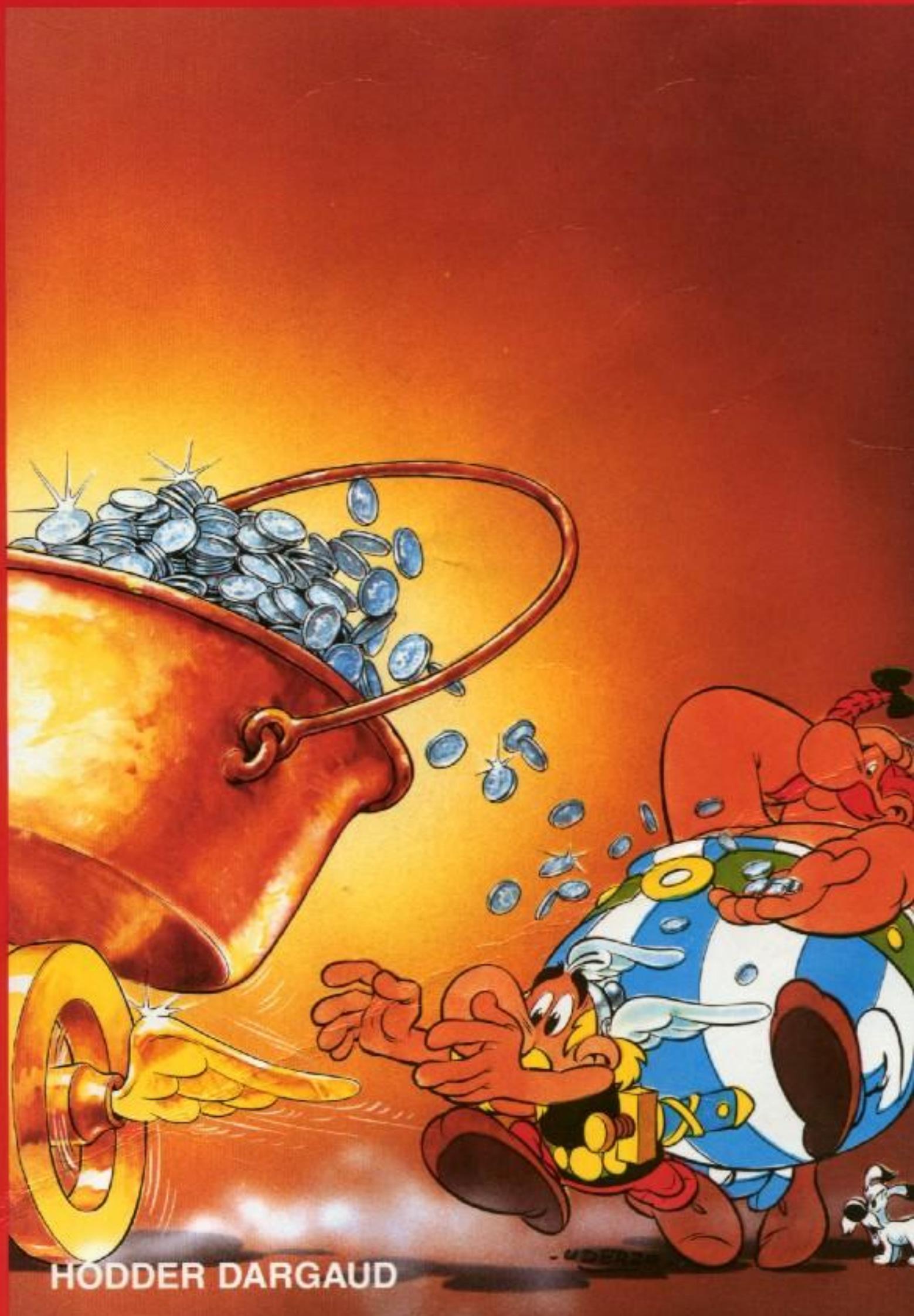


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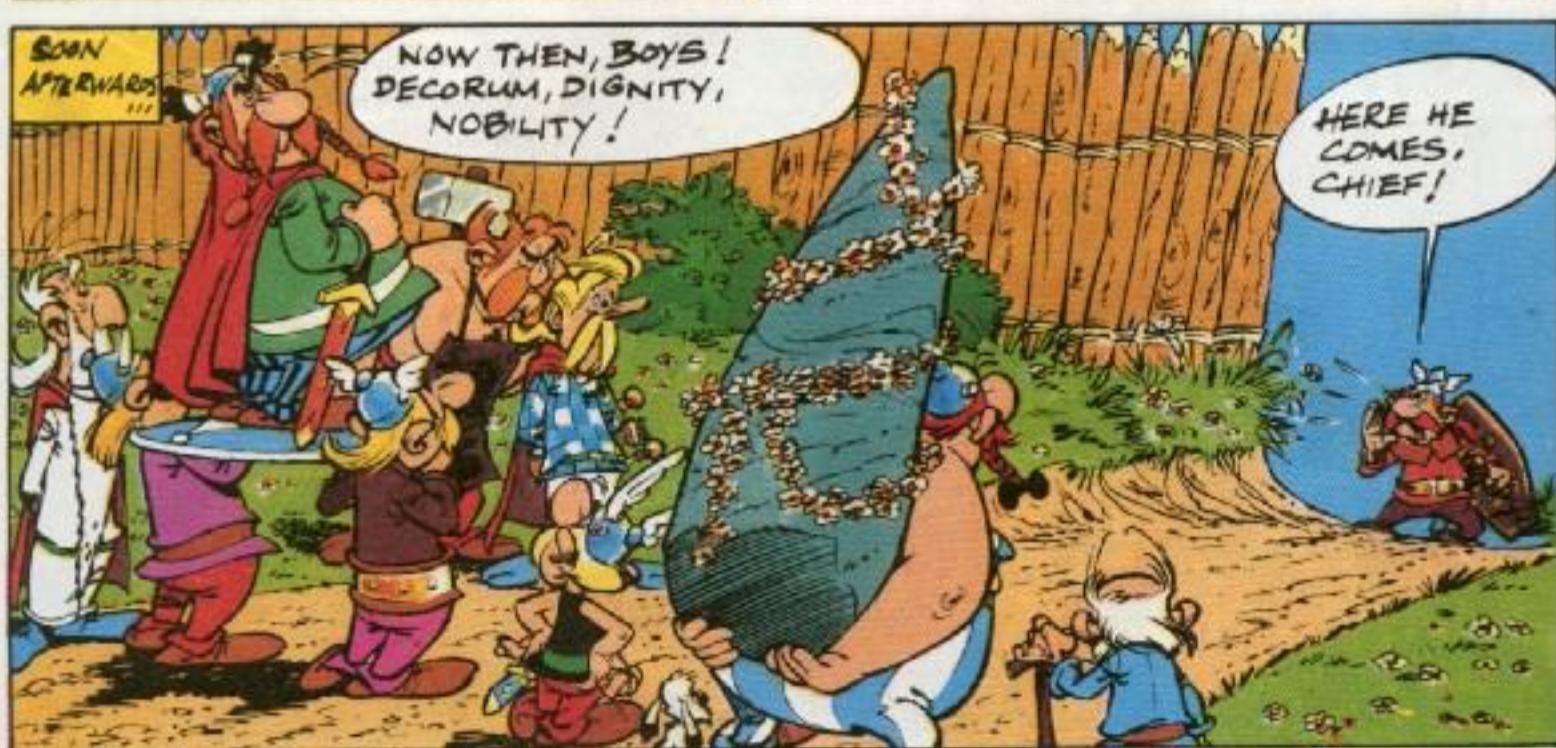
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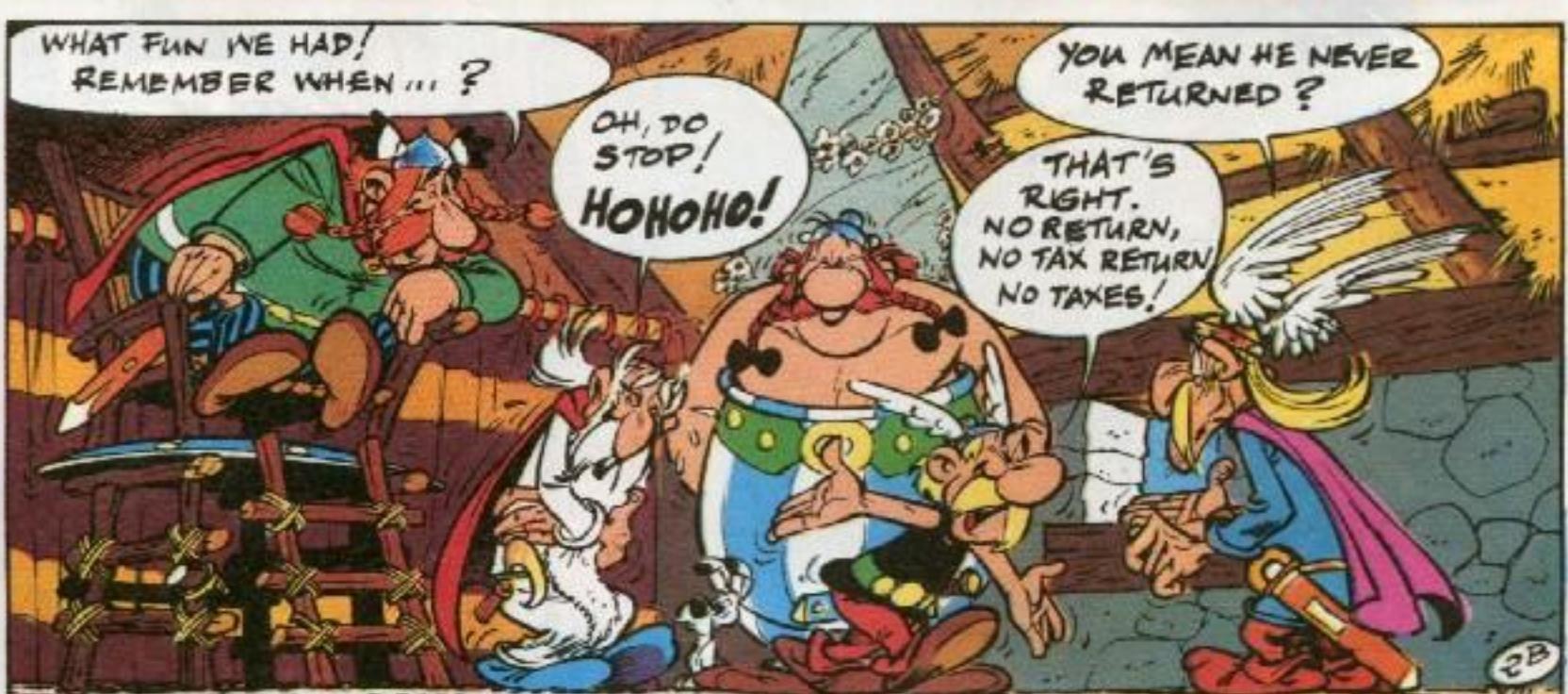
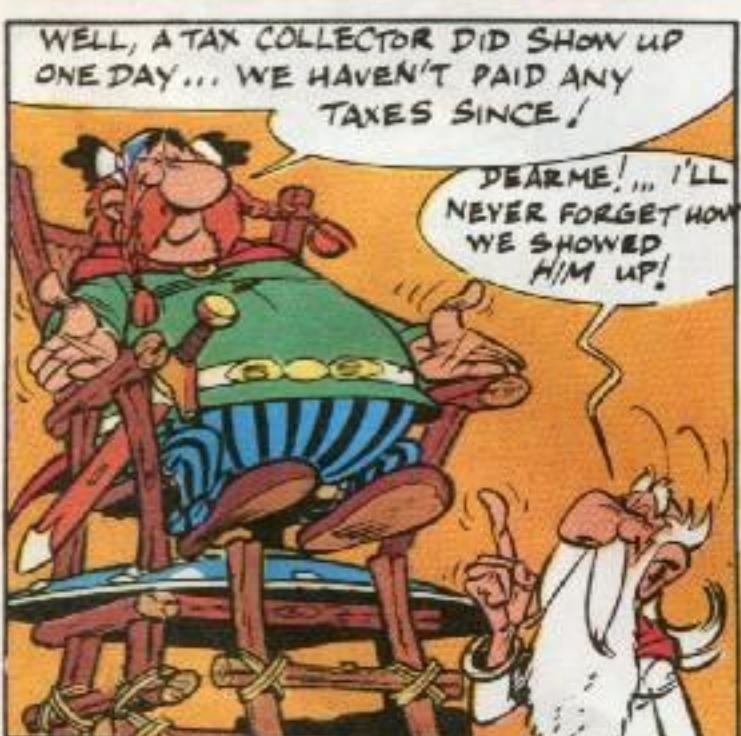
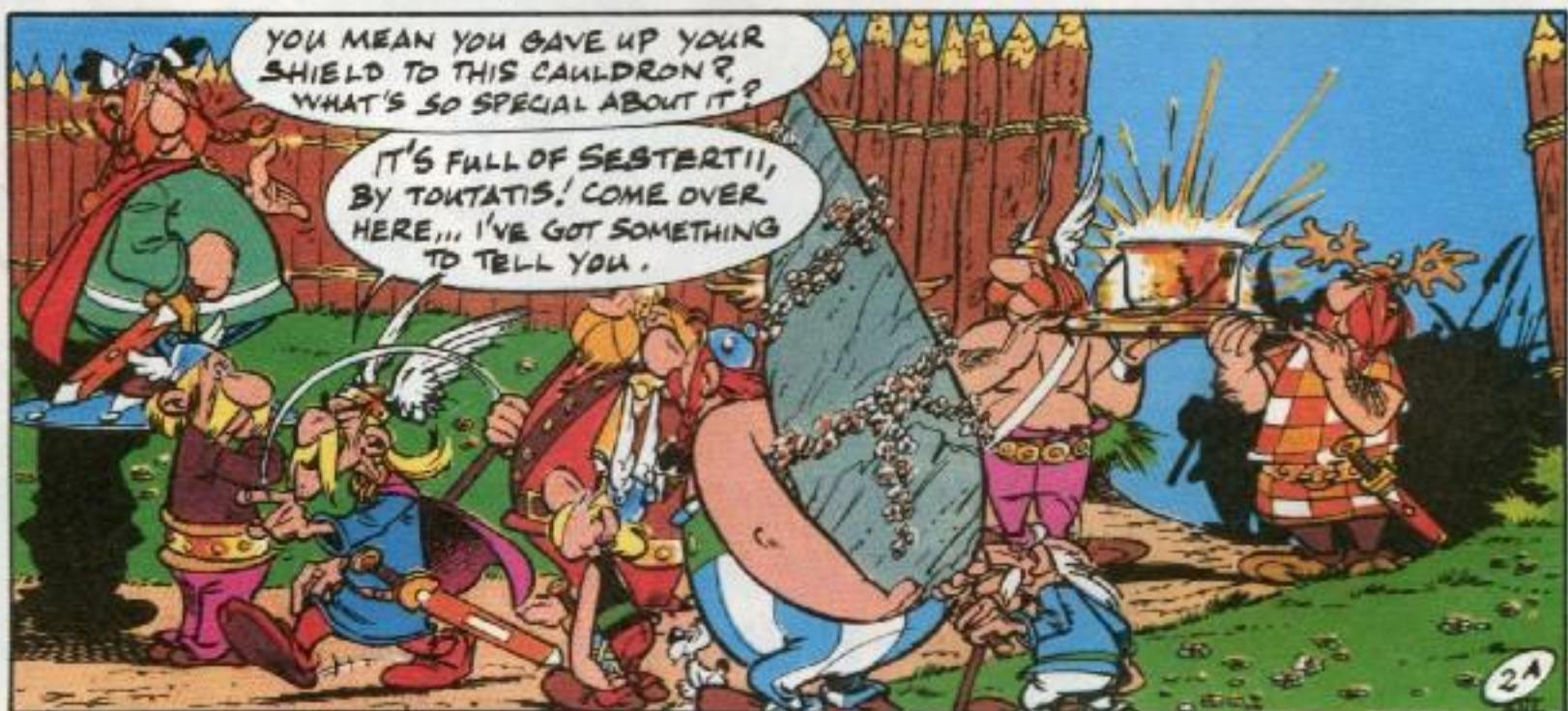
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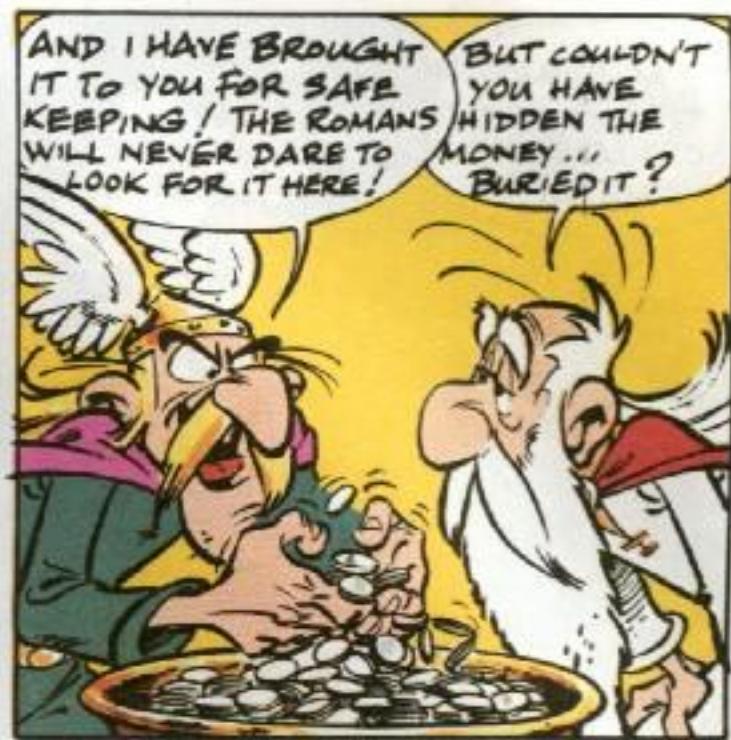
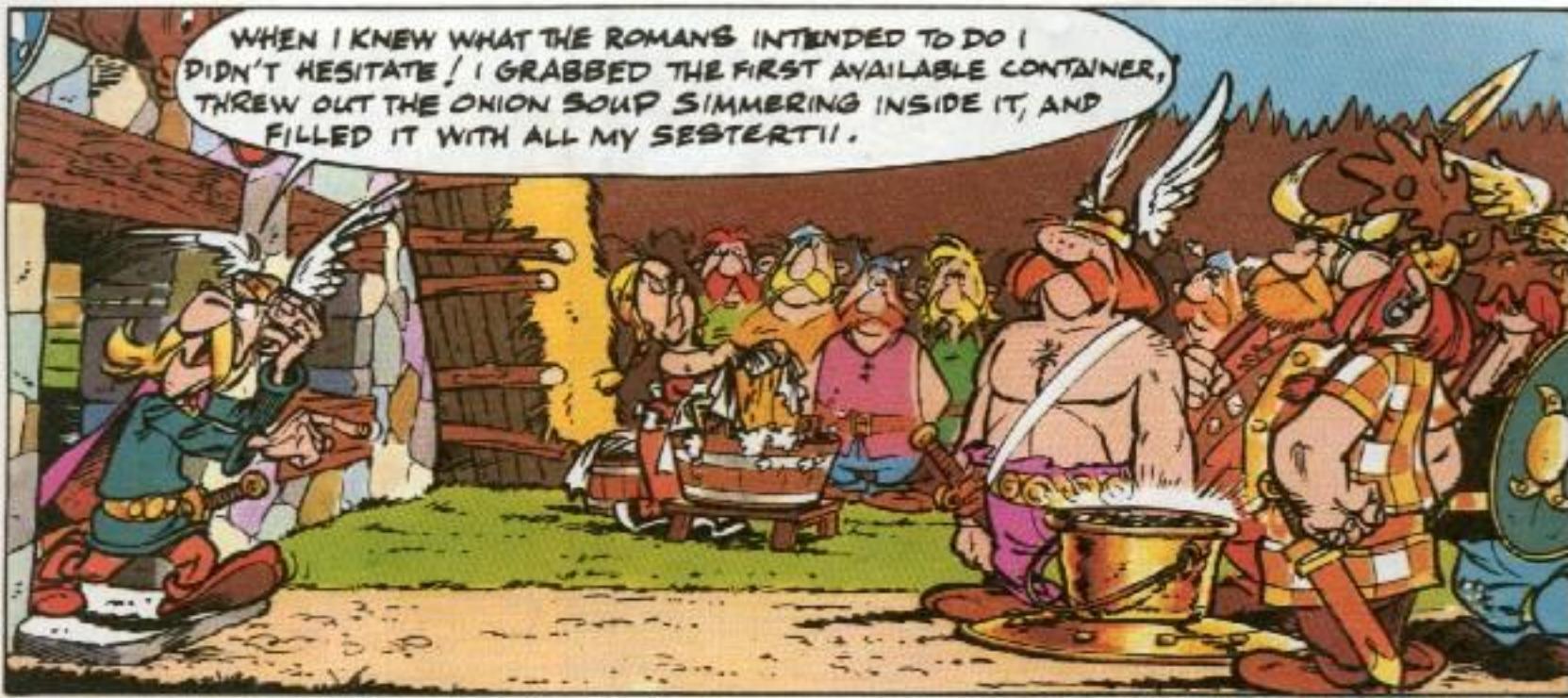
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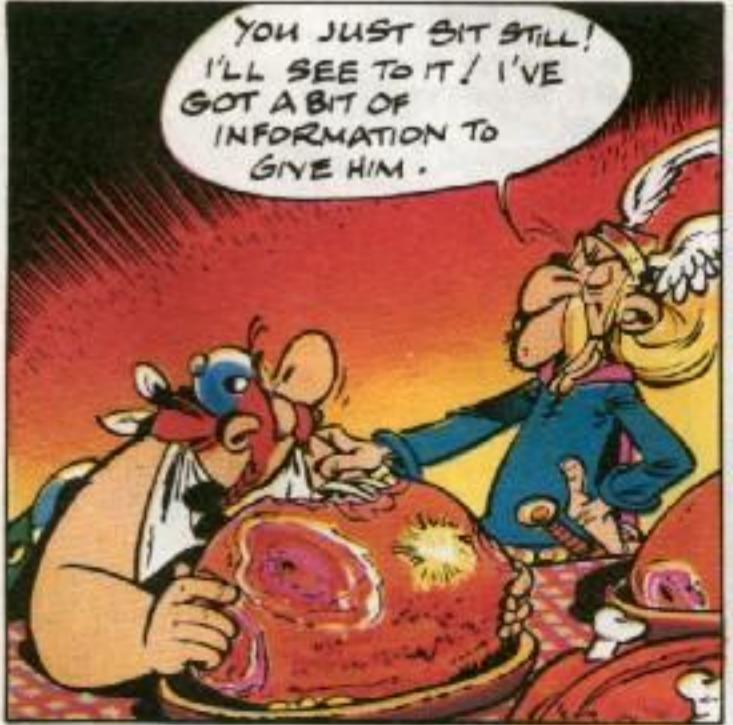
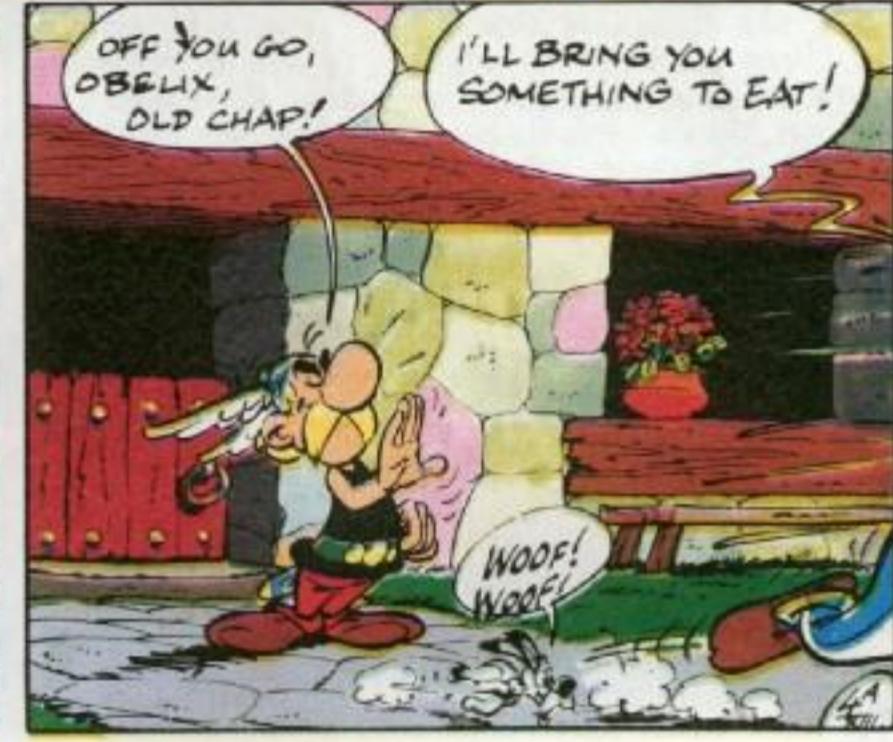
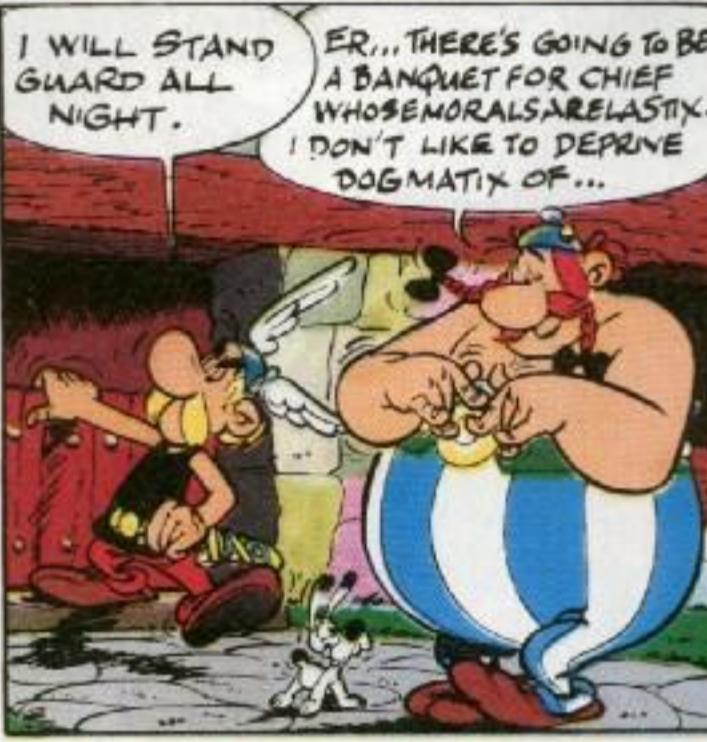
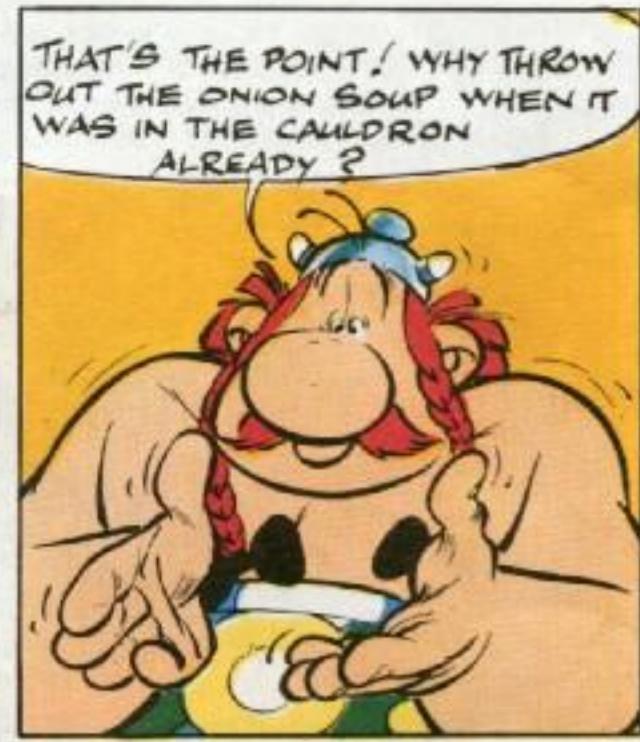


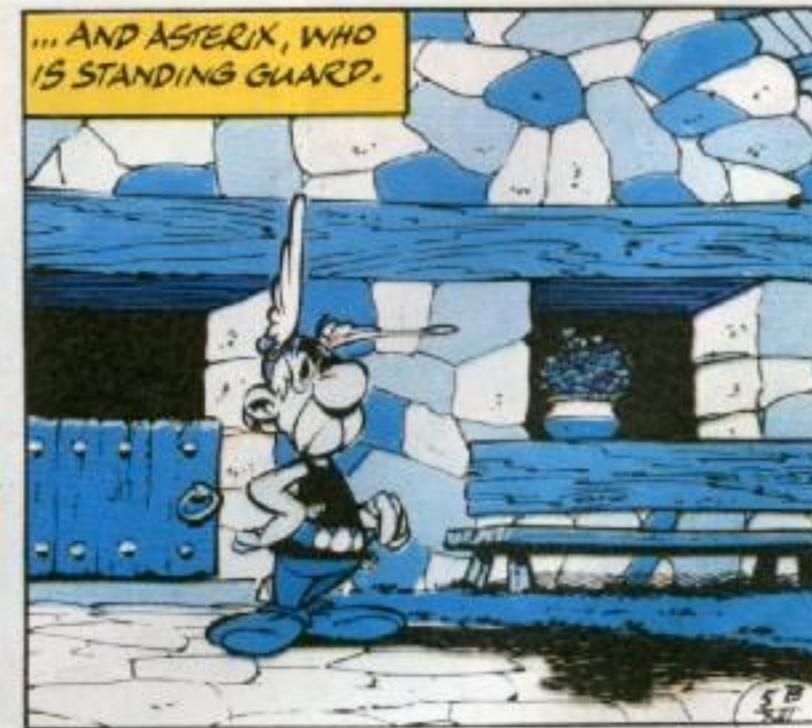
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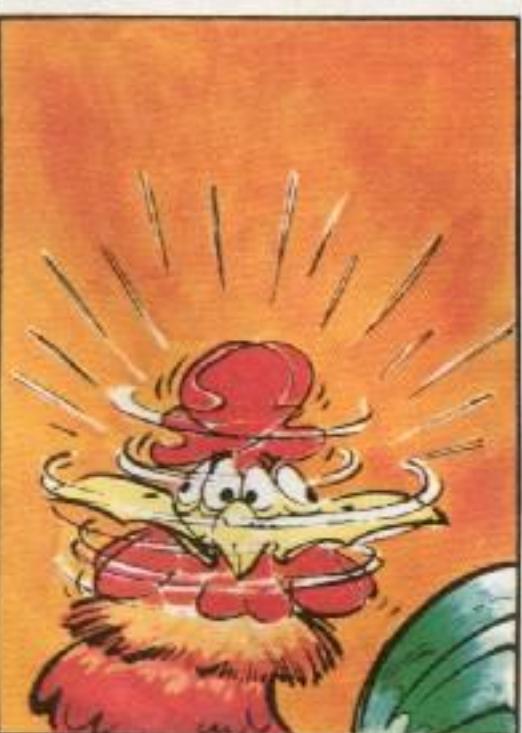
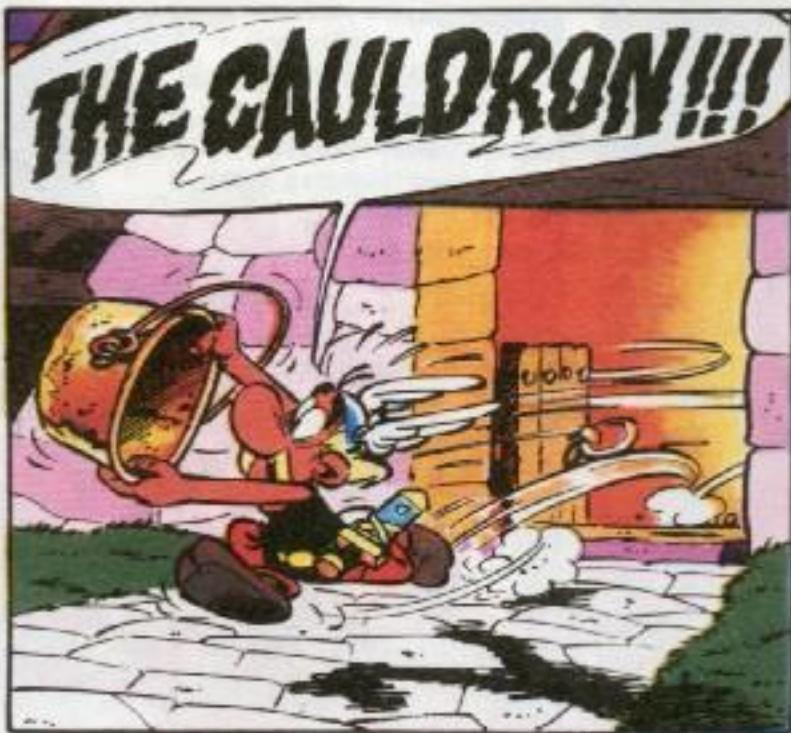


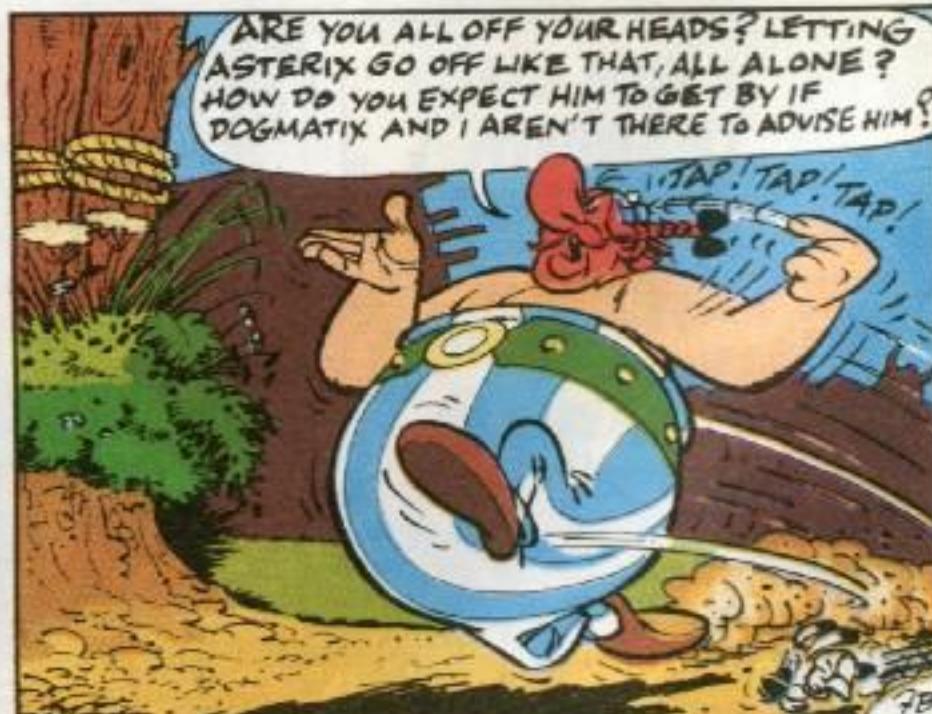
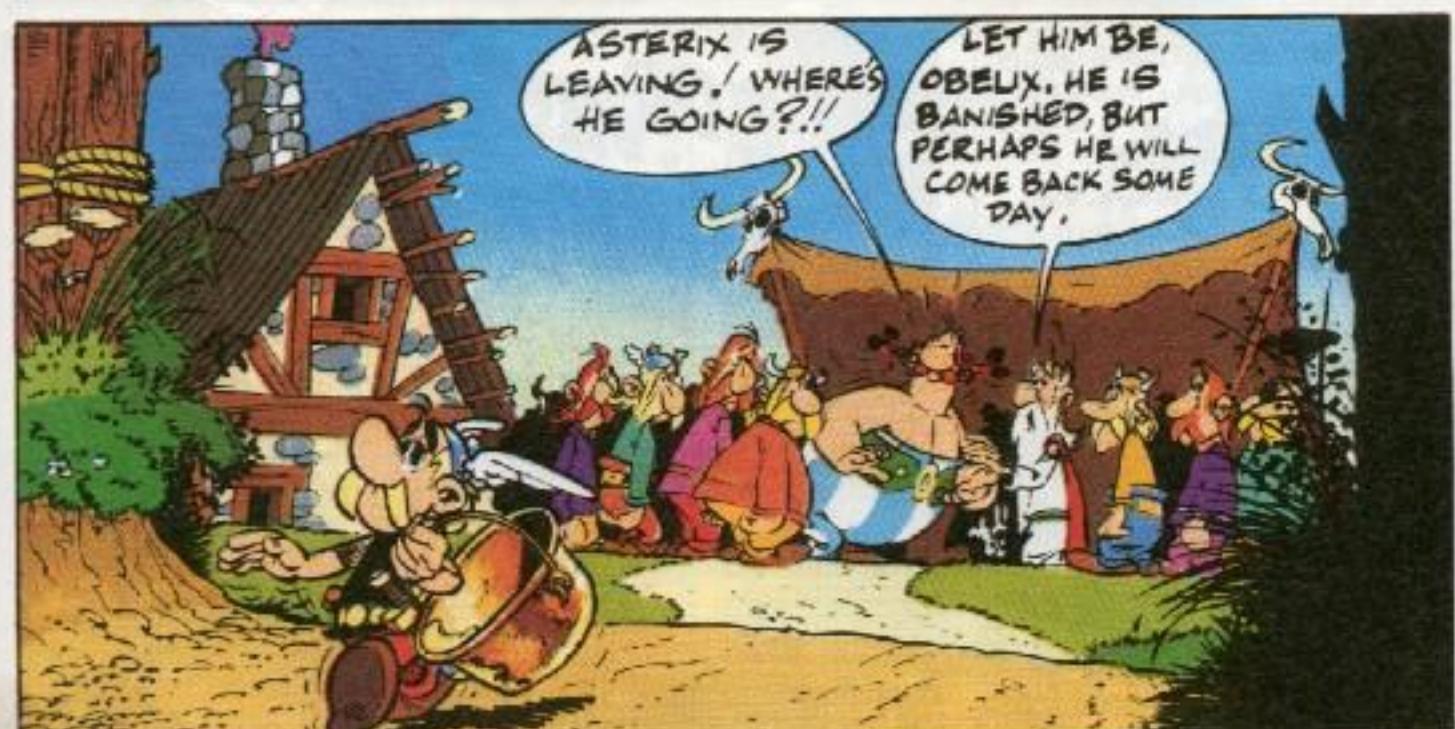
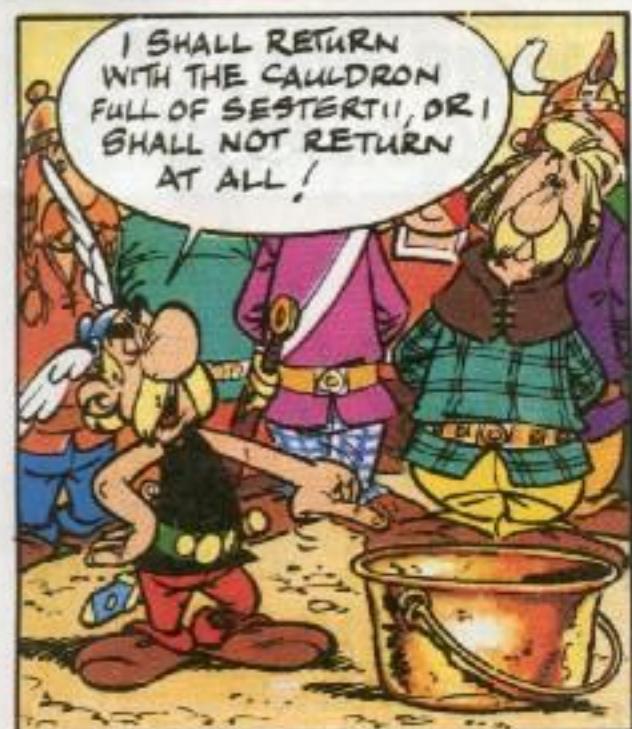
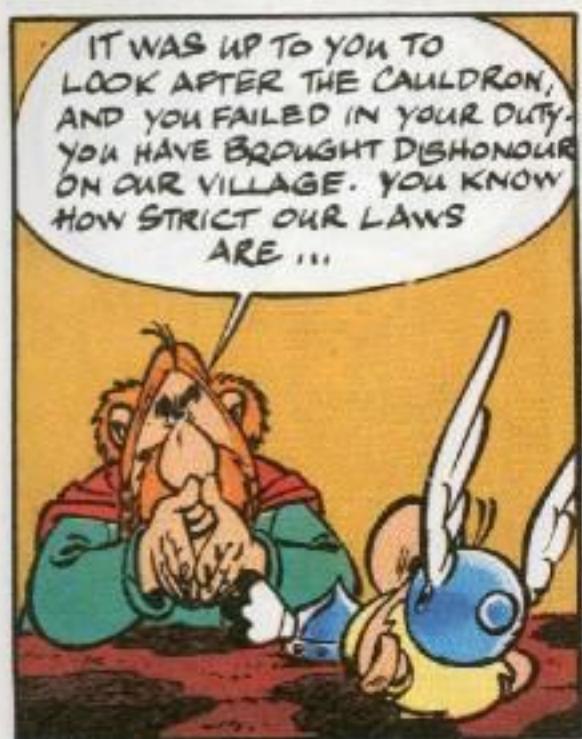
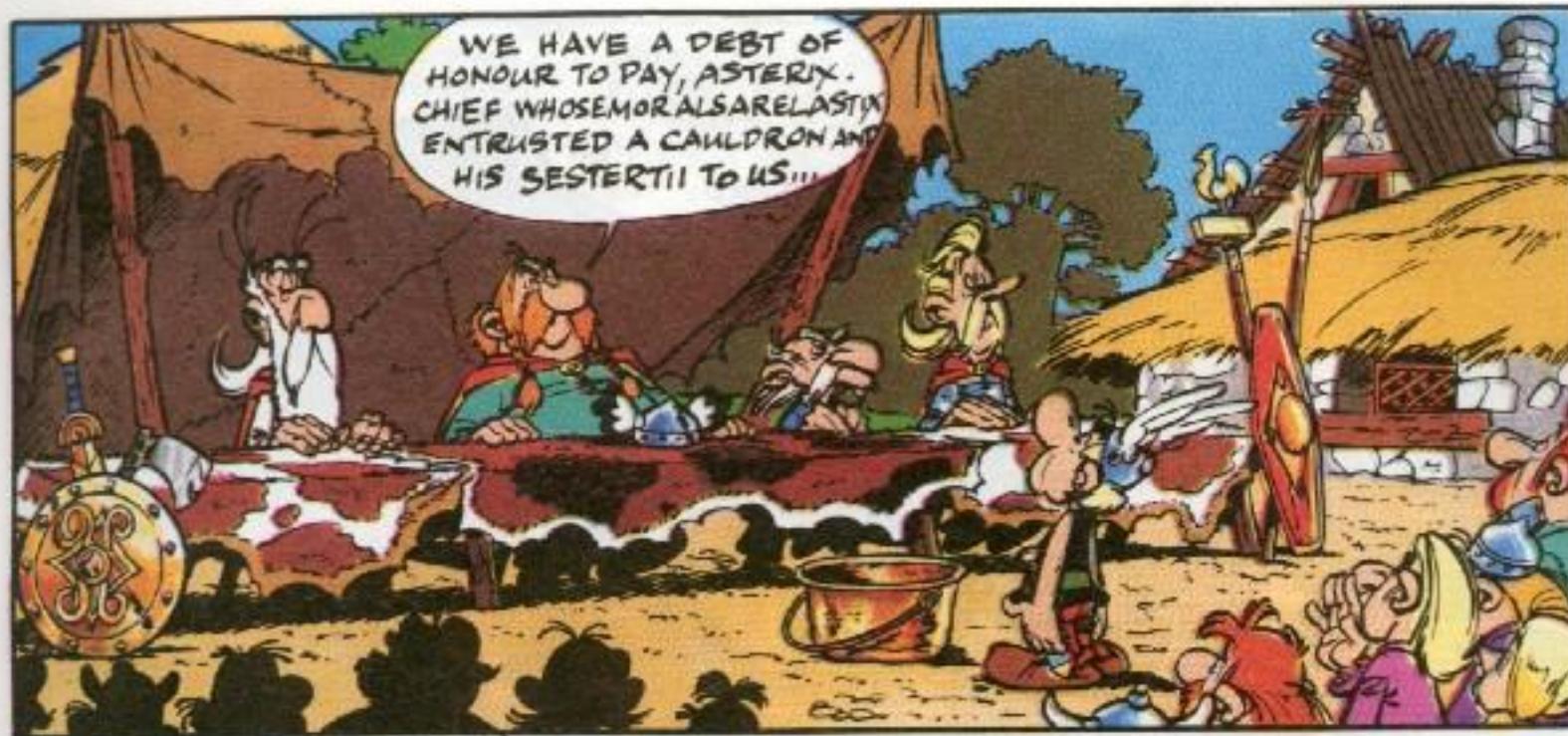




