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Well here we go again. This is the 10th issue of ODD, the fanzine dedicated to warp the minds of its readers. I haven't the faintest idea why we have lasted so long, but I guess if there are people nutty enough to make a fanzine like this, there are also people nutty enough to buy it.

We're sorry you had to wait so long for this issue to come out but our new format seems to take up more time. Speaking of our new format, you've probably noticed that this issue looks a little shorter than #9. Well, you're not seeing things, we did change the heighth from 10%" to 9%". We found that we had to do this in order to spead up the time it takes to print each issue. As it was with #9 the paper was too high to fit in the ditto machine, therefore we had to fold each sheet beforehand and run each sheet through 4 times. The way it is now we can print 2 pages at once. You'll also note that the printing area for most of the pages is the same. All that has been reduced is the margins.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Marty Arbunich for printing photos of my brother Steve and myself in Voice of Comicdom#4. He also printed a gag cartoon of mine in the same issue. If for some reason you missed VOC#4 you can probably still pick up a copy by sending 25¢ to Marty at 60 Gladys Street, San Prancisco, Calif. 94110. He may also print another cartoon of mine in Yancy Street Journal #9 which you can order from him for 15¢.

Another thing that I did recently was a cover for FLARE comics #2 which will be the last issue of this fanzine. You can get a copy for 35¢ from Howard Brenner, 420 Pelham Road, Rochester 10. N.Y.

We don't have enough space in this issue to plug all the famines that deserve it, but I would like to say a word about VALOR #1. If you like great art in a famine you shouldn't miss this one. I could go into more detail about it but just take it from me, you'll be very happy if you take my advice and send for it. Just 35¢ from Jim Gardner, 475 Patton Ave., San Jose, Calif. 95128. It's really something.

IMPORTANT- If you would like to do a comic strip for our next issue's back cover please make it 3"x 9 3/4". we can not use anything larger.

Another important thing is checks. PLEAS DO NOT MAKE OUT ANY CHECKS
TO HERRING BROS. PUBLICATIONS! We can not use them. If you must send us
a check make it out to me. O.K.?

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Hi Dave:

Stan Lee asked me to thank you for your latest issue(#9) of ODD. It was wonderful!

All of us enjoyed every bit of it -- the FEARSOME FOURSOME got many hearty chuckles and even many guffaws -- not to mention lots of chort- #8! All of the art was good & T les! Satire and parody are two aspects of humor that are pure enter- issue was the comic strips on the tainment!

Your book was well done--you've every right to be extremely proud of it. Best wishes from us all!

> Sincerely. Flo Steinberg Corresponding Secretary to Stan Lee

Dear Dave.

Received ODD#9 today, & thot you might like to hear my comments.

but you can do better!! If you get th' dough, a bit of color would perk up the cover. Mister Blister & ing. Callous Kid had a poor plot, and Jay Kinney's art was only fair! Man good, but I would much rather see from C.C.U.S.I.N.S. was good, both plot & art wise-Best in the ish. Your Fearsome Four was superb artwise, but bad story wise. Also, that one page job by Cavalier was excellent. How 'bout more of him soon? I've been told his "Jercules" to trade. Some guy bought a mint strip is nearly ready, and he plans copy of MAD#1 there for only 54!! to send it inside of 5 days. Hooray! (The lucky foob!)

Keep up the great work!!!

A Nut-

Bill Cavalier

AS OF YET I HAVEN'T SEEN THAT BEEN OUTTE A BIT MORE THAN FIVE

DAYS SINCE I GOT THIS LETTER. OH WELL, I GUESS ALL GOOD THINGS COME TO THOSE WHO WAIT .- ED.

Dear Dave.

I just got my copy of ODDmg g it was certainly an improvement over thought the highlight of the whole back cover! Next in line, I liken the FEARSOME FOURSOME & THE MAN FROM C.O.U.S.I.N.S. All in all. : thought it was a very good issue! I'll have to go along with everyone else, though- I think BLUNDER WOMAN(ODD#7) was the greatest yet!

In the future I'd like to see satires of Gomer Pyle(How about Gomer Pill, M.D.?) and BONANZA!

I just thought of an idea you might be able to use with Mr. Blister---have a story in which William Your photo-offset cover was good, Shakespeare returns from death to destroy every comic company in the world! That should get a good rat-

> I thought your MAD review was this space used for more satire. I bought a copy of MAD #s 8,16,17,8 23 in town for only 5¢ apiece last year! You see there's a used book store in town & occaisionally some fink brings in a collector's item

Of the 4 MAD comics I have read, I thought #8 was by far the best, aspecially cover-wise! I don't like those covers with just huge letter-JERCULES STRIP OF BILL'S, AND IT'S ing & junk like that. (I'm beginning to feel foobish!)

Please answer this --- when are you gonna have a James Blonde story, like Goldfoober or something? How about a spoof on GIL-LYGAN'S FOOB?

Well, I've got to go now----I hear the foobs calling me in the distant winds.....

Yours foobishly. Mike Garrett THANKS VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUGGES-TIONS, MIKE. WE WILL CONSIDER THEM CAREFULLY. I SEE YOU'VE LEARNED THE NEW LANGUAGE-FOOD TALK! ISN'T IT THE FOOBIEST THING YOU'VE EVER FOOBED OF? AS FOR A JAMES BOND SATIRE, WE HAVE NO DEFINITE PLANS TO DO ONE AT THIS TIME BUT IF YOU

WANT TO READ A HILARIOUS SATIRE OF GOLDFINGER I SUBGEST YOU ORDER THE 2ND. ISSUE OF THE POOB(SEE AD. ELSE-SEE NOTHING BUT PRAISE FOR YOUR WHERE IN THIS ISSUE) THE SATIRE IS CALLED "GOLDFOOBA" ISN'T THAT FOOBY?-ED.

