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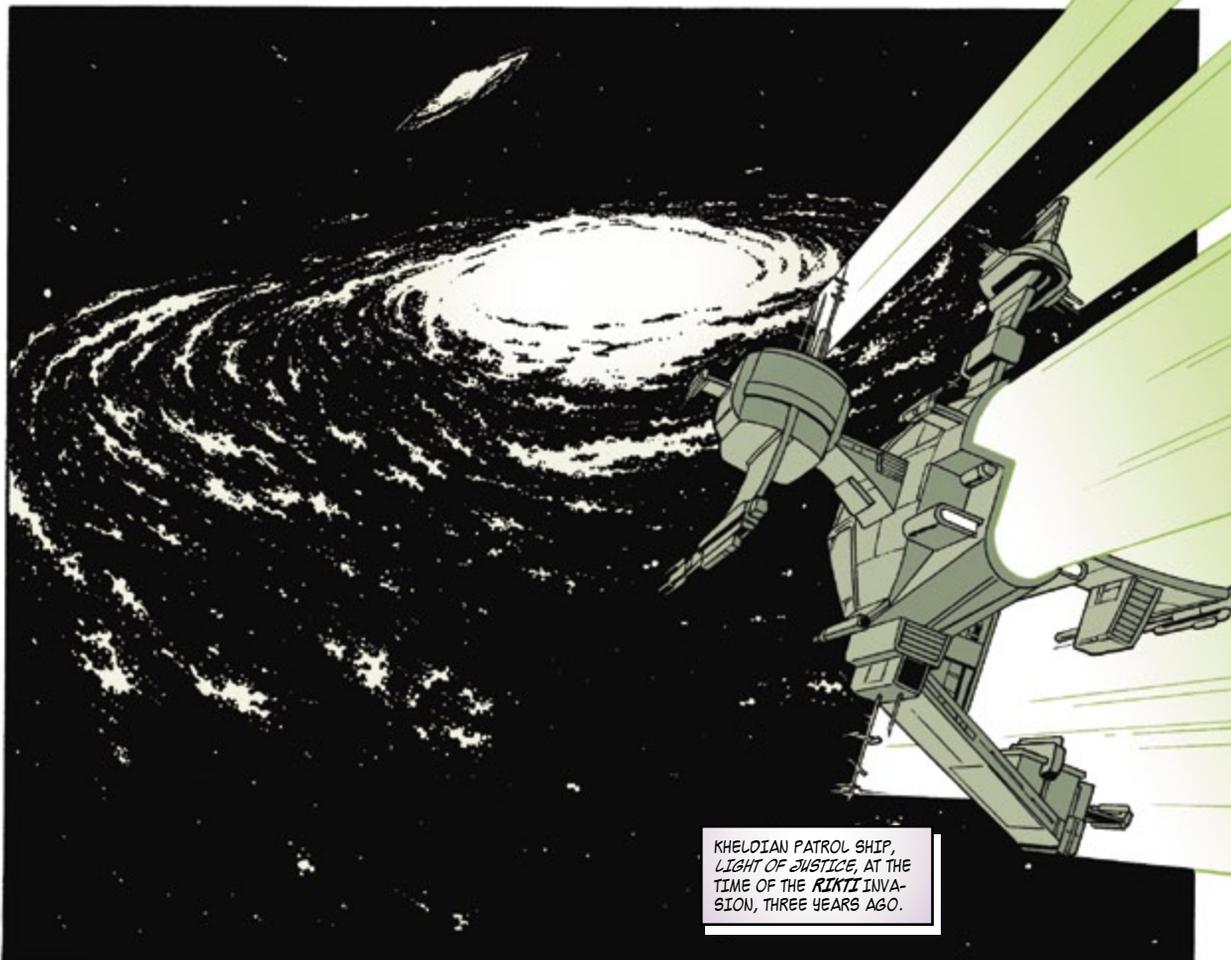
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a place we
can all be
Heroes.”**



