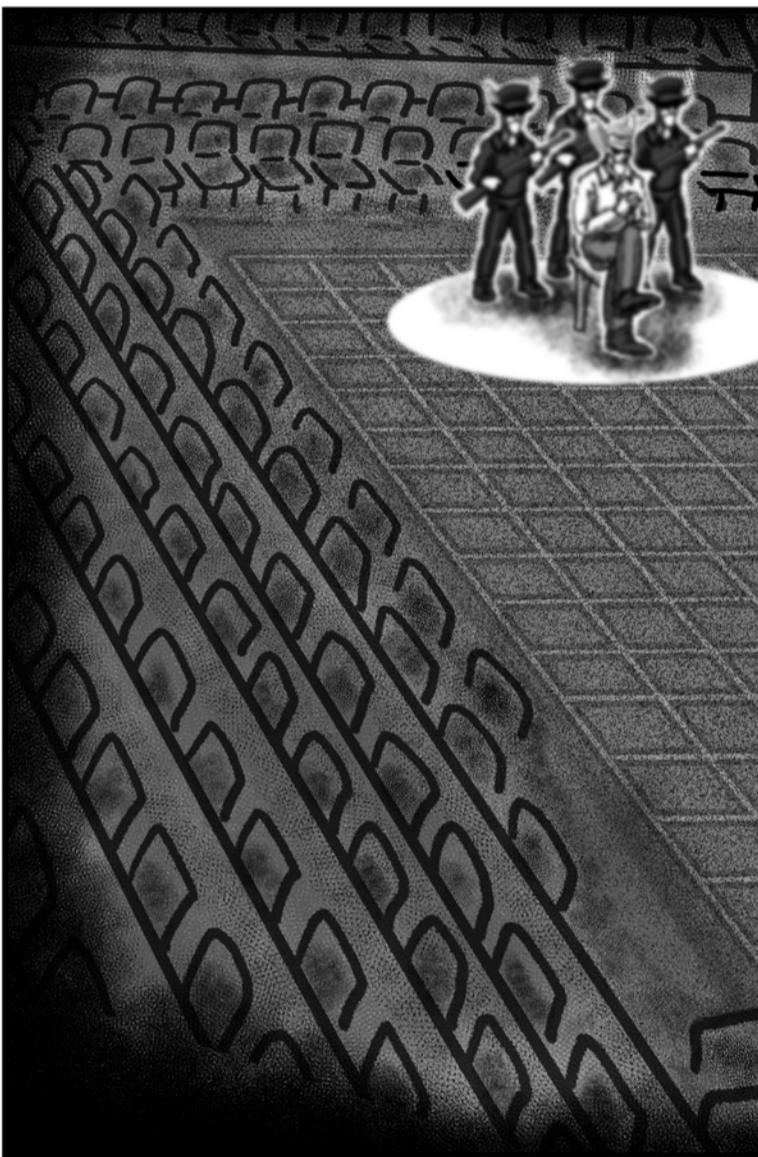


# THE HUNT FOR BLACK OSWALD





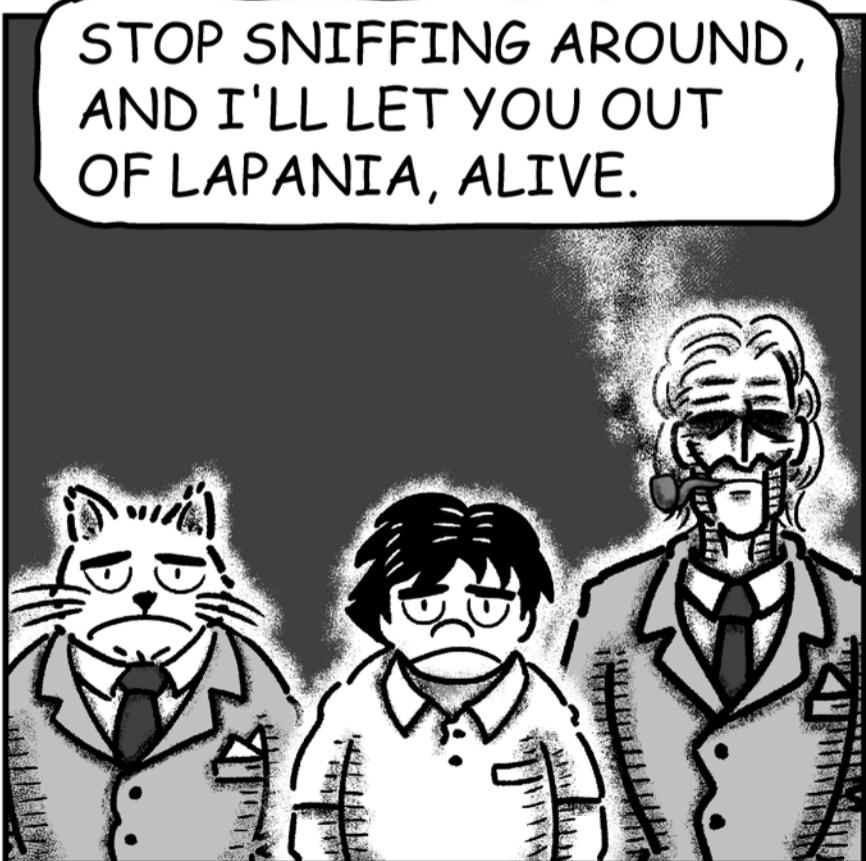
TAKE YOUR BLINDFOLDS OFF.



