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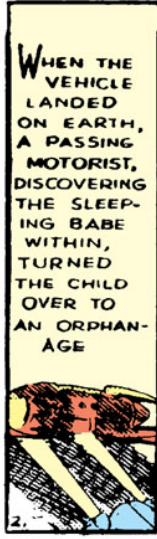
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**SUPERMAN**  
 JEROME SIEGEL  
 JOE SHUSTER

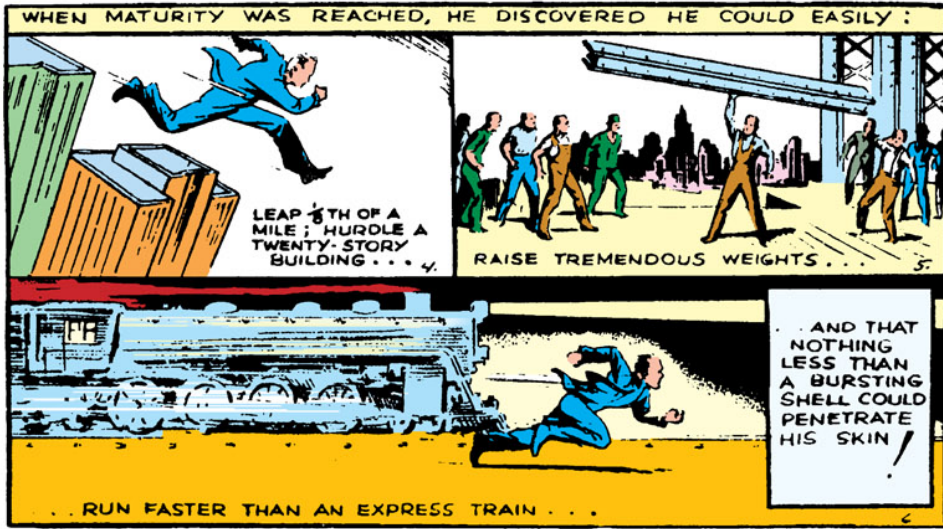
AS A DISTANT PLANET WAS DESTROYED BY OLD AGE, A SCIENTIST PLACED HIS INFANT SON WITHIN A HASTILY DEvised SPACE-SHIP, LAUNCHING IT TOWARD EARTH!



WHEN THE VEHICLE LANDED ON EARTH, A PASSING MOTORIST, DISCOVERING THE SLEEPING BABE WITHIN, TURNED THE CHILD OVER TO AN ORPHAN-AGE



ATTENDANTS, UNAWARE THE CHILD'S PHYSICAL STRUCTURE WAS MILLIONS OF YEARS ADVANCED AT THEIR OWN, WERE ASTOUNDED AT HIS FEATS OF STRENGTH



WHEN MATURITY WAS REACHED, HE DISCOVERED HE COULD EASILY :

LEAP 1/4 MILE; HURDLE A TWENTY-STORY BUILDING . . .

RAISE TREMENDOUS WEIGHTS . . .

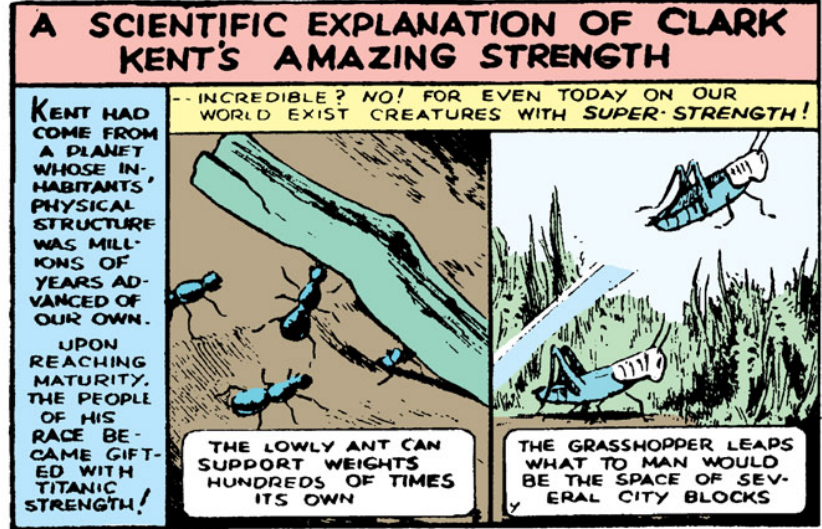
.. RUN FASTER THAN AN EXPRESS TRAIN . . .

.. AND THAT NOTHING LESS THAN A BURSTING SHELL COULD PENETRATE HIS SKIN!

