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IN A TIME WHEN NINTENDO HAD TOO MUCH MONEY WE WERE PAID TO WRITE THIS POLITICAL POLEMIC. THIS IS COMPLETELY BIASED AND ONE SIDED AND I DON'T THINK YOU SHOULD READ IT. TURN BACK WHILE YOU STILL CAN!

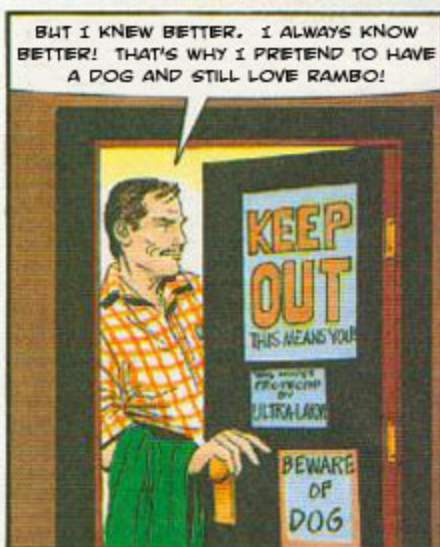
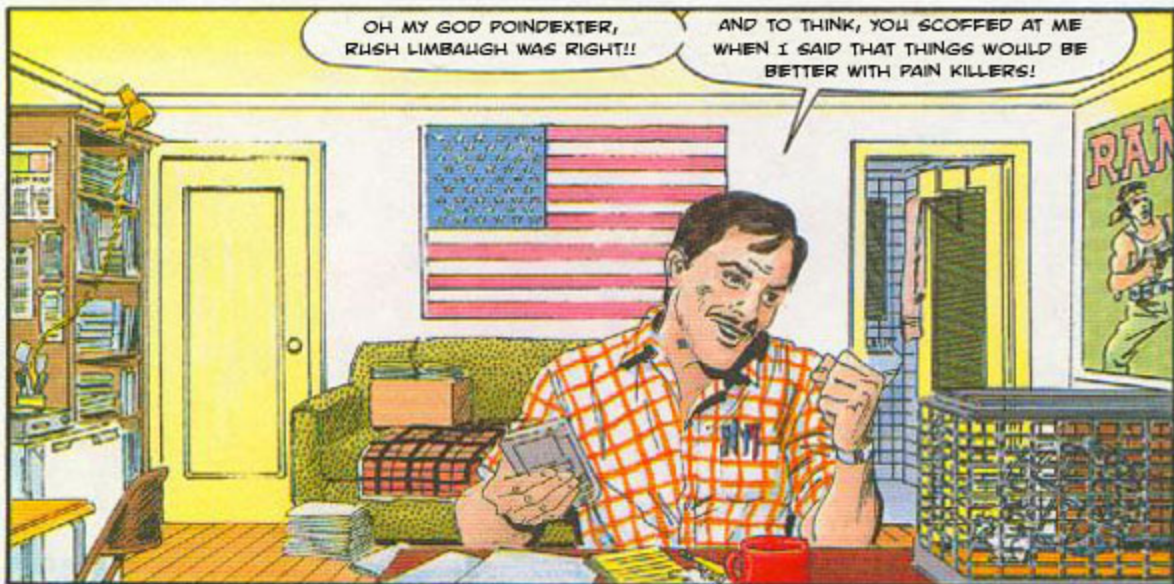
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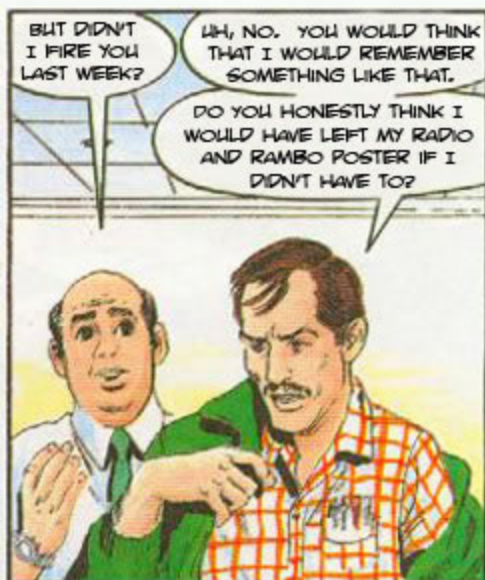
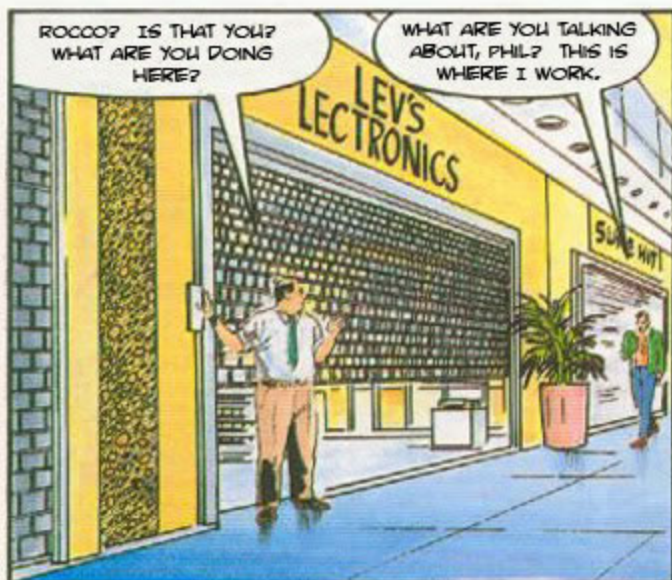
IN THE
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KA-BLOOEY!

OH, WE'RE DOING
THIS NOW? OKAY, I'M
READY FOR IT!









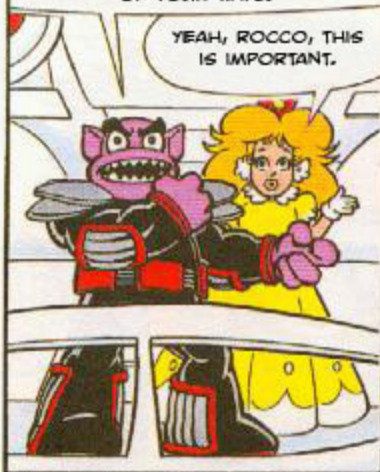
HELLO ROCCO. I'M SURE YOU'RE PROBABLY WONDERING WHY WE'RE KEEPING YOU TIED UP AT SOME SMELLY OLD MALL STORE. AM I RIGHT?

