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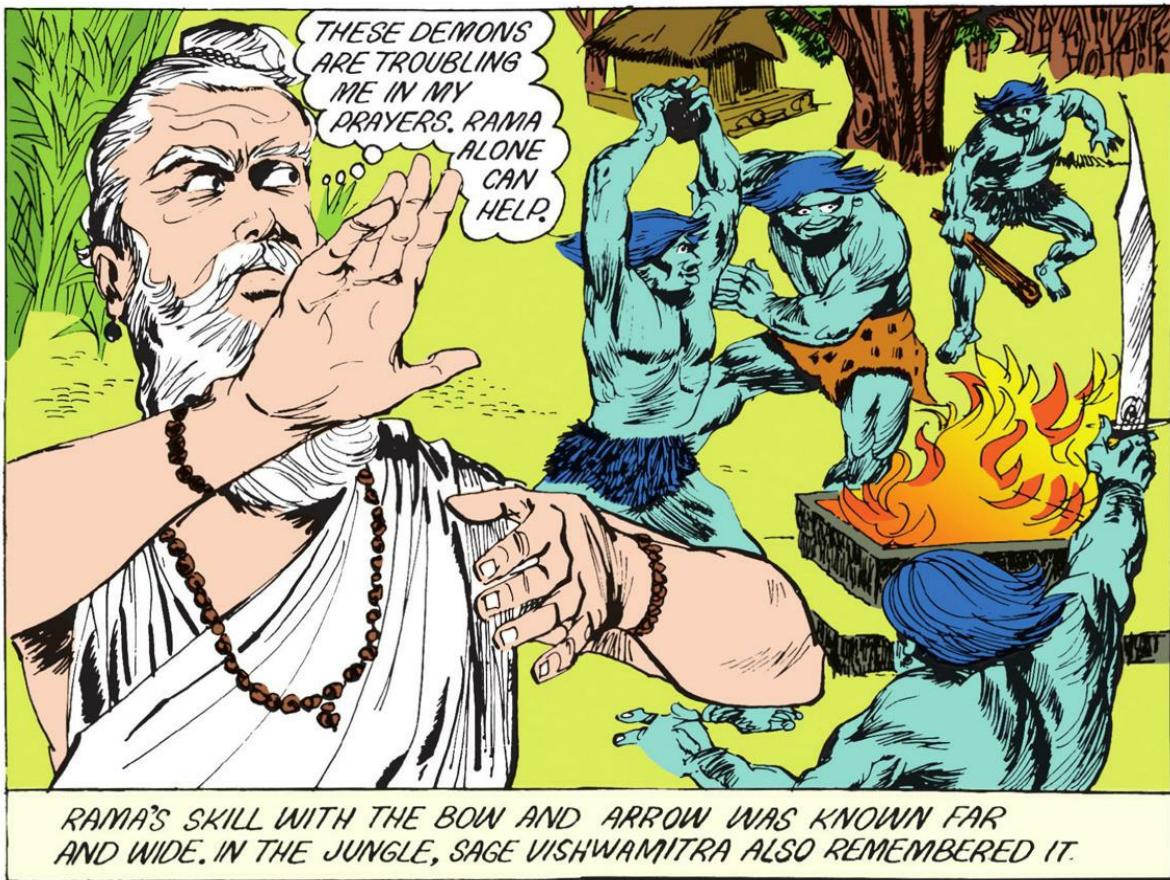
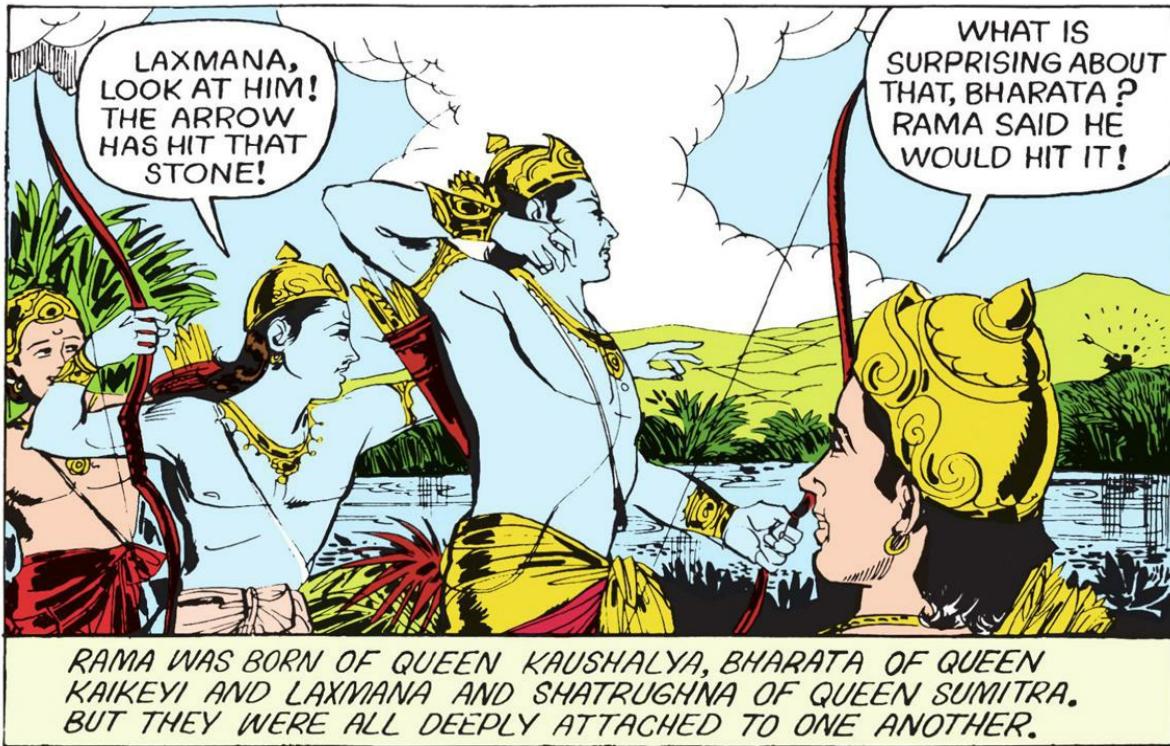
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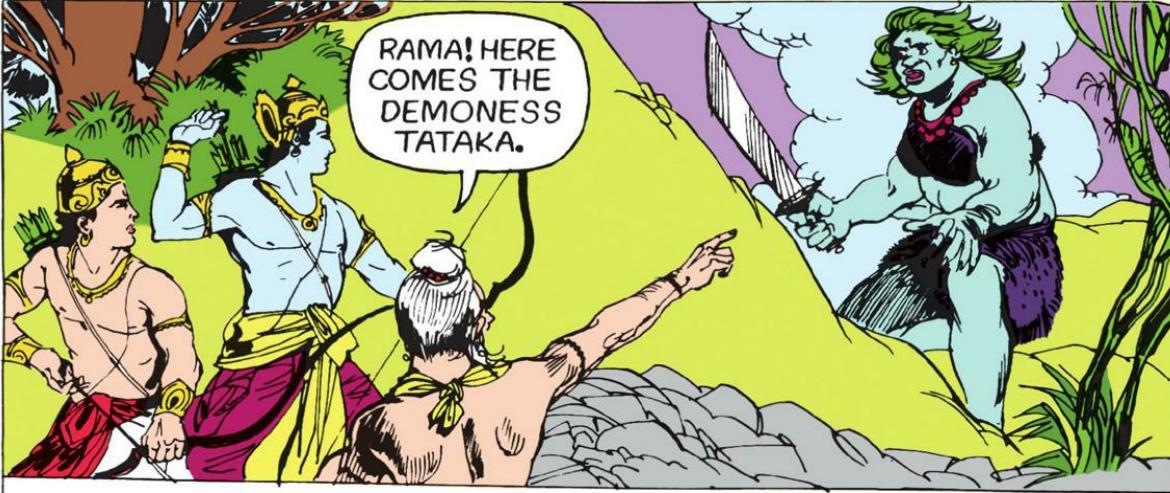
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ON THE BANK OF THE RIVER SARAYU STANDS THE CITY OF AYODHYA. LONG AGO, RAJA DASHARATHA RULED OVER IT. HE HAD FOUR SONS - RAMA, LAXMANA, BHARATA AND SHATRUGHNA.



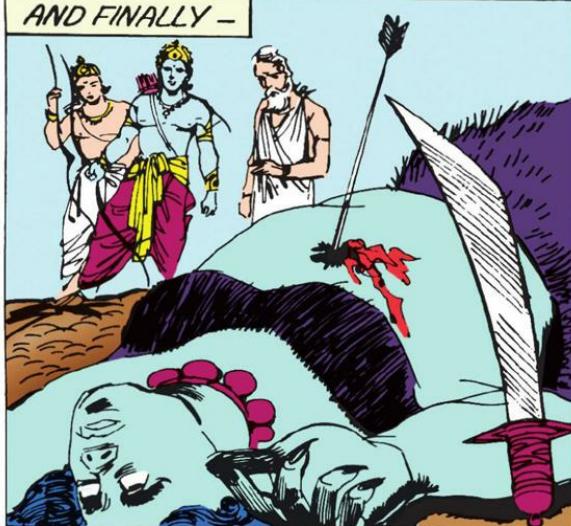
SO, WITH THE PERMISSION OF KING DASHARATHA, RAMA AND LAXMANA WERE BROUGHT TO THE JUNGLE. ONE DAY -



THERE WAS A FIERCE BATTLE BETWEEN TATAKA AND RAMA.

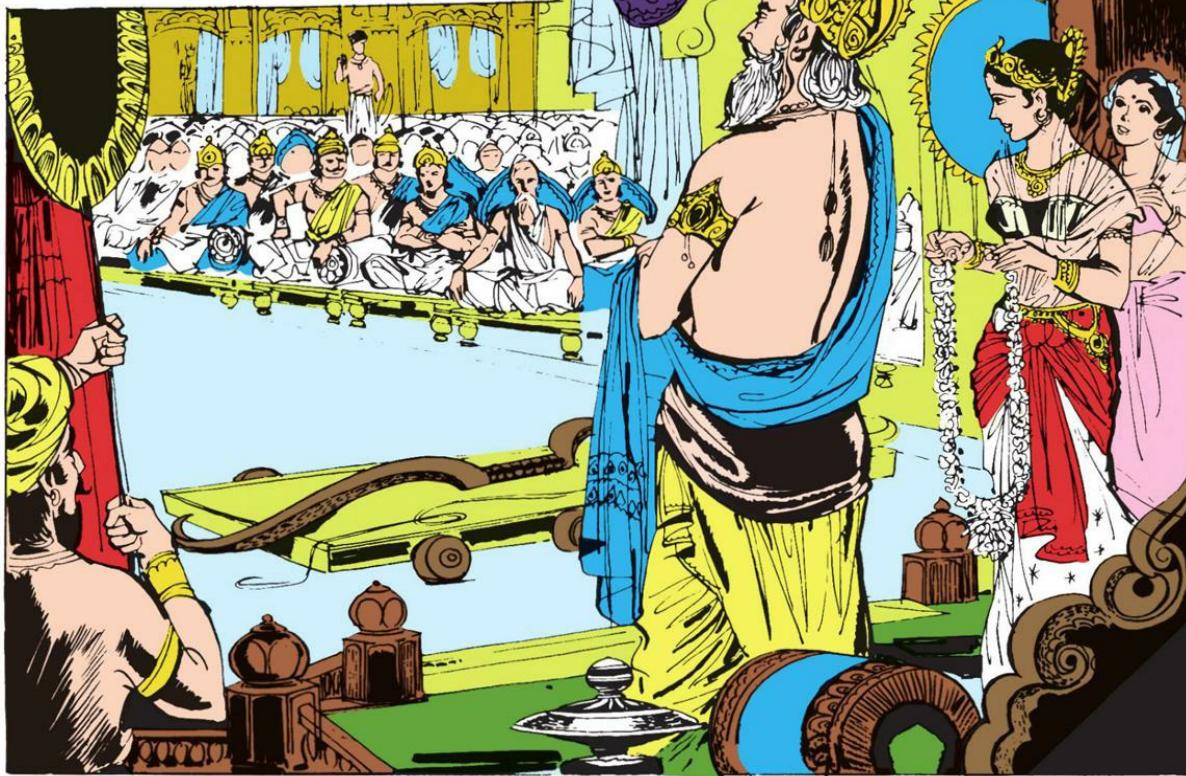
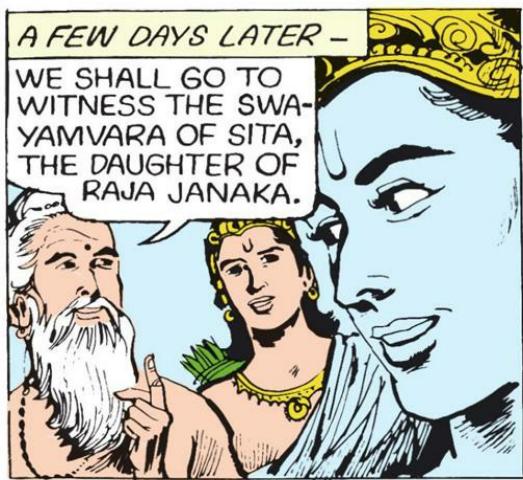
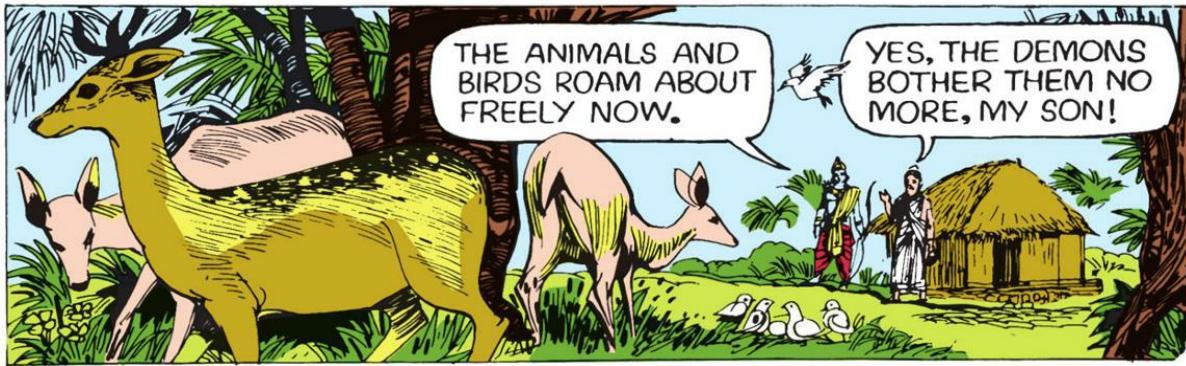


