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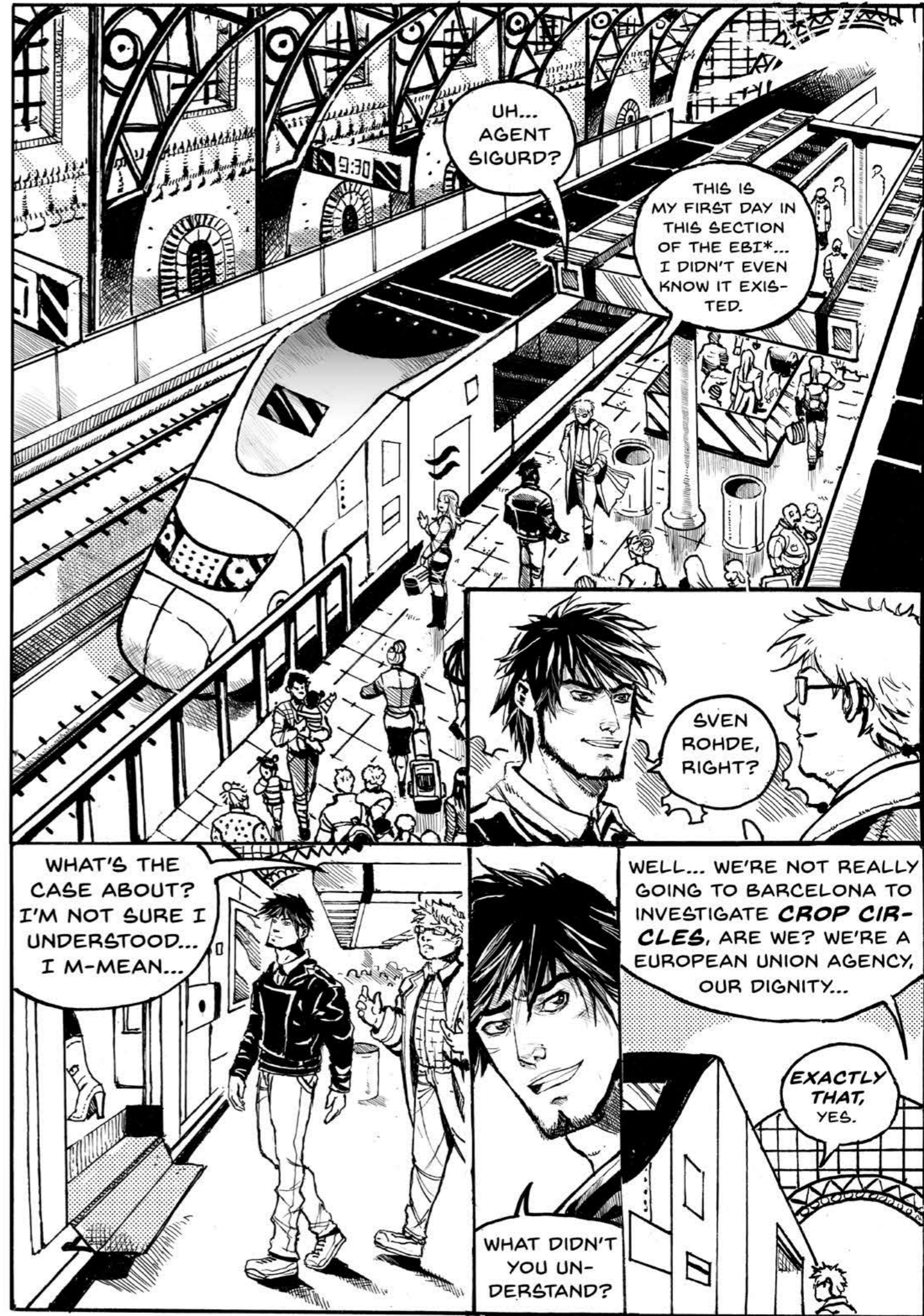
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UH... AGENT SIGURD?

THIS IS MY FIRST DAY IN THIS SECTION OF THE EBIB*... I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW IT EXISTED.

SVEN ROHDE, RIGHT?

WHAT'S THE CASE ABOUT? I'M NOT SURE I UNDERSTOOD... I M-MEAN...

WELL... WE'RE NOT REALLY GOING TO BARCELONA TO INVESTIGATE CROP CIRCLES, ARE WE? WE'RE A EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY, OUR DIGNITY...

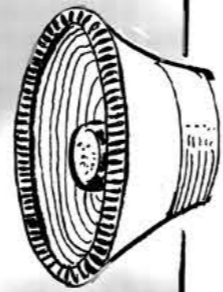
WHAT DIDN'T YOU UNDERSTAND?

EXACTLY THAT, YES.





OKAY,
LAST CHANCE!



BARCELONA

BUSINESS POINT

WELCOME
MEETING BUSINESS FACE TO FACE

CERDOS
CAPITALISTAS

CLEAR
CATALONIA SQUARE
NOW SO THAT WE
CAN GET RID OF ALL
THE LICE YOU'VE
SPREAD AROUND AND
EVERYTHING WILL BE
JUST FINE!

FUERA EL DINERO



CATALONIA
SQUARE
DOESN'T
EXIST!

THIS
BULLSHIT
IS AD
SQUARE!

