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EDITOR'S PREFACE



Model Cooling It

We thought the world might enjoy a cover-We thought the world might enjoy a cover-girl making a goo-goo face as a sort of newsstand comic relief. Hence, the rubber-mouthing on HELPI's lid, as captured by the lens of photographer, Seymour Mednick.

And for the faint-hearted, here is model Ghettaldi as she appears when Sinny

LETTERS

and I therefore would like to relate my strong feelings re-garding it and especially the article, "Christopher's Puncarticle, "Christo Romance tured I Crossley by Dave

Pure satire as expressed in such magazines as one thing but pure trash is another. This article in my another. This article in my opinion is a flimsy attempt to disguise under the label of satire a story geared for warped and degenerate minds on a topic such as sex. Chinciding with my opinion that magazines such as yours are contributing to the problems of our teenagers' as well as society's I believe that you will agree with me that there are absolutely no benefits from your publication except the money that you receive. Above all. I find that your periodical and articles such as the one in question can do nothing but twist, warp and confuse the ever growing and know-ledge seeking minds of our youth, While the above is only one man's opinion, my opinion I can assure you that there will be a copy of the May issue of HELP! on the desks of many influential people from clergyman to congressman whom I have the privilege to know. While I am not against freedom of expression speech, I am against the tak speecn, I am against the tak-ing advantage of the public and the poisoning of young unsuspecting minds. I intend to do everything in my power to stop magazines that do the shared above.

Joel M. Luchun Brooklyn, N.Y.

DUI CADIA

R. Crumb, who sent us a cartoon report from behind the Iron Curtain, writes us and in red ink, "There is no exaggeration of the truth in the drawings I did everything is exactly as pictured ... even more so ... much of it has to be seen ... it can't be described...I don't even think I made it look as wild as it really is ...it's sort of 1984 in a Dostoevski cathen () I don't even setting.

HELPI WHODUNIT

The youthful group who posed for us on pages nine to eleven sprout from the revue at The Unstairs at The Downstairs

in New York, Starring in a brightly barbed show produced by Rod Warren called The Game is Up, they proved to be a jolly Joily bunch, the latest joily bunch to play at the U at the D which boasts many talented graduates (Tammy Grimes, Ronnie Graham, Nancy Dussault of Bajour and writer, Joan Rivers).

If you are the kind of nut who has a win tertime urge to swoop down a snowy skislope and then slip into a Swedish Sauna ou might be interested in the location for our picture story which was shot at the Windham Ski Area's Sauna and Lodge in Windham NY.



she doesn't have her hands in her mouth, Jelly Group-Knaiz, Blair, Morley, Brown, Mercer and Curry Upstairs at the Downstairs

We hope that our readers While I am not a regular (whom we believe are young reader of your magazine, adults with better IOs) got the HELP), it was my misfortune point of our Doll story which to pick up your May issue seemed to sail past Mr. Luchun's head.

Coincidental to our story, RAMPARTS magazine, ran an article, BARBIE AND HER FRIENDS, which queted Dr. Alan F. Leveton, director of the Pediatrics Mental Health Unit University of California Medical Center, San Francisco, as stating: "We are seeing children who are excited and disturbed by dolls like Barbie and her friends

Boys are being seen in the clinic who use Barbie for sexual stimulation, a fact which might trouble the same parents who are scandalized by comic books and pin-up gazines, were it not for the as a child's toy. Both boys and girls are introduced to a precocious, joyless sexuality. to fantasies of seduction and to conspicuous consumption. This reflects and perpetuates a disturbing trend in our cul-ture, which has serious mental-health complications."—eds.

What an insuit! The final adjustive Referring to Help #24-Letter Page-name with held's letter-who says HELP! is a "kids" magazine? magazine

read it-have for five years. My wife reads it—my 17-year-old daughter and 18-vear-old son read it!!

And complaining about sex what slippage? After not omplaining about your fotos completely nude bosomsnot to mention fotos, paintings and drawings of girls stark naked, why complain about a bit of "slippage"?

Anyhow, keep up the good

work, Never mind the nuts who kick about everything and for gosh sakes don't let people start calling it a kids mag. Kelly Rich and family Jamestown, N. Y.

Here I was reading along in the letters to the editor de ment and lo and behold, there, right in front of my very eyes, DER WART HOG! Is nothing ny Ladies everywhere

Personally, we of the adolescent humor set like Gilbert Shelton's little fantasy. So what if the guy did droodle for the Texas RANGER and



the thing was sold in the college bookstore I'm willing to forgive. Hell, I'll forgive the fact that Jay Lynch worked for AARDVARK and Paul Merta for the CHAPARRAL. I'm a pretty forgiving guy.

