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EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to sixth issue of *Love and Rockets* Vol. IV!*

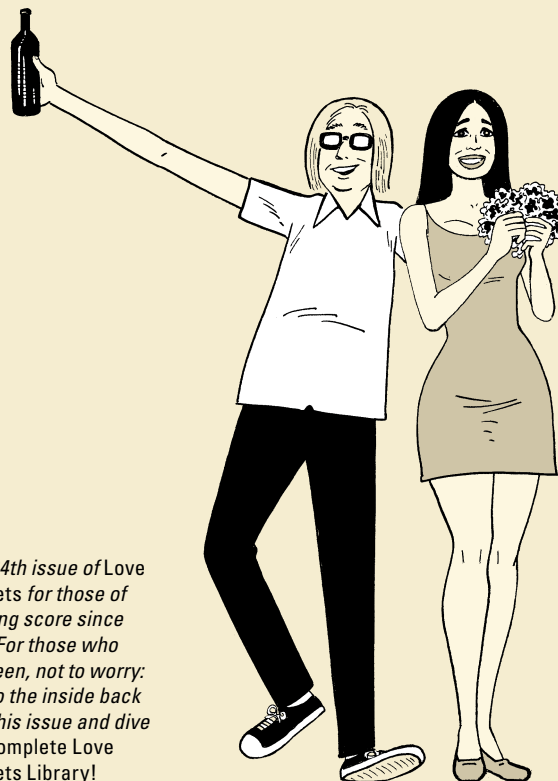
Some of you wrote after reading our last issue to ask, "What happened to Princess Animus? Was issue #4 really the end?" Well, as you can see this issue, far from it! Jaime just needed some extra space in #5 to wrap up his latest Maggie and Hokey masterpiece, which began all the way back in *Love and Rockets: New Stories* #7! (Look for the graphic novel collection, *Is This How You See Me?*, coming in March of 2019!)

Meanwhile, wait'll you see what lies within this issue! Gilbert's half is overflowing with Easter eggs for longtime readers — how many can you identify? Meanwhile, on Jaime's side of the ledger, we're psyched to welcome back Tonta and the gang (especially you, Frank Lopez!) — expect to see more of them in issues to come.

By the way, for those of you with little ones in your life, we want to make sure you're aware of Jaime Hernandez's first-ever children's book, *The Dragon Slayer: Folktales from Latin America*, available now from Toon Books in both English and Spanish editions. Aimed at readers 8 and up!

See you in 120!

— Ed.



* Or, the 84th issue of *Love and Rockets* for those of you keeping score since Vol. 1 #1! For those who haven't been, not to worry: Just flip to the inside back cover of this issue and dive into the Complete Love and Rockets Library!

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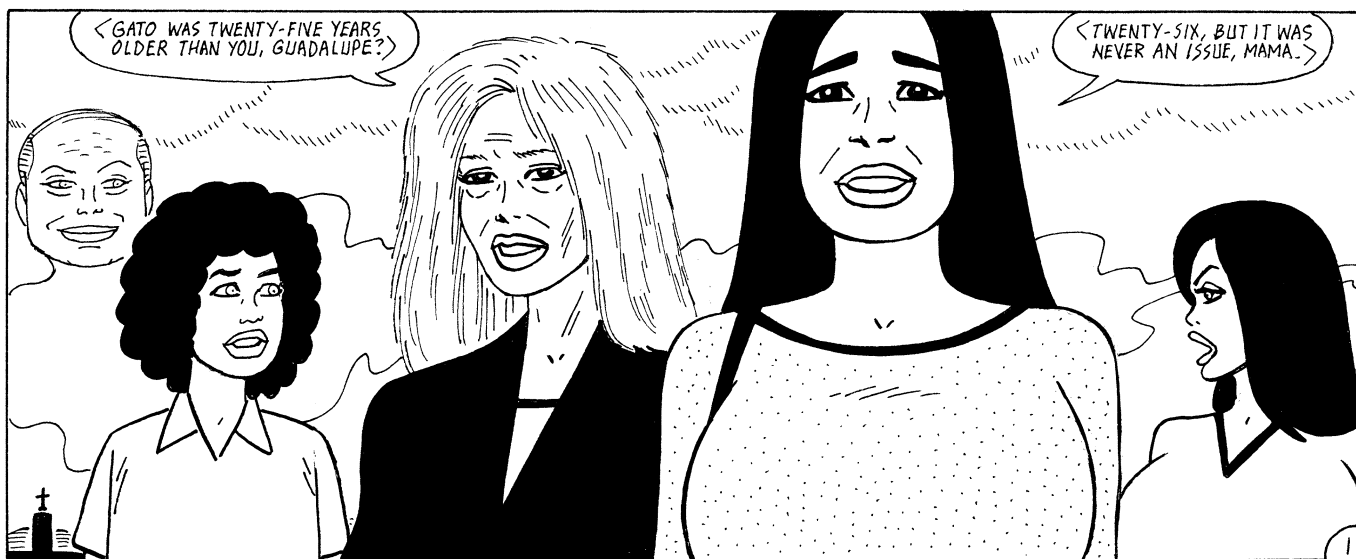
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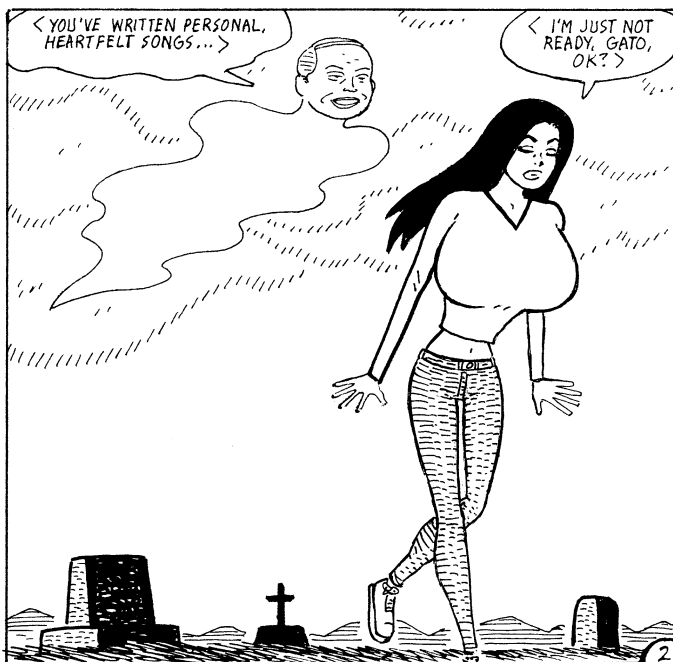
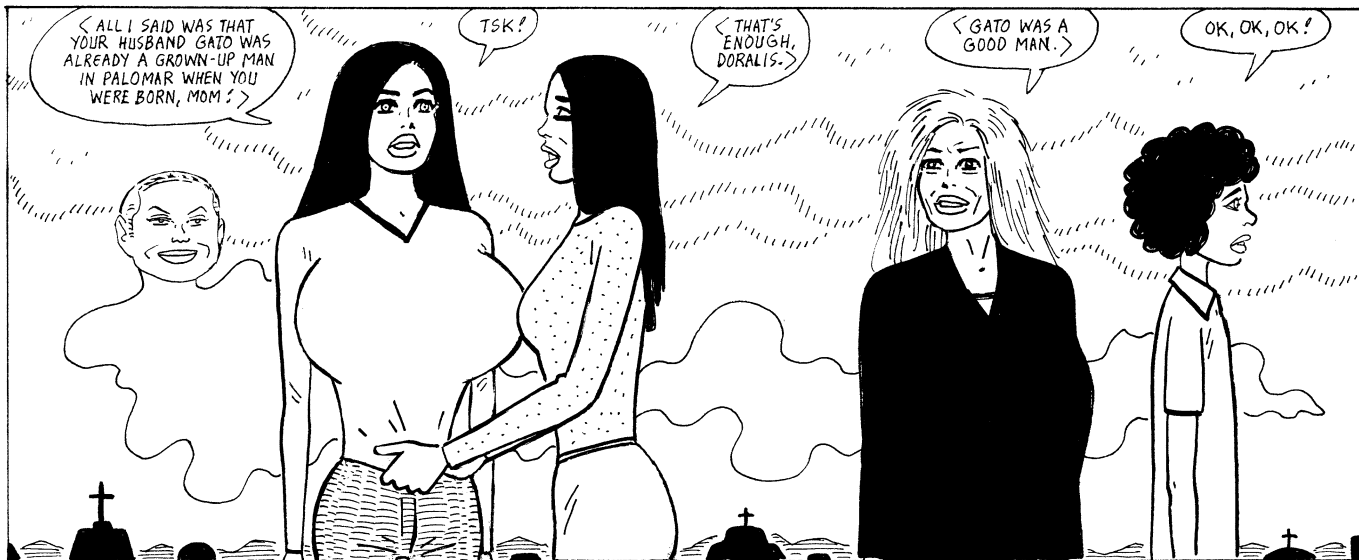
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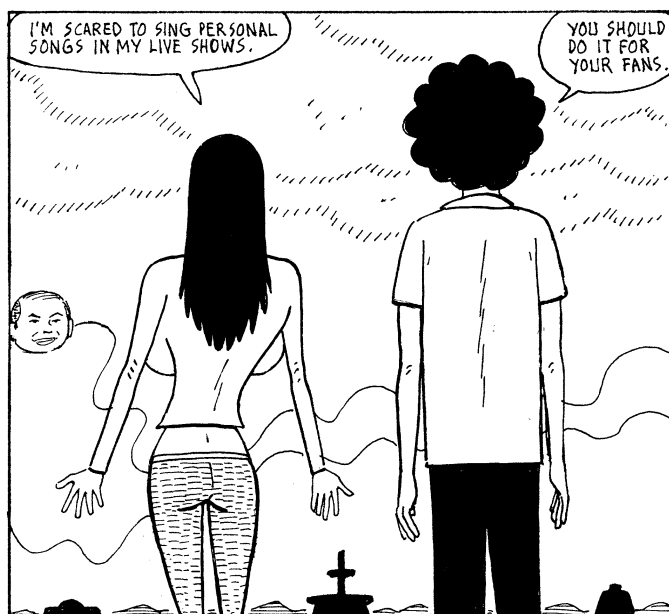
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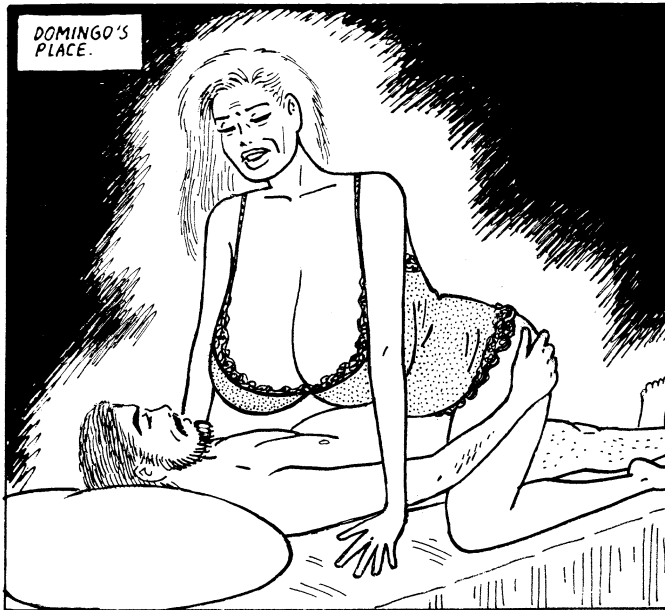
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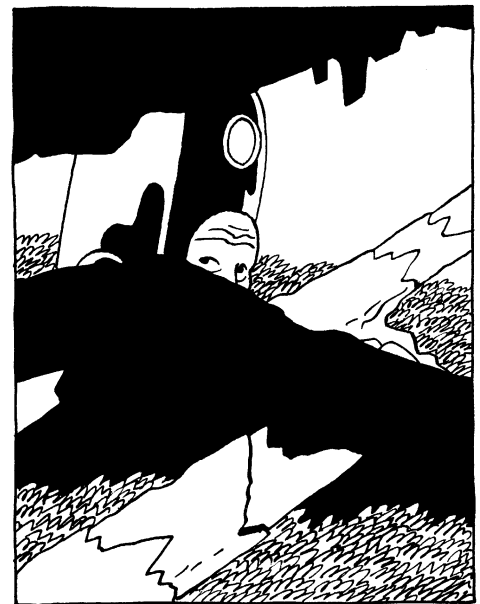
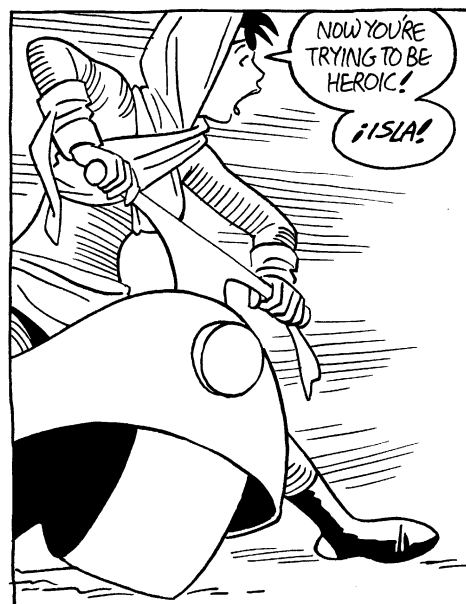
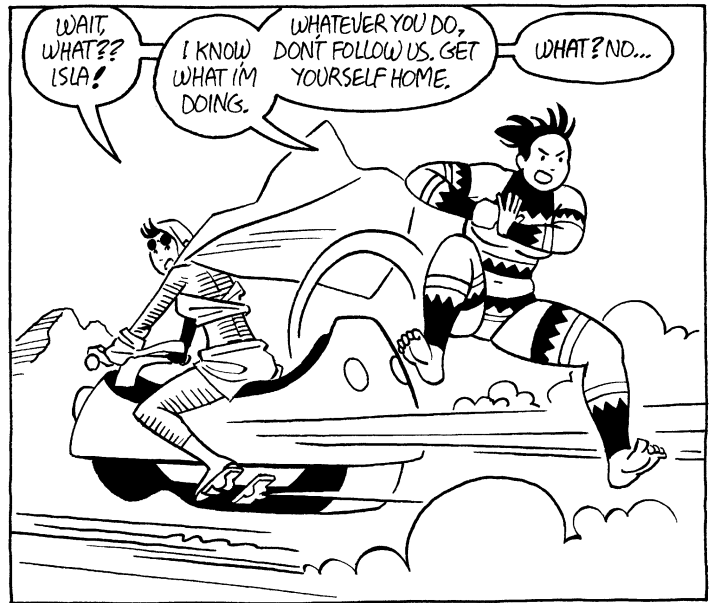
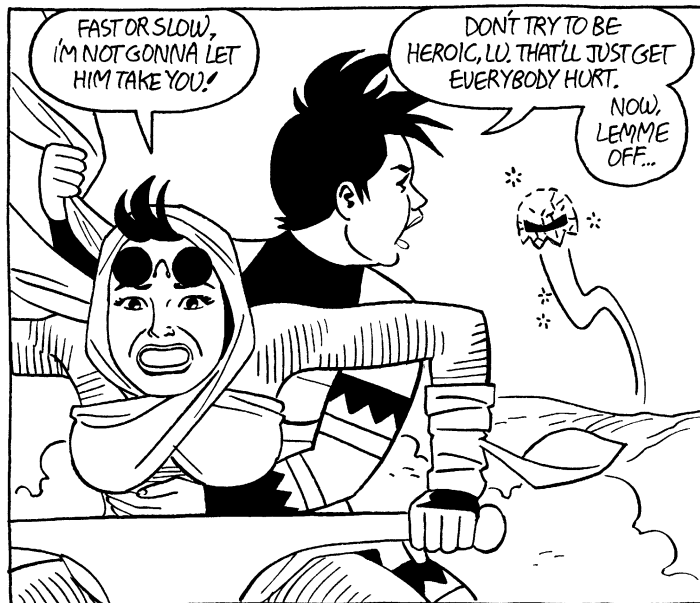
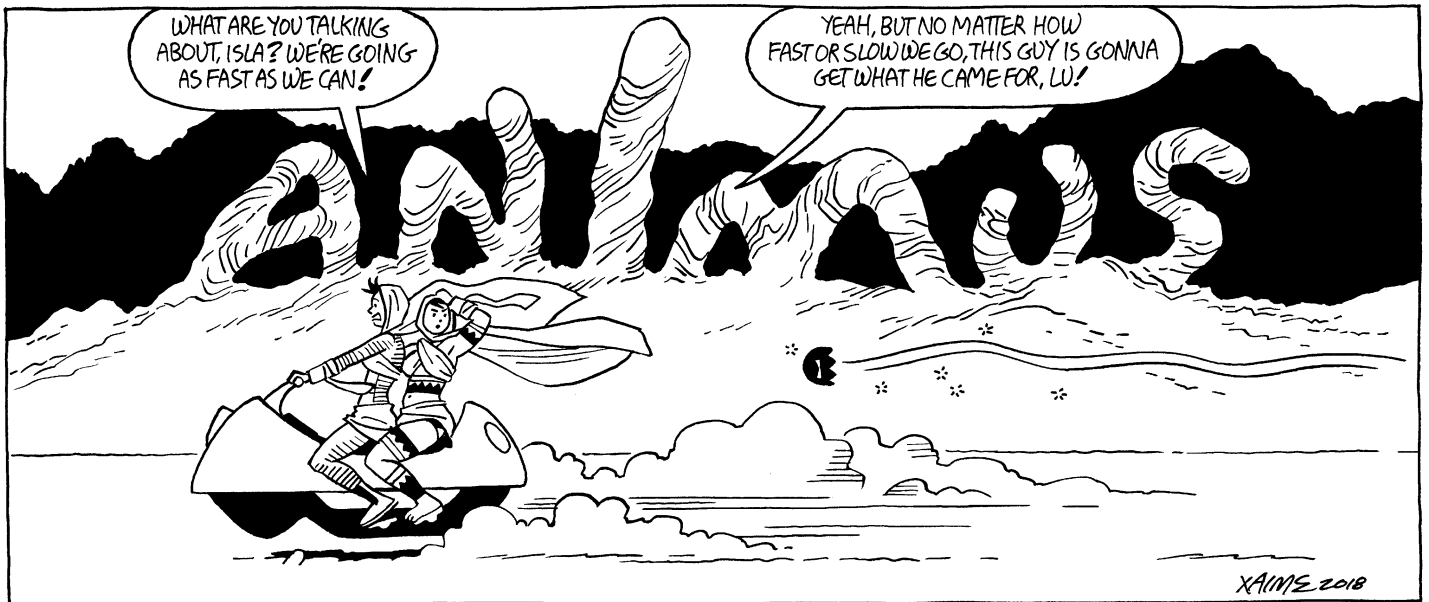
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IN A CAR ACCIDENT --
HIS SON JIMMY HAS A SISTER
FROM A DIFFERENT FATHER.