Dear Dave,

I have just received ODD#9. Although I last wrote to you just two days ago I could not wait to write again and let you know how terrific, superb, and simply great I think ODD#9 is. This is, in my opinion, one of the best fan productions in the country.

Your comic cover satires inspired me to try my hand at a comic cover spoof on Magnus Robot Fighter. As I said in my last letter, I consider myself an artist of sorts, and would send some samples of my work if you desired. Well, I am not waiting for you to say no, so here's my first attempt at comic art. What do you think?

I picked Magnus simply because it was the first mag I pulled down from my shelf. I tried to stay as ing, and using just the faces of Mannings two characters. I even

tried to design some really original robots, as you can see.

Wow-am I addicted to your mags. You get more of my dough than my wife.

I will be looking forward to your opinions of my art work. If you think that my work is up to your standards let me know, I would love to do something for ODD.

> Best Regards, Dick Mosso

IF YOU TURN TO THE COMIC COVER SPOOFS YOU WILL SEE THAT I THOUGHT HIGHLY ENOUGH OF YOUR MAGNUS SATIRE TO USE IT IN THIS ISSUE. NOW WE WILL GIVE OUR READERS A CHANCE TO LET YOU KNOW WHAT THEY THINK OF YOUR WORK, DICK. IN THE NEXT IS-SUE'S LETTER COLUMN I EXPECT TO COVER SATIRE AND YOUR COMIC STRIP ON THE BACK COVER-ED.

Dear Dave.

ODD#9 was great. I liked the new comic-book size. In fact, I myself was going to suggest something like that but you beat me to

If you keep your promise, I guess this is the last time we'll be seeing Mister Blister and the Callous Kid. While it was a good improvement over last issue's story I still didn't care for it and suspect that other fen will share my opinion. Unless it is really good, a satira will not be liked unless it satirizes, in your case, an established here or TV program.

The Captain Marvel satire ranked about even with the above. We've had enough endings in which someone is disguised!

The Man From C.O.U.S.I.N.S gets my second highest rating. Let's original as possible. Copying noth-have one TV satire per issue for a change of pace.

The Fearsone Foursons sets by

righest rating from all the strips in this issue. I especially liked the bathtub scene, the "Daily Nodes" (I'd better stash away this issue with the rest of my pornography collection!), the title "Dr. Boom", human Bon-Fire's "Go to Biazes" and It's "It's Thrashing Time", the way the Foursome was defeated, in short--everything!

The Golden Age of Med was good. Don't make the article any longerthe two pages plus the cover illo

was just the right length.

The only feature left that deserves merit is Bill Cavalier's cartoon--mainly because it's the only thing I haven't mentioned!

ODDly yours, Paul Rybarczyk

Dear Dave,

Mr. Blister & Callous Kid were pretty good, but ODD#9 had better stories such as The Man From C.O. U.S.I.N.S. Those reproductions of covers had me laughing 'til my sides literally burst. The true story of Capt. Ma Wel's end wasn't too good. The "Fearsome Foursome" was very good! I don't know what the old MAD comics were like(except for reprints), but the present MAD is pathetic!!! As far as I'm concerned ODD could beat the new MAD 10 to 1. hands down!

Sincerely, Gordon K. Johnson

Dear Dave,

I just received VOC#4, and saw the pics of you and Steve, and I must say you're two very handsome fellows! Enough with the flattery, here's my opinion of ODD#9. Definitely your best issue to date. The cover was also the best in my opinion. There have been many spoofs of the F.F., but yours just has to top them all. The back cover with the strips was excellent. The best strip was YOU KNOW WHO (by Steve Sabo), and DR. ODD was the best piece of art. WOW!

Mister Blister's first appearance wasn't bad, but this one should've never been printed. The art was good, but the humor was sickening. Let's get some good stories, like Marv's THE MAN FROM C.O.U.S.I.N.S.

COUSINS was the best feature of the mag. The fast moving pace and good art made it worthwhile, and dig that ending! Marv is to be congratulated.

The FLESH TONE SECRET was interesting. I had always wondered how you achieved it. It seems that you haven't been using much of it lately. How come??(I GUESS WE'RE JUST PLAIN LAZY-ED.)

The two'goofy cover repros' were good, with SPINELESS-MAN my favorite.

The true end of Capt. Mar/el or whatever you wanted his name to be was good. Steve Sabo's art has improved with each issue of ODD.

FF was the second best feature. In fact, I'd class it as one of the top 10 stories ODD has ever presented. The whole story kept me rocking thru it, but PETER PORKER made me go into hysterics!

Bill Cavalier's page was also very well done. Is he planning any more work for ODD? (I CERTAINLY HOPE SO-ED)

I have many old MAD's so to me the reviews are unnecessary. But I suppose to younger fans who read ODD it gives them something to marvel about—the quality that the MAD COMIC achieved, as compared with a

flimsy im I tation today.

Did you happen to catch the Jack Paar show the night Bob Newhard did a SUPERMAN spoof, of what Would happen if he got back the wrong suit from the cleaners. It was hilarious!

Sincerely, Howard Brenner 420 Pelham Rd. Rochester, N.Y. 14610

WELL HOWARD, THOSE PICS OF US IN VOC#4 SHOULD HAVE LOOKED PRETTY GOOD AFTER WE SPENT 4 HOURS RETOUCHING THEM. BELOW ARE HOW THE PICTURES ACTUALLY LOOKED BEFORE RETOUCHING—





YES, THAT ROUTINE OF BOB NEWHART'S IS PRETTY FUNNY. IF ANY OF YOU READERS HAPPEN TO HAVE MISSED IT YOU CAN BUY HIS LATEST ALBUM, BY THE WAY, MAKE SURE YOU DON'T MISS HOWARD'S LATEST MASTERPIECE—FLARE COMICS#2.JUST SEND HIM 25\$.

