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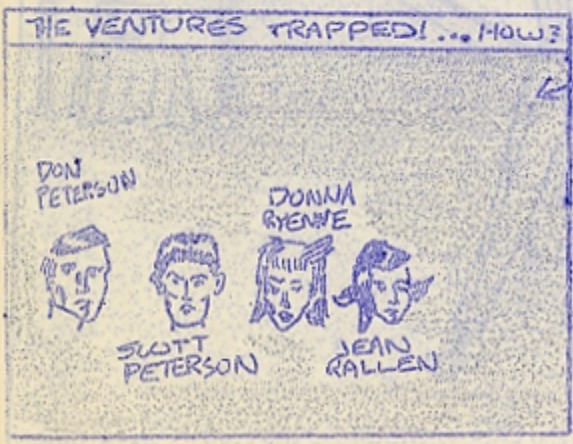
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This issue is 24 pages long! So what else is new? We still haven't received contribs from anyone with the exception of members from our staff, and honorary staff. I guess nobody cares. Please excuse me for a few minutes. A good cry should get the sorrow out of me. (About an hour later.) Well I'm back. If this page doesn't print just right, it's not the fault of the ditto machine, the mas-ter is a bit soggy from salt water. If we are to expand, future issues of this mag, it means we need advertising. The more ads we get the longer the issue, so if you want to see this mag a little longer (length-wise) than send in your advertisements. Flame-on # 2 is in preparation. Although #1 was in all honesty, pretty bad, I truly believe that #2 is gonna be a great issue. Please don't send for it until you see it advertised in RB*CC or the Comic Advertiser, unless you're prepared to wait a few months. Well, that just about wraps it up. Bye-----Jim

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OH DONNIE! YOU KNOW THAT'S NOT TRUE!

SHE'S RIGHT, PAL!



YOU REMEMBER HOW THIS STARTED, DON'T YOU, DONNIE?!



HOW HEART-BROKEN, YOU WERE... AND YOU SWORE VENGEANCE



YOU REMEMBER HOW A CRIMINAL SHOT YOUR FATHER IN HIS OFFICE!

THE Ventures *adventure* part

AND THEN YOU TOOK AFTER THE CLOCK:



YOU WERE GONE FOR DAYS! WE WERE SO WORRIED!



