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FUNERAL FESTIVAL

By Carol Fondiller

The Venice Town Council passed a resolution condemning the festival funeral, but on a gray, hung over, muggy Sunday, over 300 Venetians followed the Canal Festival Funeral procession as it wound and struggled up the narrow bridges and crumbling sidewalks of the canals. The black-clad crowd stood quietly and patiently as the funeral wreaths were laid on each of the 21 lots that are up before the South Coast Regional Coastal Commission for building permits on October 4. They stood on the dusty lots and people talked about the little houses that had been there, and the residents that had lived in them, moved out by high rents, high taxes and terrorist activities per-

YES ON 14

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FARMWORKER INITIATIVE INSURES FAIR ELECTIONS

The United Farmworkers Union has launched its campaign to win passage of Proposition 14, The Farmworker Initiative, in the November 2 election. The initiative is designed to insure the right and the opportunity for farmworkers to have secret ballot elections.

Since 1935 when most workers were given unionization rights under the National Labor Relations Act, farmworkers have been excluded from the rights and privileges now taken for granted by many other workers. Last September the Agricultural Labor Relations Act (ALRA) was passed by the California legislature, giving farmworkers the right for the first time to vote for the union of their choice.

By February of this year over 350 farmworker elections had been held in the fields under the new law. The UFW won 205 of these and the Teamsters won 102. But the election process ground to a halt in February when the Agricultural Labor Relations board (ALRB), which oversees the elections, ran out of money. The elections have been stalled ever since, because grower-backed legislators have refused to vote more funds in the hopes of forcing through amendments to the ALRA which would be favorable to the growers.

Early this spring, the UFW called a boycott against Sun Maid Raisins and Sun-

Canals up for Grabs

The conversion of the Venice canals into a complex of luxury apartments and condominiums is proceeding at a rapid pace. Developers are seizing upon the opportunity to make some big money by pushing through their permit applications now. Following is the agenda of the South Coast Regional Coastal Commission. Community pressure can stop these developments -- as the people of Waverest Avenue have shown by successfully turning back a 5-unit condominium structure on their street last month. If you are concerned about preserving our community, show your opposition: be there on Oct. 4th.

SOUTH COAST REGIONAL COASTAL COMMISSION
NGHIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1976

TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
3031 Torrance Blvd.
Torrance, Ca. info: 590-5071

Permit Applications continued for Hearing and voting:

A-8475: Interior alteration to existing office, Suite E, and a 14x18 foot, 252 square foot addition to existing office, Suite D, at 14000 Palawan Way, Marina del Rey, by Immobiliare California, Inc.

A-8637: Construct a 184 foot rock revetment and a three foot high concrete wall between the existing Venice lifeguard station and the mean high tide, in Venice, by Los Angeles County Engineer.

P-8146: Construct two three story single family dwellings on adjacent lots, at 2502 and 2504 Grand Canal, Venice, by Sherman Grinberg and Stanley Black.

P-8214: Construct a two-story with loft, single family dwelling at 460 Howland Canal, Venice, by James Argyropoulos.

P-8215: Construct two two-story single family dwellings on adjacent lots, also a six foot high concrete block wall at

2503 and 2507 Patricia Court, Venice, by Jules Chaikin.

P-8216: Construct a two-story with loft, single-family dwelling at 217 Howland Canal, Venice, by James Argyropoulos.

P-8279: Construct a two story, single family dwelling, at 2320 Grand Corso, Venice by Philip Wood.

P-8314: Construct a two-story, single family dwelling at 226 Sherman Canal, Venice by Solar Systems, Inc.

P-8315: Construct four single family dwellings on four adjacent lots, all two story at 223, 225, 229 & 231 Sherman Canal, Venice by Solar Systems, Inc.

P-8316: Construct four single family dwellings on four lots - #210-two story two car garage and one car carport; #211-two story, two car garage and one-car carport; #213-two story, two car garage; #214-two story, two car garage; at 210, 211, 113 and 214 Linnie Canal, Venice by Solar Systems, Inc.

P-8317: Construct a two story single family dwelling at 235 Sherman Canal, Venice, by Alex Mlikotin (Solar Systems Inc.)

P-8318: Construct a two story single family dwelling a 240 Howland Canal, Venice, by Solar Systems, Inc.

P-8319: Construct a two story, single family dwelling at 422 Howland Canal, Venice by Solar Systems, Inc.

P-8472: Construct a two story, single family dwelling and patio garden, at 2509 Eastern Canal, Venice, by Dr. Martin Hass.

P-8543: Construct a two story single family dwelling at 434 Linnie Canal, Venice by Arthur Shekell.



sweet Prunes, whose owners were leaders of the grower coalition blocking passage of the ALRB funding bill. In April the UFW leadership decided to put the farmworker election issue before voters in the form of an initiative. In this way the UFW hoped to mobilize public support, which has been the farmworkers best ally in their long struggle.

Since the farmworker initiative campaign began, the pro-grower legislators have changed positions, and have recently voted to fund the ALRA. They want to prevent passage of the Initiative, because if it passes, the ALRA will be stronger and harder to change in the future. Though the immediate funding problem is gone, the UFW is going ahead with the

Initiative. Proposition 14 is the best way to guarantee that the same blockage in funds doesn't occur again.

