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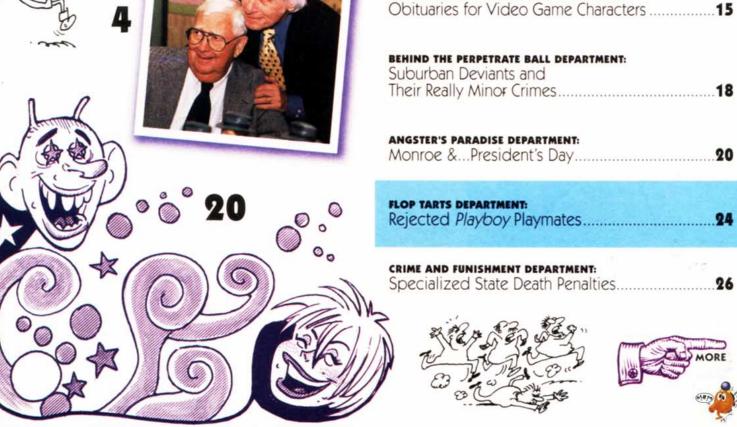


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ENGLISH CRASS ASSIGNMENT

I'm writing to you from tree hugger country. This letter is being written because it's an assignment for my English class. So yeah, that's why you are getting this letter. You see, I am not allowed to write to friends, so I chose you guys. Anyway, for the next eight minutes, I am going to be rambling on about whatever comes to my mind. It's hard but what, me worry? Nope, I'll find something to write about. So I'm guessing all of you guys over there are democrats, so can't you do the right thing and vote for Nader and elect George W. Bush? That seems like the smart thing to me. I mean really, don't you all deep down want to vote for Nader? Because I know that you really want George W. Bush to win. Okay, I'm getting a little excited here so I'll change the subject. Well basketball in this crappy city has not been going too well. The Trailblazers are looking absolutely pathetic. They will never, ever win a championship with Damon Stoudamire. Well, by the way, I read MAD and I think it's hilarious. The best issue ever was July 1998 with the South Park cover. I thought "Merely 99¢" was the best thing ever.

Ben Pollock, Portland, OR

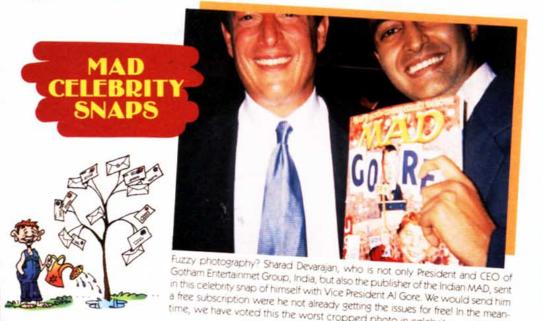
Benny and the Jets — We took the liberty of speaking to your doctor. He said to double up on the Prozac and cut way back on the coffee enemas! As for your assignment, we grade it "D" for Dorky! -Ed.

GEORGE W. PUTS NATION IN CRISIS

DEPARTME



In what is clearly grounds for a lawsuit, editors of The Nation morph the images of Alfred and George W. for their November 13, 2000 cover. No word yet from Bush's lawyer as to whether he will sue for defamation of character...ditto Neuman's attorney



time, we have voted this the worst cropped photo in celebrity snap history!

Imagine my surprise to see my name in print while sitting on the toilet. If I had not been there already, I could have shocked the expletive out of myself. My name is Brian Parker Whipple and you printed my letter in MAD #399. My life is now complete! I have had my name printed in MAD and was even made fun of by you. I am now ready to lay upon my deathbed a happy man. Of course, I am actually an 18-year-old male, not the 80-year-old man my letter made me out to be. Of course, the "Please don't squeeze the Charmin" comment was very original, I've never heard that before in my life! I still believe in the point of my letter, but I did sound a bit full of myself. I probably do in this letter as well. The issue my letter found its way into could not be better. It has the X-Men on the cover and I have over 3,000 comic books, which includes a couple hundred X-Men issues. I am also a cybergeek and you had a very flattering article on us!

CRACKING THE WHIPPLE

Brian Parker Whipple, Solon, ME

Mr. Whipple — We have excellent news! We found the perfect pen pal for you, Ben Pollock of Portland, OR. It is our fervent wish that the two of you begin directly corresponding with each other. Write long, rambling, boring, selfserving letters and leave us out of it! Thanks for writing this one last time. -Ed. P.S. We changed our mind, squeeze it!

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Would you rather live in a Stephen king novel, or live inside a Stephen King Novel? - GoodBick...If you shoot a mime, would anyone care? - ScullyToo...Why does everyone always like popular songs? transmute...l am the king of the golden oak and you are merely the holder of the toothpick! - JimmyJunks...Cheese has its ups and downs - JQ... Everything I know in life, I learned from my microwave oven - LilSmurf89.

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FINE SIGNING IN NEW YORK

On November 9, 2000, the flagship Warner Bros. Studio Store in New York City was the scene of a book signing celebrating the publication of our 400th issue and the new book MAD Cover To Cover! Many fans stopped by to have their stuff signed by MAD's Usual Gang of Idiots.



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Jack Davis and Mort Drucker

Al Jaffee and Associate

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Sam Viviano with former Art Director and current Graphics Consultant Lenny Brenner





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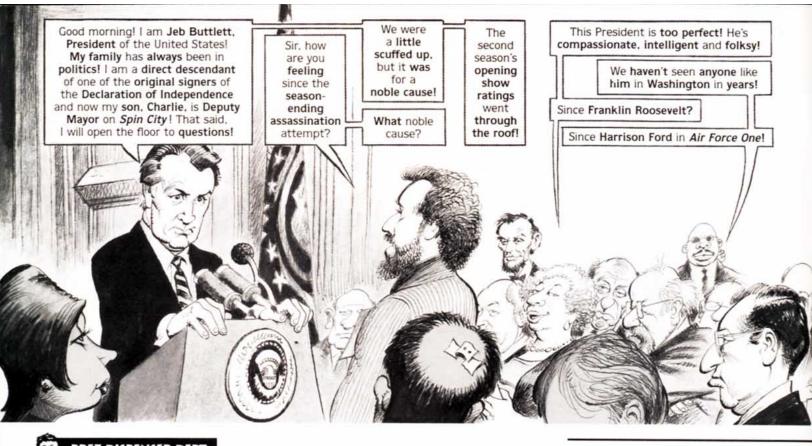
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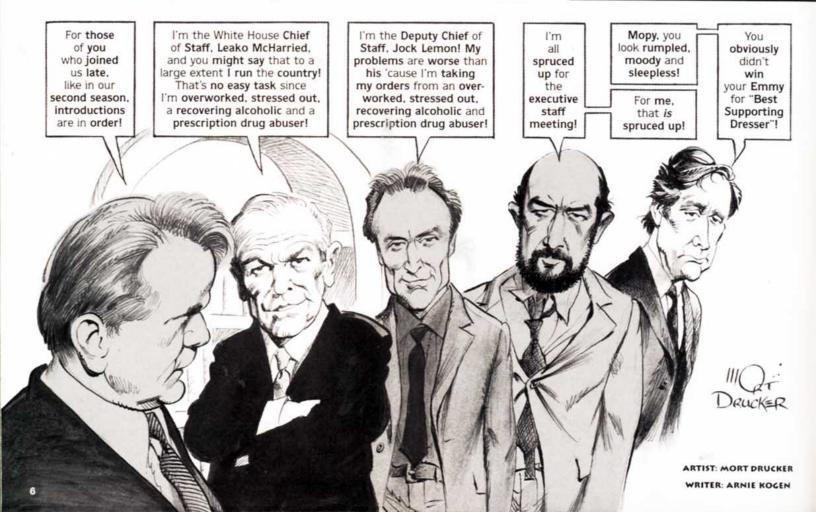
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The Electoral College. Hanging chads. Voting irregularities. Frankly, we're sick of hearing about nothing but politics. We just want to sit down in front of the TV and take our minds off of the whole ridiculous process! Okay, let's see what's on...damn! It's...