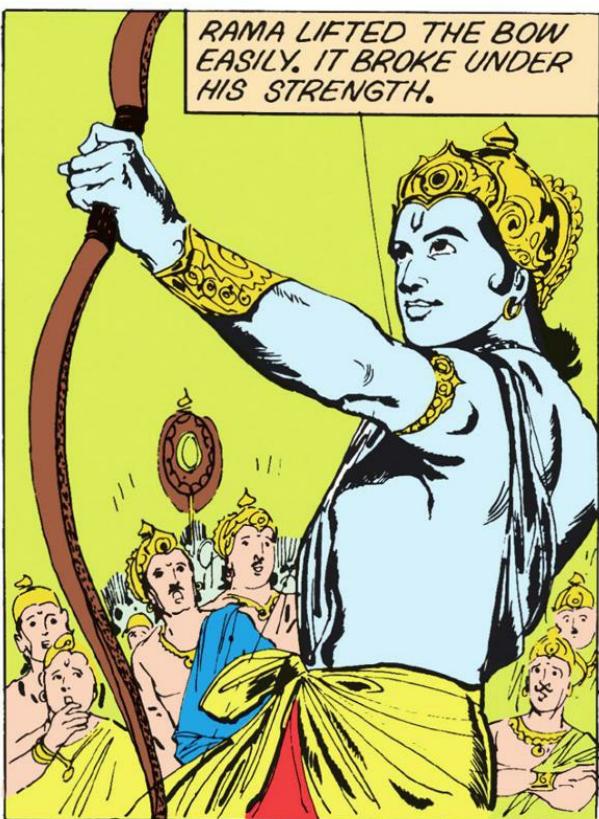
AND FINALLY -



THERE WERE MORE RAIDS BY DEMONS. BUT RAMA'S ARROWS NEVER MISSED THEIR MARK.



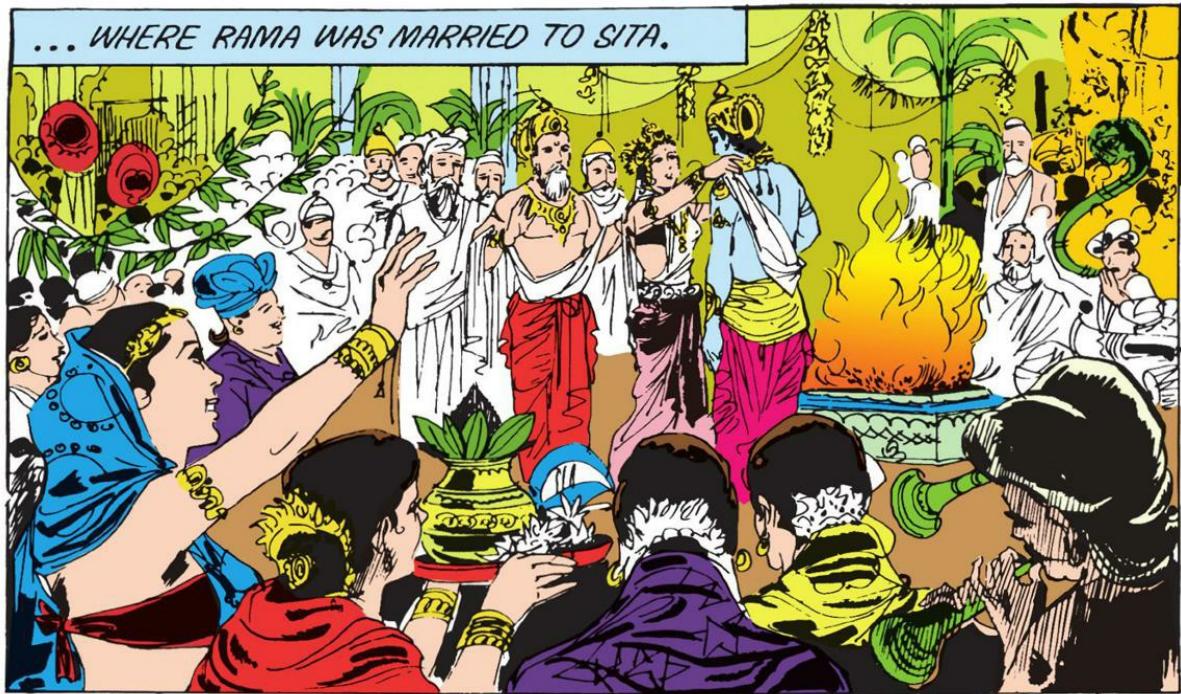


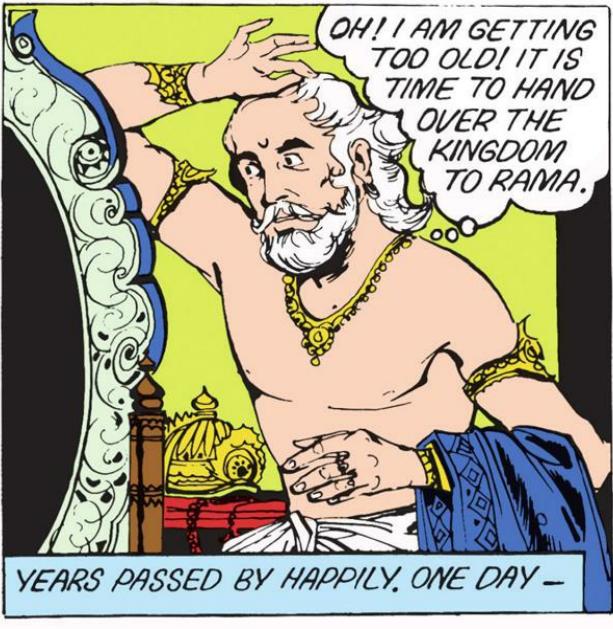


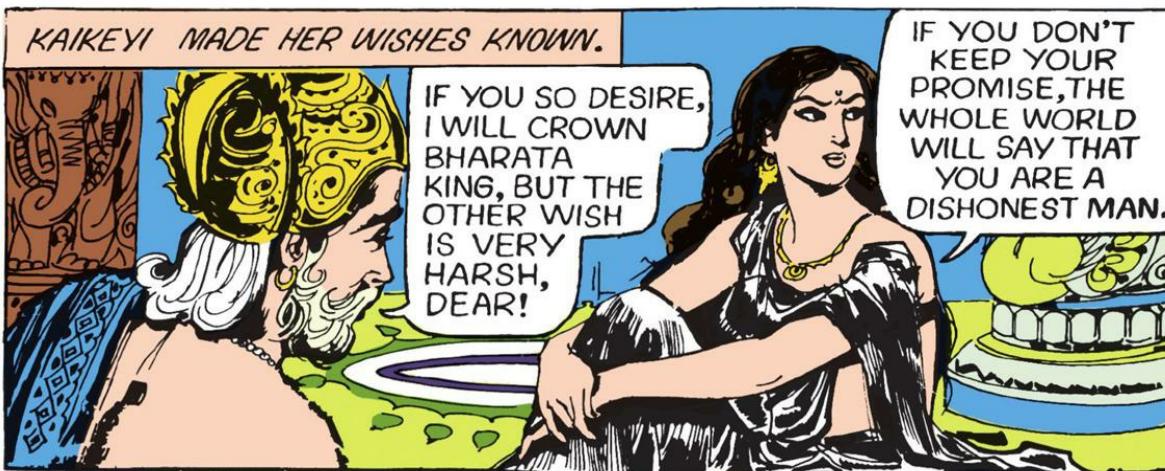
WHEN THE HAPPY NEWS REACHED AYODHYA, KING DASHARATHA LEFT FOR MITHILA, AT THE HEAD OF A PROCESSION...



... WHERE RAMA WAS MARRIED TO SITA.

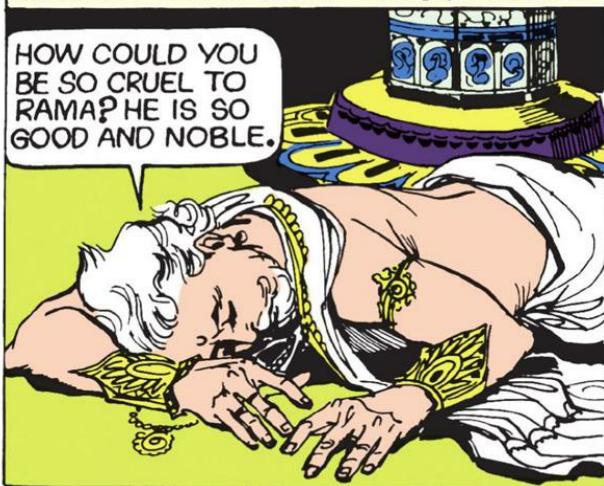






THE KING FELL DOWN ON THE GROUND WHEN HE HEARD THESE HARSH WORDS.

HOW COULD YOU BE SO CRUEL TO RAMA? HE IS SO GOOD AND NOBLE.



WHEN RAMA LEARNT OF IT -

I SHALL KEEP MY FATHER'S PROMISE, MOTHER!



SITA AND LAXMANA ALSO INSISTED ON ACCOMPANYING RAMA TO THE JUNGLES. THE PEOPLE OF AYODHYA ALSO FOLLOWED THEM.

MINISTER, SIR, COULDN'T YOU PERSUADE THESE PEOPLE TO GO BACK?

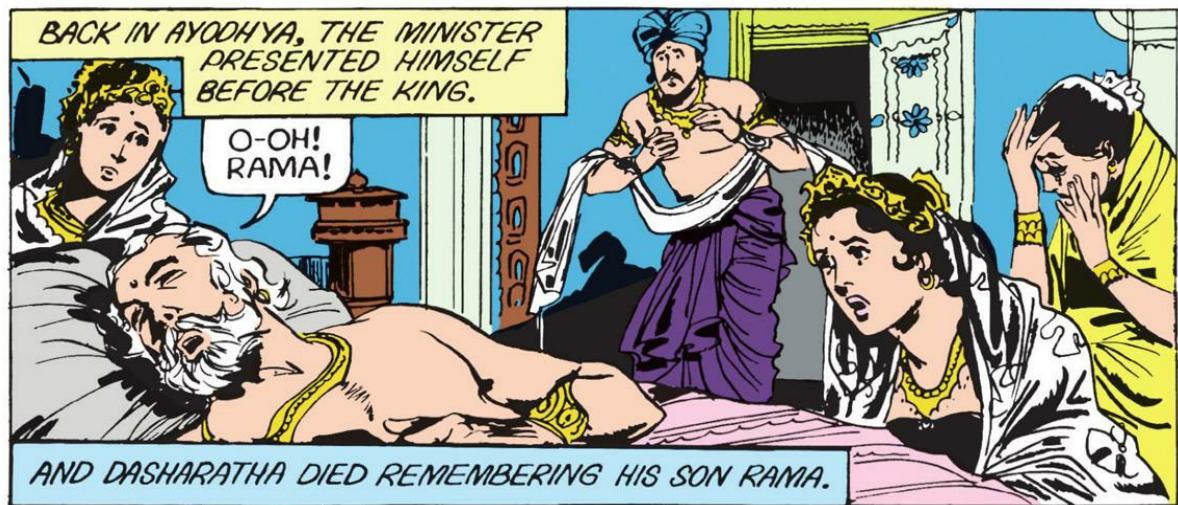
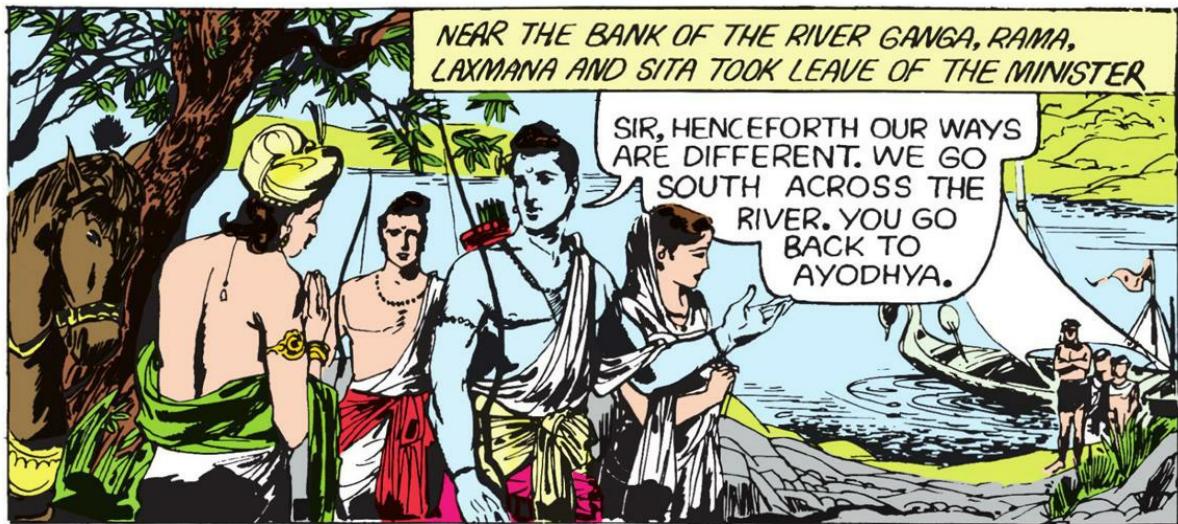
WE SHALL ALL COME WITH YOU.

