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Diana Daw

DIANA AND TED ARE CAST ADRIFT IN A STRANGE SPACE-SHIP AND HAVE LANDED ON THE PLANET MERCURY

By CLAYTON MAXWELL

MERCURY IS INHABITED BY TWO RACES THE BLONDE AMAZONS AND THE REPTILE-MEN, WHO FIGHT FOR SUPREMACY OF THE PLANET.

DIANA HAS SERVED AS QUEEN OF THE AMAZONS, BUT IS AT PRESENT A WANTED FUGITIVE, SOUGHT BY BOTH THE AMAZONS AND REPTILE-MEN.

A FINE STATE OF AFFAIRS --- HUNTED LIKE AN ANIMAL --- NOT A CHANCE TO GET AWAY --- AND TED A PRISONER OF THE AMAZONS. WELL, I'LL HAVE TO VENTURE OUT AND GET SOME FOOD!



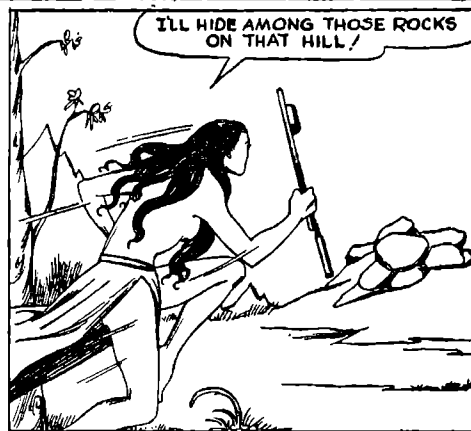
THERE'S ENOUGH MEAT TO LAST FOR AWHILE!



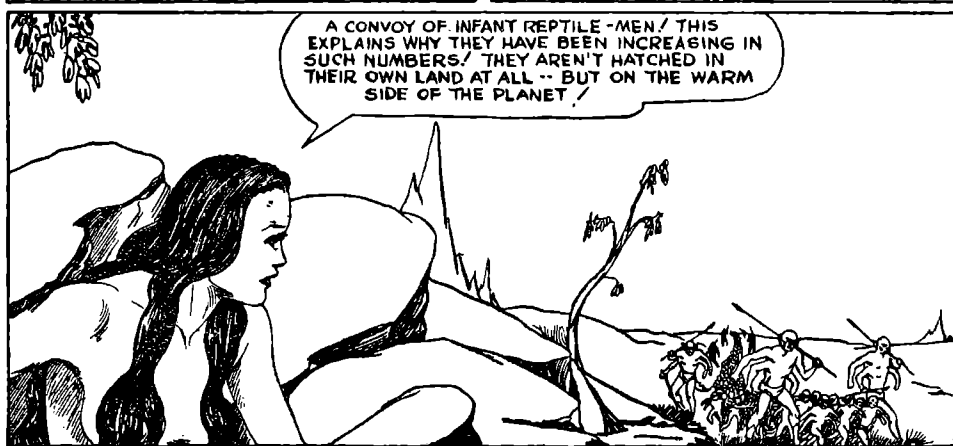
WHAT'S THAT NOISE? SOUNDS LIKE AN ARMY APPROACHING!



I'LL HIDE AMONG THOSE ROCKS ON THAT HILL!



A CONVOY OF INFANT REPTILE-MEN! THIS EXPLAINS WHY THEY HAVE BEEN INCREASING IN SUCH NUMBERS! THEY AREN'T HATCHED IN THEIR OWN LAND AT ALL -- BUT ON THE WARM SIDE OF THE PLANET!



DIANA FOLLOWS THE BACKWARD TRAIL OF THE CONVOY TO THE HOT DESERT LANDS OF MERCURY

WHEW, IT'S HOT... WORSE THAN THE SAHARA. THAT EXPLAINS IT... THOUSANDS OF EGGS HATCHING IN THE WARM SUN. THEIR OWN LAND IS TOO COLD TO HATCH THEM PROPERLY, OR IN GREAT NUMBERS. IF THIS SORT OF THING GOES ON, THEY'LL DOMINATE ALL MERCURY!