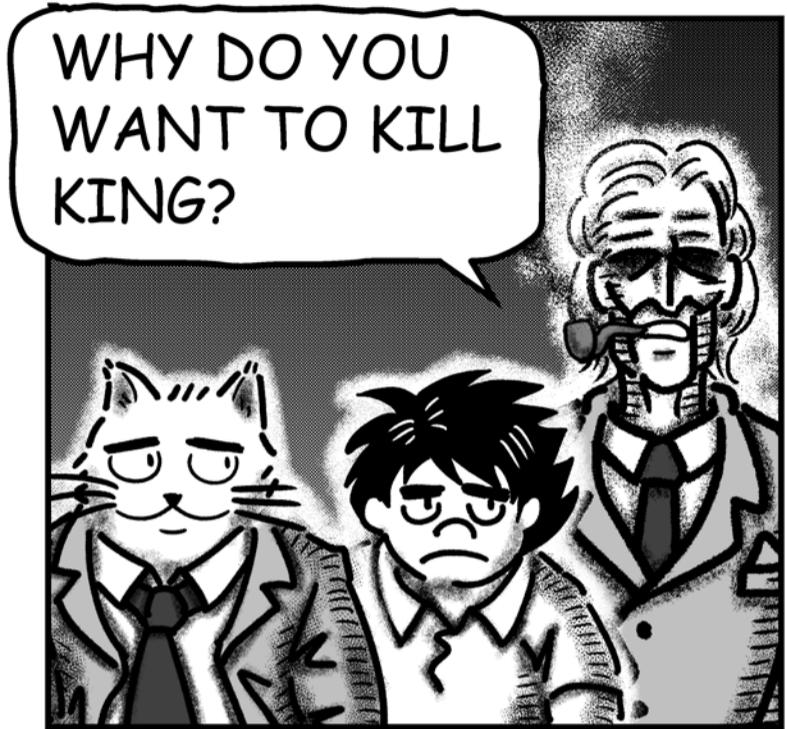
SO, YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR ME.



NOW, WE'VE MET.



STOP SNIFFING AROUND, AND I'LL LET YOU OUT OF LAPANIA, ALIVE.



YOU GOT A POINT, KOBAYASHI-KUN. HOW ABOUT YOU, PROFESSOR?



I NEED TO FACE THE DEVILS, INSIDE AND OUTSIDE.



THEN, WE ARE ALL SET!  
THIS MAKES IT EASIER FOR ME TO REPLAY.



LET'S MOVE!