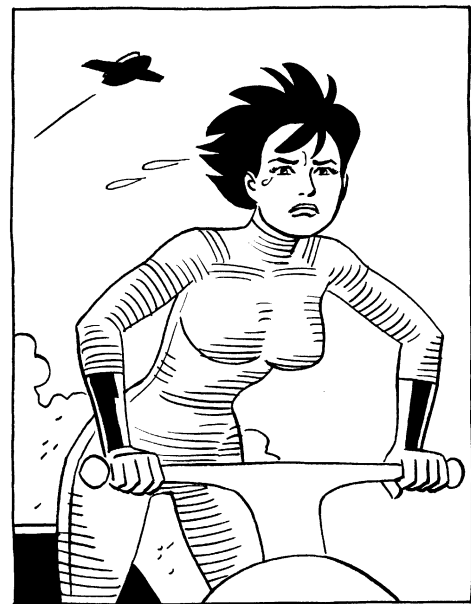
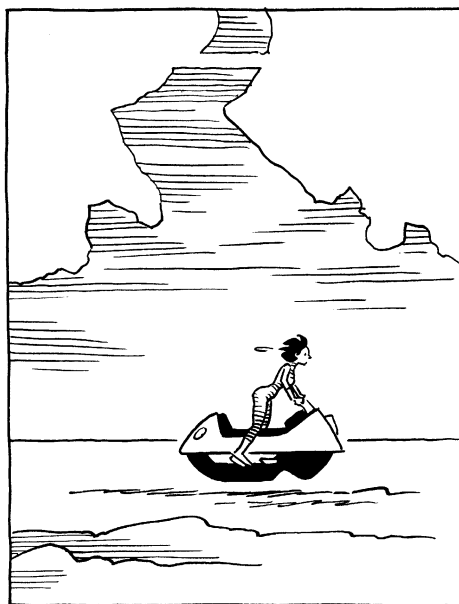
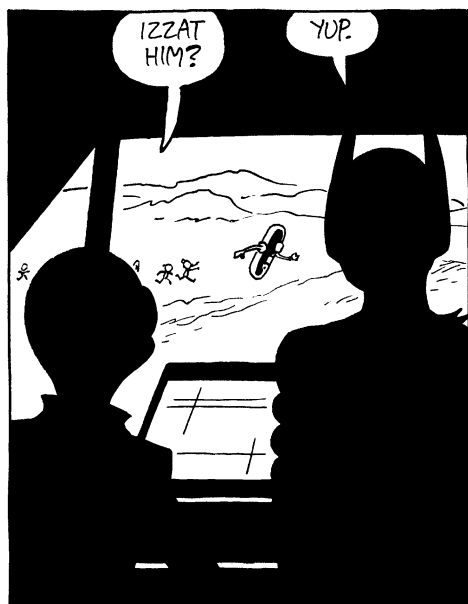
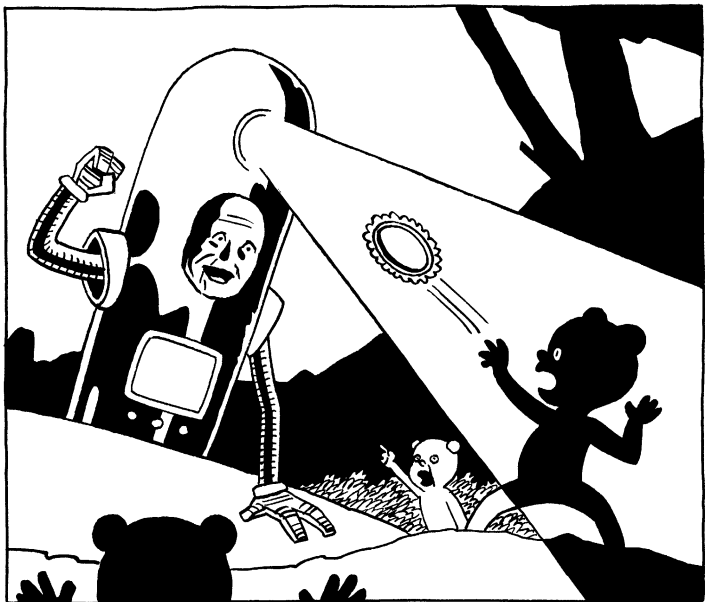
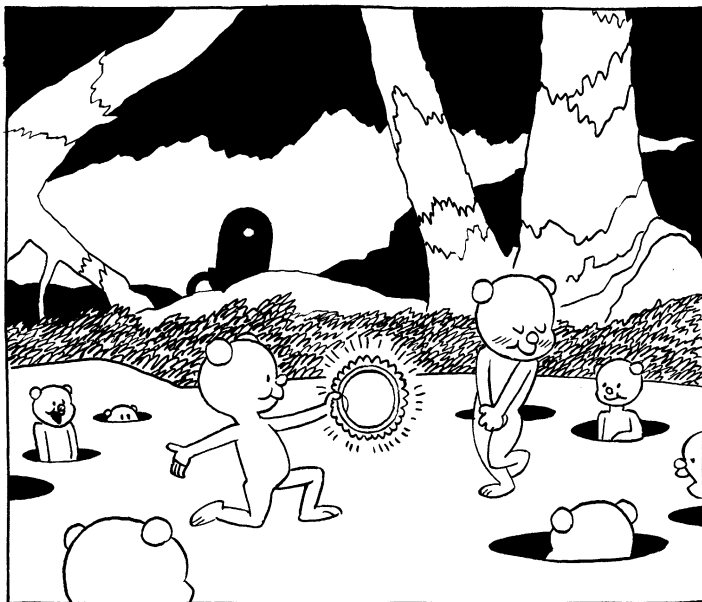


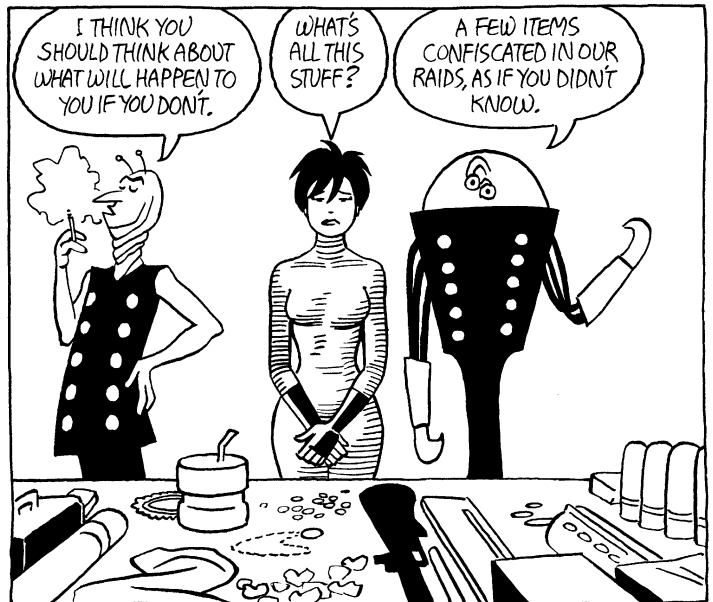
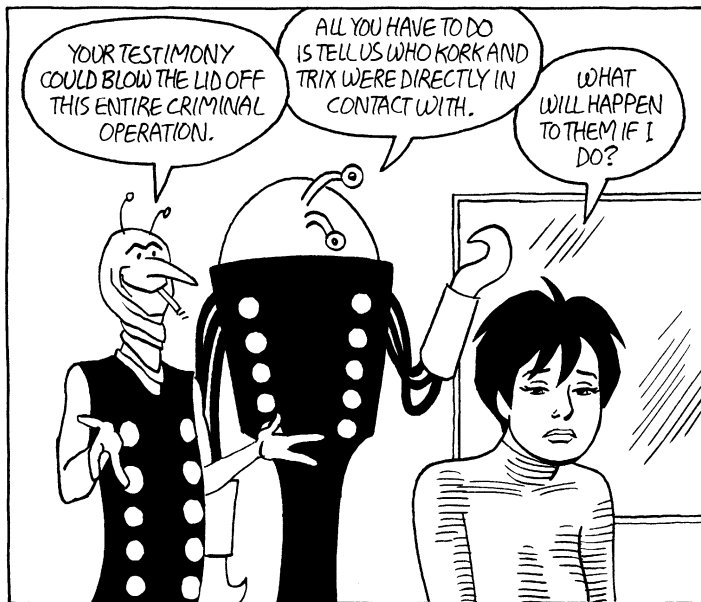
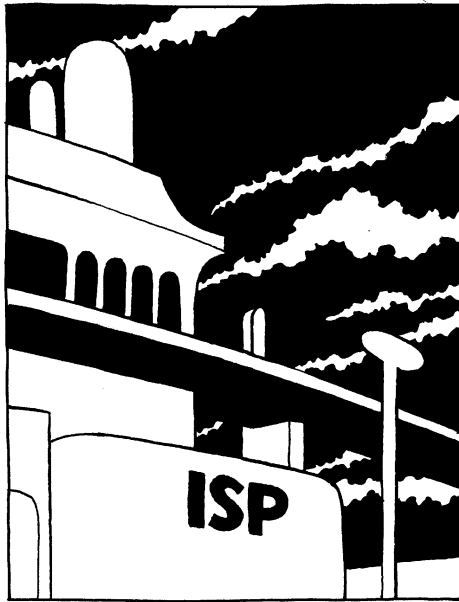
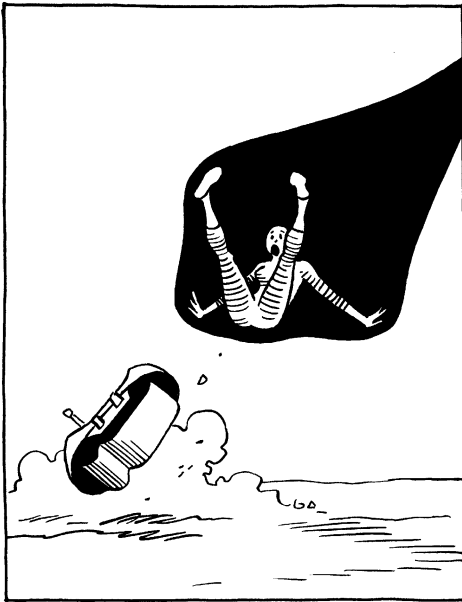


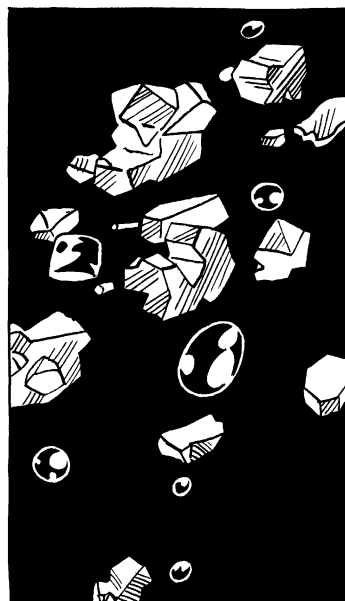


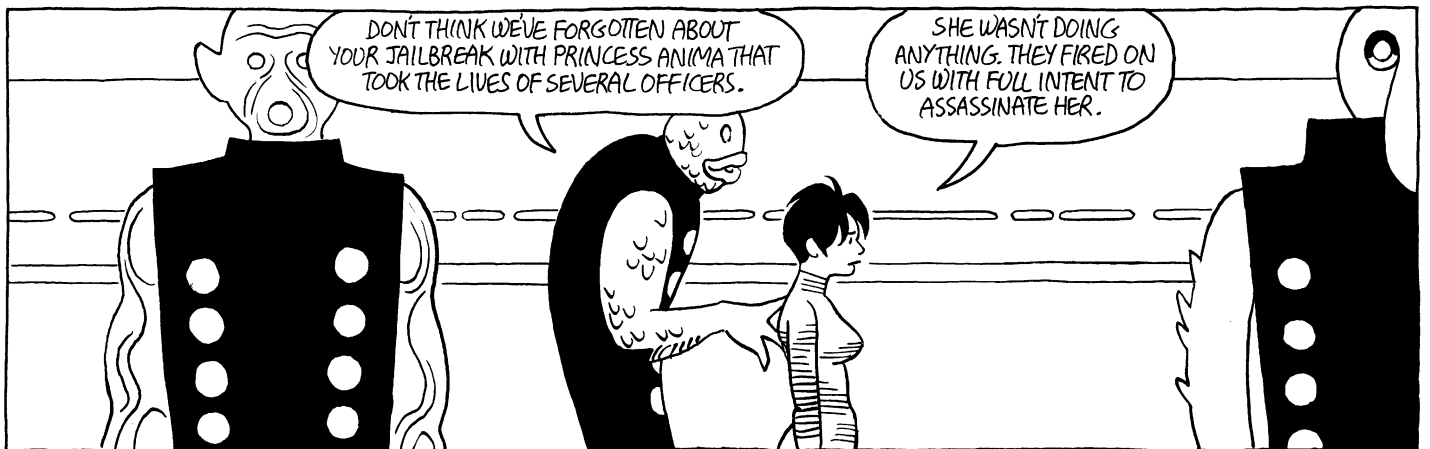
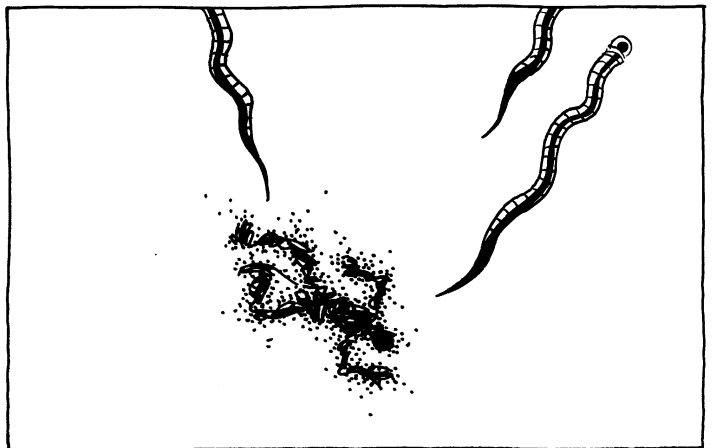
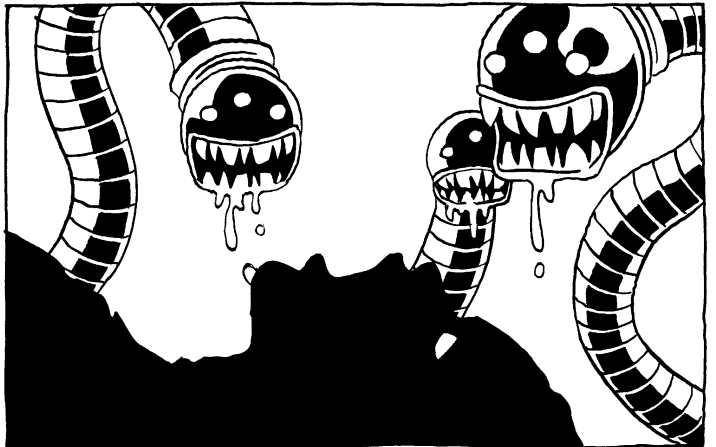
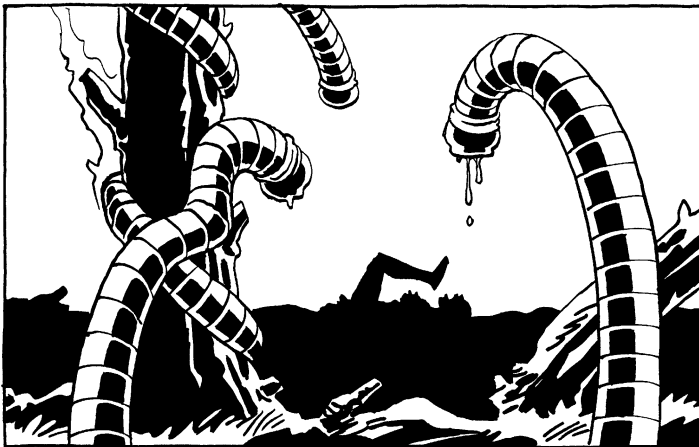