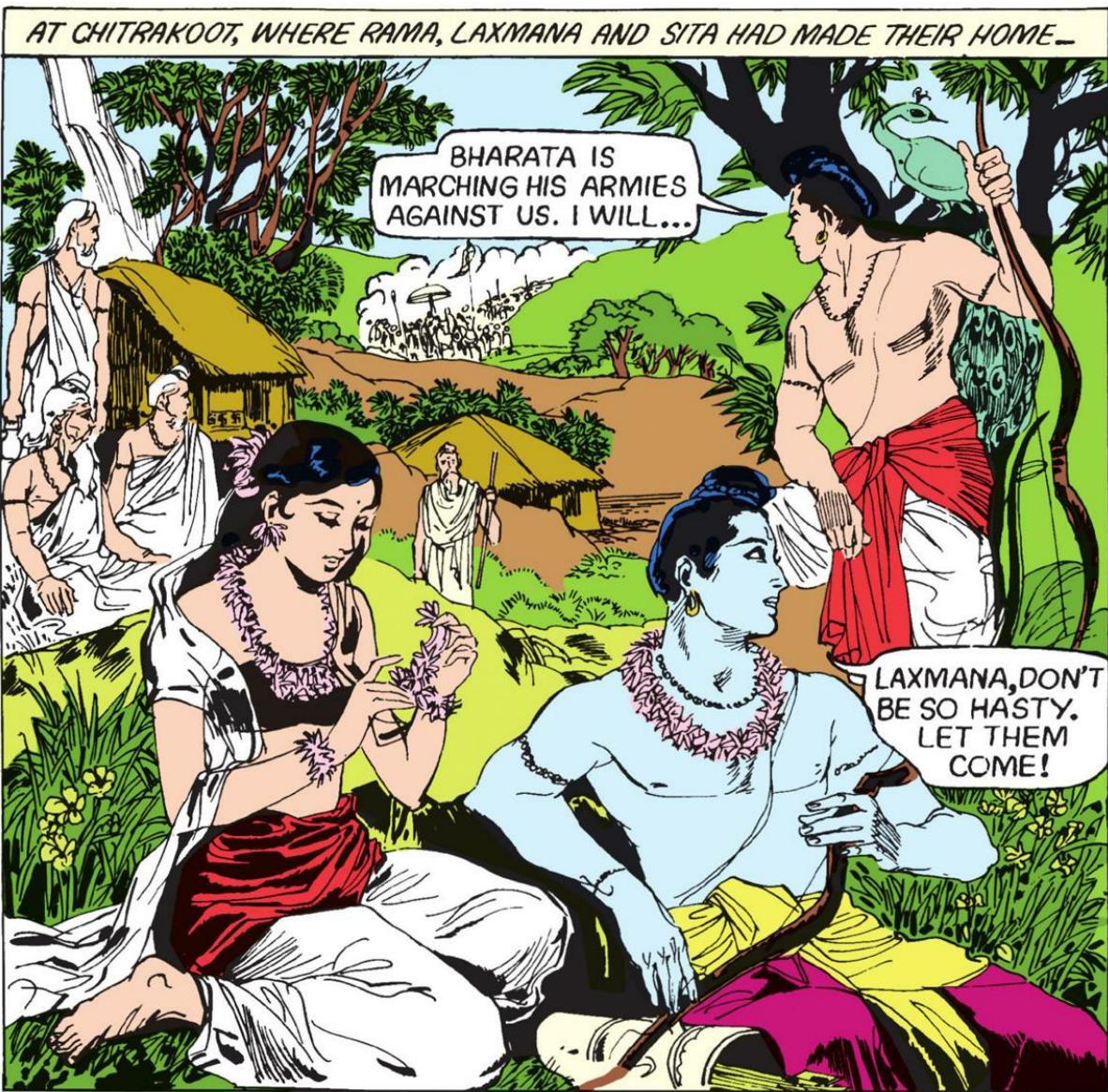


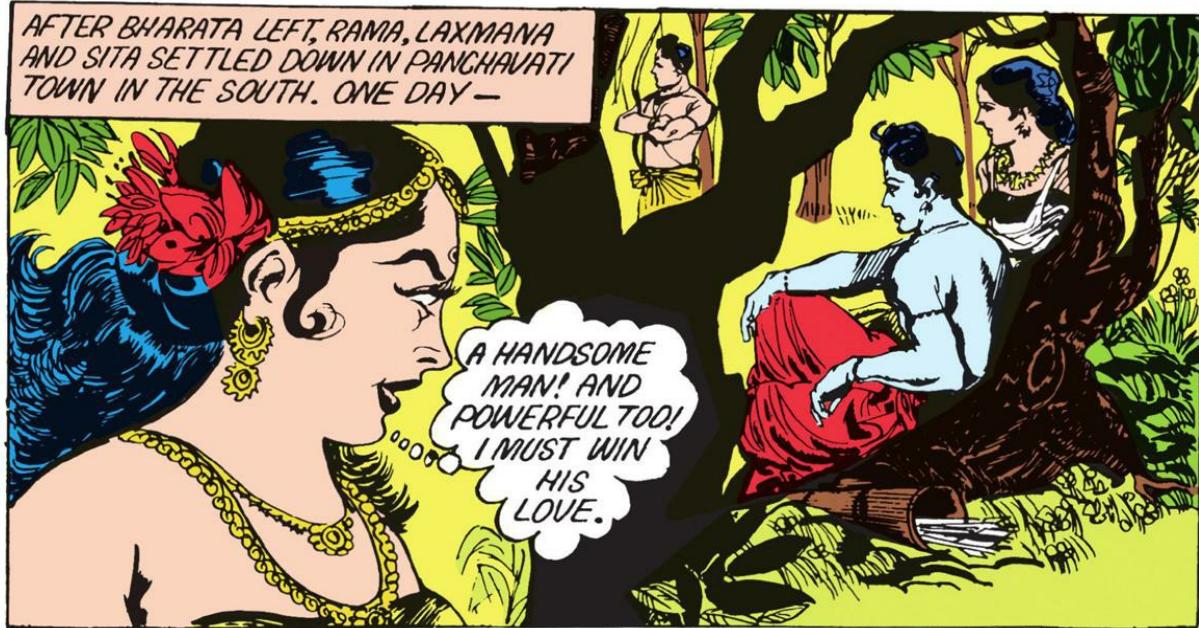
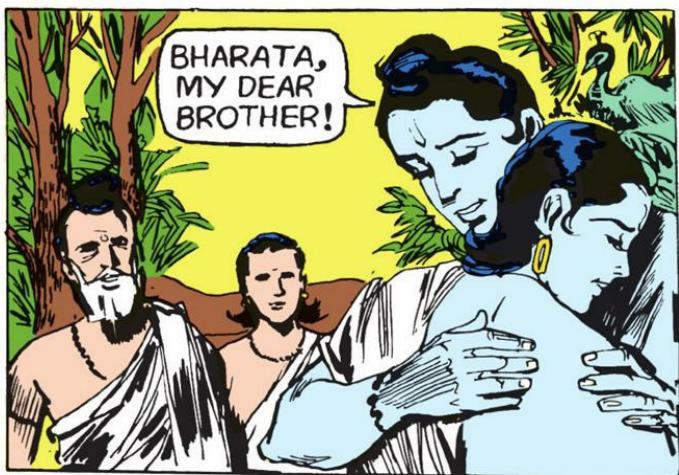
WHEN DUSK FELL, THEY STOPPED AND RESTED.  
EARLY NEXT MORNING -

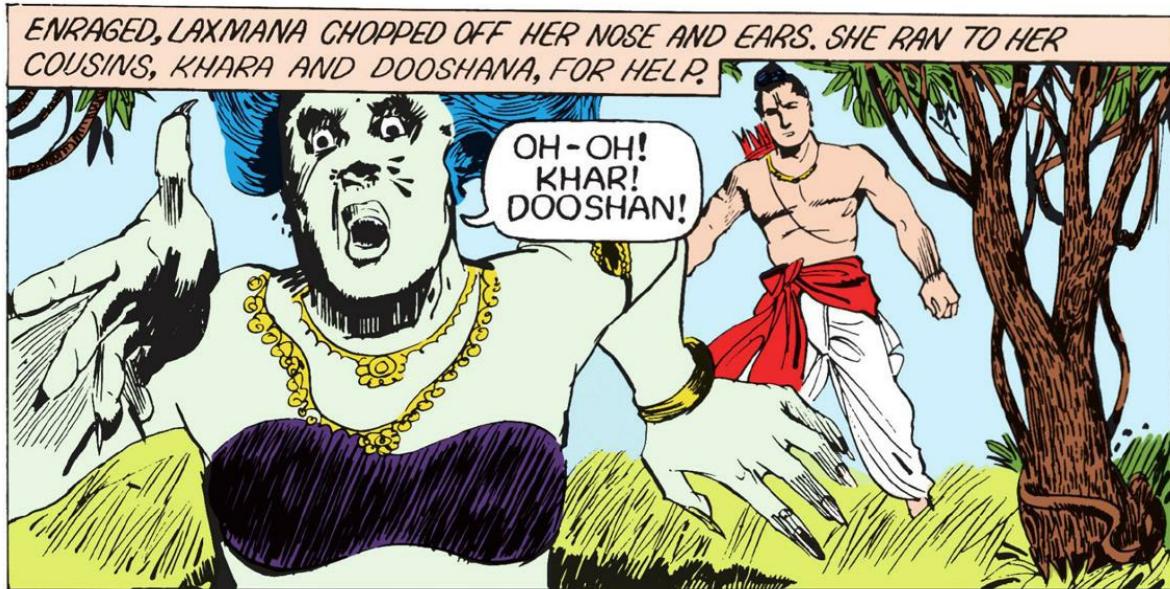
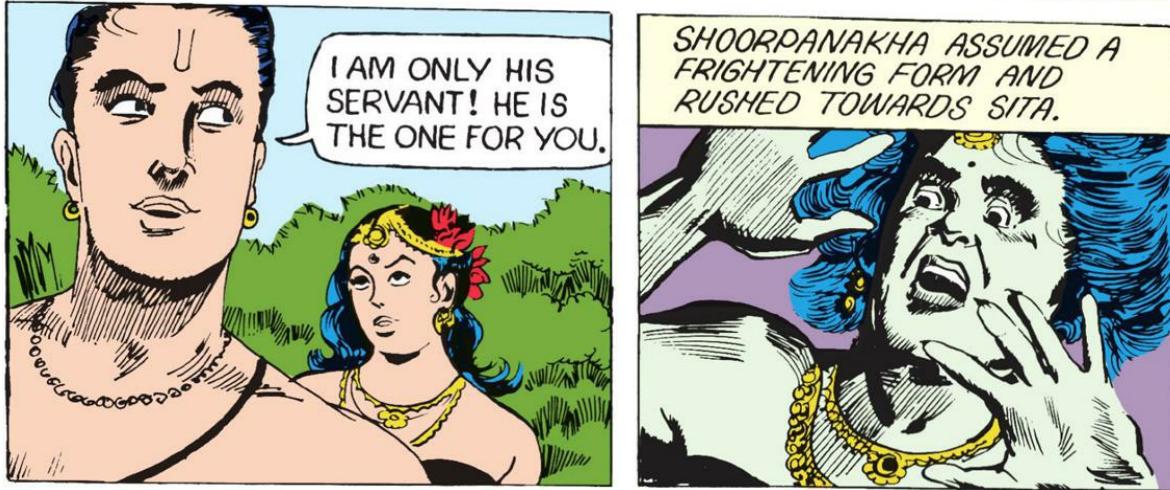
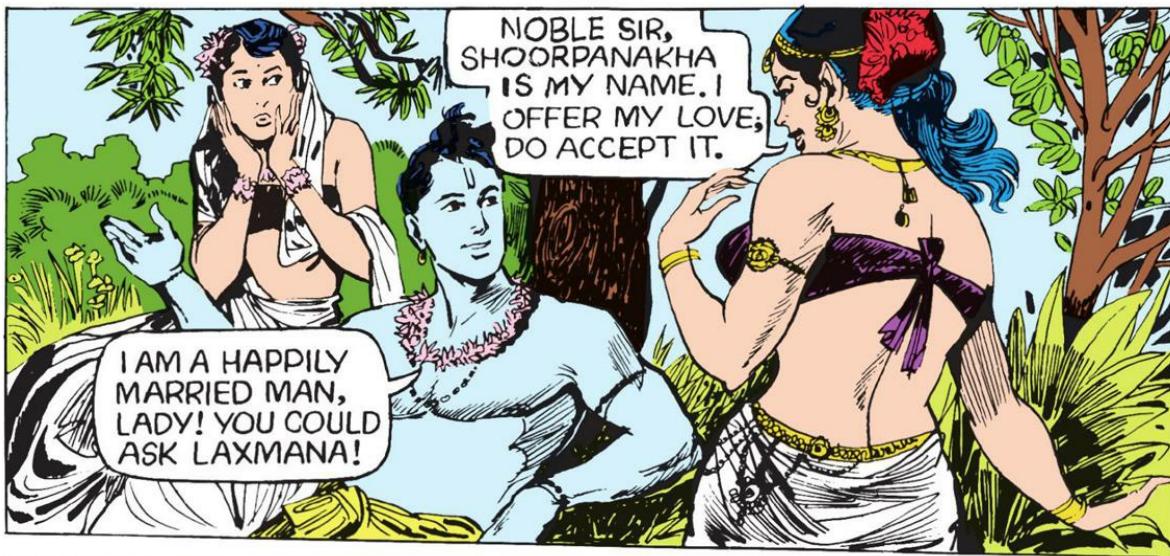
LET US BE GONE BEFORE THE PEOPLE WAKE UP AND INSIST ON GOING WITH US.