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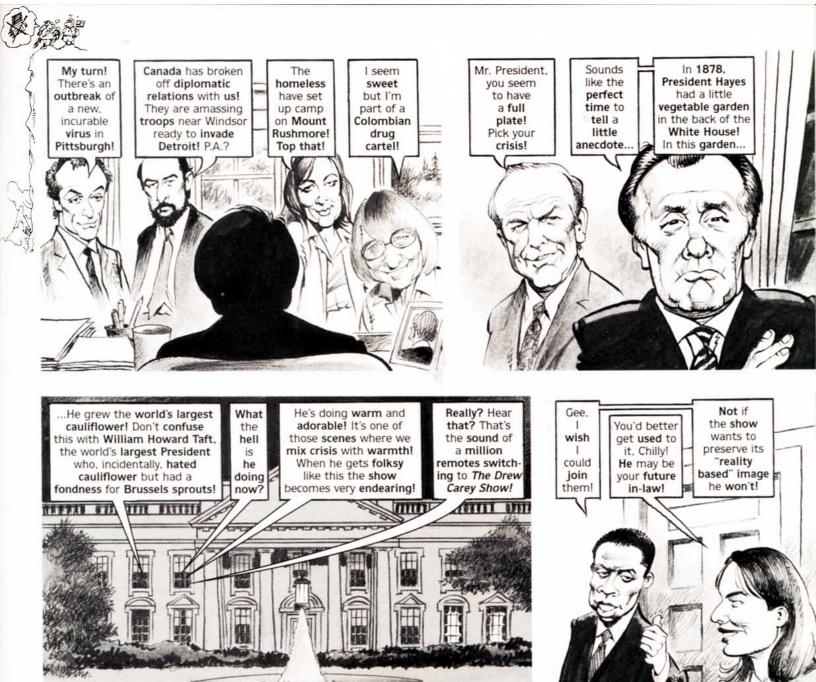




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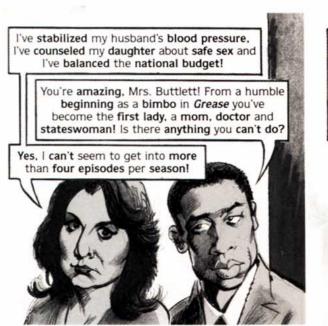






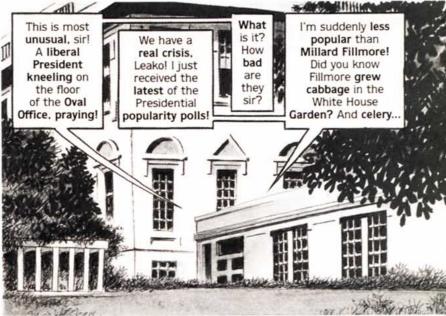




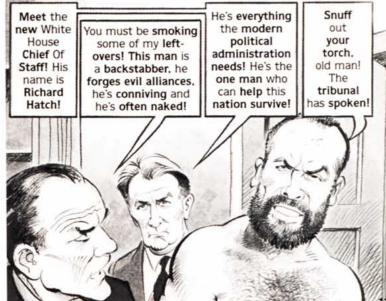














These days, it's very hard to miss the newest in transportation vehicles, those annoying, omnipresent scooters. Everyone from young kids to the Depends crowd are getting around town on them. As with any other contraption that leaves your body virtually unprotected, you want to avoid serious injury. Therefore, we now offer up some helpful hints so you won't be subjected to those embarrassing and pesky bumps, bruises, broken limbs and amputations! Here's...



Never stand on your scooter until the bus has come to a complete stop

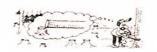


Never operate a scooter in a socially inappropriate situation



Never attempt to read while operating a scooter









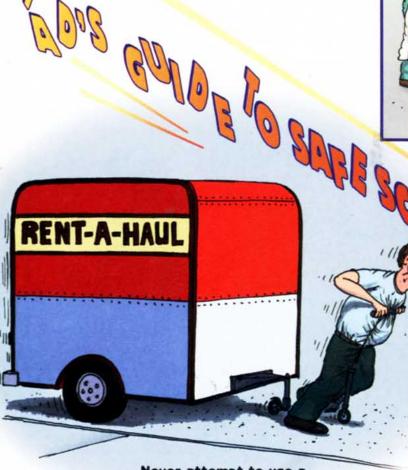
Never attempt to pass through a turnstile on a scooter



Mever assume that your scooter will be treated like any other moving vehicle on a public roadway



Never leave your scooter carelessly parked





We gave them our hearts, we gave them our quarters, and they gave us carpal tunnel syndrome. They're the 64-bit heroes who've shot up more screens than a drug-addled Elvis! But if videogames teach us anything, it's that everybody dies — a lot! So you'd better not expect Sonic the Hedgehog to keep running, and running, until he needs a walker to get around. Ask not for whom

the Gameboy tolls on that sad day when we finally see these...

Obituaries 101 UNICIES STAFFIE Characters

PIKACHU SELF-ELECTROCUTED

(OSAKA) Pikachu, the yellow electrified Pokémon, short-circuited himself to death yesterday, the hottest day of the year.

His human owner, Ash, was using him in between Pokémon battles to simultaneously run a TV-VCR, stereo system, computer, microwave, air conditioner, curling iron, waffle maker, vacuum cleaner and George Foreman's Lean Mean Grilling Machine.

"Ash didn't even have his Pikachu hooked up to a surge protector," said Professor Oak of the Pokémon Academy. "I only hope the foolish boy learned a valuable lesson from this."

Pikachu had spent his entire life saying nothing but the word "Pikachu," but eyewitnesses noted that the blackened, twitching Pokémon had additional last words.

Reportedly, the dying Pikachu extended a smoldering yellow fist to the skies and whimpered, "Pikachu. Pikachu? Pika...OH SWEET GOD WHAT HAVE I EVER DONE TO DESERVE SUCH PAIN NNNGAAAA KILL ME KILL ME IN THE NAME OF ALL THAT IS HOLY SOMEONE PLEASE KILL ME. Pikachu."

Ash was immediately issued a replacement Pikachu, which he already loves as much as the original.



ATRUS DEAD AT 77



(MYST ISLAND) Librarian and scholar Atrus was found dead today. Authorities said it was unclear when he had died, however, as it took several days to get to him.