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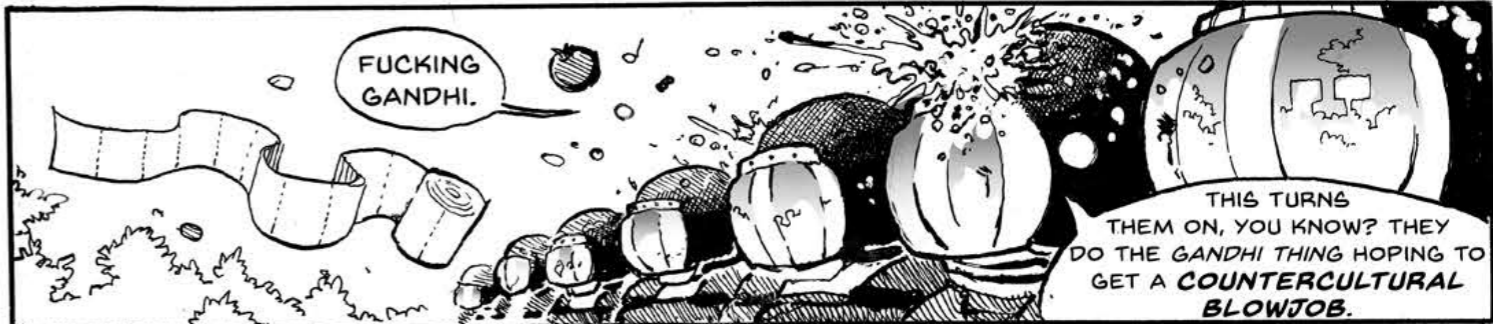
COPS ARE
DOGS! COPS
ARE DOGS!

FUERA EL DINERO

CHAIN
YOUR ARMS
TOGETHER
AND DON'T
ATTACK
THOSE BAS-
TARDS!



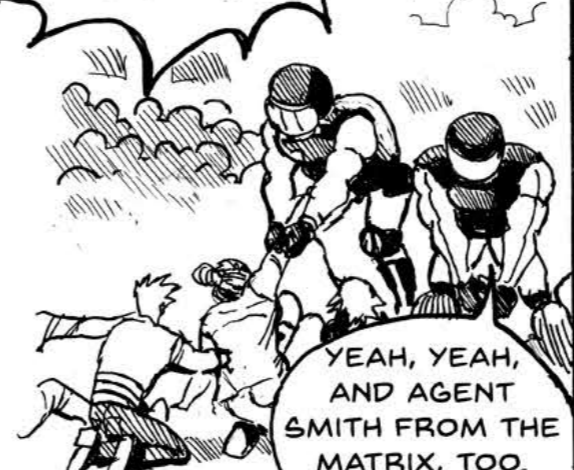
LET THEM
BE THE
ONES
WHO TAR-
NISH OUR
PASSIVE
RESISTAN-
CE!



FUCKING
GANDHI.

THIS TURNS
THEM ON, YOU KNOW? THEY
DO THE GANDHI THING HOPING TO
GET A COUNTERCULTURAL
BLOWJOB.

YOU'RE THE
TOOLS OF THE
SYSTEM!



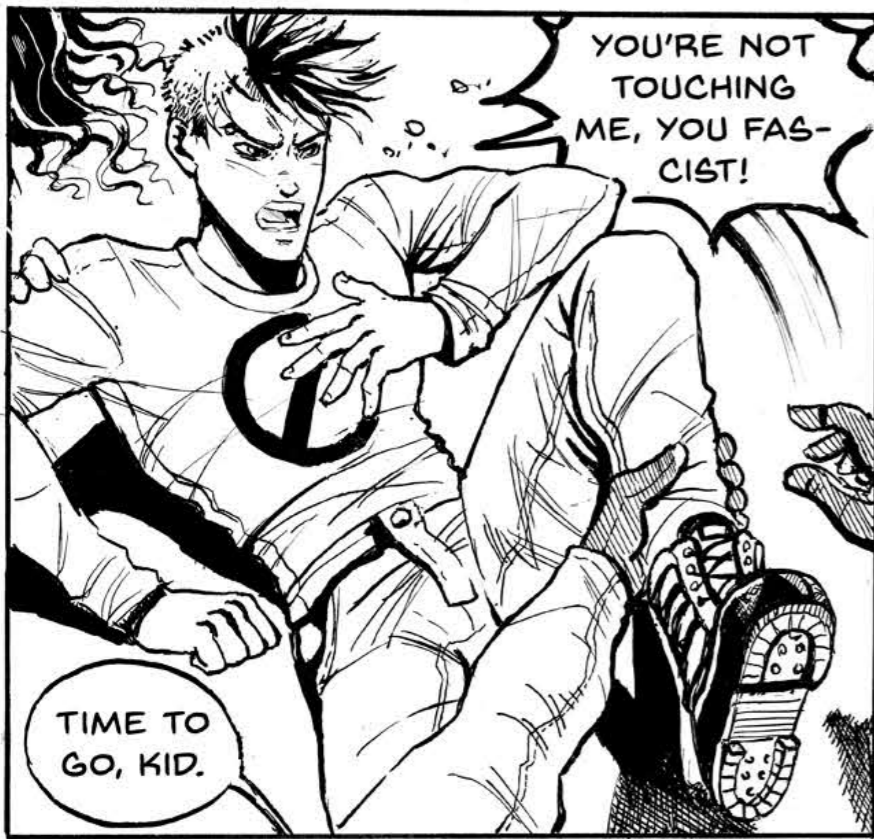
YEAH, YEAH,
AND AGENT
SMITH FROM THE
MATRIX, TOO.



LET GO OF ME!



C'MON,
MOVE.



YOU'RE NOT TOUCHING ME, YOU FASCIST!

TIME TO GO, KID.



MO-THEREF...!