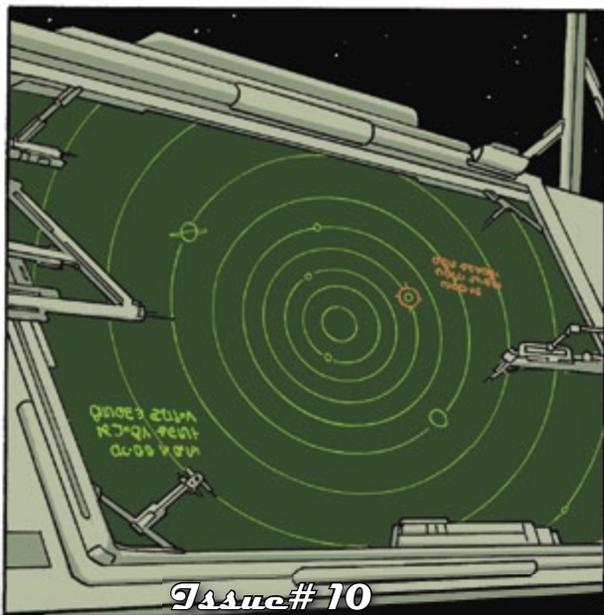
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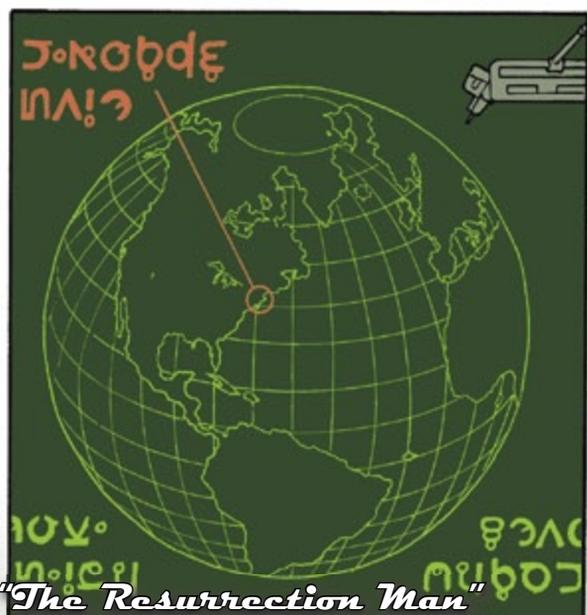
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KHEIDIAN PATROL SHIP, LIGHT OF JUSTICE, AT THE TIME OF THE RIKTI INVASION, THREE YEARS AGO.



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"The Resurrection Man"

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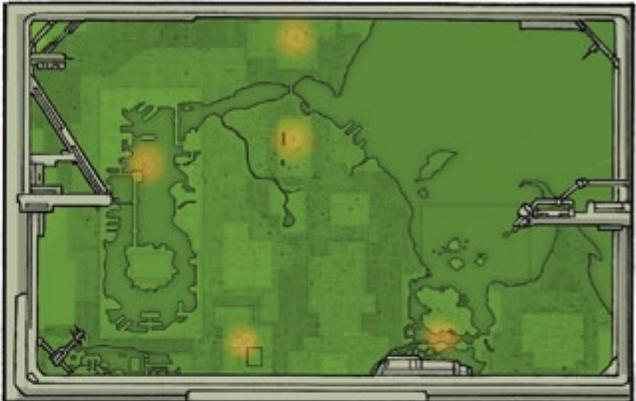
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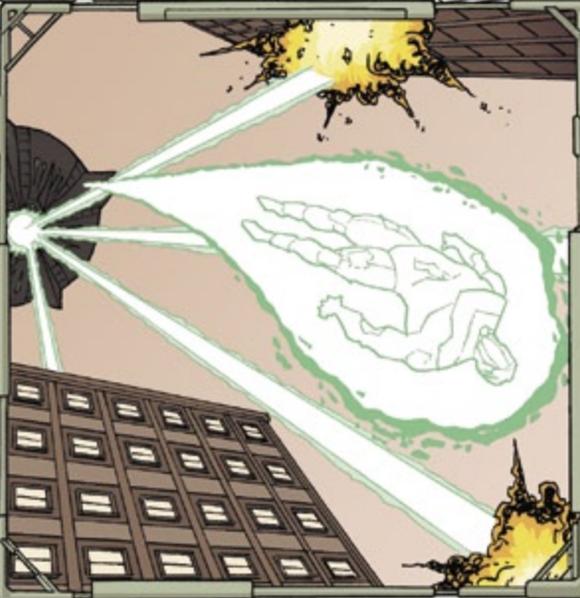
GEOSYNCHRONOUS ORBIT
OVER PARAGON CITY,
MAY 19, 2002



