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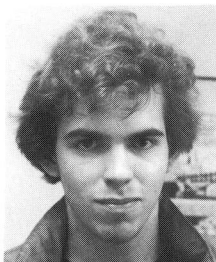
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BLADE OF
ZATOICHI
WALRUS™



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THE MEN BEHIND THE MYTH...



JOHN HOLIWSKI

was born one day; on another day he wandered into our production office and found himself working for Solson on a regular basis.

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During the past years Peter has been a big fan of Japanese Samurai films and has always enjoyed the performance of Shintaro Katsu's portrayal of **Zatoichi**, the blind swordsman.

Peter was born in 1953 and like our Samurai Walrus, continues traveling the road of enlightenment.

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SINCE THE DAWN OF TIME, THIS ISLAND, **YINGZHOU**, HAS STOOD AS A HAVEN FOR THE GODS AND THEIR BLESSED CREATIONS. IT IS, IN SHORT, **PARADISE!**

LIKE ITS COUNTERPARTS **PENGSAI** AND **FANGHU**, IT FLOATS FOREVER IN THE OCEANS OF THE WORLD. HIDDEN FROM MAN'S PRYING EYES IT IS SAFE, INVIOLETE.

SKREECH!

IT IS ON THIS ISLAND THAT RESTS--

THE **BUSHIDO BLADE**
OF **ZATOICHI**
WALRUS

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**HOMEWARD
BOUND!**

**HUMBLY
CRAFTED
BY...**

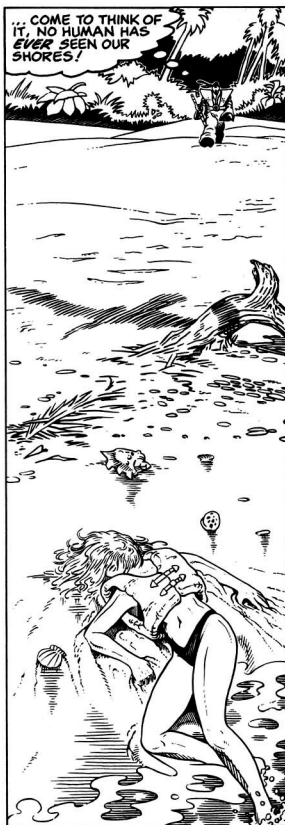
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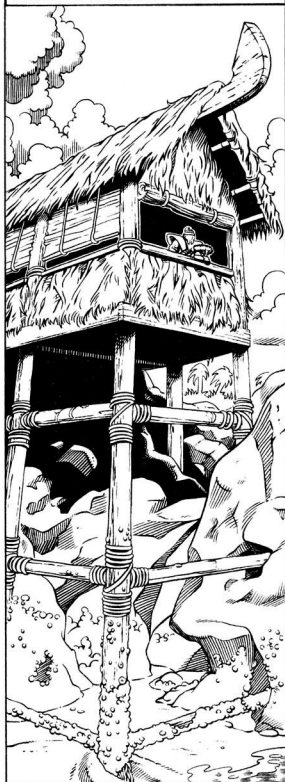
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THE YOUNG GIRL IS TAKEN BACK TO ZATOICHI'S HOME WHERE HE WAITS PATIENTLY FOR HER TO WAKE.



OOOHH, MY HEAD.
AUNT LOLA? WHEN
DO WE REACH
HOME?



YOU REALLY
SHOULD REST A
BIT MORE.



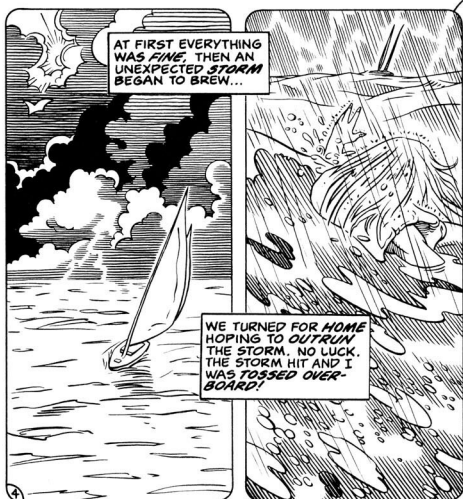
OH, MY GOD! WHO...
WHAT ARE YOU? HOW
DID I GET HERE?
WHAT'S GOING ON?!!