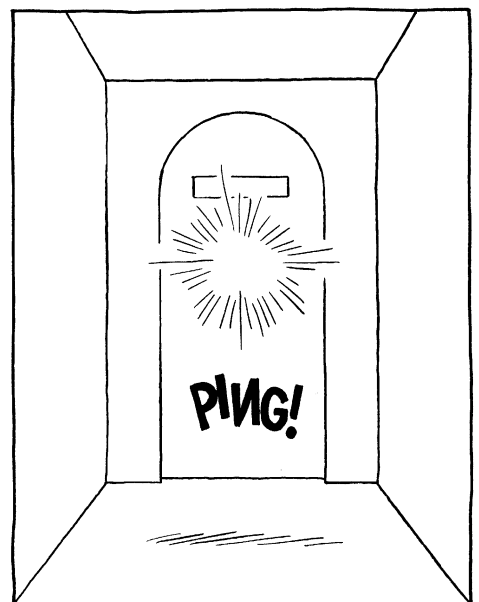
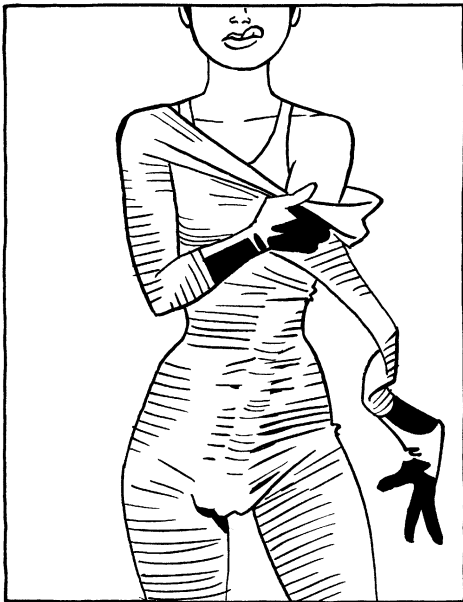


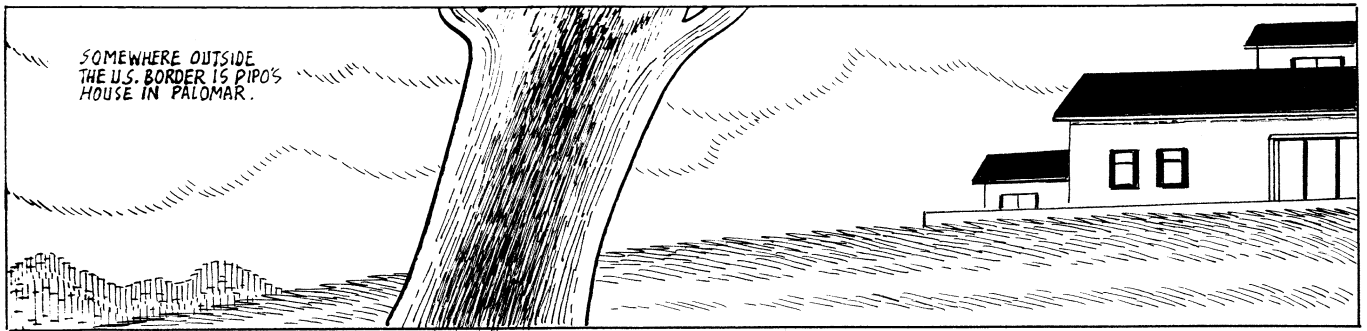




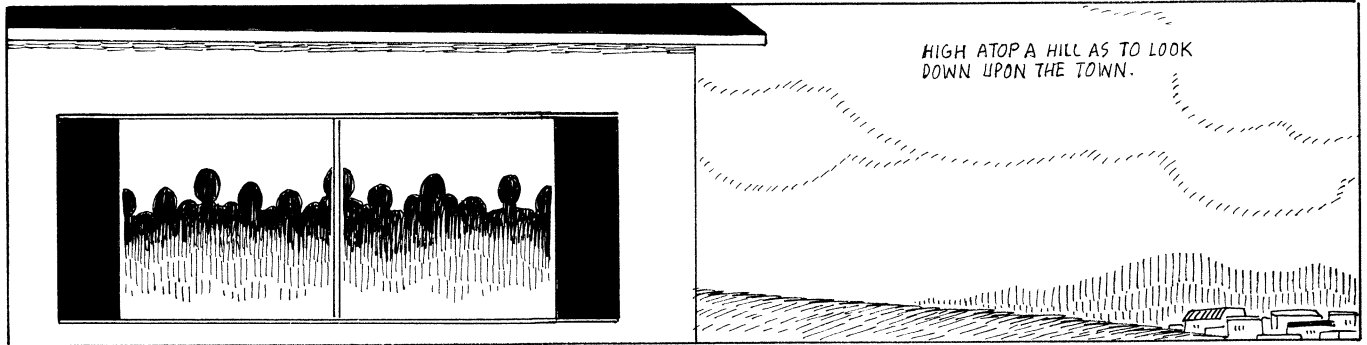








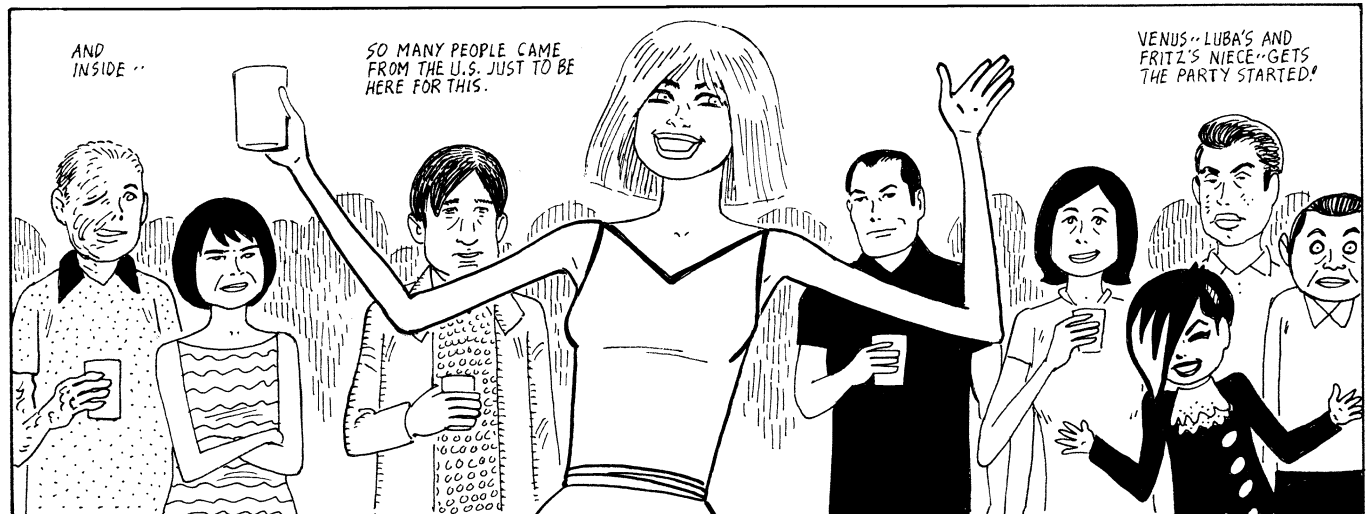
SOMEWHERE OUTSIDE
THE U.S. BORDER IS PIPO'S
HOUSE IN PALOMAR.



HIGH ATOP A HILL AS TO LOOK
DOWN UPON THE TOWN.

THE FRUIT OF PATIENCE

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AND
INSIDE ..

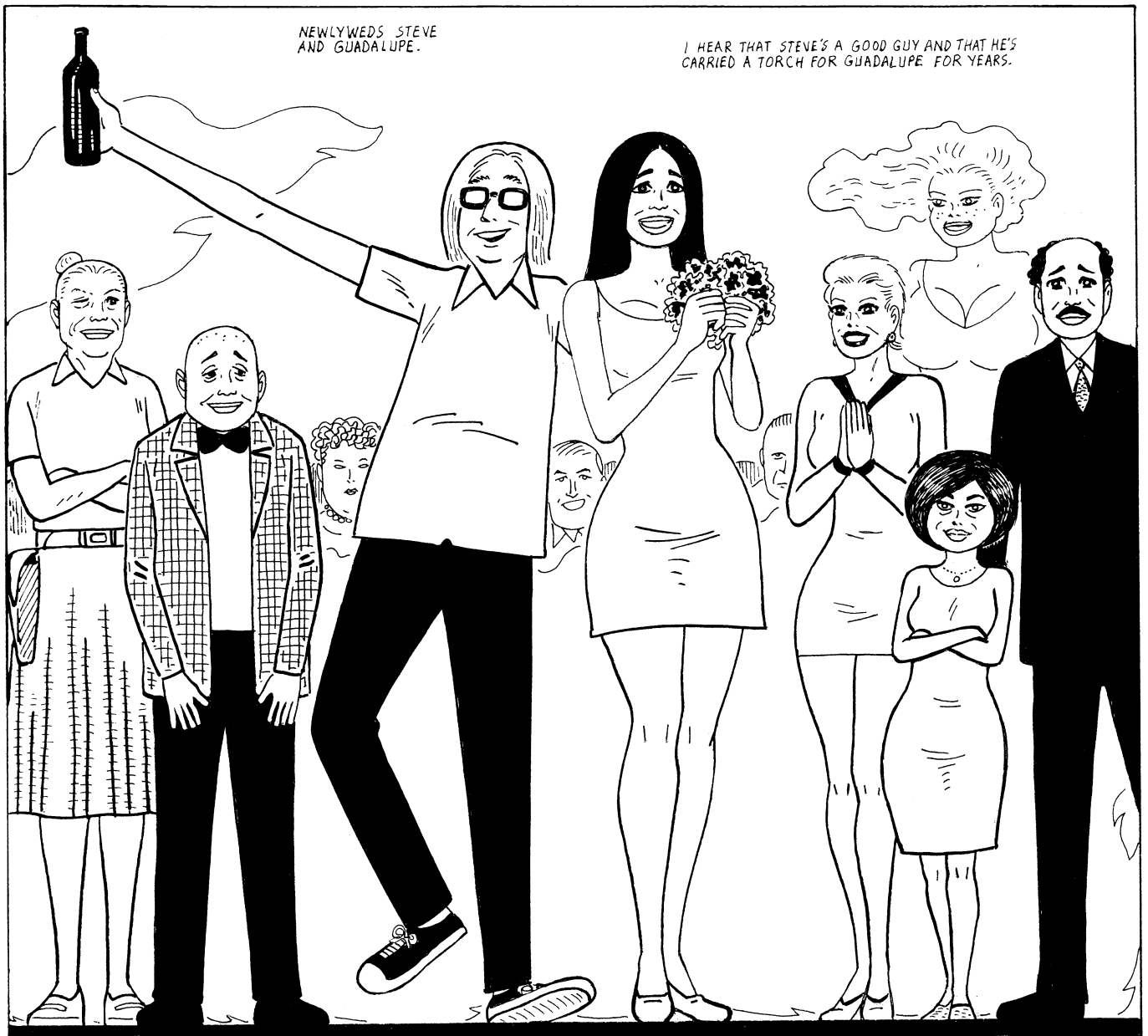
SO MANY PEOPLE CAME
FROM THE U.S. JUST TO BE
HERE FOR THIS.

VENUS.. LUBA'S AND
FRITZ'S NIECE.. GETS
THE PARTY STARTED!



YOSHIO AND
VENUS.

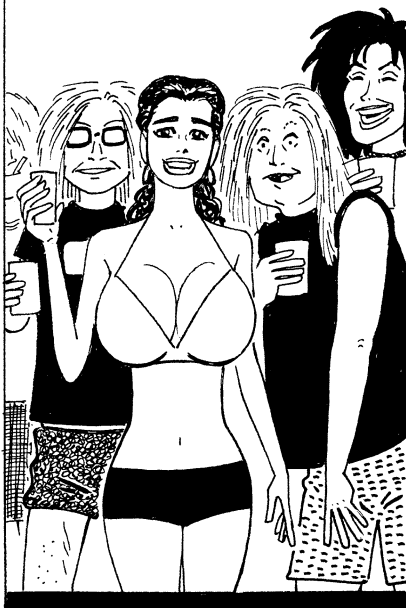
VENUS AND HER HUSBAND HAVE KNOWN ONE
ANOTHER SINCE THEY WERE KIDS.. SHE NEVER
BOTHERED WASTING HER TIME WITH ALPHA MALES.
IT WAS ALWAYS HER BELOVED BETA, JUST AS
MY SANDY IS THE ONLY WOMAN FOR ME.



I'LL BET THAT THEY ONLY GOT MARRIED IN THE FIRST PLACE TO GIVE FRITZ SOME DO-GODDER PUBLICITY THAT MIGHT HELP REVIVE INTEREST IN HER FLAGGING MOVIE CAREER--IT WAS ONLY ABOUT BUSINESS, AND WHAT ISN'T BUSINESS WITH FRITZ?

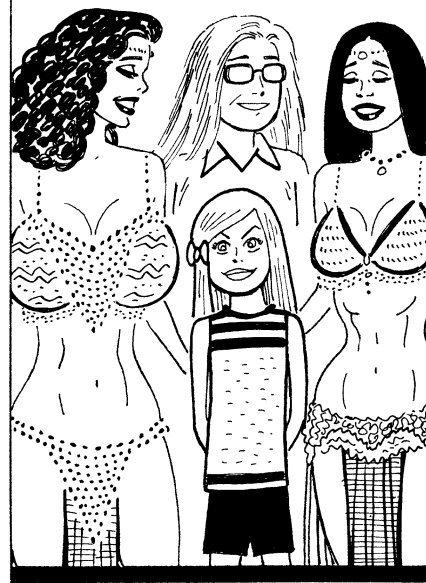


I MEAN, THESE PICTURES ON THE WALL SHOWING STEVE'S PARTYIN' PAST FOCUS ON FRITZ.



FRITZ AGAIN WITH VENUS AND THE FUTURE NEWLY WEDS.

WHO CHOSE THESE PICTURES FOR GUADALUPE'S WEDDING PARTY?



DO YOU LIKE THE PICTURES THAT I CHOSE TO PUT UP?

I SHOULD'VE KNOWN.

YEAH, GREAT.

OK, THAT'S ENOUGH SECRETLY JUDGING EVERYBODY, HECTOR.



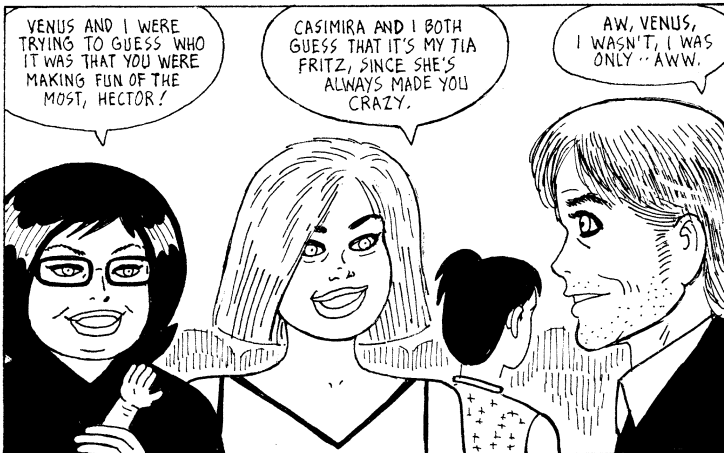
VENUS AND I WERE TRYING TO GUESS WHO IT WAS THAT YOU WERE MAKING FUN OF THE MOST, HECTOR!

