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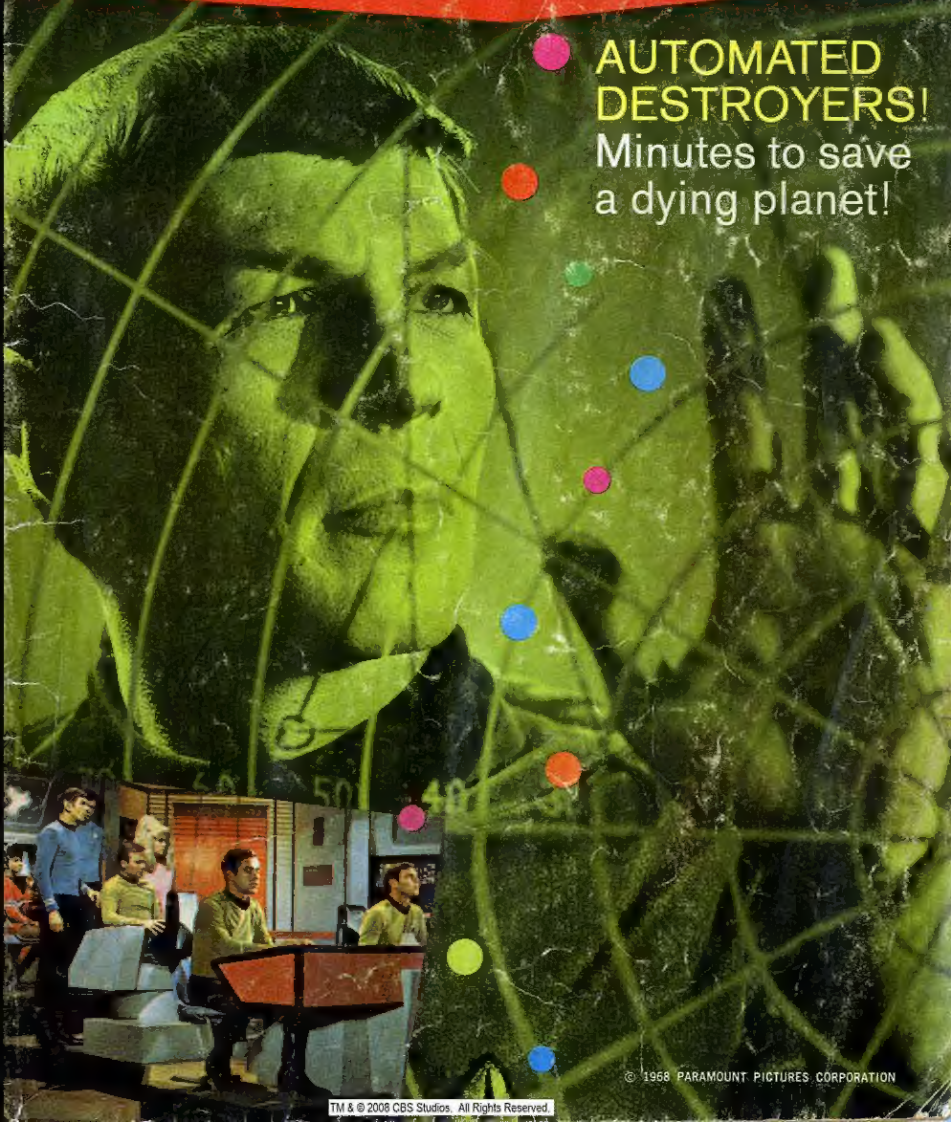
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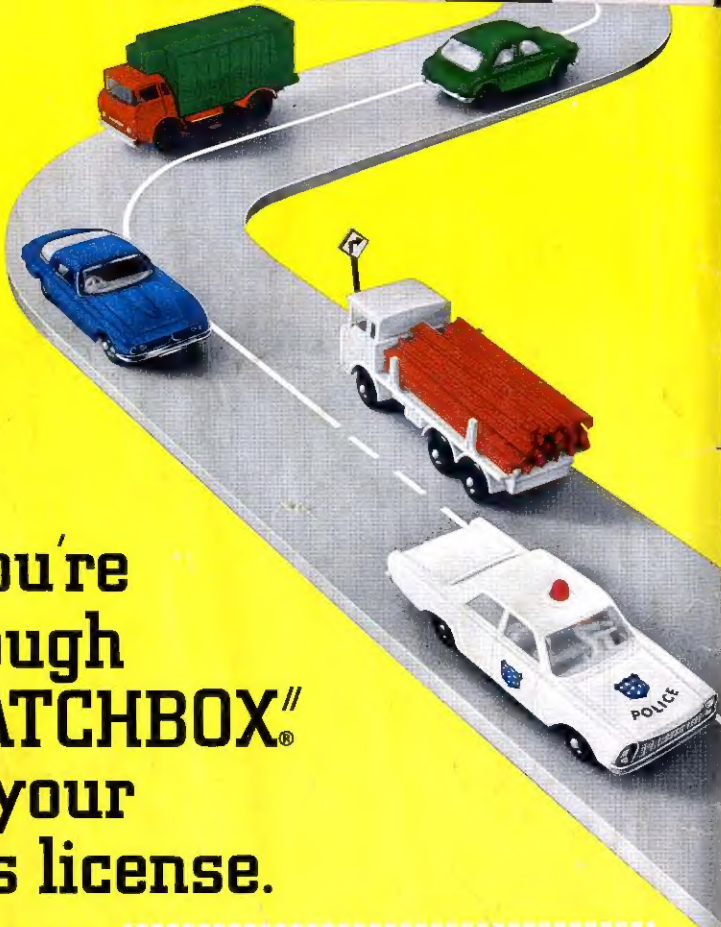
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MY BIRTHDAY IS \_\_\_\_\_ (MONTH) \_\_\_\_\_ (DAY) \_\_\_\_\_ (YEAR)

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# STAR TREK INVASION OF THE CITY BUILDERS PART I

ON A MYSTERY PLANET AT THE EDGE OF A DISTANT GALAXY THE CREW OF THE *ENTERPRISE* MUST MATCH WITS WITH MAMMOTH MACHINES... GIANTS OF TECHNICAL WIZARDRY THAT STRIDE ACROSS THE TERRAIN... SLOWING, CHOKING IT TO DEATH WITH... *SUPER CITIES!*

*GR-GREAT NOVAS!* THE POWER OF THAT FORCE FIELD HAS STOPPED ALIEN ARMIES ON OTHER PLANETS... BUT THAT MONSTER CITY BUILDER HIS BREAKING THROUGH IT!



AND *STILL* BUILDING STRUCTURES AS IT DOES SO. CAPTAIN REMEMBER, THEY ARE MADE OF A METAL UNKNOWN TO US!

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**CAPTAIN'S LOG, STAR DATE 20:14.6--**  
MISSION HAS BEEN DELAYED BY DIRECT METEOR-  
ITE HIT ON ROCKET ENGINE #4--REPAIRS BEING  
MADE--EXPECT TO CONTINUE TOWARD  
OBJECTIVE SHORTLY...

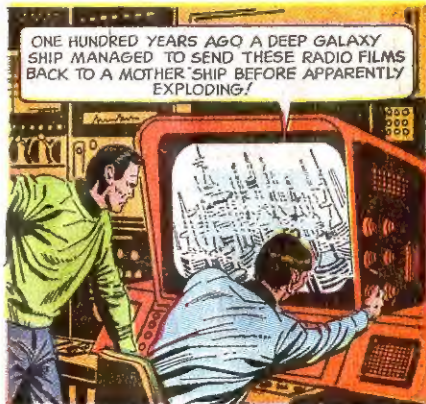
FUEL LINE WELDED  
OKAY, CAPTAIN KIRK!  
WE ARE RETURNING  
TO THE SHIP!

ROGER! GOOD SHOW  
--AND WATCH YOUR  
FOOTING ON THE  
WAY HOME!

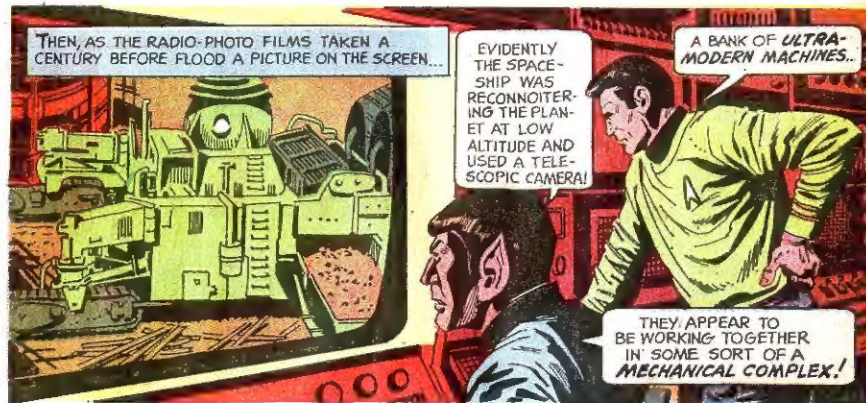


WE'RE ON COURSE AT FULL SPEED  
AGAIN, MR. SPOCK! NOW LET'S CON-  
TINUE WITH OUR RESEARCH ON  
ALPHA Z-21--**PLANET QUESTIONMARK!**

I'LL  
INSERT  
THE  
FILMED  
PLANETARY  
HISTORY  
FILE!



ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO A DEEP GALAXY  
SHIP MANAGED TO SEND THESE RADIO FILMS  
BACK TO A MOTHER SHIP BEFORE APPARENTLY  
EXPLODING!

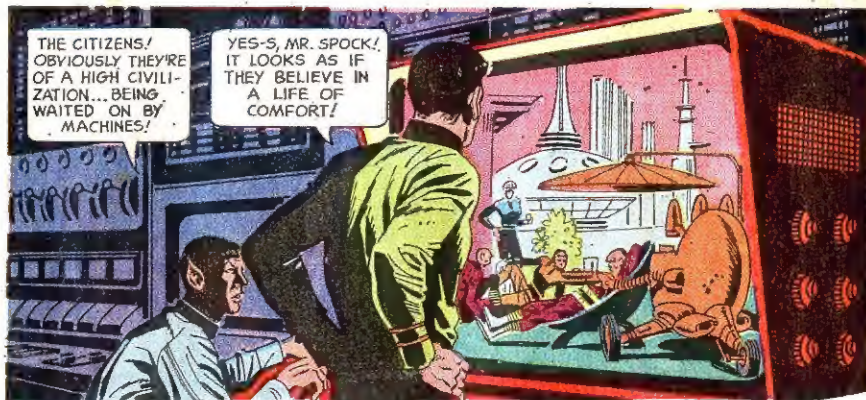


THEN, AS THE RADIO-PHOTO FILMS TAKEN A  
CENTURY BEFORE FLOOD A PICTURE ON THE SCREEN...

