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A PERSONAL LETTER TO YOU FROM BUSTER CRABBE



"BUSTER"

in There!

Fellers and Gals: I'm writing you this letter to tell you all how happy I am with our wonderful magazine, "The Amazing Adventures of BUSTER CRABBE." My good friend and pal, Lev Gleason, has begun to publish a real moon-moon, authentic, comic magazine, about my wacky adventures, in the jungle, on the Ridge, and the Space Outer World.

Lev, show all of you know as just about the best publisher in the juvenile and comic field, how cold more than a quarter billion comes to America's happy boys and girls. He tells me this is his best yet, and besides, I agree with him. "The Amazing Adventures of BUSTER CRABBE" is on sale on 90,000 newsstands in the United States of America, and in many hotels, courtesies. If you want to be a true-blue pal, my friend, you will get your friends to pick up a copy of this magazine. We want all OKAY fellers and gals, like yourself to start reading the magazine, right away. Talk it up to them, and be sure and tell Mom and Dad, sis and buddy, to read it too. Lev Gleason and I make you this pledge: you will never find one objectional word or picture in this magazine.

If you are in an area where you can tune in my T.V. or Radio show, be sure and do so. Beginning in October, be on the lookout for my show, "King of the Congo," which will probably be on your local station - If it isn't, ask your local T.V. Manager. I'd be very happy and honored to have you send for the free picture offered elsewhere in this issue.

By the time you read this, I'll be far, far away on a special trip. For a few weeks, I'm going to India with my 8 year old son, "Catty". We're going into the deepest jungle to make twenty-six bull how films for television, which will be released in January 1954. I'll have some pretty exciting adventures in the jungle, I'm sure - with mus-killing elephants, Bengal tigers, leopards and 30 foot pythons.

As soon as I get back, I'll write you pals, another letter, in the magazine, Catty and I count on you to keep this magazine really "cool".

Till then buddies!

Good Luck from,
Sincerely,
Your friend and pal,

Buster Crabbe



"LEV"

BUSTER CRABBE

IN "THE JUNGLE TALKS BACK"



OUR STORY BEGINS IN THE SUMMER OF 1948...

REMEMBER, FOLKS YOUR BOYS WERE CHOSEN FOR THIS TRIP, BECAUSE THEY ARE OUTSTANDING IN EVERY WAY! I'VE SPENT YEARS IN AFRICA, AND I CAN ASSURE YOU THEY'LL BE QUITE SAFE!

WAIT, MR. CRABBE! YOU'VE FORGOTTEN MY SON!

I'M SORRY, MR. PRINCE, BUT I DIDN'T REALIZE TINY WAS SO SMALL WHEN I ACCEPTED YOUR APPLICATION... IT WOULD BE BETTER IF HE DIDN'T GO!

COULDN'T YOU RECONSIDER?

I'M BIG ENOUGH...

WELL... ALL RIGHT! GET ABOARD, TINY!

GOLLY! THANKS! MR. CRABBE!

WE'RE READY TO CAST OFF, MR. CRABBE!





A MONTH LATER, FIFTY MILES FROM KROUFA, FRENCH WEST AFRICA!

HE'S THE BIGGEST ANTELOPE YOU'VE EVER SEEN, HUH, BUSTER?

HE'S PRETTY BIG, ALL RIGHT!

TOO BAD TINY WAS TOO TIRED TO GO! HE'LL SURE BE SORRY HE MISSED THIS!

HE'S NOT ANYWHERE AROUND, BUSTER!

BLOOD! GET THE BOYS TOGETHER - WE'LL START LOOKING FOR HIM!



TINY! HEY, TINY! C'MERE!

GOOD LORD! HIS TENT IS BATTERED UP! C'MON!



TWO WEEKS LATER, AND STILL NO LUCK...

THESE WIRES HAVE BEEN POURING IN, MR. CRABBE! THE PARENTS OF THESE KIDS ARE GOING NUTS! WE'RE FOR ONE WEEK OVERDUE FOR HOME!

I WON'T GO BACK UNTIL WE FIND THAT BOY!

LOOK!

WE AM FETTER FOUND IT DOWN THE RIVER! IT'S GOT TINY'S NAME ON THE COLLAR!

DIED BLOOD! I GUESS WE DON'T HAVE TO LOOK FOR TINY ANY LONGER! PACK UP, BOYS, WE'RE GOING HOME!

IN NEW YORK...

BUT YOU AREN'T CERTAIN HE'S DEAD! THERE'S STILL A CHANCE...

HE COULDN'T SURVIVE THE JUNGLE, EVEN IF THE ANIMALS DIDN'T GET HIM! I'M AFRAID ANY FURTHER SEARCH WOULD BE USELESS. I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW BADLY I FEEL, MR. FORD!

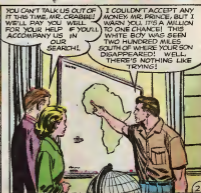


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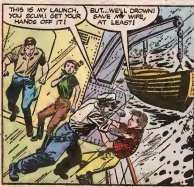
HELEN! LOOK! WE'VE GOT TO SEE MR. CRABBE AT ONCE!

