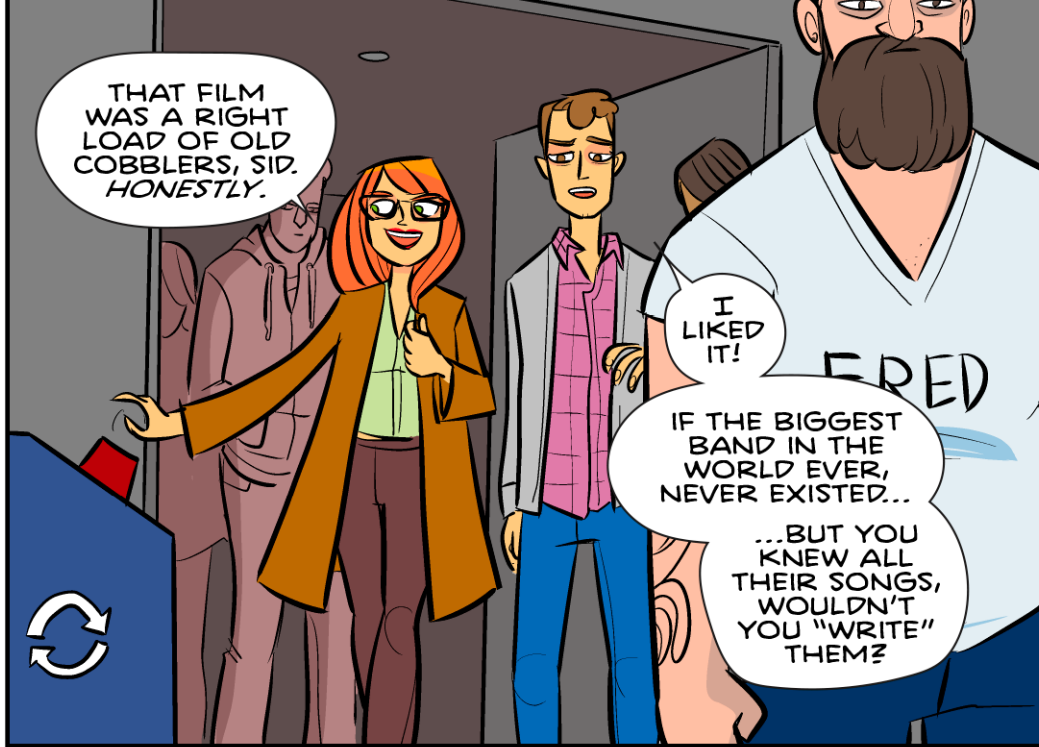


DESTROY HISTORY NEMES



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THAT FILM WAS A RIGHT LOAD OF OLD COBBLERS, SID. HONESTLY.

I LIKED IT!

IF THE BIGGEST BAND IN THE WORLD EVER, NEVER EXISTED...

...BUT YOU KNEW ALL THEIR SONGS, WOULDN'T YOU "WRITE" THEM?

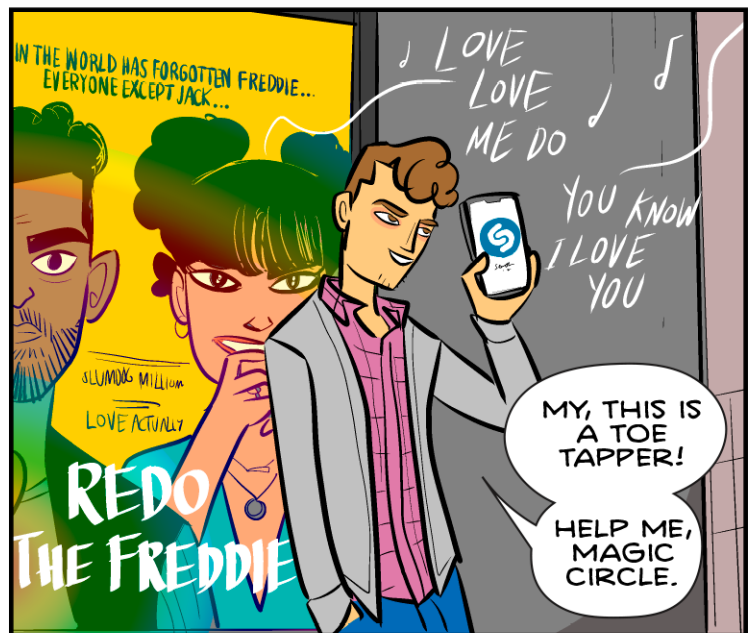


NO!