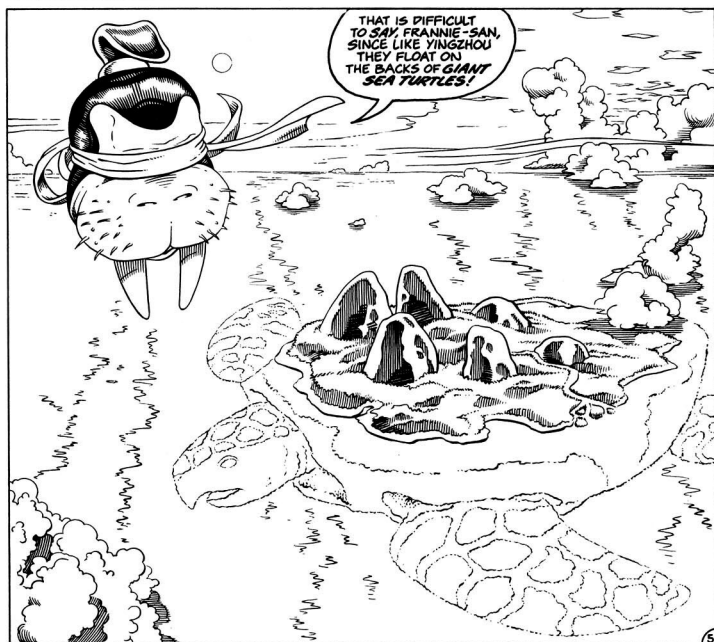
SO MANY QUESTIONS
FOR ONE YOUNG GIRL.
STILL, I WILL TELL YOU ALL
I CAN. MY NAME IS
ZATOICHI. AND YES, I AM
A WALRUS. A BLIND
WALRUS TO BE
EXACT.



BLI...

AS TO WHERE YOU
ARE, YOU'VE WASHED
ASHORE ON THE ISLAND
YINGZHOU, MY HOME.





REAGAN'S RAIDERS



THEY TAKE
OVER WHERE
RAMBO LEFT OFF!

**"ALL OUR BOYS
COME HOME!"**

YES—AMERICA'S MOST
PATRIOTIC SUPER-HEROES
VOW TO BRING BACK
OUR **MIA's** AND
POW's (AND YOU
BETTER **BELIEVE** THEY'RE
SERIOUS)!!