21 STEPS FORWARD.  
THEN, TURN RIGHT ...



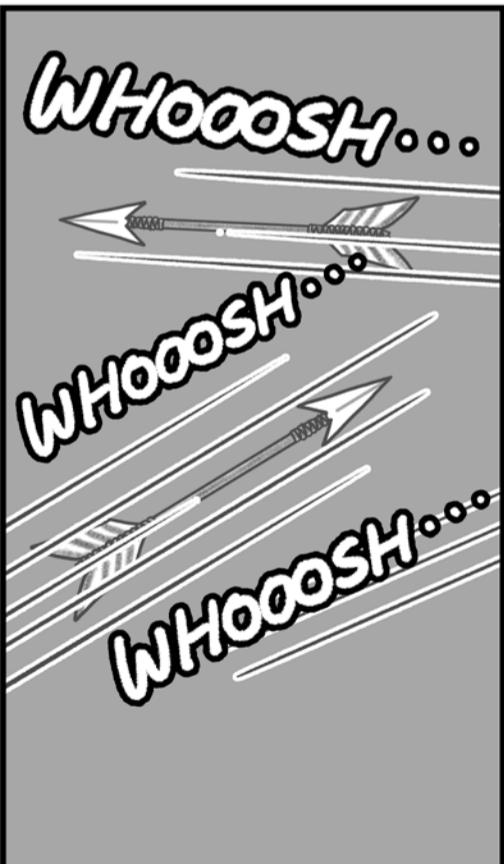
NOW, 7 STEPS FORWARD ...  
NO! IT'S 6 ...



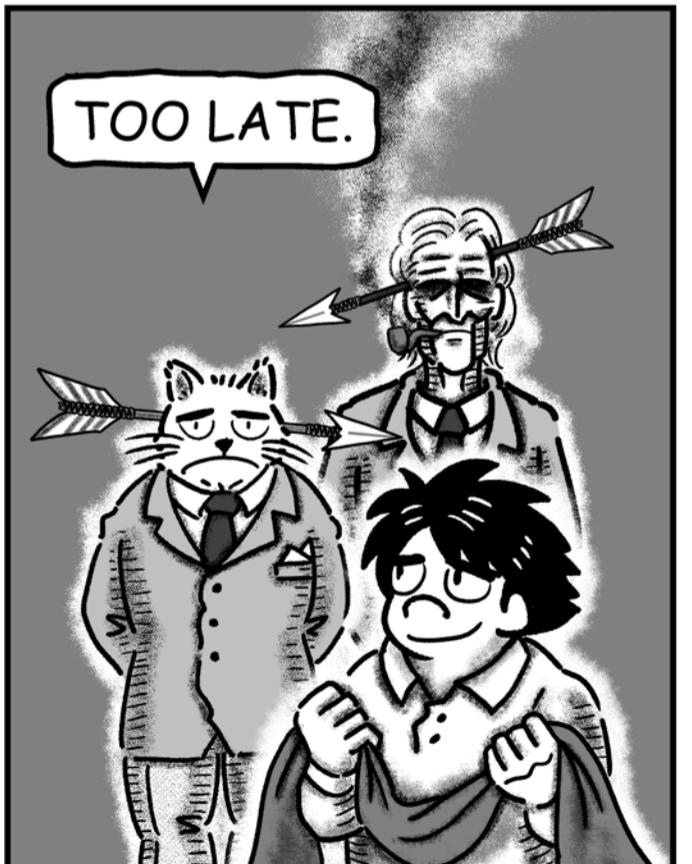
*WHOOOSH...*

*WHOOOSH...*

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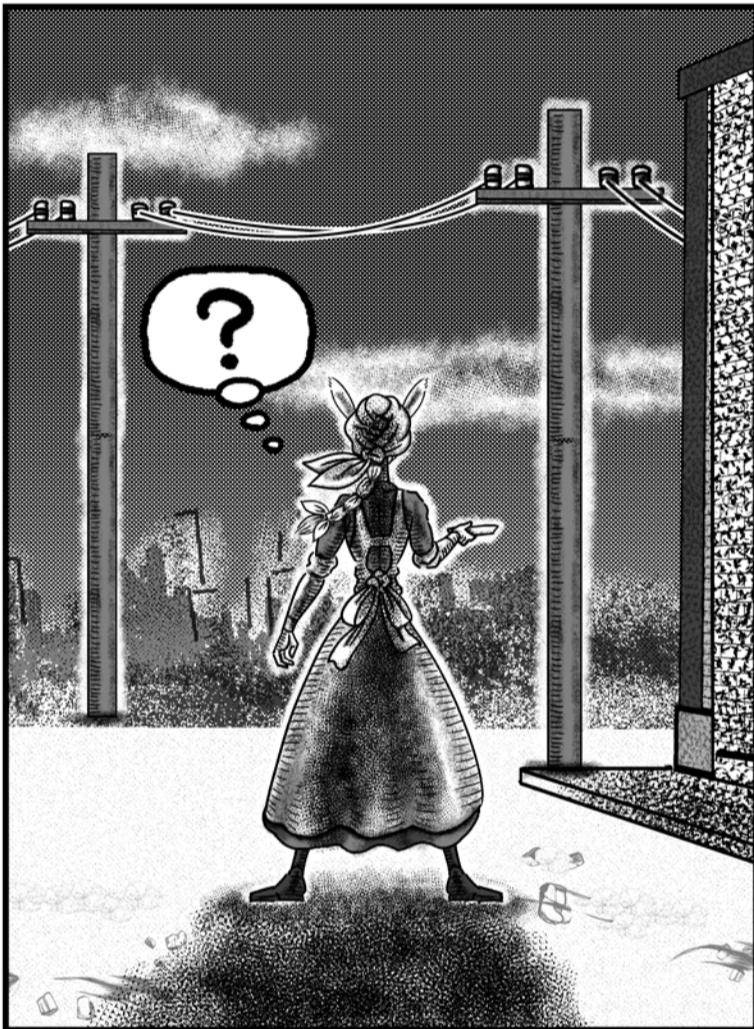