"He was just sitting there, covered under a thin layer of dust," said island coroner Garlak. "Not much happens on this island, you know. He could have died anytime." Garlak then took

Atrus' library is still considered a possible crime scene, and police intend to study every single item for clues. Police spokesman Sunto vows, "We'll look at every object on this entire island if we have to. And when I say every object, I mean every object."

Atrus may or may not be survived by sons Sirus and Achenar, depending on what investigators do. Atrus' body will be waked inside the white coffin, the one with the star, and carried over the bridge with the dripping water sound at 1:20 PM, before being turned counter-clockwise beside the oak tree (not the willow).

Obituaries for GAME, UIDEO GAME, Characters

LARA CROFT PUT TO DEATH



(THE HAGUE) Lara Croft, cross-continental explorer and adventurer, was executed today by firing

by an international court earlier this year after repeatedly desecrating dozens of the world's irreplaceable sites. Over 75 nations had strongly urged for punishment after Croft's wave of repeated vandalism.

A spokesman for India's government expressed satisfaction that Croft was dead, saying "the damage she inflicted upon the Temple of Puna, with over 600 rounds of ammunition, can never be repaired. And only a psychotic would detonate a grenade within the Caves of Kaliya. Our ruins are in ruins."

Even the small nation of Tibet joined the clamor for

Croft's execution after she shot more than fifty monks.

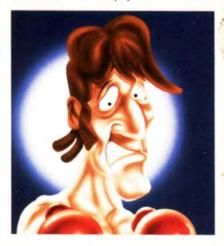
Croft expressed no remorse for her actions, merely crossing her arms and winking.

Lara Croft is the first videogame character to be executed for a worldwide pattern of destruction since Dig Dug was convicted of deliberately conducting unsafe archaeological excavations in 1988.

GLASS JOE KILLED IN RING

(LAS VEGAS) Longtime boxer Glass Joe died of severe blood loss, after finally advancing to the big Punch Out fight against Mike Tyson.

"Tyson was biting him everywhere," said one spectator. "Both ears, the nose, the kneecaps, you name it." An autopsy later revealed



that more than 9% of the boxer was missing.

Promoter Don King paid tribute to the fallen fighter. "My close personal friend Glass Joe was one of the most fantabunofilous pugitators ever. His abilitousness was inexhaustimoxible, and his courage could never be encapsulobated."

Asked about any funeral arrangements. Don King explained that Glass Joe's entire purse had been eaten up by expenses. King then laughed heartily, for no particular reason.

Glass Joe's body remains unclaimed in the local morgue.

RYU KILLED IN HOLLYWOOD MISHAP



(HOLLYWOOD) Former threetime Street Fighter tournament champion Ryu is dead. The karate master, who was slated to become the first digitally-animated videogame star to appear in a major motion picture, was fatally injured in a stunt gone wrong on the set of Jackie Chan's upcoming film Crazy Truck Driving Guy 3, Chan was unhurt.

Ironically, the accident involved a simple Shinkuu Hadouken, or Fireball, a maneuver Ryu had successfully completed many times before. Ryu's role will be taken over by Ken. "Dye the hair, and he pretty much looks the same anyway," said Lee. "You really have to care to notice."

Star Jackie Chan was visibly upset over the mishap. "Crazy Truck Driving Guy 3, lots of action, lots of comedy. So much thrilling. Crazy Truck Driving Guy 3 open January 14. Ah ha ha ha! You go see."



NUKEM DEAD

(LOS ANGELES) Duke Nukem, 28, died of an apparent heart seizure after being informed he would have to wait for a 24-hour period before being permitted to buy 275 grenade launchers.

The controversial law had passed the Post-Apocalyptic Senate by a 54-46 vote, when 10 Republicans crossed party lines to join the minority Brain-Eating Zombies who had sponsored the measure.

Nukem's favorite rifle was pried from his cold, dead fingers. Nukem had been a proud member of the NRA since 2078 A.D. and left absolutely no survivors.

Nukem's body will be on view through night vision goggles for a brief period. before being exploded into smithereens.

In Nukem's honor, a 26,021gun salute is planned.



LINK DEAD AT 17

saved Princess Zelda on innumeroccasions, was brutally attacked by a group of youths late last night. He was taken to nearby Windfish Hospital,

where he succumbed to his

injuries.

Police believe the motive was simple robbery. "Apparently Link was traveling alone through a bad part of the Lost Woods," said police spokesman Pearse the Gatherer. "He was carrying the golden Triforce Medallion, which apparently caught the wrong elf's eye.'

Although Link possessed magic spells to ward off wizard

(HYRULE) Link, the hero who transformations, fire attacks, shadow warriors and crystal skeletons, he apparently had no plan against a simple box cutter.



LUIGI, PLUMBER, LAID TO REST

(MARIOLAND) Luigi, brother of the popular videogame star Mario, apparently took his own life sometime last week. He jumped.

Luigi's body was not discovered until last Thursday. According to a suicide note inside the pocket of his baggy overalls, the portly plumber's assistant was despondent about forever being in his brother's shadow.

The note began in comically broken English, "What about me-a? Doesn't anyone a-care about-a Luigi?" The precise reason Luigi took his life remains a mystery, however, because the rest of his note was used to wipe up some spilled pasta sauce.

The funeral was sparsely attended with Mario, Wario, Bowser, Toad, Yoshi, Donkey Kong and Donkey Kong Jr. all attending a pre-release party across town for the new videogame Wario 5: Go-Carts, or Mushrooms, or Something.

Following the funeral, Luigi's remains were stuffed inside a barrel and thrown off a



(PAC-LAND) Pac-Man, perhaps the best-known and mostloved videogame character of all time, passed away at the age of 19. Ironically, he died doing what he loved best: eating.

The yellow sphere choked to death after trying to eat an entire pot roast whole. His longtime companion, Ms. Pac-Man, was unable to perform the life-saving Heimlich maneuver, because she has no arms.

"Pac was always eating too fast," sobbed Ms. Pac-Man. "I warned him many times. But it was like he thought he had three extra lives."

Besides Ms. Pac-Man, Pac-Man is survived by Pac-Man Junior, Super Pac-Man and distant cousin Smiley Face. Services are scheduled for Friday. Pac-Man's body will be carried on a long, crisscrossing funeral route, which must be memorized exactly.







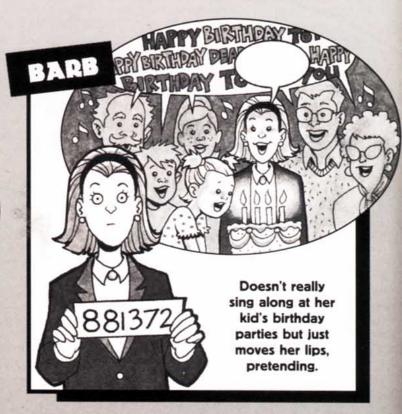


BEHIND THE PERPETRATE BALL DEPT.

You'll never see them or their despicable acts portrayed on an episode of Cops, but in their own sick, twisted way, they are as big a threat to the fabric of our society as any you could possibly imagine! Here are...

