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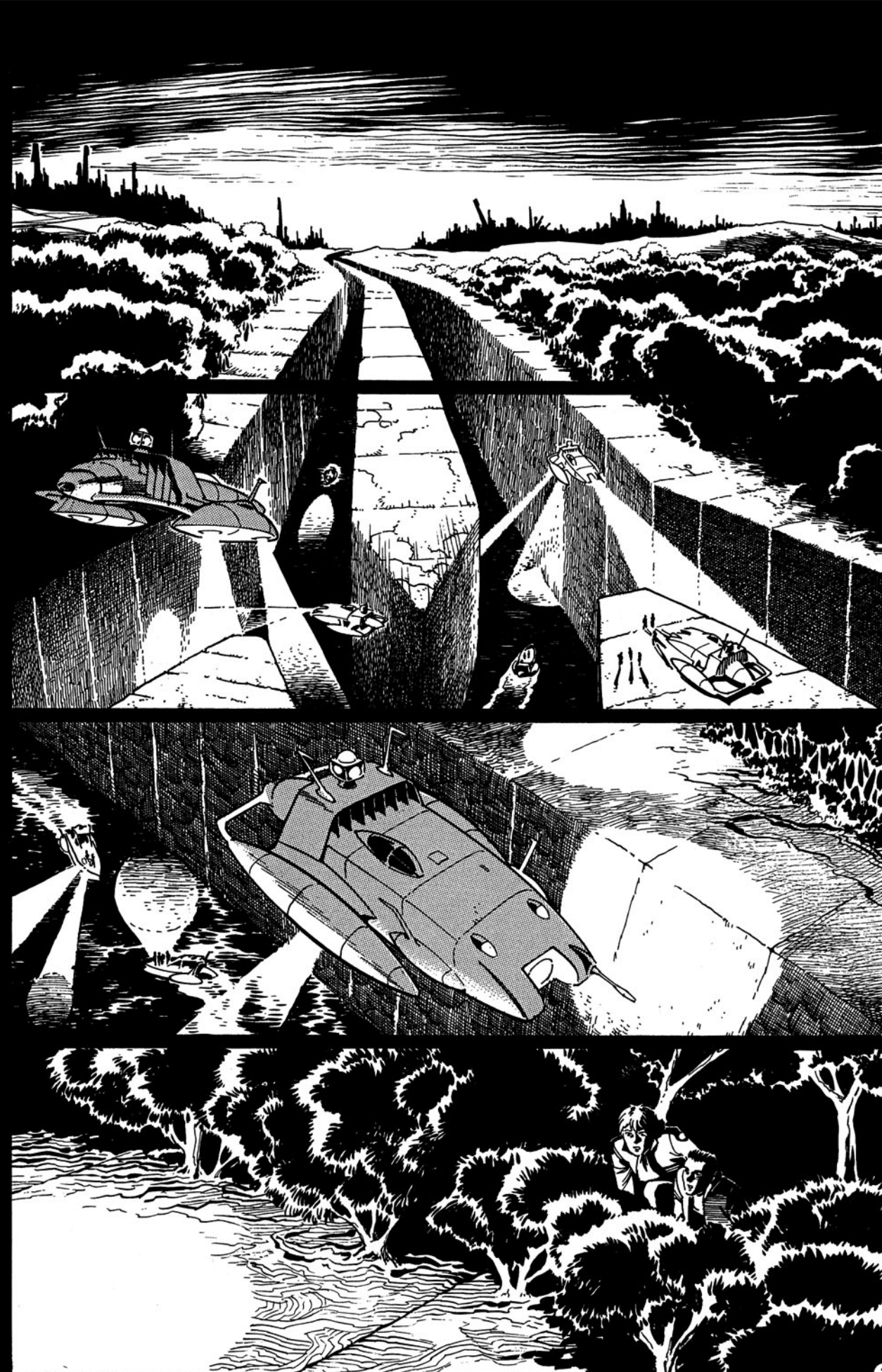
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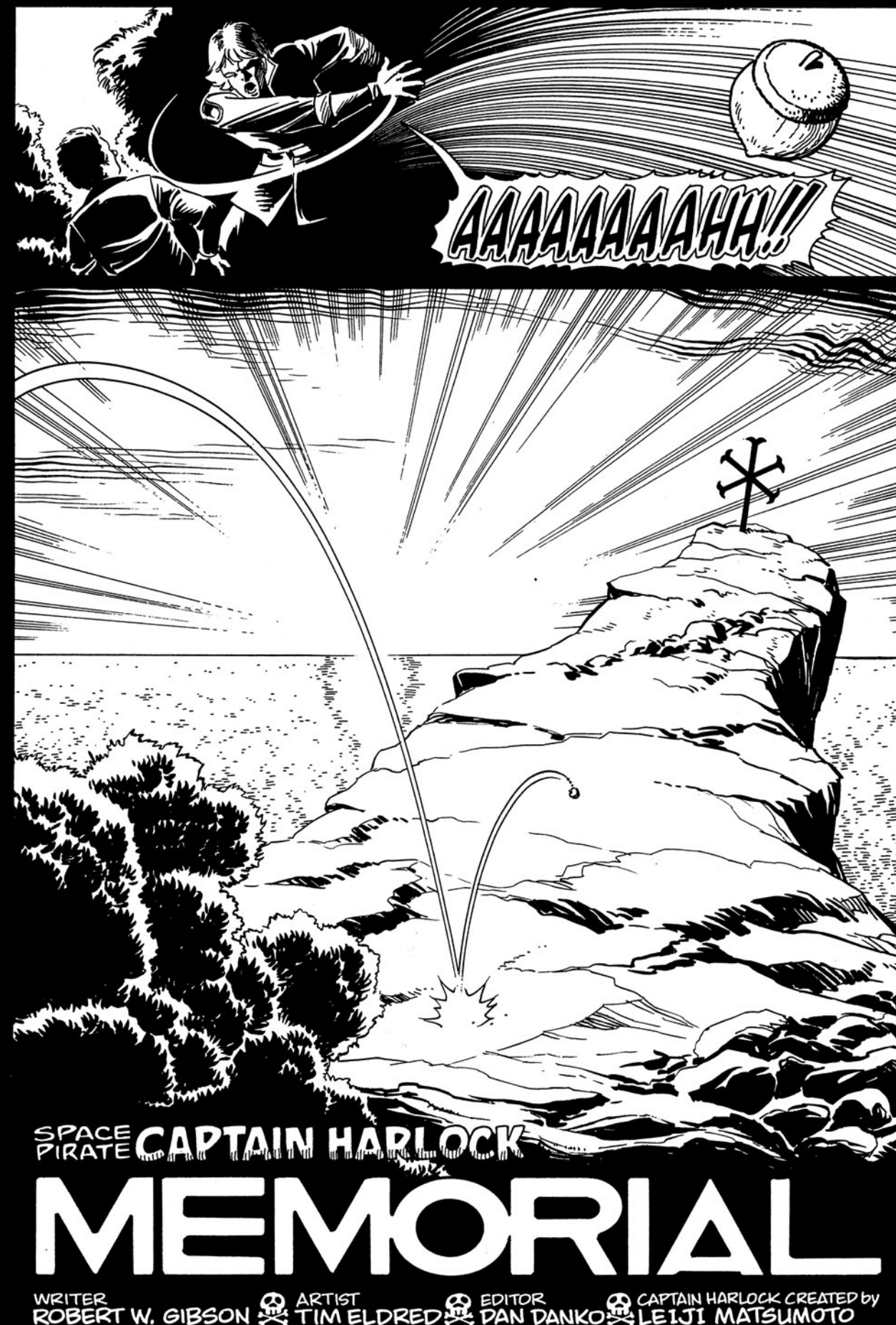