AND NOW WE PRESENT A SPECIAL MES-SAGE TO YOU READERS FROM ONE OF OUR CONTRIBUTING ARTISTS---

I STAND ALONE:

Dear Readers of ODD::::?????

As of the last few issues of ODD, a lot of controversy has developed over my art and stories. I would like to say something in my defense, since it seems that no one else will.

Let me be the first to condemn my scripts. Let us agree that they stink.

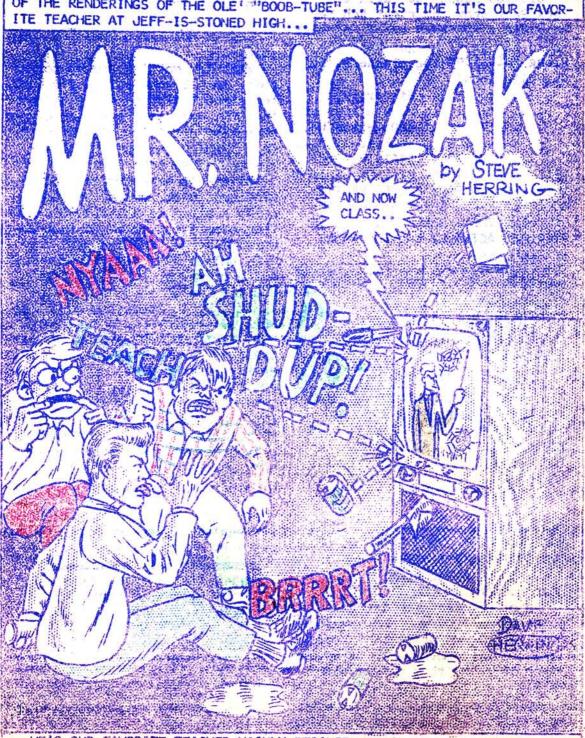
As for the art, well I myself thought of it as pretty good. At least for me. I was shocked to find so many guys blast it, when I've seen a lot worse art in a certain crud-zine that they would applaud. So let us not agree that the art stinks.

What I'm getting around to is this. In all the letters I've gotten since I started doing things for ODD, only two have been of constructive criticism. Those two were Dave Herring and Marvin Wolfman. The rest just tore it apart. This I believe is very wrong. I don't mind criticism, but to be continually blasted is a little bit more than even I can take. So rest assured I'll do "NO"more work for ODD, unless I am asked to do something or unless it's in offset. Got it? Okay. Happy? Good!

SINCFRELY, Steve(the DUD) Sabo WELL, I GUESS YOU READERS CAN GUESS WHAT I DID UPON RECEIVING THIS LET-TER FROM STEVE. I IMMEDIATELY WROTE BACK AND ASKED HIM TO DO MORE WORK FOR ODD. SINCE I AGREE THAT HIS SCRIPTS HAVEN'T BEEN TOO GOOD LATE-LY, I ESPECIALLY WROTE A STORY FOR HIM TO ILLUSTRATE, I HAVE NOT RE-CEIVED THE FINISHED STORY AS OF THIS WRITING BUT I'M CONFIDENT IT WILL APPEAR IN THIS ISSUE. NO STEVE, YOU'RE NOT A "DUD". YOU'RE OFFSET COMIC STRIP OF LAST ISSUE WAS PRAISED AS THE BEST ONE OF THE ISSUE BY MOST OF THE READERS. -ED.

THERE YOU HAVE IT, THE COMMENTS ABOUT OUR LAST ISSUE
FROM YOU, THE READERS. IF
YOU DO NOT HAVE ODD#9 AND
FROM WHAT YOU'VE HEARD OF
IT, YOU WOULD LIKE TO, COPIES
OF IT ARE STILL AVAILABLE
FOR 20¢ EACH. SEND ALL ORDERS AND ALL CORRESPONDENCE
TO:

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...HE'S OUR FAVORITE TEACHER MAINLY BECAUSE WE CAN TALK BACK TO HIM, THROW THINGS AT HIM, DO ANYTHING ... AND HE CAN'T GET US BACK!

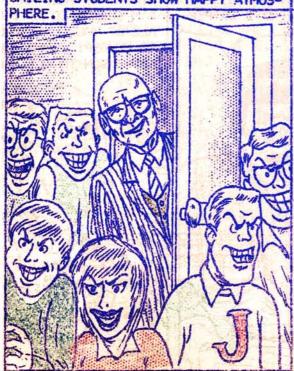
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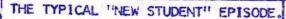
ACTUALLY HAPPY SMILING CHILDREN PLAY A JOKE ON GOOD OL' MR. NOZAK.











NOW BOYS AND GIRLS, WE HAVE A NEW STUDENT IN CLASS TODAY AND I HOPE WE CAN SHOW HIM THE HOSPITALITY THAT WE WOULD SEEK IF WE WERE A STRANGER IN A NEW ENVIRONMENT.









DON'T WE HAVE ANY

YES, CHESTER, YOU HAVE TO LEARN TO ACCEPT OTHERS AS THEY ARE... I'M SURPRISED AT YOU, ALL OF YOU FOR BEING SO UNHOSPITIBLE, THERE' NO REASON TO ACT LIKE THIS....



