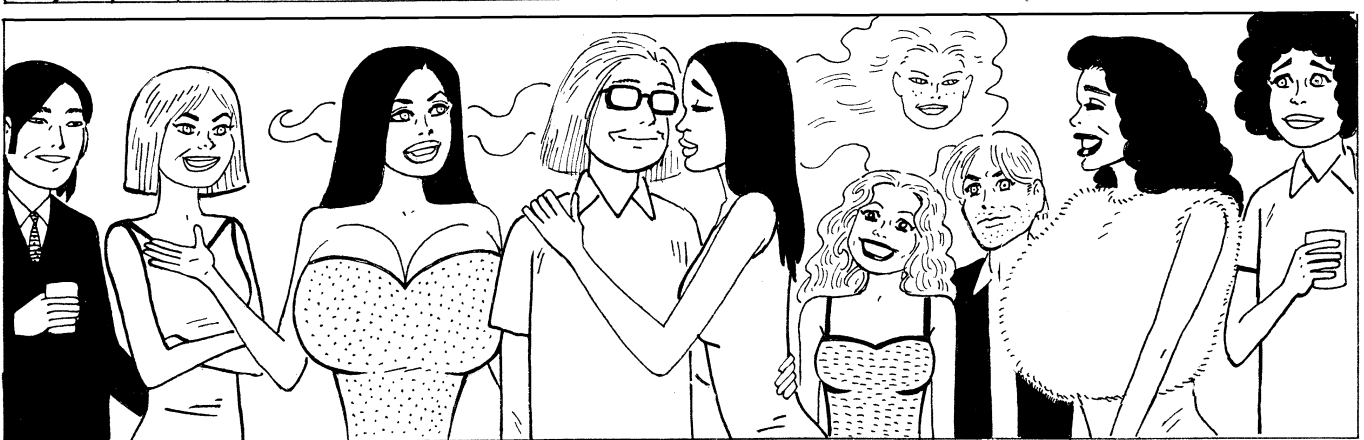
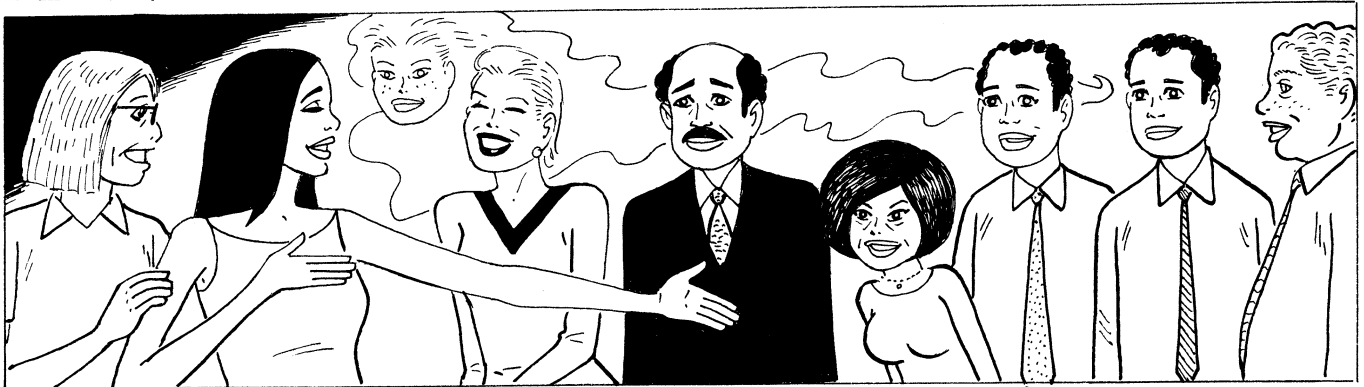
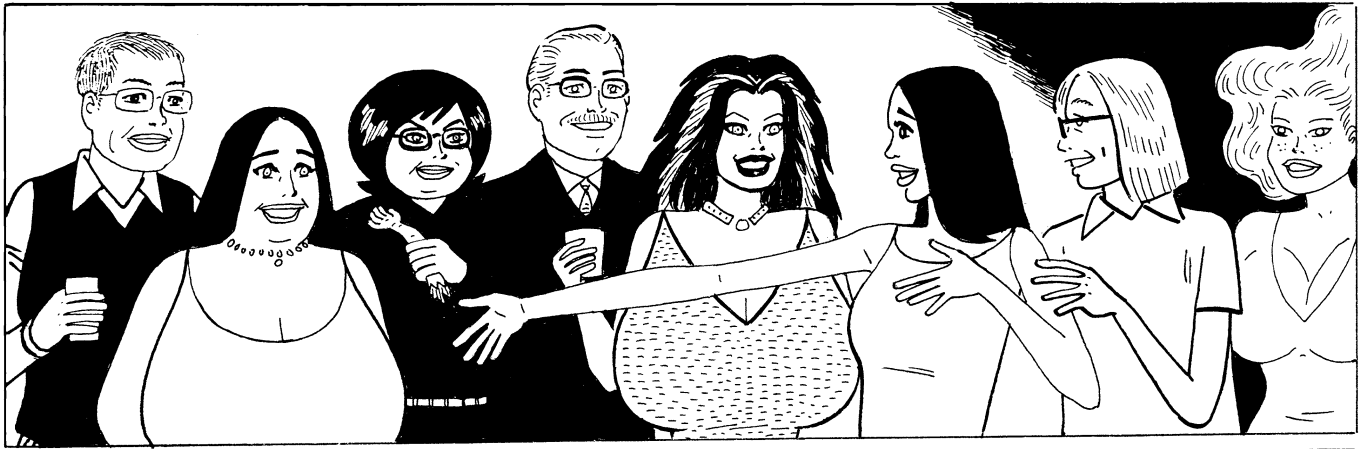
CASIMIRA AND I BOTH GUESS THAT IT'S MY TIA FRITZ, SINCE SHE'S ALWAYS MADE YOU CRAZY.

AW, VENUS, I WASN'T, I WAS ONLY -- AWW.

AND THEN VENUS SAID SOMETHING THAT I DIDN'T KNOW SHE OVERHEARD ME SAY WHEN SHE WAS A KID.

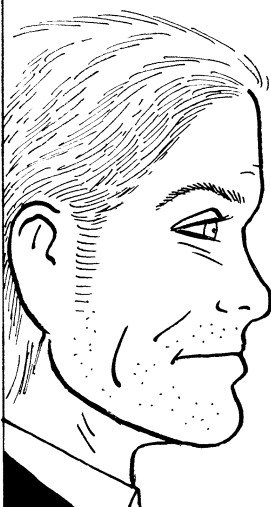
I DON'T BELIEVE IN GHOSTS, BUT I'M AFRAID OF THEM.





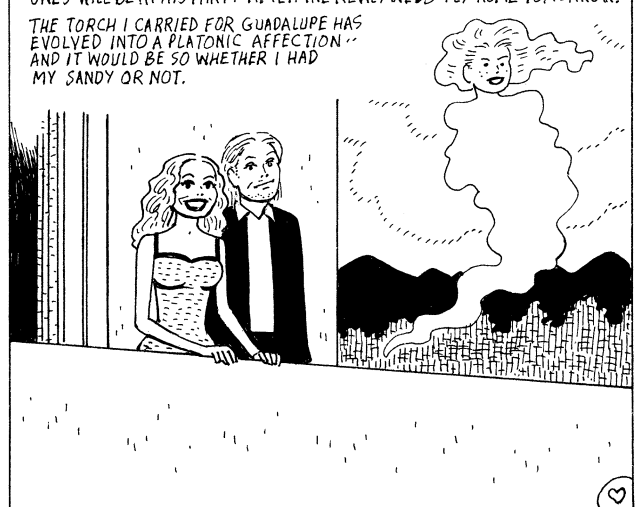
WELL, HERE'S ONE PICTURE THAT FRITZ DIDN'T INCLUDE HERSELF IN... GUADALUPE'S SISTER THAT DIED OF CANCER AND THEIR MOTHER.

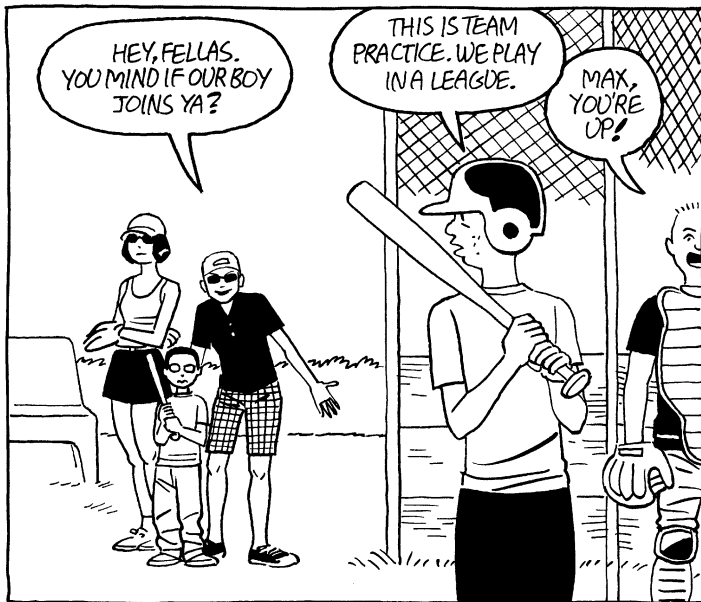
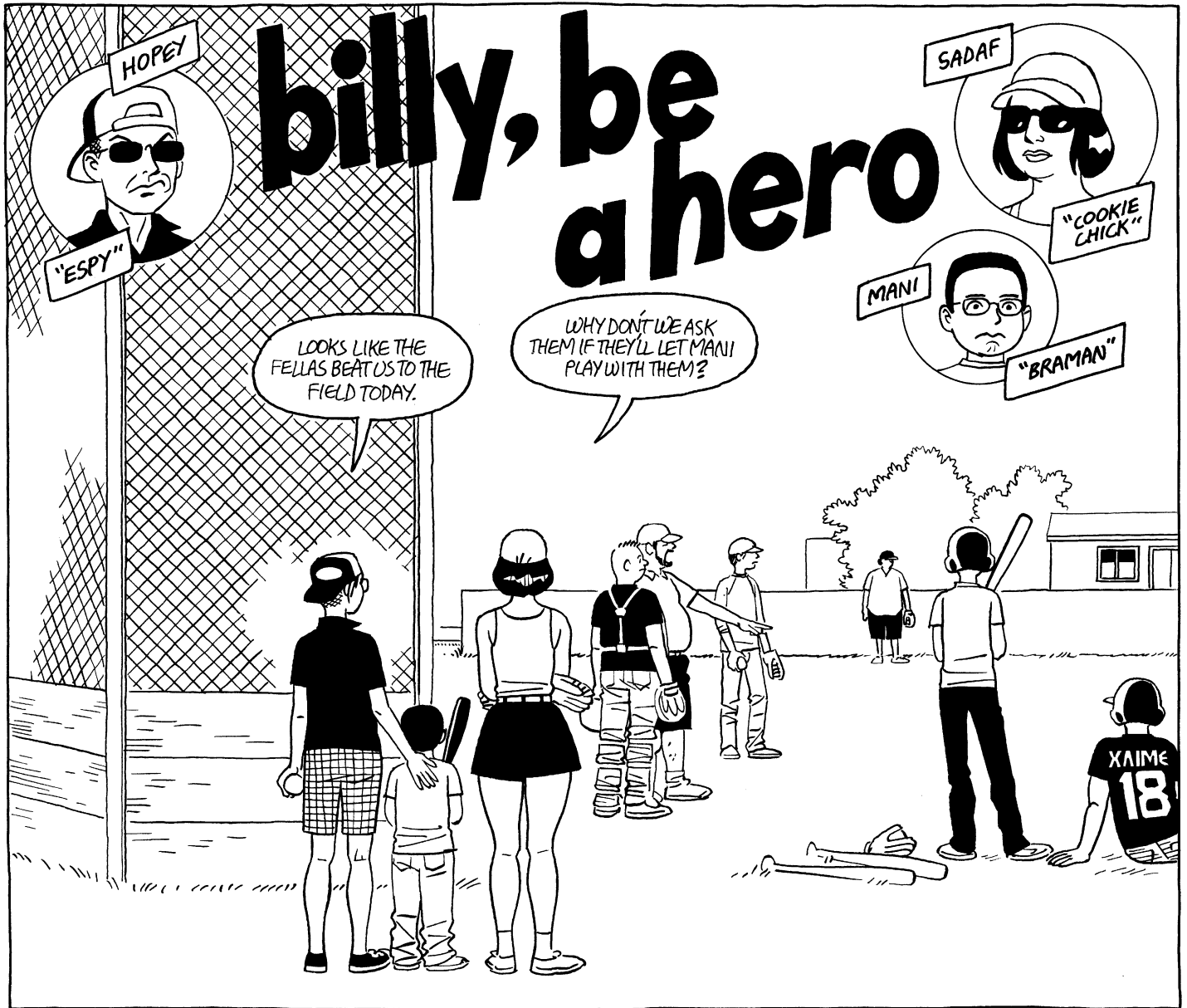
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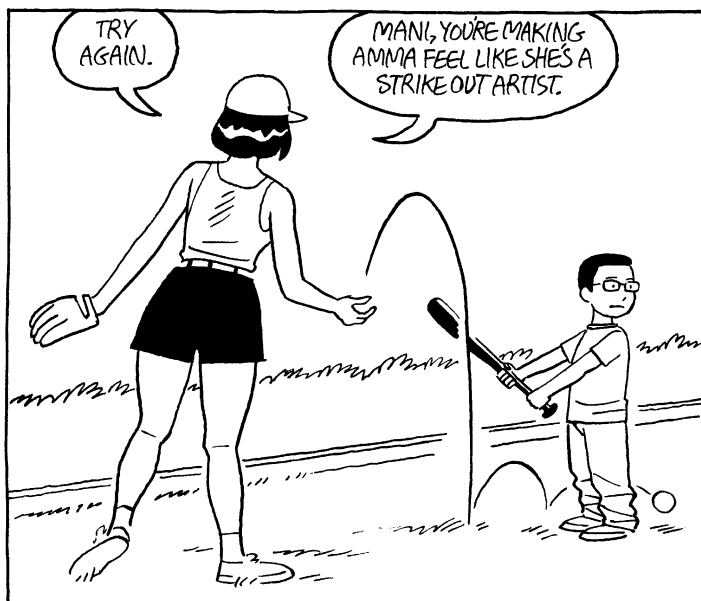
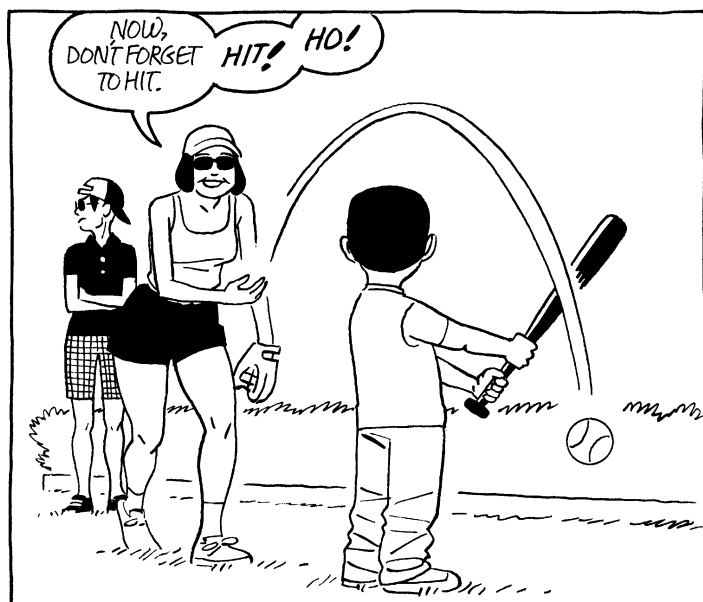
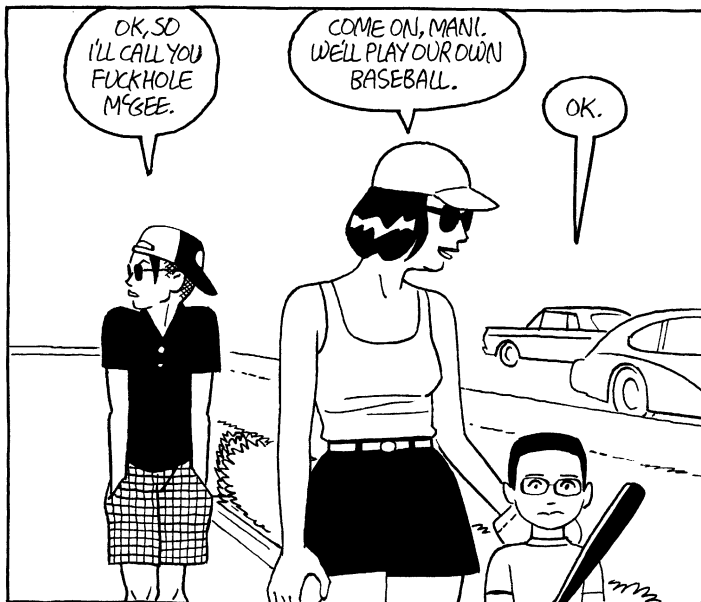


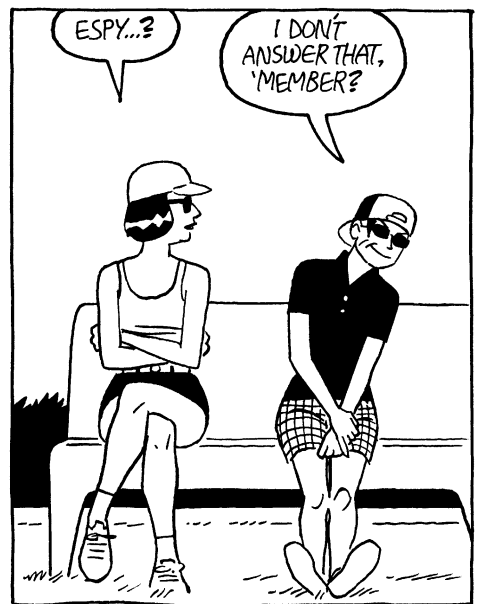
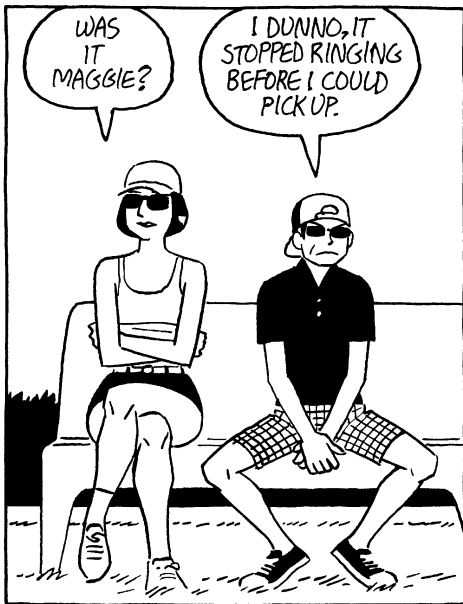
YEAH, IT'S REALLY GREAT THAT SO MANY OF GUADALUPE'S FRIENDS AND FAMILY CAME ALL THIS WAY FOR HER WEDDING PARTY... STEVE'S FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES WILL BE AT HIS PARTY AFTER THE NEWLYWEDS FLY HOME TOMORROW.