DAILY
MYSTERIOUS WHITE BOY SEEN IN AFRICAN JUNGLE!!
HANK BUCKLEY, FAMED EXPLORER, TELLS FANTASTIC TALE OF WILD BOY!



YOU CAN'T TALK US OUT OF IT THIS TIME, MR. CRABBE! WE'LL PAY YOU WELL FOR YOUR HELP IF YOU'LL ACCOMPANY US IN OUR SEARCH!

I COULDN'T ACCEPT ANY MONEY, MR. PRINCE, BUT I WARN YOU, IT'S A MILLION TO ONE CHANCE! THIS WHITE BOY WAS SEEN TWO HUNDRED MILES SOUTH OF WHERE YOUR SON DISAPPEARED! WELL, THERE'S NOTHING LIKE TRYING!







EEAAHH!
SNAKES! SNAKES!
IN THERE!
EEEE...

I AM SORRY, TJAN!
THE PIT IS TO CAPTURE
THE LITTLE WHITE
THIEF WHO COMES
IN THE NIGHT!

YOU OUGHTA
WATCH YOUR
STER, FERRIS!
HAW! HAW!



MEANWHILE, A
FEW MILES AWAY...

WE'RE LUCKY WE'RE NOT!
AND IT'S A GOOD THING
THESE RAFTS WERE
EQUIPPED WITH
DEHYDRATED FOOD!

I'M ALMOST
DEAD!



BUT, THE NEXT MORNING...

WHAT?... WHAT'S
THE MATTER?

SOMEBODY HAS STOLEN
ABOUT HALF OF OUR
PROVISIONS! FROM THE PRINTS
IT LOOKS LIKE A MONKEY! I'M
GOING TO BE READY IF HE
COMES AGAIN TONIGHT!



EEAAHH...

HOLD IT RIGHT
THERE,
SON!

HELEN!
IT'S... IT'S
TINY!



GAA! GARASH!
MAA! GAH!
WARRGG!

SO YOU
WANT TO
PLAY ROUGH,
HUH? OKAY—
YOU ASKED
FOR IT!



HE'S OUR
BOY! STOP
HITTING
OUR BOY!

STAY BACK, HELEN!
HE KNOWS WHAT HE'S
DOING! THE BOYS
LIKE A WILD
ANIMAL!



I'M YOUR MOTHER, TINY! DON'T YOU KNOW ME?

CAREFUL, HELEN!

HE WAS INJURED WHEN HE WAS LOST, AND I'M AFRAID THE INJURY MUST HAVE AFFECTED HIS MEMORY!



A FEW DAYS LATER...

I CAN'T STAND SEEING TIM TIED UP LIKE A WILD ANIMAL! CAN'T WE RELEASE HIM?

HE IS CALMER, ALL RIGHT! LET'S TRY IT! I'LL TIE HIM UP TONIGHT, THOUGH—JUST IN CASE!



LATER...



AND THE NEXT MORNING...

HE'S GONE! MY BOY IS GONE! WE'VE GOT TO FIND HIM!

WE'LL SPLIT UP AND START LOOKING AT ONCE!



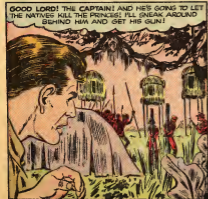
A FEW HOURS LATER...

WE SHOULD STICK TOGETHER, BUT...WELL, ALL RIGHT! LET'S MEET BACK HERE AT SUNDOWN!



BANDA! BANDA! HO KOBANGI! HO KOBANGI!

TOM-TOMS! A WAR DANCE! THE NATIVES CAPTURED SOMEBODY!



GOOD LORD! THE CAPTAIN! AND HE'S GOING TO LET THE NATIVES KILL THE PRINCES! I'LL SNEAK AROUND BEHIND HIM AND GET HIS GUN!



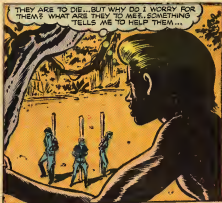
YOU CAN'T KILL US! WE HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING TO YOU!

WE AIN'T GONNA DO ANYTHIN' TO YOU, EITHER! THE LIONS ARE GONNA DO IT FOR US—HAW HAW!

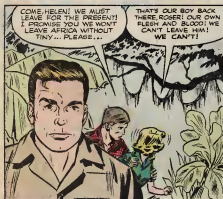


GET HIM, FERRIS!

WHAT?









BUSTER CRABBE

ONE TERRIFIC
SWELL GUY

FELLERS! HERE'S A TRUE LIFE STORY WHICH YOU COULD HARDLY BELIEVE, BUT IT'S ALL TRUE. LET'S BEGIN AT THE BEGINNING.