THINK EDUCATIONAL REFFERAL IS A MUCH BETTER WAY OF STUDENT CON-TROL? NO, I LIKE TO BEND ARMS, TWIST NOSES AND KICK EM, DOWN. NEXT SATURDAY SPECIAL CLASS FOR HOMEMADE BOMBS FOR







If, in January or February of 1954 you happened to be lurking around the corner drugstore comic racks, you might have seen the first copy of PANIC, Mad's companion comic. (I wasn't, because I couldn't even read at the time; I got the PANICs from another collector just recently.)

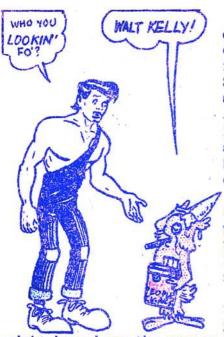
Yes, PANIC was an admitted imitation of MAD. It seems, as explained in PANIC #1, that PANIC was created even before MAD, but was shelved because they had doubts of the selling power. But when Kurtzman's MAD caught hold of popularity, E.C. decided to come out with PANIC. Why not? Everyone else was bringing out imitations too.

Most of the early covers were done by Al Feldstein, the editor, who was a fine artist and probably still is. The first two issues had covers with a little kid on them who looked like he came out of the Addam's Family or something. On the first cover he had set a bear trap for Santa and on the second one he was blowing up his electric train set with TNT.

But after that he was dropped and the covers became quite clever. There was one that was like a Doctor's eye chart, and another that was made up to look just like a cover of CONFIDENTIAL MAGAZINE; except that it was called Comicfidential.

I regard PANIC as superior to MAD, but I know that Dave Herring disagrees with me. But the superiority is two-sided. I believe that if I were to be given a copy of MAD and a copy of Panic, both of which I had never seen before, I would enjoy the PANIC more, but the MAD stories would still be funny after the tenth reading while the PANIC stories would begin to pale after even two readings. This is because the PANIC stories had more of a gimmicky, shock ending, which is fine the first time but loses it's cleverness soon. The MAD stories had all around better rereading value. But those first readings of PANICs were lulus?

There were the same artists in PANIC as in MAD, except that PANIC also had Joe Orlando, who draws for the current Mad, doing artwork too, and fine artwork too. In the first issue of PANIC, there was a story by Jack Kamen, who did artwork for other E.C. comics, but that was the only time. He was primarily a serious cartoonist.



The departments of PANIC were quite limited. There were no spoofs of actual comic book characters or actual books etc. as there were in MAD. The regular departments were: COMIC STRIPS, T.V., RADIO, MOVIES, and NEWSPAPER COLUMNS.

Wally Wood always did the movies and really showed a flair for charicature. Bill Elder always did the comic strip parody, and Jack Davis and Joe Orlando did all the various other departments.

The letter pages in PANIC were about the lousiest ones I have ever seen. One typical page had lots of little chopped up letters that virtually read: I LIKE IT ... I HATE IT ... I LIKE IT...ETC. Maybe one in a thousand was sensible.

PANIC had jokes that ran all the way through the comic book. So you had to start at the beginning or they wouldn't make any sense. This

might have been the reason why you didn't see any PANIC paperback collection, such as MAD had. Independent stories would have wrecked much of PANIC's humor.

The fillers in PANIC, were especially amusing. For example, in #5 there was a one-page takeoff on the newspaper horoscope. Here are bits from it:

JUNE 22 TO JULY 23 (Cancer) Today is a red letter day if you are born under the sign of cancer. If you get a red letter, return it unopened. It's probably from a communist-front organization.

DEC. 23 TO JAN. 21 (Capricorn) Avoid arguments today if you are a Capricorn-husband. You will lose. Come to think of it, you'll lose if you're an any-sign husband. Let's face it!

JAN. 22 TO FEB. 20 (Aquarium) Give tanks today if you stay out of hot water.

especially if the temperature is over 80. It will just be a lot of hot Aries. (So they're getting worse. So nobody's forcing you.)

MAY 21 TO JUNE 21 (Gemini) Don't be intolerant of bad puns. Gemini crickets, it's tough to be funny.

IF YOU WERE BORN TODAY: You are an amazing child to able to read this column when



you're not even one day old.

One thing that I liked about PANIC, was the lettering. It was not hand lettered, but printed with type. This made it especially easy to read and gave the comic a neater look. Unfortunately, the last three issues were hand lettered. Oh well, you can't win them all.

In all of its short life, PANIC was full of laughs and fun. In the previous article on MAD in this magazine, Dave Herring was lamenting the fate of MAD. Well, I think that PANIC should be even more lamented. It was still going strong when Kurtzman left MAD, but Al Feldstein then left PANIC to become the editor of MAD. The demise of MAD was also the demise of PANIC, even more so. While Kurtzman went on to greater things, Feldstein was stuck at MAD, which really didn't suit his talents. A little bit of MAD (so to speak) turns up every now and then in Kurtzman's HELP! Magazine, but the humor and style of PANIC is lost forever under the rubble of the once great magazine, MAD.

THE END

The various pictures seen throughout this article originally appeared in PANIC Magazine. The first is from "Li'l Melvin" drawn by Will Elder in PANIC#3, the second was taken from "You Too Can Hook A Zillionaire" illustrated by Wallace Wood in PANIC#5, The third which is in the upper right hand corner of this page is from "The Phansom" drawn by Bill

Elder in PANIC#6, the lest picture directly to the left is from "You Axed For It!" illustrated by Jack Davis in PANIC#7.—ED.