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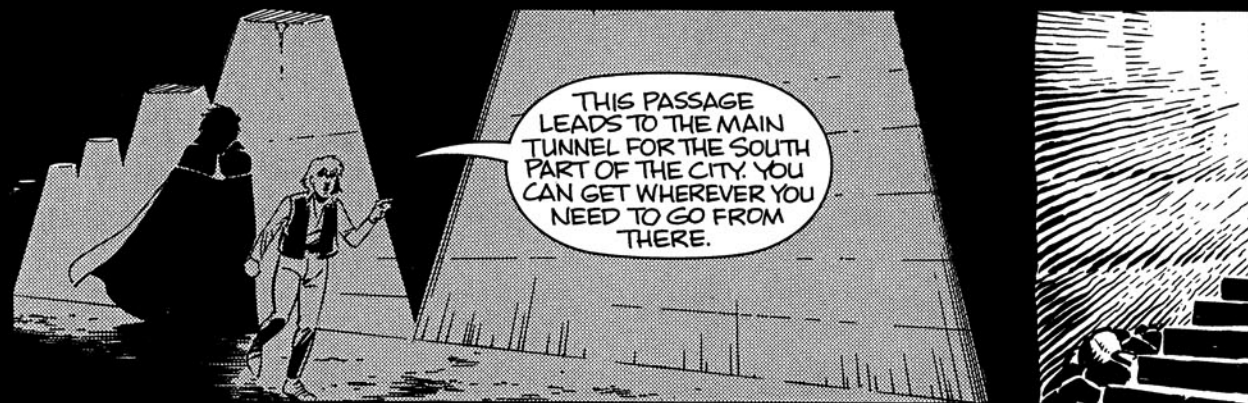
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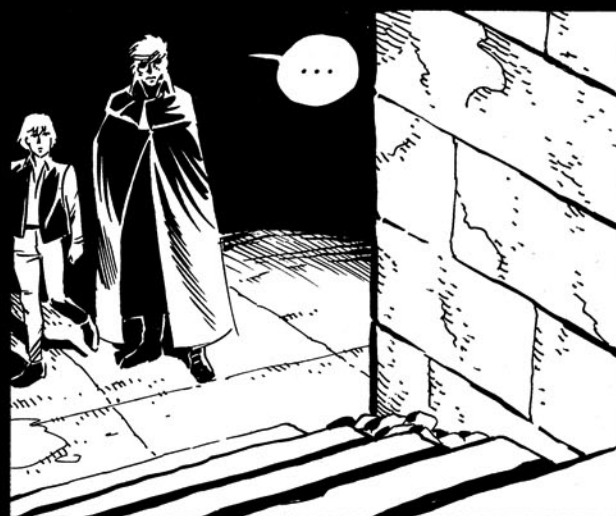