EARLY, CLARK DECIDED HE MUST TURN HIS TITANIC STRENGTH INTO CHANNELS THAT WOULD BENEFIT MANKIND AND SO WAS CREATED . . .



**SUPERMAN!**  
 CHAMPION OF THE OPPRESSED, THE PHYSICAL MARVEL WHO HAD SWORN TO DEVOTE HIS EXISTENCE TO HELPING THOSE IN NEED!



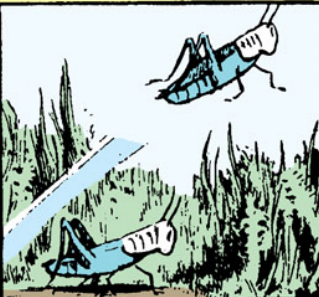
**A SCIENTIFIC EXPLANATION OF CLARK KENT'S AMAZING STRENGTH**

KENT HAD COME FROM A PLANET WHOSE INHABITANTS' PHYSICAL STRUCTURE WAS MILLIONS OF YEARS ADVANCED OF OUR OWN. UPON REACHING MATURITY, THE PEOPLE OF HIS RACE BECAME GIFTED WITH TITANIC STRENGTH!

-- INCREDIBLE? NO! FOR EVEN TODAY ON OUR WORLD EXIST CREATURES WITH SUPER-STRENGTH!

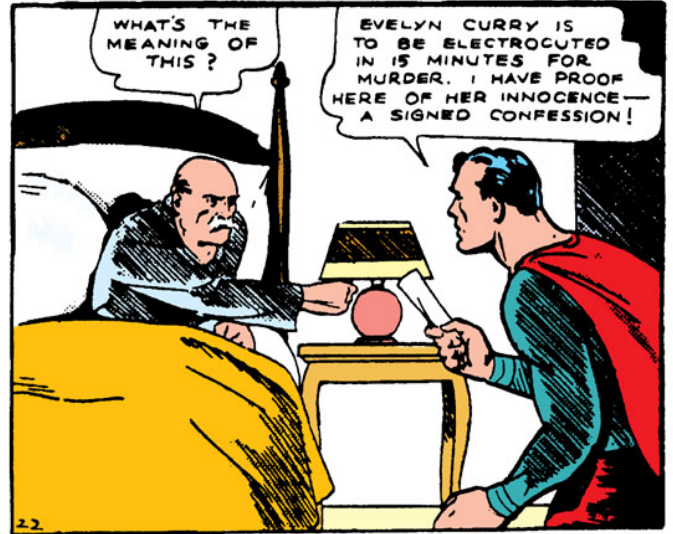
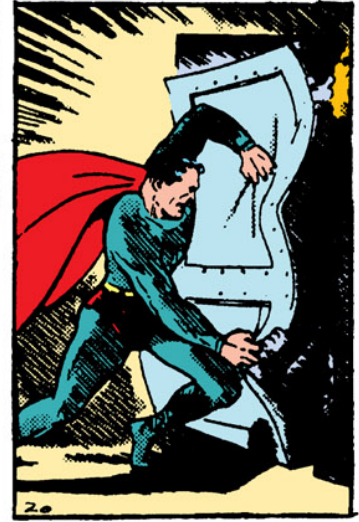


