



STREET ANGEL

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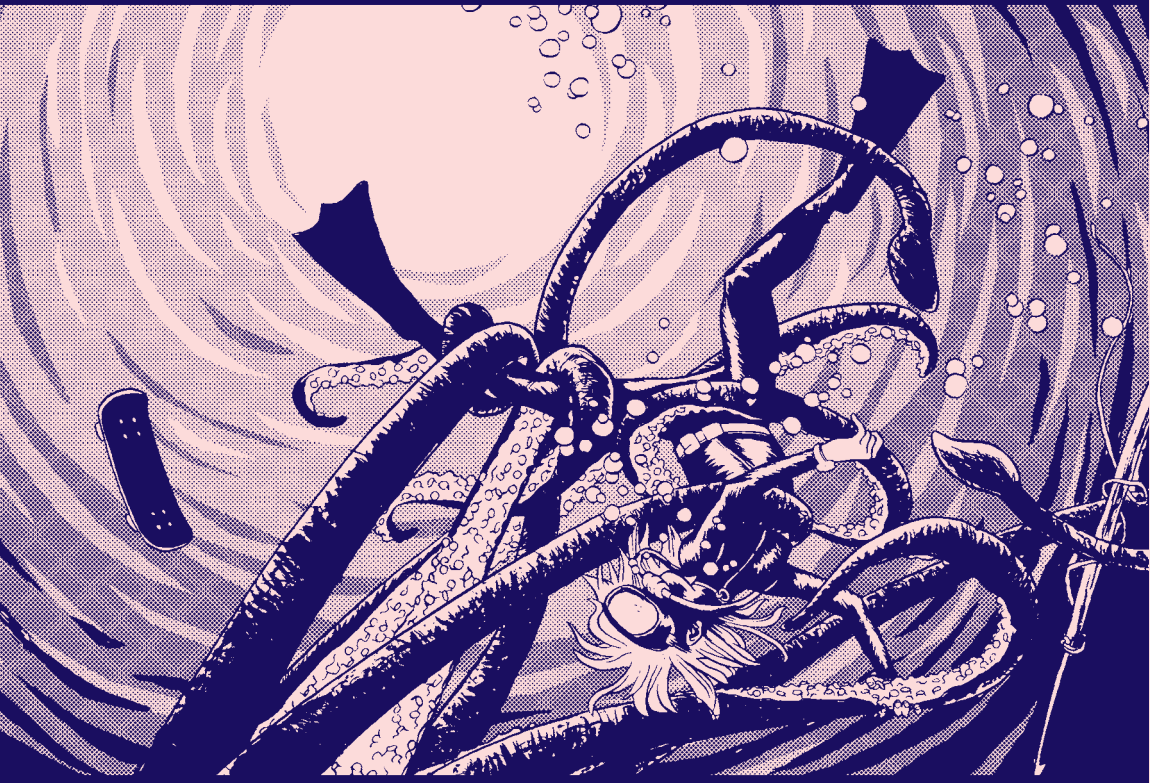
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WE ARE STILL SORTING OUT THE DETAILS, BUT A PRELIMINARY REPORT INDICATES THAT THERE HAS BEEN A BREACH OF SECURITY AT THE WILKESBOROUGH STATE SUPERMAXIMUM-SECURITY PENITENTIARY. DETAILS ARE-- WAIT, HERE COMES THE MAYOR NOW!

