH HIGHER THAN ELSEWHERE.

"THE MONSTERS ARE NETWORKING WITH EACH OTHER!"

COME ON

"THEY HAVE A COLONY WHERE THEY MULTIPLY."

"A QUEEN IS GIVING BIRTH TO THEM."

Queen

THAT PRETTY MUCH SUMS IT UP.

THERE ARE VARIOUS THEORIES AS TO THE CAUSE...

...BUT THE MOST PLAUSIBLE ONES ARE ...

...BUT JUDGING FROM THE BRIEFING MATERIALS ...

TUMP

THERE IS NO PROOF...

...THERE IS SOMETHING TO THAT GHOST TOWN.
OR RATHER ...
...
SOMETHING IS THERE.
GOLDY BALL

WHAT IS IT?
SOME-THING AP-PROACHES ...

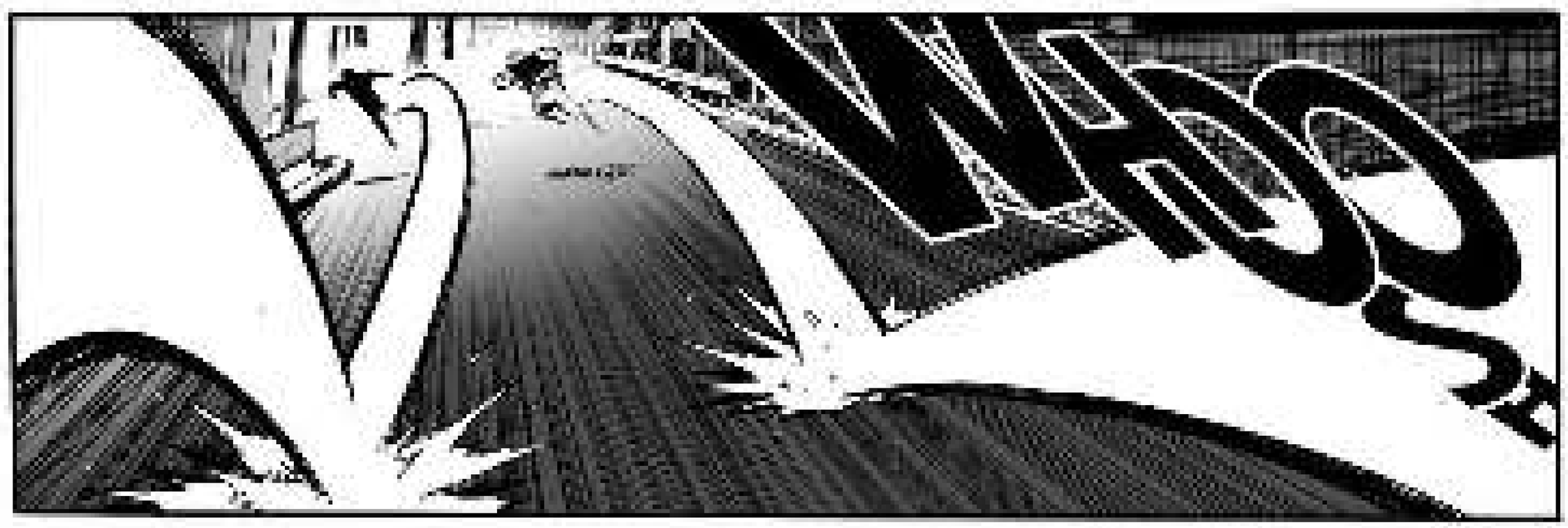
YES.
IF WE SOLVE THIS MYSTERY, WE'LL BE TOP RANKERS.

TMP TMP TMP
WE CAN'T LET AMAI MASK STAY NUMBER ONE FOREV...

IS SOMETHING THERE?!

LET'S GO AFTER IT.
...BUT I CAN'T IMAGINE SOMEONE STILL LIVING IN THIS DANGEROUS AREA.

WE SHOULD CONFIRM ...
A MON-STER ?!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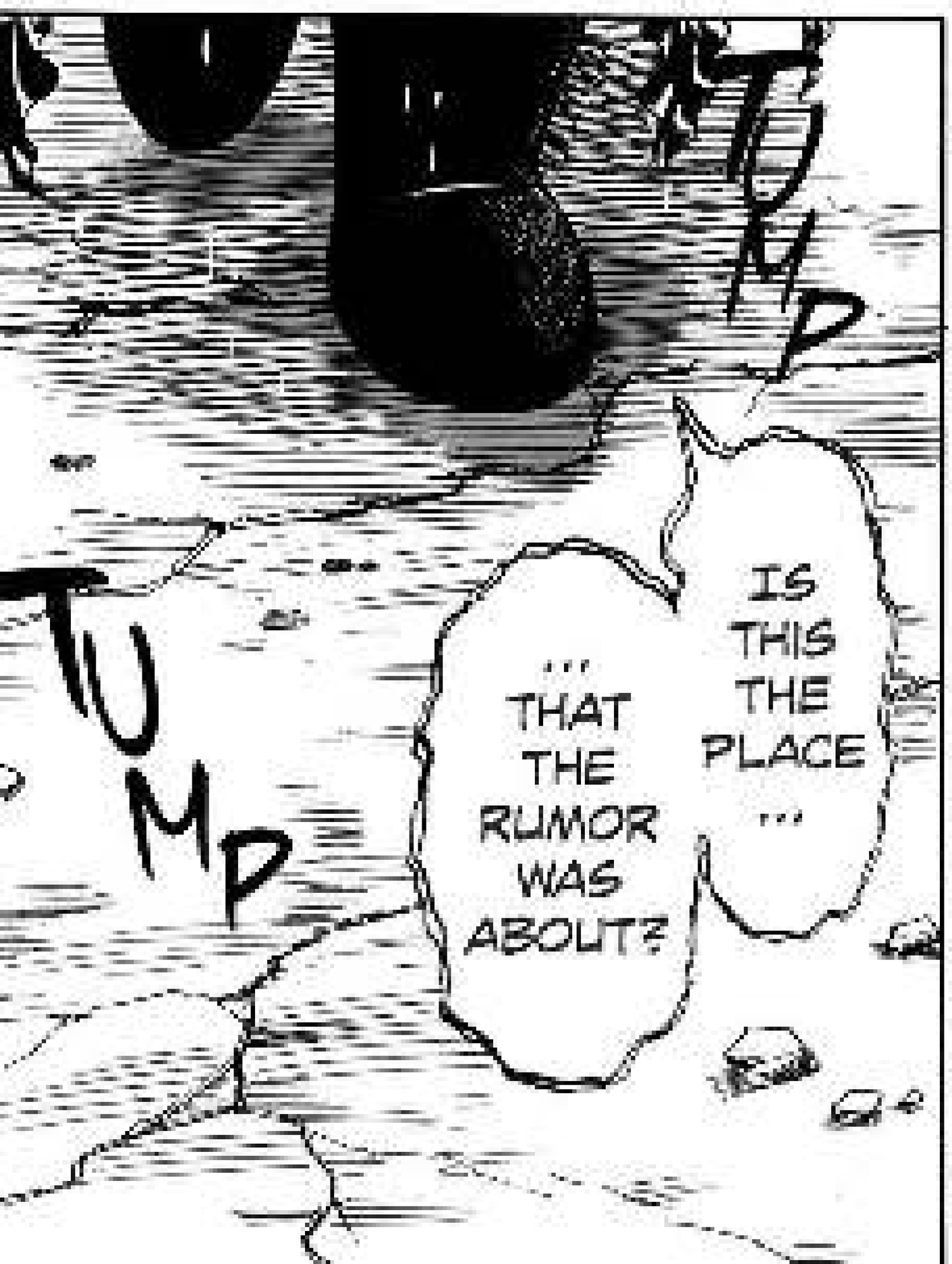

...
IS THIS THE PLACE ...
... THAT THE RUMOR WAS ABOUT?

...
I GUESS THEY ARE NOT INTERESTED IN ANYTHING OVER HERE.
← DAILY CHORE.

TOO BAD.

SHALL I GO RAMPAGE DOWNTOWN TO BLOW OFF STEAM?

IT DOESN'T FEEL LIKE IT THOUGH.

VA DUM

TADUM

AFTER I CAME ALL THIS WAY?

A MONSTER !!

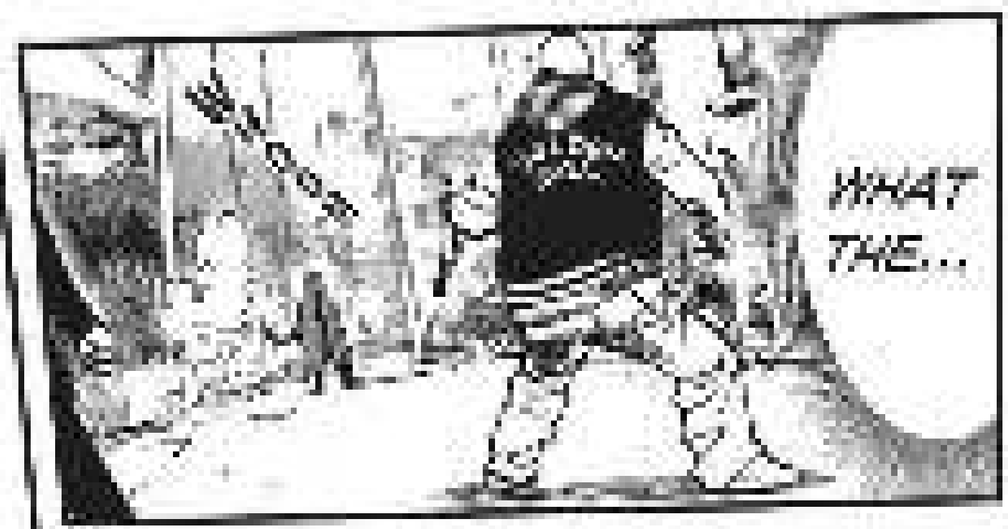
CRACK
CRACK
I'M ON IT!!
THERE IT IS! IT'S SHOWTIME, GOLDEN BALL!

