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CONQUEST OF THE PLANET OF THE APES

MR. MacDONALD IS HIGH-RANKING GOVERNMENT AIDE. HE IS ALSO A BLACK MAN, AND HAS JUST RECEIVED AN ORDER FROM HIS "SUPERIOR", GOVERNOR BRECK...

HE WANTS ME TO TURN YOU OVER TO **KOLP** AND **HOSKYNs**... FOR, **EXECUTION**...

IF ONLY THERE WERE SOME WAY WE COULD **COMMUNICATE**, SO YOU'D **UNDERSTAND**.



I UNDERSTAND, MR. MacDONALD.

BUT... BUT YOU...



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YES--I'M THE ONE THEY'RE **LOOKING** FOR...

... THE **TALKING** APE.



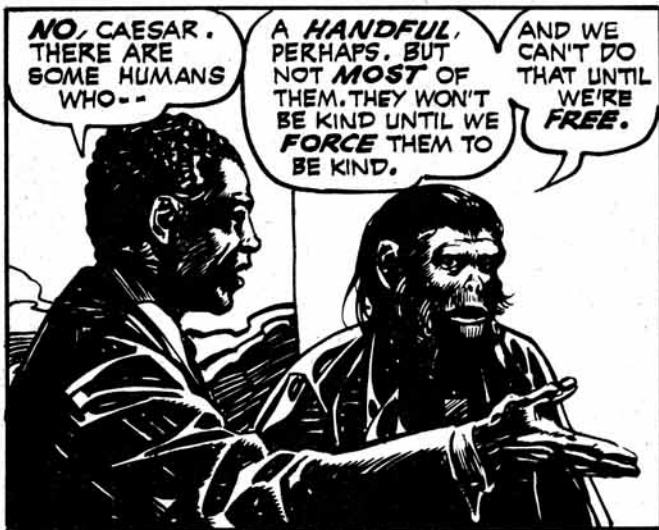
DOUG MOENCH
writer
ALFREDO ALCALA
artist

ARMY OF SLAVES!



BUT... I NEVER BELIEVED IN... THOUGHT YOU WERE NO MORE THAN A MYTH...!

I'M NO MYTH, MR. MacDONALD. BUT I'LL TELL YOU SOMETHING THAT IS -- THE BELIEF THAT HUMANS ARE KIND.



NO, CAESAR. THERE ARE SOME HUMANS WHO--

A HANDFUL, PERHAPS. BUT NOT MOST OF THEM. THEY WON'T BE KIND UNTIL WE FORCE THEM TO BE KIND.

AND WE CAN'T DO THAT UNTIL WE'RE FREE.



AND HOW DO YOU PROPOSE TO GAIN YOUR FREEDOM--?

BY THE ONLY MEANS LEFT TO US.

REBELLION.



BUT IT'S DOOMED TO FAILURE...!

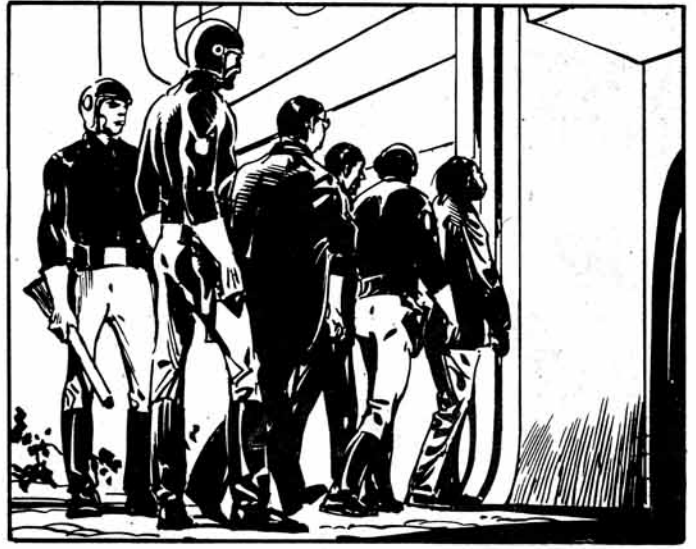
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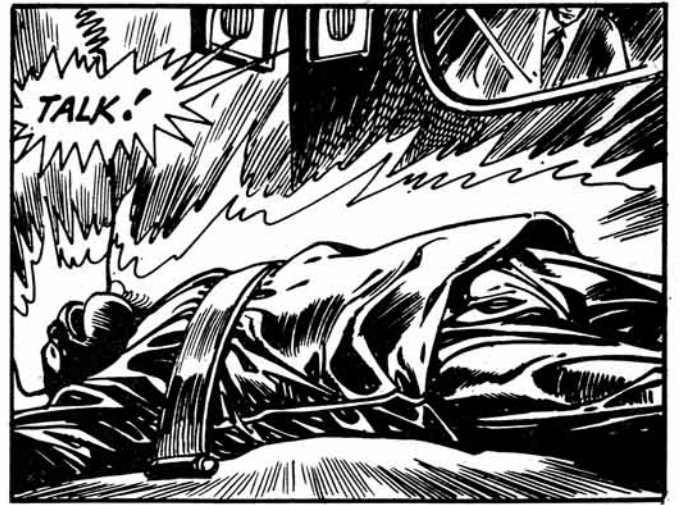
