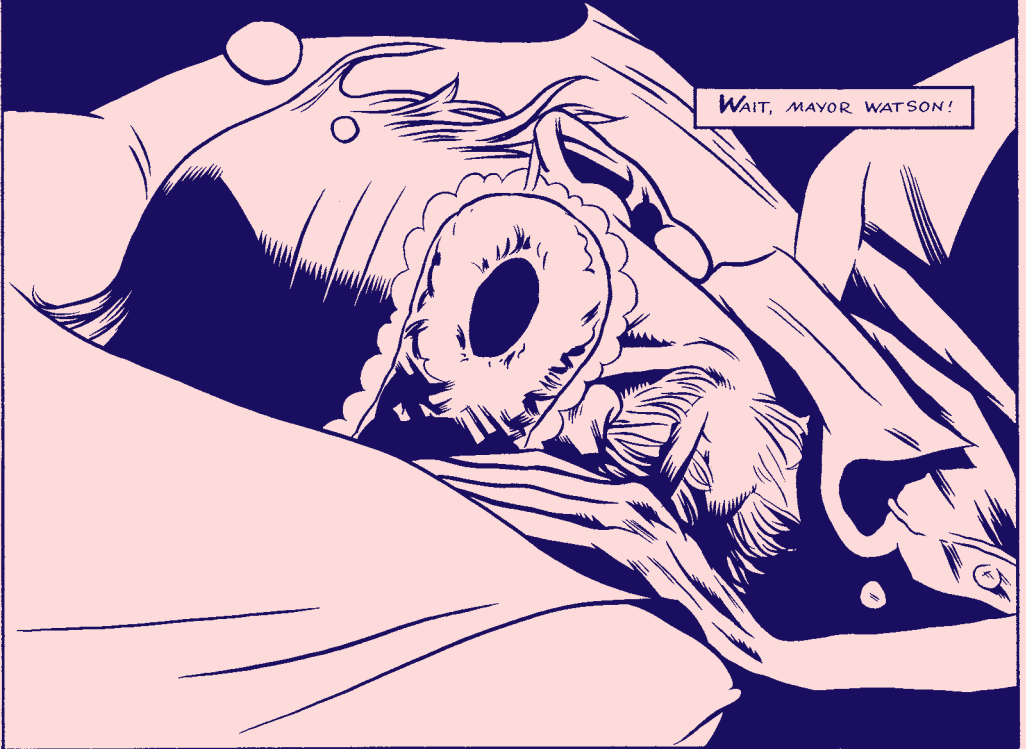
MISTER MAYOR!

MAYOR WATSON!

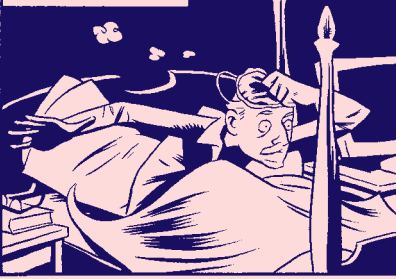
FOR GODSAKES, CLEAR OUT OF MY WAY. POLICE CHIEF ANDERSON WILL ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS LATER.

NO, NO, THERE IS NO TRUTH TO THE RUMOR THAT THE DEADLY GEOLOGIST, DR. PANGEA, HAS ESCAPED.

WAIT, MAYOR WATSON!



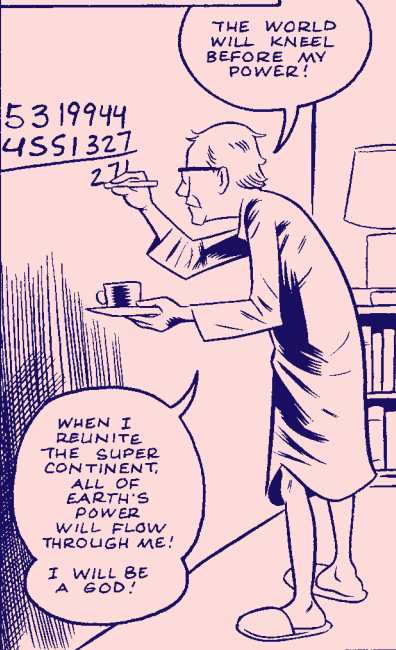
AT AGE 19, DR. PANGEA TRIED TO FLATTEN THE EARTH USING PROPRIETARY SEMICONDUCTOR TECHNOLOGY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MAGNETIC RESONANCE OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH POLES.