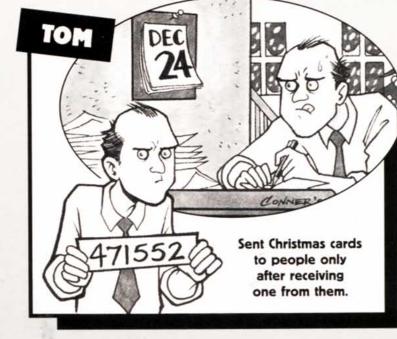
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DEVILARIES AND THEIR













and... PRESIDENT MOM, MAYBE YOU SHOULD TAKE NONSENSE THEY SAY PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD STAY WRITER: ANTHONY BARBIERI SPEAKING OF ACTIVE," IT'S TIME I DON'T THINK THIS IS WHAT THEY BABY AGAIN! MEANT. MODONG! HE'S HELPING MOMMY WORK OUT THAT NASTY, OLD DWI CONVICTION! MY MIND WAS ACHING TO THE J! THE NAME IS THE N, TO THE I, TO THE "XON". I HAD TO GO FOR ABE, I POP THE TRUTH. LODGED IN YO BRAIN -THE CIA GOOD MORNING, STUDENTS. WE HAVE A SPECIAL TREAT THE K! I GOTS MALICE, HAD A SMOKED MY ASS IN LIKE A BULLET FROM DALLAS. THE WATERGATE PALACE BOOTH ... FOR OUR ASSEMBLY, BREAK-IN. TODAY. FRESH FROM THEIR SOLD OUT SHOW AT WEST HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL-THE RAPPIN PRESIDENTS! NOW, YOU'RE REALLY DREAMING. WHO ARE YOU TOOLS? HEY, IF I'M AGLEEP, COME, LET'S MEET THE OTHERS WE ARE THE CAN I JUST REAL PRESIDENTS GO NAIL KATIE THE ONES WHO NEVER GOT A SHOW OR A HOLIDAY! I'M CHESTER AND I'M RUTHERFORD HOLMES? B. HAYES A. ARTHUR





We don't know about you, but we don't buy Playboy for the articles, we buy it for the pictures! Those fabulous babes in the centerfold who strip their clothes off and let photographers take pictures of their naughty parts! We'd love to have centerfolds like that, but we can't, we're just crummy old MAD Magazine! So we're stuck with these ...

PLAYMATE DATA SHEET

Name: Felice Goshay

Bust: 31 Waist: 25 Hips: 50 Height: 5'8" Weight: 165

Birthplace: Sweatville, 4K

Birthdate: Unknown Turn-Ons: Swatting mosquitoes, The KwikE-Mart store owner on The Simpsons,

Plasticine porters with looking glass ties

Turn-Offs: Ethnic cleansing traffic jams, deranged hitchhikers

Sexy is: 4 two-syllable adjective meaning Arousing interest of a libidinous nature

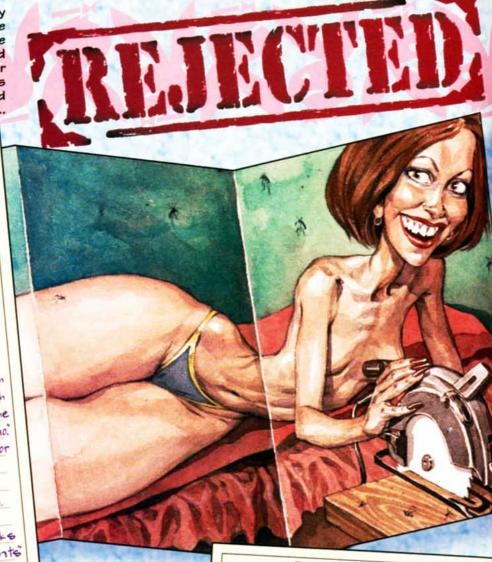
Perfect Romantic Evening . It starts with my man buying me dinner at a cozy French restaurant. When he drives me home, he asks if he can come up to my apartment, and I tell him no." Nothing turns me on more than feeling superior

Favorite Types of Saws: Friction, ryoba, circular cross-cut

Favorite Writers: Dennis Rodman,

Monica Lewinsky, Art Buchwald Favorite Fox TV Show: "When Sharks

Attack Elephante



PLAYMATE DATA SHEET

Name: Amber McPixel

Bust: 54 Waist: 58 Hips: NA

Height: 5'8" Weight: "About" 110

Birthplace: Wamelsdorf, PA

Birthdate: 10/23/49

Turn-Ons: One legged men, Listerine,

that big red Kool-Aid pitcher

Turn-Offs: Frayed elevator cables, Obscene parrots.

cycling helmets that don't fit

Favorite Snacks: Antidepressants,

diet pills, donuts

Favorite Charity: The Volunteer Bomb Squad Widovis Fund

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Favorite Foods: Squid jerky, beet juice Least Favorite Foods: Beet jerky. Squid juice

Hobbies: Bookmobile racing

Ideal Zip Code: 12345-6789 would be so totally cool



Name: Ursula Smugssonn

Bust: 36 Waist: 24 Hips: 36 No... wait... 42, 24, 36

Height:6'2" Weight: 119 Birthplace: Cupinluck City, Cupinluck

Birthdate: 5/30/78
Furn-Ons: Soccer Riots, Turn-Ons:

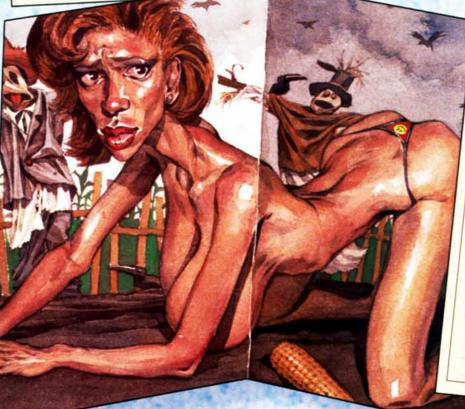
that constant ringing in my ears Turn-Offs: Egotistical panhandlers,

sarcastic eulogies

What I like about the U.S.: The vast array of porno, lingerie, and swimsuit magazines I can pose for and make a good living off of Early Childhood Memory: When I first came to America at age 3, we flew over on Scandinavian Airlines, but crashed into a mountain, with nothing to live on Luckely, there were many pets traveling in the baggage compartment Favorite Foods: Schnauzer Tartare, Roasted Parakeet on toast

Favorite Sports: Indoor yachting, synchronized bullfighting, Australian-rules fencing Favorite Entertainer: Dan Dierdorf





PLAYMATE DATA SHEET

Name: Topaz Bantling

Bust: 39 Waist: 24 Hips: 31

Height: 5'10" Weight: 140(105 without implants) Birthplace: Ziftin, Amagolia

Birthdate: 6/9/77

Turn-Ons: Scarecrows, guys who

sneeze a lot, faking crop circles
Turn-offs: Revenge from beyond the grave, congealed prune juice