THIS PASSAGE
LEADS TO THE MAIN
TUNNEL FOR THE SOUTH
PART OF THE CITY. YOU
CAN GET WHEREVER YOU
NEED TO GO FROM
THERE.



THAT
GOES UP TO THE MAIN
RECORDS
BUILDING.



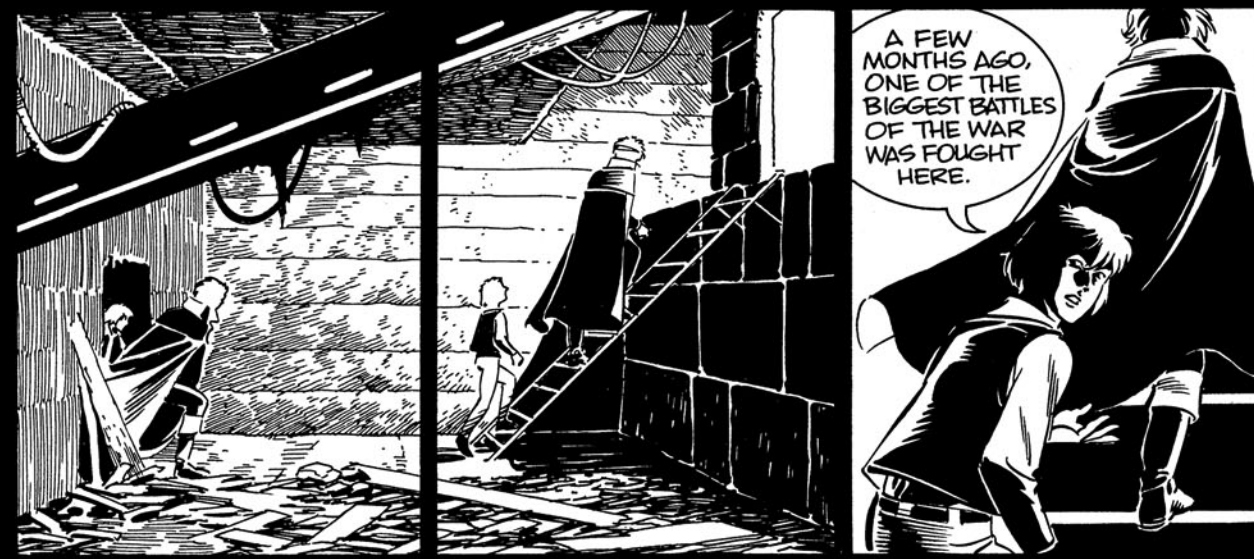
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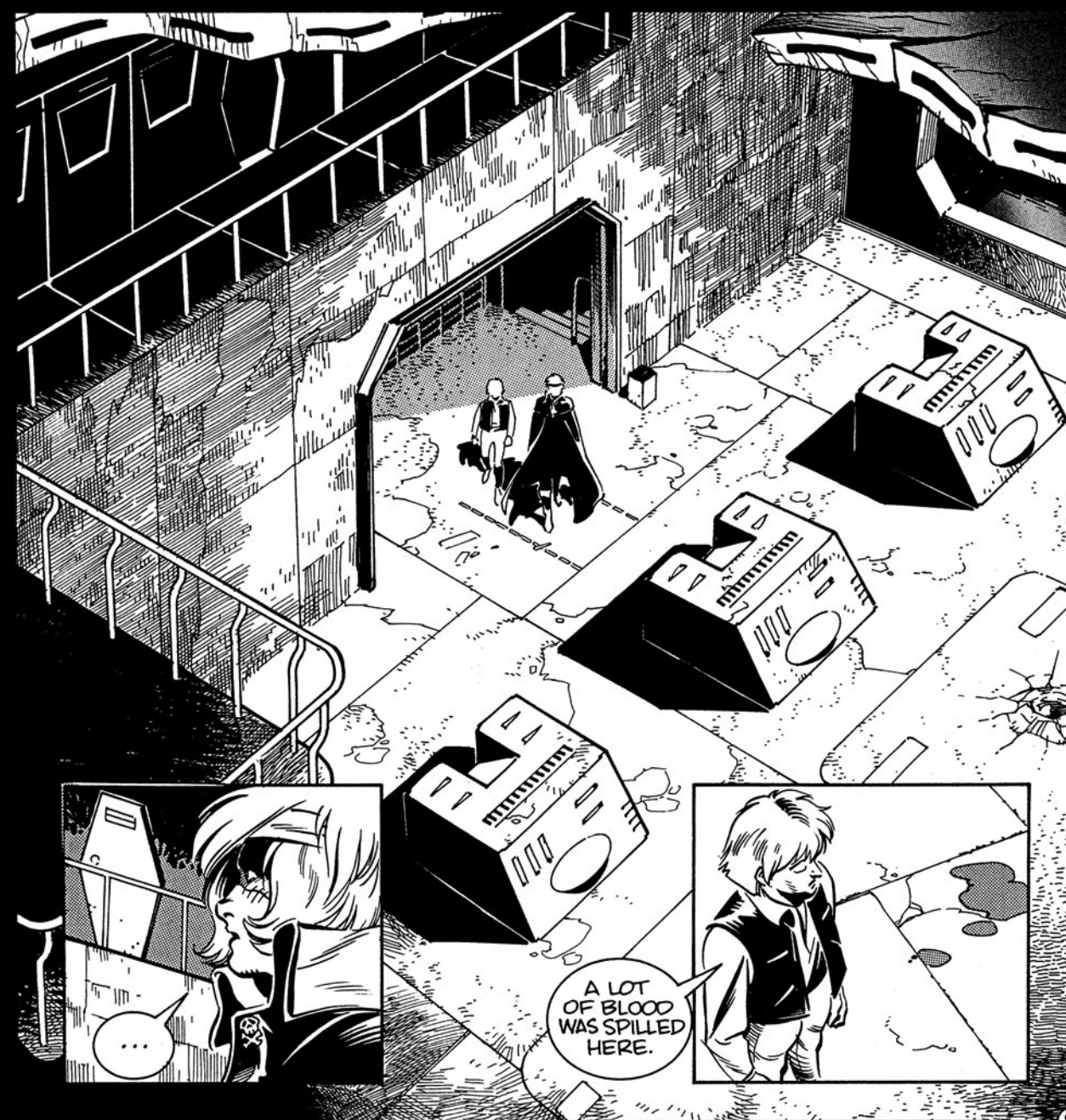
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MAIN HUB'S
THAT
WAY.



