

MARVEL MASTERMIND - ANSWERS INSIDE!



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# PLANET OF THE APES

STAND BACK, HUMAN--  
UNLESS YOU WANT THIS  
**RIVER-SLUGS**  
TONGUE WRAPPED  
AROUND YOU!



PLUS:  
MORE JUNGLE  
ACTION WITH

**KA-ZAR**  
AND THE  
**BLACK  
PANTHER!**

THE APES AND HUMANS  
BAND TOGETHER TO BATTLE  
AN UNKNOWN MENACE IN:

**DEATH** ON A  
**RIVER** CALLED **SIMIAN!**



**CAESAR**, THE TALKING APE, HAS MASSED HIS **SIMIAN** FORCES, AND THEY'RE TAKING OVER THE CAPITAL!

**Stan Lee PRESENTS: CONQUEST OF THE PLANET OF THE APES**

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**CITY IN  
FLAMES!**

APE-BROTHERS!  
WHEN I GIVE THE  
SIGNAL, **ATTACK!**

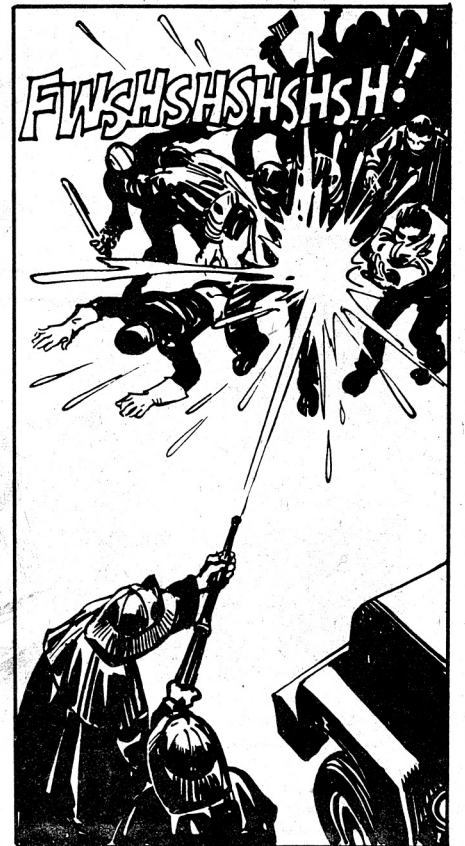


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**NOW PREOCCUPIED WITH THE REAR ASSAULT, MOST OF THE BESEIGED POLICE DO NOT EVEN NOTICE AS CAESAR LEADS HIS ORIGINAL FORCE IN A LEAPING CHARGE STRAIGHT THROUGH THE GEYSERING WALL OF FLAME ...**



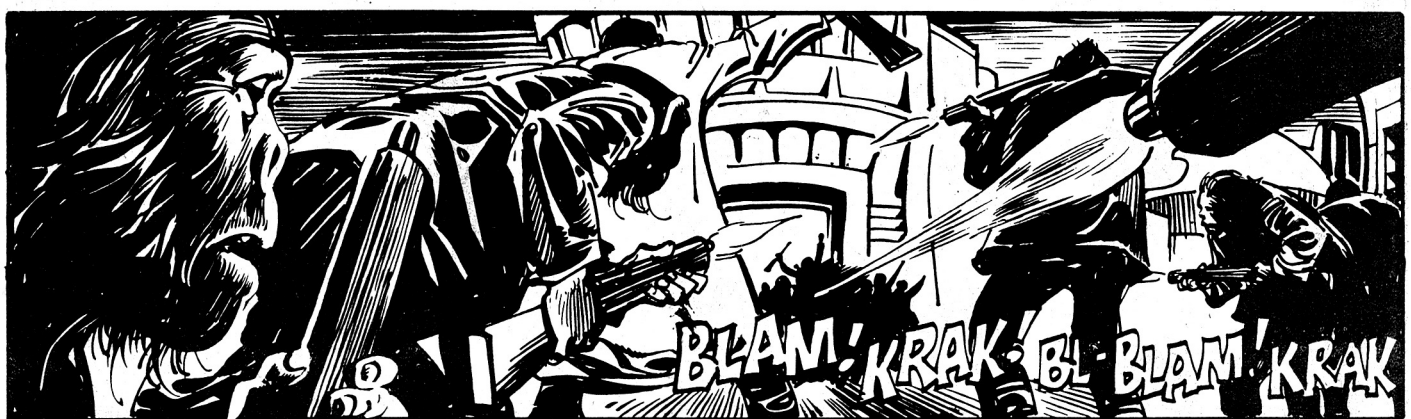




















IT IS DRAWING TO AN **END** NOW,  
IN BRUTALITY AND TRIUMPH, AS  
BRECK AND MacDONALD ARE  
DRAGGED FROM THE FORMERLY  
IMPREGNABLE **COMMAND POST**...



... AND OUT INTO A NIGHT  
PAINTED IN **HELLISH FLAMES**.  
ACROSS THE PLAZA, THE APE'S  
LEADER AWAITS HIS CAPTIVES...