WELL, NO MATTER. JUST LAY THERE AND LET US EXPLAIN!



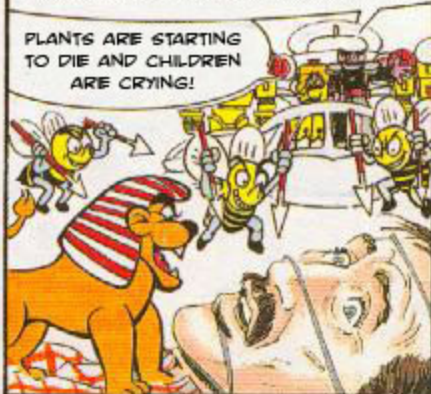
MY NAME IS TATANGA AND I'M HERE TO SHOW YOU THE ERROR OF YOUR WAYS!

YEAH, ROCCO, THIS IS IMPORTANT.



YOU SEE, EVERY DAY YOU PLAY OUR GAME WHILE LISTENING TO RHSH LIMBAUGH SPOUT LIES. EVERY DAY IT'S FEMI-NAZI THIS AND OBAMA THE HALFRICAN AMERICAN THAT. IT'S REALLY STARTING TO AFFECT MY EVIL KINGDOM!

PLANTS ARE STARTING TO DIE AND CHILDREN ARE CRYING!



WE'VE COME HERE TO BLOW UP THIS MALL AND CONVERT YOU INTO A **LIBERAL!!**





WAIT, YOU'RE GOING TO BLOW UP MY DOG?!? YOU SAVAGES! YOU CAN'T BLOW UP MY DOG. CAN YOU EVEN IMAGINE HOW MUCH CLEANING WILL BE INVOLVED. THAT'S JUST MEAN, THAT'S GOING TO TAKE ME A MONTH!

HAVE PITY ON ME. I WORK A 50 HOUR WEEK, I DON'T HAVE TIME TO CLEAN UP DOG SHITS!



DON'T GIVE ME THAT, YOU DON'T EVEN OWN A DOG. AND YOU GOT FIRED FROM YOUR JOB LAST WEEK, REMEMBER?

BAH, THAT GIRL SCOUT HAD IT COMING!



ENOUGH!! IT'S SIMPLE, YOU EITHER DO THE RIGHT THING ... OR WE KILL THE BLUE COLLAR COMEDY TOUR!



ELSEWHERE IN THE MALL ...

LOOK, I TOLD YOU ALREADY THAT I'M SORRY WE MISSED KIT KITTREDGE. CAN'T WE JUST CATCH THE NEXT SHOWING OR GO TO SOMETHING ELSE?

UH BRIAN, YOU SHOULD CHECK THIS OUT ...

