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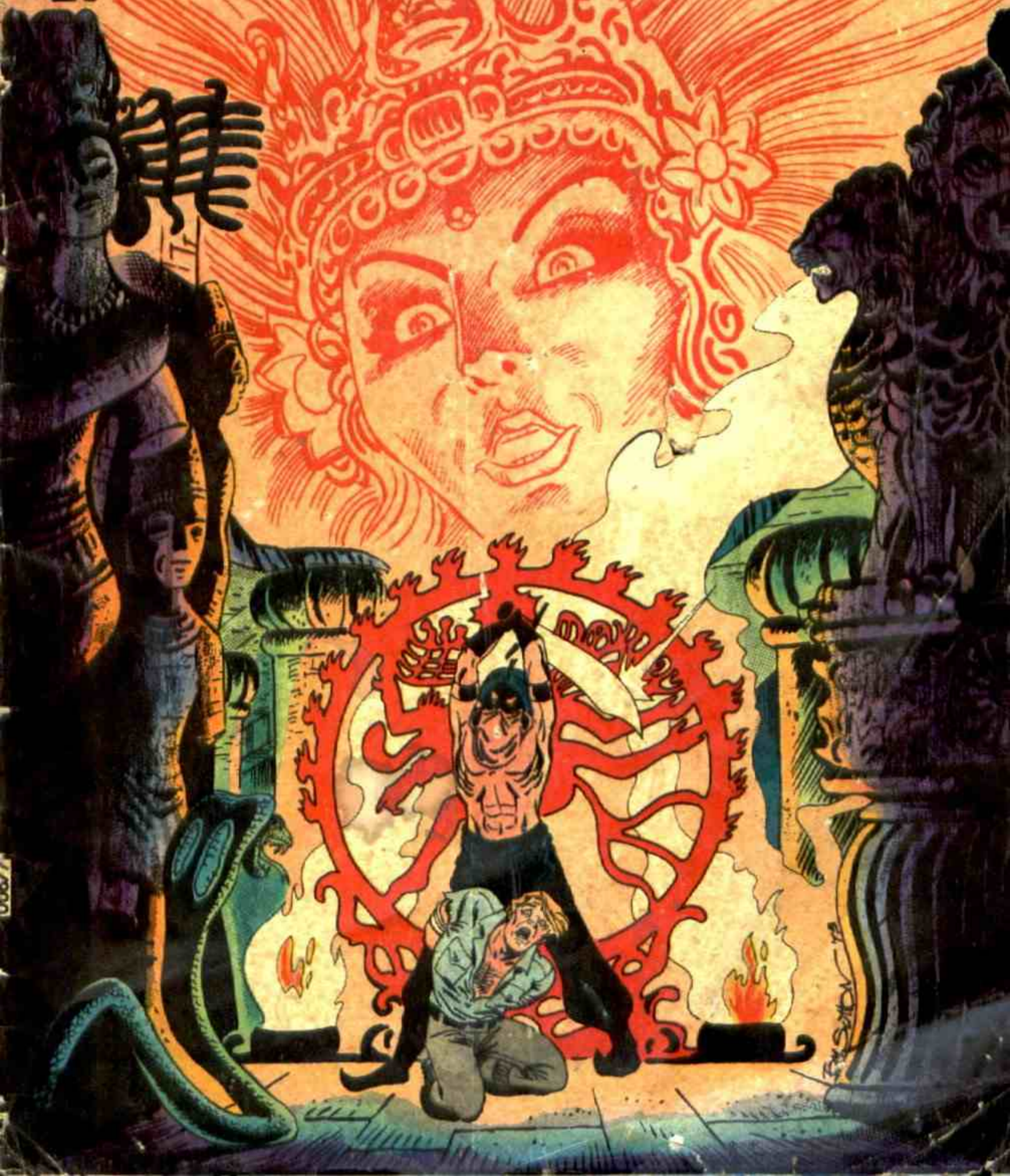
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A PORTRAIT of AMANDA

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OUR FIRST VIEW OF AMANDA BLAIR IS THERE... THAT IS SHE, THE PAINTING OVER THE FIREPLACE!

BENEATH IT, OBLIVIOUS TO HER SAD, REPROACHFUL GAZE, HER GREAT GRAND-NIECE, SYLVIA UPSHAW, FINDS HERSELF IN LOVE....

I LOVE YOU, SYLVIA... WILL YOU MARRY ME?

OH, YES, COLIN....

WHY DID LADY AMANDA BLAIR SEEM TO FROWN WHEN SHE LOOKED DOWN UPON HER YOUNG RELATIVE AND COLIN OGILVIE... DID JEALOUSY CAUSE THAT FROWN?