TOO LATE.





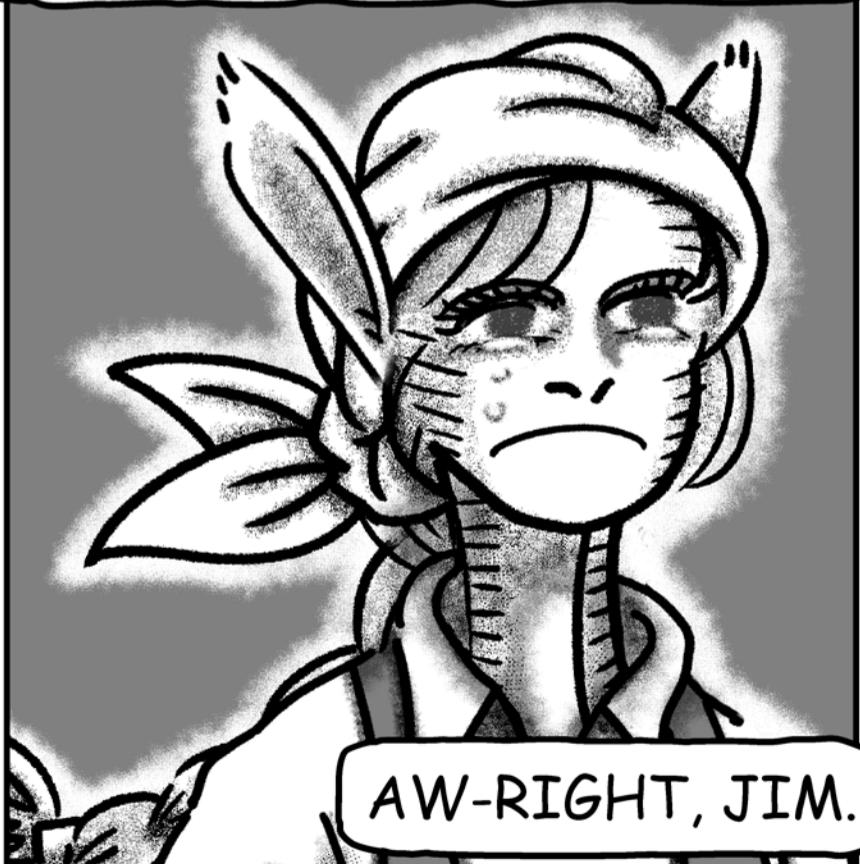
BIRD SEEDS!  
WHERE ARE  
YOU?