VICTORY TO HE WHO SHOOTS FIRST!!
OH. SOME HUMANS.

FOO
SH!
EAT MY SHAPE-MEMORY GOLDEN BULLET!
THIS CAN PUNCH THROUGH A FIVE-MILLIMETER STEEL PLATE!
KCHIK
FWOOSH
SH!

WHAM

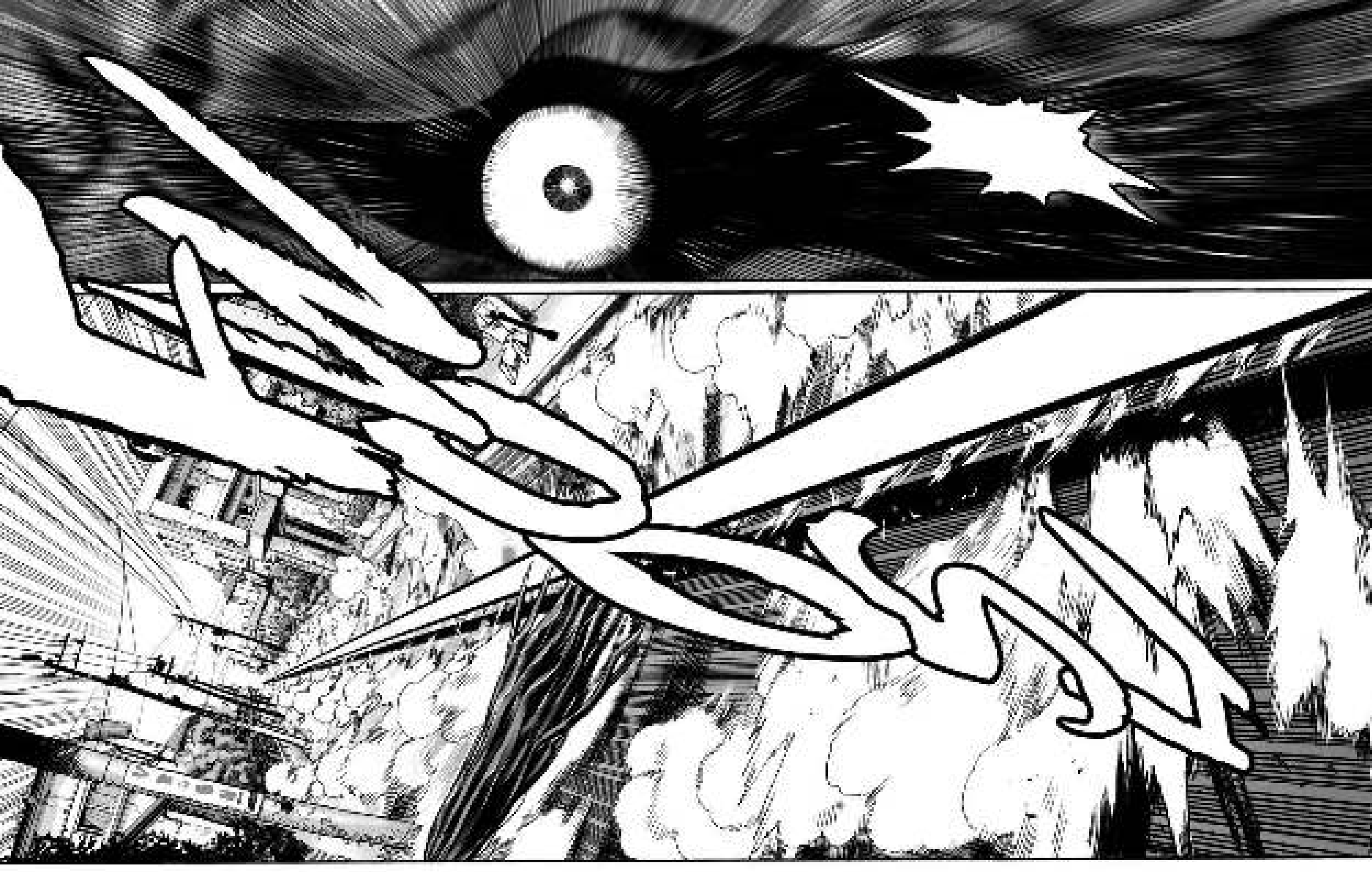
SMACK



THUD
UMPH!
GOLDEN BALL!
SNAP
SNAP

KA
DOOF
KLANG

HMMM?
BABING
SWIRRL
!!!



HE EVADED MY TOM-BOY..

OH NO ...

THOSE TEN-TACLES ...

THEY'RE AS STRONG AS STEEL!

NOT BAD ...

SHWIP SHWIP

A MONSTER WHO CAN WIELD A COUNTLESS NUMBER OF TENTACLES LIKE WHIPS?

MOST FORMID-ABLE!

...I CAN MAKE THAT RUMOR COME TRUE!

BUT MAYBE ...

Monster:
KOMBU INFINITY

KNAAA

I LIKE THE SOUND OF THAT!

THE GHOST TOWN MON-STER...

SEND AN EMERGENCY SUMMONS TO ALL NEARBY HEROES...

...CLASS A AND ABOVE.

CLASS A, RANK 25 GOLDEN BALL IS DOWN AND CLASS A, RANK 33 SPRING MUSTACHIO IS FIGHTING FOR HIS LIFE!

THEY'RE IN THE UNINHABITED AREA!

KA P' N

SHINK

GRUCH...

...HERE.

FWD

...I DEFI-NITELY DON'T WANT TO LIVE...

WBBL

HEH HEH... IF IT MEANS RUNNING INTO CREA-TURES LIKE THIS...

I BEAT A HERO, BUT HE'S NOT EVEN SCREAMING.

LIVING IN AN EMPTY PLACE LIKE THIS, I WOULD NEVER GET FAMOUS!

SHUF

SHUF

THIS IS BORING!

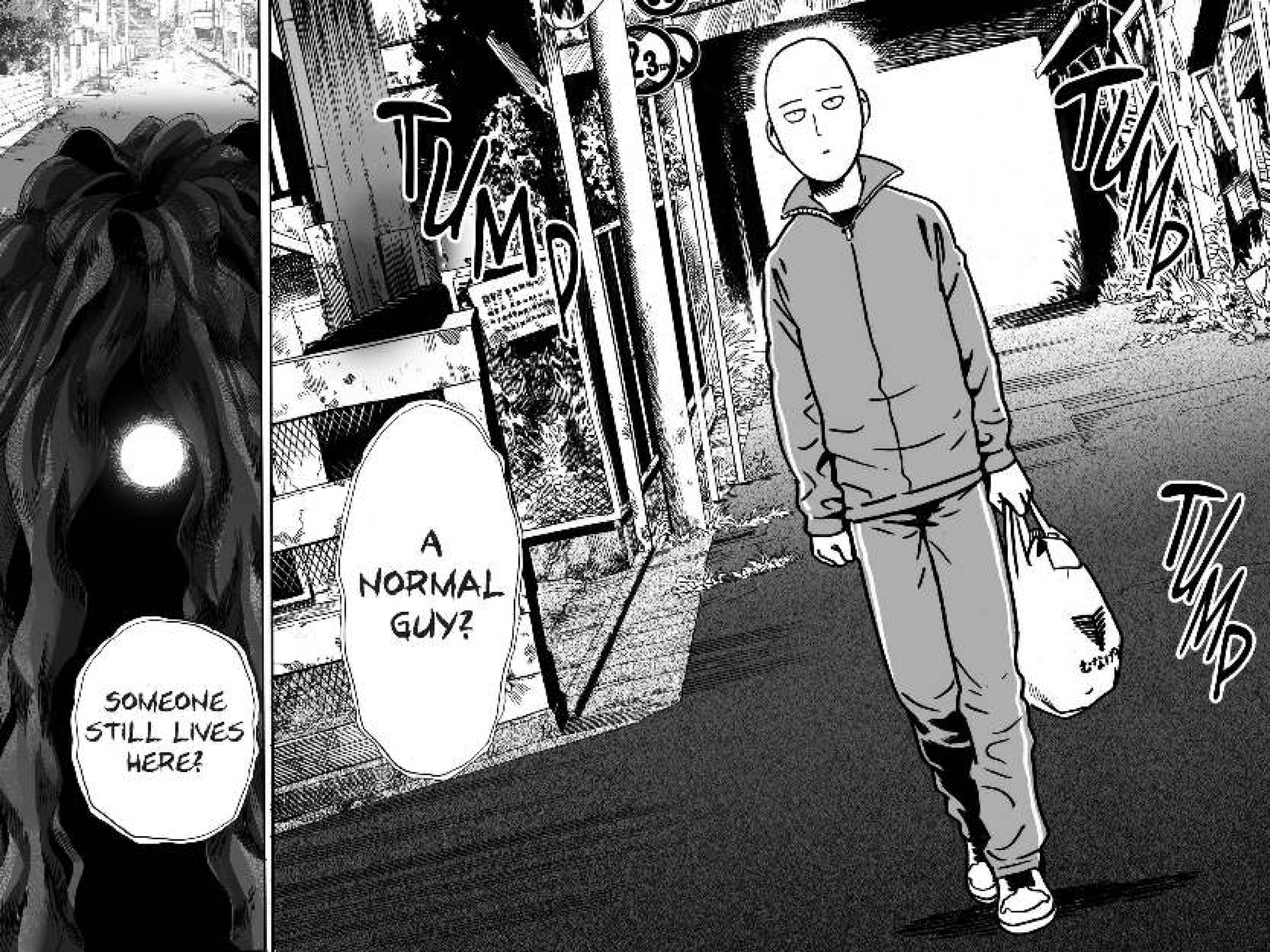
I'LL HEAD INTO THE INHABITED AREAS.