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IF YOU ASK YOURSELVES WHY LADY AMANDA FROWNS AT THEIR LOVE, COME WITH ME...DOWN THE CORRIDORS OF TIME...TO ANOTHER ERA...HERE IN THIS SAME ROOM....

DENNIS, HOW SWEET YOU ARE!



WERE I FREE OF MY ACCURSED DEBTS, LADY AMANDA, I WOULD PROPOSE MARRIAGE... BUT I CANNOT COME TO YOU WITH A PAUPER'S CELL THREATENING TO TEAR ME FROM YOUR SIDE!

...GRANDFATHER BLAIR BEQUEATHED A MILLION POUNDS TO ME AT HIS DEATH! SURELY THIS IS ENOUGH TO PAY WHAT YOU OWE...

AMANDA, YOUR GENEROSITY IS ONLY EXCEEDED BY YOUR BEAUTY!



MONEY IS NOT A PROBLEM, DENNIS...



I'M INSTRUCTING MR. SMYTHE AT OUR LONDON BANK TO GIVE YOU ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS, DARLING....THIS WILL SETTLE YOUR BILLS AND EASILY TAKE CARE OF YOUR WEDDING EXPENSES!

AS A WEDDING GIFT FOR HER FIANCE, LADY AMANDA COMMISSIONED A WELL KNOWN PAINTER TO DO HER IN OIL....

YOU ARE A DELIGHT TO PAINT, LADY AMANDA....HAPPINESS SHINES FROM YOUR EYES.... YOUR SMILE SPARKLES LIKE A BRIGHT JEWEL!

WORK QUICKLY, SIR PAINTER... YOU ARE KEEPING US APART!



YOU ARE VERY UNDERSTANDING, MY DEAR!



NEVER BEFORE WAS ANY WOMAN HAPPIER THAN LADY AMANDA... SHE FOUND NEW JOY IN HER LOVER'S ARMS WITH EACH EMBRACE!



WHEN DENNIS OGILVIE MENTIONED AN INVESTMENT HE FELT WOULD MAKE A PROFIT, SHE ADVANCED THE MONEY....

TEN THOUSAND, YOU SAID?

UH... BETTER MAKE IT TWENTY THOU, AMANDA... I THOUGHT I'D BUY A FEW SHARES OF AMERICAN RAILROAD AS WELL!



I'M SO PLEASED YOU'RE TAKING AN INTEREST IN BUSINESS, DENNIS!

I'M NOT NEARLY AS IMPRACTICAL AS YOU BELIEVE, AMANDA!



I WON'T SEE YOU BEFORE THE WEDDING ON SATURDAY, MY LOVE...

OH, MY DARLING...



AMANDA DIDN'T SEE DENNIS BEFORE SATURDAY... OR THEN EITHER! FOR DENNIS WAS LONG GONE... TO PARIS, FRANCE, WHERE HE SPENT WHAT AMANDA HAD SO GENEROUSLY GIVEN!



LADY AMANDA BLAIR WAS LEFT WAITING AT THE CHURCH.... A HEARTBROKEN WOMAN, BETRAYED BY HER LOVE...

I SHALL HORSEWHIP THE SCOUNDREL FOR THIS, AMANDA!

NO, FATHER... HE MUST'VE HAD AN ACCIDENT! HE... SOB... HE MAY EVEN BE DEAD!



TAKE ME HOME, FATHER.



AMANDA WAITED, EXPECTING WORD FROM HER BELOVED... SHE COULD NOT SLEEP... SHE TOOK TO WALKING THE BATTLEMENTS OF THE ANCIENT CASTLE!

OH, DENNIS... WHEREVER YOU ARE... THINK OF ME HERE... END MY TORMENT!



AS IF IN ANSWER TO HER PRAYER, AN IMAGE OF DENNIS CAME TO MIND... SHE REMEMBERED THEIR LAST KISS...



AND THINKING OF THIS, LADY AMANDA BLAIR MISSED HER STEP AND FELL... SEVENTY FEET TO HER DEATH!

AAAGGH!



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AND WHEN THEY LOOKED AT THE PORTRAIT OVER THE FIREPLACE, IT WAS DIFFERENT...THE SMILE WAS GONE AND THE EYES WERE SAD!



I'LL FIND HIM, AMANDA, AND PUNISH HIM FOR HIS MISDEEDS!

A CENTURY LATER, LADY AMANDA'S SORROW WAS NO LESS...

I KNOW WHAT AN UNHAPPY LIFE YOU HAD, GREAT AUNT AMANDA... I ONLY WISH YOUR ROMANCE TURNED OUT AS WELL AS MINE!