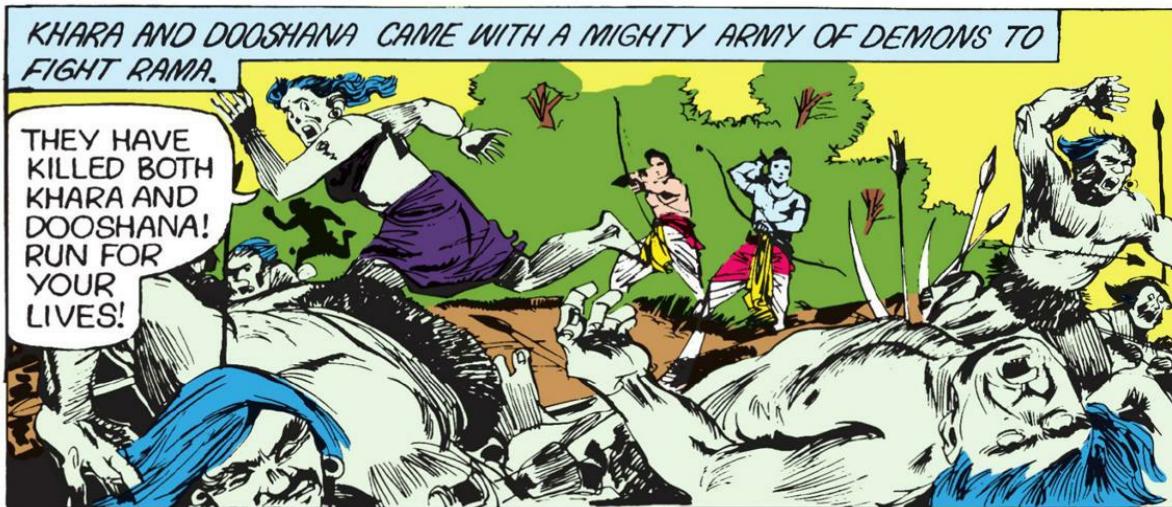


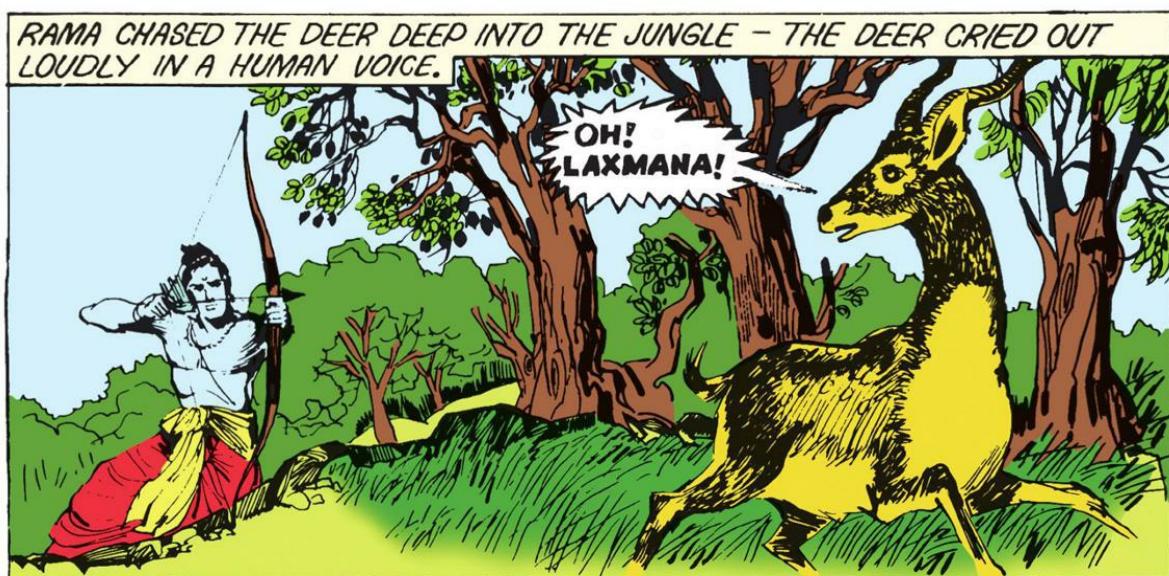
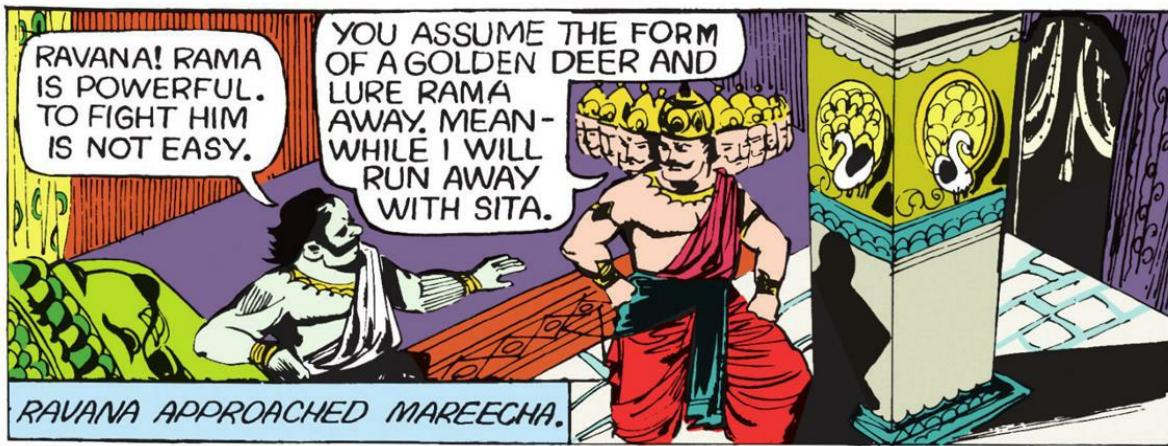


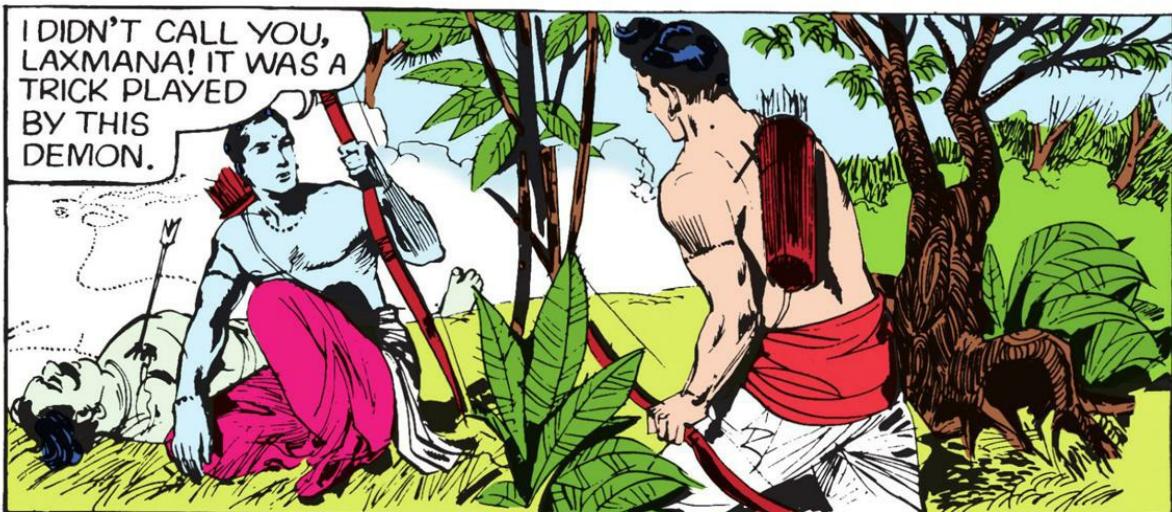


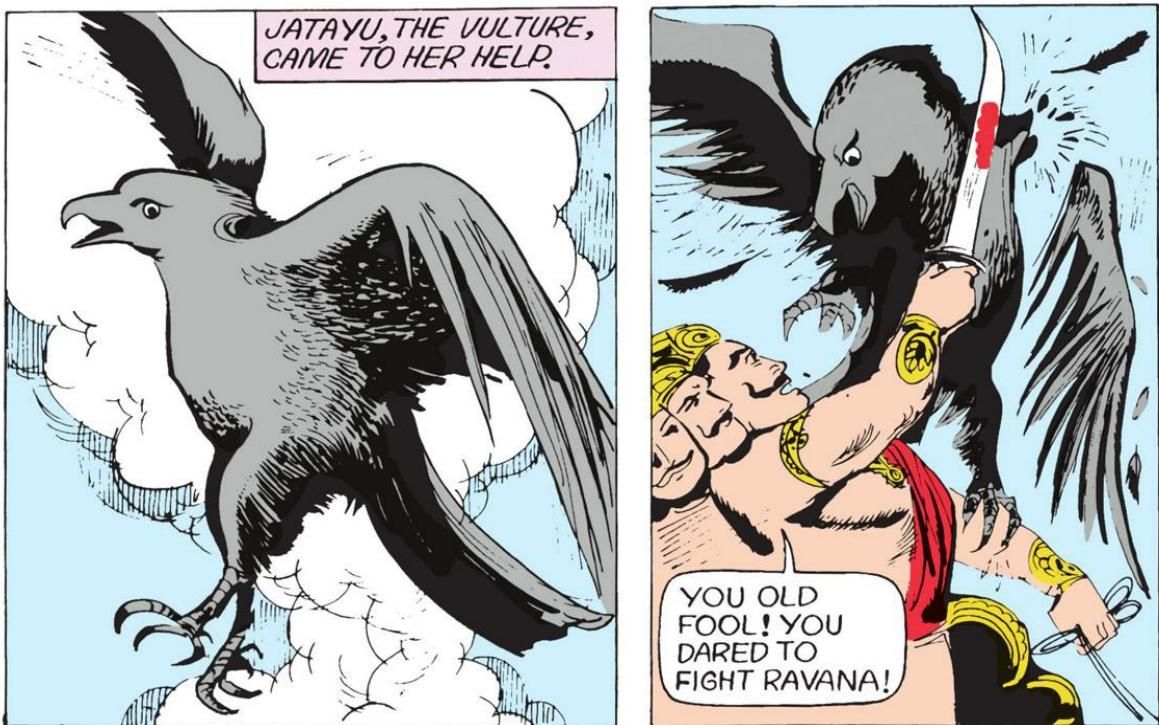
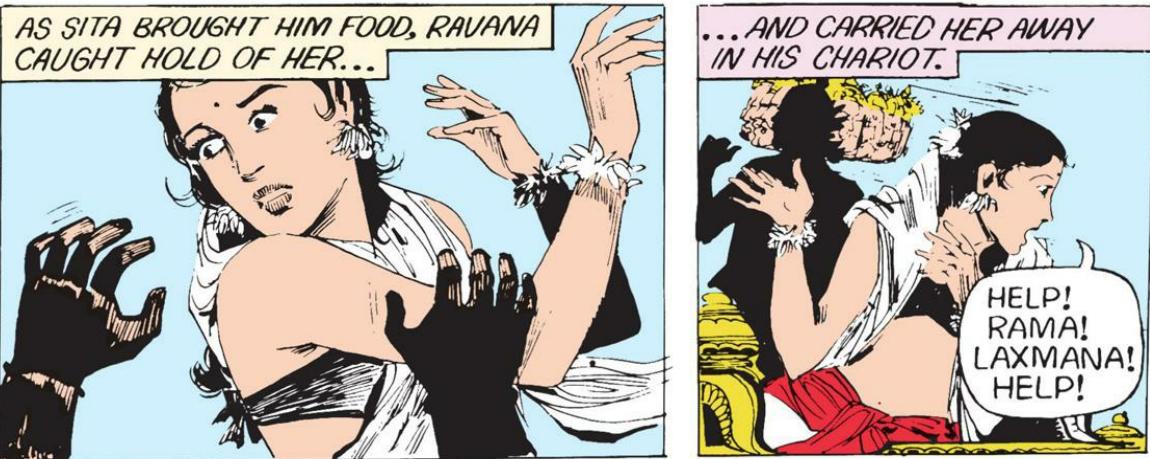












WHEN RAMA REACHED THE SPOT  
IN SEARCH OF SITA -

I FAILED TO RESCUE  
SITA. RAVANA HAS  
TAKEN HER TO  
THE SOUTH.



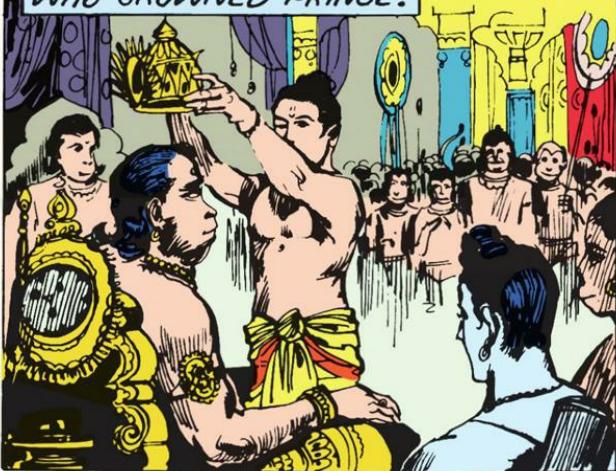
POOR JATAYU  
HE GAVE  
HIS LIFE FOR  
ME!



TRAVELLING FURTHER SOUTH, RAMA MET SUGREEVA, BROTHER OF THE  
MONKEY KING VALI AND HIS MINISTER HANUMAN.