IT'S IN HIS DOSSIER, ANDERSON. HE DEVELOPED A HARSH COLD AFTER INSTALLING THE DEVICE AT THE NORTH POLE AND SOUGHT MEDICAL TREATMENT. THAT'S WHEN THEY NAILED HIM.



BASED ON NOTES LEFT BEHIND ON HIS CELL WALL, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO SURMISE THAT HE PLANS TO REUNITE THE EARTH'S CONTINENTS AND HE'S KIDNAPPED MY ONLY DAUGHTER AS AN INSURANCE POLICY.



DOCTOR CONTINENT

BEFORE POWER CUT OUT, SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS CAUGHT PANGEA TAPPING ON THE WALL ADJACENT TO THE CELL OF A SUPER NINJA NAMED GARY.

SOME SORT OF CODE, PERHAPS?



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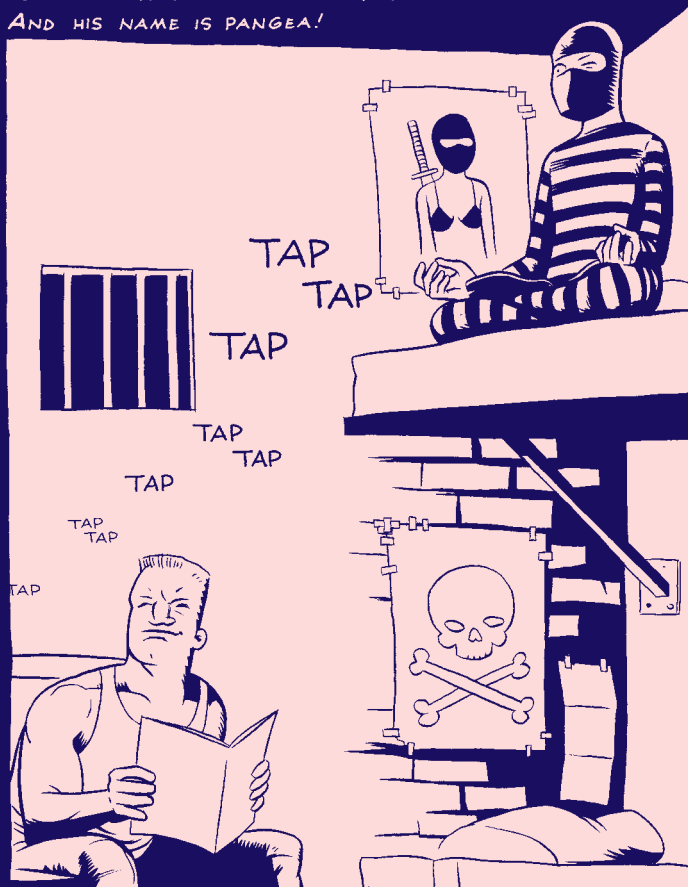
TAL CONUNDRUM!

GARY'S CELLMATE HANK-YES, THE EX-SPECIAL OPS DESERT STORM KILLING MACHINE-IS ALSO UNACCOUNTED FOR.

THE DEADLIEST GEOLOGIST OF THE LAST 1000 YEARS IS ON THE LOOSE AND ONLY DUMB LUCK SAVED US FROM HIS LAST PLOT...

FIND STREET ANGEL AND BRING HER TO ME. OTHERWISE, TOMORROW NIGHT AT 8:37 P.M., WE'RE GOING TO START WORSHIPPING A NEW GOD...

AND HIS NAME IS PANGEA!





WILKESBOROUGH.

HEY, JESSE, DID YOU QUIT SCHOOL?

NO, I WAS THERE LAST WEEK LIKE 3 TIMES. GEEZ!

IT MUST BE COOL NOT HAVING PARENTS ON YOUR ASS ALL THE TIME.