COLIN IS REALLY GREAT!...HE'S GOING TO BE A FAMOUS WRITER...WITH MY HELP!



SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, MITZI....

I DIDN'T MIND WAITING, DARLING...



...GET HER SUGARED UP GOOD, THEN TAKE THAT SNOOTIE BLUE-BLOOD FOR EVERY SHILLING SHE'S GOT!

DON'T BE JEALOUS, DOLL.... YOU'RE MY ONE TRUE LOVE!





I'M MEETING WITH SYLVIA'S LAWYERS IN THE MORNING, MITZI... I'LL OWN HALF OF EVERYTHING SHE HAS... AND **WHEN SHE DIES** I'LL OWN IT ALL!

WHEN WILL THAT BE, LUV?



THERE'LL BE A TRAGIC ACCIDENT ON OUR HONEYMOON... WHICH WE'LL SPEND IN THE **SHARK INFESTED WATERS** OFF CORSICA!

ON THE MANSION, LADY AMANDA'S PORTRAIT SEEMED EVEN SADDER AS SYLVIA UPSHAW HAPPILY PLANNED HER FUTURE....



WHAT A DARLING COLIN IS... BUT SO **IMPRACTICAL!**

HE BOUGHT THIS DIAMOND ON CREDIT... DIFFANY'S TELEPHONED AND I HAD TO CERTIFY HIS CREDIT!

THE WEDDING WENT AS PLANNED... AND IF THERE WAS AN UNINVITED GUEST PRESENT IN THE GREAT HALL, NO ONE KNEW IT!



...TO LOVE AND HONOR IN ILLNESS OR GOOD HEALTH!



A PLANE IS WAITING, MRS. OGILVIE... TO FLY US DIRECTLY TO CORSICA... WE'LL BE ABOARD OUR YACHT TONIGHT!



IT WILL BE EARLY EVENING WHEN WE BOARD THE YACHT... WE'LL JUST HAVE TIME FOR A PLEASANT SWIM BEFORE DINNER!



COLIN'S SCHEDULE WAS PERFECT....

THAT BATHING SUIT IS ADORABLE, SYLVIA... YOU GO IN FIRST...

ON MY ORDERS, THE MATE HAS BEEN DUMPING RAW MEAT OVERBOARD EVERY EVENING AT THIS TIME... THE SHARKS ARE WAITING!



DIVE IN, DEAREST... I'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND YOU!

NO, COLIN... YOU GO FIRST!



YEEEEEE!!!



SO SYLVIA UPSHAW OGILVIE BECAME A WIDOW WHILE SHE WAS STILL A BRIDE... BUT DO NOT GRIEVE FOR THE BEREAVED LADY... THE CAPTAIN OF THE YACHT, A BACHELOR, WAS OF GREAT COMFORT!

...AND I'M SURE POOR MR. OGILVIE WOULD WANT YOU TO CRUISE FOR THE MONTH AS PLANNED... AS A SORT OF MEMORIAL!

HOW THOUGHTFUL AND UNDERSTANDING YOU ARE, CAPTAIN!

CALL ME RAPHAEL, MY DEAR!

END.

AUNT HESTER'S CATS



THIS IS A PUSSYCAT OF A STORY... THEY SAY A CAT HAS NINE LIVES AND THIS LITTLE TOE-TINGLER MAY BE THE FINAL PROOF OF THAT FACT! MISS HESTER CLARK, SPINSTER LADY, HAD NO CLOSE RELATIVES... SHE HAD A GREAT DEAL OF MONEY... AND THE ONLY FRIENDS SHE HAD IN THE WORLD WERE HER CATS!



CAESAR, YOU NAUGHTY BOY!

OH, YES... SHE HAD A COUPLE LIVING IN... MR. AND MRS. LEONARD MEEKS... A COUPLE WHO SWORE THEY LOVED CATS... FOR SOME REASON, HESTER'S CATS DIDN'T LOVE THEM!

AAARRGCHH!
THAT BLASTED CAT!

NOW, LEONARD... YOU MUSTN'T BE CROSS WITH CAESAR!

HE WAS WAITING FOR ME TO COME THROUGH THE DOOR! HE HATES ME, MISS CLARK!

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WE'LL WANT AUNT HESTER TO SLEEP SOUNDLY TONIGHT, LEONARD. A FEW DROPS OF THIS WILL TAKE CARE OF THAT!



YOUR TEA, MISS CLARK.



ANNIE, YOU ALWAYS FIX MY TEA TRAY THE WAY I LIKE IT!

I TRIES TO PLEASE, MUM!



OH, I MEANT TO ASK YOU TWO SOMETHING. ATTORNEY WILLIAMS CAME TO SEE ME A FEW DAYS AGO...