EVIDENTLY  
THE SPACE-  
SHIP WAS  
RECONNOITER-  
ING THE PLANET  
AT LOW  
ALTITUDE AND  
USED A TELE-  
SCOPIC CAMERA!

A BANK OF ULTRA-  
MODERN MACHINES...

THEY APPEAR TO  
BE WORKING TOGETHER  
IN SOME SORT OF A  
**MECHANICAL COMPLEX!**



THE CITIZENS/  
OBSOLETELY THEY'RE  
OF A HIGH CIVILI-  
ZATION... BEING  
WAITED ON BY  
MACHINES!

YES-S, MR. SPOCK!  
IT LOOKS AS IF  
THEY BELIEVE IN  
A LIFE OF  
COMFORT!



STRANGE! THERE WEREN'T  
ANY CITIZENS SEEN ABOUT  
THAT MAMMOTH MACHINE  
COMPLEX... NO WORKERS!

THE PICTURE'S  
FADING, CAPTAIN!  
WE CAME INTO  
POSSESSION  
OF ONLY A  
FEW SECONDS  
OF FILM!



CAPTAIN TO CONTROL!  
WHAT IS OUR ESTIMATED  
ARRIVAL TIME AT ALPHA Z-21?

TWO LUNAR  
HOURS ONE  
GALAXY  
MINUTE, SIR!



AND EXACTLY TWO LUNAR HOURS LATER, AS THE PAIR LOOKS THROUGH TELESCOPIC VIEW SCANNER...

THERE SHE IS--A MYSTERY PLANET IN THE GALAXY FOR CENTURIES!

OXYGEN READING HIGH, CAPTAIN! THE ATMOSPHERE IS FULL OF IT! THERE ARE INDICATIONS OF WATER...



ROGER, MR. SPOCK!

CUT SPEED AND BRING HER DOWN, CONTROL!

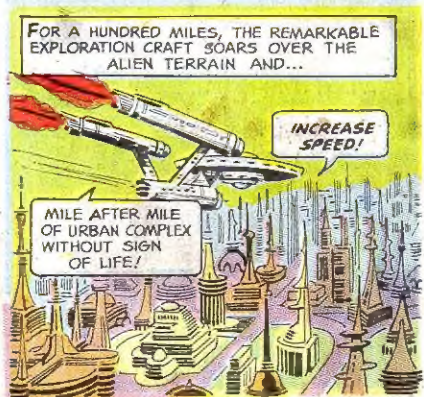
...AND ALSO LARGE MASSES OF METALLIC MATTER OVER THE PLANET!



LIKE A GLISTENING WHITE COMET, THE ENTERPRISE CUTS THROUGH THE ATMOSPHERE AND GLIDES ACROSS THE PLANET...

WE'VE COME IN OVER SOME SORT OF SUPER-CITY! CAN YOU MAKE OUT ANY LIFE, MR. SPOCK?

NOTHING, CAPTAIN!



FOR A HUNDRED MILES, THE REMARKABLE EXPLORATION CRAFT SOARS OVER THE ALIEN TERRAIN AND...

INCREASE SPEED!

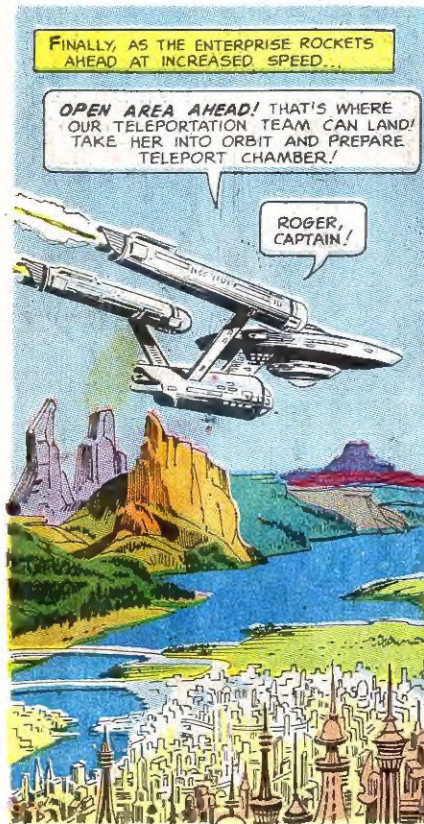
MILE AFTER MILE OF URBAN COMPLEX WITHOUT SIGN OF LIFE!



BUT STILL ANOTHER NINE HUNDRED MILES LATER

BUILDING AFTER BUILDING, STREET AFTER STREET... EMPTY, BARREN! WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF IT, MR. SPOCK?

UTTER BEWILDERMENT! THERE ARE NO SIGNS OF A CATASTROPHE, THE STRUCTURES SHOW NO DECAY! MOST PERPLEXING!



FINALLY, AS THE ENTERPRISE ROCKETS AHEAD AT INCREASED SPEED...

OPEN AREA AHEAD! THAT'S WHERE OUR TELEPORTATION TEAM CAN LAND! TAKE HER INTO ORBIT AND PREPARE TELEPORT CHAMBER!

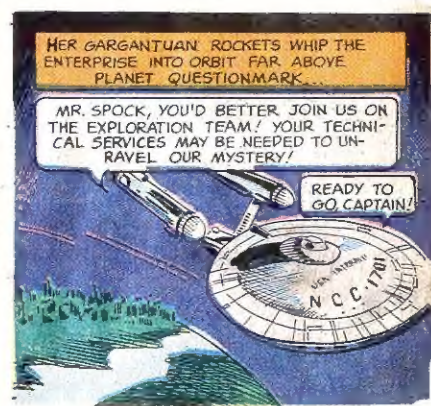
ROGER, CAPTAIN!



AND A MICRO-SECOND AFTERWARD, THE FIGURES MATERIALIZE ON ALPHA Z-21...

(WHIEW-W!) WHY, THE SUPER-CITY ENDS ABRUPTLY... AS IF IT HAD BEEN CUT OFF WITH A KNIFE BEFORE IT WAS COMPLETE!

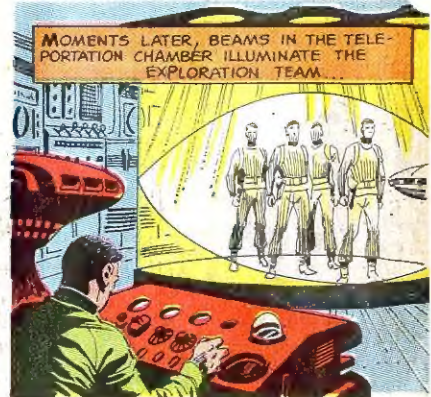
OUR FIRST OPERATION SHOULD BE TO SEARCH FOR SIGNS OF LIFE WITHIN THOSE BIZARRE BUILDINGS!



HER GARGANTUAN ROCKETS WHIP THE ENTERPRISE INTO ORBIT FAR ABOVE PLANET QUESTIONMARK.

MR. SPOCK, YOU'D BETTER JOIN US ON THE EXPLORATION TEAM! YOUR TECHNICAL SERVICES MAY BE NEEDED TO UNRAVEL OUR MYSTERY!

READY TO GO, CAPTAIN!



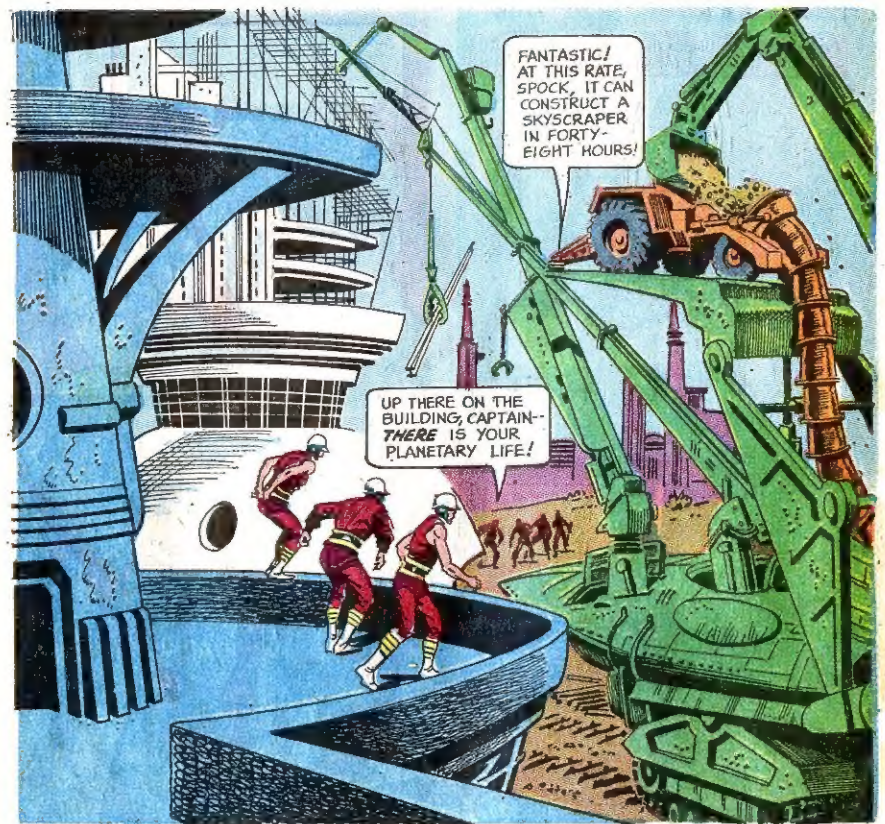
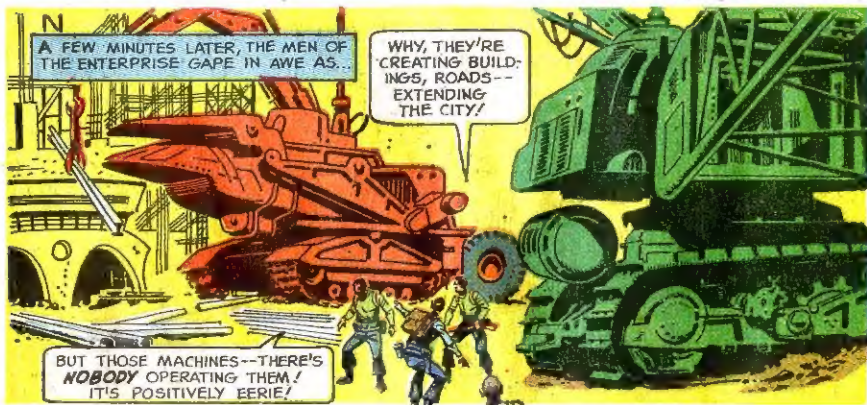
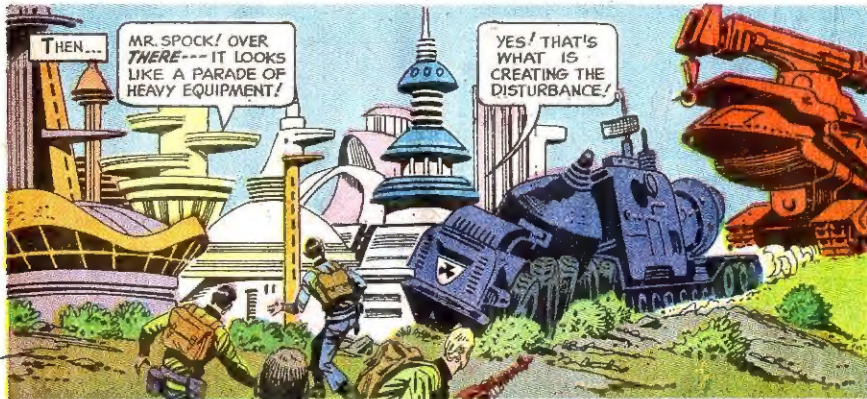
MOMENTS LATER, BEAMS IN THE TELEPORTATION CHAMBER ILLUMINATE THE EXPLORATION TEAM...

