

The New Moon Queen:  
Superhero Shame

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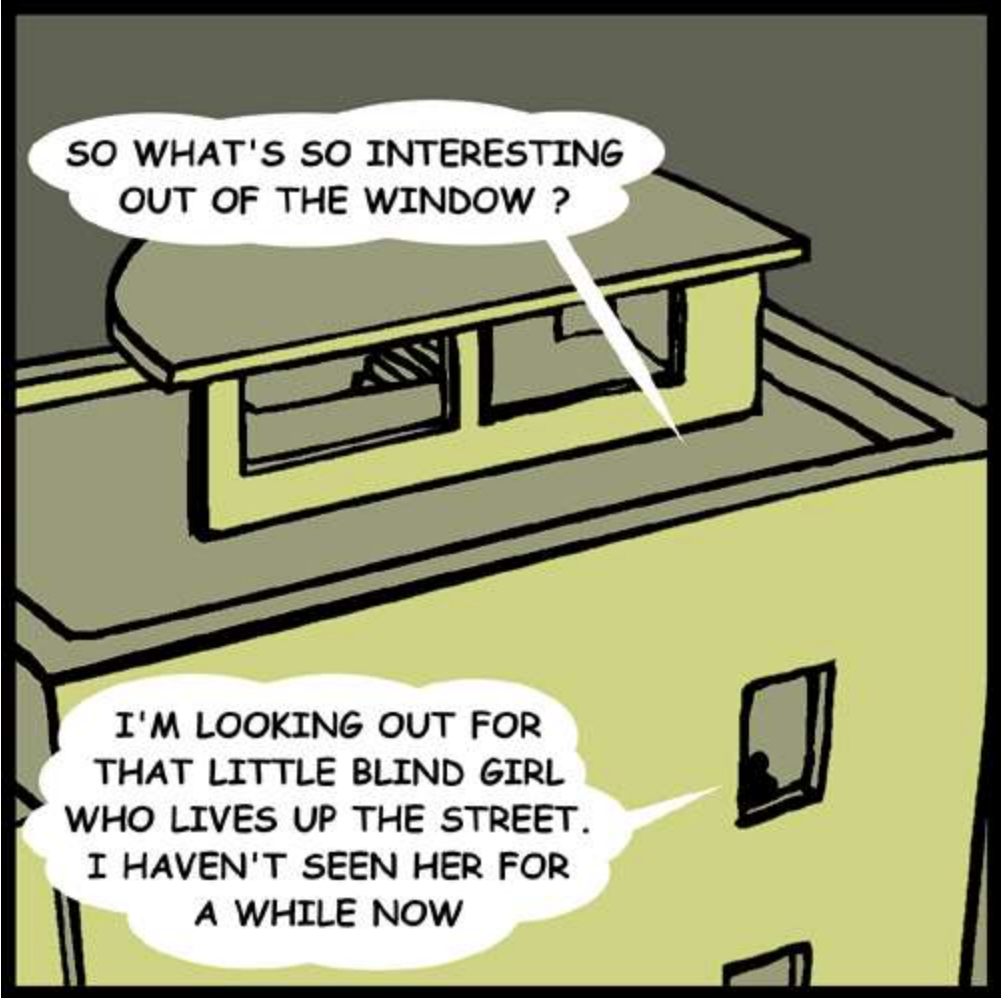
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A comic book panel with a grey background. In the upper half, there is a yellow-green rooftop structure with a railing. A white speech bubble with a tail pointing to the railing contains the text. In the lower half, there is a yellow-green wall with a small window. A white speech bubble with a tail pointing to the window contains the text.

SO WHAT'S SO INTERESTING  
OUT OF THE WINDOW ?

I'M LOOKING OUT FOR  
THAT LITTLE BLIND GIRL  
WHO LIVES UP THE STREET.  
I HAVEN'T SEEN HER FOR  
A WHILE NOW

I'M JUST HOPING SHE'S  
NOT BEEN PUT ON ONE OF  
THOSE NEW GOVERNMENT  
SCHEMES





YEAH, THAT GOD-AWFUL "STARBOARD RECTITUDE" PARTY. HOW DID THEY EVER GET IN ?

DUNNO, BUT THEY'RE  
STARTING UP THESE DODGY  
SCHEMES LIKE CRAZY - SENDING  
EVERYONE OFF ON "IMPROVEMENT"  
COURSES.









I GET A BIT NERVOUS  
WAITING TO GO ON

HAVE A DRINK ...  
NO, WAIT ...

LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE  
NEWSPAPERS. THEY'RE ALWAYS  
ASKING AFTER TOPICAL THINGS  
IN THIS SHOW.

SO WHAT'S IN  
THE PAPER ?









" QUICK - GET IT ! "

" SPLAT ! "



LADIES ... SUPERHEROES ... YOU MUST STOP SPEAKING. THIS IS ONE OF THE PROGRAMMES WHERE WE SHOW WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE "GREEN ROOM" ... AND YOUR REMARKS HAVE JUST BEEN HEARD BY MILLIONS OF PEOPLE !









CRUIKEY, IT'S  
T-MAN. WHAT  
DO YOU THINK  
HE WANTS ?

HE DOESN'T  
LOOK HAPPY







I HAVE ALSO MANAGED TO AVOID CALLS  
FOR YOUR COMPULSORY RETRAINING ...  
I DO IN FACT BELIEVE THAT YOU PAIR HAVE  
BEEN UNFAIRLY TREATED. HOWEVER ...

I WAS UNABLE TO  
AVOID YOUR SUMMONS  
TO THE PALACE !





I AM ... AN ADMIRER OF YOUR  
FLYING SKILLS IN PARTICULAR. YOUR  
SKILLS ECLIPSE MY OWN. I FEEL SOMETIMES  
LIKE ... A COW ON A SLEDGE ...

HOWEVER, I MUST GO.  
A NEW RESCUE AWAITS !





WELL, THERE HE GOES ...  
"A COW ON A SLEDGE ..."

BUT BEE:  
HE WAS BEING  
NICE !

YEAH. I'M  
JUST NOT LOOKING  
FORWARD TO GOING  
TO "THE PALACE"











I'M JUST GLAD SHE  
LET US OFF WITH "ROBUST  
BRITISH HUMOUR"

ANYWAY, NOW WE'VE GOT THIS  
JOB SHE ASKED US TO DO. SHE WAS  
REALLY ANGRY ABOUT THAT TRAINING  
PAMPHLET SHE GOT SENT

YEAH, "HOW TO CONDUCT YOUR  
ROYAL DUTIES EFFECTIVELY"



YEAH, SHE WAS SPITTING.  
"AS YOUR REIGN DRAWS PEACEFULLY  
TOWARDS ITS CLOSE ... "

SHE HATES THE STARBOARD RECTITUDE  
PARTY AS MUCH AS ANYONE, BUT SHE CAN'T  
SAY SO BECAUSE THEY'RE THE GOVERNMENT





WHAT ARE YOU  
THINKING ABOUT NOW ?

ABOUT WHAT T-MAN SAID: I AM  
A PRETTY GOOD FLIER !