I AM ALSO SAD, RAMA. I LIVE IN  
THE JUNGLE FOR FEAR OF VALI,  
MY BROTHER, WHO HAS KID-  
NAPPED MY WIFE. HELP ME  
TO OVERTHROW VALI AND  
I WILL HELP YOU.

RAMA KILLED VALI AND SET SUGREEVA  
ON THE THRONE. VALI'S SON, ANGADA.  
WAS CROWNED PRINCE.



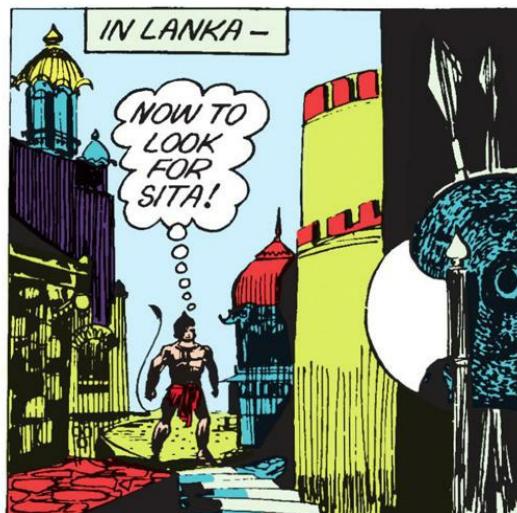
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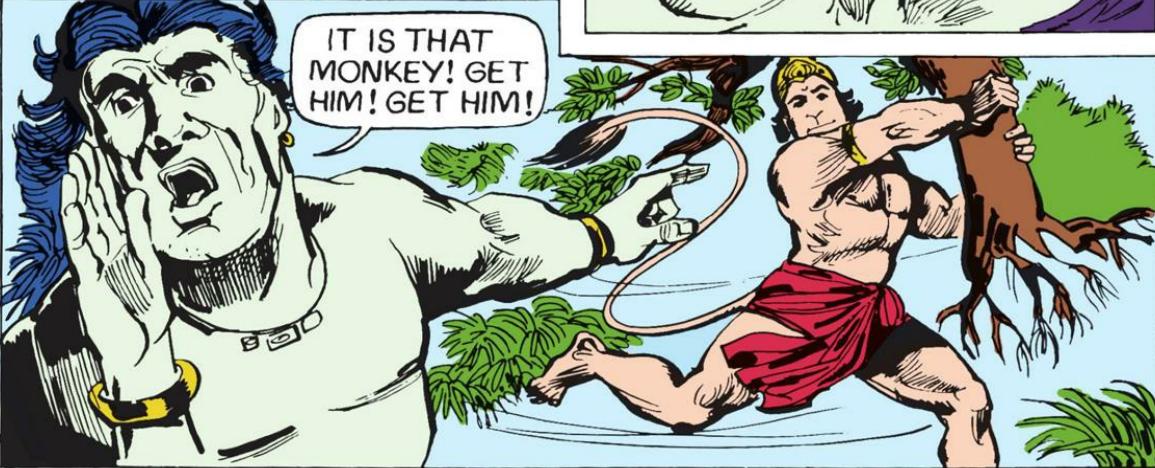
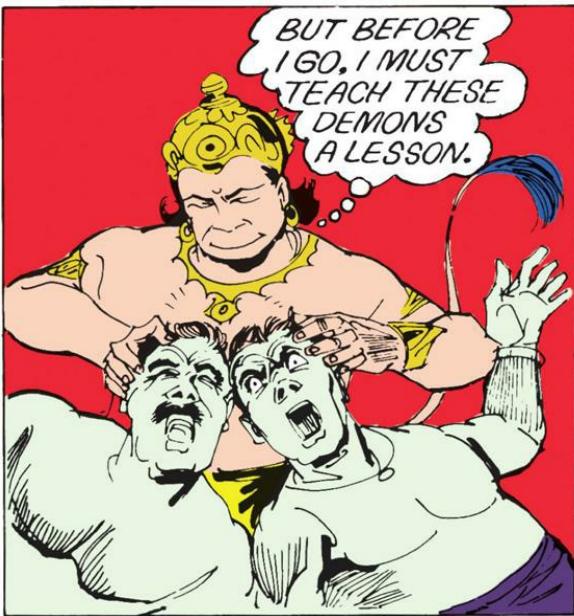
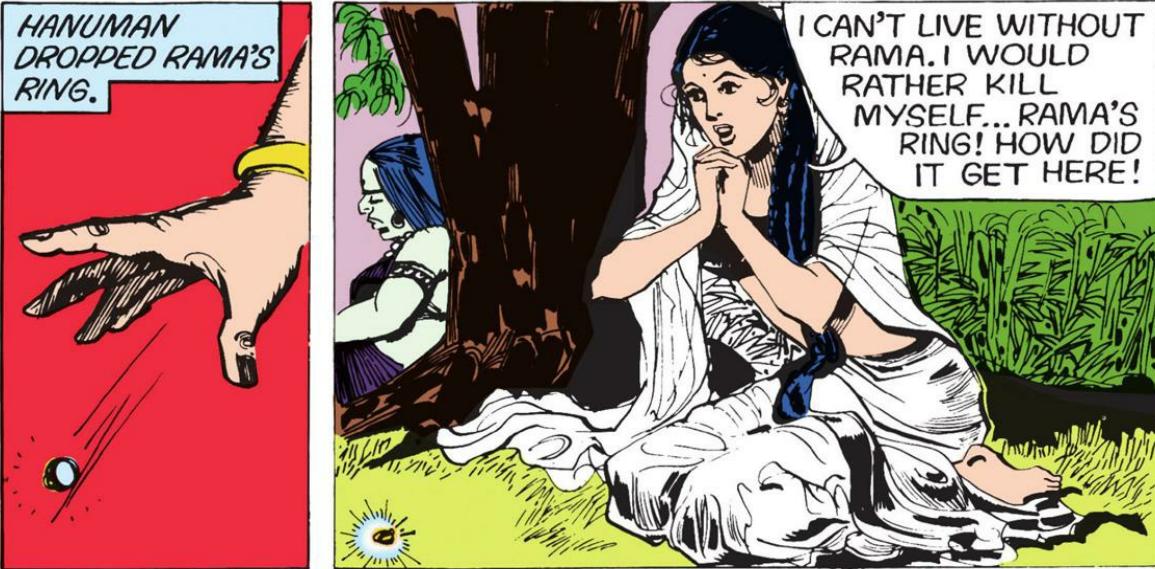
NOW  
HANUMAN!  
YOU MUST  
GO IN  
SEARCH OF  
SITA.

HERE,  
HANUMAN!  
TAKE THIS  
RING. IF YOU  
FIND SITA,  
SHE WILL  
RECOGNISE  
THIS.



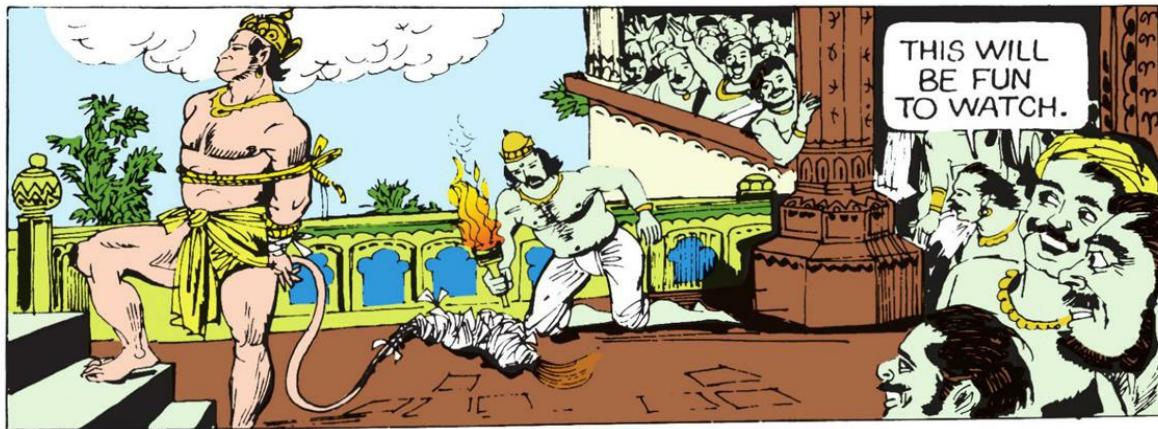
WANDERING FOR DAYS AND WEEKS, THE ARMY OF MONKEYS AND BEARS,  
LED BY PRINCE ANGADA, ATLAST REACHED THE SOUTHERN SEA COAST.



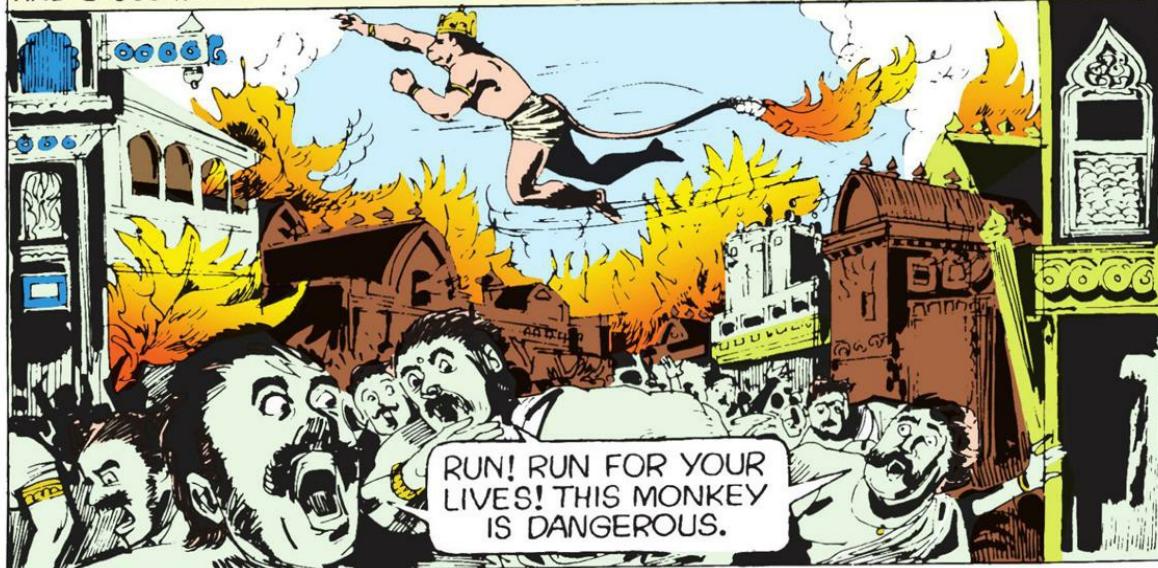


HANUMAN HAD KNOCKED DOWN THE DEMONS IN AND AROUND THE GARDEN. RAVANA SENT MORE MEN WITH HIS SON, AKSHAYA KUMAR.





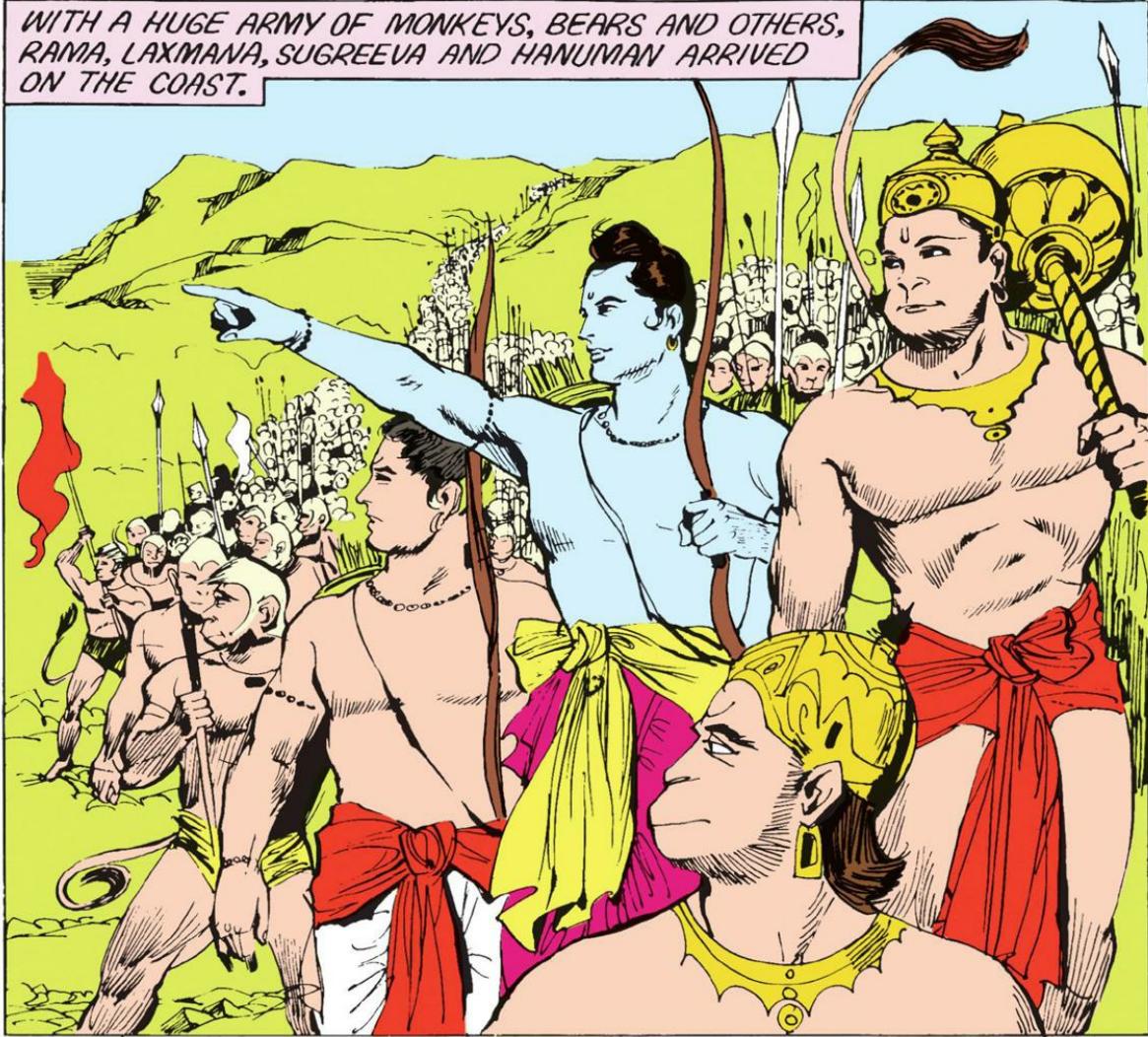
HANUMAN LOOSENERED THE ROPES THAT BOUND HIM. HIS TAIL GREW BIGGER AND BIGGER. WITH HIS LONG TAIL AFIRE, HE SET FIRE TO THE WHOLE OF LANKA.