... AND I CHANGED MY WILL! MY MONEY WILL BE HELD IN TRUST FOR MY CATS... AND THEIR DESCENDANTS! I WANT YOU TWO TO STAY ON HERE TAKING CARE OF THE PLACE JUST AS IF I WERE STILL ALIVE!



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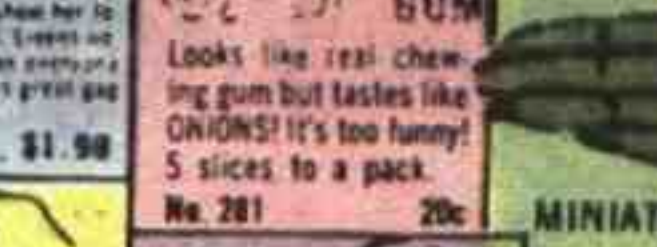
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GOOD NIGHT, ANNIE. I'LL TRY TO FINISH THIS BOOK BEFORE I FALL ASLEEP.



LEONARD DISCOVERED AUNT HESTER'S BODY WHEN HE RETURNED JUST BEFORE MIDNIGHT ... SHE HAD DIED APPARENTLY WHILE READING HER BOOK!

WELL, WELL... THE OLD LADY IS FINALLY DEAD!



SHE LEFT ALL THAT MONEY TO THE CATS... IT WON'T TAKE US LONG TO GET IT FOR OURSELVES!



THE LAWYERS WILL PAY OUT BILLS, LEONARD. THEY WON'T GIVE US REAL CASH TO PLAY WITH!

I'LL FIND A WAY, ANNIE! LEAVE IT TO ME!



THE FUNERAL WAS SMALL... AUNT HESTER CLARK HAD A FEW ACQUAINTANCES AND NO REAL FRIENDS!



THE DAY AFTER THE FUNERAL, ATTORNEY WILLIAMS CALLED UPON LEONARD AND ANNIE MEEKS...

MISS CLARK WAS MY CLIENT, MR. MEEKS. NOW SHE IS DECEASED, I HAVE NO FURTHER REASON FOR VISITING THIS HOUSE.

ACCEPT THIS CHECK FOR CURRENT EXPENSES. I WILL MAIL A SIMILAR CHECK EACH WEEK SO THAT YOU CAN MAINTAIN THE HOME FOR THE FELINES AS MISS CLARK INTENDED.



\$300? WE'LL NEVER GET RICH ON THAT, LEONARD! BUYING CAT FOOD FOR...

WE WON'T BUY CAT FOOD MUCH LONGER, ANNIE!



I'VE GOT A PLAN, ANNIE. REMEMBER THE CELL WE FOUND IN THE CELLAR... THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY IN AND OUT... A CONCEALED TRAP-DOOR IN THE FLOOR?



WE'LL ROUND UP ALL THE CATS, ANNIE! DROP THEM DOWN INTO THIS HOLE... NO ONE WILL EVER HEAR THEIR YOWLING DOWN THERE! COME ON, TAKE A LOOK AT IT!



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THE WALLS ARE CONCRETE, ANNIE!
THE CATS CAN'T DIG OR CLAW
THEIR WAY OUT!

IT SEEMS A
BIT CRUEL TO JUST STARVE
THEM, LEONARD!

THERE'S A LOT OF DRY CAT
FOOD DOWN HERE, ANNIE...
THEY'LL LIVE A LONG TIME
ON THAT!

HA HA HA HA!



WHAT WAS THAT,
LEONARD? IS ANY-
ONE UP THERE?

ONLY THE
CATS,
ANNIE...

... AND ONE OF THEM JUST ACCIDENTLY
SLAMMED THE TRAP DOOR ON US!

LEN! DOESN'T THE TRAP DOOR
LATCH FROM THE OUTSIDE?

YOU FOOL... YOU'VE LOCKED
US IN HERE!



WHEN SOMEONE FINALLY INVESTIGATED, THEY
FOUND AUNT HESTER'S CATS THRIVING...
IN FACT, ONE OF THEM SEEMED TO BE READING
A BOOK WHEN ATTORNEY WILLIAMS AND
A POLICEMAN FORCED THEIR WAY IN...

HMMM... THE CAT SEEMS
TO BE READING THE
SAME BOOK AUNT
HESTER HAD NEARLY
FINISHED WHEN SHE
DIED!

THE MEEKS SEEM TO
HAVE DISAPPEARED
I'LL HIRE ANOTHER
COUPLE TO TAKE THEIR
PLACES!





LETTERS FROM BEYOND

Dear Dr. Graves:

I know perfectly well that you don't believe in ghosts any more than I do. We know, as do all intelligent people, that there aren't really any witches, poltergeists, spooks, etc. There may be phenomena which are difficult to explain but if one tries hard enough, one can usually come up with a believable explanation of the unbelievable.