OVER MANY OF THESE YEARS OF PUBLISHING COMIC MAGAZINES, HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF THEM, "THE AMAZING ADVENTURES OF BUSTER CRABBE" IS THE FIRST MAGAZINE I EVER PUBLISHED WHICH HAD TO DO WITH ANY MOVIE STAR, ATHLETE OR CELEBRITY. THIS IS THE FIRST ISSUE OF THE NEW BUSTER CRABBE COMICS, AND I WANT TO TELL YOU THAT I WAS VERY EAGER AND HONORED TO BE THE PUBLISHER OF THIS MAGAZINE, BECAUSE - BUSTER CRABBE IS ONE TERRIFIC SWELL GUY".

TERRIFIC? HEAR THIS. "THE AMAZING BUSTER CRABBE" WAS A 16-LETTER MAN IN SCHOOL, WINNING HIS LETTERS EVERY YEAR IN FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, TRACK AND SWIMMING. HE BECAME AN OUTSTANDING OLYMPIC CHAMPION. HE WON THE 400-METRE TITLE AND HELD 16 WORLD AND 35 NATIONAL SWIMMING RECORDS. HE IS ONE OF AMERICA'S ALL-TIME GREAT OLYMPIC STARS.

NOW, THINK OF THIS. BUSTER CRABBE HAS MADE 166 MOTION PICTURES, INCLUDING 42 WESTERNS, THE BUCK ROGERS SERIES, THE FLASH GORDON SERIES, THE RED BARRY SERIES, ETC. BESIDES THIS, HE HAS HAD ANY NUMBER OF SHOWS ON RADIO AND TELEVISION, HAD A 73 PEOPLE WATER SHOW CALLED, "BUSTER CRABBE'S ADJAPARADE" WHICH TRAVELLED FIVE YEARS ALL OVER THE U. S. A. AND EUROPE.

BUSTER CRABBE HAS APPEARED REGULARLY ON THE AMERICAN BROADCASTING SYSTEM TELEVISION AND WILL SOON DO A NEW SHOW CALLED, "THE LUCKY HORSESHOE". STARTING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20TH, BUSTER CRABBE WILL DO A RADIO SHOW ON 700 STATIONS OF THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY





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IN ADDITION TO ALL OF THESE ACTIVITIES, BUSTER IS IN CHARGE OF ALL SWIMMING AT THE TWO POOLS AT THE FABULOUS CONCORD HOTEL IN THE CATSKILL MOUNTAINS, IS THE ACTIVE MANAGER OF HIS OWN "BUSTER CRABBE HEALTH AND SWIM CLUB" AT THE HOTEL SHELTON IN NEW YORK AND OWNS AND OPERATES A BOYS' AND GIRLS' CAMP, JUST ABOUT THE FINEST CAMP IN THE WHOLE WORLD. IT'S CALLED "BUSTER CRABBE'S MEENANGA LODGE" AND ENROLLS 300 LUCKY BOYS AND GIRLS.

AND HERE'S SOMETHING. THERE ARE HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF BUSTER CRABBE FAN CLUBS WHO CONSTANTLY WRITE HIM, AND, RECENTLY ON HIS TELEVISION SHOW ALONE, HE RECEIVED IN A SHORT PERIOD OVER 300,000 LETTERS. HOW DOES THE GUY GET TIME TO SLEEP?

WHEN I HAD A CHANCE TO PUBLISH A COMIC MAGAZINE BASED AROUND THE "AMAZING ADVENTURES OF BUSTER CRABBE", I JUMPED AT IT. I KNOW BUSTER IS JUST ABOUT THE IDEAL OF EVERY AMERICAN BOY AND GIRL - 6'2" AND AN ALL-ROUND ATHLETE. HE CAN DO IN REAL LIFE ALL SORTS OF AMAZING THINGS, JUST AS HE DOES IN THE MOVIES AND ON TELEVISION. BUSTER IS A BIG STAR IN WESTERNS, THE HERO OF ALL KINDS OF JUNGLE STORIES AND ONE OF THE FOREMOST ACTORS IN BREATHTAKING ADVENTURES INTO SPACE. IT JUST SEEMS AS IF THERE IS NOTHING THAT THIS EXTRAORDINARY FELLOW CAN'T DO.

THIS MAGAZINE IS EDITED AND PUBLISHED IN CONSULTATION WITH BUSTER. IF YOU LIKE IT, AS MUCH AS WE HOPE YOU DO, GET ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS TO BUY A COPY IMMEDIATELY.

WOULD YOU LIKE A BEAUTIFUL FOUR-COLOR PICTURE OF BUSTER CRABBE, SIGNED BY HIM AND SUITABLE FOR FRAMING? IF YOU WOULD, JUST WRITE ME, AND I'LL SEE THAT YOU GET ONE BY EARLIEST MAIL.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO START A BUSTER CRABBE FAN CLUB? WELL JUST ASK ME HOW, AND I'LL SEND YOU ALL THE OOPS.



SO NOW, BUSTER CRABBE, THE GREAT ATHLETE, OLYMPIC HERO, STAR OF MOTION PICTURES, RADIO AND TELEVISION, 16-LETTER MAN AND HERO TO MILLIONS, ADDS TO HIS ACHIEVEMENTS ONE OF THE FINEST COMIC MAGAZINES YET PUBLISHED. AND I AM PROUD, IN ASSOCIATION WITH THIS REAL-RIGHT GUY, BUSTER CRABBE, TO PUBLISH THIS FINE MAGAZINE.