If the Farmworker Initiative passes on November 2, it would become a part of the State Labor Code. Presently, the law can be changed by a majority vote of the legislature. As a part of the labor code, it could only be changed by a two-thirds majority of the legislature or by another initiative. Also, it would be written into law that the legislature must provide the necessary funds for carrying out farmworker elections.

Another important provision of Proposition 14 is the guarantee of limited access to grower property in labor camps, or are transient and don't have permanent addresses, it is essential that organizers be allowed to speak to workers on grower

property. The Initiative would allow organizers in the fields for an hour before and after work and at lunch breaks.

Proposition 14 would also require growers to give a union a list of their employees if the union was following the proper procedure to seek an election. In addition, the ALRB would be given the right to impose triple damages against a grower or a union which commits an un-

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fair labor practice. In other works, if a worker is fired for unfair reasons and is out of work for one week as a result, the ALRB can order the boss to reinstate the worker with three weeks of back pay.

The farmworkers and their supporters are prepared for a long fight to win the Initiative. In the works of Cesar Chavez, union president, "The Farmworker Initiative asks the people of California to insure that those who labor in our fields are never again deprived of the right to determine their own fate... The Farmworker Initiative campaign will be difficult and expensive--expensive for the growers, who will spend millions to defeat it; difficult for the farmworkers, who will sacrifice themselves and their time. But the growers have money, and we have time. We will match their millions with our bodies, our spirits and the goodwill of the people of this state."

The farmworkers will need the help of all of us to win their fight for justice. If you can donate time to help, or if you want more information, contact the UFW at 787 E. San Antonio, San Jose, 292-4651. -- Sally Cooperrider
(Reprinted from the San Jose Community News)



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LOS ANGELES
VANGUARD

A TOUCHY SUBJECT

CACTUS RUSTLERS

The Southwest is being invaded by a new kind of bandit--the cactus rustler.

Officials in Arizona say that hundreds of rustlers have been digging up the increasingly rare Saguaro cacti with arms like candelabras that grow up to 50 feet in height. The reason for the sudden interest in the cacti is that the rare plants can be re-sold on the underground market for as much as \$40 a foot.

The cacti, protected under Arizona law, grow at the slow rate of about one inch per year when young. A 50-foot specimen is usually 150 to 200 years old. State officials, attempting to stop the problem, say that "cactus theft, as profitable as cattle rustling used to be." ZNS

660 S. Venice Blvd.

by Michael Mollett

It's here but do we need it--another business, a depot for exploiting the Good Earth, the land we share, some of us?

Cactus is uprooted from the desert soil of our Southwest, the U.S. and Mexico. They dry and die in Venice. They will be shipped to dept. stores like pottery, dead or alive.

What happens to people these days may be less obvious and more indirect. But cacti are plants and they don't talk, right? They're just sort-of around to be used like furniture, unless they make a fuss of it and speak an acceptable language. It's happening to Venice too, being picked at and sold for the top buck. This kind of consciousness is killing us.

Giant five to six hundred year-old Saguaro cactus are living candelabras reaching up to fifty feet into the air, monuments of texture and slow sure grace. Their skeletons, ribbed and without green skin, are robbed from their graves, their beds of homeland, and piled by the street. What's left of them will be packed in cardboard and shipped to museums and private collectors for money. Who's paying anyway?

Do these merchants, the modern slave runners, even consider the lives dumped into their rented trucks and all the other living things which depend on these plants for food, shelter or reproduction? In death, as in life, plants change naturally and return to the soil as humus, minerals and nutrients to feed families of beings who as themselves like to be where they are.

These people at 660 S. Venice Blvd. leech the fine-tuned organics--booty not to be returned to the homeland without a fight. They cut into the body. And this may be perfectly legal and done with permits. The balance tips precariously low. I'm afraid this is a common ongoing metaphor.

note--For further info on this and other issues please contact The Ecology Center of Southern California, 2315 Westwood Blvd., P.O. Box 24388, L.A. 90024; 213 475-1619. your help will be appreciated.



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POETRY

YOUR CENTENNIAL IS MY CENTENNIAL

Poets of the world unite and celebrate
Your centennial with mine.
It's true I was born in 1897
and you were born even later
but in the century of the H-bomb
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--Walter Lowenfels

R.I.P.

(after Francois Villon)

Walter died suddenly at 3 A.M.
of an insufficiency of arterial beats
he never bothered writing a poem about.
We often see his kind around the Movement
swinging between being everything to all people
and a stick of gum to his grandchildren.
Just before he shoved off he wrote
us his epitaph:
After you have burned the remains
and gotten rid of the ashes--
(the cheapest way--no
little urn in the Chapel!))--
if you have a moment between drinks and pay
bills
shake your pen over the table
or on the floor for me--
a tiny drop of ink
tomorrow's children
will wipe off easily.

--Walter Lowenfels

(poems reprinted from LNS)

GROWING PAINS cultivation vs. the law

By Bruce Margolin

With the beach air, the Southern California sun and the high price of marijuana these days, many people are using their green thumbs to grow their own. As a matter of fact it doesn't take an Eagle Scout to spy pots all over L.A. sprouting green and beautiful but illegal plants so you can readily expect that the man does make busts now and then.

Section 11358 of California Health and Safety Code provides that "Any person who plants, cultivates, harvests, dries or processes marijuana shall be punished by imprisonment in state prison from 1 to ten years."