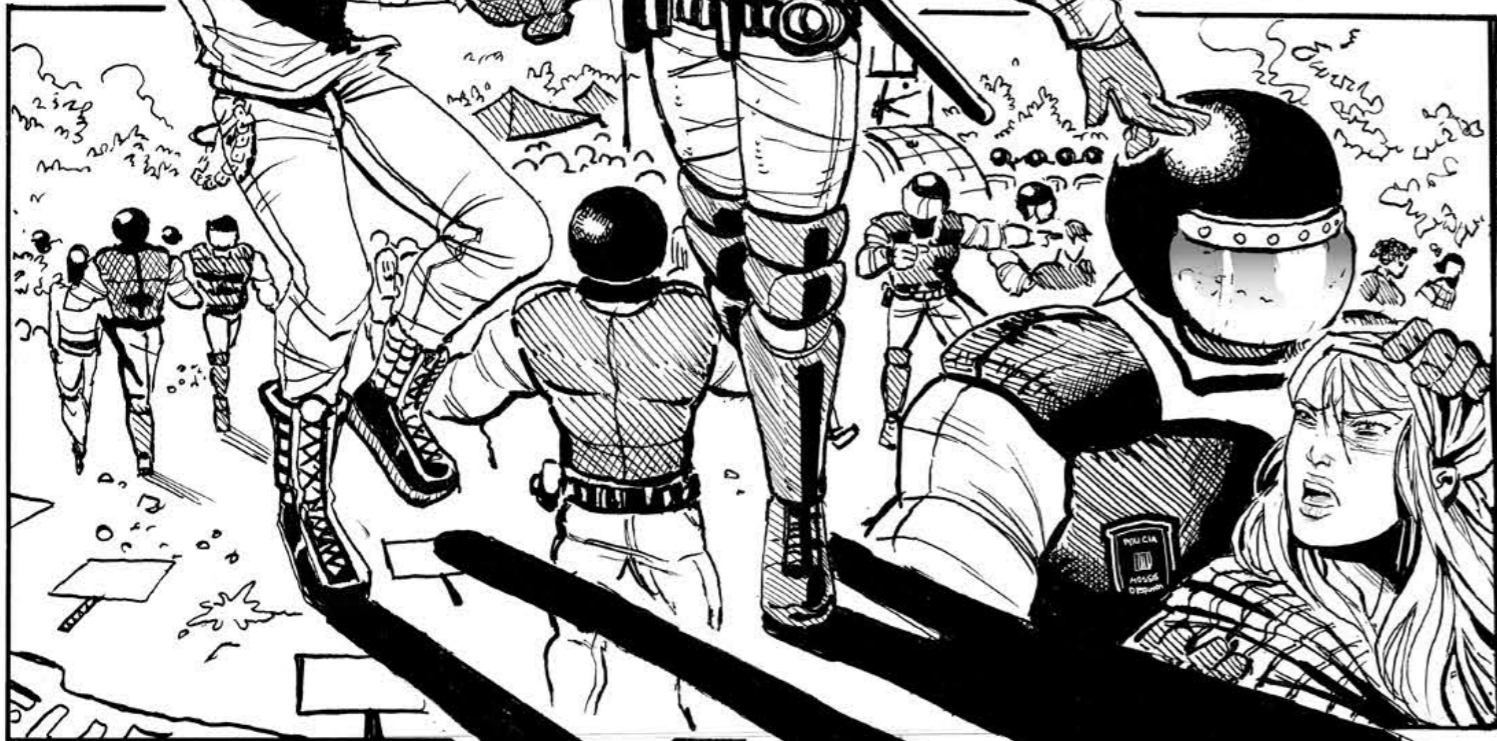


THANK GOD THEY WERE PEACEFUL.



FUCKING HIPPIES.

IF THEY AT LEAST KNEW HOW TO FIGHT, THEY WOULDN'T HAVE BROKEN MY FINGERS BY ACCIDENT!



LIKE THAT DICKHEAD, ESSEX. ALWAYS JOKING AND LAUGHING BUT, AS SOON AS HE GOT THE CHANCE, HE SCREWED ME.

HEY, HEY.

THAT'S OVER NOW.



ESSEX'S NOT A COP ANYMORE.

I DON'T CARE!

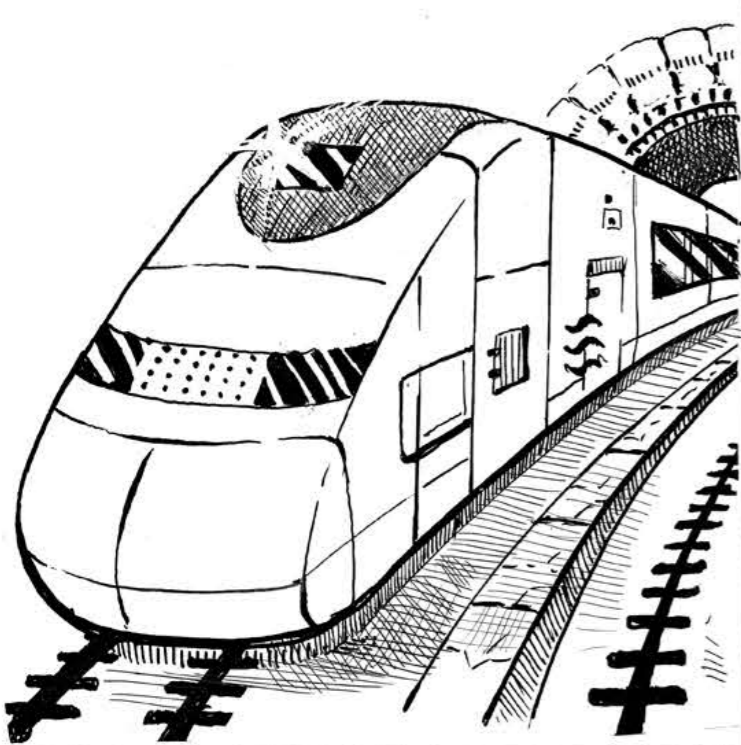


DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY HOURS HE HAD TO SPEND INVESTIGATING THAT RUBBER BULLET BULLSHIT? NOT EVEN I KNEW IT WAS MINE'S THAT LEFT THAT GIRL ONE-EYED!



YOU DON'T GET IT. ESSEX IS NOT A COP ANYMORE.

UNDERSTAND?



WELL ...

SO YOU EXPECTED SOMETHING **BETTER**, HUH? DUDE, YOU COME FROM **FISCAL CRIMES**...

