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HULK!

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THE AVENGERS

EARTH'S MIGHTIEST SUPER-HEROES!

CAN THE COMBINED POWER OF
THE AVENGERS
DEFEAT THE SINISTER SPELLS OF
LOKI, GOD OF EVIL?

LOKI!
PREPARE FOR
BATTLE!

THE AVENGERS...
BAH! I'LL DESTROY
YOU ALL!

SUPER-HEROES!
SUPER-VILLAINS!
SUPER-THRILLS!
PRESENTED
IN THE
FABULOUS
MARVEL MANNER!

THE COMING OF THE AVENGERS!

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The Mighty
THOR



IRON-MAN



ANT-MAN
and the
WASP



The Incredible
HULK

THE PLACE: ASGARD,
HOME OF THE NORSE GODS!
THE TIME: THE PRESENT!

THE MAN: LOKI, GOD
OF EVIL! A PRISONER ON
THE DREADED ISLE OF
SILENCE... PLOTTING
AWESOME REVENGE
AGAINST HIS MIGHTY
ENEMY, THOR, THE
THUNDER GOD!

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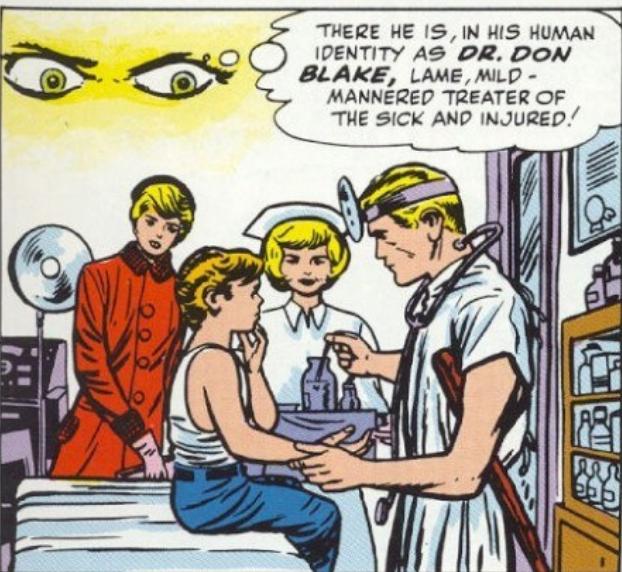
INKING:
DICK AYERS

LETTERING:
S. ROSEN

IT IS BECAUSE OF THE ACCURSED **THOR** THAT I AM EXILED TO THIS BARREN ISLE, ORDERED TO REMAIN HERE BY **ODIN**, KING OF THE GODS!

BUT THOUGH MY **BODY** MAY BE IMPRISONED, NONE CAN STOP MY MAGIC **POWERS** FROM ROAMING THE UNIVERSE IN SEARCH OF REVENGE!

BY MEANS OF **THOUGHT PROJECTION** I SHALL SEND MY DISEMBODIED SELF PAST THE RAINBOW BRIDGE DOWN TO EARTH! THERE I SHALL FIND SOME WAY TO MAKE **THOR** COME BACK TO ASGARD, WHERE I CAN BATTLE HIM AGAIN, AND **DEFEAT** HIM FOREVER!



ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO EVIL IN HIS HEART, MANKIND FEARS HIM BECAUSE OF HIS AWESOME STRENGTH! HE SHALL BE THE PERFECT FOIL FOR ME!

BUT, WHAT DIABOLICAL SCHEME SHALL I EMPLOY? AH, I HAVE IT! THAT RAILROAD TRESTLE!

ALL I NEED DO IS PROJECT A MENTAL IMAGE UPON THE TRACKS, WHERE THE HULK WILL SEE IT!



THERE, IT IS DONE! THE WITLESS MORTAL WILL THINK HE SEES A REAL BUNDLE OF TNT, ABOUT TO DESTROY THE TRESTLE JUST AS THE TRAIN IS APPROACHING!

PERFECT! HE SEES IT. AND NOW, NOT DREAMING IT IS ONLY A NON-EXISTENT IMAGE, HE LEAPS DOWN TO SNUFF IT OUT BEFORE IT CAN EXPLODE!

BUT THERE IS NO TNT, AND SO, REACHING FOR SOMETHING THAT IS NOT THERE, HE MISCALCULATES THE FORCE OF HIS PLUNGE, CRASHING INTO THE TRESTLE, AND SHATTERING IT!



CHARLIE! STOP THE TRAIN! SOMETHING SMASHED THE TRESTLE UP AHEAD! WE'LL CRASH!

IMPOSSIBLE!! WE'RE GOING TOO FAST! WE'LL NEVER STOP IN TIME!