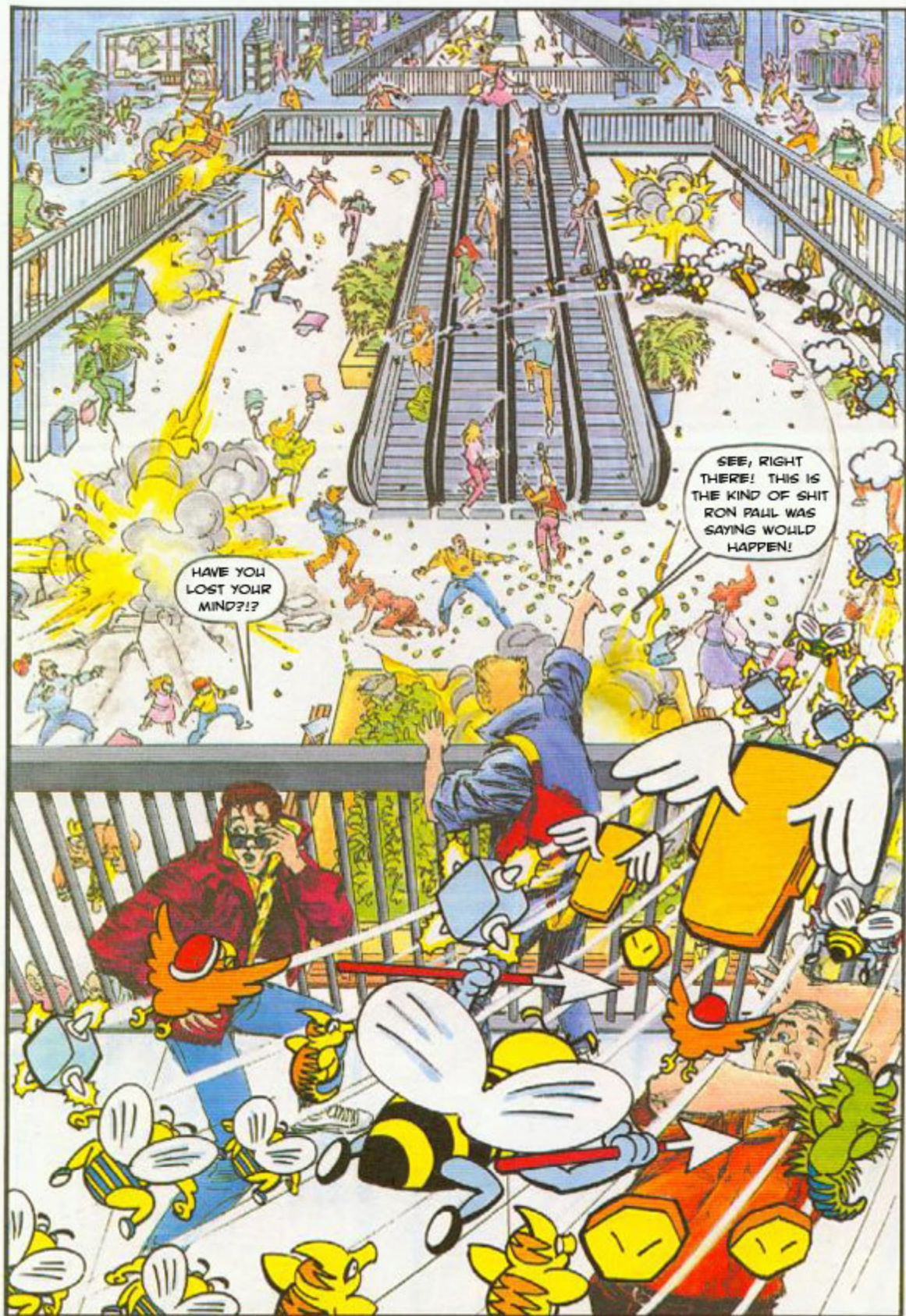


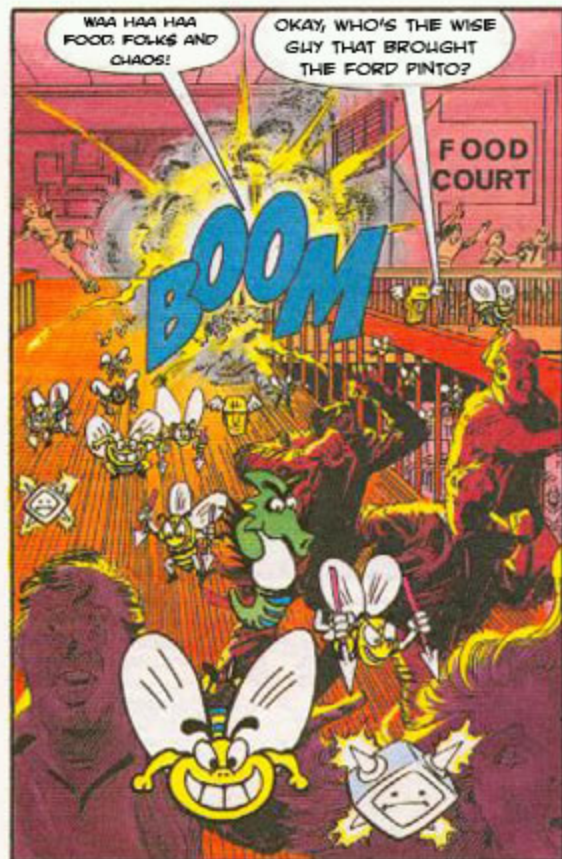
WHY? WHAT'S UP?

ARE THOSE BUGS?

HOLY SHIT! THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT RON PAUL SAID WOULD HAPPEN IF WE NOMINATED JOHN MCCAIN!







WAA HAA HAA
FOOD, FOLKS AND
CHAOS!

OKAY, WHO'S THE WISE
GUY THAT BROUGHT
THE FORD PINTO?

FOOD
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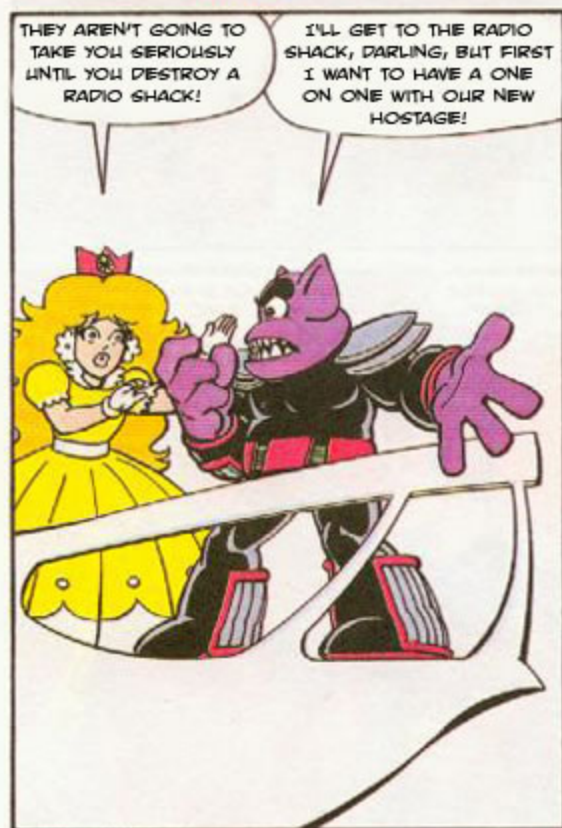
BOOM



STEP ONE IS COMPLETE!
MASTER, WHAT SHALL WE DO
NEXT?

LET'S KEEP HITTING 'EM,
I'LL DEAL WITH ROCCO!

NO, TATANGA!
WE WANT TO
HIT THEM
HARDER!



THEY AREN'T GOING TO
TAKE YOU SERIOUSLY
UNTIL YOU DESTROY A
RADIO SHACK!

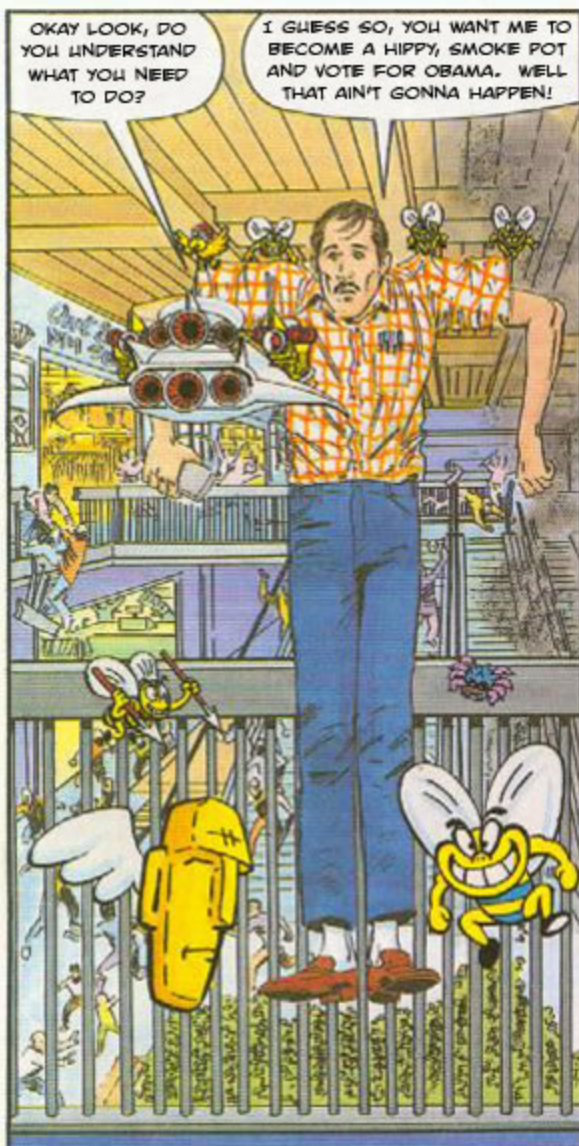
I'LL GET TO THE RADIO
SHACK, DARLING, BUT FIRST
I WANT TO HAVE A ONE
ON ONE WITH OUR NEW
HOSTAGE!