MAY 23, 2002.

(NICTUS TARGETS
CONFIRMED. HOMING
BEACON ACTIVATED.)*

*TRANSLATED FROM THE *KHELDIAN*



(TERMINAL DAMAGE
SUSTAINED. SEEKING
HOST ORGANISM.)





UGH.



WHOSSAT? WHAT...WHY DO I HURT EVERYWHERE?

I THINK WE'RE IN JAIL.

I THOUGHT MY PROBATION WAS OVER...

NOT THAT KIND OF JAIL. THIS IS 5TH COLUMN.



WHAT!?!?

HOW DID THAT...

THE VAMPYRI. AND THAT BUG FACED

OH YEAH, THE BAT EARS BRIGADE TOOK A BITE OUT OF US, DIDNT



DO YOU THINK IT'S A GOOD THING OR A BAD THING THAT THEY HAVEN'T KILLED US YET?

NOT BEING DEAD IS ALWAYS A GOOD THING.

YEAH, BUT WE NEED TO BUST OUTTA HERE QUICK, BEFORE THEY COME BACK AND MAKE US WISH WE'D DIED

WORD IS, THAT NOSFERATU GWY'S SOME KIND OF MAD SCIENTIST TYPE. LIKES TO PERFORM EXPERIMENTS ON HIS CAPTIVES.



I CAN DO WITHOUT THE "JAIL CELL OF DR. MOREAU" SCENE.



I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING THAT CAN *SCRATCH* THIS DOOR.

I'VE EVEN HEARD THAT THOSE *VAMPIRES* OF HIS USED TO BE *HEROES*, OR AT LEAST *NORMAL* PEOPLE.

I'D HATE TO LOSE MY *HAIR* LIKE THAT.



HEY!

I NEED YOU TO *FOCUS* HERE. WE NEED TO FIND A WAY *OUT*.

OK! SORRY. IT'S JUST, MY WHOLE BODY HURTS AND MY *BRAIN* FEELS LIKE IT'S TRYING TO CLAW ITS WAY OUT THROUGH MY *NOSE*.



I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN. I FEEL IT TOO, BUT WE'VE *GOT* TO FIGURE THIS OUT.

I HOPE THE OTHER TWO GOT OUT TO THE *HOSPITAL*. I SAW THEM *TELEPORT* OUT AT THE LAST SECOND.



MAYBE THEY LET SOMEBODY KNOW WE'RE DOWN HERE. *HORUS* COULD GET *KAYLA* AND THEY'D COME RESCUE US, OR *WHATEVER*.

NAZI VAMPIRES TOOK MY CELL PHONE. PROBABLY CALLING *TRANSYLVANIA* ON IT.



THAT'S A *GREAT IDEA!*

CALLING *TRANSYLVANIA*? I'M SURE IT COSTS A *FORTUNE*.

NO *FUSS* *BRAIN*. CALLING FOR *HELP* FROM *OUTSIDE*.



THEY MAY HAVE OUR *PHONES*, BUT I'VE GOT WAYS OF *COMMUNICATING* THEY CAN'T TAKE AWAY FROM ME.



CLARISSA,
WHAT IS IT? I
SENSE *FEAR*.

I'M
IN A *JAM*,
NANA. LOCKED UP
IN A 5TH COLUMN
PRISON.



I
SUPPOSE THIS IS
MORE SERIOUS THAN THE
TIME YOU LOCKED YOURSELF
IN THE BASEMENT WHEN
YOU WERE SIX.