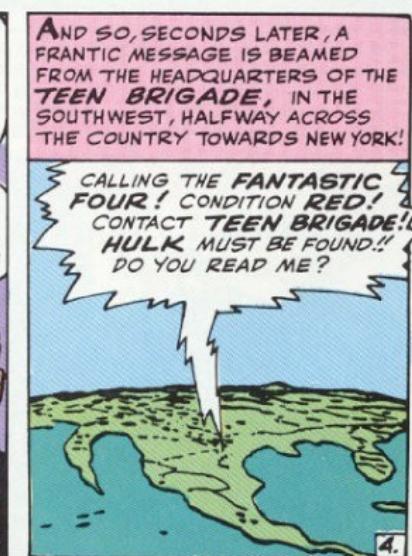


HAH! IT WORKED JUST AS I PLANNED! WHEN THE TRAIN CRASHES, THE HULK WILL BE BLAMED! HE WILL BECOME THE MOST WANTED MAN ON EARTH! DR. BLAKE IS CERTAIN TO BECOME THOR TO JOIN IN THE HUNT... LITTLE DREAMING THAT THAT IS JUST WHAT LOKI WANTS! BUT, WAIT! WHY IS THE HULK CARRYING THAT HUGE BOULDER?



HE HAS PLACED IT UNDER THE TRACKS!... IS USING IT AS A SUPPORT, TO STAND ON! THE FOOL! WHAT GOOD WILL THAT DO? THE TRAIN IS ALMOST UPON HIM!





*TEEN BRIGADE
FORMED IN ISSUE
OF HULK #6.

BUT THE SINISTER GOD OF EVIL HAS OTHER PLANS...

THE FANTASTIC FOUR WILL RUIN EVERYTHING! IT IS THOR I WANT...NO ONE ELSE! I MUST TAKE INSTANT ACTION!



THERE! I HAVE USED MY MENTAL POWERS TO JAM THE RADIO WAVES. DIVERTING THEM TO A DIFFERENT WAVE-LENGTH... ONE WHICH I KNOW DON BLAKE IS LISTENING TO!



AND, IN THE QUIET STUDY OF DR. BLAKE...

STRANGE! SOUNDS LIKE A CALL FOR THOR!



THE TEEN BRIGADE! THEY'RE LOCATED IN THE SOUTH-WEST! IF THIS CONCERN'S THE HULK, IT MUST BE SERIOUS! AND SO, THE TIME HAS COME...



...FOR DR. DON BLAKE TO STRIKE HIS ENCHANTED CANE ONCE UPON THE FLOOR, CASTING OFF HIS MORTAL GUISE, AND BECOMING...



...THE MIGHTY THOR, GOD OF THUNDER!



BUT, UNSUSPECTED BY LOKI, OTHERS HAVE ALSO HEARD THE RADIO MESSAGE, AND THOUGHT IT WAS BEAMED TO THEM! AMONG THEM ARE THE ASTONISHING ANT-MAN AND THE WASP!

WAIT FOR ME, ANT-MAN!

I THOUGHT YOU WEREN'T COMING, JAN!

I CAN'T SEE WHY YOU HAVE TO STOP AND POWDER YOUR NOSE EVERY TIME WE HAVE A MISSION!



HENRY PYM, YOU'RE BEGINNING TO SOUND LIKE A STUFFY OLD BACHELOR AGAIN!

AND I INTEND TO REMAIN THAT WAY! NOW SEE IF YOU CAN'T BE QUIET LONG ENOUGH FOR ME TO ACTIVATE THE DOUBLE CATAPULT!



BUT WHY DO I HAVE TO USE YOUR SILLY FLYING ANT RELAYS? I HAPPEN TO HAVE MY OWN WINGS!

BUT WE'VE GOT A THOUSAND MILES TO COVER, JAN, AND I DON'T WANT YOU EXHAUSTED WHEN WE GET THERE!



AND STILL ANOTHER PAIR OF EARS HAVE INTERCEPTED THE URGENT BROADCAST... THE EARS OF **ANTHONY STARK**, MILLIONAIRE INDUSTRIALIST AND PLAYBOY... BETTER KNOWN TO THE UNSUSPECTING WORLD AS **IRON MAN**!

LUCKY I WAS TUNED IN TO THE RIGHT FREQUENCY! THINGS HAVE BEEN TOO DULL AROUND HERE LATELY!

I'VE ALWAYS WONDERED WHETHER THE HULK REALLY EXISTED, AND WHETHER IRON MAN'S STRENGTH WAS A MATCH FOR HIM!

LOOKS AS THOUGH I'LL GET A CHANCE TO FIND OUT! SOONER THAN I THOUGHT!

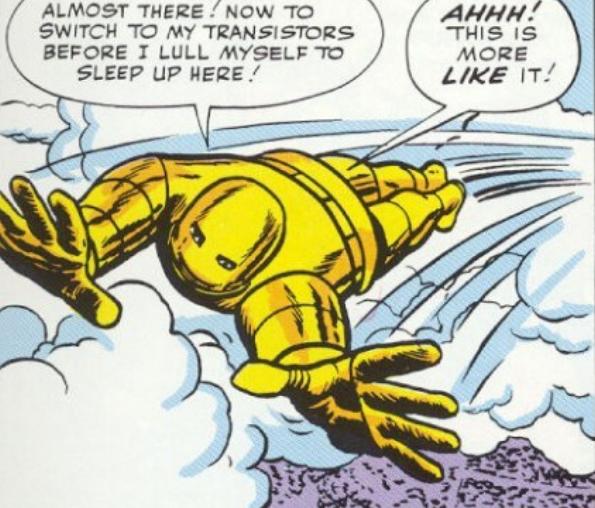
I'LL PROPEL MYSELF FOR MOST OF THE TRIP BY MY SOLAR BATTERY! IT'S SLOWER THAN MY TRANSISTORS, BUT IT LASTS LONGER... AND I'VE GOT A LONG WAY TO GO!