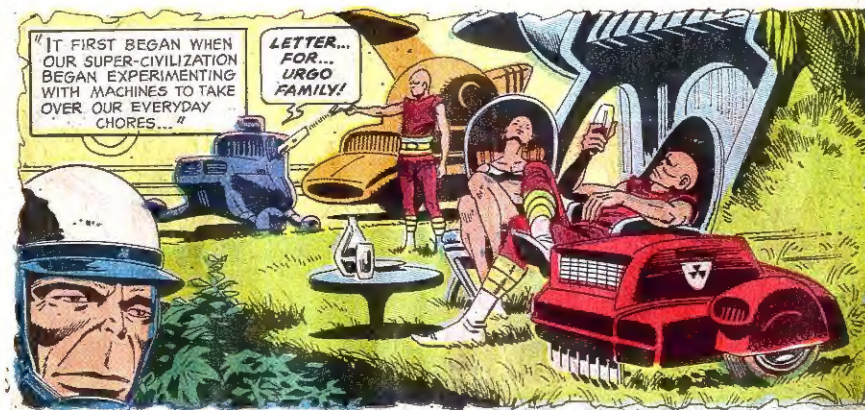
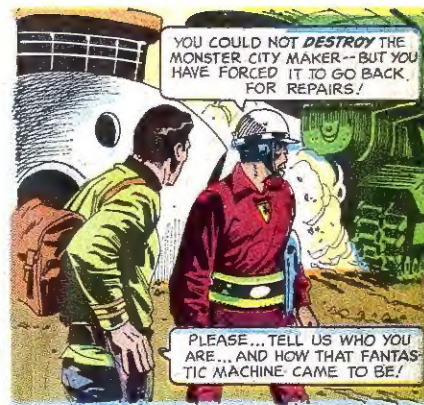
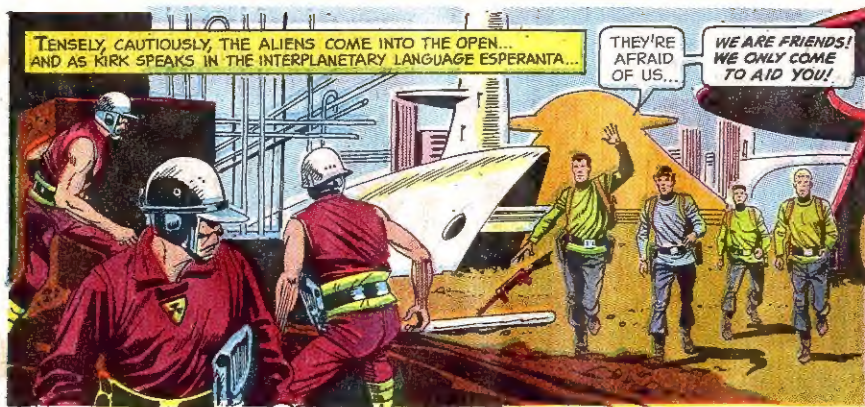
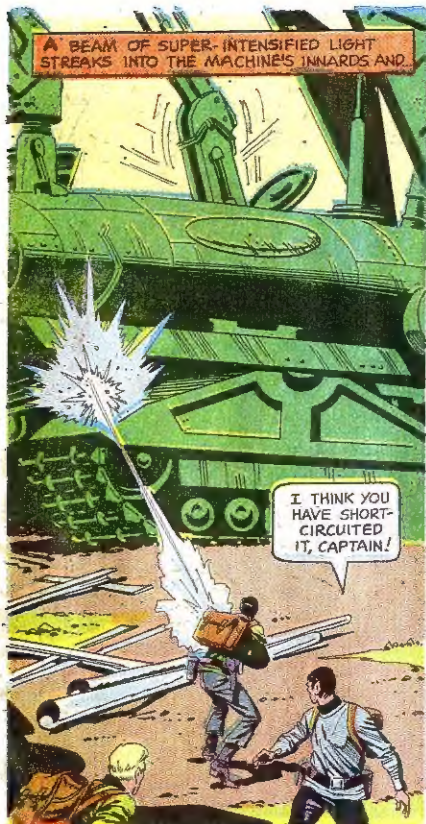


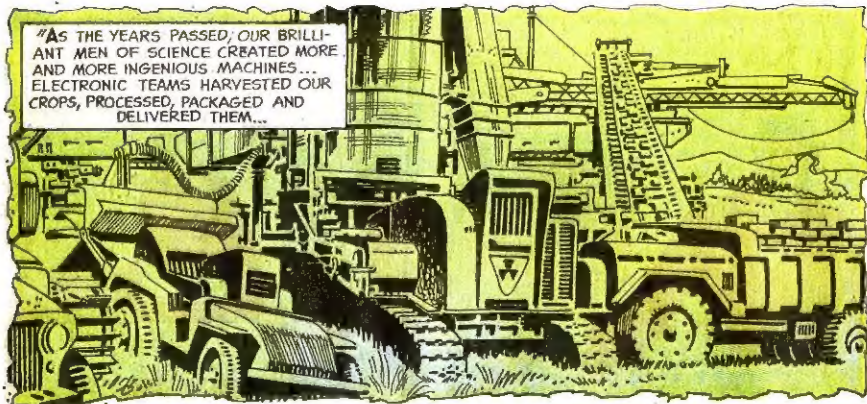
BUT AS CAPTAIN KIRK GIVES INSTRUCTIONS TO HIS MEN, HE CAN NOT KNOW THAT THE LIFE HE SEEKS HAS ALREADY FOUND HIM...

ALIEN VISITORS! WHAT SHALL WE DO NOW, OH, GREAT LEADER, KRILL?

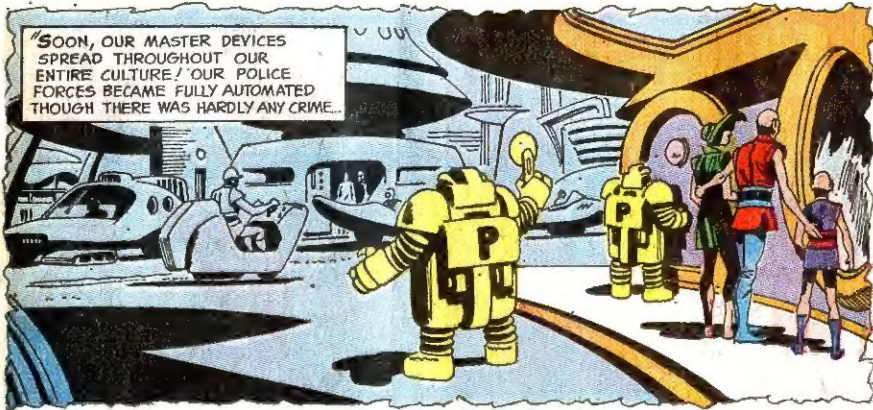
FRIENDS OR ENEMIES, THEY MUST AWAIT OUR ATTENTION! PLANS CAN NOT BE CHANGED NOW!



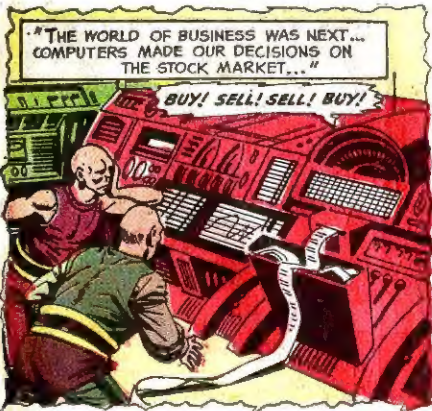




"AS THE YEARS PASSED, OUR BRILLIANT MEN OF SCIENCE CREATED MORE AND MORE INGENUOUS MACHINES... ELECTRONIC TEAMS HARVESTED OUR CROPS, PROCESSED, PACKAGED AND DELIVERED THEM..."



"SOON, OUR MASTER DEVICES SPREAD THROUGHOUT OUR ENTIRE CULTURE! OUR POLICE FORCES BECAME FULLY AUTOMATED THOUGH THERE WAS HARDLY ANY CRIME..."



"THE WORLD OF BUSINESS WAS NEXT... COMPUTERS MADE OUR DECISIONS ON THE STOCK MARKET..."

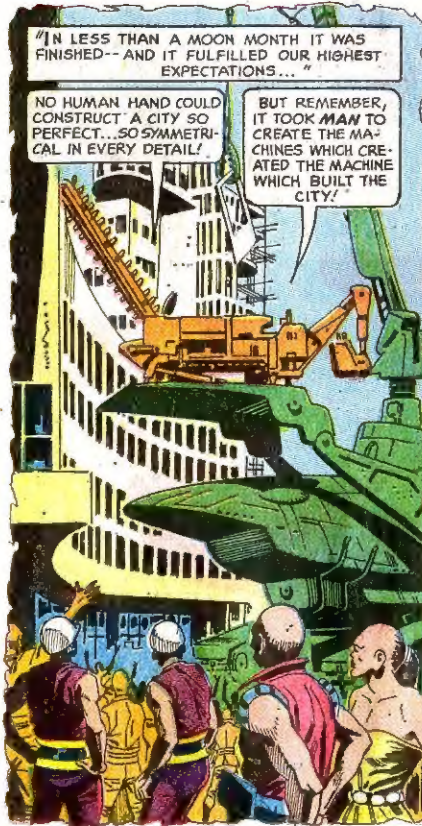


"FINALLY, THEY ENTERED THE SACRED SANCTUM OF THE VERY SCIENCE THAT HAD CREATED THEM..."