WHEN YOU SAY WE'RE GOING TO INVESTIGATE **CROP CIRCLES**...



...I STILL CAN'T TELL IF YOU'RE **SERIOUS**.



HM.



YOU THOUGHT THE **EBI** DIDN'T HAVE A **PARANORMAL** BRANCH?

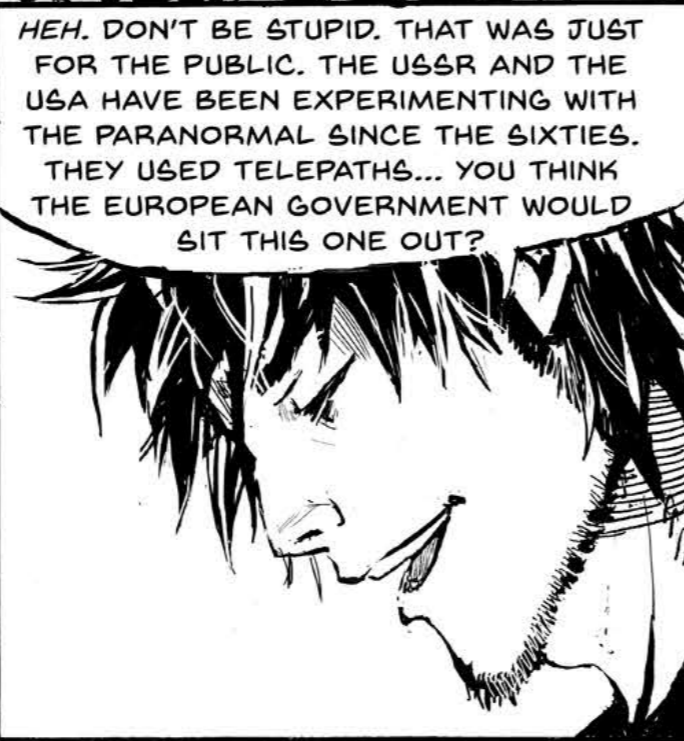


I THOUGHT THIS **COP-MAGE** THING FELL **OUT OF FASHION**.

LIKE THE **SHOULDER PADS** AND THE REST OF **ABOMINATIONS** FROM THE **EIGHTIES**.



FOR THE **LOVE OF THE ONE**.



HEH. DON'T BE **STUPID**. THAT WAS JUST FOR THE **PUBLIC**. THE **USSR** AND THE **USA** HAVE BEEN EXPERIMENTING WITH THE **PARANORMAL** SINCE THE **SIXTIES**. THEY USED **TELEPATHS**... YOU THINK THE **EUROPEAN GOVERNMENT** WOULD SIT THIS ONE OUT?



IN ANY CASE, THIS IS NOT YOUR **REGULAR CROP CIRCLE**.



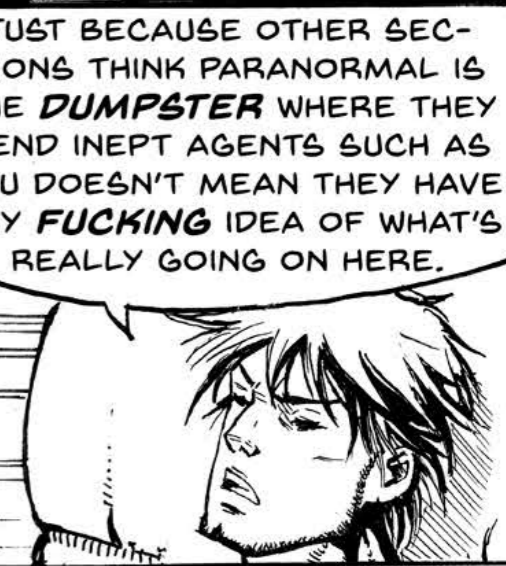
KEPT APPEARING AGAIN AND AGAIN IN **BARCELONA'S VICINITY** SINCE THE DEATH OF **ELIYA UWANTE**.



OH, GREAT. IT WAS THE **ALIENS!**



JUST BECAUSE OTHER SECTIONS THINK **PARANORMAL** IS THE **DUMPSTER** WHERE THEY SEND **INEPT AGENTS** SUCH AS YOU DOESN'T MEAN THEY HAVE ANY **FUCKING IDEA** OF WHAT'S REALLY GOING ON HERE.

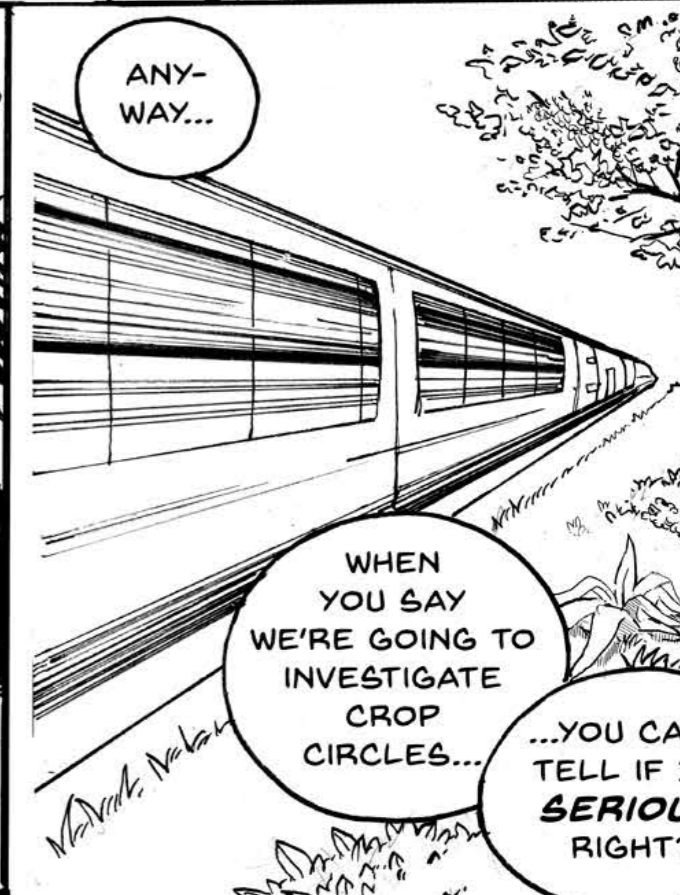


WHAT? **INEPT?** UHM... HEH... YOU'RE **KIDDING**, RIGHT?