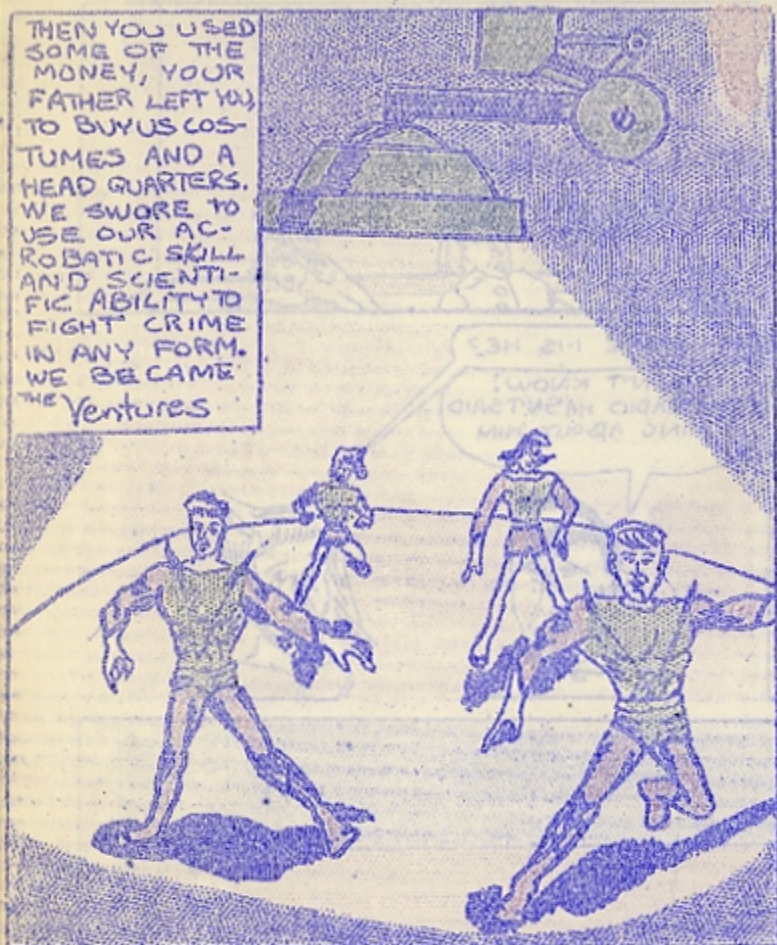
W-WHERE IS HE?
I D-DON'T KNOW!
THE RADIO HASN'T SAID
A THING ABOUT HIM



AND THEN YOU CAME
BACK... DRAGGING THE
LIFELESS BODY OF
THE MURDER BY HIS
COAT---



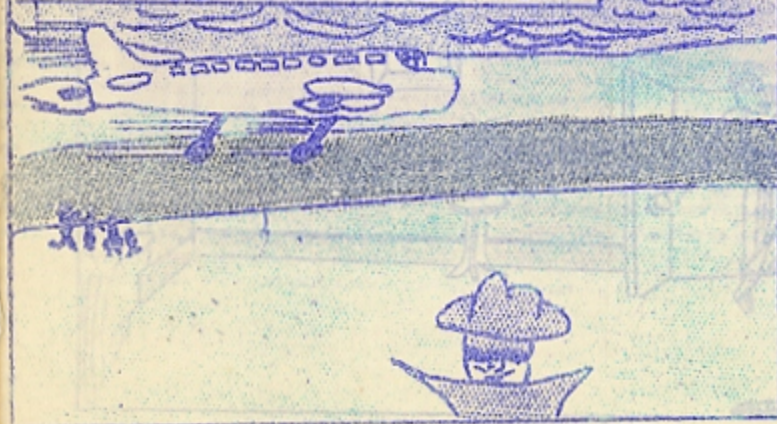
THEN YOU USED SOME OF THE MONEY, YOUR FATHER LEFT YOU TO BUY US COSTUMES AND A HEAD QUARTERS. WE SWORE TO USE OUR ACROBATIC SKILL AND SCIENTIFIC ABILITY TO FIGHT CRIME IN ANY FORM. WE BECAME THE Ventures

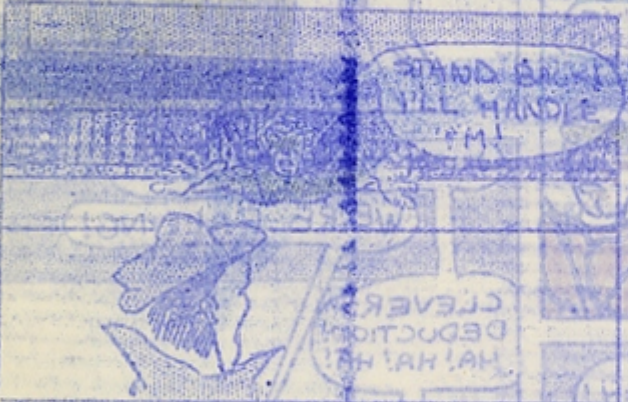


BUT YOU THOUGHT OUR LIVES WOULD BE IN CONSTANT JEOPARDY FROM CROOKS AND ASSASINS, SO YOU GAVE US MASKS TO HIDE OUR IDENTITIES

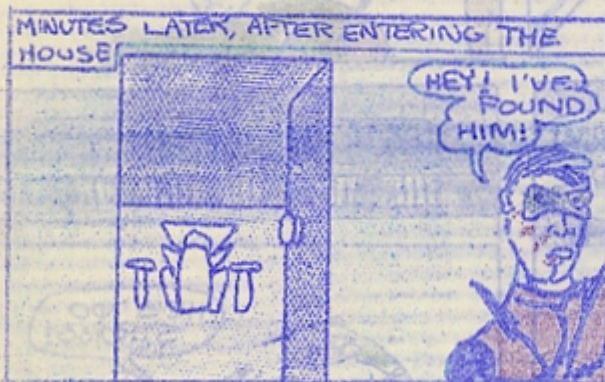


BUT THEN, A NEW MENACE SHOWED UP. A MENACE WHOSE ONLY PURPOSE--- WAS TO DESTROY US:



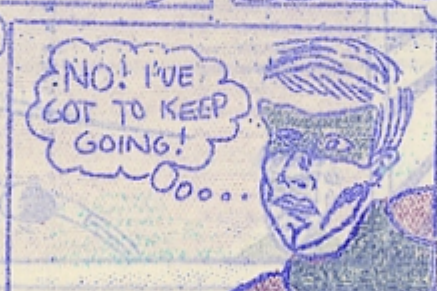


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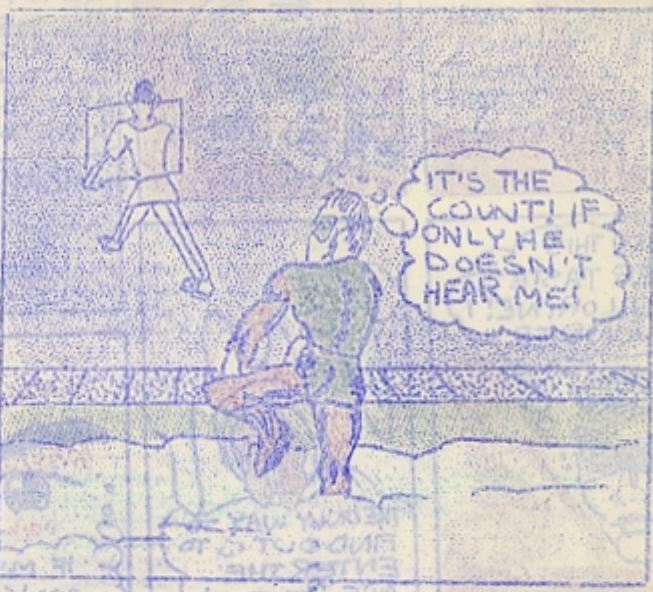
WHELLL! WHADAYA KNOW!
GUESS WHO!



N-NO! I-IT CAN'T BE!
Y-YOU-YOUR DEAD!



NOT QUITE SO ANTE!



IT'S THE COUNT! IF ONLY HE DOESN'T HEAR ME!



I'VE GOTTA TORN THE WATER OFF BEFORE THE VENTURES DROWN!

LATER, AFTER THE VENTURES ARE FREED, AND THE COUNT IS CARTED TO JAIL!



THERE!



SAY! HOW ABOUT GOING FOR A SWIM, DONNA!

OOO... MEN!

END

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19064

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"YOU'LL LIKE
THE MISADVENTURES
OF SUPERMAN! WATCH
FOR IT IN FOW!" SAYS
GAIL HALPERIN!

JLH →

HI THERE, GANG. HOW MANY OF YOU HAVE EVER BOUGHT A COPY OF ODD, THE SATIRICAL FANZINE? IF YOU'RE ONE OF THE FANS WHO HASN'T WE WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOU ABOUT THE ZINE. BUT INSTEAD OF US TELLING YOU HOW GREAT IT IS WE ARE GOING TO ASK SEVERAL TYPICAL, ORDINARY, EVERYDAY PERSONS WHO WE WILL PICK RIGHT OFF THE STREET WHAT THEY THINK OF ODD. AH, HERE THEY ARE.

MR. TORCH

I GET SO EXCITED READING IT THAT I FLAME ON AUTOMATICALLY. I NEVER GET A CHANCE TO FINISH A SINGLE ISSUE!



MR. S. LEE

I GOT A BIG KICK OUT OF IT!



MR. AL FELDSTEIN

NO COMMENT!!!



PETER PARKER

EVERYONE SHOULD HAVE A COPY IN THEIR OWN WEB.



DR. STRANGE

IT SURE POLISHES MY AMULET UP GOOD!



MR. C. KENT

WELL, IT AIN'T NO DAILY PLANET!



MR. HAWKMAN

I USE THE PAGES TO LINE THE BOTTOM OF MY CAGE.