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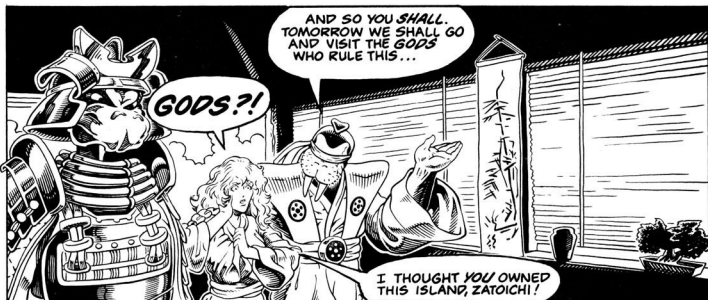
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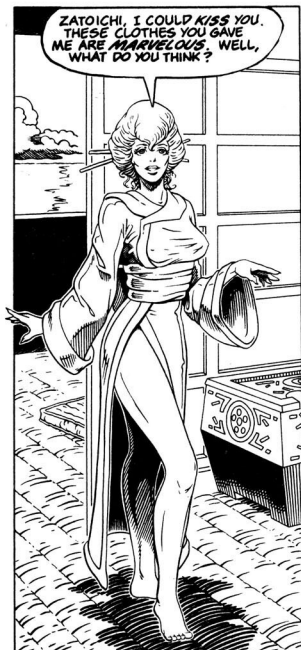
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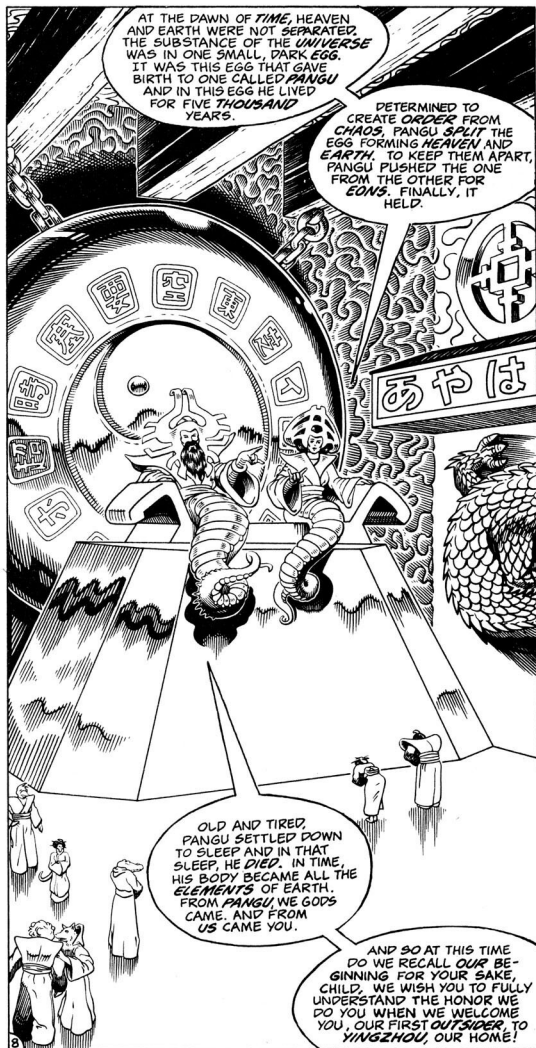
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AT THE DAWN OF TIME, HEAVEN AND EARTH WERE NOT SEPARATED. THE SUBSTANCE OF THE UNIVERSE WAS IN ONE SMALL, DARK EGG. IT WAS THIS EGG THAT GAVE BIRTH TO ONE CALLED PANGU AND IN THIS EGG HE LIVED FOR FIVE THOUSAND YEARS.

DETERMINED TO CREATE ORDER FROM CHAOS, PANGU SPLIT THE EGG FORMING HEAVEN AND EARTH. TO KEEP THEM APART, PANGU PUSHED THE ONE FROM THE OTHER FOR EONS. FINALLY, IT HELD.

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OLD AND TIRED, PANGU SETTLED DOWN TO SLEEP AND IN THAT SLEEP, HE DIED. IN TIME, HIS BODY BECAME ALL THE ELEMENTS OF EARTH. FROM PANGU, WE GODS CAME, AND FROM US CAME YOU.

AND SO AT THIS TIME DO WE RECALL OUR BEGINNING FOR YOUR SAKE, CHILD, WE WISH YOU TO FULLY UNDERSTAND THE HONOR WE DO YOU WHEN WE WELCOME YOU, OUR FIRST OUTSIDER, TO YINGZHOU, OUR HOME!

WE PRAISE THEE, LORD FATHER AND LADY MOTHER, FOR OUR LIVES AND SOULS!

P- PLEASED TO MEET YOU, N-NUNNA - SAUNA, FUSHI-SAUNA.

'SAMA' DEAR, BUT I DON'T MUCH HOLD TO CEREMONY...