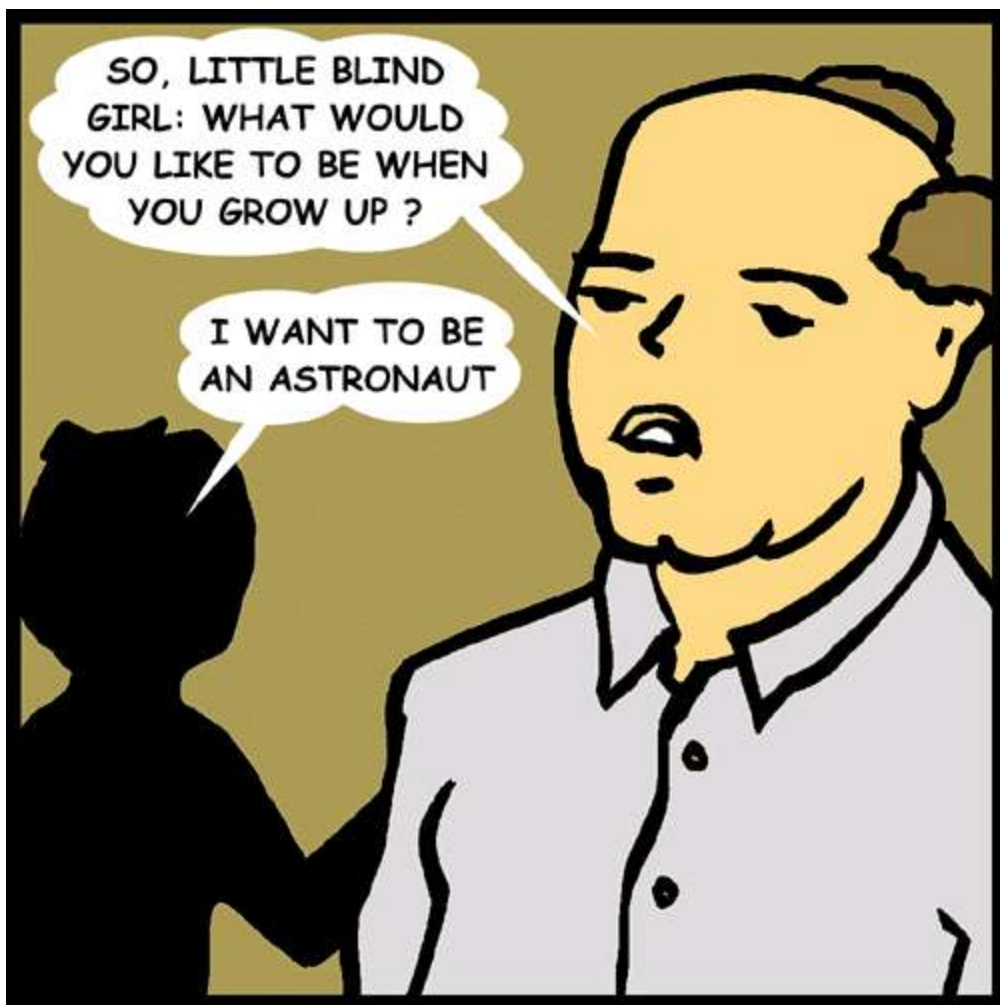
AND DON'T FORGET ABOUT YOUR  
GOLD MEDAL FROM THE WORLD  
MODESTY CHAMPIONSHIPS



THERE IT IS:  
THE OFFICES OF PDQ  
TRAINING SOLUTIONS

MAIN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTOR, BUT  
OWNED BY THE SAME PEOPLE WHO RUN  
THE STARBOARD RECTITUDE PARTY

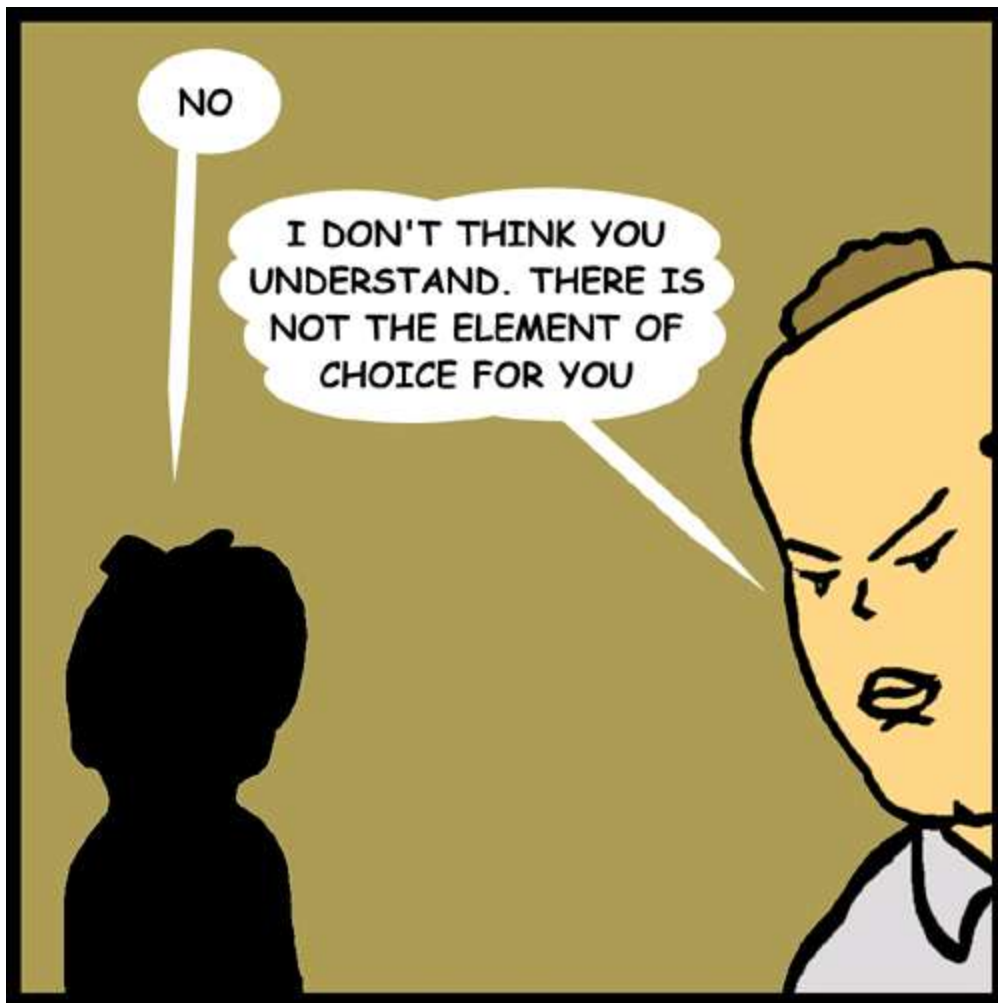


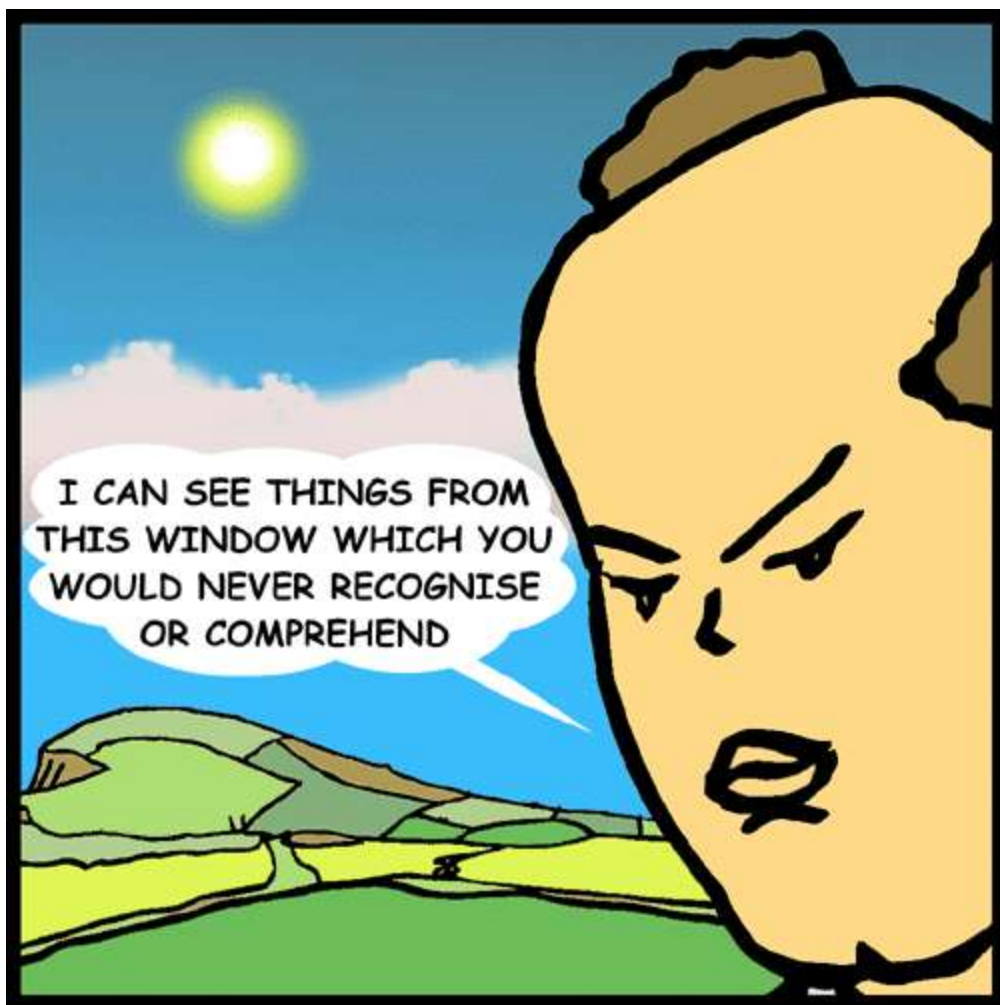


SO, LITTLE BLIND GIRL: WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP ?