HAVING BURNT LANKA, HANUMAN RETURNED TO RAMA'S CAMP.



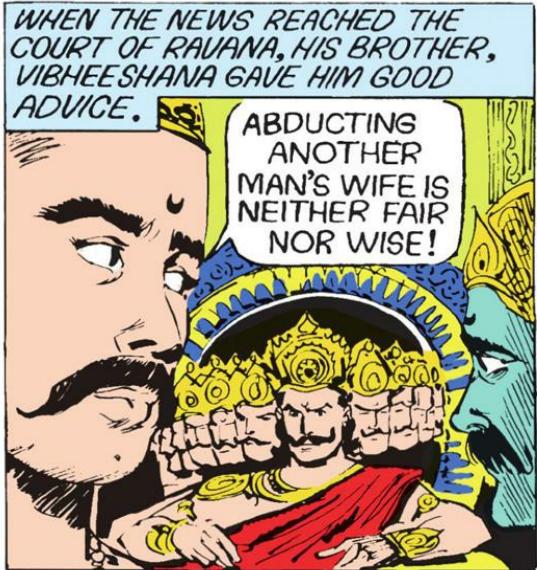
WITH A HUGE ARMY OF MONKEYS, BEARS AND OTHERS, RAMA, LAXMANA, SUGREEVA AND HANUMAN ARRIVED ON THE COAST.



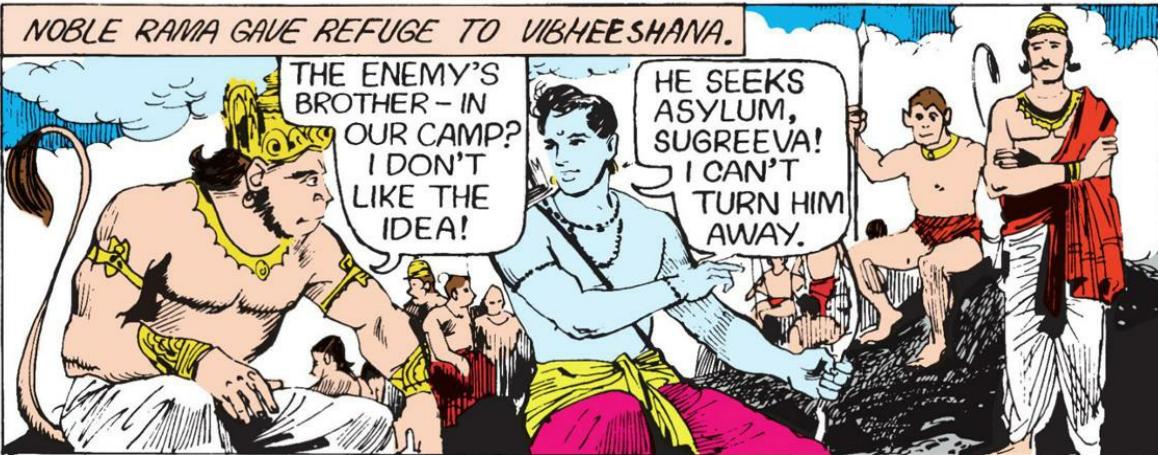
WHEN THE NEWS REACHED THE COURT OF RAVANA, HIS BROTHER, VIBHEESHANA GAVE HIM GOOD ADVICE.

ABDUCING ANOTHER MAN'S WIFE IS NEITHER FAIR NOR WISE!

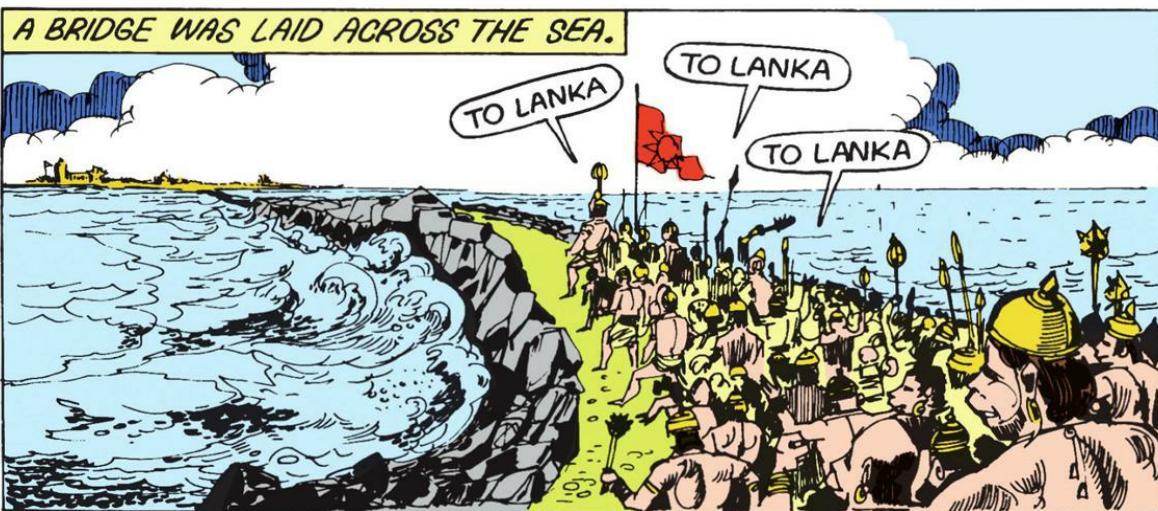
GET OUT OF HERE,  
VIBHEESHANA. GO,  
TEACH YOUR  
WISDOM TO  
THOSE BEGGARS!



NOBLE RAMA GAVE REFUGE TO VIBHEESHANA.



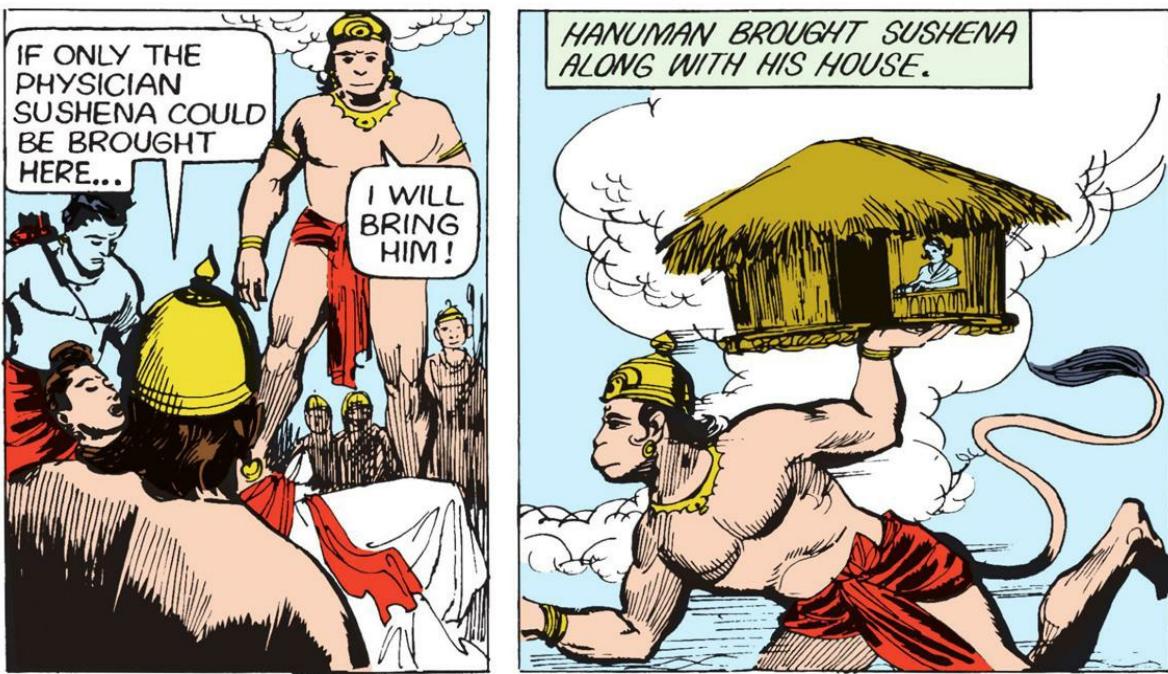
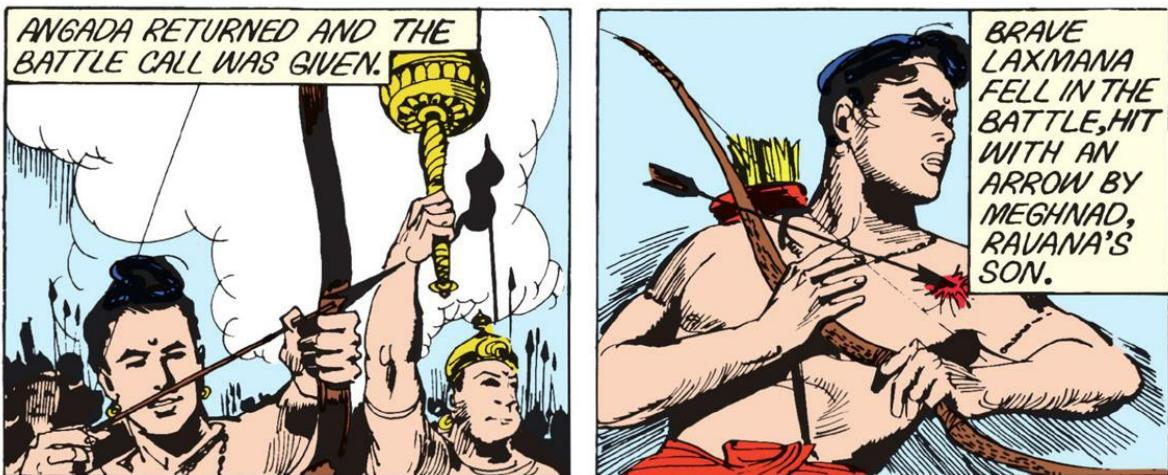
A BRIDGE WAS LAID ACROSS THE SEA.

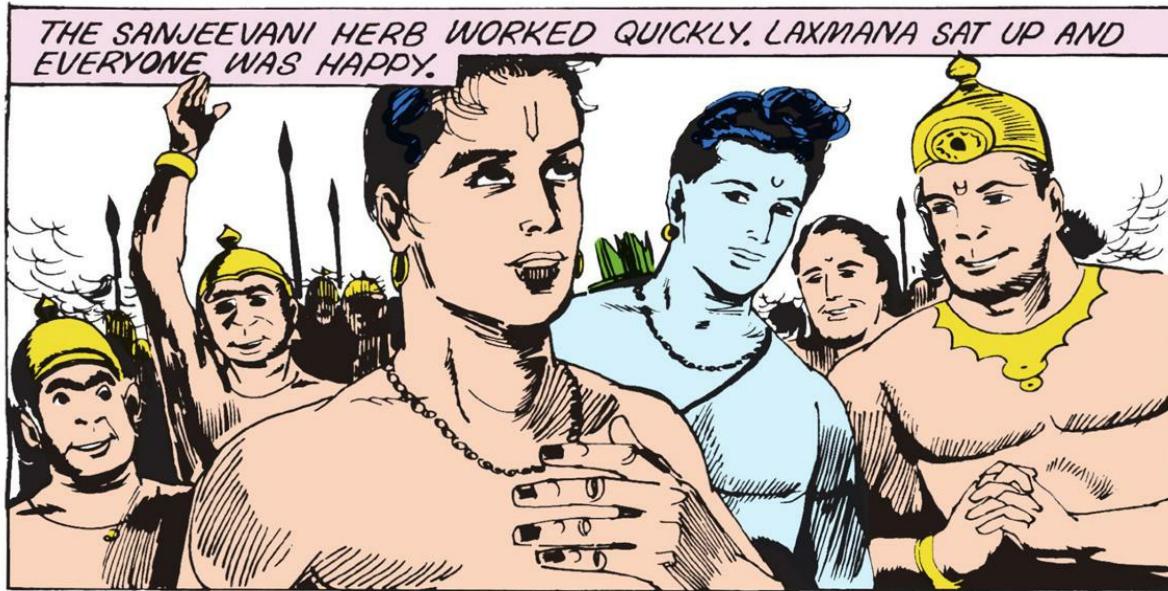
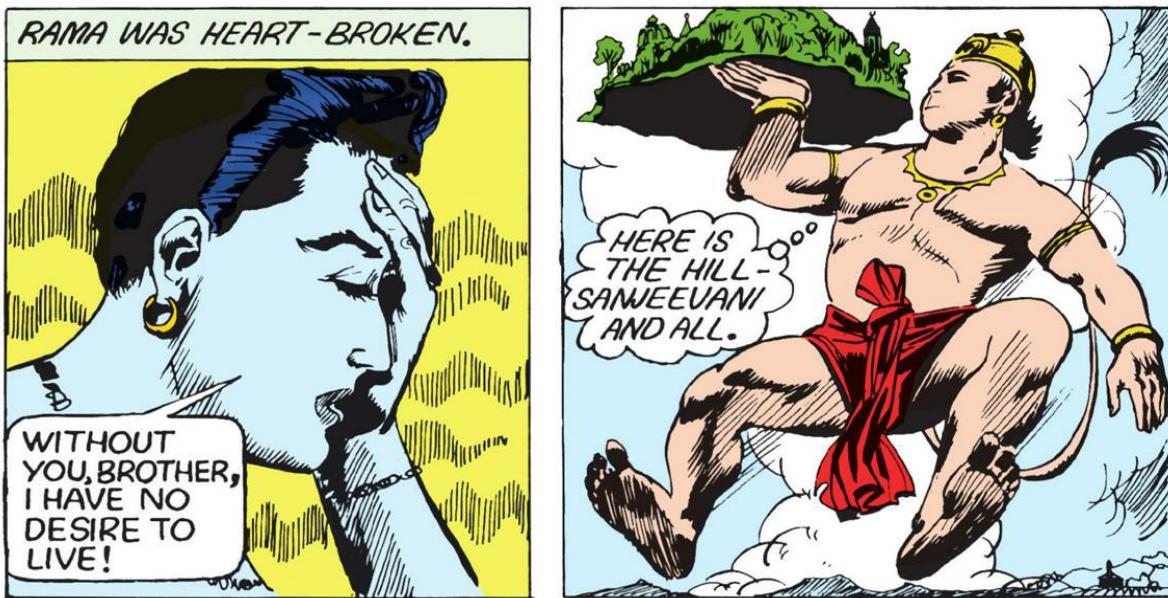


THE ARMIES WERE READY FOR THE BATTLE.

