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

MARVEL COMICS GROUP

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CONTINUING MIGHTY MARVEL'S
THRILLING MOVIE-ADAPTATION OF
"BENEATH THE PLANET OF THE APES!"

DON'T WORRY, WE'RE SAFE--THE WHOLE CITY IS COMPLETELY DESERTED!

WHEN YOU GET THEM IN YOUR SIGHTS, SHOOT TO KILL!
Brent, continuing his relentless search for his fellow astronaut, Taylor, has stumbled upon an ancient, seemingly-abandoned city. He and Nova are about to find out it's not as abandoned as it looks.
THE MUNICIPAL RESEARCH COMPLEX
IN THE CITY OF THE APES:

SUPPOSING THEY TURN OUT TO BE OUR SUPERIORS?

THEIR TERRITORY IS NO LARGER THAN OURS, DR. ZAUS. WE SHALL NOT BE OUTNUMBERED.

I WAS NOT REFERRING TO THEIR NUMBERS, GENERAL URSUS. MY SUPPOSITION CONCERNED THEIR INTELLIGENCE...

THEN YOUR SUPPOSITION WAS BLASPHEMOUS, DR. ZAUS.

THE LAWGIVER HAS WRITTEN IN THE SACRED SCROLLS THAT GOD CREATED APES IN HIS OWN IMAGE TO BE MASTERS OF THE EARTH.

DO YOU DOUBT WHAT THE MINISTER HAS SAID?

WHAT I DOUBT IS YOUR INTERPRETATION OF GOD’S INTENTION. HAS HE ORDAINED THAT WE SHOULD MAKE WAR?

HAS HE ORDAINED THAT WE SHOULD DIE OF STARVATION?

HAS HE ORDAINED THAT WE SHOULD MAKE PEACE WITH THE HUMAN RACE?

AND THESE—HERE IN THE FORBIDDEN ZONE?

THEM ANIMALS—THEY’RE MERE ANIMALS.

THEM ANIMALS—THEM MASTERS.

THEM ANIMALS—THEM HUMANS.

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STILL... NOT TOO CIRCUMSPEC'T TO PREVENT YOU FROM RIDING WITH ME ON THE GREAT DAY, EH DR. ZAIUS...?

AS A SCIENTIST...

...I AM ALSO CURIOUS.

WHILE, ELSEWHERE IN THE VAST RESEARCH COMPLEX...

MA-MA...
MA-MA...

OH, CORNELIUS... IF I COULD ONLY TEACH JUST ONE OF THEM TO TALK...

...YOU'D BE A MIRACLE-WORKER, ZIRA.

SILENCE... OMINOUSLY Laden SILENCE--

EIHSHFISH

--ABRUPTLY BROKEN.
DON'T KNOW WHO ACTIVATED THIS FOUNTAIN...

...BUT I SURE AS HELL KNOW WHO'S GOING TO AVOID HIMSELF OF...

--UK-K...
PUT MY HANDS 'ROUND HER THROAT. HOLD HER HEAD DOWN IN THE WATER UNTIL SHE DIES.

TAKE MY HANDS OFF HER THROAT. GET OUT OF MY HEAD.

TAKE MY HANDS...

NO--!

PUT MY HANDS OFF...

ROUND HER THROAT...

LET HER THROAT GO...

DOWN IN THE WATER...

GET OUT OF MY HEAD...

...UNTIL SHE...

NOOOO--!!

NOVA... KEEP AWAY FROM HER THROAT... HER BARE THROAT SO SOFT IN THE WATER UNTIL YOU--

GET OUT--!

GET AWAY, NOVA!!

GET OUT--!!

GET OUT OF MY HEAD!!
STAY AWAY, NOVA--!
I CAN'T CONTROL MY THROAT... WATER...
DIE...

WAIT FOR ME, NOVA--!
WAIT FOR ME--!

I MUST KILL YOU, NOVA--!!
I MUST--

NOOO--!!

THE FIT'S... PASSED... SANE AGAIN... BUT... FOR HOW... LONG...

MY GOD... MY GOD... MY BLESSED, MOST REVERED GOD... I COME TO YOU...

SLAM
I come to you on bent knees...

A cathedral...

I come to you, and I reveal my inmost self unto you who art my God.

His... god--!

Worshipping... the bomb...?!
WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON AROUND HERE?!

WHAT DID YOU SAY?

WHAT D'YOU MEAN THERE'S NO POINT IN WORRYING ABOUT HER?

WILL SHE BE HARMED?

YEAH? WELL, MAYBE NOT PHYSICALLY -- BUT YOU CAN HURT UP HERE.

I'VE ALREADY FELT IT.
YES, THE PAIN'S GONE NOW, BUT OUTSIDE...

WAIT A MINUTE--.

YOUR LIPS... AREN'T MOVING...

YOUR LIPS DON'T MOVE, BUT I CAN HEAR--

NO, NOT HEAR... I KNOW--I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING--!

I SAW NOTHING! YOU WERE IN SHADOWS UP THERE--!

I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW THIS WAS A CHURCH AT FIRST--!

WHAT--?!?

WHO--?!
ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT--!
AND I WON'T STRUGGLE...

RING-A-RING
O' NEUTRONS,
A POCKETFUL OF
POSITRONS,
A FISSION / A
FISSION....

... WE ALL FALL DOWN.
ALL RIGHT... ALL RIGHT, SO YOU CAN KILL ME WITH THE SLIGHTEST THOUGHT. I DON'T DOUBT IT...

... BUT I'LL BE DAMNED TO THAT HELLISH BOMB-GOD OF YOURS IF YOU THINK I'M GOING TO LET YOU PICK MY BRAIN!!

NEXT ISSUE: The HORROR INQUISITION!
SEE THE APES LIVE!
AT THESE RODEOS NOW TOURING THE COUNTRY!

The South of England Show Ground, Ardingly, Sussex
26th-27th July, 1975
The Royal Show Ground, Stoneleigh, Kenilworth,
Warwickshire 2nd-3rd August, 1975
The Kent County Show Ground, Detling, Maidstone,
Kent August 23rd, 24th-25th, 1975
The Staffordshire County Show Ground, Stafford
30th-31st August, 1975
The Lincolnshire Show Ground, Lincoln
13th-14th September, 1975

SEE URKO AND HIS GORILLAS GALEN AND
THE ASTRONAUTS RE-ENACT SCENES FROM
THE APES SERIES. SEE THE GUNFIGHTS,
BRONCOS AND STUMTMEN!
DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO SEE THE APES!

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2. Does ICELAND issue stamps?
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