Now. Why does my neighbor's dead husband keep coming around the back yard every night? I am a teen-aged girl and I never did like Mr. Aldyn. He was always a creep in real life and I wouldn't like him now as a ghost if there really were such things.

Mr. Aldyn was always rotten to Mae Aldyn, his wife. She's a sweet lady about forty now who always gave me cookies and milk when I was little. She helped me with my homework in grade school and I used to call her Aunt Mae. Mr. Aldyn was something else. He was a dirty old man even when he was young. He'd peek at me every chance he got and any time I'd forget to pull down a shade when I was getting dressed, I could be sure he'd be out in the yard in the dark looking in.

Well, after he died, I sort of relaxed about pulling down window shades and all. But lately, I had this funny feeling that I was being watched, just as I used to feel when he was alive. A few weeks ago I snapped off the lights and peered out in the yard. I saw a shadow there in the bushes between the Aldyn house and ours, the same place he used to hide when he wanted to look in my room. After that, I began watching more often. At first, I thought it was someone else. We have a dog which we usually keep in the house at night but I told Dad and Dad let him out thinking he would chase the girl-watcher. But he didn't. He behaved exactly as he always did when Mr. Aldyn was out there. You see, Mr. Aldyn always gave Butch, our dog, hamburgers, steak bones, and all kinds of goodies. My folks thought it was because Mr. A. was good-hearted but I knew it was so he could sneak around in the bushes at night without Butch gnawing off a leg!

Anyhow, Butch went trotting into the bushes when we let him out and made a fuss over the creep who was hiding there. Lately, I've been watching Mr. Aldyn. I see this dark shadow in their yard. I've gone over to visit Aunt Mae and I've been almost certain I've seen the shadowy figure lurking in other rooms, watching and listening.

Aunt Mae doesn't know about it. Should I warn her? Should I call the police or will they just think I'm a teen-aged nut? The only one who knows about him besides me is Butch and he'd make a lousy witness.

I need your advice, Dr. Graves.

Sincerely,
Cookie G.

Dear Cookie:

In the first place, you're undoubtedly right. You know, I know, and all intelligent people know there aren't any ghosts etc. With that out of the way, let us consider your problem.

You had a neighbor, Mr. Aldyn, who apparently cast lecherous glances at your body. He died of unstated causes and you thought you were rid of him but now, it seems, you might have leaped to conclusions. If he is out in the yard, apparently your charms are sufficient to lure him back from the grave. As for warning Aunt Mae about Mr. Aldyn, I wouldn't do that. She may think he came back to see her and, after all, her contract with him has expired. He was only bound by the phrase "till death us do part" and he parted when he went beneath the ground. No, don't give her false hope.

I do suggest you stop being so skittery about the shadowy figure in the outer darkness. After all, he's going to a lot of trouble just to visit with you now and then. However, if you're narrow-minded about such things, pull down your window shades and try to forget he's out there.

Dear Dr. Graves:

I've been reading all the Charlton supernatural books for years and I always enjoyed them but lately they've been getting even better. I read issue #1 of Midnight Tales and I particularly enjoyed the stories of Nick Cuti and the art work of Wayne Howard, Jack Abel, and Joe Staton. Midnight Tales, a new comic, is as good as the rest of your titles which is quite a compliment.

Keep them coming,
JG

Well, well, JG, that's quite a compliment and we appreciate it. We'll pass your letter on to Nick, Wayne, Jack, & Joe. Glad to hear from you any time.



PROLOGUE:



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I RECEIVED YOUR MESSAGE, MR. THOMPSON, WHY DO YOU WISH TO FIND THE TEMPLE OF KALI?

I HAVE READ A TRANSLATION OF THE PURANAS, MISS SHINDI... ONE OF THOSE ANCIENT TALES IS OF GREAT INTEREST TO ME.

GEORGE KILGORE
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IT TELLS OF HOW A MAN OF MY BLOOD GAVE HIS LIFE TO LOOK INTO THE EYES OF KALI, GODDESS OF THE STORMS!



KALI ALSO HAS THE POWER OF LIFE AND DEATH, MR. THOMPSON! WOULD YOU BE THE SECOND MAN TO PAY THE ULTIMATE PRICE FOR A LOOK AT BEAUTY?



THAT WAS NEARLY FOUR THOUSAND YEARS AGO, MISS SHINDI, YOUR GODDESS KALI NO LONGER HAS THE POWER OF LIFE AND DEATH.

YOU ARE DETERMINED TO FIND KALI'S TEMPLE, MR. THOMPSON...