BUT THE RADIO SHACK
IS RIGHT OVER THERE!

FINE, IF YOU'RE NOT
GOING TO DO THAT, THEN
HIT A STARBUCKS!

THAT STARBUCKS ISN'T
WORTH HITTING, IT'S ABOUT
TO BE CLOSED DOWN
TO SAVE MONEY!





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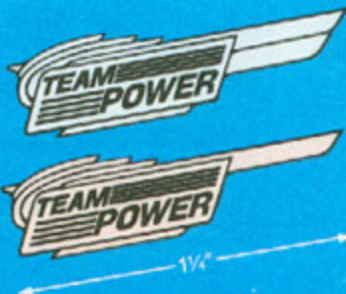
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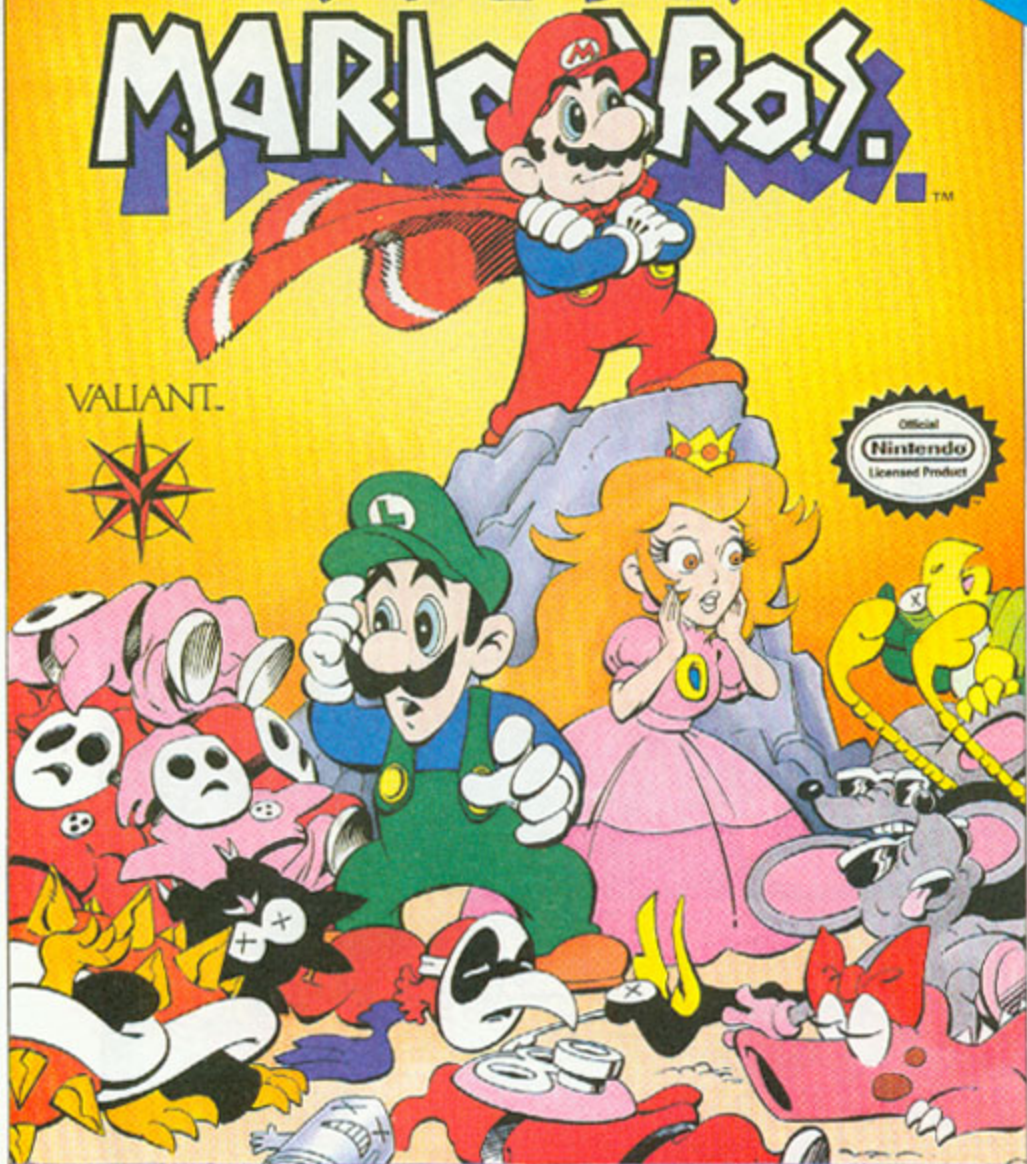
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A comic book cover for 'Super Mario Bros.' featuring the title in large, stylized letters and a small illustration of Mario in his superhero costume. The background is yellow with blue patterns.

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ALL IT TOOK WAS ONE MAN TO UNLEASH HELL ON EARTH! THANKS TO A GUY NAMED ROCCO, TATANGA AND HIS LEGION OF LIBERAL BADDIES ARE HERE TO DESTROY THE BLUE COLLAR COMEDY TROUPE! THANKFULLY MARIO IS HERE TO SAVE THE DAY! WAIT, WHAT? OH FORGET IT, JUST READ THE REST OF THIS CRAPPY COMIC!

IT WORKED! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT WORKED! LOOK DUDE IT'S MARIO!

OKAY, YOU MEAN TO TELL ME THAT MARIO IS A LIBERTARIAN??

IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND... PART II

YOU BETTER BELIEVE IT! I'VE BEEN A MEMBER FROM THE BEGINNING!



YOU WERE AROUND IN 1971?

WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN, BUSTER? HOW YOUNG DO YOU THINK I AM? I HAD A LIFE BEFORE I BECAME A PLUMBER, YOU KNOW!

THAT'S ENOUGH YOU TWO! MARIO IS HERE TO HELP US WITH OUR LITTLE PROBLEM. I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME HE JUMPS INTO ACTION!



I KNOW HE SAYS HE'S A PLUMBER, BUT HAVE YOU ACTUALLY SEEN HIM DO ANY PLUMBING? I JUST DON'T THINK HE'S RIGHT FOR THIS JOB!

YOU BETTER TELL YOUR FRIEND TO KNOCK IT OFF, BECAUSE I'M ABOUT ONE INSULT AWAY FROM JUST SAYING "FUCK IT" AND LEAVING!

