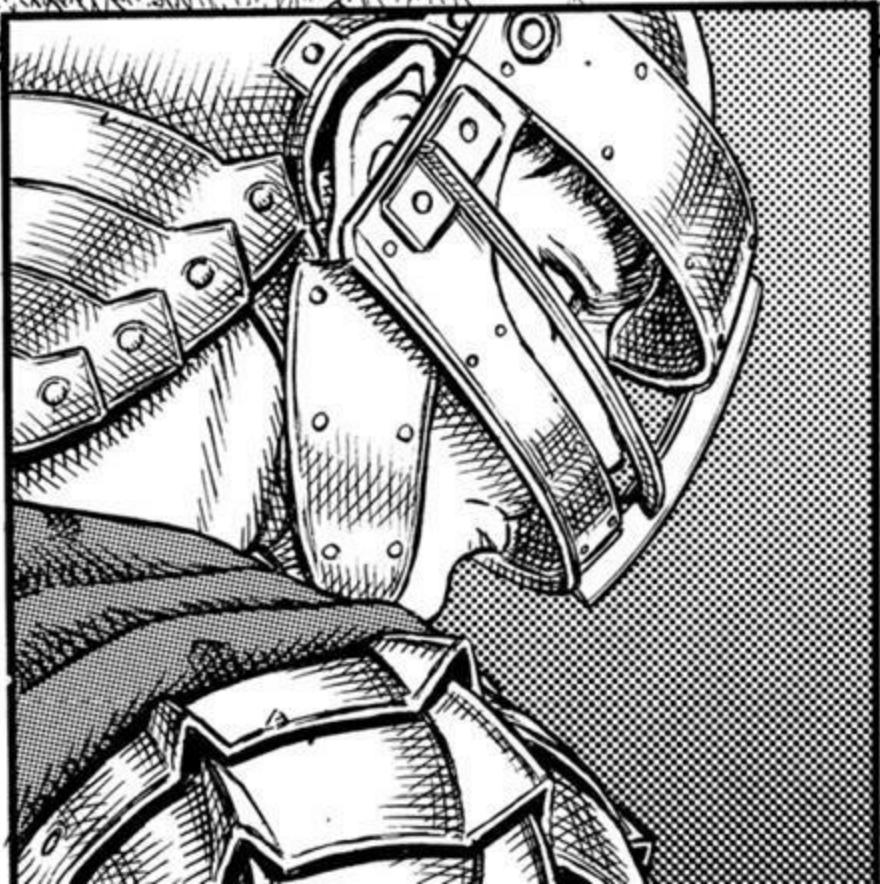
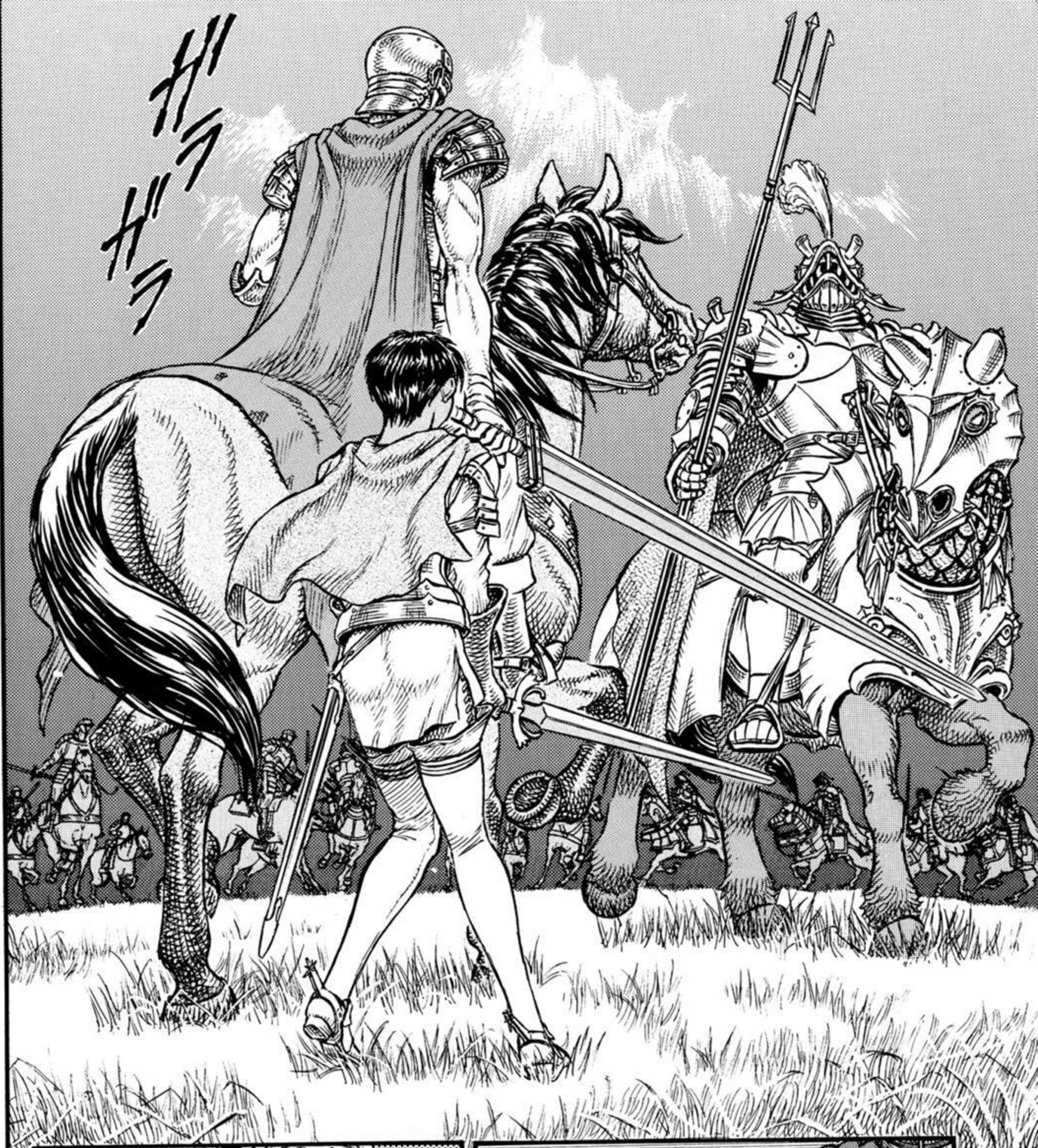
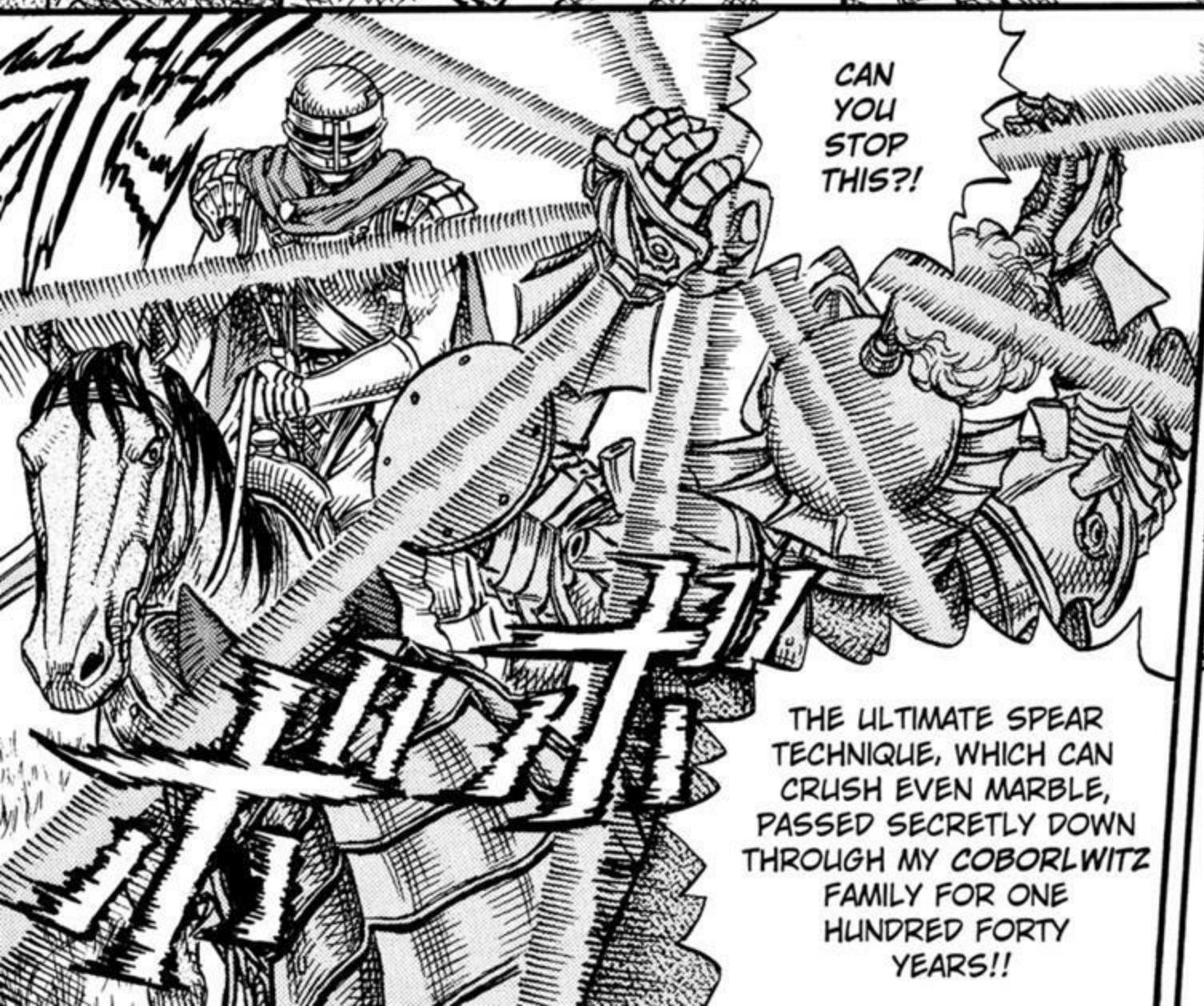


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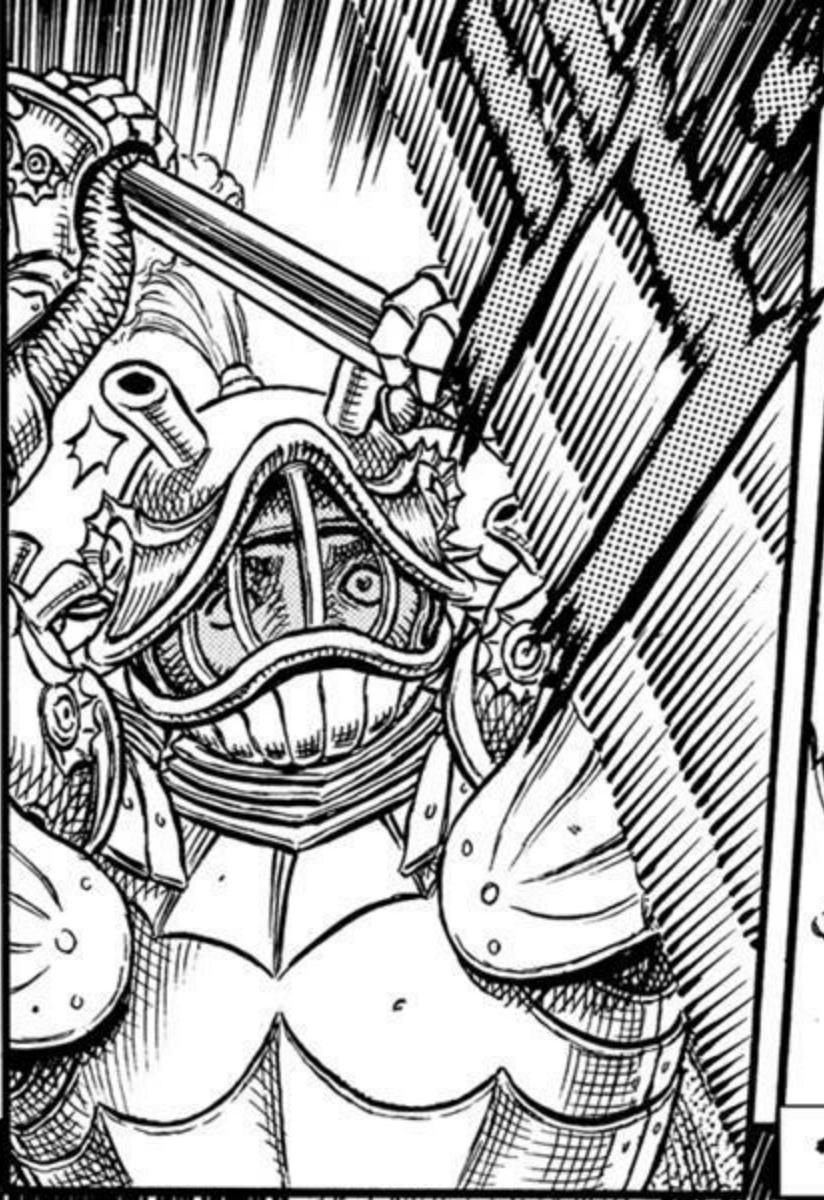
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THE ULTIMATE SPEAR  
TECHNIQUE, WHICH CAN  
CRUSH EVEN MARBLE,  
PASSED SECRETLY DOWN  
THROUGH MY COBORLWITZ  
FAMILY FOR ONE  
HUNDRED FORTY  
YEARS!!