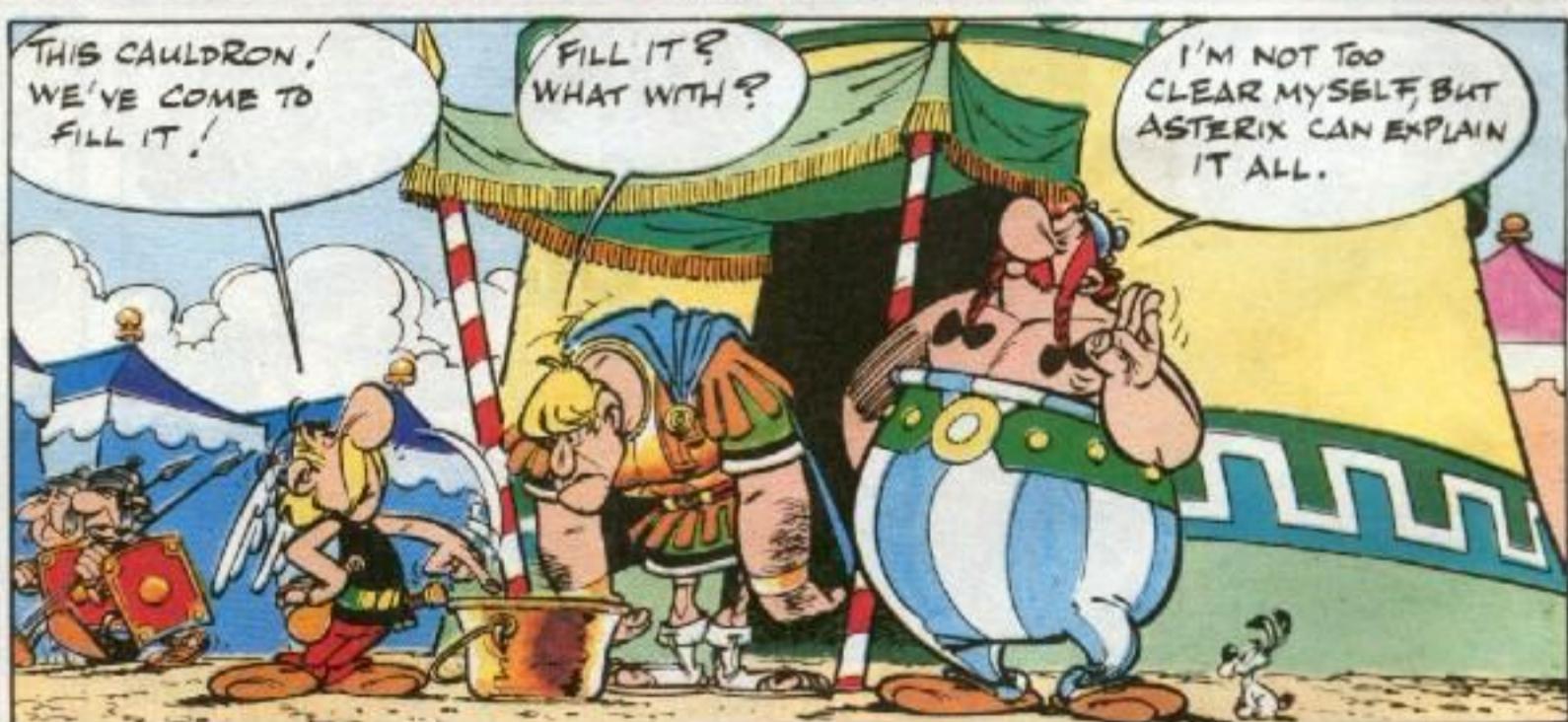
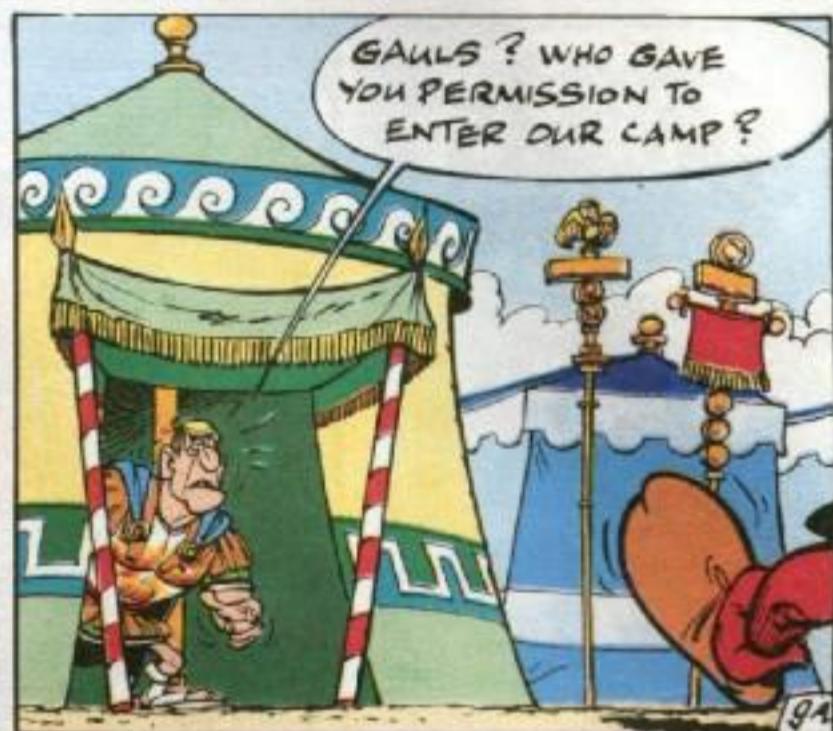
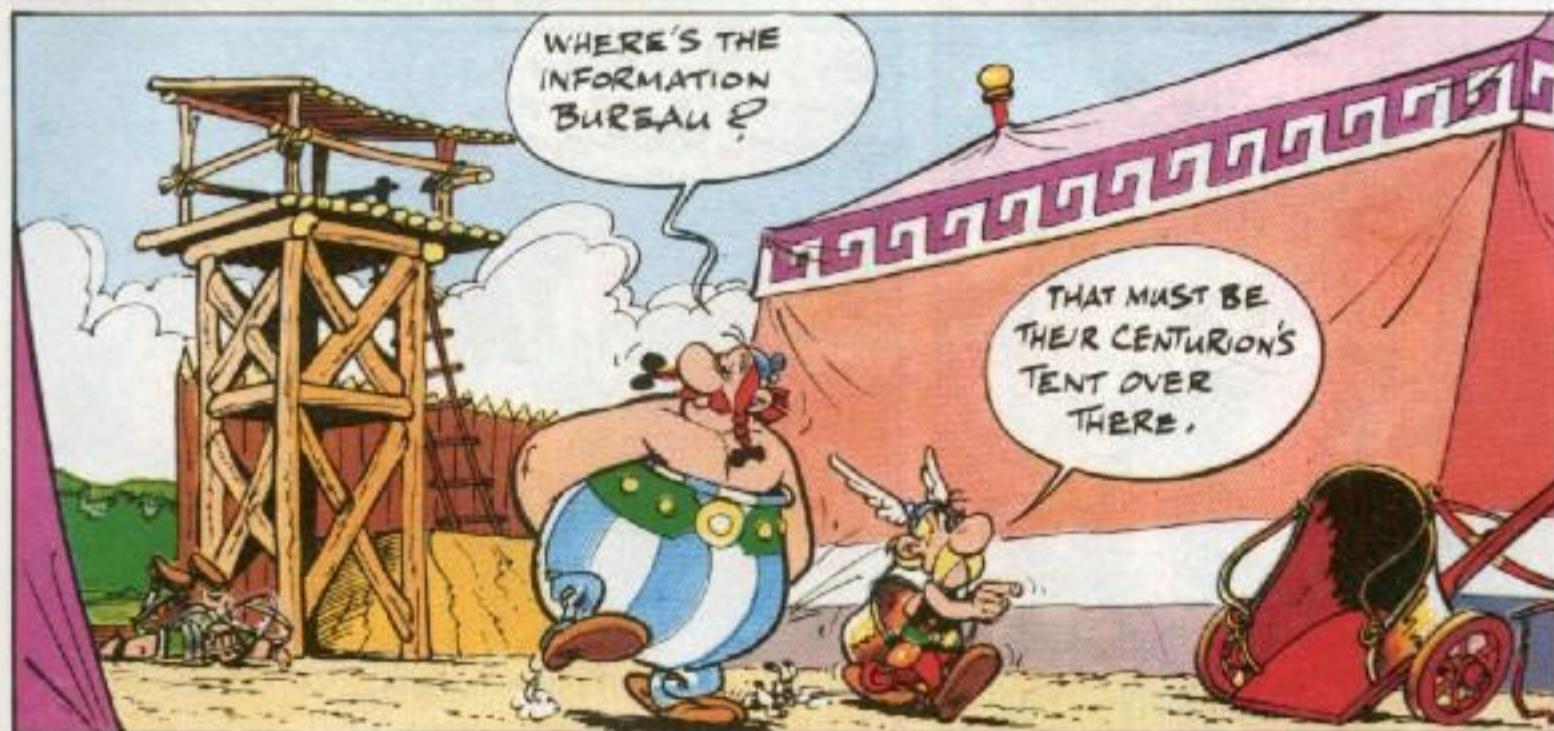


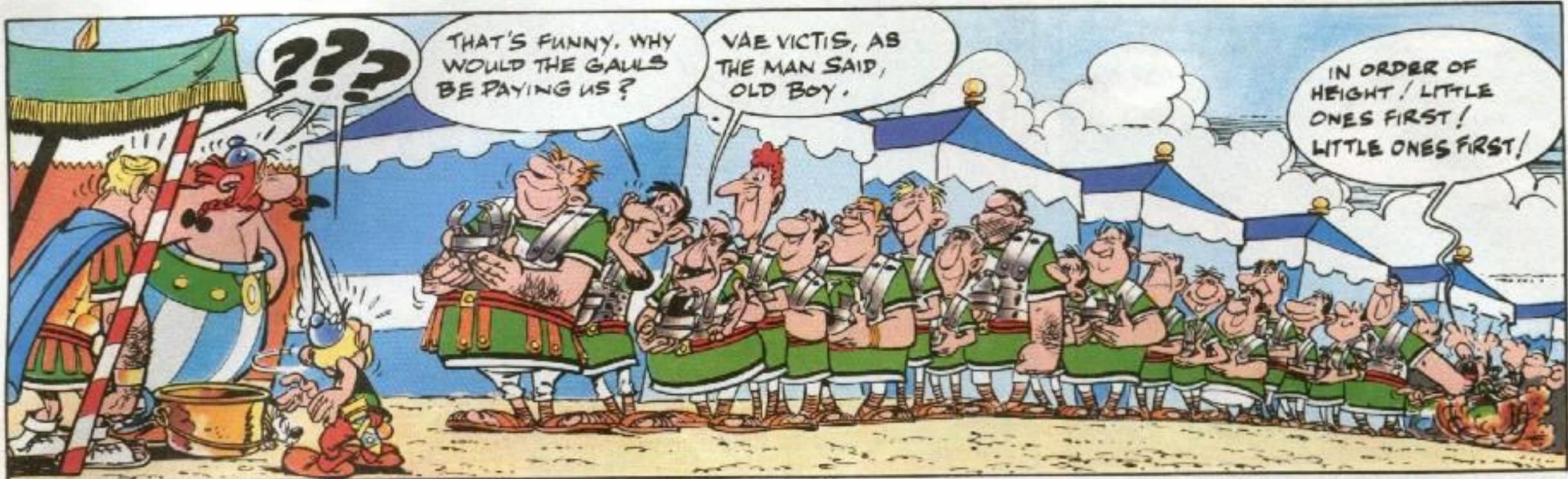


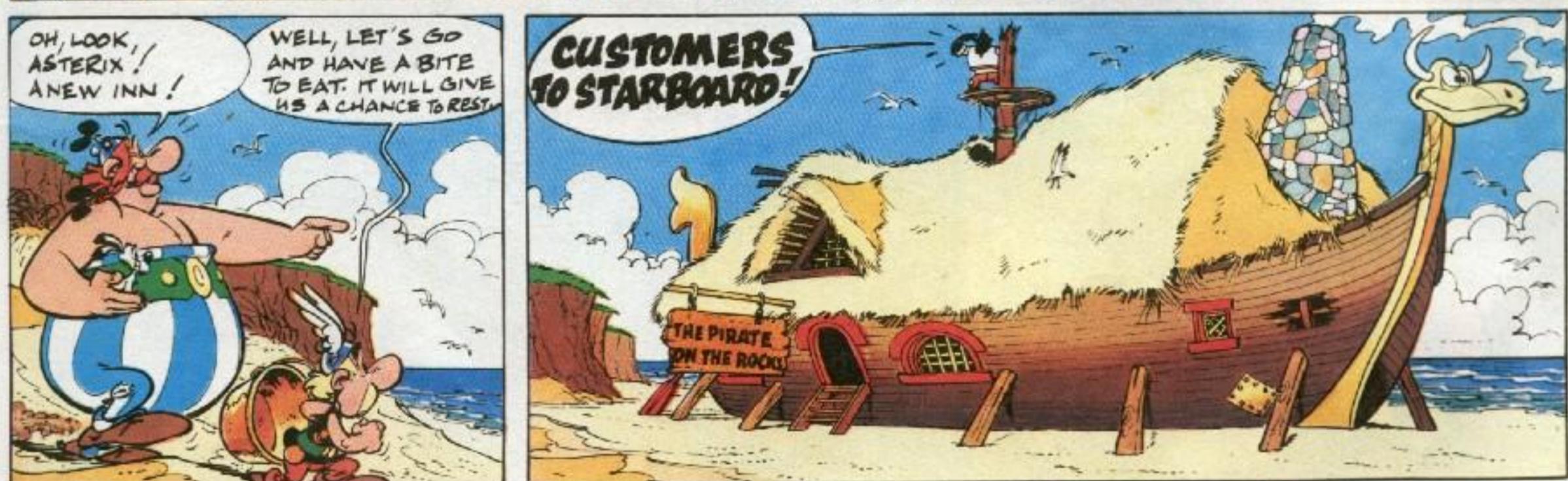


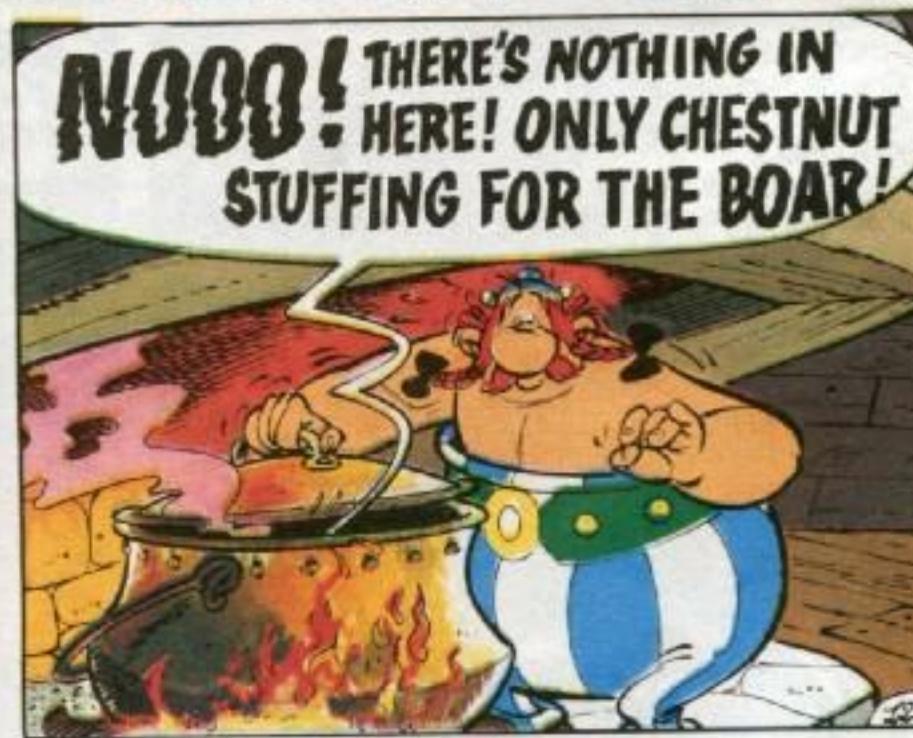
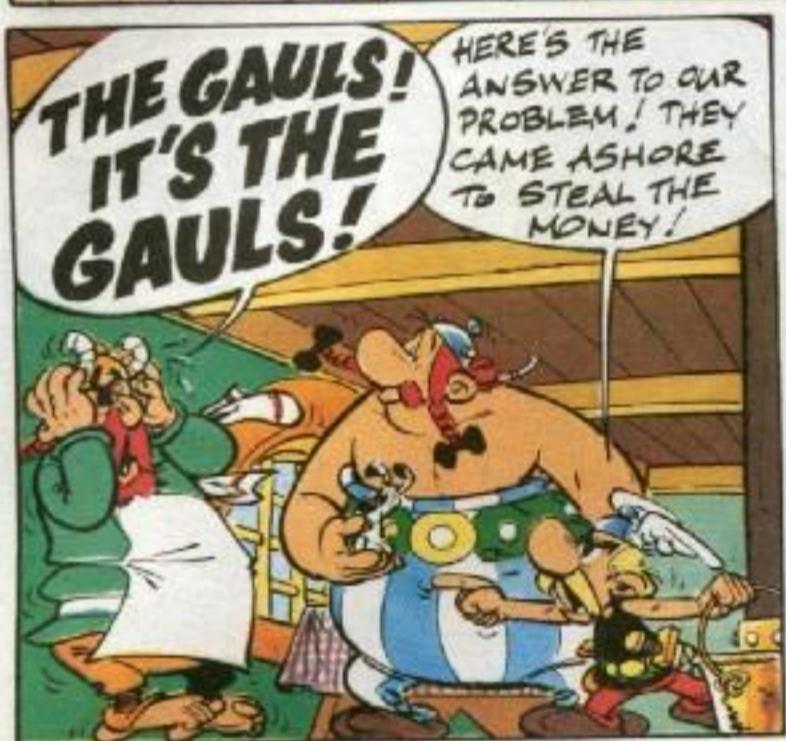
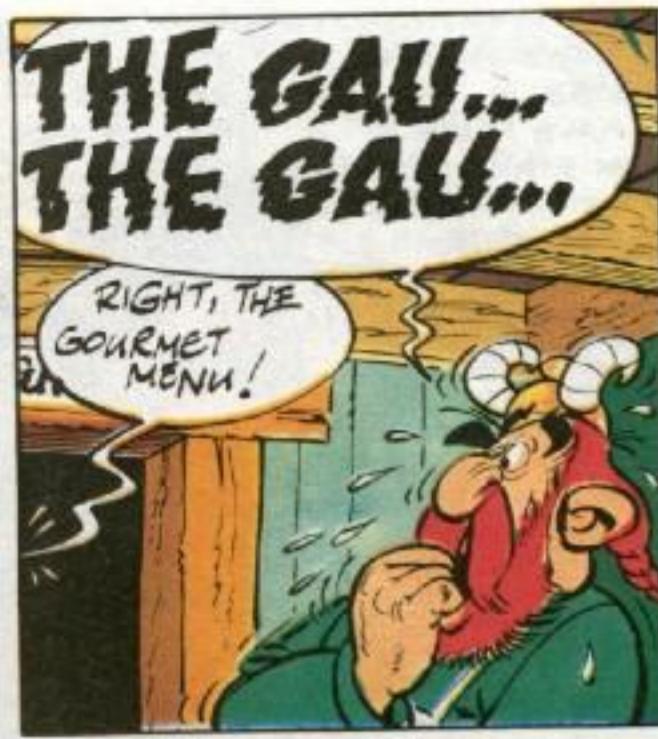


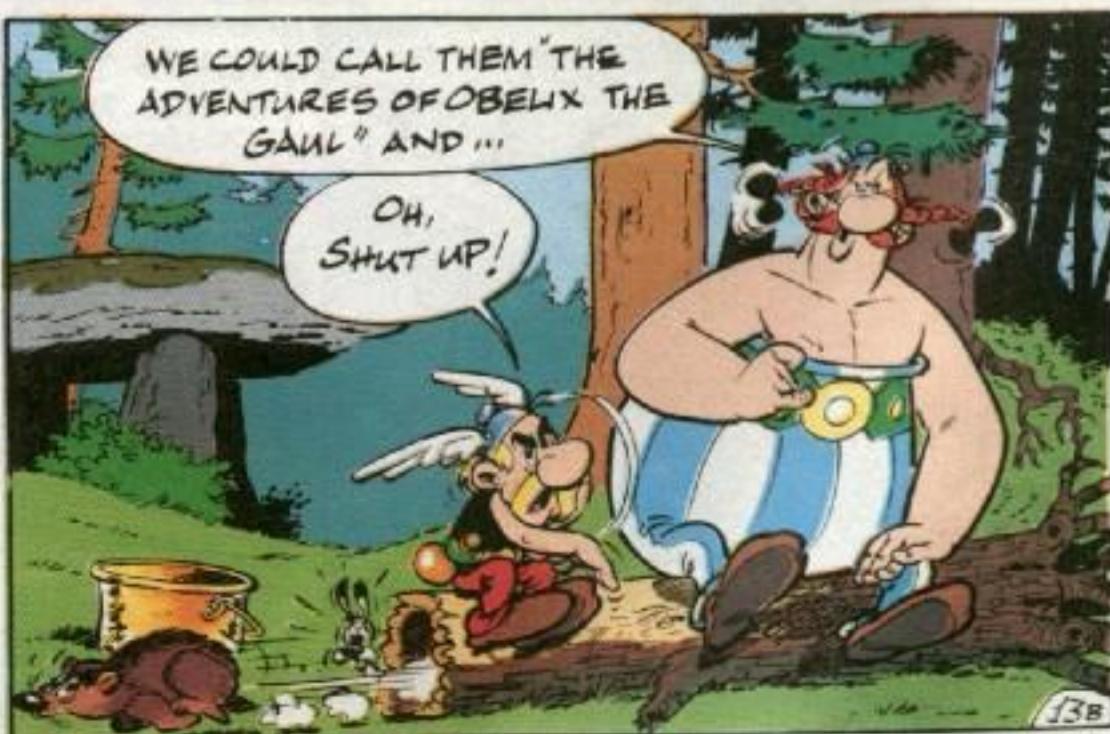
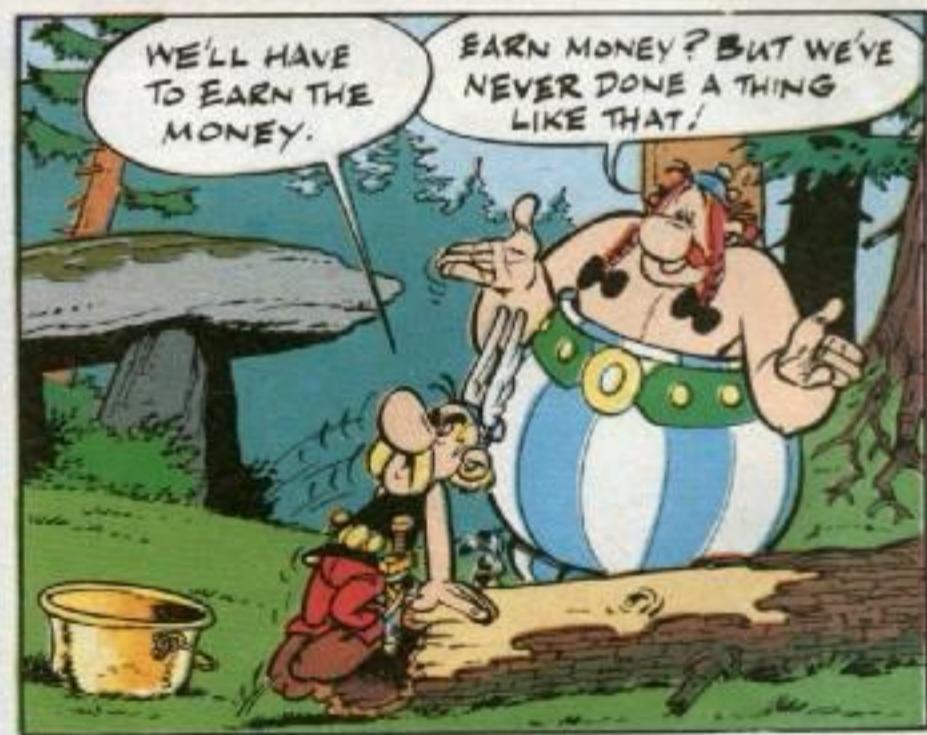
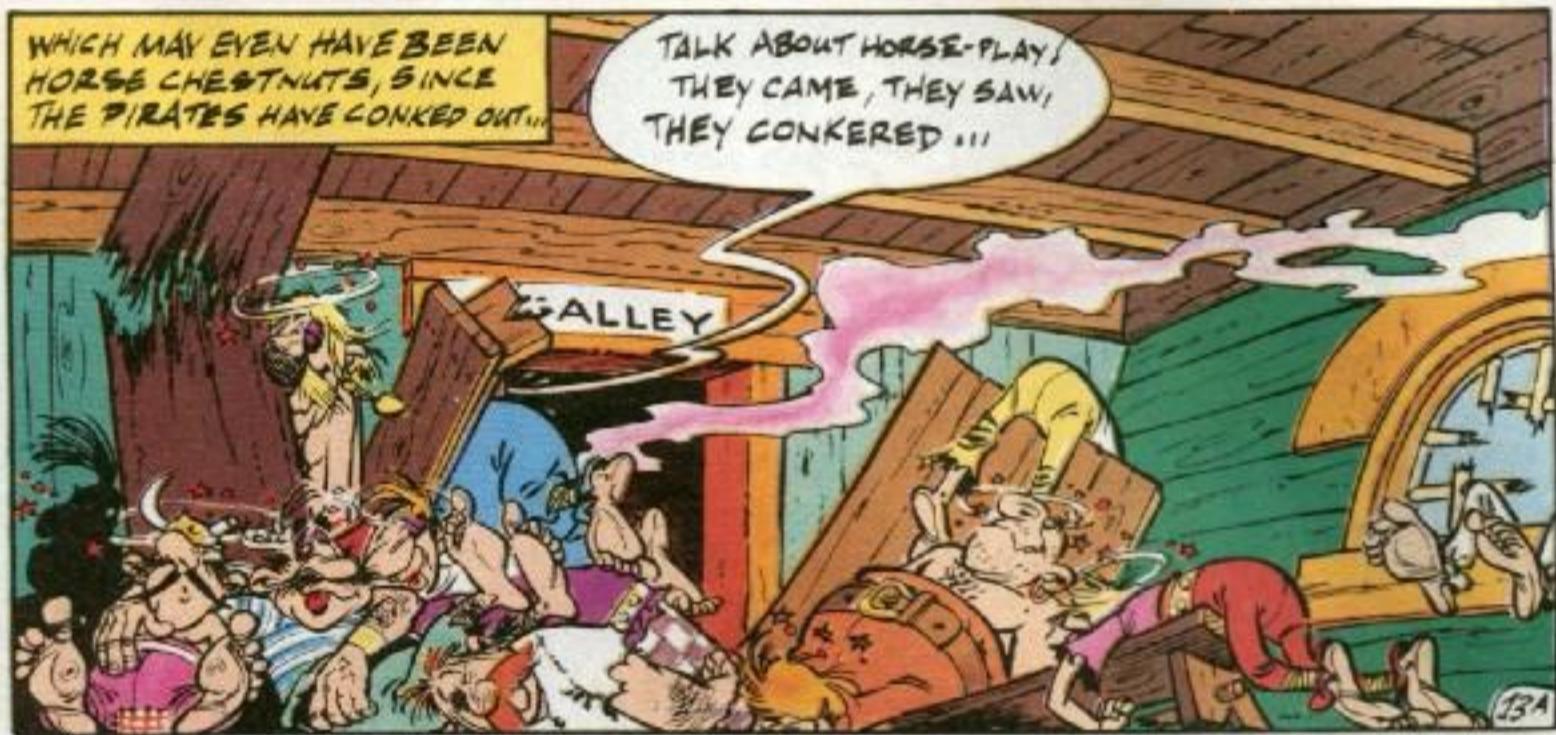
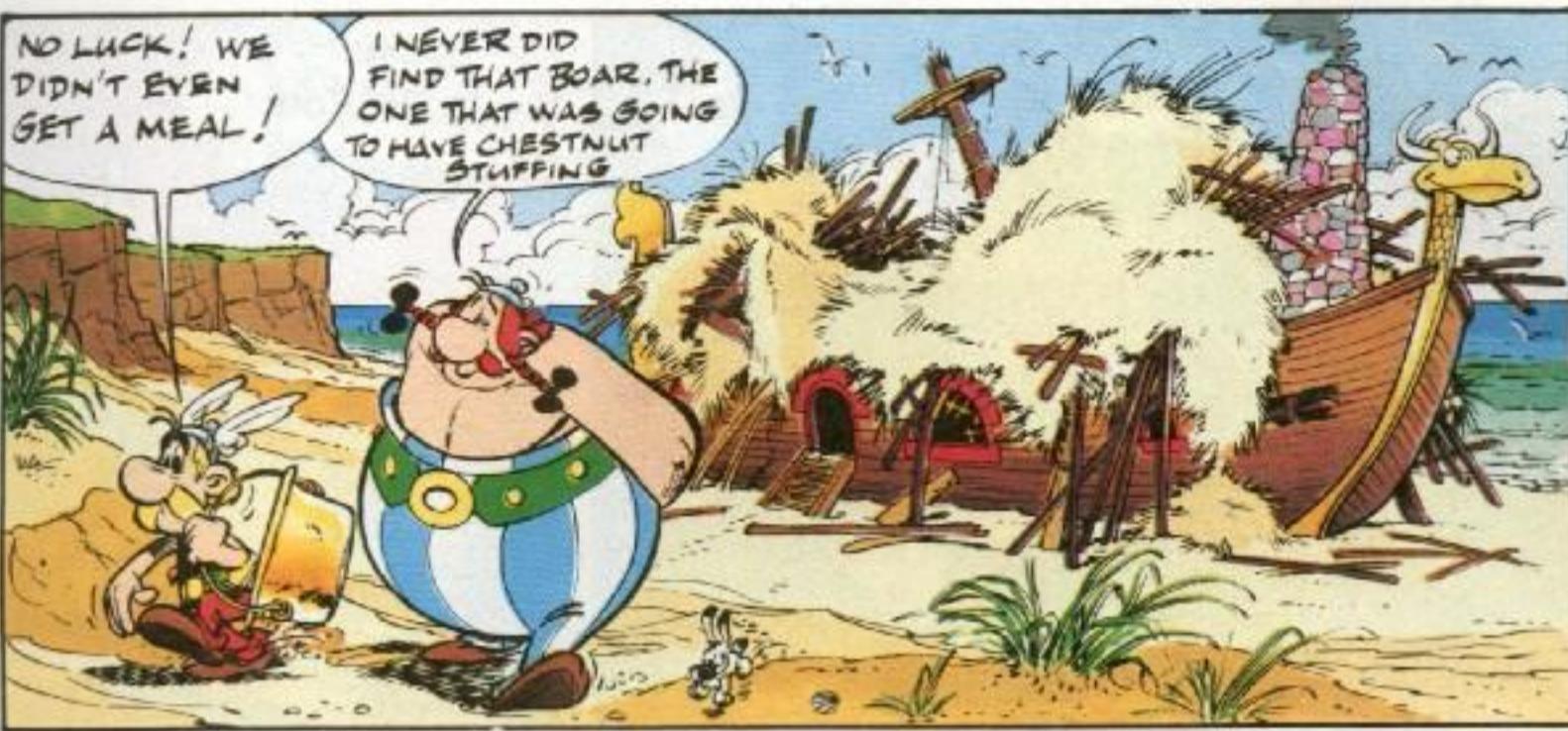


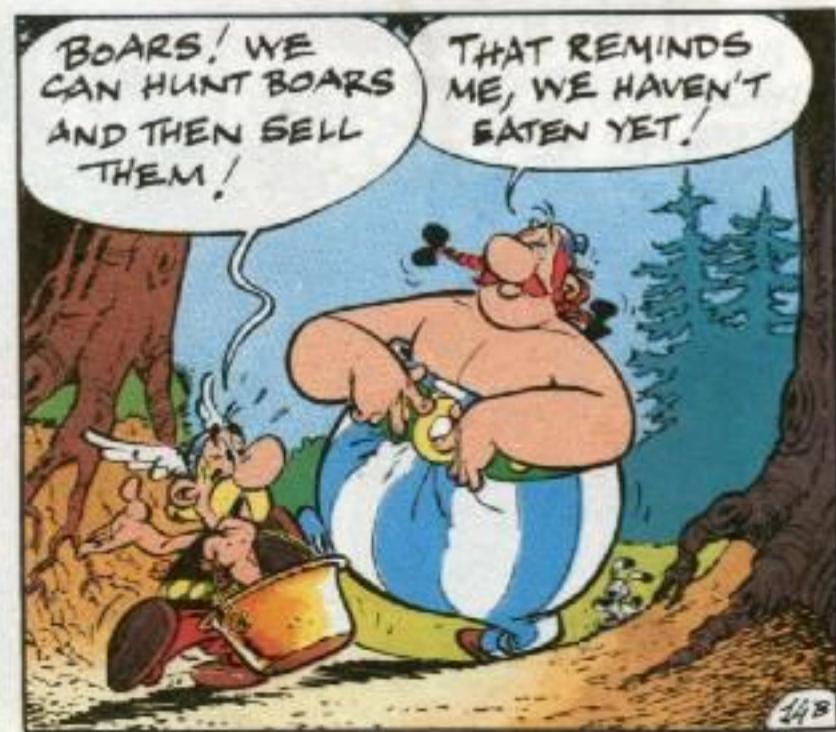
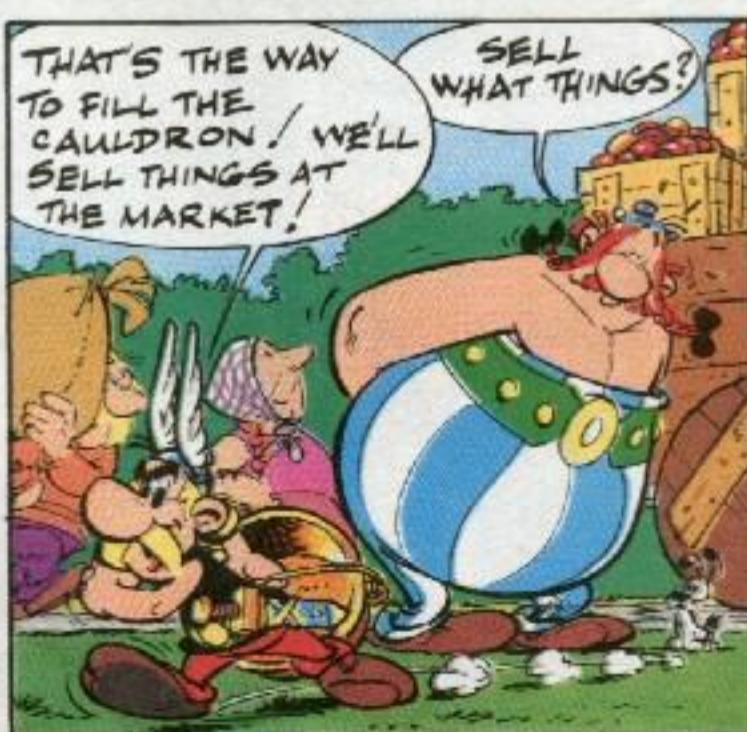
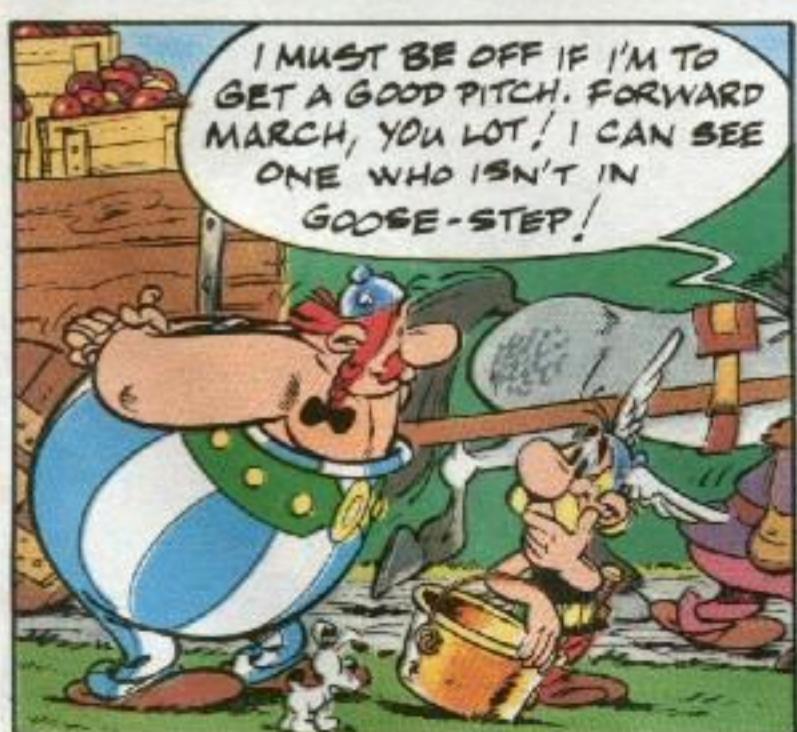
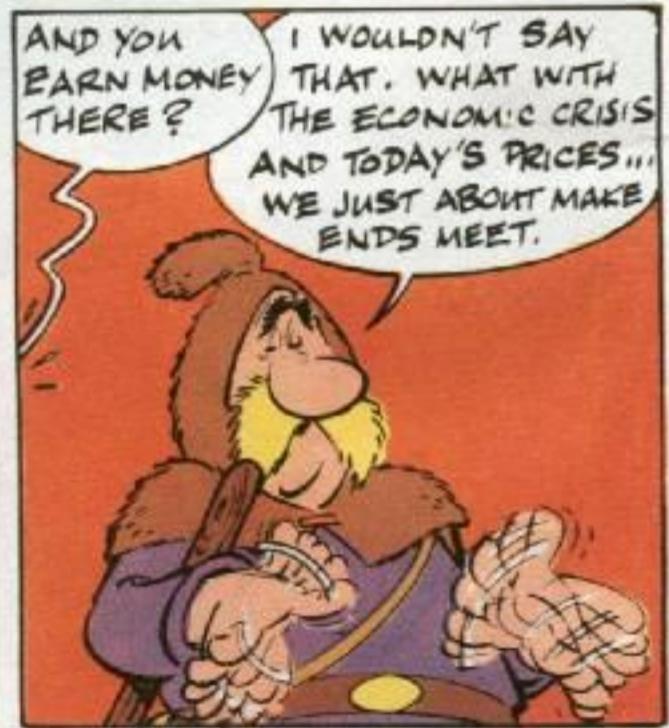
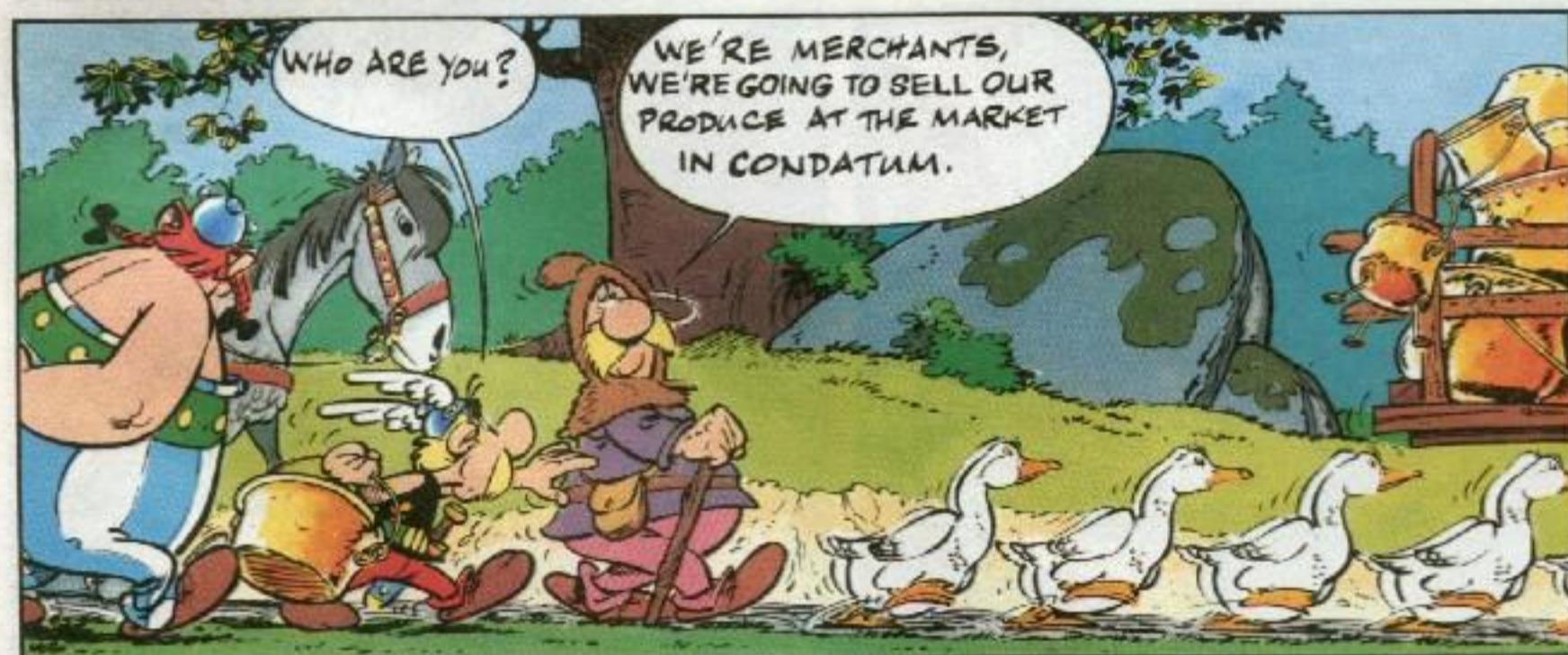
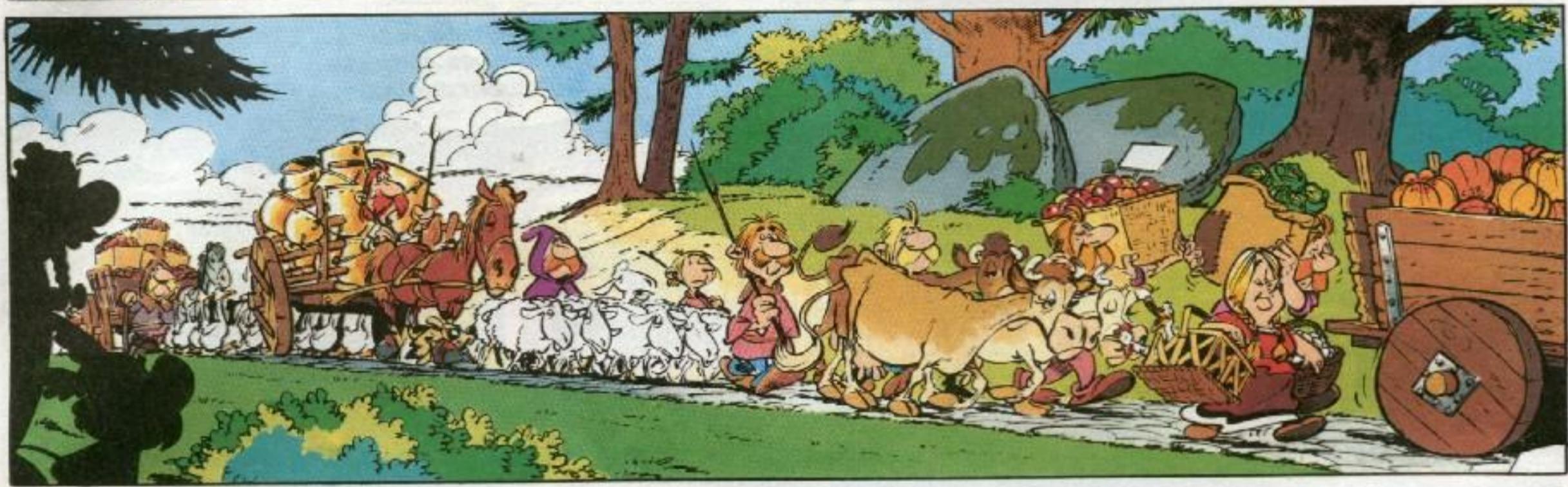