... AND I THINK YOU OF ALL MEN HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE TAKEN THERE.

HIS WORK HAD TAKEN ARL THOMPSON TO MANY STRANGE PLACES IN THE WORLD... HE WAS AN EXPERIENCED TRAVELER.



THE ROAD ENDS AT THE EDGE OF THE DARK FOREST, MR. THOMPSON, I HAVE ARRANGED FOR OTHER TRANSPORT THERE.



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YOU PEOPLE GO TO A LOT OF TROUBLE TO MAINTAIN THE OLD LEGENDS, MISS SHINDI...

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WE WILL REACH THE HIDDEN TEMPLE TOMORROW, MR. THOMPSON,



CAMP WAS MADE IN THE JUNGLE... THE GURKHA, RAL, HAD THE MEN ERECT TENTS AND PREPARE A MEAL AS DARKNESS FELL...



DOES THE FOOD RAL HAS PREPARED PLEASE YOU, MR. THOMPSON?



IT'S A FEAST, MISS SHINDI,



WE CAN BE LESS FORMAL NOW, ARL THOMPSON... PLEASE ADDRESS ME AS MAJIRA,

YOU MEAN WE'RE GOING TO BE FRIENDS, MAJIRA?



WHEN WE FIRST MET, DID YOU FEEL FOR A MOMENT THAT WE HAD MET BEFORE?

YES, BUT THAT CAN BE EXPLAINED, MAJIRA...

YOU MAY RESEMBLE SOMEONE I'VE KNOWN... OR PERHAPS WE HAVE SEEN EACH OTHER... IN BOMBAJ... OR ELSEWHERE,

YES, ARL... IT WAS ANOTHER PLACE...



... AND ANOTHER TIME!



YOU HAVE STUDIED THE PURANAS WHICH ARE THE SACRED TALES OF MY PEOPLE. YOU KNOW OF THE GODDESS, KALI,

I KNOW KALI IS THE WIFE OF SIVA, THE SECOND GOD...



... ALSO CALLED SIVA, THE DESTROYER,

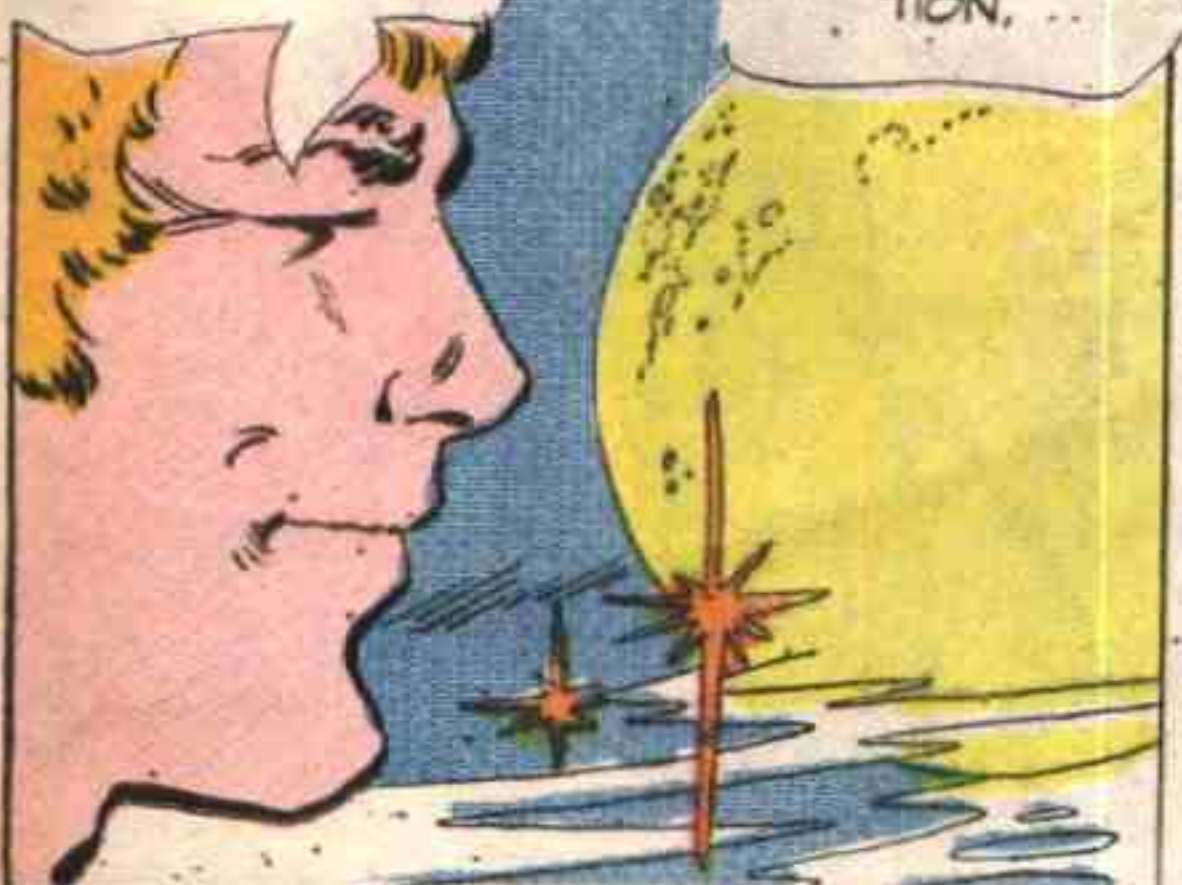
BUT SIVA DESTROYED ONLY TO RESTORE WHAT HE DESTROYED IN A BETTER, PURER FORM.