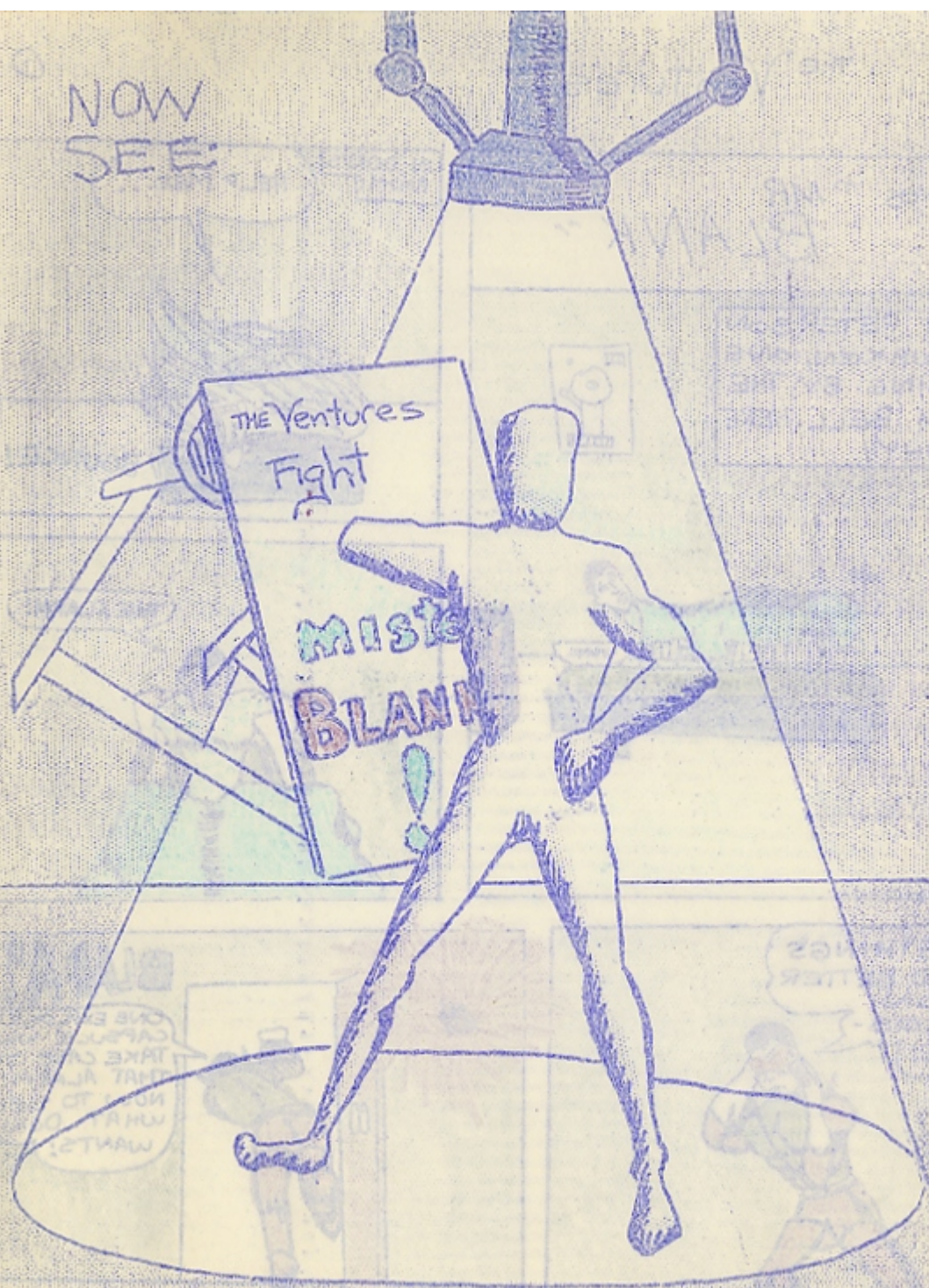
WELP, THAT'S WHAT THEY THINK OF IT. SOUNDS KINDA INTERESTING, HUH?



YOU TOO CAN LINE THE BOTTOM OF YOUR CAGE WITH ODD. SEND 20¢ FOR ODD#9(OUR LATEST ISSUE) TO:
HERRING BROS. PUBLICATIONS
164 HARTFORD ST.
NATICK, MASS. 01762

REMEMBER, NOTHING BUT NOTHING POLISHES AMULETS LIKE THE PAGES FROM ODD. ODD IS NON-FATTENING. IT'S GREAT READING TOO. AND IT'S POLYUNSATURATED!

NOW
SEE:



THE Ventures

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THE Ventures "MR BLANK"

SCOTT PETERSON IS AWAKENED, ONE MORNING BY THE ALARM BELL. HERE IS WHY!



IN DON'S ROOM:

HELP MEE...



BOUNCE!

THE ALARM!

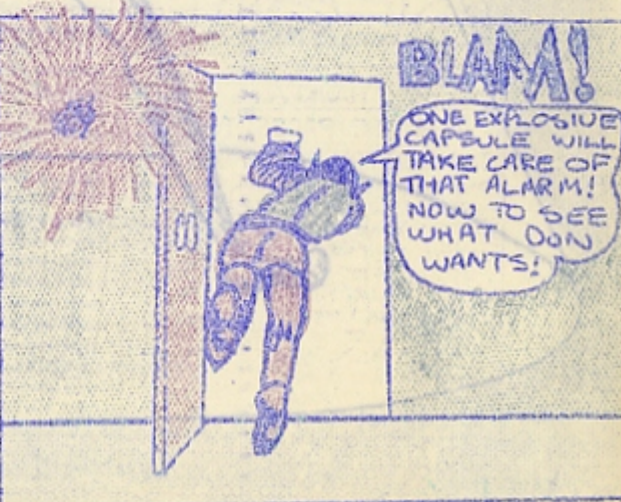


SOMETHING'S UP! I'D BETTER GET OUT ON MY COSTUME!

