



WHILE...

THAT SUBY YOU PLANTED WILL ENCOURAGE ALL EARTHPEOPLE TO CONTINUE OUR FIGHT... LOOK— WHAT'S THAT?



STRANGE VAPOR'S RISING FROM THE HOLE WHERE THE FALLEN BUILDING STOOD. COME, WE'LL INVESTIGATE!



A WIND HAS SPRUNG UP. IT SEEMS TO BE TRYING TO DRIVE US TOWARD THE HOLE.

DON'T GO TOO CLOSE! LOOK OUT!



THE EARTH'S CRUMBLING BETWEEN OUR FEET.

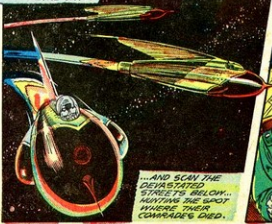
QUICK! HOLD ON TO ME— JUMP!



LYSSA AND HUNT FELL INTO THE HOLE— BRING PLANKS AND ROPE— HURRY!

AND AUK TOO HAS BEEN... AND FLUTTERS CLOSER.

UP ABOVE, THE VOLTA SPACERS PROWL THE SKY...



...AND SCAN THE DEVASTATED STREETS BELOW... HUNTING THE SPOT WHERE THEIR COMRADES DIED.



WE THE TERRITORY WHERE OUR METAL MACHINE WAS LOST, NEAR ARE... CAREFUL WATCH KEEP!

WHILE... AT THE BOTTOM OF THE CREVICE...

THE FORCE IS COMING FROM THAT ROOM. HUNT... IT'S DRAGGING US INSIDE!



COME, LYSSA. WE'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE.

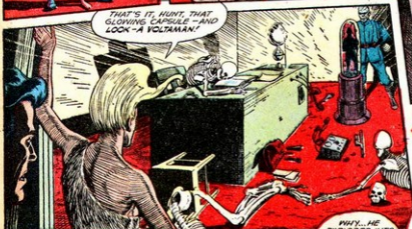
NO, HUNT, THERE'S A MYSTERIOUS SOMETHING CALLING US... CAN'T YOU HEAR IT? - COME!



IT'S INSIDE THE ROOM... IT'S TRYING TO TELL US SOMETHING IMPORTANT... I'VE GOT TO GO TO IT!



THAT'S IT, HUNT, THAT GLOWING CAPSULE - AND LOOK - A VOLTAMAN!



SNIFF... HE DOESN'T SEE US... MY BOW!

SHOOT HUNT, SHOOT!

AND INSTANTLY, THE BOW STRING TWANGS...



WHY... HE EXPLODED INTO DUST... AND DID YOU SEE THAT VISION IN THE CAPSULE?

YES... IT WAS A MIRROR IMAGE OF HIM, AND SEE... NOW IT'S FADING... WHAT CAN IT MEAN?



THE ARROW HITS - AND PLUNGES INTO THE VOLTAMAN'S CHEST.



WHILE OUTSIDE, AUK, THE VULTURE, CREEPER CLOSER... HISSING HUNGRILY...

WORK FAST, MEN WE'VE GOT TO FREE HUNT AND LYSSA!

LOWER AWAY, I'LL CLIMB DOWN AND FIND THEM.

LOOK! VOLTA SPACERS! THEY'RE UNMASKING THEIR PARO-RAY CANNON!

JUNE 17, 1974
ON THIS SPOT AN ENTIRE PATROL OF VOLTAMEN WAS DESTROYED.
HUNT DOWMAN!

THEY WILL PARALYZE US ALL—RUN FOR YOUR LIVES—
OHNN!

WE'RE TRAPPED... THE SUBWAY ENTRANCE IS BLOCKED. WE'LL HAVE TO SURRENDER!

LOOK, HUNT, THIS PLACE WAS ONCE A LABORATORY. THAT SKELETON, A SCIENTIST!

READ THE BOOK, LYSSA, IT MIGHT GIVE US A CLUE.

ON AUGUST 10th, 1968, A GLOWING CAPSULE FELL NEAR NEW YORK FROM OUT OF SPACE. UNABLE TO DETERMINE ITS ORIGIN, IT WAS LOCKED IN A VAULT AND THE GREATEST OF EARTH SCIENTISTS WERE SUMMONED TO STUDY IT.