LOOK AT THIS BLUEPRINT OUR MASTER PLANNING MACHINE HAS CONCEIVED! A SYSTEM OF CO-ORDINATED SELF-OPERATING MACHINERY FOR BUILDING ENTIRE CITIES!



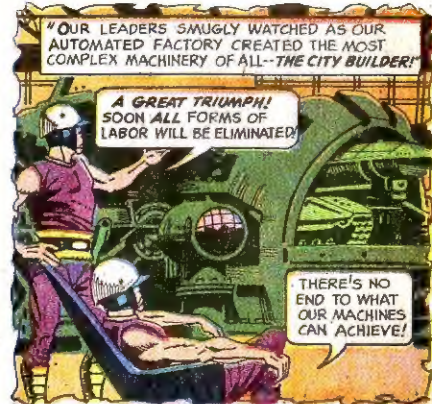
AH, YES... WE WERE LIVING IN UTOPIA! OUR NECESSITIES WERE ALL PROVIDED FOR US! BUSINESS AND COMMERCE WERE SYSTEMATIZED AND CARRIED OUT BY OUR KNOWLEDGE PROCESSING MACHINES, FAR MORE ASTUTE THAN HUMAN MINDS!



"IN LESS THAN A MOON MONTH IT WAS FINISHED-- AND IT FULFILLED OUR HIGHEST EXPECTATIONS..."

NO HUMAN HAND COULD CONSTRUCT A CITY SO PERFECT... SO SYMMETRICAL IN EVERY DETAIL!

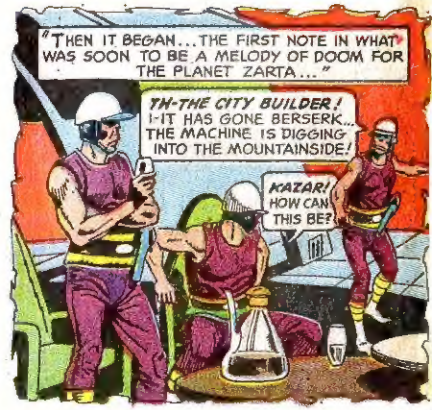
BUT REMEMBER, IT TOOK MAN TO CREATE THE MACHINES WHICH CREATED THE MACHINE WHICH BUILT THE CITY!



"OUR LEADERS SMUGLY WATCHED AS OUR AUTOMATED FACTORY CREATED THE MOST COMPLEX MACHINERY OF ALL-- THE CITY BUILDER!"

A GREAT TRIUMPH! SOON ALL FORMS OF LABOR WILL BE ELIMINATED!

THERE'S NO END TO WHAT OUR MACHINES CAN ACHIEVE!



"THEN IT BEGAN... THE FIRST NOTE IN WHAT WAS SOON TO BE A MELODY OF DOOM FOR THE PLANET ZARTA..."

T-THE CITY BUILDER! I-I HAS GONE BERSERK... THE MACHINE IS DIGGING INTO THE MOUNTAINSIDE!

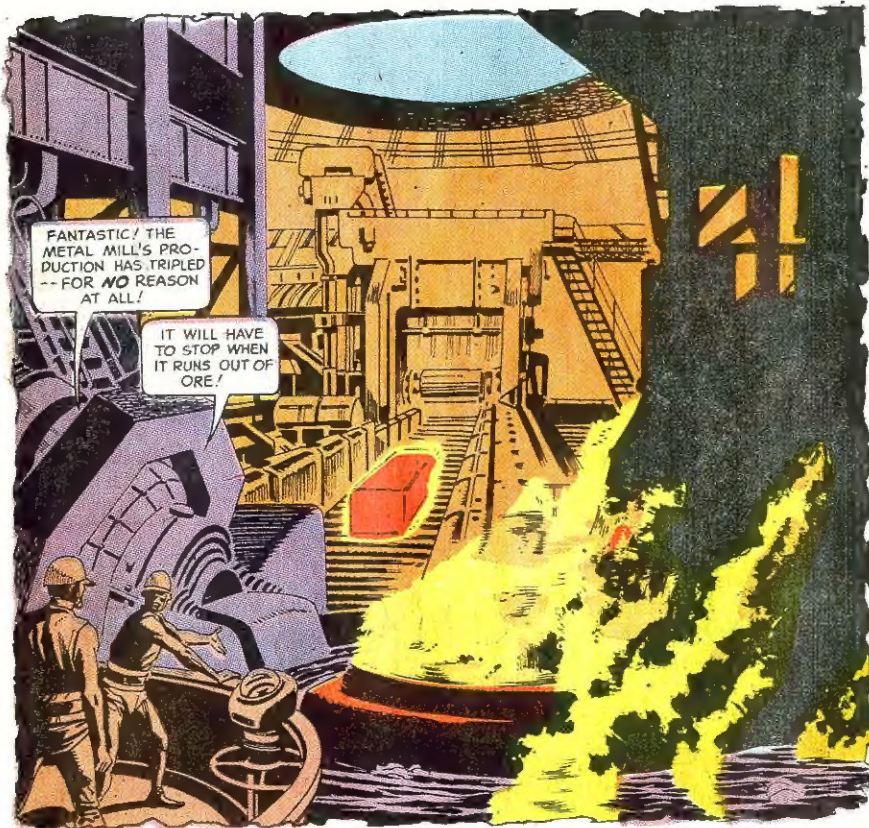
KAZARI! HOW CAN THIS BE?



SEE THERE! T-THE SUPER REFRIGERATION UNIT WE BUILT INTO OUR CITY BUILDER IS COOLING THE MOLTEN GIRDERS I-IN SECONDS!

A WHOLE NEW CITY? WHY? THIS MACHINERY IS SUPPOSED TO BUILD ONLY ACCORDING TO NEED.

IT WILL HAVE TO STOP WHEN IT RUNS OUT OF MATERIALS!



FANTASTIC! THE METAL MILL'S PRODUCTION HAS TRIPLED -- FOR NO REASON AT ALL!

IT WILL HAVE TO STOP WHEN IT RUNS OUT OF ORE!



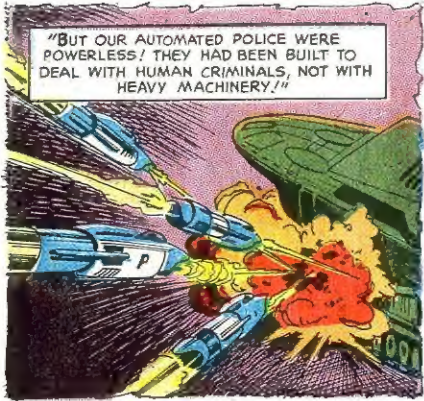
THAT'S WHAT FRIGHTENS ME! THE MILL HAS FOUND A WAY TO MAKE SYNTHETIC METAL! IT MAY NEVER STOP!

AND AS FAST AS IT IS PRODUCED IT IS BEING CONVEYED TO THE CITY BUILDING COMPLEX!

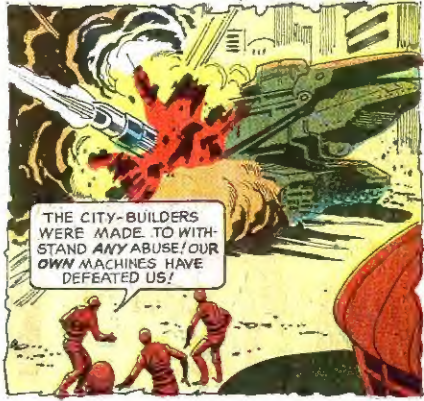


TWO MORE NEW CITIES! WE WON'T NEED THEM FOR A HUNDRED YEARS!

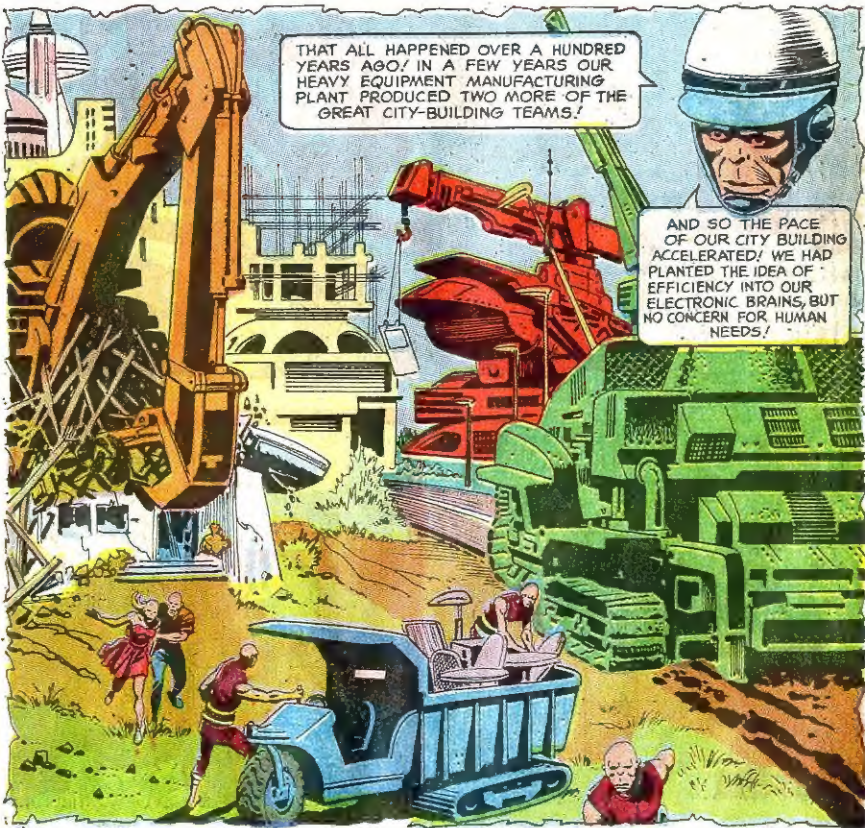
THERE ARE NO CONTROLS TO STOP IT! THIS MACHINERY MUST BE DESTROYED!



"BUT OUR AUTOMATED POLICE WERE POWERLESS! THEY HAD BEEN BUILT TO DEAL WITH HUMAN CRIMINALS, NOT WITH HEAVY MACHINERY!"



THE CITY-BUILDERS WERE MADE TO WITHSTAND ANY ABUSE! OUR OWN MACHINES HAVE DEFEATED US!