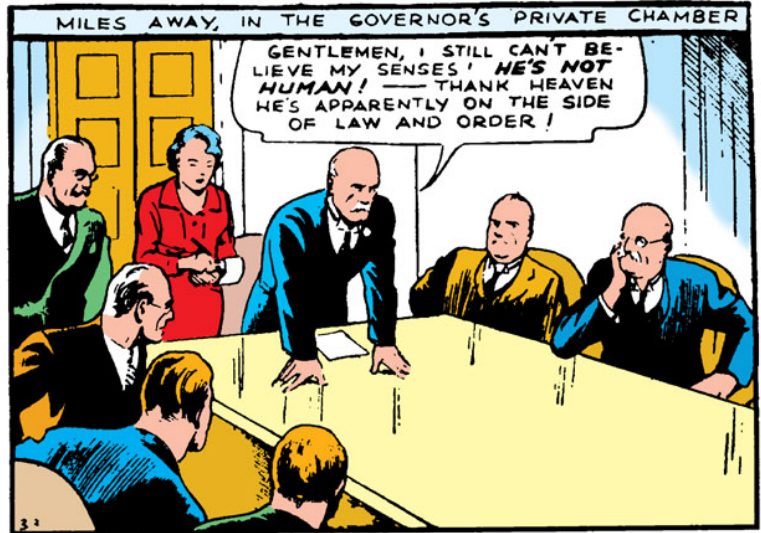
THE LOWLY ANT CAN SUPPORT WEIGHTS HUNDREDS OF TIMES ITS OWN

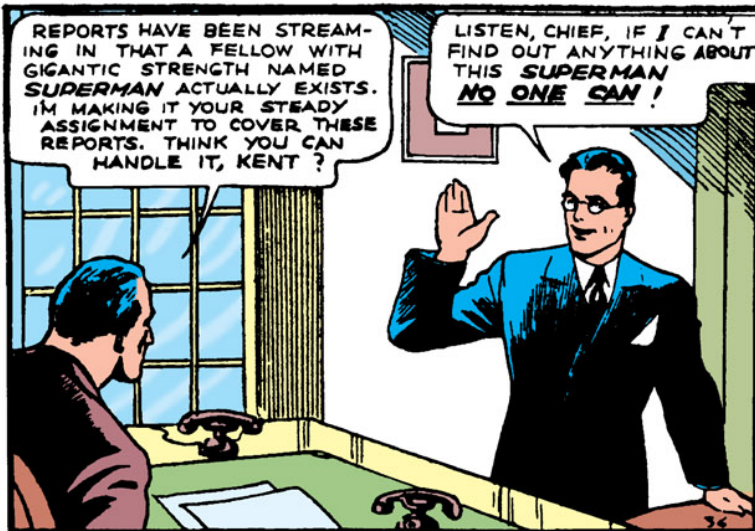
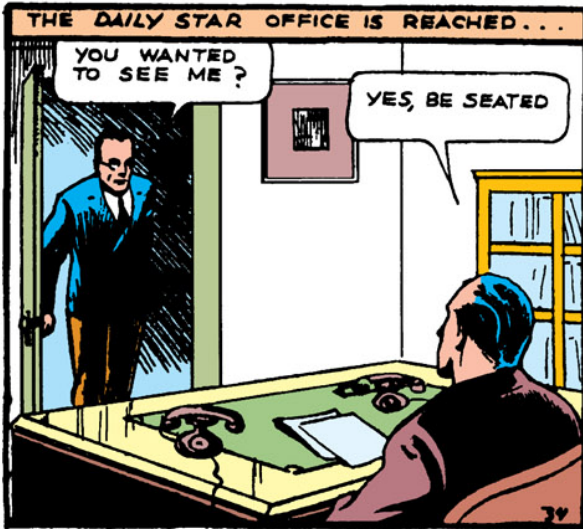