I WANT TO BE AN ASTRONAUT









I CAN SEE LOGS BEING  
LOADED FROM TRAILERS  
INTO BARGES

THE CONFLUENCE  
BETWEEN THE RIVERS





THE TRAILS OF  
AIRCRAFT IN THE SKY

EVEN THE  
DAFFODILS IN  
THE BOX OUTSIDE  
THE WINDOW

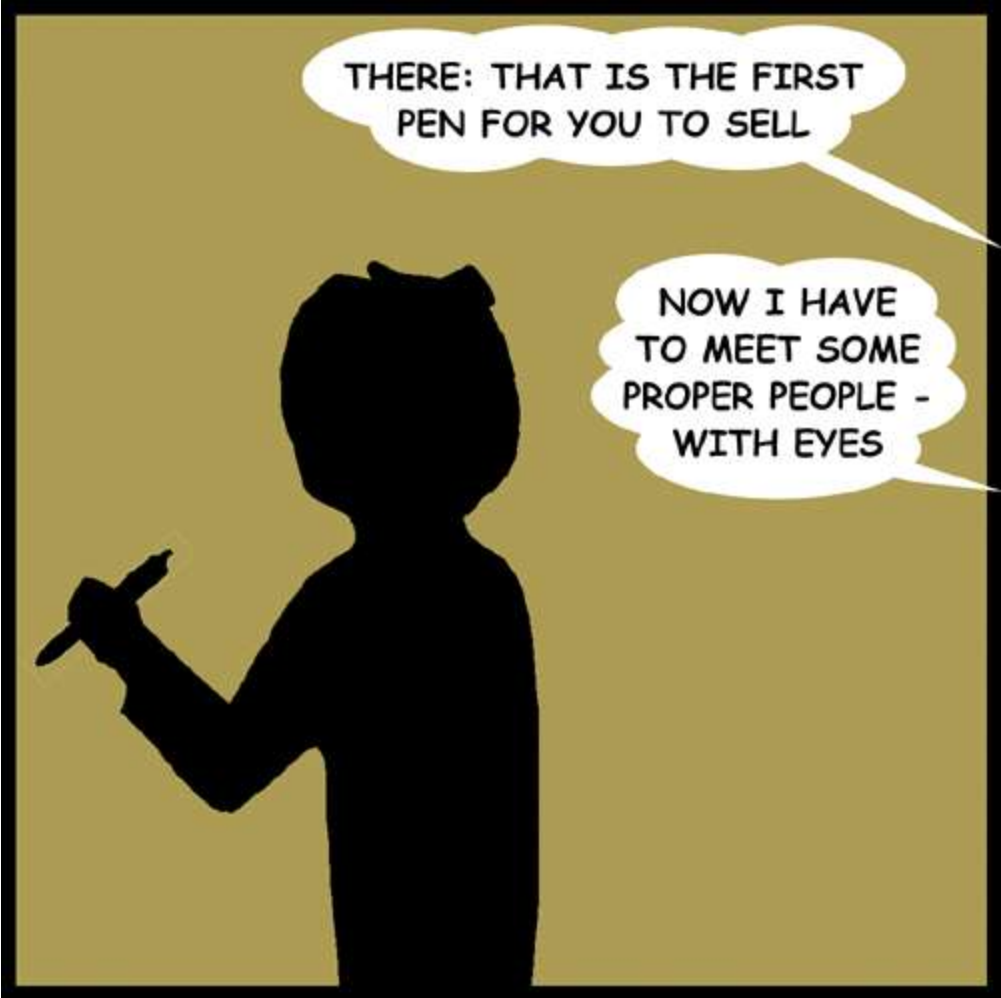
NONE OF THOSE  
THINGS, LITTLE BLIND  
GIRL, ARE FOR YOU





SO BE REASONABLE: NOW ...

LEAN FORWARD AND PLACE  
YOUR HAND ON THE DESK



THERE: THAT IS THE FIRST  
PEN FOR YOU TO SELL

NOW I HAVE  
TO MEET SOME  
PROPER PEOPLE -  
WITH EYES








I'M AFRAID THE BEE  
WAS RIGHT, MOON QUEEN

UNFORTUNATELY, ALTHOUGH  
UNDOUBTEDLY EVIL, BIGOTED, AND  
UNCARING, THAT TUTOR, MR. TAYLOR,  
DID NOTHING ILLEGAL








THERE: THAT IS  
THE FIRST PEN FOR  
YOU TO SELL

GO ON, THEN -  
GET OUT !

WILL YOU BUY  
MY PEN ?



IF YOU BUY MY  
PEN, THEN I WILL BE A  
PEN-SELLER

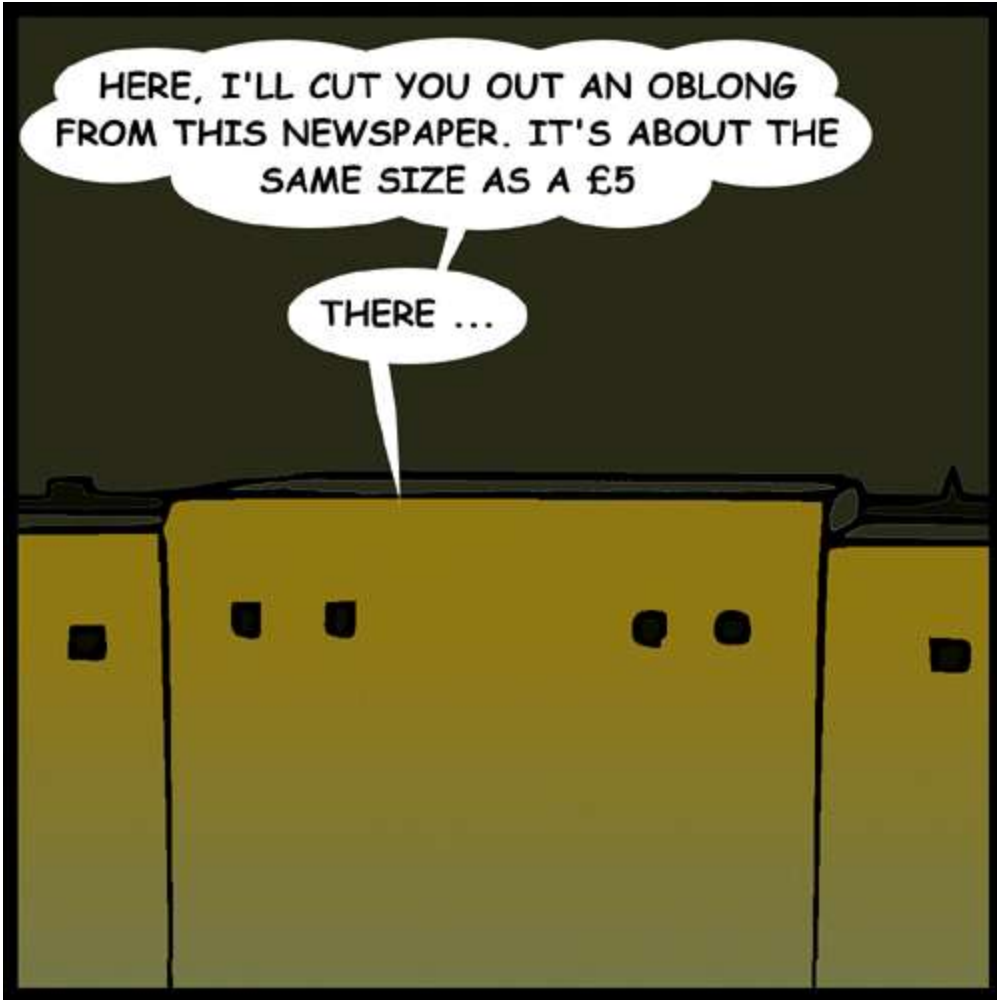
OK ...