Should, however, you feel the urge to discontinue such the urge to discontinue such adolescent humor, I'm not go-ing to forgive. No indeed! Yeu can grow up if you want to, but Uncle Robert is stay-ing right next to the college humbe stand in the stand in the college humbr book store. Yes indeed! Robert Follett

Seattle, Washington

The letter from Eve Loh-man in the March issue of HELP! hit a sensitive chord in me. I'm not an inveterate Letter-to-Editor writer, or you would have heard from me before. I've followed your work for many years. I suppose I'm one of the silent fans who figures your best applause is buying your magazine. My first realization of you

as an artist was a little master-piece called "Henry and the Model T." Since then I've been rewarded many times for my awareness of the little K-man and the distinctive artwork.

I've been through Trump and Humbug with you, and I think I've a little of the same anguish you must have felt when they went down. And then came HELP! Salvation!

K-man's done it again. But wha hoppen? I pay 35¢ buy a 42 page mag, and if of it is used to display to half photographs with funny cap-tions. I'm not complaining about the high cost of satire but what a waste. And where's the high-quality artwork there used to be? And Wonder Warthog? The first few issues Warthog? The first few issues of HELPI didn't show promise -they showed fulfilment. And I was more than satisfied. But

I was more than satisfied. But since then, it looks like no-body's minding the store. That's all I had to say, I said it. I'll probably always buy your work, I'm hooked. But I can't HELP! complain-

Peter Sheppard Hoguiam, Wash

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a sketchbook report by Robert Crumb

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R CRUMB

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THE SUPPER CLUB CAPER with INSPECTOR FERMEZ LABOUCHE Match wits with the Inspector (played by Manus Pinkwater) - find picture clue that leads to the murderer,

NoodlesVirgil Curry Miss Liberty Marian Mercer Poultney GroinR.G. Brown

Cast from The Unstairs at the Downstairs Revue Rodney Withers ... Richard Blair Ginny SavkwaCarol Morley Toni CadetJudy Knaiz Photographed at The Upstairs at the Downstairs in NYC

Inspector Fermez Labouche of the Manhattan Surete and the Strong arm Squad arrives at a fashionable and intime midtown supper club where he has been summoned by Noodles Brodksy, Noodles, the pride of Warsaw, S. D., and second banana in a musical-saw act. is a principal in the show at the club



Jesus," says Noodles, "I thought you said you'd hurry over." "I couldn't get a rickshaw," says Labouche mysteriously. Inside the club, which is situated over a used bagel shop, Noodles expostulates: "Inspector, you won't believe this, but somebody in this club has been trying to kill me." "I believe it." says Labouche, his famous eve for clues darting about the premises. "I've been shot at slightly poisoned and pushed off my elevator shoes by an unknown assailant," complains Noodles. "Are you listening?" "I'm listening," replies Labouche. "You could at least look interested." says Noodles peevishly. "Anyway, we're a chic cast of six mirthmakers, but I get the feeling somebody hater me." "It's possible," vouchsafes Labouche.

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As the case reheares a light-hearted-but particule number, it becomes obviour by the abundance of carled lips, clearched texth and dilated notrils, that Noodles. Brodsky is periaps not the most popular member of the cast. The act reaches its climax, closing with the Status of Liberty in the background and the lines, "Hip hooray for the North, and hip horars for the South, and the Missission River

with its big far mosth.² and the stage lights black out. This is normalfor the end of the act. However, from the darkened procenoum, a wild scuttle is heard. Then, out of the darkness comes a "YAAARGH" "I den't like the sound of that YAAARGH"". asys Labouche leaping to the light console, neatly karate chopping the stage manager and turning on the labts.





When the lights go on they reveal that somebody has stabled Noofles in mid-note. "He looks tile an IBM card". says Labouche, pulling back Noofles' cost and showing a near row of stab wounds across his abdomen. "Don it anybody fold, spindle, or mutilate this body until Complete my investigation," asys Labouche sternly. "I don't suppose any of you will object if I search you for weapons.

hymmmmmmm" ask laspector Labouche Not I. says Pouliney Grein. "Not I. says Rodiney Whetes." Me fast: "kouts Pouliney Grein, with a gay titter. "I certainly do object." says Toni Cadet. "Then well start with you, my dear, heh, heh, heh," replicit the jovial inspector. "Don't be afraid, my dear, why I'm old enough to be your sagar daidy."