BUT  
LIGHTNING  
DOESN'T  
STRIKE  
TWICE!!



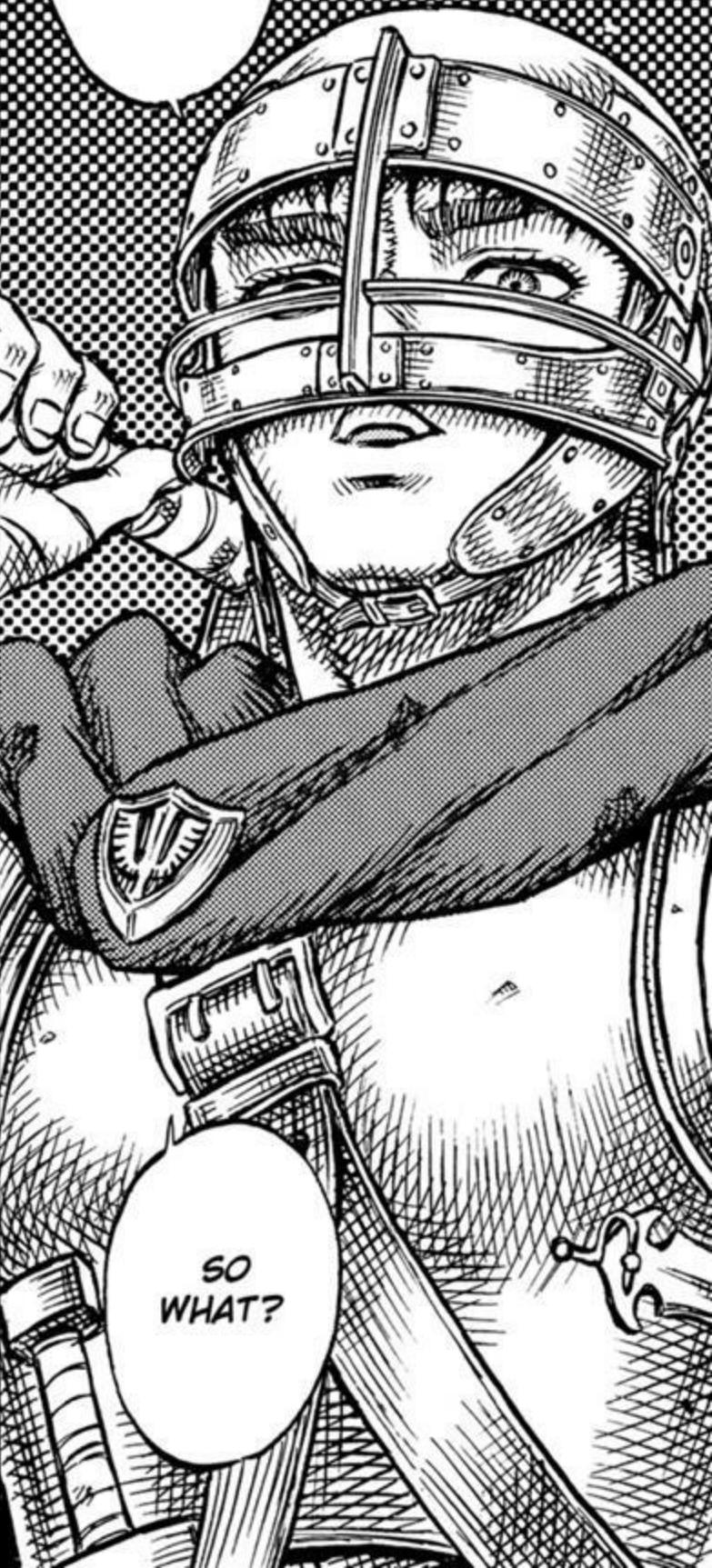
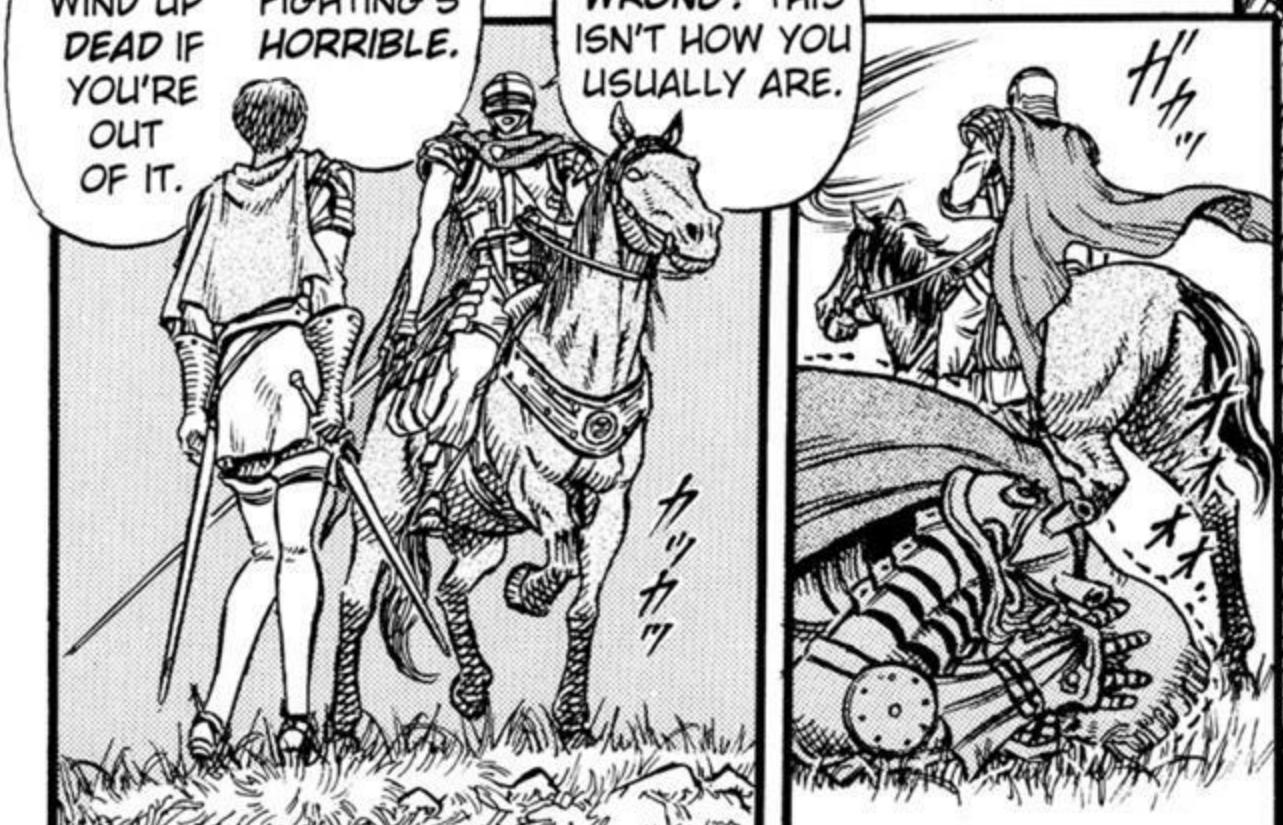
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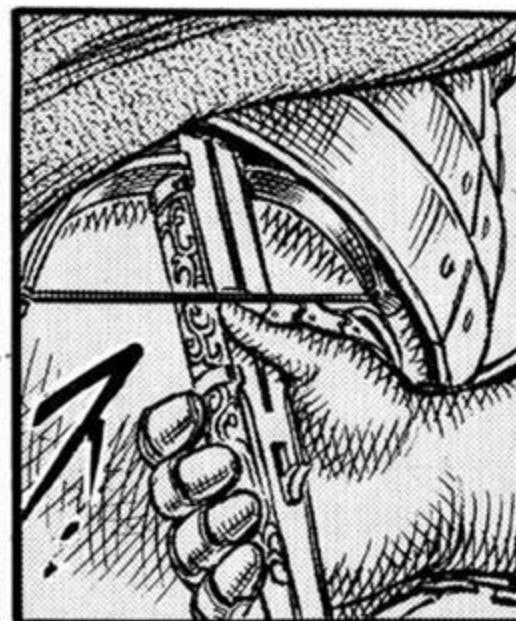
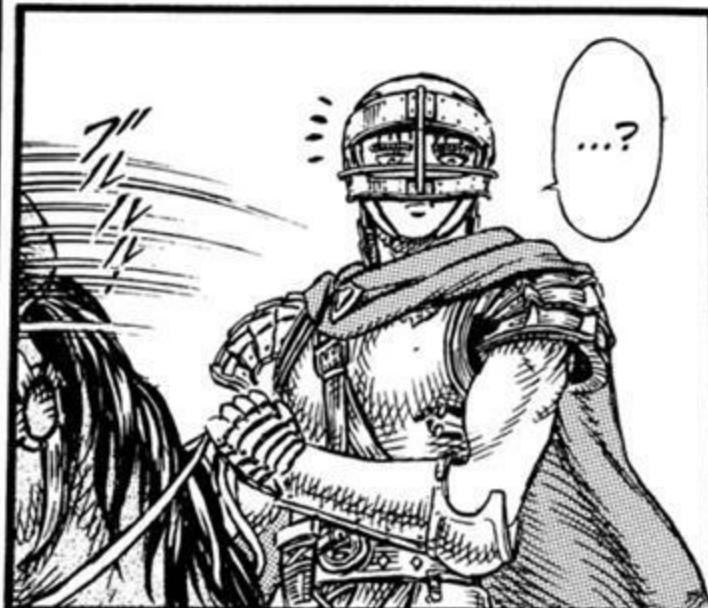
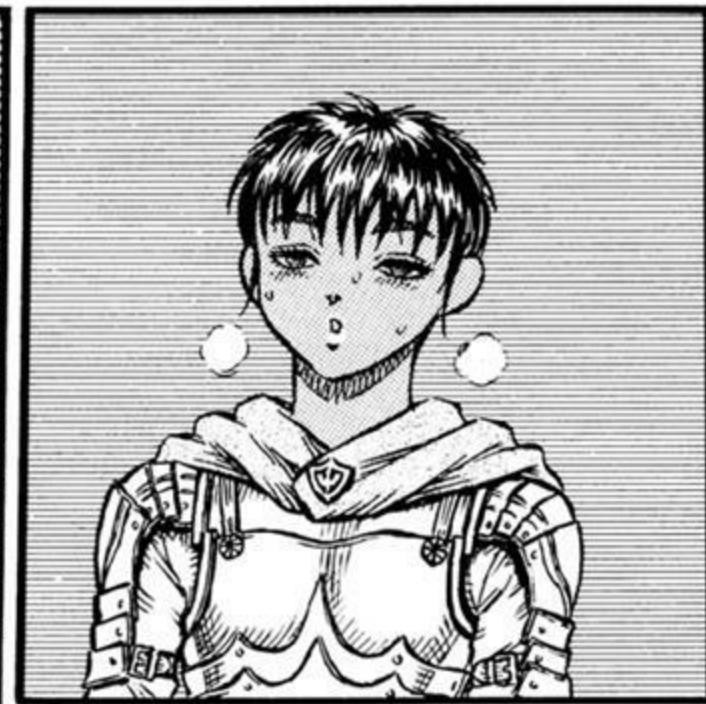
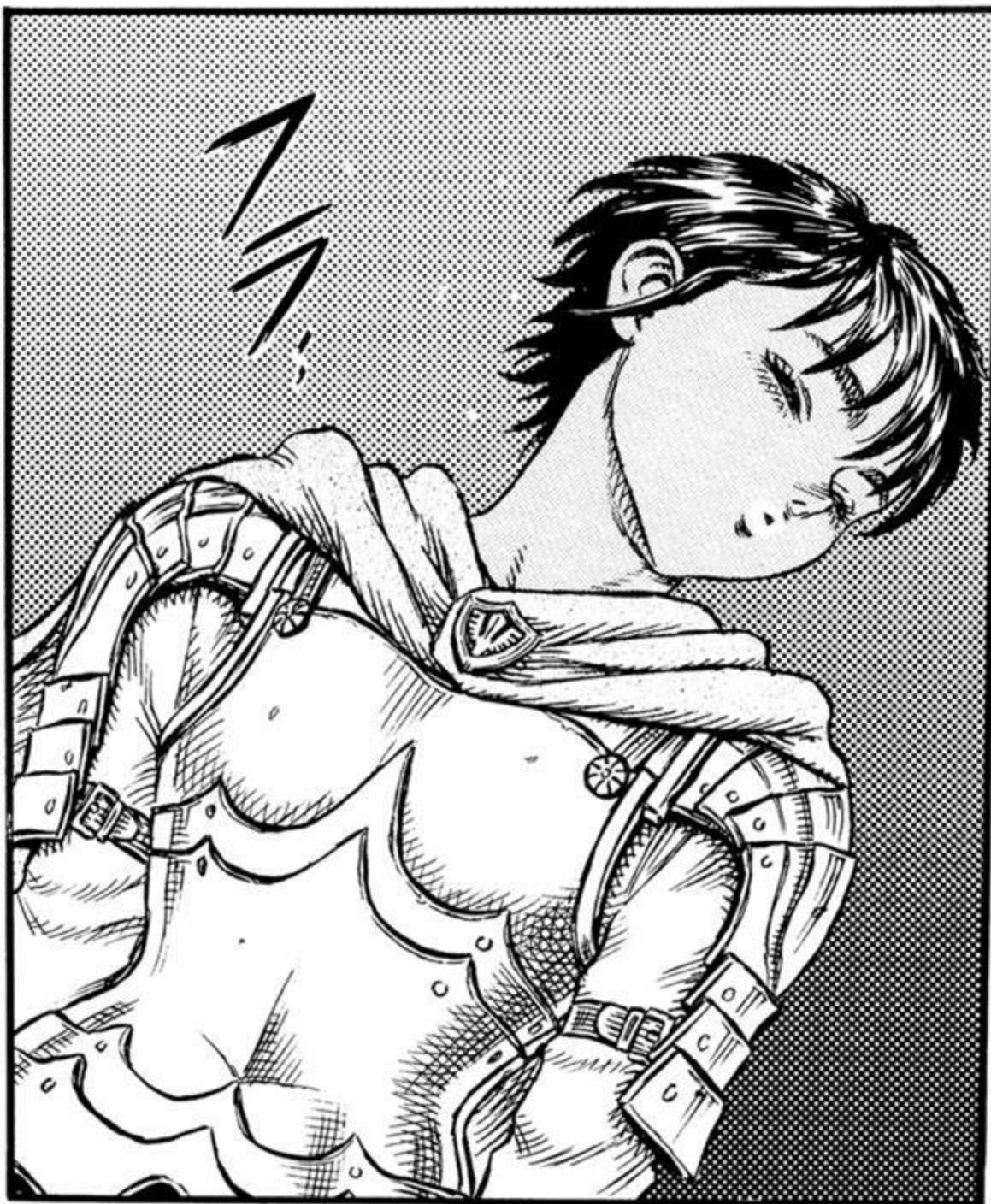