THEN, AFTER A FEW HOURS OF CROSS-COUNTRY FLYING...

ALMOST THERE! NOW TO SWITCH TO MY TRANSISTORS BEFORE I LULL MYSELF TO SLEEP UP HERE!

AHHH! THIS IS MORE LIKE IT!



MEANWHILE, IN THE MAIN CLUBROOM OF THE TEEN BRIGADE, A FEELING OF GLOOM FILLS THE AIR...

STILL NO WORD FROM THE FF, EH?

GUESS THEY NEVER GOT THE MESSAGE!

OR ELSE THEY CAN'T BE BOthered TO ANSWER A BUNCH OF KIDS LIKE US!



HEY! HOLD IT, YOU GUYS! CLAM UP! I'M GETTIN' SOMETHIN'... IT... IT'S MR. FANTASTIC!

WELL, C'MON, RICK... GIVE!! WHAT DOES HE SAY? LET US IN ON IT!!



WE'VE JUST INTERCEPTED A MESSAGE FROM YOU, RICK! IT WAS BROADCAST ON THE WRONG WAVELENGTH SOMEHOW!

PHOOEY! EVERY-TIME THERE'S SOME-THIN' HEAVY TO BE LIFTED AROUND HERE, OL' PRETTY BOY GETS A CALL ON THAT BLASTED RADIO!

BEN GRIMM! YOU KNOW YOU GET MIKE FRIGHT EVERY TIME YOU HAVE TO USE IT!



WE'RE WRAPPED UP IN ANOTHER CASE NOW, SON, BUT...

.. ACCORDING TO MY CALCULATIONS, YOUR MESSAGE SHOULD BE PICKED UP BY SOME OTHERS WHO CAN HELP YOU! IF YOU DON'T GET HELP SOON, RADIO BACK AND LET ME KNOW!

YOU KIDDIN', REED? WHO ELSE COULD EVER DO WHAT WE CAN DO?

THEN, AS THE CONTACT IS BROKEN, AS IF IN ANSWER TO THE HUMAN TORCH'S BANtering QUESTION ...

LOOKS LIKE WE STRUCK OUT, RICK! THE FF CAN'T MAKE IT, HUH?

WONDER WHAT HE MEANT ABOUT SOMEONE ELSE MAYBE HELPIN' US?

AW, JUST SOME BUCK-PASSIN', THAT'S ALL!

H-HEY, GUYS... LOOK!



WHY SO SURPRISED?
DIDN'T YOU SEND FOR ME?

WOWEE!
IT'S THOR!!

LOOK! FLYIN'
ABOVE US! IT'S
ANT-MAN AND
THE WASP!

IT WOULD SEEM AS
THOUGH THE GANG'S
ALL HERE, EH, LADS?



HENRY! DID YOU SEE THAT GORGEOUS THOR?! HOW CAN I EVER MAKE HIM NOTICE ME?

STOP ACTING LIKE A LOVESICK FEMALE AND SLIP BEHIND THIS LENS WITH ME! I'LL ADJUST IT SO IT'LL PROJECT OUR IMAGES ON THE WALL!

WE HEARD THAT YOU NEEDED HELP, BOYS! IT CERTAINLY LOOKS AS THOUGH YOU'RE GOING TO GET IT!

THIS IS THE COOLEST! FIRST THOR, THEN IRON MAN, AND NOW ANT-MAN AND THE WASP! IT'S MORE THAN WE DARED HOPE FOR!



BUT, BACK IN ASGARD...

BAH! THIS COMPLICATES THINGS FOR ME! I ONLY WANT TO FIND A WAY TO LURE THOR UP HERE! I AM NOT INTERESTED IN THOSE OTHERS!



THOR IS AT THE WINDOW NOW! IF I MOVE QUICKLY, I MAY STILL SUCCEED! I'LL CREATE A MENTAL IMAGE OF THE HULK AND MAKE IT RUN PAST THOR'S FIELD OF VISION!

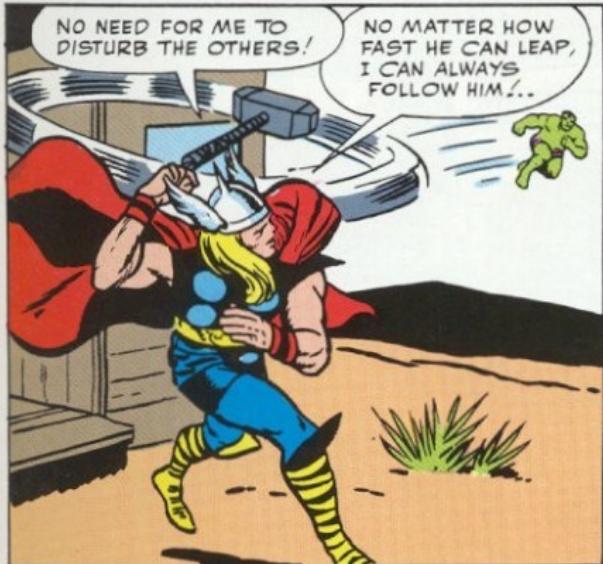


I THOUGHT I SAW... IT IS! IT'S THE HULK!