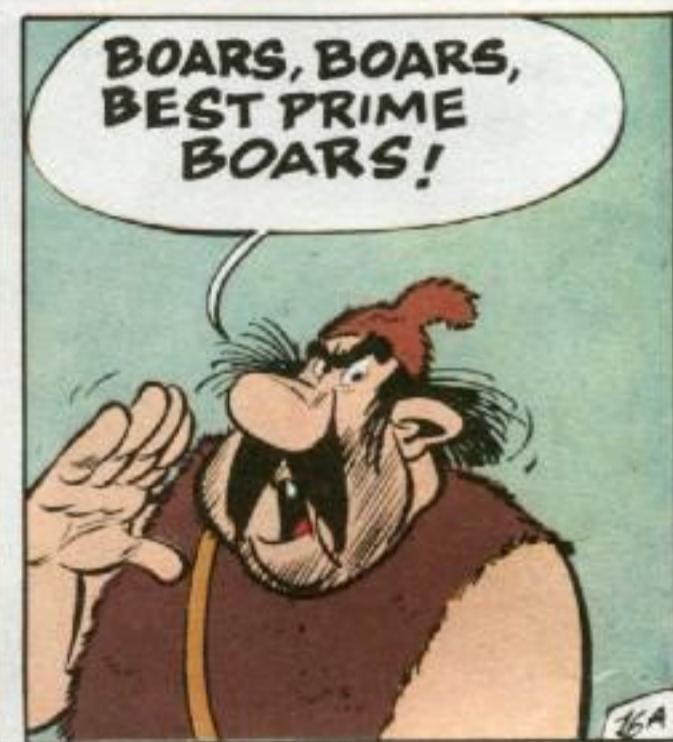
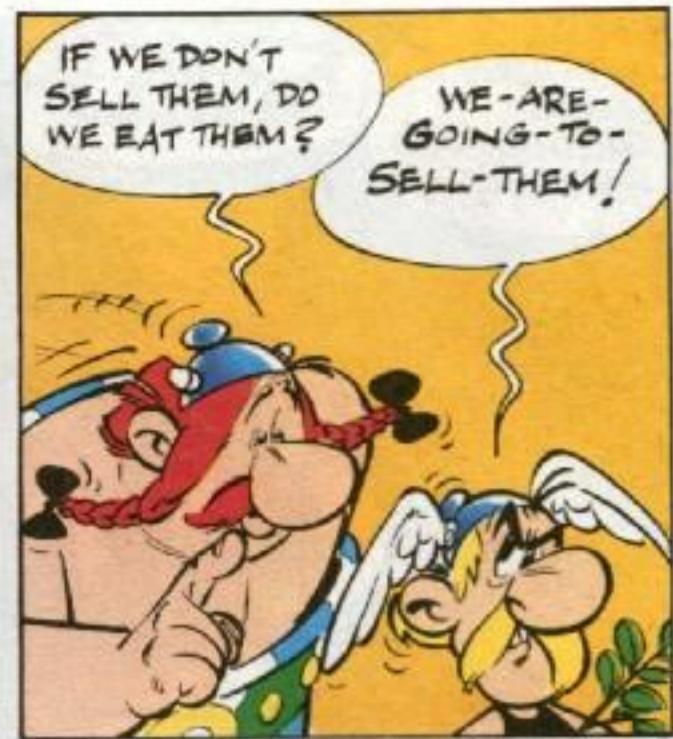


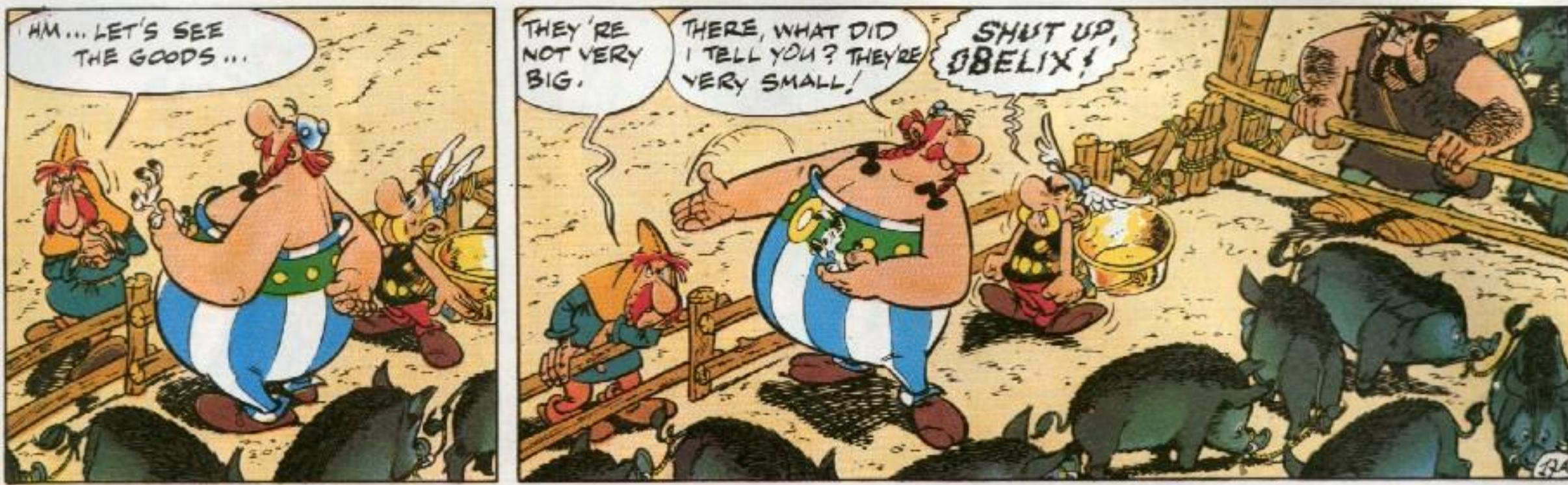
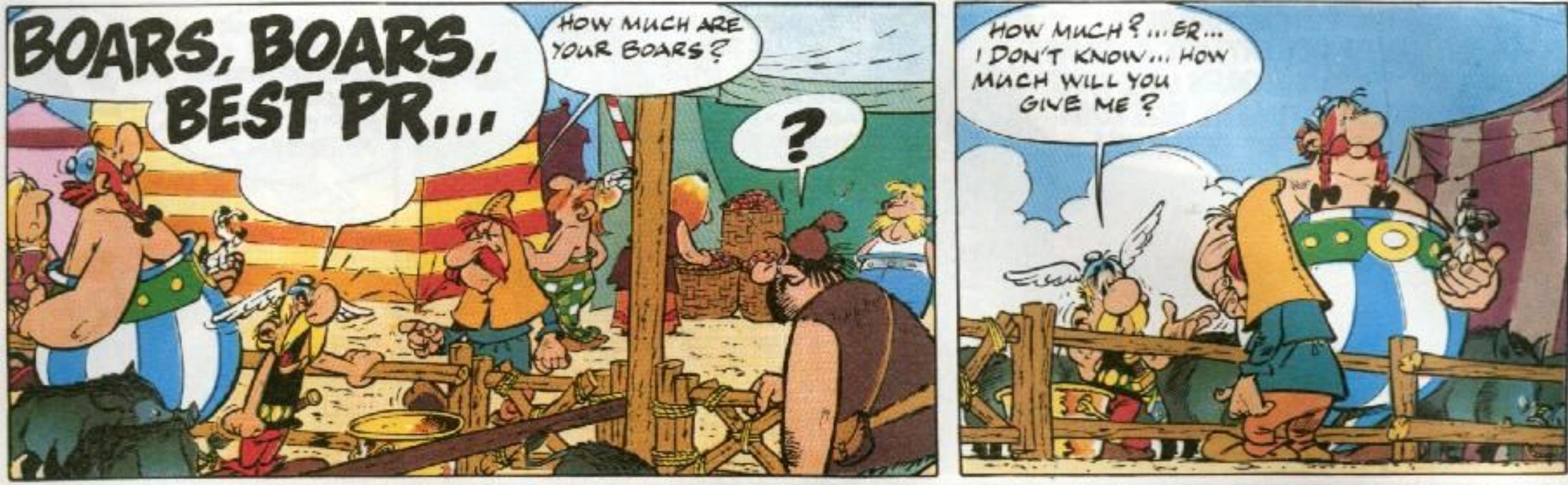












YOU'RE MAKING PRICES TUMBLE!
IT'S DAYLIGHT ROBBERY! IT'S A CRIME!
FOURTEEN PRIME BOARS LIKE THAT
FOR FIVE SESTERTII! THE BOTTOM
WILL FALL OUT OF THE MARKET!

OH, THEY WEREN'T AS
PRIME AS ALL THAT...
ONLY TIDDERS. I WAS
JUST TELLING
ASTERIX...

IS IT YOU
SELLING BOARS
AT FIVE
SESTERTII FOR
FOURTEEN?

??

YOU SEE? I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
PREVENTS ME
FROM...

?

BA

I DO.

RIGHT. WHEN HE
GETS BACK, TELL
HIM TO KEEP A
GROSS FOR
ME.

A GROSS?

THAT'S
WHAT I SAID:
FOURTEEN
FOURTEENS

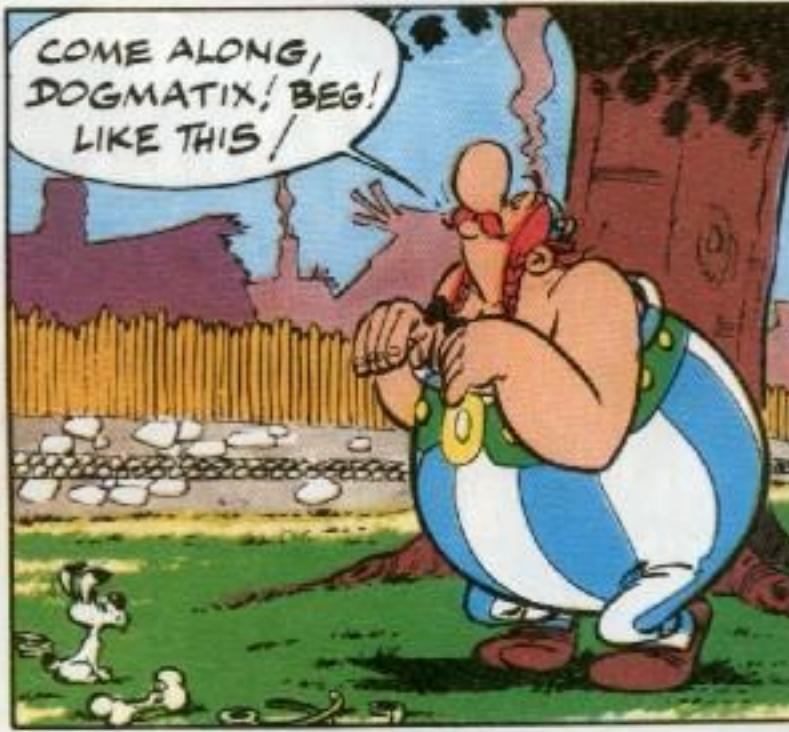
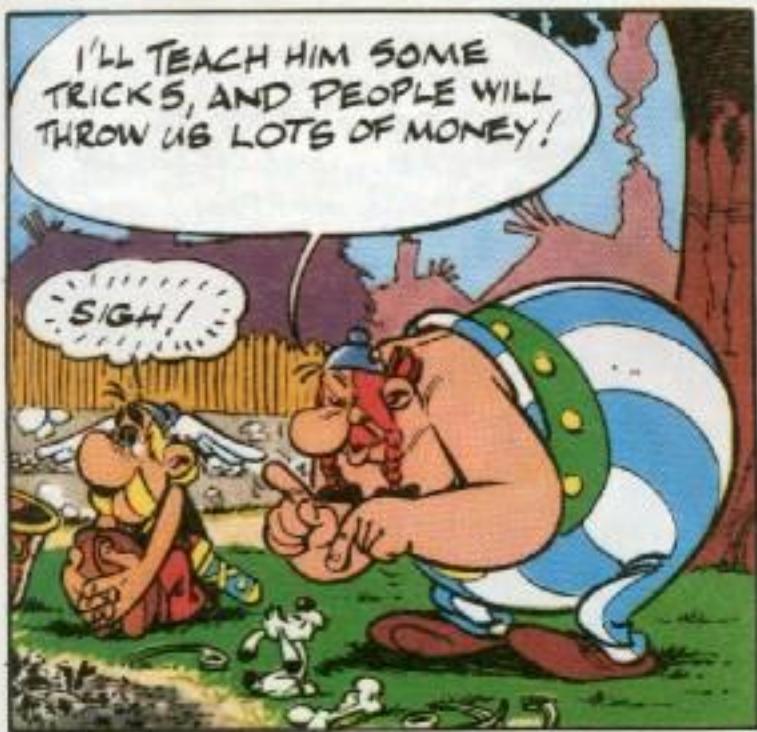
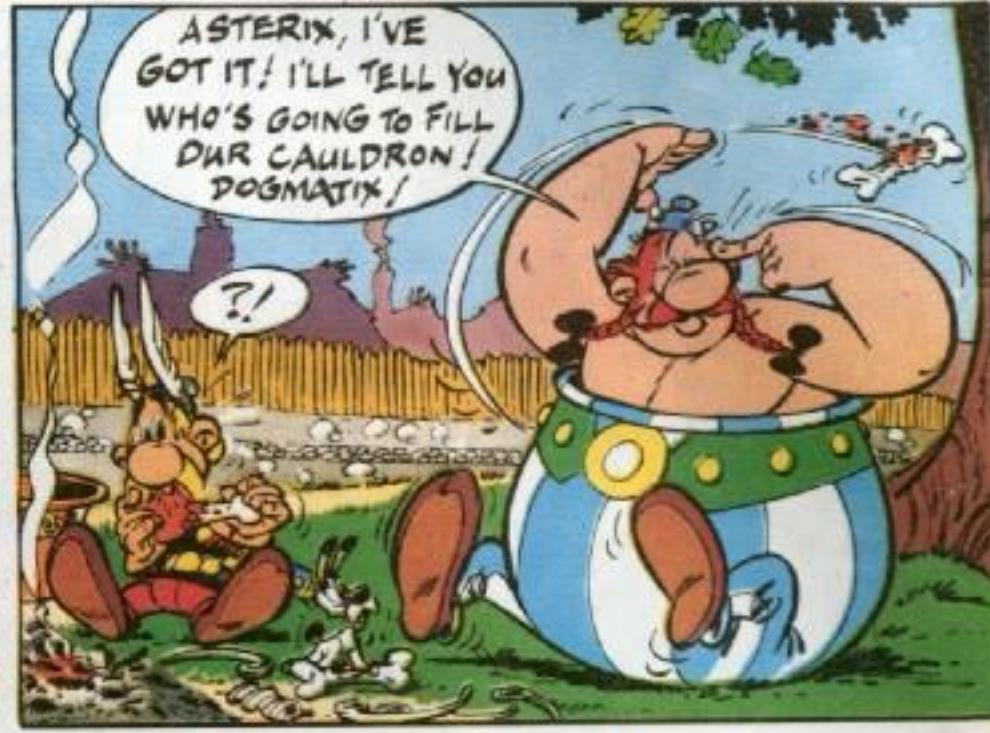
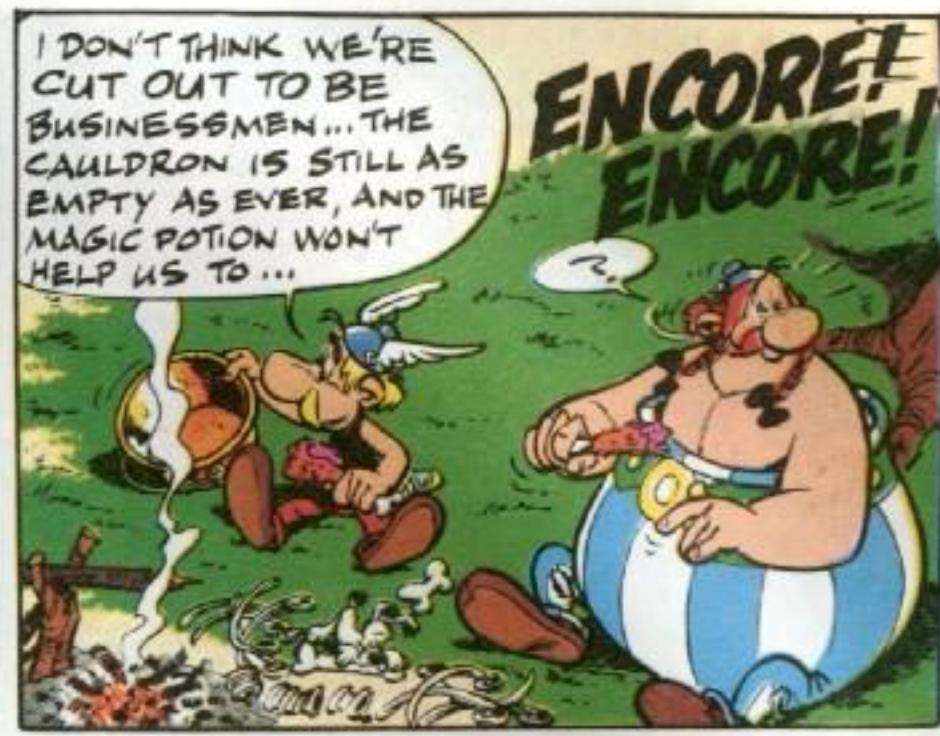
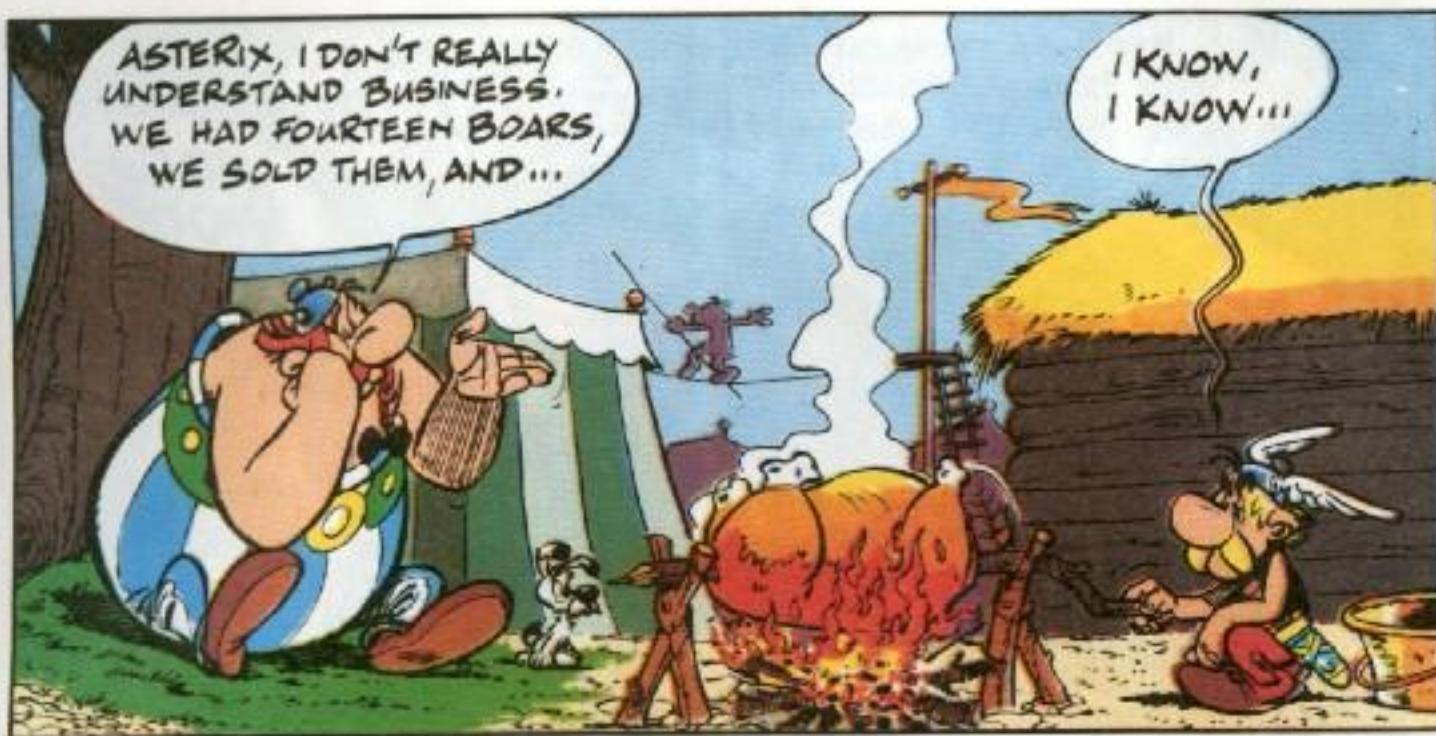
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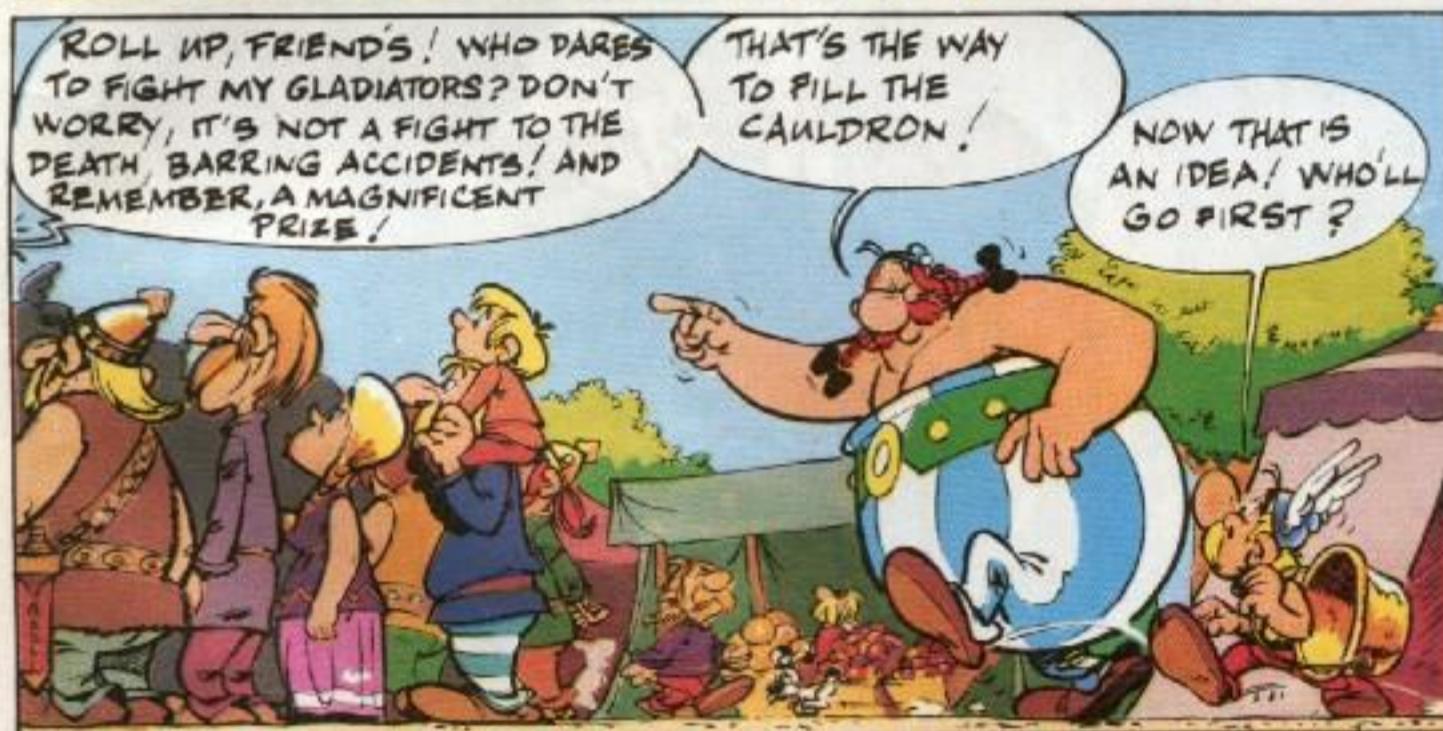
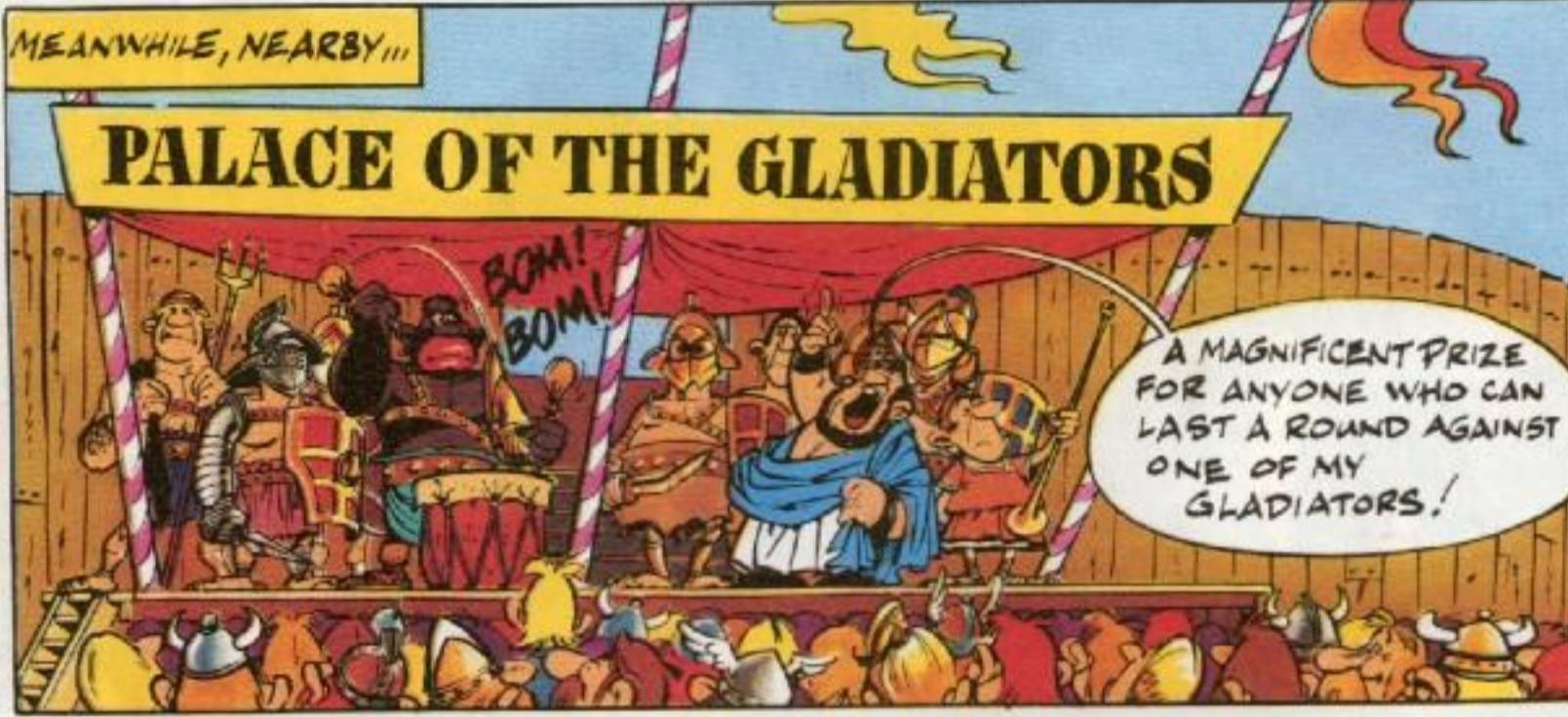
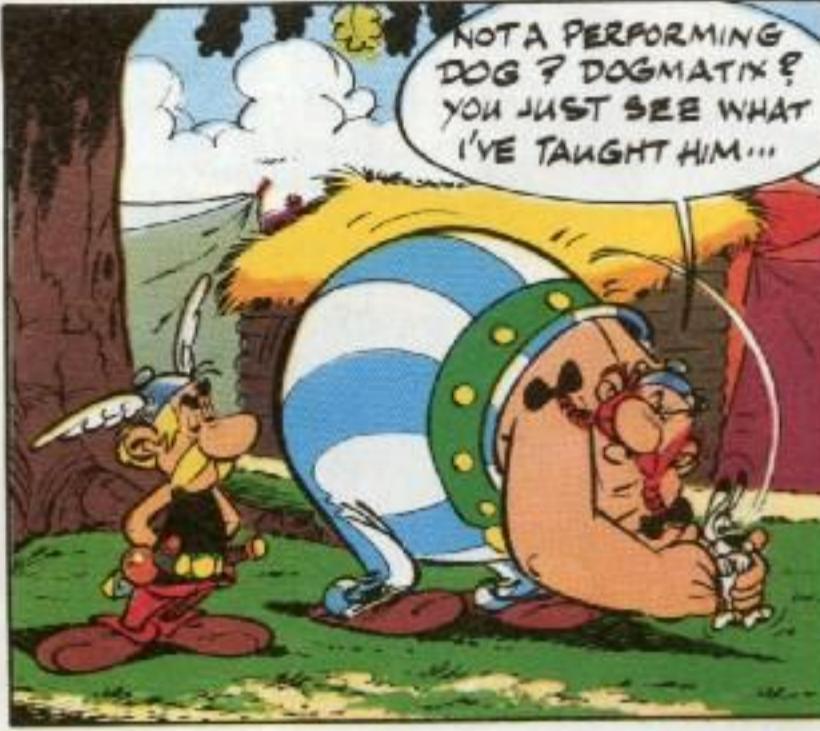
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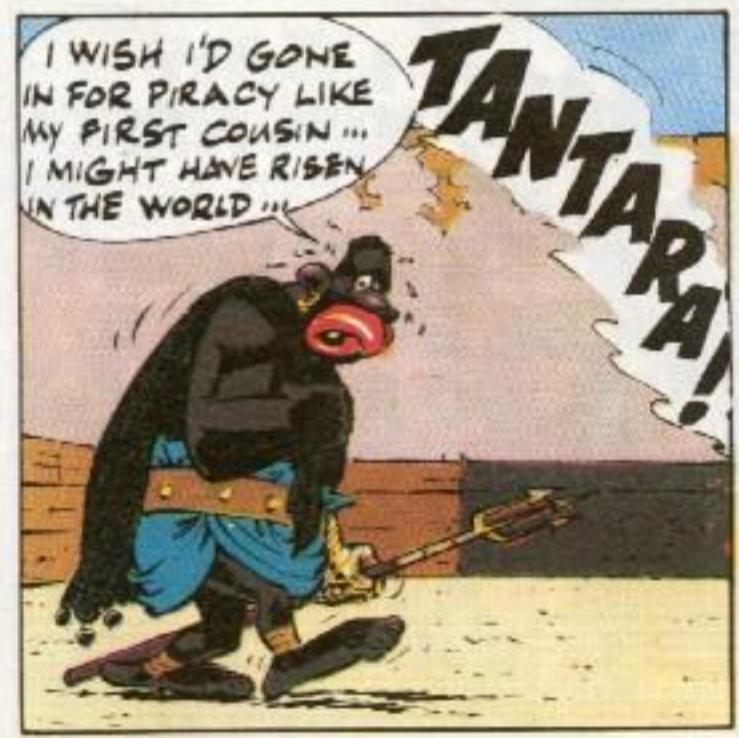
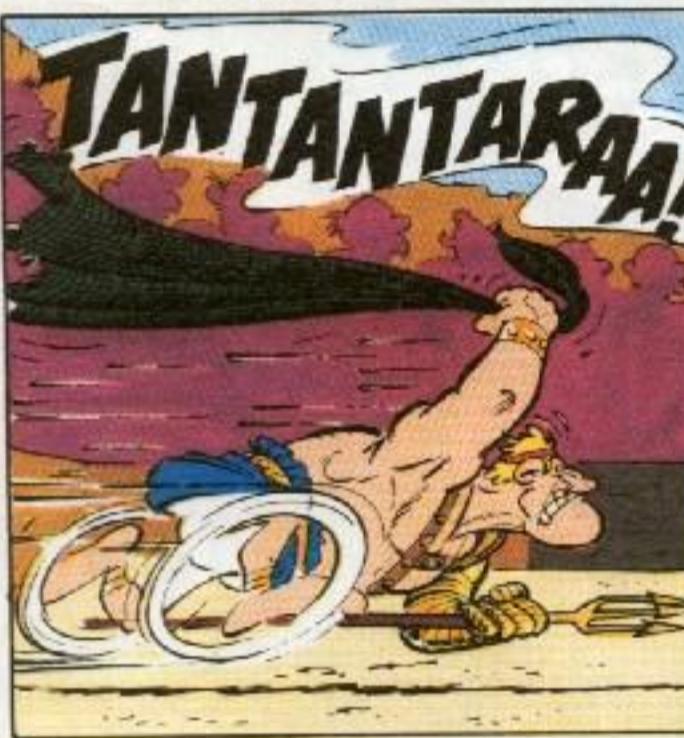
YOU'VE RUINED ME!
I'M GOING TO HAVE TO
SELL MY HOUSE AND MY
MENHIRS, ALL BECAUSE
OF YOU ...

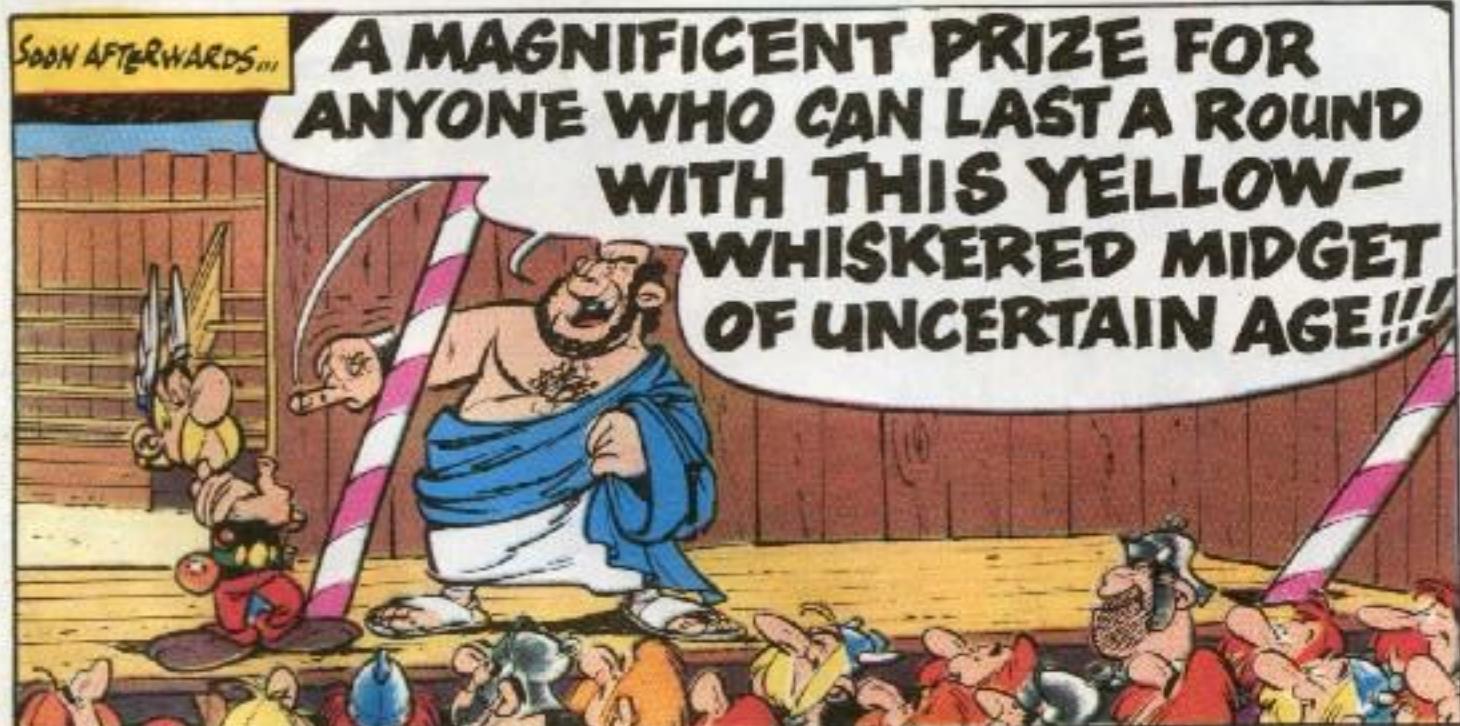
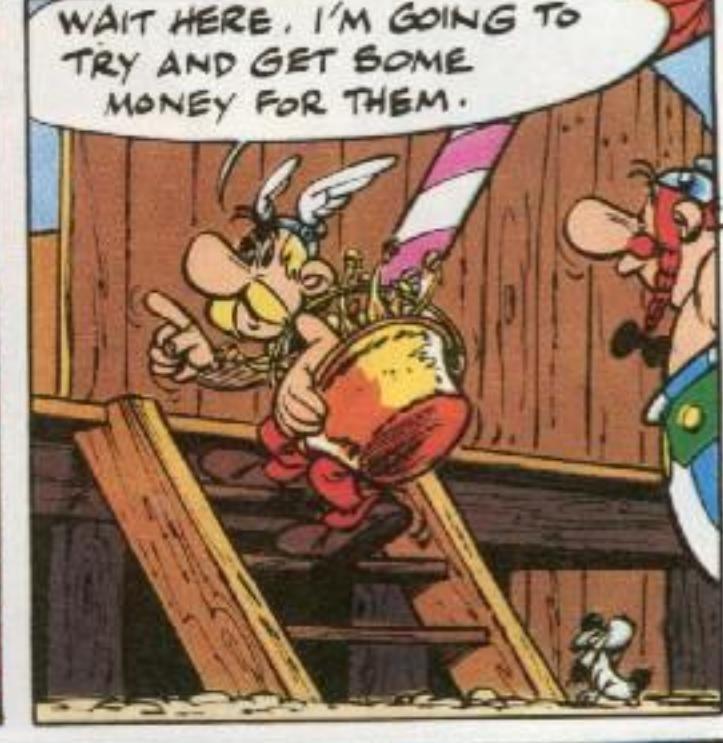
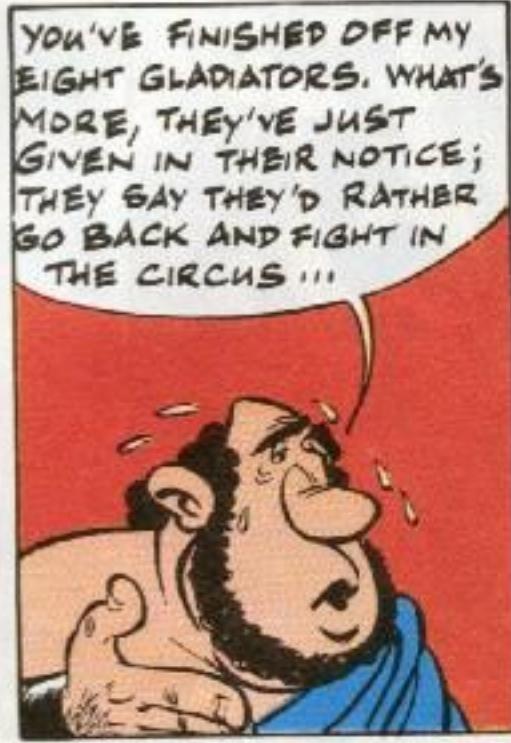
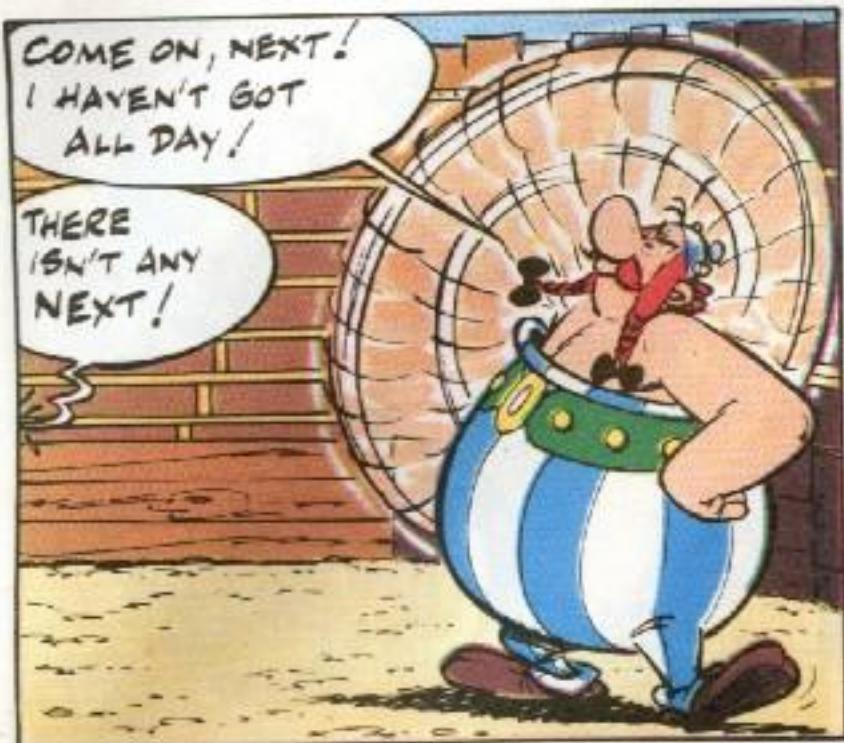
COME, COME, CALM
DOWN... ANYWAY, WE
HAVEN'T EATEN YET.
HOW MUCH ARE YOUR
BOARS?

