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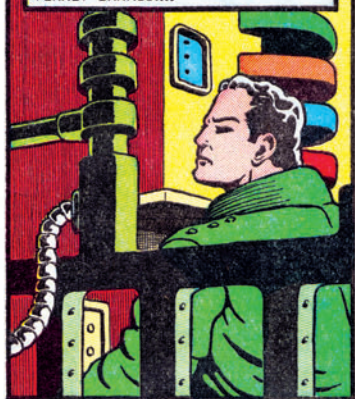
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• THE SUPERHUMAN ENEMY OF CRIME •

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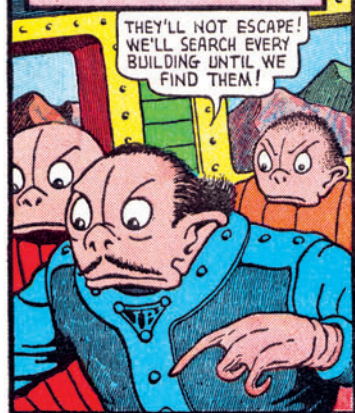
AS SPACEHAWK CRUISES THRU SPACE, HIS ALERT MIND CATCHES VIBRATIONS OF EVIL. WITH HIS POWERFUL ELECTROSCOPE, HE DISCOVERS THAT AN INTER-PLANETARY POLICE SHIP IS PURSUING A PIRATE CRAFT TOWARD THE PLANET URANUS....

THOSE PIRATES ARE LEADING THAT POLICE SHIP INTO THE CITY OF GARK! IT'S A PIRATE TOWN, AND THE POLICE WILL BE TRAPPED! PERHAPS I CAN GET THERE IN TIME TO HELP!



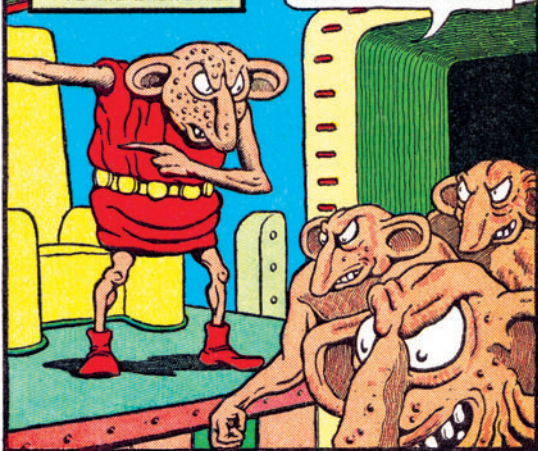
WHILE SPACEHAWK SPEEDS FORTH TO ATTEMPT A RESCUE, CAPTAIN DAKK, PLUTONIAN COMMANDER OF THE POLICE SHIP, SEES THE PIRATE CRAFT SLIP OUT OF SIGHT IN THE URANIAN CITY....

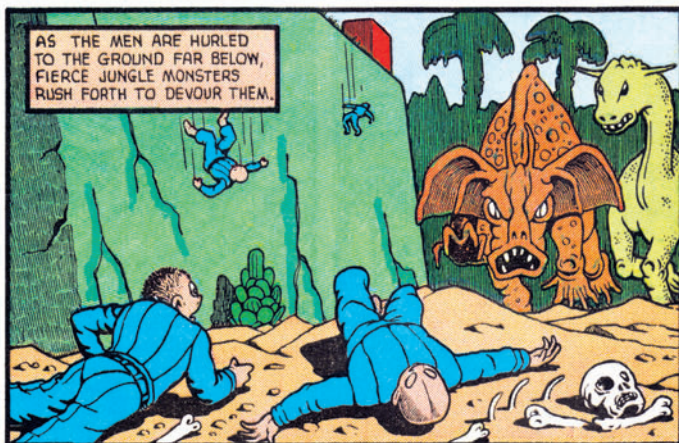
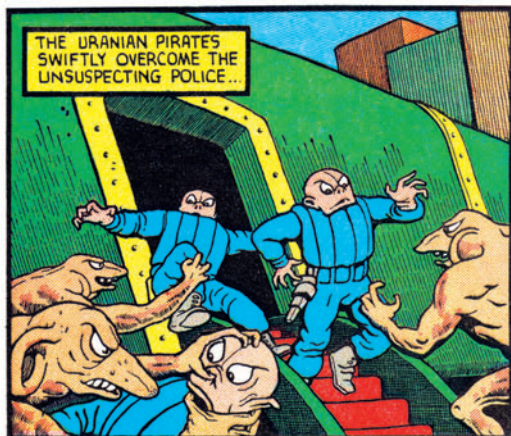
THEY'LL NOT ESCAPE!
WE'LL SEARCH EVERY
BUILDING UNTIL WE
FIND THEM!