THE OPINIONS EXPRESSED IN THE PREVIOUS



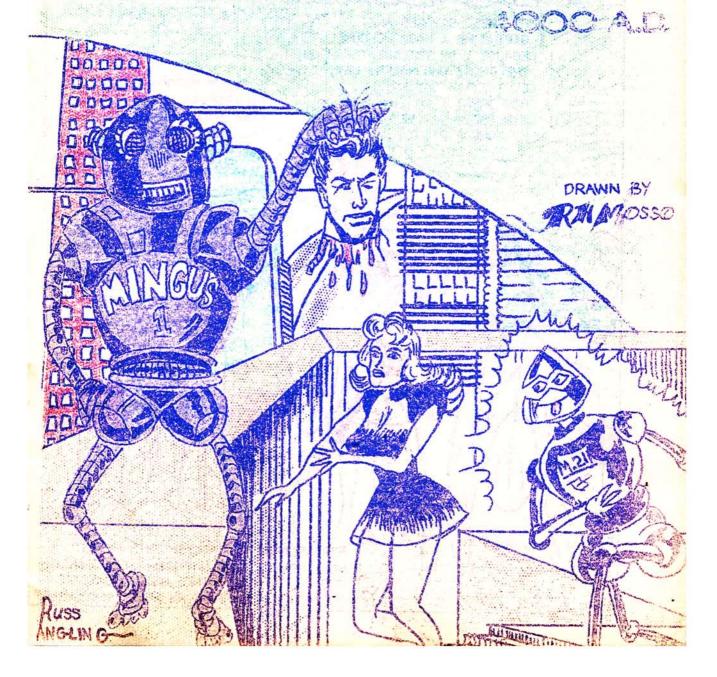
ARTICLE ARE NOT NECESSARILY THOSE OF THE HERRING BROS. PUBLICATIONS. AS A MATTER OF FACT I THINK MAD WAS BETTER THAN PANIC NOT ONLY THE 10TH TIME YOU READ IT BUT THE FIRST AND ANY OTHER TIME. I ALSO HAPPEN TO PREFER HAND LETTERING TO PRINTED LET-TERING. SO THERE!!! AL FELDSTEIN IS A FINK!!! I HAVE USED THIS SPACE TO EXPRESS MY OPINIONS REGARDING PANIC MAGAZINE, BUT MAINLY I HAVE USED THIS SPACE TO FILL IT UP. JAY'S ARTICLE WAS NOT LONG ENOUGH TO COVER THE WHOLE PAGE SO I THOUGHT I'D THROW IN A LITTLE CONTROVERSY. SERIOUSLY THOUGH, I THOUGH PANIC WAS PRETTY DARN GOOD. IN FUTURE ISSUES OF ODD YOU CARE LOOK FORWARD TO REVIEWS OF INDIVIDUAL IS-SUES OF PANIC AS WE ARE NOW DOING TO MAD. WE'LL HAVE COVER TRACINGS AND MORE INSIDE PICTURES. IT'LL BE A BLAST-ED.

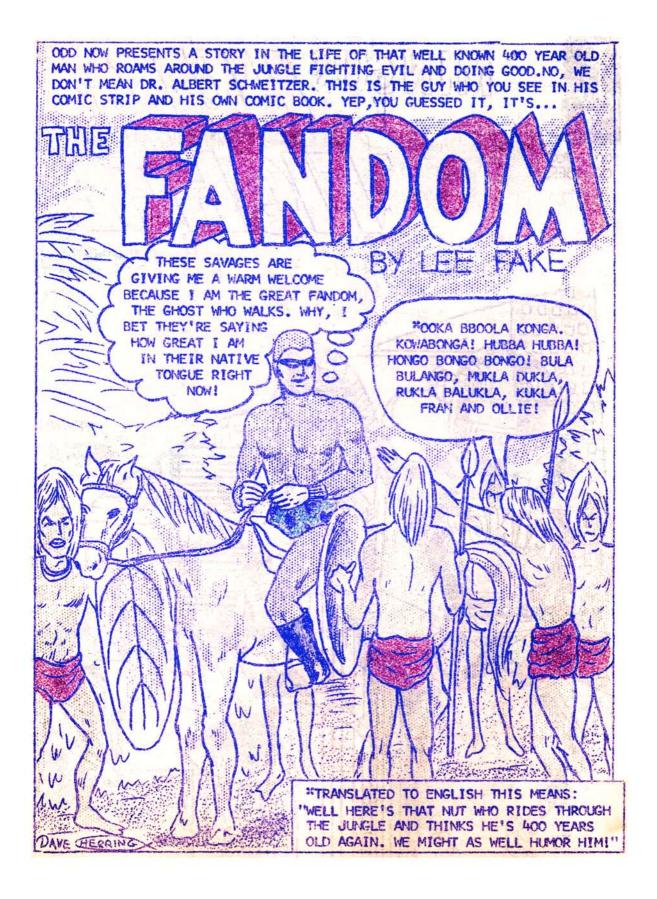




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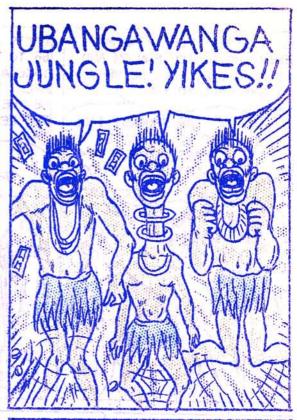




A YOUNG GIRL COMES UP TO SOME NATIVE GUIDES IN A VILLAGE...

PARDON ME BOYS, BUT I WONDER IF YOU COULD GUIDE ME TO A DANGEROUS PART OF THE JUNGLE WHERE MY FATHER IS. IT'S THE UBANGAWANGA JUNGLE.





PLEASE LADY, THERE ONLY ONE MAN STUPID ENOUGH, ER I MEAN BRAVE E-NOUGH TO GET YOU TO THE DREADED UBANGAWANGA JUNGLE ALIVE. THAT MAN THE FANDOM!





OH, I SIMPLY MUST FIND MY FATHER. BE A NICE FANDOM AND TAKE ME THERE. I'LL BE VERY VERY GRATEFUL TO YOU.



