A CHRISTMAS NOEL

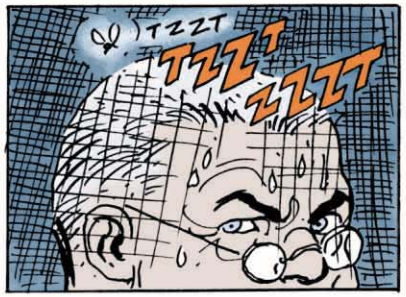
YOU LEFT YOUR PAPERS STACKED AGAINST YOUR COMPUTER'S VENTS

THE FAN BURNED OUT AND YOUR CIRCUITS ARE *FRIED!*

THEN YOU LEFT A PAPER CUP OF SODA NEXT TO YOUR KEYBOARD. IT WAS KNOCKED OVER AND YOUR KEYBOARD IS FULL OF *DIET COLA!*

YOU'VE BEEN TOO LAX ON PM LATELY, HALF-MAST. TONIGHT *THREE MORE* SPECTERS WILL HAUNT YOUR DREAMS TO BRING YOU TO YOUR SENSES.

GIVE HEED TO THEIR WORDS OR YOUR WAKING DAYS WILL BE *WORSE* THAN THIS EVENING'S NIGHTMARES.



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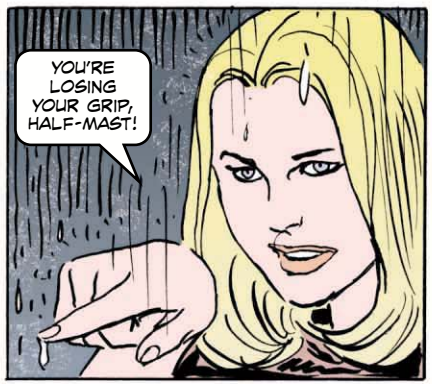
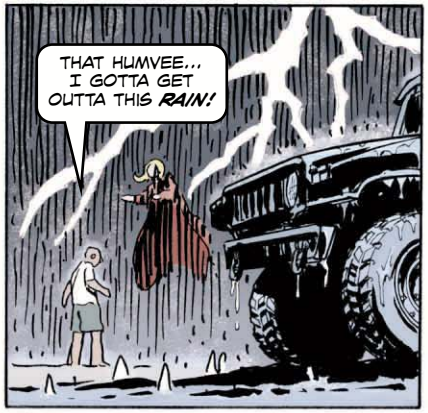
HALF-MAST!

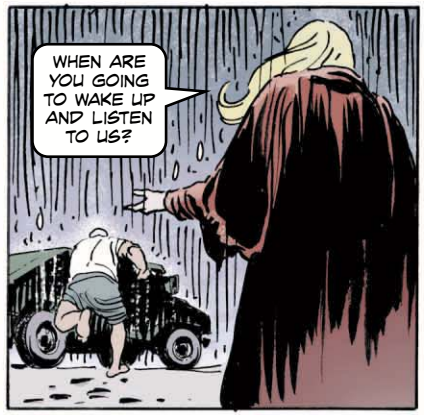
A-A-ARE Y-YUH-YOU THE N-N-NEXT SUH-SPECTER?


YOU'RE LOSING YOUR GRIP, HALF-MAST!

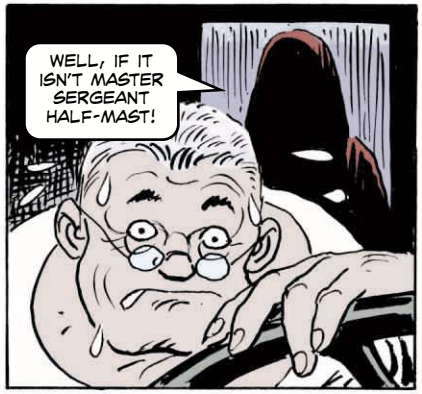
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING LEAVING A TENT WITH NO FIRE GUARD WHEN YOU'VE GOT A PERSONNEL HEATER GOING?

THERE'S YOUR TENT, HALF-MAST... GOING UP IN SMOKE... LIKE A BAD DREAM!


THAT HUMVEE... I GOTTA GET OUTTA THIS RAIN!


WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO WAKE UP AND LISTEN TO US?

I...I MADE IT...
AND I'M DRIPPING WET!


WELL, IF IT ISN'T MASTER SERGEANT HALF-MAST!

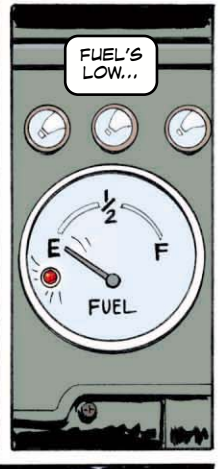
Y-YUH-YOU... ARE TH-TH-THE LAST S-SUH-SPECTER?

