

WHERE MAN ONCE STOOD SUPREME--NOW RULE THE APES!



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## CHAPTER SIX TRIAL



AND THAT'S HOW THEY **CAUGHT** ME, NOVA-- IN AN **ANIMAL** NET. BUT I GAVE THEM A SWEET PIECE OF MY MIND, YOU CAN BET ON THAT. I **SCREAMED** AT THOSE UGLY BRUTES-- SCREAMED AT THEM THE WAY I'D BEEN **DYING** TO SCREAM AT THEM EVER SINCE THE DAY I...

BUT I'VE ALREADY **TOLD** YOU THE STORY, HAVEN'T I? TOLD IT TO YOU EVERY DAY FOR THE PAST **FOUR WEEKS**.

WHY ARE THEY GIVING ME THE **SILENT TREATMENT**, NOVA? WHERE'S **ZIRA-- CORNELIUS**? WHERE ARE THEY? WHY DOESN'T SOMEBODY COME TO **SPEAK** TO ME, NOVA?

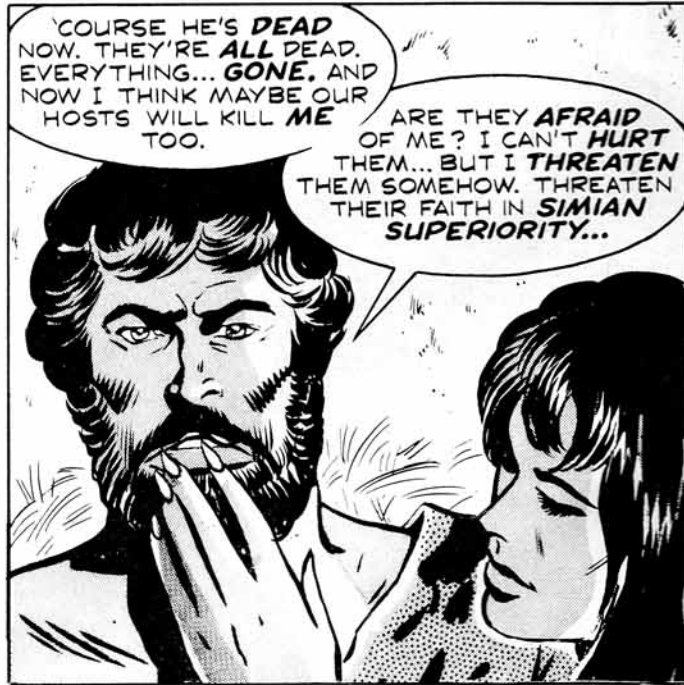
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HOW ABOUT YOU? SAY YOUR NAME.  
NOVA...  
**NO-YAH.**

YEAH... ME TARZAN, YOU **JANE**. BUT THAT'S ALL RIGHT --I HAD A PUPPY ONCE WHO NEVER **BARKED**. JUST LICKED MY **HAND**...



'COURSE HE'S **DEAD** NOW. THEY'RE **ALL DEAD**. EVERYTHING... **GONE**. AND NOW I THINK MAYBE OUR HOSTS WILL KILL ME **TOO**.

ARE THEY **AFRAID** OF ME? I CAN'T **HURT** THEM... BUT I **THREATEN** THEM SOMEHOW. THREATEN THEIR FAITH IN **SIMI**AN SUPERIORITY...





ANSWER ME--!!!

TURN THE WATER OFF.



ANSWER ME, JULIUS-- YOU SLIMY DUNGEON-WORM!!

SHUT UP!

THE REASON NO ONE'LL TALK TO YOU IS BECAUSE YOU'RE A FREAK!



WHERE'S DR. ZIRA? WHY HAVE I--

I SAID SHUT UP!!



AND I MEANT SHUT UP!!

YAH!  
SWOKK



APE!

APES WEARING CLOTHES! IT'S A MADHOUSE --A MAD-HOUSE!!!