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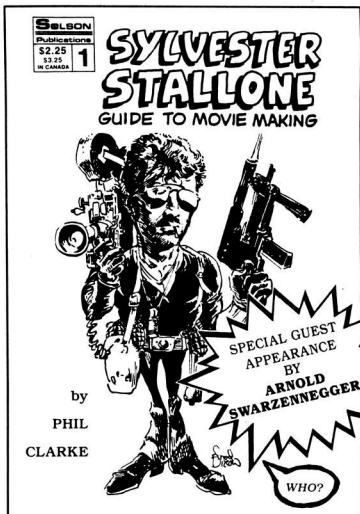
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FOR
ROCKY
YOU RAVED ABOUT
RAMBO

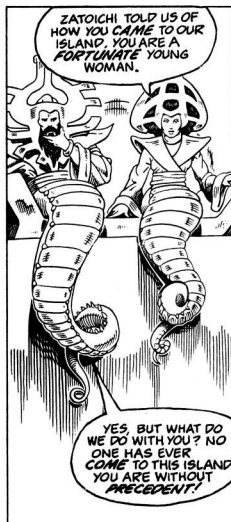
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IT IS SETTLED, THEN.
TOMORROW YOU SHALL
LEAVE FOR HOME...

...BUT FOR TODAY, WE
ASK YOU TO SEE OUR
LAND, OUR PEOPLE,
OUR HOME!

ARIGATO, DOMO
ARIGATO. MY
LORD AND
LADY.

THANK YOU
SO MUCH!
YOU'RE BOTH
SO VERY
KIND!

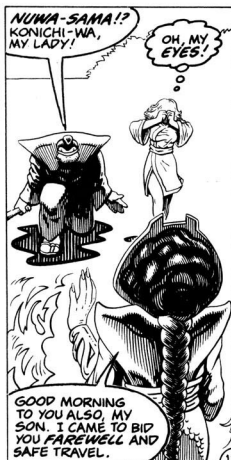
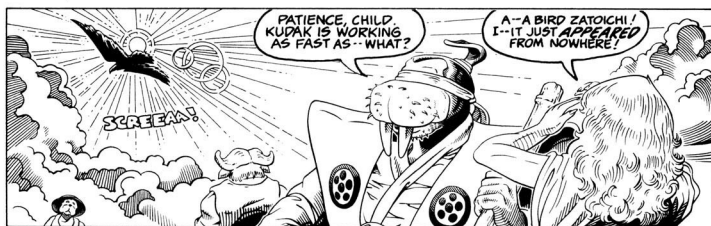
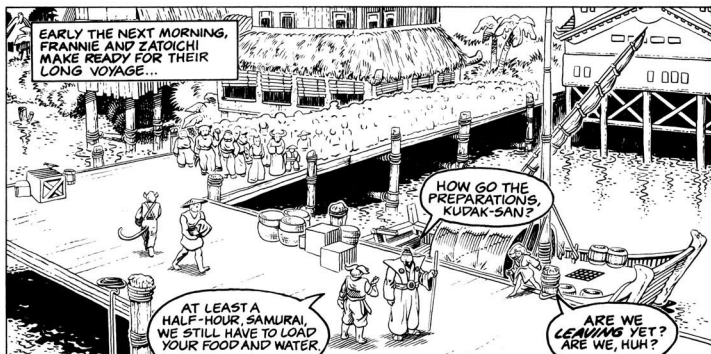
WELL, COME ALONG
FRANNIE-SAN, THERE
IS MUCH I WILL SHOW YOU
IN THE TIME YOU
REMAIN HERE.

OH, GOOD. YOU
GOT YOUR
CANE BACK.

YES, MY CANE...
AND MORE! FOR
IT IS MY SWORD AND
A SAMURAI'S SWORD
IS HIS SOUL!

ZATOICHI-SAN!
IT WAS MY HONOR
TO HOLD YOUR CANE-
SWORD, AND MY JOY
TO RETURN IT TO YOU!