YEAH, JUST A LITTLE
BIT. I NEED SOME WAY TO
SPRING THE LOCK. MAYBE
EVELYN HAS A *CHARM* SHE
CAN CAST THROUGH
ME?

I'VE
SUMMONED
THE OTHERS.



THE *CHOSEN*,
IN *TROUBLE*
AGAIN.

I
WAS IN THE
MIDDLE OF AN
ENCHANTMENT, *YOU KNOW*
- I'LL HAVE TO START
ALL OVER.

COME NOW
SISTERS, THIS NO
TIME FOR TEASING.
TIME IS GROWING
SHORT.

WE NEED
TO HELP
EVELYN HELP
CLARISSA.



WELCOME SISTER EVELYN.

THEN PLEASE, SISTERS, AS THE CHOSEN WARRIOR, I ASK FOR YOUR HELP. HELP ME ESCAPE THIS PRISON TO FIGHT OUR ENEMIES ONCE MORE.

IF WE CAN HELP, WE WILL. BUT LET US HURRY.

MY THANKS. BUT I SENSE TIME IS SHORT. SOMETHING IS COMING.

SOMETHING STRANGE SENSES OUR COMMUNICATION.



THANK YOU, SISTERS. THIS CHARM SHOULD DO THE TRICK.

BE CAREFUL, SWEET ONE. EVELYN'S RIGHT. I TOO SENSE SOMETHING...

DARK IN MALICE AND IN MIND, SEARCHING FOR THIS PLACE.



I'LL TAKE IT FROM HERE.



CEASE AND
DESIST ALL
RESISTANCE!

DEADLY
FORCE IS
AUTHORIZED.





NEAT TRICK. WHEN DID YOU LEARN THAT?

JUST NOW.

MAGIC, RIGHT.



CAN YOU DO THAT AGAIN?

MAYBE. WHY?

THERE'S SOME PEOPLE IN HERE - LOOK LIKE HEROES.



MAID SERVICE. ANYONE HOME?



WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL, JACK? YOU READY TO GO ANOTHER TEN ROUNDS WITH **THE WEEVIL?**

I THINK WE'RE BEING RESCUED.



THANKS, TOOTS.

HOW DID YOU FIND US?

UH HUH.



WE DIDN'T. WE JUST ESCAPED AND SAW YOU IN HERE.

FIGURED YOU MIGHT LIKE TO STEP OUT AND GET A BREATH OF FRESH AIR.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!



OUR TIME HAS COME!

OUR ANCIENT ENEMY HAS FINALLY FOUND US!

BUT THIS WILL NOT BE A DAY FOR THEM TO CHEER. IT WILL BE A DAY FOR THEM TO FEAR!

OUR LEGIONS SHALL CLEANSE THE UNIVERSE OF THEIR STENCH! OUR REIGN SHALL BE ETERNAL!

OUR LEADER, REQUIEM, HAS CALLED ON US TO GO FORTH AND...

THIS AIN'T GOOD.

WE DON'T WANNA GO THAT WAY, KIDS, I CAN TELL YOU THAT.

WHAT'S GOING ON BACK THERE? I HEARD SHOUTING.