NO NEED FOR ME TO DISTURB THE OTHERS!

NO MATTER HOW FAST HE CAN LEAP, I CAN ALWAYS FOLLOW HIM...



...BY HURLING MY MIGHTY HAMMER AND HOLDING ONTO THE UNBREAKABLE THONG!

STRANGE! HE MOVES AS THOUGH HE HASN'T SEEN ME... AS THOUGH HE IS UNAWARE OF ANYTHING!



NO! NOW HE SEES ME! HE IS GRASPING THAT HUGE BOULDER! HE INTENDS TO HURL IT AT ME! BUT MY HAMMER WILL STOP HIM!



IMPOSSIBLE! IT... IT WENT RIGHT THROUGH HIM!



NOW HE'S FADING AWAY! IT ISN'T THE HULK AT ALL! MERELY A MENTAL IMAGE!

ONLY LOKI IS CAPABLE OF SUCH WIZARDRY! I SHOULD HAVE SUSPECTED! HE MUST BE BEHIND IT!



LOKI, THOU EVIL ONE! I KNOW NOT WHAT YOUR PLAN IS, BUT I HAVE **WARNED** YOU NEVER TO MIDDLE IN EARTH AFFAIRS! AND NOW YOU DARE DEFY ME!



I HAVE **SUCCEEDED!** HE IS RETURNING TO ASGARD! BUT WHEN HE REACHES THE ISLE OF SILENCE, IT IS **I** WHO SHALL EMERGE THE VICTOR!... FOR THIS TIME I AM **READY** FOR THE COMING OF THOR!

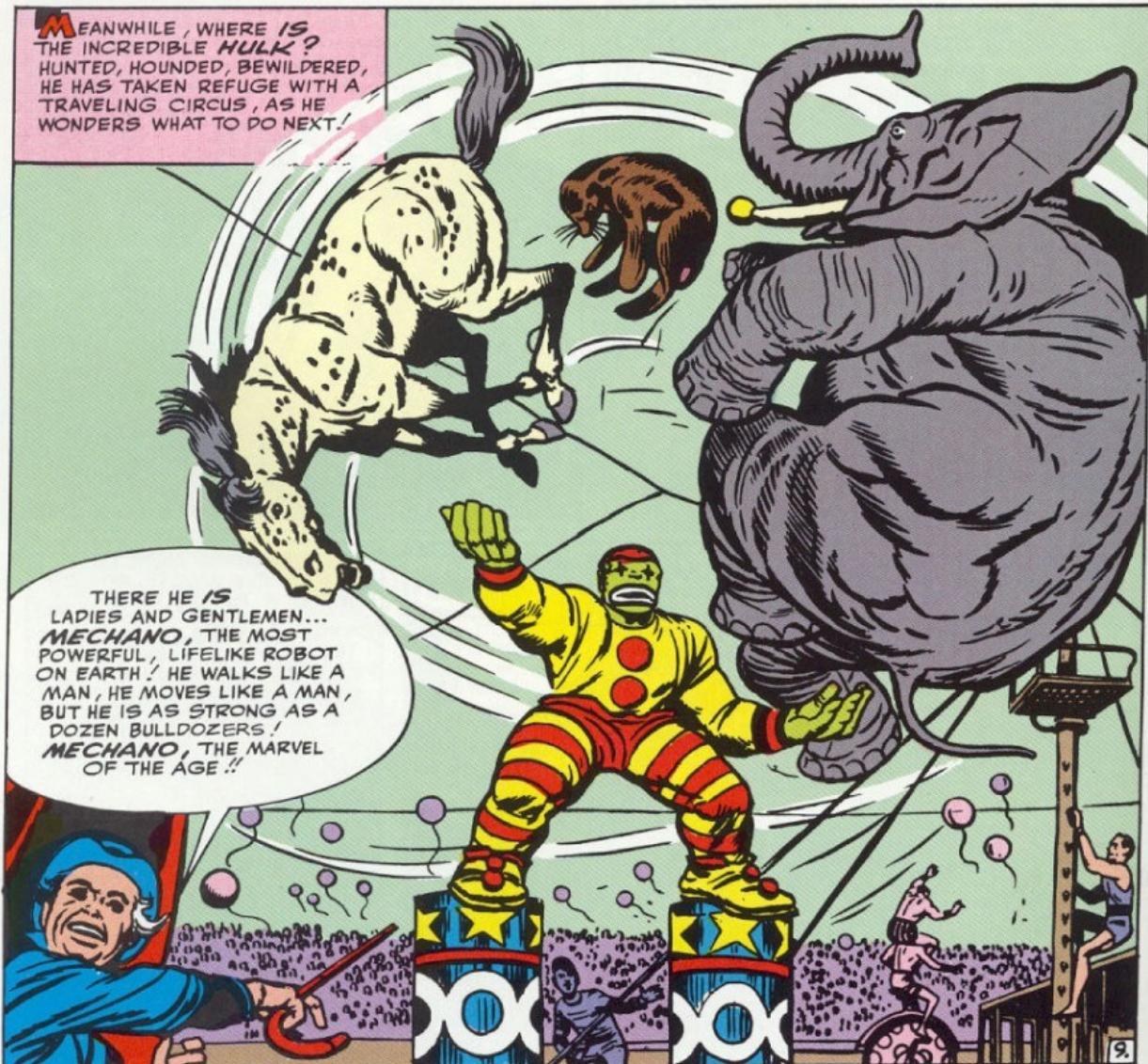


BUT, BACK ON EARTH, THE WHEELS SET IN MOTION BY VILLAINOUS **LOKI** CANNOT BE STOPPED! THE HULK IS STILL AT LARGE... AND OUR AMAZING SAGA HAS BARELY BEGUN!