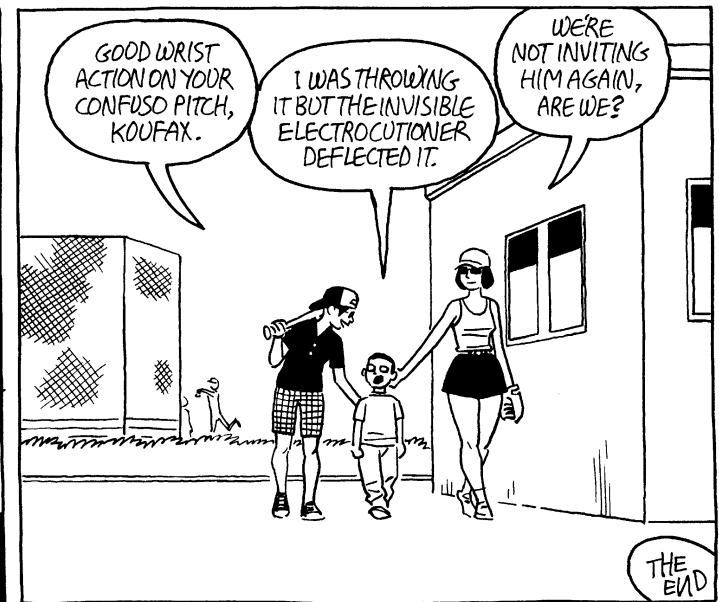
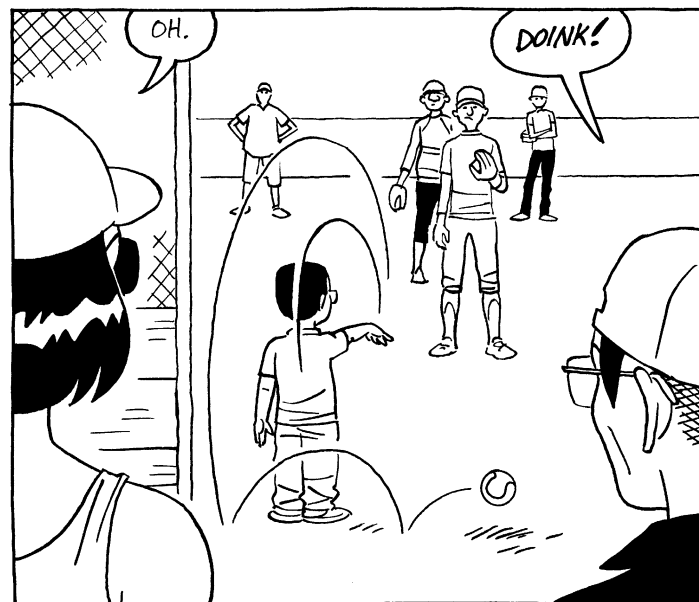
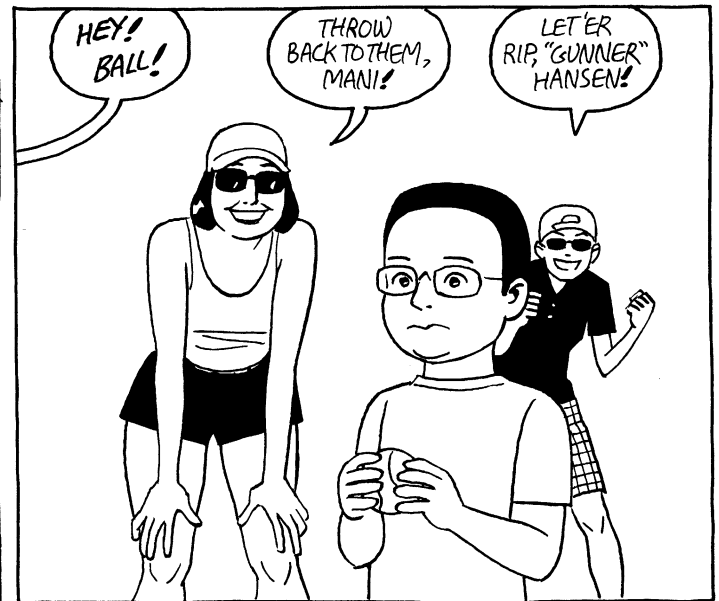
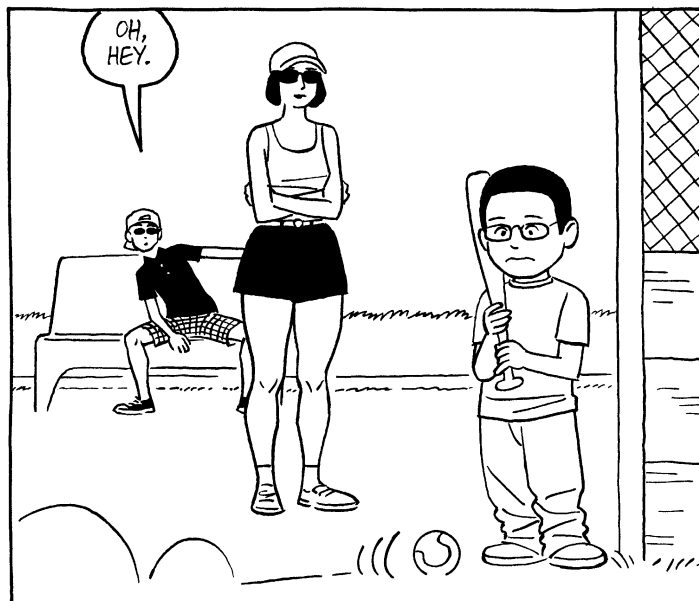
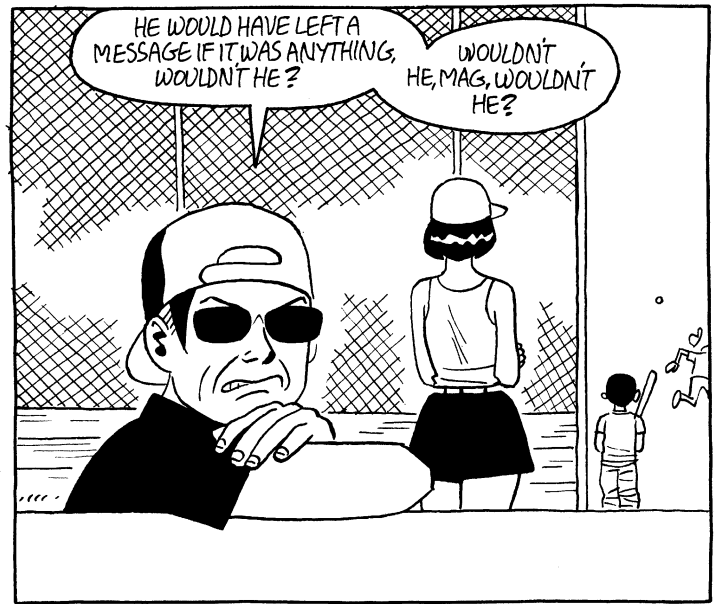
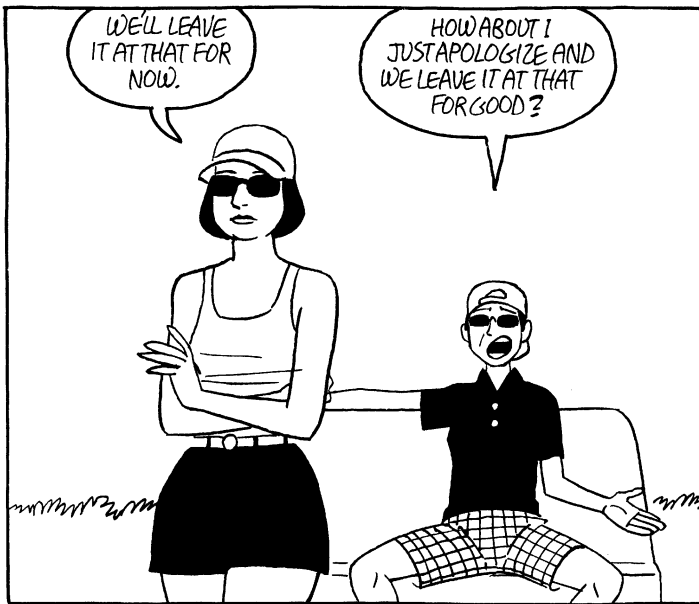
THE TORCH I CARRIED FOR GUADALUPE HAS EVOLVED INTO A PLATONIC AFFECTION... AND IT WOULD BE SO WHETHER I HAD MY SANDY OR NOT.

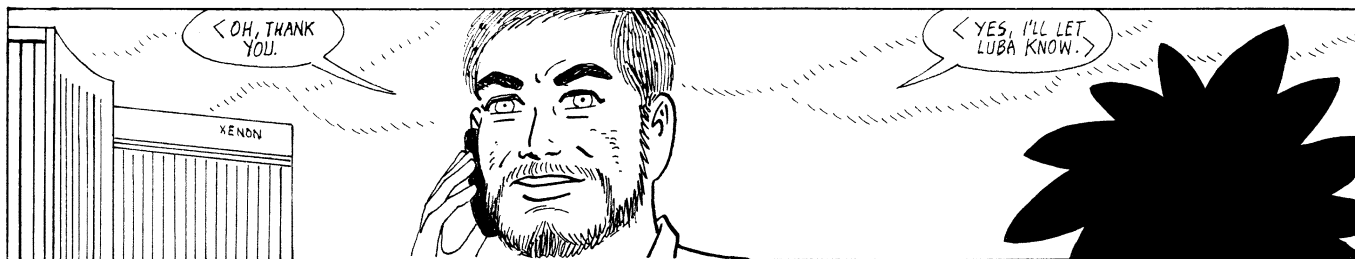




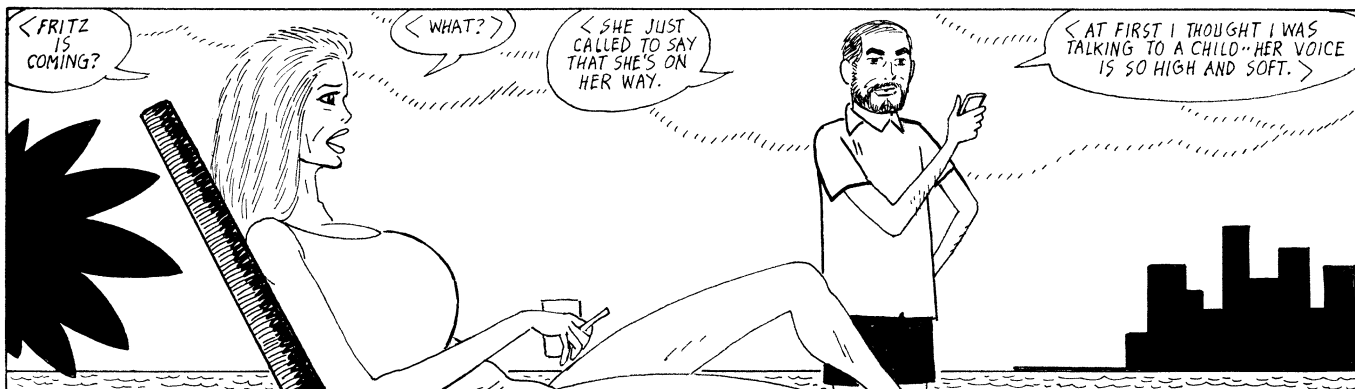


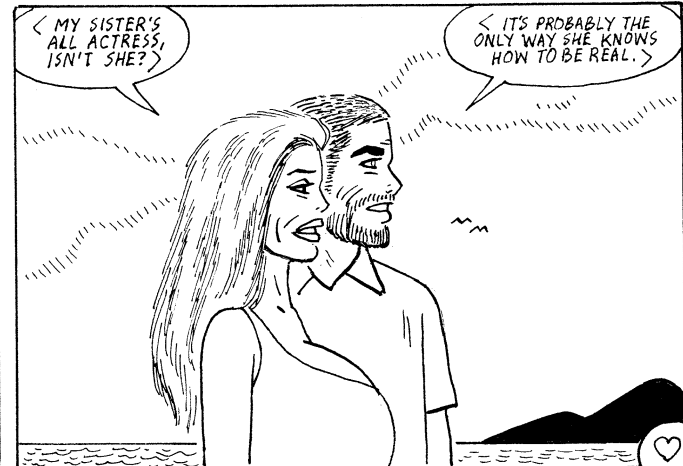
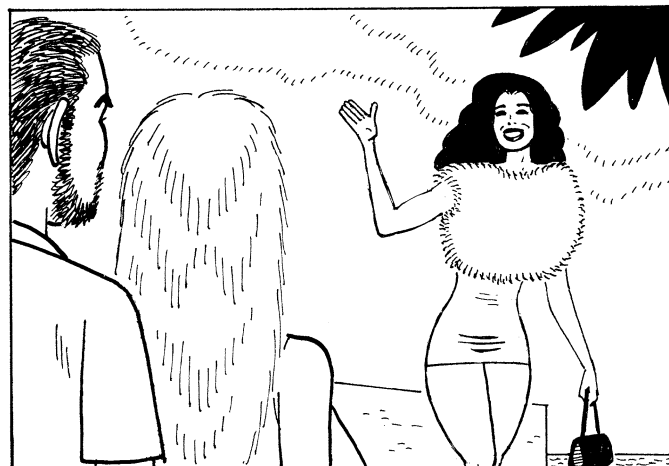
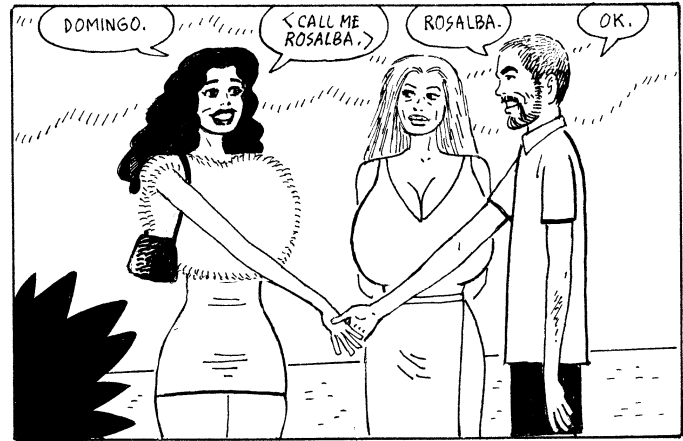
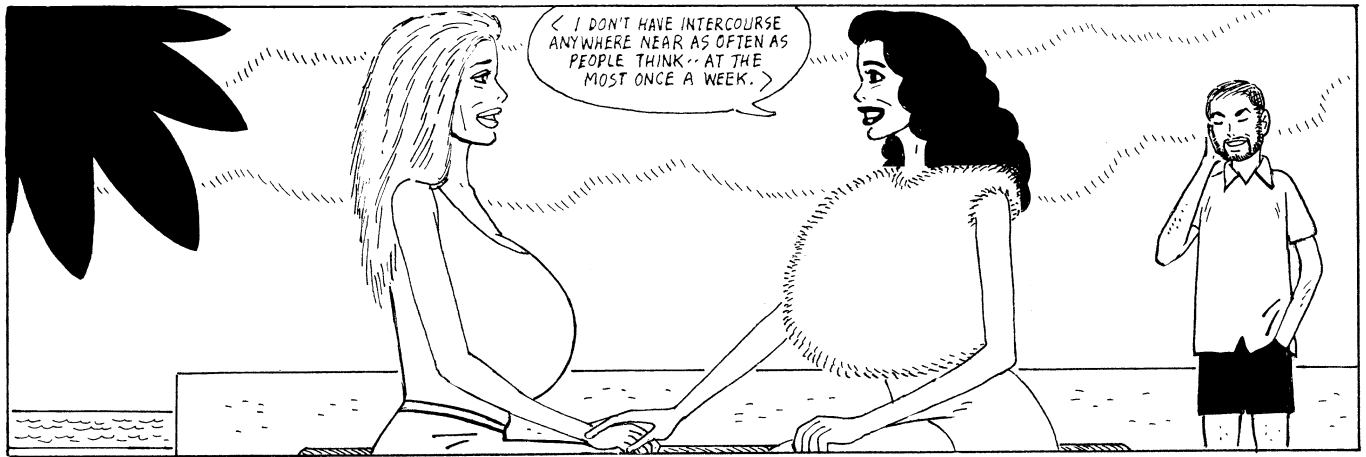


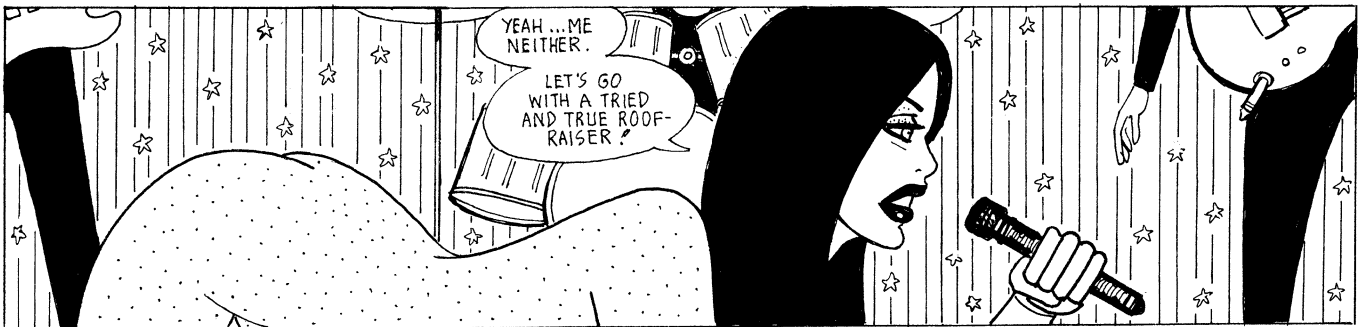
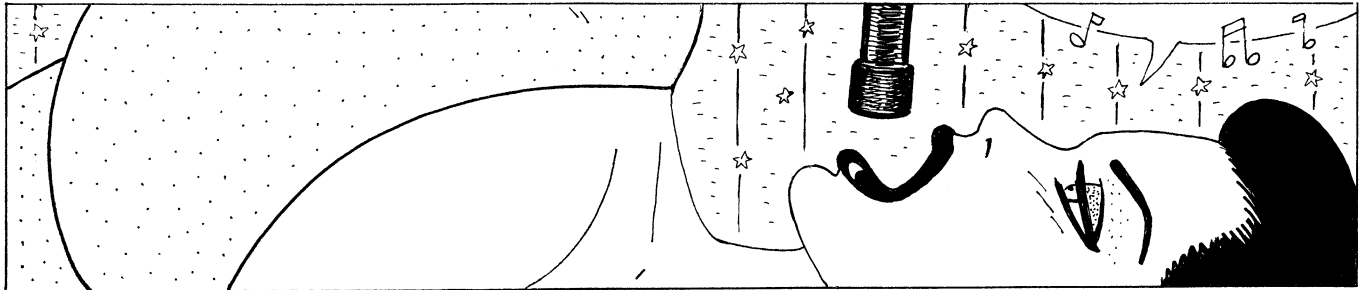


