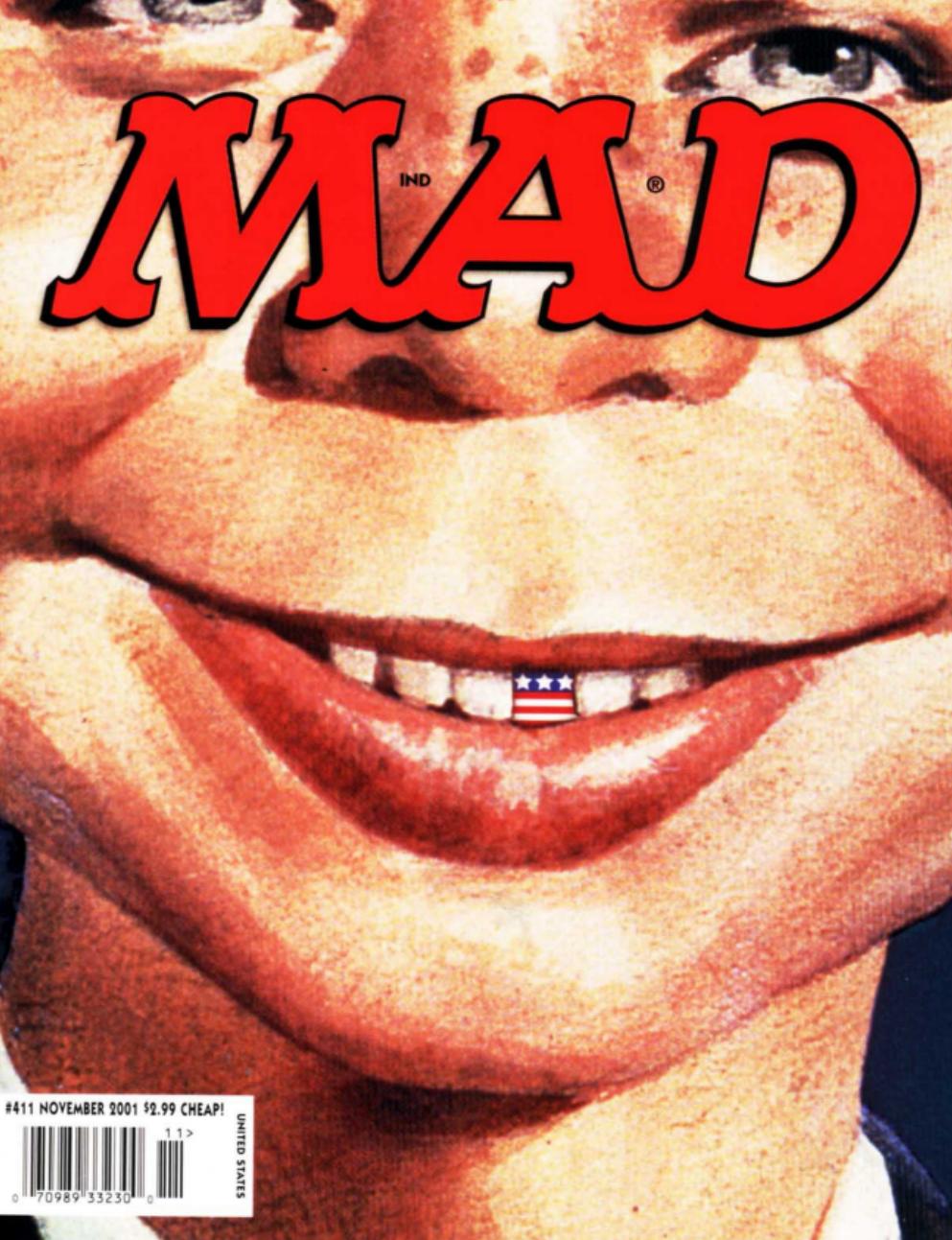


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Bastard
officially
becomes
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1995
In a misreading of the consumer market,
Muhammad Ali rejects the idea to create a
fat-reducing
grilling machine.



2000
Marlon Brando receives lap
dance. Takes three days.

1991
Pee Wee
Herman's
disability
insurance claim
for repetitive
motion
syndrome
denied.

1995
Honeymooners creator
Jackie Gleason rewrites
Ralph Kramden's definitive
line from, "Bitch, you better
recognize," to the more
benign "To the moon,
Alice!"

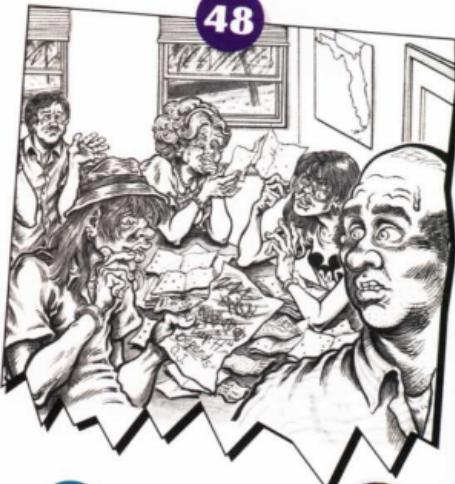
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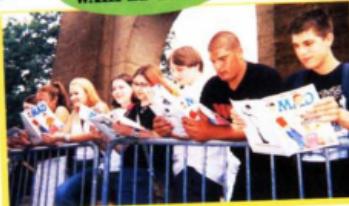
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In a controlled, prospective, randomized clinical trial, we found that reading MAD immediately before surgery reduced intraoperative hypertension and minimized postoperative anxiety. It was judged to be the pharmacologic equivalent of 7.5 mg of intravenous Valium as a pre-operative sedative.

Richard Forster, M.D., Niskayuna, NY

Doc — Thanks for writing, but we were shocked that your findings contradict another study which found that reading MAD had the same effect on patients as swallowing two Viagra pills with a tequila chaser! Here are some other medical facts about MAD: Chewed daily, one MAD helps fight plaque buildup. Placed in a shoe, it can relieve the burning and itching and also works in controlling nail fungus better than that Lamisil crap! Oddly enough, crumpling up and ingesting any article by John Caldwell will have the same effect as two Viagras — which was welcome news to Mrs. C. (if you know



Dr. Forster's patient prepping for surgery by reading MAD!

what we mean!) Lastly, a copy of MAD is enormously helpful when reviving a choking victim with the Heimlich Maneuver. Specifically, onlookers can use it to swat away the half-chewed, grizzled pieces of meat dislodged from the victim's throat, now flying through the air in their direction! (Ewww!) Can there be any doubt that the M in MAD stands for "medicine"? —Ed.

Make A Dumb Wish Foundation™

I have a wish for the Make A Dumb Wish Foundation™ that needs granting. I need a poem printed. I wrote it last year in my English class. My teacher's class was so boring that I wrote a poem. It was an "on the spot" poem that I enjoy. Here it goes:

I sit in class like a statue
My eyes are droopy
They want to fall out of my head.
My brain is turned off like a light
Words run through my ears like water.
I sit, I stare
There is nothing to do
My head becomes cloudy...
My eyes are heavy like stones
I am drifting...drifting...
Sleep sets in like the sun goes down
I am gone...
No more class, no more listening.
no more teacher
I am there...my own world.



Adam Kinsman, Universal City, TX

Adam Ant — As you know, it is the mission of the Make A Dumb Wish Foundation™ to make dumb wishes come true and indeed, with your "on the spot" poem we have a winner which we happily print above. We also have an "on the spot" critique poem which we also happily print:

Adam Kinsman wrote a poem in class
To wife away the time
It's a shame poor Adam Kinsman never
Heard of the concept of rhyme!
The Make A Dumb Wish Foundation™
published it for the yuks,
They're probably the only ones that would,
Because Adam Kinsman's poem really,
really sucks! —Ed.

A SMASHING PUMPKIN

Jeff Mahannah of Kalamazoo, MI recently sent in this photo which he swear's is a Jack O' Lantern, though we're not too sure! So now is your chance to show up Jeff and create a real Alfred-E-Lantern simply by buying MAD XL #12 (currently on sale wherever MAD XL #19 is sold)! It contains an exclusive stencil you can use to print or cut Alfred's face onto a pumpkin. Be sure to take a picture and send it to us, the best of which we will print on our Letters Page! Send all photos to MAD Magazine c/o Amy, The Big Pumpkin, 1700 Broadway, New York, NY 10019.

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Hello, I'm Charlton Heston. I once starred in a sci-fi flick about an astronaut who returns to Earth to find it ruled by hostile apes! Now, 33 years later, director Tim Burton has inexplicably decided to try to improve upon this classic movie. It's a **good thing** you can't carry a concealed weapon in California because I think if I had a gun with me after watching this travesty I would have blown my brains out! Anyway, welcome to...

I'm Air Force Pilot Nee Everyone! I stole a space pod from the Overdone Research Mother Ship so I could rescue my pet monkey. Periscope, after they sent him out to do complex space experiments! When will they learn they should never send a monkey to do a man's job! Specifically, they shouldn't have cast a lightweight actor like me to do a leading man's job! I took off in the 22nd Century, entered an electromagnetic time warp, and landed in the 26th century, all in a few minutes! That means I was going over a century a minute! But don't worry! From here to the end of the movie, you'll be amazed at how things are gonna **SLOW** down!

I'm General Raid! Prime Mate of the Primates! A chimp with a chip on my shoulder! I'm all for the total extinction of all minorities and the taking over of all the land! Get the picture? In this film I "ape Hitler"!

I'm Attack, General Raid's most trusted warrior and Head Grunt! I'm more than happy to slap the humans around! It gives me a chance to give back some of the abuse I suffered in *The Green Mile*!

I'm Lumbar, Orangutan slave trader! You might think that buying and selling people, and even children, is immoral! Well, in certain uptight circles it might be! But when you make the slave dealer cute, witty and full of corny puns, it elevates slave trading to a respectable occupation — at least that's what the producers would like you to believe!

PLANET OF THE REMAKES

JANET JACKSON?

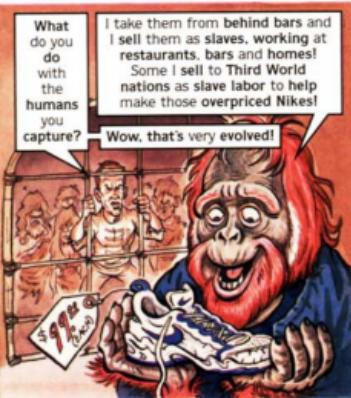
I'm Airy, the Senator's daughter! I may be a Simian, but I **lobby** for humans so that people on this planet won't be **hunted** and sold into **slavery**! And now that I've seen that hunk Captain **Everson**.