THOR HAS DISAPPEARED! BUT DON'T WORRY, LAD!.. I'M SURE THAT **ANT-MAN** AND I WILL BE ABLE TO FIND THE HULK AND TO LEARN THE TRUTH!



MEANWHILE, WHERE IS THE INCREDIBLE HULK? HUNTED, HOUNDED, BEWILDERED, HE HAS TAKEN REFUGE WITH A TRAVELING CIRCUS, AS HE WONDERS WHAT TO DO NEXT!



THERE HE IS LADIES AND GENTLEMEN... **MECHANO**, THE MOST POWERFUL, LIFELIKE ROBOT ON EARTH! HE WALKS LIKE A MAN, HE MOVES LIKE A MAN, BUT HE IS AS STRONG AS A DOZEN BULLDOZERS!

MECHANO, THE MARVEL OF THE AGE!!

FINDING THAT
ROBOT WAS THE
GREATEST THING
THAT EVER
HAPPENED TO
THIS SHOW!
WE'VE BEEN SOLD
OUT EVERY NIGHT
THIS WEEK!

HARD TO BELIEVE HE'S
ONLY A ROBOT... HE
SURE LOOKS REAL!
BUT HE COULDN'T
BE! NOBODY COULD
BE STRONG ENOUGH TO
DO WHAT MECHANO
DOES!

WOW!
LOOK AT IM
NOW!



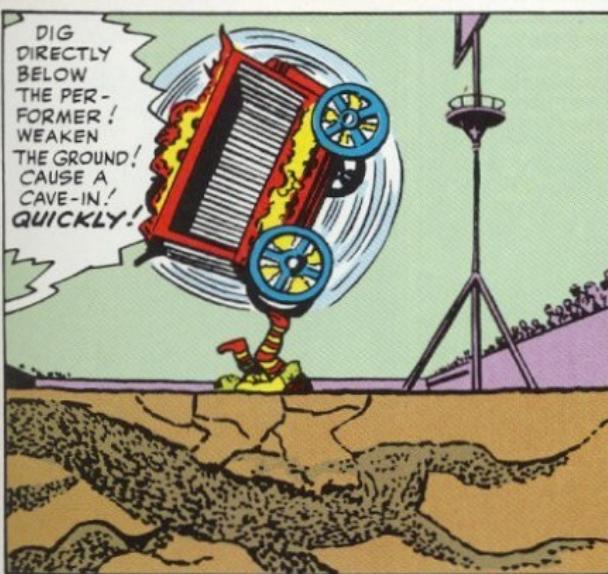
AT LAST! ONE OF
MY ARMY OF ANTS HAS
SEEN AN IMPOSSIBLY
POWERFUL PERFORMER
IN A LOCAL CIRCUS!
IT COULD BE
THE HULK!

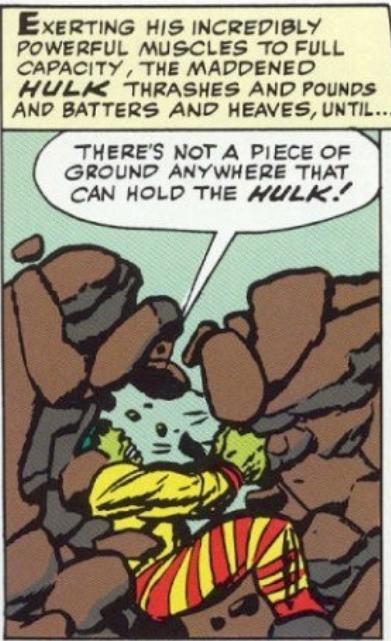
WE'LL GO
AHEAD AND
GIVE THE
ANTS THEIR
ORDERS!
IRON MAN
WILL FOLLOW
BEHIND US!

HE'S HIDEOUS!
I WISH HE HAD
GONE INSTEAD
OF THAT DREAMY
THOR!

DON'T
YOU EVER
THINK OF
ANYTHING
EXCEPT...

QUIET! THERE'S
THE CIRCUS NOW!
I'VE GOT TO BEAM
SOME INSTRU-
CTIONS AHEAD
TO THE ANTS!





MEANWHILE, THE AUDIENCE, THINKING IT IS ALL PART OF THE SHOW, HOWLS WITH UNRESTRAINED ENTHUSIASM...

BEST DURN ACT I EVER SAW!

THAT BIG ROBOT HAS THE DISPOSITION OF MY BROTHER-IN-LAW!

HOW DO THEY EVER DREAM THESE THINGS UP?

SO! YOU REFUSE TO STOP ??

YOU INTEND TO KEEP HOUNDING ME, DO YOU?