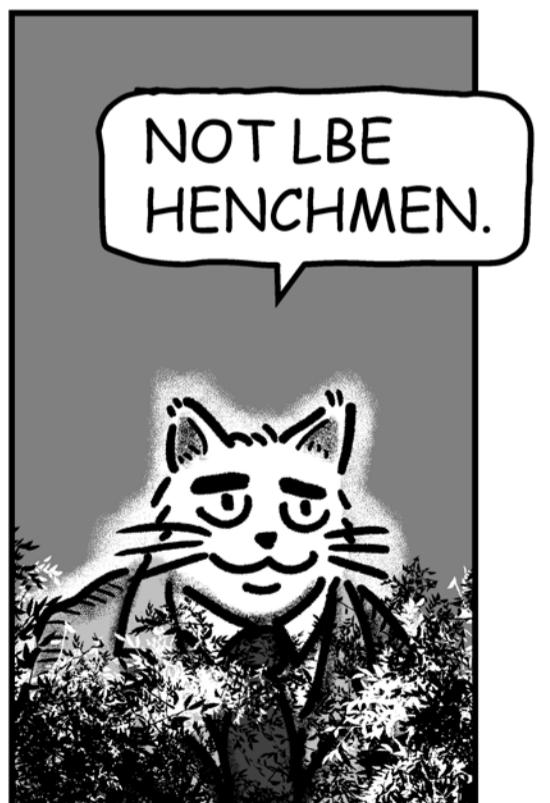
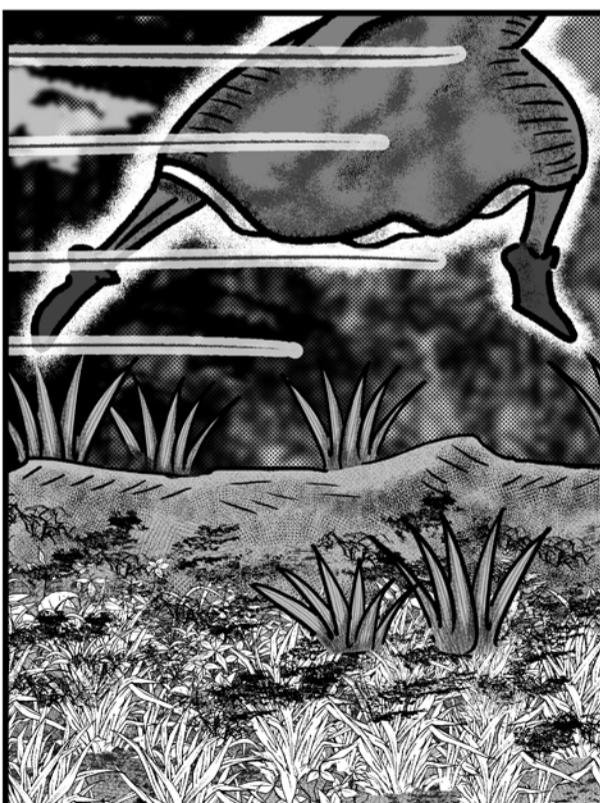
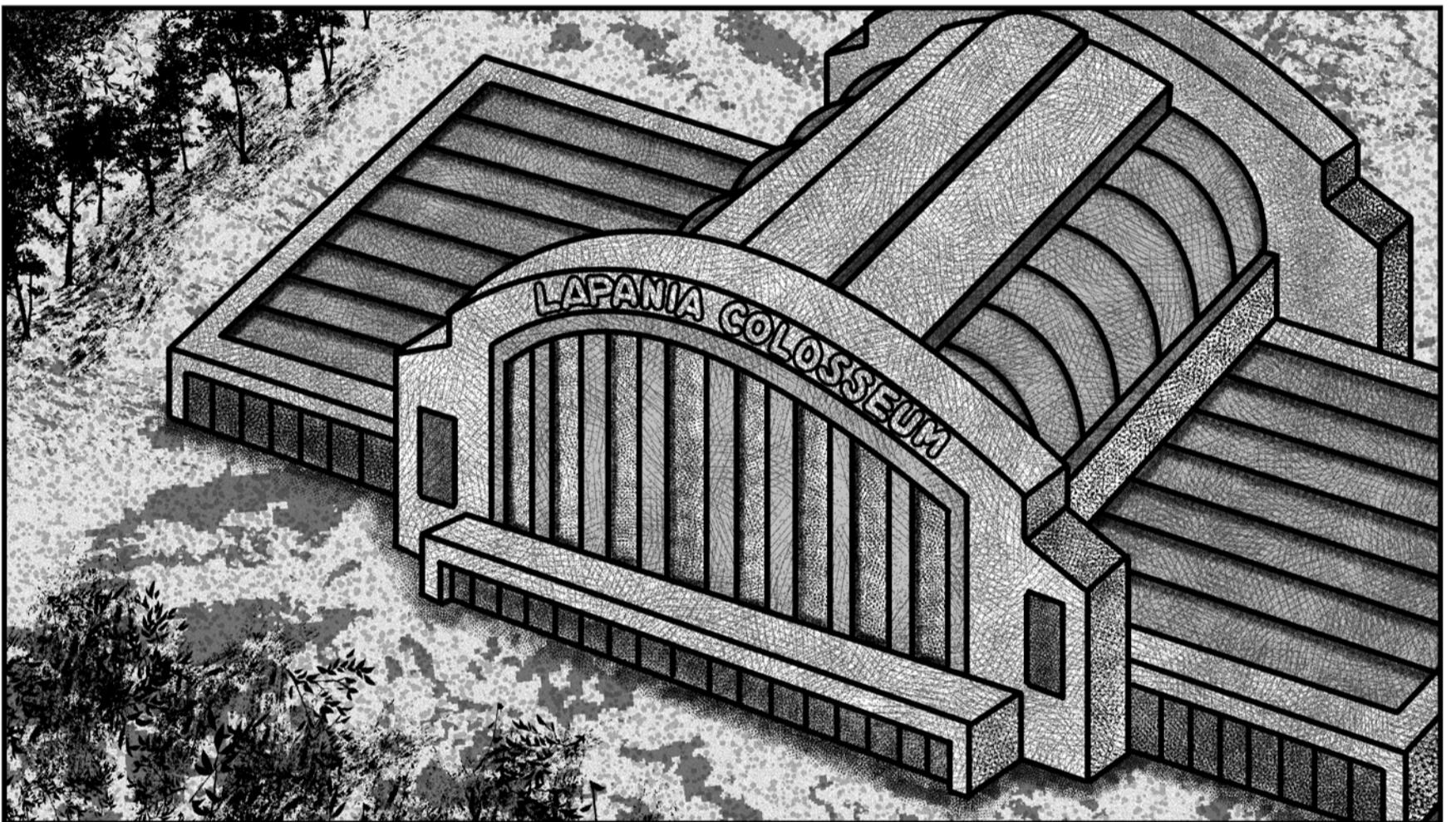
AH, ...  
GENE,