I SHOULD GO ON THE ATTACK.

ANOTHER HERO?

HM?

SOME-ONE'S HERE.


SOMEONE STILL LIVES HERE?
A NORMAL GUY?
TUMP
TUMP
TUMP

"...WITH REGARD TO THE UNINHABITED AREAS DESIGNATED A DANGER ZONE, CAUTION REMAINS NECESSARY."

"...AND SUFFERED DEFEAT."

"WE ENCOUNTERED A FEROCIOUS AND DREAD MONSTER..."

"IT MAY NOW RESIDE IN THE UNINHABITED AREA."

"WE ESCAPED WITH OUR LIVES, BUT THE MONSTER ABSCONDED."

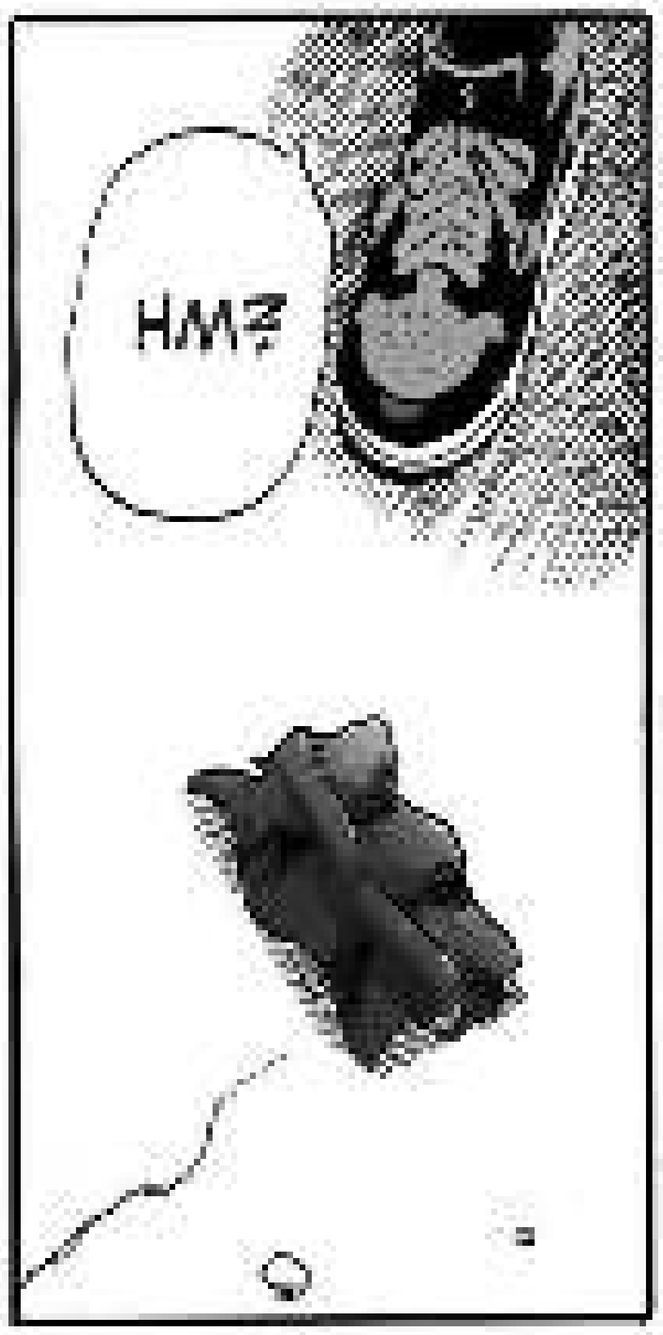
WHAT HAPPENED HERE?

WHAT KIND OF MONSTER COULD DO THIS?

"FURTHER-MORE, ACCORDING TO THE MONSTER ..."

"...THERE ARE RUMORS THAT MULTIPLE POWERFUL MONSTERS ALREADY LIVE IN THAT AREA."

THE RUMOR REMAINS UNCONFIRMED, BUT THE HEROES DISPATCHED AS BACKUP HAVE DISCOVERED SIGNS.


HM?

"FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS NECESSARY."
I'D HATE TO BUTT HEADS WITH IT!

PART OF THE MONSTER THAT SPRING MUSTACHIO FOUGHT?
WHAT'S THIS?

MAYBE A BATTLE BETWEEN RIVAL MONSTERS?
THERE IS SOMETHING HERE...

KAW

KAW

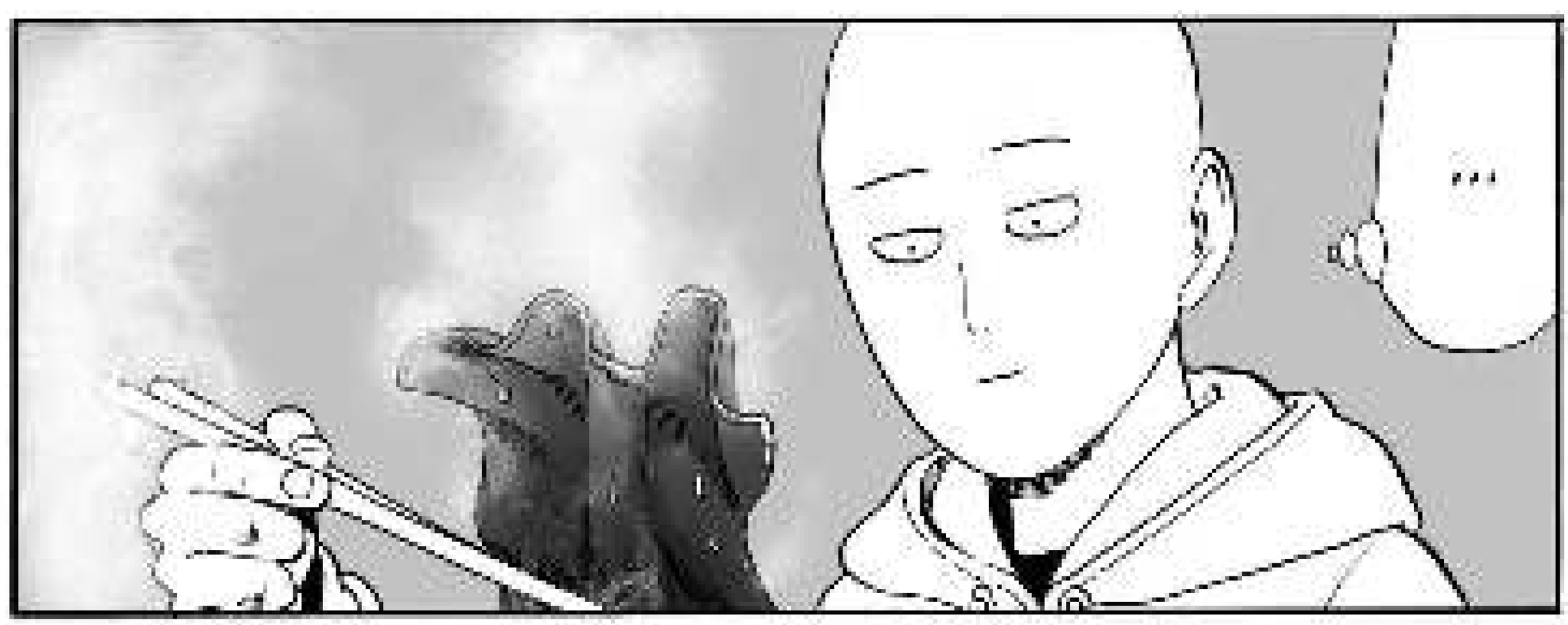
...ABOUT THE GHOST TOWN MONSTER IN CITY 27

HEY, DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING...

I GOT SOME CHEAP.

BLUE
BLUE
...

WELL, I JUST HAPPENED TO, UH...
WHY IS THERE SO MUCH KOMBU OUTSIDE YOUR DOOR?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I HAVE HEARD THAT SEAWEED IS GOOD FOR HAIR GROWTH, BUT THE EFFECTS HAVE NOT BEEN CONFIRMED MEDICALLY.

KAW

KAW

I RESEARCHED IT, SO I KNOW.

FOR EXAMPLE, ACCORDING TO THIS WEBSITE--

WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT *THAT*?!

...

PA

HE PLUCKED EVERY WEED FROM MY BODY...

BONUS MANGA
SUMMER

City Z.

Shelter No. 7.

CHIRR

CHIRR

IS EVERYTHING ALL RIGHT OUT THERE?

...the shelter's defenses are fully activated.