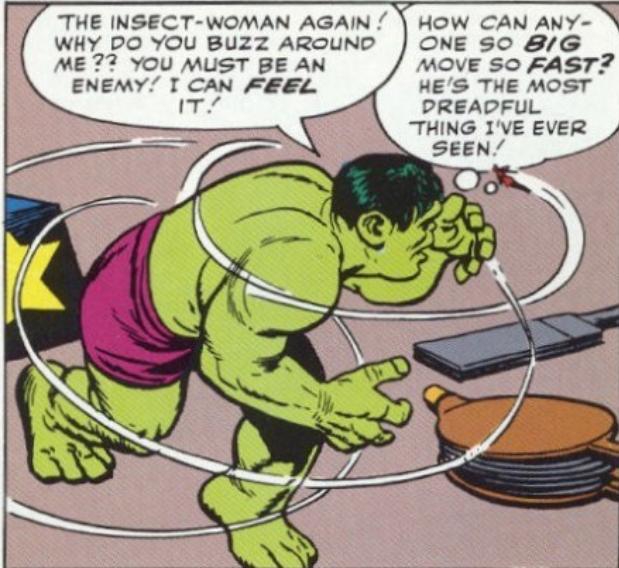
ALL RIGHT, THE MASQUERADE'S OVER! I DON'T CARE WHO KNOWS WHO I AM. SOON AS I WIPE THIS STUPID MAKE-UP OFF, I'M GONNA RIP THIS PLACE APART WITH MY BARE HANDS! WHAT HAVE I GOT TO FEAR? **NOTHING** CAN HURT THE HULK!



THEN, AS THE STARTLED, INCREDULOUS AUDIENCE RECOILS IN PANIC...

WE'VE DONE IT! WE'VE BROUGHT HIM OUT INTO THE OPEN! NOW EVERY SECOND COUNTS! LURE HIM UNDER THE TRAPEZE NET! I'LL DO THE REST!

DON'T LET ME DOWN, HENRY! I WOULDN'T WANT HIM FOR A PERMANENT PLAYMATE!



SUDDENLY, A MASSIVE GOLDEN FIGURE BREAKS THROUGH THE CROWD OF AMAZED SPECTATORS, AND THE SHOCK OF SEEING IRON MAN CHARGING TOWARDS HIM MAKES THE HULK TEMPORARILY FORGET HIS TINY PRISONER!

YOU'RE WRONG!
THERE IS ONE
WHO CAN
SAVE HER!

IRON
MAN!



THROUGH HIS TRANSISTOR-POWERED, BUILT-IN RADIO RECEIVER, THE GOLDEN WARRIOR HEARS A TERSE REPORT FROM NEARBY ANT-MAN!

PERFECT TIMING, IRON MAN! NOW, QUICKLY... MAKE HIM RUN TOWARD THE CENTER OF THE ARENA! I'VE PREPARED A TRAP FOR HIM! LET HIM TRY TO ESCAPE BY LEAPING THROUGH THE TOP OF THE TENT!



AND AS THE HULK EXECUTES ONE OF HIS INCREDIBLE LEAPS, CRASHING THROUGH THE VERY TOP OF THE CIRCUS TENT...



BUT CAN ANY MERE NYLON NETTING BE STRONG ENOUGH TO HOLD THE RAMPAGING, EXPLODING HUMAN POWERHOUSE THAT IS THE HULK? WITH A MIGHTY SURGE OF BRUTE FORCE HE HURLS HIMSELF UPWARD, TAKING ALL THE NETTING AND THE ENTIRE TENT WITH HIM!



NEVER HAVE HUMAN EYES BEHELD SUCH AN AWESOME SPECTACLE... NEVER HAS MORTAL MAN WITNESSED SUCH A STUPENDOUS SIGHT!!



SECONDS LATER, HAVING RIPPED OFF THE ENTANGLING FABRICS ON THE SHAGGY PEAKS NEARBY, THE HULK CONTINUES HIS FRENZIED FLIGHT... WITH A LONE PURSUER!



SUDDENLY, THE MIGHTY FUGITIVE DROPS TO EARTH, AS HIS GOLDEN PURSUER, UNABLE TO STOP IN TIME, WHIZZES OVER HIM!



THEN, WITH THE SPEED OF A CHARGING DREADNOUGHT, THE HULK LEAPS INTO THE AIR AGAIN, BEHIND THE STARTLED IRON MAN!



IN A TRICE THE HUNTED HAS BECOME THE HUNTER, AS A THUNDEROUS BLOW TO HIS POWER-PACK DAMAGES IRON MAN'S PROPULSION BATTERY!



NO ONE CAN STOP THE HULK!



CAN'T GO AFTER HIM TILL I REPAIR MY BATTERY!

HULK... WAIT! I WANT TO HELP YOU! TRUST ME! YOU CAN'T REMAIN A FUGITIVE FOREVER! COME BACK!!

BAH! I DON'T TRUST ANYBODY!

MEANWHILE, WHAT OF THE MIGHTY THOR? AT THAT MOMENT, IN THE GRAND CHAMBER OF THE IMPERIAL PALACE AT ASGARD...



NOBLE ODIN, LORD OF GODS! GRANT THY SON PERMISSION TO VISIT LOKI ON THE ISLE OF SILENCE, THAT I MAY LEARN IF HE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SOME DEVILTRY ON EARTH!