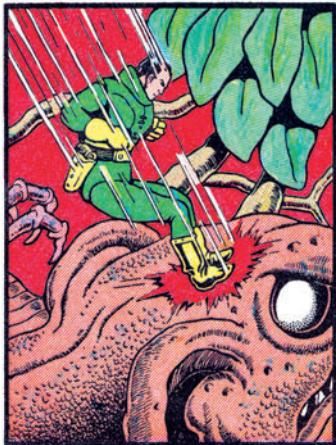
JUBUN, CORRUPT
RULER OF THE
CITY, ISSUES ORDERS
TO HIS BRUTAL MEN.

SURROUND THAT POLICE
SHIP AFTER IT LANDS! WHEN
ITS MEN COME OUT, SEIZE
THEM AND THROW THEM
OVER THE OUTER WALLS!

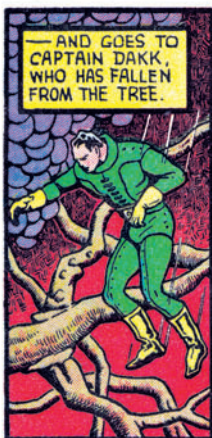




AT THAT
MOMENT
SPACEHAWK
DROPS
FROM
THE SKY,
AND
LANDS
WITH
DEADLY
IMPACT
ON THE
CREATURE'S
SKULL.



HE LEAPS FROM THE STUNNED BAT
JUST BEFORE IT CRASHES.....



—AND GOES TO
CAPTAIN DAKK,
WHO HAS FALLEN
FROM THE TREE.



SPACEHAWK!
IF ONLY YOU'D
ARRIVED SOONER!
MY CREW IS
DEAD, AND THIS
IS THE END
OF ME!

TAKE IT EASY,
CAPTAIN DAKK! I'LL
SEE WHAT I
CAN DO!



IT'S TOO LATE TO
SAVE MY BODY!
BUT MY BRAIN—
YOU COULD SAVE
IT! WITH YOUR
GREAT SURGICAL
KNOWLEDGE, YOU COULD
GRAFT IT INTO ONE OF
THE BEASTS OF THIS JUNGLE!
PERHAPS THEN I COULD
AVENGE MY MEN!

I'M AFRAID YOU
DON'T REALIZE
WHAT YOU'RE
ASKING, CAPTAIN!

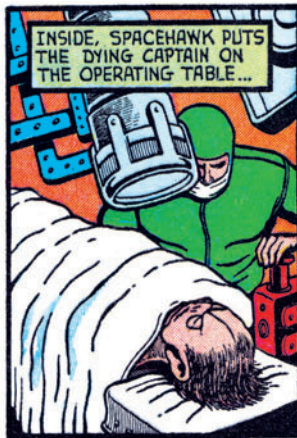


PLEASE! THERE'S
NOTHING TO
LOSE! I HAVE
ONLY A FEW
MINUTES
LEFT!

ALL RIGHT!
I'LL TRY!
BUT I
CAN'T SAY
JUST HOW THIS
WILL TURN OUT!

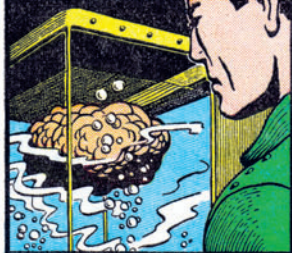


A TELEPATHIC SIGNAL TO
HIS ROBOT PILOT BRINGS
SPACEHAWK'S SHIP INTO
THE JUNGLE.....



INSIDE, SPACEHAWK PUTS
THE DYING CAPTAIN ON
THE OPERATING TABLE...

TEN MINUTES LATER THE PLUTONIAN'S BODY SUCCUMBS TO ITS WOUNDS, BUT THE BRAIN, CAREFULLY REMOVED FROM THE SKULL, REMAINS ALIVE IN A STRANGE LIQUID SPACEHAWK HAS PREPARED....



NOW TO CAPTURE SOME CREATURE IN WHICH TO PLANT THE BRAIN!



SPACEHAWK PATIENTLY WAITS AT THE DOOR OF HIS SHIP. PRESENTLY THE GROUND QUAKES WITH THE APPROACH OF A BEAST. THE JUNGLE GROWTHS PART, AND —



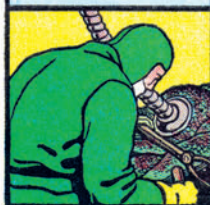
A MONSTROUS HORNOSAUR CRASHES INTO VIEW! LEAPING IN FRONT OF THE CREATURE, SPACEHAWK SPRAYS A POTENT ANESTHETIC INTO ITS NOSTRILS....



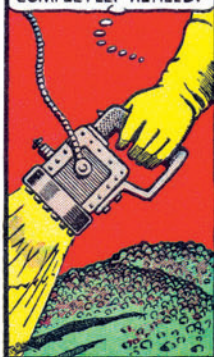
I'LL HAVE TO WORK FAST! NO TELLING WHEN SOME OTHER BEAST WILL DECIDE TO INTERRUPT THIS OPERATION!