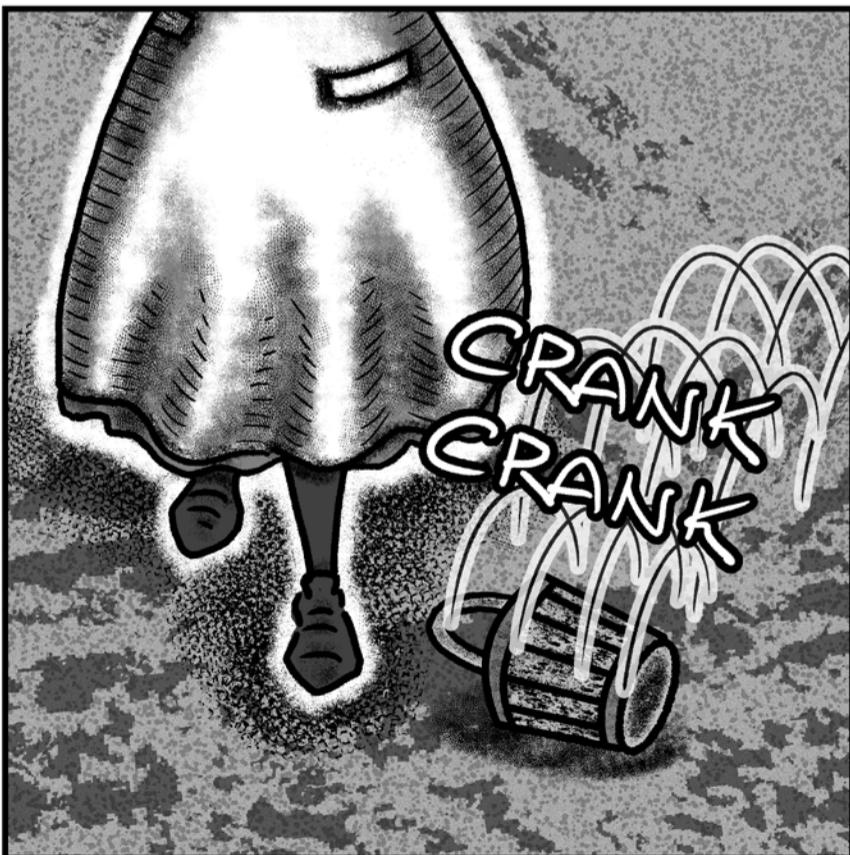
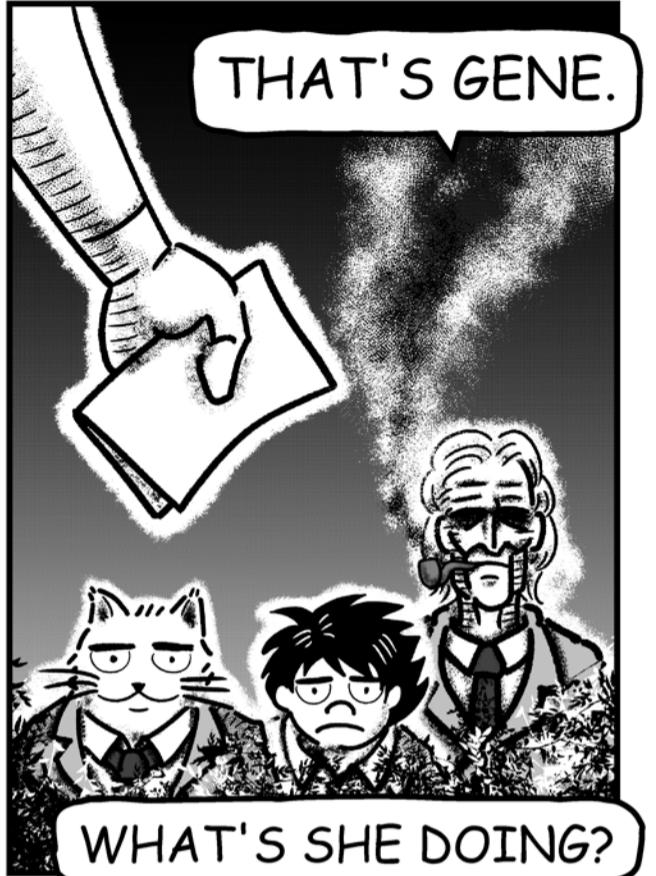
AYE, ANOTHER  
LETTER.