AND NOT ONLY **INEPT**, BUT A **COWARD** TO BOOT. **GREAT**.

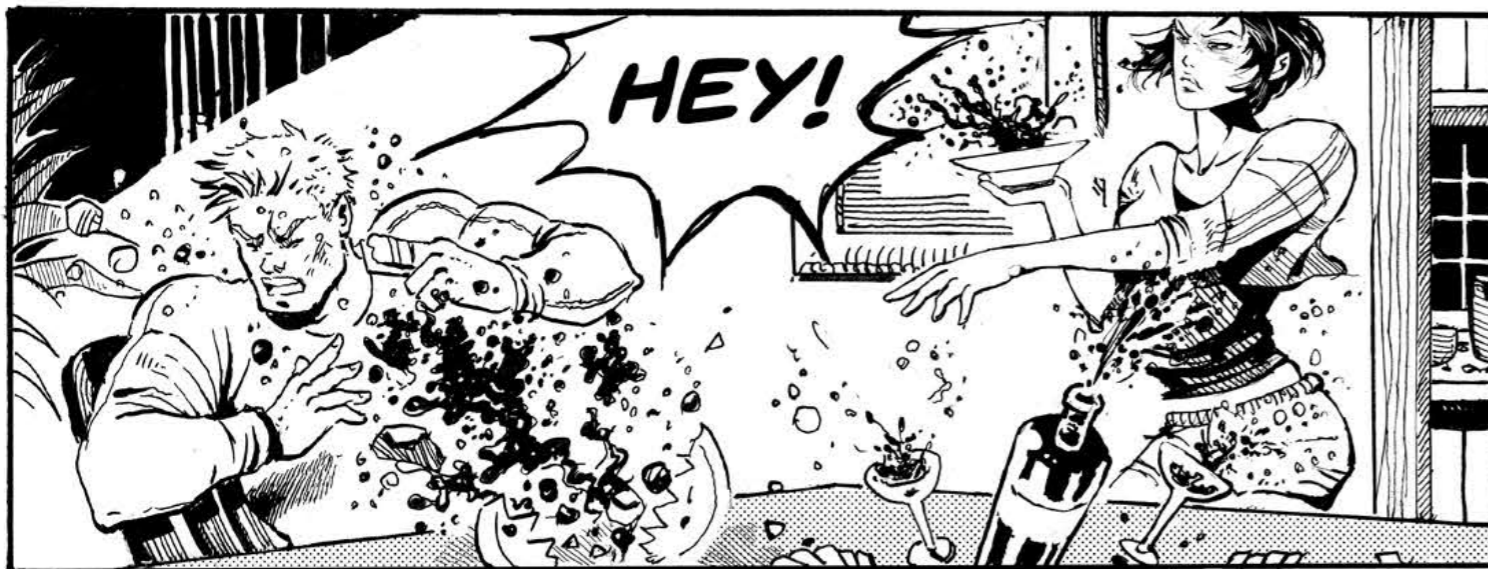
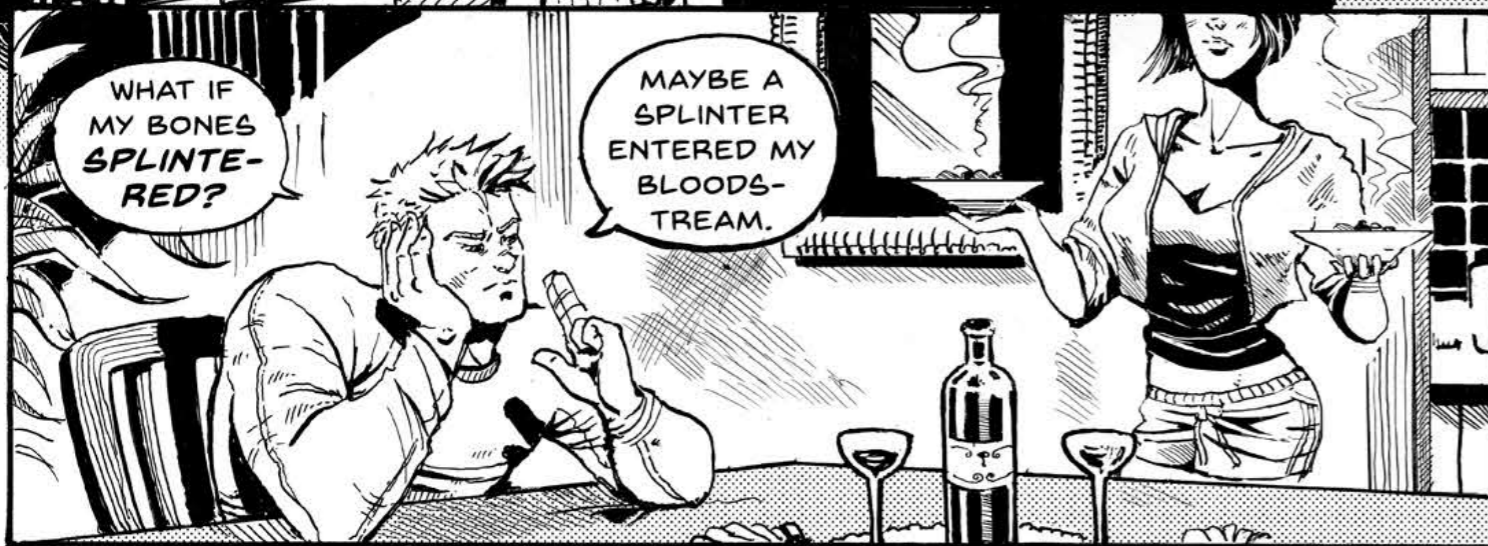
FORGET THIS CONVERSATION...