BUT DIANA IS SEEN BY A HATCHERY GUARD

I'LL HAVE TO RUN FOR IT!

AN AMAZON! SHE MUSTN'T ESCAPE! AFTER HER!



THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE... BUT I'LL SOON OUTDISTANCE THEM!



BUT DIANA RUNS INTO A PARTY OF AMAZON WARRIORS

WHAT LUCK!

THERE SHE IS... KILL HER--QUEEN VARTA'S ORDERS!



BUT DIANA'S SUPERIOR EARTH STRENGTH GIVES HER A TEMPORARY ADVANTAGE

BACK, YOU BLONDE HUSSIES!

NOW TO BREAK AWAY!



OUTDISTANCING PURSUIT, DIANA TAKES UP A POSITION ON A ROCKY HILLSIDE

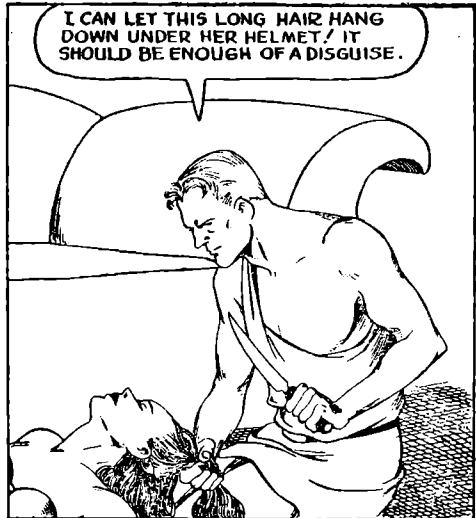
I CAN HOLD OUT HERE FOR AWHILE!







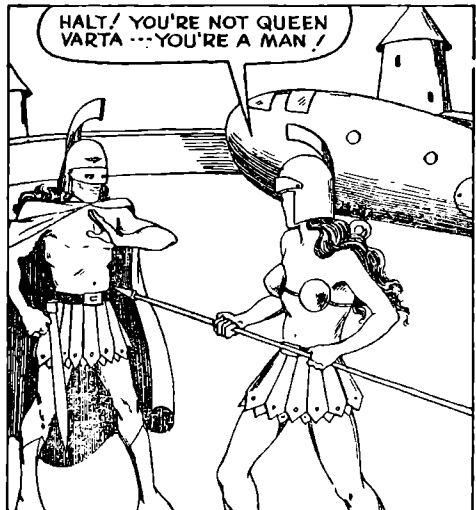
SORRY TO DO THIS, QUEENIE! THANKS FOR THE INFORMATION!



I CAN LET THIS LONG HAIR HANG DOWN UNDER HER HELMET! IT SHOULD BE ENOUGH OF A DISGUISE.



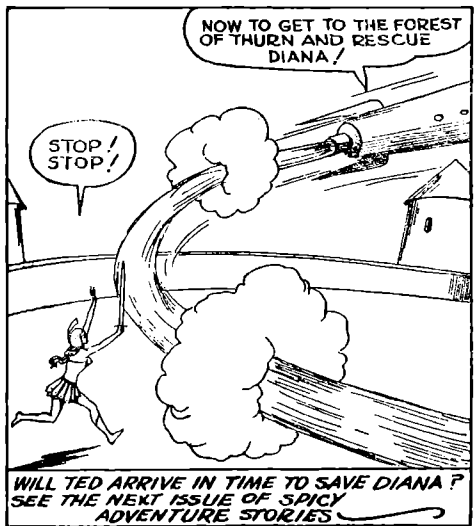
IT'S WORKING SO FAR!



HALT! YOU'RE NOT QUEEN VARTA --- YOU'RE A MAN!



BUT A REAL MAN, SISTER!



NOW TO GET TO THE FOREST OF THURN AND RESCUE DIANA!

STOP!
STOP!

WILL TED ARRIVE IN TIME TO SAVE DIANA?
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