Actually though the above sounds onerous, in most cases where just a few plants are involved it is not usually a big problem but it is a hassle to be sure.

If cultivated weed is found growing and you can be shown to own or rent or otherwise have control over the property this is usually enough to convict by circumstantial evidence. In most cases of first offenders if there are only a few smaller plants involved, plea bargaining results in a reduction to a straight misdemeanor possession, a small fine and non-reporting probation for a year or two. However, if there are large plants it can get sticky.

Du weißt, daß dein Mann viel zu alt für dich ist, wenn...



er die Marijuana-Pflanzen, die du so mühsam gepflegt hast, für Unkraut hält!

Observation of plants by police from any place where there is not a reasonable expectation of privacy is legal. This means if a cop looks over a fence or through a window from a walkway or other public place the bust is probably going to be a good one.

A conviction for cultivation is a felony for life and usually also will result in formal reporting probation for three years and a fine. Time in custody for first offenders can most often be avoided however, there is no guarantee that some weird judge won't dish out a few days as well.

First offenders can be diverted. See the last issue of the Beachhead (Sept.) for a detailed analysis of the diversion program - however it means generally

that the case will be continued for six months while a few drug abuse sessions are completed. Upon completion of these sessions and after the six month period has passed, the matter is dismissed.

Though diversion is some saving grace it is far from trouble free. In the first place a bust for cultivation requires high bail, usually \$2,500 and that's expensive and even though the diversion program is generally good it requires a probation officer's approval, a report to the court and a number of court appearances.

The National Organization for Reform of Marijuana Laws (N.O.R.M.L.) is waging a campaign to put cultivation in the same class as possession of an ounce or less of marijuana. That is where one grows an amount for personal use (up to 6 plants) she/he shall be given a citation and punishable by only up to a maximum \$100 fine. Assemblyman Willie Brown (D-SF) is committed to present a cultivation bill to the 1977 legislature and to cement his commitment you can send a post card or letter to him congratulating him and assuring him that you shall help persuade your local Assemblyman and Senator to support this bill. His address is:

Hon. Willie Brown
State Capitol
Sacramento, Calif. 95814

funeral
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peccated by landlords and realtors against the "feetly heepies", i.e., low income residents.

No permits were applied for by the coordinators of the funeral. That's why no permits were given, Mr. Nieson Himmel, reporter for the L.A. Times.

A casket representing the Festival was carried by six "honorary" pall bearers. These represented the interests that killed the festival. The Tax assessor, absentee landlords, Alex Mlikotin of Solar Systems (his company owns 18 of the 21 lots up for redevelopment.) City Hall personified by Rat Pussle, the L.A.P.D., and the afflu-hips.

A paper mache duck was constructed by Arlene Hendler, local artist, and floated down the canals with a notice of intent stuck through its breast.

A funeral is not a funeral without religious ritual. One of the major Venice religions was represented by witches from an anarchist Coven. They prayed to the Goddess to dispell the evil forces that threaten to gobble up the land.

Mary Jane Kwan, one of the original organizers of the Canal Festivals and forced out of the canals by high rents, launched the coffin down the canals.

Every segment of the Venice Community was represented. As a canal resident said, "the dogs didn't get into fights. They knew something important was going on." Sylvia Cohen sang "There's a Moon Over Venice Tonight" written by David Scott. Marcell read a favorite poem of Mary Lou Johnson's. Mary Lou was the facilitator coordinator and Mother of us all during the funeral arrangements.

The first Canal Festival was originated as a funeral, and now it's buried because it grew old and lost the original meaning - that of a rallying cry to preserve the rich mix of people that makes Venice a community and not just a place to live in. The funeral, despite the cries of "negative", "oh, I hate death!" and "black makes me look so sorrow", turned out to be one of the most positive actions held in Venice in a long time. Remember October 4. I looked at the people as they saw the lots marked for outsized houses. Houses to be surrounded by six foot fences. Houses three times as tall as the smaller, older structures around them. Not apartment buildings for mixed incomes, but dwelling places for people who are going to use Venice as a suburb, a bedroom community.

The only people who weren't at the funeral were the two people who comprised the membership of the Venice Marina Women's Chamber of Commerce, who had opposed the Canal Festival since its inception, and the two reporters from the L.A. Times and the Evening Outlook who reported on the melee and fracas. Even Alex Mlikotin of Solar Systems sent down a representative who video taped the proceedings. Everyone contributed to the funeral in their own way. Happy Jack lent the coffin, and the media was there and as usual managed to imply that a bunch of beer drinking drug taking rowdies had a head bashing fest. This time, however, the L.A. Times also managed to give it racial overtones. Mr. Nieson Himmel, Police Reporter for the L.A. Times, mentioned the police action, racial slurs, and did not report that a woman had been arrested for refusing to disperse from her own front yard. Who needs a third party or political activists

when the City of L.A. and its agencies do such a good job of radicalizing the silent majority? With the exception of Channel 2, KNXT news, none of the major media mentioned the focus of the action, which was to stop mass high income developments in the canal area.

At 4 o'clock, after the eulogies had been spoken, the funeral wreaths floated down the canals, a rock band started to play and people started to dance. The police came and declared it an illegal assembly. "Just like any other festival", someone said.

"Everyone had the sort of festival they wanted," said Mary Lou. "I'm a funeral freak and I had that. The militants had their festival, the boogiers had their festival and the police had their festival."