SO WRITE ME. YOU WANT A PICTURE? YOU WANT TO START A FAN CLUB? LET ME HEAR FROM YOU TODAY!

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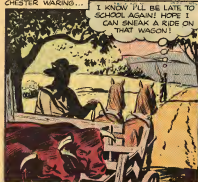
ON YOUR NEWSTANDS — NOW!

BUSTER CRABBE

IN "DEAD MAN'S GOLD"



ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF LAREDO, BUSTER CRABBE IS DELIVERING THREE FEROCIOUS BULLS TO A CHESTER WARING...





WHOA! I DON'T LIKE THE WAY THE BULLS ARE ACTING UP! SOMETHING'S STIRRED 'EM!



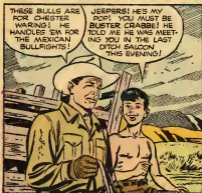
HEY—WHAT'RE YOU DOIN' HERE? THOSE BULLS ARE ESPECIALLY TRAINED TO ATTACK ANYTHING RED! THEY'D HAVE BROKEN OUT AND KILLED YOU!

GEE, WISTER, I'M SORRY!



I...I DIDN'T KNOW... HONEST! I HADDA GET BACK TO SCHOOL, AND I WAS AFRAID YOU WOULDN'T GIVE ME A LIFT!

OH, THAT'S OKAY, KID! C'MON, GET UP FRONT!



THESE BULLS ARE FOR CHESTER WARING! HE HANDLES 'EM FOR THE MEXICAN BULLFIGHTS!

JEEPERS! HE'S MY POP! YOU MUST BE BUSTER CRABBE! HE TOLD ME HE WAS MEETING YOU IN THE LAST DITCH SALOON THIS EVENING!



SO LONG, MR. CRABBE! THANKS AGAIN!

HOPE YOUR TEACHER WON'T BE TOO HARD ON YOU!

I'M STILL EARLY! I'VE GOT TIME FOR A SHAVE BEFORE I MEET WARING!



YOU LOOK LIKE A SQUARE SHOOTER, STRANGER, SO I'M WARNIN' YA TO TAKE CARE HERE IN LAREDO! WE'VE GOT SOME ROUGH HOMBRES!

I RECKON THEY WON'T FOOL WITH THOSE BULLS, ANYHOW! THEY'RE TRAINED FOR THE BULLFIGHTS, AND THEY'RE MEAN!



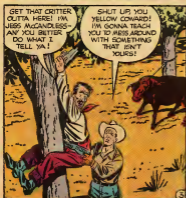
I WAS TALKIN' ABOUT YER WALLET! LEM AND JESS MCCANDLESS WOULD KILL YOU FOR A LOT LESS! EVEN THE SHERIFF IS AFRAID OF 'EM!

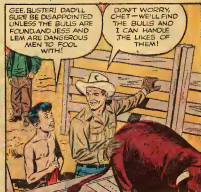
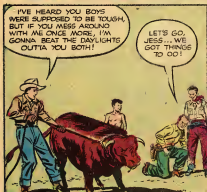
LEM AND JESS MCCANDLESS—THANKS—I'LL REMEMBER THOSE NAMES!



I HEARD OLD MAN WARING SAY YOU COULD GET AS MUCH AS A THOUSAND BUCKS FOR ONE OF 'EM FIGHTIN' BULLS!

OKAY, LEM, I'LL CORRAL THOSE BULLS WHILE YOU TAKE CARE OF WARING!









DUCK, MR. CRABBE!

WHAT TH'... WHO DID THAT?



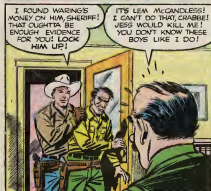
I'LL GET THIS SKUNK OUTTA HERE BEFORE JESS MAKES A LUCKY SHOT!

DON'T SHOOT, JESS! HE'S GOT ME!



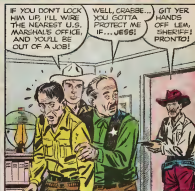
I KNEW YOU HAD THE MONEY! YOU'RE GOIN' TO JAIL, THIS TIME, AND YOU'RE GONNA STAY THERE!

LEMME GO, MISTER! YOU GOT NO RIGHT... UGGGG...



I FOUND WARING'S MONEY ON HIM, SHERIFF! THAT OUGHTA BE ENOUGH EVIDENCE FOR YOU! LOOK HIM UP!

IT'S LEM McCANDLESS! I CAN'T DO THAT, CRABBE! JESS WOULD KILL ME! YOU DON'T KNOW THESE BOYS LIKE I DO!



IF YOU DON'T LOCK HIM UP, I'LL WIRE THE NEAREST U.S. MARSHALS' OFFICE, AND YOU'LL BE OUT OF A JOB!

WELL, CRABBE... YOU GOTTA PROTECT ME IF... JESS!