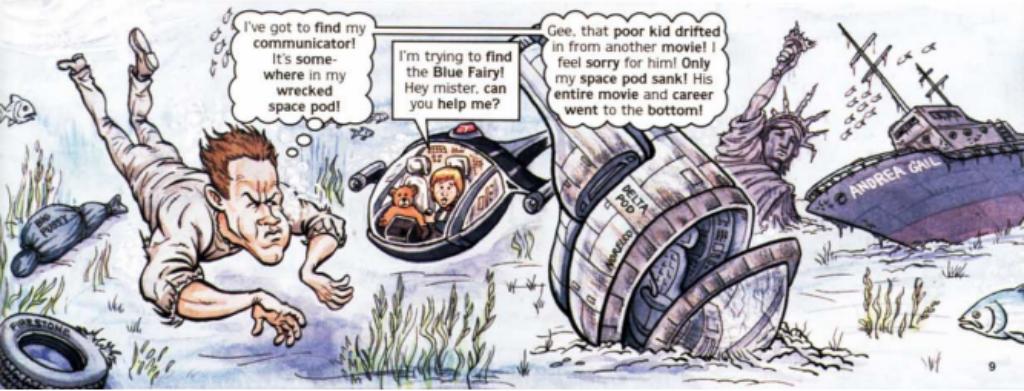
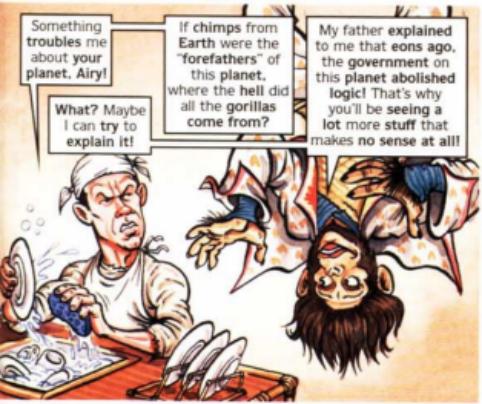
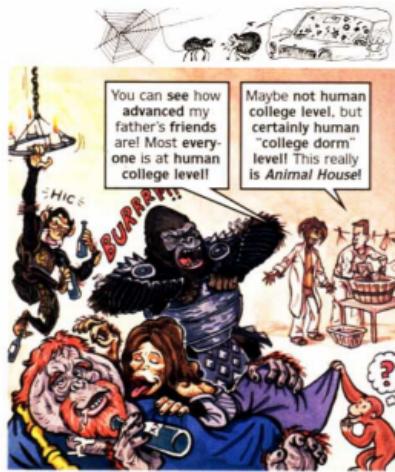
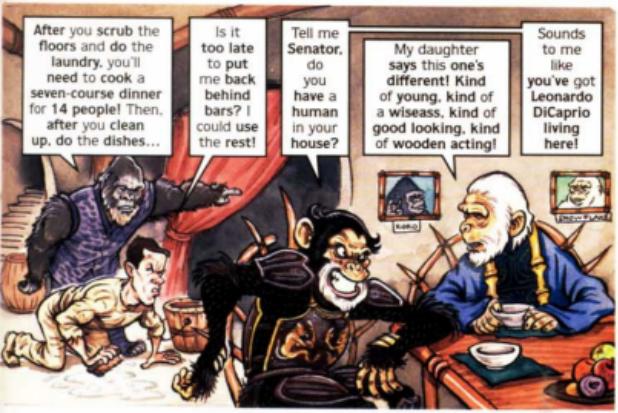
I'll soon be lobbying for interspecies "monkeying around"! Hoo baby! I haven't been so **turned on** since I saw that porno flick. *King Kong!*

I'm Senator Sandar, Airy's father, and I'm so torn! On the one paw, my daughter wants **equal rights** for humans! On the other paw, General Raid wants them all **dead**! I don't know **what** to do! I wish this was **America**! Then I could just decide the way most of their **politicians** do — make laws depending upon the **highest bidder**!

I'm Caribou, full time human, part-time **washed-up** rock singer! I took this part because it was **custom** made for me! I've lived such a hard **real life**, I didn't need any **make-up** at all for this movie! I just showed up on the set looking like this, and I fit right in!

I'm Dame, the **sexy** blonde **low** interest! Well, the **human** love interest, anyway! I was put in this movie for **one reason**: to look numbingly **perplexed** and **bewildered** for two hours! I give the audience watching this movie someone to **relate** to!





I found my communicator! It tells me that my crew is very close by!

Were they in a big silver ship that said "Station Overdone" on the side?

Yes, that's them! When did you see them?

It was either early yesterday morning or late afternoon a millennium ago! Keeping track of real time on this planet is nearly impossible!



Senator, you must give me absolute power to rid this planet of humans once and for all! They're evil! They kidnapped your daughter and took her out of here against her will!

I'm not exactly sure that's true! She said "good-bye" and she left here with two suitcases full of clothes!

My God, that's even worse! They made her pack against her will!



I was going to bring you a bunch of flowers, father, but I figured you'd prefer a bunch of bananas!

Lumbar's sense of humor is rubbing off on you, which just may hasten my death! I hate humor! Tell me about the human who has come here from another world! Is he someone I should worry about?

Not really! He's about as bad as you were in the original movie!



While I still have this booming, boring, monotonous voice, I have something to tell you! Something my father told me, and my father's father told him! He heard it from his father, who heard it from his father, who heard it from his...

Father! Either stop or move over, so I can lie down next to you and drift into a coma! Get to the point!

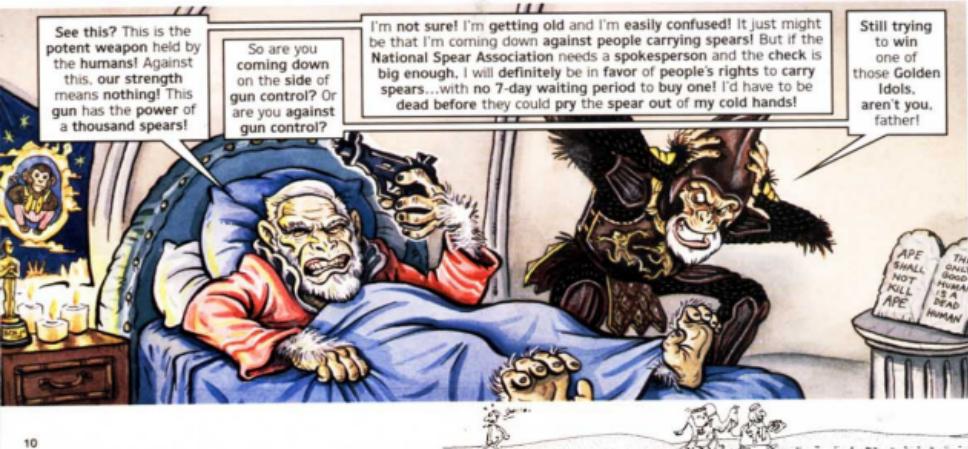


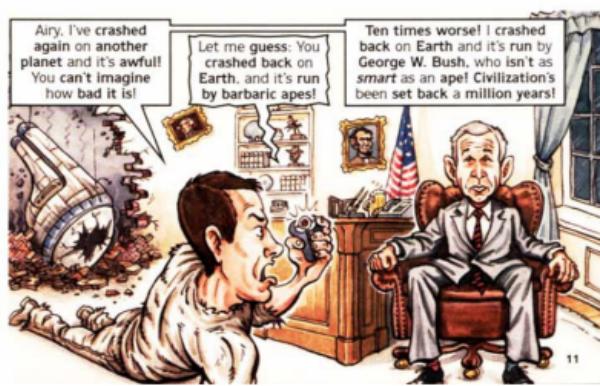
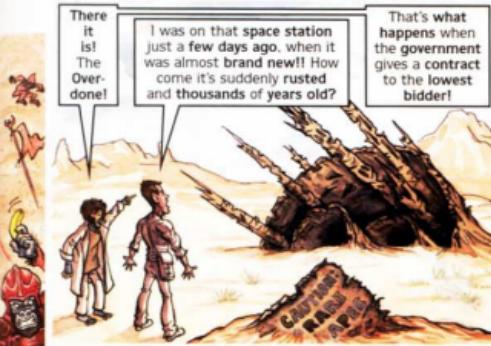
See this? This is the potent weapon held by the humans! Against this, our strength means nothing! This gun has the power of a thousand spears!

So are you coming down on the side of gun control? Or are you against gun control?

I'm not sure! I'm getting old and I'm easily confused! It just might be that I'm coming down against people carrying spears! But if the National Spear Association needs a spokesperson and the check is big enough, I will definitely be in favor of people's rights to carry spears...with no 7-day waiting period to buy one! I'd have to be dead before they could pry the spear out of my cold hands!

Still trying to win one of those Golden Idols, aren't you, father?



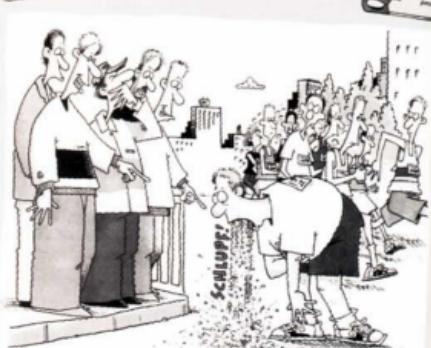


Ah, the big NYC Marathon. Tens of thousands of dedicated endurance runners line up to put themselves through a tortuous 26-plus miles of grueling hardships. The first question you may well ask is, "Why?" (Another question you may well ask is: "Are there *any* fat guys in Kenya?" But that's a matter for another day.) We can't tell you why people run, but we can tell you that everybody shows up to watch this unique event. Unlike the other major sports happenings where you sleep out in the streets to get the best seat in the house, marathon aficionados sleep out in the streets because it is the best seat in the house! So, if you're planning to show up this year, don't even think of taking up a curbside position without first consulting MAD's...

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-- Remember, this is an international event. Memorize several phonetic translations of "If you ran any slower you'd have pigeons landing on you!"



Milemarks 5 through 7 are considered the prime locations for spotting the fat loudmouths (who bet their buddies they could run a marathon without training) cramping and ralphing.



It's common knowledge that runners fighting dehydration will grab anything offered...try it!



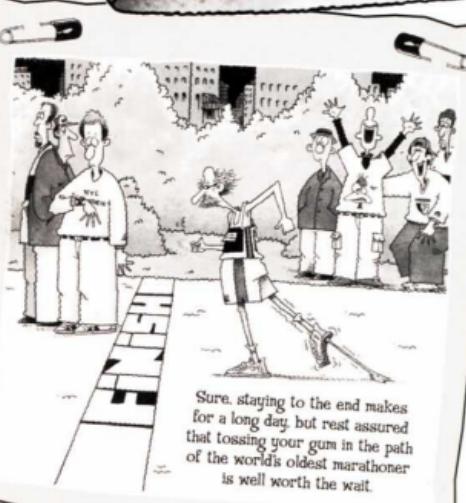
Holding up a sign and shouting words of encouragement is fine. But, if you want to give runners a real sense of purpose, hold up an envelope and shout, "Are you going by a mailbox?"

PECTATOR'S FUN GUIDE TO THE NEW YORK CITY MARATHON

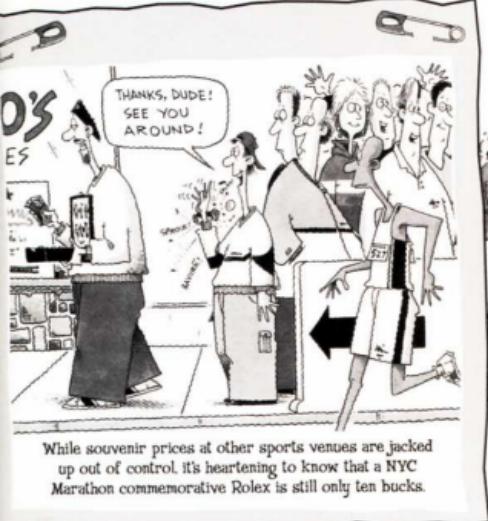
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Though considered a disgraceful nuisance any other day of the year: an overdosed crackhead can add up to your "unobstructed view."