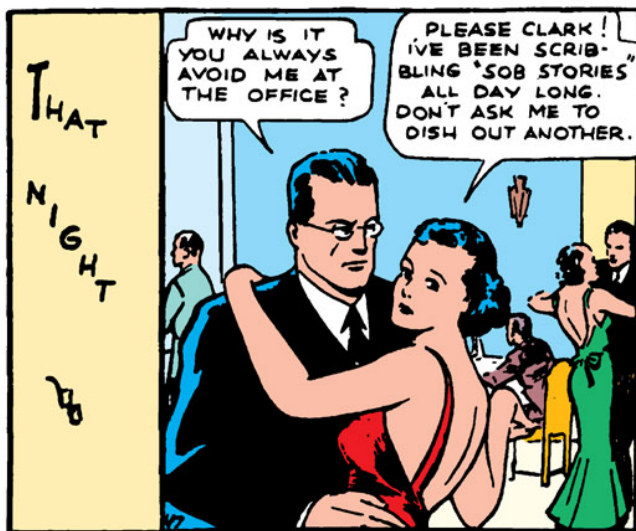
THE GRASSHOPPER LEAPS WHAT TO MAN WOULD BE THE SPACE OF SEVERAL CITY BLOCKS

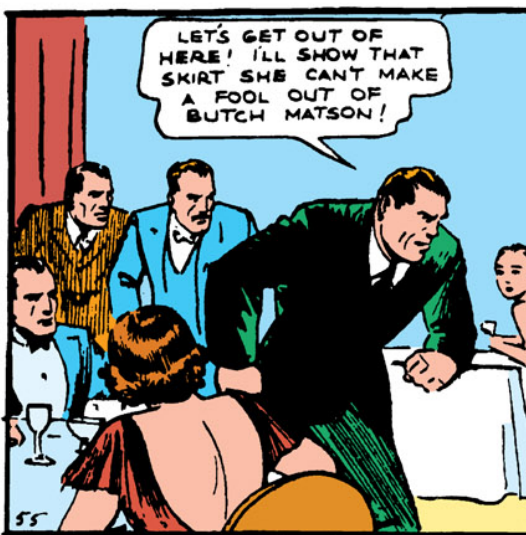




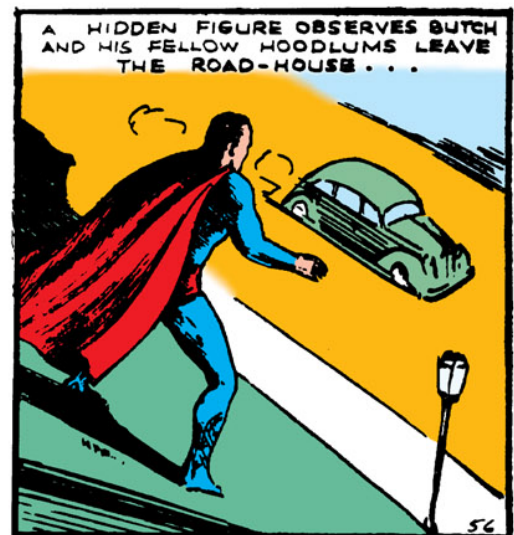


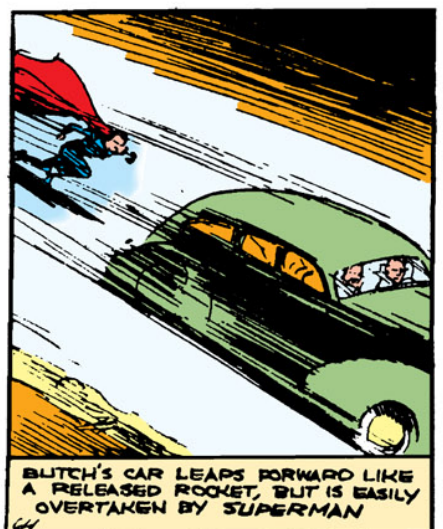
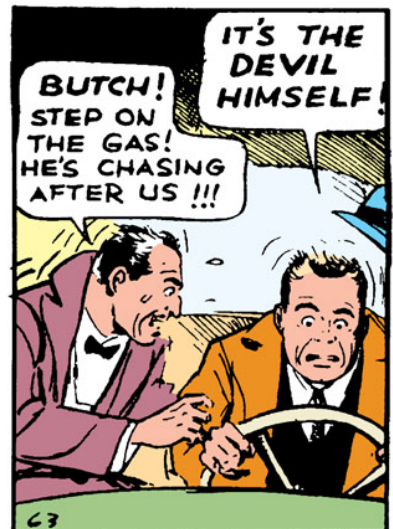
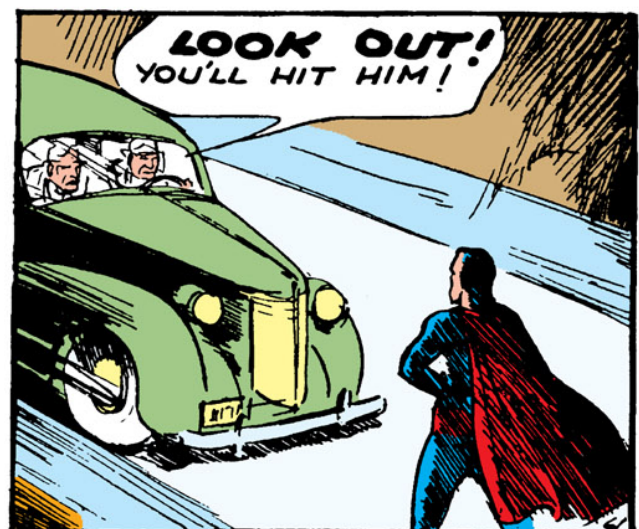
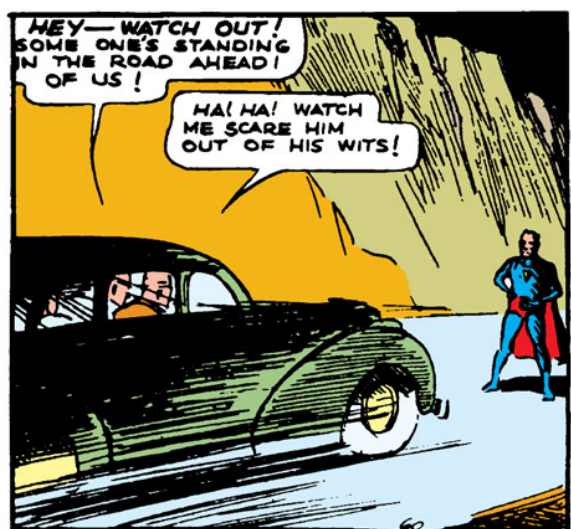