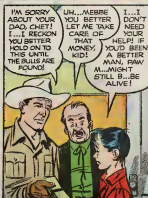
GIT YER HANDS OFF LEM, SHERIFF! PRONTO!



YOU'RE BREAKIN' THE LAW, JESS!

I'M THE LAW IN THIS TOWN, AN' YOU KNOW IT! I'M GONNA GET YOU YET, CRABBE!

YOU CAN'T SCARE ME, McCANDLESS! HERE COMES WARING'S SON NOW!



I'M SORRY ABOUT YOUR DAD, CHET! I... I RECKON YOU BETTER HOLD ON TO THIS UNTIL THE BULLS ARE FOUND!

UH... MEBBE YOU BETTER LET ME TAKE CARE OF THAT MONEY, KID!

I... I DON'T NEED YOUR HELP! IF YOU'D BEEN A BETTER MAN, RAW M... MIGHT STILL B... BE ALIVE!



YOU'VE GIVEN ME AN IDEA, SHERIFF! THE KID NEEDS AN ESCORT, AND THEY'LL FIGURE IT'LL BE ME! ONLY IT'LL BE YOU IN MY CLOTHES!



HERE THEY COME!
WE'LL GET THE DOUGH
AN' CRABBE AT THE
SAME TIME!



THEY'RE
GONNA KILL
ME SURE! I
HEARD LEM
SAY HE WAS
GONNA
DO IT!

MR. CRABBE
KNOWS WHAT
HE'S DOING!
THAT'S MORE
THAN ANY-
BODY EVER
SAID ABOUT
YOU!



EASY, JESS...
EASY! HE'S FAST
ON THE DRAW,
SO DON'T
MISS!



HEY!
COFF!



MR. CRABBE,
MR. CRABBE -
ARE YOU
ALL RIGHT?

YEP--THESE
HOWBRES AREN'T
AS TOUGH AS
THEY SOUND!



HERE THEY ARE,
SHERIFF! THINK
YOU CAN GET
'EM BACK TO
LAREDO?

WHY, SHORE! THEY
LOOK TAME AS KITTENS!
THANKS, CRABBE! I'D
HAVE NAILED 'EM
SOONER OR LATER,
BUT I APPRECIATE
YOUR HELP!

THEY'D
HAVE
DIED OF
OLD
AGE
BEFORE
YOU
CAUGHT
'EM!



THAT AIN'T
NO WAY TO
SPEAK TO YOUR
BETTERS,
BOY!

SHUT UP, YOU OLD FOOL! HANDS
UP, ALL OF YOU, OR I'LL SHOOT
HIM RIGHT THROUGH THE
BACK OF THE HEAD!
UNLOCK MY BROTHER!



OKAY—I...I'M DOIN' IT, LEM! O...DON'T SHOOT!

DIVE FOR THOSE ROCKS, CHET!



TAKE THESE GUNS, CHET! I'M GONNA TRY AND SNEAK AROUND BEHIND 'EM! KEEP FIRING, AND KEEP MOVING AROUND, SO THEY'LL THINK WE'RE BOTH BACK HERE!



NOW'S MY CHANCE!

GIVE UP, CRABBE? YOU'LL NEVER GET US!

LEM'LL KILL ME, MR. CRABBE! DO WHAT HE SAYS!



HOLD YOUR FIRE, CHET!

I...IT'S CRABBE!

GET OUT OF THE WAY, JESS! I'M GONNA PUG HIM!

OWW! DON'T SHOOT, LEM!



AND THIS IS FOR YOU, YOU LOUSY SKUNK!

I GOT HIS GUN, MR. CRABBE!



THE STRANGER'S GOT THE MCCANDLESS BROTHERS!

FOR MY DOUGH HE'S THE NEW SHERIFF RIGHT NOW!

I'LL SECOND THAT!



YOU WOULDN'T TAKE MY JOB, WOULD YA?

TELL YOU WHAT, SHERIFF—YOU CAN BE MY DEPUTY, BUT YOU'RE GONNA WORK HARDER THAN YOU HAVE BEEN!



SOME OF DAD'S FRIENDS CORRALLED ALL THE BULLS FOR US! WE AN' MY SISTER SUE APPRECIATE WHAT YOU'VE DONE FOR US, MR. CRABBE!

THAT'S SWELL, CHET! I ONLY DID WHAT WAS RIGHT, AND LISTEN, SUPPOSE YOU START CALLIN' ME BUSTER!

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BUSTER CRABBE

IN "I COVER MARS"



DO NOT LET THESE EARTHMAN FOOL YOU! THEY POSE AS YOUR FRIENDS, BUT IT IS ALL LIES! EVEN NOW WHILE THEY ACCEPT OUR HOSPITALITY HERE ON MARS, THEY HAVE BEEN MURDERING OUR CITIZENS WITH OXYGEN POISON! SIX LIE DEAD ALREADY! HOW MANY MORE MUST DIE BEFORE YOU KILL THESE DEVILS?

TAKE THEIR OXYGEN FROM THEM! LET THEM DYE!

PERHAPS WE HAVE BEEN TOO TRUSTING!