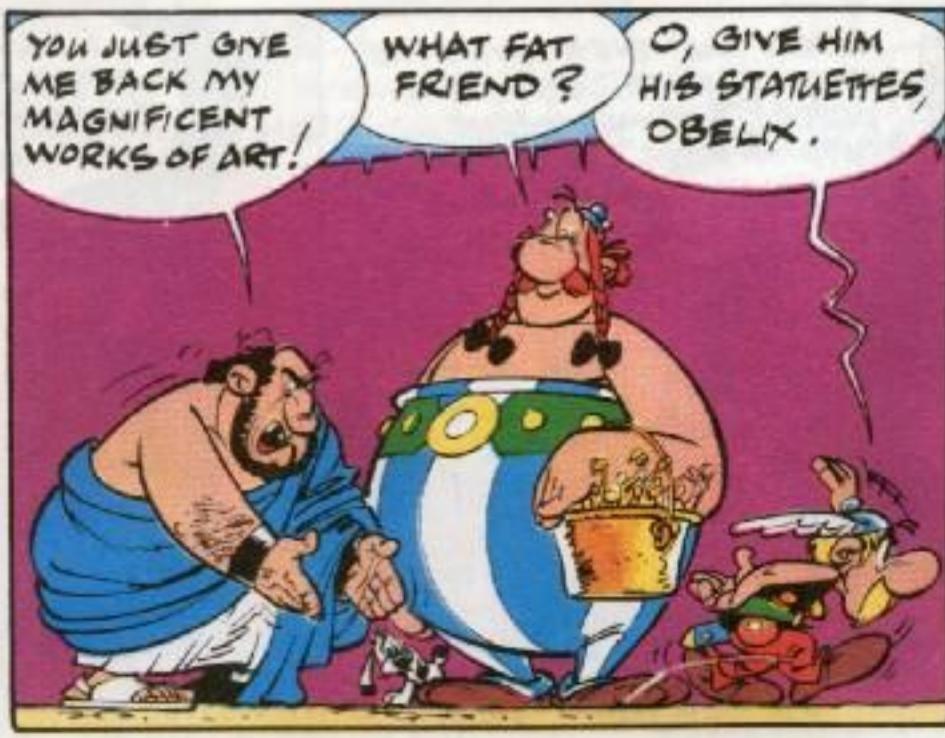
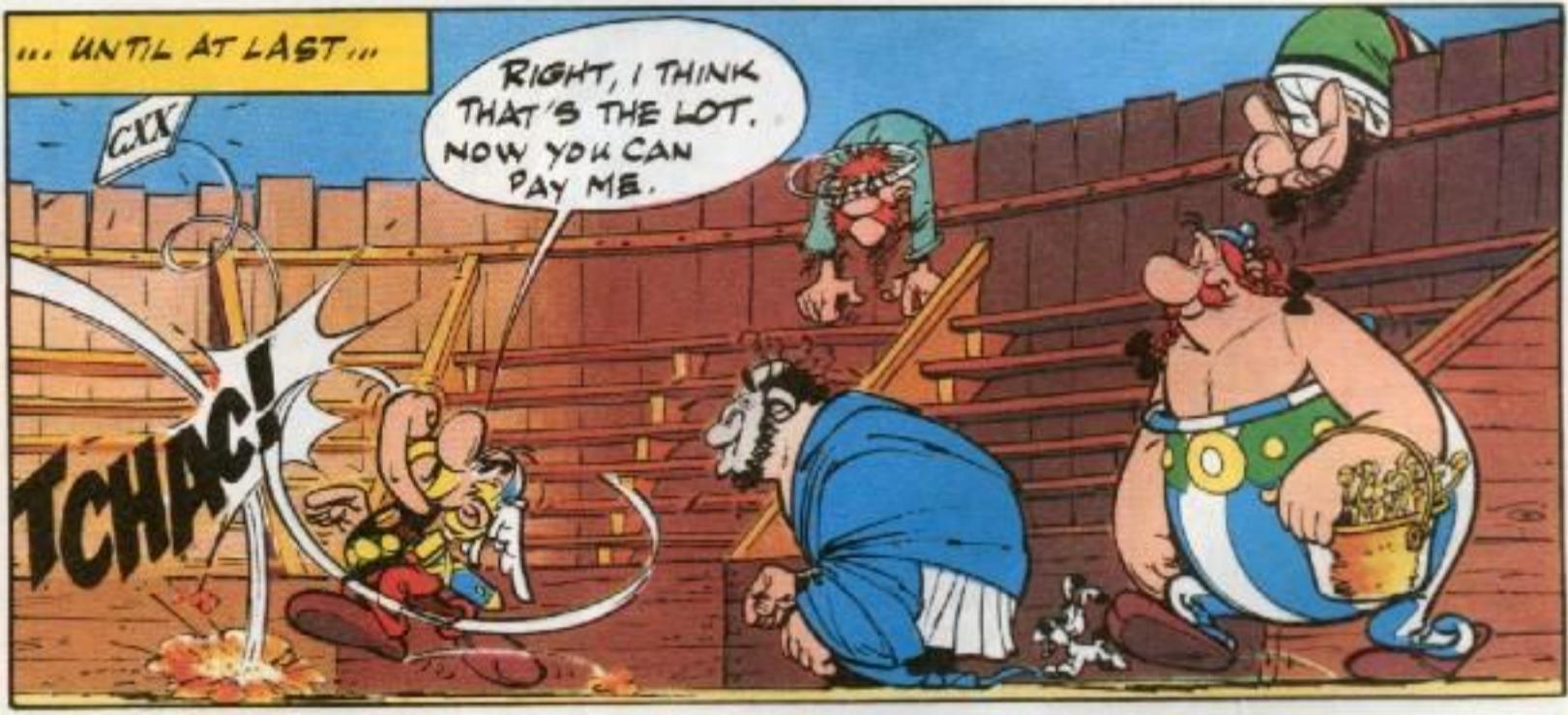
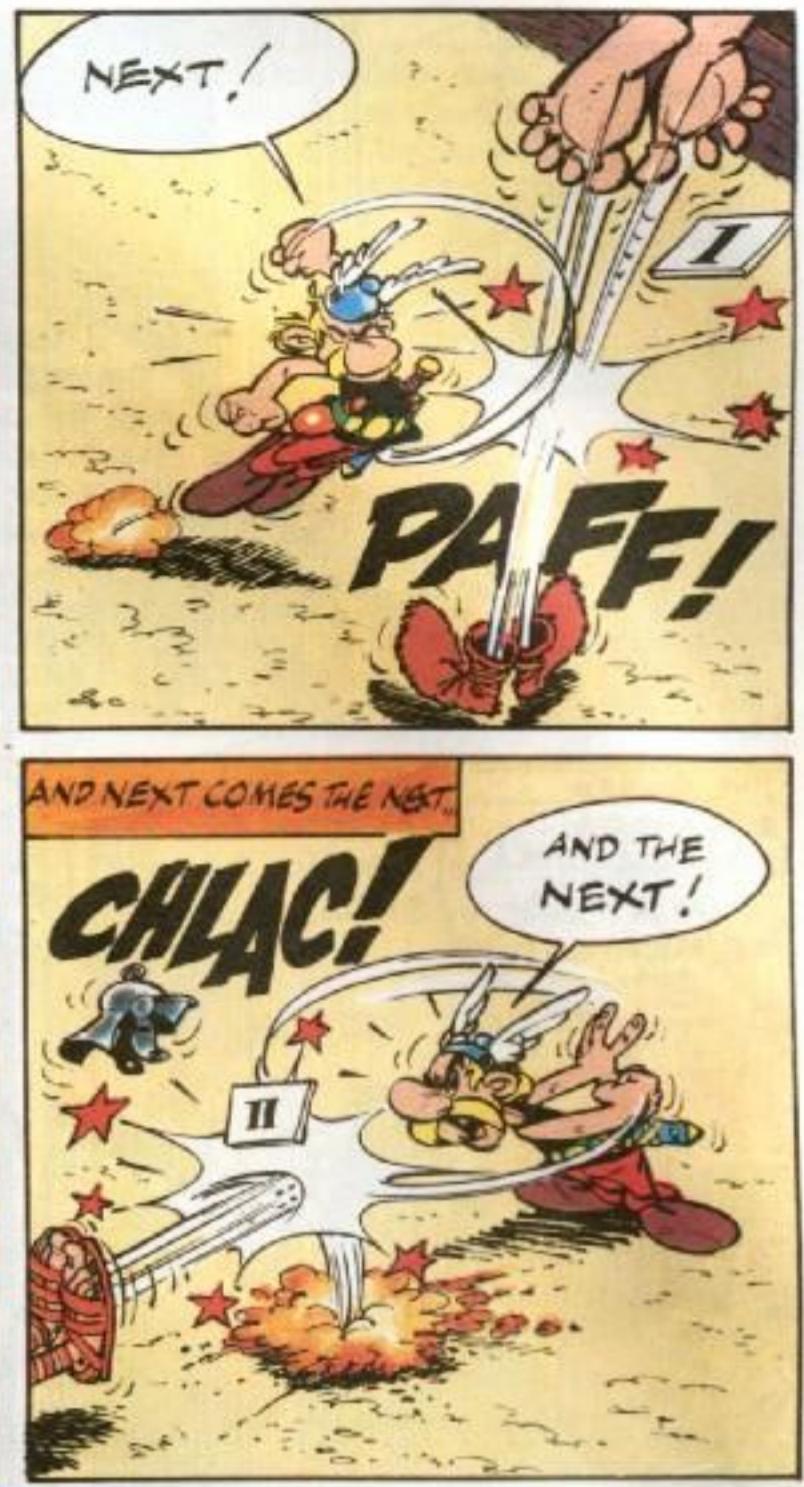
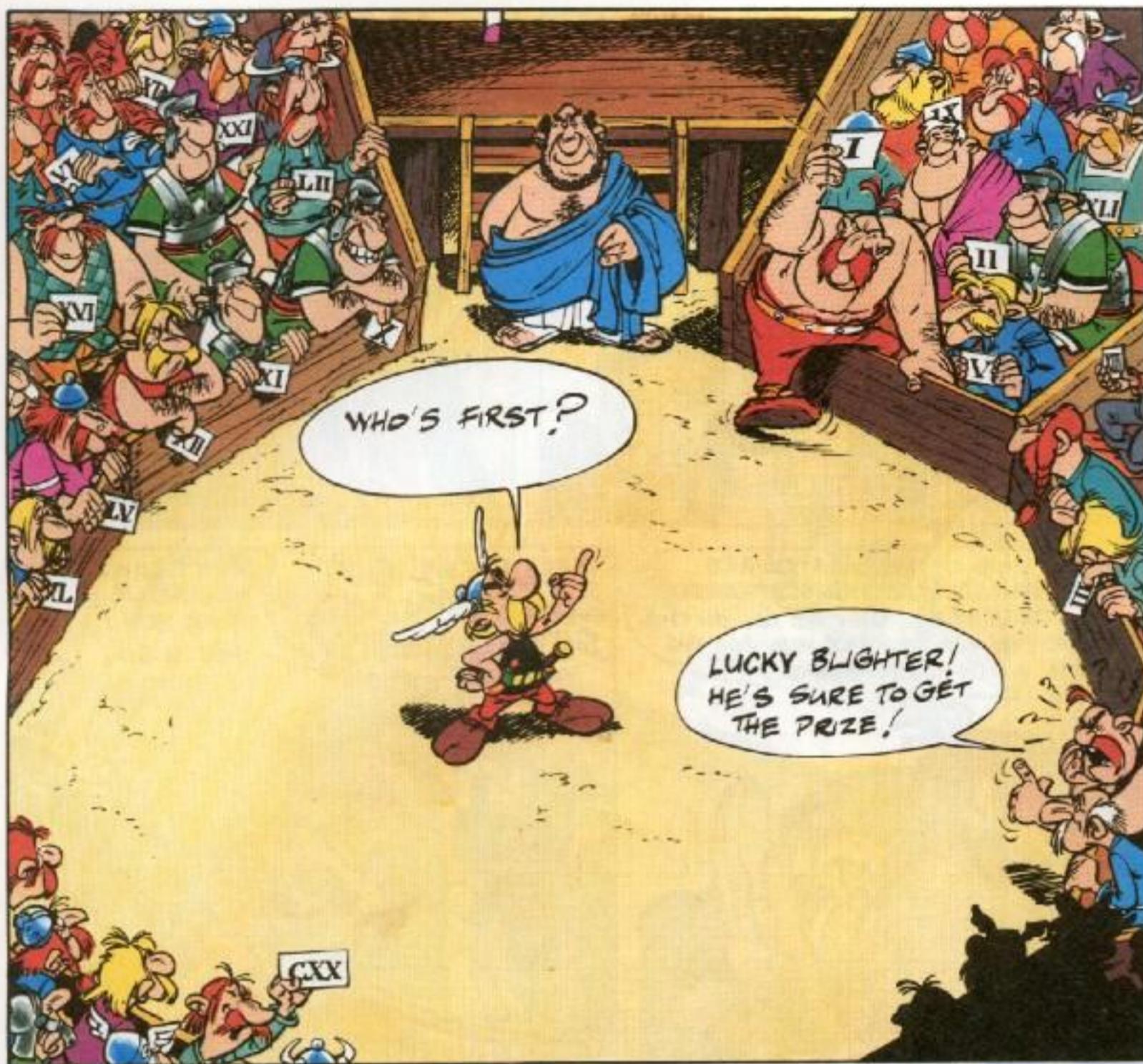
TO YOU, MY BOY,
FIVE SESTERTII
EACH!

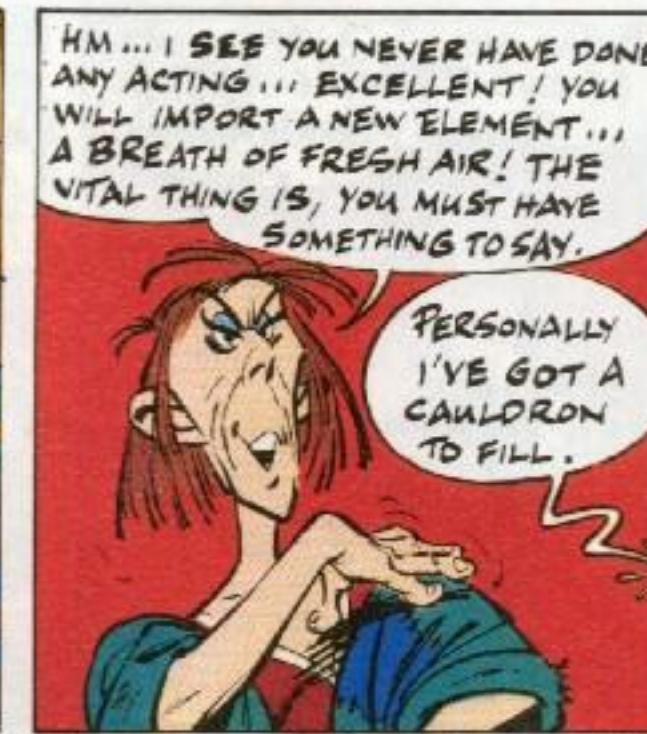
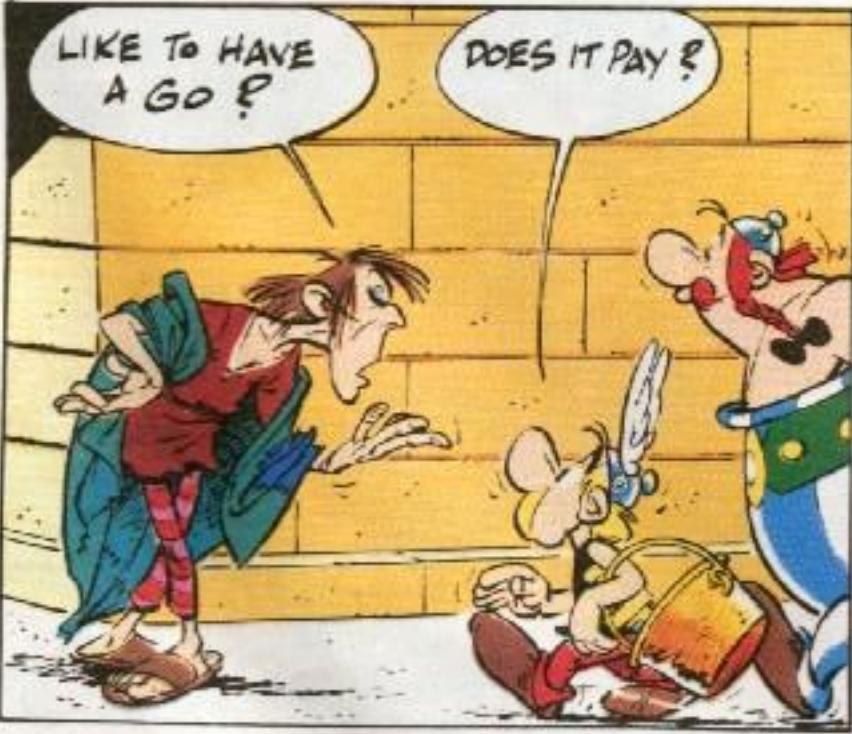
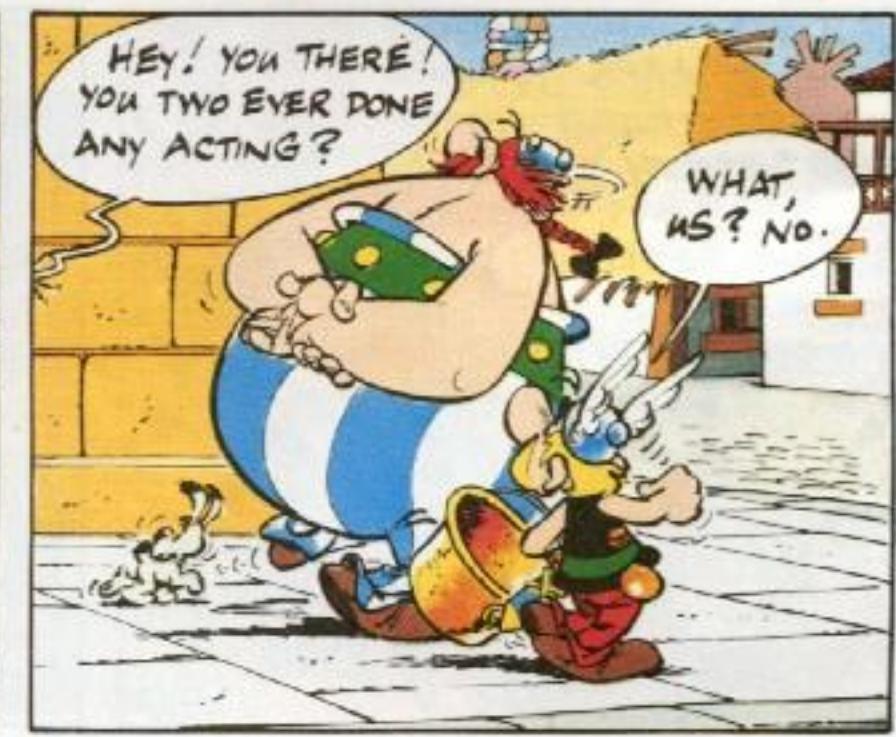
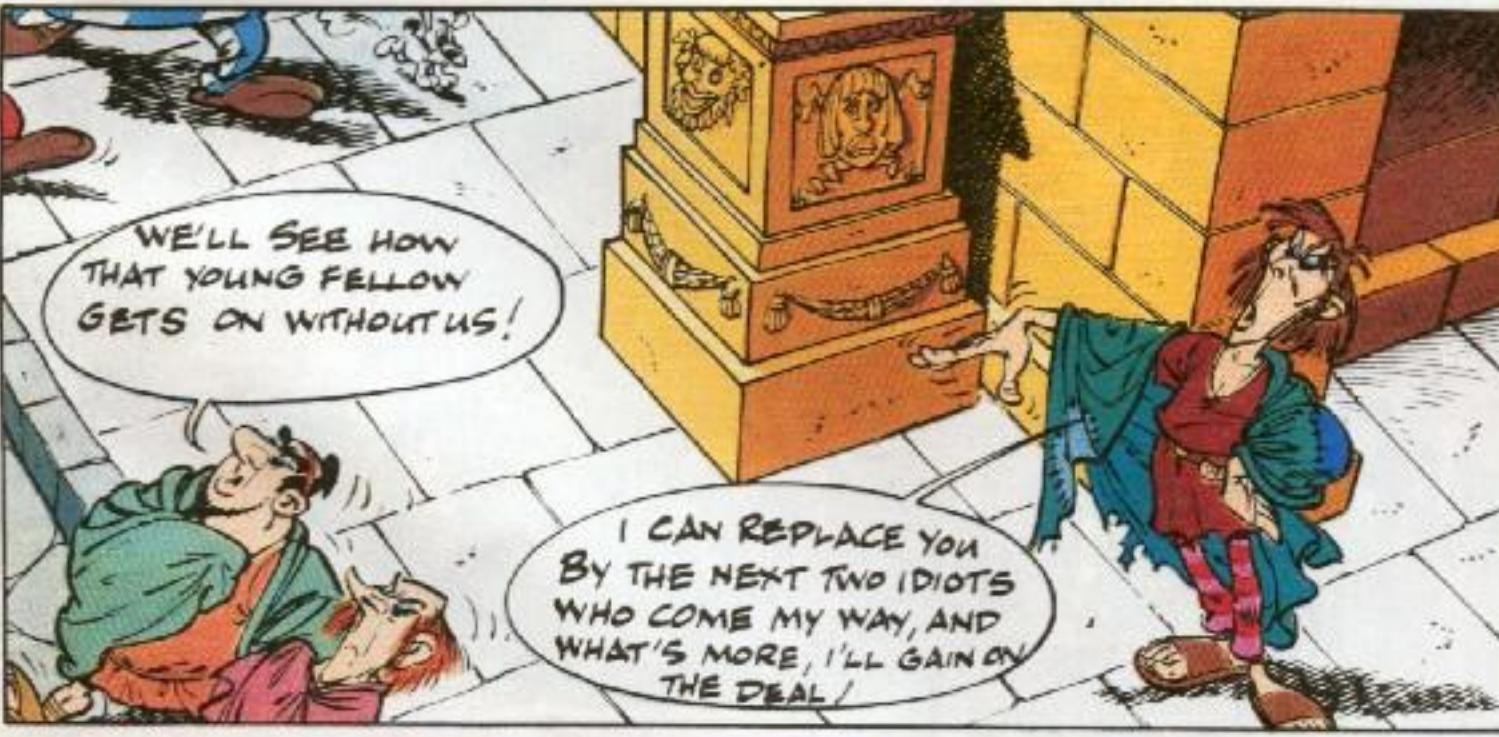
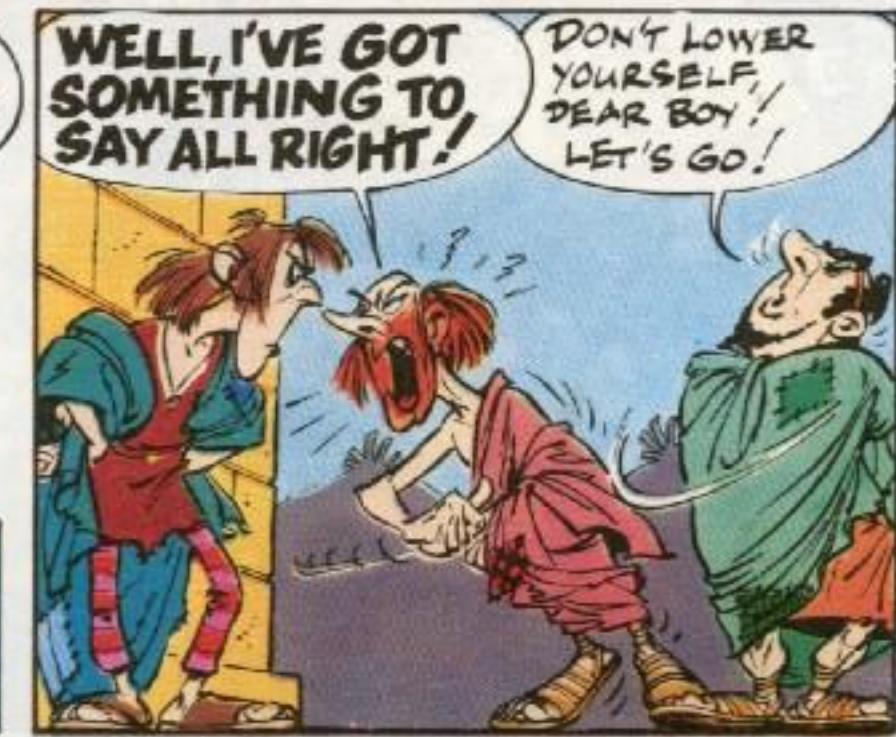
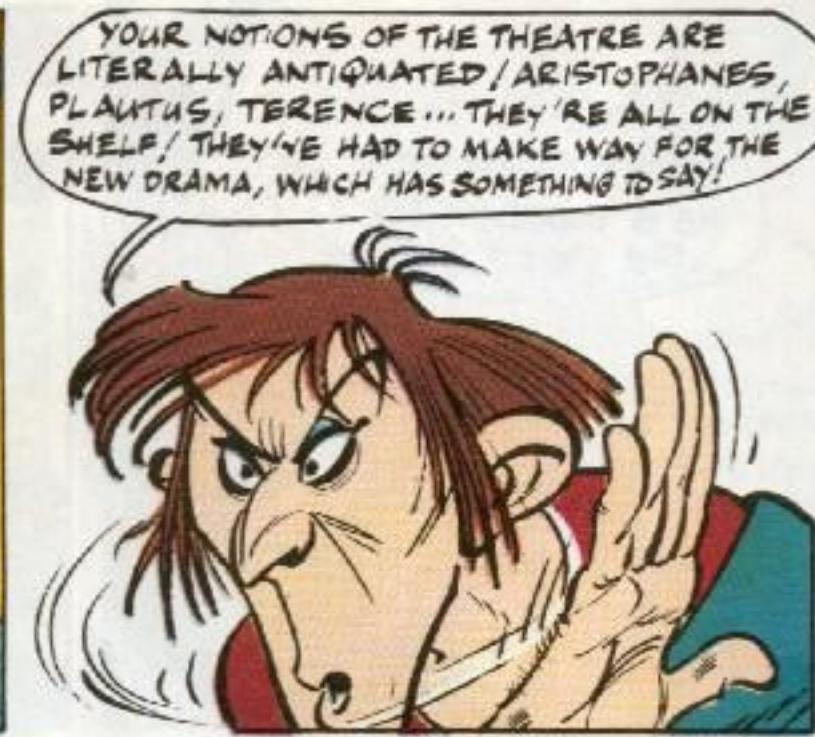
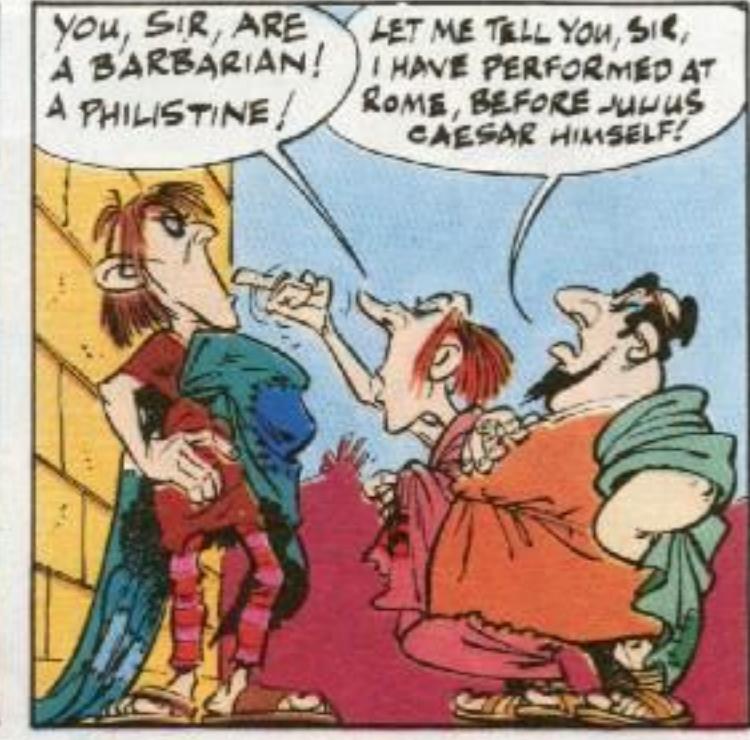


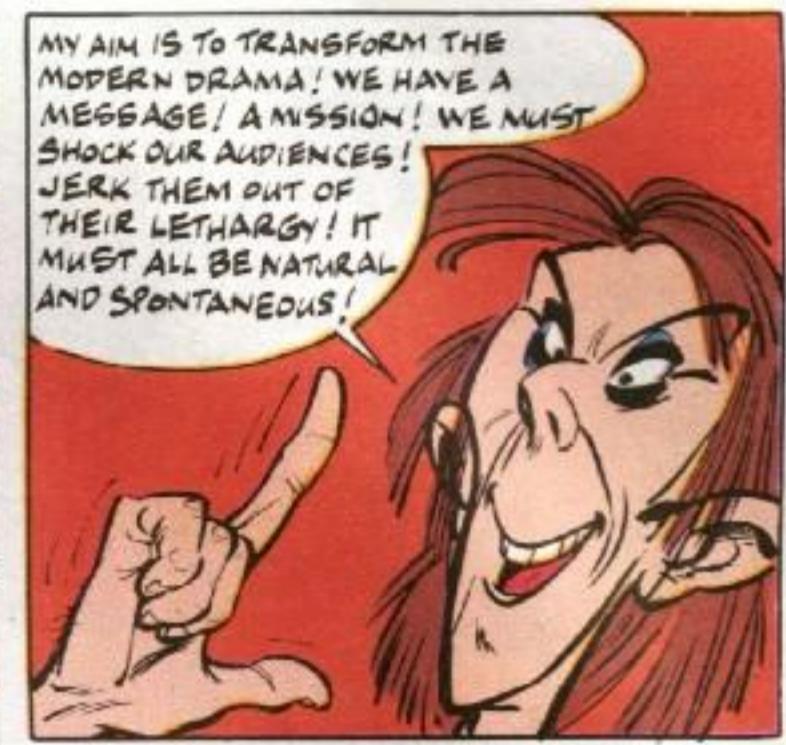
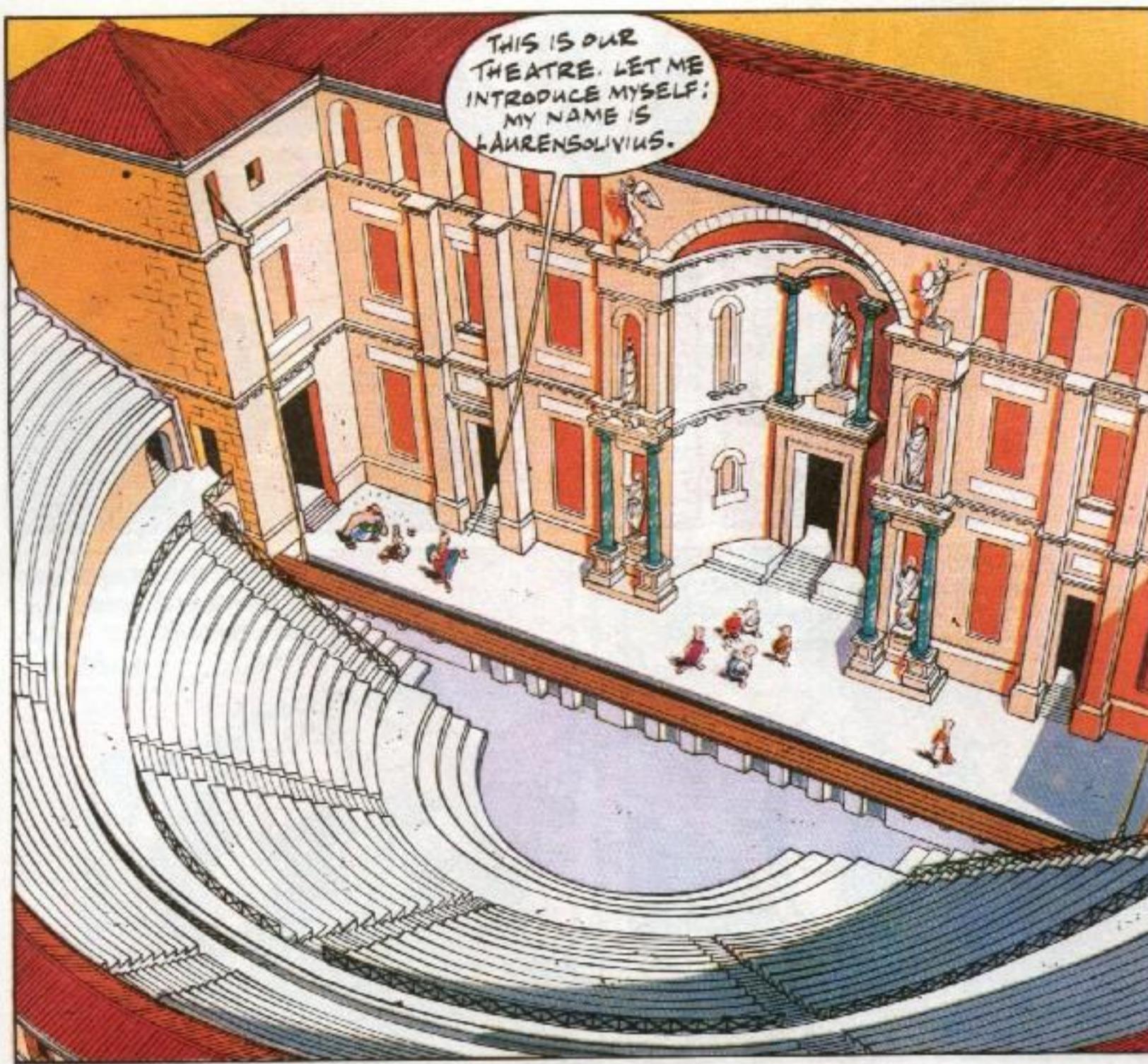


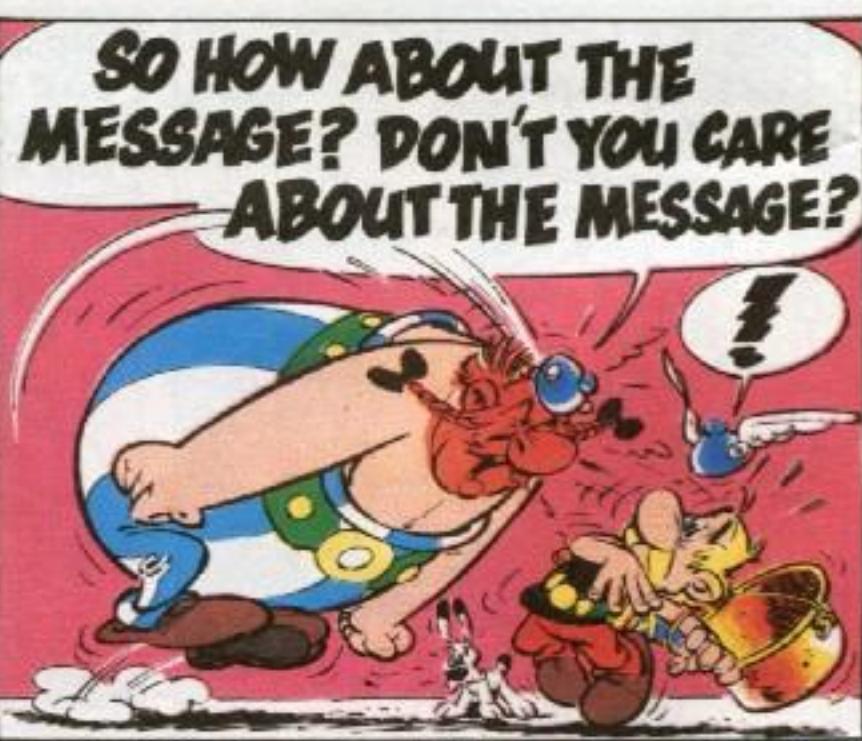
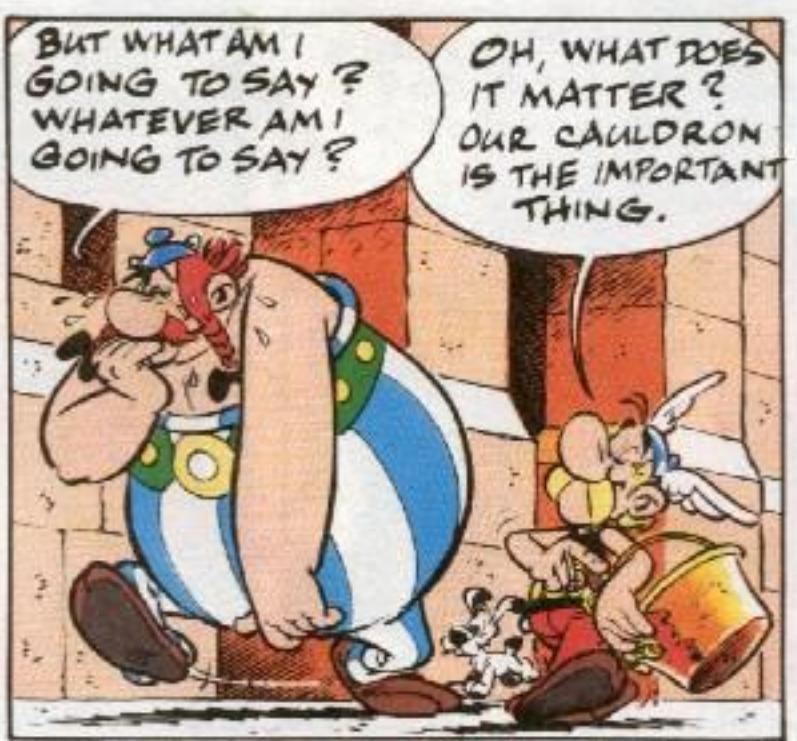
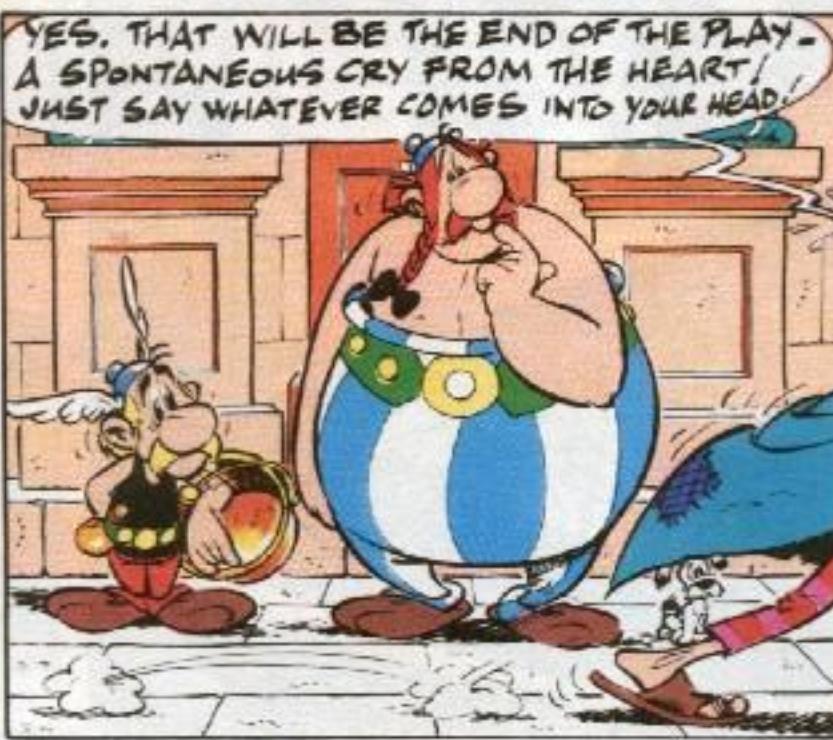