LET'S GET STARTED...HMM WE TAKE ROUTE
66 TO THE PASADENA CUT OFF...THEN WE
TAKE A RIGHT AT ALBUQUERQUE...WHAT THE
HECK! THAT DARN SERVICE STATION GAVE
ME THE WRONG MAP! THIS ONE DOESN'T HAVE
THE REST ROOMS MARKED OFF ON IT!



### 2 HOURS LATER ...

NOW WE ARE IN A DIFFERANT PART OF THE
JUNGLE...WE ARE OUT OF
MY TERRITORY! THE HERO
FOR THIS PART IS RAMAR
OF THE JUNGLE! NAME
SURE YOUR HEAD DOESN'T
HIT ANY MICROPHONE
BOOMS!



### 2 HOURS LATER ...

NOW WE ARE ENTERING TERRITORY OF TARZOON, THE APEMAN. WATCH OUT, HE LIKES YOUNG BEAU-TIFUL WHITE WOMEN.



### 4 HOURS LATER ...

WELL, IT TOOK ME LONG ENOUGH TO GET YOU AWAY FROM TARZOON. HE'S A MARRIED MAN TOO! NOW WE IN JUNGLE JIM'S TERRITORY! MAKE SURE YOU DON'T BUMP INTO ANY JUNGLE JIMS.

















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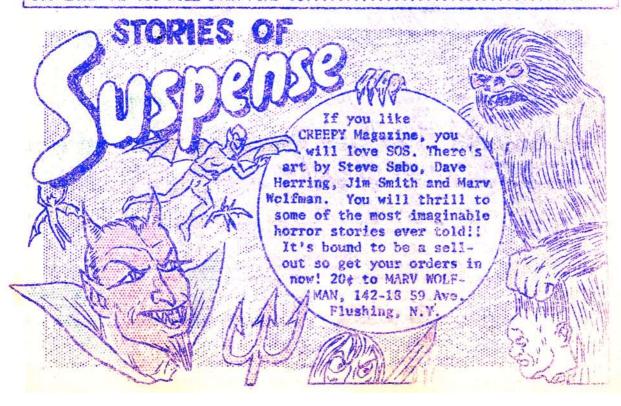
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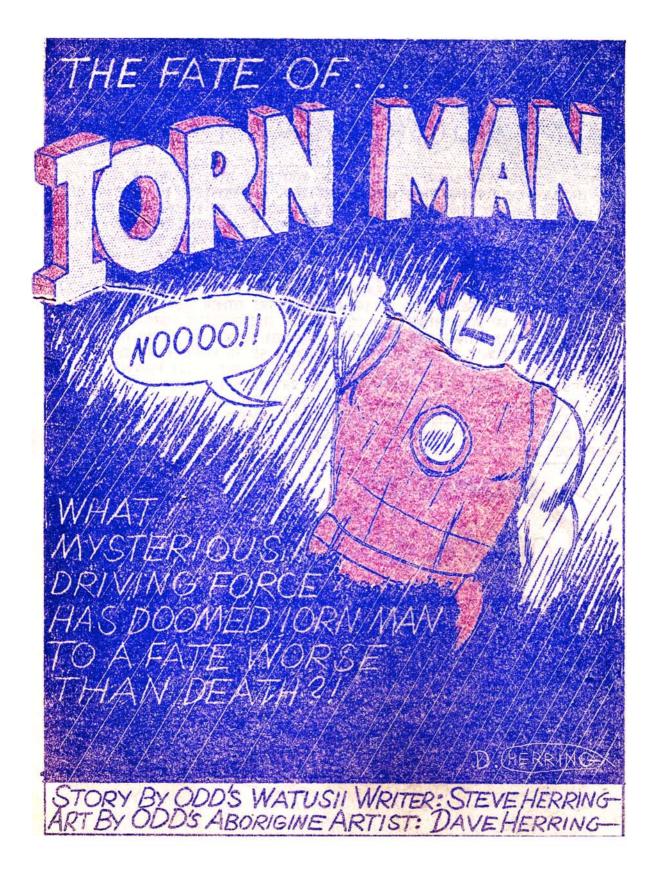
LARGEST CIRCULATION IN THE WORLD, BUT THE PEOPLE WHO BUY ODD WILL
BUY ANYTHING:

### YOU HAVE OUR APOLOGIES A WORD FROM THE EDITORS

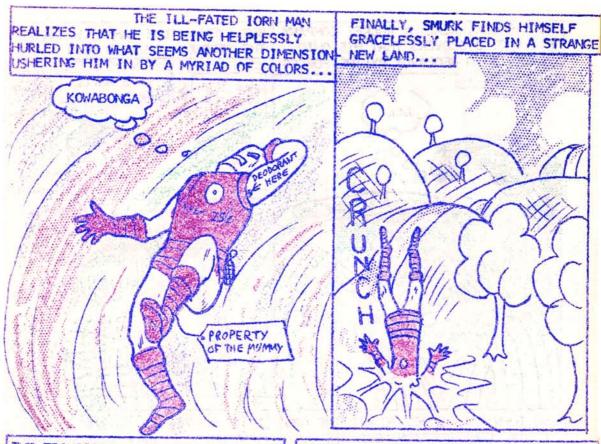
YES, WE ARE VERY SORRY TO REPORT TO YOU THAT THIS ISSUE OF ODD DOES NOT INCLUDE EVERYTHING THAT WAS ADVERTIZED. WE PROMISED TO HAVE AN IRON MAN SATIRE CALLED "IRONICAL MAN". STEVE SABO WAS TO ILLUSTRATE IT BUT WE HAVE BEEN WAITING A LONG TIME TO RECEIVE IT AND HAVE DECIDED IT WAS UNFAIR TO MAKE YOU, THE READERS WAIT ANY LONGER. WE HOPE STEVE WILL COMPLETE IT SO WE CAN USE IT NEXT ISSUE. NOW WE ARE LEFT WITH THE PROBLEM OF FILLING UP THE 6 PAGES STEVE WAS TO DO.