HUM ! I'VE ONLY GOT A  
£50.00, AND I DON'T SUPPOSE  
YOU HAVE CHANGE



HERE, I'LL CUT YOU OUT AN OBLONG  
FROM THIS NEWSPAPER. IT'S ABOUT THE  
SAME SIZE AS A £5

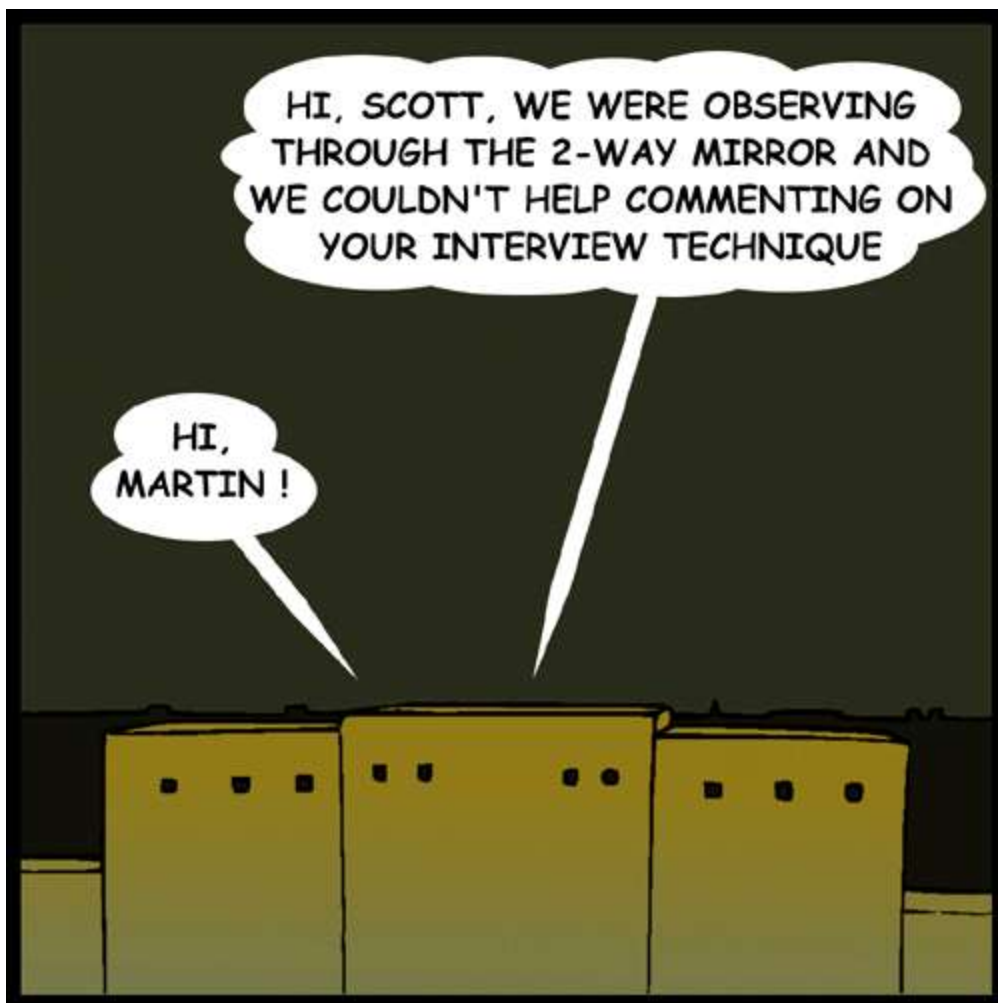
THERE ...





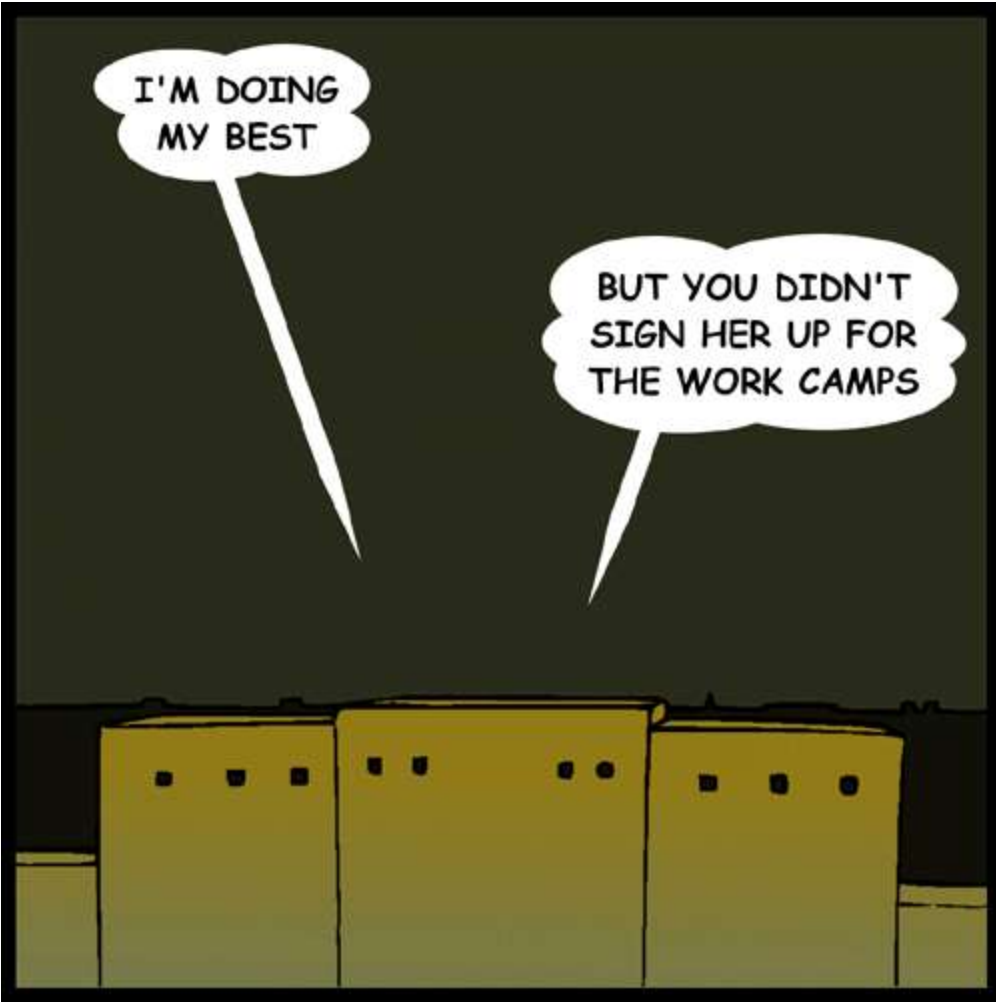






HI, SCOTT, WE WERE OBSERVING THROUGH THE 2-WAY MIRROR AND WE COULDN'T HELP COMMENTING ON YOUR INTERVIEW TECHNIQUE

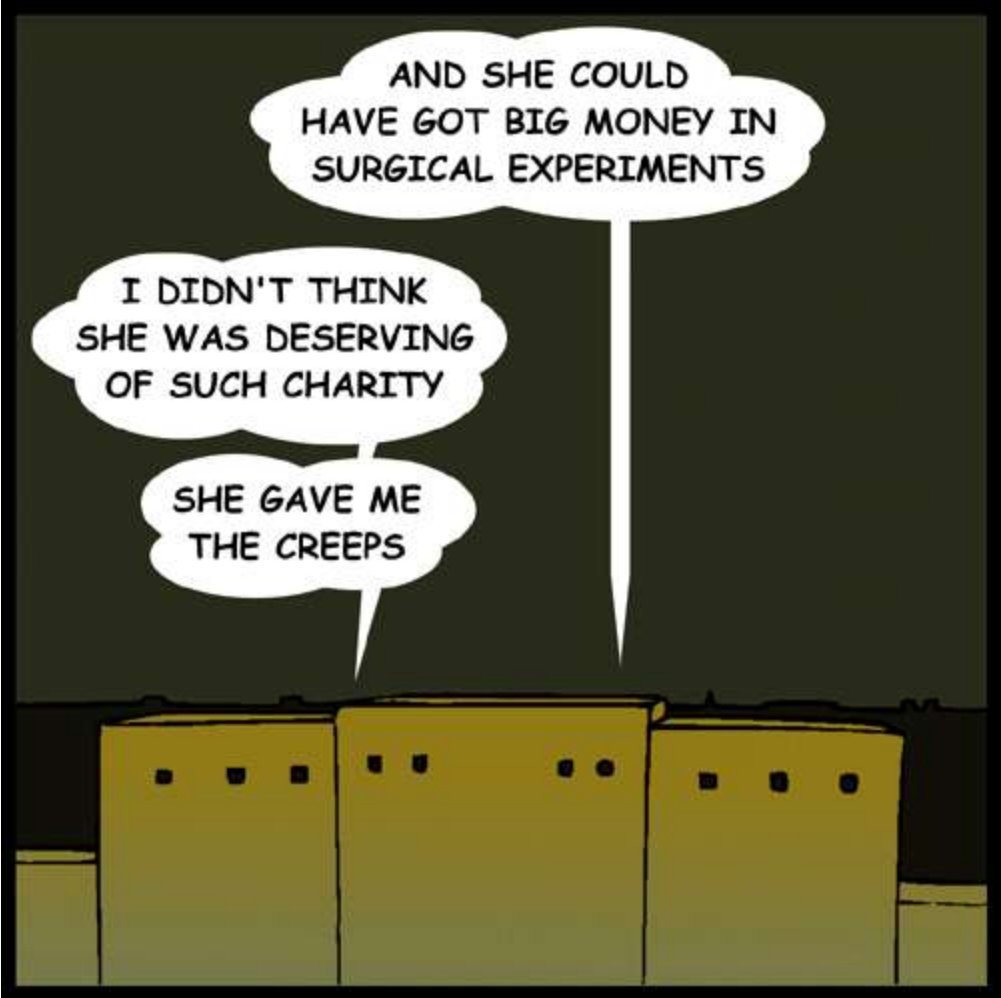
HI, MARTIN!