Ambitions: None

Favorite Movie: Friday the 13th,

but just Part 3 Ideal Man: A carbon-based life

form with a Y-Chromosome Date From Hell: one time, this aug took me to his friend's funeral

and it turned out the

deceased was a former boyfriend' Words That Describe Me: Lugubrious, quadratic,

spinnaker, parameter

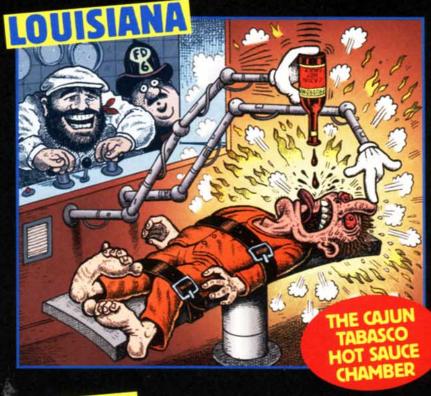
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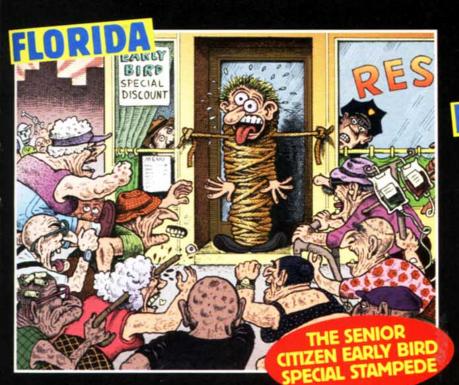
As most of our Death Row readers already know, many state governments offer the condemned a choice when it comes to their execution. Gas chamber? Electric Chair? Lethal Injection? Inmates can take their pick. States don't really care, cost and cleanup being about the same for all three. Which got us to thinking. Wouldn't it be great if the states took a little more pride in their executions and offered choices that better reflect the locales in which inmates will breathe their last breath? Something like these...

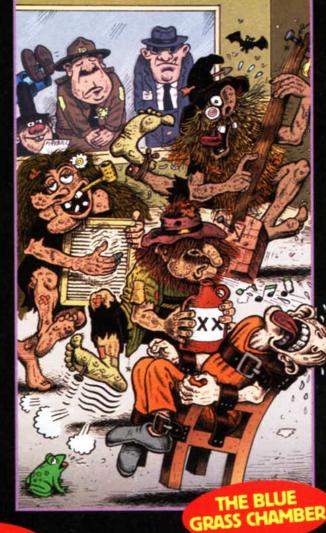
STATE DEATH PENALTIES





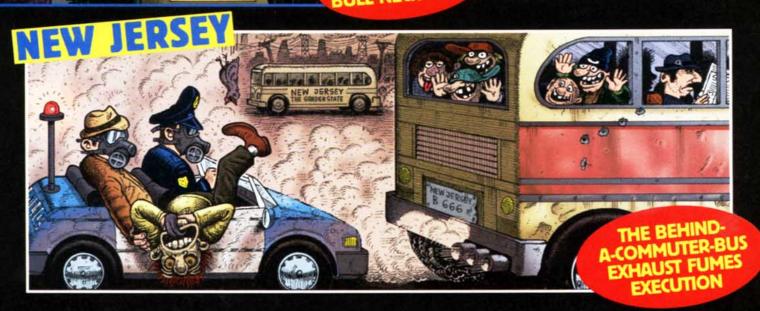


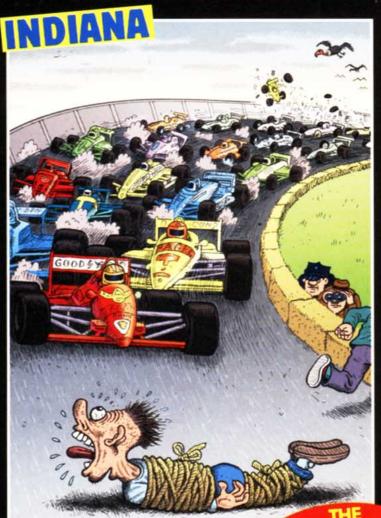




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ARTIST: TOM BUNK WRITER: DUCK EDWING





THE "OLD FAITHFUL" FATEFUL MOUTH-FULL

THE INDIANAPOLIS SPEED BUMP





Bank Letter You're Sure To Get

BIQUITY FEDERAL BANK



"Banking The Way We Want It To Be!"

Dear Customer Of Some Other Bank,

We are pleased to announce that Ubiquity Federal has acquired what remained of your former bank, Friendly Community Savings. But don't worry! As the largest financial monolith in the world, we're dedicated to making banking as convenient for us as possible by providing you with the kind of services you'd expect from a truly gigantic institution.

To better serve your needs we'll be introducing exciting new fees, which for your convenience we'll deduct from your account automatically. And that's not all! We're eliminating the minimum balance required to be eligible for free checking by eliminating free checking altogether!

Here are just some of the many innovative, state-of-the-art new changes you can expect at Ubiquity Federal, each designed with making our banking experience more profitable:

*No more confusing decimal points! We're rounding off the interest rates on the Ubiquity Federal Visa and MasterCards from 21.5% to 25% to make calculating your daily balance faster and easier!

*Convenient online banking! Easy access to your account is now available via the Internet for you — and everyone else who hacks into our system — worldwide!

*24-hour loan approval has never been so easy! And with our new premium interest rates, you may qualify to make monthly payments to us forever!

*Say goodbye to ATM fees! Just open a no-interest CD of \$100,000 and we'll waive our \$3.50 per ATM transaction fee for the life of your CD!

*When it comes to mortgages we're the bank that says, "Yes! Yes!! Yes!!!" (Yes, we offer mortgages, yes you may apply for one and yes we reject all applications from customers like you!)

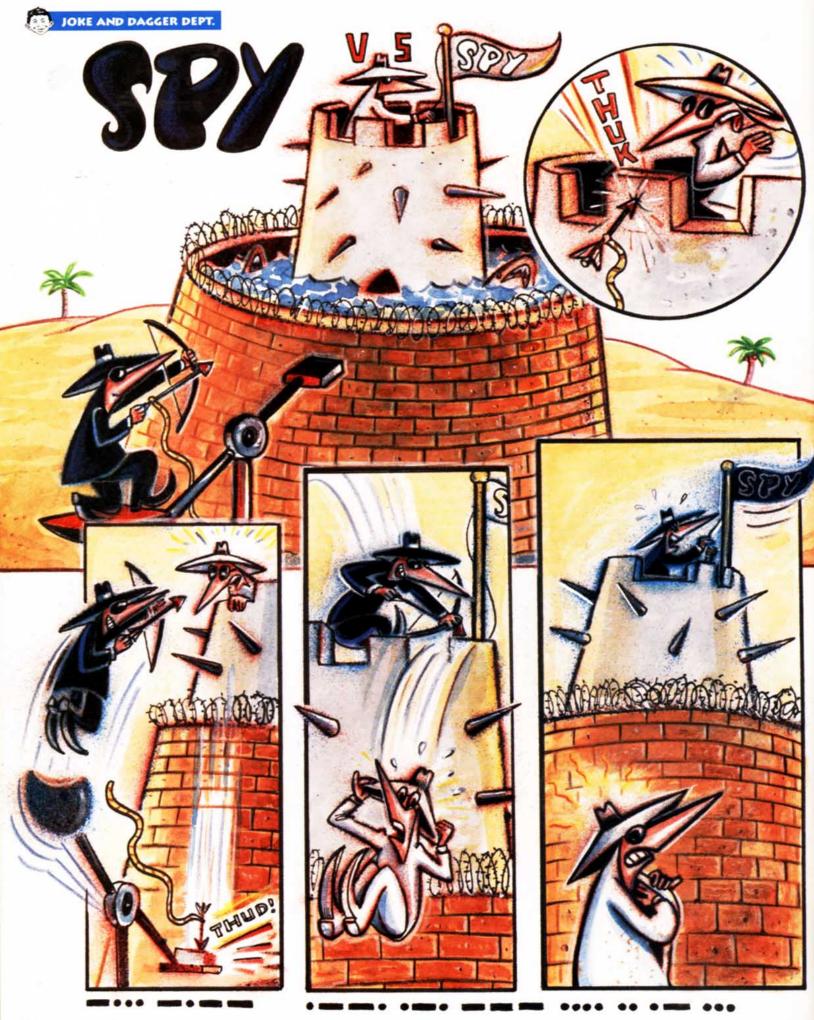
*Friendlier service! We're reducing the number of homeless drifters in our ATM lobbies by almost 15% and providing colorful smocks to the ones who refuse to leave!

