CONSPIRACY IN THE RANKS!

DOUG MOENCH
writer

ALFREDO ALCALA
artist
½ doz. tomatoes
3 heads lettuce
Garlic dressing
4 pints cottage cheese
1 dog. steaks N.Y. cut
1 gal. kerosene

---COTTAGE CHEESE,
ONE DOZEN STEAKS
NEW YORK CUT, AND
ONE GALLON OF
KEROSENE.

THERE YOU GO,
DON'T DROP IT.

RESTRICTED
JANITORIAL SERVANTS
ONLY
GOOD.

GO NOW.
GO.

THERE, THESE ITEMS SHOULD PROVED USEFUL...

HERE YOU ARE, NOT EXACTLY FORGOTTEN...

NOW GO.
GO.

Collect repaired Colt. 45
100 rounds of ammo for above.
GOOD.

VERY GOOD.

VERY GOOD

INDEED.

BUT GO NOW.

GO BEFORE

YOU'RE DISCOVERED

MISSING...

...AND IF ALL GOES

WELL, PERHAPS

SOMEDAY SOON...

...YOU'LL BE ABLE TO

UNDERSTAND MORE THAN

THE WORD GO.
WELL, JUST KEEP TRYING, DAMMIT!

WHAT'S THIS-- A RED ALERT?

IN A WAY, I SUPPOSE...

YOU SEE, MR. HOSKYN'S APE MANAGEMENT'S COMPUTER HAS COUGHED UP AN INTRIGUING ERROR.

ALL RIGHT, MR. KOLP, INTRIGUE ME.

SHIPMENT FIVE-OH-SEVEN FOR INDONESIA EX BORNEO COMPRised THREE ORANGUTANS AND ONE CHIMPANZEE.

SO...

SO THERE ARE NO CHIMPANZEES IN BORNEO.

YES?

I CAN'T SEEM TO GET THROUGH TO APE MANAGEMENT, SIR. ALL THEIR BUSINESS ARE BUSY.

I SAID KEEP TRYING-- IT'S URGENT!!
The reception area at Ape Management Headquarters...

Sorry, sir -- the conditioning cases are filled to capacity. We have no vacancies 'til Tuesday. Thank you, sir.

Sorry, three-oh-nine, our cases are full. We cannot accommodate new intake until after Tuesday's auction.

No, ma'am, we're not buying -- only selling now. No, ma'am, not even if he can arrange flowers and peel potatoes... Sorry.

Yes, I'm certain, sir. Yes, it is unusual... seems to have happened all at once, yes, goodbye.

Bringbring... Bringbring...

Head office transportation...? This is branch eleven reception. Please divert Brazil shipment five-oh-five to Galveston, where there are vacancies for accommodation.

We have none.

Yes, this is branch eleven reception. What can I...

Oh -- yes, sir!
I... I didn't know it was... you sir...

One moment please, sir...

It's state security... Chief Inspector Kolp. Sounds urgent...

All right... I'll take it...
YES, Inspector...
LAST MONTH'S
INDONESIAN FILE...?

YES, SIR...
NOW LET'S SEE...
SHIPPED FIVE-
OH-SEVEN BORNEO...

YES, SIR...
HERE IT IS...

YES, SIR... THE
CHIMPANZEE WAS SOLD TO...

WHY, IT WAS SOLD TO GOVERNOR BRECK, SIR.

GOOD GOD---!
THEN WE'VE HAD HIM
RIGHT UNDER OUR NOSE ALL THE TIME.

YES, GOVERNOR BRECK...
BUT THERE'S JUST ONE
THING, SIR. I'M QUITE WILLING TO EXECUTE
THE APE IMMEDIATELY ON YOUR VERBAL ORDER ALONE, BUT--

THANK YOU, SIR.
HOWEVER, WHAT I MEAN IS...
SUPPOSING HE CAN TALK...

...BUT WON'T?

YOU'LL HAVE IT IN WRITING,
KOLP--DON'T WORRY.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND.
WHAT THE CHIEF INSPECTOR MEANS, SIR, IS THAT THERE'D STILL BE A DOUBT IF THE APE'S MOUTH STAYS SHUT, THE CASE STAYS OPEN.

WE'D LIKE TO CLOSE THE FILE.

YOU WILL GENTLEMEN... I PROMISE YOU.

GET ME MR. MACDONALD--

"IN THE COMMAND CENTRE.

MacDONALD SPEAKING.

OH, YES, SIR...?"

YOU WANT ME TO TURN CAESAR OVER TO INSPECTOR KOLP...?

AM I TO UNDERSTAND THAT HE'S ON YOUR ACHILLES LIST...?

NO, SIR... I'M NOT QUESTIONING YOUR ORDER, BUT--

WELL, UH...

... AS A MATTER OF FACT, I JUST SENT HIM OUT ON AN ERRAND, BUT HE SHOULD BE BACK MOMENTARILY.

YES, SIR-- I'LL DO JUST AS YOU SAY.
COME, CAESAR.
MR. MACDONALD--ARE YOU NEAR A PHONE? COME IN... COME IN AT ONCE.

YES, MR. GOVERNOR. KOP AND HOSKYS ARE ON THEIR WAY DOWN. MR. MACDONALD, IS CAESAR BACK YET?

UH, NOT YET, SIR. BUT I'LL KEEP A LOOK OUT.

REPORT TO ME AS SOON AS HE'S BEEN HANDED OVER TO THEM.

YES, SIR.
JUST WISH THERE WERE SOME WAY WE COULD COMMUNICATE... SO YOU'D UNDERSTAND--

I UNDERSTAND, MR. MACDONALD.

YOU--

YES, I AM THE ONE THEY'RE LOOKING FOR...

THE TALKING APE.

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