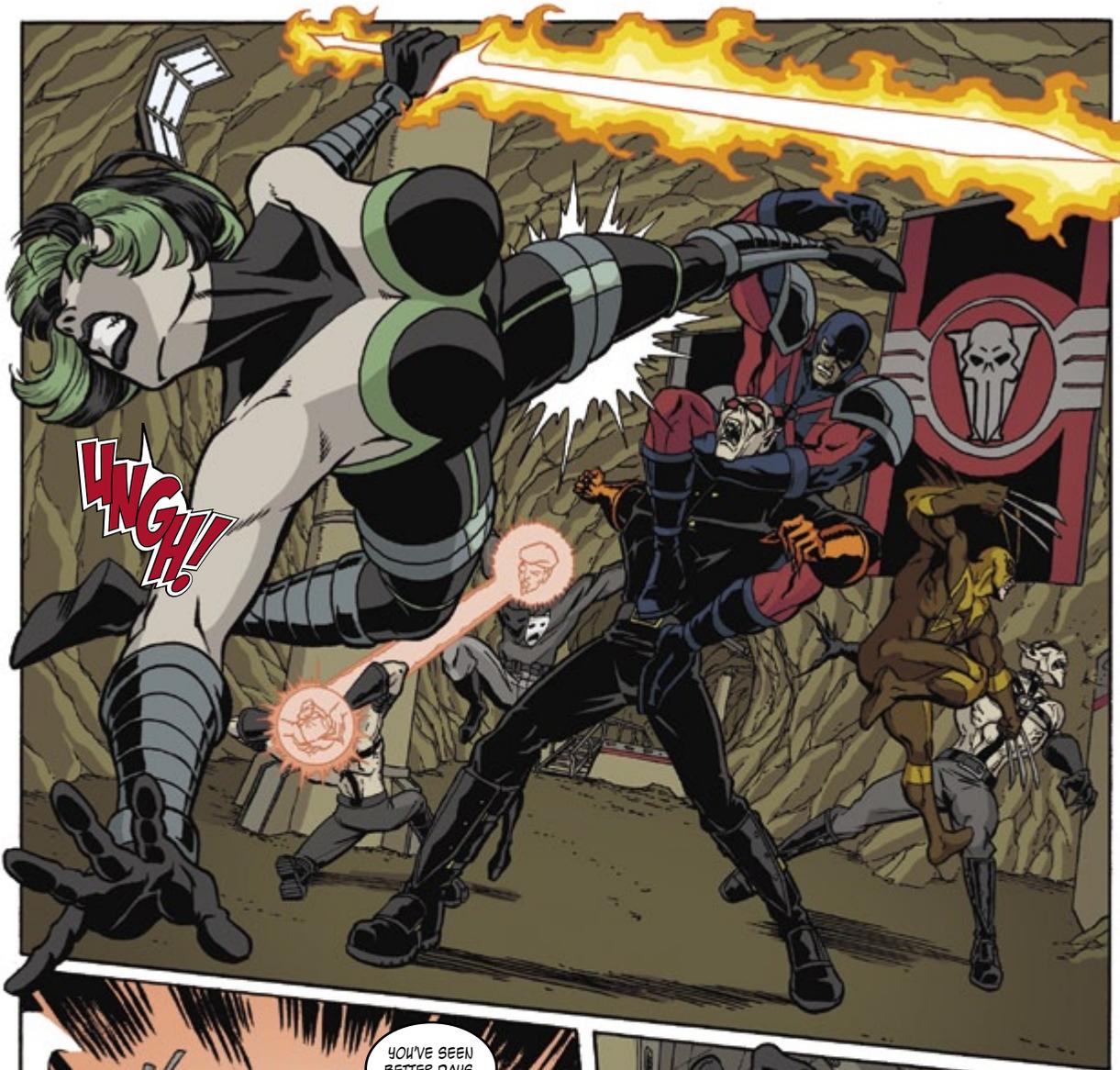
SOME CRAZY 5TH C. LEADER WAGGING HIS CHIN AND KILLING UP THE TROOPS.

JUST A BUNCH OF NONSENSE IF YOU ASK ME.



NOW!!!!





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SOMETHING
WICKED
THIS WAY
COMES

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STOP HIM!
DON'T LET HIM.....!



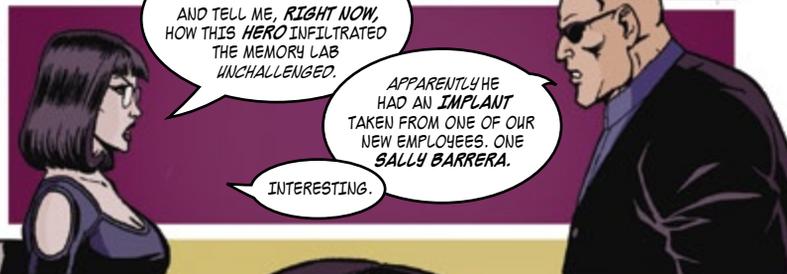


HOPKINS.
PLEASE STEP INTO
MY OFFICE FOR A
MOMENT.