WHAT'S THE USE...?



NOW I DON'T EVEN HAVE YOU, NOVA.

AND THAT'S THE JOKE. ME --NEEDING SOMEONE...



BACK ON EARTH I NEEDED **NOBODY**, NOVA. OH THERE WERE WOMEN-- **LOTS** OF THEM WITHOUT **LOVE**. THAT'S THE KIND OF WORLD IT WAS TURNING INTO, WITH THE HELP OF CYNICS LIKE ME.

SO I LEFT IT-- BECAUSE THERE WAS NO ONE DEAR ENOUGH TO **KEEP ME** THERE...



DID I TELL YOU ABOUT **STEWART**?



NOW THERE WAS A **LOVELY** GIRL. THE MOST **PRECIOUS** CARGO WE BROUGHT ALONG. SHE WAS TO BE OUR NEW **EYE**...

...SO I SUPPOSE IT'S JUST AS WELL SHE DIDN'T LIVE TO SEE THIS.



I WONDER IF IT'S **LOVE** BETWEEN US.

IT'D FIT WITH THE PATTERN OF MY LIFE. ME-- FINDING LOVE HERE ...IN **HELL**.

HOW TOUCHING.



I REALLY HATE TO BREAK UP SUCH A **TENDER** SCENE, FREAK--

--BUT IT SEEMS YOU'RE **WANTED**.



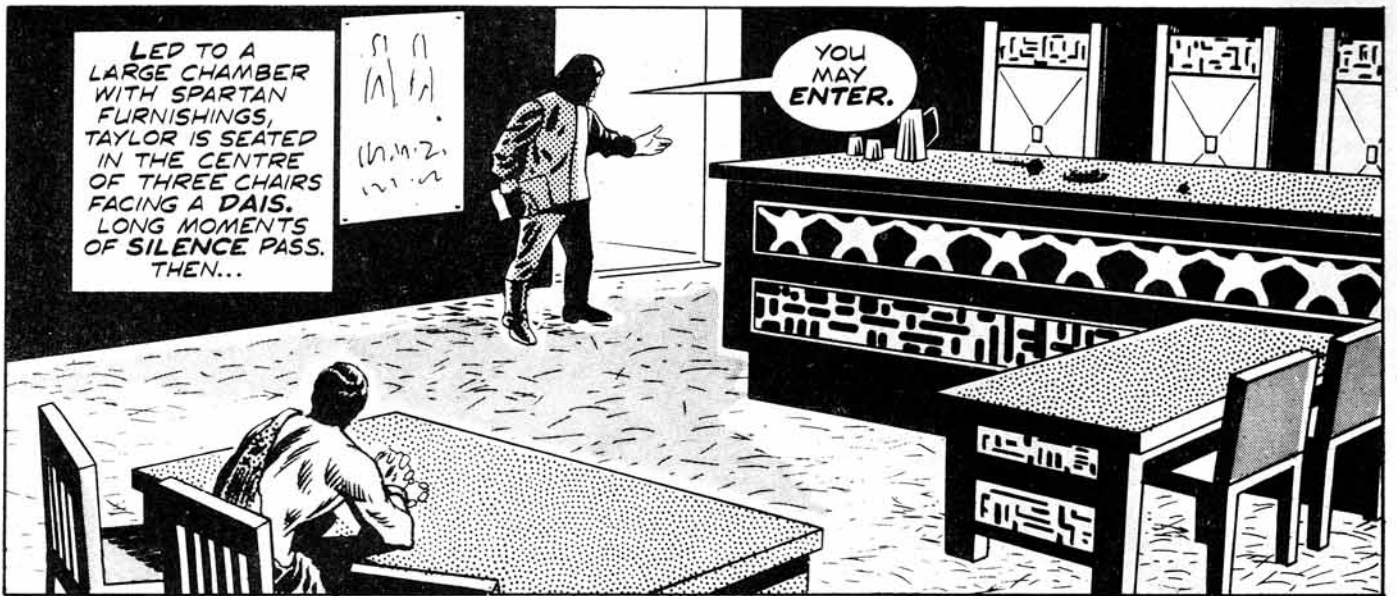
I SUPPOSE YOU HAVEN'T **RESISTED** THE **MANACLES** BECAUSE YOU THINK SOME OF YOUR **QUESTIONS** ARE GOING TO BE ANSWERED.