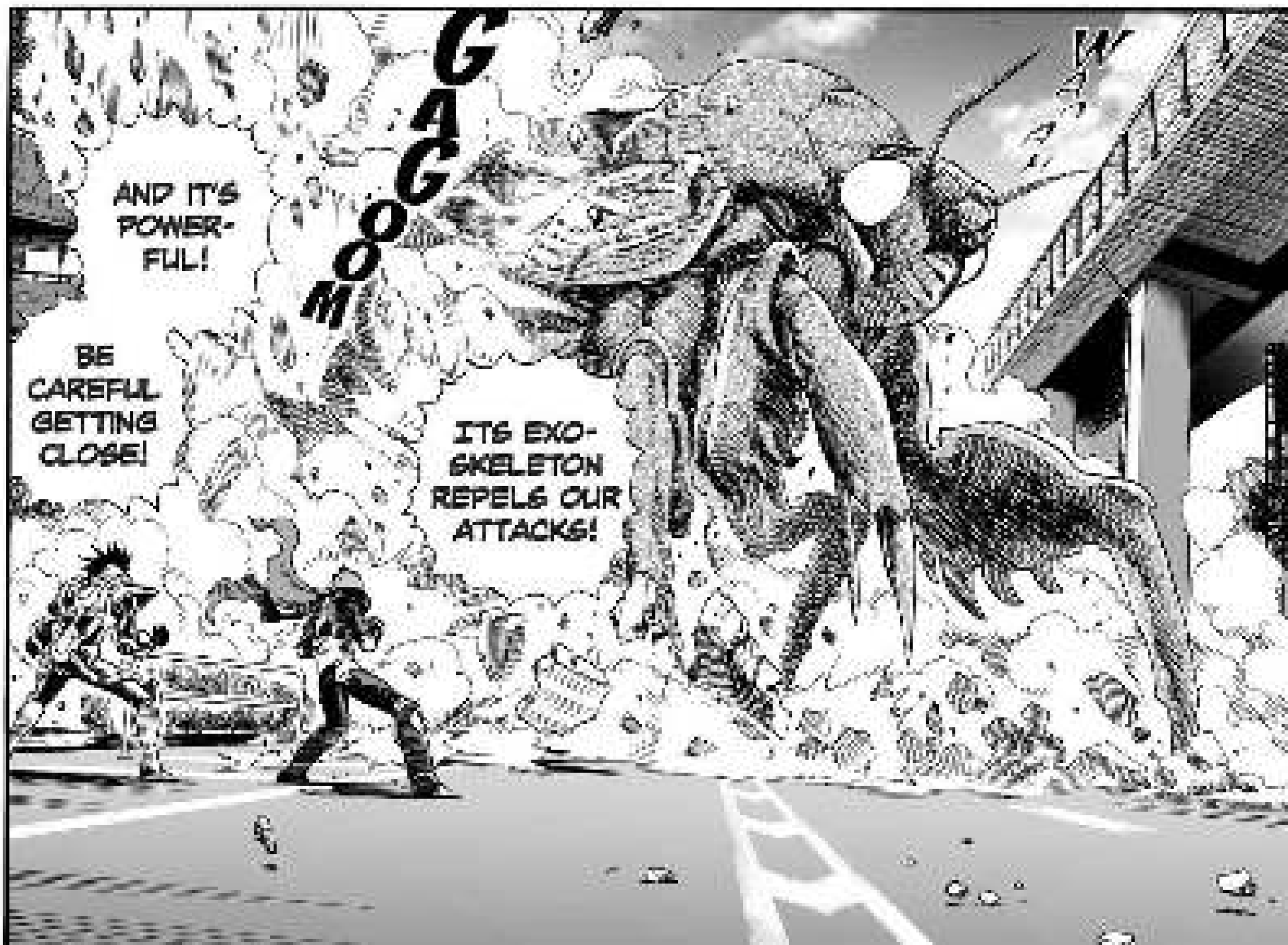
Today...

In other words...

WAAH!
WAAH!
...a **monster** has appeared.
Monster:
170,000-YEAR-OLD CICADA NYMPH

GRAAAH!
SABO
WHAM
BOUNCE

ARGH!!


GAGGOM
AND IT'S POWERFUL!
BE CAREFUL GETTING CLOSE!
ITS EXOSKELETON REPELS OUR ATTACKS!

YOU'RE THE TOUGH ROOKIE KNOWN AS *DARK-NESS BLADE!*

UM, MAYBE YOU SHOULDN'T TALK...

MY RUTHLESS BLADE THAT CHOPS EVIL INTO PIECES CAN CHOP ANYTHING INTO PIECES!

These are professional heroes.

Their job is...

...are hired by the Hero Association, a private organization founded recently to address the threat posed by monsters.

Professional heroes...

Class C, Rank 239
THE GRAD SCHOOL GRAD

Class C, Rank 140
RED MUFFLER

Class B, Rank 61 Hero
DARKNESS BLADE

...to
eradicate
monsters.

OPEN GATE07

THANK YOU, HEROES!

THANKS. I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS PLACE.

THE NUMBER OF MONSTERS HAS BEEN INCREASING...

...BUT THESE GUYS ARE OUR DEFENSE?

THEY'RE USELESS.

GOOD THING THESE PEOPLE MADE IT HERE...

THEY HELPED US EVACUATE.

YEAH. WE'RE SAVED!!

THIS IS AN EVACUATION SHELTER?

HUH?

I FOLLOWED THOSE GUYS TO FIND THE MONSTER!

AW MAN! I DIDN'T KNOW!

N- NO WAY! THIS SUCKS!

?

HM? THAT WAY IS THE EXIT.
YEAH. I'M GOING OUTSIDE.
SORRY, BUT MOVE IT.
COMIN' THROUGH...
PARDON ME...
JUMP
SILENCE...
GLOMP
I CAN'T STAY HERE! LEMME GO OUT!
HUH? HEY! LEMME GO!
HOLD HIM DOWN! HE'S CRAZY WITH FEAR!
NO, YOUNG MAN! DON'T BE RASH!
GLOMP
GLOMP

I KNOW YOU'RE SCARED, BUT THERE'S NOWHERE ELSE TO RUN!

YEAH, THAT'S WHY I WANNA--

THE MONSTER'S OUT THERE! IT'S DAN-GEROUS!!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?!

SOMEONE CALL FACILITY STAFF!

DON'T PULL MY HAIR!

IT'S FALLING OUT AGAIN ...

JUST CALM DOWN!

YEAH, THAT'S WHY I--

WAIT HERE FOR SOME-ONE TO BEAT IT!!

WILL YOU PLEASE OPEN IT FOR ME?

I CAN'T GET OUT?

NO.

ONLY PEOPLE WHO PASS THE ENTRANCE'S BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION MAY ENTER, SO THE MONSTER CANNOT COME IN.

WHILE THE SHELTER'S DEFENSE SYSTEMS ARE ACTIVATED, THE EXIT WON'T OPEN.

THIS PLACE IS SAFE!

....

SKWAWK
PWEE

I HAVE TO PEE...

I DRANK TOO MUCH TEA AT LUNCH...

...SO I'LL WAIT HERE.

SIGH... I SHOULDN'T JUST BREAK OUT...

THE HERO ASSOCIATION SPENT A VAST SUM BUILDING THIS SHELTER!

EVERYONE, REMAIN CALM!

IT IS A FORTRESS FOR PROTECTING HUMANITY!

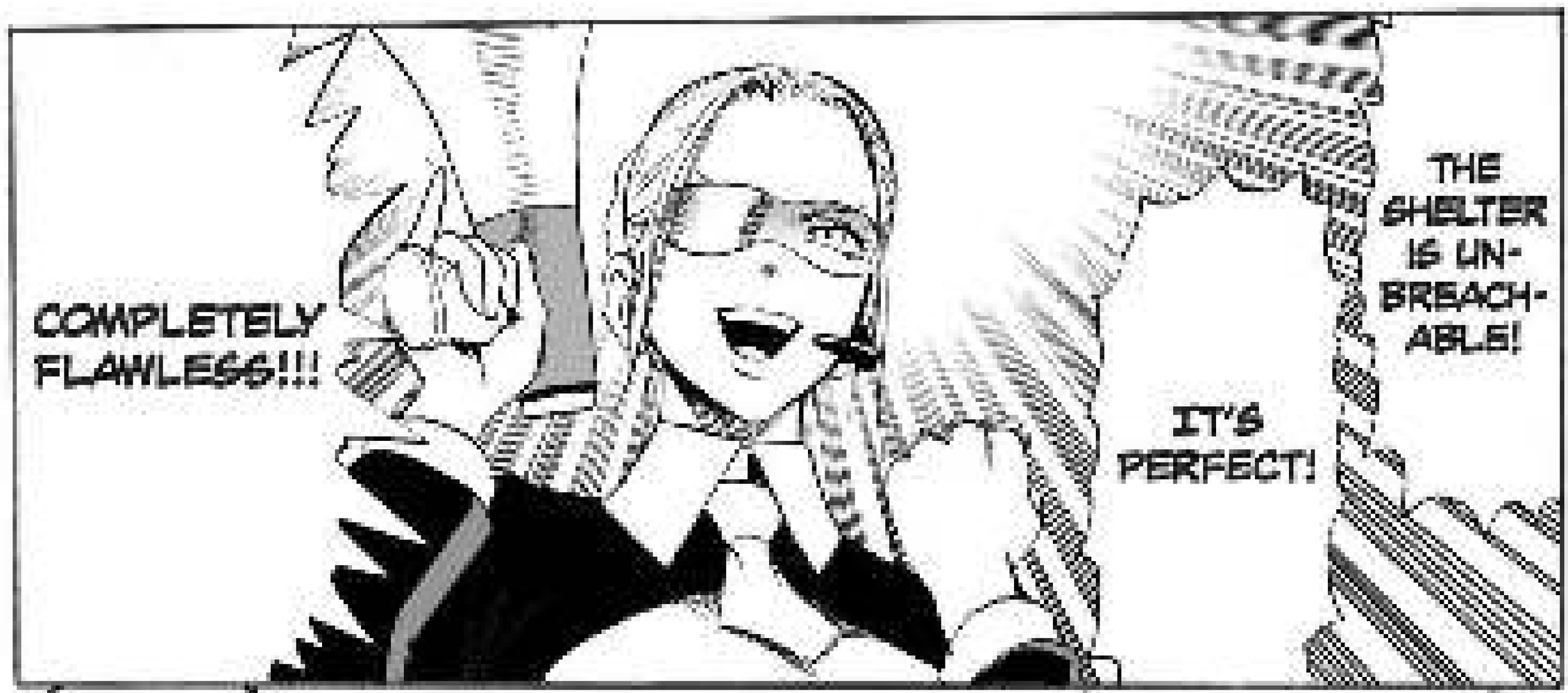
...AND ABSORB ALL MANNER OF IMPACT!