Sure, staying to the end makes for a long day, but rest assured that tossing your gum in the path of the world's oldest marathoner is well worth the wait.



While souvenir prices at other sports venues are jacked up out of control, it's heartening to know that a NYC Marathon commemorative Rolex is still only ten bucks.



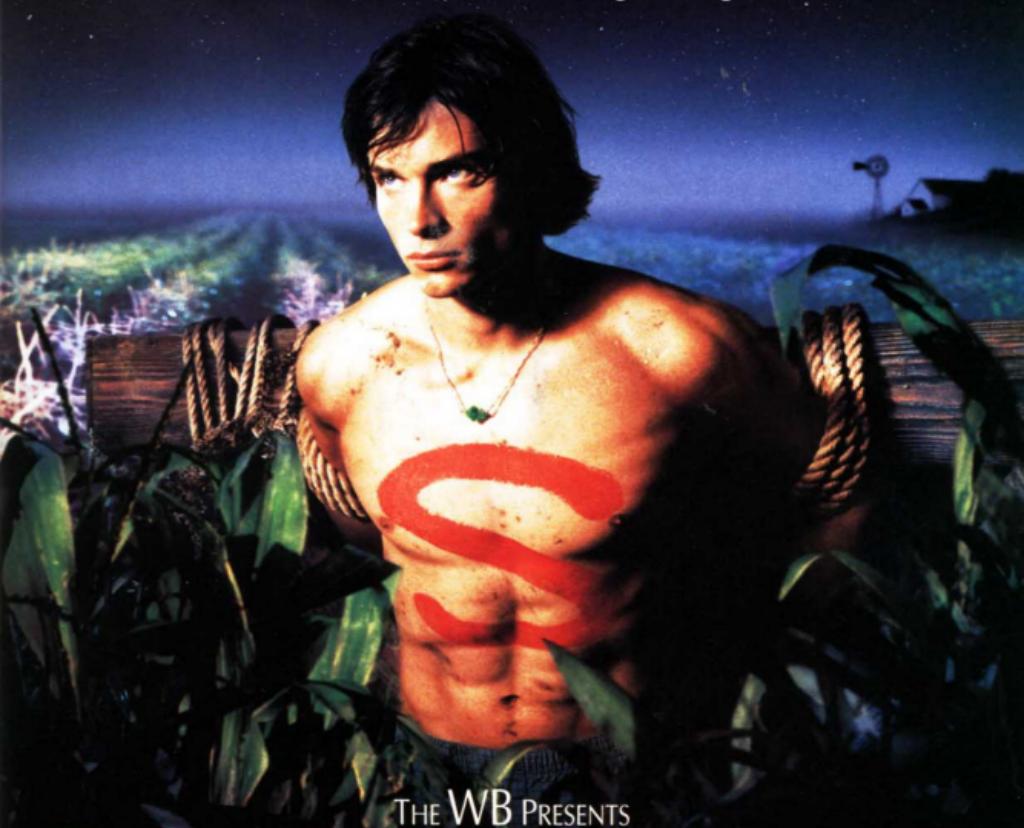
Should you find yourself in the vicinity of a stricken runner, try pushing through the crowd yelling, "It's okay, I'm Dr. Scholl!"

SPECTATOR'S FUN GUIDE TO THE NEW YORK CITY MARATHON

Booking side bets on who will finish first among the last place finishers, the gutsy train wreck miracle multiple amputee, the diarrhea-ravaged first time competitor, or the disoriented heavily medicated recent cerebellum transplant patient, is always great fun.



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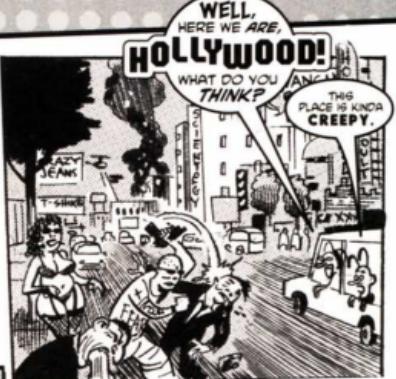
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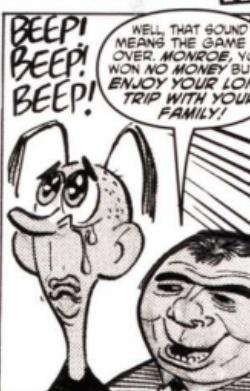


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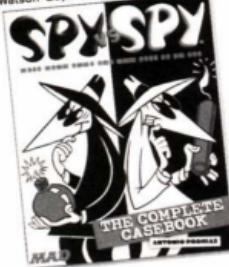






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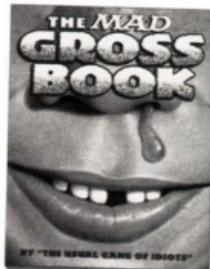
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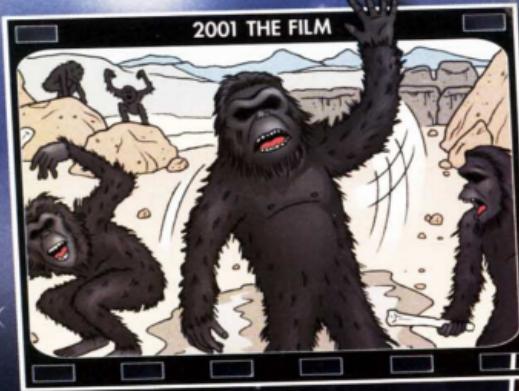


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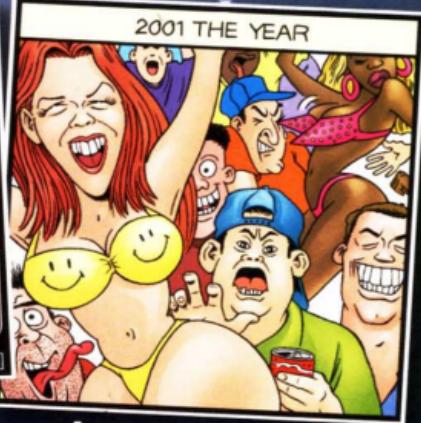
In 1949 author George Orwell wrote *1984*, predicting that by then, America would be a tyrannized, gray place where free speech was illegal and evil Big Brother ruled. Old Georgie was so wrong, we're sorry to have even mentioned the idiot's name! On the other hand, in 1968, filmmaker Stanley Kubrick directed *2001: A Space Odyssey*, a movie that predicted with Nostradamus-like accuracy what our world would look like today, as you'll see in...

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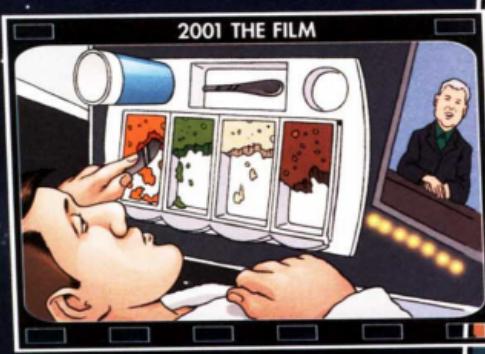
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UNDENIABLE EVIDENCE THAT WE HAVE EVOLVED FROM PRIMATES



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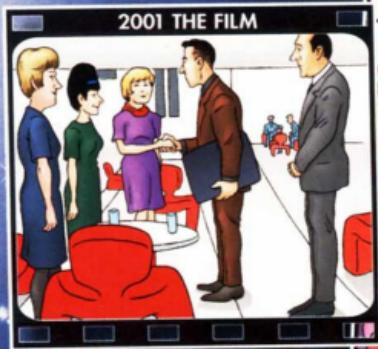
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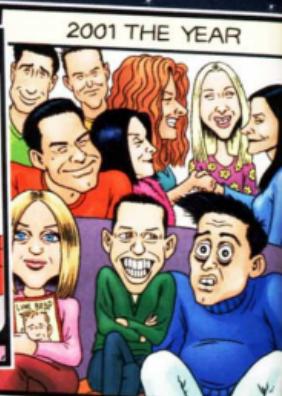
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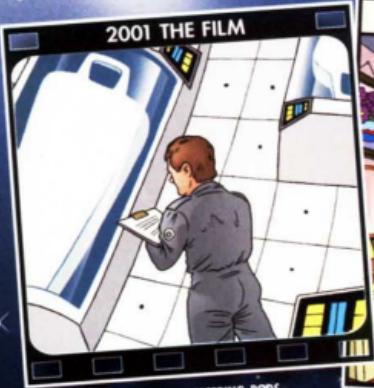
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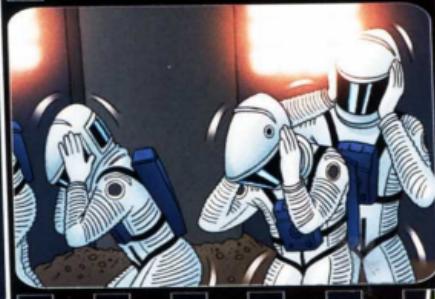


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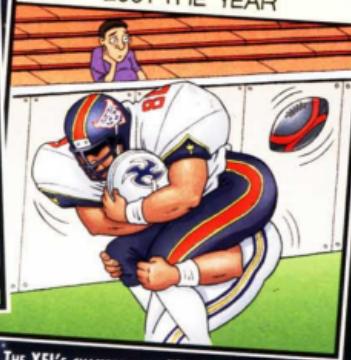
THEATERS SHOWING *MOULIN ROUGE*

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AN INEXPLICABLE CATASTROPHE ENDING AN ILL-FATED MISSION.

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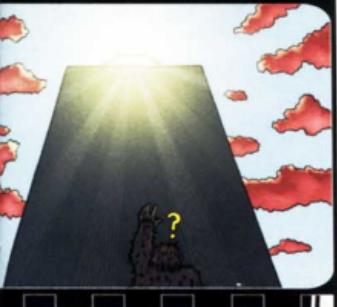
AN ASTONISHING FEAT OF ENGINEERING BRILLIANCE

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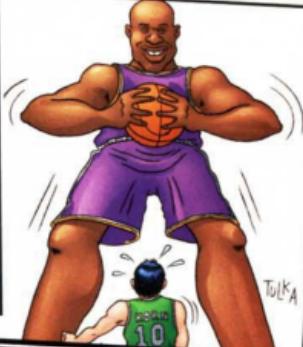
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RODEO BRONCO, 3 So your whining little daughter wants a pony, does she? She'll shut up real quick after a ride on Ol' Rowdy! 1-853-555-8000



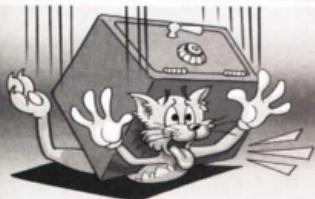
SHEEPDOG, 5 Loving and diligent. Favorite foods include mutton and lamb chops. 555-0345



COCKATIEL, 7 Highly intelligent, approx. 10,000 word vocab. Stubby can't actually speak any of the words, but he does know them. Trust me. 555-4381



PIGEON, 3-6ish Tri-colored (light gray, gray, and dark gray). Millions more where he came from, like in your backyard. That's not my problem...getting rid of this one is! (555) 800-9000



CARTOON CAT, 5 Can withstand dynamite, falling pianos and being pushed off cliffs. 1-500-555-1967 (Ask for Hanna or Barbera.)