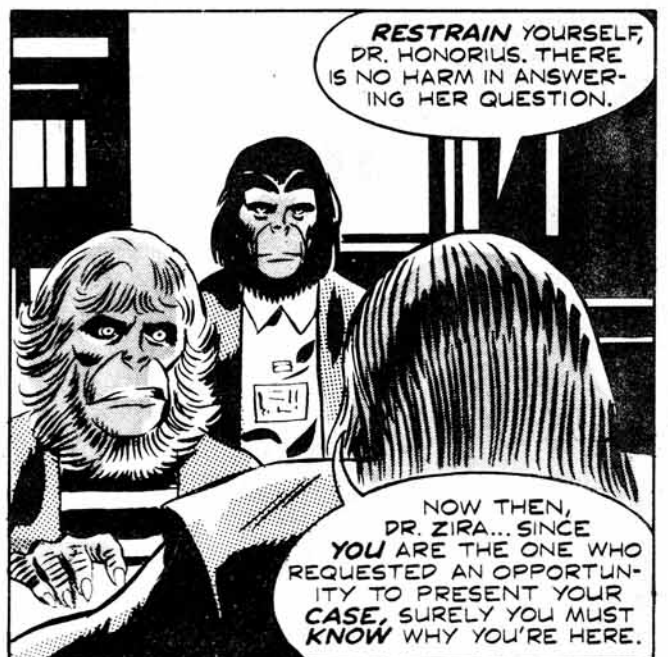
WELL, WE'LL **SEE**, FREAK, WE'LL **SEE**.

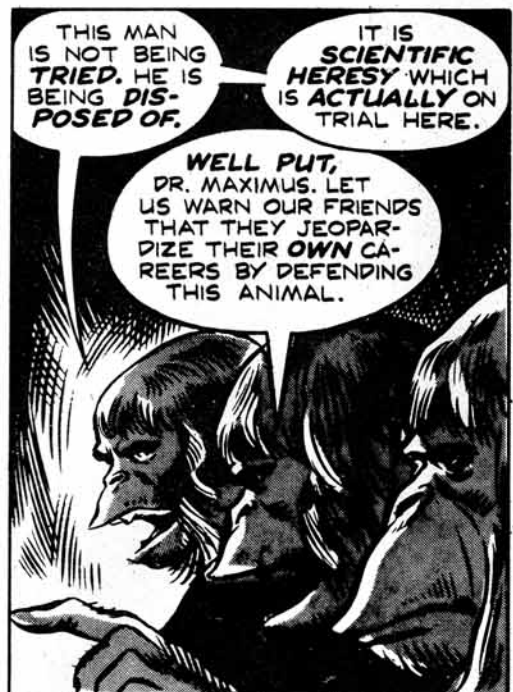
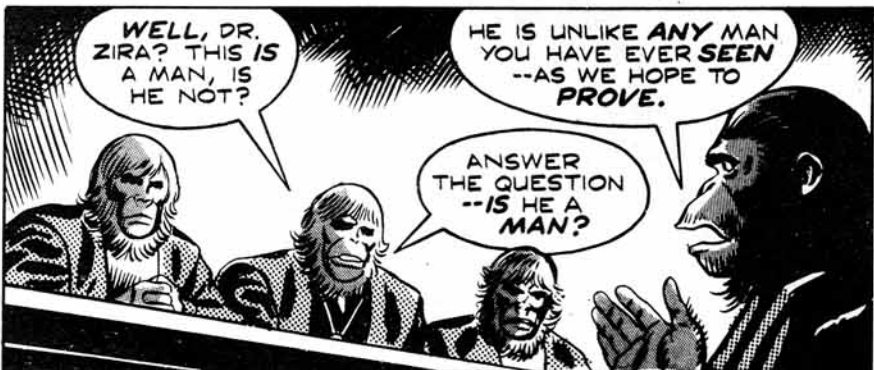