Marino

THERE ARE THE MEN WHO ARE MAKING THE EXPEDITION TO EARTH! MAY THEY HAVE BETTER LUCK THAN THE LAST FOUR EXPEDITIONS!

THE TALLEST ONE IS ASTROS-ONE! HE PERSUADED KING NEMONALLUS TO SEND OUT ONE MORE EXPEDITION! HE DREAMS OF REACHING THE PLANET EARTH!

THIS TIME WE WILL REACH EARTH! I AM CONVINCED OUR SCIENTISTS ARE RIGHT—THAT THERE IS LIFE ON THE EARTH—PERHAPS MEN LIKE OURSELVES!

WHAT A FOOL YOU ARE TO BELIEVE OUR SCIENTISTS! WE ARE THE ONLY INTELLIGENT BEINGS THAT EXIST! WE WILL FIND NOTHING ON EARTH BUT WATER AND VEGETATION!

AH, PERKS, WHERE IS YOUR SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE! WHAT MAKES YOU SO SURE WE WILL FIND SO LITTLE?

HAVEN'T OUR SCIENTISTS ADMITTED THAT THE ATMOSPHERE OF EARTH IS FILLED WITH DEADLY OXYGEN? HOW COULD ANY FORM OF LIFE EXIST IN SO POISONOUS AN ATMOSPHERE?



ALL ROCKETS WILL REMAIN IN FORMATION THROUGHOUT THE FLIGHT! UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL ANY PILOT LEAVE THE GROUP! DO YOU UNDERSTAND, ASTROST?



DEMONDON HAS NOT FORGOTTEN HOW YOU LEFT FORMATION ON OUR TEST FLIGHT! YOU WILL BE WISE TO OBEY HIM UNLESS YOU WANT TO BE DROPPED FROM THE ROCKET SQUADRON!



HE IS TOO CAUTIOUS! WHY HAVE A SIX ROCKET FLIGHT IF WE DO NOT SEPARATE AND EXPLORE INDIVIDUALLY?

MUCH OF OUR PLANET IS WASTELAND! OUR SCIENTISTS SAY THAT EARTH IS RICH WITH MOISTURE!



EARTH IS A CRAZY PLANET... THERE IS MORE WATER THAN LAND! THE ONLY LIFE WE WILL FIND WILL BE CREATURES THAT LIVE IN THE WATER!

THE ROCKETS HURTLIED THROUGH MILLIONS OF MILES OF SPACE...

FEROSS! THERE IT IS - EARTH! WE ARE LESS THAN SIX HUNDRED MILES OUTSIDE THE ATMOSPHERE THAT SURROUNDS IT! I AM NOT GOING TO WAIT FOR DEMONDON TO GIVE ORDERS! I KNOW TOO WELL WHAT HE WILL SAY! HE WILL WANT US TO CIRCLE ENDLESS HOURS BEFORE LANDING! WE ARE GOING NOW!



NO! I DEMAND THAT YOU WAIT! DEMONDON HAS GOOD REASON FOR HIS ACTIONS! WHAT IF EARTH'S GRAVITY IS SO STRONG IT WRENCHES US OUT OF THE SKY AND WE CRASH?

IMPOSSIBLE! OUR ROCKET HAS ENOUGH POWER TO COUNTERACT ANY GRAVITATIONAL PULL!



BUT THE ATMOSPHERE! WHAT IF TOO MUCH FRICTION DEVELOPS, AND OUR ROCKET IGNITES? WE'LL BURN TO A CRINDER AS METEORS DO IN OUR ATMOSPHERE!

THE ROCKETS HAVE BEEN TREATED WITH CALAFRAM SO THAT NO AMOUNT OF HEAT OR FRICTION COULD MAKE THE ROCKET BURN! NOW WE MUST LAND!

WE WILL DIE! WE WILL DIE, I TELL YOU! REVERSE THE ROCKET WHILE THERE IS YET TIME!

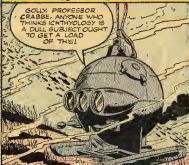
KEEP BACK FROM THOSE CONTROLS, FEROS! HERE WE ARE ON THE VERGE OF A GREAT DISCOVERY, AND YOU WOULD RUN FROM IT!

COME, FEROS! ANY INSTANT WE WILL BREAK THROUGH THESE CLOUDS AND SEE WHAT MARVELS LIE BELOW!

I HATE HIM! IF EVER I LIVE TO RETURN TO MARS, I WILL SEE THAT HE PAYS FOR THIS!



MEANWHILE, ON EARTH, BUSTER CRABBE, PROFESSOR OF ICHTHYOLOGY, IS DOING SOME MARINE RESEARCH IN A DIVING BELL OFF THE COAST OF MAINE WHILE VACATIONING WITH ONE OF HIS STUDENTS — JOHNNY PHELPS!



GOLLY, PROFESSOR CRABBE, ANYONE WHO THINKS ICHTHYOLOGY IS A DULL SUBJECT OUGHT TO GET A LOAD OF THIS!