I'M DOING  
MY BEST

BUT YOU DIDN'T  
SIGN HER UP FOR  
THE WORK CAMPS





AND SHE COULD  
HAVE GOT BIG MONEY IN  
SURGICAL EXPERIMENTS

I DIDN'T THINK  
SHE WAS DESERVING  
OF SUCH CHARITY

SHE GAVE ME  
THE CREEPS

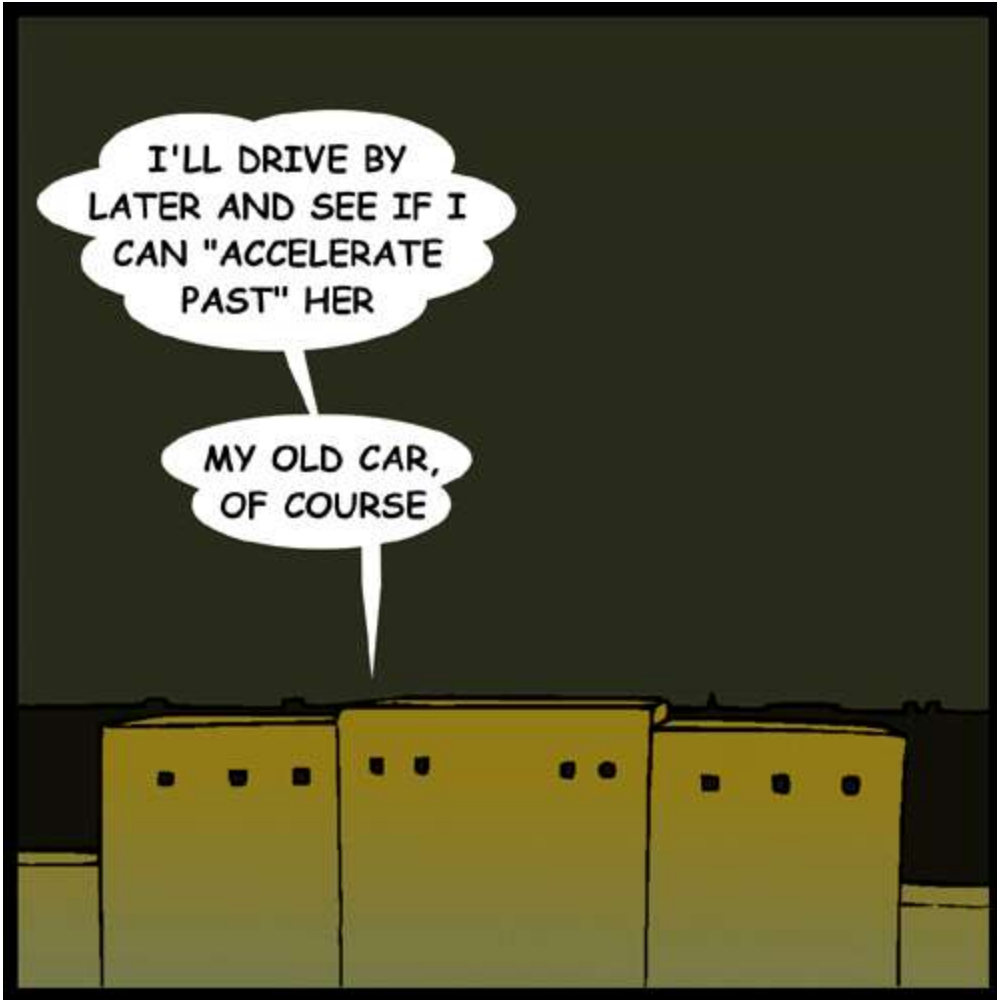


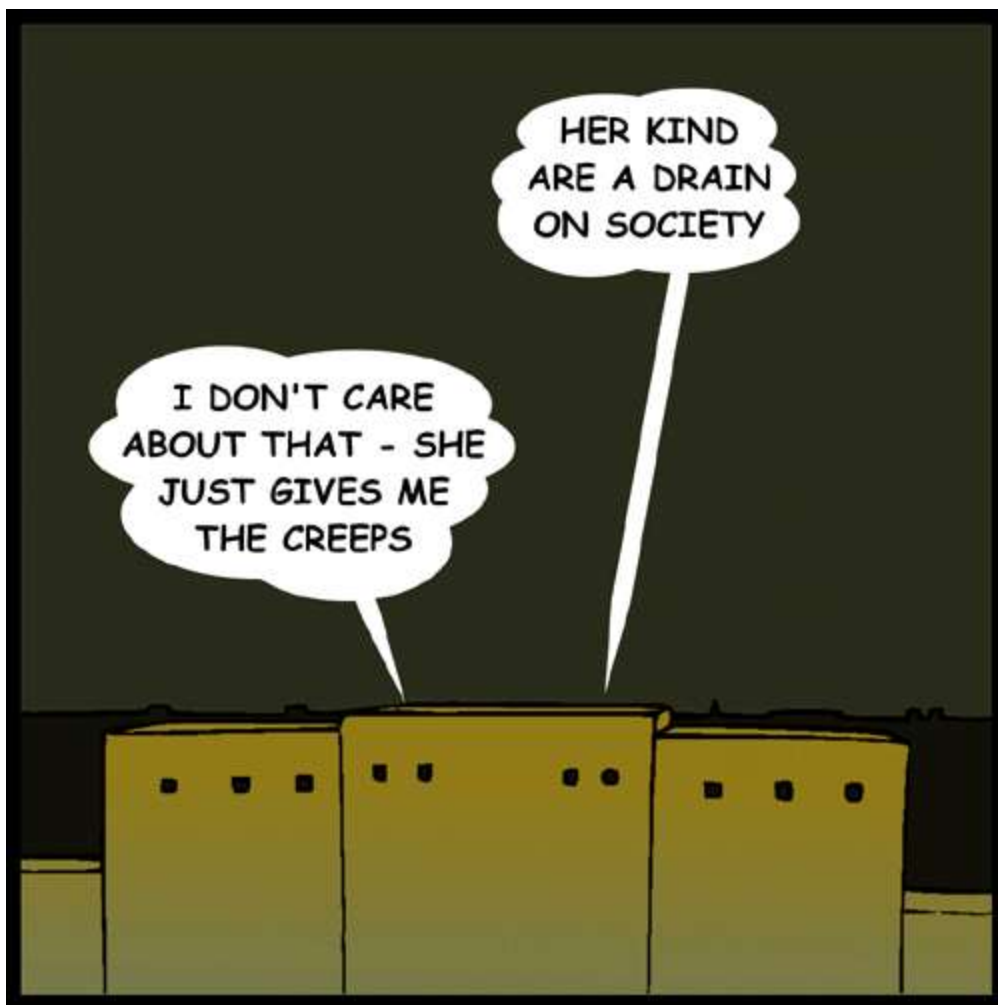
IF ... SHE STANDS  
ON THAT STREET CORNER  
LONG ENOUGH ... MAYBE  
SHE'LL BE KILLED BY  
A CAR