WE GRANT THEE PERMISSION, BELOVED THOR! BUT HARK TO THESE WORDS...

THOUGH YOU BE THE SON OF MY HEART.. LOKI TOO IS MY SON! I CANNOT INTERFERE IN WHAT TRANSPRIES BETWEEN YOU!

I UNDERSTAND, FATHER!

AND SO, ALONE IN THE NIGHT, THE MIGHTY THUNDER-GOD SETS OUT ACROSS THE SEA OF MIST... AWARE THAT THE ENEMY HE SEEKS IS ALSO A LEGENDARY GOD... AND THE MOST SINISTER, THE MOST DANGEROUS OF ALL!



LOKI MUST KNOW I AM COMING! HE MUST HAVE SET MANY TRAPS FOR ME! BUT I DARE NOT TURN BACK... NO MATTER WHAT THE RISK!

AND THEN, WITHOUT ANY WARNING ...

TANGLE ROOTS!! DREADED SCOURGE OF THE SWAMPS! LOKI MUST HAVE PLANTED THEM HERE FOR UNWARY INTRUDERS!

WITHIN SECONDS I'LL BE OVERWHELMED COMPLETELY... HELPLESS ... UNLESS ...

MY ONLY HOPE IS MY HAMMER! IT MUST NOT FAIL ME NOW!

SWINGING HIS ENCHANTED MALLET FASTER THAN THE MOST POWERFUL EARTH PROPELLOR, THOR CUTS HIS WAY LOOSE BEFORE THE TANGLE ROOTS CAN FINISH THEIR DREAD WORK!

MADE IT!
WITH SECONDS
TO SPARE!

BUT HIS ORDEAL IS NOT YET OVER! COMING WITHIN SIGHT OF THE ISLE, THOR SEES THE GIGANTIC VOLCANO ERUPT WITH THE ROAR OF A THOUSAND THUNDERCLAPS!

MORE OF LOKI'S DOING! ONLY HE AND I KNOW THE MAGIC INCANTATION TO BRING THAT FLAMING MOUNTAIN TO LIFE!

JUST AS I FEARED!! IT IS SPEWING FORTH VOLCANIC GAS GLOBULES ... CAPABLE OF SAPPING THE STRENGTH OF ANY GOD, AND THEN LEAVING HIM WEAK AND HELPLESS WHEN THEY EXPLODE!

I MUST DIVE BELOW,
WHILE THERE STILL IS TIME!

THE ISLE IS DIRECTLY AHEAD! LUCKILY MY LUNGS ARE STRONG... IF I CAN JUST HOLD MY BREATH FOR ANOTHER FEW MINUTES!

AND, ON SHORE, A GLOATING FIGURE SURVEYS THE NOW-SILENT SEA...

HIS CRAFT IS EMPTY! HE IS NOWHERE TO BE SEEN! HAVE I DEFEATED HIM SO SOON?!

THEN, AS IF IN ANSWER TO LOKI'S WORDS, A GIGANTIC WATER-SPOUT SHOOTS INTO THE AIR... AND...

NO, EVIL BROTHER! THE BATTLE HAS YET TO BEGIN!

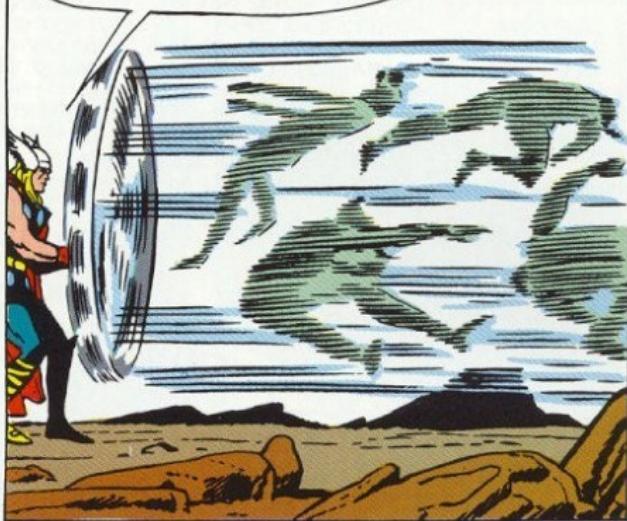




IT WILL TAKE MORE THAN MERE TRICKS TO SAVE YOU FROM ME NOW, LOKI! ALTHOUGH I CANNOT TELL WHICH FIGURE IS THE REAL LOKI, MY HAMMER WILL SOLVE THAT PROBLEM FOR ME!

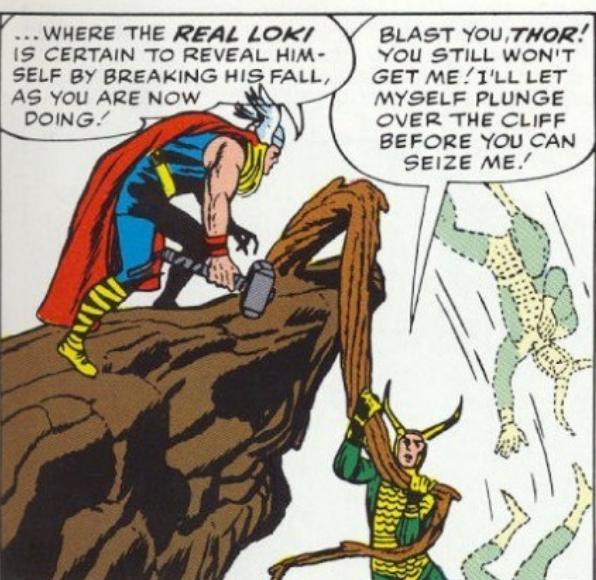


I NEED ONLY TWIRL IT AT THE SPEED OF A GIANT PROPELLER, TO BLOW ALL OF YOUR FIGURES BACK TO THE EDGE OF THE CLIFF!