I GUESS THAT'S ENOUGH FOR TODAY, JOHNNY! LET'S SURFACE AND SEE WHAT'S DOING ON TOPSIDE! AND LET'S FORGET CLASSROOM TITLES NOW THAT WE'RE ON VACATION! I'M BUSTER... OKAY?

YOU BET, BUSTER!



WHILE UP IN THE SKY THE ROCKET BREAKS THROUGH THE STRATOSPHERE!

THERE IT IS—EARTH! BUT WHERE SHALL WE LAND?

ON THOSE VAST GREEN PLAINS! WHAT BETTER LANDING FIELD COULD WE HOPE TO FIND? WHAT A STRANGE PLACE THE EARTH IS!



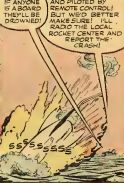
LOOK!!

A ROCKET! IT MUST BE A TEST MODEL OF THE U.S. ROCKET EXPERIMENTAL STATION!



JEEPERS! IF ANYONE IS ABOARD THEY'LL BE DROWNED!

IT MUST BE AIRTIGHT AND PILOTED BY REMOTE CONTROL! BUT WE'D BETTER MAKE SURE! I'LL RADIO THE LOCAL ROCKET CENTER AND REPORT THE CRASH!



ROCKET YOU REPORT IS NOT ONE OF OURS! RADAR OBSERVER PICKED IT UP OUTSIDE OUR ATMOSPHERE, AND BELIEVE IT TO BE FROM ANOTHER PLANET!

THEN SOMEONE MAY BE ABOARD! I HAVE A DIVING BELL AND WILL ATTEMPT A RESCUE!



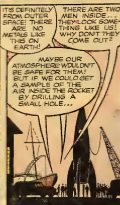
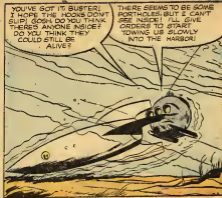
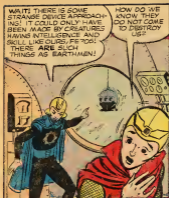
ADVISE GREAT CAUTION! ROCKET DOWN IN MAY BE RADIO-ACTIVE! DISPATCHING MOBILE SPACE EXPERIMENTAL UNIT TO SCENE OF CRASH!

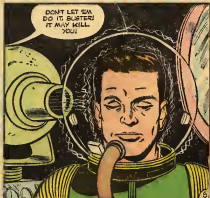
I'LL GO DOWN IN THE DIVING BELL AND ATTEMPT TO TOW IT INTO THE HARBOR WHERE YOU EXPERTS CAN TAKE OVER!



THERE IS YOUR LIFE ON THIS PLANET! ARMLESS AND LEGLESS THINGS THAT SWIM AND CRAWL! WE WILL DIE, ENDEWED IN OUR ROCKET! I KNEW IT WAS MADNESS TO BELIEVE EARTH COULD BE INHABITED!







NOW CAN YOU UNDERSTAND ME? THIS MACHINE TUNES YOUR THOUGHT WAVES TO A SIMILAR FREQUENCY AS THAT OF MARTIANS, SO THAT YOU CAN UNDERSTAND OUR SPEECH JUST AS I NOW CAN UNDERSTAND YOU!

IT...IT'S AMAZING! IT'S JUST AS IF YOU WERE SPEAKING MY LANGUAGE!

YOU MEAN YOU CAN UNDERSTAND HIM NOW? GET HIM TO DO IT TO ME, TOO!

WILL YOU TREAT JOHNNY TOO, SO HE CAN UNDERSTAND YOU?

NO! IT WOULD BE DANGEROUS! IT CANNOT BE USED SAFELY ON ONE AS YOUNG AS HE!

AS THE ROCKET SPEEDS THROUGH SPACE, BUSTER LEARNS MUCH FROM ASTROS ABOUT MARS! HE TRUSTS ASTROS' FROGWISE TO FIND A WAY TO RETURN BUSTER AND JOHNNY TO EARTH... BUT HE DISTRUSTS FEROS... ESPECIALLY WHEN HE OVERHEARS FEROS SEND A MESSAGE...



ROCKET COMMAND... ROCKET COMMAND... THIS IS FEROS OF ROCKET BX2... I HAVE SUCCESSFULLY MADE LANDINGS ON EARTH AND AM RETURNING WITH TWO EARTHMEN... I WOULD LIKE TO REPORT THAT ASTROS' COWARDLY AND TRAITORIOUS CONDUCT MADE IT NECESSARY TO LEAVE BEFORE FULL EXPLORATION OF EARTH COULD BE MADE!

I RECOMMEND HIS DEMISSION FROM THE ROCKET COMMAND AND COURT MARTIAL!

HE DELIBERATELY WAITED UNTIL ASTROS SLEPT SO HE COULD SEND THE MESSAGE SECRETLY! I WISH I KNEW WHAT HE WAS SAYING SO I COULD WARN ASTROS!

KING NEWOMALLS! I HAVE GREAT NEWS! FEROS OF ROCKET BX2 REPORTS HE HAS MADE A SUCCESSFUL LANDING ON EARTH AND IS RETURNING WITH TWO EARTHMEN!