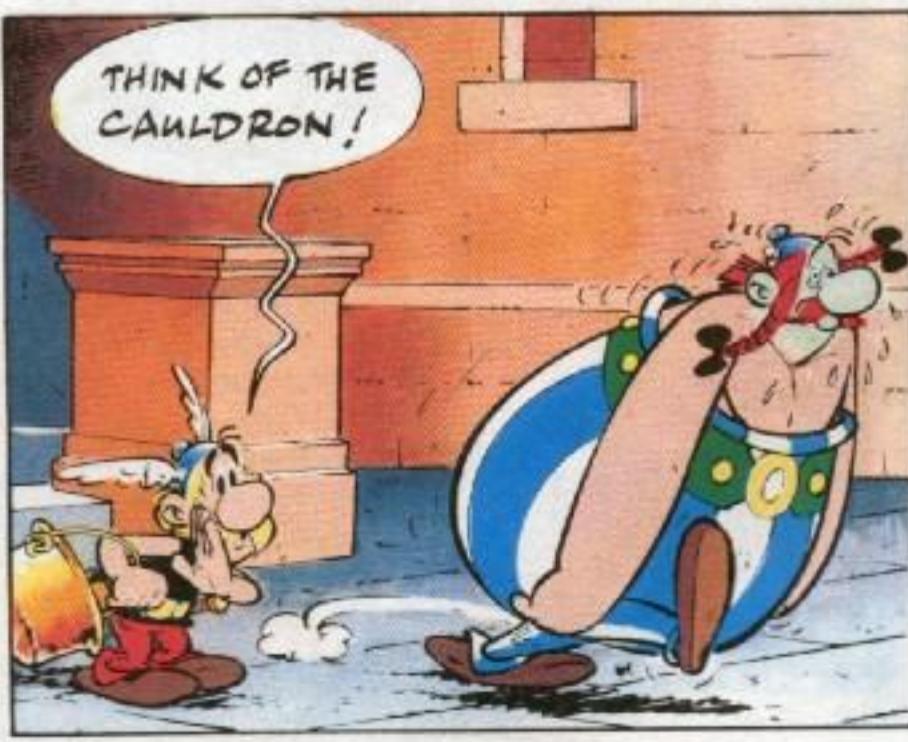
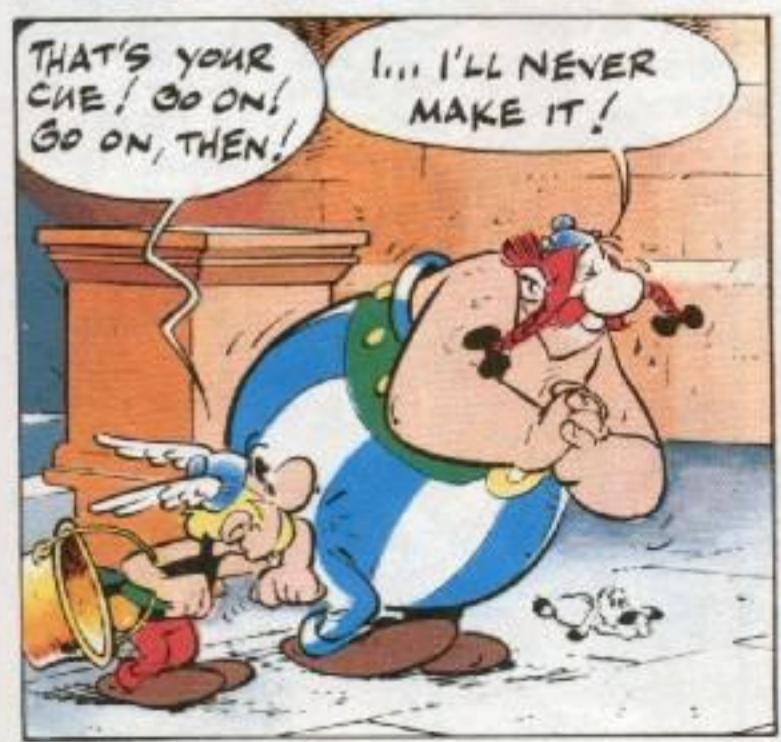
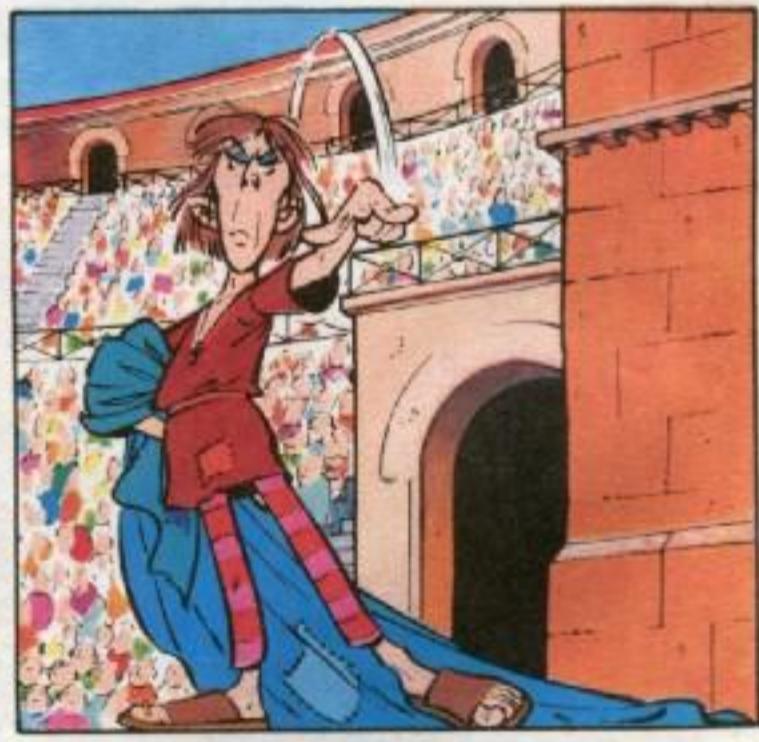
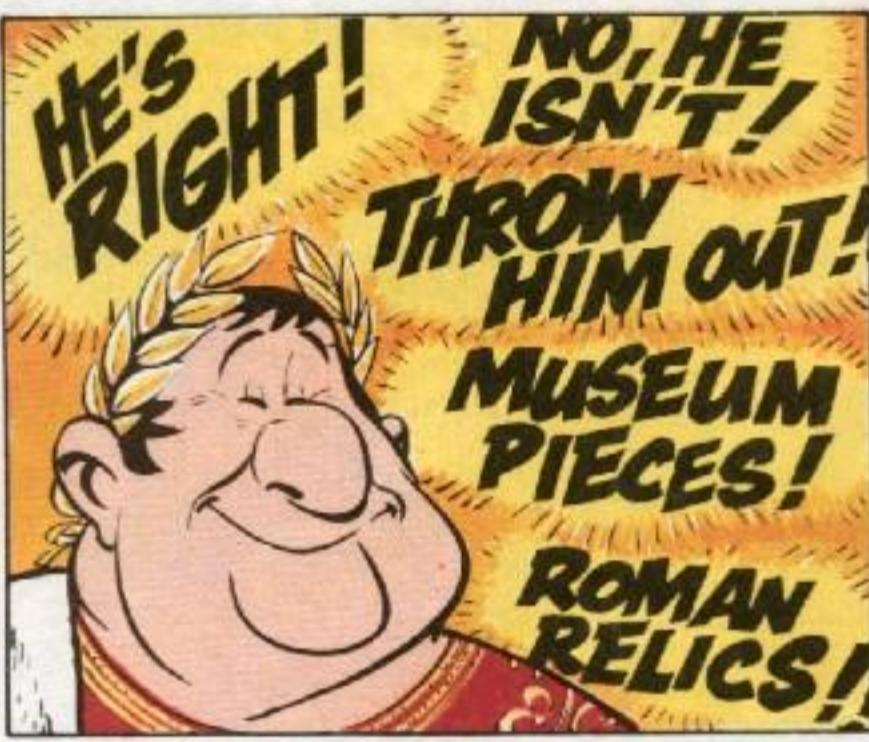
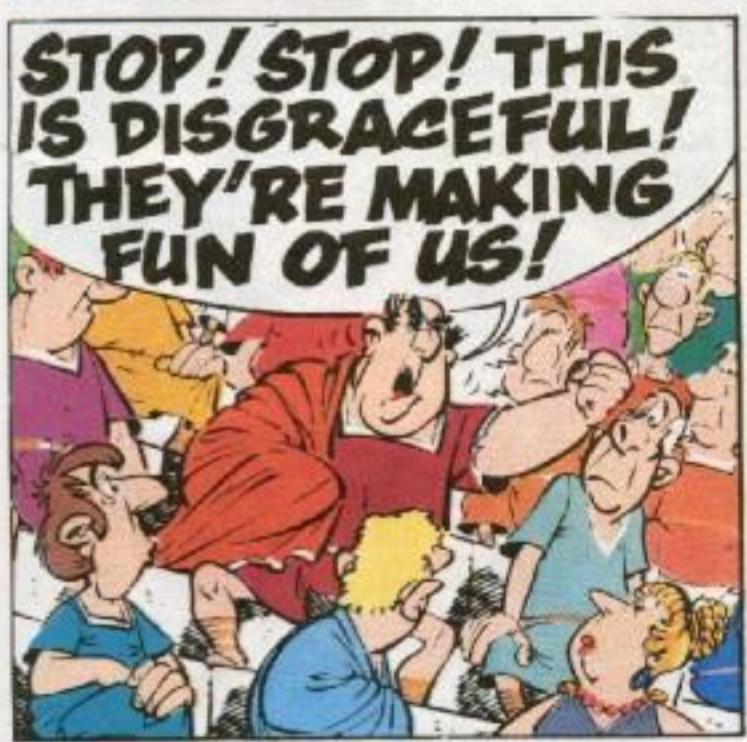
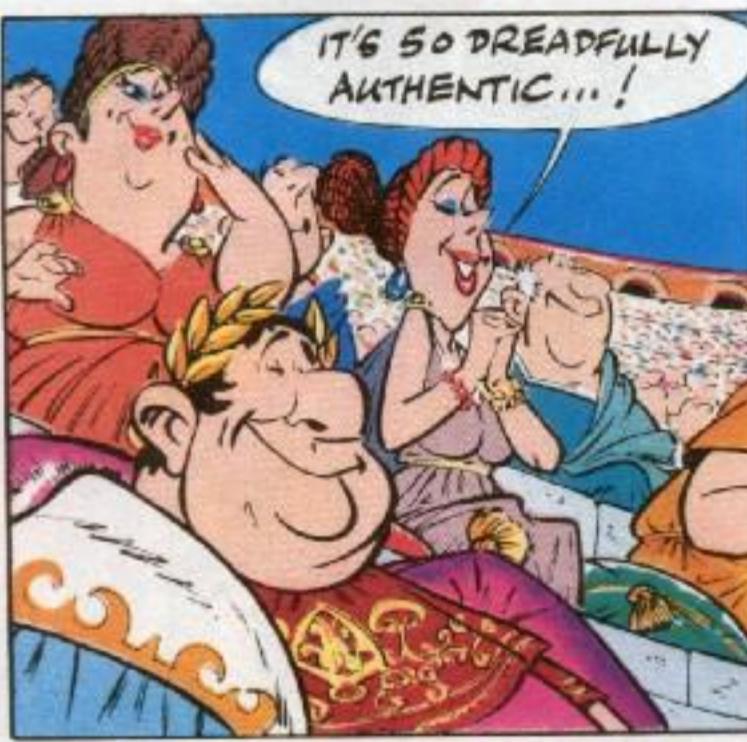
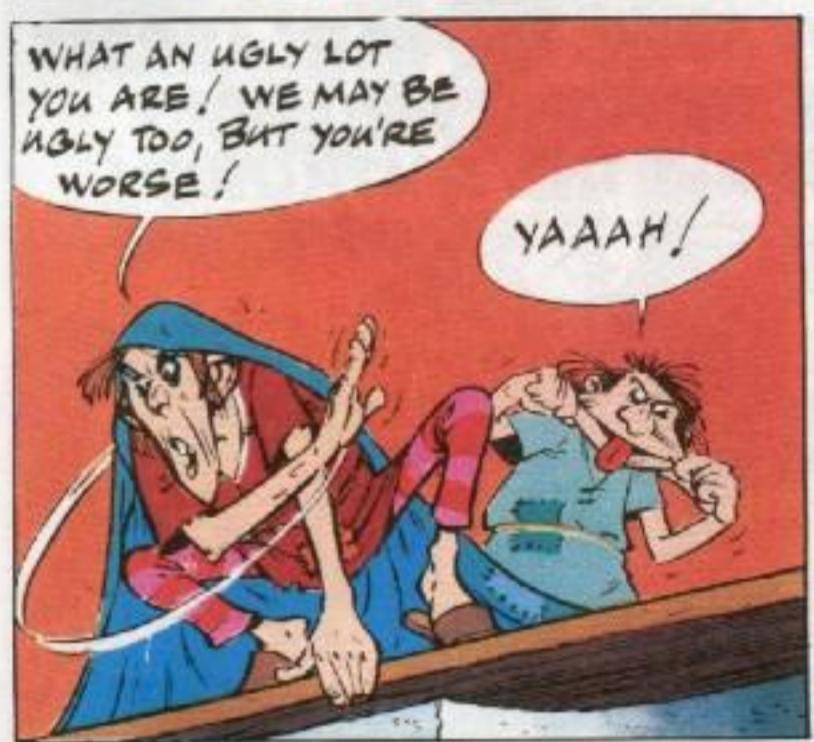


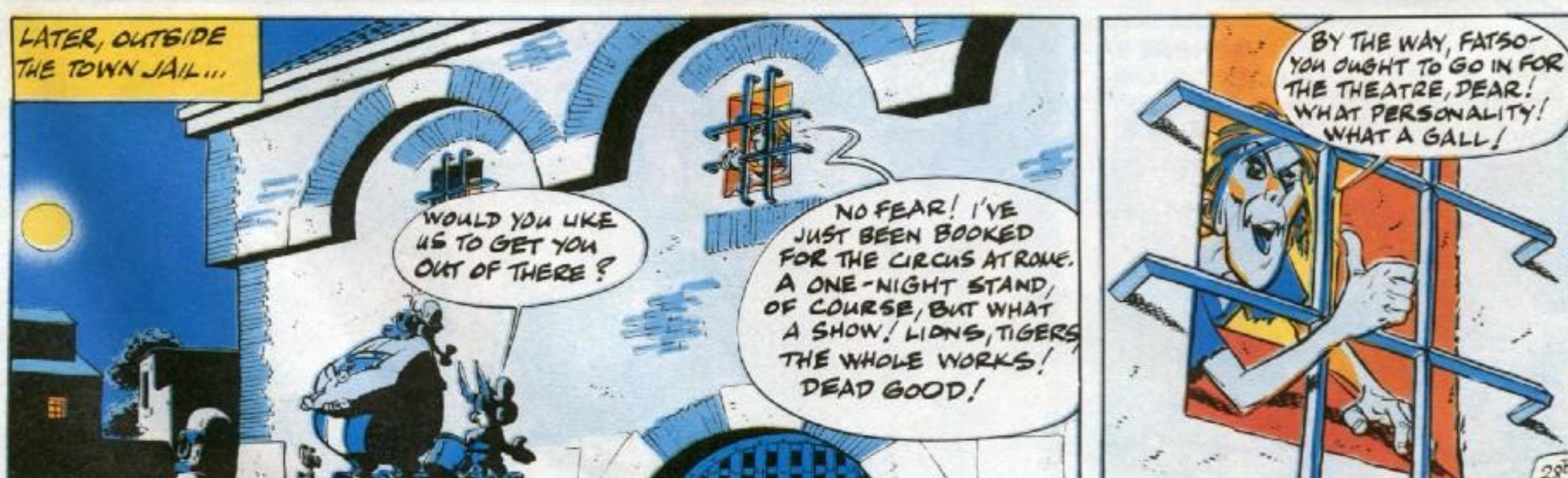
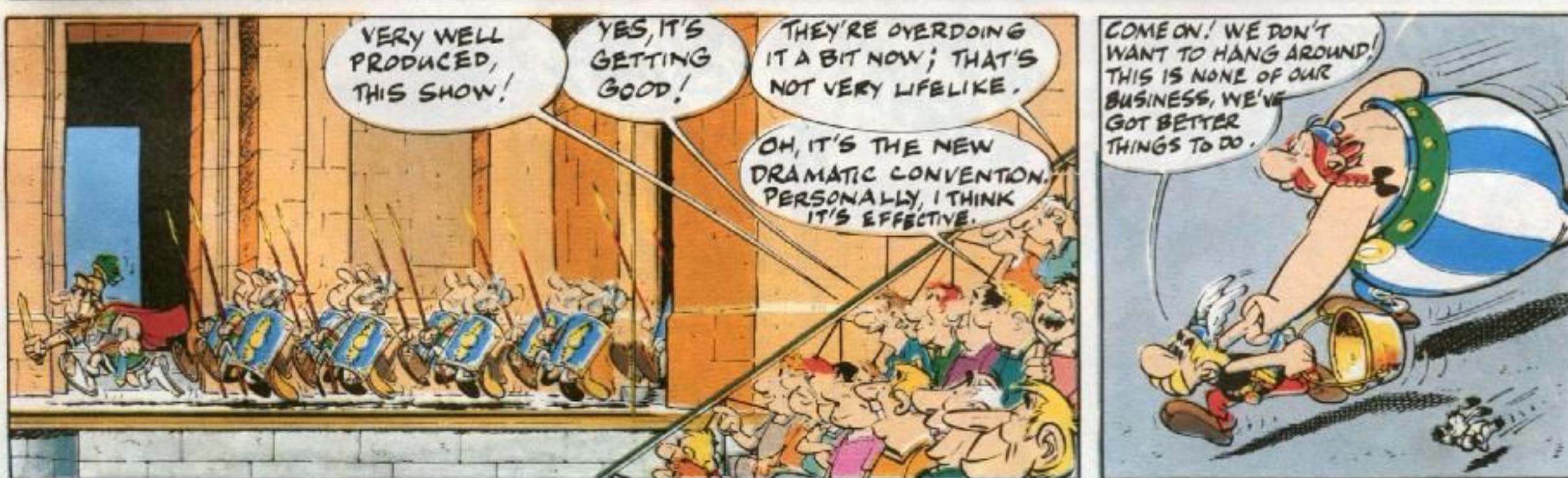
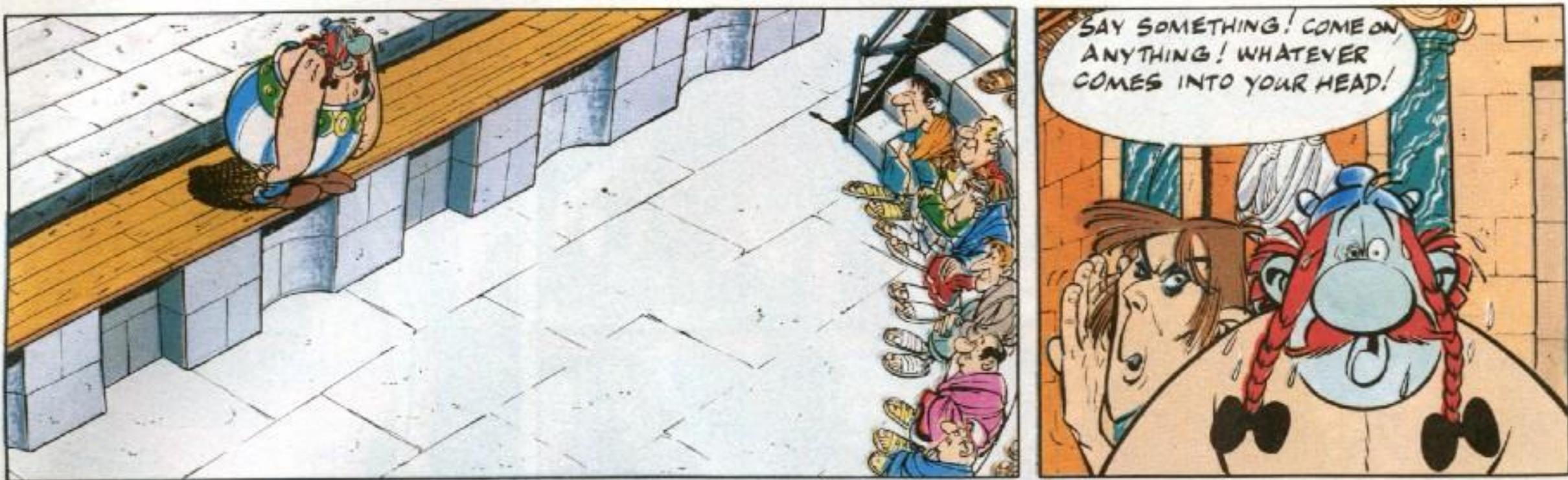


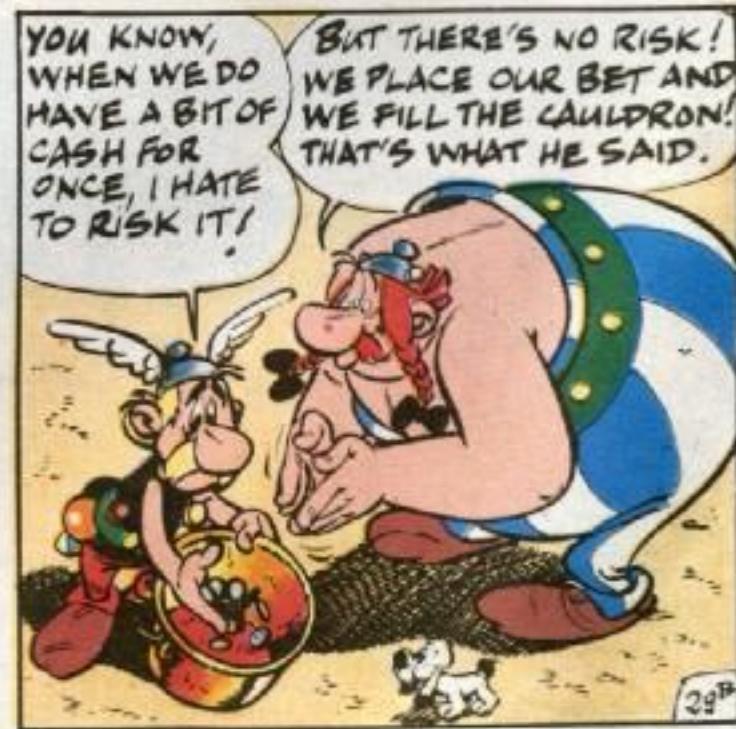
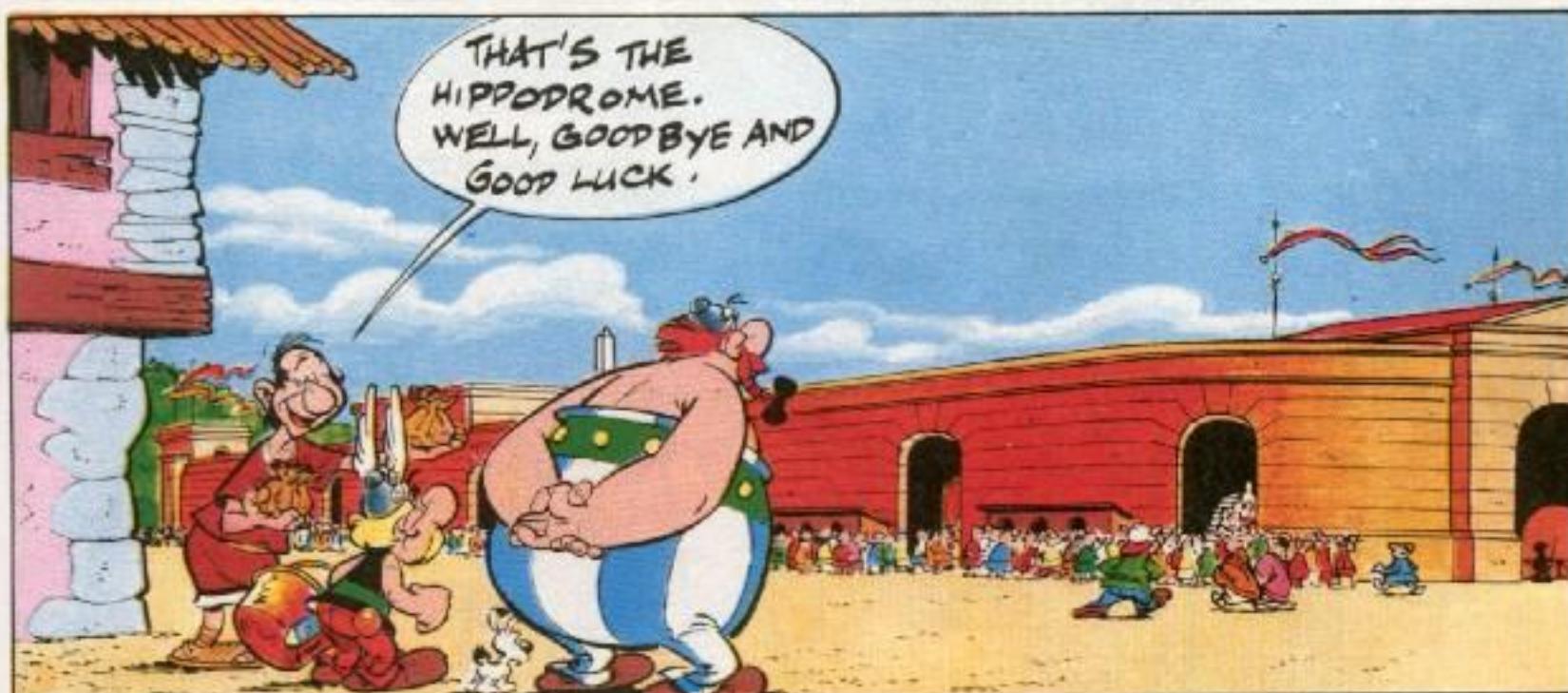
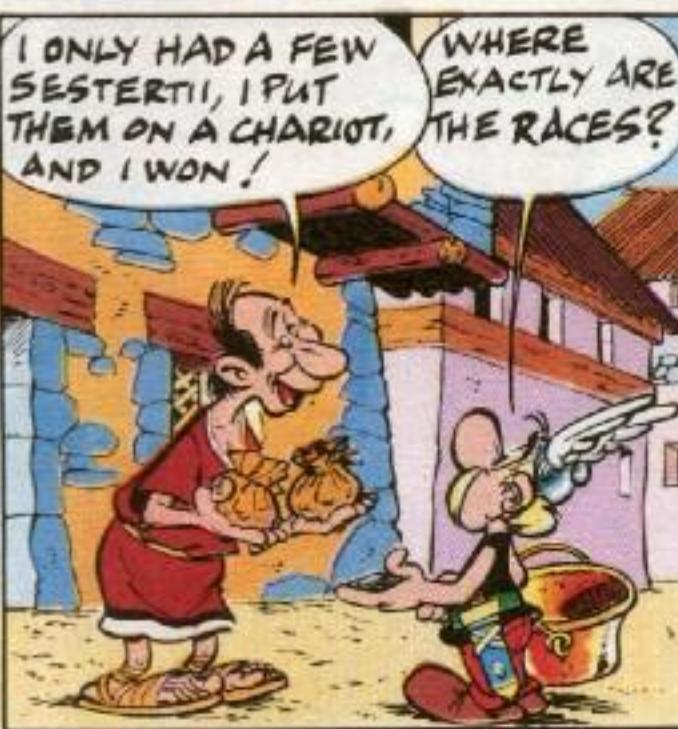
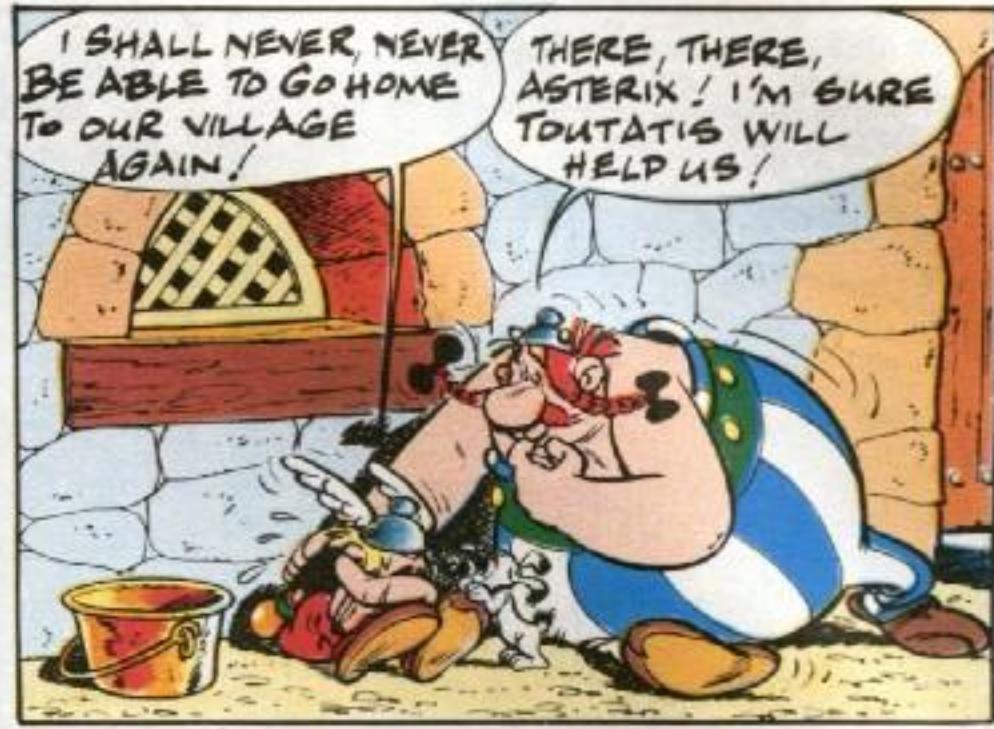
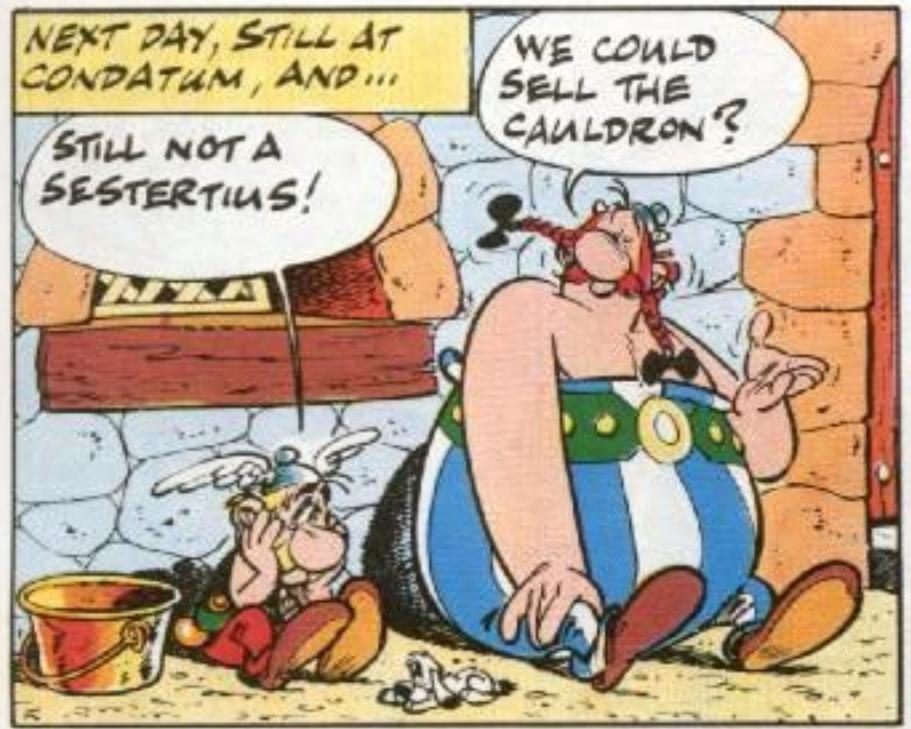


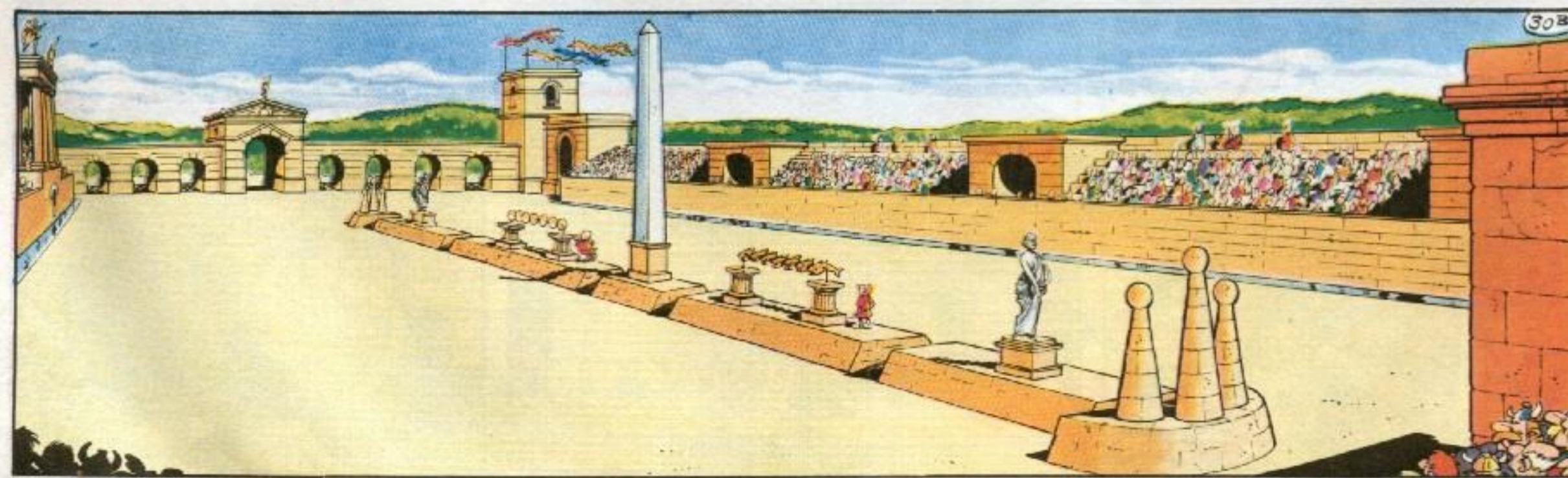
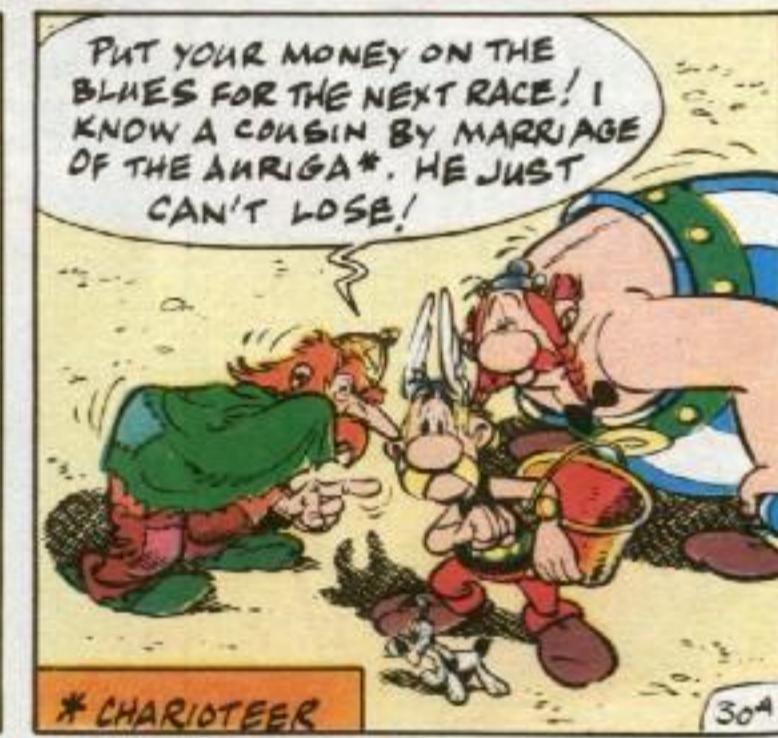
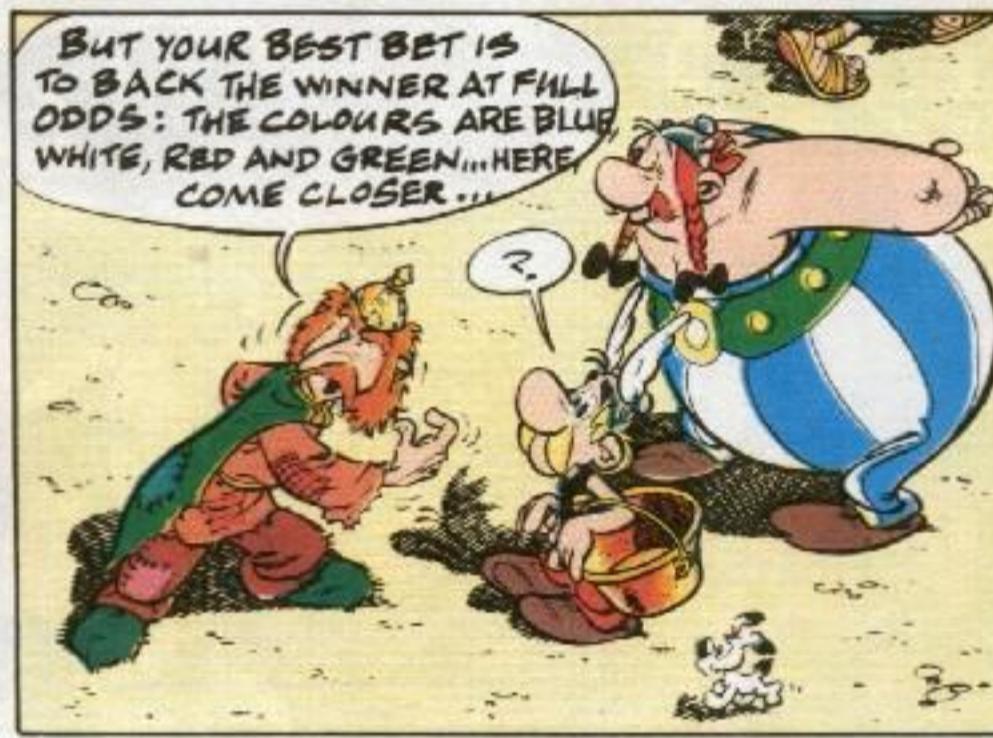
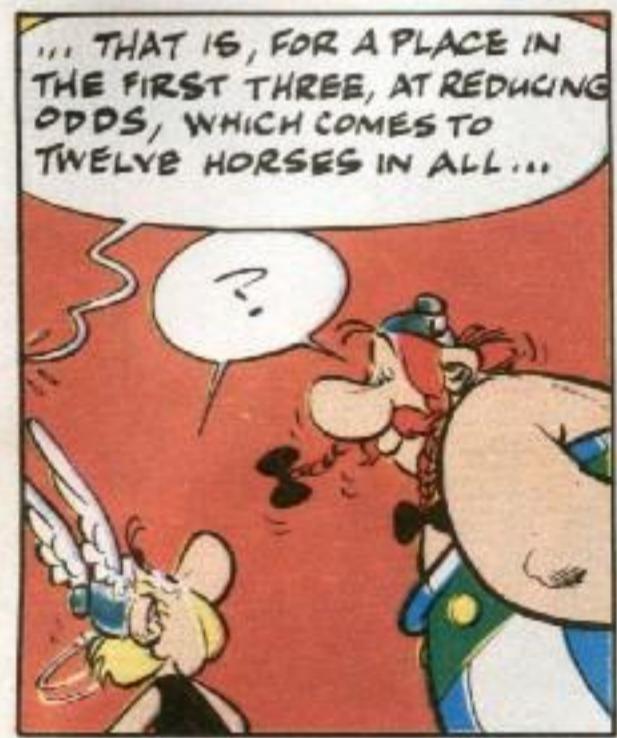
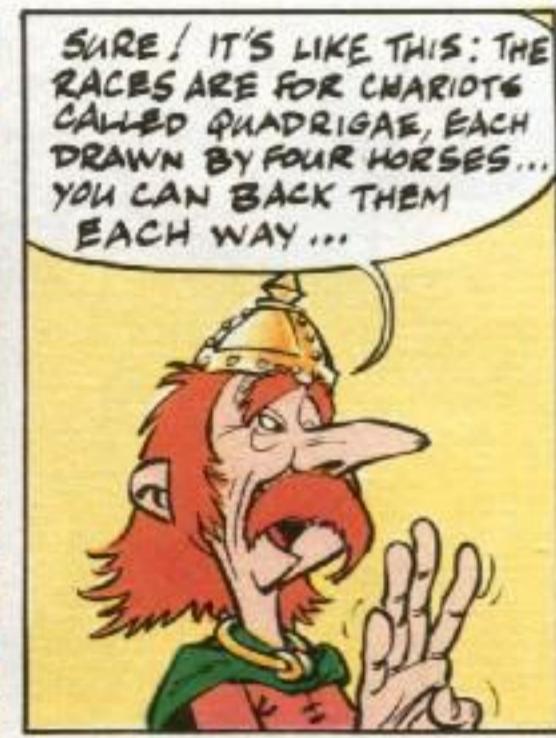
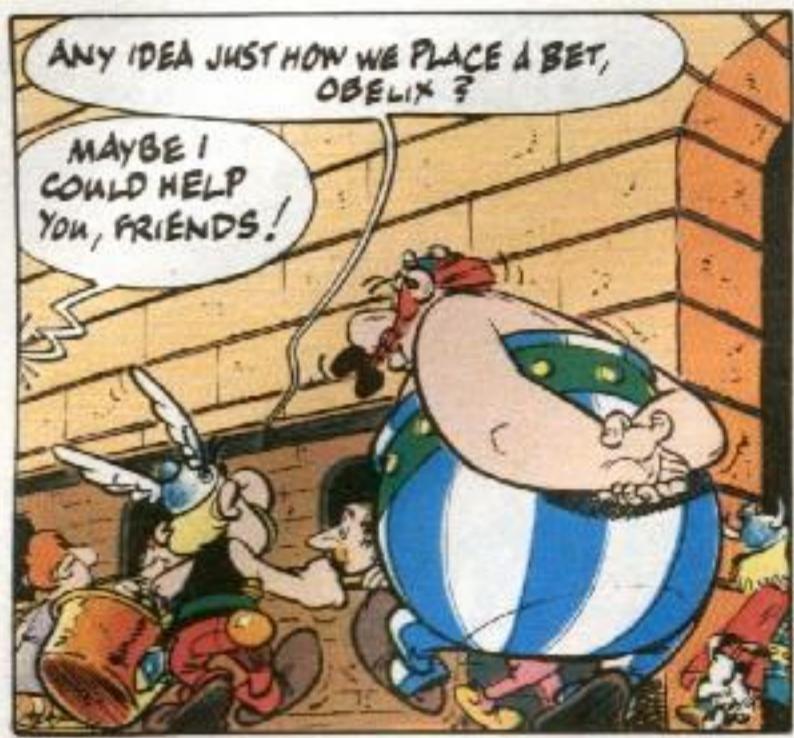
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FILLS UP WITH THE USUAL
SCINTILLATING FIRST-NIGHT
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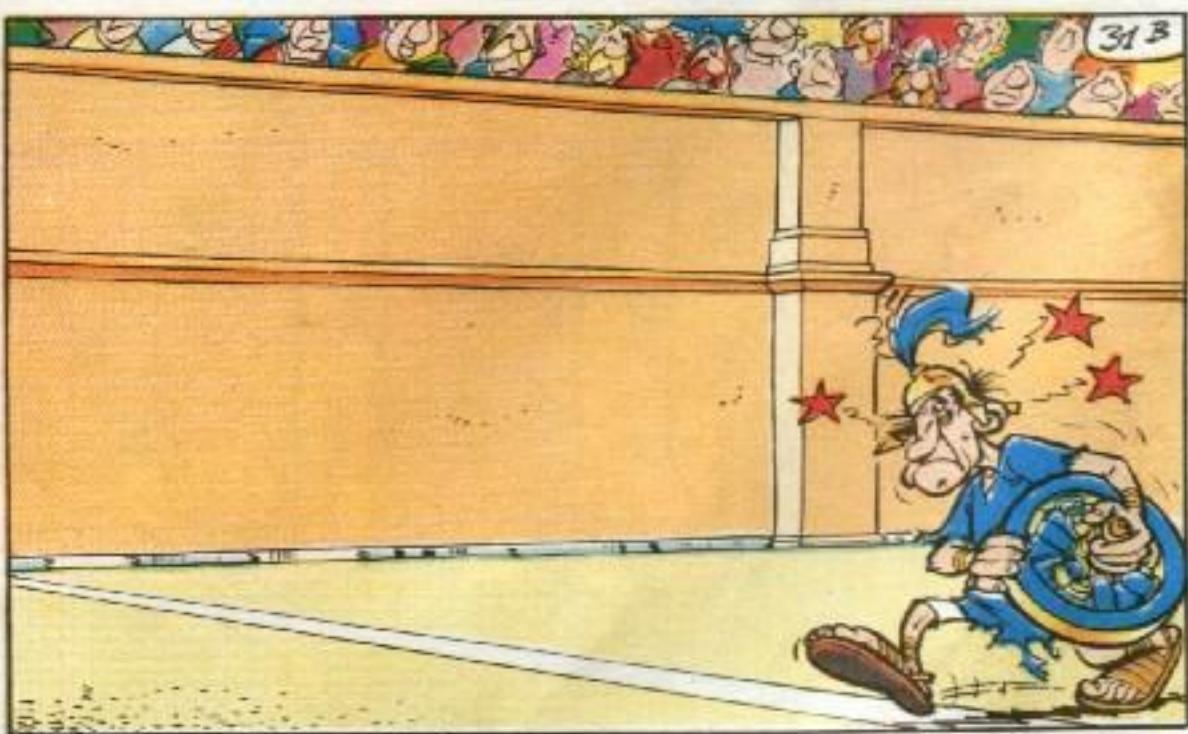
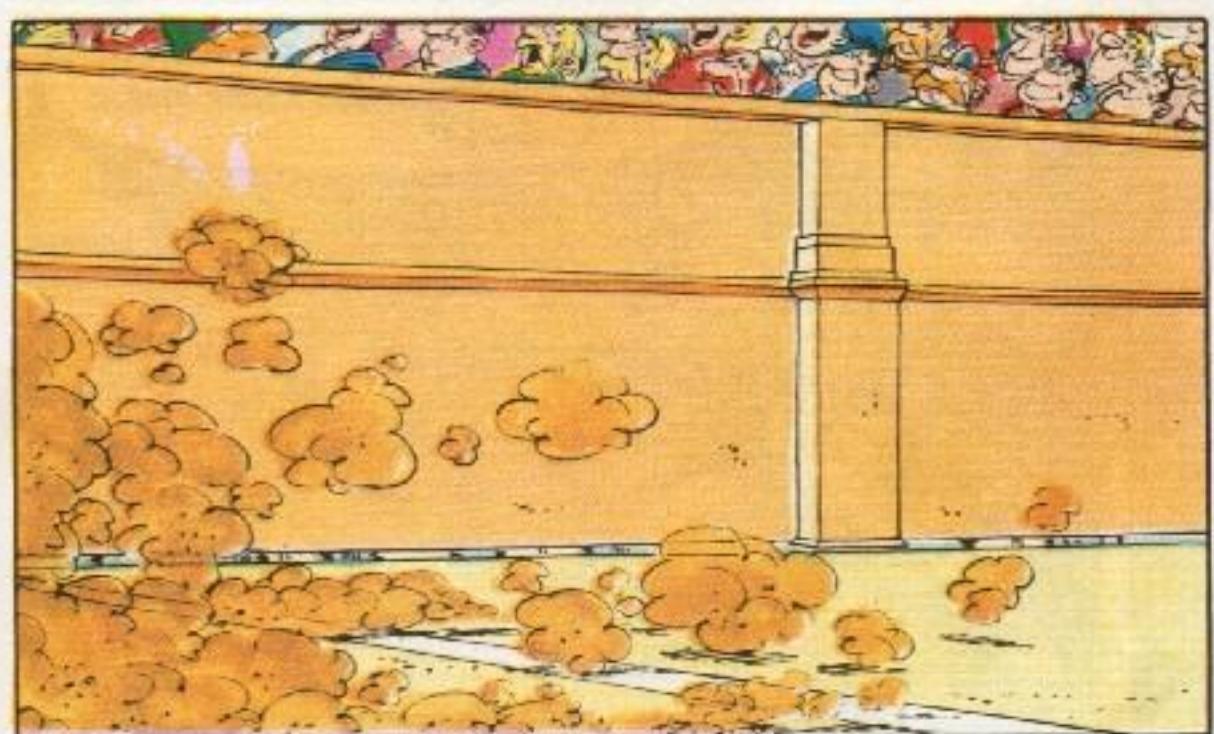
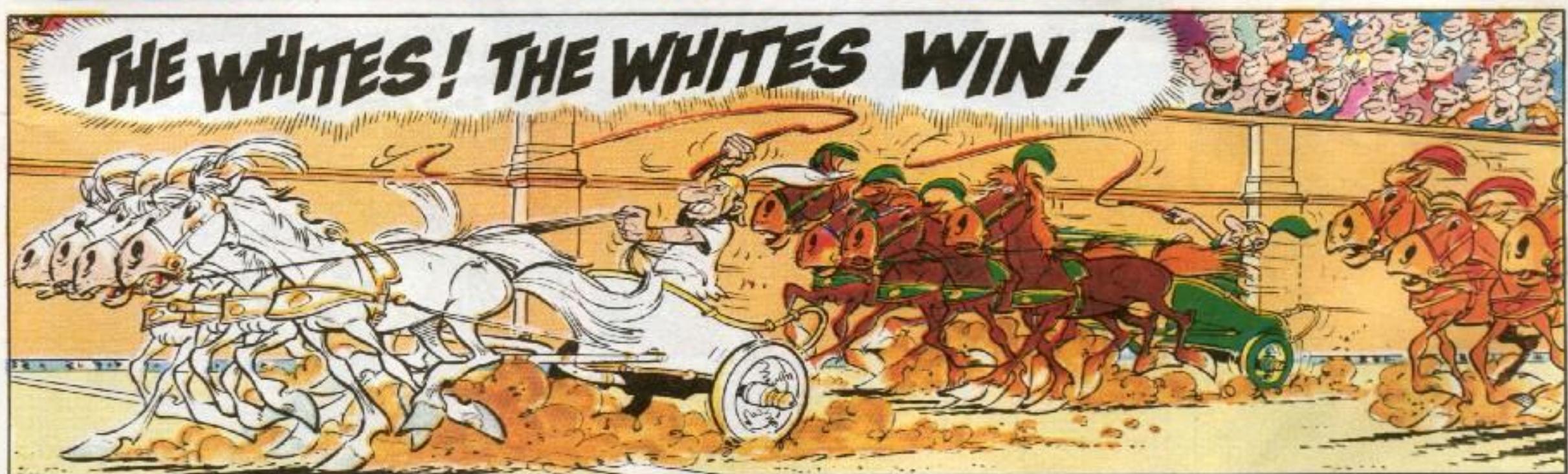