PLEASE, GENE. MAY BE, THIS WILL  
BE THE LAST COMMUNICATION.

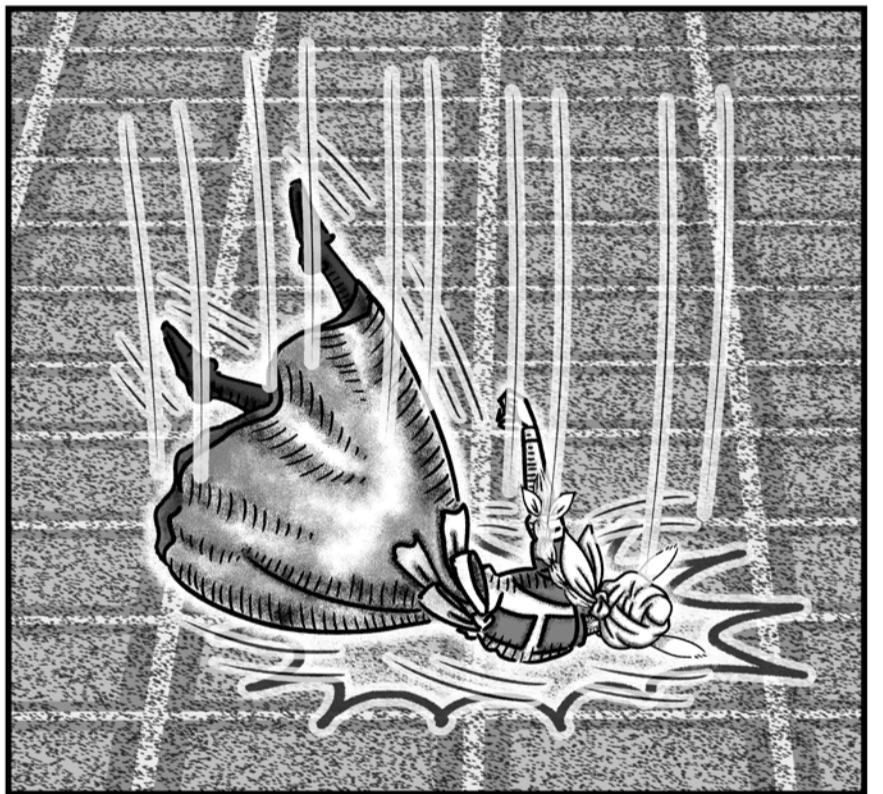
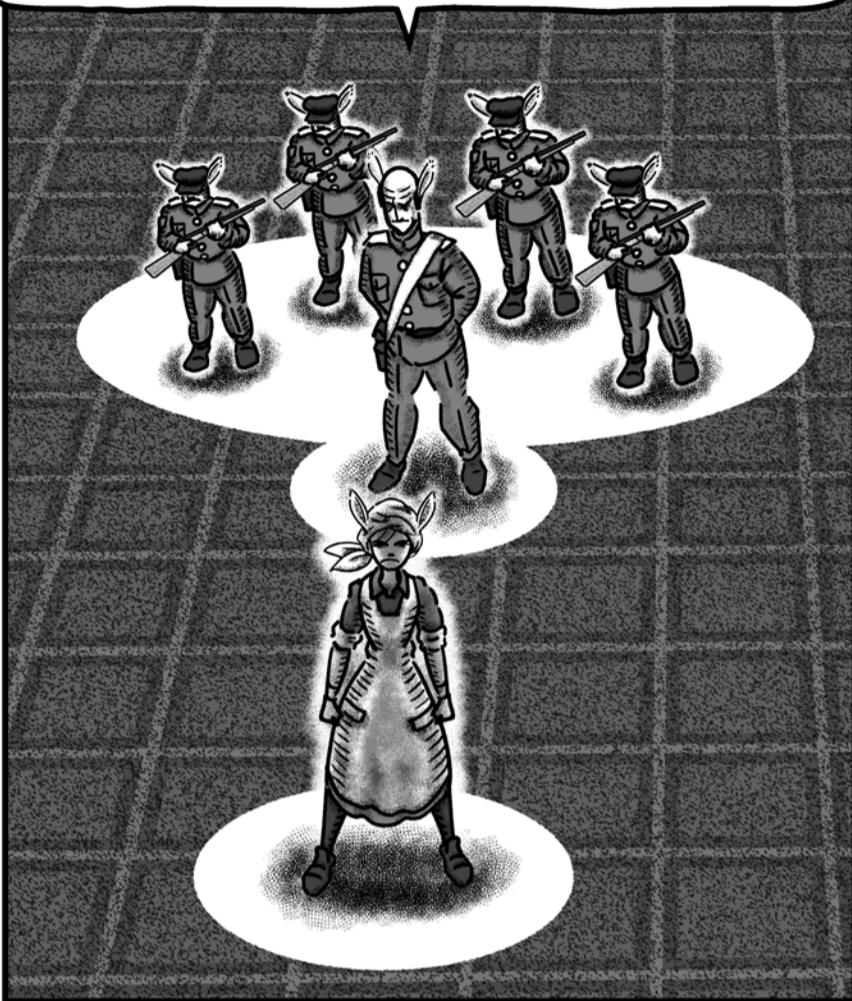