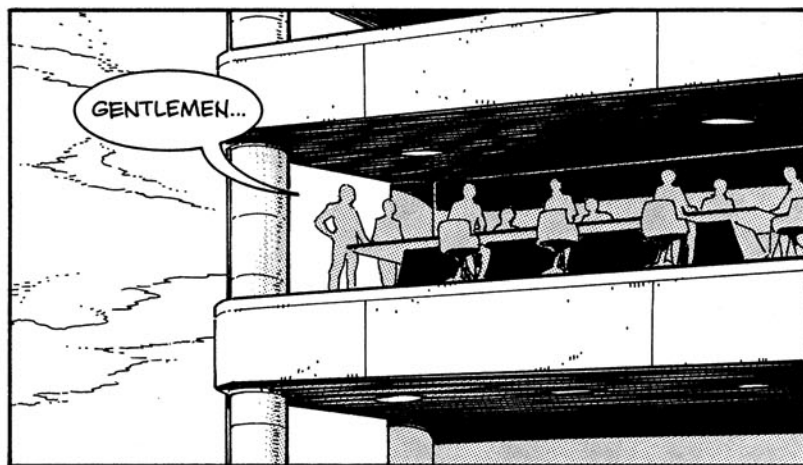
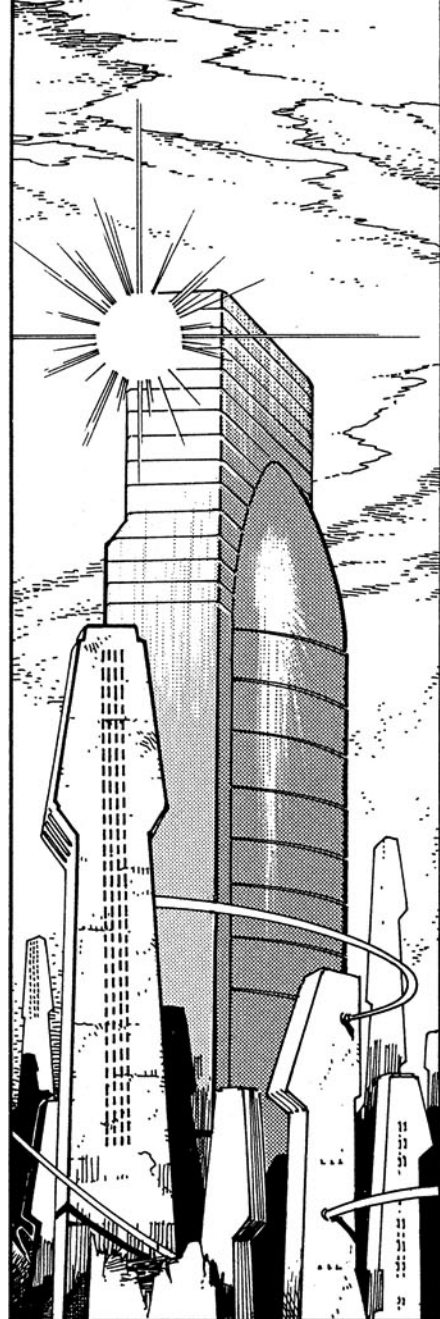
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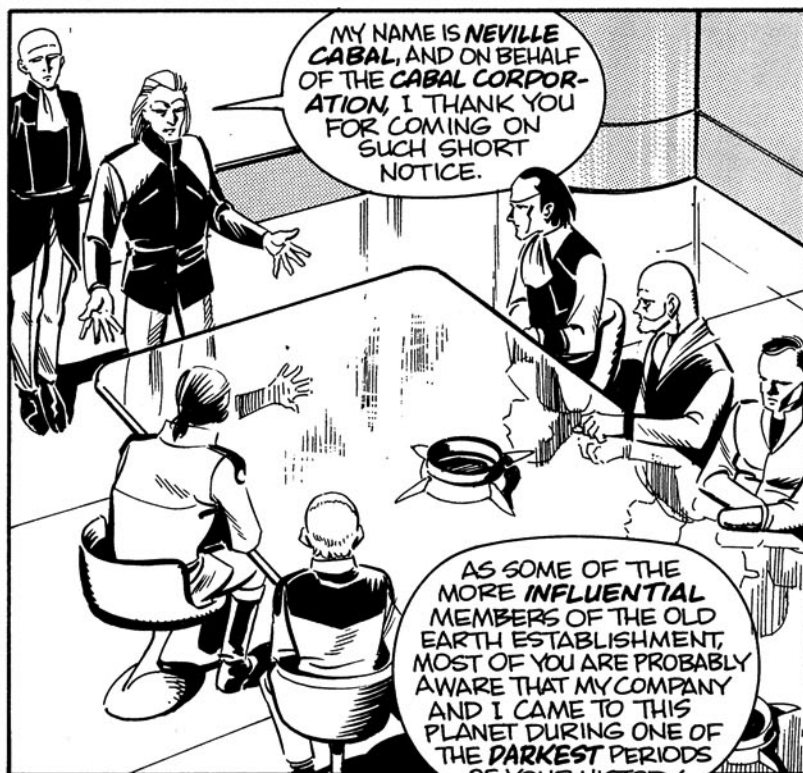
A FEW
MONTHS AGO,
ONE OF THE
BIGGEST BATTLES
OF THE WAR
WAS FOUGHT
HERE.