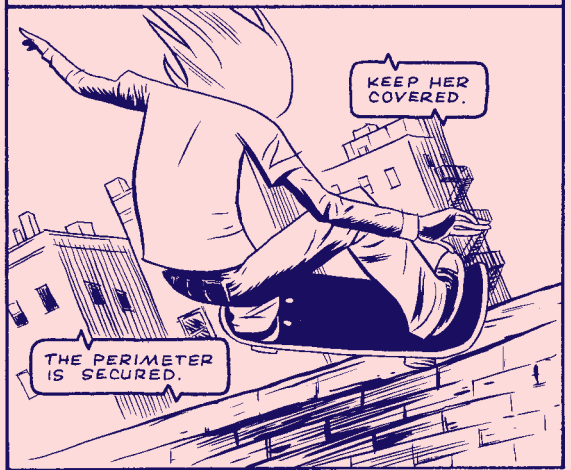
IF YOU DON'T STOP CUTTING CLASS, YOU'RE GOING TO BE IN 8TH GRADE FOREVER!



THAT'S GOT TO BE HER, COMMANDER!

JESSE SANCHEZ IS AN ORPHAN RAISED BY THE STREETS, IN AN UNFORGIVING WORLD OVERRUN WITH POVERTY, DRUG ABUSE, NEPOTISM, AND NINJAS, SANCHEZ FIGHTS FOR THE POOR, THE FORGOTTEN, AND WHENEVER POSSIBLE, FOR FOOD.

ARMED ONLY WITH HER PHAT SKATEBOARDING SKILLS, MARTIAL ARTISTRY AND TRICKED OUT DECK, SHE'S KNOWN TO CRIMINALS AS STREET ANGEL!

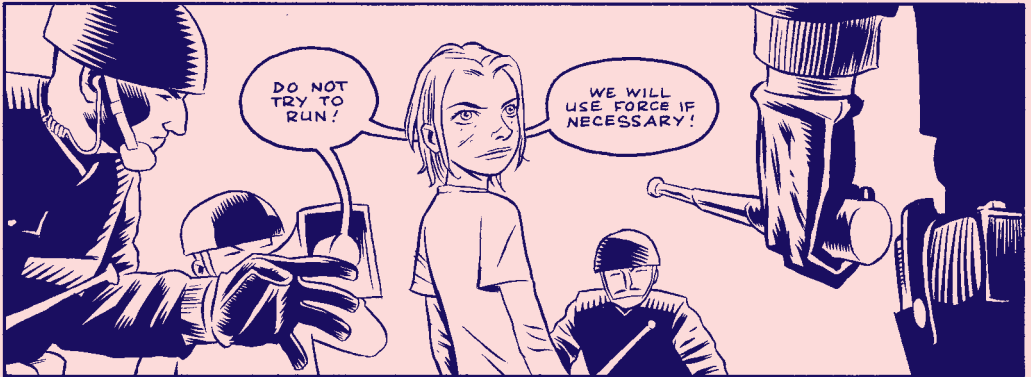


KEEP HER COVERED.

THE PERIMETER IS SECURED.

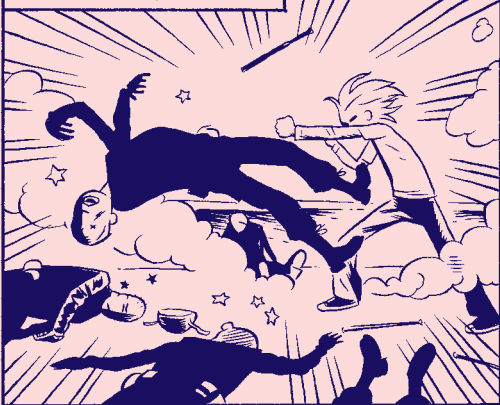


WHEN THE NINJA RIOTS OF '06 THREATENED TO BURN ANGEL CITY TO THE GROUND, THE MAYOR CREATED AN ELITE HIT SQUAD. THEIR EFFICIENT DISMISSAL OF THE NINJAS EARNED THEM A PERMANENT SPOT ON THE MAYOR'S PAYROLL. SINCE THEN, THEY HAVE NEVER LOST A FIGHT...THEY HAVE NEVER TASTED DEFEAT. THEY HAVE NEVER MET JESSE SANCHEZ.