SPONGE, 23 Bright red, a colorful addition to any aquarium. Also handy for wiping up minor spills. 555-0033



RHINO, 10 Toilet-trained, reasonably housebroken. Horn is artificial, because I ground up the real one to use as an aphrodisiac. I think it's working myself, but my wife begs to differ. 555-5798



UNTAMED PIT BULL, 5 Named "Fluffkins." Loves people, especially when they're smothered in ketchup. 555-0065

HALF-PARROT/HALF-VULTURE, 4 Affectionate, talks a lot, mostly about death. 555-2301

SMALL, YAPPING ANIMAL, 4 Yorkshire terrier, maybe ferret, or possibly a lemur. Very cute and loving, whatever it is. 555-6700



SEEING EYE GREYHOUND, 7 Perfect for the blind sprinter. 555-1800

URBAN LEGEND PET SHOP

**COME IN FOR OUR OCTOBER SALE
ON HARD-TO-FIND ANIMALS!**

- Alligators found in sewers
- Rats thought at first to be Chihuahuas
- Pythons that came out of toilet bowls
- Jackalopes
- Spiders from beehive hairdos
- Poodles put in microwaves to dry off
- Cobras found in Persian rugs
- Gerbils of the stars...well, you know
- Cat who sucks the breath out of babies
- Doberman who choked on the hand of a burglar
- Earwig who entered person's ear and bored hole into brain

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BALANCING AXED DEPT.

For years, TV executives were bombarded with complaints that their shows didn't feature enough Hispanics, Blacks, Asians, Gays or Disabled people — and, conversely, that they portrayed way too many middle-class White guys. Ever fearful of boycotts, TV execs immediately attempted to fix these inadequacies. We'll give them "E" for effort, but unfortunately, their work is far from done. If they're truly committed to presenting fair and balanced entertainment, let them start correcting some of the annoying imbalances we've found. Here's MAD's guide to...

UNDER- and

Gay people who aren't flaming, prancing and constantly alluding to their gayness in cheap double entendres 24/7...are UNDER-REPRESENTED



Pissed-off athletes who blame God when their team loses...are UNDER-REPRESENTED

Well thanks a lot, Mr. Almighty! What, were you too damn busy to make my field goal go six inches the other way? You can **FORGET** about my donation to the church repair fund this year!



Trash-talking couples who think the best way to work out their differences is to go on *The Jerry Springer Show* and have a fist fight...are OVER-REPRESENTED



"Wacky neighbors" and "zany co-workers"...are way, way, way OVER-REPRESENTED



REPRESENTED OVER-REPRESENTED GROUPS on TV

Knucklehead guys in their twenties who put their own safety ahead of 12 seconds of "fame" on MTV...are **UNDER-REPRESENTED**



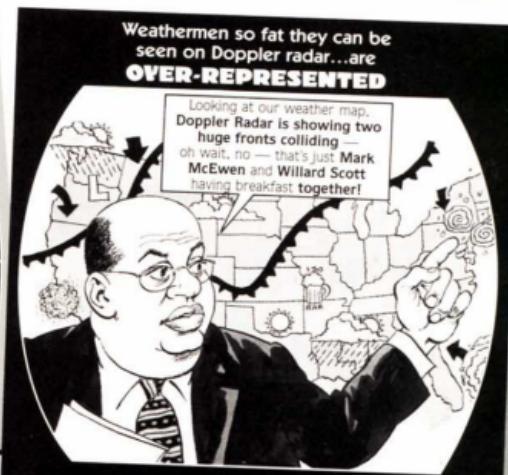
Lawyers who only care about getting justice for their clients and don't give a damn about lining their pockets with inflated legal fees...are **OVER-REPRESENTED**



WED mothers...are **UNDER-REPRESENTED**



Weathermen so fat they can be seen on Doppler radar...are **OVER-REPRESENTED**



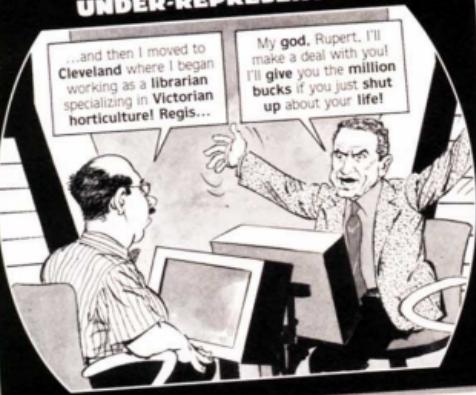
UNDER-REPRESENTED and OVER-REPRESENTED GROUPS on TV

Contestants on Who Wants To Be A Millionaire with at least one friggin' interesting anecdote about themselves are...

UNDER-REPRESENTED

...and then I moved to Cleveland where I began working as a librarian specializing in Victorian horticulture! Regis...

My god, Rupert, I'll make a deal with you! I'll give you the million bucks if you just shut up about your life!



Former rock stars who were able to handle their first taste of success and didn't blow millions on cocaine, hookers and limos with swimming pools in them...are

UNDER-REPRESENTED

...With his first Top 40 hit came happiness and financial security! Soon he was awash in T-bills, mutual funds and Education IRAs for his children!



Angels imparting life lessons so syrupy you just want to puke...are

OVER-REPRESENTED

You see, Philip, we were sent here to stop you from killing yourself!

God's will is like a flower, blooming in the rain of eternity! Each of us must open our heart to the dew on the petals!

I've changed my mind again! Give me the gun back! I want to blow my brains out!



Teachers who genuinely care about their students' education and who aren't burnt out by low pay, shoddy classrooms and obnoxious parents...are

OVER-REPRESENTED

Why do I teach? I teach because I believe in the children! I touch the future!

That's beautiful! I'm welling up! Either that or my cataract is leaking!



DARK ARENA

GAME BOY ADVANCE



TEEN (13+)

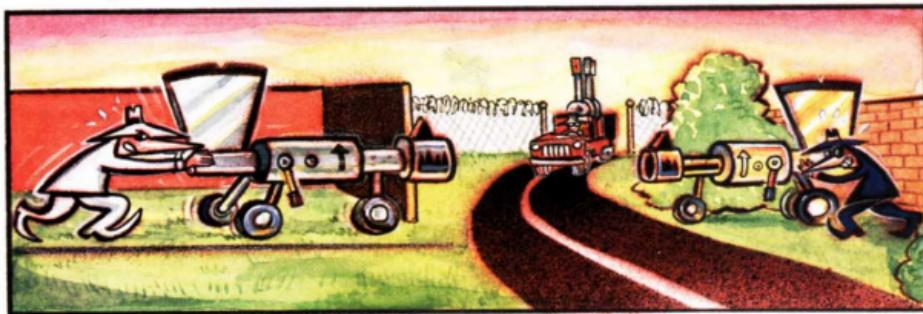
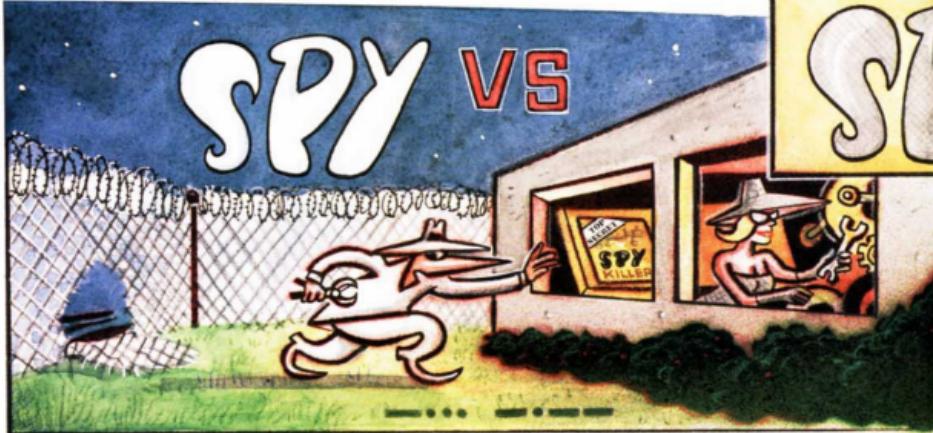
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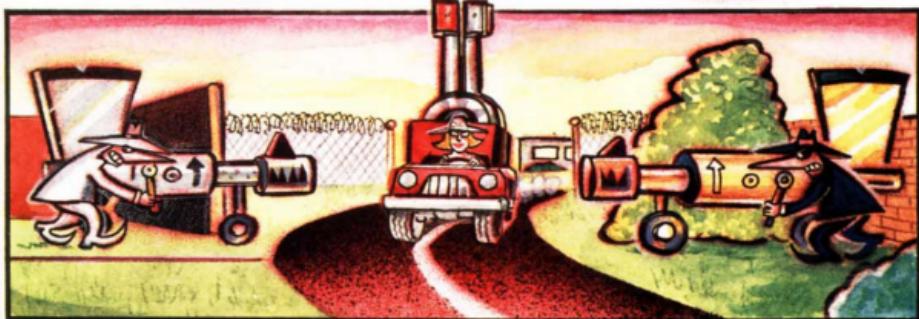