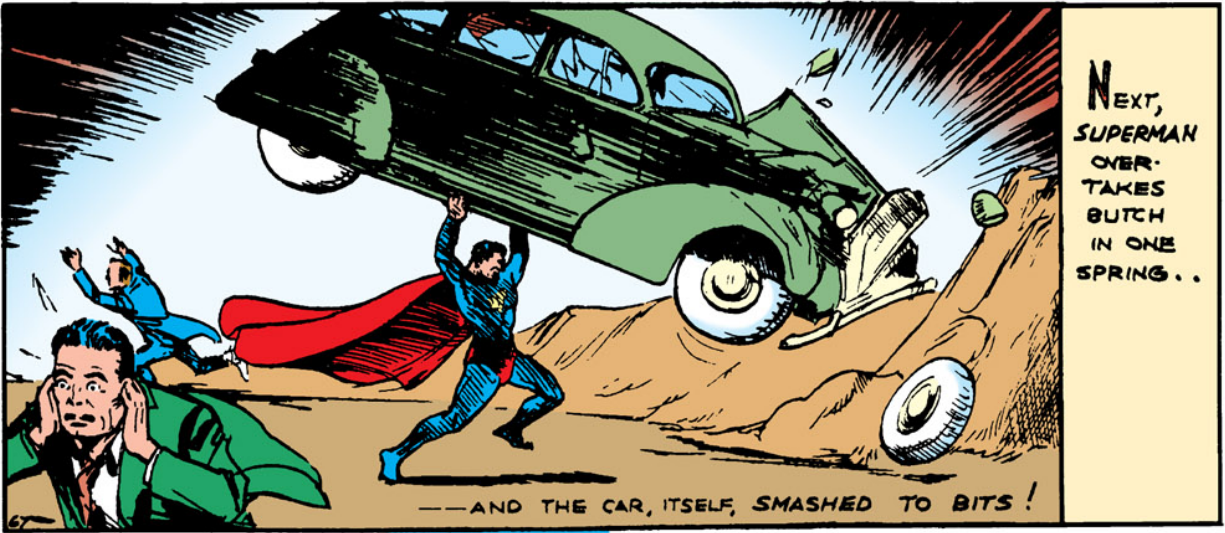
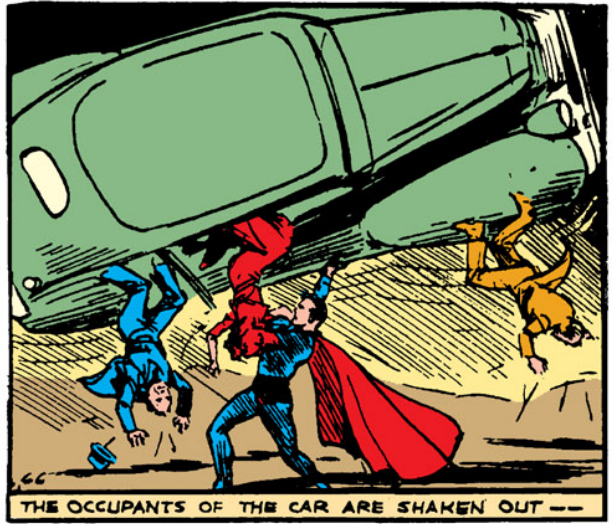
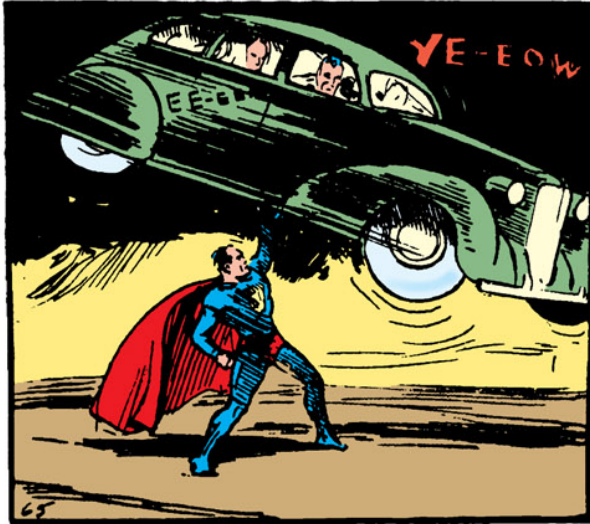