THAT ALL HAPPENED OVER A HUNDRED YEARS AGO! IN A FEW YEARS OUR HEAVY EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURING PLANT PRODUCED TWO MORE OF THE GREAT CITY-BUILDING TEAMS!

AND SO THE PACE OF OUR CITY BUILDING ACCELERATED! WE HAD PLANTED THE IDEA OF EFFICIENCY INTO OUR ELECTRONIC BRAINS, BUT NO CONCERN FOR HUMAN NEEDS!





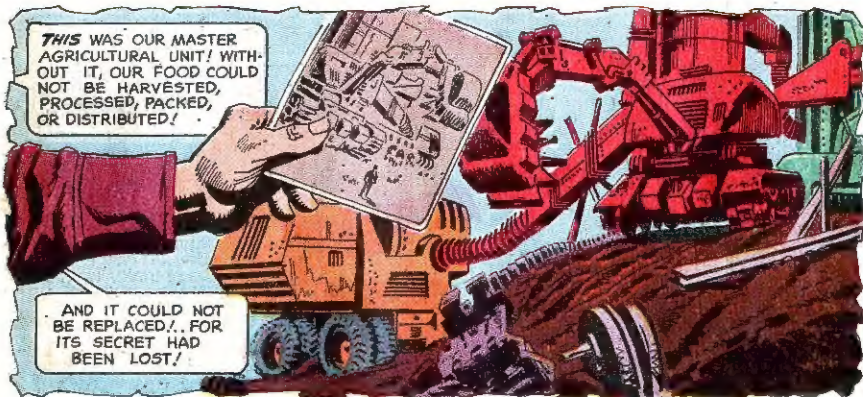
BUT WITH YOUR FANTASTIC SCIENTIFIC ADVANCES SURELY YOU COULD DEVISE A MEANS TO STOP THIS MECHANICAL ONSLAUGHT!

CAPTAIN KIRK, MACHINES HAD BEEN DESIGNING, PROGRAMMING AND PRODUCING MACHINES FOR YEARS! MAN NO LONGER UNDERSTOOD THEM!



BUT ACTUALLY, IT WAS THIS *TINY LITTLE GEAR* THAT REALLY SOUNDED THE DEATH KNELL FOR ZARTA!

YOU SEE, AFTER YEARS OF AUTOMATED PAMPERING OUR PEOPLE WERE LIKE CHILDREN BEING FED IN A CRIB! WHEN THIS ONE SMALL GEAR BROKE DOWN WE BEGAN TO STARVE...



THIS WAS OUR MASTER AGRICULTURAL UNIT! WITHOUT IT, OUR FOOD COULD NOT BE HARVESTED, PROCESSED, PACKED, OR DISTRIBUTED!

AND IT COULD NOT BE REPLACED... FOR ITS SECRET HAD BEEN LOST!



WHY DIDN'T THE PEOPLE GO BACK TO THE FIELDS! THEY COULD FEED THEMSELVES AS THEY DID BEFORE -- IN THE OLD-FASHIONED MANNER!

WE NOT ONLY DID NO PHYSICAL LABOR, WE COULD NO LONGER EVEN THINK, PLAN, LOOK AHEAD, MAKE DECISIONS! MAN WAS OBSOLETE!



OF COURSE! IT WOULD TAKE TIME... ANOTHER GENERATION, PERHAPS, TO RELEARN THINGS! KRILL... THE CREW OF THE ENTERPRISE WILL TRY TO HELP YOU!

IT'S NO USE, CAPTAIN KIRK! SOON EVERY SQUARE INCH OF ZARTA WILL BE COVERED WITH GLEAMING CITIES -- AND THERE WON'T BE A SOUL LEFT TO LIVE IN THEM!

CONTINUED



## KEYS OF KNOWLEDGE

### THE MOON BEAR



The MOON BEAR, sometimes called the Himalayan Bear, is an animal of the Indian forests... Wild honey is its choice of food.



Moon Bears of three generations make a family group—to raid farmers' orchards! And they are really hard to scare away!



A wounded Moon Bear is wickedly revengeful... He is likely to ambush his hunter, and attack him with deadly speed!



The Moon Bear's fighting style aims both at the head and face, while the horrid yells and roars terrify its intended victim.



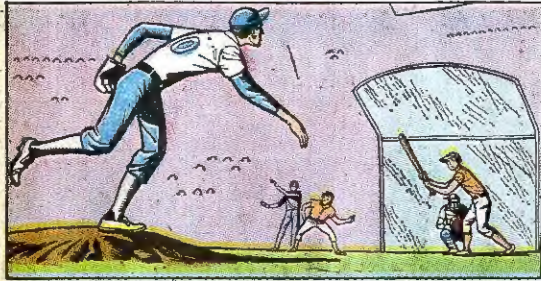
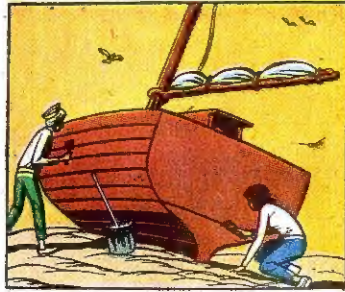
In American Movie Land, when a noisy bear is needed for the scene, a Moon Bear often "hams it up" to stimulate the part.

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## PITCH

A natural substance in asphalt; also the residue obtained after distilling coal or wood tar. Used in paving roads, caulking vessels.



The delivery of a ball to the batter.



The degree of height or depth of a tone or sound.

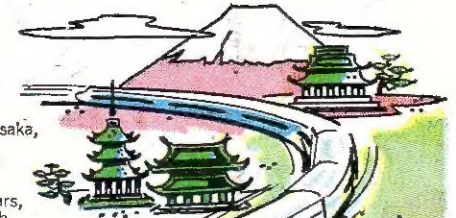


To set up or erect, such as to pitch a tent.

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# WORLD'S FASTEST TRAIN

The "New Tokaido" train running between Tokyo and Osaka, Japan, is the fastest train service in the world. Part of Japanese National Railways, this train makes the 320.2 mile run in 3 hours 10 minutes, at an average speed of more than 101 m.p.h. Each train is made up of 12 cars, weighs 80 tons and can reach a top speed of 155 m.p.h. The "New Tokaido" is powered by motors with the energy of 11,943 horsepower.



# WORLD'S FASTEST KID

The Cheerios Kid gets his energy from Cheerios. Like you, he needs a fresh supply of go-power every day. And, a breakfast with Cheerios and milk is packed with muscle-building protein and energy for go-power. Get yourself Go. Get Cheerios!



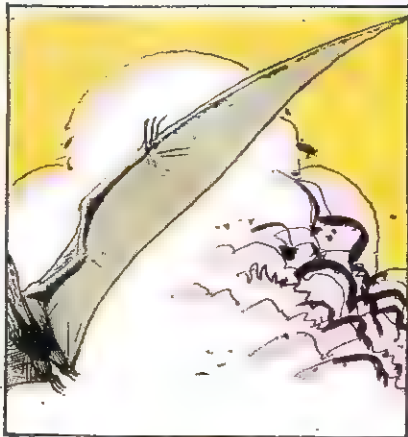
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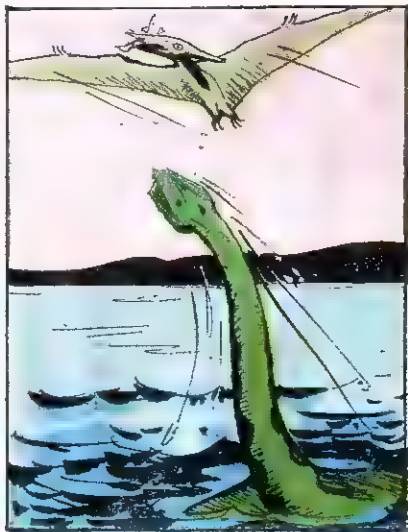
## PTERANODON



Before the evolution of birds, reptiles flew in the sky. The greatest of these flying reptiles was the pteranodon which boasted a wingspread of over twenty six feet. Since its wing muscles were weak, it did not fly by flapping, but glided instead. Climbing to some treetop or up the side of a cliff, the pteranodon would launch itself into the air and skim easily on its great, broad "wings."



Lightly built with hollow bones, the pteranodon's "wings" were actually leathery skin fastened to the large front fourth finger of each claw and anchored to its small hindlegs.



Despite its size and fierce appearance, the pteranodon was toothless. It lived on fish and mollusks in the prehistoric seas.

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# STAR TREK The BRIDGE TO CATASTROPHE

PART II

ON ZARTA, THE MYSTERY WORLD REFERRED TO AS **PLANET QUESTIONMARK**, THE CREW OF THE ENTERPRISE JOIN FORCES WITH THE LAST OF AN ALIEN CIVILIZATION TO STOP THE TERRIBLE "PROGRESS" OF... **THE CITY BUILDERS!**

THEY COME -- **THREE OF THEM!** THERE ARE ONLY TEN THOUSAND ACRES OF OPEN LAND LEFT ... IF THEY BUILD ON THAT, OUR PLANET IS FINISHED!

SIT TIGHT, KRILL! WE'LL WORK **SOMETHING** OUT!



THEN, KRILL'S MEN SWARM OUT OF HIDING...

**KRILL!** WHAT SHALL WE DO? THE IRON ONES COME AGAIN!

DO NOT FEAR, ZIKA--OUR ALIEN FRIENDS ARE HERE TO HELP US! OUR VISITORS COME FROM A GREAT SPACE-SHIP CALLED **ENTERPRISE!** THEY... UNDERSTAND OUR PROBLEM!





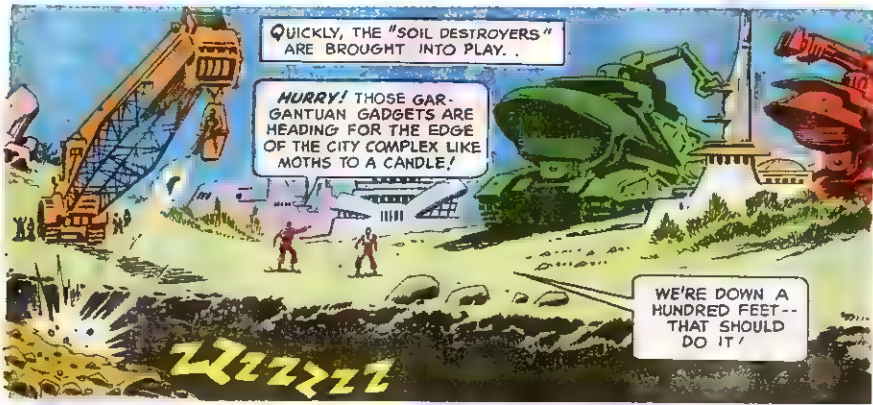
WE'LL HAVE A SOCIAL LATER, GENTLEMEN! RIGHT NOW, THOSE MACHINES HAVE TO BE DEALT WITH...