BUT THAT'S  
NOT CERTAIN

I'LL DRIVE BY  
LATER AND SEE IF I  
CAN "ACCELERATE  
PAST" HER

MY OLD CAR,  
OF COURSE





I DON'T CARE  
ABOUT THAT - SHE  
JUST GIVES ME  
THE CREEPS

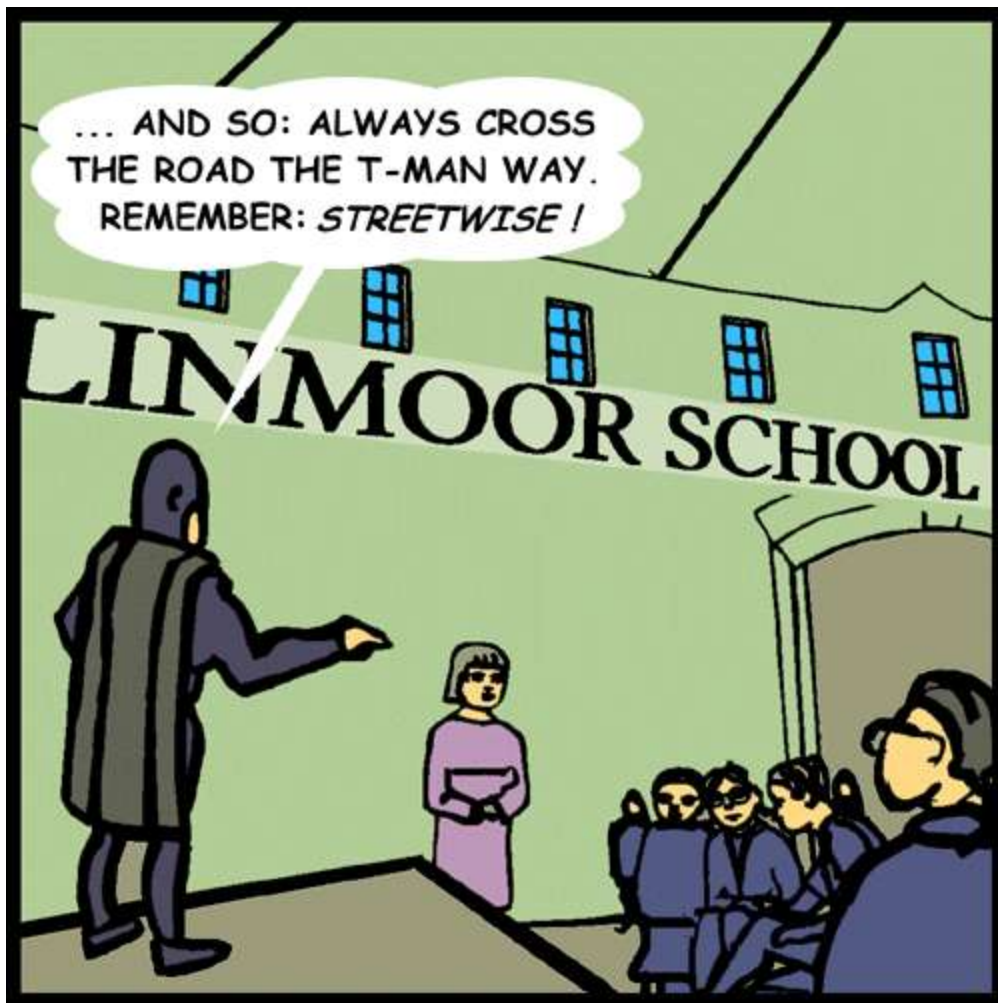
HER KIND  
ARE A DRAIN  
ON SOCIETY



OK, WE'LL SEND IN THE NEXT INCOMPETENT NOW

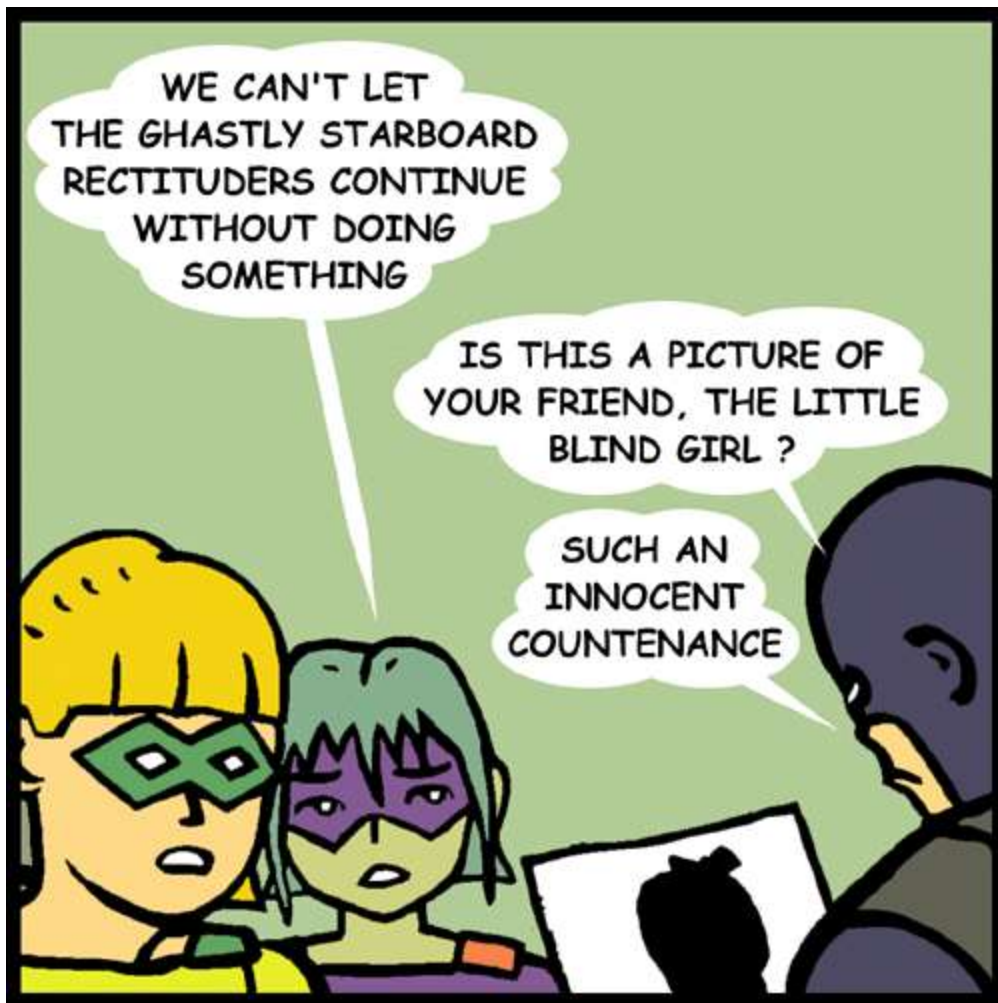
WHAT'S THE NAME?

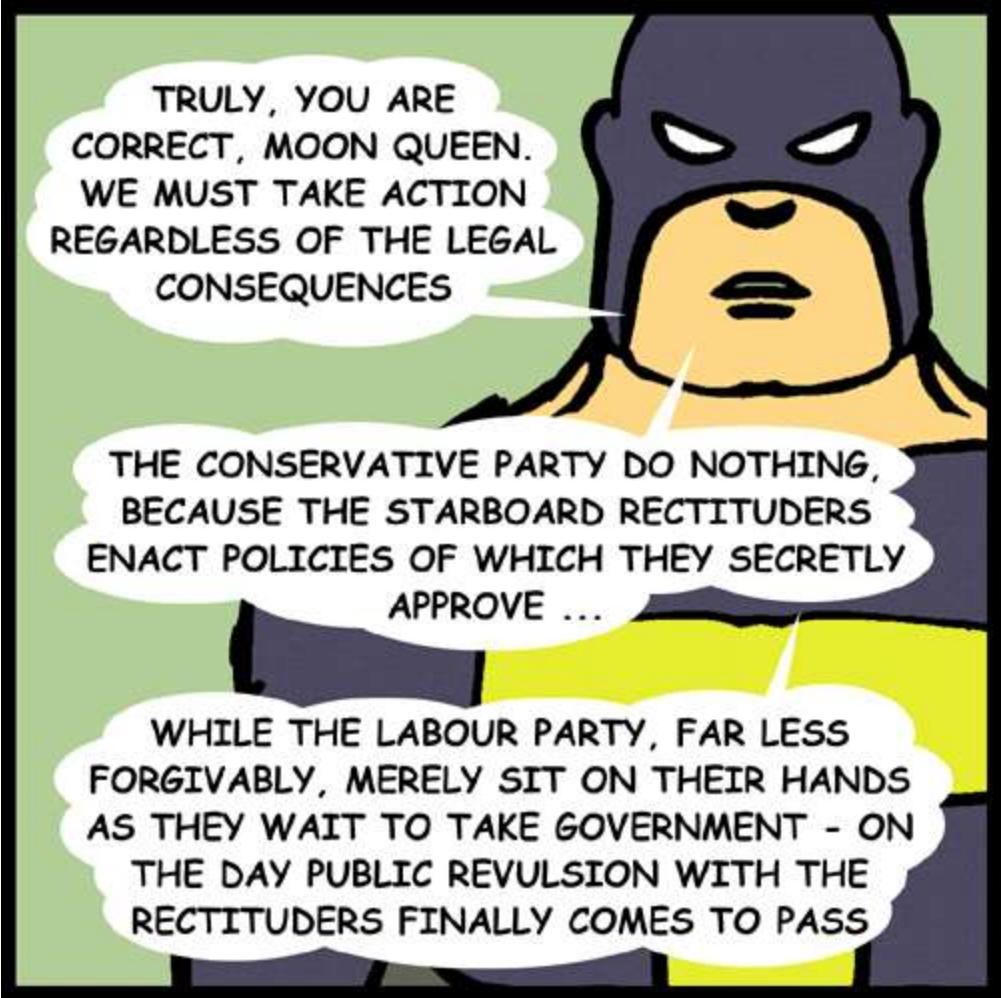
HE'S CALLED "VOID"











TRULY, YOU ARE  
CORRECT, MOON QUEEN.  
WE MUST TAKE ACTION  
REGARDLESS OF THE LEGAL  
CONSEQUENCES

THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY DO NOTHING,  
BECAUSE THE STARBOARD RECTITUDERS  
ENACT POLICIES OF WHICH THEY SECRETLY  
APPROVE ...

WHILE THE LABOUR PARTY, FAR LESS  
FORGIVABLY, MERELY SIT ON THEIR HANDS  
AS THEY WAIT TO TAKE GOVERNMENT - ON  
THE DAY PUBLIC REVULSION WITH THE  
RECTITUDERS FINALLY COMES TO PASS

WHY ARE ALL  
THESE TEACHERS  
APPLAUDING ?