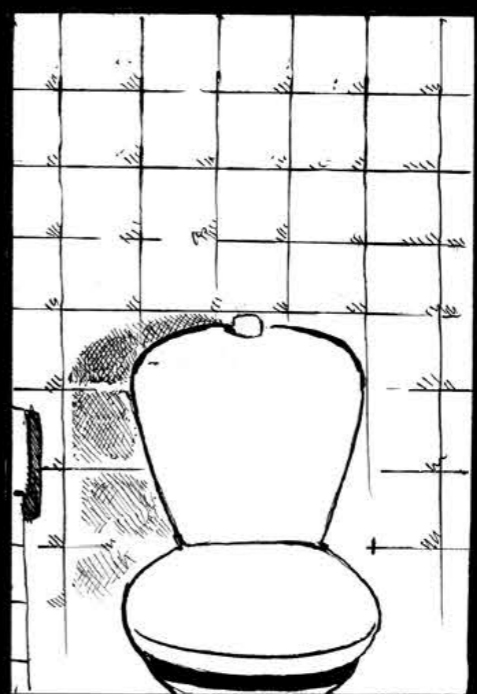


ANYWAY...

WHEN YOU SAY WE'RE GOING TO INVESTIGATE **CROP CIRCLES**...

...YOU CAN'T TELL IF I'M **SERIOUS**, RIGHT?







DO YOU KNOW WHAT CAUSED ELIYA'S DEATH?

HEART ATTACK.



NO, WE MADE THE MEDIA SAY THAT BECAUSE THE GUY WHO WAS FRAMED ESCAPED AND IT WAS TURNING INTO A MESS.

I LIKED HIM, YOU KNOW? DIDN'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT HIM, BUT HE SEEMED AN ADMIRABLE MAN.



YOU SPEND ALL YOUR LIFE TRYING TO DO THINGS THE BEST YOU CAN AND YOUR REWARD IS A DEATH THAT WON'T BE REPORTED TRUTHFULLY.

DOESN'T SEEM FAIR, DON'T YOU THINK?

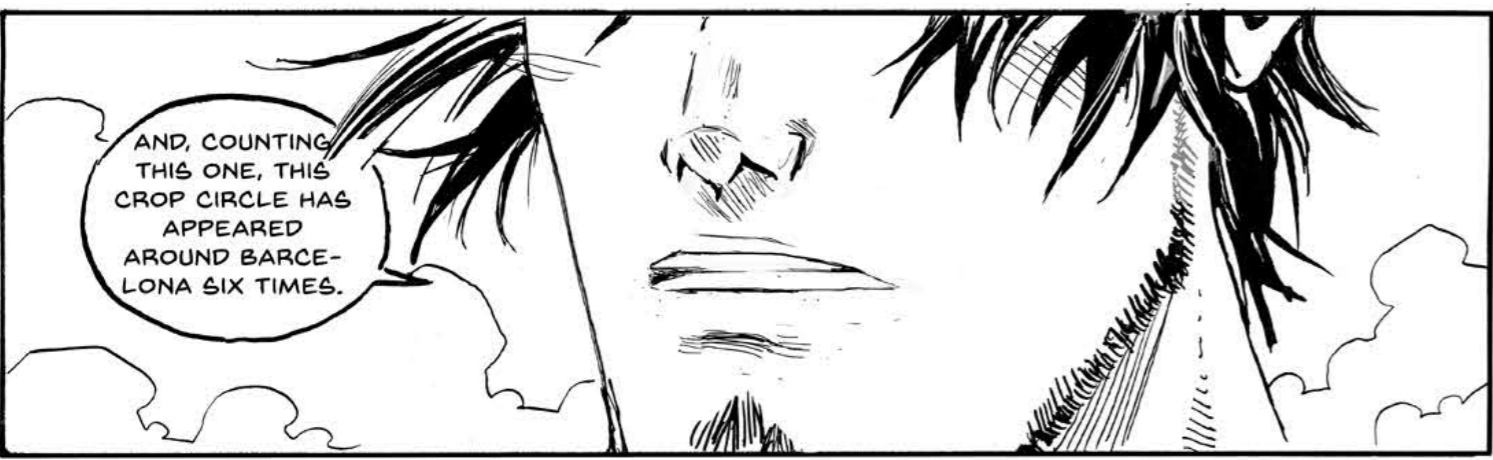


DO YOU UNDERSTAND? THE WORLD IS IN MOURNING; THE WORLD IS CRYING FOR HIM.