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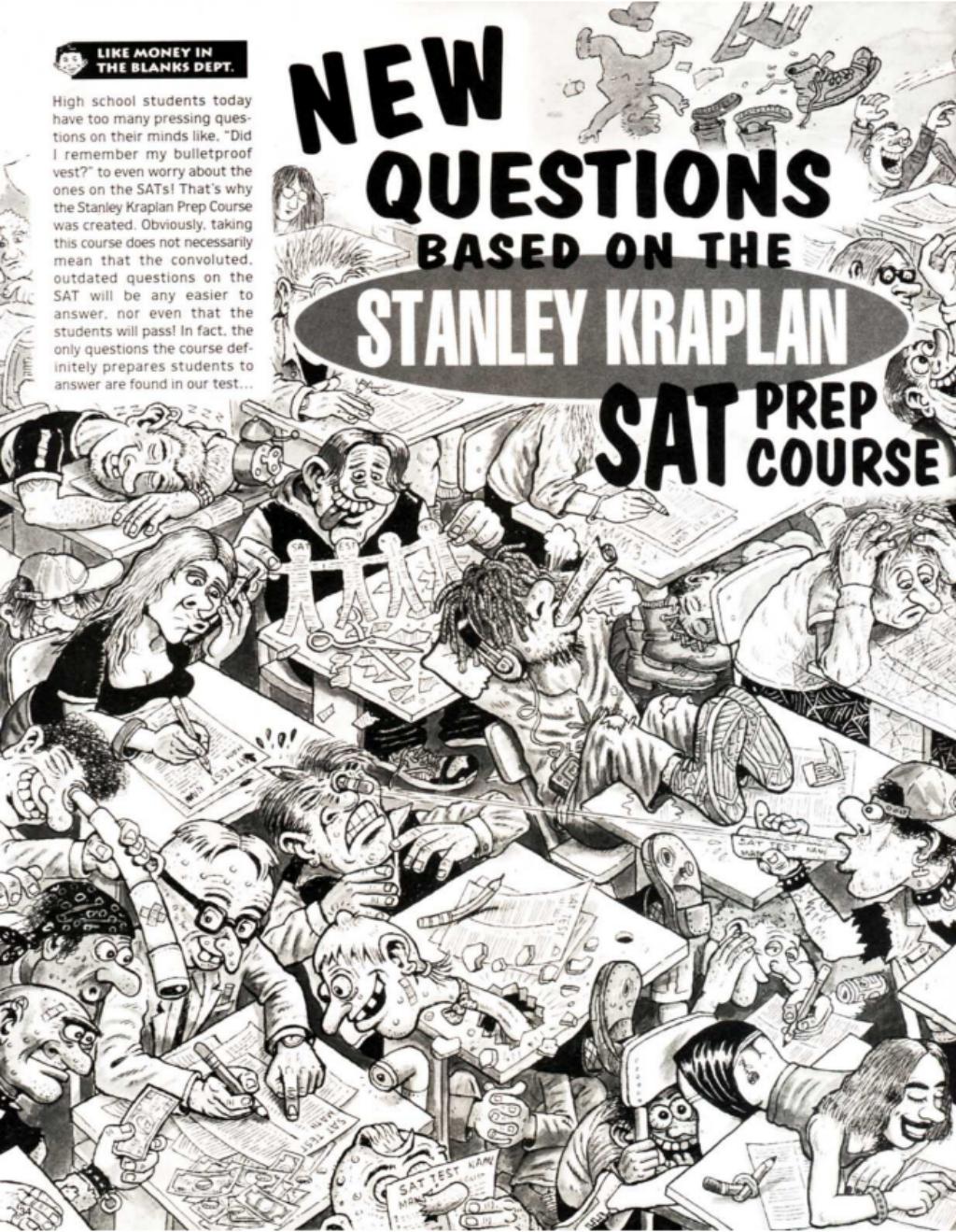
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Why wouldn't you risk your neck for it?

got chocolate milk?

LIKE MONEY IN
THE BLANKS DEPT.

High school students today have too many pressing questions on their minds like, "Did I remember my bulletproof vest?" to even worry about the ones on the SATs! That's why the Stanley Kaplan Prep Course was created. Obviously, taking this course does not necessarily mean that the convoluted, outdated questions on the SAT will be any easier to answer, nor even that the students will pass! In fact, the only questions the course definitely prepares students to answer are found in our test...

NEW QUESTIONS BASED ON THE STANLEY KRAPLAN SAT PREP COURSE



MATH SECTION

1. If your parents paid \$1,500 for a ten-week Kaplan Prep Course and later discovered you could have learned the identical material from an SAT prep book available at your local bookstore for \$14.95, how much money have they wasted?

(A) \$1,485.05
 (B) Enough so mom is forced to work the night shift at Wendy's.
 (C) $14^3 + \frac{64}{4} \left(\frac{6^2 \times 55.32}{3} \right) + \sqrt{81}$
 (D) All of the above.

2. The Stanley Kaplan company collects \$1,500 per student for a ten-week course. To determine the profit the company is making on each course, you would need to know what piece of additional information?

(A) Stanley Kaplan pays \$100 a month rent for a dingy basement classroom.
 (B) A minimum of 50 students is crammed into each classroom.
 (C) Instructors are paid 15 cents an hour above minimum wage to attract employees who might otherwise apply for a job at Burger King.
 (D) All of the above.

3. Tonight Brandon, a high school junior, needs to study Kaplan SAT vocabulary words for two hours, take a three-hour Kaplan practice exam, study for his Spanish midterm, and write a 15-page paper on the Cold War. If it's already midnight and Brandon needs to be at school by 8:30 a.m., which of the following must be true:

(A) To save time, Brandon will download a paper on the Cold War directly off the Internet.
 (B) Brandon will fail his Spanish midterm again, this time causing him to flunk out of high school — so it really won't matter what he gets on his SATs anyway.
 (C) Brandon will fall asleep during tomorrow's three-hour Kaplan session, which he does even after getting a full eight hours of sleep.
 (D) All of the above.

READING COMPREHENSION SECTION

Read the following passage and answer the questions:

Chances are that after you've slogged through four years of college and racked up 150 grand in debt, you still won't have any marketable skills. This means you'll move back in with your tremendously pissed-off parents who will badger you every moment of your waking life to "Get a job!" Soon they will start charging you rent to live in your very own bedroom. The only way to escape this miserable fate will be to attend graduate school. There are many types of graduate school: Law School, Medical School, Business School and others. All of them take years to complete and put you even further into debt due to sky-high tuition bills. They all require you to take another long and boring test just like the SAT. But don't worry! Stanley Kaplan offers helpful prep courses for those tests, too!

1. The main idea of this passage is:

(A) Attending graduate school is a great idea since it allows you to pay the Stanley Kaplan company another 1,500 bucks.
 (B) Stanley Kaplan is a humanitarian organization dedicated to turning losers living at home with their parents into highly paid professionals like doctors and lawyers.
 (C) If you don't go to grad school you might end up like the minimum wage slugs who go around college campuses hanging up neon fliers for Stanley Kaplan Courses.
 (D) If you go to grad school, your career options will double: you'll be able to teach twice as many Kaplan Courses!

2. The most appropriate title for the above passage is:

(A) Everything I Needed To Know I Learned From A Stanley Kaplan Course
 (B) Harry Potter And The Prisoner Of Stanley Kaplan Courses
 (C) "S" Is For Stanley Kaplan
 (D) Stanley Kaplan: Chicken Soup For The Perpetual Student
 (E) The Staggering Profits Of Stanley Kaplan



ENGLISH SECTION

1. If Joel, your Kraplan instructor, announces he scored a perfect 1600 on his SATs, the following is likely to be true:

- (A) Joel is feeling like crap because a guy who's smart enough to get a perfect score on his SATs should be doing something better than teaching a bunch of boneheads how to scrape up a few more points on a standardized test.
- (B) The Educational Test Service's Automatic Scoring Machine was broken the day Joel's exam was graded and a non-English speaking temp worker ended up scoring Joel's exam by hand.
- (C) Joel did score 1600, but only when you count up all the points from the three times he took the exam.
- (D) Joel copied the answers from some kid who actually spent his time studying rather than wasting his time and money on a Kraplan Course.

2. If Stanley Kraplan bilks parents out of \$1,500 for a ten-week prep course, the parents can best justify this by saying:

- (A) This is nothing compared to the \$150,000 we are about to blow on our kid's college education.
- (B) Once payment has been received in full, Kraplan provides dull #2 pencils and warm fountain water at no extra charge.
- (C) Kids who fail to raise their score 50 points get to take the class again for free. Thus, if you're a moron, the cost of the course is really only \$750.
- (D) On an average weekend, college students Jenna and Barbara Bush spend that much on booze alone.

3. SAT prep courses are often too pricey for poor students. This is fine with rich kids since it means the poor kids' scores will be lower. This situation can best be described as:

- (A) Fine with rich kids, since it means the poor kids' scores will be lower.
- (B) A good way to ensure the nation's elite schools will always be full of privileged rich kids in designer T-shirts who look great in college recruitment brochures.
- (C) The type of thing the WB Network could base a whole new drama series around.
- (D) All of the above.

4. Lately, there's been a lot of hoopla in the media over the fact that the high speed machines that grade tests like the SATs often make errors. This suggests that:

- (A) You could be gypped out of as many as 250 points. But don't feel bad — you won't find out until years later after you have already settled into a career in pest control and are too old to even think about attending college.
- (B) Your roommate at Yale could end up being a total moron, but the error that gave him an extra 800 points on his SAT probably won't be detected until he's already President of the United States.
- (C) The high speed machines were designed by a former Kraplan graduate.
- (D) All of the above.



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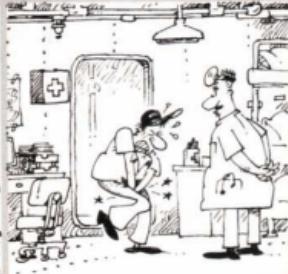
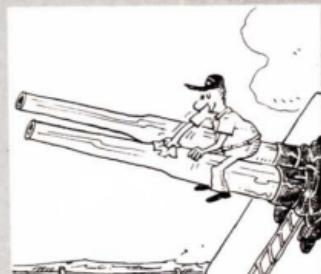
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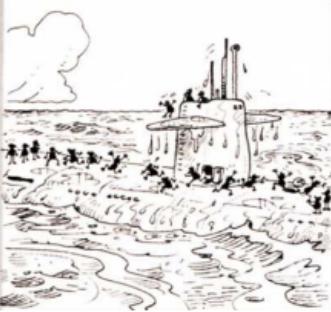
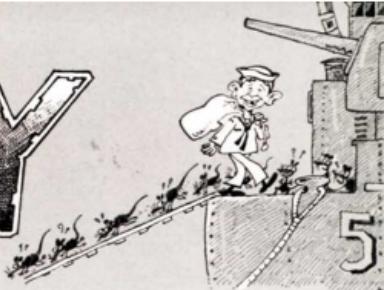


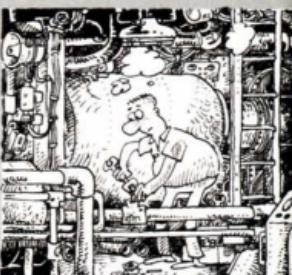
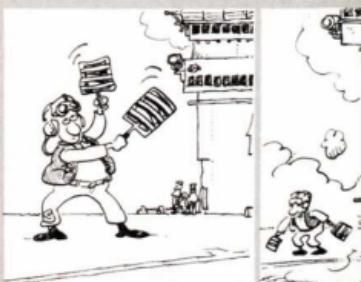
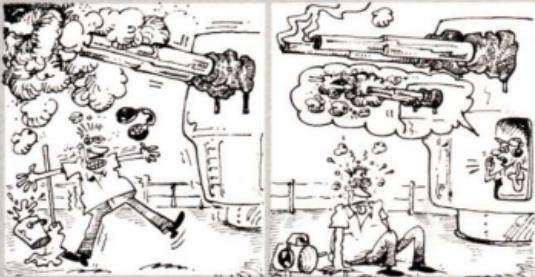
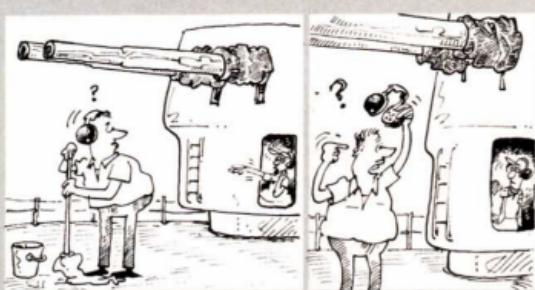
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A MAD LOOK AT



THE NAVY







Every year, magazines like *Premiere* and *Entertainment Weekly* concoct their master lists of The 100 Most Powerful Figures in Show Biz. Which always makes us wonder, "Uhhh, what's the point?" Do we really need some hack staff writer's list to know that one phone call from Steven Spielberg would convince any studio to greenlight the label on the side of a jar of Ragu? Does Tom Hanks cry out in horror if he "slips" from #7 to #9? And considering that 90 of this year's 100 names are the same names as last year, who cares? Instead of informing us that Julia Roberts is the #1 actress, why can't they tell us something we don't know...like, who's the #200,001 actress? They'll never do it, though. It takes losers like us to tell losers like you about the Hollywood losers who are...