At Ubiquity Federal Bank we know you're free to close your account and do business elsewhere. But since we'll probably take over any bank you deposit your money in within a few days, we're confident you'll stay with us!

Sward Torsil

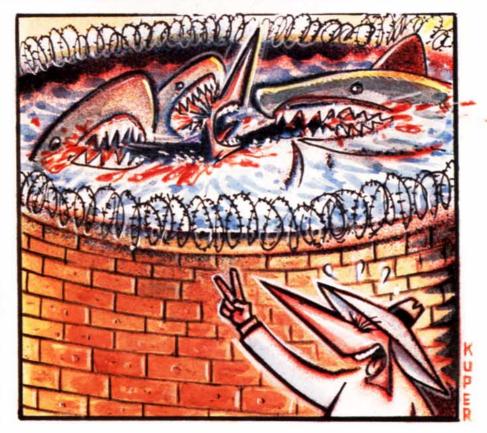
President, Ubiquity Federal Bank

If you have any questions, please call our automated teller line at 212-555-7181. For faster service please have your PIN number, account number, social security number, driver's license identification number and any other number we might ask you for ready before our overloaded system disconnects you.











Ever done something really pointless and stupid but only realized afterwards how pointless and stupid it was? Wouldn't you have liked to know beforehand exactly how pointless and stupid it was going to be (like this MAD intro)? Good, well since you've already

"LIKELIHOOD-OF-FOR THOSE STUPID

KICKING THE TIRES ON A CAR AT AN AUTO DEALERSHIP

OUTCOME	% LIKELIHOOD
A) Nothing	98.85%
B) Car alarm goes off	1%
c) Car explodes, just like in cartoons!	0.03%
Kick triggers spring-loaded mechanism inside hubcap attached to sign that says "THIS CAR IS A LEMON!"	0.01%
E) Sales Manager comes rushing out of office in a cold sweat screaming, "Okav. Okav — I'll sell you the car at cost!	





PLAYING "REMOTE-TOGGLE" WITH THE PLAYBOY CHANNEL

OUTCOME	% LIKELIHOOD
A) Nothing	99.8%
B) Stress of your overloading it causes cable box to stop scrambling	0.003%
Misses April, June & September all start writhing in sync with scramble-lines	0.006%
D) Hef, back at the Mansion, detects your desperation and gives orders for you to get a special freebie	0.001%

TALKING BACK TO MOVIE CHARACTERS

MOTIL CHAMETERS	
OUTCOME	% LIKELIHOOD
A) Nothing	89.9997%
B) They hear you and take corrective action to avoid what's about to happen to them	0.0002%
Producer in audience realizes genius of your suggestion and offers you a three-picture deal	0.00001%
D) Guy in next row using cell phone yells at you to "shut the F#\$% up" because he can't hear his conversation	6%



done two pointless and stupid things (buying MAD and actually reading this intro!), let us save you a slight amount of additional embarrassment with our statistically-accurate (plus-or-minus 100%), handy-dandy pocket reference aids for the moronic...

OUTCOME" CHARTS THINGS WE ALL DO

SWITCHING LANES DURING FREEWAY RUSH HOUR

OUTCOME	% LIKELIHOOD
A) Nothing	99.8%
B) Drivers in new lane see your determined face in their rear-view mirrors and all speed up	0.0006%
Your one brilliant move breaks open complex gridlock that was keeping entire freeway slowed down	0.00009%
D) Reporter in overhead traffic copter observes	

plate number and calls your home to report you'll be home seconds earlier than usual

0.0000000016%





OPENING ONE OF THOSE "YOU MAY BE A WINNER!" PUBLISHERS SWEEPSTAKES ENVELOPES

OUTCOME

98.25% A) Nothing

B) Finding the ONE letter (among zillions of fine-print phonies)

C) Finding a personal note from Ed McMahon, telling you exactly which combination of magazines you have to subscribe to in order to win

0.000006%

% LIKELIHOOD

CHECKING COIN RETURN SLOT IN PAY PHONE

OUTCOME	% LIKELIHOOD
A) Nothing	80%
B) Find it full of disgusting bodily fluids deposited by someone else	15.5%
c) Get your quarter back	0.9%
D) Hundreds of coins tumble out like a Las Vegas slot machine jackpot	0.00003%





It's time for a MAD writer to bring home the bacon! How? By ripping off [once again] the premise of the "Six degrees of Kevin Bacon" game. He'll be eating pork for a month off this one! Here's...

6 DEGREESOFSEPARATION

Can you link THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA to MOOSEHEAD BEER?



is a deadly combat zone. as is...

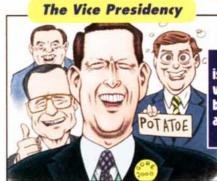


A MAD Subscription

which produces unemployable illiterates, as does...



Can you link THE VICE-PRESIDENCY to EGYPT AIR?



is a club very few belong to, as is...



which is a hang-out for annoying Brainiacs. as is...



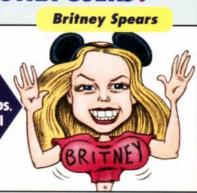
Can you link THE INVASION OF POLAND to OLESTRA USERS?



was a despicable German act as is



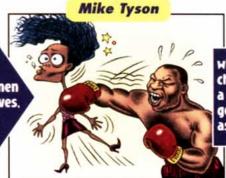
who are a pair of phony boobs, which you'll find on...



Can you link CELLULITE to RIGOR MORTIS?



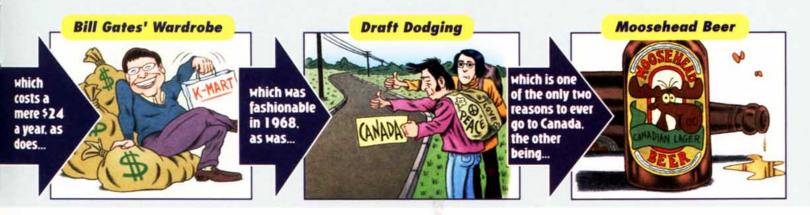
strikes most women in their lives, as does...