AW-RIGHT, JIM.





TELL ME WHERE BLACK OSWALD IS,  
AND I'LL LET YOU GO.



TAKE HER TO  
THE CASTLE.



DON'T MOVE. THEY  
WILL SHOOT US.





WE SHOULD VISIT G.I. BURGER. THAT'S A FOCAL POINT OF THE COMMUNITY.



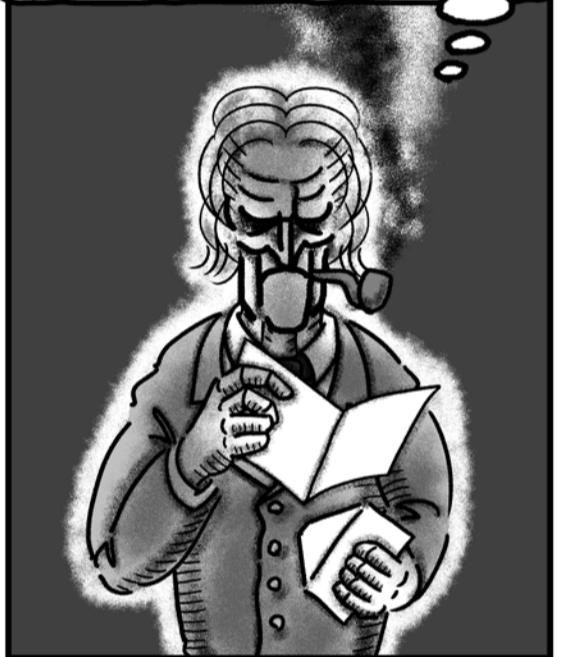
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LET'S MOVE. HURRY!



LETTER?

STRANGE. NOTHING IS WRITTEN. JUST A BLANK PAPER.



*To be Continued.*

*February 28, 2026.*