WE'VE DECIDED NOT TO MAKE OUR ADS COMPLETE LIARS. WE WILL USE SOME OF THE NEXT FEW PAGES TO DO AN IRON MAN SATIRE OTHER THAN IRONICAL MAN: WE WILL THINK UP SOMETHING VERY CLEVER FOR THE REST(WE HOPE).





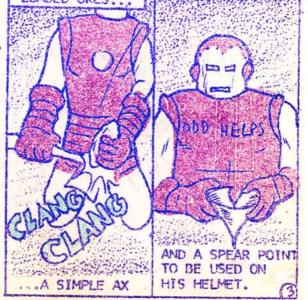




THE TRANSITION HAS LESSONED HIS POWERS, AND AS SAMSON AFTER A CREW CUT- A WEAKENED TONY SMURK, THE FAMOUS IORN MAN IS NOW A STRANGER IN A HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT.



IN ITS EXTREMITY, SMURK'S BRILLIANCE & REMAINING STRENGTH DEVISE TWO PRIMITIVE BUT PRACTICAL WEAPONS BY ITHE USE OF CRUDE FORCE AND METAL LOADED ORES...



AND WITH THESE WEAPONS, THE BRAVE MAN OF IORN HOPES TO ARM HIMSELF AGAINST WHATEVER THIS UNKNOWN WORLD MAY HOLD FOR HIM...



BUT THE UNEXPECTED AND UNPREPARED FOR INEVITABLY HAPPENED! WHILE EXPLORING THE WOODS ON GUARD...RAIN...RUSTING, CORROSIVE, RAIN!!