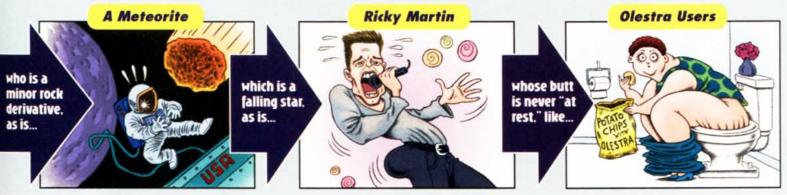
who gets checks from a guy with goofy hair, as does...



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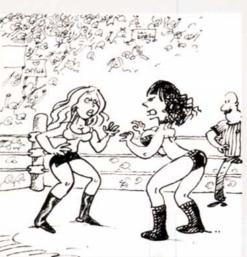
























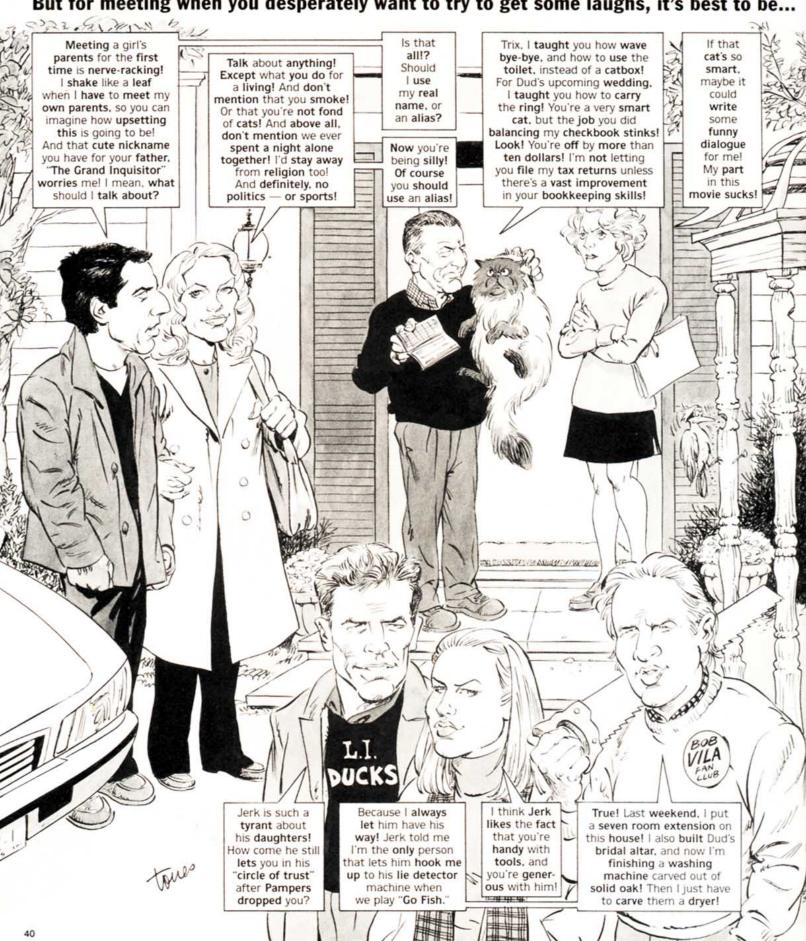






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If you're meeting your girlfriend's parents for the first time, how do you behave? Friendly, cheerful, outgoing or serious? That might work for a real meeting with her folks. But for meeting when you desperately want to try to get some laughs, it's best to be...



Meek with the Parents

I don't





You're father's right!

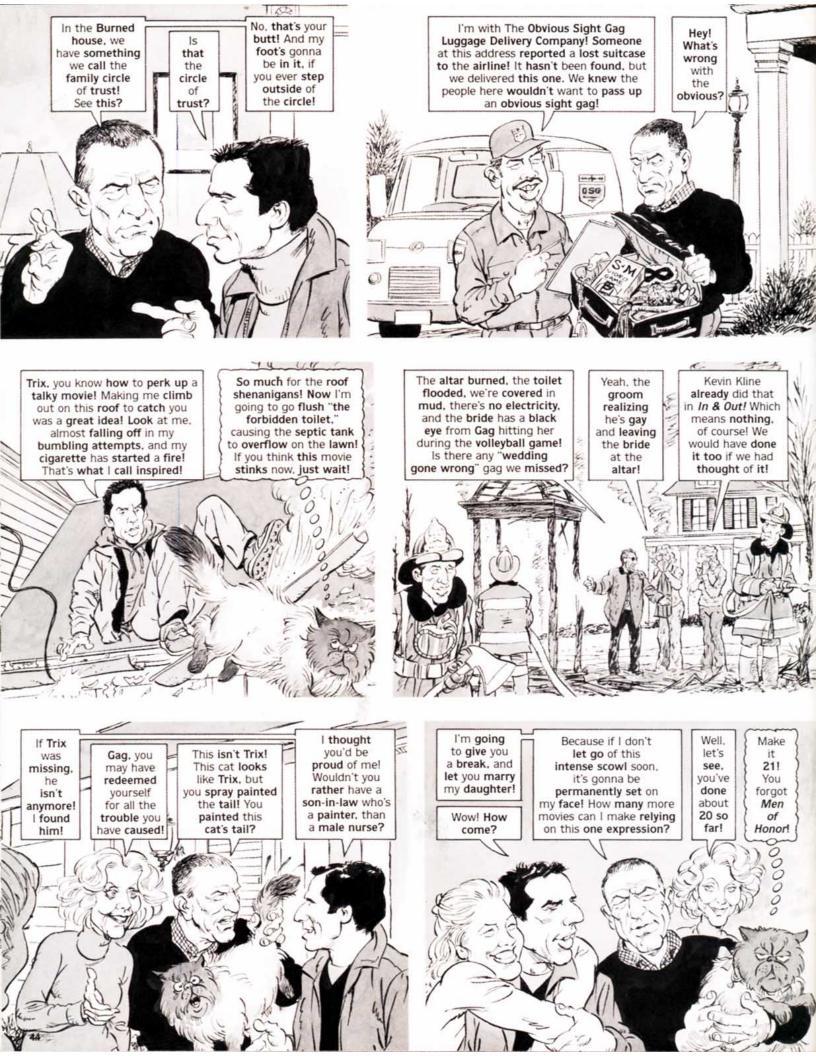




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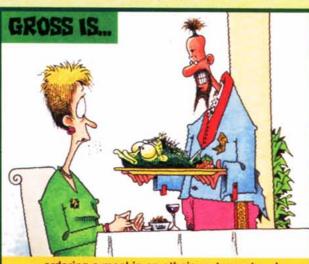


ack in MAD #307 we did a story called "Gross and Beyond Gross." Little did we know this crummy little article would spring forth a whole volume

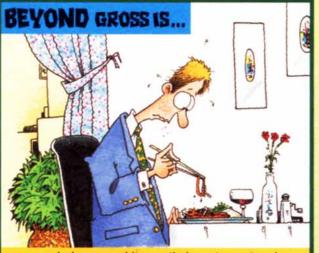
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of disgusting and vile material aptly called The MAD Gross Book (on sale January 3rd wherever fine books are sold). Stop reading this intro and go buy it now. Oh, you're back! As we were saying, to commemorate the publication of The MAD Gross Book you just bought, we commissioned that walking pussbag John Caldwell to create a follow-up to his legendary article. So grab your barf bag as we now present...