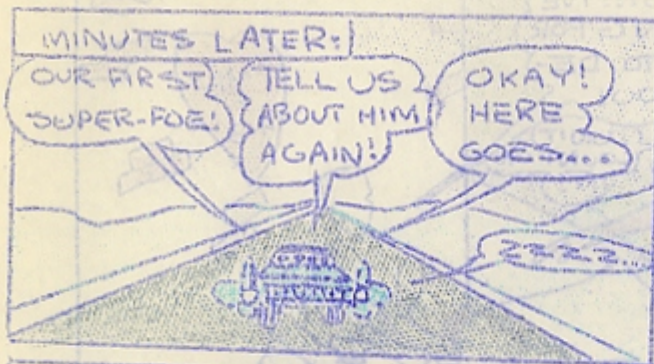


BLAM!

ONE EXPLOSIVE CAPSULE WILL TAKE CARE OF THAT ALARM! NOW TO SEE WHAT DON WANTS!



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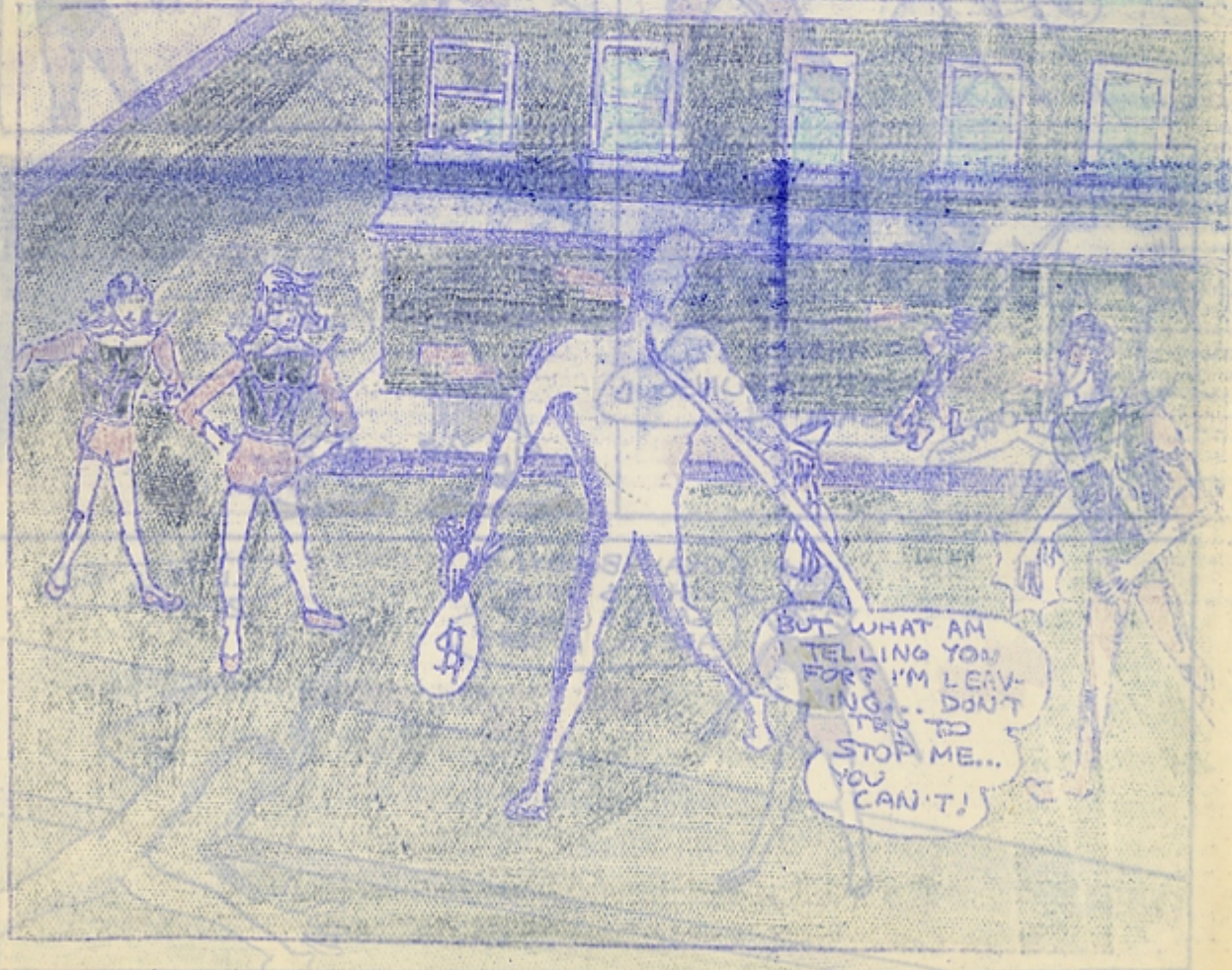
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BUT WHAT AM I TELLING YOU FOR I'M LEAVING... DON'T TRY TO STOP ME... YOU CAN'T!

