CONTINUING ESCAPE FROM THE PLANET OF THE APES...

BETWEEN TWO WORLDS!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN PRETENDING? THEY ARE DRESSING THEMSELVES!

THEY BROUGHT THEM WITH THEM, SIR--IN THAT SUITCASE!

WHERE DID THEY GET THOSE CLOTHES?

SUIT--?

GREG, I THINK YOU'LL BETTER GIVE THEM THEIR ORANGES...

NOW THEN, WE'D BETTER GET DOWN TO THE DISPOSAL OF THESE ANIMALS...

Y--YES... SIR!

YOU'LL ARRANGE THEIR ESCORT FOR 1830 HOURS--THAT SHOULD BE PLENTY OF TIME...

AND I WANT THIS HANDLED WITH FULL SECURITY MEASURES...
...AND I WANT THE SECURITY MAINTAINED EVEN AFTER THEY REACH THE ZOO INFIRMARY.

WELL, AT LEAST THEY'LL HAVE COMPANY. I HEAR THERE'S A...

--GORILLA IN THE NEXT CAGE!

...I SEE IT...

...BUT NEVER IN MY WHOLE LIFE WILL I BELIEVE IT...

WHAT THE--?! CRASH!

WELL, WELL...STILL MOPIN' EH?
HERE Y'GO--MAYBE
THIS'LL CHEER YA UP...

WHAT DI'YA SAY.
HUH?

SWAPP

WELL, HAVE IT YER
OWN WAY HATE IT
AIN'T A GLUTTON FER
PUNISHMENT!

I'M NOT
HIS WIFE!
I'M YOURS!

I DON'T CARE! THIS CAGE
STINKS OF GORILLA--AND
I REFUSE TO WHISPER ANY
LONGER. BEHIND'S HE'S
GONE NOW...

I'M NOT
HIS WIFE!
I'M YOURS!

THEY'RE
JUST TRYING
TO BE
KIND...

WE CAN
DROP OUT
STUPID-
ACT!
PLEASE, DARLING...

OH, I'M SORRY, CORNELIUS. YOU KNOW I DON'T MEAN TO SNAP AT YOU, BUT...

CORNELIUS -- WHERE ARE WE? WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO US?

I KNOW WHERE WE ARE! I KNOW WHAT HAS HAPPENED...

YOU DO, MICO? WELL, WHAT IS IT?

IN SOME FASHION--AND I LACK THE INTELECT TO KNOW PRECISELY HOW--WE HAVE TRAVELLED FROM EARTH'S FUTURE INTO EARTH'S PAST!

BUT WE SAW EARTH DESTROYED!

EXCEPT, SINCE SEEING IT, WE HAVE PASSED THROUGH A BACKWARD DISTURBANCE IN TIME. I GUESS YOU WOULDN'T CALL IT A TIME WARP... DO YOU REMEMBER HOW THE DATE METER CLICKED DOWN AFTER THE SHOCK WAVE HIT OUR SHIP?

YOU SEE, WE HAVE RETURNED TO EARTH ALMOST TWO THOUSAND YEARS BEFORE ITS DESTRUCTION! AND THAT IS ANOTHER REASON FOR KEEPING OUR SILENCE AT ALL COSTS...

... FOR I DOUBT THAT OUR HUMAN CAPTORS WOULD BE EDIFIED TO LEARN THAT, ONE DAY IN THE FUTURE, THEIR WORLD WILL CRACK LIKE AN EGG AND FRY TO A CINDER...

... AS THE RESULT OF AN APE WAR OF AGGRESSION!

URRRH

APES, AT THIS INSTANT IN TIME, CANNOT YET TALK!

FOR THE MOMENT, WE MUST FOLLOW THEIR EXAMPLE!
MORNING...

THE DRIVER BROUGHT THIS REPORT FROM THE AIR BASE...

THE USUAL IMITATORY BEHAVIOR... MIMICKING SALUTES... HAND-SHAKING... SITTING ON CHAIRS... EATING OFF PLATES WITH KNIVES AND FORKS... BUT...

BUT WHAT, LEWIS?

WELL, THERE WAS A SORT OF CARPETBAG OR SUITCASE... IN THE SHIP...

WITH FOOD?

NO... CLOTHES! AND STEVIE--THEY ACTUALLY CHANGED INTO THEM!

YES, IT IS HARD TO...

STEVIE, WHAT ARE THEY DOING HERE?

SEEMS RATHER RIDICULOUS, DOESN'T IT...

PUT ON YOUR LAB SMOK AND IT ALL BE AN UGLY MEMORY, DOCTOR!

I DON'T BELIEVE IT!

SECURITY! JOIN THE MARINES AND SEE THE ZOO!

GOOD MORNING. HOW ARE OUR PATIENTS?

HI, DR. DIXON... DR. BRANTON...

THE FEMALE'S A BIT UPPITY, SIR. GAVE ME A RIGHT SLAP ON THE CHEEK LAST NIGHT!