"There were no permits so anyone could do anything they wanted - even the police," said Jay, the Bubble Man. "Everyone did their own trip and it all added up to one big trip," said Tomito. "The police wouldn't let us carry the coffin because it attracted too much attention, so me and 5 or 6 kids snuck it up and down the foot bridges - running! whew!" Said Marcella. "You must leave this park," said a police officer. "What for?" Said Moe Stavnezer, advocate for the community at Coastal Commission hearings. "You're under arrest," said the police officer.

"I said the funeral would be a consciousness raising event. I didn't expect the police to cooperate so fully," said Mary Lou.

It's the kind of funeral I want. To be lovingly remembered by friends, to know they will think of me as they do their necessary tasks for survival.

The Canal Festival is dead! LONG LIVE THE CANALS!

OCEAN PARK REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

On November 1, the South Coast Regional Commission will hear recommendations of their staff that an additional 151 low income units be integrated into the proposed high income condominium project near Santa Monica Shore Towers.

On November 1, the South Coast Regional Commission will hear the recommendations of their staff to add 151 more low income units above the 100 scheduled in the Ocean Park area, along with the high income condominiums planned by the city.

The high income project has 394 condos. For those of you who remember the Del Webb bambooie (Santa Monica Shores on Neilson Way) and how that dispersed the 1500 elderly. Here is a chance to atone for the sins of some of the developers.

Write the South Coast Regional Commission and support the staff's findings.

Write to:

California Coastal Zone Commission
South Coast Regional Commission
666 E. Ocean Blvd. Suite 3107
P.O. Box 1450
Long Beach, Ca 90791
Phone: 590-5071

WAVECREST RULES!! CONDOS SUCK!!

On Thursday, September 23, 1976 in San Diego, The California State Coastal Commission voted to deny the proposed 5 unit condominium complex on Wavecrest Avenue.

TD: The people who passed around the petitions and the over one hundred people who signed them, to the people who wrote 40 letters opposing this project, to those who contributed financial support for the money eating xerox and auto trips, to the people who took slides, to the people who helped us with the beurocratic maze ---

We couldn't have done it without you!
THANK YOU ALL!

Linda Lucks
Carol Berman
Cydney Mandel
Gary Mandel

a Benefit Concert and Dance for

SISTER NEWSPAPER

Live bluegrass music & square dancing
at the Women's Building, 1727 N. Spring St.
Saturday, October 9 8 p.m. \$3 donation

A THEATRE PARTY BENEFIT
for One-Parent Family Education (a non-profit educational organization) will be held at the Church in Ocean Park, 235 Hill Street, S.M. on Sunday, October 24 at 3 p.m. Adults and children are welcome. There will be free refreshments. Meet the players. Donation \$3, \$2, \$1.

HALLOWEEN WITCHES MASKED BALL AND WOMEN'S PASSION PLAY

Saturday night from 8 p.m.-2 a.m. at the Women's Building, 1727 N. Spring Street, L.A. Donation for both dance and play is five dollars, which is going towards the Womensoul Defense Fund to fight against anti-psychic laws and promote freedom of religion for witches in the U.S.A. Women only. Tickets at the Feminist Wicca, Sisterhood Bookstore, Page One Books, Feminist Horizons.

CHILDREN'S ART CLASS
at the Venice Painting & Drawing Studio
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SATURDAYS 10-12:15pm Day-399-5435 Eve-399-4679

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WORK IS HARD!!!

CBS News has cancelled plans for a report on American workers called "Goofing Off in America." The plans had to be dropped after visits to 15 factories found the preconceptions just weren't true. "It seems to me," said producer-writer Andrew Rooney, "that most Americans are working quite hard."

The network has no plans of going ahead with a program describing how hard we work however... CPF

WE THE PEOPLE

Federal censors in Brazil have stopped the editors of Movimento from printing the text of the U.S. Declaration of Independence. The federal police ordered the weekly newspaper to cut parts of the document but editors found that inappropriate and decided to cut the entire text... CPF

THE THINKING WEAPON

"The manned bomber is the only thinking weapon in America's missile-bomber strategic security system, which makes it highly versatile. The B-1 bomber can go into action... provide time for international negotiations... offer the opportunity to prevent war... and be called back home!... Rockwell International newspaper ad... LNS

MC DONALDS TO SEIZE FOREIGN OBJECTS IN BIG MACS, ETC.

The folks at McDonald's--the ones who "do it all for you"--recently issued a confidential memo to workers regarding customers who find "foreign objects" in their Big Macs and Quarter Pounders. The memo urges workers to "attempt to secure the 'foreign object'".

Employees are asked to "explain to the customer that (taking the object) would be helpful in attempting to trace down the means by which it could have been found in the food. It will satisfy the customer that there is a sincere concern and effort on your part to see that such an 'incident' does not happen again."

The memo goes on to state that seizing the foreign object also "removes 'evidence' that may subsequently be exhibited to all the customer's friends and end up with a lawyer in order to seek damages... LNS (CPF)

EAGLETON'S NOT THE ONLY ONE

Blue Cross and Blue Shield admit they have been providing the FBI with sensitive, private mental health information about their policy holders.