AND SO, IN THE BLISS
OF NEW FRIENDSHIP,
A DAY PASSES...





MY HUSBAND AND I
HAVE SOMETHING FOR
YOU. IT WILL AID YOU ON
YOUR JOURNEY IF YOU
USE IT WISELY.

N-NUWA!?
GOOD
MORNING!

YOU
HONOR
US, MY
LADY
MOTHER!



FOR CENTURIES
THIS PEARL HAS
BEEN A SOURCE OF
GREAT MAGIC TO
IT'S BEARER...

AND GREAT
DANGER TO IT'S
MISHANDLERS!



I ENTRUST YOU, ZATOICHI,
WITH ITS SAFE RETURN.
AND REMEMBER, MORE
EYES THAN MINE WILL
BE WATCHING!

I WILL
NOT
FAIL YOU,
LADY
MOTHER.

THANK YOU,
NUWA, FOR ALL
YOU AND YOUR
HUSBAND HAVE DONE.



FAREWELL,
CHILD!

WAZZ!



WHAT GREAT
HONOR HAS BEEN
GIVEN TO US THIS
DAY!

ZATOICHI?

YES
FRAN?

I THINK
I'M GOING
BLIND!

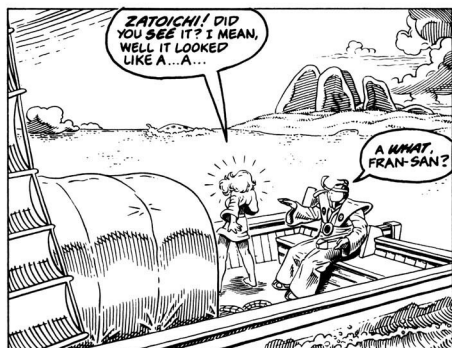
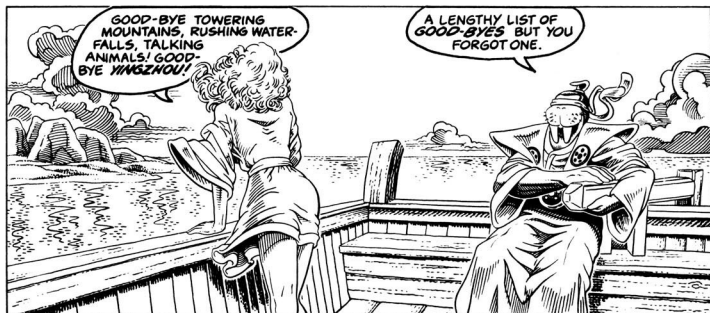


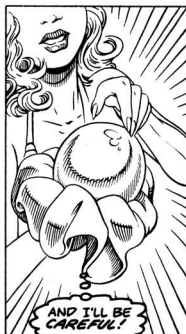
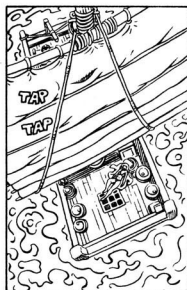
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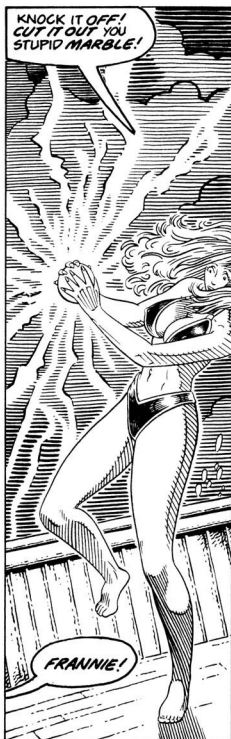
GOOD-BYE,
EVERYONE,
GOOD-BYE!

MMM. A STRANGE
WARNING NUWA-
SAMA GAVE ME.

I WONDER WHAT
SHE COULD HAVE
MEANT BY 'OTHER
EYES' WATCHING?