ANGADA, BEFORE WE GIVE  
THE CALL FOR BATTLE,  
PLEASE GO TO RAVANA'S  
COURT WITH A MESSAGE.







BUT NOW RAVANA'S BROTHER KUMBHAKARNA STARTED PLAYING HAVOC ON THE MONKEY ARMY.



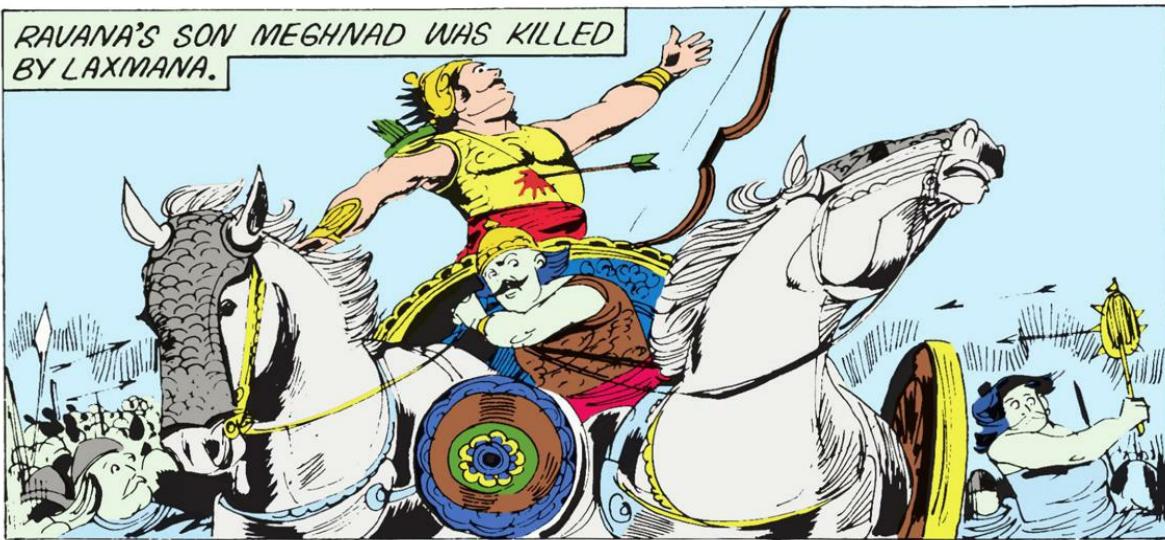
HOWEVER, RAMA WAS MORE THAN A MATCH FOR HIM.



AND SOON KUMBHAKARNA FELL.



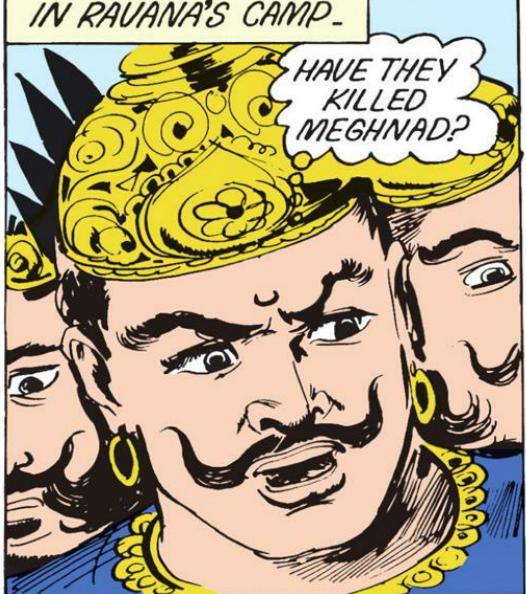
RAVANA'S SON MEGHNAD WAS KILLED BY LAXMANA.



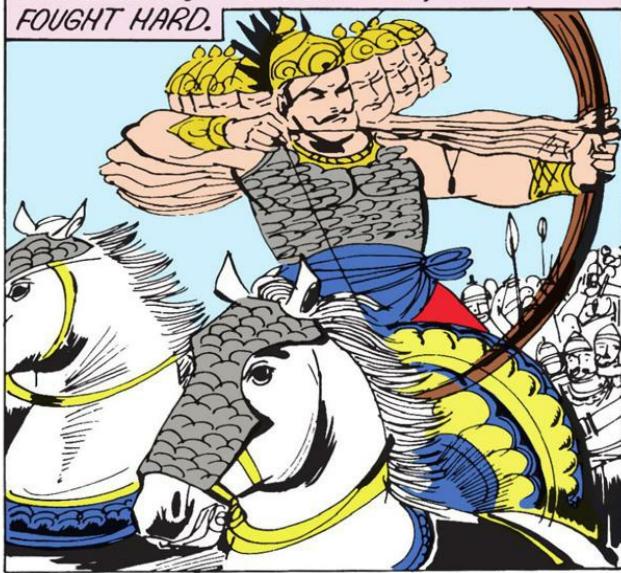
THE DEMONS WERE NOW ON THE RUN.



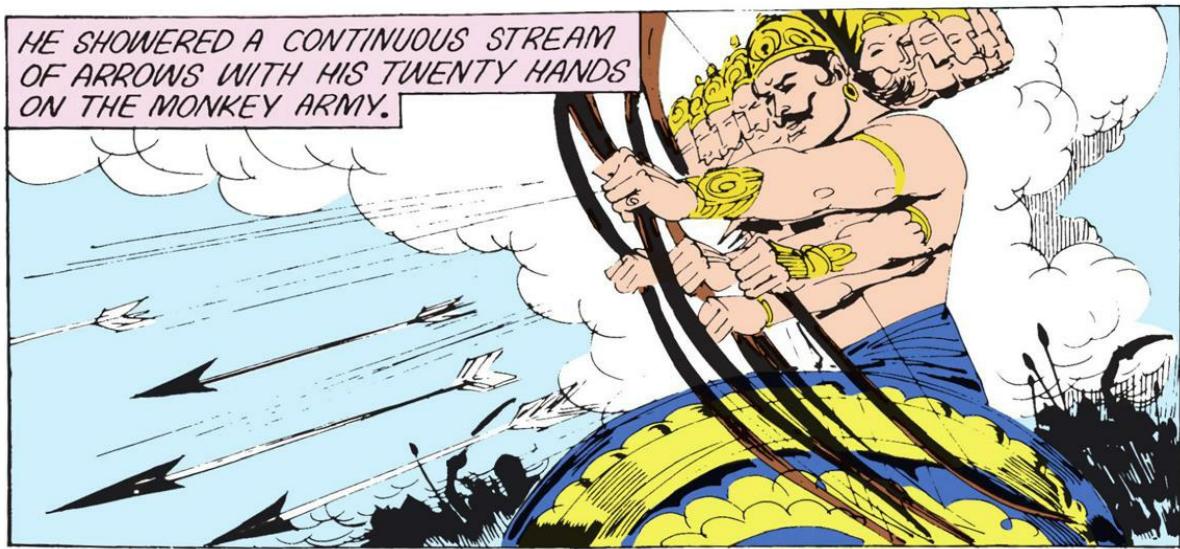
IN RAVANA'S CAMP -

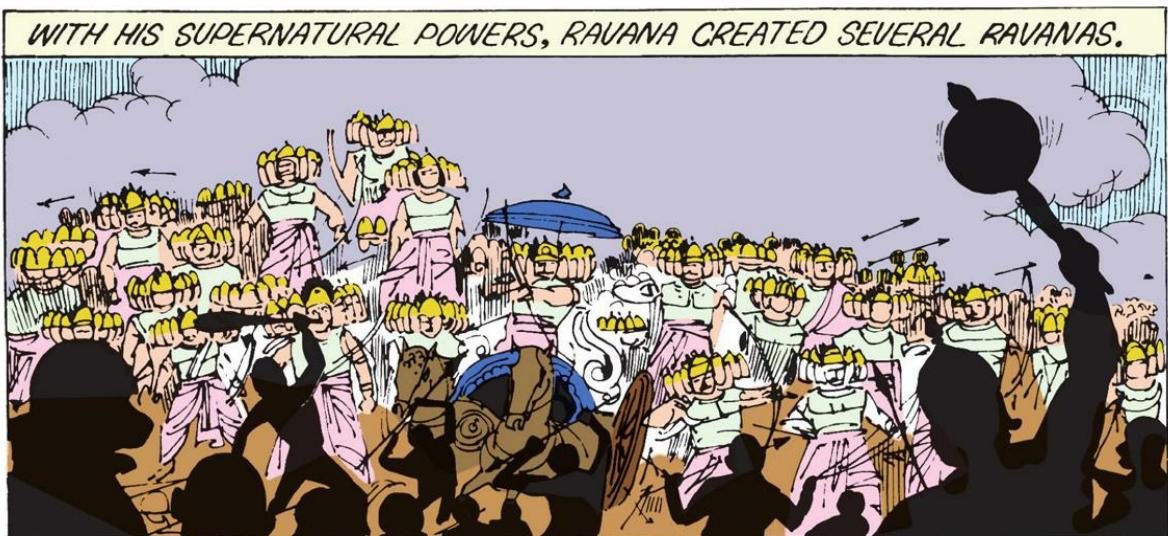
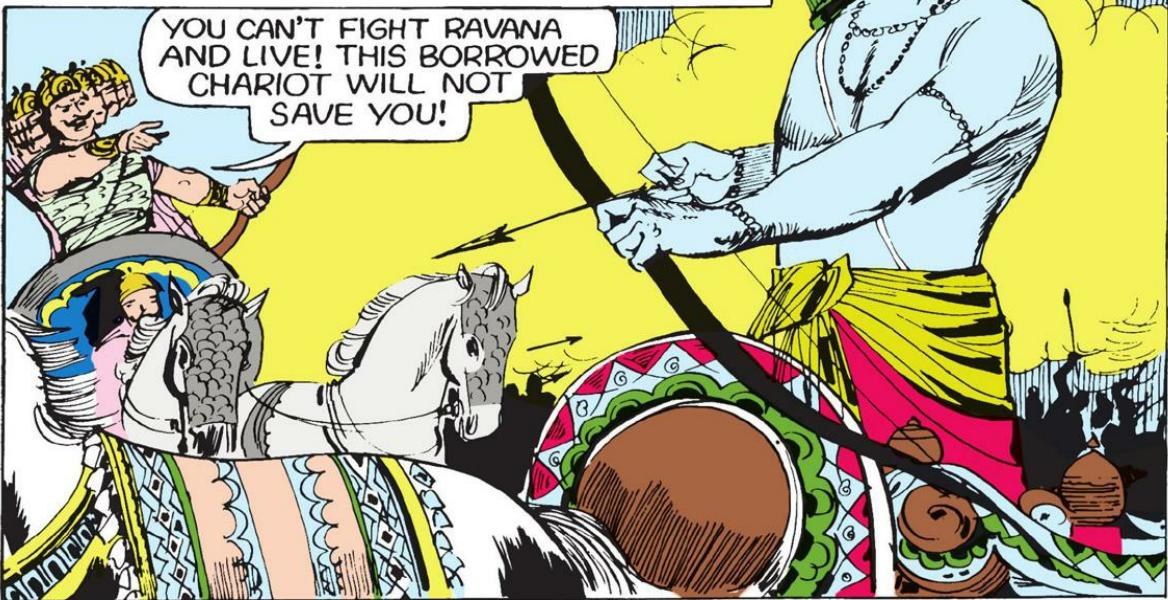
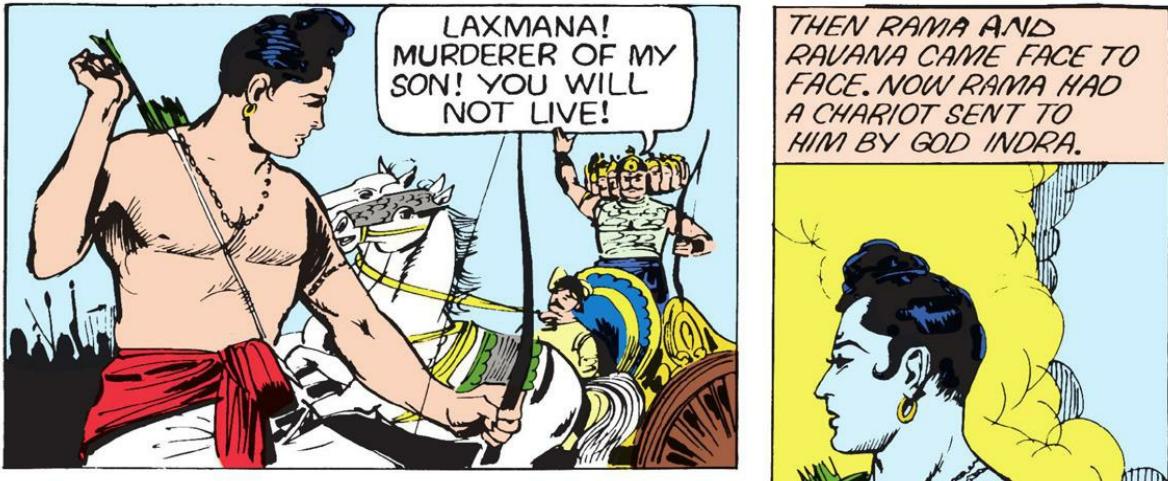


DETERMINED TO KILL RAMA, RAVANA FOUGHT HARD.