A LOT
OF BLOOD
WAS SPILLED
HERE.



GENTLEMEN...



MY NAME IS **NEVILLE CABAL**, AND ON BEHALF OF THE **CABAL CORPORATION**, I THANK YOU FOR COMING ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE.

AS SOME OF THE MORE **INFLUENTIAL** MEMBERS OF THE OLD EARTH ESTABLISHMENT, MOST OF YOU ARE PROBABLY AWARE THAT MY COMPANY AND I CAME TO THIS PLANET DURING ONE OF THE **DARKEST** PERIODS OF YOUR HISTORY.



...AND IT IS LARGELY BECAUSE OF OUR INTERVENTION THAT YOUR PLANET IS NOW **FREE**. BEING BUSINESSMEN, LIKE MYSELF, MOST OF YOU ARE PROBABLY WONDERING **WHY** AN INTERSTELLAR CORPORATION LIKE CABAL WOULD INVEST GREAT TIME AND CAPITAL INTO SUCH AN ENDEAVOR.



IN SHORT, WHERE IS THE **PROFIT**?



MY FAMILY HAS DONE EXTENSIVE RESEARCH INTO EARTH'S HISTORY AND CONCLUDED THAT THIS PLANET AND ITS PEOPLE HAVE A LONG AND **GLORIOUS** TRADITION OF BEING ACTIVE IN **COMMERCE** AS BOTH **PRODUCERS** AND **CONSUMERS**.

THIS IS A QUALITY THAT WE RESPECT, ADMIRE, AND DO NOT WISH TO SEE **VANISH** FROM THE GALAXY.

WE, THEREFORE, DECIDED THAT EARTH WOULD BE A FINE...



...PARTNER...

...IN FUTURE CABAL OPERATIONS.



TO THAT END, MY FATHER, **EMIL CABAL**, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE CABAL CORPORATION, SENT ME TO EXTEND THE HAND OF FRIENDSHIP TO YOU, THE LEADERS OF EARTH.



SO WHY WASN'T **TRITER** INVOLVED? HE IS STILL THE PRIME MINISTER.



AH, PRINCE **JERICO**. IN MY DEALINGS AMONG THE ELITE OF THE GALAXY, I HAVE COME TO UNDERSTAND WHERE **TRUE** POWER LIES.

...AND THOUGH HE MAY HAVE A **TITLE** GRANTED TO HIM BY THE PEOPLE, WE BOTH KNOW THAT **TRITER** CAN NEVER **TRULY** BE COUNTED AMONG THOSE MEANT TO RULE.



BEFORE THE ELECTED GOVERNMENT WHICH PROVED SO **WOEFULLY** LACKING AGAINST THE ILLUMIDAS, YOUR ANCESTORS KNEW **TRUE** POWER. AND THIS PLANET **PROSPERED**.

WITH THE SUPPORT AND AID OF THE CABAL CORPORATION, I SEE NO REASON WHY THAT AFFLUENT AGE COULD NOT BE **REMADE**.



I LOOK OVER A CITY IN **RUINS**, SMOULDERING ASHES, SCARS LEFT BEHIND ON THE PLANET...



...JUST AS I LOOK AROUND THIS ROOM AND SEE THE SCARS LEFT BEHIND ON THE PLANET'S LEADERS.



BUT, WITH OUR AID...

...NEITHER NEED BE PERMANENT.



YES, WE HAVE HEARD RUMORS...



NO, PRINCE JERICO...



"NOT RUMORS..."

...BUT FACT.