With a theroughness learned from a career of carefully reading Dick Tracy Crimetoppers, Inspector Laboucche exacthest he immediate vienny, After a search which spares no nook or carany ("Howd you like a slag in the face" and ran of no careful to the theroughness "Mey, watch your hands, fat bey'' asy Ginny Saykwai, Labouche

carries on the search. Then he maks ensually, "Say, where is that gift portraying the Status of Liberty, anyway," "There the goes now," says recently-turned-fink, Rodney Withers, Very deftly for a fat man, Inspector Labouche pursues Wils Liberty through the thicket of empty tables and chairs. Finally, by a couple of very underhanded maneuvers, Labouche catches up with the fileent gard.



"Take that" he punts, delivering a karate punch to the girl's neck How did Inspector Labouche know who did it?

ANSWER.

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Fram Art Afterpieces by Ward Kimball



STILL LIFE, Paul Gauguin



PORTRAIT OF MY MOTHER, James McNell Whistler



THE ARDUCTION OF THE DAUGHTERS OF LEUCIPPUS Pater Paul Bulants



THE CHASTISEMENT OF LOVE, School of Caravaggio





APELLES PAINTING A PORTRAIT OF CAMPASE Giovonni Tiepolo



HE DRAWBRIDGE, Vincent Von Gogh



PORTRAIT OF NICCOLO SPINELLI, Hons Memiling



OLD WOMAN CUTTING HER NAILS, Rembrandt



MONA LISA, Leonardo Do Vinci



MISS WILLOUGHEY, George Romney



THE MONEYLENDER AND HIS WIFE Quentin MONEYL



CRISPIN AND SCAPIN, Honore Doumle



THE AVENUE, Meindert Hobberno

PORTRAIT OF A LADY, Rogler Van Der Weyden



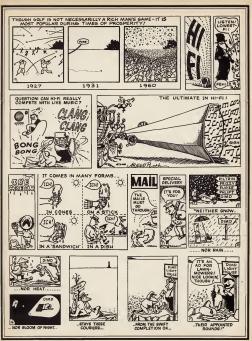
ST. LUKE DRAWING THE VIRGIN MARY, Jan Gossaert

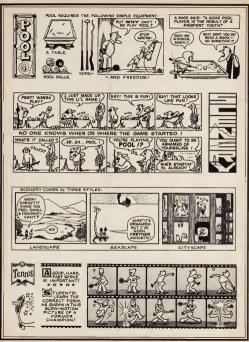


PINKIE, Sir Thomes Lawrence

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Gee. Ashley, I sure had a nice time going with you to buy your new set of barbells. I hope we can do it again sometime.

SAUNA THESE DAYS by Dave Crossley

Who weall who once acid "The survail of goad health is paid for an if one likes that tool a Ming? We is Pepin the 30 heart? Wat If M and the totelenant is understating among ours or is its owher. On the other hand, it might have been missepted down that the characterise, losing consorting in the transportient. No monitor, for the sensitive the characterise losing consorting the sensorties that the sense of the sensitive transport of the sense of the sense of the sense. Supplements deend, have a down there is the foil of the puriod of health. Entirely my pleasure, Euphemia. Frankly—and I sincerely mean this—most girls aren't interested in such things. But you're different.











I'm going to make steam! We throw water on the fire, and it evaporates and raises the humidity very quickly to stimulat. and induce perspiration.

Golly.

What would happen if a person were to pour a little liquor on the stove?

Now I'm going to do something that will really stimulate you...

Ashley, I don't need to be stimulated.

> Oh, that would be terrible. That would spoll the whole thing, I'm sure. It would go right to your brain. There's no telling what would happen ther.

My goodness, you're hreathing heavily . . .

yes, Ashley

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"Son, have a good time at the opera . . . but try to be home early."





"New, what have you done, Baron Frankenstein?"

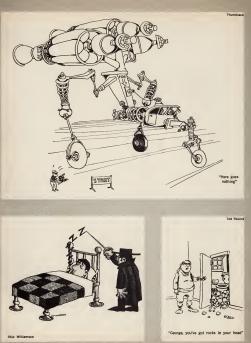


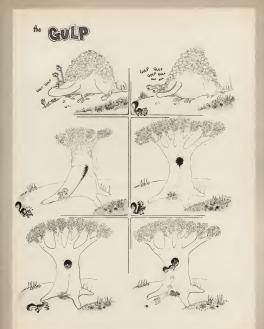
"If you do ... you'll have to marry me!"



"I'll never reveal your secret identity, Clark."







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REAL ESTATE

RAIDERS FROM BENEATH THE SEA

Well, you can fool some of the people some of the time, and all of the people ...

Dinner

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Good Lord, he's putting an "X" on them.

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