AFTER DEFEATING THE RECTITUDERS,  
I SHALL INVITE THE LITTLE BLIND GIRL  
TO COME TO THE T-MANSION - TO LIVE  
WITH T-LADY AND MYSELF

YOUR WIFE'S  
REALLY CALLED  
"T-LADY" ?

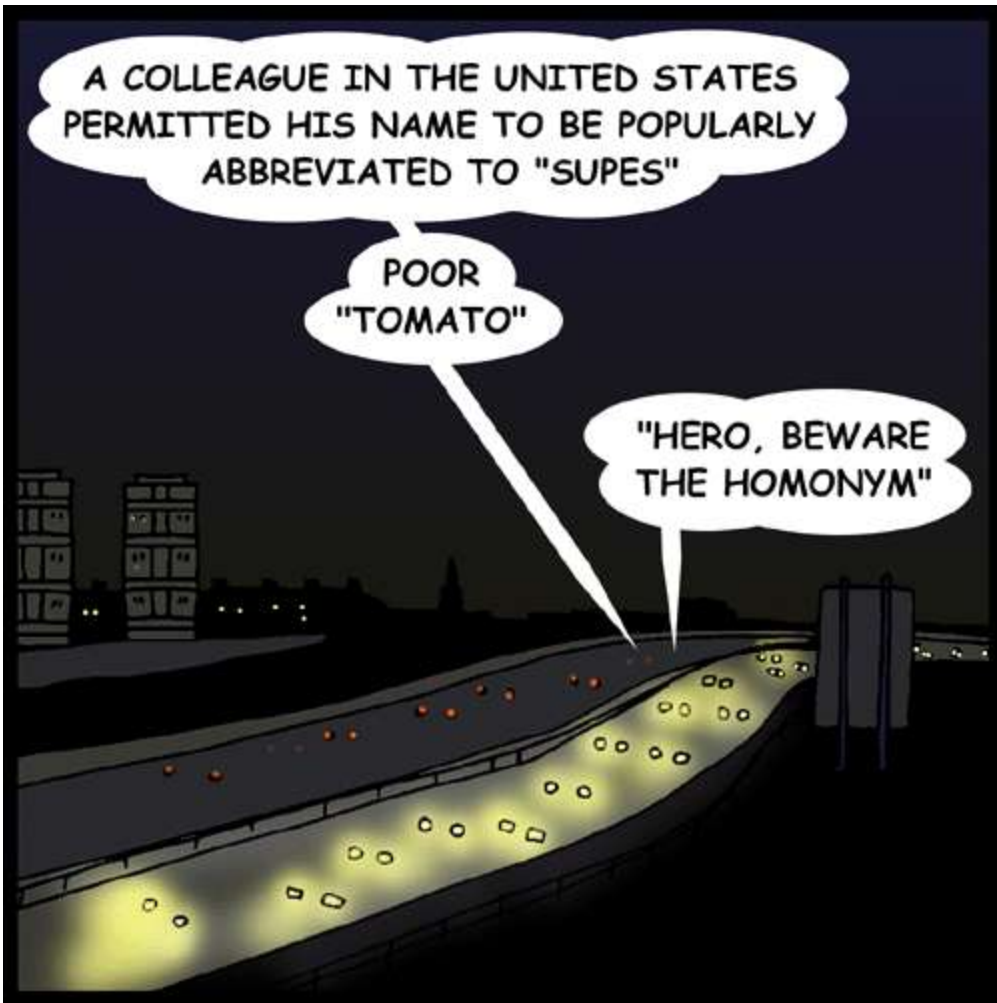
THAT IS THE CASE.  
I HAVE RUED THE DAY MY PUBLIC RELATIONS  
EXPERTS PERSUADED ME TO ABBREVIATE MY  
NAME FROM "TITANMAN"




A COLLEAGUE IN THE UNITED STATES  
PERMITTED HIS NAME TO BE POPULARLY  
ABBREVIATED TO "SUPES"

POOR  
"TOMATO"

"HERO, BEWARE  
THE HOMONYM"







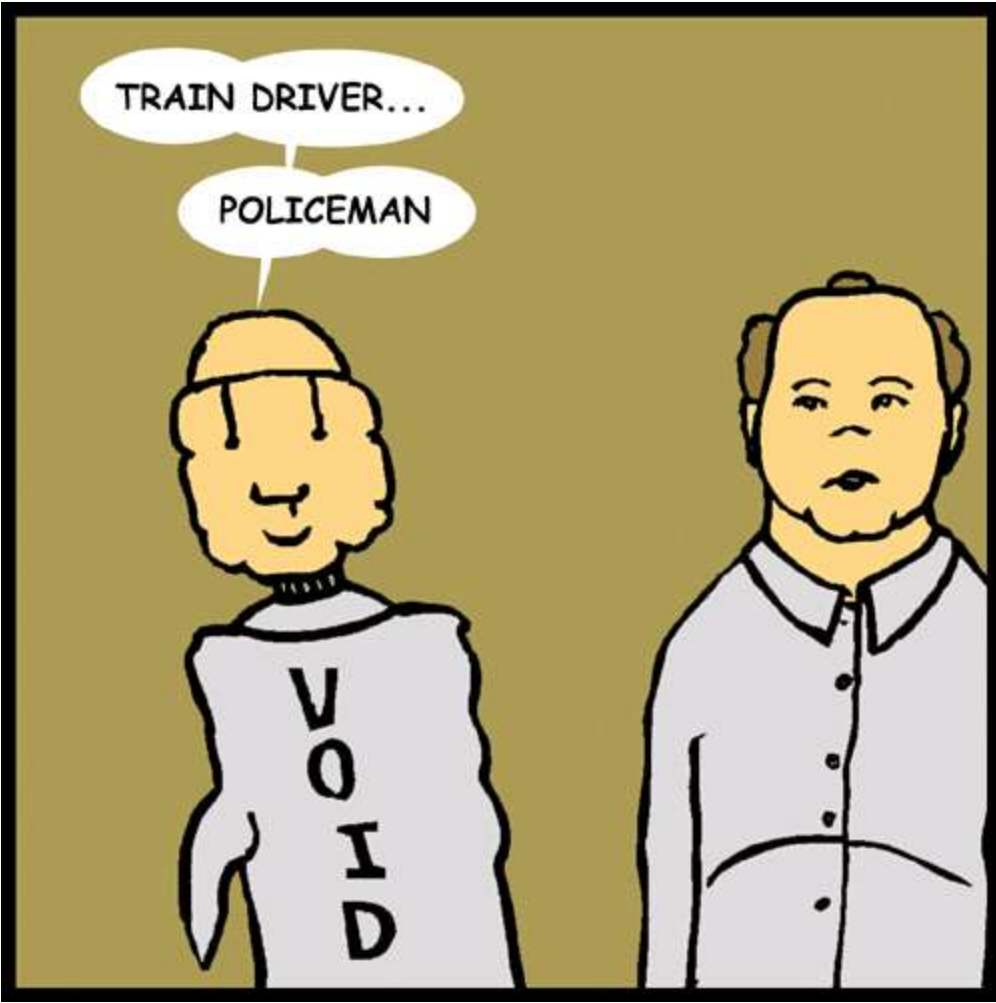
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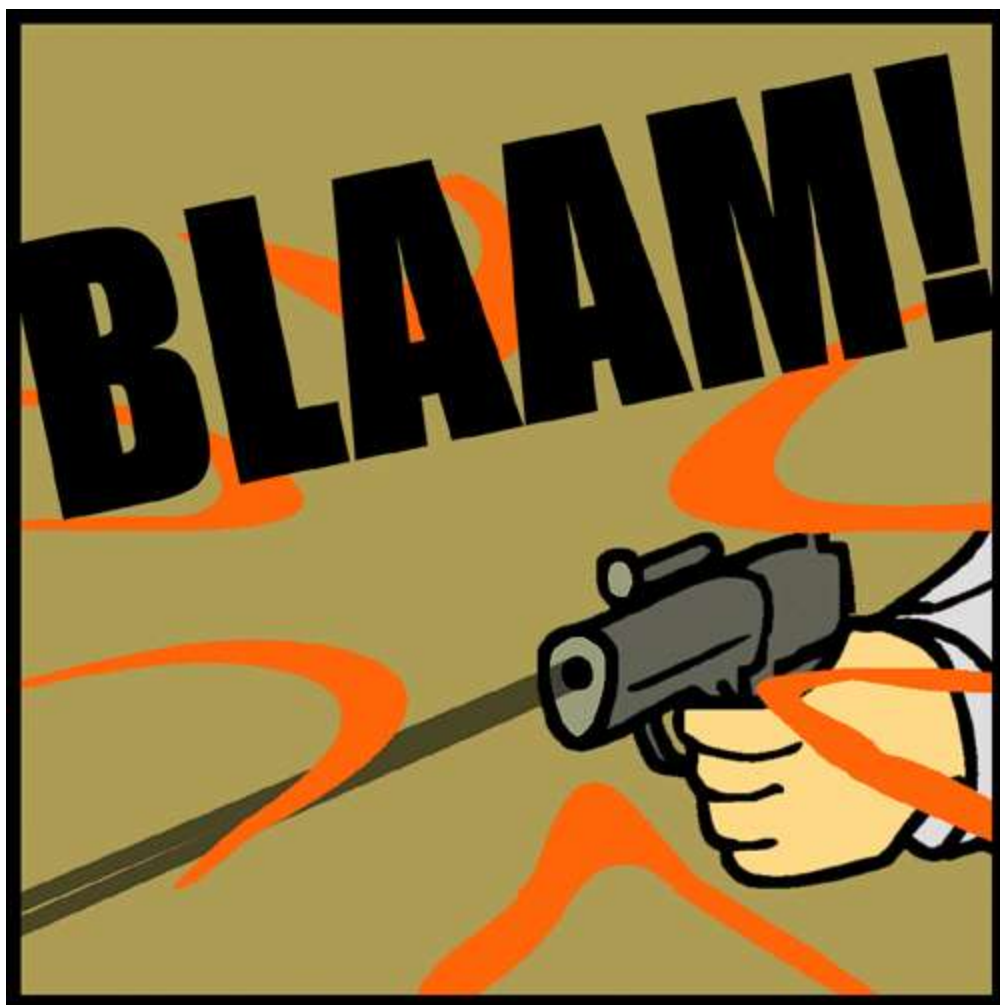
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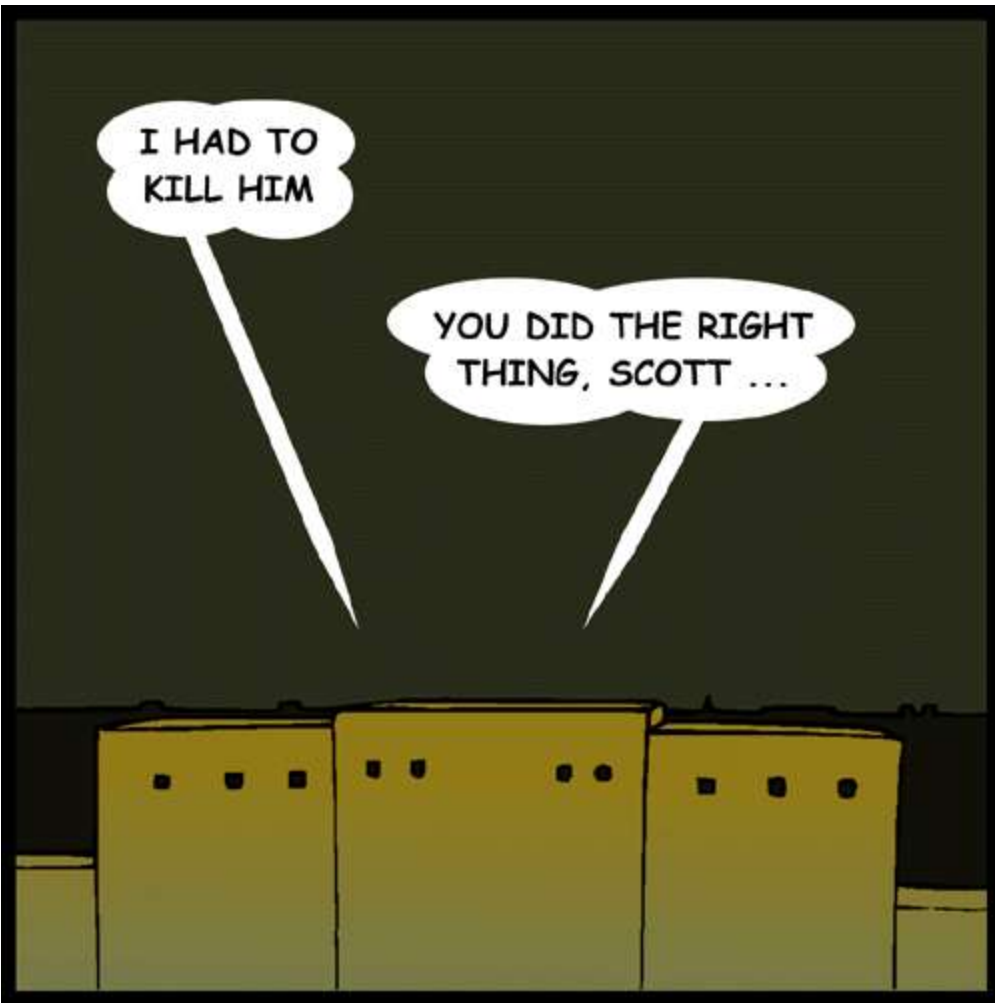