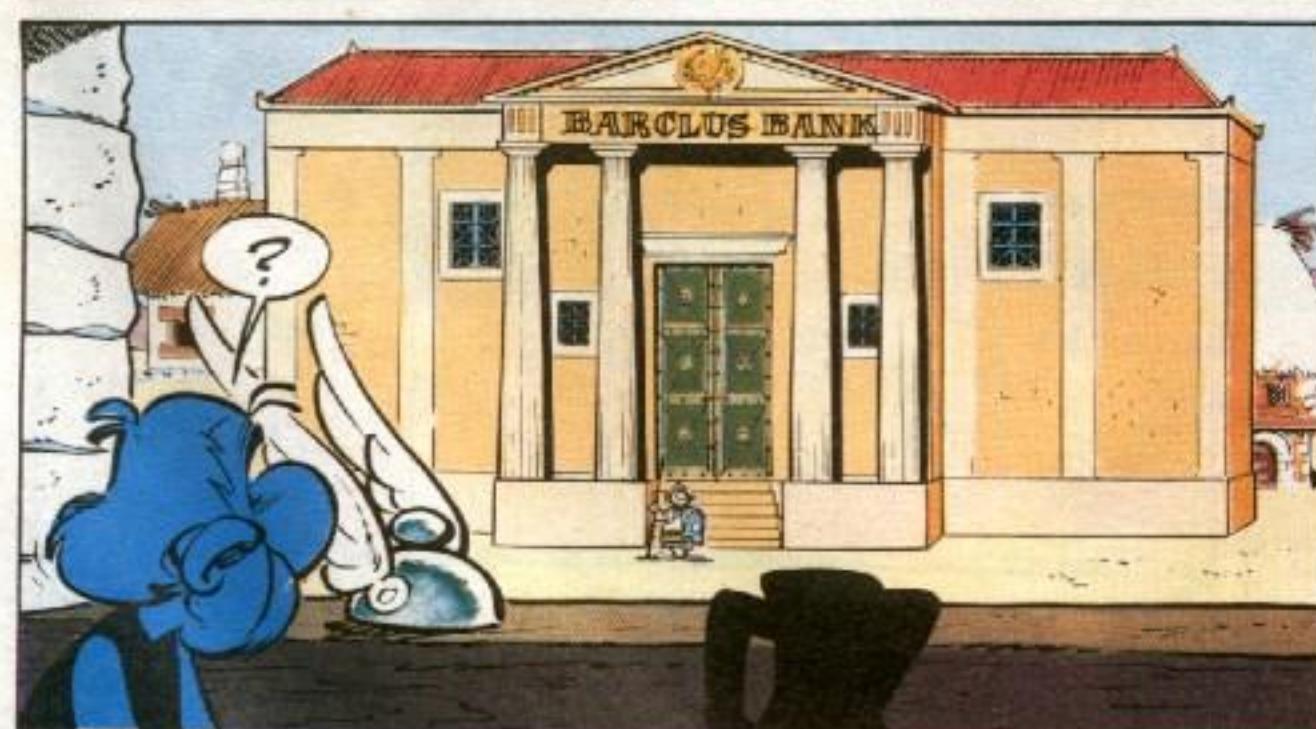
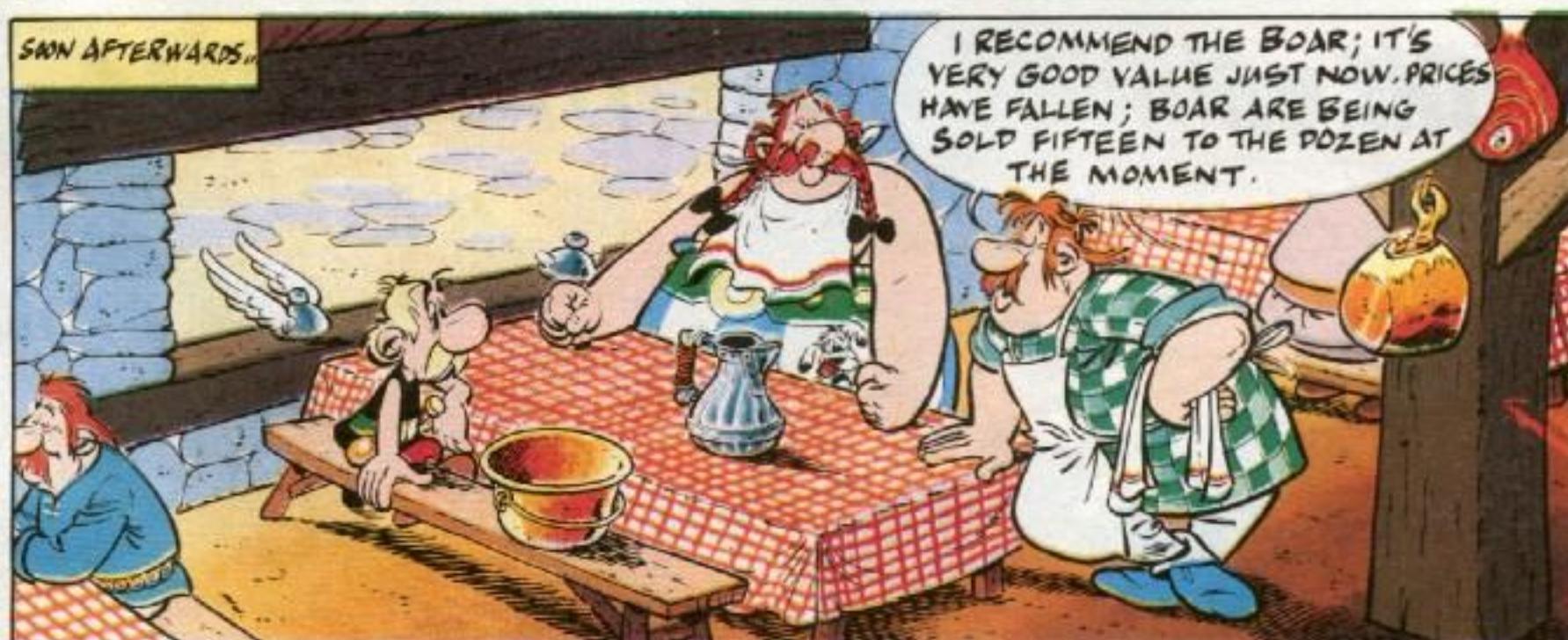
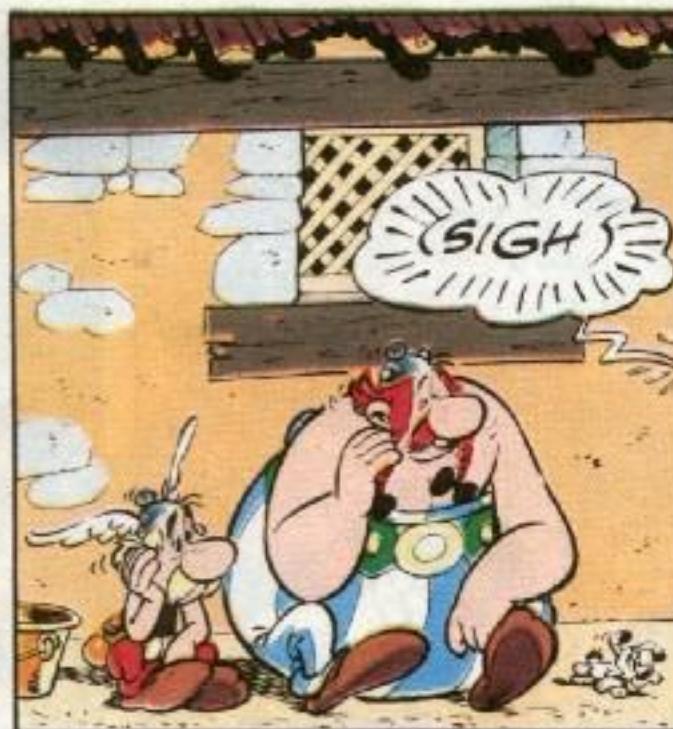
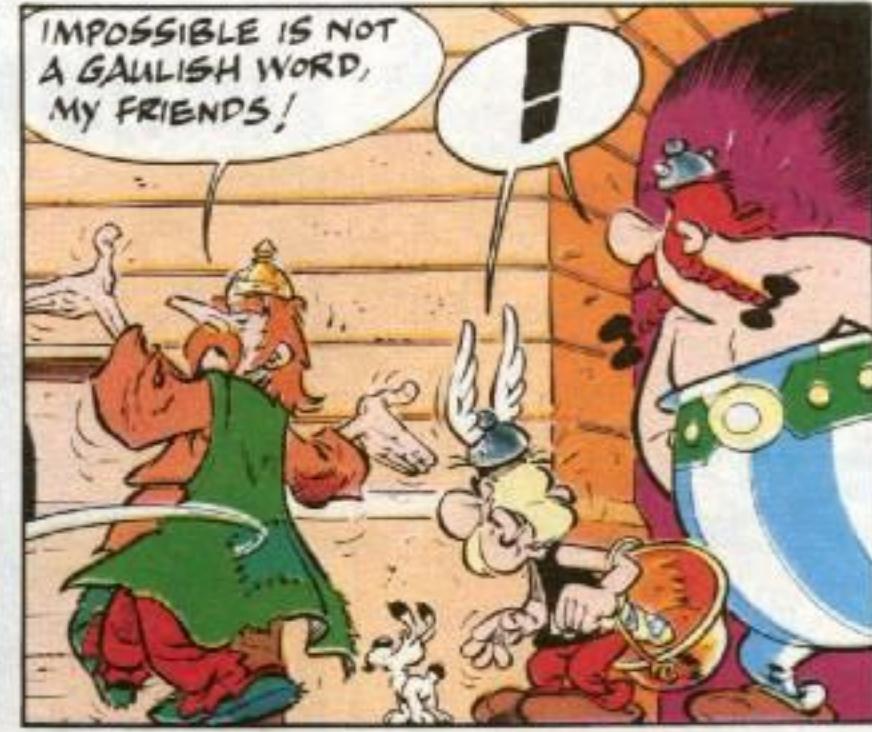
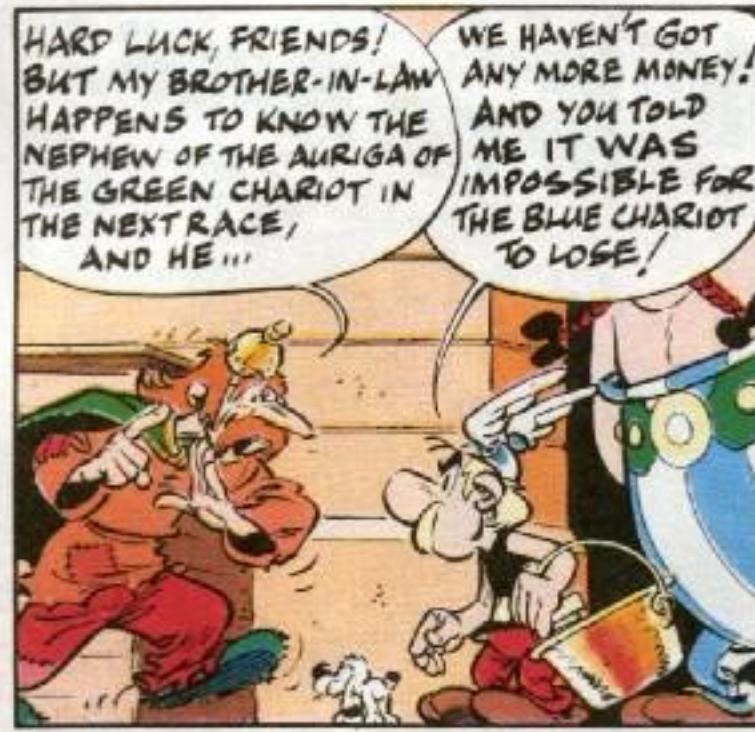


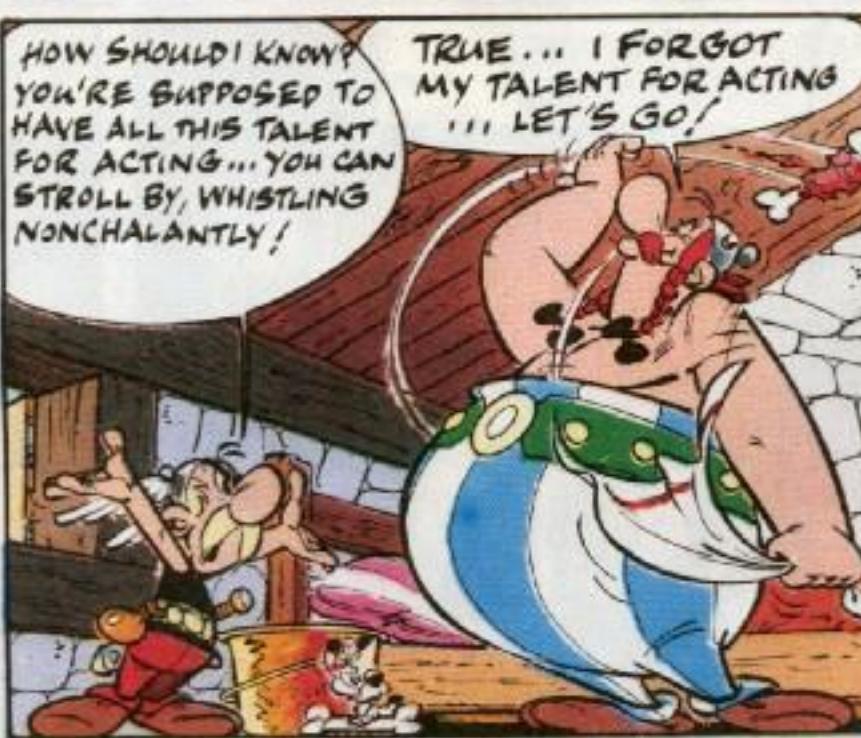
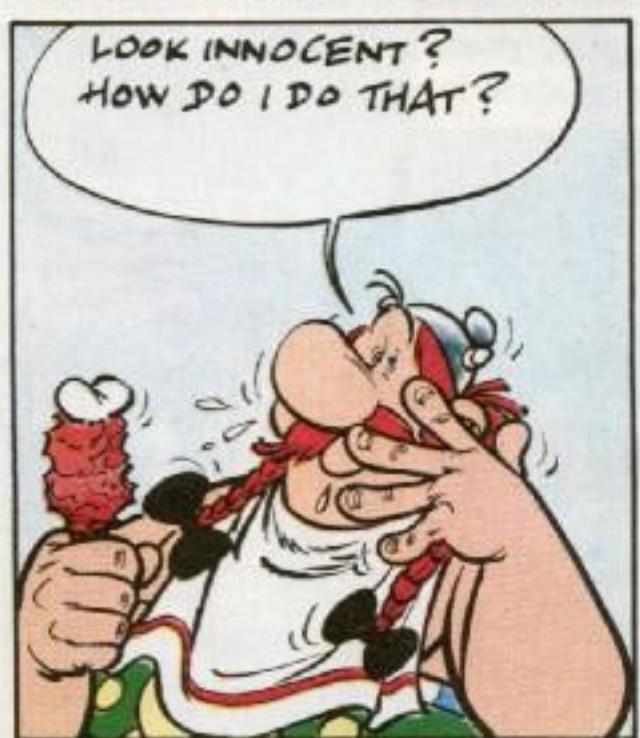
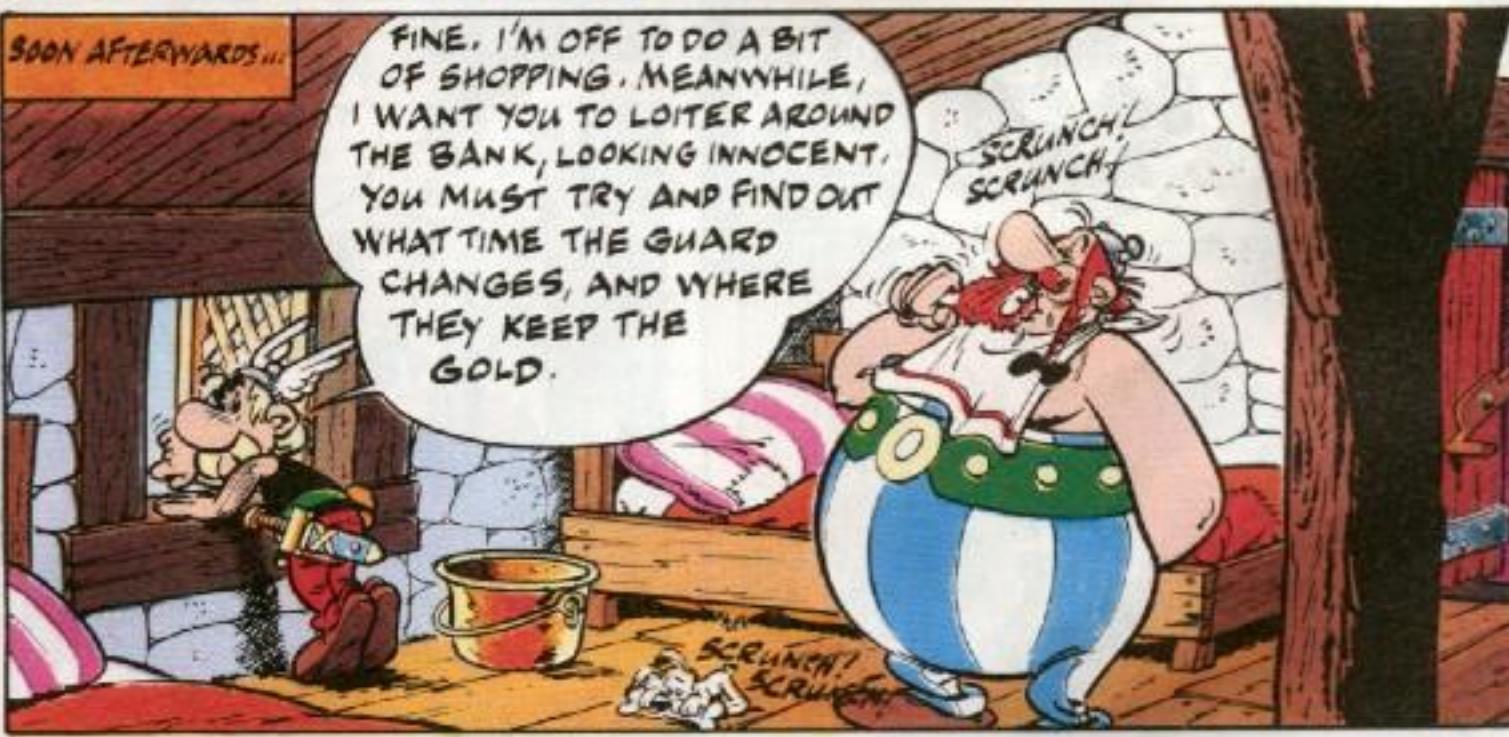
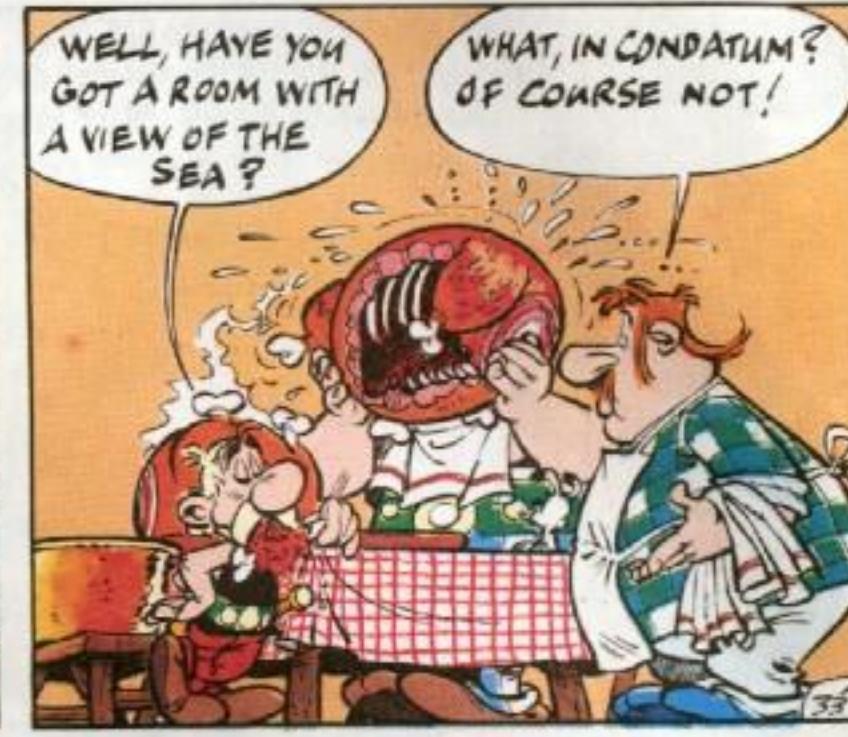
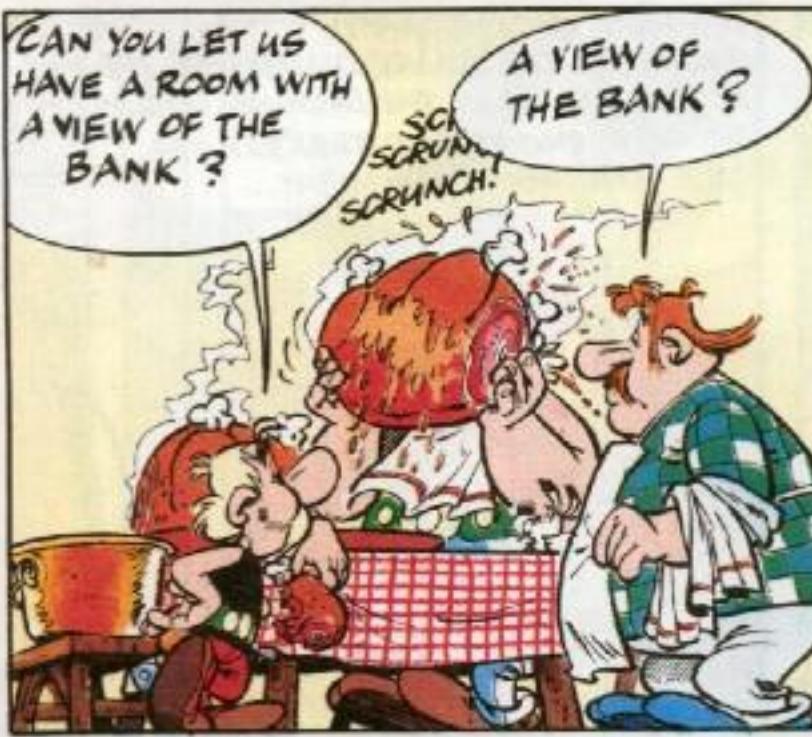
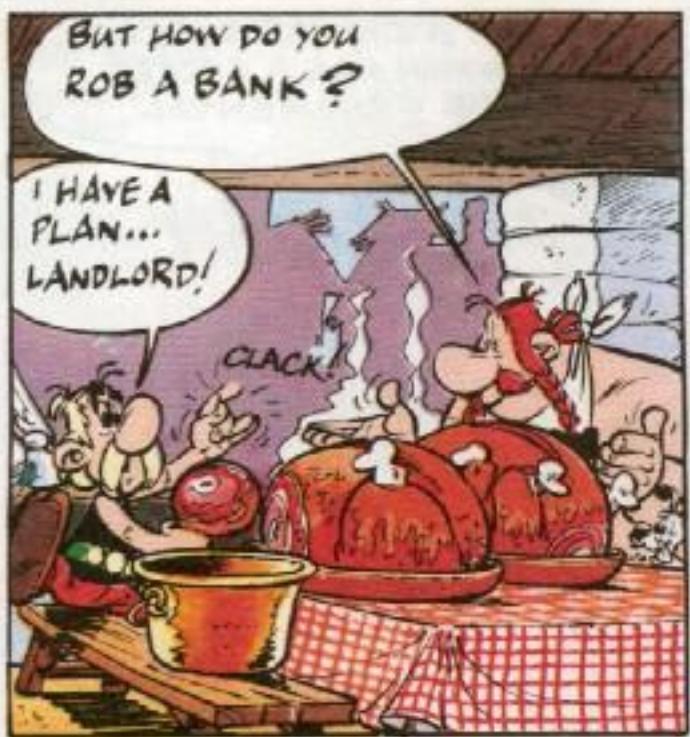
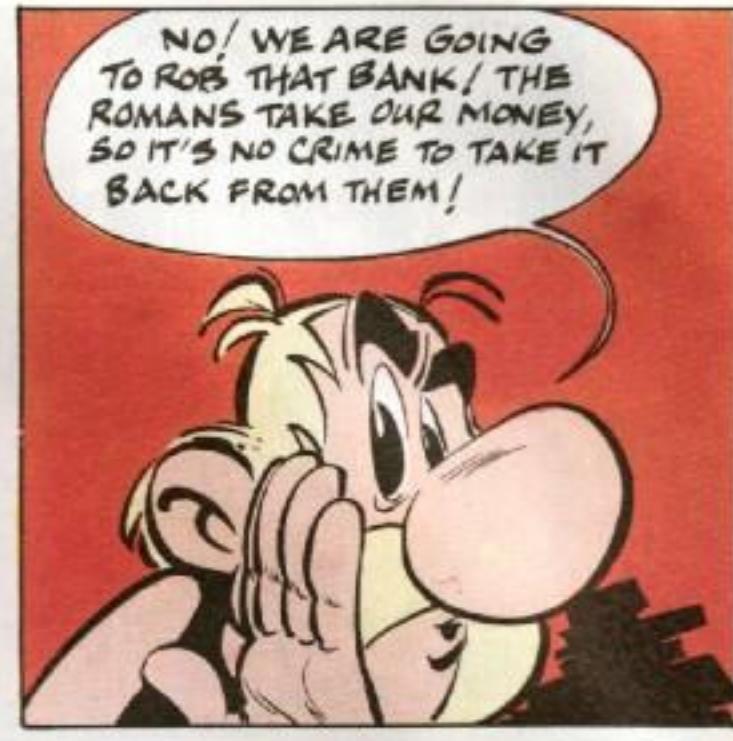
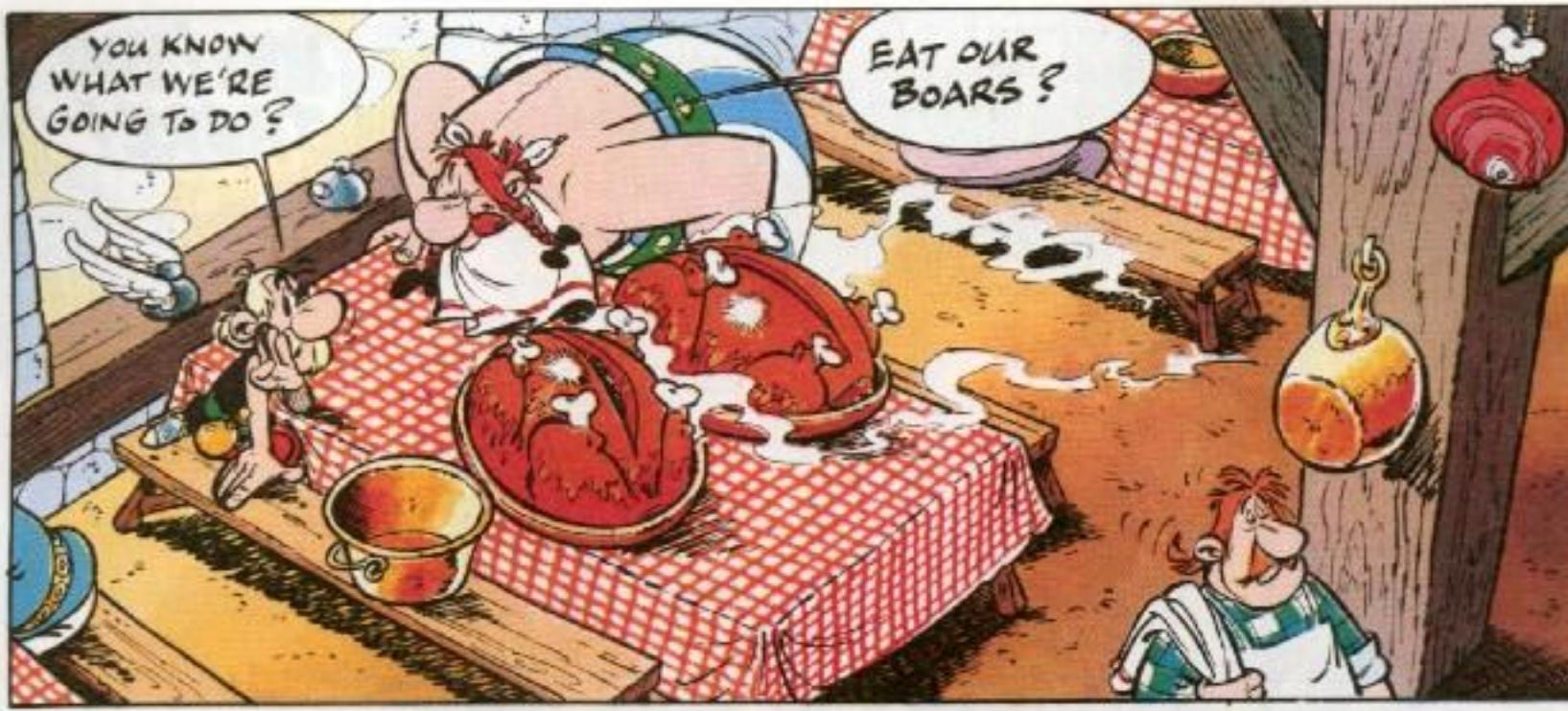


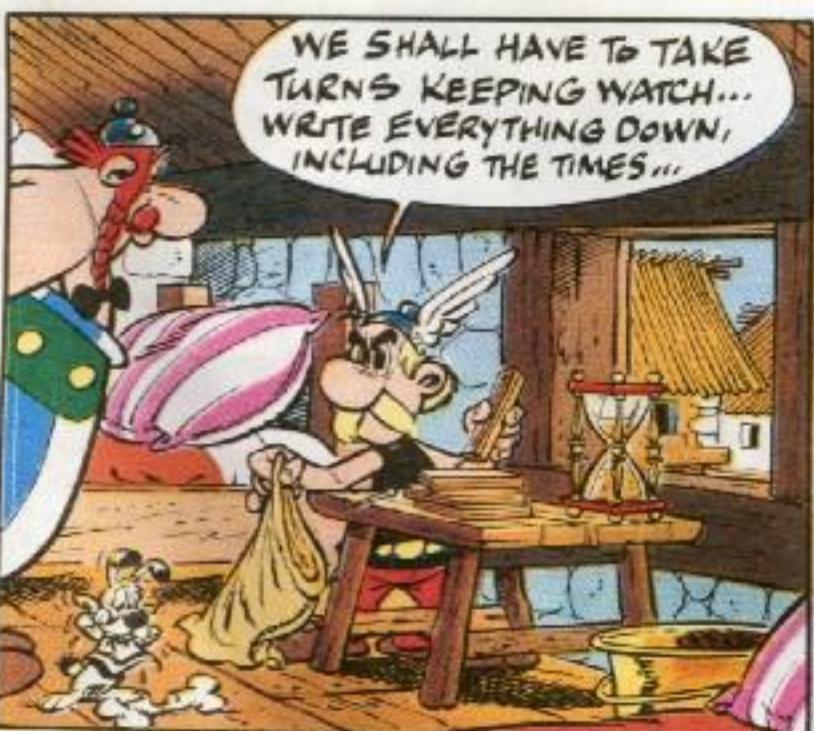
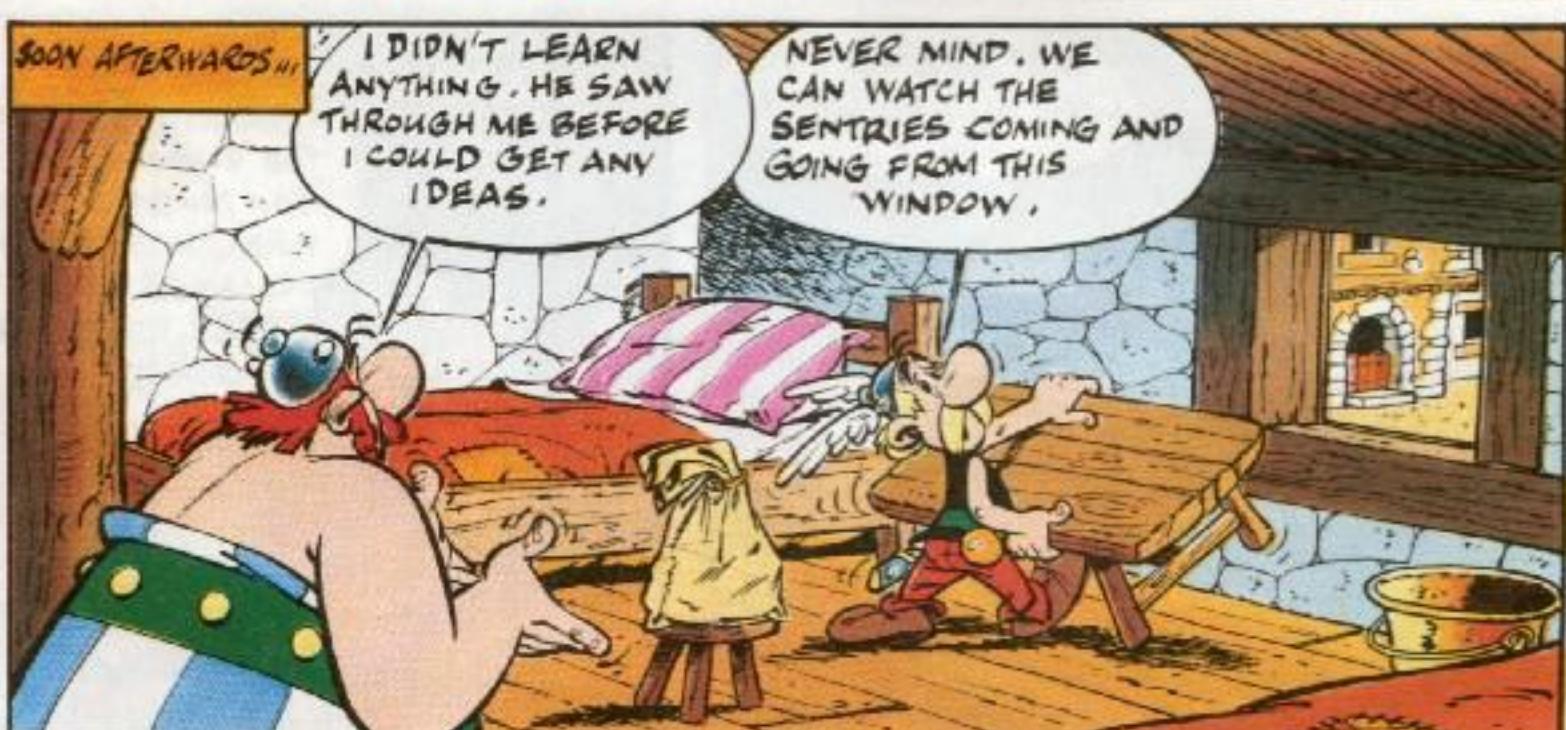
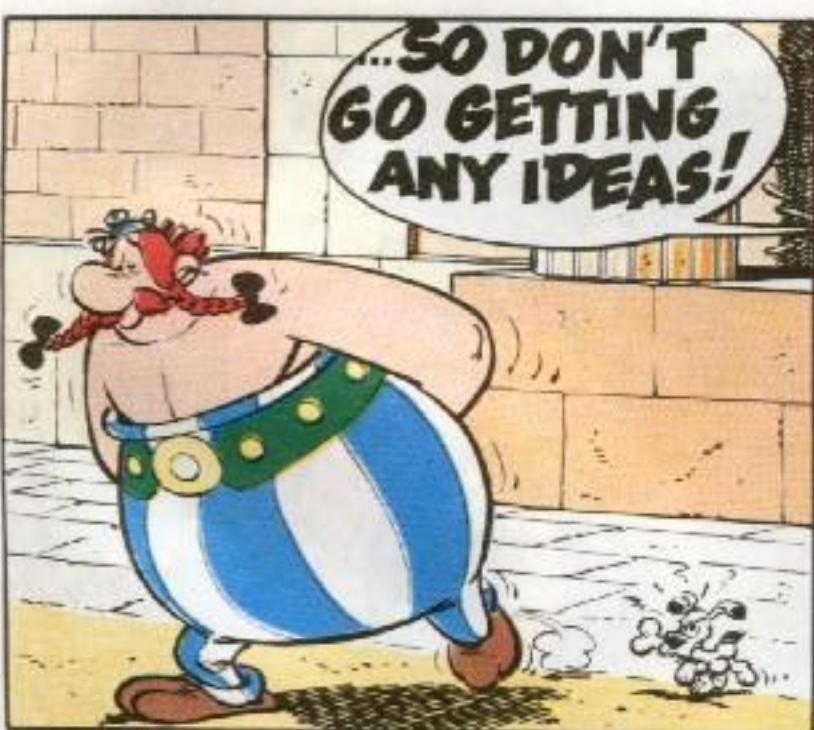
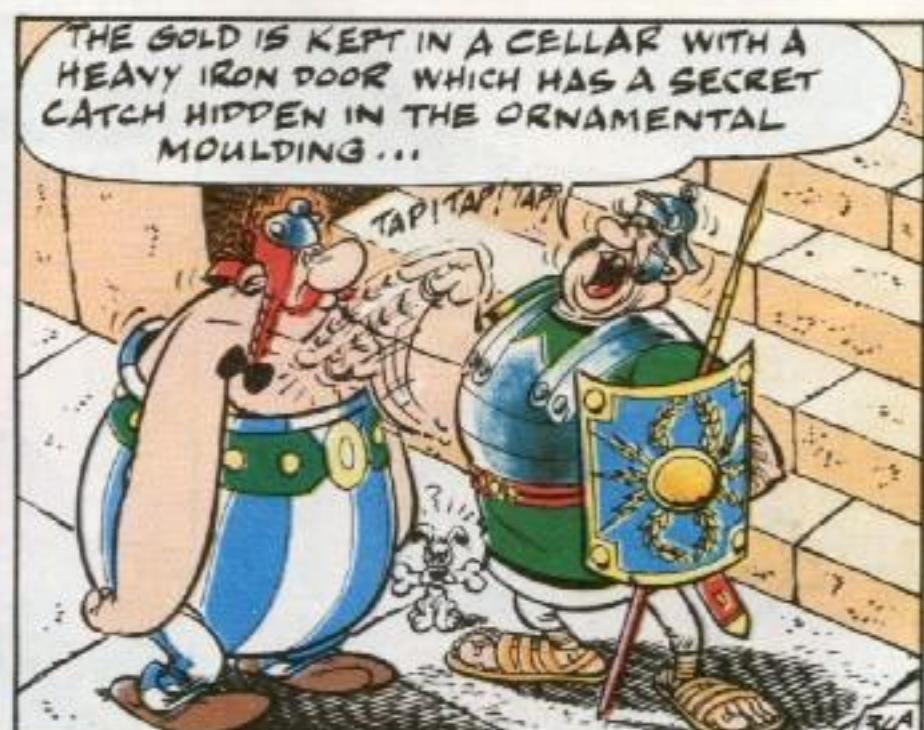
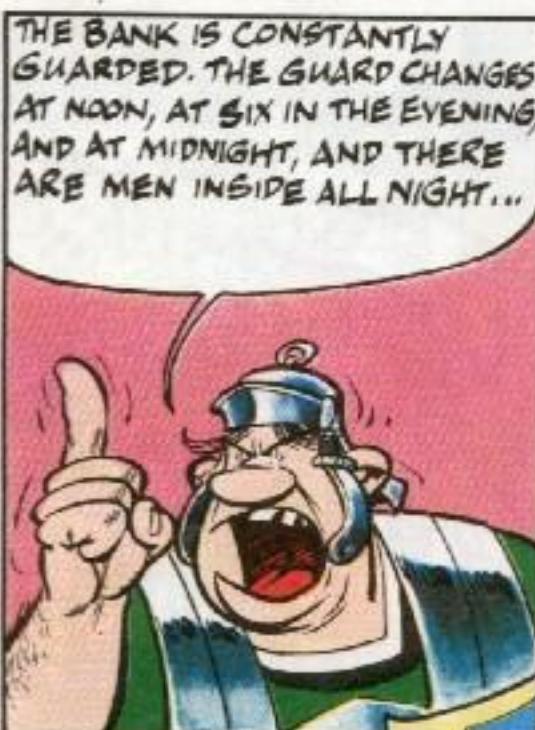
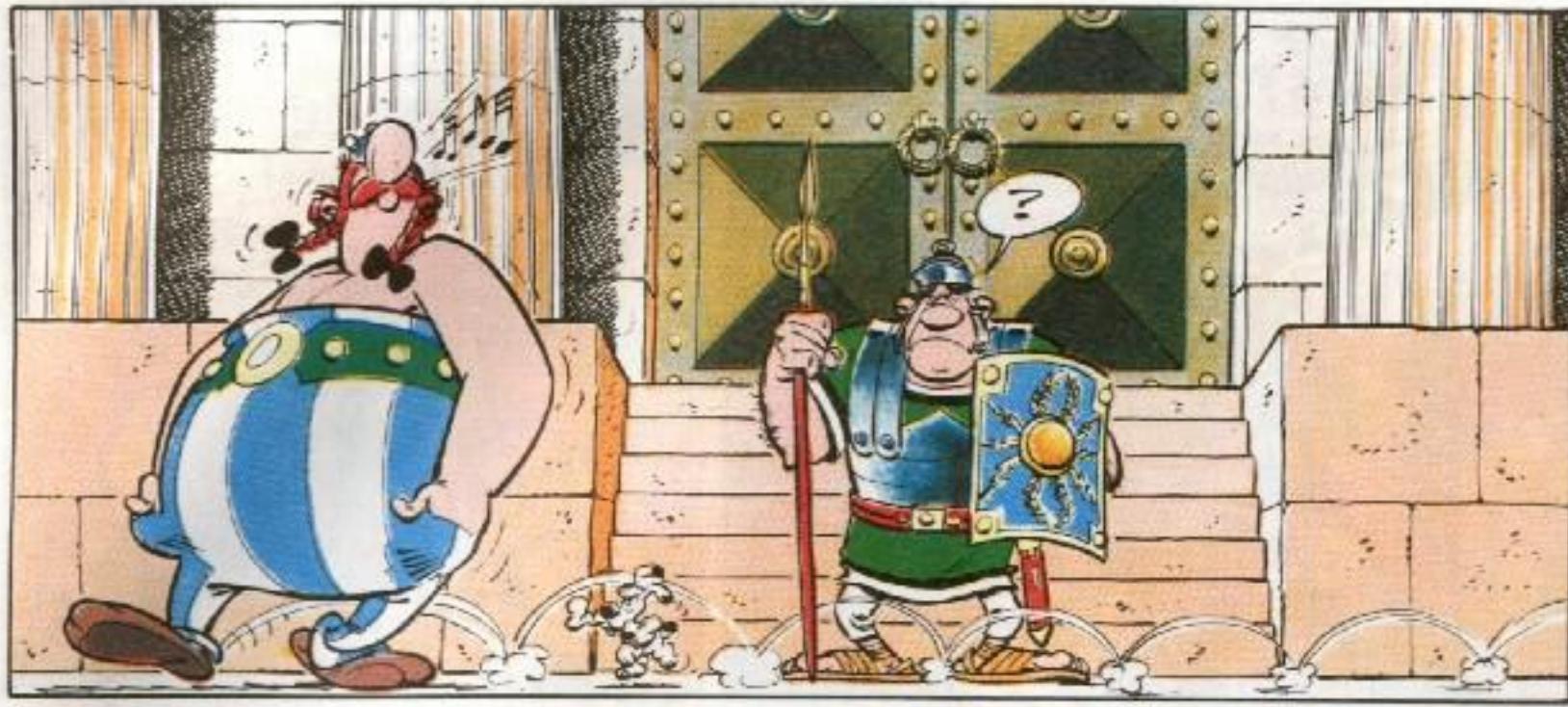