DEATH IS NO LONGER A CERTAINTY.

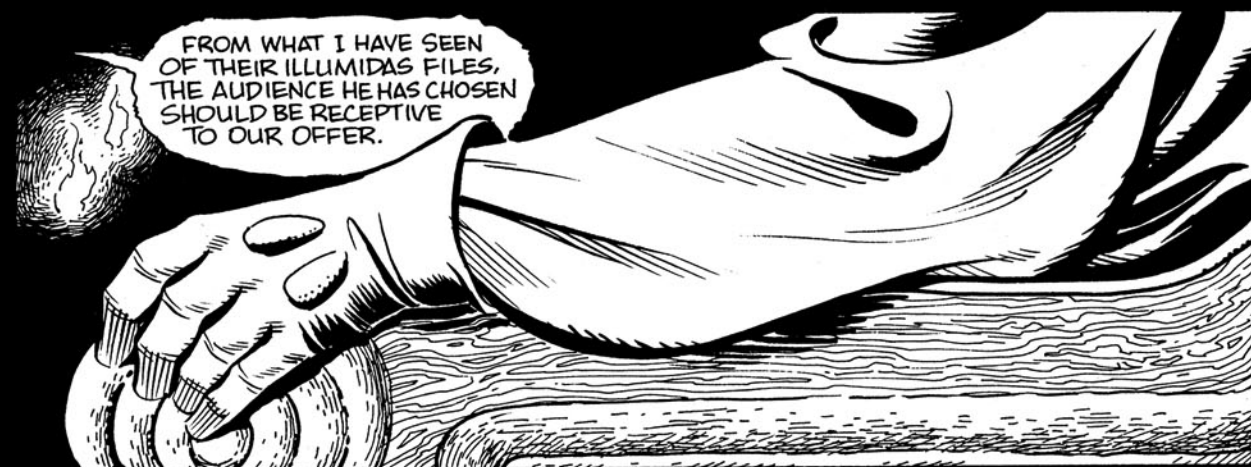
"IF YOU ACCEPT OUR OFFER, YOUR PLANET AND ITS LEADERS WILL NEVER AGAIN FEEL INJURY."



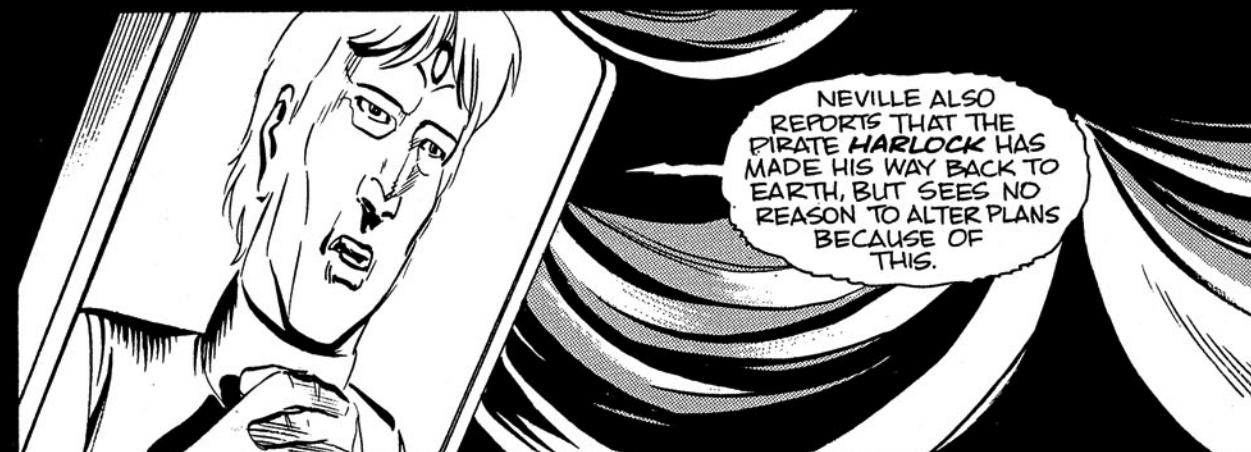
—WILL
NEVER AGAIN
FEEL INJURY.



NEVILLE'S
PRESENTATION
HAS GONE...
WELL.



FROM WHAT I HAVE SEEN
OF THEIR ILLUMIDAS FILES,
THE AUDIENCE HE HAS CHOSEN
SHOULD BE RECEPTIVE
TO OUR OFFER.



NEVILLE ALSO
REPORTS THAT THE
PIRATE **HARLOCK** HAS
MADE HIS WAY BACK TO
EARTH, BUT SEES NO
REASON TO ALTER PLANS
BECAUSE OF
THIS.



BUT SINCE
MUDA AND THE **ILLU-
MIDAS** CONSIDERED HIM
SUCH A THREAT, I HAVE
TAKEN THE LIBERTY OF
SENDING **HARLOCK'S** INFOR-
MATION FILE TO BOTH **NEVILLE**
AND **QUINT** AS AN EXAMPLE
OF THE POSSIBLE OPPOSITION
WE MIGHT FACE IN THE
ASSIMILATION OF
THAT SECTOR.