HE SHOWERED A CONTINUOUS STREAM OF ARROWS WITH HIS TWENTY HANDS ON THE MONKEY ARMY.

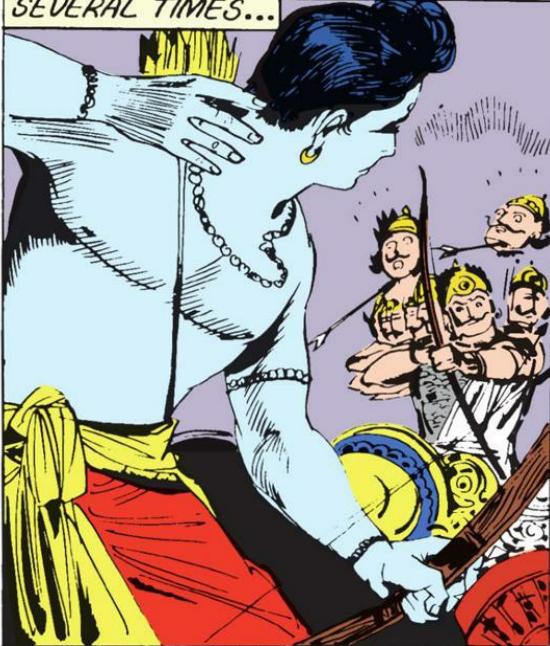




THERE WAS PANIC IN THE MONKEY ARMY. ONLY HANUMAN FOUGHT ON BRAVELY.

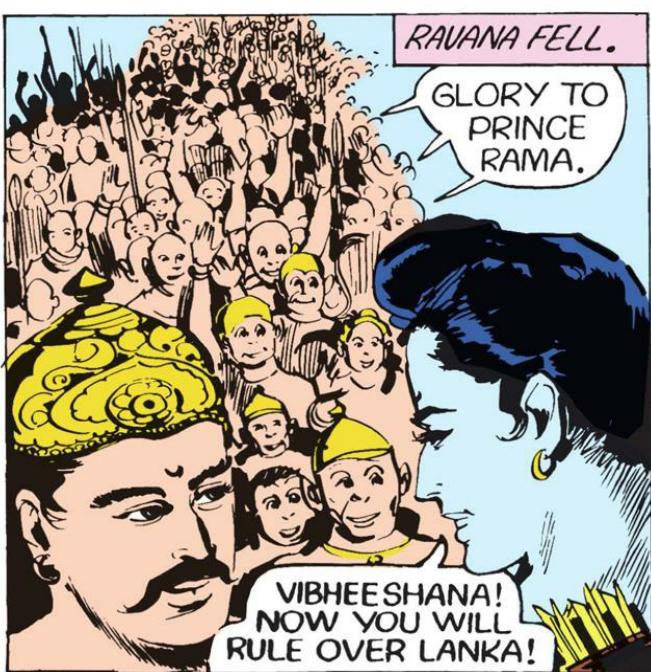
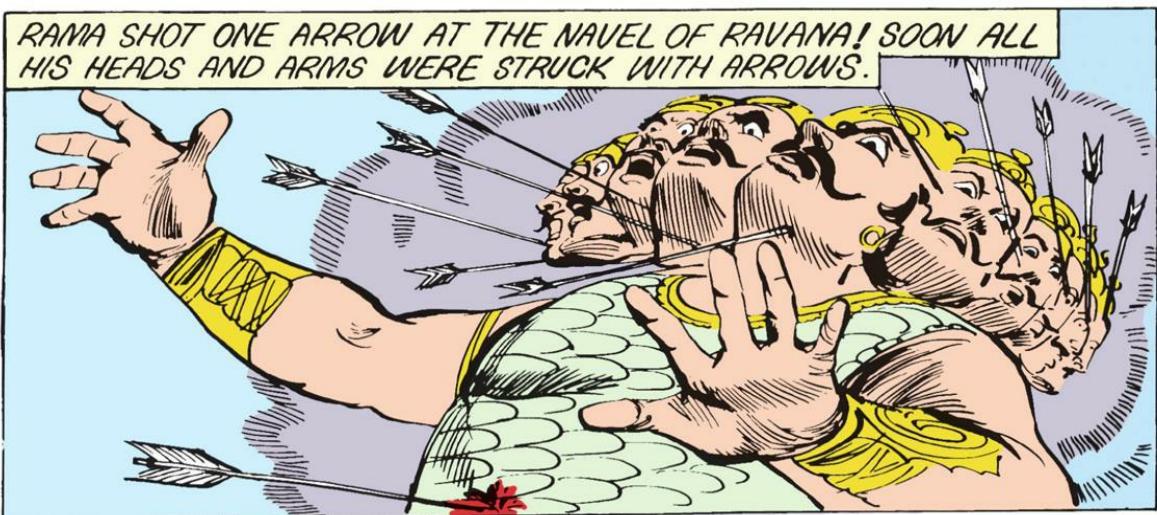
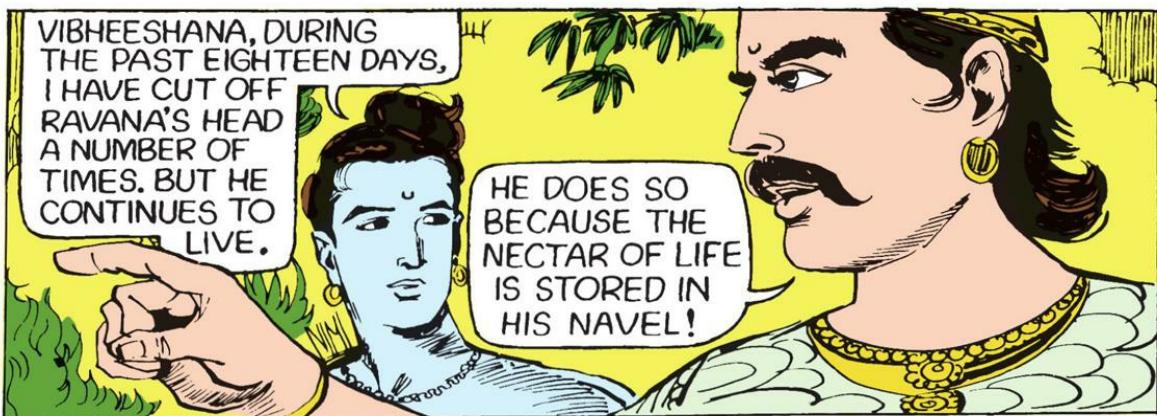


RAVANA SEEMED UNCONQUERABLE. THOUGH RAMA CUT OFF HIS HEAD SEVERAL TIMES...

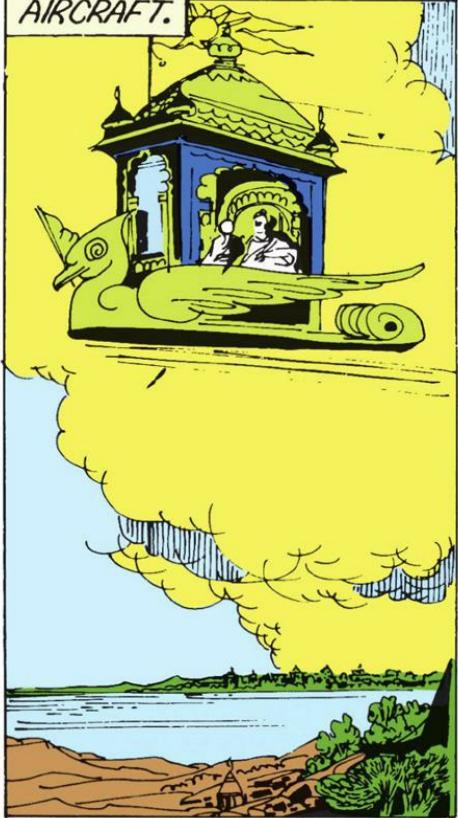


...ANOTHER TOOK ITS PLACE AS SOON AS ONE HEAD ROLLED OFF.





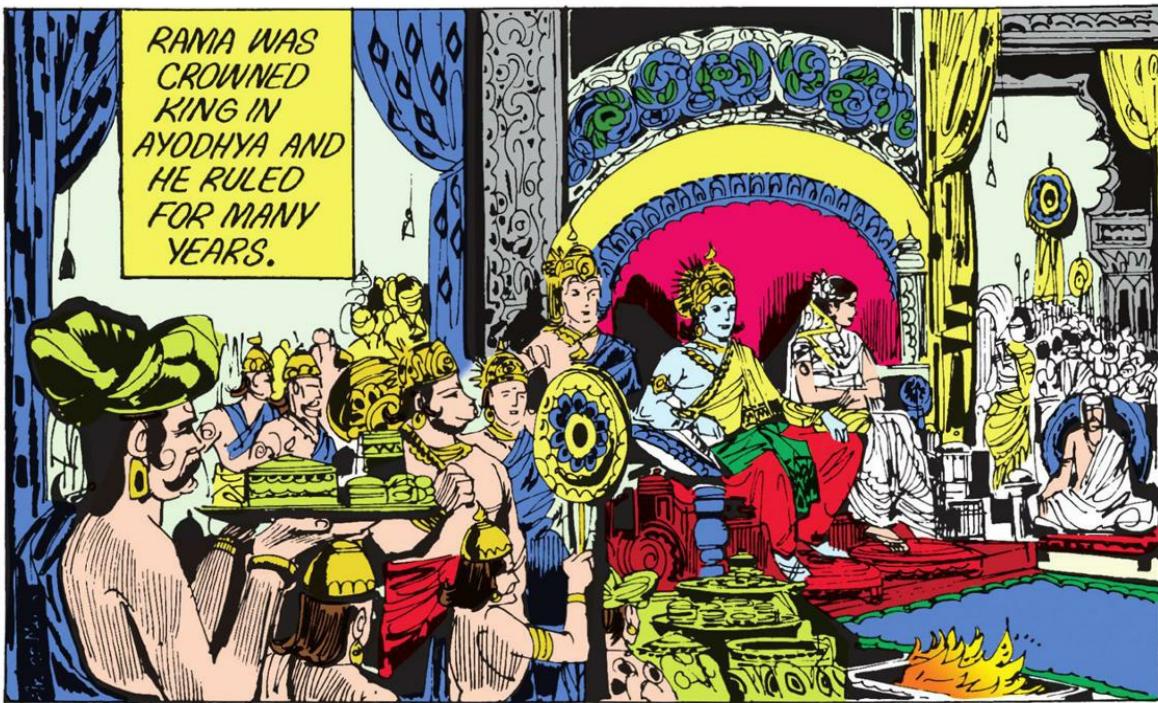
AFTER CROWNING VIBHEE-SHANA, RAMA LEFT FOR AYODHYA IN THE PUSHPAK AIRCRAFT.



SITA, MY DEAR, YOUR DAYS OF UNHAPPINESS ARE NOW OVER!



RAMA WAS CROWNED KING IN AYODHYA AND HE RULED FOR MANY YEARS.



## WHICH OF THE ACKS HAVE YOU STILL NOT READ?

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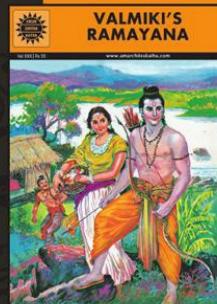
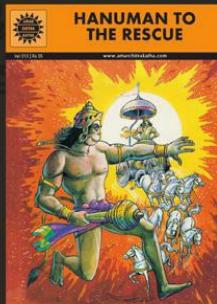
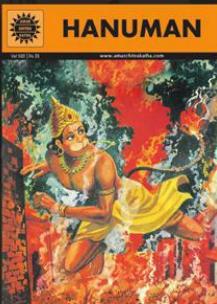
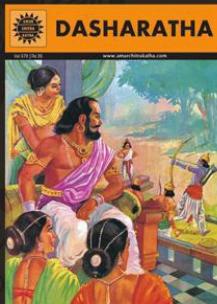
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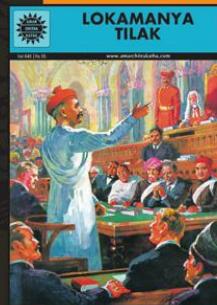
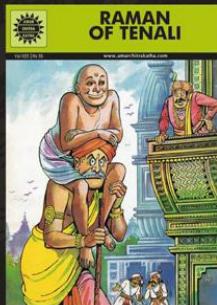
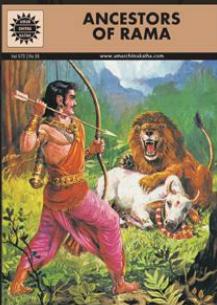
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