Richard Luehrs, the director of the Blue Cross-Blue Shield federal employees program, states that confidential psychiatric information has been forwarded to the FBI without court-ordered warrants. Luehrs adds that the insurance group has relied on the bureau's word that the information was wanted for criminal and not political reasons.

Blue Cross-Blue Shield says, however, that a new policy is being adopted that will require the FBI to obtain a court order before any additional information on the mental history of patients is surrendered in the future.

One of the Blue Cross-Blue Shield forms now in use requires licensed therapists treating policy holders to explain in detail to the company about such symptoms as delusions, paranoid thinking, and suicidal behavior and whether the patient exhibits any drug, alcohol or marital problems... ZNS

THE HIGHLIGHTS OF SHIRLEY TEMPLE DAYS

In the final scene of *Susannah of the Mounties* (1939) lovely little Shirley Temple leads the warring Indians and Mounties into a peace-pipe circle, takes a mighty puff, sputters, coughs and says "here I go again." Music up. The end... ZNS

POLITICAL WHALES

The Greenpeace Foundation, the conservation group that has been using small rubber boats to interrupt whale-killing attempts by Soviet fleets, has apparently been successful.

A spokesperson for the Soviet govt. has announced in Ottawa that Russian ships will cease all whaling within two years.

Nikolai Makarov, a Soviet minister in Ottawa, explained that whaling will be abandoned because of its serious "political consequences"... ZNS

LABOR DEPARTMENT FIGHTS EMPLOYMENT

With many workers losing their jobs to machines, the Secretary of Labor has come up with a way to help process their unemployment cases: automation of all Federal and State unemployment offices within the next three years. (LNS)

short stuff

We Want TOTAL UNCONDITIONAL AMNESTY

There will be a rally in San Francisco at the second Ford & Carter debate.

Place - Palace of Fine Arts

Date & Time - Wednesday, October 6, 5:30 p.m.

For more information call:

American Amnesty Movement
399-4148



ANYONE WHO WAS A VICTIM OF OR WITNESS TO THE POLICE ACTION ON SEPT. 26, SUNDAY AT THE CANAL FUNERAL, PLEASE CALL 822-5154 AND COME TO THE VENICE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6 at 7:30 P.M. AT VENICE CITY HALL, 681 SOUTH VENICE BOULEVARD.

I.R.S. AUDITS POOR MORE

Although the Internal Revenue Service insists that audited returns are mostly chosen at random, a recent federal study shows that the lower the income, the higher the chance of IRS scrutiny.

In 1974, 3.6 percent of returns with income under \$10,000 and with itemized deductions were audited, compared with only 2.4 percent audited in the \$10,000 to \$50,000 group. Moreover, the IRS recovered 61 percent of claims against those in the under \$10,000 bracket and only 39 percent against those in the \$500,000 to \$1 million bracket... LNS

ENVIRONMENTAL TRASH

The Environmental Protection Agency, along with seven ecology organizations, has resigned from the group known as "Keep America Beautiful, Inc."

Keep America Beautiful is the organization that has TV ads featuring an American Indian who is weeping over the trash that has been strewn about his land. The organization has been sponsoring a \$40 million advertising campaign, carried free of charge by the major networks, that proclaims: "People start pollution. People can stop it."

The EPA and environmental groups have withdrawn from Keep America Beautiful contending it has become a "front group" for the makers of bottles and throwaway cans. The chairman of Keep America Beautiful is William May, who is the chairman of the American Can Company. Others on the Beautiful board include representatives of Coca Cola, Pepsi Cola, the National Can Company, the US Brewers Association, The Glass Blowers Association and the Continental Can Company.

Oregon senator Mark Hatfield says the group has stridently opposed federal efforts to adopt an Oregon-type law that would require deposits on all beverage containers.

Hatfield adds that Keep America Beautiful's president May recently told his board that: "We must use every tool available" to combat bottle referenda this year. Hatfield quotes May as explaining: "Communists or people with Communist ideas are trying to get these states to go the way of Oregon"... ZNS

The Environment-An Endangered Species

An ongoing film and lecture series - first Tuesday of every month. Tuesday, October 5 at 7:30 p.m. Free Admission.

Santa Monica Library, Auditorium, 1343 6th St., Santa Monica. 822-7298

"JAWS" ENDANGERS SHARKS

Will the star of "Jaws" soon be on the endangered species list? The publication *New Scientist* reports that as a result of the movie *Jaws*, there has been a dramatic increase in the number of sharks killed and that many species of shark may soon be threatened with extinction.

The publication says that Australia, where sharks once abounded, is reporting a 13 year record kill of sharks this year. The magazine says that very few of the sharks being killed represent what might be called "potentially dangerous" sharks: most were babies. Australian harbour officials reportedly are worried that some species of shark may soon become extinct, partially as a result of a film.

4th ANNUAL GREYSTONE FESTIVAL

A fine art exhibit and demonstration by members of the Beverly Hills Art League will kick off events for the 4th Annual Greystone Park Festival of the Arts which will be held the weekends of October 9-10 and 16-17 at the historical Greystone Mansion, 905 Loma Vista Drive in Beverly Hills. The dynamic Pan American Music Ensemble will appear on Oct. 10 at 2 p.m. Sunday, October 16 and 17 will feature Children's film art at 12 noon. Friends and Company at 1 p.m. and the superb live children's theatre of Mallory Pearce and folksinger Marcia Berman at 2 p.m. Sunday, October 17 at 2 p.m. will feature a one hour performance by the Ballet Society of Los Angeles. For more info, call 550-4864. FREE



MAN EATS PATROL CAR --Burp!