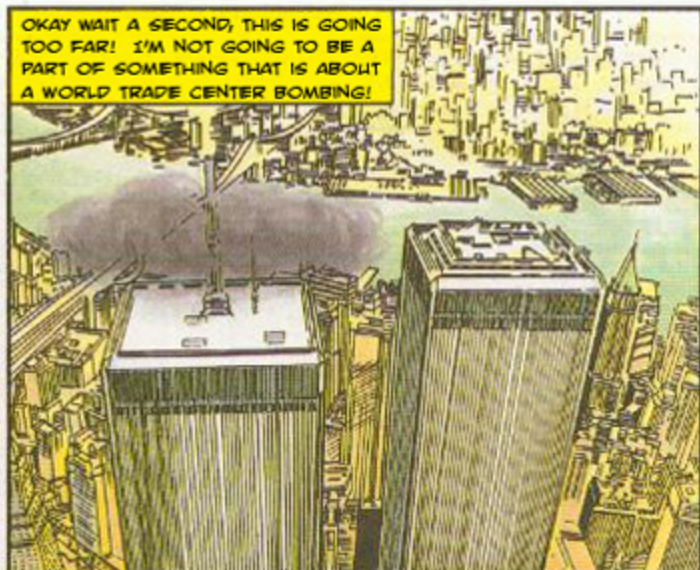
NOW, WHERE WAS I? OH, THAT'S RIGHT, I'M ABOUT TO KICK LIBERAL ASS!

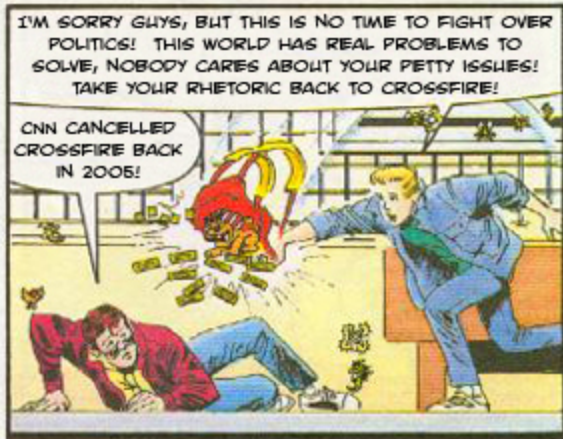
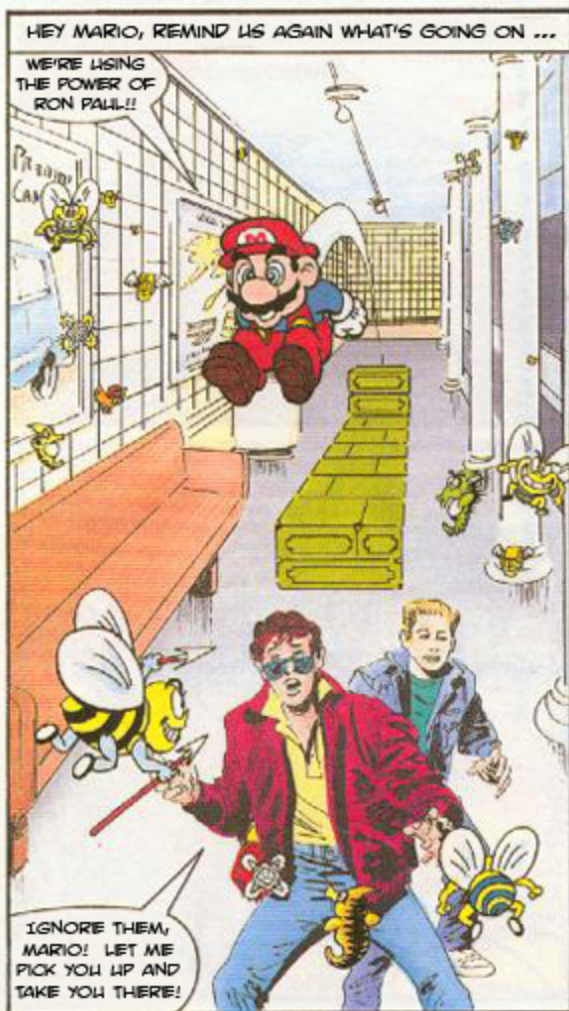
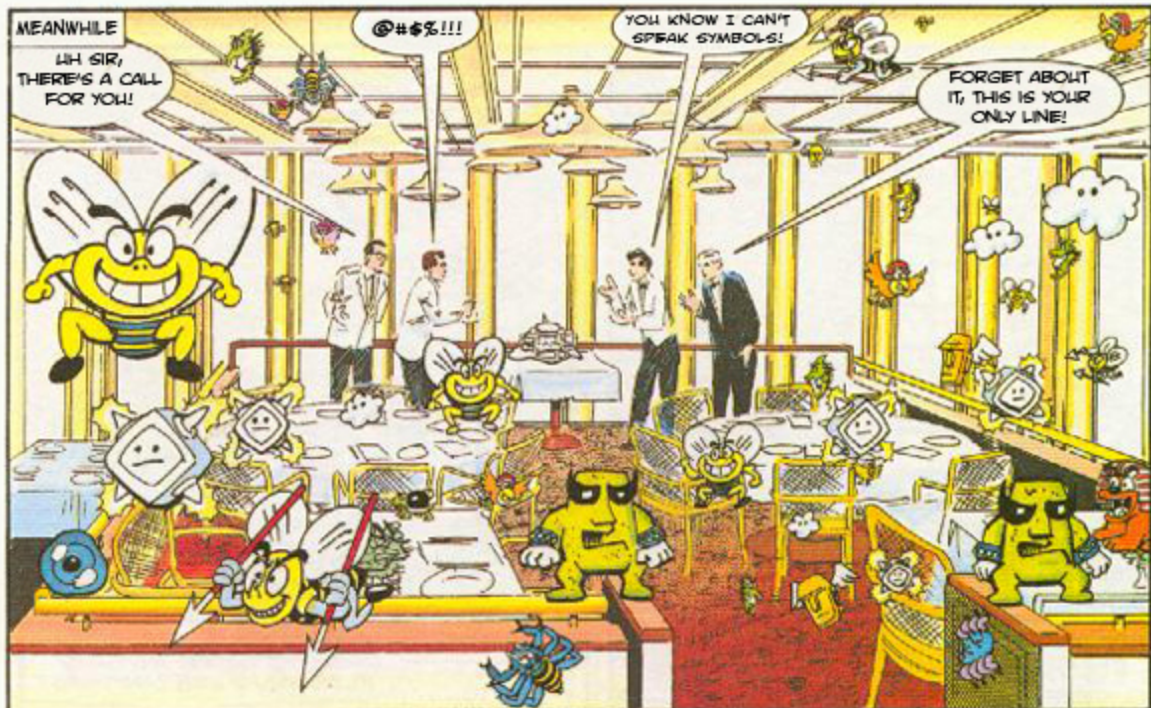


HEY, WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING? GET YOUR HANDS OFF ME DUDE!