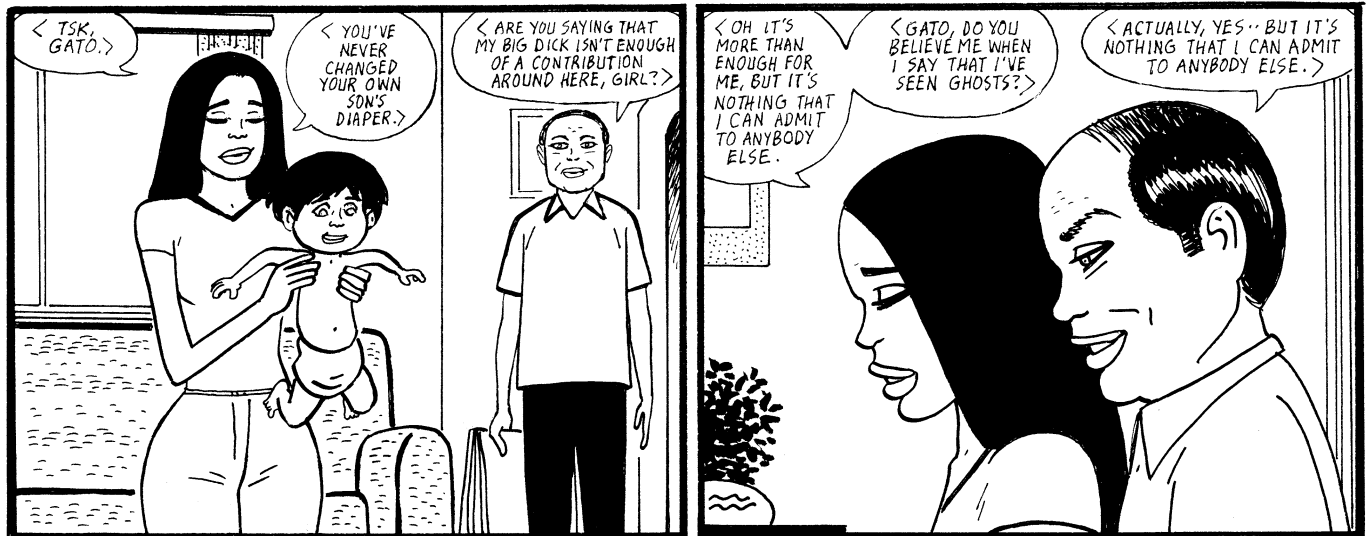


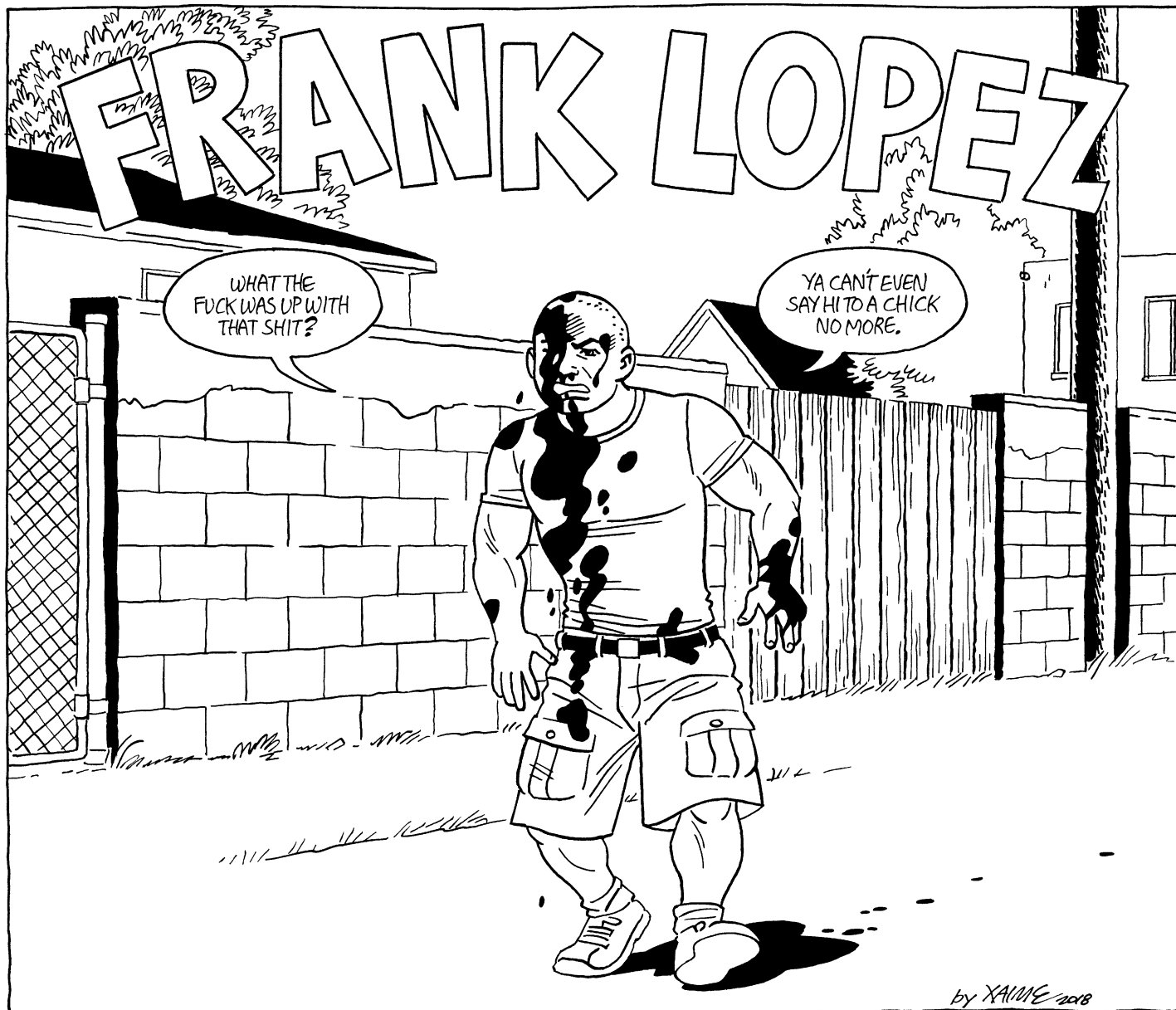
HONEYMOON FOR YOUNG LOVERS AND YOU

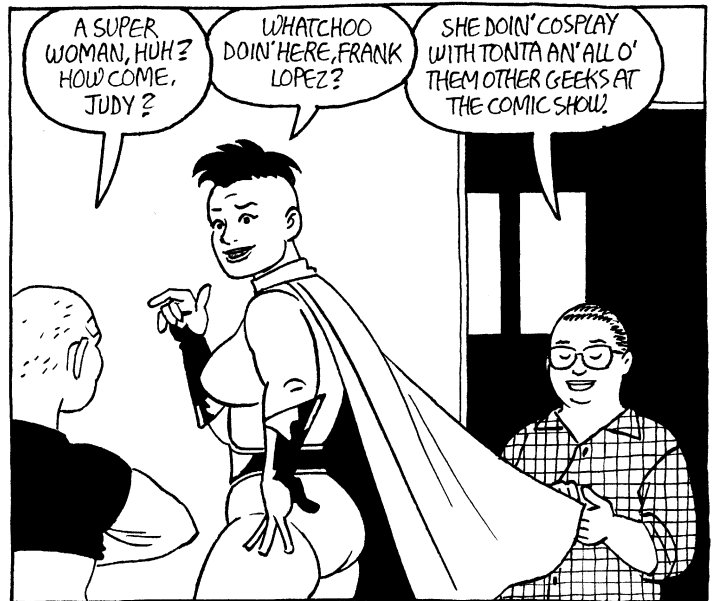


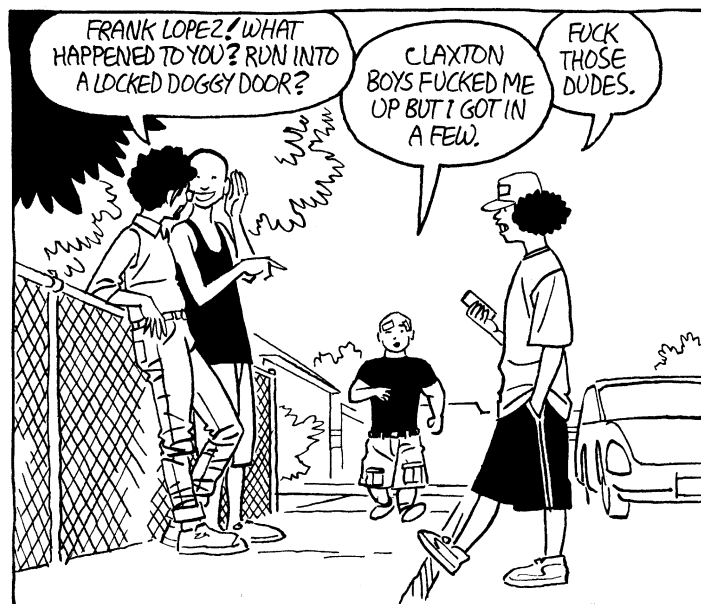
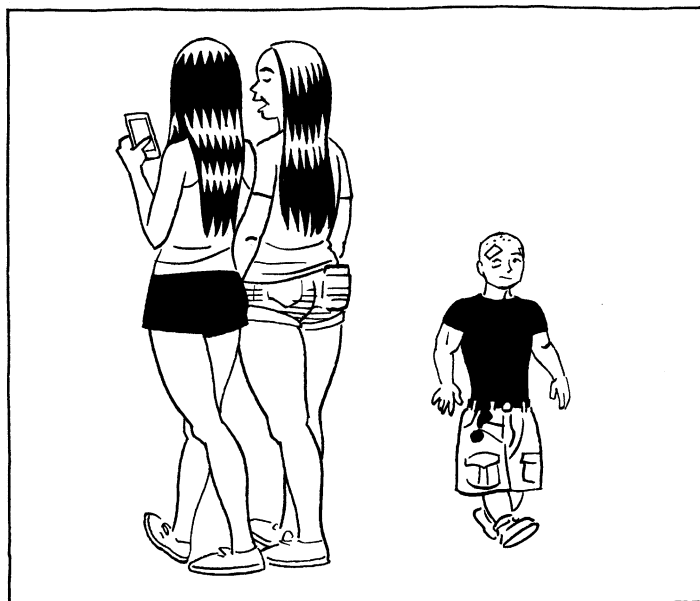
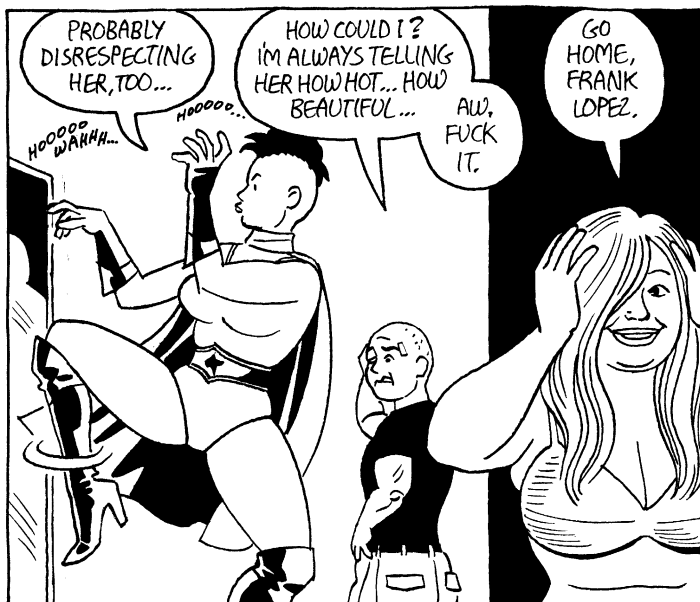


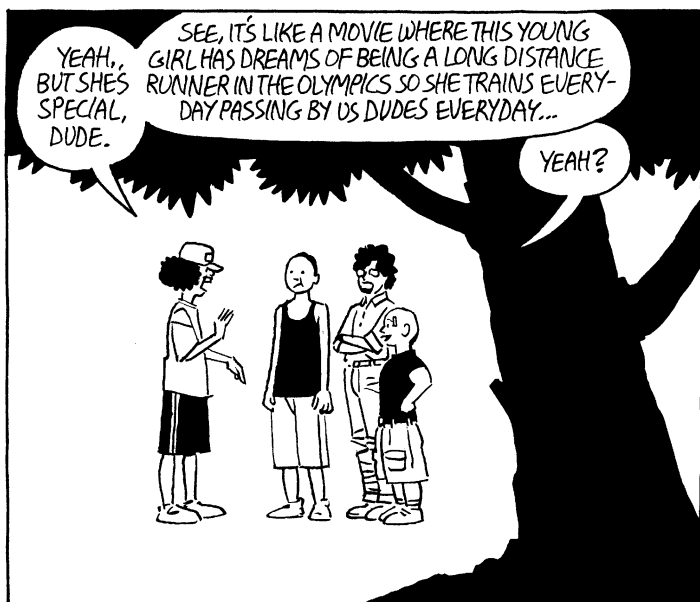
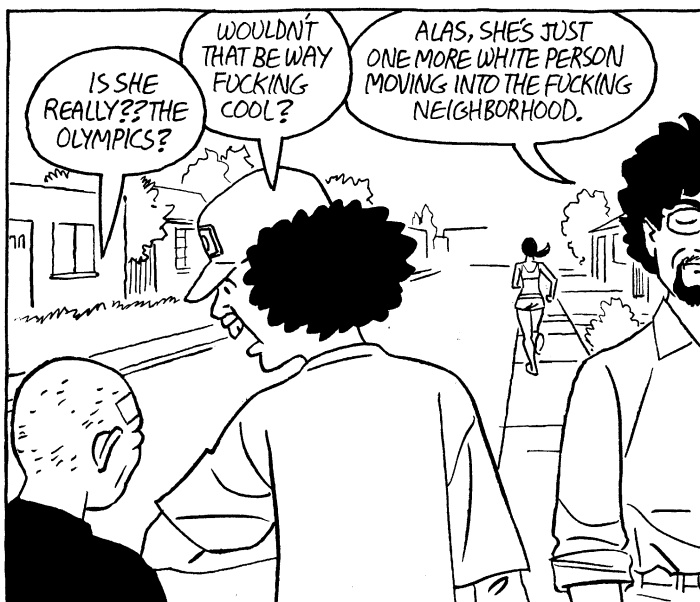
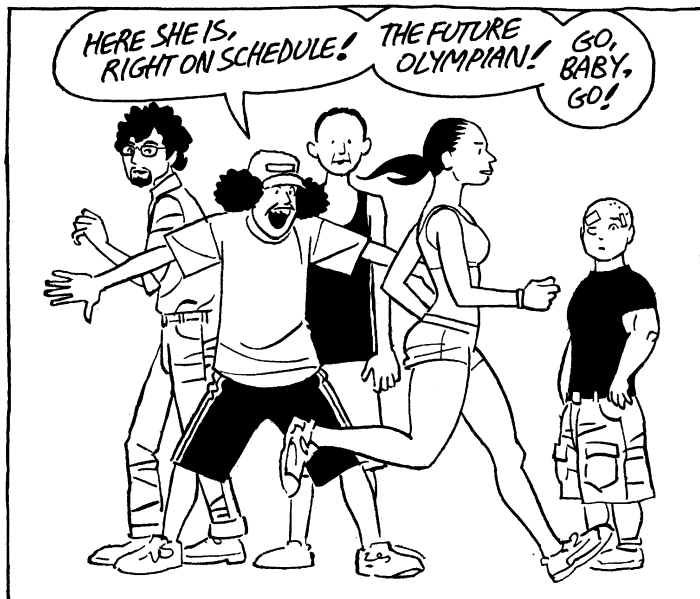