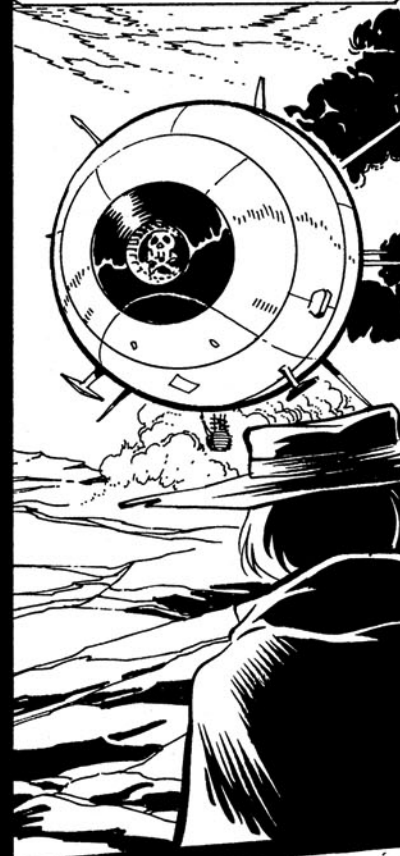
END OF
REPORT.

PLANET
RICHLAND.

THE ESTATE
OF QUINT
CABAL.



SOMETIME AFTER HARLOCK'S RETURN TO EARTH UPON HIS DEFEAT AT THE HANDS OF THE ILLUMIDAS, THE FREE SPACE TRADER EMERALDAS BROUGHT HER BADLY-DAMAGED SHIP TO THE PLANET.



THE SHIP WAS DAMAGED WHEN SHE UNWISELY ATTEMPTED TO NAVIGATE THE LEGENDARY FLAME STREAM PROMINENCE, OTHERWISE KNOWN TO EARTHMEN AS THE OWEN STANLEY WITCH OF SPACE.



THOUGH SEEMINGLY RENDERED INOPERABLE, SOMEHOW THE SHIP WAS REPAIRED ENOUGH TO PROVIDE THE DISTRACTION WHICH LATER ALLOWED HARLOCK TO EVADE CAPTURE.



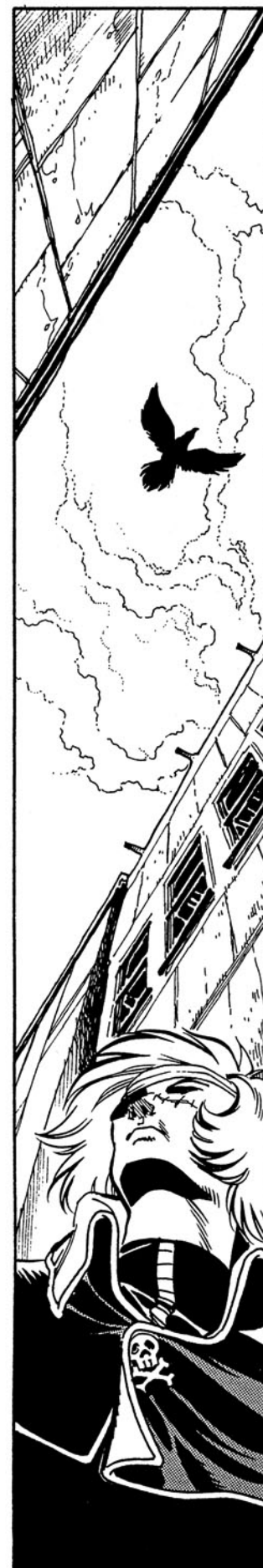
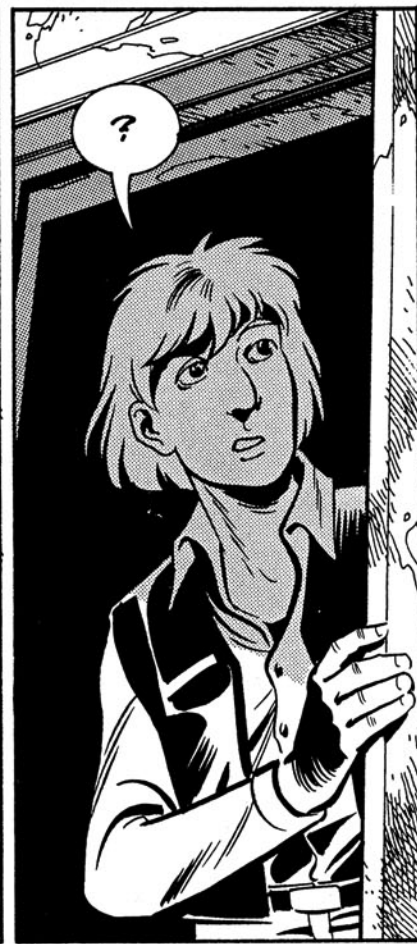
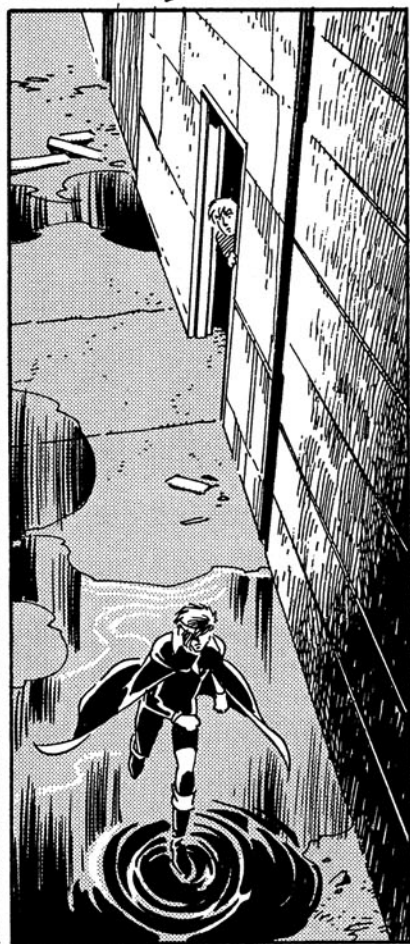
SOME TIME SOON AFTER THIS, IT APPEARS THE PIRATE FOUND HIS WAY BACK INTO THE CITY. ACCORDING TO ILLUMIDAS INTELLIGENCE, THIS WAS APPARENTLY AN ATTEMPT TO COORDINATE A MEETING BETWEEN HIMSELF AND THE SO-CALLED VOICE OF RADIO FREE ARCADIA...