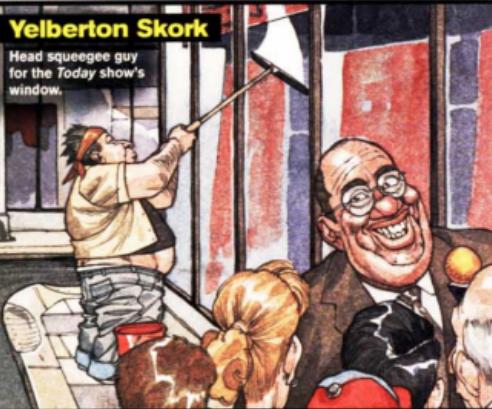
THE 25 LEAST POWERFUL PEOPLE IN SHOW BUSINESS

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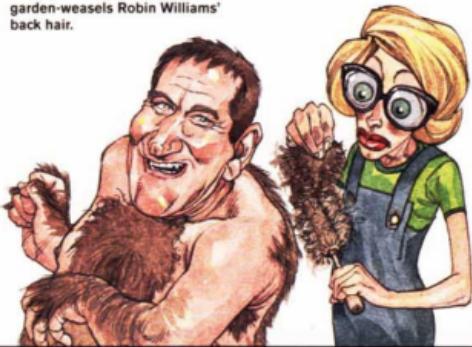
Yelberton Skork

Head squeegee guy for the *Today* show's window.



Millicent Sonnengum

The stylist who braids, waxes and garden-weasels Robin Williams' back hair.



Giovanni Bassett

Operates the pneumatic mylar finger that pokes the Pillsbury Doughboy in his stomach.



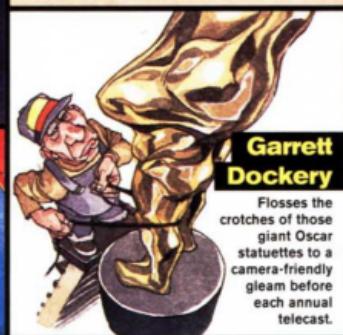
Weedy Snummings

Does the actual backstage lifting and moving on *Late Show with David Letterman*, while all the other stagehands and Teamsters are busy doing their deadpan incompetent schtick on camera.



Brendan "Ducky" Collins

Supervises snot, puke and diarrhea continuity for the Farrelly Brothers movies.

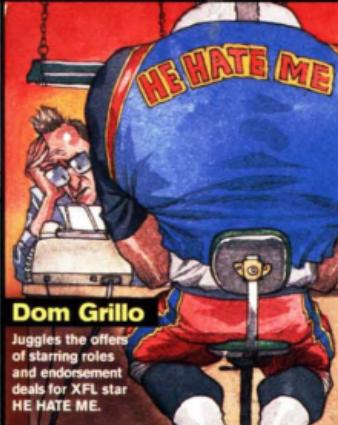
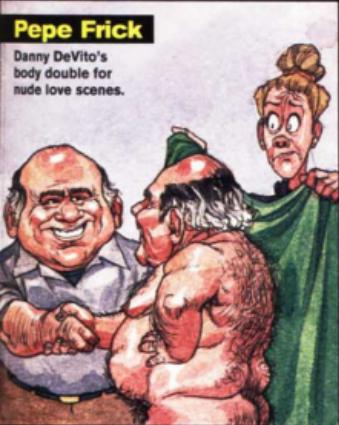


Garrett Dockey

Flosses the crotches of those giant Oscar statuettes to a camera-friendly gleam before each annual telecast.

Pepe Frick

Danny DeVito's body double for nude love scenes.

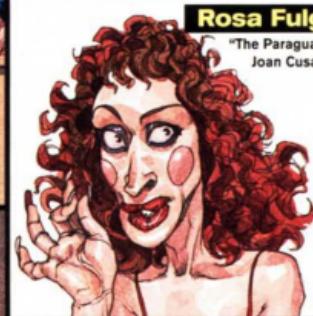


Dom Grillo

Juggles the offers of starring roles and endorsement deals for XFL star HE HATE ME.

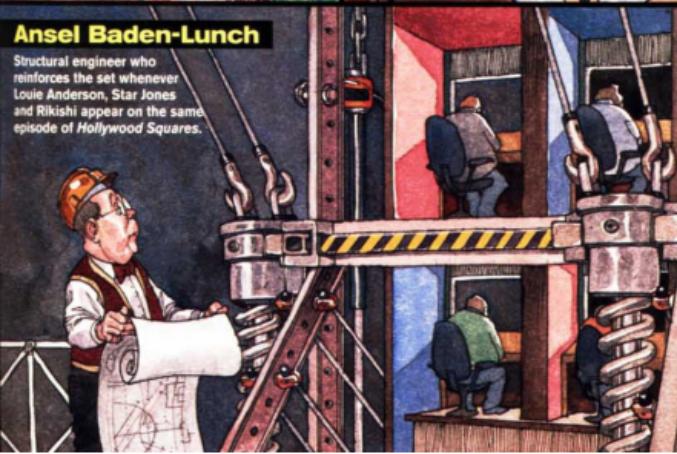
Rosa Fulge

"The Paraguayan Joan Cusack."



Ansel Baden-Lunch

Structural engineer who reinforces the set whenever Louie Anderson, Star Jones and Rikishi appear on the same episode of *Hollywood Squares*.



Wilson the Volleyball

Despite being in the #1 movie of 2000, this year, follow-up scripts are coming in kind of slow.



THE 25 LEAST POWERFUL PEOPLE IN SHOW BUSINESS

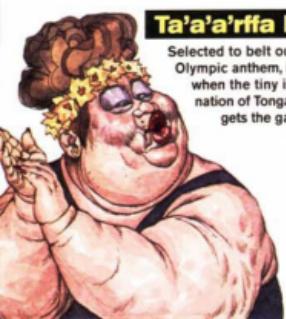
Kareem Skoom

represents Hank the Angry Drunken Dwarf for everything except *The Howard Stern Show*.



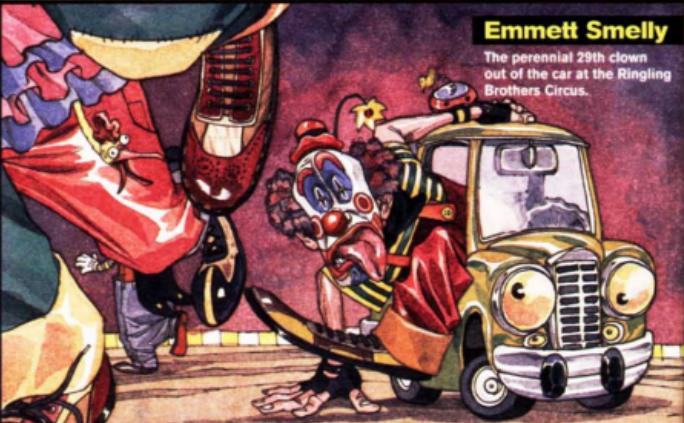
Ta'a'a'rffa F'a

Selected to belt out the Olympic anthem, if and when the tiny island nation of Tonga ever gets the games.



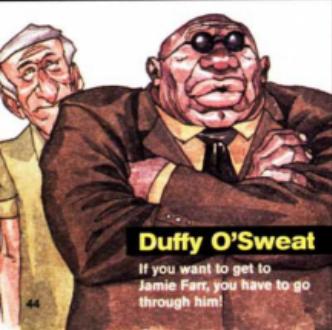
Emmett Smelly

The perennial 29th clown out of the car at the Ringling Brothers Circus.



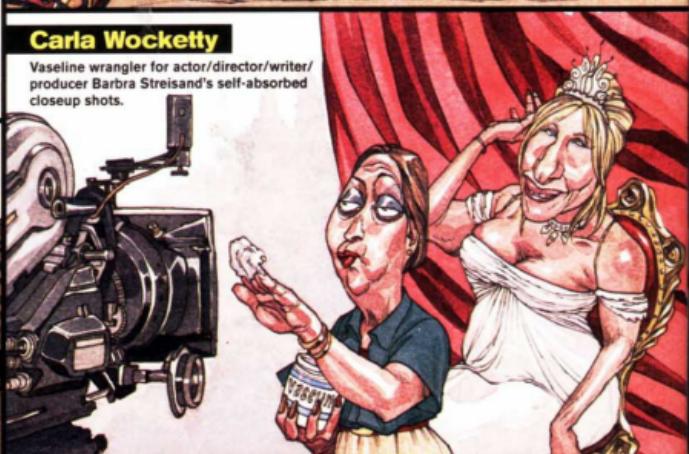
Carla Wocketty

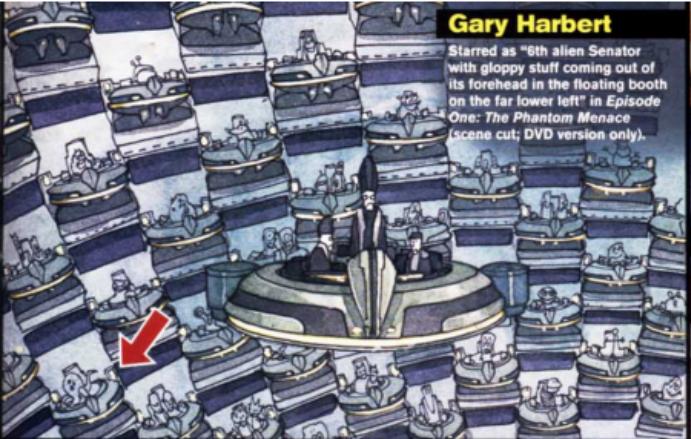
Vaseline wrangler for actor/director/producer Barbra Streisand's self-absorbed closeup shots.



Duffy O'Sweat

If you want to get to Jamie Ferr, you have to go through him!





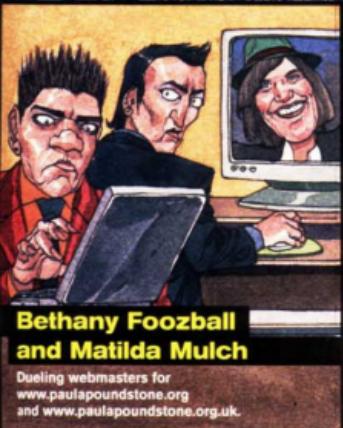
Gary Harbert

Starred as "6th alien Senator with gloppy stuff coming out of its forehead in the floating booth on the far lower left" in Episode One: The Phantom Menace (scene cut; DVD version only).