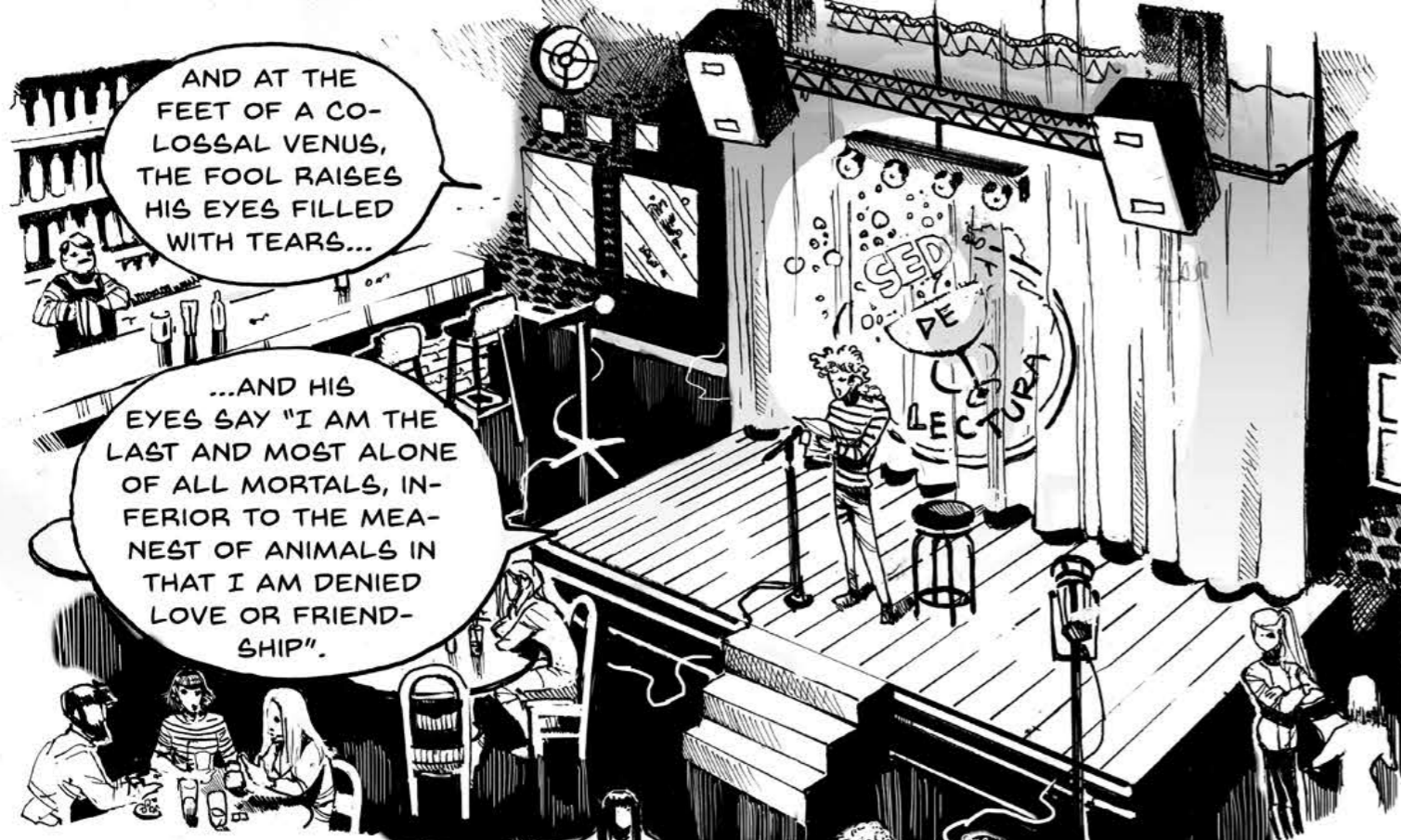
A BETTER FUNERAL THAN THE ONE I'LL GET.



WE FOUND A SIX-POINTED STAR IN THE SCENE OF THE CRIME.



AND, COUNTING THIS ONE, THIS CROP CIRCLE HAS APPEARED AROUND BARCELONA SIX TIMES.



AND AT THE FEET OF A COLOSSAL VENUS, THE FOOL RAISES HIS EYES FILLED WITH TEARS...

...AND HIS EYES SAY "I AM THE LAST AND MOST ALONE OF ALL MORTALS, INFERIOR TO THE MEANEST OF ANIMALS IN THAT I AM DENIED LOVE OR FRIENDSHIP".



WHAT A JERK.

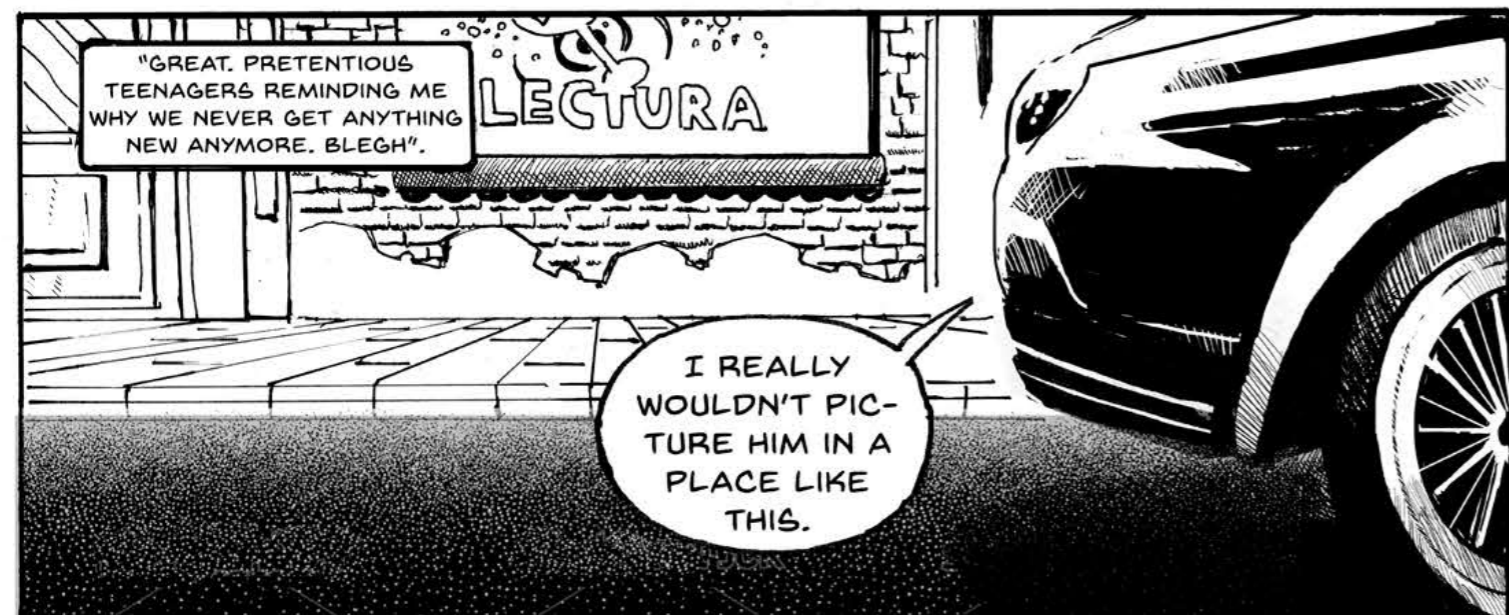
DIDN'T HE SAY THIS IS HIS? IT'S BAUDELAIRE!