ALL RIGHT. I'LL BE CAREFUL THEN. WE'LL START WITH THE WISCONSIN MULTIPHASIC TEST!
GO EASY, LEWIS!

THEY LOOK PRETTY POCILE.

MAYBE SO... BUT DON'T TAKE ANY CHANCES!

NOW--UNLESS THE SPACECRAFT WAS REMOTELY CONTROLLED, THEY MUST HAVE BEEN CONDITIONED TO PRESS AT LEAST SOME OF THE RIGHT BUTTONS: THEY CAN'T BE MORONS...

WE'LL TEST THE FEMALE FIRST!

AMAZING!!! ABSOLUTELY NO HESITATION AT ALL!

THAT'S THE FASTEST REACTION I'VE EVER SEEN!
SHE IS PRETTY SMART, LEWIS! WHY DON'T WE MAKE THE NEXT TEST A LITTLE MORE--

LEWIS---

I SEE IT, STEVE! IT'S PHENOMENAL...

ARTHUR---YOU SAY THEY WON'T EAT--?

HMMMM... THEN I WONDER WHY THEY WON'T EAT THEM...

BECAUSE WE LOATHE AND DETEST BANANAS!

ZIRA---!!

NOT A BITE, SIR! THE FINEST, RIPEST BANANAS YOU'VE EVER SEEN AND THEY JUST TURN THEIR NOSE UP!

GOD HELP US, CORNELIUS-- YOUR IMPETUOUS WIFE HAS DOOMED US ALL--!

NEXT ISSUE: MORE OF STRANGERS IN A STRANGER LAND!
Dear Stan,

I am writing to congratulate you on your great mag 'Plant of The Apes'. The stories are great and full of action, unlike the TV series, which did not do justice to the films of which I have seen and enjoyed all five. On TV every week the three travellers would aid some minor problem with the knowledge of science. An occasional fight was all the action shown. But the mag is full of action and excitement, especially the Apeslayer stories.

May I suggest that after you do the adaptation of "Beneath" you do a series of "Conquest", but concentrate on, say, a country rather than a city. And please, please continue with those posters like in Ish 32 and 33, especially of Zira and Cornelius in "Escape" as it was the saddest of all the films. At present I am reading "Conquest". I have already read "Battle", "Escape", and Boules' "Monkey Planet", which was great. Before the Apes mags came out I was a fan of that other well-known company of super-hero mags, but now I am a firm Marvellite.

Finally, please introduce female gorillas and Orang-utans. I noticed a complete lack of these in the films, TV series and mags. Keep up the good work.

Stephen Cannon,
Whitehaven, Cumbria.

There’s one thing about an Ape fan—they’re instantly recognisable! And when it comes to enthusiasm they’re matchless!

Dear Stan,

I think that Planet of The Apes is the greatest mag out, so how’s about bringing out a luvely binder, so all you other collectors and me can keep our mags clean. After all, we don’t want ’em getting filthy and spoiled, do we?

Karen,
Widnes, Cheshire.

Uh-uh! It’s that old ‘binder’ question again. Sorry, Karen, but the situation hasn’t changed since last we spoke of it. We just haven’t been able to come up with any sort of binder or mag-holder that wouldn’t be outrageously costly. The best solution still seems to be those empty giant-size cornflake packets. They’re just the right size and with some ‘Marvel Matter’ pasted to the outside they can do the job pretty well.

Dear Merry Marvel Madmen,

I’d just like to write in and say how much I enjoy your mags. I’ve spotted several boobs, but I’m not even gonna name ’em! So there, No-Prize hunters!

Great as your mags are, I have one big gripe. That is, the way the apes are drawn, coloured and say those daft things (“You die at last, Human!” and so on) on the covers of Planet of The Apes. In some of your U.S. mags I’ve seen adverts for your American edition of Planet, and from what I’ve seen the covers of them were possibly the best to adorn your giant-sized black and white mags. Why don’t you reprint them on the British editions?

Oh, well. I’ve got the moan off my chest, and now there’s a question I’d like to ask you. In some of your U.S. Mags I’ve seen adverts for “apes” construction kits. Are they available in the U.K.? If so, where?

Sorry if I’ve moaned on a bit, but as Taylor once said: “Keep the flags of discontent flying. It’s the only way anything ever gets changed!”

Jim Briggs,
Feltham, Middx.

Jim, you’ve just gotta accept the fact (and this message is addressed to many other Marvellites, too) that although the British mags are blood-relatives to the U.S. Marvel mags THEY’RE STILL DIFFERENT MAGS. So in asking for two things to be the same you’re yearning for the impossible. In the same way, the offers in the U.S. mags are, in general, available only in America. However, in the case of the “apes” construction kits we’re hoping that they’ll be on sale in Britain, independent of the marketing of them in the States. So-o-o, all is not despondency and gloom.