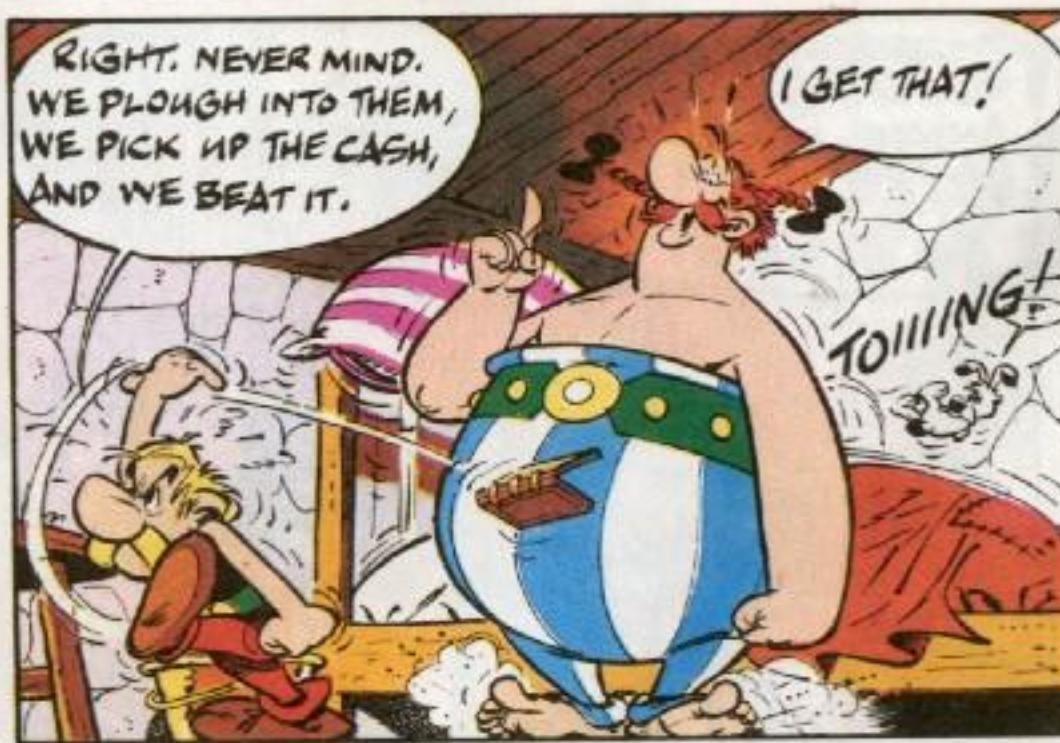
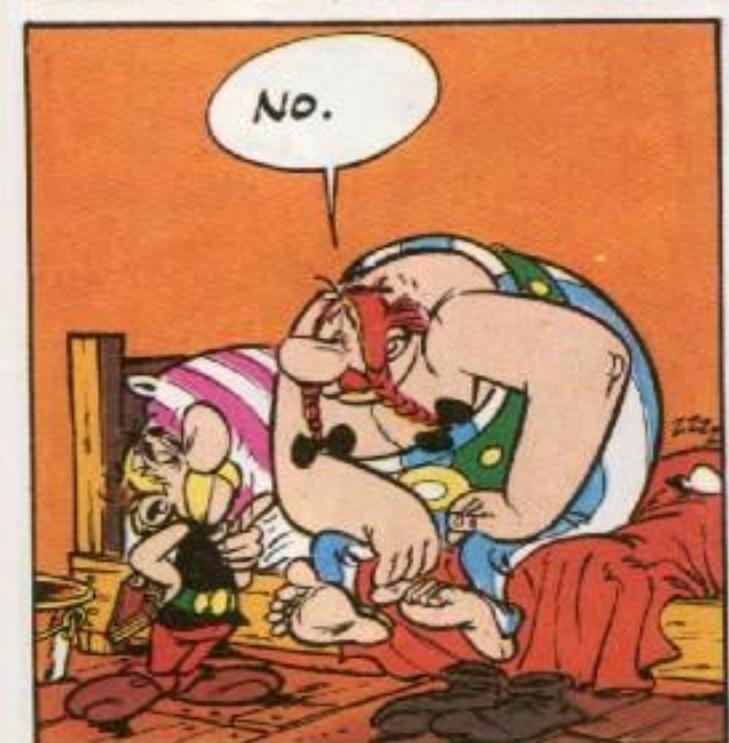
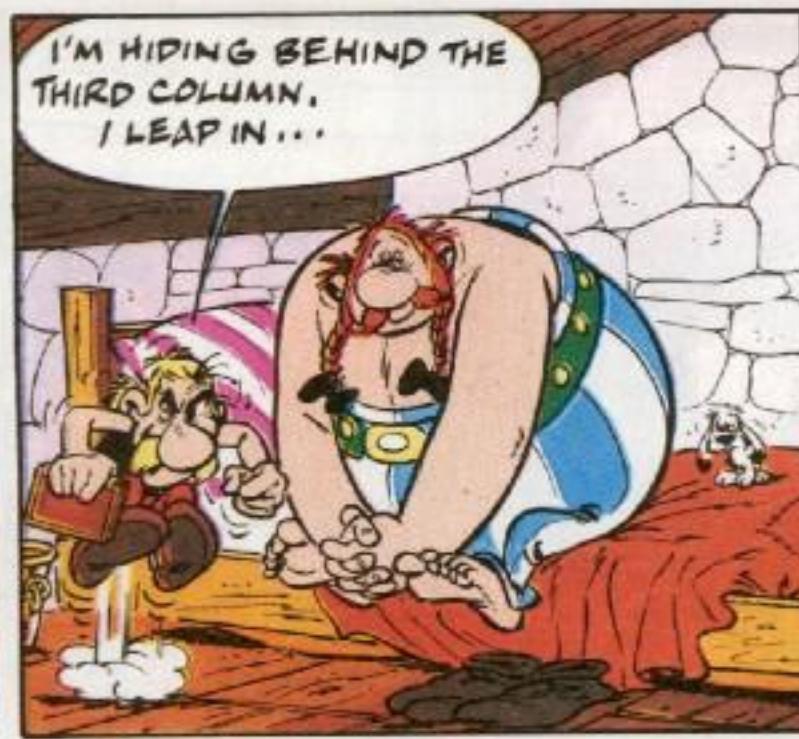
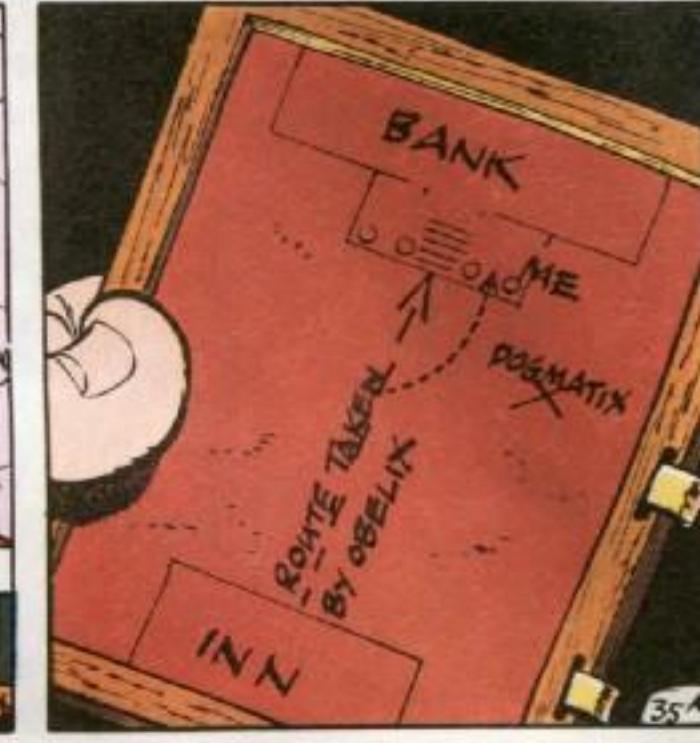
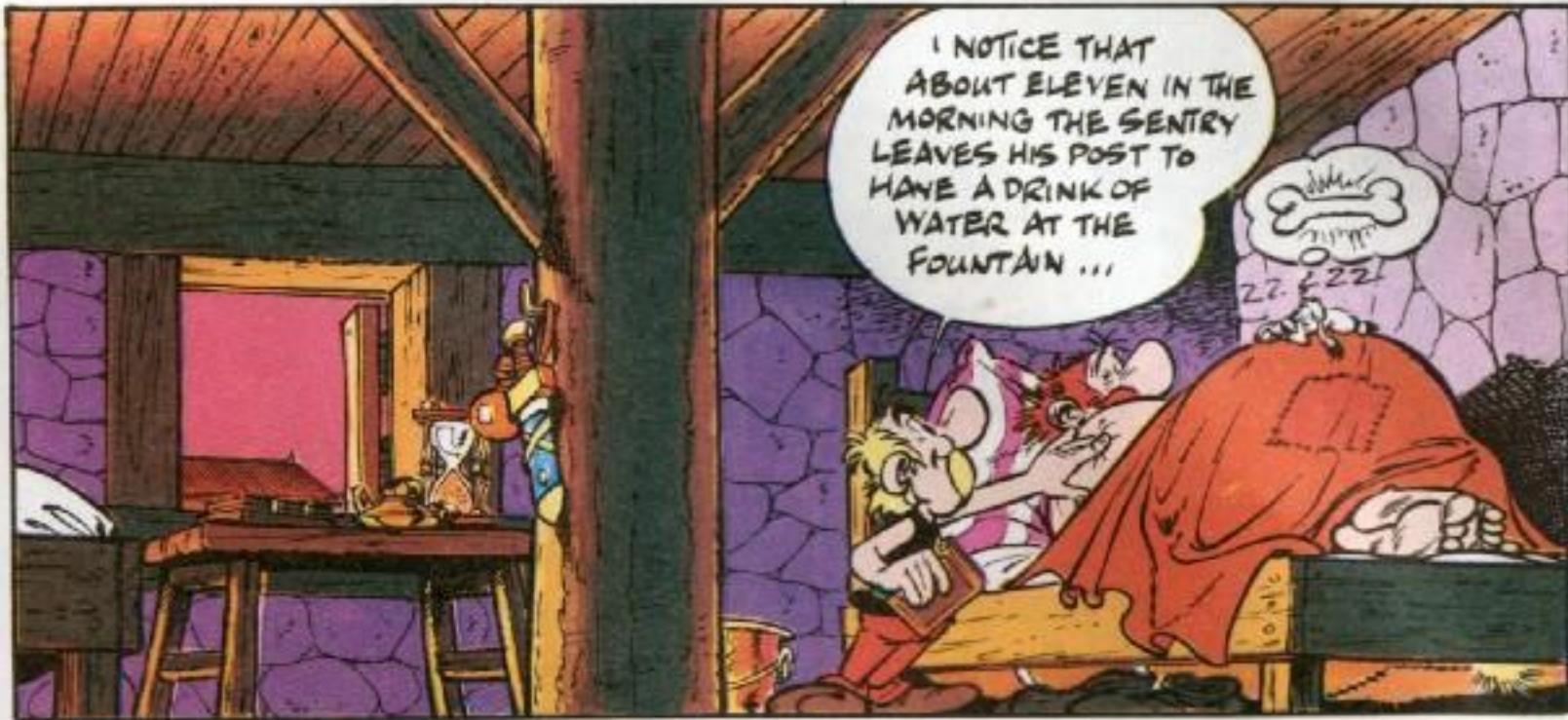


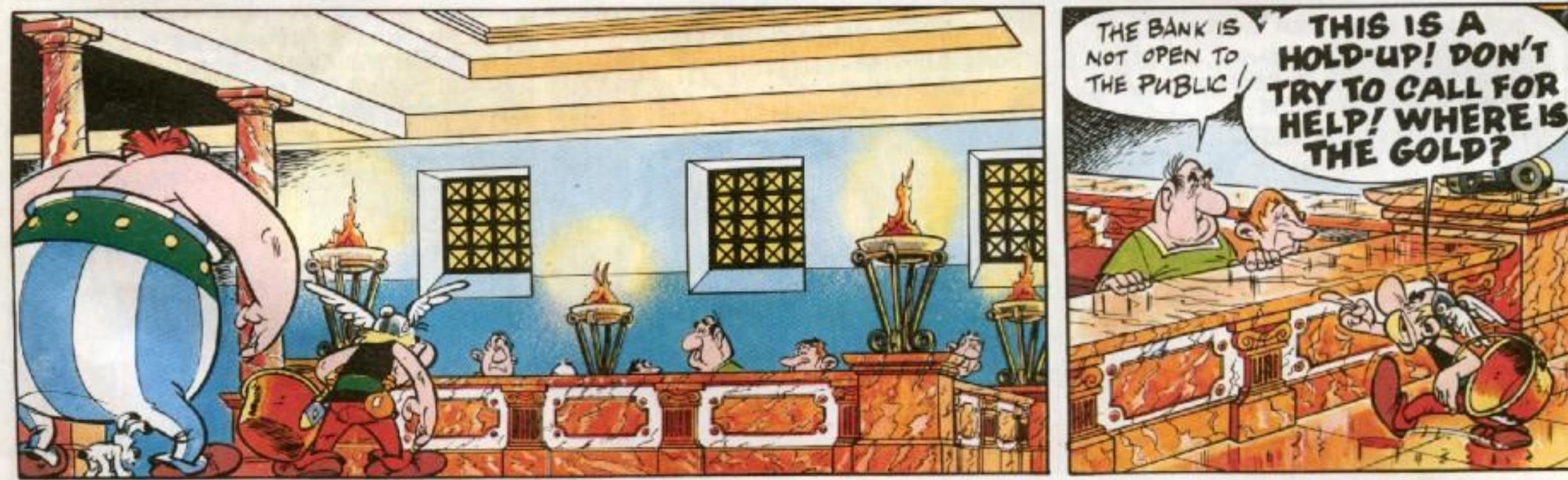


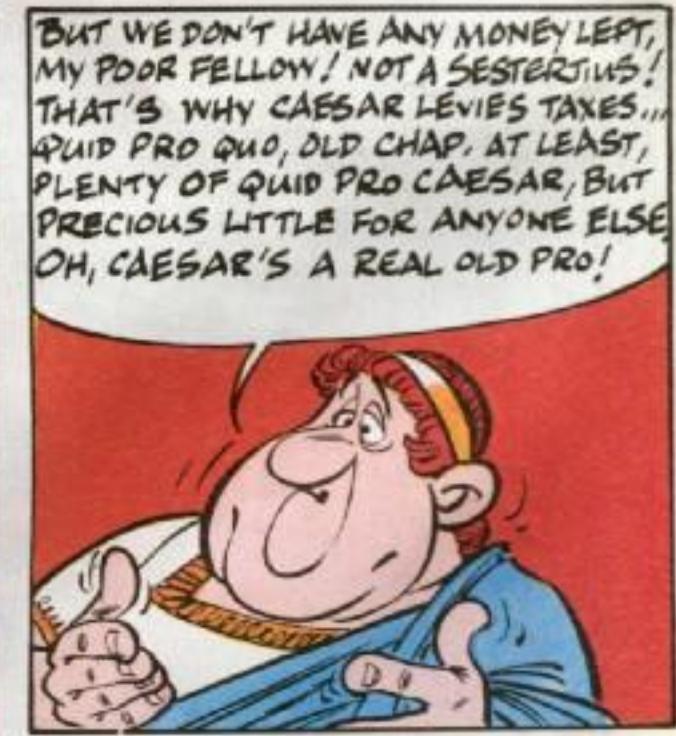
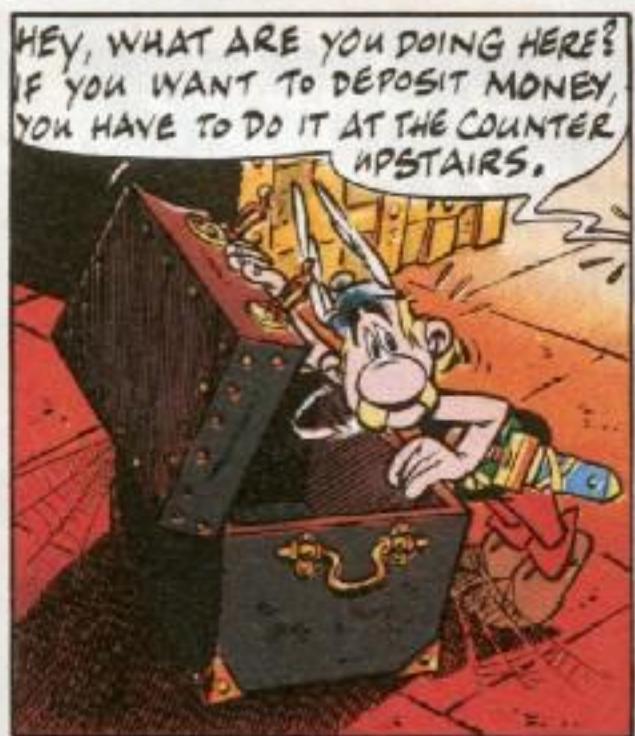
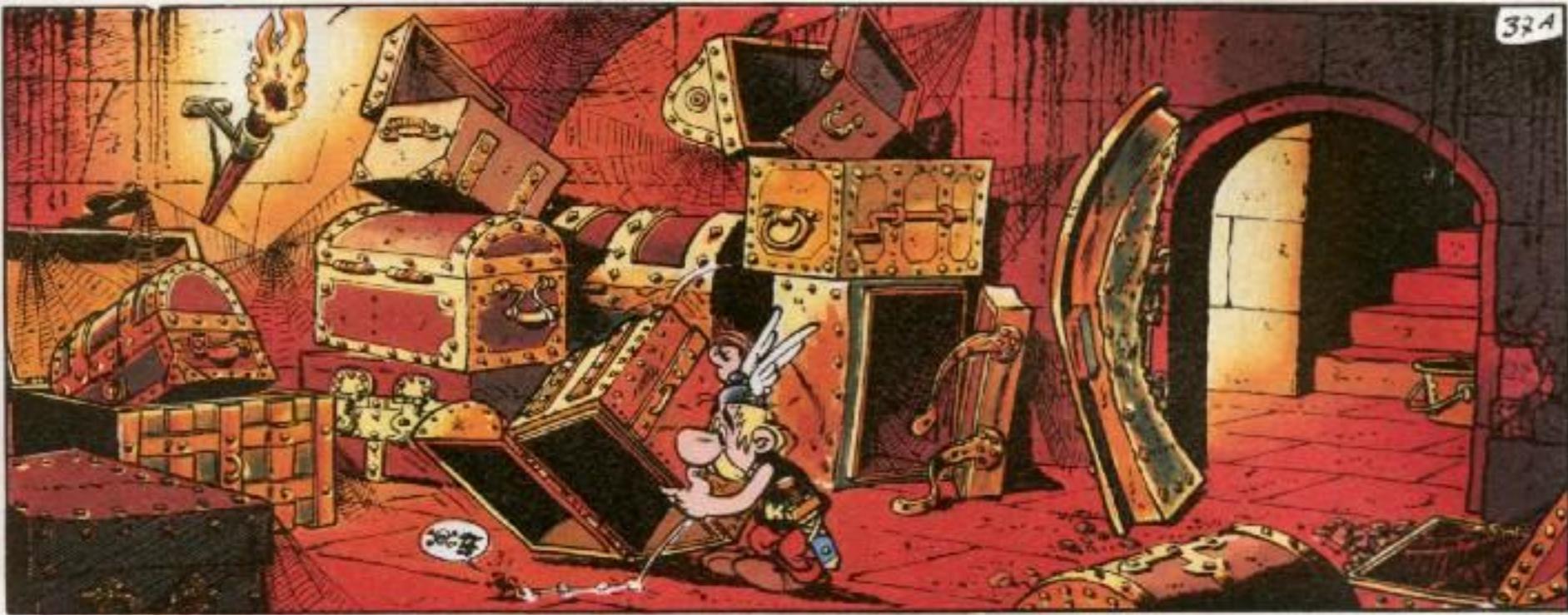
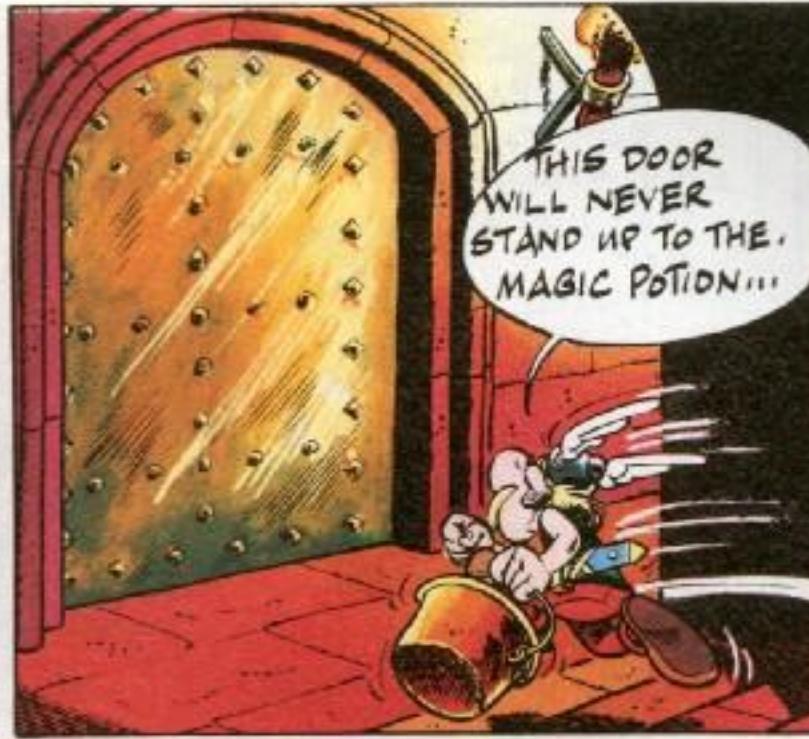
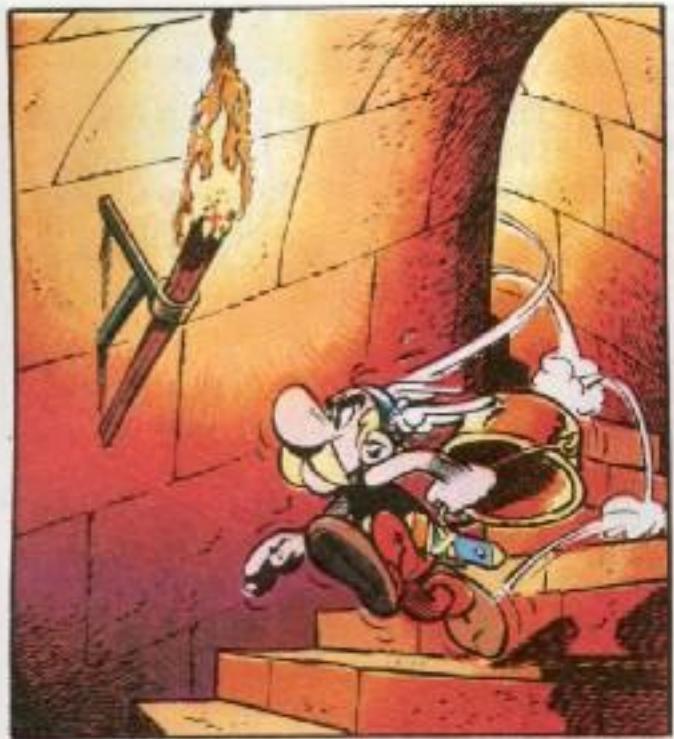


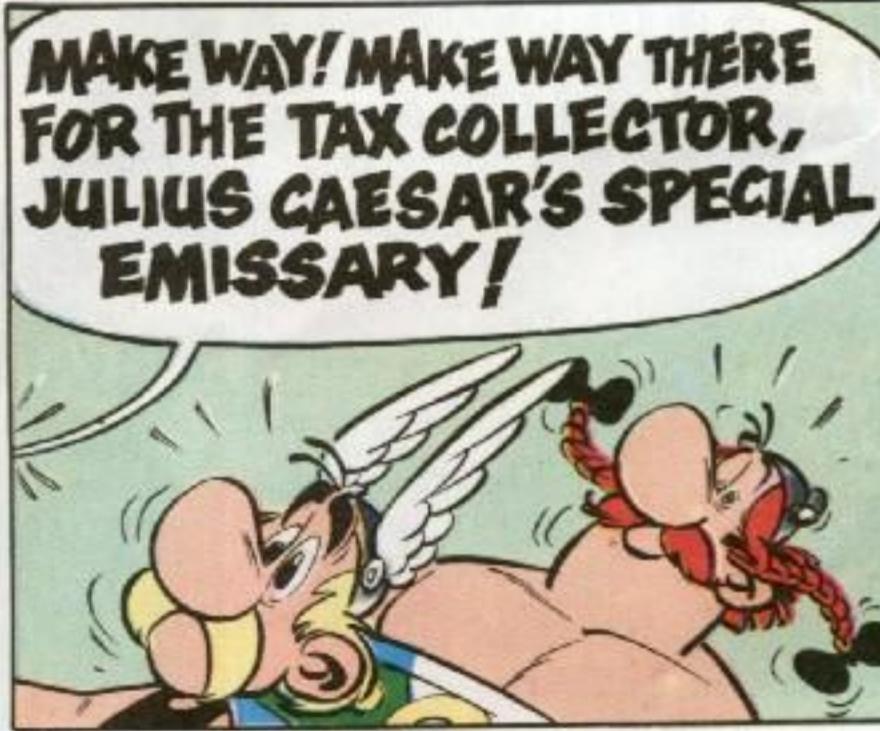
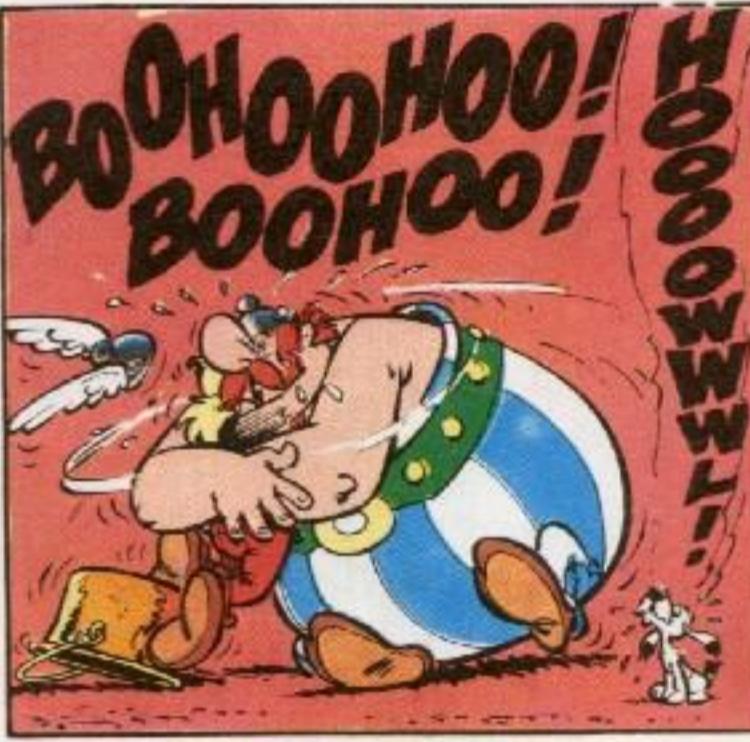
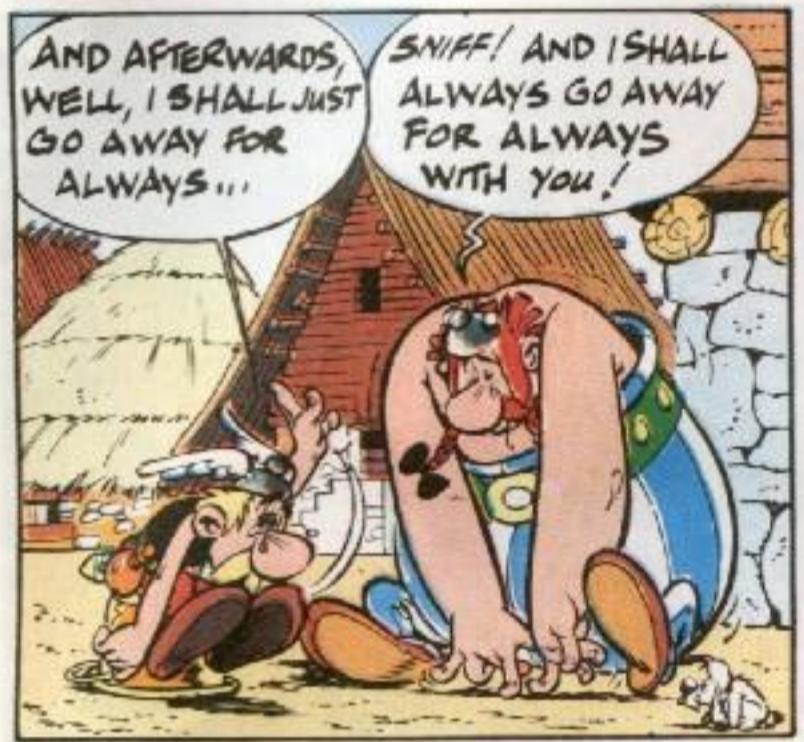
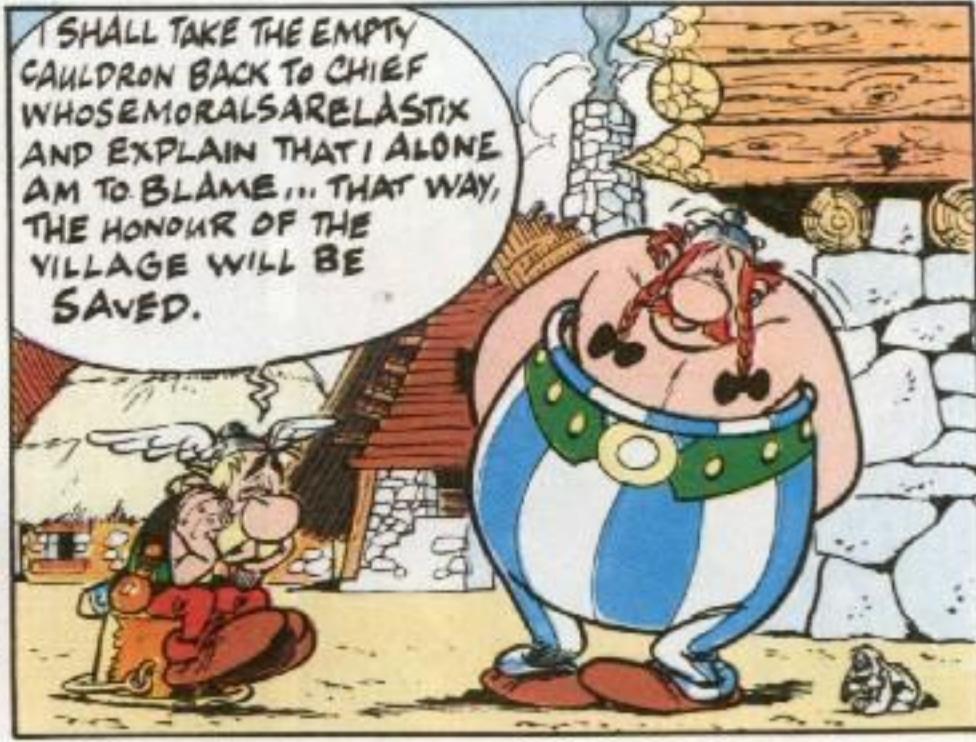
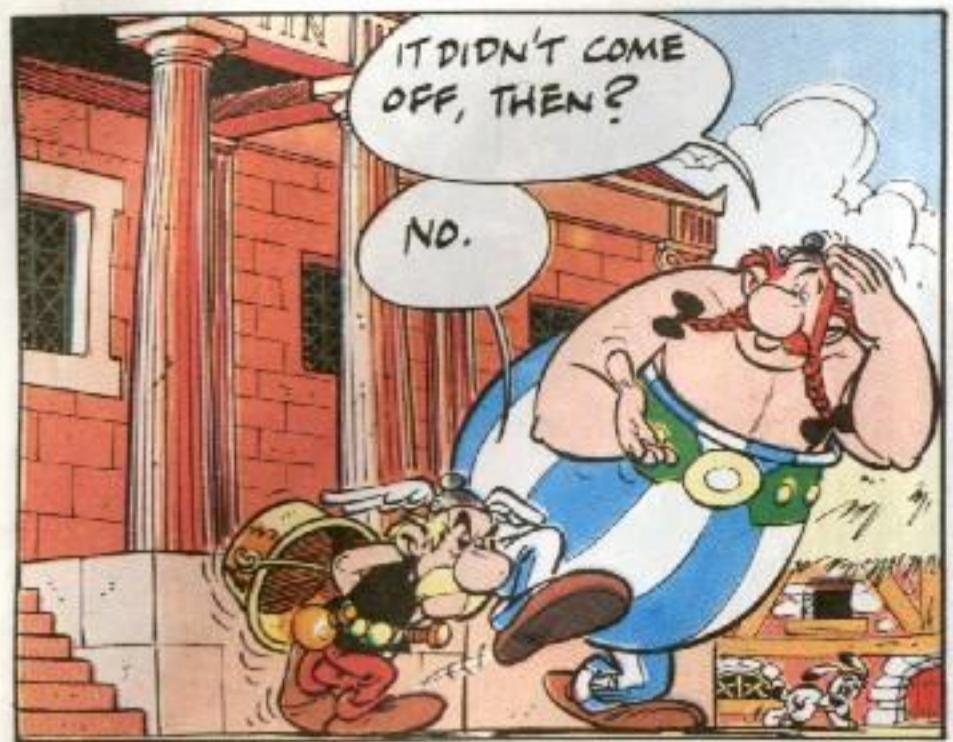