I KNOW, MAJIRA... AND KALI, SIVA'S WIFE, HAS THE POWER OF LIFE AND DEATH...

... AND SHE CAN BESTOW THE GIFT OF REINCARNA-TION, ...

YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN REINCARNA-TION I KNOW, ARL... BUT SOON YOU WILL.



DO NOT MOVE,
ARL... AND DO
NOT LOOK TO
YOUR LEFT...
YOU ARE IN
GREAT
DANGER!



NOW, THE DEADLY
COBRA IS LOOKING
AT ME, ARL...



GET AWAY FROM
IT, MAJIRA... I
WOULD RATHER
IT STRUCK AT ME!



IT WILL
NOT
STRIKE,
ARL!



IT NO
LONGER
EXISTS!



HOW DID YOU
DO THAT?

PERHAPS IT WAS
HYPNOTISM, ARL...
OR SOME KIND OF
ORIENTAL MAGIC...
LIKE THE HINDU
ROPE TRICK?



IN THE MORNING, THEY WENT ON. NOW THE JUNGLE WAS STILL AROUND THEM... NO BIRDS FLEW... NOTHING MOVED...

YOU SEEM UNEASY, ARL, WHY? THERE IS NOTHING TO FEAR HERE,

I JUST NOTICED THAT, MAJIRA!



THERE'S NOTHING... NO ANIMALS, NO BIRDS, NO INSECTS!

WE ARE NEAR THE TEMPLE, ARL...



THERE IT IS, ARL, THE SECRET TEMPLE OF KALI... HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THAT BEFORE...

N-NO... ONLY AN OLD WOODCUT OR AN OLD ENGRAVING SOMEWHERE, OF COURSE, PERHAPS ANOTHER TEMPLE WHICH LOOKED LIKE IT...



NO OTHER TEMPLE LOOKS LIKE THE TEMPLE OF KALI... NOR ARE THERE WOODCUTS OR ENGRAVING...



... AND YOU ARE THE ONLY LIVING MAN WHO HAS EVER BEEN HERE!





I WILL GO ON AHEAD, ARI, WHEN YOU HEAR THE TEMPLE BELLS, THEN YOU ENTER... ALONE.



THEN... ACROSS THE SILENT JUNGLE CAME THE SOFT BUT INSISTENT SUMMONS OF THE TEMPLE BELLS...



KALI IS WAITING!

KALI IS WAITING, HE SAYS... THESE PEOPLE NEVER QUIT!



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I DON'T UNDERSTAND...

COME
NEARER,
ARL THOMPSON...



... AND THINK BACK!
CAN YOU NOT REMEMBER
ANOTHER TIME WHEN
YOU STOOD THUS?
WHEN KALI GAVE
THE SIGNAL AND
THEN YOU DIED?

I HAD THEN
THE POWER
OF LIFE
AND DEATH...



... AND FOR
YOU, IT WAS
DEATH!

BUT I ALSO POSSESSED THE
ABILITY TO GRANT A SECOND
LIFE! NOW YOU KNOW WHY I
LOOKED FAMILIAR... AND WHY
YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD BEEN
HERE BEFORE!



WE SHALL MEET AGAIN,
VIEWER OF BEAUTY.





COME WITH ME,
ARL THOMPSON...



HOW DID YOU MANAGE
ALL THIS, MAJIRA?
THAT BIT ON THE
THRONE WAS TERRIFIC!

I WON'T TRY TO
EXPLAIN, ARL... BUT
NOTHING THAT
HAPPENED WAS
A PRETENSE.



LET US DRINK A TOAST
TO US, ARL... TO YOU AND
I IN THIS TIME AND
PLACE.

I'LL DRINK TO
THAT!



AND THEN...