GEOSS AND GEOSS THE SEQUEL

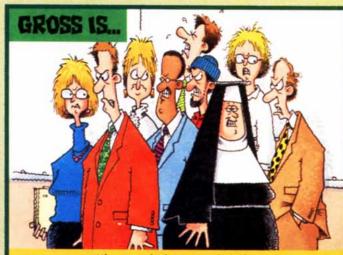


...ordering a meal in an ethnic restaurant and discovering it's served with the head still on it.

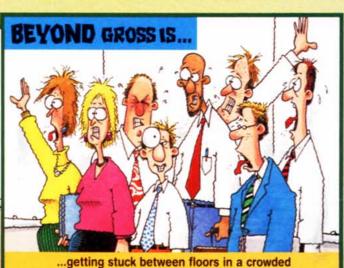


...ordering a meal in an ethnic restaurant and discovering it's served with a flea collar still on it.





...getting caught in a crowded elevator when someone cuts a damp one.



...getting stuck between floors in a crowded elevator when someone cuts a damp one.

GROSS AND BEYOND GROSS THE SEQUEL



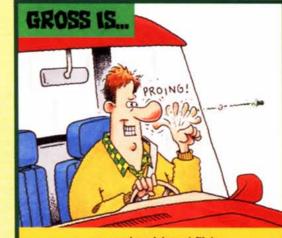


...guys who use their sleeve as a tissue.

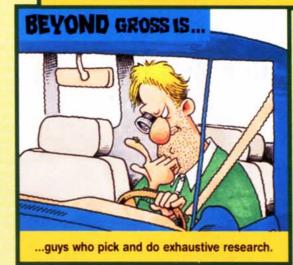
BEYOND GROSS IS ...



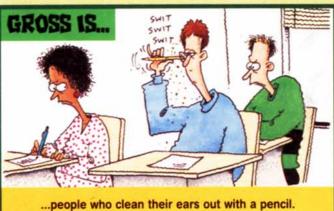
...the same guy in a tank top.

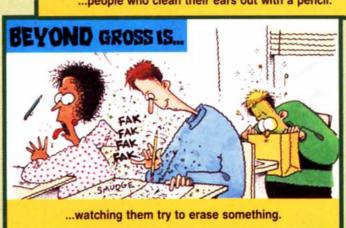


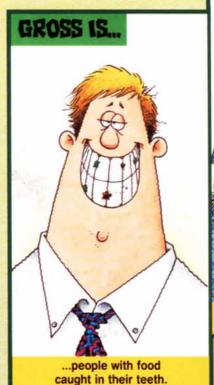
...guys who pick and flick.

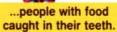


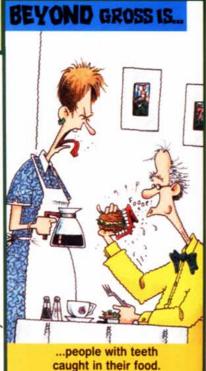






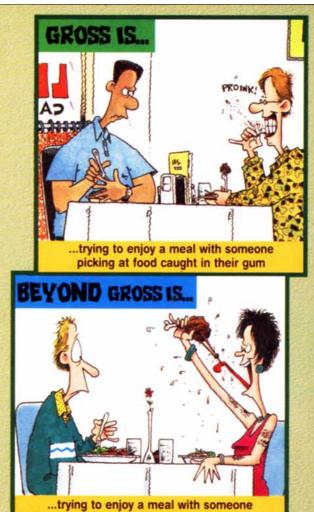






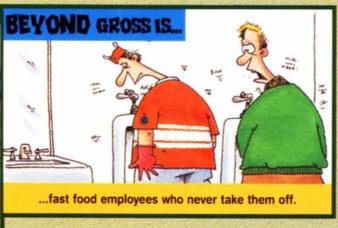


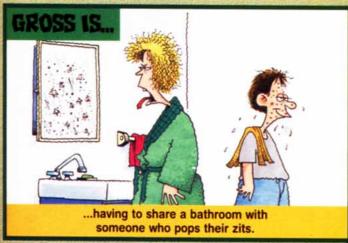




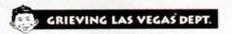
picking at food caught in their tongue stud.



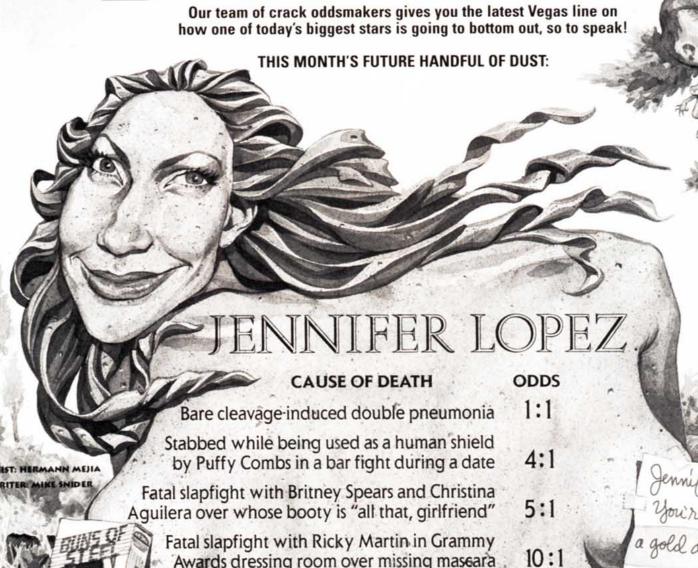








MAD's CELEBRITY CAUSE-OF-DEATH



RYEST: HERMANN MEJIA

Awards dressing room over missing maseara

Killed by nearsighted Selena-stalker who doesn't keep up with the news

Dies peacefully after long, uneventful marriage to Puffy Combs 15:1

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WHAT HEAVY
ISSUE IS WEIGHING
MIGHTILY UPON
TODAY'S STUDENTS?

MAD FOLD - IN

Kids in school have lots to worry about these days. In addition to the normal problems of peer pressure and getting picked on, there are even more dangerous things to be concerned about. To find out one issue that's weighing particularly heavy on many students, fold page in as shown.



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> BASICALLY, HEAVY PROBLEMS THAT ARE TRULY SICK-ENING KEEP PILING UP ON STUDENTS. WEARY AND BREATHLESS, MOST JUST GRIN AND BEAR IT. TAKING TIME OUT IS NOT POSSIBLE. NEW PROPOSALS FOR EXT-INGUISHING THIS CRISIS ARE NOWHERE IN SIGHT. BOYS AND GIRLS ARE TURNING INTO NERVOUS KOOKS



WHAT HEAVY ISSUE IS WEIGHING **MIGHTILY UPON TODAY'S STUDENTS?**





BREAKING TEXT-

BOOKS



ONE FINE DAY ON MAIN STREET