A Michigan man who tried to eat a patrol car last month saw disorderly conduct charges against him dismissed after he blamed his bizarre behavior on asthma.

Charles Alexander was arrested after officers in a patrol car spotted the nude man standing outside a gas station, kicking in the station's doors and windows. He told a Traverse City Judge that after he had suffered an asthma attack while showering, he ran out into the street, hoping to get arrested and then treated.

Although the judge dropped disorderly conduct charges against him, Alexander was found guilty of malicious destruction of property. He was fined \$100 for ripping up the radar unit from a patrol car and for eating the back seat of the auto while he was being driven to the station... ZNS

HEIL SAFEWAY?

Safeway Stores banned the sale of the March Atlantic Monthly in its chain. The magazine included an article which discussed methods super markets use to cheat or mislead customers, including false labeling of meat weights and prominently displaying higher-profit foods... CPF

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San Francisco Mime Troupe-History Play
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The Spanish-American War is the background for the S.F. Mime Troup's new full-length musical play, "False Promises/Nos Enganaron," which will be performed as a benefit for The Children's Place in Ocean Park, at the Unitarian Church on October 20 and 21, at Fritchman Auditorium, 2936 W. 8th Street at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are 3.50. 399-6405

LAND AND THE HUMAN COMMUNITY

A conference on Agricultural land reform sponsored by the California Food Policy Coalition. Friday and Saturday, October 15 and 16, 1976 at the Bethel Lutheran Church, 187 North Broadway, Fresno, California. For more information contact:

Mack Warner, Chairperson
Land and the Human Community Conference
American Friends Service Committee
2160 Lake Street
San Francisco, Ca. 94121

VENICE COOPERATIVE STORE: Initial organizational meeting seeking further community involvement to bring this concept of a member funded and run store into being. Location: Community Services Building 318 S. Lincoln near the southeast corner of Rose and Lincoln. Date: Oct. 19, 8PM.

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VENICE TOWN COUNCIL Venice, California

The Venice Town Council meets the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Venice City Hall. Every citizen of Venice is a member of the Venice Town Council and is urged to come and participate. Friends of Venice are also invited. For information call: 396-6876, 396-8160 or 821-4304

PROPOSED AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 6th MEETING:

- 1) Proposition 14 - Why we should support it
- 2) Disruption of organization - General and specific
- 3) Committee Reports: a) Grant for V.T.C. b) THE calendar c) Home Owners & Renters d) Coastal Commission developments
- 4) Good and Welfare

Venice Town Council Strategy Committee meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Venice City Hall.

Venice centered non-profit group seeking to lease large space for Coffee House. Unusual location desirable. If you have, or know of a possible location, please call 399-9747 or 392-2402.

Venice Legal Aid 392-4177

COMMUNITY SERVICES

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Beginning October 1, 1976 the Community Calendar will begin operating at the Ocean Park Community Center. The purpose of the Calendar is to avoid scheduling events sponsored by community groups and organizations on the same date. If your organization is planning a rally, fund raiser or any other function just call the Calendar at 399-9231. The function will be listed on the Calendar and you will be informed if another group has already scheduled something for that date. This is a free service. For more information call the Community Calendar at 399-9231.

BEYOND BAROQUE

Friday, October 15, 8 p.m. sharp
Poetry reading by members of Venice Poetry Workshop
Saturday, October 16, 7-10 p.m.
Opening reception, recent drawings by Dianne Powell (continues to Nov 20)
Monday, October 18, deadline for applications for Master Class in Fiction Writing directed by Joseph Hanses, beginning on November 2.
Saturday, October 23, 69th Beyond Baroque Party, \$2 donation. At 471 Sycamore Rd., Santa Monica Canyon, 9 p.m.
Friday, October 29, 8 p.m. sharp
Joseph Hansen reads his prose.

GAY ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, regular meeting Thursday, 8:30 p.m., men's stag meeting Sunday at 4:30 p.m., Beyond Baroque Library, 1639 W. Washington Blvd., Venice, 396-6551



LIBRARY - FALL FESTIVAL

Friends of Venice and Mar Vista Libraries are preparing a Fall Festival "Your Library, Your Magic Carpet to Places and Spaces", to take place a Venice Library on Saturday, October 16, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. A book sale to benefit both libraries will be part of the festivities. Book donations are gratefully accepted at both libraries with childrens picture books high on the priority list. Venice Library is located at 610 California Avenue, Venice, phone: 821-1769 Mar Vista Library at 12006 Venice Blvd., phone: 390-3454. Hours are the same for both branches: 1-9 Monday thru Friday; 9-1 Saturdays.