I AM!
DRIVE, HALF-MAST. THERE'S SOMETHING YOU SHOULD SEE.

WH-WHERE ARE WE G-GOING, SUH-SPECTER?

YOU'LL FIND OUT. MEANWHILE, CHECK YOUR GAUGES.

I CAN'T SEE... BAD WIPERS.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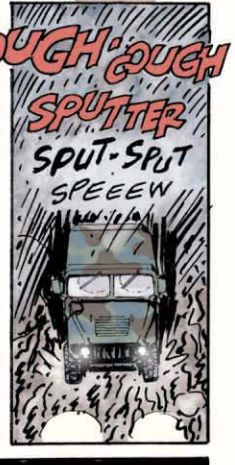
UH, OH.


COUGH-COUGH
SPUTTER
SPUT-SPUT
SPEEEW

SO, HALF-MAST, YOU CAN'T SEE, YOU'RE OUT OF FUEL... WE'RE MILES FROM ANYWHERE.

AND DO YOU KNOW WHO DIDN'T PULL PM?

LOOK! LACK OF PM CAN CAUSE...

...THIS!
DRIVER: MSG HALF-MAST

UGH!

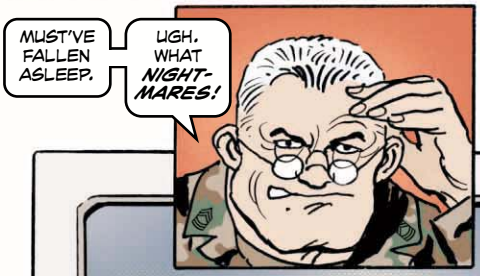
TIME FOR US TO TAKE OFF, FELLOW SPECTERS.
YOU THINK HE'S LEARNED HIS LESSON?
I'M SURE HE HAS.

SOUNDS LIKE HALF-MAST IS HAVING A NIGHTMARE, BLADE.

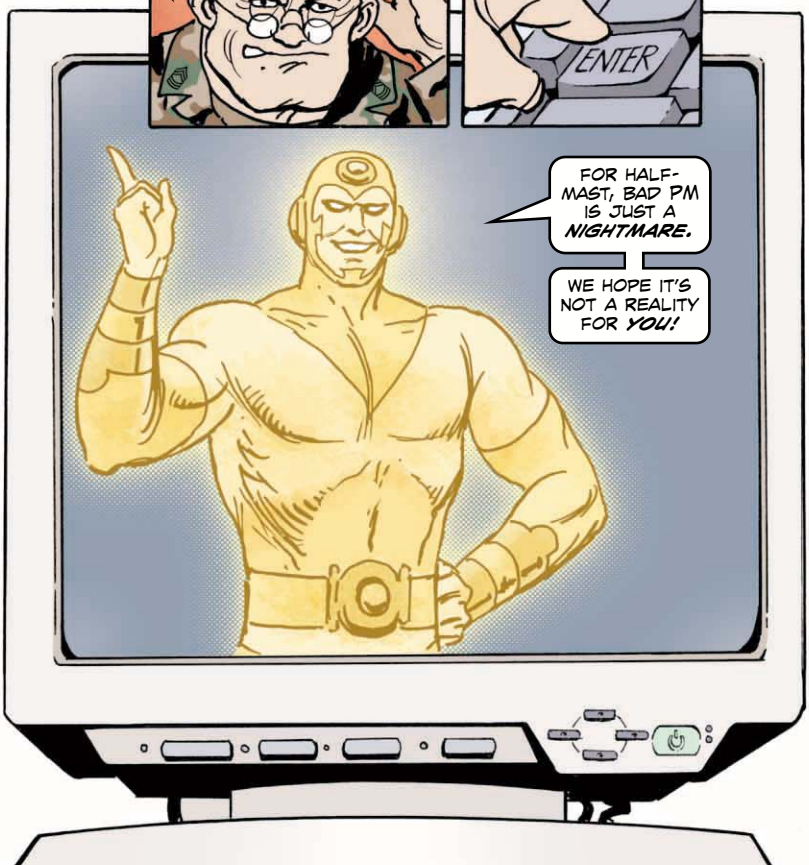
SHOULD WE WAKE HIM UP, BONNIE?

YES, CONNIE... LET'S DO IT.

WHAT DID YOU TRY TO DO, WORK ALL NIGHT?
YOU LOOK EX-HAUSTED!
WE TOLD YOU, YOU NEEDED SLEEP.
HUH?


MUST'VE FALLEN ASLEEP.
UGH. WHAT NIGHT-MARES!

I THINK I'LL LOG OFF...
ENTER


FOR HALF-MAST, BAD PM IS JUST A NIGHTMARE.
WE HOPE IT'S NOT A REALITY FOR YOU!