...WHERE THE REAL LOKI IS CERTAIN TO REVEAL HIMSELF BY BREAKING HIS FALL, AS YOU ARE NOW DOING!

BLAST YOU, THOR! YOU STILL WON'T GET ME! I'LL LET MYSELF PLUNGE OVER THE CLIFF BEFORE YOU CAN SEIZE ME!



THAT WILL BE EASIER SAID THAN DONE, GOD OF EVIL!

NOTE HOW I RUB MY ENCHANTED HAMMER ALONG THE GROUND, SOAKING UP THE STRONG FLOW OF MAGNETIC CURRENTS THAT GIVE LIFE TO THE TROLLS BELOW!



I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO, BUT I'LL JUMP FIRST! I'LL...NO! NOO!

TOO LATE, LOKI! I HAVE YOU NOW! AND YOU HAVE MUCH TO ATONE FOR!



WAIT! STOP! WHERE ARE YOU TAKING ME ?? WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ??

WITH NOBLE ODIN'S PERMISSION, I SHALL BRING YOU TO EARTH! THERE, YOU WILL FIND OTHERS WHO ARE WAITING FOR YOU... OTHERS ALMOST AS POWERFUL AS I!



MEANWHILE, BACK ON EARTH, THE INCREDIBLE HULK EXECUTES ANOTHER OF HIS AWESOME LEAPS IN HIS EFFORT TO ESCAPE FROM IRON MAN!

CAPTAIN! DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE?

IT'S THE HULK, MAKING ONE OF HIS PRODIGIOUS LEAPS!



SECONDS LATER, AN URGENT RADIO MESSAGE IS HEARD ABOARD THE SAME JETLINER...

ATTENTION, FLIGHT 738! THIS IS IRON MAN! HAVE YOU SEEN THE HULK? REPEAT - HAVE YOU SEEN THE HULK?!

SUFFERIN' CATS!!



HE.. HE JUST WHIZZED PAST US! LOOKED LIKE HE WAS HEADIN' TOWARD DETROIT!

MUCH OBLIGED, CAPTAIN!

EVEN THOUGH I SEE IT... I DON'T BELIEVE IT!



FINALLY, ON THE GROUND AGAIN, INSIDE A HUGE AUTO FACTORY...

IRON MAN'S STILL AFTER ME! CAN'T LOSE HIM!

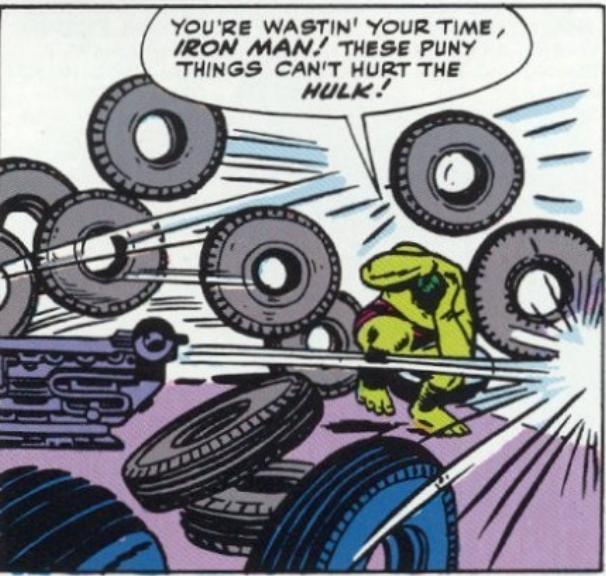


ATTENTION! CLEAR OUT, ALL OF YOU! THE HULK MUST BE STOPPED! TAKE COVER!

IT'S IRON MAN! BOY! HE DOESN'T HAVETA TELL ME TWICE!



YOU'RE WASTIN' YOUR TIME, IRON MAN! THESE PUNY THINGS CAN'T HURT THE HULK!



BUT NOW I'M SICK OF RUNNING! NOW IT'S MY TURN TO ATTACK!

HELP! SOMEBODY STOP 'IM! HE'S GONNA TEAR THIS PLACE APART!!







AND THEN, A TRAPDOOR SNAPS OPEN BEHIND THE UNPREPARED LOKI!

WHA... I'M FALLING!

ANT-MAN! YOU DID IT!

YES, WASP! IT ALL DEPENDED ON LOKI CARELESSLY STANDING IN THE RIGHT PLACE... AND HE DID!

THAT'S IT, MY LITTLE ALLIES! SEAL THE CHAMBER DOOR TIGHTLY! EVEN LOKI CAN'T ESCAPE FROM A LEAD-LINED TANK!