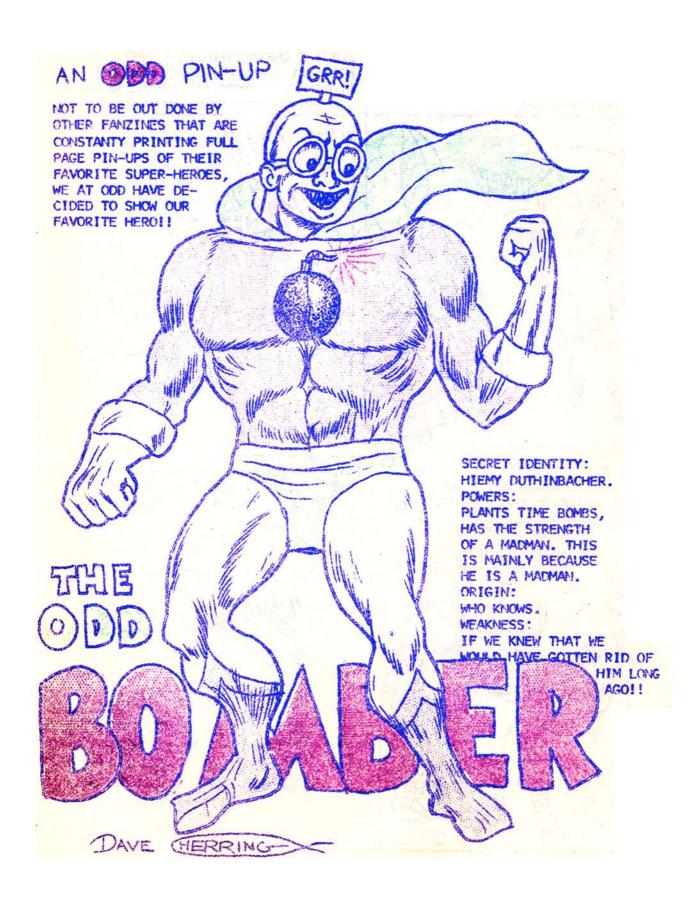


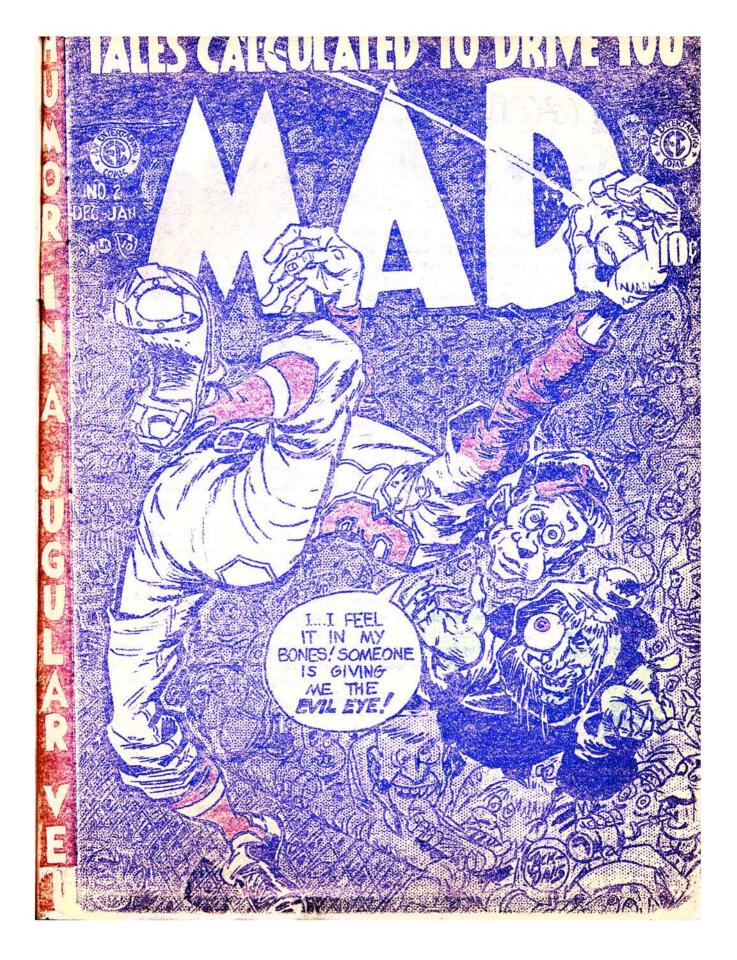


MIGHT AS WELL PLAY ALONG WITH THE DUMB KID...I'M DOOMED TO STAY HERE AS PART OF A FAIRY TALE FOREVER ANYHOW!!



YES READER-THE INVINCIBLE IORN MAN HAS BEEN EXILED TO THE WORLD OVER THE RAINBOW-THE LAND DREADED BY ALL HEROES-THE TERRIBLY GUNKY LAND OF OZ



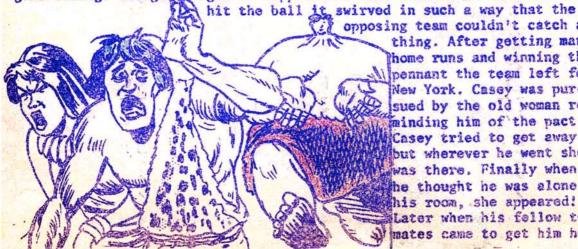




The second issue of the glorious old comic called MAD started off with a bang. I'm referring to the marvelous cover drawn by that grand old master of the pen and brush, Jack Davis. This cover was the only one of the first 23 issues that was done by Davis. At least I think it is. There is a possibility that he also did the cover of #4 but since I have not aquired that one yet I do not know. If any of you readers have a copy of MAD#4 perhaps you could clear up the mystery. Just write to me and tell me who was responsible for the cover which depicted. Kane Keen, private eye. Okay?

With this issue MAD still had mostly general satires. The one exception was the 2nd. story which was a direct spoof of Tarzan

called MELVIN! But more of that later. The first story, which had a scene from it on the cover, was called HEX! Like the cover it was also drawn by Mr. Davis. The story dealt with a baseball player named Casey who was quite a rotten player. During one game a woman in the stands promised she'd give Casey luck and make sure his team wins the pennant if he promised to marry her. To humor the old lady Casey said he would go along with the deal. The tracing at the upper right of the page shows what happened next. The lady stuck him with a pin(I guess you can figure out where) and signed a pact in blood. When Casey went back to play in the game strange things began to happen. His team started to win. When they



opposing team couldn't catch anything. After getting many home runs and winning the pennant the team left for New York. Casey was pursued by the old woman reminding him of the pact. Casey tried to get away but wherever he went she was there. Finally when he thought he was alone in his room, she appeared! Later when his fellow teammates came to get him he



was gone! Going outside they saw the silhouette of two people riding a broom stick. Then they realized the awful truth, yes, they realized they were going to lose the series. They realized they were HEXED! Well that's it. Doesn't sound very funny does it? Well it wasn't.

The next story, MELVIN!, has been reprinted in UTTERLY MAD which I believe is still available so I won't tell you much about it. Just that the second tracing on the previous page shows the final panel where Melvin and Jane are confronted with the shrunken head of Boy! The story was drawn by

John Severin.

Next we come to the best story in the issue superbly illustrated by Wallace Wood. The title was GOOKUM! It's the story of how a martian fled from Mars to Earth because it was being destroyed by a terrible red substance known as Gookum! After telling his harrowing experiences, a sample of which is depicted in the upper left of the page, the martian was given a dish of cherry jello. The martian was horrified for you see, what we call cherry jello is in reality D-DORMANT GOOKUM!

The final story drawn by Villy Elder, was reprinted in MAD#22. It was called MELVIN MOLE! It was the story of guy (I should say Mole) who could not refrain from stealing and killing. He was captured many times and put in prison but he always found some tool to dig himself out. The warden kept warning him he was heading straight for the electric chair but that didn't stop Mole. First he used a spoon to dig out of his cell. The next time he was captured they made sure he had no objects to dig

with but the warden carelessly dropped a tooth pick in his cell and Mole escaped using the tooth pick as a shovel. The next time he was captured they took his clothes and shaved his hair off but they forgot one of his nostril hairs and he dug himself out. But this time Melvin Mole was out of luck. He dug himself straight to the ELECTRIC CHAIR! the cordial warden offered Mole a seat. Well that's it. That was how MAD#2 was. Next issue we'll be back and review MAD#7. Don't miss it, it'll be great





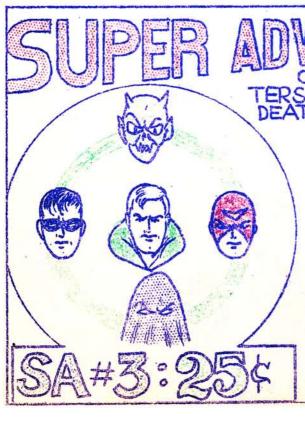
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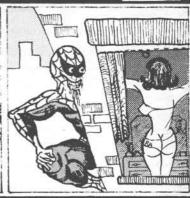
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BILL DUBAY







DAVE HERRING

FOR YEARS I'VE BEEN PUTTING PARTS OF DIF-FERANT BODIES TOGETHER, AND NOW TO GIVE MY CREATION LIFE .







STEVE HERRING

ISN'T SHE A DOOZY?