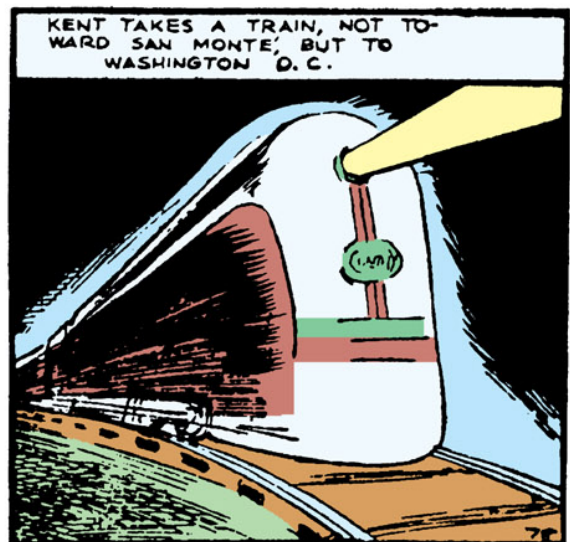
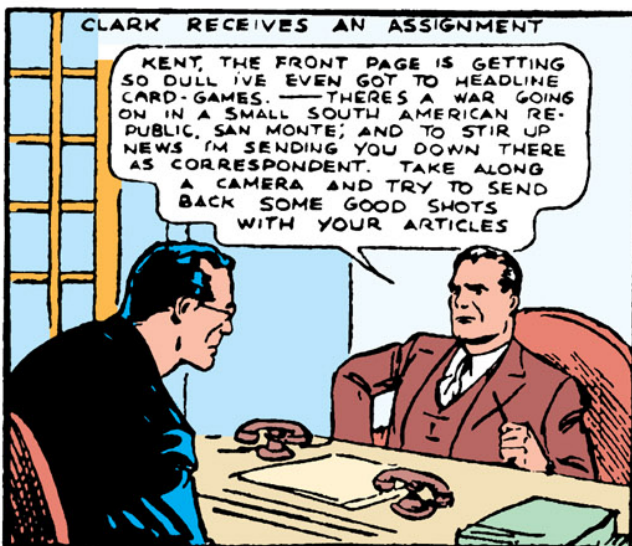
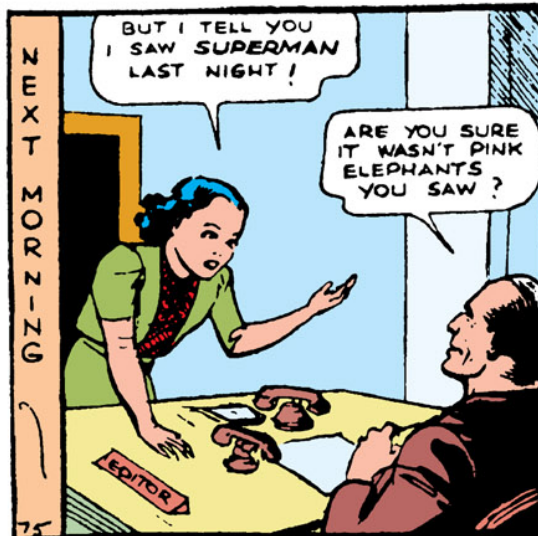
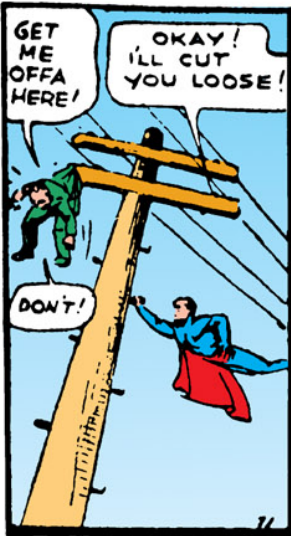


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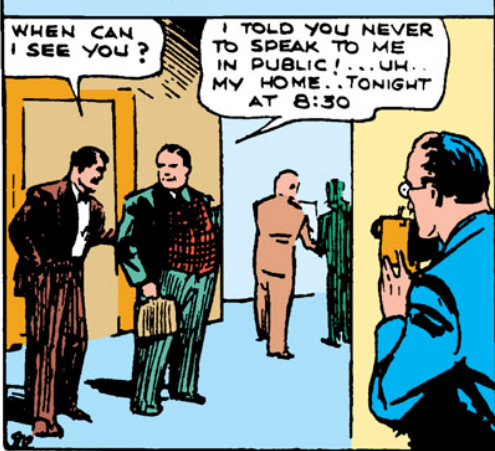
IN THE CAPITAL CITY, HE ATTENDS A SESSION OF CONGRESS, SITTING IN THE GALLERY



IS THAT SENATOR BARROWS SPEAKING?

YES.