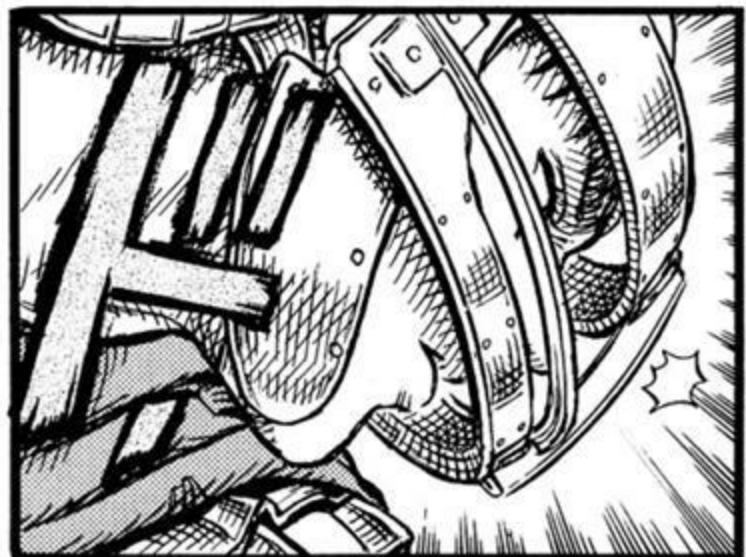
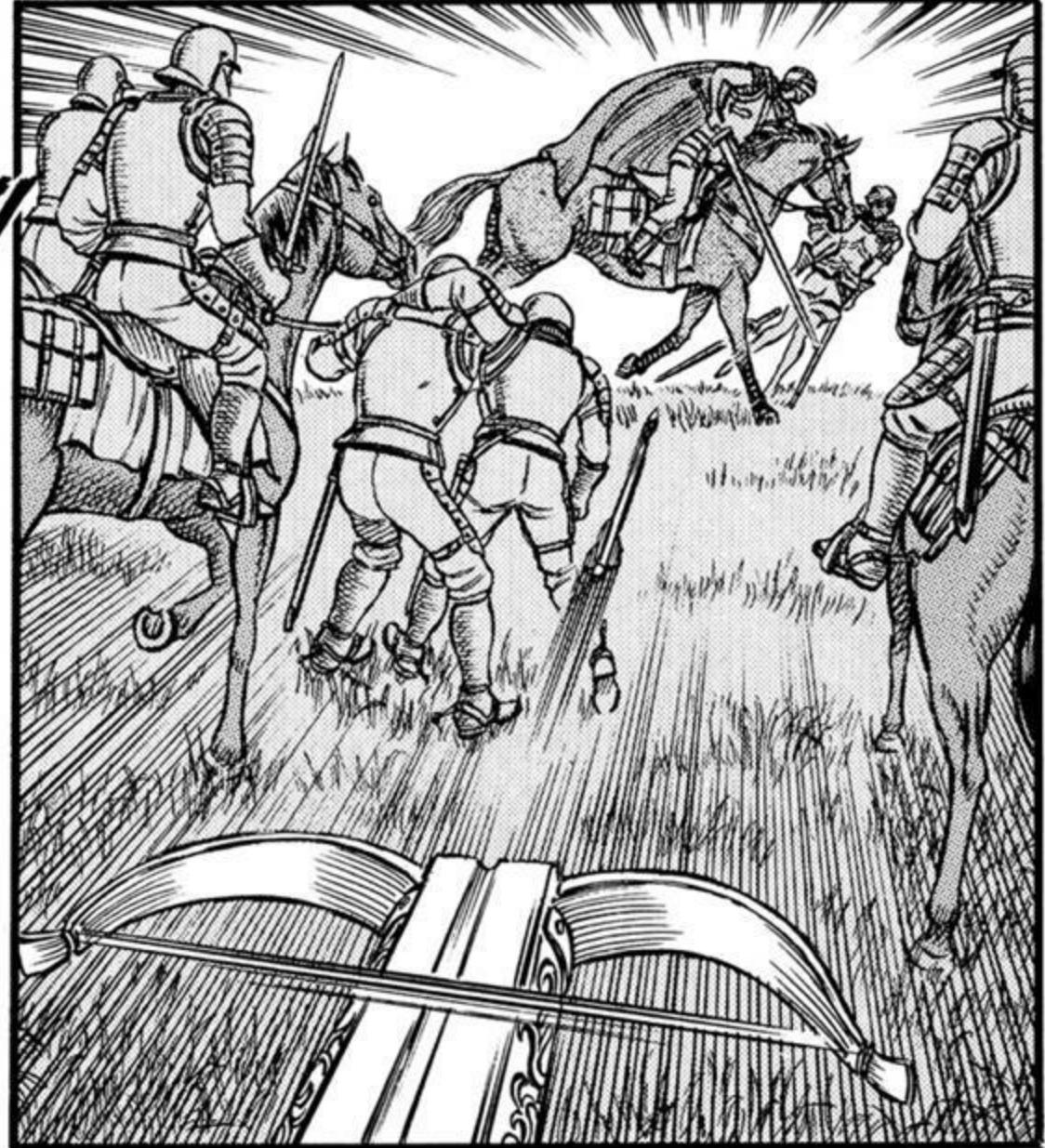
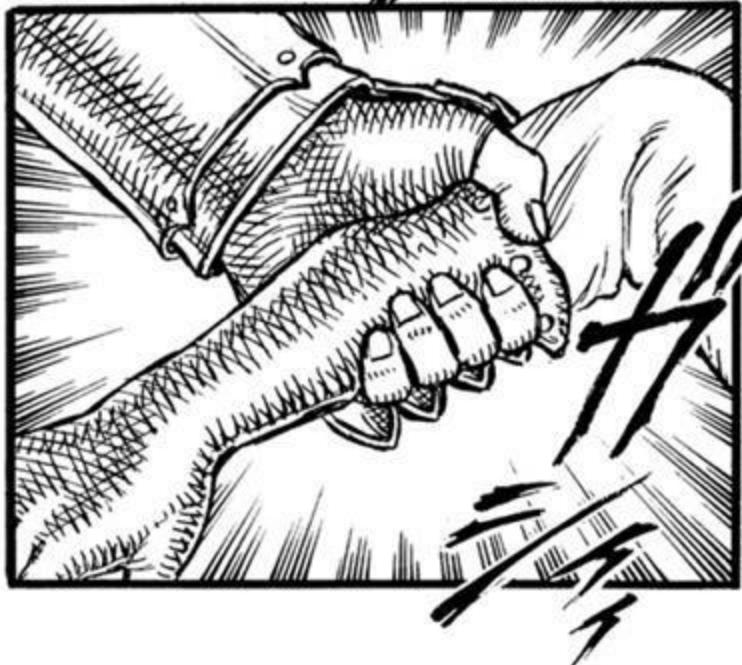
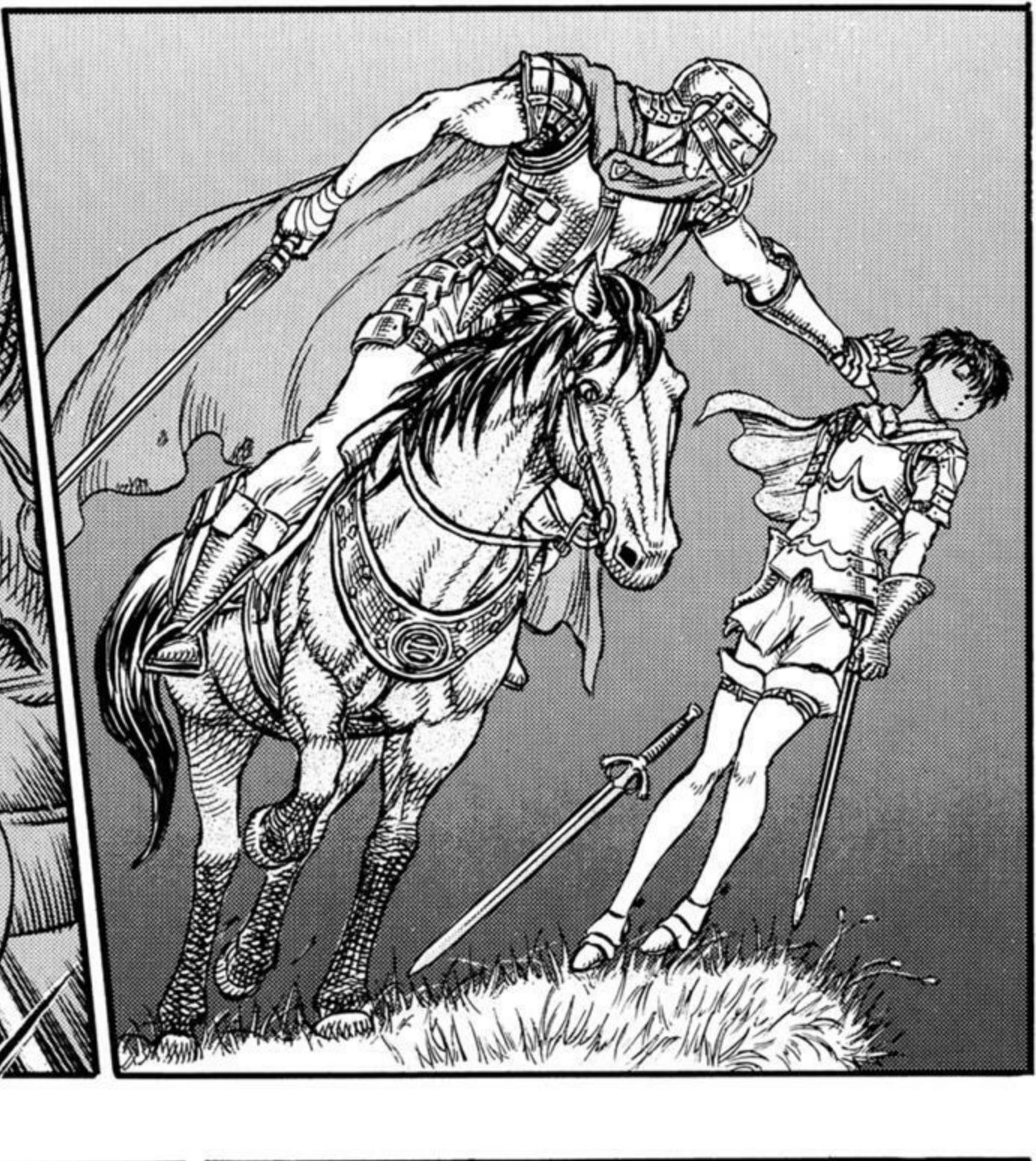
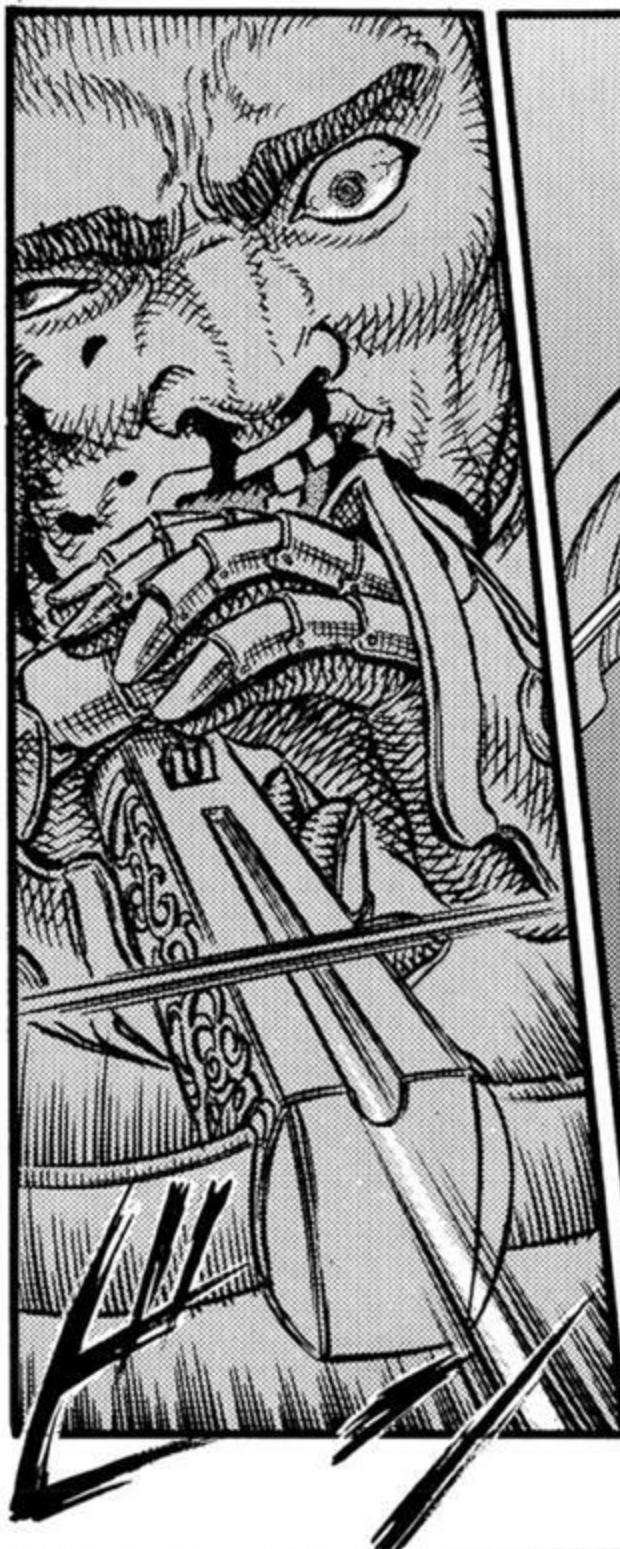
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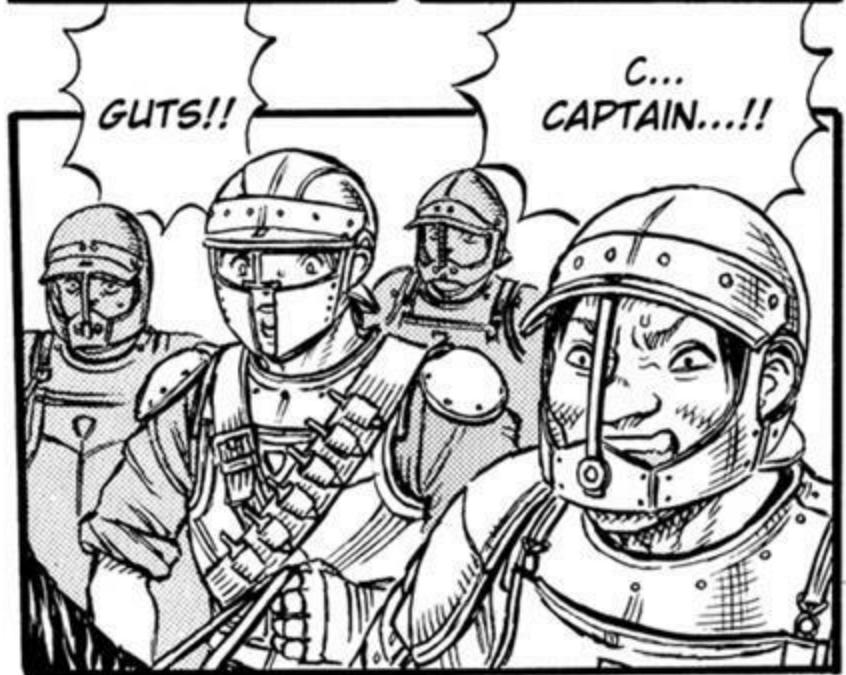
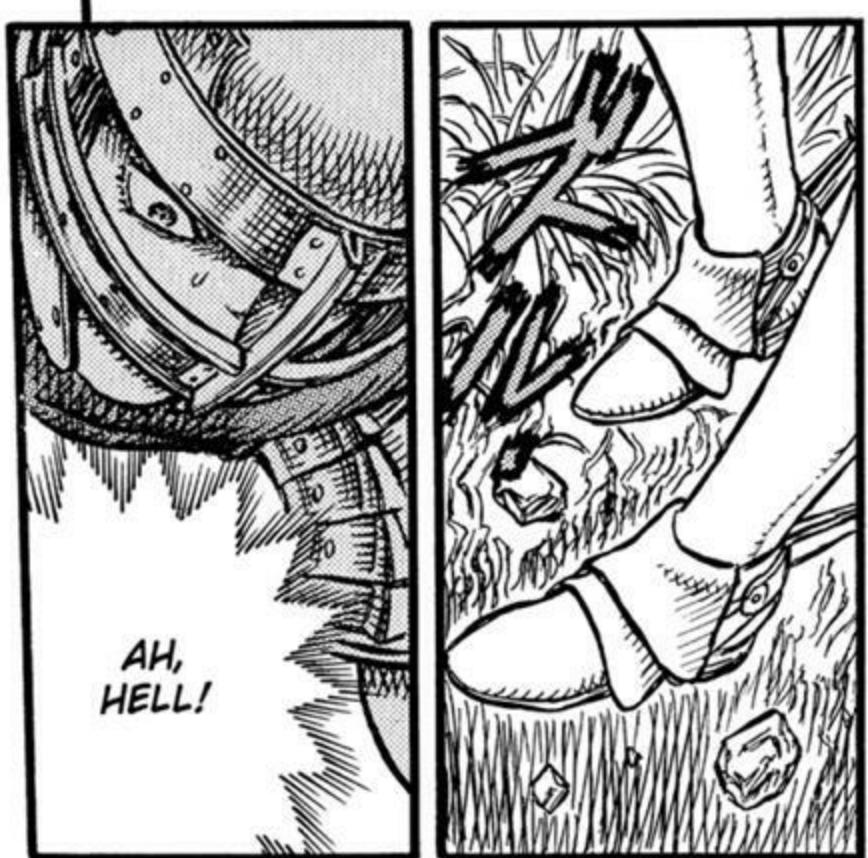
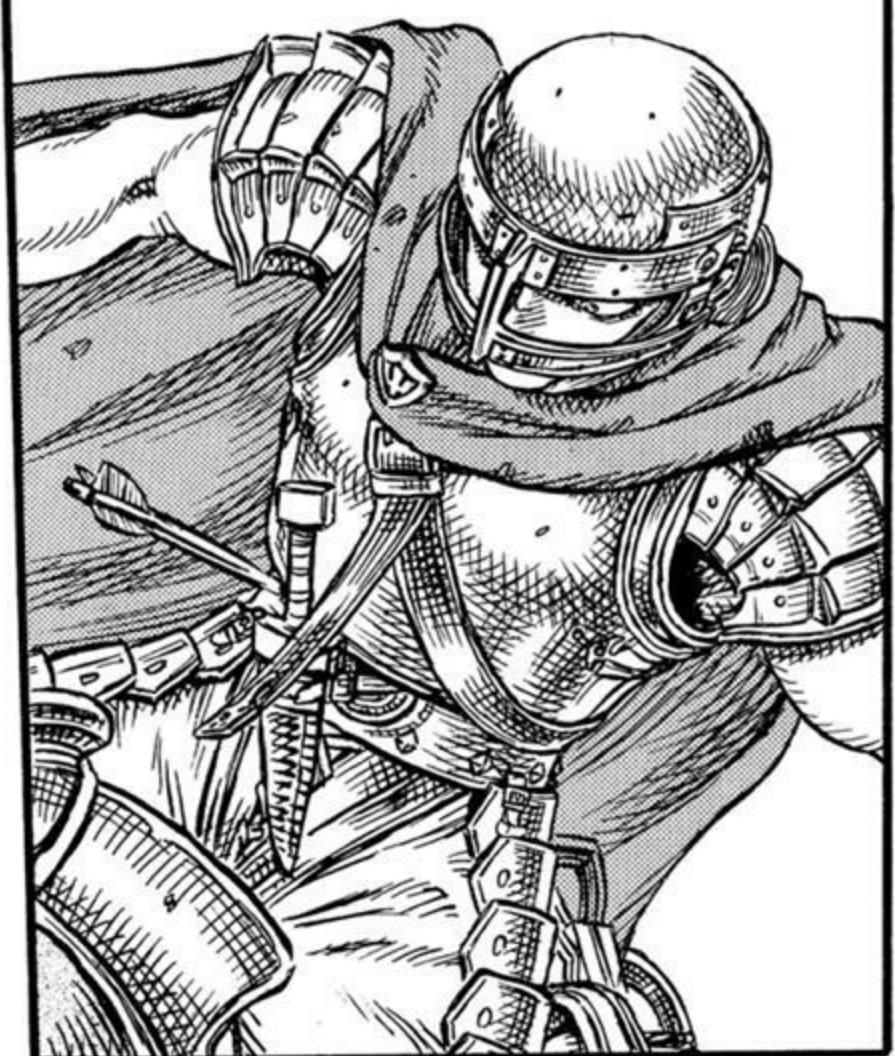