BUT... BUT  
I SAW YOU  
**DIE--!**

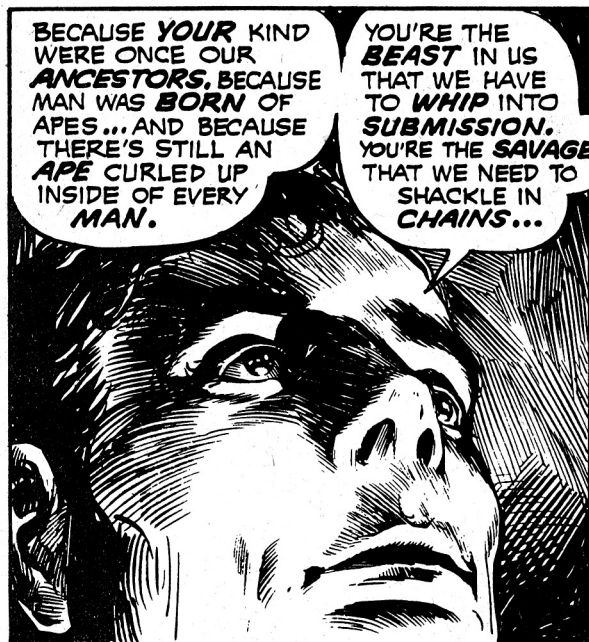
THE KING  
IS **DEAD--**  
LONG LIVE  
THE KING.

**TELL ME, BRECK,**  
BEFORE YOU DIE--  
HOW DO WE **DIFFER**  
FROM THE **DOGS**  
AND **CATS** THAT YOU  
AND YOUR KIND  
ONCE **LOVED...?**



WHY DID  
YOU TURN US  
FROM **PETS...**

**... INTO  
SLAVES?**



BECAUSE **YOUR** KIND  
WERE ONCE OUR  
**ANCESTORS**, BECAUSE  
MAN WAS **BORN** OF  
APES... AND BECAUSE  
THERE'S STILL AN  
**APE** CURLED UP  
INSIDE OF EVERY  
**MAN**.

YOU'RE THE  
**BEAST** IN US  
THAT WE HAVE  
TO **WHIP** INTO  
**SUBMISSION**.  
YOU'RE THE **SAVAGE**  
THAT WE NEED TO  
SHACKLE IN  
**CHAINS...**



YOU **TAINT** US,  
CAESAR-- YOU  
**POISON** OUR  
**GUTS!**

WHEN WE **HATE**  
YOU, WE'RE **HATING**  
THE **STINKING**  
DARK SIDE OF  
**OURSELVES--!**



**KILL  
HIM!!**



**CAESAR--  
WAIT--!!**









AND DO **YOU** THINK THIS RIOT IS GOING TO WIN FREEDOM FOR **ALL** YOUR KIND? WHY, BY **TOMORROW**--

BY **TOMORROW** IT WILL BE **TOO LATE**!!



IF A SMALL, **MINDLESS** INSECT LIKE AN EMPEROR MOTH CAN COMMUNICATE WITH ANOTHER OF ITS KIND OVER A DISTANCE OF **EIGHTY MILES** CAN'T YOU SEE THAT--



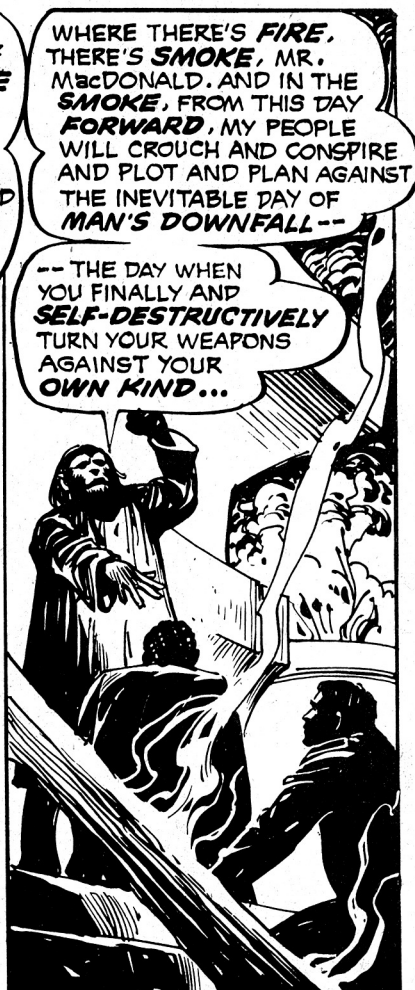
--AN EMPEROR **APE** MIGHT DO SLIGHTLY **BETTER**...?



SLIGHTLY?

WHAT WE HAVE DONE **TODAY** WILL BE **IMITATED** BY EVERY APE IN THE FIVE CONTINENTS **TOMORROW**.

WITH **KNIVES** AGAINST **GUNS**? WITH **KEROSENE CANS** AGAINST **FLAME-THROWERS**? **NAKED BODIES** AGAINST ARMOURIED **TANKS**--? **CLAWS** AND **FANGS** AGAINST **BOMBS**--?



WHERE THERE'S **FIRE**, THERE'S **SMOKE**, MR. MACDONALD. AND IN THE **SMOKE**, FROM THIS DAY **FORWARD**, MY PEOPLE WILL CROUCH AND CONSPIRE AND PLOT AND PLAN AGAINST THE INEVITABLE DAY OF **MAN'S DOWNFALL**--

-- THE DAY WHEN YOU FINALLY AND **SELF-DESTRUCTIVELY** TURN YOUR WEAPONS AGAINST YOUR **OWN KIND**...



THE DAY OF THE **WRITING IN THE SKY**, WHEN YOUR CITIES LIE BURIED UNDER THE **RADIOACTIVE RUBBLE**, AND THE SEA HAS BECOME A **DEAD SEA**--AND THE LAND A **WASTELAND** FROM WHICH I SHALL LEAD MY PEOPLE OUT OF THEIR **CAPTIVITY**...







Flashback to "Escape from the Planet of the Apes." Cornelius and Zira- captive in a world they do not understand!

*Beginning Next week- a new Simian Saga- "Malaguena Beyond a Zone Forbidden!" Don't miss it!*