**GOOD-BYE**, NOVA. WE'LL MEET AGAIN.

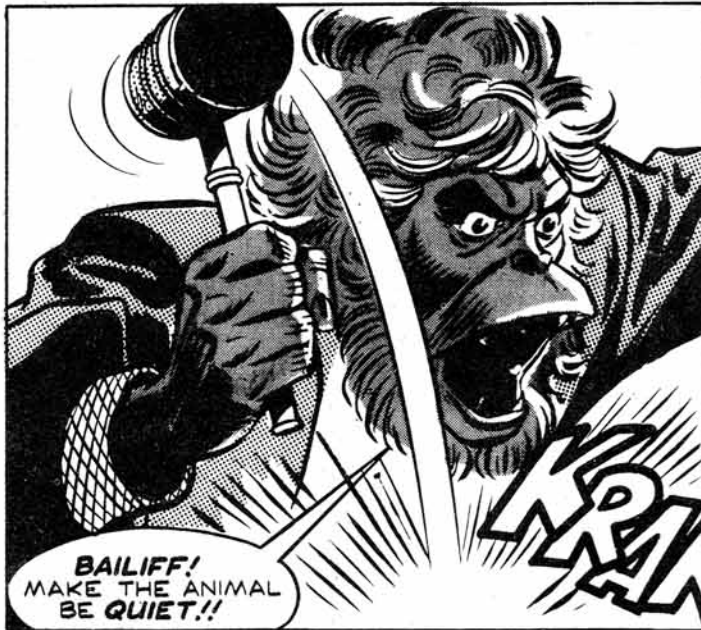
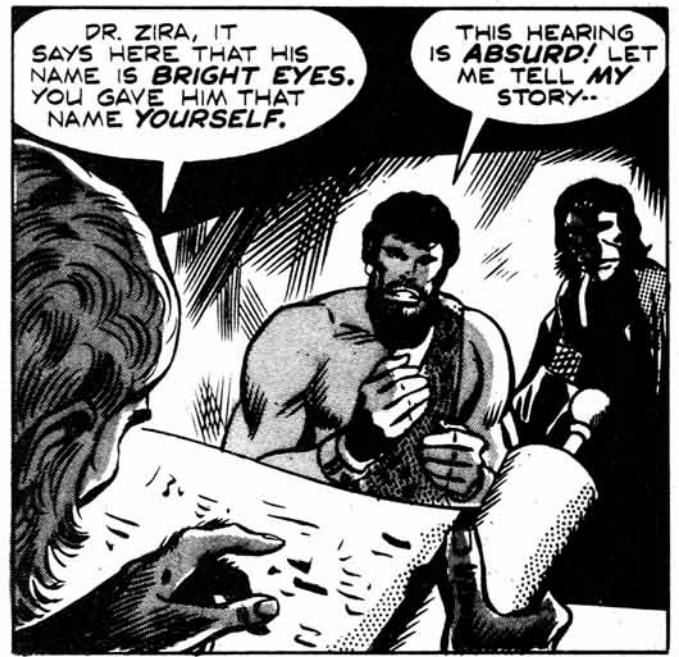
**PLEASE--** TAKE HIM OUT OF HERE. HE **SICKENS** ME.













--AND I DENOUNCE THEM AS **PERVERTED** SCIENTISTS... BENT ON NOTHING BUT THE ADVANCEMENT OF AN INSIDIOUS THEORY CALLED "**EVOLUTION.**"

AND I SAY THERE IS A **CONSPIRACY** AFOOT TO UNDERMINE THE VERY CORNERSTONE OF OUR FAITH, AND TO--



COME TO THE **POINT**, DR. HONORIUS.