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LATER, AT VENTURE HEADQUARTERS:

THERE MUST HAVE BEEN SOMETHING HE SAID OR DID THAT WOULD GIVE US A CLUE AS TO HOW TO DEFEAT HIM! CONCENTRATE!



I'VE GOT IT!



LATER:

HMM! SOUNDS LIKE A NICE JOB FOR MR. BLANK!



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NEXT NIGHT:



WELL... THIS IS THE PLACE WHERE THEY'RE STORING THE GOLD



ACME WAREHOUSE

I'LL GO IN THROUGH HERE!

HE COMES TO THE VAULT--

I'VE OPENED IT!



SUDDENLY



WHAT'S THAT?!

LEAD SHEILDS!

CLANG! CLANG! CLANG! CLANG! CLANG!

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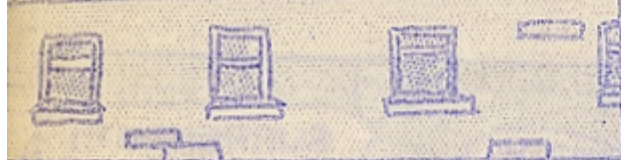


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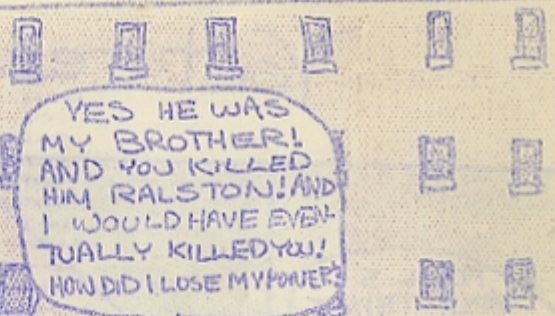
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R BLANK IS BEING ESCORTED TO A POLICE TRUCK WHEN DONNIE NOTICES:



HEY! HE LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE THE CROOK WHO KILLED MY FATHER!



YES HE WAS MY BROTHER! AND YOU KILLED HIM RALSTON! AND I WOULD HAVE EVENTUALLY KILLED YOU! HOW DID I LOSE MY POWER?



THOSE LEAD SHIELDS WHICH YOU THOUGHT WERE TO HOLD YOU REALLY HELD IN THE GAMMA RAYS WE WERE FORCING IN, AND ANY FOOL KNOWS GAMMA RAYS ARE OPPOSITE TO X-RAY!

JAMES HALPERIN
11 WHITE PINE KNOLL
WAYLAND, MASS.
01778

OKAY! YOU GOT ME THIS ROUND, BUT I SWEAR, I'LL KILL YOU OR DIE TRYING!



WHAT DID YOU THINK OF THIS STORY? WE THINK IT WAS OUR BEST YET! SEND ALL COMMENTS TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS!

END (OR IS IT THE BEGINNING?)

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ORDER HBP #1,2+3! ONLY 15¢ EACH (INCL.
POSTAGE), 2 FOR 25¢ OR 3 FOR
35¢. BOY THIS IS EXCITING. I WONDER
IF RADIUM KID WILL ESCAPE FROM
THE BLACK TERROR SYNDICATE!
FINDING OUT IS AS EASY AS BUY-
ING HBP #3. HURRY UP, NOW!

CHILDREN'S THIS ISSUE:

The cover was designed by John Harwood and drawn by Jim Halperin. Editorial by Jolly Jim. First story written by Jeviel Johns, illustrated by Jolly Jim. MRC BEANK INTER PAGE, John Harwood. Mr. Blank was created by John Harwood, text written and illustrated by Jolly Jim Halperin. All HB and Plug ads were written and drawn by Jolly Jim - Marvellous Mike Sudlansky

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