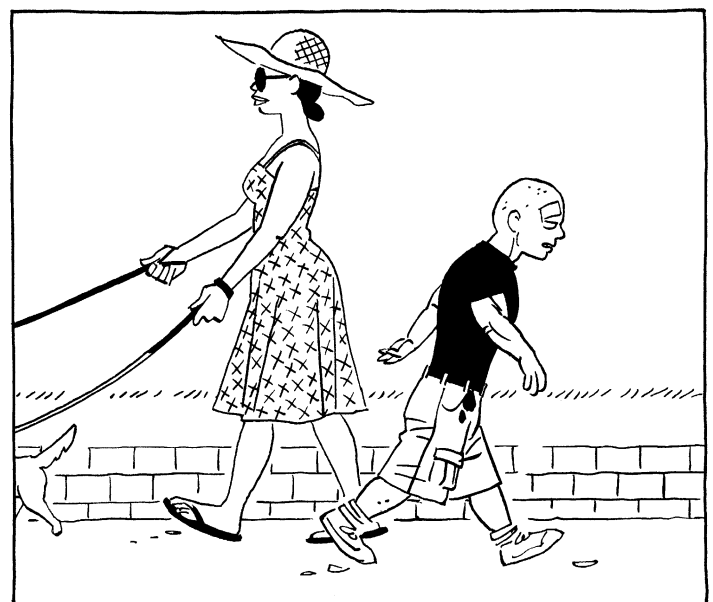
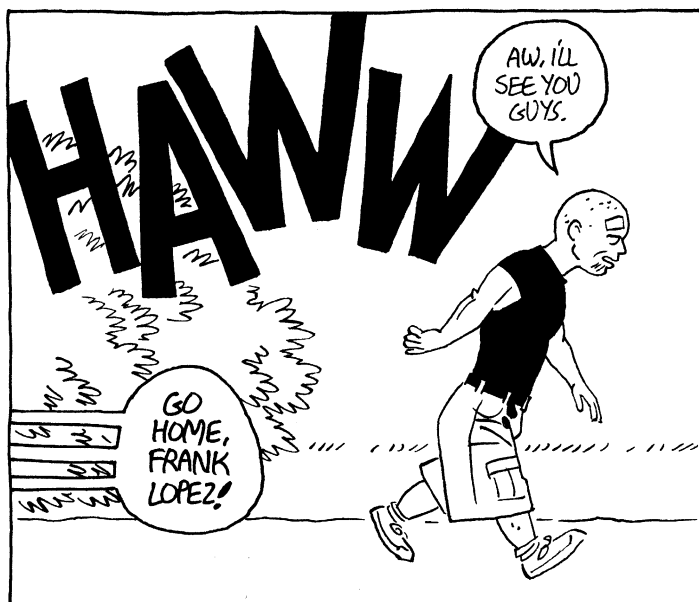
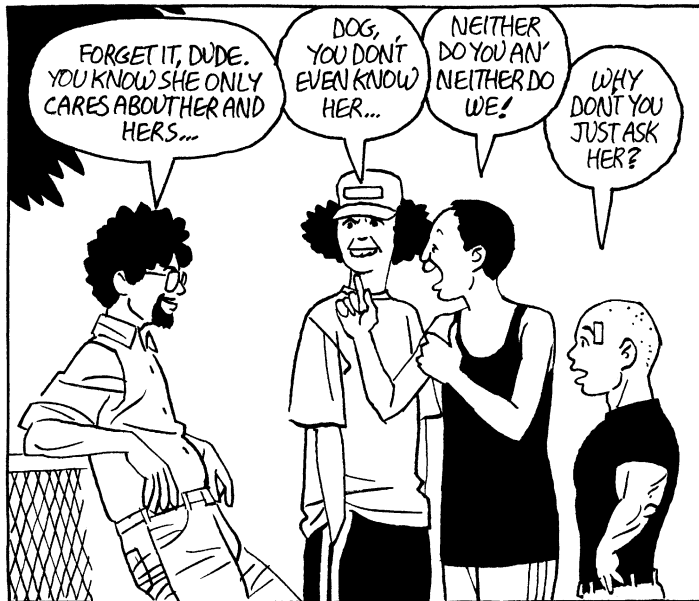


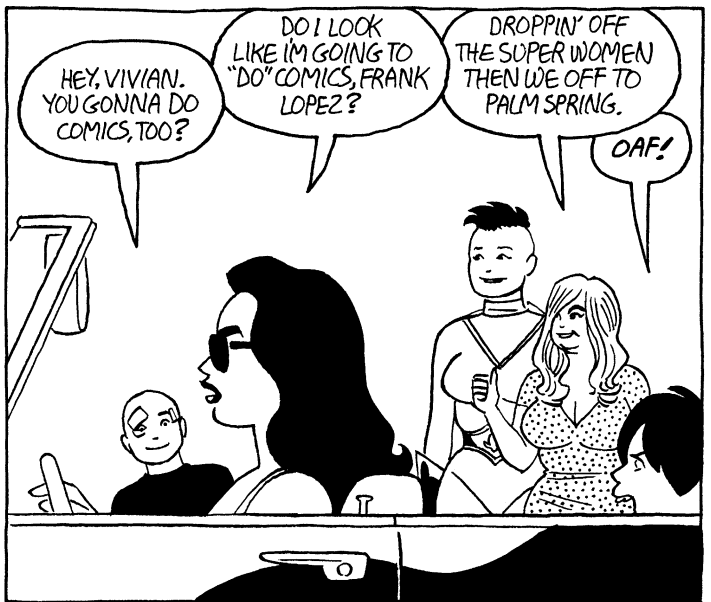


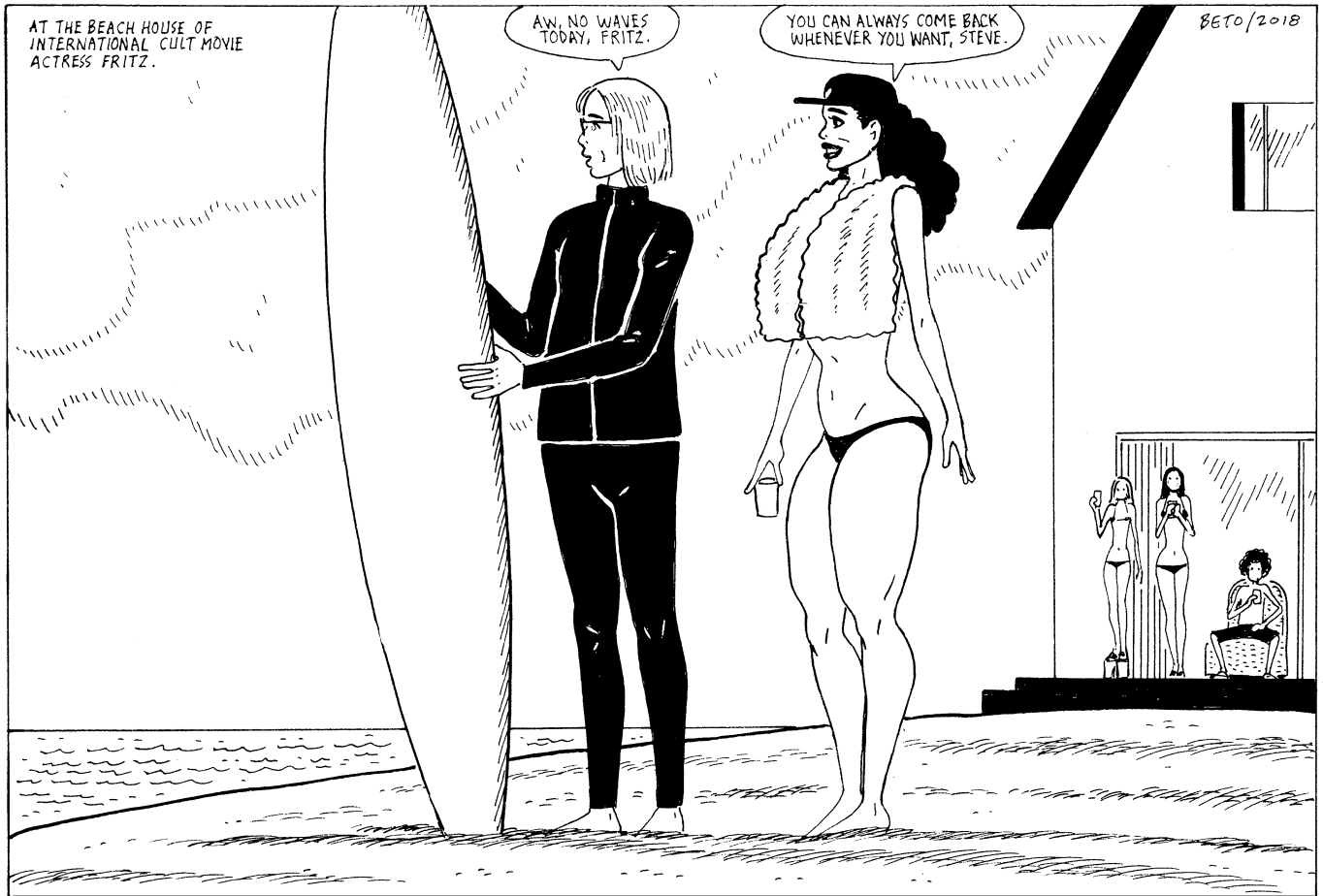




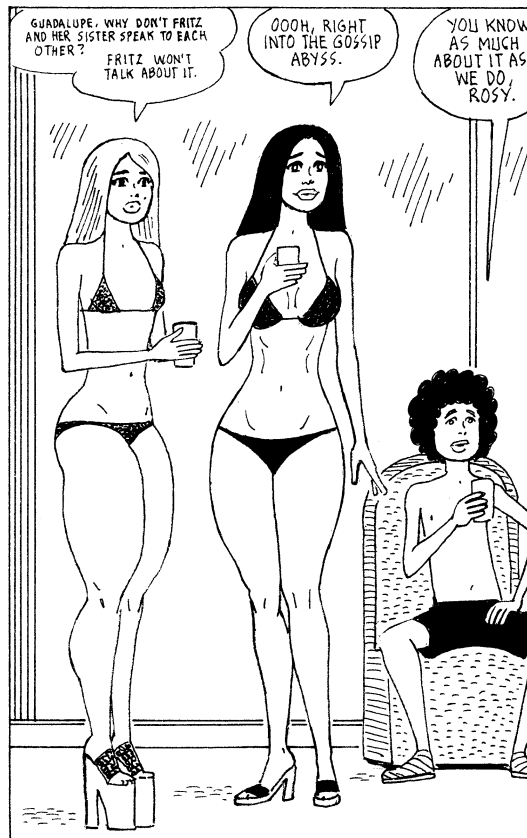
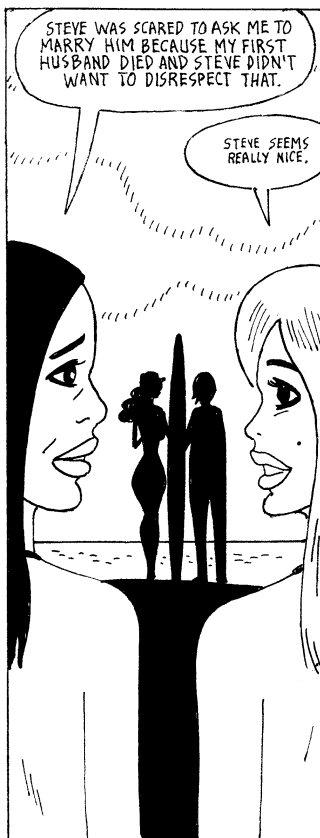




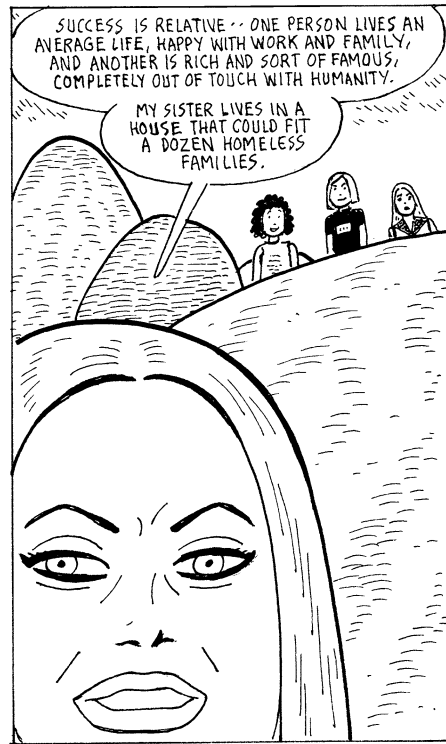
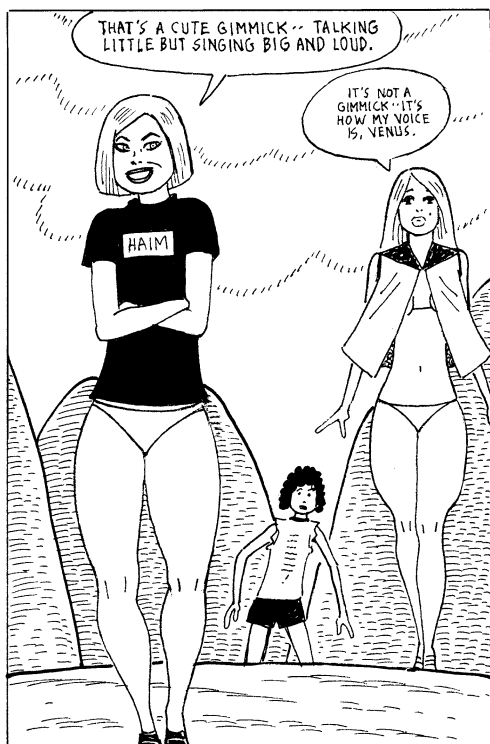
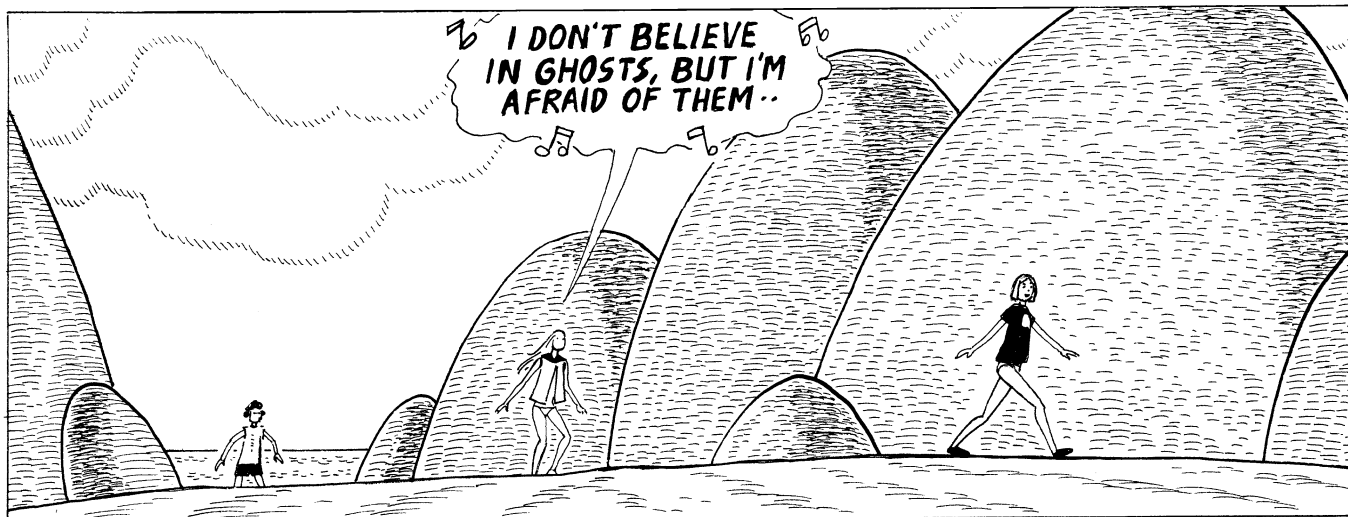


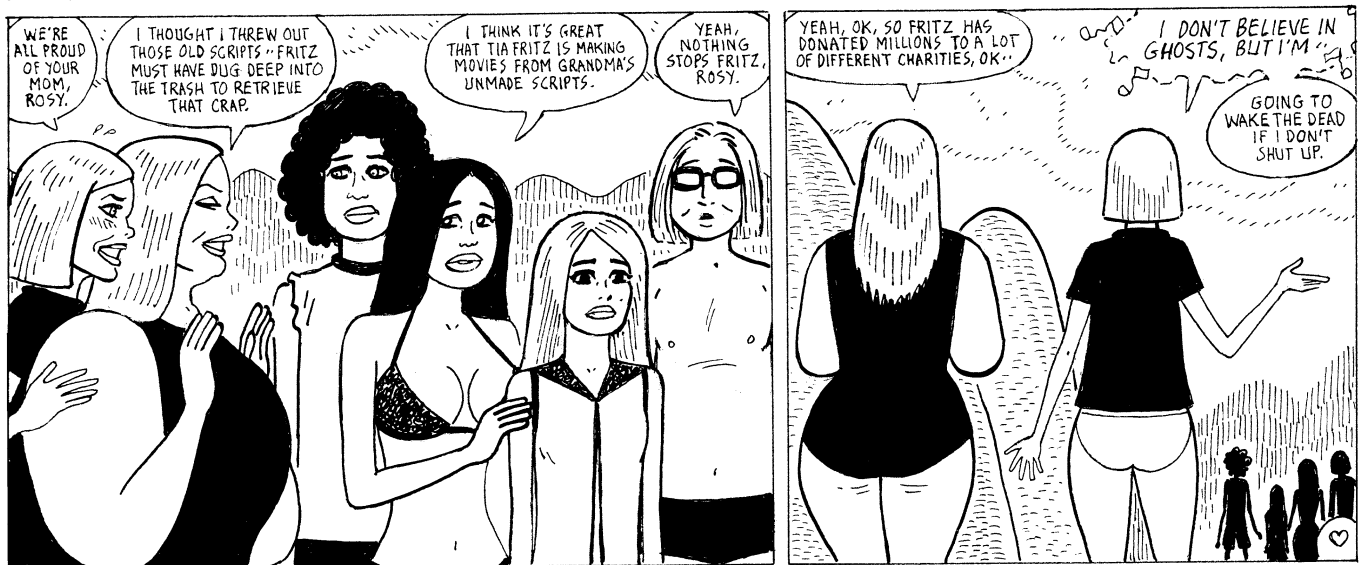
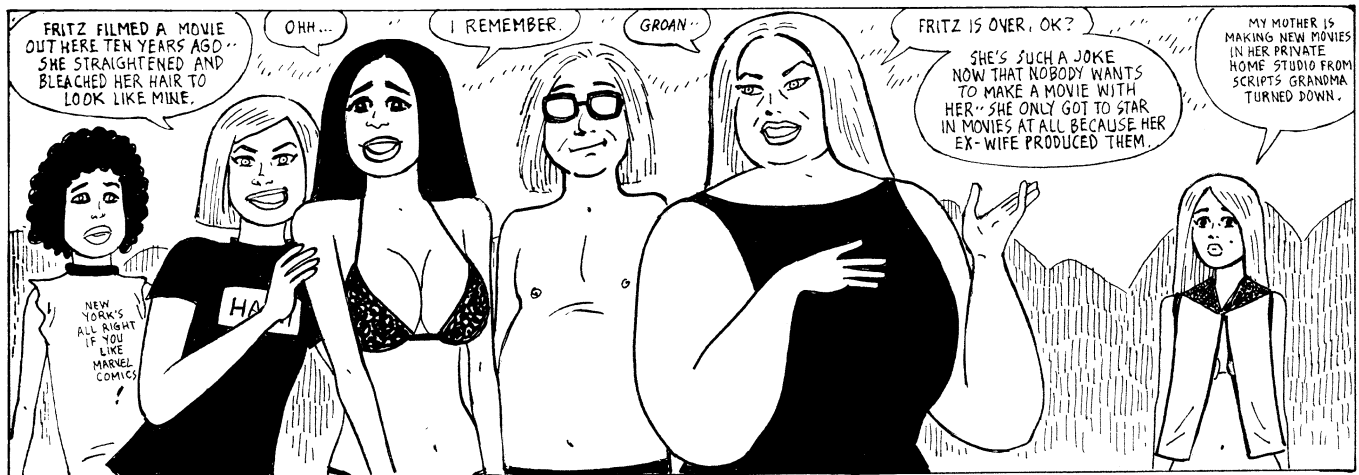