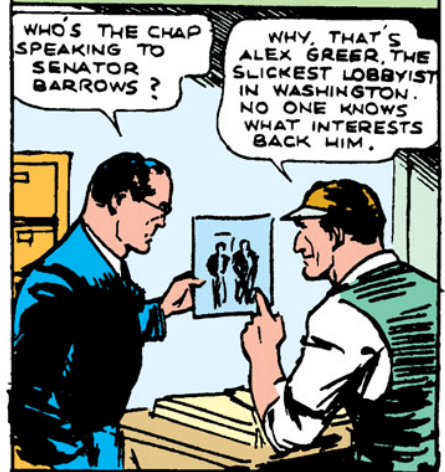
UPON LEAVING THE SENATE CHAMBERS, CLARK SNAPS A PICTURE OF A FURTIVE MAN SPEAKING SWIFTLY TO SENATOR BARROWS



WHEN CAN I SEE YOU?

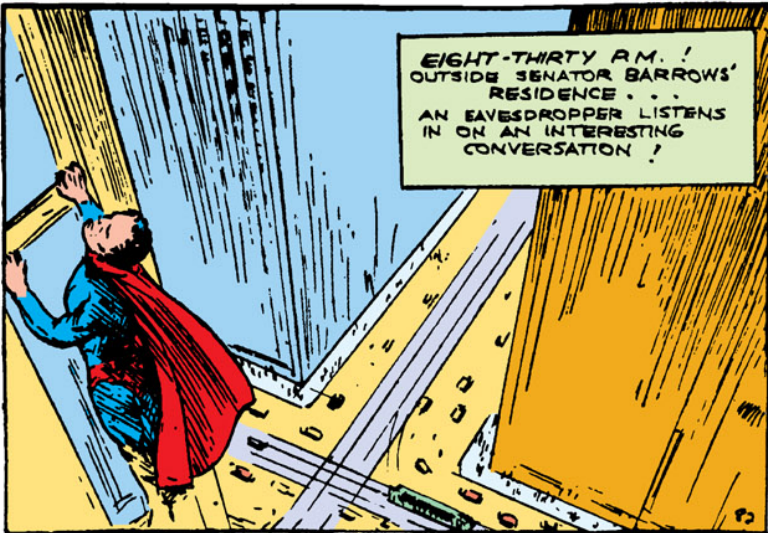
I TOLD YOU NEVER TO SPEAK TO ME IN PUBLIC! ...UH... MY HOME... TONIGHT AT 8:30

AT THE "MORQUE" OF A LOCAL NEWSPAPER . . . .

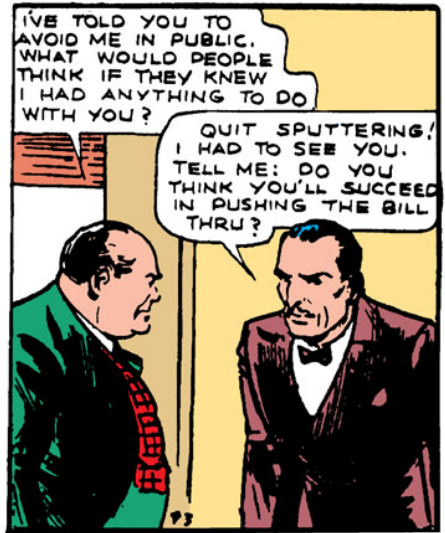


WHO'S THE CHAP SPEAKING TO SENATOR BARROWS?

WHY, THAT'S ALEX GREER, THE SLICKEST LOBBYIST IN WASHINGTON. NO ONE KNOWS WHAT INTERESTS BACK HIM.



EIGHT-THIRTY A.M. ! OUTSIDE SENATOR BARROWS' RESIDENCE . . . AN EAVESDROPPER LISTENS IN ON AN INTERESTING CONVERSATION !



I'VE TOLD YOU TO AVOID ME IN PUBLIC. WHAT WOULD PEOPLE THINK IF THEY KNEW I HAD ANYTHING TO DO WITH YOU?

QUIT SPUTTERING! I HAD TO SEE YOU. TELL ME: DO YOU THINK YOU'LL SUCCEED IN PUSHING THE BILL THRU?



THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT! THE BILL WILL BE PASSED BEFORE ITS FULL IMPLICATIONS ARE REALIZED. BEFORE ANY REMEDIAL STEPS CAN BE TAKEN, OUR COUNTRY WILL BE EMBROILED WITH EUROPE.

FINE! WE'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU FINANCIALLY FOR THIS!