Amy Gugig

Cleans Larry King's old-man spittle out of his microphone, using only Windex and a toothpick.

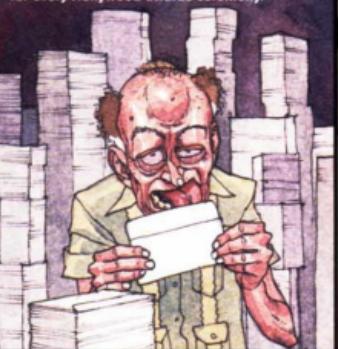


Bethany Foozball and Matilda Mulch

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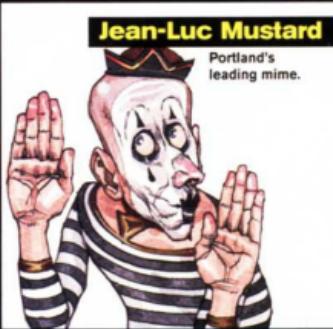
"Saliva Sid" Osprey

Personally licks and seals invitation envelopes for every Hollywood awards ceremony.



Kimby Wadsworth

Lower East Side New York performance artist whose in-your-face "jello head" dance remains as piercing a critique of the 1985 Iran-Contra scandal as ever.



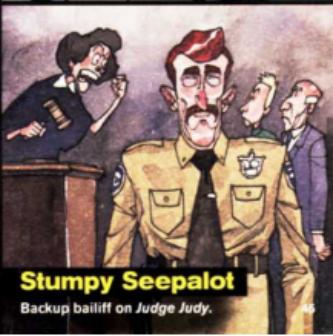
Jean-Luc Mustard

Portland's leading mime.



Grun-Heiqa Olsen

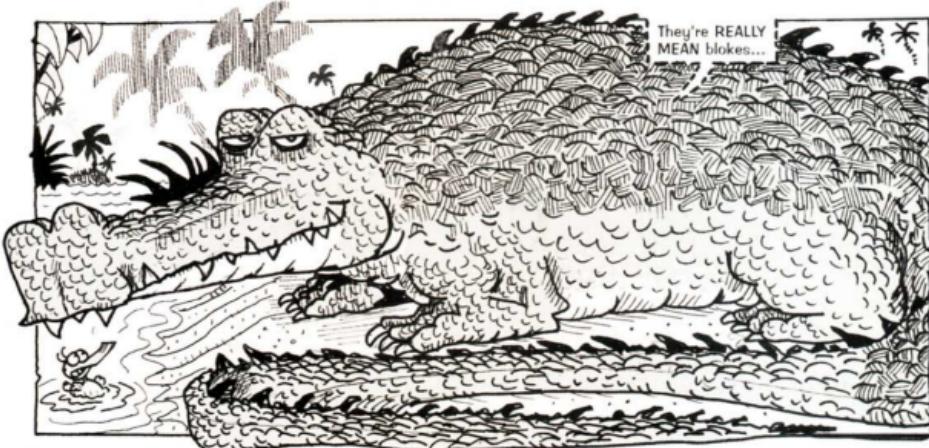
The unacknowledged third Olsen triplet, believed to be the talented one, whom Mary-Kate and Ashley keep locked up in the basement.



Stumpy Seepalot

Backup bailiff on *Judge Judy*.

A TU Scene We'd Like To See: THE CROCODILE HUNTER



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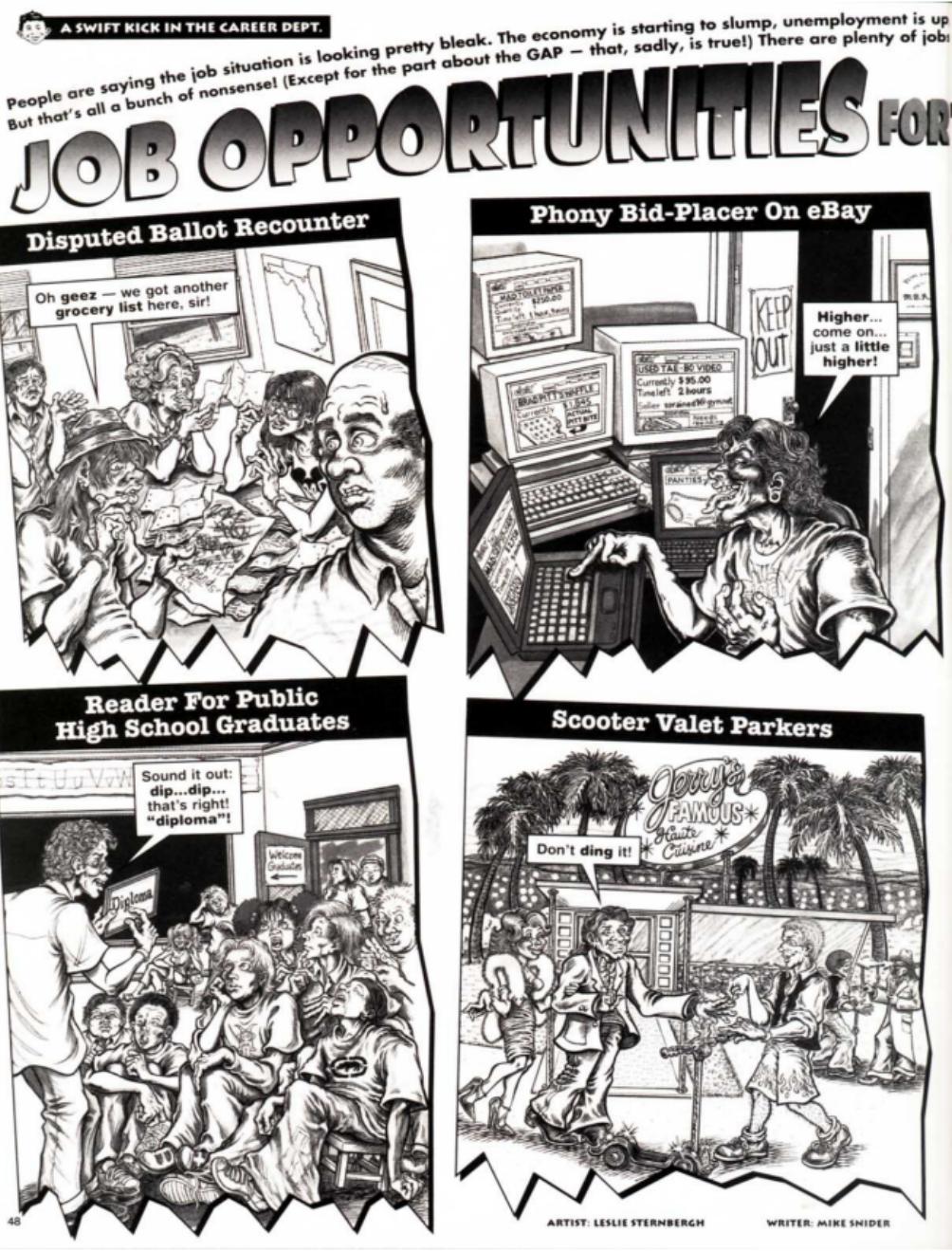
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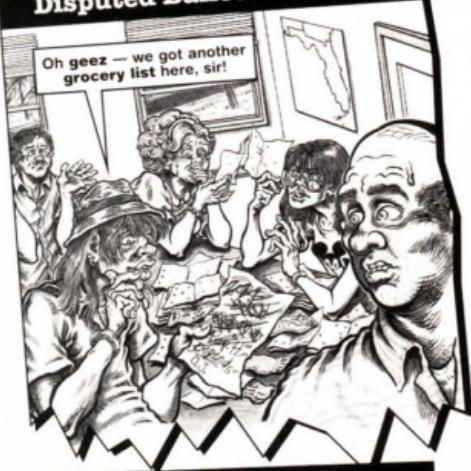


A SWIFT KICK IN THE CAREER DEPT.



People are saying the job situation is looking pretty bleak. The economy is starting to slump, unemployment is up. But that's all a bunch of nonsense! (Except for the part about the GAP — that, sadly, is true!) There are plenty of job opportunities for...

Disputed Ballot Recounter



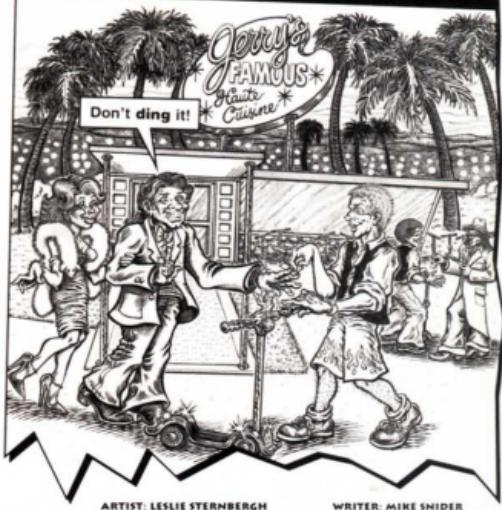
Reader For Public High School Graduates



Phony Bid-Placer On eBay



Scooter Valet Parkers



and, from what we hear, the GAP is not currently accepting applications for folders and sorters. Don't believe us? Then check out these booming new...
out there — and tons more being created every day!

THE NEW MILLENNIUM



Bulletproof School Cafeteria Tray Manufacturer

These'll resist up to two pounds of meatloaf, as well as any medium-gauge shotgun blast!



Psychotherapist for Depressed Former dot-com Billionaires

I understand how it must feel to have to take a job with Ticketmaster when just last month, you owned it!



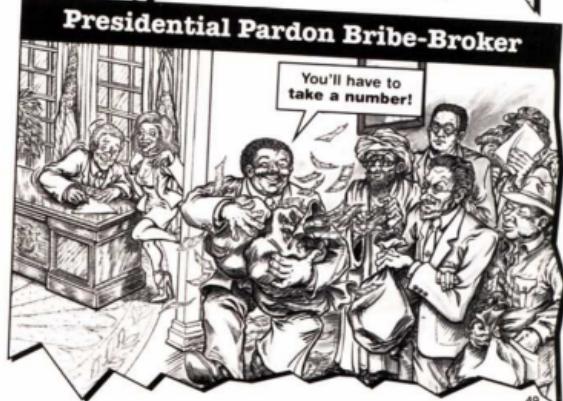
MTV's Jackass-Copycat Autopsy Technician

Mmm hmm — another case of severe 'nad trauma!



Presidential Pardon Bribe-Broker

You'll have to take a number!



JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM

Studio-Paid Robert Downey, Jr. Tracker

...subject walking! No drugs
visible...still no drugs...no smoking,
snorting or shooting up!
Everything A-Okay...oh no! He just
bumped into Matthew Perry!