THIS GUY IS COMPLETELY OFF HIS ROCKER! HE'S NUTS. WE HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE HE MAKES IT WORSE! LET'S GO!







NO YOU IDIOTS, DON'T YOU SEE? WE ARE ON THE FRONT LINES IN THE CULTURE WAR!!

NO MARIO, THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE WRONG! THERE IS NO CULTURE WAR! THERE IS NO WAR ON CHRISTMAS! IT'S ALL BULLSHIT CREATED BY BILL O'REILLY!



I WISH I NEVER SUMMONED YOU, ALL YOU ARE DOING IS MAKING THINGS WORSE!

BONK



JUST GIVE ME ONE MORE SECOND KID!

THERE! I GOT RID OF ALL THOSE LIBERALS SO THAT NOW PEOPLE WILL ACTUALLY LISTEN TO MY IDEAS!

I'M SORRY I EVER DOUBTED YOU! LET'S KICK LIBERAL ASS!

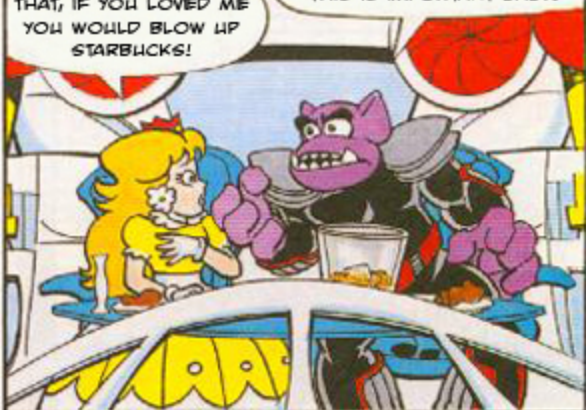


ELSEWHERE ...

OH BABY, YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND, THERE'S MORE TO THIS THAN JUST BLOWING SHIT UP ...

DON'T GIVE ME THAT, IF YOU LOVED ME YOU WOULD BLOW UP STARBUCKS!

WE'RE HERE ON A MISSION, THIS IS IMPORTANT BABY!



I TOLD YOU ALREADY HONEY, THERE'S NO POINT IN BLOWING UP THAT STARBUCKS!