WHAT DO YOU THINK, MR SPOCK? CAN WE DO ANYTHING TO STOP THEM FROM CONTINUING THE CITY COMPLEX ONWARD?



THEIR VIBRATIONS REGISTER THAT THEY WEIGH OVER A THOUSAND TONS, CAPTAIN.

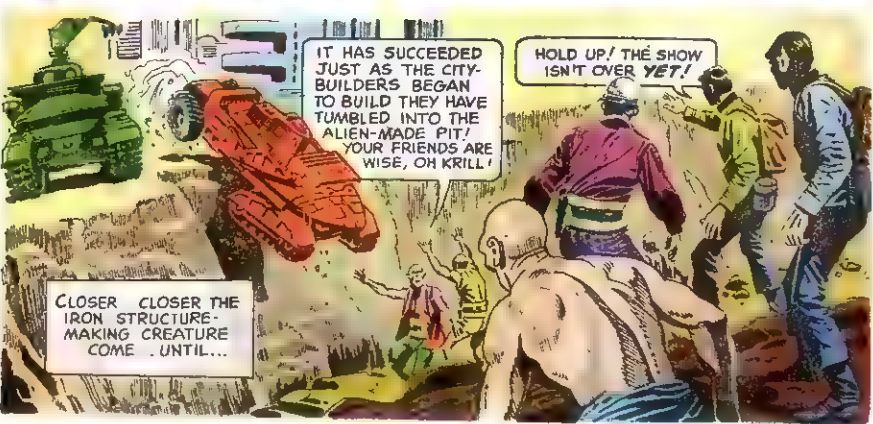
IF WE MADE A TRENCH WITH OUR EARTH DIS-INTEGRATORS IN THEIR PATH WE MIGHT MOUSE TRAP THEM! WITH SUCH WEIGHT THEY MAY BECOME BOGGED DOWN...



QUICKLY, THE "SOIL DESTROYERS" ARE BROUGHT INTO PLAY...

MURRY! THOSE GARGANTUAN GADGETS ARE HEADING FOR THE EDGE OF THE CITY COMPLEX LIKE MOTHS TO A CANDLE!

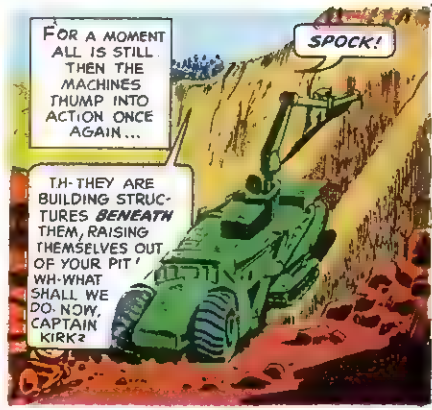
WE'RE DOWN A HUNDRED FEET-- THAT SHOULD DO IT!



IT HAS SUCCEEDED JUST AS THE CITY-BUILDERS BEGAN TO BUILD THEY HAVE TUMBLED INTO THE ALIEN-MADE PIT! YOUR FRIENDS ARE WISE, OH KRILL!

HOLD UP! THE SHOW ISN'T OVER YET!

CLOSER CLOSER THE IRON STRUCTURE-MAKING CREATURE COME...UNTIL...



FOR A MOMENT ALL IS STILL THEN THE MACHINES THUMP INTO ACTION ONCE AGAIN...

SPOCK!

TH- THEY ARE BUILDING STRUCTURES BENEATH THEM, RAISING THEMSELVES OUT OF YOUR PIT! WH-WHAT SHALL WE DO NOW, CAPTAIN KIRK?



MY PEOPLE-- THEY ARE TURNING TO THE ALIENS FOR GUIDANCE NOW! THEY IGNORE ME!

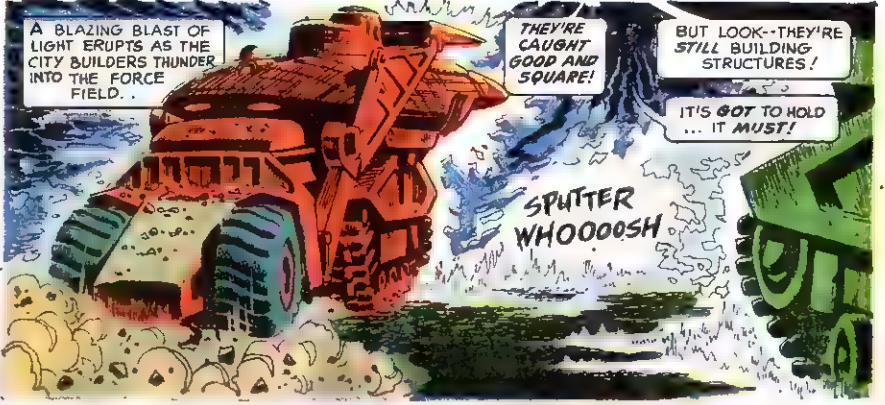
A FORCE FIELD, MR. SPOCK! IT MAY WORK!



AND SHORTLY, AS THE MASTERS OF CEMENT AND STEEL CLIMB OUT OF THE TRENCH ATOP THEIR OWN CONSTRUCTION WORK...

HERE THEY COME! THE POWER OF THAT FORCE FIELD HAS STOPPED ARMIES... IT SHOULD JOLT THOSE METAL MONSTERS SOME!

PERHAPS! BUT THEY ARE OF A METAL UNKNOWN TO US, CAPTAIN!



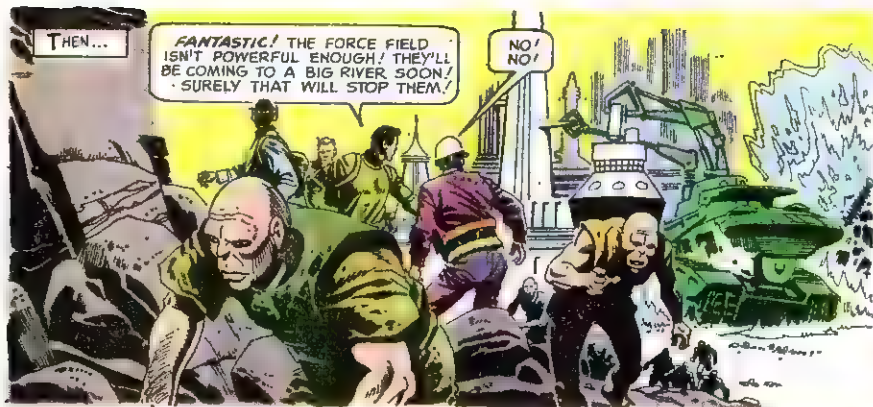
A BLAZING BLAST OF LIGHT ERUPTS AS THE CITY BUILDERS THUNDER INTO THE FORCE FIELD...

THEY'RE CAUGHT GOOD AND SQUARE!

BUT LOOK--THEY'RE STILL BUILDING STRUCTURES!

IT'S GOT TO HOLD... IT MUST!

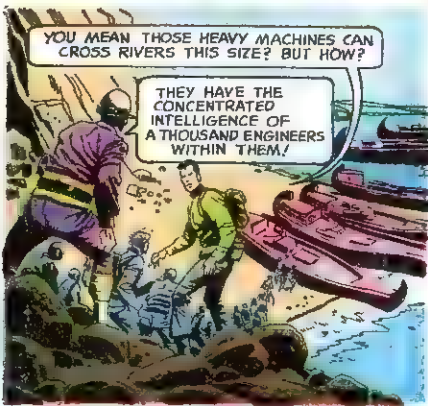
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THEN...

FANTASTIC! THE FORCE FIELD ISN'T POWERFUL ENOUGH! THEY'LL BE COMING TO A BIG RIVER SOON! SURELY THAT WILL STOP THEM!

NO!  
NO!



YOU MEAN THOSE HEAVY MACHINES CAN CROSS RIVERS THIS SIZE? BUT HOW?

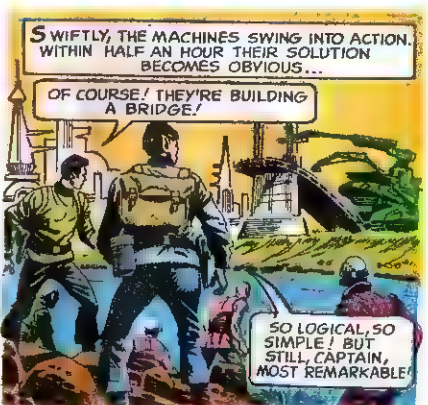
THEY HAVE THE CONCENTRATED INTELLIGENCE OF A THOUSAND ENGINEERS WITHIN THEM!



EVERY OBSTACLE THEY FACE BECOMES A SIMPLE EXERCISE IN PROBLEM SOLVING! YOU SAW HOW THEY OVERCAME YOUR DITCH! WATCH WHEN THEY REACH THE WATER'S EDGE!



THEY HAVE IDENTIFIED THE PROBLEM! NOW THEY ARE ANALYZING IT AND DECIDING WHAT ACTION TO TAKE!



SWIFTLY, THE MACHINES SWING INTO ACTION. WITHIN HALF AN HOUR THEIR SOLUTION BECOMES OBVIOUS...

OF COURSE! THEY'RE BUILDING A BRIDGE!

SO LOGICAL, SO SIMPLE, BUT STILL, CAPTAIN, MOST REMARKABLE!



INCREDIBLE! NOW THE MACHINE WILL SINK ANOTHER TOWER IN MID RIVER, AND THEN--

WE MUST ATTACK IT AGAIN, BEFORE IT GETS ACROSS!



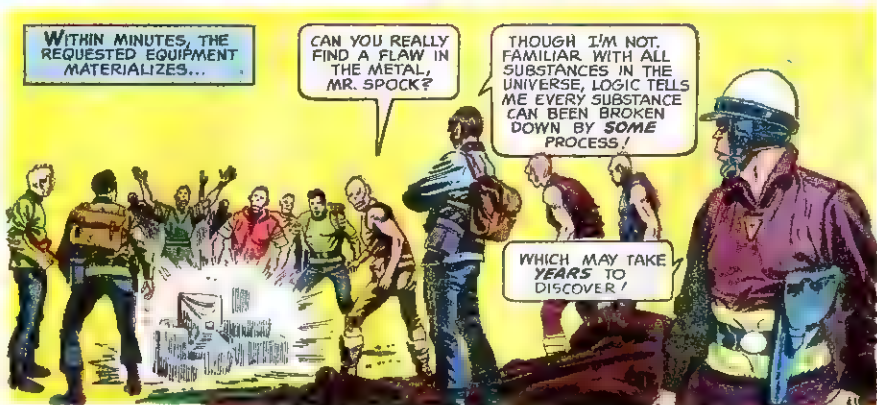
WE HAVE ATTACKED, KRILL, AND FAILED! WE MUST BE AS LOGICAL, AS ANALYTICAL AS THEY ARE!