...AN UNAUTHORIZED RADIO PERSONALITY WHO HAD FOR SOME TIME BEEN BROADCASTING TO THE PEOPLE OF EARTH. IT WAS LATER LEARNED HER NAME WAS MAYA AND SHE WAS NOT UNKNOWN TO HARLOCK.









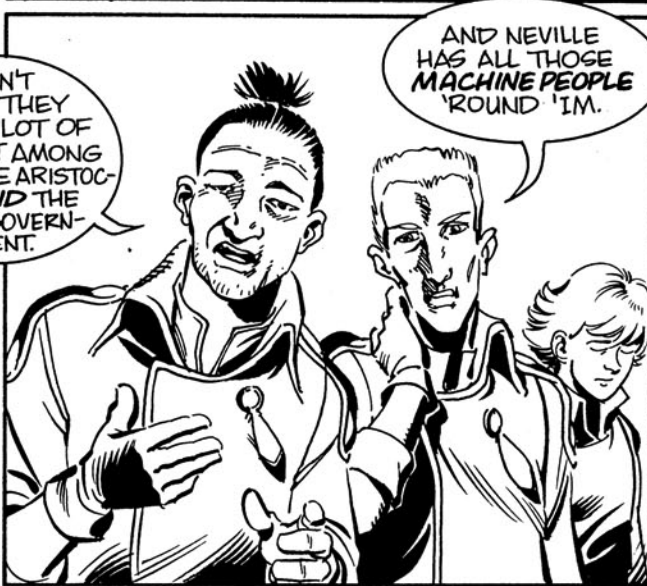
BARON DARGHUND!

HOW WENT THE MEETING?



UNFORTUNATELY, IT SEEMS WE WERE CORRECT IN OUR SUSPICIONS. THE CABALS ARE OBVIOUSLY ONLY INTERESTED IN EARTH AS A PROSPECTIVE COLONY.

SOMETHING WILL HAVE TO BE DONE QUICKLY, HOWEVER, AS IT SEEMS MANY OF THE OTHERS ARE INTERESTED IN THE PROPOSITION.



AND NEVILLE HAS ALL THOSE MACHINE PEOPLE 'ROUND 'IM.

I DON'T KNOW... THEY HAVE A LOT OF SUPPORT AMONG BOTH THE ARISTOCRACY AND THE NEW GOVERNMENT.



I'VE GOT AN IDEA! I'VE HEARD RUMORS THAT CABAL OPERATIVES ARE ABDUCTING RANDOM PEOPLE FROM THE STREETS FOR NEVILLE TO FIGHT. HE FANCIES HIMSELF A SWORDSMAN.

YEAH, EASY ENOUGH TO DO WHEN YOU'VE GOT A MACHINE BODY. NOW, IF 'E HAD A REGULAR BODY, I'D POKE 'IM SO FULLA HOLES THAT HE NEEDN'T TAKE HIS PANTS OFF TO LEAK!



THAT WAS TERRIBLE! YOU NEED TO WORK ON YOUR OATHS!

YEAH, WELL, WHAT WOULD YOU DO... CORRECT HIS GRAMMAR?

I'LL SHOW YOU SOME OATHS!



THEY'VE CALLED IT OFF. THEY FOUND HARLOCK'S GUN.

HE WOULDN'T LEAVE IT BEHIND IF HE COULD HELP IT.



FAITH?! LIKE THE FAITH I HAD IN HARLOCK? LIKE THE FAITH MY FATHER HAD IN ME?



JUSTIN, HOW GOES THE SEARCH?

@\$%!!

#@!/?



STRANGER THINGS HAVE HAPPENED, YOU KNOW. I HAVE A FEELING THINGS ARE NOT AS THEY SEEM.

YOU MUST HAVE FAITH.



LIKE CUSIK HAD IN ME...?





THIS
WAS
JUSTIN'S!

THIS
FEELS BAD.
I... I NEED
TO FIND MY
BROTHER!

YES.

YES,
YOU DO.