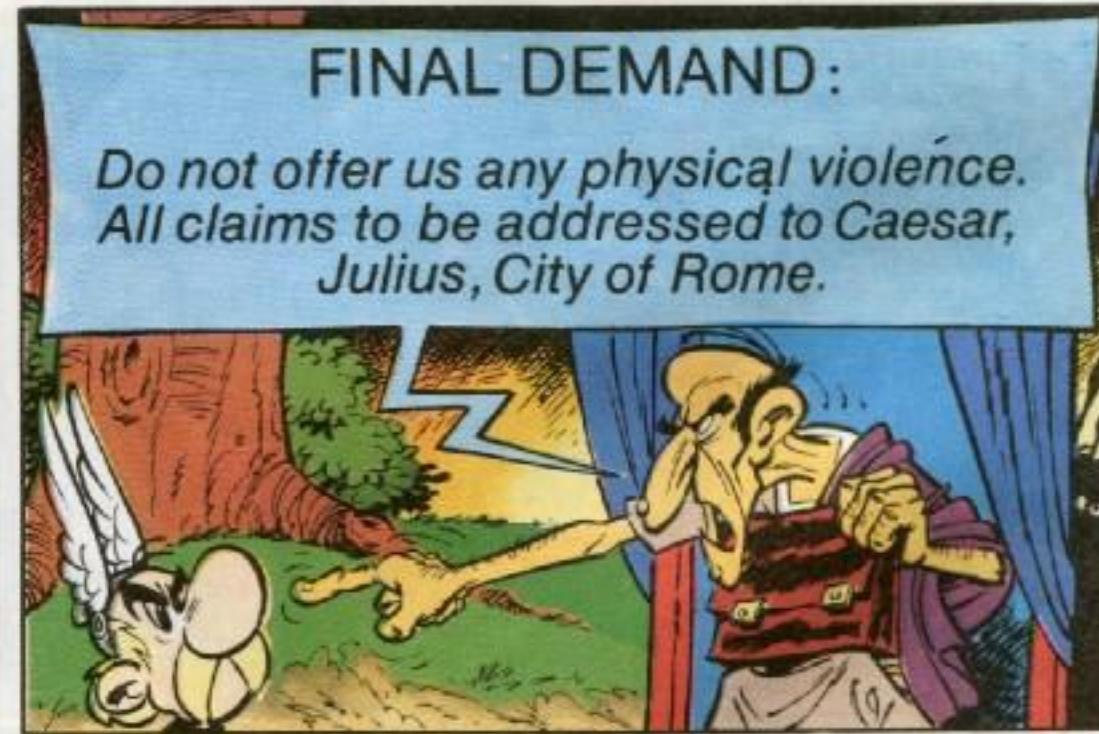
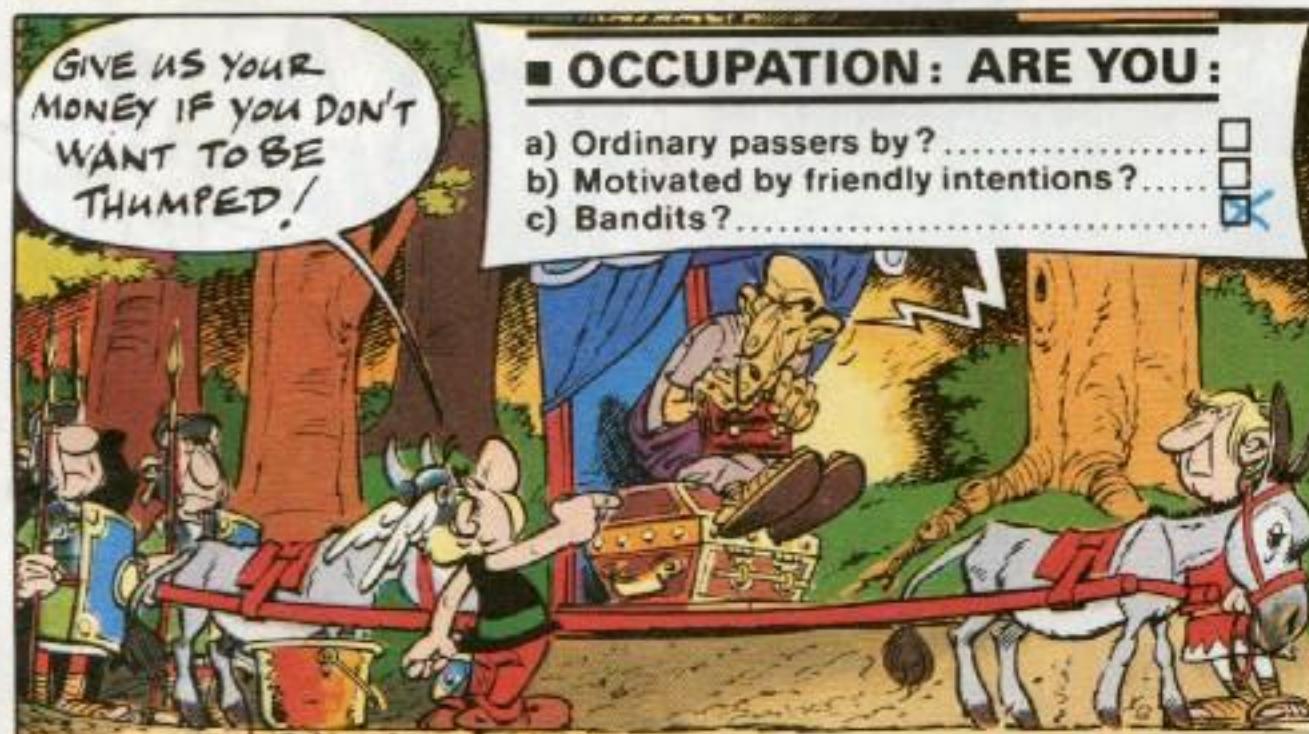
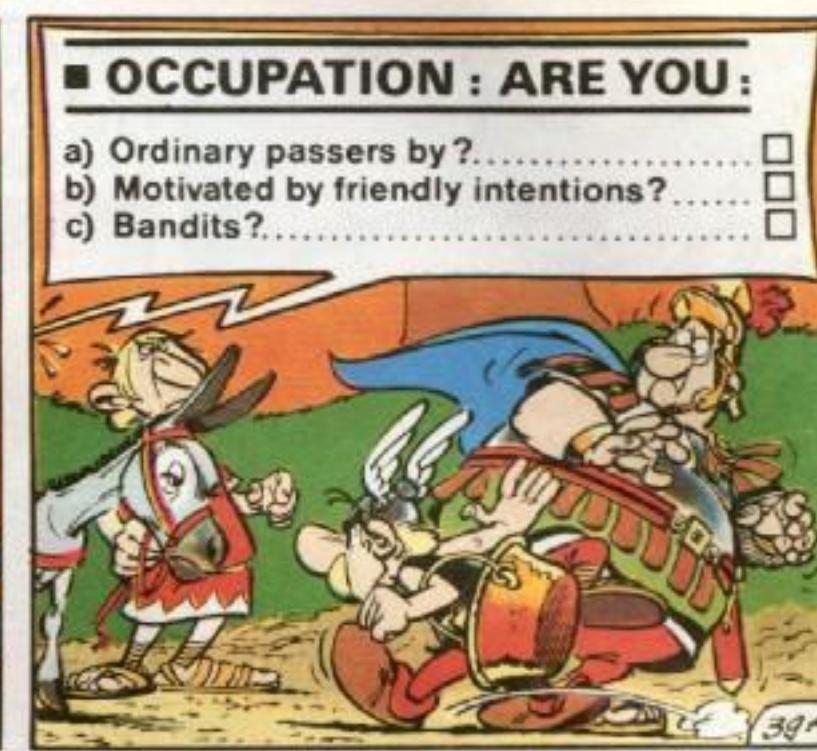
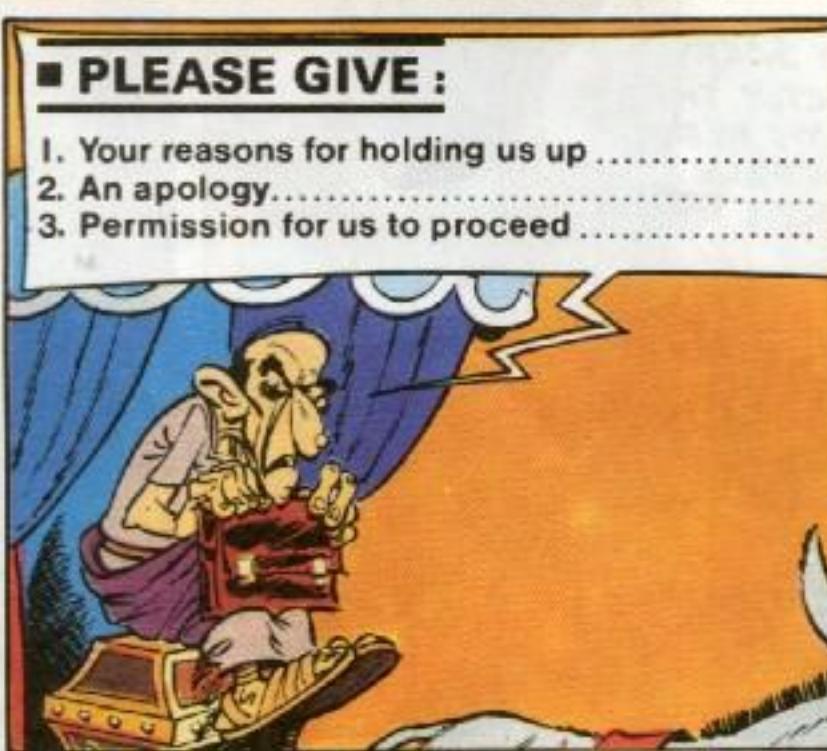
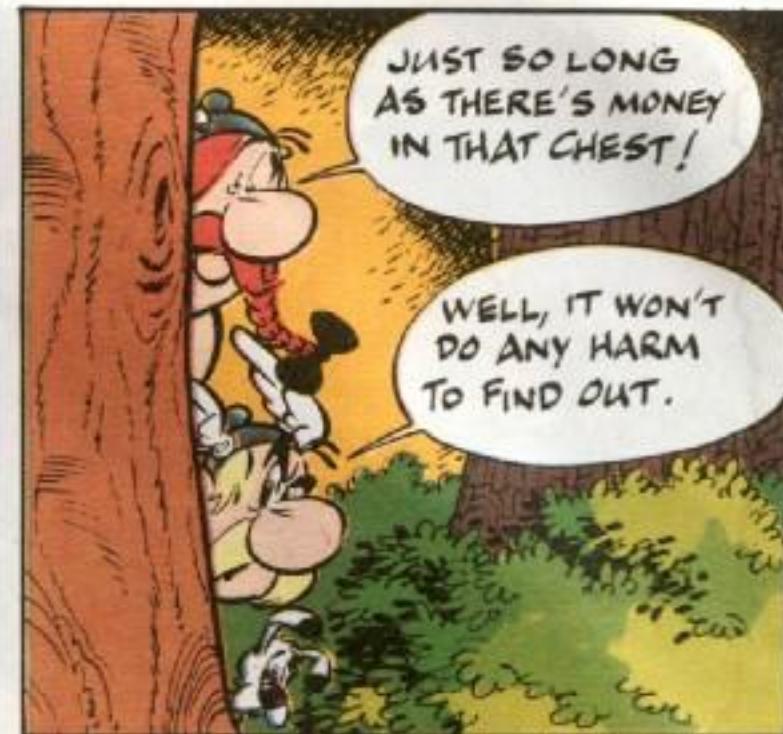
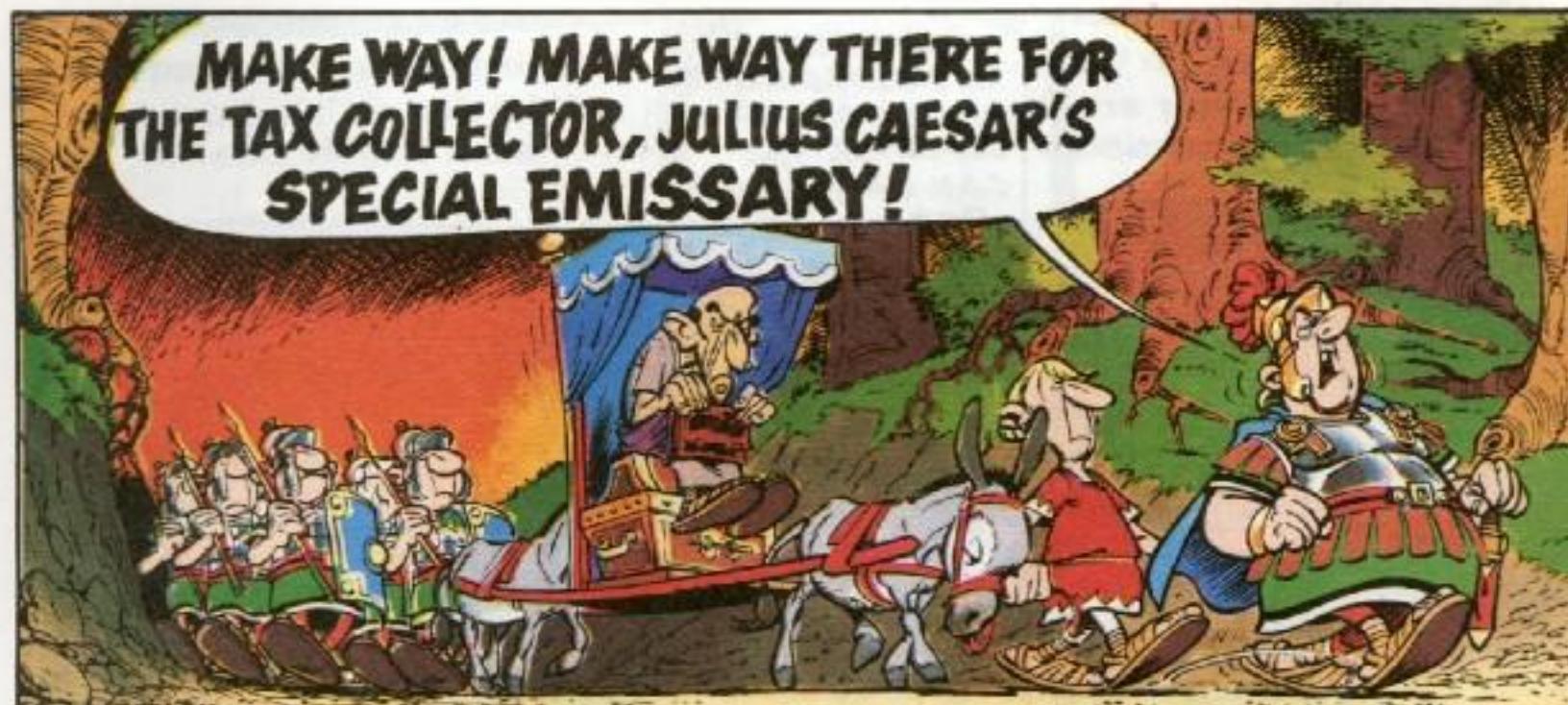








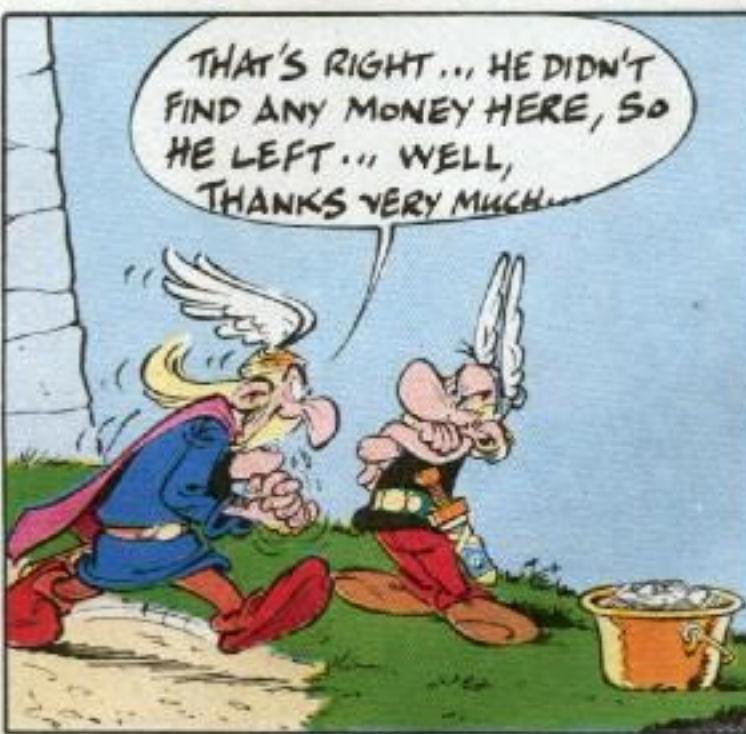
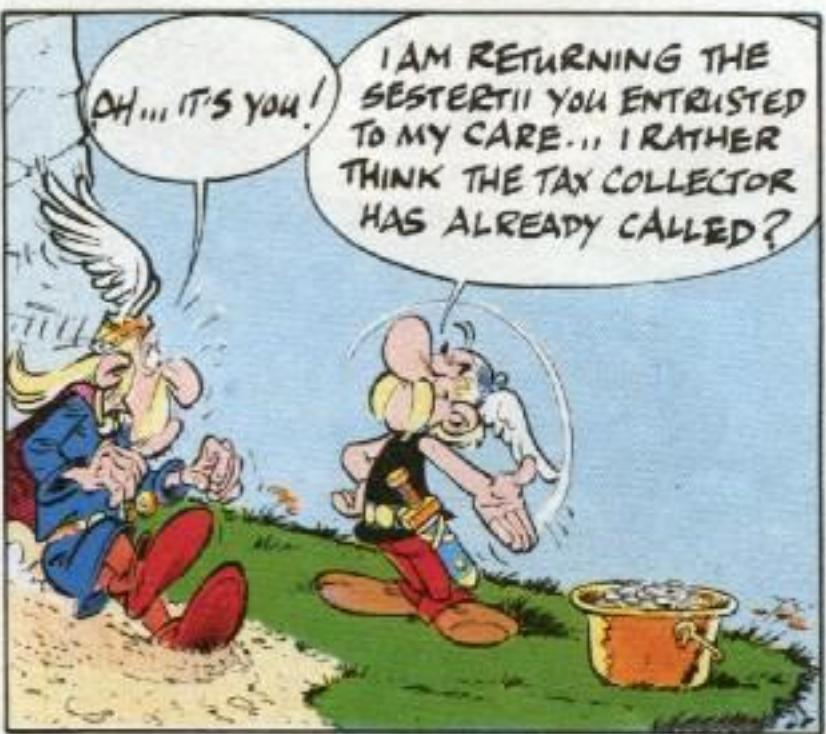
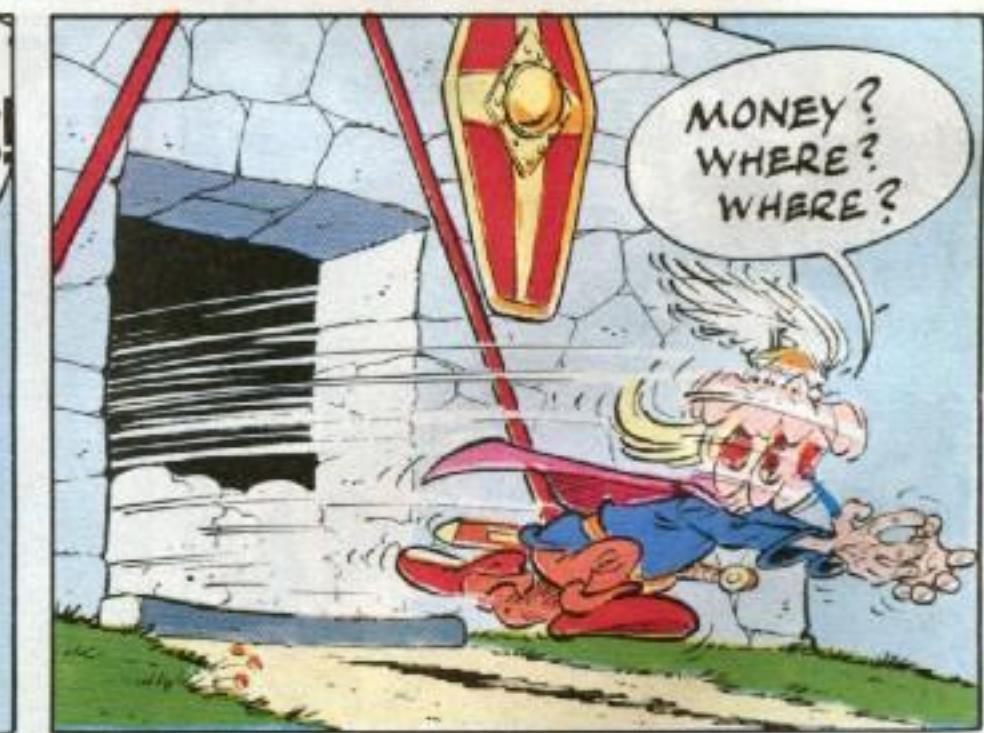
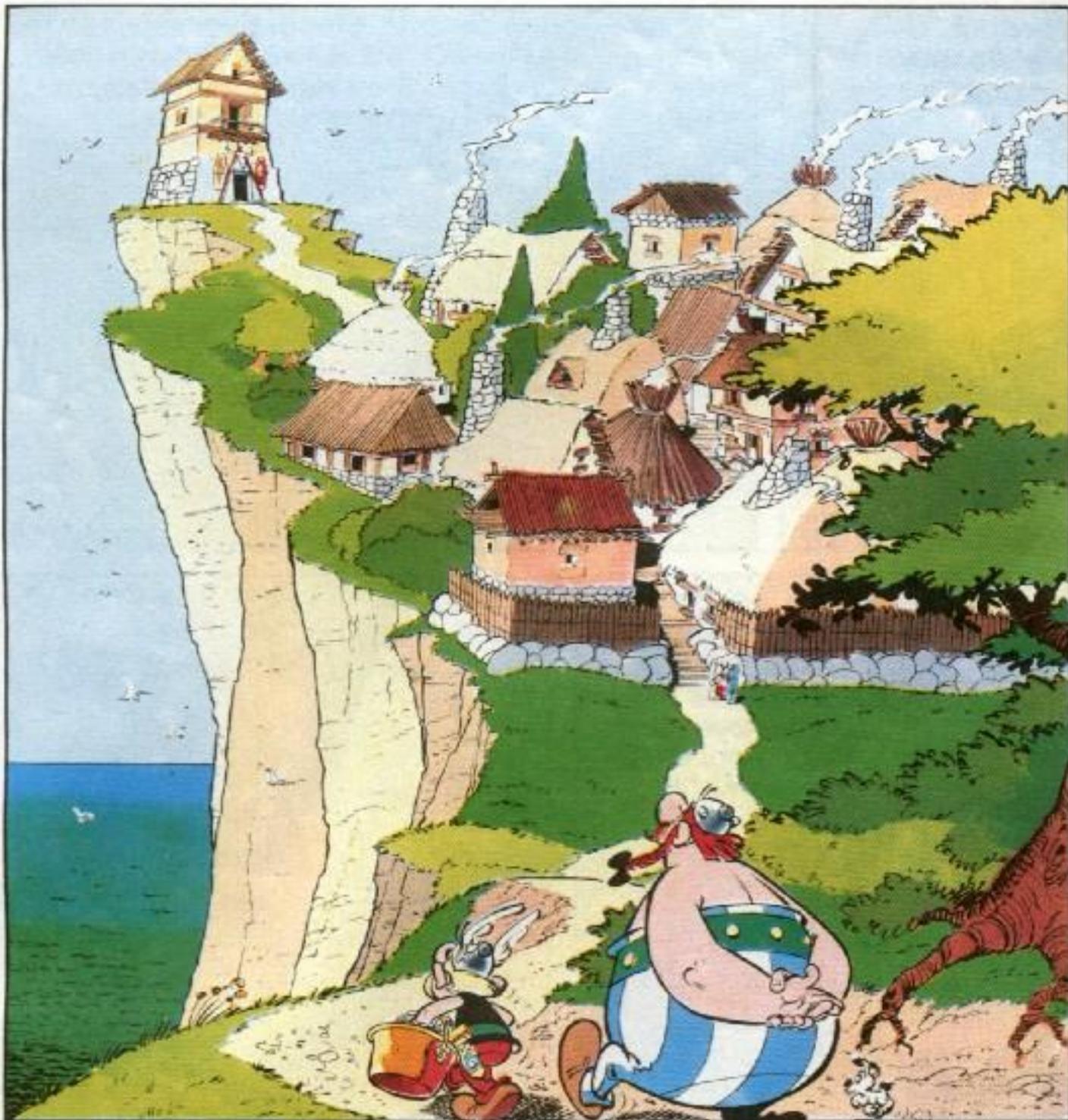


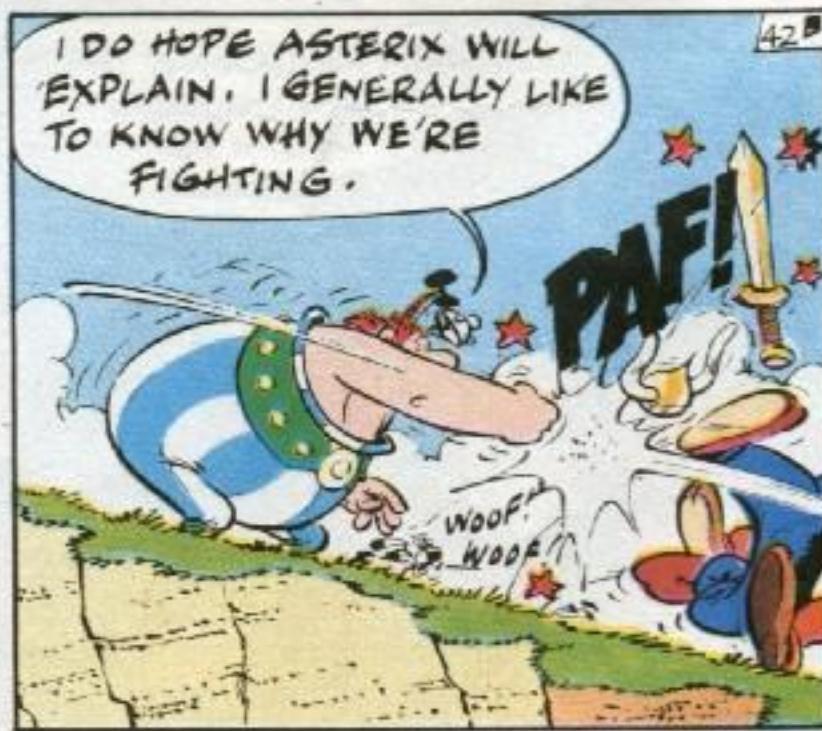
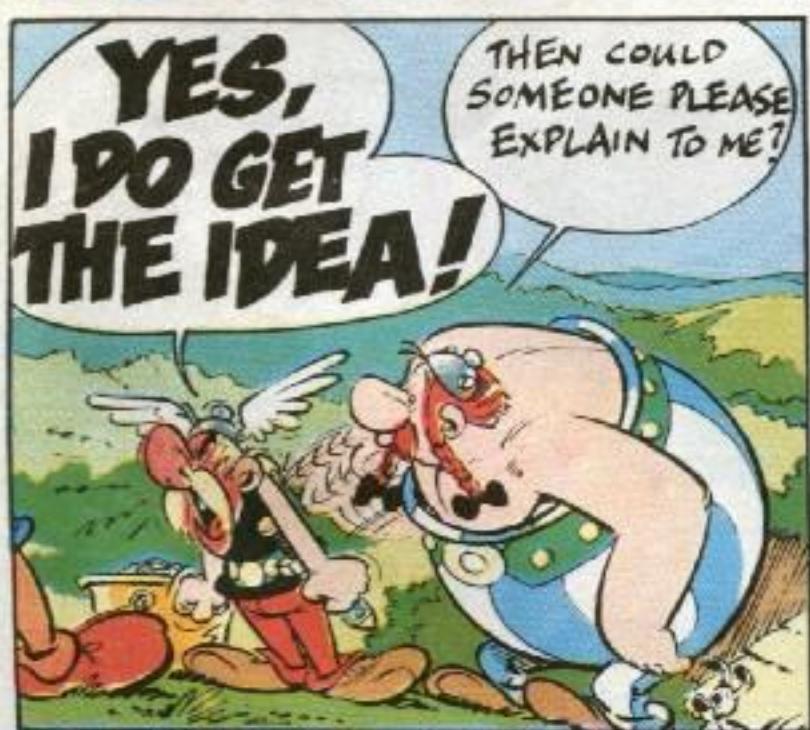
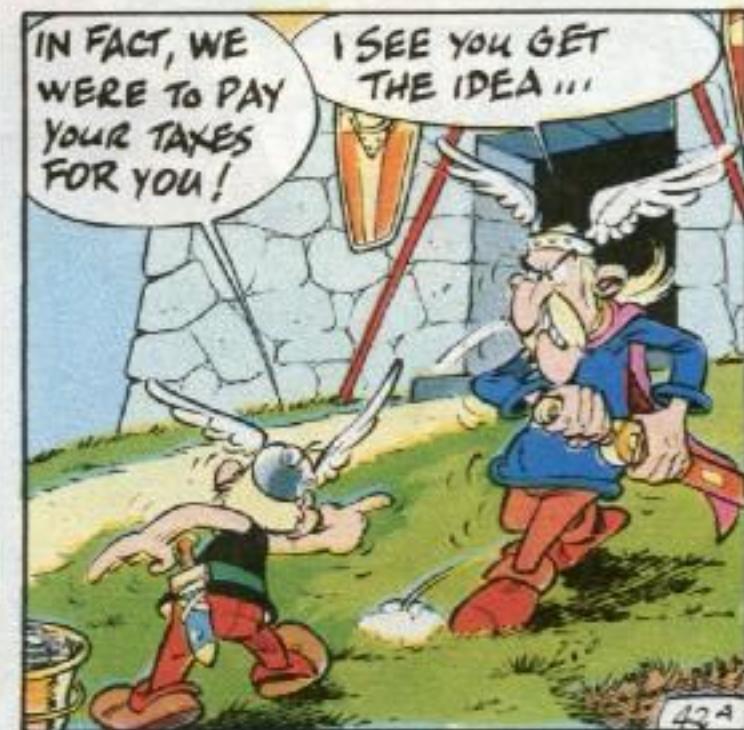
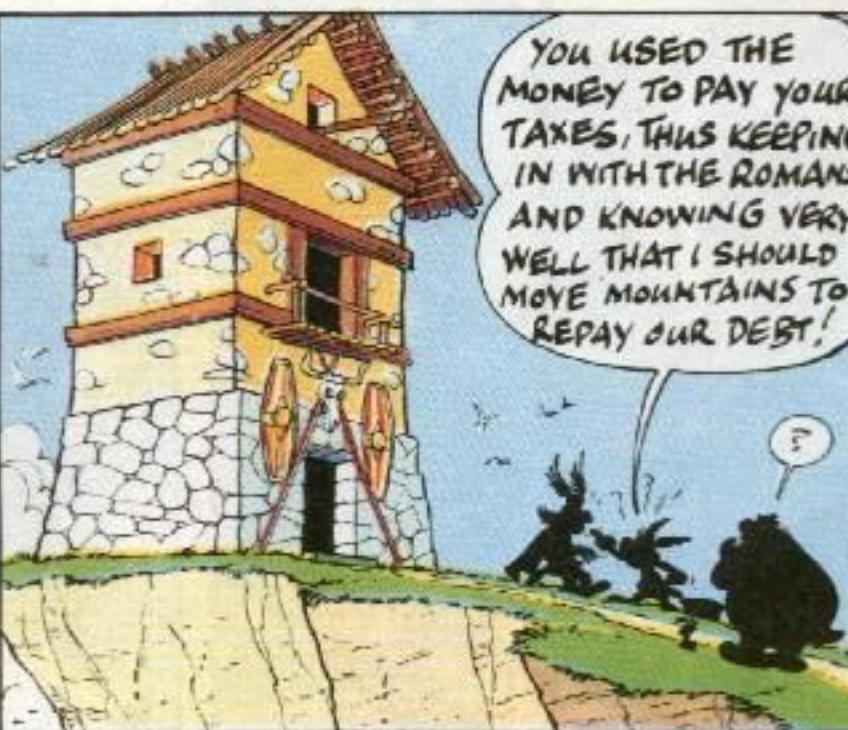
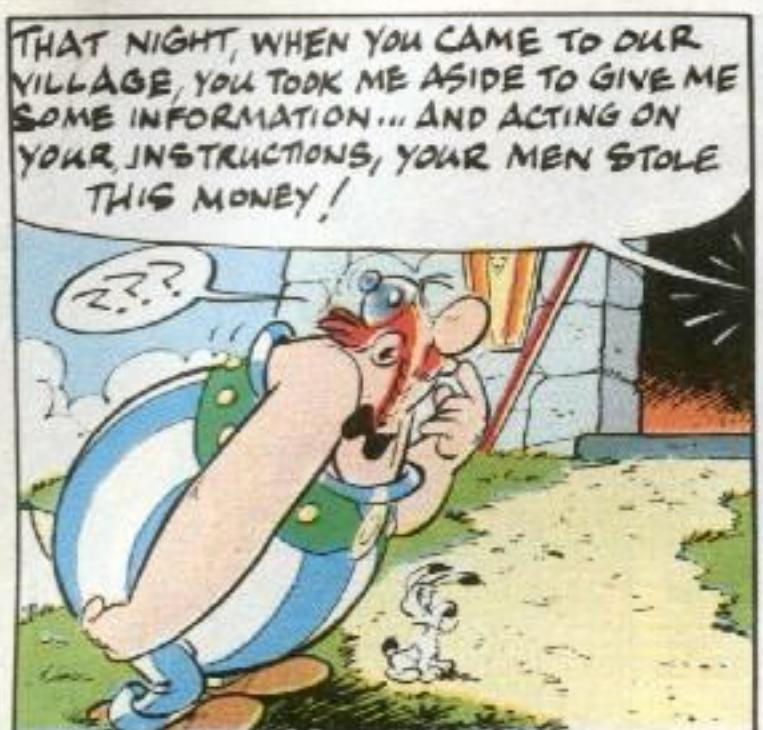


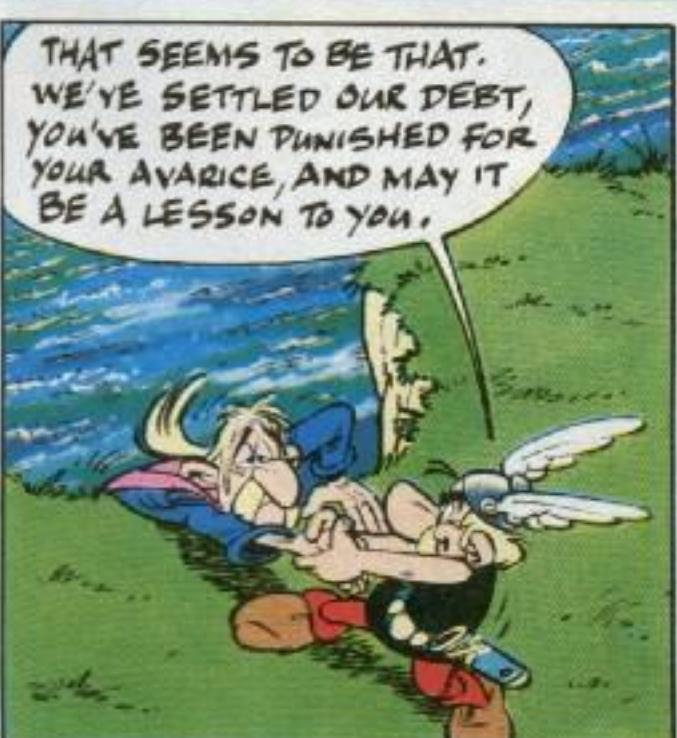
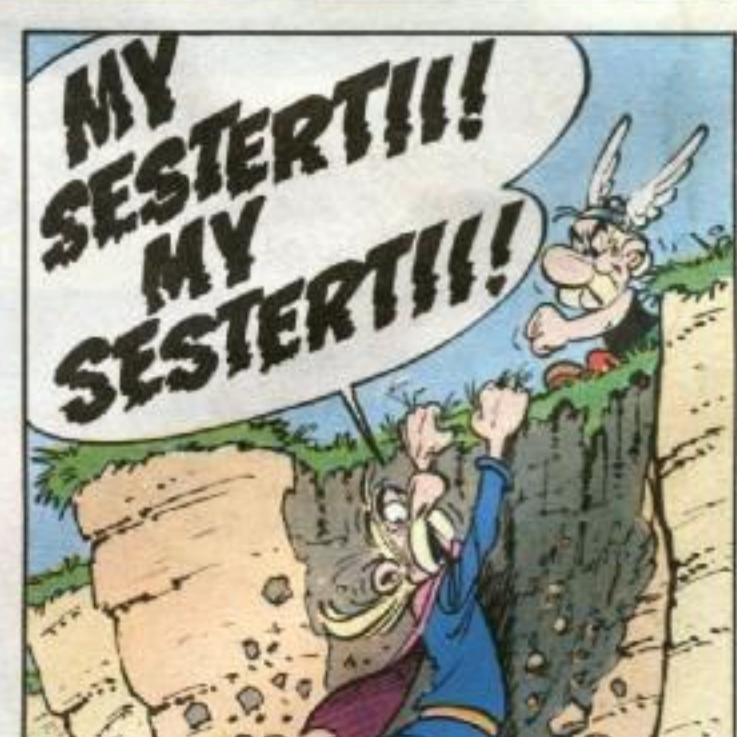
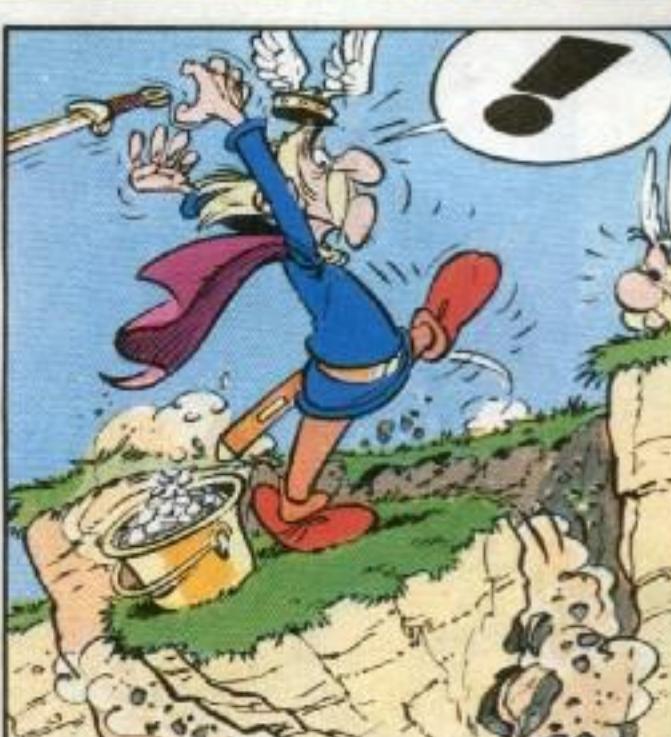
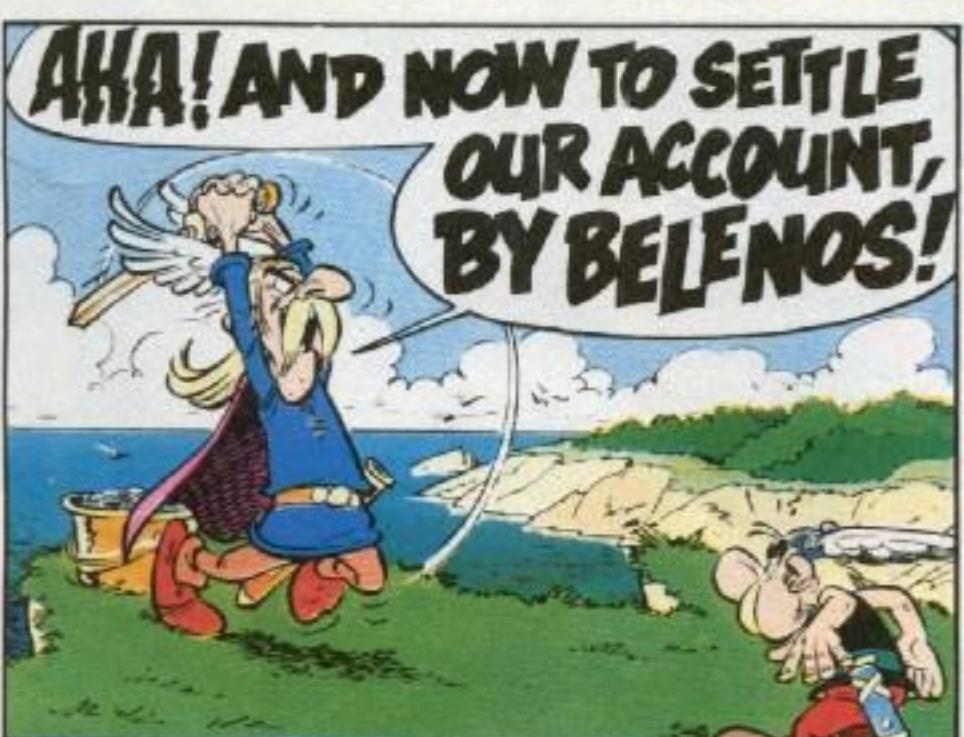
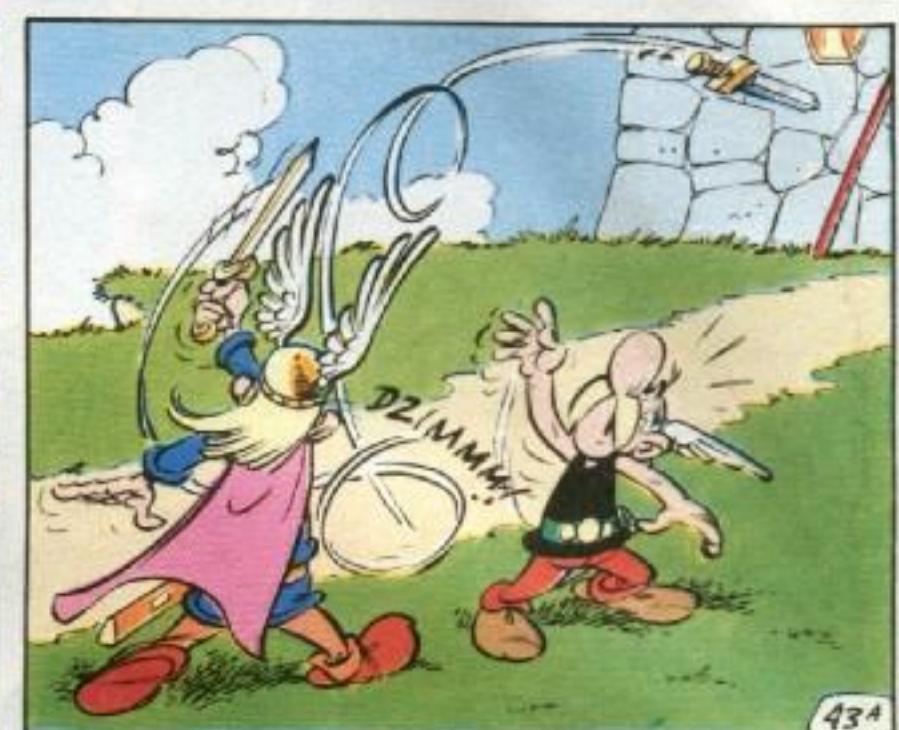
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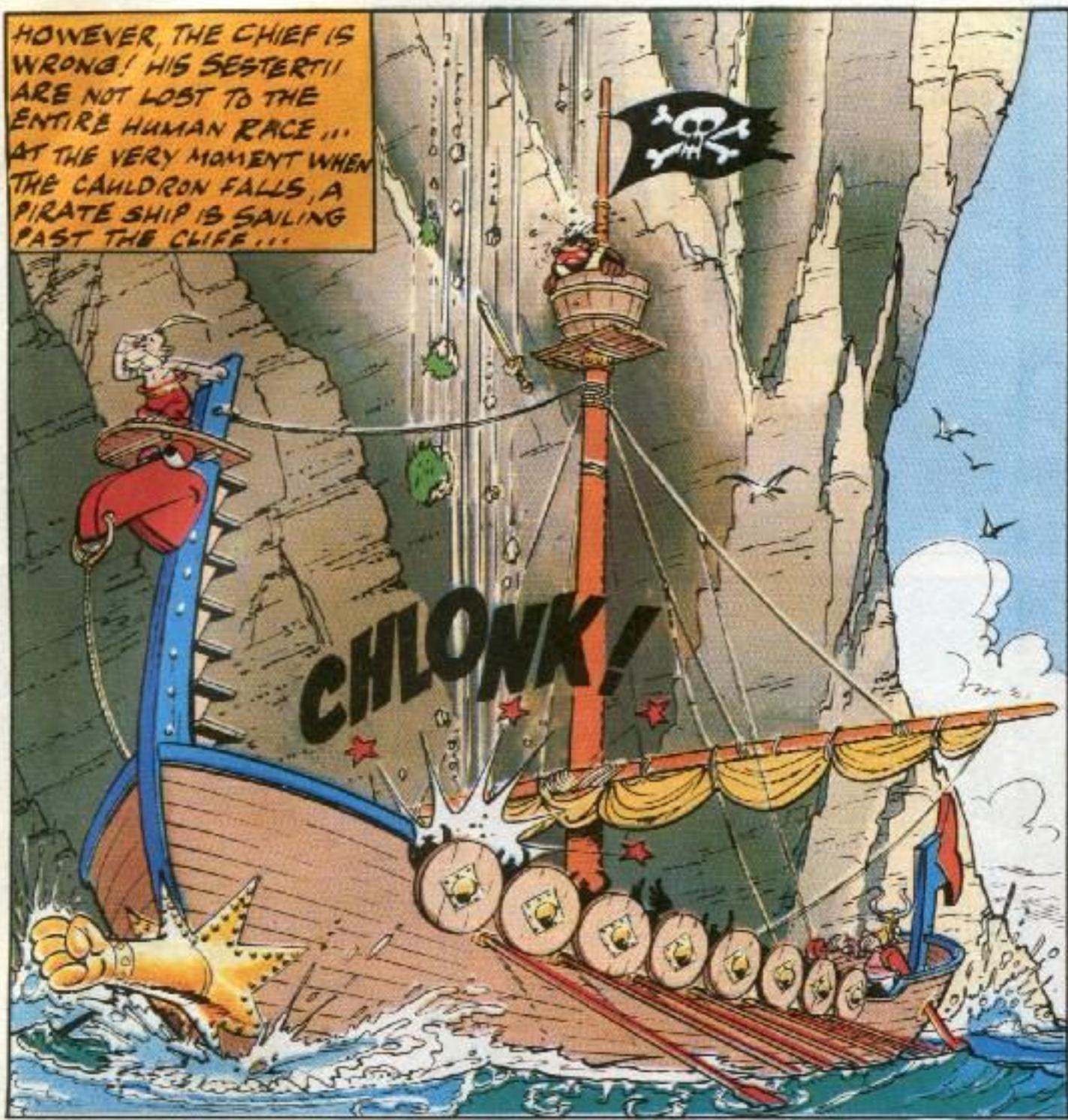








HOWEVER, THE CHIEF IS WRONG! HIS SESTERTII ARE NOT LOST TO THE ENTIRE HUMAN RACE... AT THE VERY MOMENT WHEN THE CAULDRON FALLS, A PIRATE SHIP IS SAILING PAST THE CLIFF...



MUTINY! SUFFERING SEASERPENTS, WHO DARED CROWN ME WITH A CAULDRON!



AS HAPPY AS OUR FRIENDS, THE TOAST OF THE WHOLE VILLAGE, WHICH, THANKS TO THEM, HAS PRESERVED ITS HONOUR INTACT!

BUT WHAT I NEVER DID UNDERSTAND IS WHY ANYONE WOULD PUT MONEY IN THAT CAULDRON INSTEAD OF ONION SOUP IN THE FIRST PLACE!

THE END

UDERZO & GOSCINNY