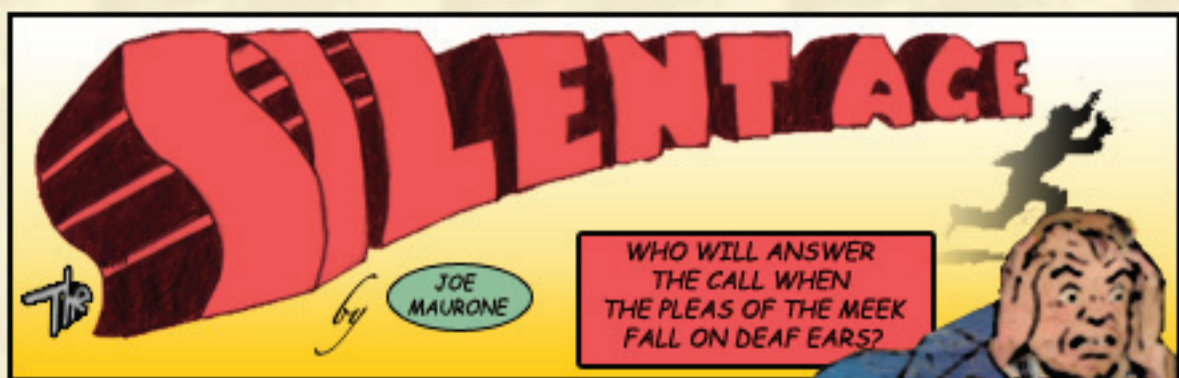


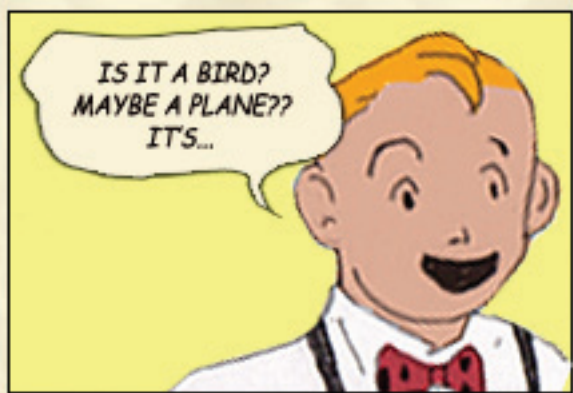
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"WE DON'T NEED ANOTHER HERO..."

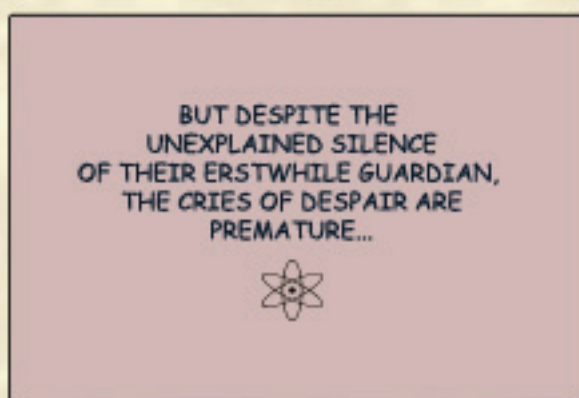


"PERSONALLY, I'VE NEVER HAD MUCH TIME FOR HEROES.."



"WHAT'S A HERO, ANYWAY?"





...FOR JUST AS ALL SEEMS LOST...



A NEW HERO EMERGES!

BEHOLD!
I TEACH YOU
THE OVERMAN!



THE
MYSTERIOUS
BEING'S HAND
OPENS TO TAKE
COMMAND OF
THE POWER OF
THE ATOM
ITSELF!



I HAVE
THE POWER!



BUT JUST AS THE PEOPLE START TO CHEER
IN AWE OF THEIR NEW SAVIOR...



LOOK
AT THAT!

NOW THAT'S
A HERO!

I WONDER
WHAT HE'LL
DO FOR US NEXT?

AND NOW, THEY WILL SEE THEIR
OWN POWER, AND THEIR DESTINY!



THE CHEERS TURN FAST TO OUTRAGE!



HEY, HE'S NO
HERO! HE'S JUST
ONE OF US!

HE'S A
PHONY!

BUT... I SAVED
US ALL!!

AND AS
THE PEOPLE MAKE IT CLEAR
THAT THEIR HERO SHOULD BE
OF A HIGHER POWER, THE
POWERS THAT BE MAKE
A DESPERATE APPEAL...