HELLO, I WANT  
TO BE AN  
ASTRONAUT

THERE ARE NO  
ASTRONAUTS !







I HAD TO  
KILL HIM

YOU DID THE RIGHT  
THING, SCOTT ...





THUS ... I ACHIEVE  
THE DESTRUCTION OF PDQ  
TRAINING SOLUTIONS !

THIS EVIL GOVERNMENT  
ALSO FALLS !

**BLAM!**

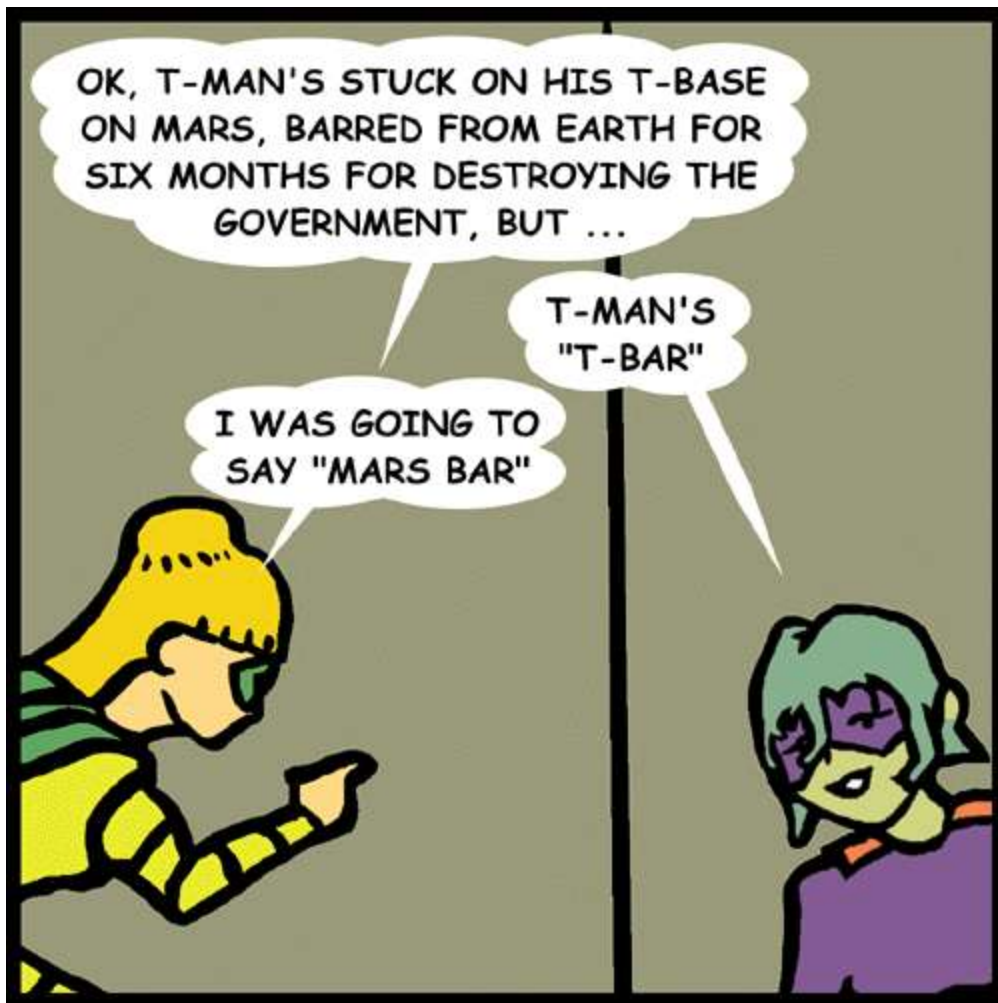




WOW, THERE WE ARE. A  
NEW GOVERNMENT, A NEW  
PRIME MINISTER - DICK  
FARRAGO GONE !

YES, THE RECTALLERS:  
ALL FINISHED !

ER, YEAH



BUT THE QUEEN GAVE  
HIM ALL THOSE JEWELS

AND HE TOOK THE LITTLE  
BLIND GIRL AND VOID ON  
THE TRIP

SO IT'S LIKE THEY  
BECAME ASTRONAUTS,  
AFTER ALL





We hope you enjoyed this adventure!  
Please look out for more New Moon Queen stories!