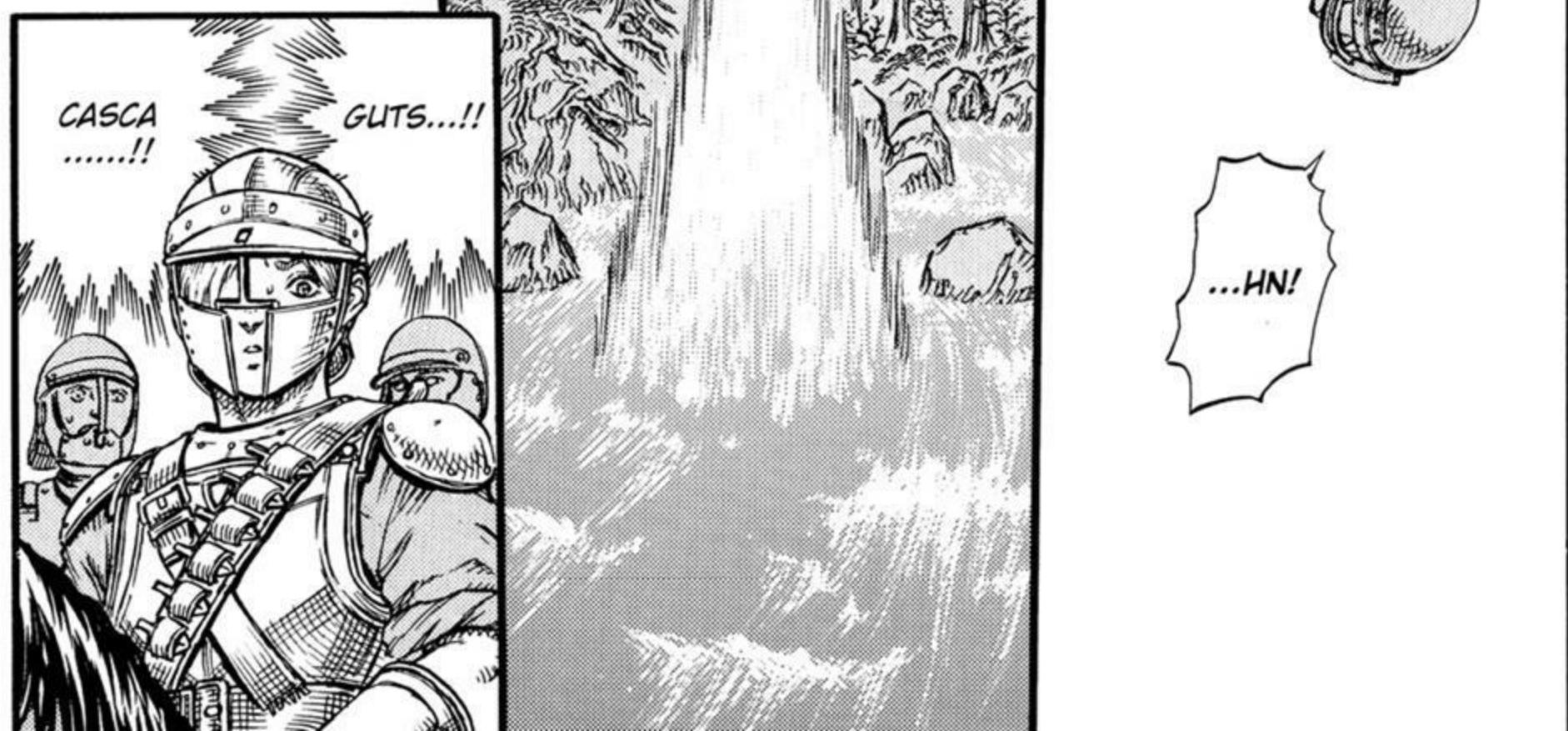
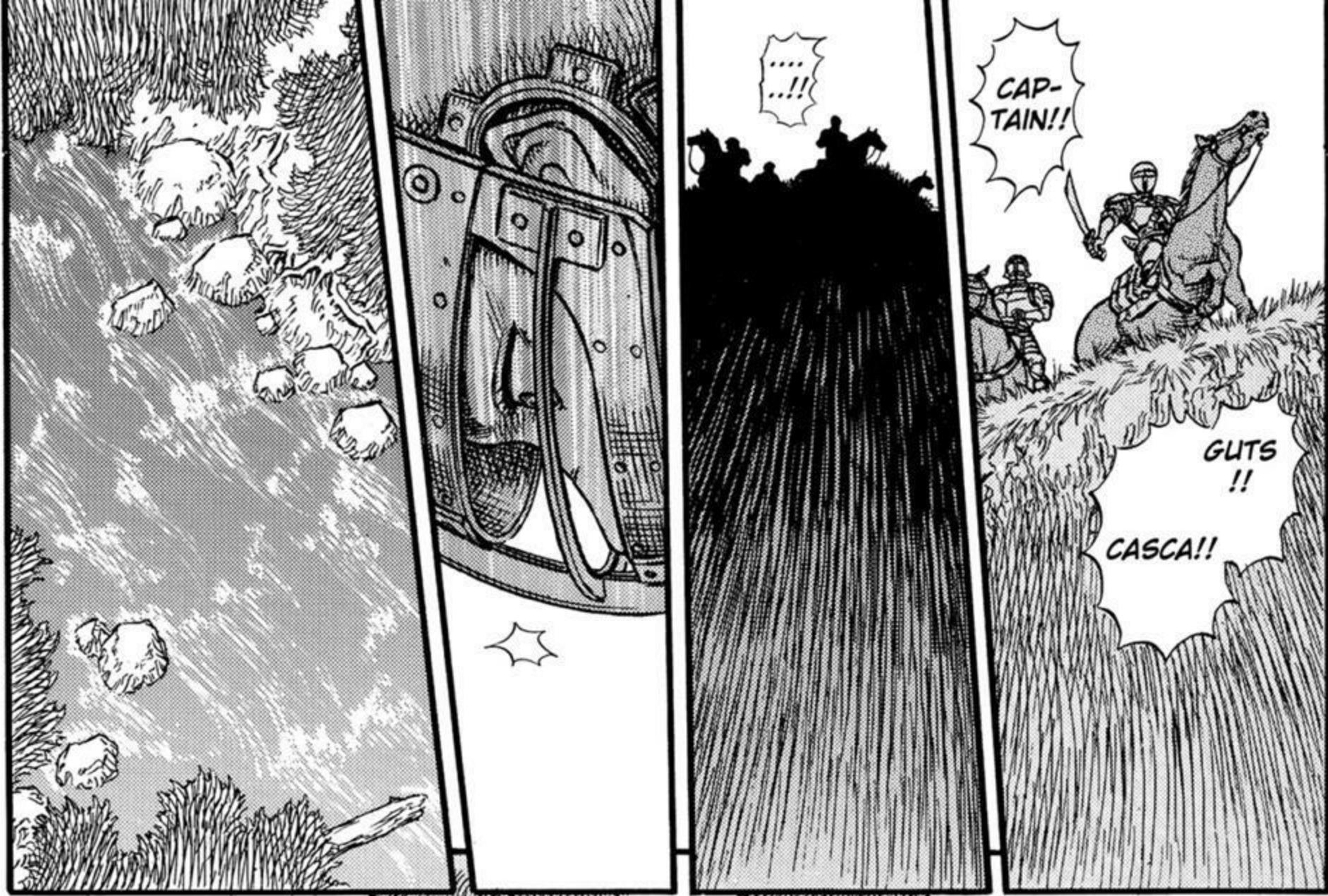