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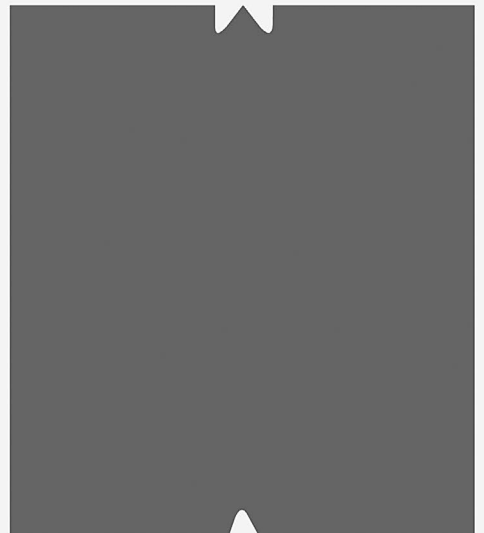
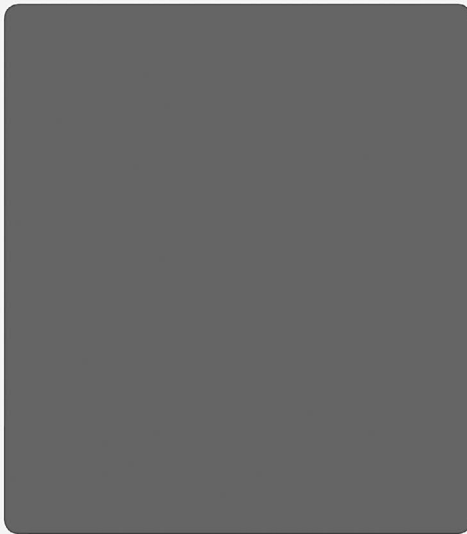
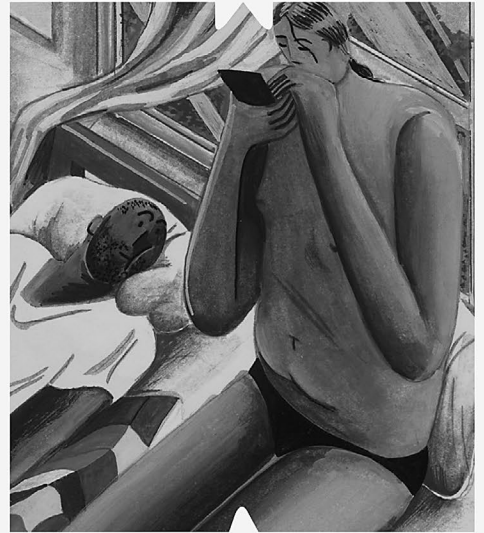
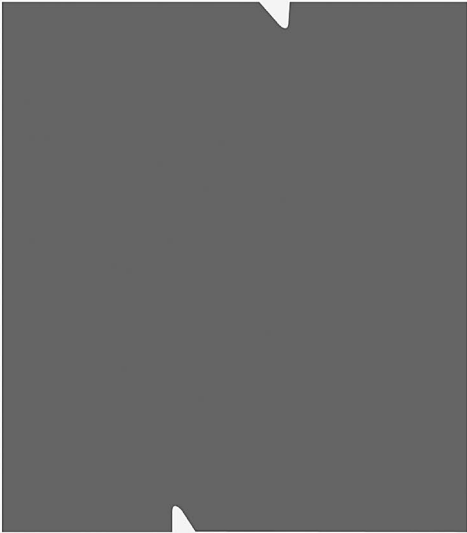




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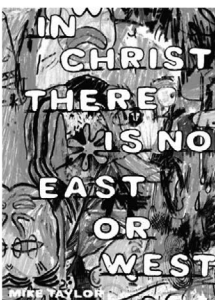
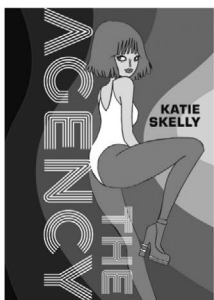
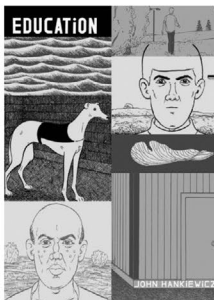
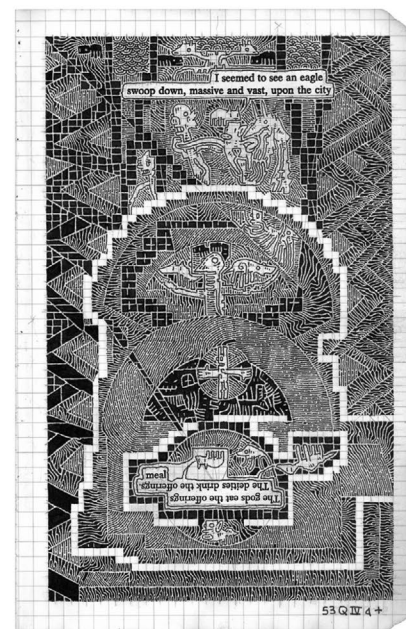
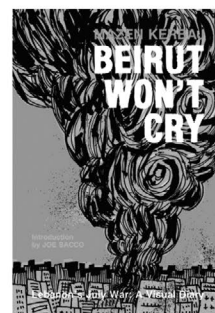
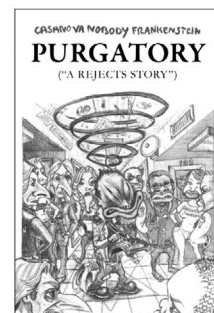
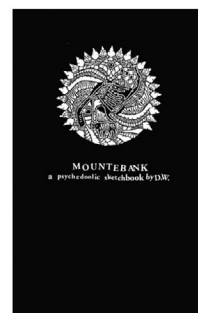
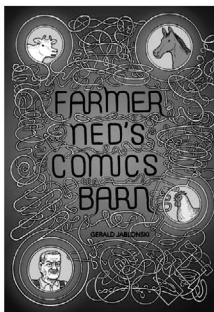
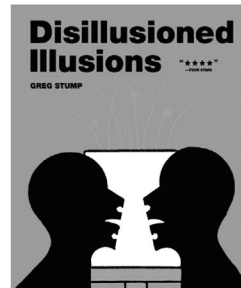
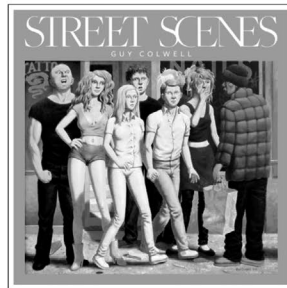
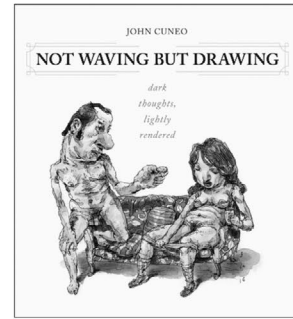
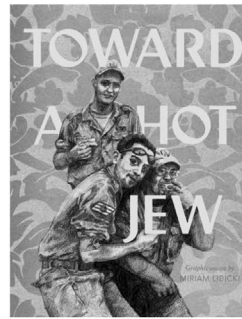
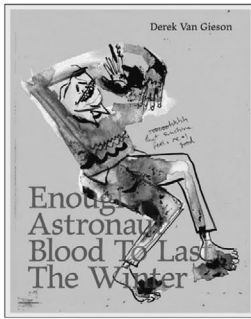
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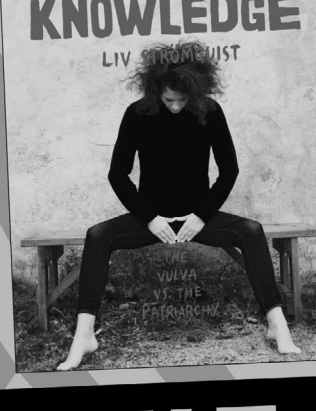
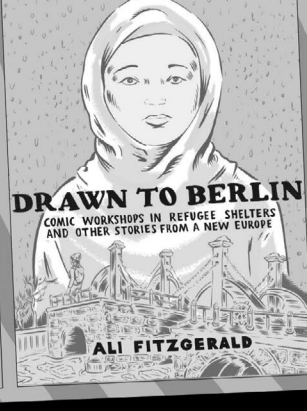
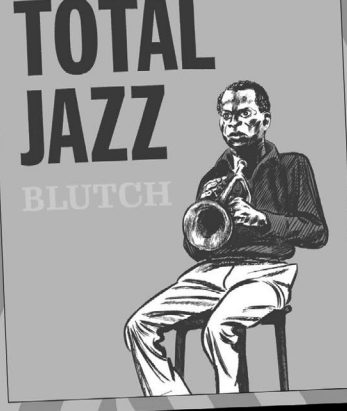
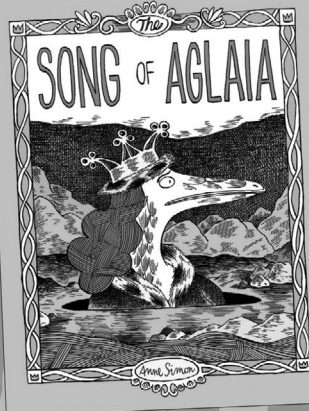
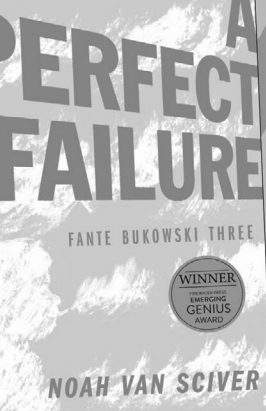
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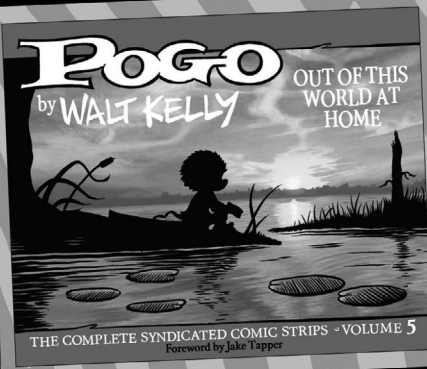
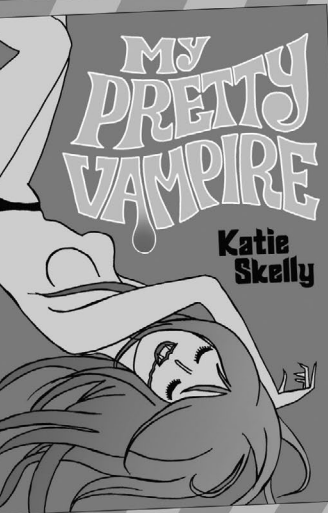
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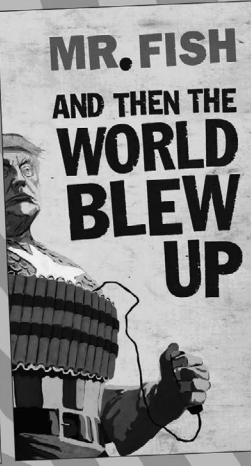
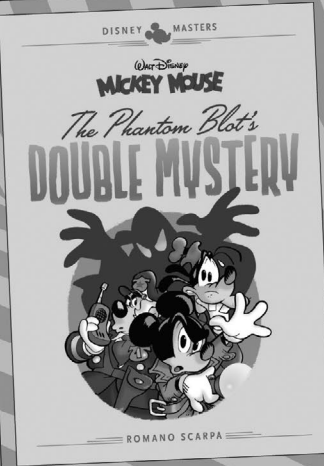
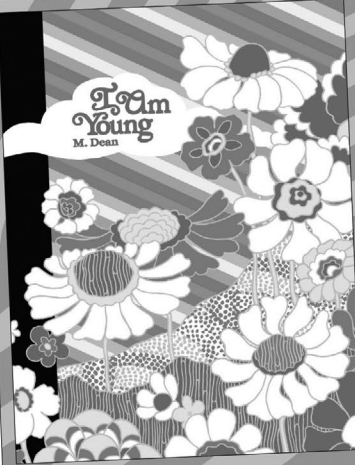
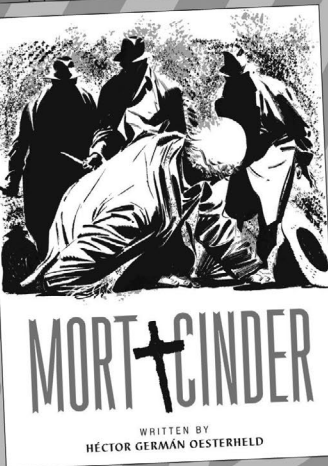




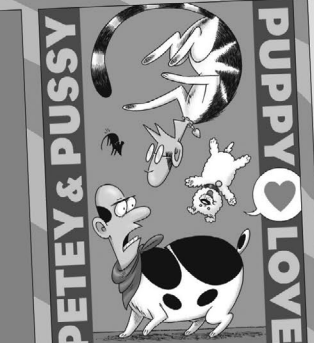
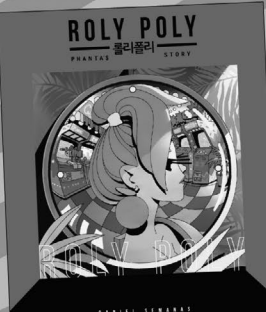
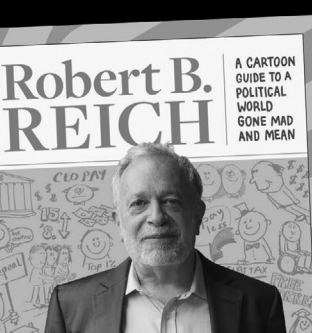
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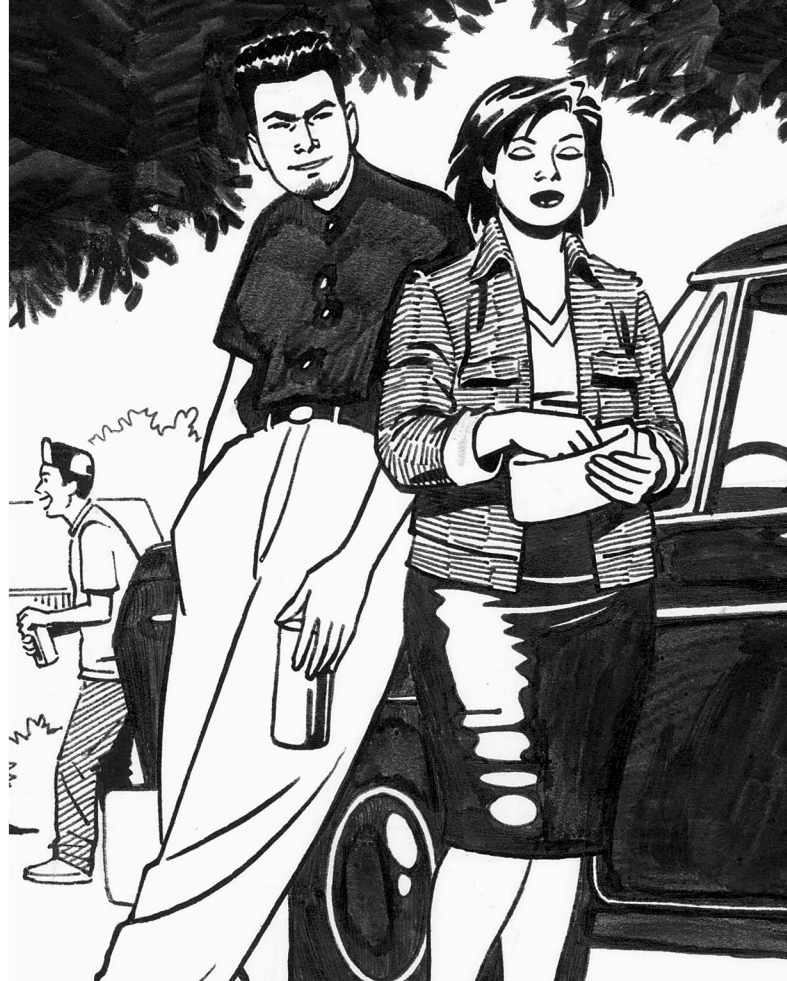


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