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APES MAIL



Dear Marvel,

"Man-Gods from Beyond the Stars," by Roy Thomas, Doug Moench and Alex Nino was an excellent production. The four instalments ("Planet of the Apes" 54-57) were all exceptionally good.

Roy Thomas wrote an article in FOOM magazine 6, outlining the background details of "Man-Gods" which is very interesting.

Roy plotted "Man-Gods" very thoroughly and Doug Moench provided a superb script. (It's advisable to be near a dictionary when reading something of Doug's!)

Alex Nine's art was truly outstanding and beautifully-illustrated throughout. It contained immense detail and an almost surreal quality.

Needless to say, I LIKED "Man-Gods from Beyond the Stars."

David Fielder,
53 Austen Paths,
Stevenage, Herts.

Just as well you inserted that final sentence, Dave. Otherwise we'd never have guessed! But know something you've done? With that mention of the privileged delights of FOOM you'll have all non-Foomers lining up to join. Just when the membership list is full!

Dear Stan,

WOW! COR! And words to that effect are all I can say about POTA. There are no words really to tell of its greatness. I am a great fan of Planet of The Apes and when your magazine came out I just couldn't believe it. The artwork was fab.

But this letter is really about information, which I know you like. In case some people didn't know, there is a POTA game out at a cost, in my area, of £2.57. It is based on the TV programme and is well worth having. I also noticed in POTA 55 a boy with a name of Galen, given him by his friends.

Well, he must be my friend (or enemy) as my nickname is URKO.

P. Galbraith KOF, QNS,
9 Edmund Cl.,
Downend, Bristol.

We're fast becoming a clearing-house on information related to Planet of The Apes. And if that sounds to you as if we're complaining, then you'd be wrong. 'Cos we're not!

Dear Stan,

Usually in Geordie-Land we don't get mags as good as Planet of the Apes, so your comic is a welcome change. Now there is another breakthrough for Planet of the Apes fans in Britain. Jim Briggs said in issue 52 that he wanted to know if there are models of the apes in Britain. Well, they have been in Geordie-Land for about a month.

You can get models of Cornelius, Dr. Zaius, Zira, Caesar, Aldo, Ursus, and you can also get moveable figures of Cornelius, Dr. Zaius, Zira, Galen, Urko, gorilla soldier, and astronauts Viridon and Burke in their normal human attire. I think your mag is fab.

Keith Dwyer,
2 Wansbeck Rd.,
Ashington, Northumberland.

What are you trying to do, Keith—confuse us? First you give the world the impression that Northumberland is some kind of a deprived area, and then you reveal that up there it's all happening! Okay—we'll level with ya. We did know that those models

were available in the UK. But now, thanks to you, EVERYONE knows!

Dear Marvel,

In a Bullpen page you asked the readers of Avengers if they would like a rotating back feature of if they would just like to see the same feature every week. I think you should have the same character in the back feature for at least ten to fifteen issues, as when you chage to another feature (if you must) you can wrap up the previous episode without Doc Strange, or whoever, hanging off a cliff etc.

If you do this, by the time it's Doc's go again readers will have forgotten how Doc got into this situation and will be confused by this story.

Now, about some of your other comics:

Titans. Great stuff, magnificent Marvel. I've been waiting to see Captain America and Marvel for a long time now. I really think those early stories are great. The value is fantastic. Only one disappointment, the centre-spreads. I was hoping they'd be like the one in issue one, but still, they're not bad.

POTA. Very good. I think your sci-fi stories are great. It's a pity Unknown World of Sci-Fi got cancelled as of ish 6.

SUPERHEROES. Not Bad. It should be good when Scarecrow moves in for a couple of issues.

Now a few more words on The Avengers. Avengers—Brilliant. Conan—Great. Doc Strange—Good. Iron Fist—Good. Shang-Chi—Getting Better.

Glen Thomas RFO, KOF,
Hull, Yorks.

That's what we like to see. Reaction to a Bullpen item! It convinces us we're not wasting our time in setting the questions. Okay, Glen — your response is duly noted and filed. Oh — and thanks for the rundown on the mags.

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