WHETHER YOU ARE
GODDESS OR WOMAN,
MAJIRA... I LOVE YOU!

THOSE WERE
THE MAGIC
WORDS,
DARLING!

AND THEY KISSED... THE TEMPLE VANISHED...
THEY WERE JUST MORTAL MAN AND MORTAL
WOMAN... SHARING AN ETERNAL LOVE!



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KALI, ARL... NOT ANY
MORE... ARE YOU
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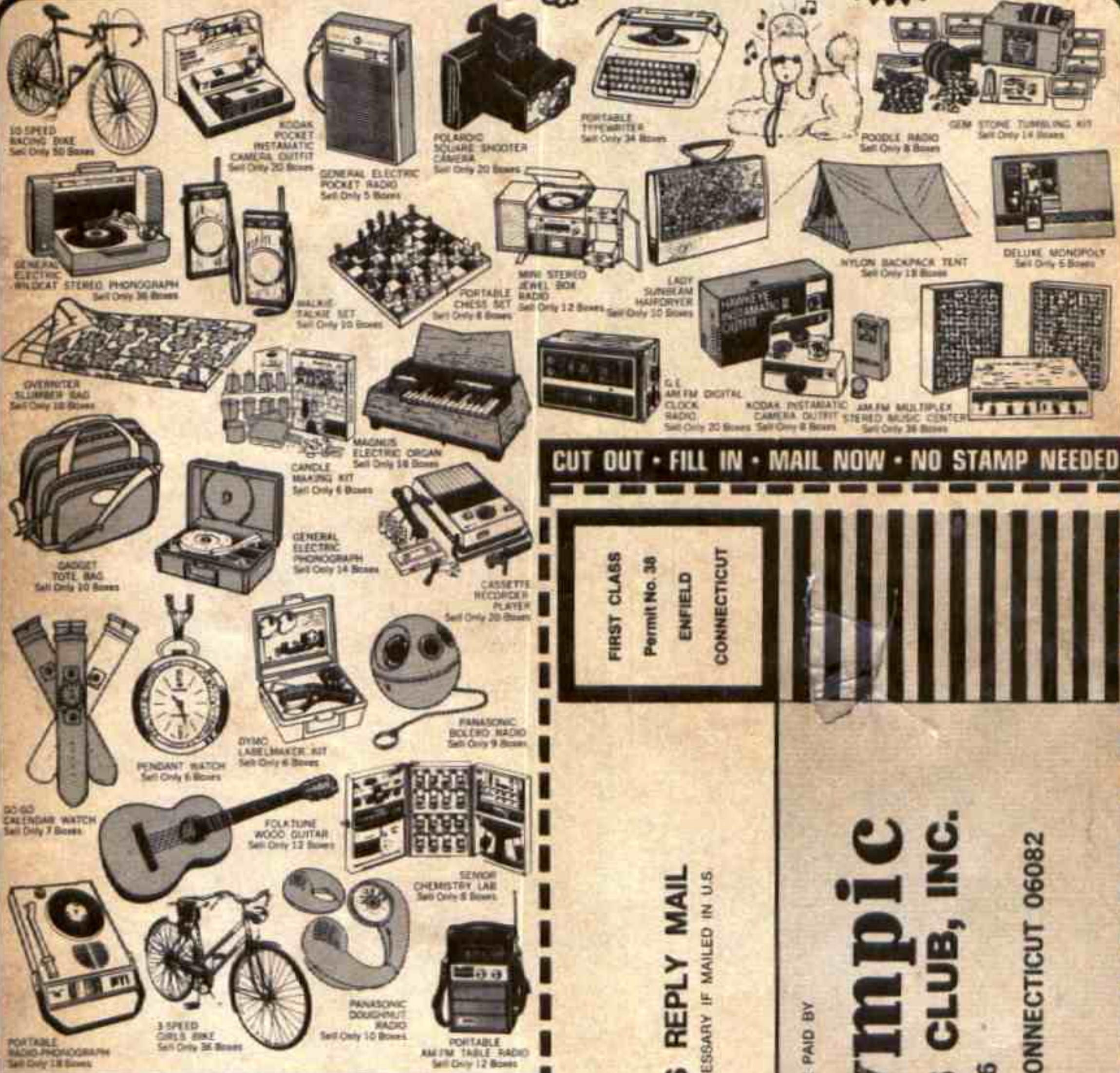
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Fold Over Here ↑ Don't Cut! Do Seal (Paste, Staple or Scotch Tape) ↑ No Stamp Needed!

CHECK CARDS DESIRED

Send me my first order of 12 Greeting Card Boxes to sell as checked below

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Name _____

Address _____ Apt. No. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parent's Signature _____



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