LEAVING IN THAT PART OF THE BRAIN WHICH CONTROLS THE HORNOSAURS MUSCLES, SPACEHAWK REMOVES THE REST, AND SKILLFULLY SUBSTITUTES THE HUMAN BRAIN OF CAPTAIN DAKK.



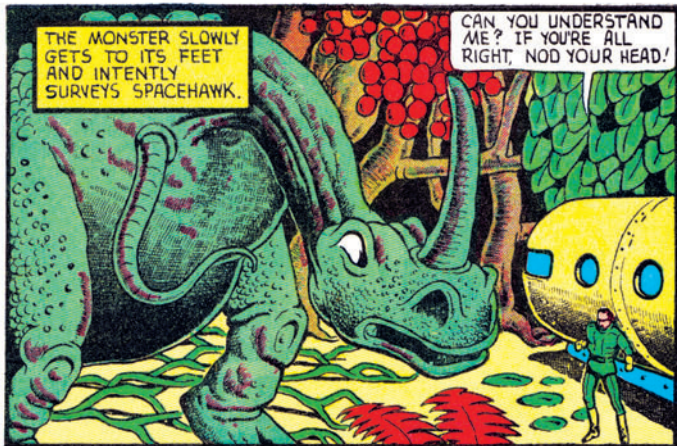
A LITTLE OF THIS RAY, AND THE INCISIONS WILL BE COMPLETELY HEALED!



HE SHOULD RECOVER FROM THE ANESTHETIC ANY MINUTE NOW! YES — HE'S BEGINNING TO MOVE!



THE MONSTER SLOWLY GETS TO ITS FEET AND INTENTLY SURVEYS SPACEHAWK.

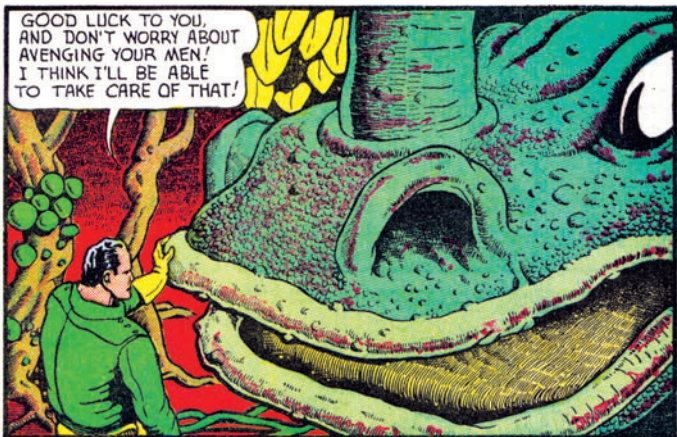


CAN YOU UNDERSTAND ME? IF YOU'RE ALL RIGHT, NOD YOUR HEAD!

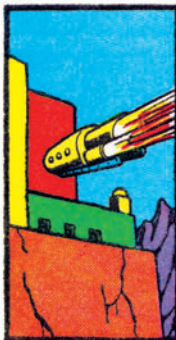
HE'S NODDING HIS HEAD! THE OPERATION IS A SUCCESS, BUT THE POOR BRUTE WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO TALK!



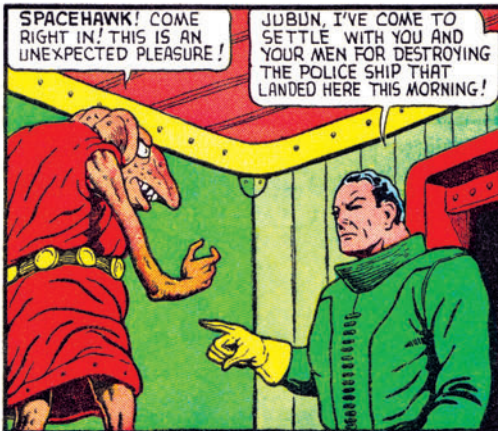
GOOD LUCK TO YOU, AND DON'T WORRY ABOUT AVENGING YOUR MEN! I THINK I'LL BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF THAT!



SPACEHAWK ROARS OUT OF THE JUNGLE, AND FLIES INTO THE CITY OF GARK.



SPACEHAWK! COME RIGHT IN! THIS IS AN UNEXPECTED PLEASURE!



JUBUN, I'VE COME TO SETTLE WITH YOU AND YOUR MEN FOR DESTROYING THE POLICE SHIP THAT LANDED HERE THIS MORNING!

BUT SPACEHAWK—SURELY YOU'RE NOT ACCUSING ME OF SUCH A THING! THE MOMENT I HEARD ABOUT IT, I ORDERED THE OFFENDERS CLAMPED IN THE TORTURE RACKS! I DON'T TOLERATE MURDERERS IN THIS CITY!