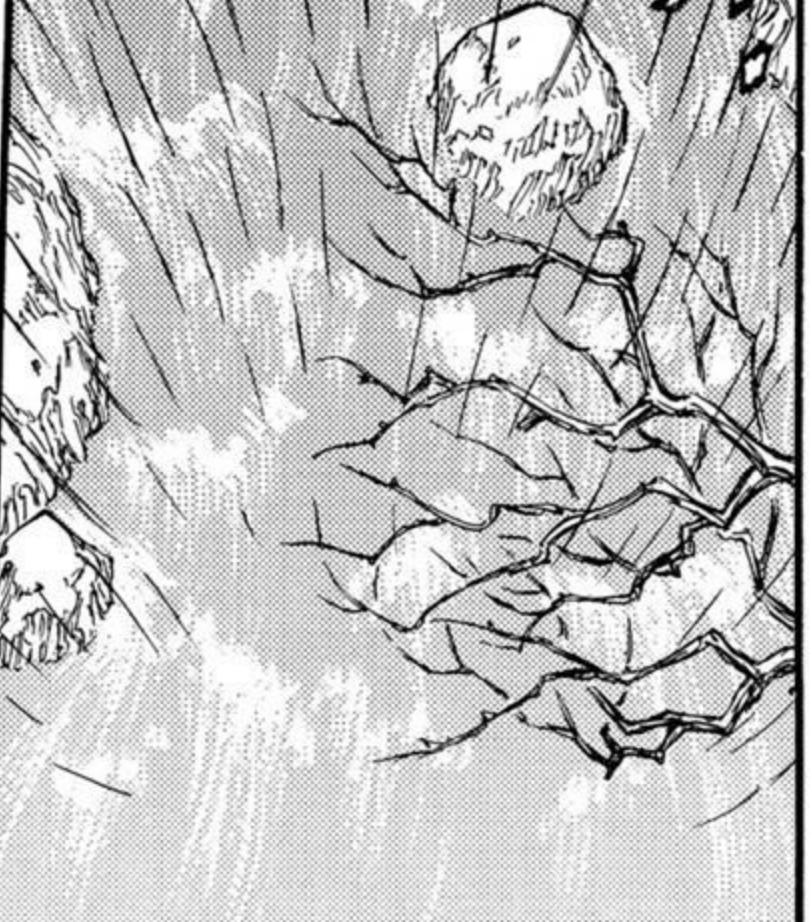
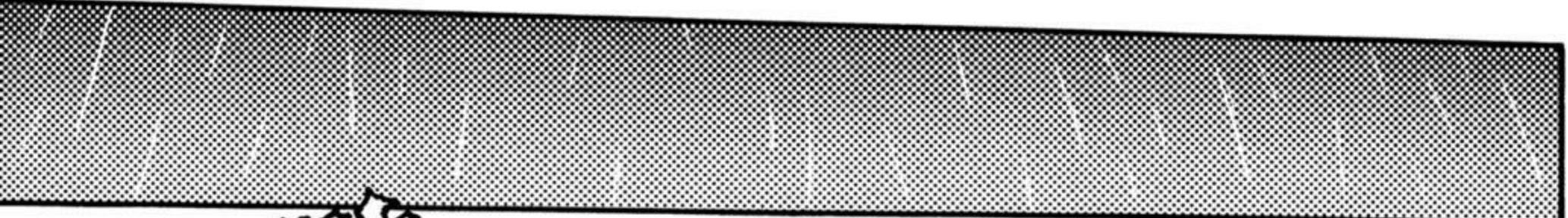
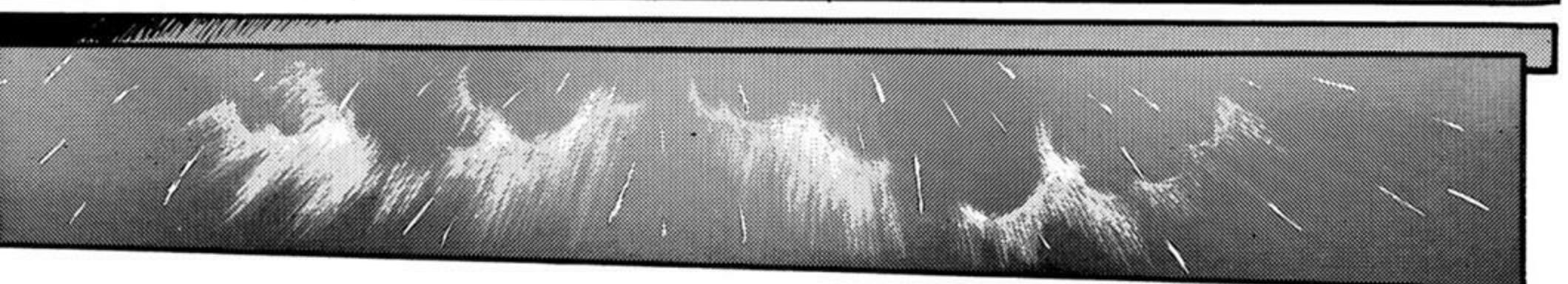
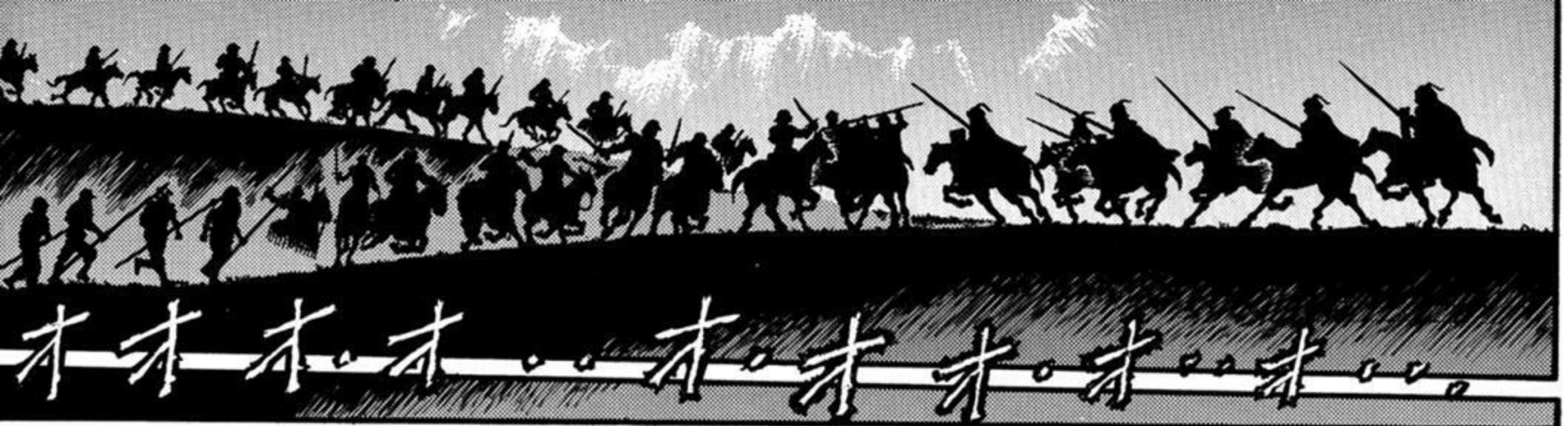