SEND A RECOVERY TEAM DOWN
RIGHT AWAY TO RETRIEVE
THE TWO REVENANTS OUR
UNINVITED GUEST HAS SO
KINDLY **DUMPED** AT OUR
DOORSTEP.

YES,
M'AM.



AND TELL ME, **RIGHT NOW**,
HOW THIS **HERO** INFILTRATED
THE MEMORY LAB
UNCHALLENGED.

APPARENTLY HE
HAD AN **IMPLANT**
TAKEN FROM ONE OF OUR
NEW EMPLOYEES. ONE
SALLY BARRERA.

INTERESTING.



SEND UP **SINGH** FROM LEGAL. WE'RE
GOING TO **SUE** MS. BARRERA FOR
BREACH OF CONTRACT, THEFT,
AND ANYTHING ELSE HE
CAN DREAM UP.

IN THE
MEANTIME, PUT A
SURVEILLANCE TEAM ON
THE **LITTLE TRAMP**. I THINK
WE'LL FIND SHE KNOWS
THIS **THIEF**.



I'D
EXPECTED
TO HAVE TO **FORCE**
MS BARRERA INTO A
SITUATION LIKE
THIS.

BUT
SHE'S BEEN
KIND ENOUGH TO
DO OUR WORK
FOR US.







THANKS, JACK. GOOD WORK. THAT'LL BE THE LAST OF HIM.

I DON'T THINK SO. HE'S ALREADY REGENERATING. WE NEED TO GET MOVING.



YOU OK?

YEAH, JUST A BAD HEADACHE. BUT I THINK I FOUND A WAY OUT WHEN NOSFERATH TOUCHED MY MIND WITH HIS.

GREAT. LET'S GET GOING BEFORE THE PEP RALLY NEXT DOOR BREAKS UP.



IT'S A WRAP PEOPLE, CUT AND PRINT.

HOW MUCH OF HIS MIND DID YOU READ?

ENOUGH FOR A HORROR MOVIE AND A COUPLE SEQUELS.



WELL, THIS DIDN'T TURN OUT SO HOT, DID IT?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WE'RE ALIVE, AREN'T WE?

BUT WE DIDN'T GET WHAT WE CAME FOR.



WE DIDN'T GET ANY INFO ON WHY THEY'RE INTERESTED IN HORNS.

WE'RE LUCKY TO JUST BE ALIVE. HOPEFULLY HE HAD BETTER LUCK INFILTRATING CREY'S HEADQUARTERS.



YEAH, WITH A PLAN LIKE THAT, WHAT COULD HAVE GONE WRONG?



I NEED A SHOWER.

YOU CERTAINLY DO.



YOU'RE NOT SMELLING OF DAISIES YOURSELF RIGHT NOW, TOOTS.

TOOTS?!? DID YOU PICK THAT UP FROM THAT WEEVIL GUY?

I WARNED HIM THAT I'D GIVE HIM A GOOD BUTT KICKING IF HE EVER CALLED ME THAT AGAIN.



WELL COME ON, TOOTS, LAY ONE ON ME.

NAH, YOU'D LIKE IT TOO MUCH...

THAT'S THE ONLY EXPLANATION I CAN THINK OF FOR WHY YOU LET SO MANY MOKKSTOSS YOU AROUND!



HEY! NOW THAT'S A LOWBLOW!

YEAH, I'M GOING TO MEDITATE AND THANK MY COVEN FOR HELPING US OUT.

SAY "THANKS" FOR ME TOO! NOW I'M GOING TO HIT THE SHOWER.



I NEED TO WASH THE STINK OF THAT PRISON OFF ME - THEY SHOULD REALLY INSTALL TOILETS IN THOSE THINGS.



NANA! IT WORKED...



HELLO, PET.

I'LL
BE RIGHT
WITH YOU.

TO BE CONTINUED...