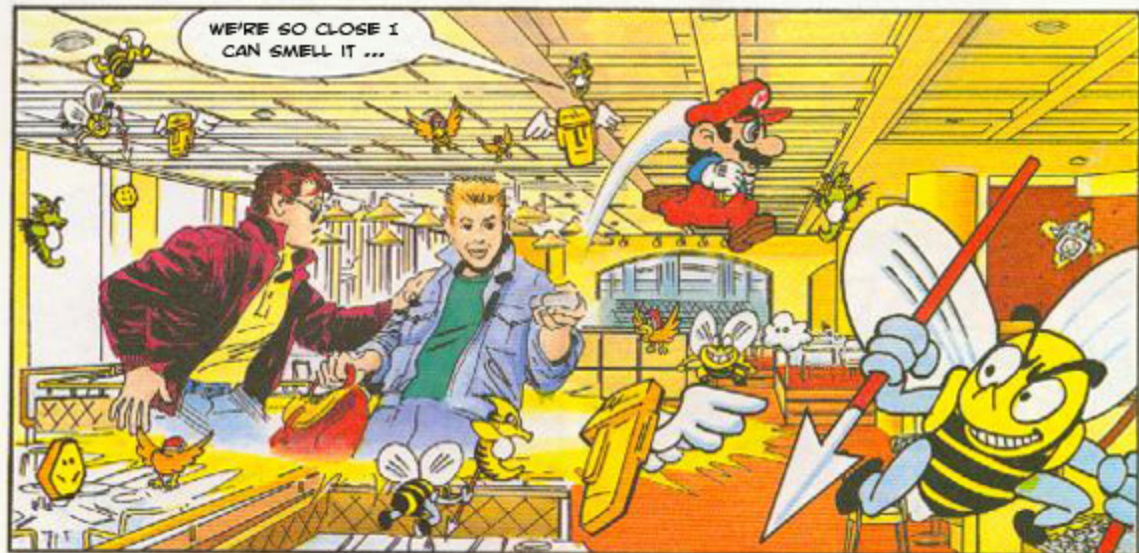


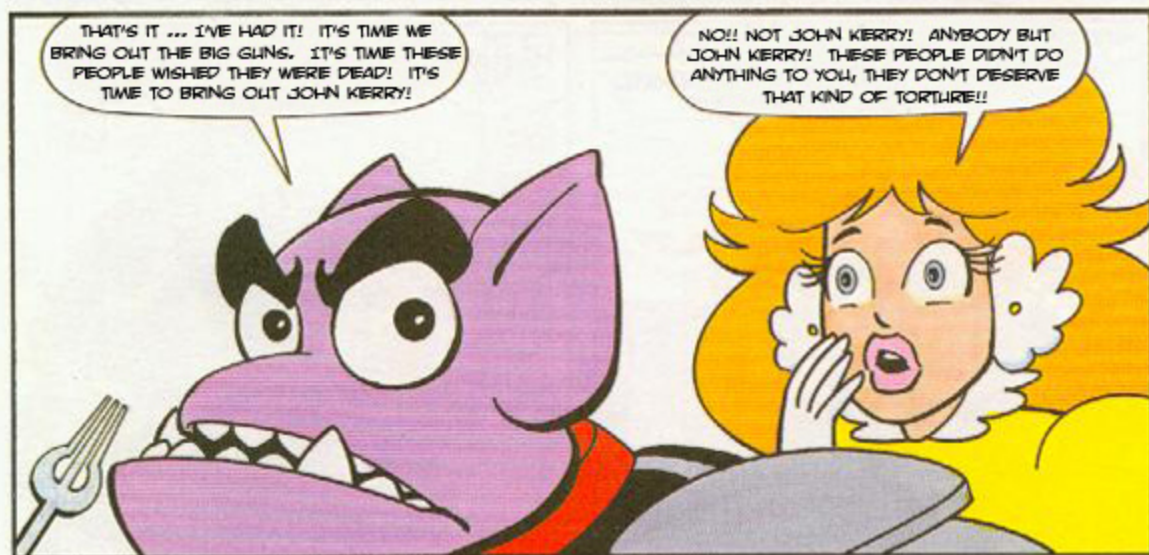
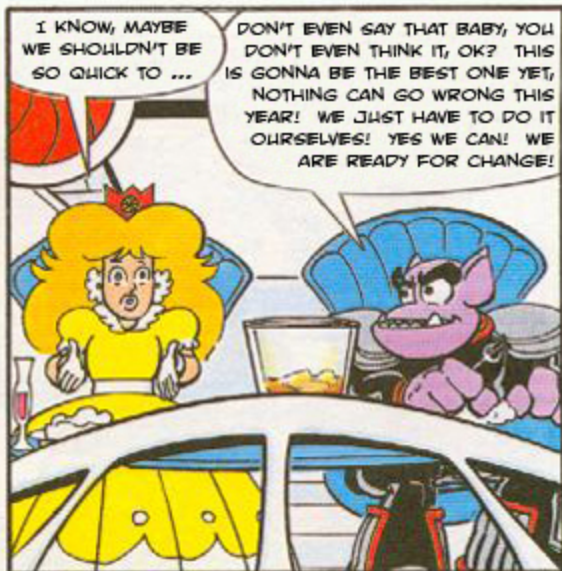
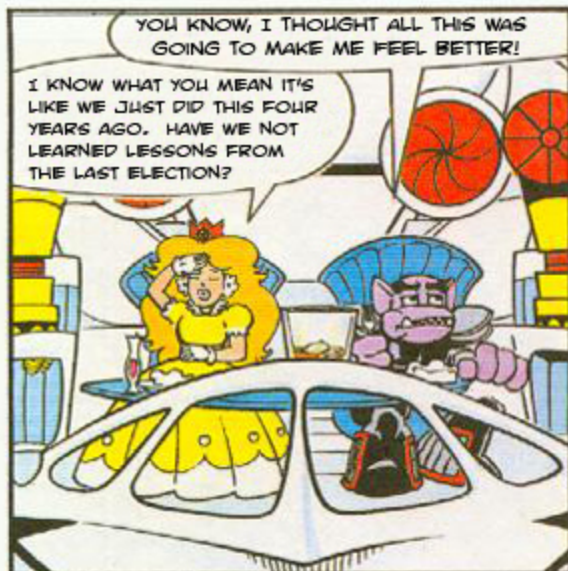
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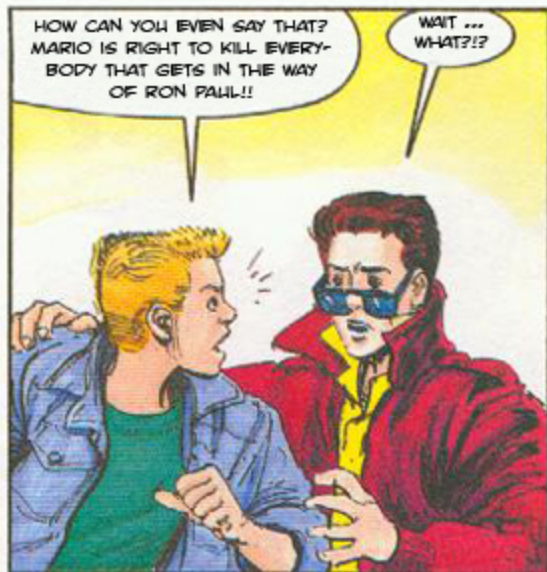
OH DON'T GIVE ME THAT, IT'S NOT LIKE THAT AND YOU KNOW IT ...

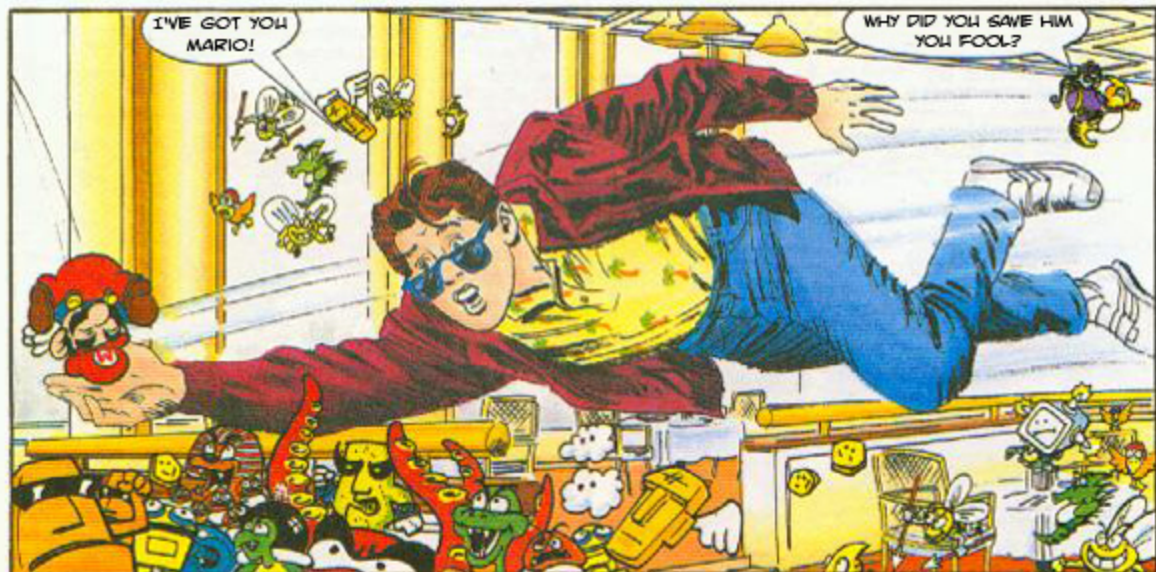
IT'S JUST THAT WE HAVE BIGGER FISH TO FRY, BABY!











I'VE GOT YOU MARIO!

WHY DID YOU SAVE HIM YOU FOOL?



I DON'T UNDERSTAND, WHY DID YOU SAVE ME?

WE MAY DISAGREE, BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN I WANT YOU DEAD!