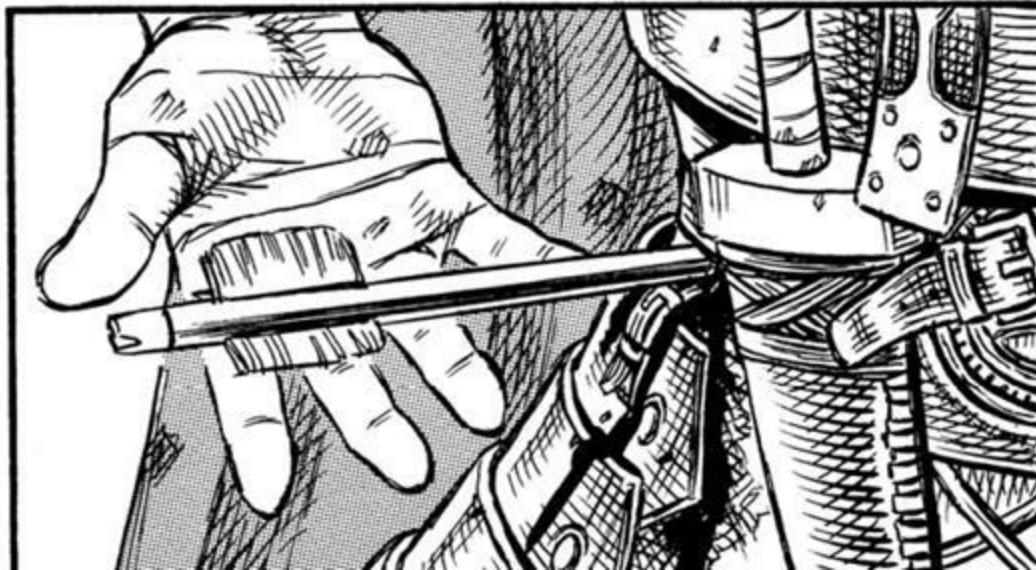
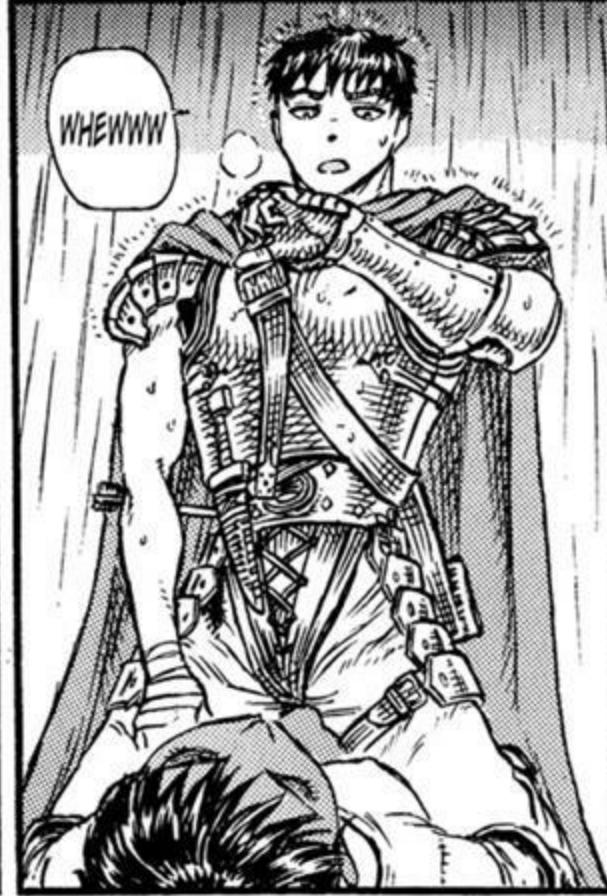
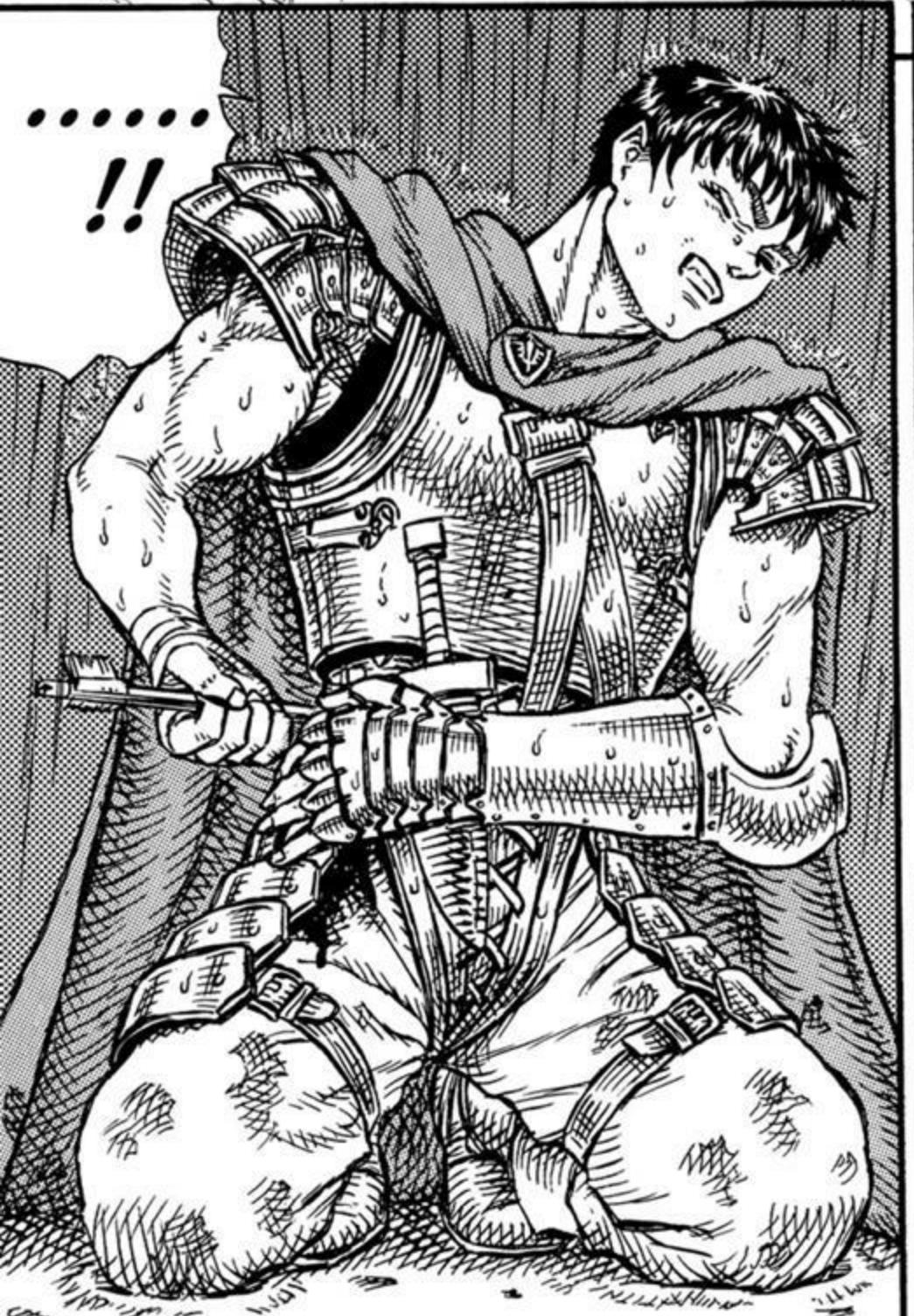