MEANING YOU INTEND TO DO NOTHING!



THERE IS ONE POSSIBILITY, CAPTAIN --WE MUST FIND A WEAKNESS IN THEIR MIRACLE METAL!

SPOCK TO ENTERPRISE: TELEPORT AT ONCE! METALLIC TEST KIT! OUR CO-ORDINATES ARE...



WITHIN MINUTES, THE REQUESTED EQUIPMENT MATERIALIZES...

CAN YOU REALLY FIND A FLAW IN THE METAL, MR. SPOCK?

THOUGH I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH ALL SUBSTANCES IN THE UNIVERSE, LOGIC TELLS ME EVERY SUBSTANCE CAN BE BROKEN DOWN BY SOME PROCESS!

WHICH MAY TAKE YEARS TO DISCOVER!



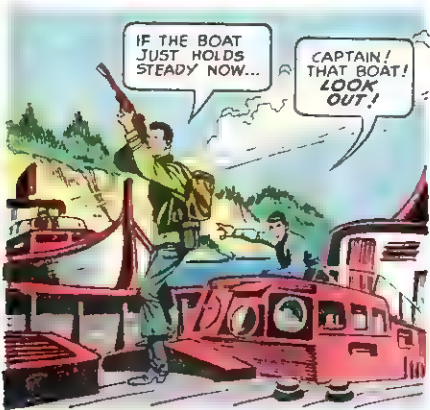
THE FIRST THING WE MUST DO, CAPTAIN, IS OBTAIN A SAMPLE OF THE METAL!

THAT ISN'T GOING TO BE EASY!



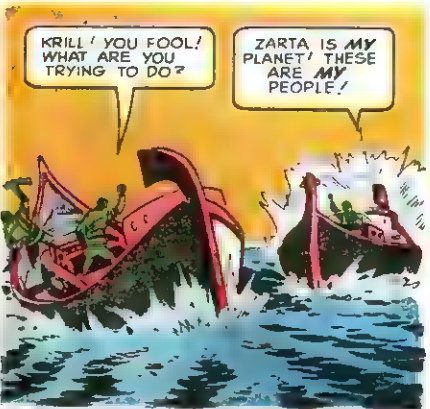
THE LASER GUN CAN'T CUT THROUGH THE METAL, SPOCK, BUT IF WE CAN BURN THROUGH A HOISTING CABLE, THE GIRDER MIGHT FALL OUTSIDE THE BRIDGE!

IT'S A DELICATE SHOT, CAPTAIN!



IF THE BOAT JUST HOLDS STEADY NOW...

CAPTAIN! THAT BOAT! LOOK OUT!

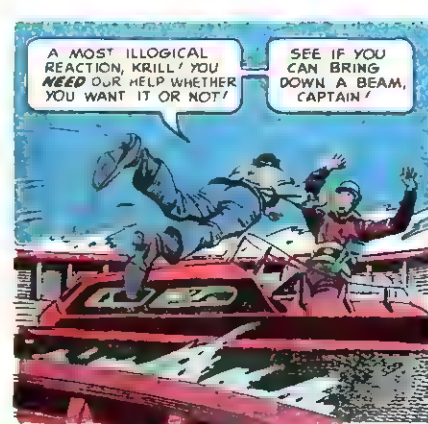


KRILL! YOU FOOL! WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO?

ZARTA IS MY PLANET! THESE ARE MY PEOPLE!

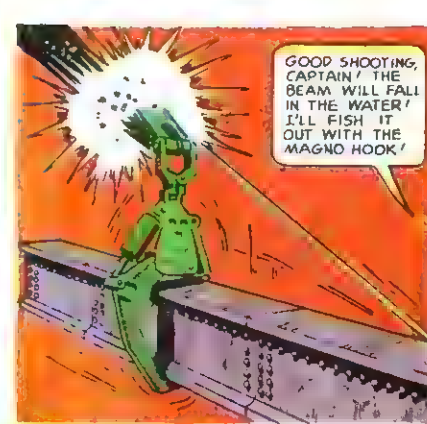


YOU THINK YOU CAN TAKE OVER, DON'T YOU? WIN THEIR RESPECT WITH YOUR FALSE PROMISES! ALREADY THEY FORGET ME!

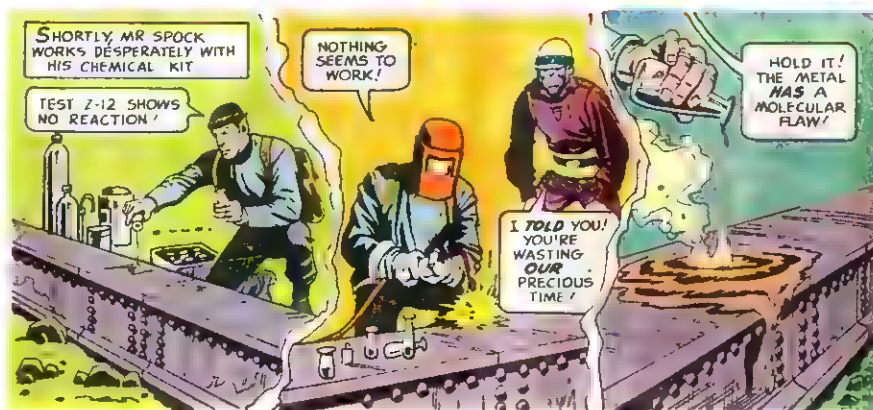


A MOST ILLOGICAL REACTION, KRILL! YOU NEED OUR HELP WHETHER YOU WANT IT OR NOT!

SEE IF YOU CAN BRING DOWN A BEAM, CAPTAIN!



GOOD SHOOTING, CAPTAIN! THE BEAM WILL FALL IN THE WATER! I'LL FISH IT OUT WITH THE MAGNO HOOK!



SHORTLY, MR SPOCK WORKS DESPERATELY WITH HIS CHEMICAL KIT

NOTHING SEEMS TO WORK!

TEST Z-12 SHOWS NO REACTION!

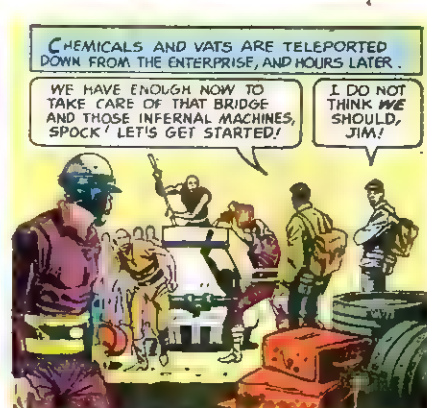
HOLD IT! THE METAL HAS A MOLECULAR FLAW!

I TOLD YOU! YOU'RE WASTING OUR PRECIOUS TIME!



IT BREAKS DOWN ALMOST INSTANTLY TO A SIMPLE SOLUTION OF NH<sub>2</sub>!

FANTASTIC! A METAL THAT COULD PROBABLY WITHSTAND AN ATOMIC BLAST, YET A MILD AMINO ACID DISINTEGRATES IT!



CHEMICALS AND VATS ARE TELEPORTED DOWN FROM THE ENTERPRISE, AND HOURS LATER...

WE HAVE ENOUGH NOW TO TAKE CARE OF THAT BRIDGE AND THOSE INFERNAL MACHINES, SPOCK! LET'S GET STARTED!

I DO NOT THINK WE SHOULD, JIM!



KRILL IS RIGHT! THESE ARE HIS PEOPLE! THIS IS HIS JOB!

OF COURSE!



WE HAVE A WEAPON NOW KRILL! BUT WE NEED YOU TO OPERATE IT! YOU KNOW THESE CUNNING MACHINES BETTER THAN WE DO! WILL YOU COME WITH US?

NO!



AS KRILL MOVES IN ON THE BRIDGE...

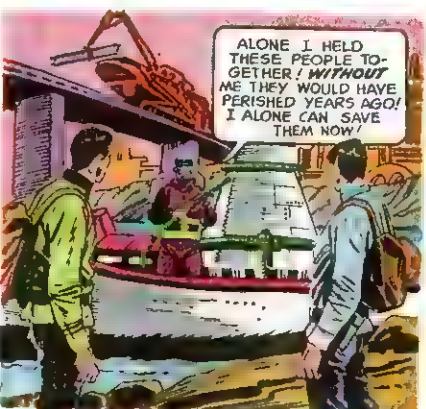
OUR ACID SOLUTION WORKED IN THE TEST! NOW WE'LL SEE HOW IT WORKS IN ACTION!



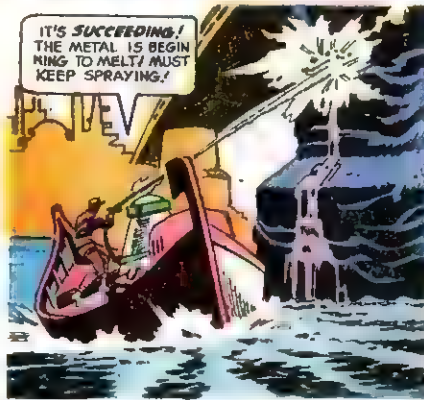
NO? YOU MEAN YOU'LL STAND BY AND LET YOUR PEOPLE BE DESTROYED?

I MEAN I'LL DO IT-- ALONE!

ALONE? THAT'S SUICIDE?



ALONE I HELD THESE PEOPLE TOGETHER! WITHOUT ME THEY WOULD HAVE PERISHED YEARS AGO! I ALONE CAN SAVE THEM NOW!

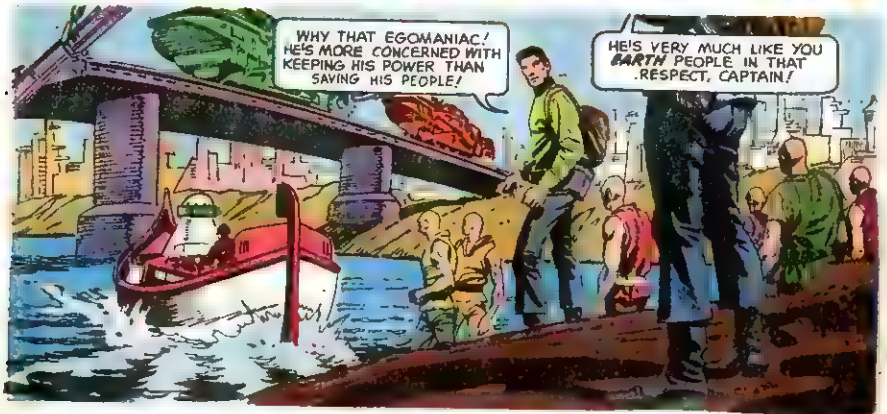


IT'S SUCCEEDING! THE METAL IS BEGINNING TO MELT! MUST KEEP SPRAYING!