THE EXTERIOR CAN WITHSTAND SUPERHOT TEMPERATURES ...

HUH...?
THE OVERHEAD SPRINKLERS DISSEMINATE A NEGATIVE ION MIST...
...TO RELIEVE THE EVACUEES' STRESS!
...AND SOOTHING CLASSICAL MUSIC AIDS RELAXATION ...

THE ENTRANCE'S BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION DEVICE EVEN RECOGNIZES MONSTERS DISGUISED AS HUMANS.

BEFORE THESE IMPREGNABLE WALLS...
...TANKS AND MISSILES ARE POWERLESS!
I HOPE THE JOINT ISN'T CROWDED...


COMPLETELY FLAWLESS!!!
IT'S PERFECT!
THE SHELTER IS UNBREACHABLE!

THERE ISN'T ONE.
ISN'T THAT A HUGE FLAW?
WHERE'S THE TOILET?

ONE HOUR LATER.

THE SITUATION IS DIRE...

WILL MY BLADDER HOLD UP?

HM... ?

NO ONE LEAVES UNTIL SOMEONE BEATS THE MONSTER ...

THE MONSTER JUST BEAT TWO CLASS A HEROES!

OH NO!

I CAN LAST 15 MINUTES TOPS...

A NEW TEAM WILL BE HERE IN...

THE HERO ASSOCIATION HAS DECLARED THREAT LEVEL DEMON!

...THREE HOURS.

?!
I'M GOING OUT.
IT'S THAT WEIRDO FROM EARLIER.
HEY. WHAT'RE YOU DOING, KIDS?

THAT'S A WALL.
GIVE IT UP. THERE'S NO WAY OUT.

STOMP STOMP STOMP
SNAP
THAT'S IT. I GOTTA RELIEVE MYSELF.

?
THE FRONT DOOR SOUNDS EXPENSIVE, SO THIS'LL DO.

I'M GOING TO THE CONVENIENCE STORE!

SILENCE...

OH NO...

HUP

THAT CRAZY KID WENT OUT!

GAH! THE MONSTER MIGHT COME IN!

DID THE WALL JUST FALL APART?

THAT KID'S A GONER...

THE MONSTER WAS THAT WAY...

PAPA! I'M SCARED!

IT'S ALL R-RIGHT! THE HEROES WILL BEAT IT!

I WONDER WHO HE WAS?

His name is Saitama.

WA
AA
AH!

And now...

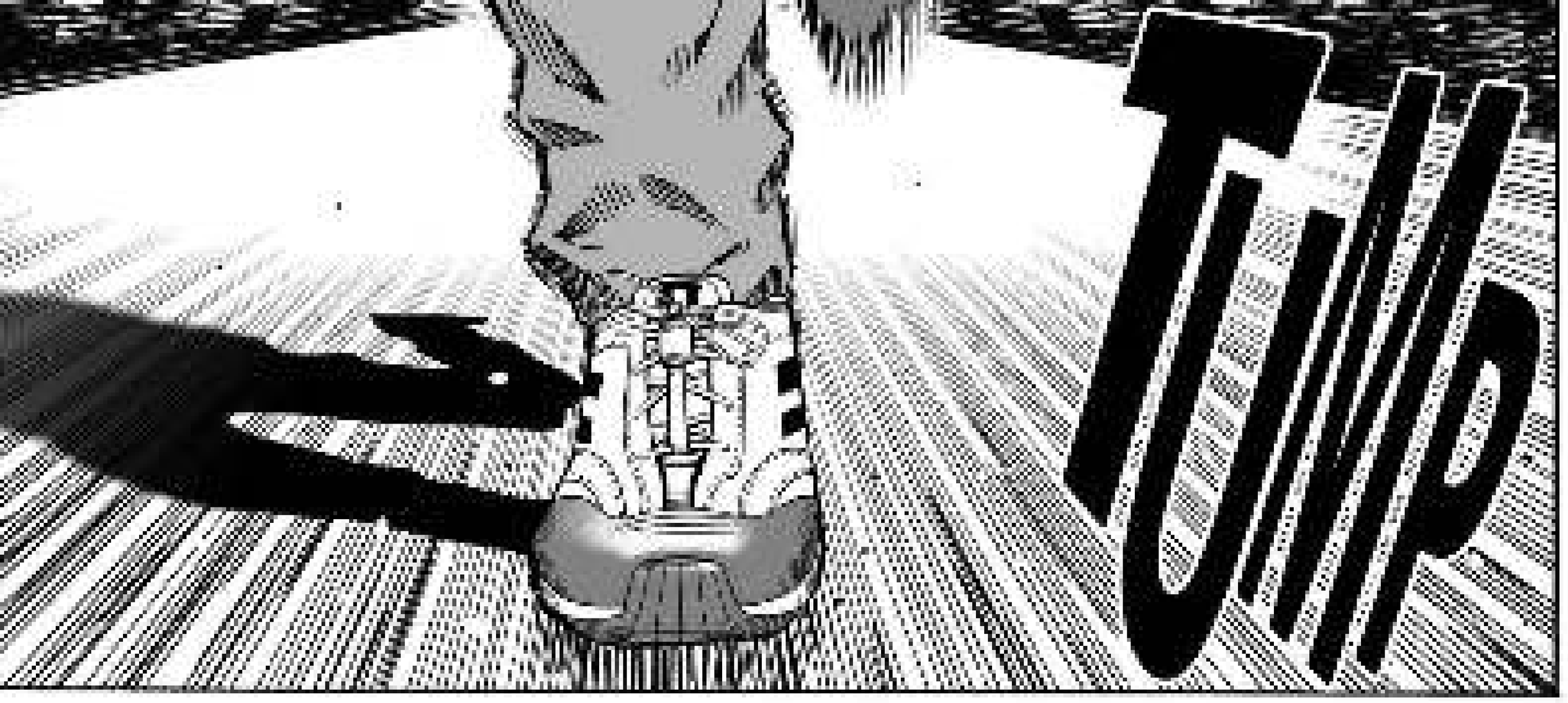
Monster:
170-THOUSAND-YEAR-
OLD CICADA IMAGO

SUMMER'S HERE!

Leave this to us!!
EMPTY SHELL
JISK

BONUS MANGA:

A NEW WIND BLOWS



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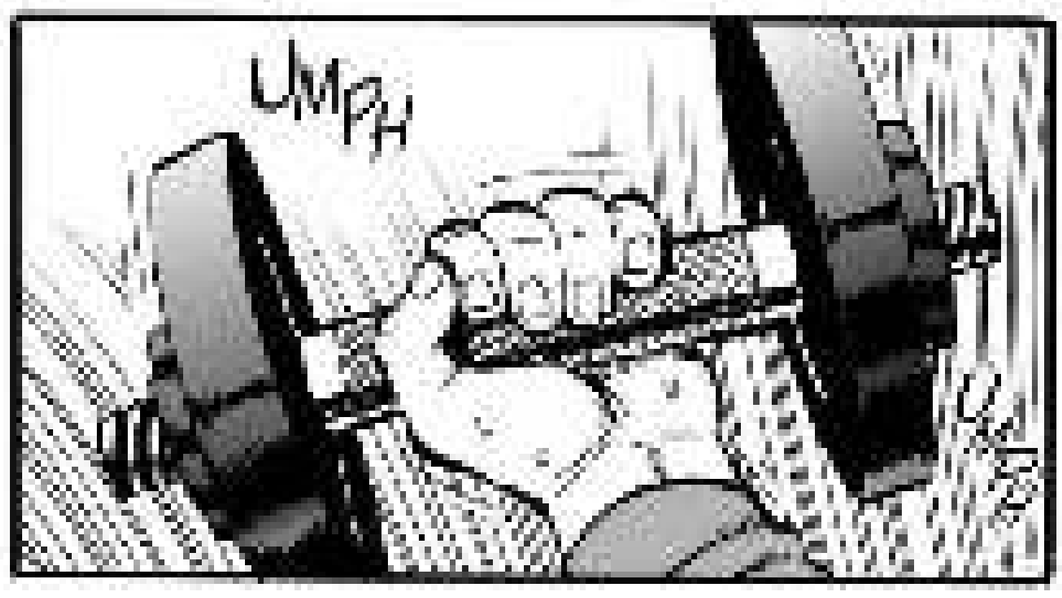