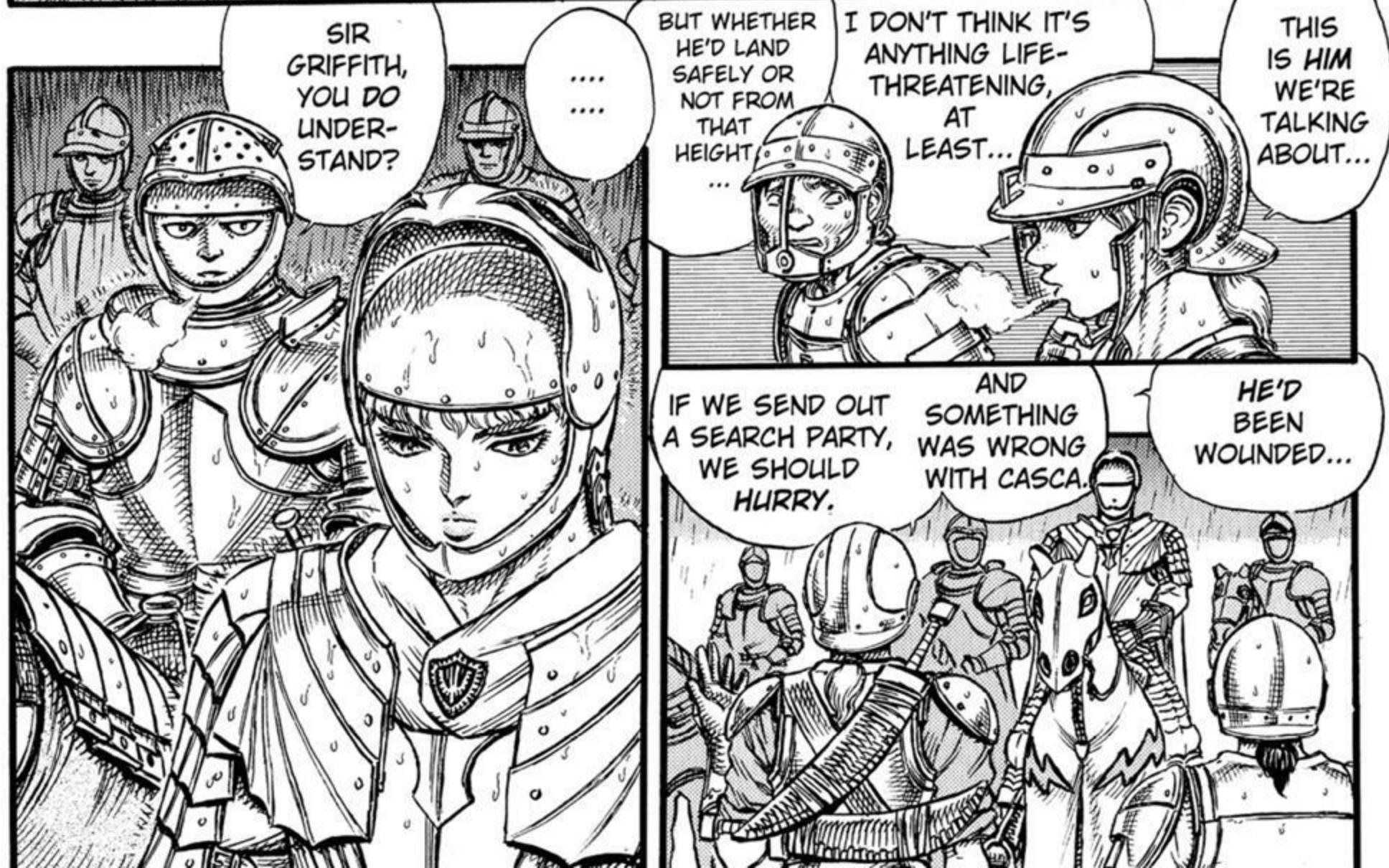
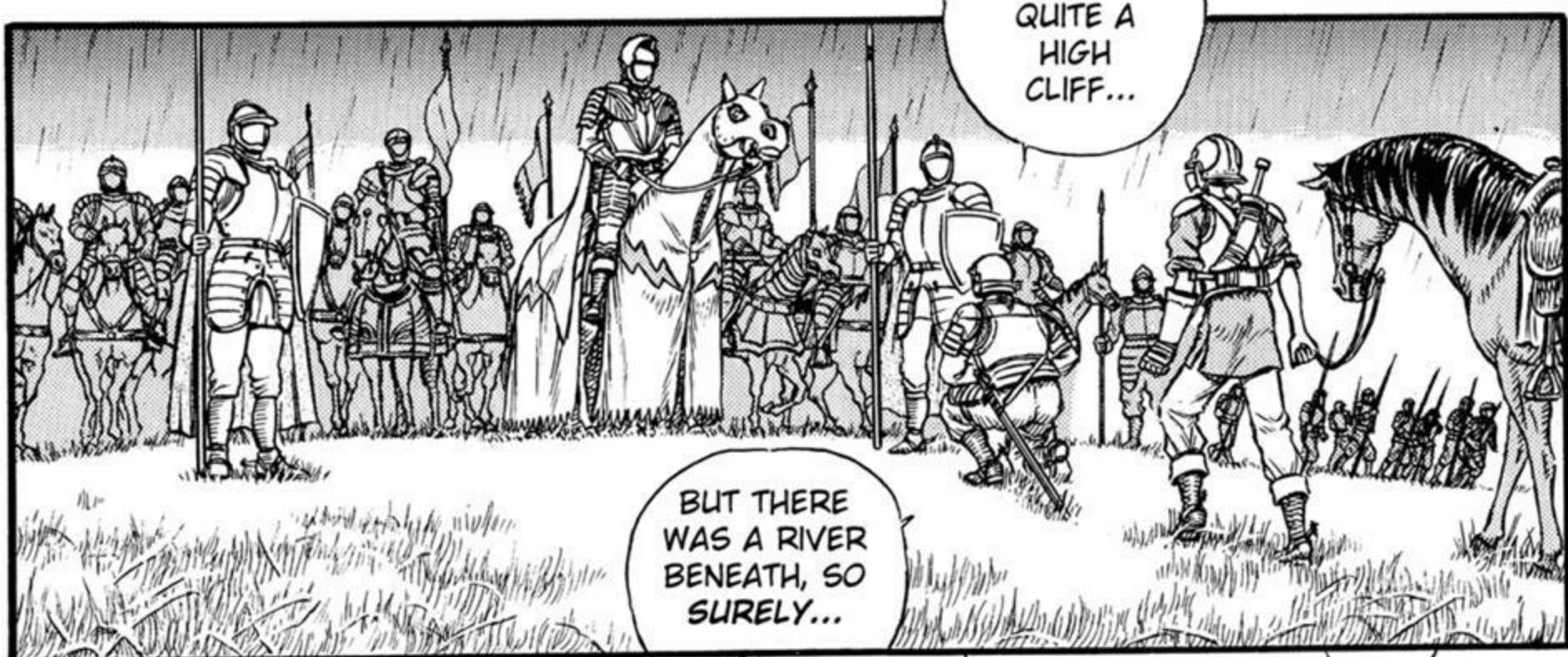
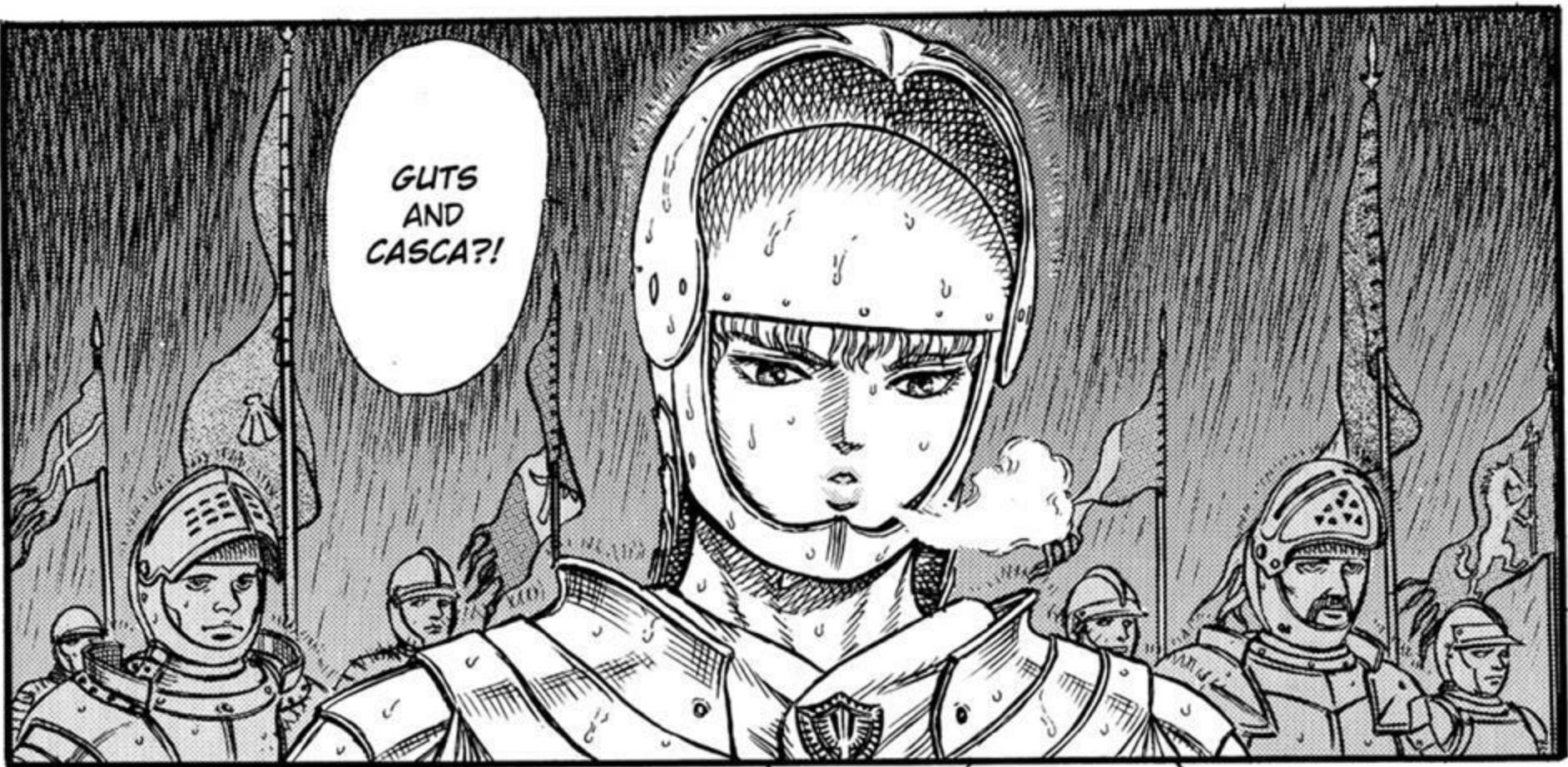
SWIMMING  
WITH MY  
ARMOR ON ...

I'M  
NEVER  
DOIN' THAT  
AGAIN...