**DIRECTLY**, MR. PRESIDENT. THIS **WRETCHED MAN**, THE **ACCUSED**, IS ONLY A **PAWN** IN THE CONSPIRACY. WE KNOW THAT HE WAS WOUNDED IN THE THROAT AT THE TIME OF HIS **CAPTURE.**

THE STATE CHARGES THAT DR. ZIRA AND A CORRUPT SURGEON NAMED **GALEN** EXPERIMENTED ON THIS WOUNDED ANIMAL--



--**TAMPERING** WITH HIS **BRAIN** AND **THROAT** TISSUES TO CREATE A **SPEAKING MONSTER--!**



THAT'S A **LIE!!**



MIND YOUR **TONGUE**, ZIRA.

BUT YOU CAN'T BELIEVE THAT WE CREATED HIS **MIND**, TOO! NOT ONLY CAN THIS MAN **SPEAK**, BUT HE CAN **WRITE**. HE CAN **REASON.**



HE CAN REASON, DR. ZIRA?

WITH THE TRIBUNAL'S PERMISSION, I WISH TO EXPOSE THIS HOAX BY DIRECT EXAMINATION.

PROCEED, BUT DON'T TURN THIS HEARING INTO A FARCE.



TELL THE COURT, BRIGHT EYES-- WHAT IS THE SECOND ARTICLE OF FAITH?

I ADMIT I KNOW NOTHING OF YOUR CULTURE.



OF COURSE HE DOESN'T KNOW OUR CULTURE-- BECAUSE HE CANNOT THINK.



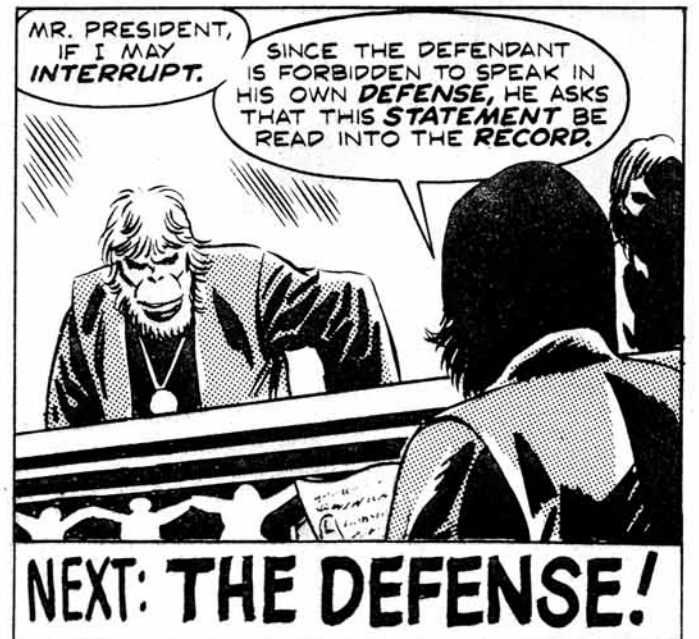
TELL US WHY ALL APES WERE CREATED EQUAL?

SOME APES, IT SEEMS, ARE MORE EQUAL THAN OTHERS.



RIDICULOUS-- A CONTRADICTION IN TERMS. TELL US, BRIGHT EYES, WHY DO MEN HAVE NO SOULS? WHAT IS THE PROOF THAT A DIVINE SPARK EXISTS IN THE SIMIAN BRAIN?

SHOW THIS TO THE PRESIDENT.