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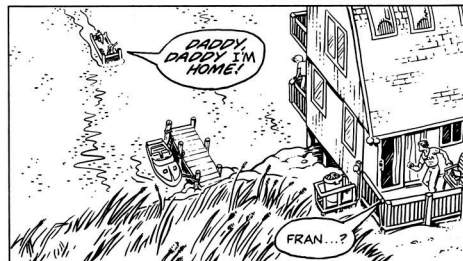
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ESCAPE TO THE STARS!

OTHELLO, I'M TRAPPED
IN A SMALL CAVE TO THE WEST
OF THE HATCH, AND THIS
AQUATIC CREATURE IS BUR-
ROWING TOWARDS ME!!

OH! THERE AIN'T
A MATT A POW-
ER TO MOVE
THIS BEGG!

HANG ON!
VIC IS GETTING READY
TO GO OUT
THERE!

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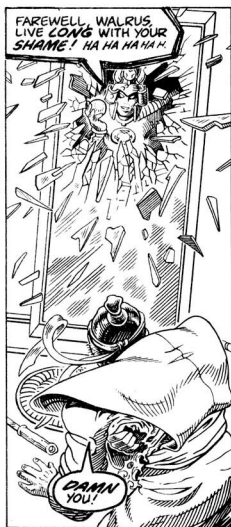
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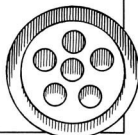






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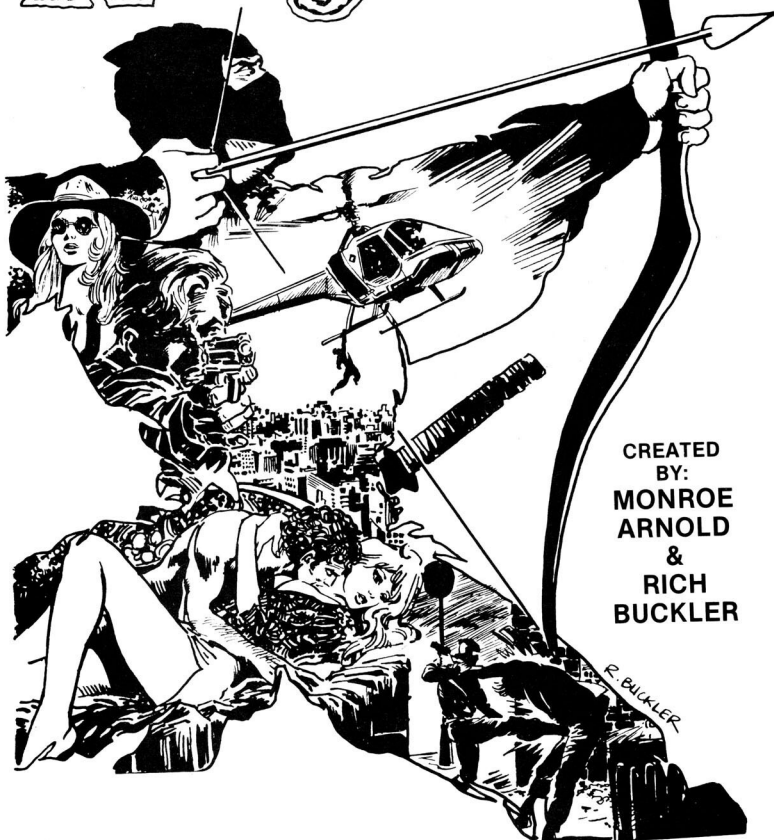
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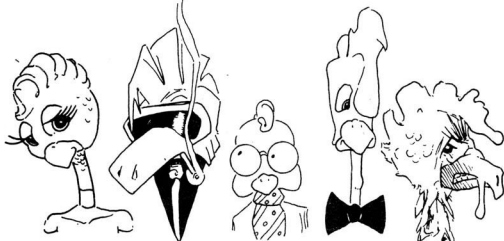
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