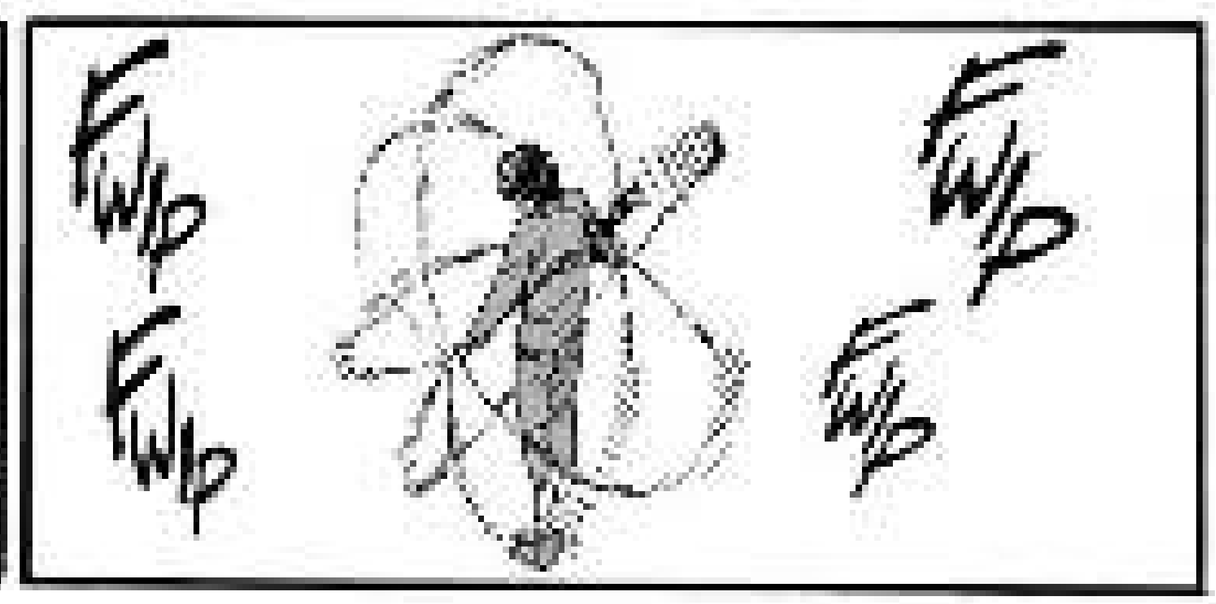

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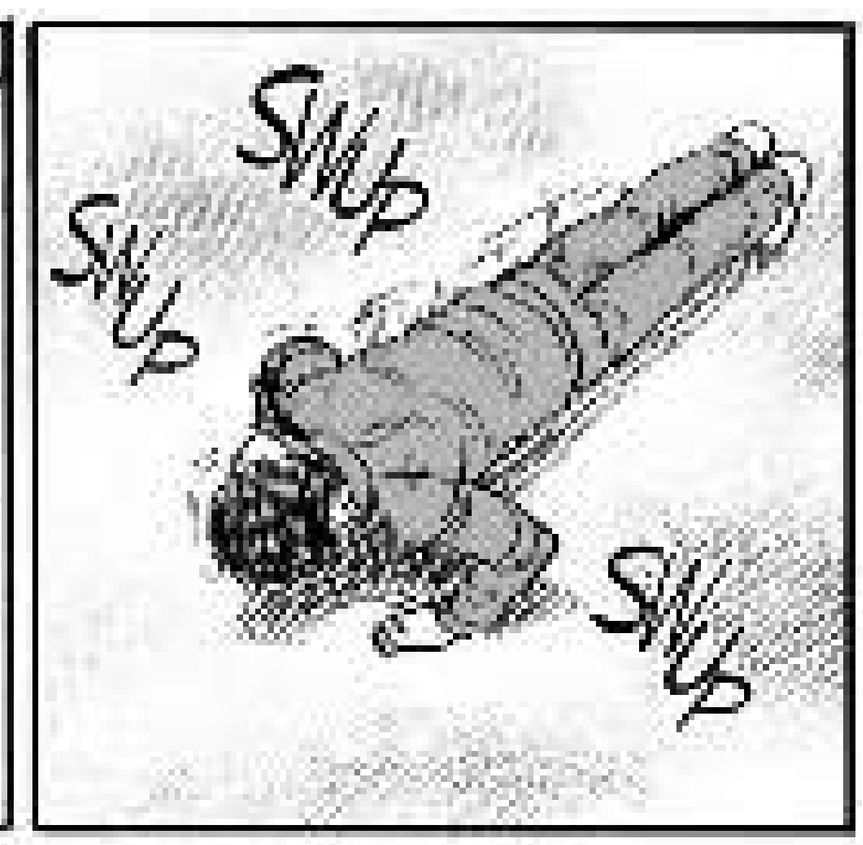
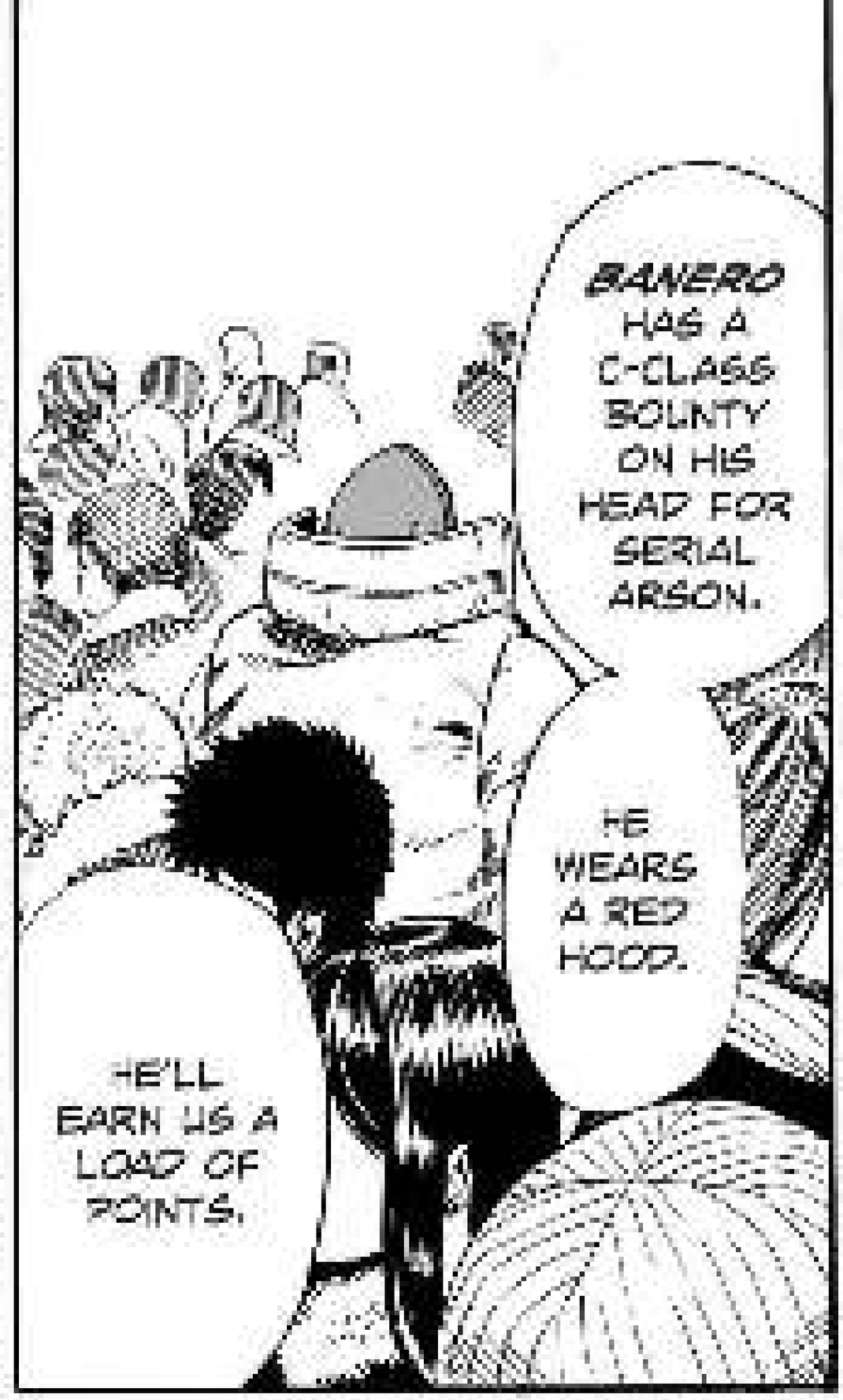


I WANTED TO BE A HERO.

EXCLUSIVE HANDSOME MEROSPERSPECTIVE

AND YOU HAVE TO BE A *BEAUTIFUL* SYMBOL OF JUSTICE!

YOU CAN NEVER CEASE POLISHING YOURSELF!



THERE'S A SALE AT THE SUPERMARKET TODAY.

VEGGIES'LL BE CHEAP.

CLINK

BUT THEN ...

...I NOTICED AN ADVER-TISE-MENT.

...I FEARED A FUTURE WITHOUT HOPE OF ADVANCE-MENT.

WHEN I WAS SCRIMPING AWAY AS A COMPANY MAN...

PRESERVE THE PEA

THE NEW FACE OF SECUR Y

Hero Association

GET ON YOUR KNEES ...
...AND PUT BOTH HANDS ON THE GROUND!

THE HERO ASSOCIATION'S BLIZZARD BUNCH HAS YOU SURROUNDED!
FREEZE, BANERO !!

ARE YOU GONNA TAKE ON 20 HEROES?
WHY ARE YOU WAITING?

BLACK IS THE BLIZZARD BUNCH'S COLOR!
...

WHY'RE YOU ALL WEARING SUITS?
FOR HEROES, YOU LACK INDIVIDUAL FLARE.

HEY, I'M GONNA BURN YOU UP!
I JOINED THE BLIZZARD BUNCH SOON AFTER ADVANCING TO CLASS B.

THE BLIZZARD BUNCH HAS THE LARGEST MEMBERSHIP AND DOMINATES CLASS B.
JUST PUT YOUR HANDS DOWN ...
FACTIONS EXIST WITHIN THE HERO ASSOCIATION.

GYAAH
WAAH
WAAH

GYAH! RUN!
SMASH
MOLOTOV COCK-TAILS!

OR RATHER ...
... THEY PRESSURED ME TO JOIN.

NEVER UNDER-ESTIMATE STRENGTH IN NUMBERS.
THAT WASN'T EASY.

HE DOESN'T DESERVE ANY POINTS.
THIS NEW GUY STINKS. HE ISN'T EVEN A DIVERSION.

NO. WAIT.
SO WE DIVIDE THE POINTS BY 20?

A MONSTER HAS APPEARED!
...I DON'T SEE THE POINT ANYMORE.

THAT'S OKAY. YOU DON'T HAVE TO REPORT MY NAME...
TO BE HONEST ...

THIS IS JUST LIKE AT THE COMPANY.

BLASH
VRRRRR
Threat Level: Demon
DEMON FAN
WHERE'S MISS BLIZZARD?!
IT'S TOO STRONG!
IT'S USING WIND!!

TAK
I'LL HANDLE THIS. YOU GO HOME.
YOU'RE IN MY WAY. SO SCRAM.