IT'S A PERFORMANCE.

TO QUOTE IS TO CREATE.

LIKE IN THE "PIERRE BERNARD AND DON QUIXOTE" STORY.



"GREAT. PRETENTIOUS TEENAGERS REMINDING ME WHY WE NEVER GET ANYTHING NEW ANYMORE. BLEGH".

I REALLY WOULDN'T PICTURE HIM IN A PLACE LIKE THIS.



YOU KNOW THEY'VE JUST OPENED A PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCY?

AND THEY ARE DOING FINE.

IT'S NOT FAIR.

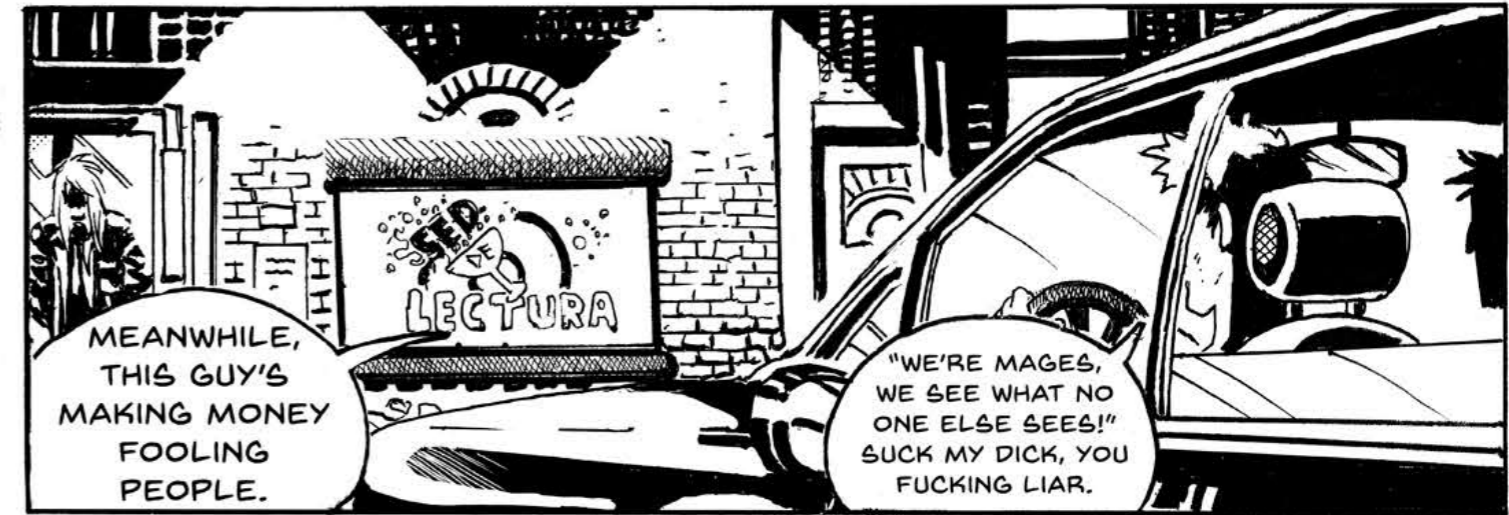


YOU KNOW WHAT MY WIFE DID WHEN SHE SAW MY FINGERS LIKE THIS?

SHE CRIED.

SHE JUST LOST HER JOB.

AND THE MORTGAGE... HOW ARE WE GOING TO HAVE KIDS IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS?



MEANWHILE, THIS GUY'S MAKING MONEY FOOLING PEOPLE.

"WE'RE MAGES, WE SEE WHAT NO ONE ELSE SEES!" SUCK MY DICK, YOU FUCKING LIAR.



HE'S A FUCKING CON MAN. THAT'S WHY HE'S WINNING, YOU KNOW?

BAD PEOPLE ALWAYS WIN. THAT'S LIFE FOR YOU.



HEY, ESSEX.

HOW ABOUT SAYING "I'M SORRY", HUH?

WHO SENDS YOU?

ESSEX.

YOU'VE BEEN SENT BY THEM, RIGHT?

THE HERMITES?

ESSEX.

SAY "I'M SORRY".

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?

DON'T YOU HEAR ME, ESSEX? SAY "I'M..."

GO
FUCK
YOUR-
SELF!

HAHA-
HA.



HAVE
YOU HEARD
THEM, JOAN,
CARLOS?



-COUGH-
THE
DOGS?

THEY
WERE
BARKING.



...TO BE CONTINUED

UPSURGE IS AN ALMOST MONTHLY (40 DAYS) SERIES THAT STILL HAS A LONG WAY TO GO TO REACH THE INTENDED ENDING. HOWEVER, WE CAN'T KEEP DOING IT FOR "FREE" INDEFINITELY. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN HELPING US WHILE ALSO GETTING **EARLY ACCESS** TO AN ISSUE, **PREVIEWS** OF FUTURE EPISODES, OR **VIDEOS** AND TEXTS ABOUT OUR CREATIVE PROCESS, PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING US THROUGH PATREON AT THE 3\$ PLEDGE LEVEL (LINK BELOW). IF WE HAVE ENOUGH HELP, WE'LL TURN UPSURGE INTO A **MONTHLY** SERIES. THANK YOU!

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