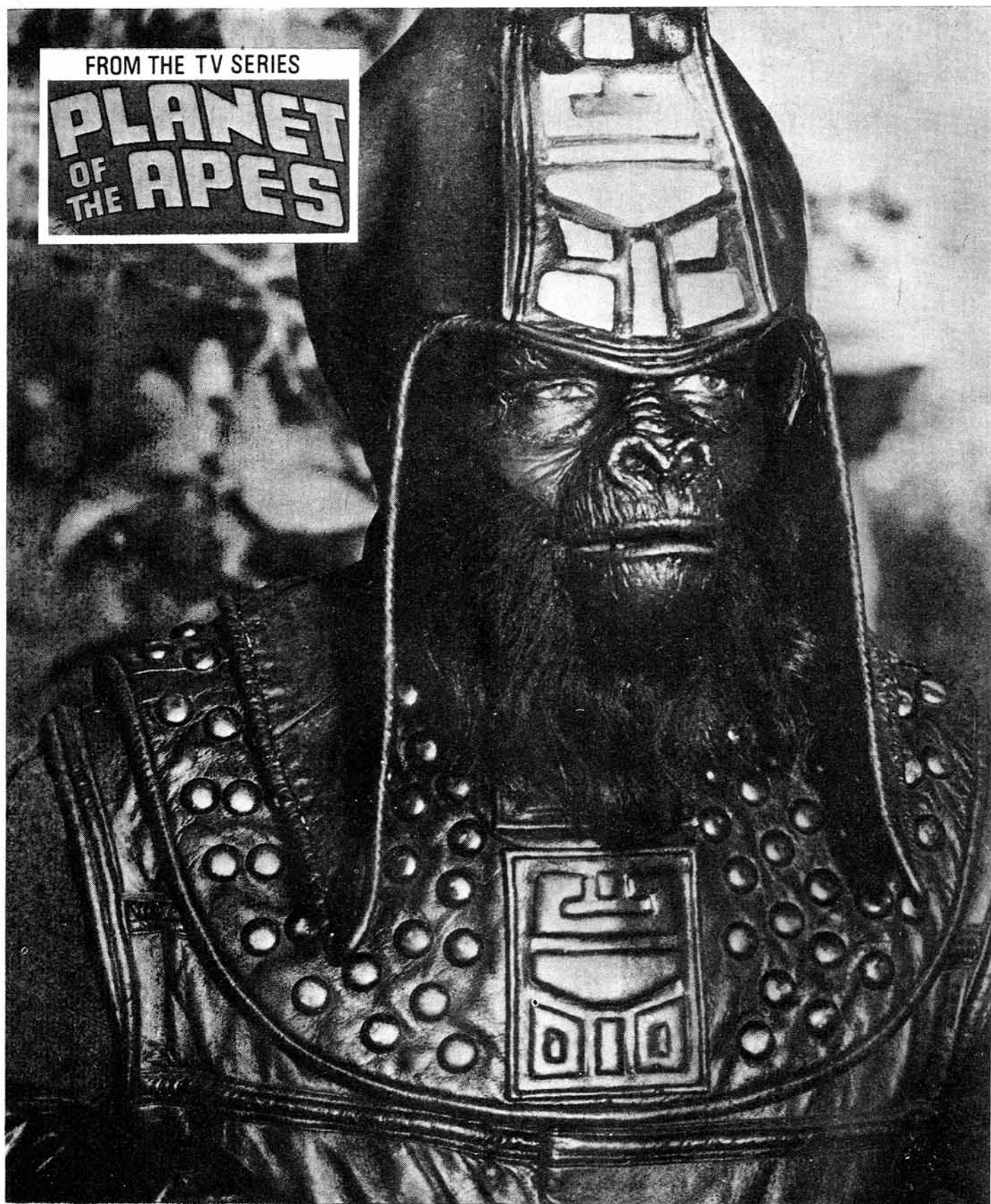
MR. PRESIDENT, IF I MAY INTERRUPT.

SINCE THE DEFENDANT IS FORBIDDEN TO SPEAK IN HIS OWN DEFENSE, HE ASKS THAT THIS STATEMENT BE READ INTO THE RECORD.

NEXT: THE DEFENSE!

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