IT'S EASY TO UNDERESTIMATE STREET ANGEL. SHE'S A YOUNG GIRL, BARELY 5 FEET TALL, 90 LBS.



IT'S A COMMON MISTAKE AMONG FIRST-TIME FOES.



BUT IT SELDOM HAPPENS MORE THAN ONCE.



APPARENTLY THE MAYOR SELECTS HIS TEAM FOR THEIR TENACITY, NOT THEIR INTELLIGENCE.

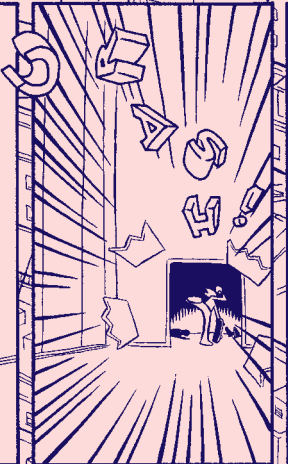
DO YOU SUPPOSE HIS REAL NAME IS PANGAEA OR THAT HE CHANGED IT TO COINCIDE WITH THIS HAIR-BRAINED SCHEME OF HIS?

DID YOU EVEN READ THE DOSSIER? IT'S ALWAYS BEEN PANGAEA. RUDY IVAN PANGAEA. AND THIS "SCHEME" IS FOOL-PROOF, ANDERSON. I ASSURE YOU OF THAT.

WELL, DO YOU THINK HAVING THAT NAME HAS DRIVEN HIM TO THIS TYPE OF CRIME?

ENTIRELY POSSIBLE.

IT BRINGS TO MIND THAT AGE OLD QUESTION, ARE CRIMINALS BORN OR ARE THEY--



AH, STREET ANGEL. ALWAYS A PLEASURE.

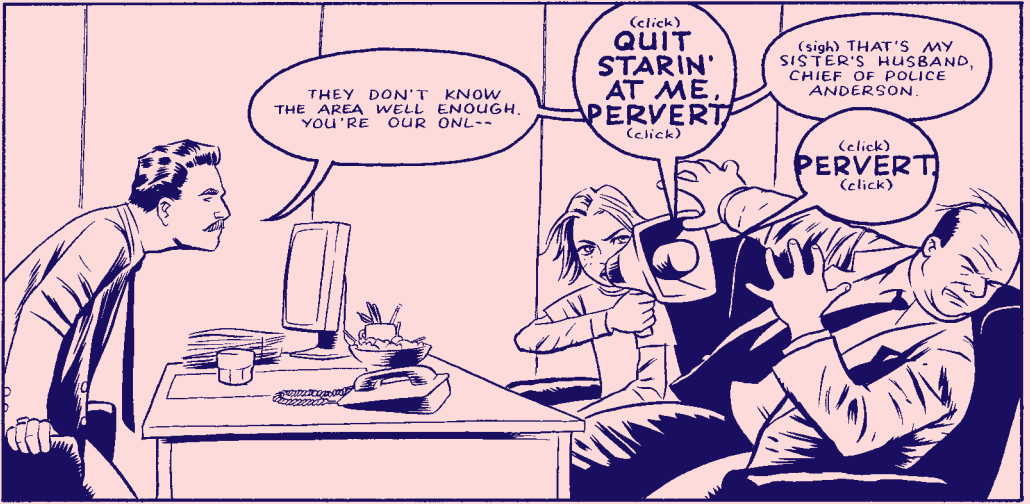
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SORRY 'BOU'T THE DOOR! OVER!
(click)