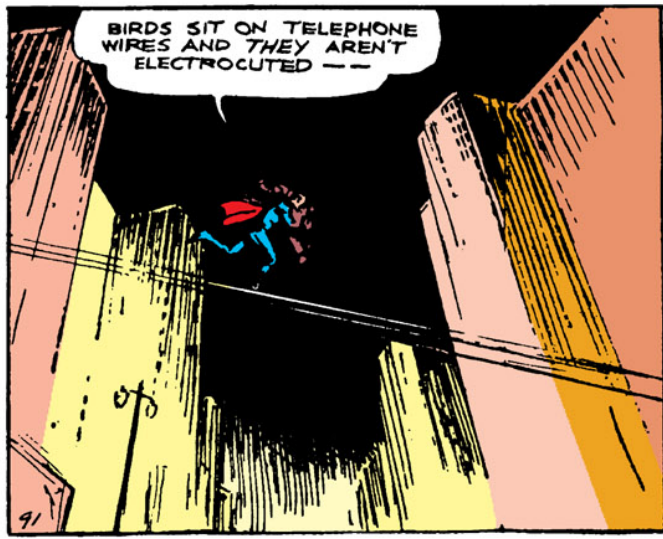
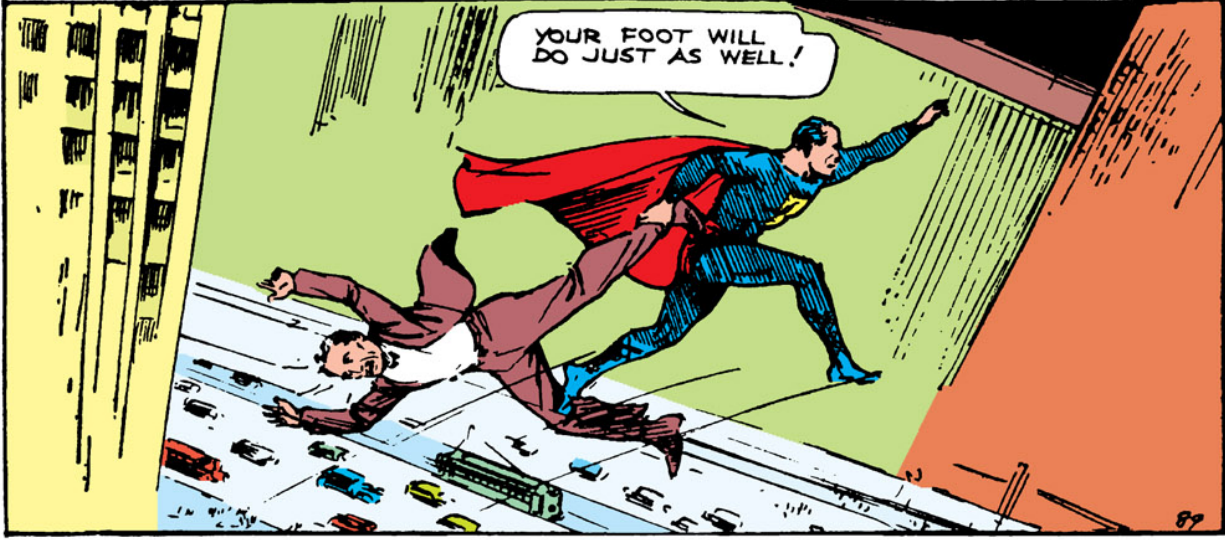


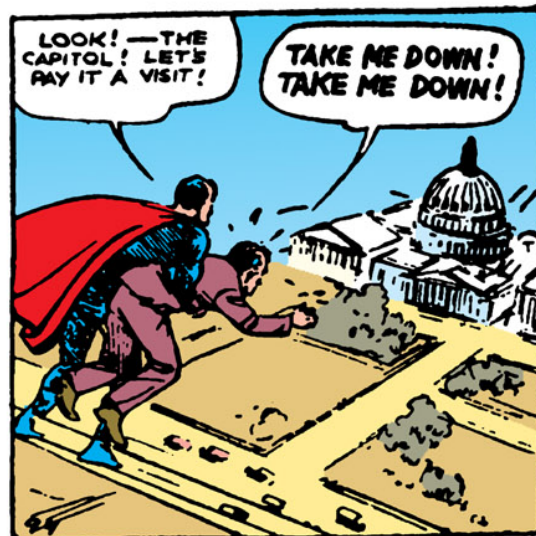
I SUPPOSE YOU'RE GOING TO BE WELL TAKEN CARE OF YOURSELF?



YOU BET HE WILL!

UPON LEAVING BARROWS, GREER IS CONFRONTED BY SUPERMAN





AND SO BEGINS THE STARTLING ADVENTURES OF THE MOST SENSATIONAL STRIP CHARACTER OF ALL TIME: **SUPERMAN!**

A PHYSICAL MARVEL, A MENTAL WONDER, SUPERMAN IS DESTINED TO RESHAPE THE DESTINY OF A WORLD!

Only in **ACTION COMICS** CAN YOU THRILL AT THE DARING DEEDS OF THIS SUPERB CREATION! DON'T MISS AN ISSUE!

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