An alternative to current capitalistic and sexist "Venice Art associations and Galleries":

THE SURREALIST MULTI MEDIA FAN CLUB: (Free WIZZY now!!)
First two meetings on Mondays at #2 33 Clubhouse Ave. Oct. 4th & 11th. 8 p.m. call a.m. 396-7138--no dues! Persons help persons plan surrealist art happenings to save freer Venice now. Ms. Lily-Sabina Fairweather, A.N. North Beach Area Venice Town Council (plan club as action art committee of council) and Kali Cong P.O. 5035 Santa Monica Shores, CA. 90405
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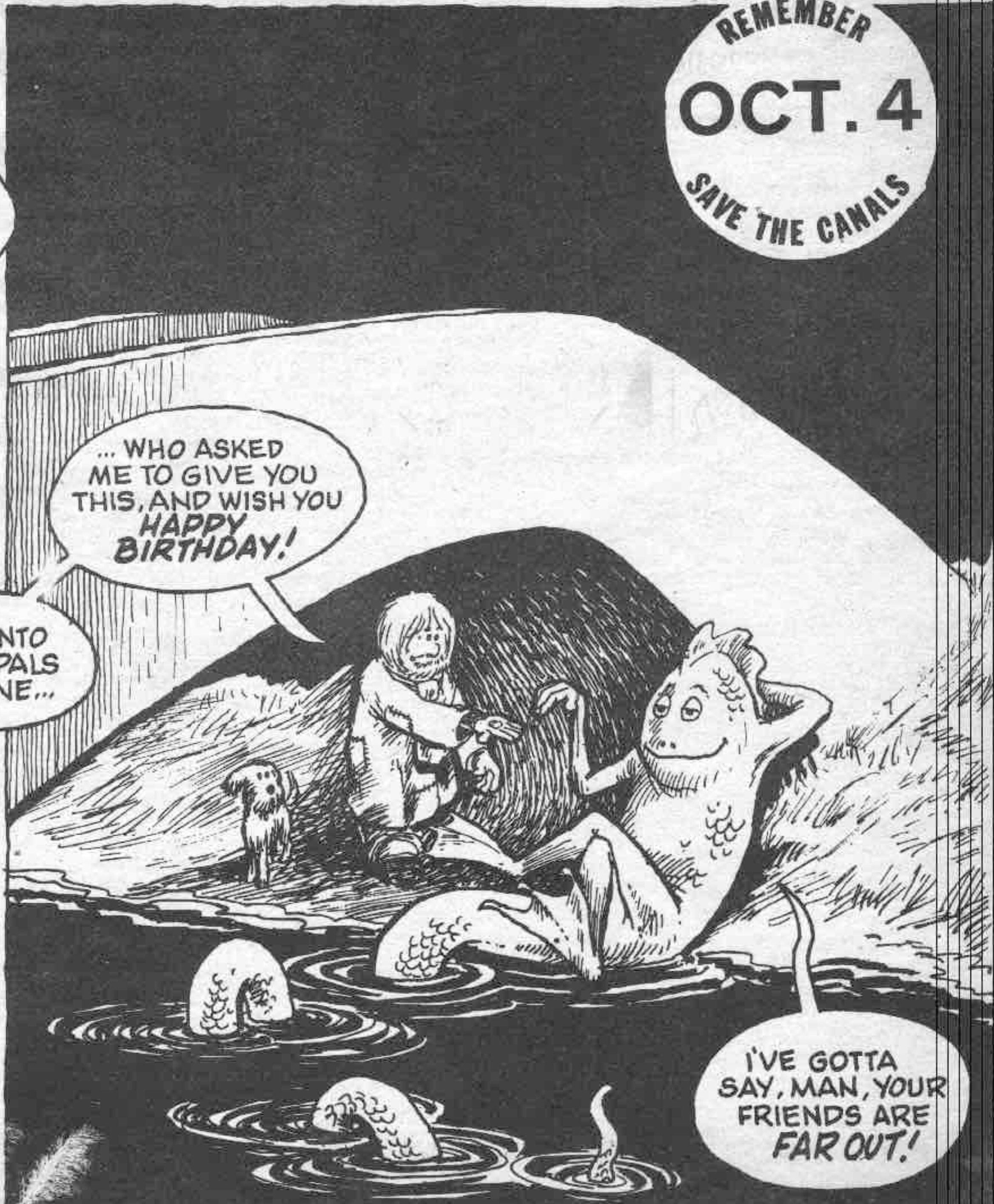
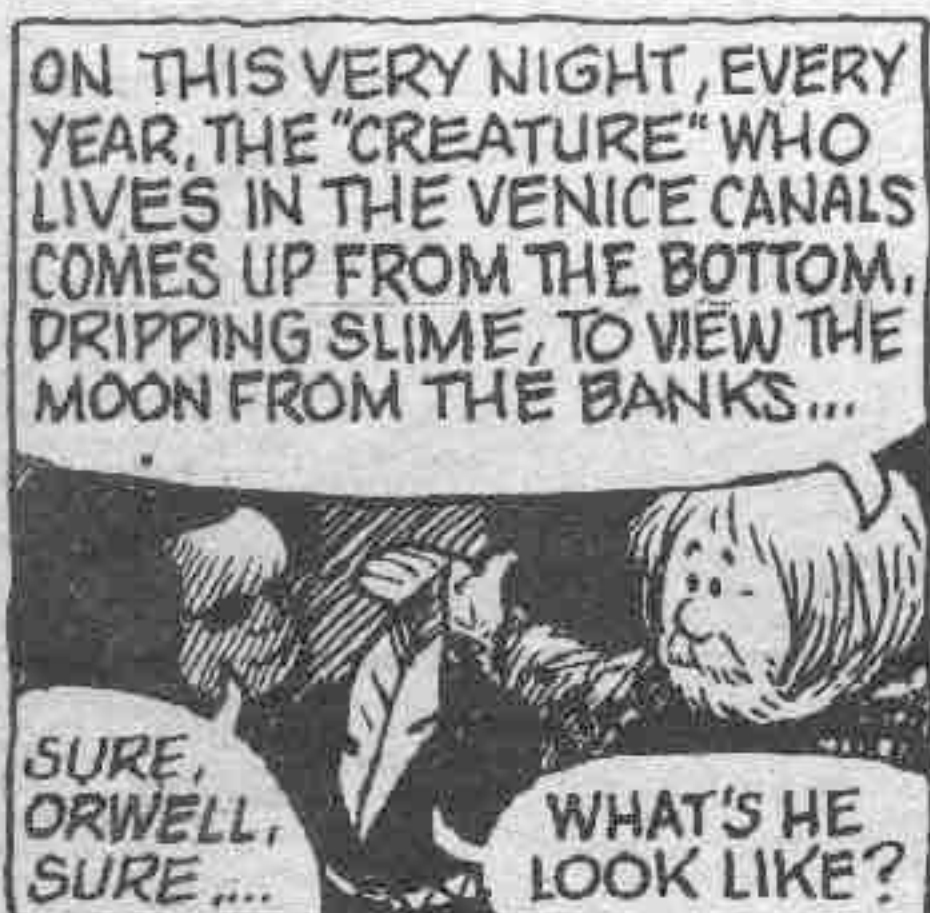
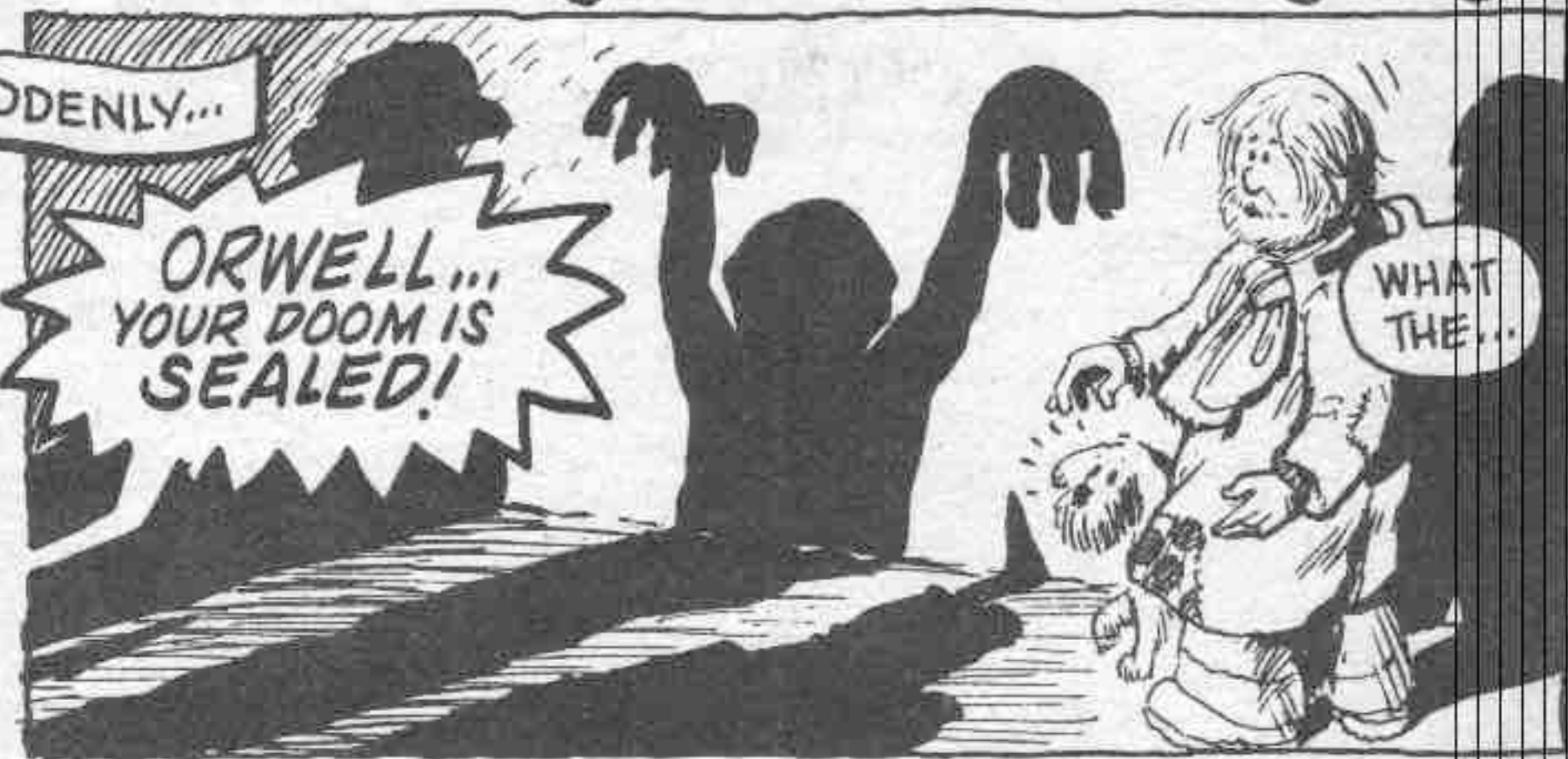
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