PREPARE A GREAT CELEBRATION! NOTIFY ALL MARTIANS! HAVE A SPECIAL MEDAL DESIGNED TO HONOR HIS GREAT EXPLOIT!

HERE HE COMES! ALL HAIL TO THE GREAT FEROS!

DID YOU HEAR? ASTROS WHOM WE ALL BELIEVED TO BE SO GREAT WAS A COWARD! HE WILL BE PUNISHED FOR ENDANGERING THE SUCCESS OF THE EXPEDITION!

HERE WE ARE—MARS! SINCE WE USE A HIGHLY REFINED FORM OF OXYGEN AS ROCKET FUEL, IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO KEEP YOU SAFELY SUPPLIED DURING YOUR STAY, BUT BE CAREFUL NOT TO LET ANY OF THE OXYGEN ESCAPE WHEN YOU ARE NEAR MY PEOPLE!

WHY?



TO US, OXYGEN IS A DEADLY POISON! A MICROSCOPIC AMOUNT IS ALL OUR BODIES NEED! EVEN A SMALL AMOUNT OF FREE OXYGEN COULD BE DISASTROUS TO A MARTIAN!

OXYGEN CAN HAVE SIMILAR EFFECTS ON EARTH-MEN! OF COURSE IT WOULD REQUIRE A HIGH CONCENTRATION!



HAIL TO FEROS—OUR GREAT HERO! SHOW US THE EARTH-MEN!

BRING THAT GREAT HERO, FEROS, BEFORE ME!



FEROS, YOU BROUGHT GREAT HONOR TO MARS BY YOUR DEEDS! YOU ARE THE GREATEST MAN ON MARS... GREATER EVEN THAN I, YOUR KING! WHAT GREATER HONOR THEN CAN I BESTOW ON YOU THAN TO GIVE OVER THE RULE OF ALL MARS TO YOU! HENCEFORTH, YOU, FEROS, SHALL BE KING!

HAIL TO FEROS—OUR KING!



THEN WHAT OF ASTROS?

ASTROS, YOU HAVE DISGRACED THE ROCKET COMMAND BY YOUR COWARDLY CONDUCT! FEROS TOLD US HOW YOU TRIED TO KEEP HIM FROM LANDING ON EARTH! I ORDER YOU TO BE IMPRISONED FOR LIFE! TAKE HIM AWAY, GUARDS!



IT IS NOT TRUE! FEROS LIES!

KING NEMONALUS, IT IS NOT SO! ASTROS IS FEARLESS! HE WOULD NEVER ...

I AM KING NOW! AND I SAY ASTROS IS A COWARD! HE MUST BE PUNISHED!



NOW THE MARTIANS FLOCK TO SEE AND SPEAK TO THE EARTH-MEN! THEY LEARN OF EARTH FROM BUSTLER AND FEEL MORE AND MORE THEIR KINSHIP TO THESE STRANGERS FROM ANOTHER PLANET...

ON EARTH THERE ARE MANY RELIGIONS...EVERYONE FREE TO CHOOSE THE WAY HE WISHES TO WORSHIP AND WE LIVE IN FAMILY GROUPS...



THE WORLD IS MADE UP OF MANY RACES! EACH COUNTRY HAS ITS OWN LANGUAGE AND CUSTOMS, BUT THEY ALL SHARE THE SAME HOPES FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM AND HAPPINESS!

THE PEOPLE ARE BECOMING TOO KIND OF THIS EARTH-MAN AND THE YOUNG ONE! HE COULD EASILY RUIN MY PLANS! I MUST TEACH MY PEOPLE TO HATE THE EARTH-MEN!

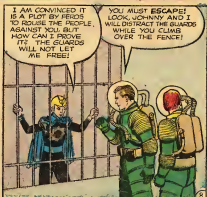
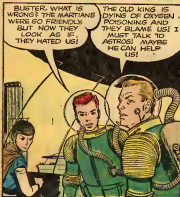
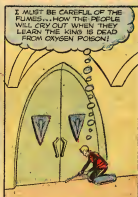


FIRST I MUST CONVINCE THEM THAT HE IS EVIL AND TREACHEROUS—THAT ALL EARTH-MEN ARE EVIL—THEN THEY WILL FOLLOW ME TO WAR AGAINST EARTH! WE CAN EASILY CONQUER THAT PLANET AND I WILL BE KING OF THE WHOLE UNIVERSE!

FERD'S PLAN INVOLVES THE DEATH OF MANY INNOCENT MARTIANS BUT LIKE ALL DICTATORS, FERD IS HEEDLESS OF OTHERS...



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BUT MORTIMER HAD THE
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MADE OF!



SO THE "MASSIVE MUSCLE"
CORRESPONDENT
SCHOOL HAD A ...



DILIGENT AND
ENTHUSIASTIC
STUDENT!



AHH... RESULTS!



WHAT A TIME FOR THE
SCHOOL TO FOLD UP!



A LITTLE
DISCOURAGED...



BUT STILL GAME!



HMM...MUSCLES! BUT
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