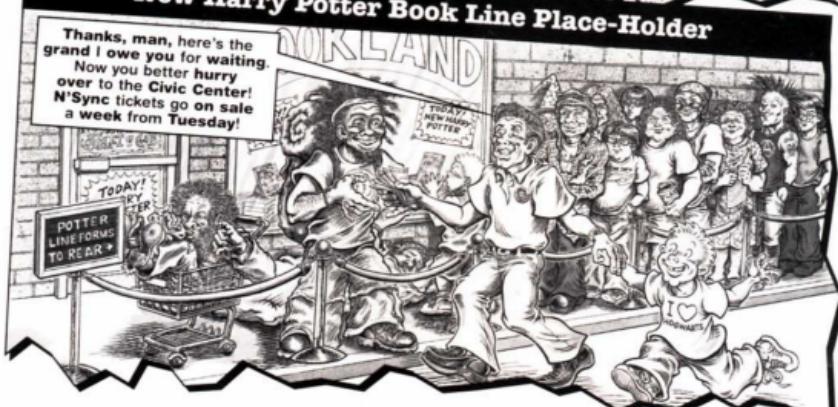


Tom Hanks Award Polisher



New Harry Potter Book Line Place-Holder

Thanks, man, here's the
grand I owe you for waiting.
Now you better hurry
over to the Civic Center!
N'Sync tickets go on sale
a week from Tuesday!



The West Wing's President Bartlet is quite a guy – he's honorable, dignified and heroic – even when he lies! Yes, he's that rare politician we actually like. The only problem is that he's fictional. Which brings us to the current inhabitant of the Oval Office, George W. Bush, who we wish was fictional! The bad news is he's real and he's different from Bartlet in lots of other important ways too, as we astutely point out with...

IN THE BARTLET WEST WING...



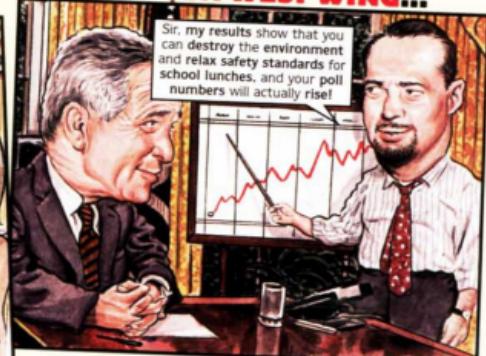
IN THE BUSH WEST WING...

In the BARTLET WEST WING...



...the President's pollster is deaf.

In the BUSH WEST WING...



...the President's pollster is dumb.

In the **BARTLET WEST WING...**



...the Chief of Staff is a take-charge recovering alcoholic.

In the **BUSH WEST WING...**



...it's the President who's a recovering alcoholic.

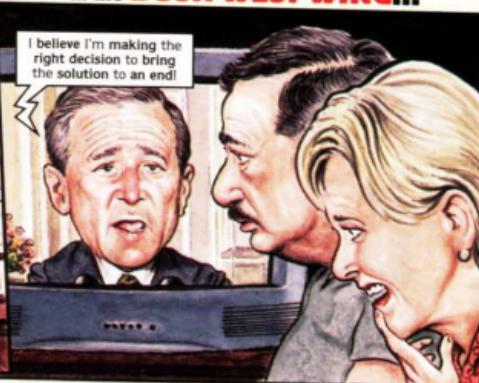
In the **BARTLET WEST WING...**



Oh my God.
I've disgraced
the office of
Lincoln!

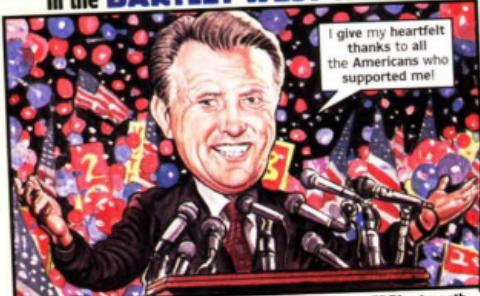
...the President is in a moral quandary because he hid his brain disorder from his staff and the country.

In the **BUSH WEST WING...**



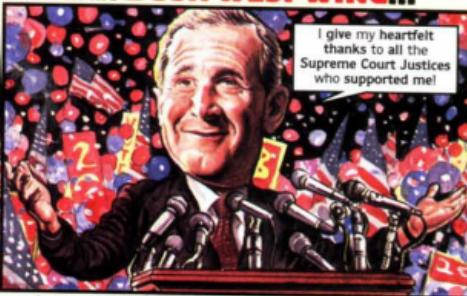
...everyone knows about the President's brain disorder.

In the **BARTLET WEST WING...**



...the President is a composite of JFK's idealism, FDR's strength in the face of adversity, and like Ronald Reagan, became President by easily winning the election.

In the **BUSH WEST WING...**



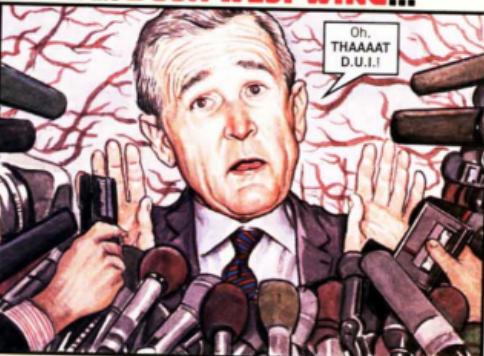
...the President is a composite of Herbert Hoover's economic sense, Richard Nixon's credibility, and like Gerald Ford, became President without winning an election.

In the BARTLET WEST WING...



...the President's secretary was killed by a drunk driver.

In the BUSH WEST WING...



...the President's campaign was almost killed by a drunk driver.

In the BARTLET WEST WING...



...the President comes from a proud family of New England pioneers.

In the BUSH WEST WING...



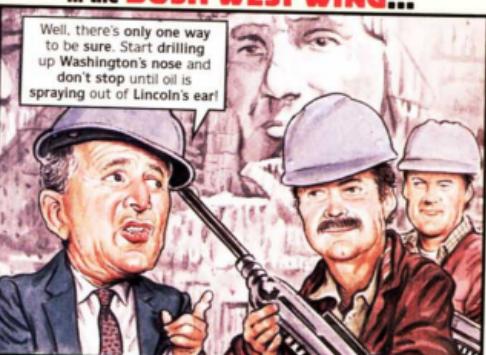
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In the BARTLET WEST WING...



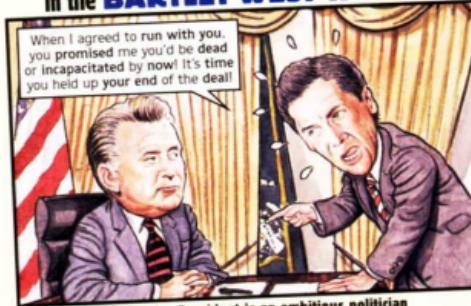
...the President believes that deep down, there is a noble decency in every American.

In the BUSH WEST WING...



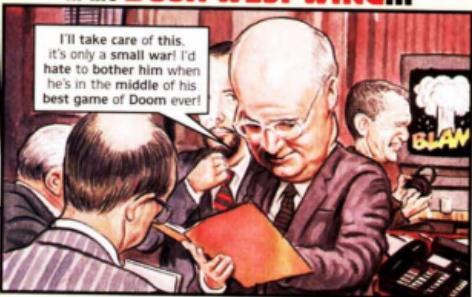
...the President believes that deep down, there is oil in every decent looking part of America.

In the BARTLET WEST WING...



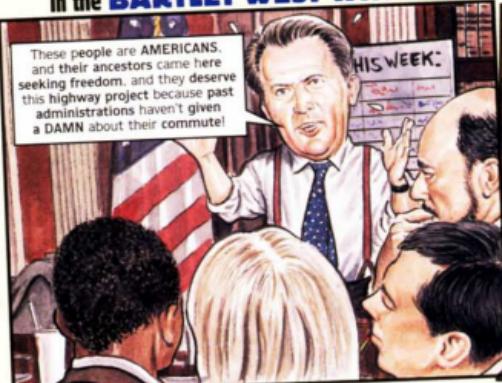
...the Vice President is an ambitious politician who longs to be President.

In the BUSH WEST WING...



...the Vice President pretty much IS President.

In the BARTLET WEST WING...



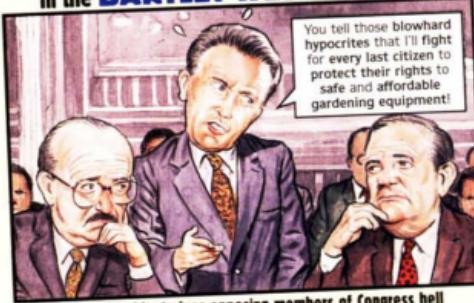
...they'd have us believe that all of the Executive Branch's motives are clear and pure.

In the BUSH WEST WING...



...they'd have us believe that burning three times the coal we do now will keep the air clean and pure.

In the BARTLET WEST WING...



...the President gives opposing members of Congress hell when they oppose his highly principled initiatives.

In the BUSH WEST WING...



...the President gives opposing members of Congress nicknames.



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CAUSE OF DEATH

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ODDS

1:1

Strangled by actress *Sean Young*, jealous over being replaced by her as "Most Psycho Chick" in Hollywood

5:1

Beaten to death by own flapping lips during windstorm

10:1

Drown in spit spray of video game nerds pestering her with details of how the movie *Tomb Raider* got it all wrong

13:1

Nagged to death by dad *Jon Voight* to get him more acting jobs since his own career's in the toilet

18:1

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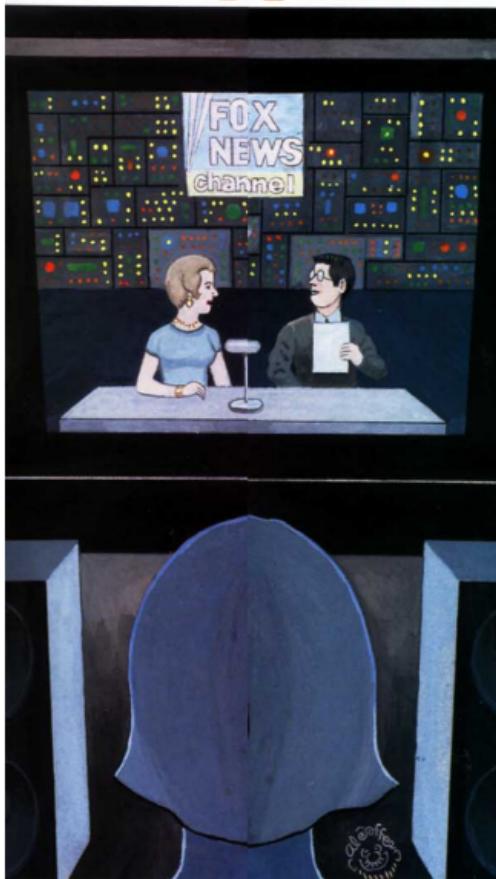
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HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS **MAD FOLD-IN**

People trying strange things to influence how they perceive their surroundings is not new. Drugs, alcohol and even hypnosis all alter peoples' thoughts. Lately, there is a new activity that has tremendous influence keeping people out of touch with the goings on in the real world. To find out what this activity is, fold page in as shown.



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WATERY EYES, RUNNING NOSES AND RETCHING
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BRIDLED RAVE SCENE. IT'S A WILD AFFAIR AND
UNBELIEVABLY, CROWDS VIE FOR THIS CAL-
AMITOUS EVENT. YOUNG, INEXPERIENCED
FOOLISH KIDS WATCH OLDER DUDES MIX
NEW FOUND JUNK TO PUT INTO THEIR BODIES



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