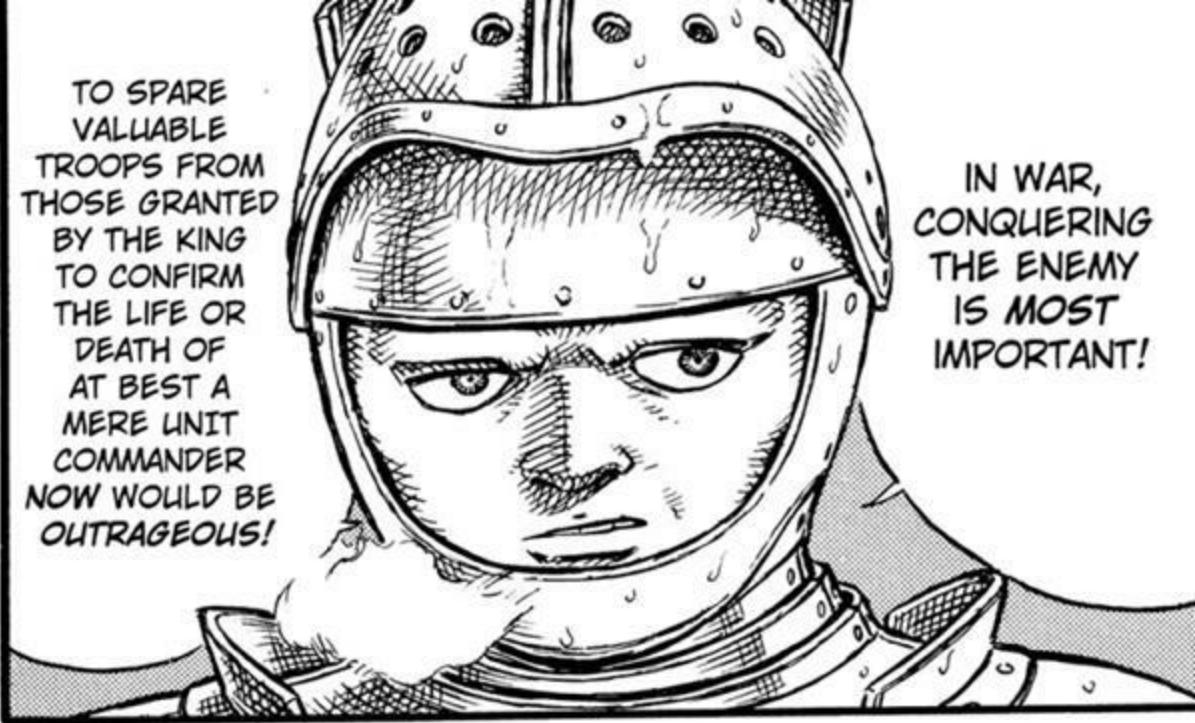






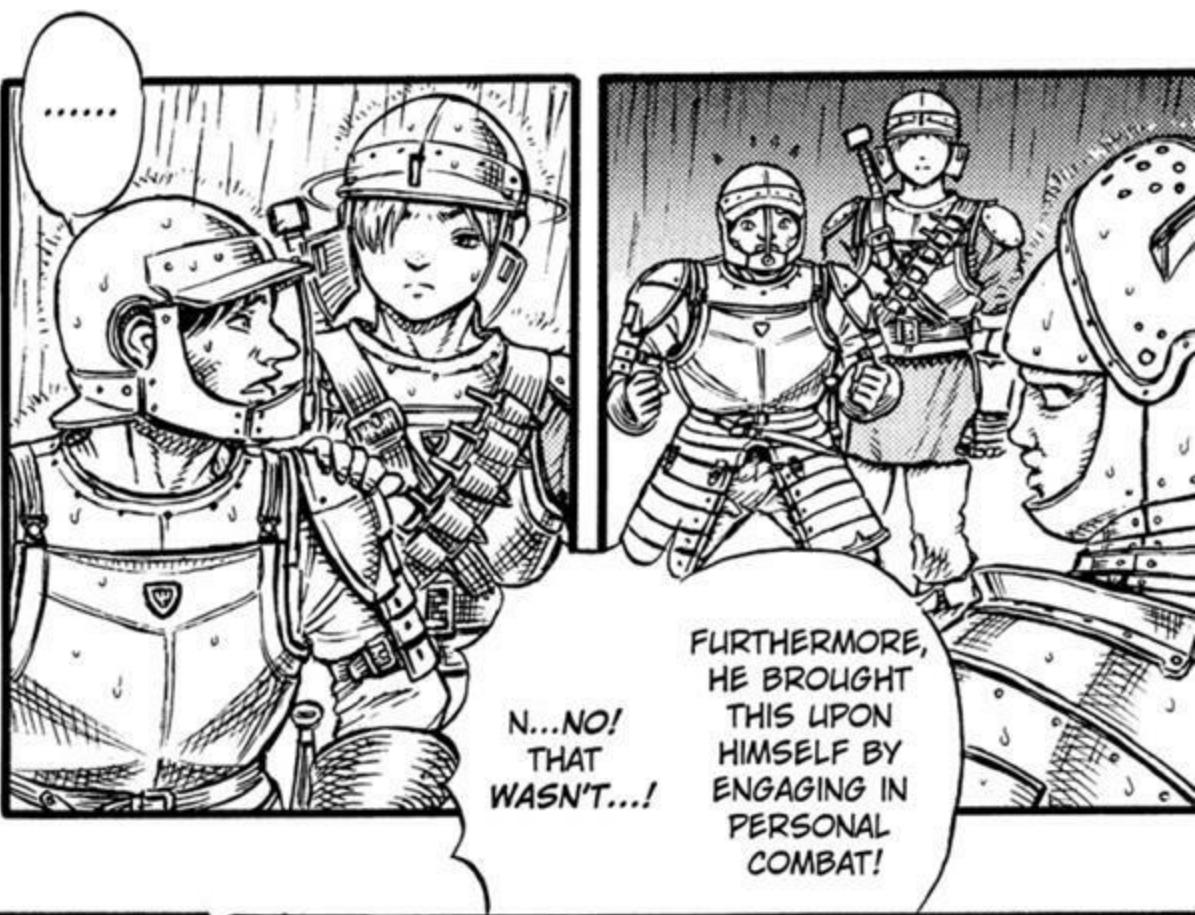


BESIDES,  
THE BAND OF  
THE HAWK'S  
HIGHLY TOUTED  
RAIDERS  
CAPTAIN AND  
FEMALE  
COMMANDER  
ARE  
TOGETHER, ARE THEY  
NOT?



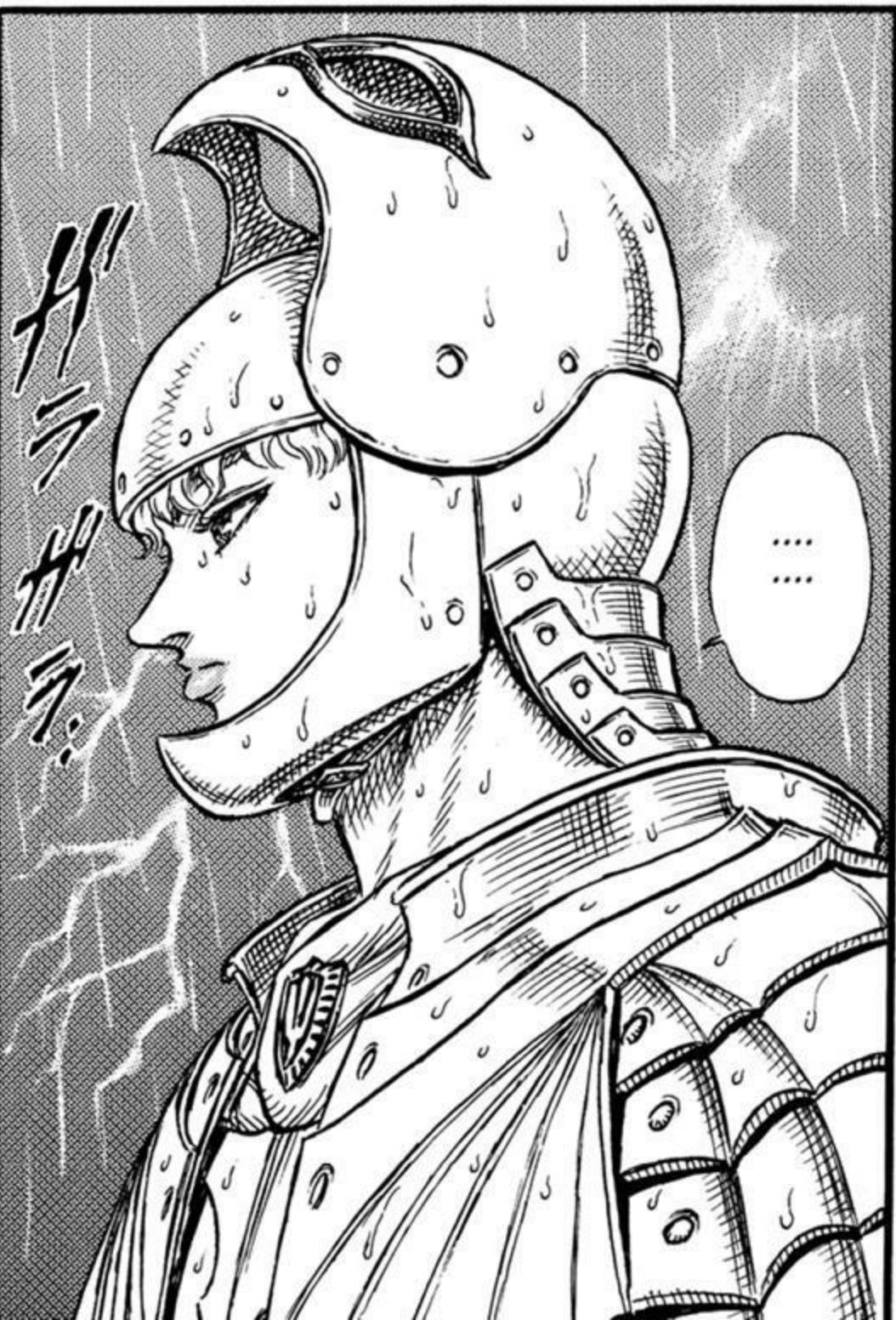
TO SPARE  
VALUABLE  
TROOPS FROM  
THOSE GRANTED  
BY THE KING  
TO CONFIRM  
THE LIFE OR  
DEATH OF  
AT BEST A  
MERE UNIT  
COMMANDER  
NOW WOULD BE  
OUTRAGEOUS!

IN WAR,  
CONQUERING  
THE ENEMY  
IS MOST  
IMPORTANT!



....  
N...NO!  
THAT  
WASN'T...!

FURTHERMORE,  
HE BROUGHT  
THIS UPON  
HIMSELF BY  
ENGAGING IN  
PERSONAL COMBAT!

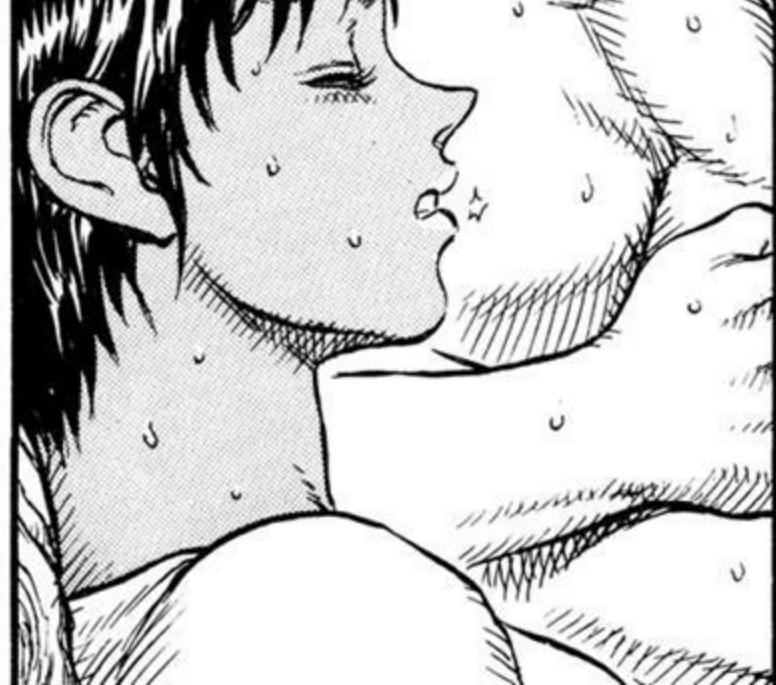
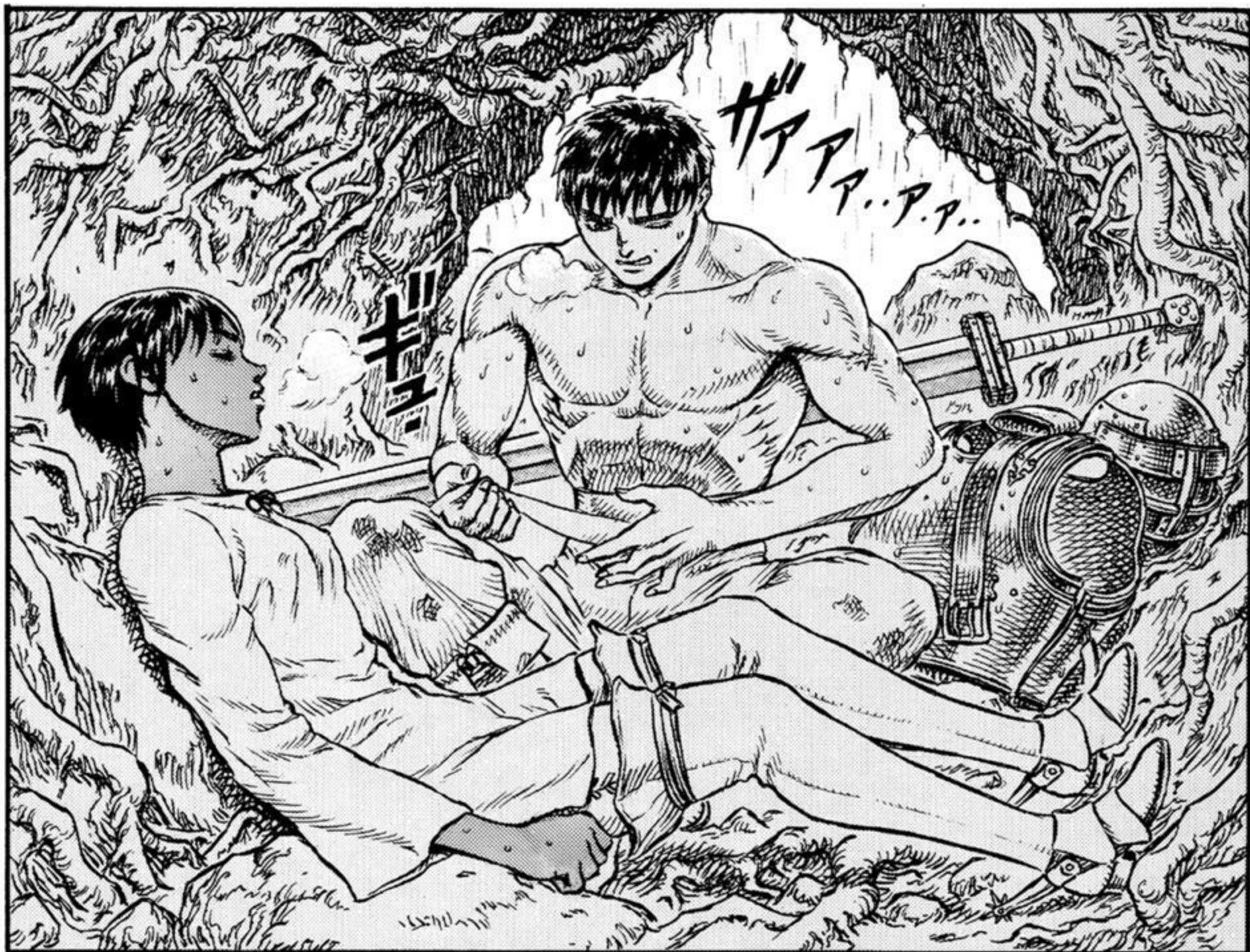


THEY OUGHT TO  
BE ABLE TO  
SURMOUNT SUCH  
A DILEMMA WITH  
EASE.

CER-  
TAIN-  
LY.



....!!  
IF  
THEY'RE  
ALIVE.









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