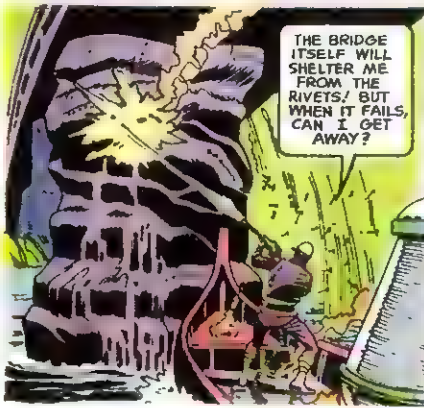
BUT ABOVE, THE GIANT MACHINE SENSES THAT SOMETHING IS WRONG-- AND REACTS...

RED-HOT RIVETS! THE BUILDER KNOWS I'M HERE!

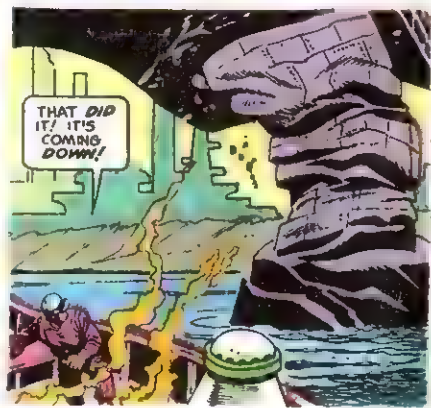


WHY THAT EGOMANIAC! HE'S MORE CONCERNED WITH KEEPING HIS POWER THAN SAVING HIS PEOPLE!

HE'S VERY MUCH LIKE YOU BARTH PEOPLE IN THAT RESPECT, CAPTAIN!



THE BRIDGE ITSELF WILL SHELTER ME FROM THE RIVETS! BUT WHEN IT FAILS, CAN I GET AWAY?

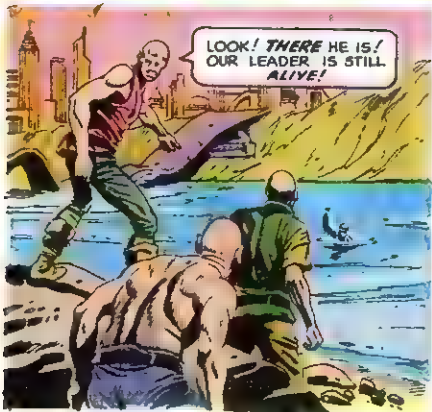


THAT DID IT! IT'S COMING DOWN!



THE WHOLE BRIDGE AND ALL THE MACHINES ON IT--THEY'RE GOING DOWN TO THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER!

BUT KRILL! WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?



LOOK! *THERE* HE IS! OUR LEADER IS STILL ALIVE!



HUZZAH! HUZZAH!

YOU HAVE SAVED US, KRILL! WE ALL OWE YOU OUR LIVES!



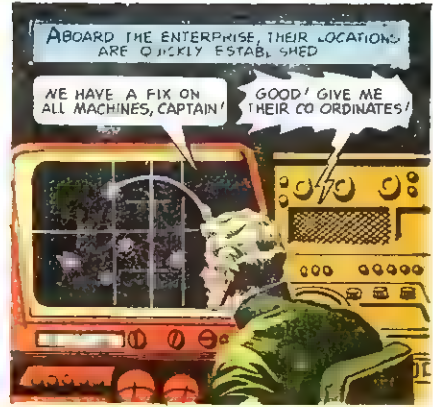
I HATE TO SPOIL THE CELEBRATION, BUT THERE'S STILL A LOT TO DO!

THE ENTERPRISE CAN LOCATE THE OTHER CITY BUILDERS FOR US!



WE'D LIKE TO GO WITH YOU AND SEE THIS JOB THROUGH, KRILL, IF IT'S ALL RIGHT WITH YOU!

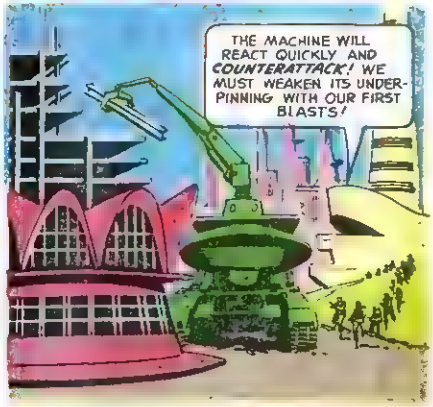
CAPTAIN KIRK, I'D BE PROUD TO BE WITH YOU AND MR SPOCK ALONGSIDE OF ME!



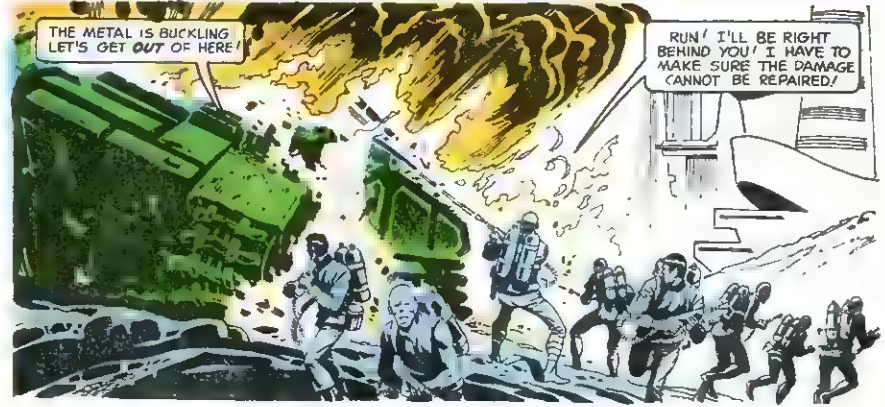
ABOARD THE ENTERPRISE, THEIR LOCATIONS ARE QUICKLY ESTABLISHED

WE HAVE A FIX ON ALL MACHINES, CAPTAIN!

GOOD! GIVE ME THEIR CO ORDINATES!



THE MACHINE WILL REACT QUICKLY AND COUNTERATTACK! WE MUST WEAKEN ITS UNDERPINNING WITH OUR FIRST BLASTS!



THE METAL IS BUCKLING LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

RUN! I'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND YOU! I HAVE TO MAKE SURE THE DAMAGE CANNOT BE REPAIRED!





THAT WAS MUCH TOO CLOSE! THE OTHERS WILL BE EASIER!



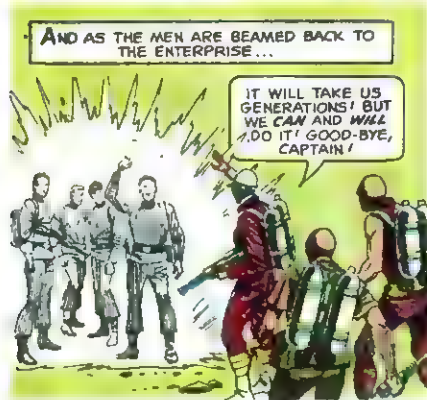
AND AFTER ALL THE CITY BUILDERS HAVE BEEN DESTROYED...

WELL, I GUESS THE HARDEST PART IS OVER!

YES, THANKS TO YOU AND YOUR MEN, CAPTAIN KIRK! NOW WE CAN DESTROY THE FACTORIES WHICH PRODUCE THE MACHINES!

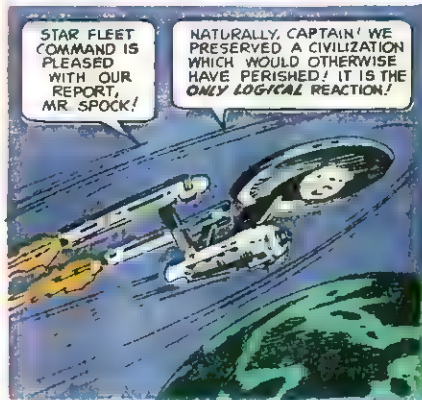


AND WE STILL HAVE TO DEMOLISH SO MUCH OF OUR USELESS CITIES AND RECLAIM THE LAND!



AND AS THE MEN ARE BEAMED BACK TO THE ENTERPRISE...

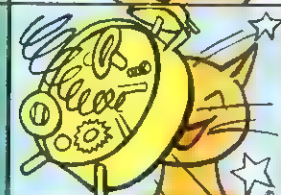
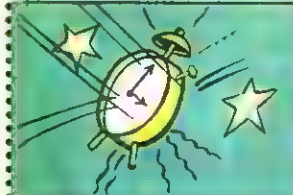
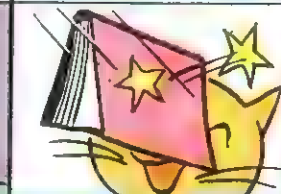
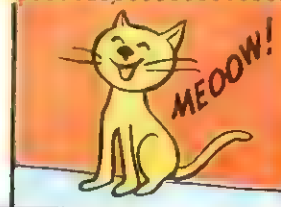
IT WILL TAKE US GENERATIONS! BUT WE CAN AND WILL DO IT! GOOD-BYE, CAPTAIN!



STAR FLEET COMMAND IS PLEASED WITH OUR REPORT, MR. SPOCK!

NATURALLY, CAPTAIN! WE PRESERVED A CIVILIZATION WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE HAVE PERISHED! IT IS THE ONLY LOGICAL REACTION!

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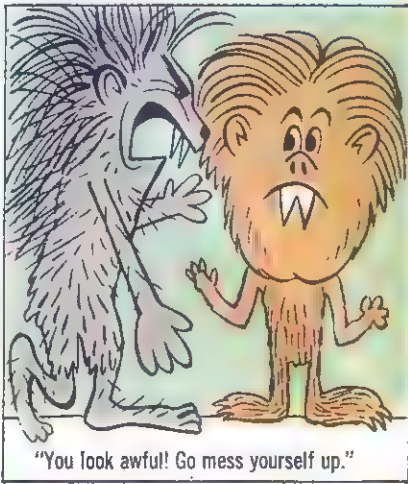
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