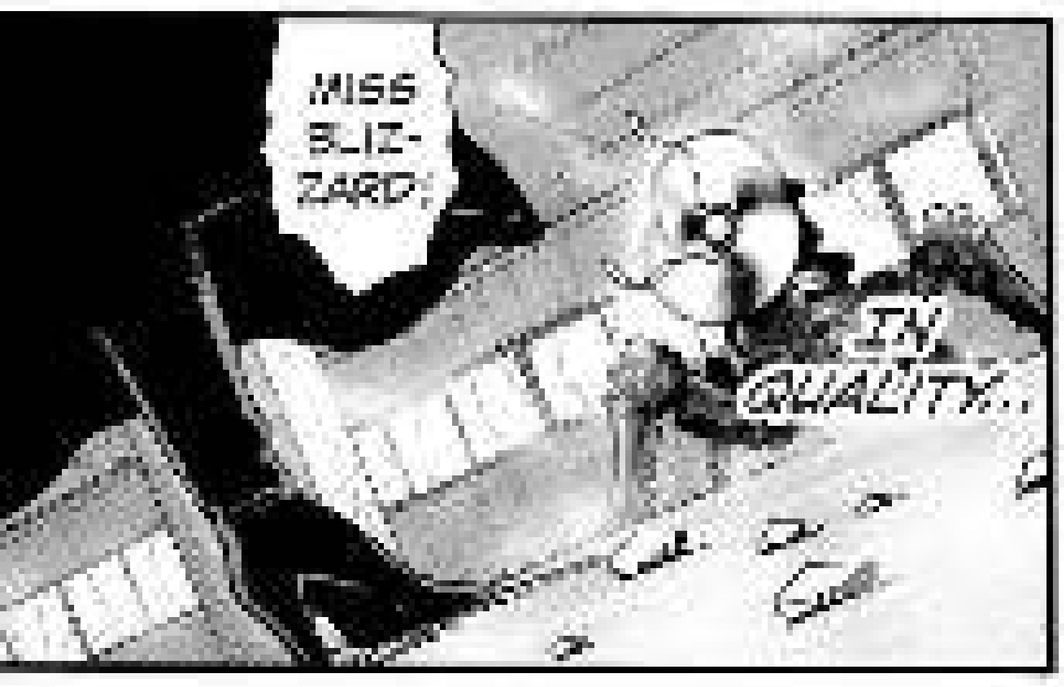
...AND MY ENCOUNTER WITH HER CHANGED MY LIFE.

MISS BLIZZARD!

MISS BLIZZARD'S GONNA FIGHT!

UNLIKE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BLIZZARD BUNCH, SHE HAD AN UNUSUAL POWER...

WHOA!



WHAM
WHAM
BUT...
I...
KOFF

GAH!
FLUD FLUD
I'M THE ONLY ONE LEFT ...
SHOULD I FIGHT ...?
I HAD WORKED HARD, BUT THE BLIZZARD BUNCH DESTROYED MY CONFIDENCE WITH THEIR MANAGERS AND TALENT.
I COULDN'T CONTROL MY THOUGHTS.
NOT A CHANCE!
AND THEN A SINGLE MONSTER ELIMINATED THEM.

RANK 2...

CLASS S!!

WHAT THE

...

THAT'S TERRIBLE TORNADO!

GIVE UP BEING A HERO!!

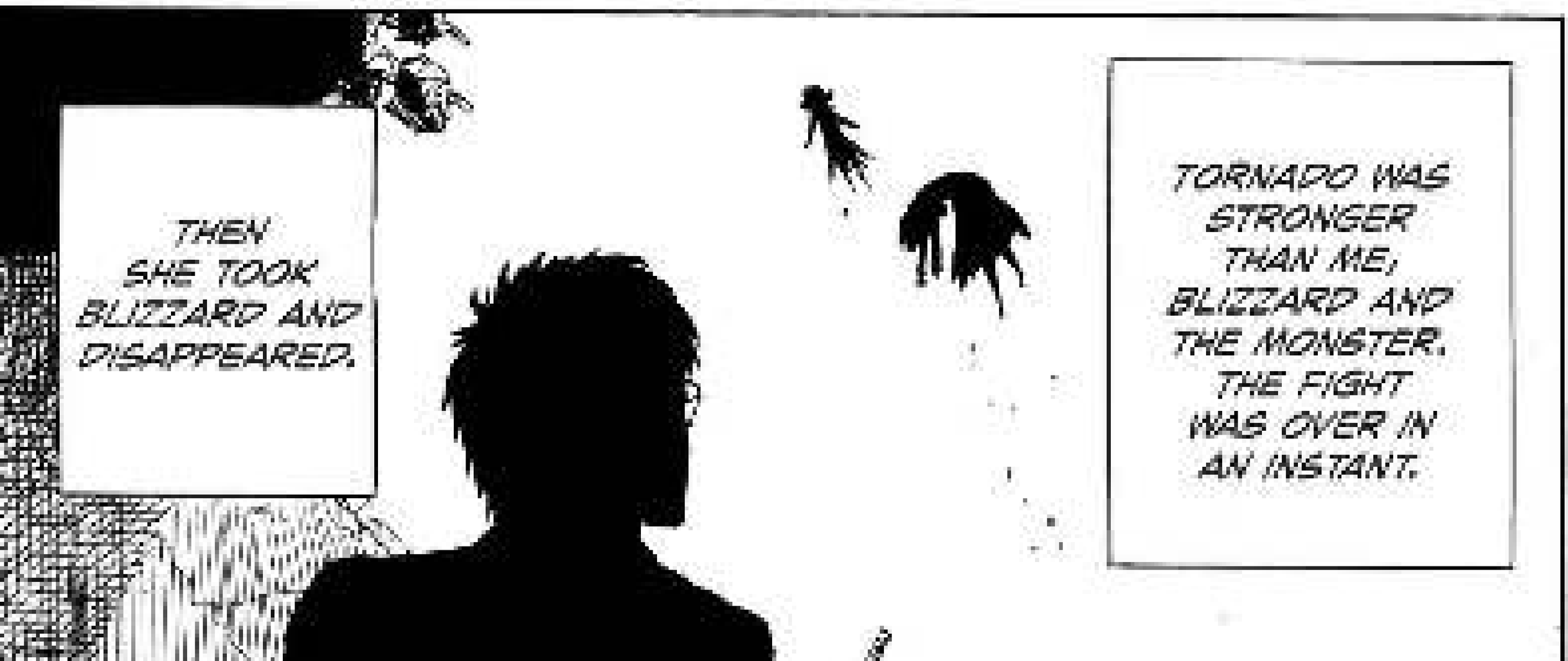
YOU'RE *PITIFUL*! WEAK AND COWARDLY!

GAH

CRACK

BLIZZARD ISN'T STRONG ENOUGH FOR THAT.
YOU'RE GOOD AT STRONG WINDS, HUH?

SWIP


THEN SHE TOOK BLIZZARD AND DISAPPEARED.
TORNADO WAS STRONGER THAN ME, BLIZZARD AND THE MONSTER. THE FIGHT WAS OVER IN AN INSTANT.

WH
ARGH!
I CAN'T FIGHT A MONSTER WITHOUT A SPECIAL POWER!
AM

....!
"YOU'RE PITIFUL!"

BUT I DON'T HAVE A PARTIC-ULAR TALENT!
TALENT AND BIRTH DETERMINE EVERYTHING!
HARD WORK ISN'T ENOUGH!

THE NEWS SAID THERE WAS A MONSTER.
YOU'RE CLASS C? THE FIGHT'S OVER.

UM...
HM?
WHO ARE YOU?

I WORKED HARD!
IT ISN'T FAIR!
HARDER THAN ANYONE!

HUH ?!
IT IS? BUT THAT THING'S STILL MOVING.
GLACK
CLUNK
NO...
...
NO WAY !!
CLUNK
GLATTR
IT'S MOVING ...
THE PROPELLER WAS ITS MAIN BODY?!

...BACK TO LIFE!

VMMM

IT CAME

OOO

DON'T DO IT!!

NO. I'M STRONG, SO--

I TRAINED TO GIVE MYSELF CONFI-DENCE!!

NO! JUST RUN!

OH? PERFECT!

BUT LOOK AT ME!

AND I REACHED CLASS B!

SWOOSH

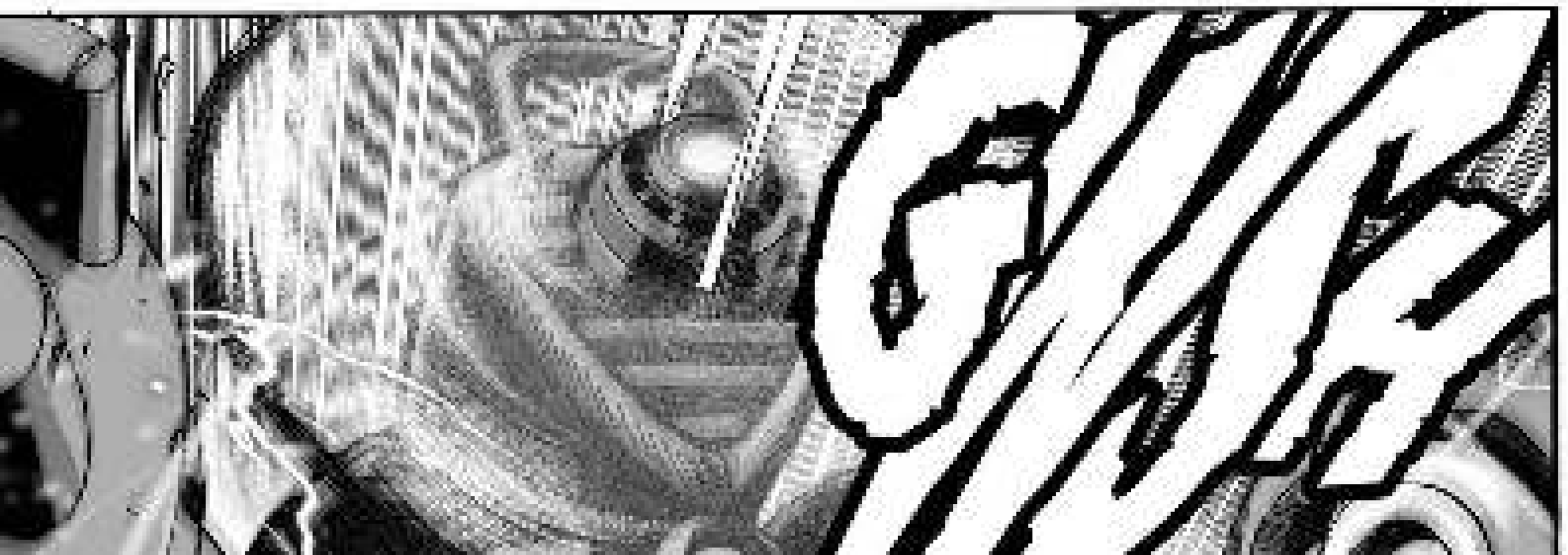
A CLASS C HERO LIKE YOU CAN'T BEAT IT!