OF COURSE, I'VE ASKED YOU HERE BECAUSE AN INSANE GEOLOGIST NAMED DR. PANGAEA ESCAPED FROM PRISON AND KIDNAPPED MY DAUGHTER YESTERDAY. WE NEED YOUR HELP CAPTURE--

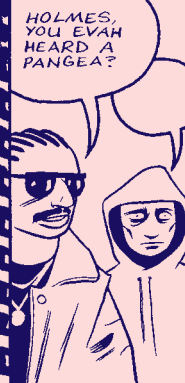
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WHAT'S THIS GOT TO DO WITH ME? OVER.
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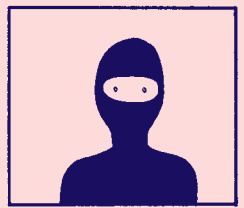
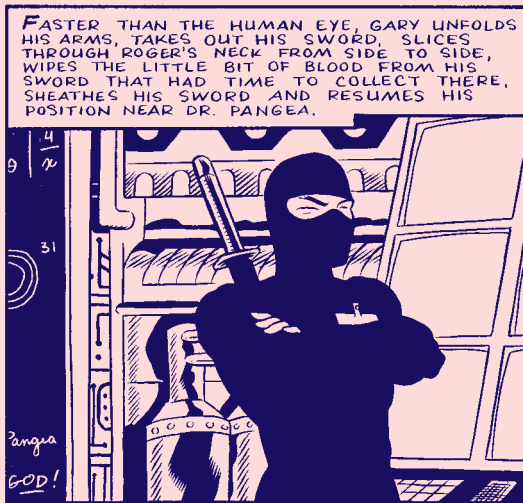
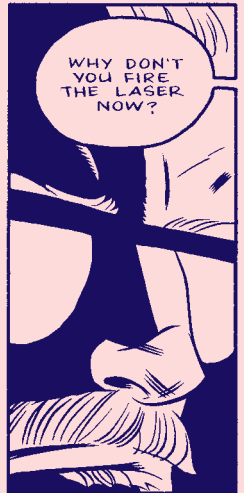
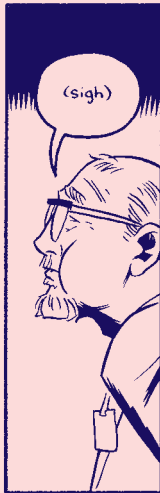
WELL, HE'S HIDING OUT IN WILKESBOROUGH.

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SO MAYBE YOU SHOULD'VE SENT YOUR BOYS AFTER HIM INSTEAD OF ME. OVER.
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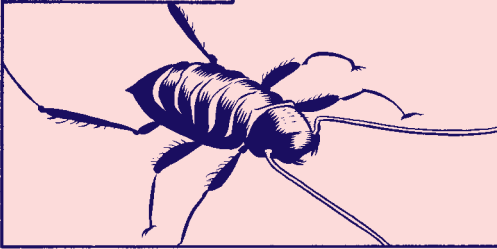


RACING AGAINST TIME, STREET ANGEL CANVASSES WILKESBOROUGH SEARCHING FOR THE PROVERBIAL NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK - DR. PANGEA'S SECRET LAIR!





BRUNO'S KITCHEN.



HEY, JESSE, DID YOU KNOW I WAS GONNA BE A NINJA? IT'S TRUE, BUT MY MOM WANTED ME TO BE A CHEF, SO...

DAMN, BILL, THEY MAKE NINJA OUTFITS IN YOUR SIZE?

AFTER WORK, THE BALD EAGLE WAITS FOR JESSE.



DID YOU FIND PANGEA?

DOES AN EAGLE FLY SOUTH IN THE WINTER?



HUH?

OKAY, I DIDN'T "FIND" PANGEA, BUT SOME OF HIS NINJAS ARE HANGING OUT AT DAGGLY COURTS. THEY CAN TELL YOU WHERE HE IS.