LYSSA, YOU SAW WHAT IT DID TO THE VOLTAMEN. WE'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE.

NO, HUNT... IT'S CALLING US...

SEE... IT'S GLOWING AGAIN. IT'S URGING ME TO TOUCH IT.



WHILE ON THE STREET ABOVE...

INCH BY INCH, EVERY SPECK OF YOUR SKIN FROM YOUR BODY, I BURN YOUR, UNLESS YOU TELL ME WHERE BOWMAN IS, US TELL.

NO! NO! HE IS OUR LEADER... IF HE DIES THEN WE CAN NEVER WIN... I... I... BUT I CAN'T STAND IT!

HE IS IN THE HOLE... NOW STOP BURNING ME - STOP!

ENOUGH. THESE PRISONERS IN OUR SPACESHIP LOCK... HE BOWMAN WILL CAPTURE!

AS, IN THE CAPSULE ROOM...

LOOK, HUNT, NOW I'VE TOUCHED IT, IT'S CHANGING - TAKING SHAPE.

YOUR OWN IMAGE, LYSSA... LISTEN!

I AM EDN OF MARS. I CAME TO TALK TO YOU THAT THE VOLTA HORDE PLANS TO INVAD EARTH.

THEY HAVE ASSEMBLED A THOUSAND SPACE SHIPS ARMED WITH GODAM RAYS. THEY WILL EXTERMINATE ALL LIFE.

AND ABOVE, AUK EDGES EVER CLOSER, CLUCKING SOFTLY...

ALL WE FOLLOW WILL, THE LEADER ESCAPE MUST NOT!

THE WIND TOWARD THAT DOOR US PUSHES... AND LOOK INSIDE - THE EARTHPEOPLE!



BUT YOU ARE TOO LATE
WITH YOUR WARNING—
VOLTA HAS
ALREADY
CONQUERED
EARTH—WHAT!

VOLTAMEN! DON'T SHOOT—
GET BEHIND ME!

DON'T SHOOT,
HUNT. THE
CAPSULE SAYS
IT WILL
PROTECT US!

WE, BOYMAN CAUGHT
HAVE! BEHIND THAT THING
THEY HIDE. IT
BLAST!

AAAAA!
DEATH TO THE
DESTROYERS!

BACK!... BACK!
IT IS THE CRY OF
A MARTIAN
ESKINGE!

SHOOT IT! SHOOT IT!
IT TOWERS ABOVE US...
HURLS ITS FORCE
ORBS!

OUR RAYS USELESS ARE...
WE LOST HAVE...GNNNN!



DID YOU SEE WHAT HAPPENED, HUNT?

YES... AND NOW THE CAPSULE GLOWS AGAIN!



DEATH TO EVIL! ED, THINK OF MARS, MUST GO... MY MISSION A FAILURE BECAUSE NONE WHO COULD UNDERSTAND ME WERE PRESENT WHEN I ARRIVED.
AAA EEE AAA!



THIS WAY, LYSSA... WE'VE GOT TO LEAVE THIS PLACE.

YES... AND SEE HOW THE VOLTAMEN CRUMBLE TO DUST!



QUICK LYSSA SOMETHING ELSE IS GOING TO HAPPEN...

I FEEL IT TOO... WE MUST HURRY AND GET THE EARTHPEOPLE AWAY FROM HERE!



EVERYONE OUT AND FOLLOW US, COME!



YOU ARE BOTH ALIVE TO LEAD US IN OUR FIGHT... YOU ESCAPED THE VOLTAMEN!



YES... THEY ARE ALL DEAD... LOOK AT THE HOLE WE JUST LEFT - LOOK!

IT'S THE CAPSULE CARRYING ED BACK TO MARS! PERHAPS SOMEDAY IT WILL RETURN AND HELP US!



AND SO ONCE MORE AUK THE VULTURE RULES THE SILENT STREETS OF AN EMPTY CITY... CAWS TRIUMPHANTLY OVER DEATH AND DESOLATION!