WHO SAID SO?

TALENTED PEOPLE ARE FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT FROM US!

NORMAL PEOPLE HAVE LIMITS!

DON'T GET YOURSELF KILLED OUT OF ADMIRATION FOR HEROES!!



THAT WIND IS TOO COLD!

YOU SAID YOU WORKED HARD?

WHO DECIDES LIMITS? AND BASED ON WHAT?

KABOOM

IS THAT REALLY THE LIMIT OF YOUR STRENGTH?

WELL, MAYBE YOU NEED TO WORK A LITTLE LONGER.

HE MUST HAVE BEEN BORN SPECIAL!

HE'S PROBABLY FILTHY RICH AND MODIFIED HIS BODY SOMEHOW...

B-BUT ...

WHO ARE YOU?!

YOU'RE THE STRONG BECAUSE OF HARD WORK!

GENES! MUTATION? OR DRUGS?!

COULD THE YOU OF TOMORROW BEAT YOU TODAY?

INSTEAD OF GIVING IN, MOVE FORWARD.

THERE'S A SALE TODAY.
I GOTTA GO.
VEGGIES'LL BE CHEAP.

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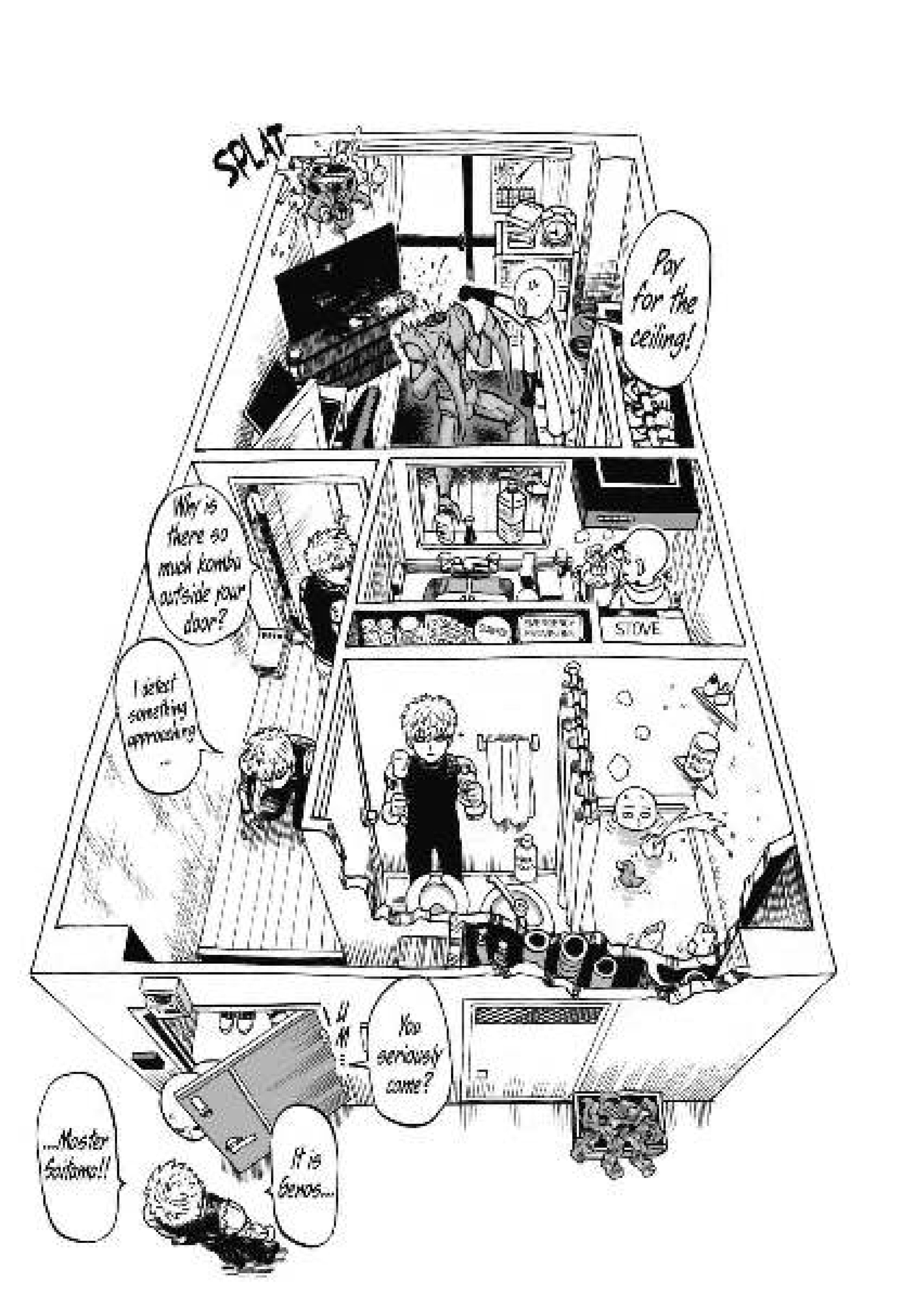
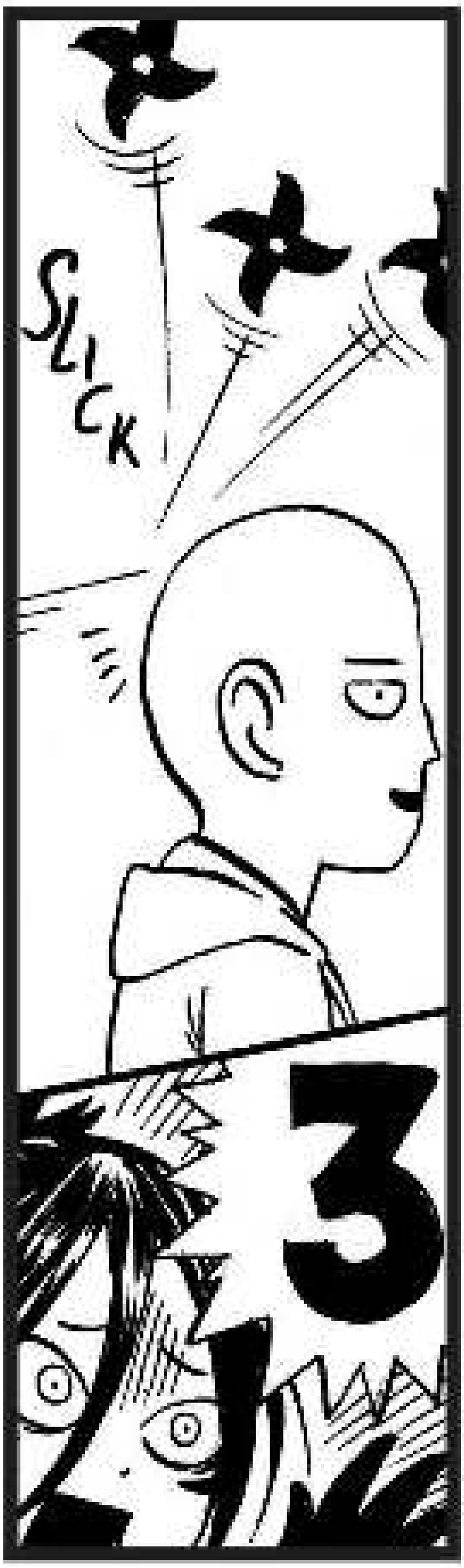

SPLAT
For the ceiling!
Why is there so much kombu outside your door?
STOVE
I sense something approaching
No seriously come?
...Master Saitama!!
It is Genos...



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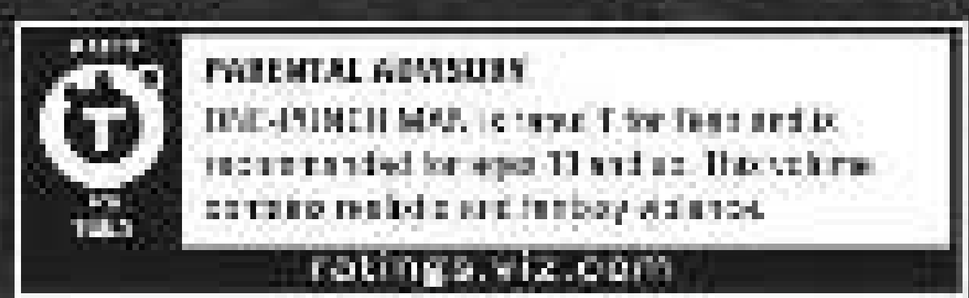
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