BESIDES, WHO ELSE IS GOING TO STOP THIS??

THAT'S RIGHT ... WE NEED YOU TO HELP US COME TO AN AGREEMENT WITH THAT TATANGA DUDE!



NO YOU FOOLS, YOU MISSED THE MEANING OF THE STORY! THIS IS ABOUT FIGHTING FOR WHAT'S RIGHT, NOT COMING TOGETHER!

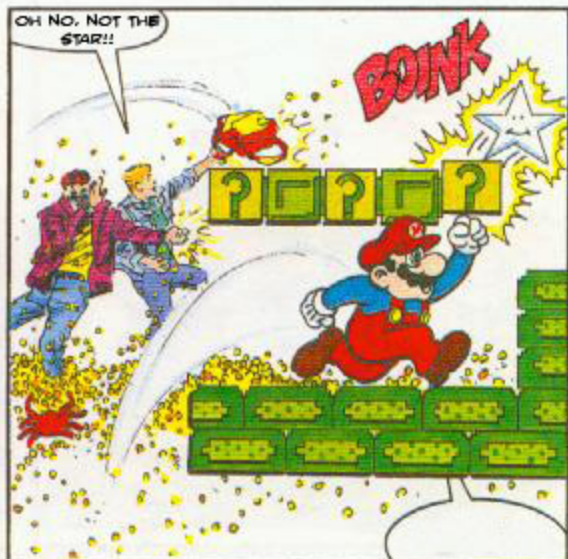
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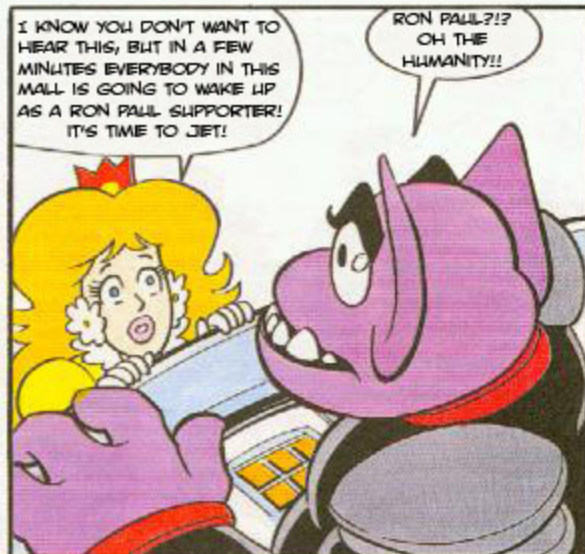
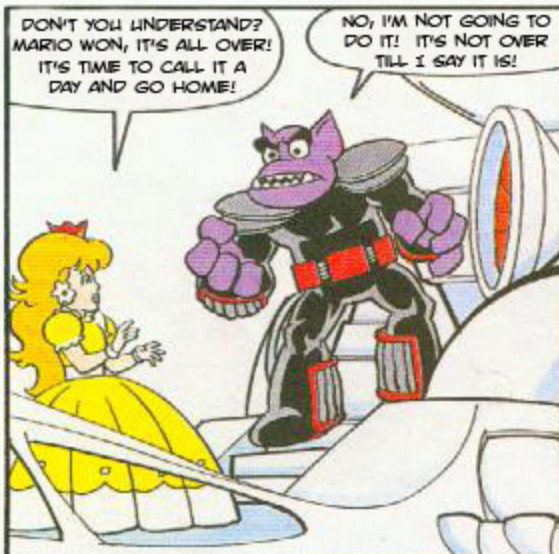


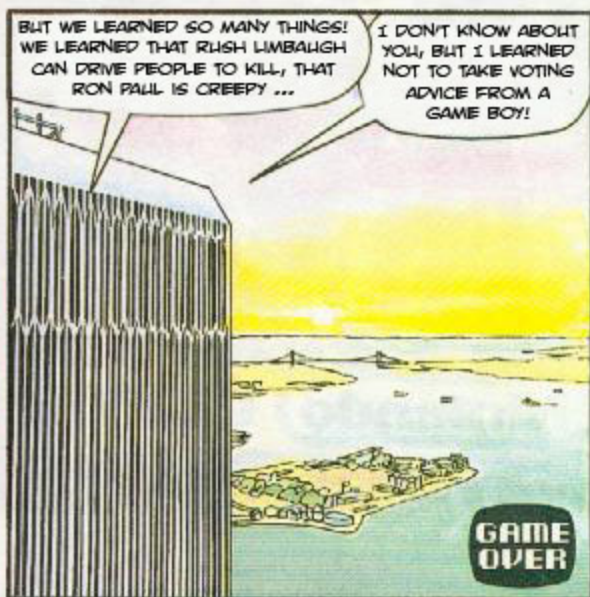
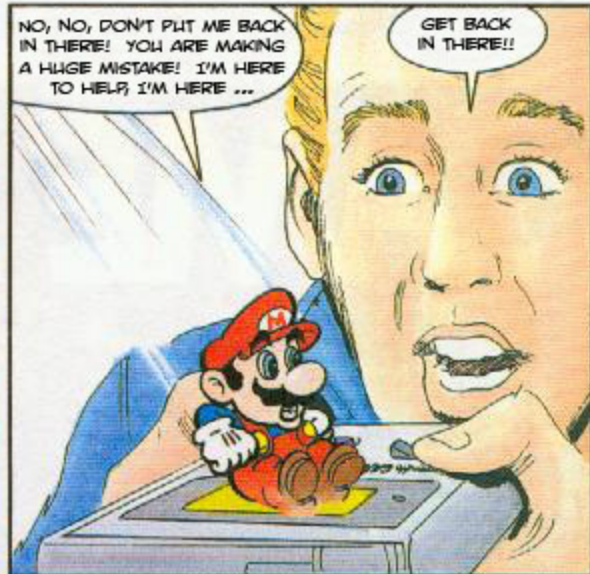
CAN'T YOU SEE WHAT'S GOING ON? ALL THIS HAS CREATED HATRED AND FIGHTING!!

WHO CARES IF PEOPLE AGREE WITH YOU, DON'T YOU WANT TO SEE THE WORLD HAPPY AND PEACEFUL??

I DON'T EVEN KNOW YOU TWO! OF COURSE NOT, THIS IS ABOUT STANDING UP FOR WHAT WE BELIEVE IN! THIS IS ABOUT BEING RIGHT! THIS IS ABOUT HAVING YOUR VOICE HEARD!







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