HM, WELL, OKAY, MAYBE I WOULD.

EXCUSE MOI.



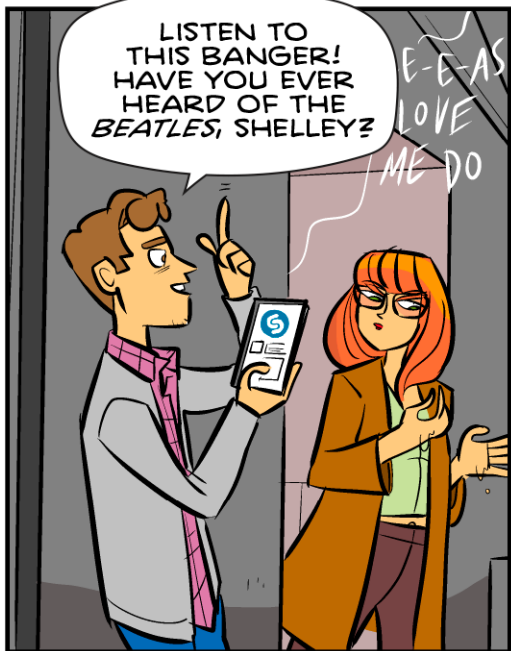
IN THE WORLD WAS FORGOTTEN FREDDIE... EVERYONE EXCEPT JACK...

REDO THE FREDDIE

♪ LOVE LOVE ME DO ♪
YOU KNOW I LOVE YOU

MY, THIS IS A TOE TAPPER!

HELP ME, MAGIC CIRCLE.

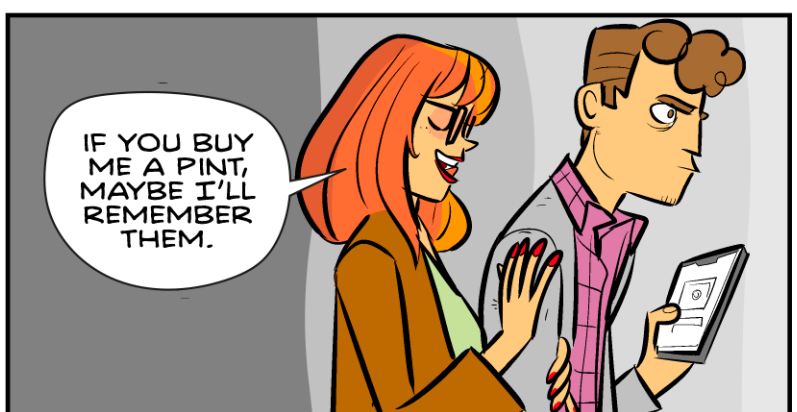


LISTEN TO THIS BANGER! HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF THE BEATLES, SHELLEY?

E-E-EAS LOVE ME DO



I'VE HEARD OF BEETLES, BUT NOT A BAND OF BEETLES.



IF YOU BUY ME A PINT, MAYBE I'LL REMEMBER THEM.

THE KRISHNAN GURU-MURTHY, SOHO.

KRISHNAN GURU-MURTHY

HISTORY IS LITTERED WITH GREAT ACTS WHO DIDN'T MAKE IT!

GO ON, NAME ONE, SHELLEY.

THE TORTOISE MEN.

TREMBLING WOLVES.

ALTERNATE LEARNING.

LIL CHUFFY.

I WON'T EMBARRASS YOU FURTHER.

BUT THERE'S NOTHING ABOUT THE BEATLES ONLINE.

THEY'RE ON ONE DELETED COMPILATION...

...AND LOOK AT THEM! THEY'RE REALLY COOL!

DRINK UP, SIDNEY. WE'RE GOING TO GET YOU A COPY OF YOUR NEW FAVOURITE BOP.

WILL IT BE EXPENSIVE?

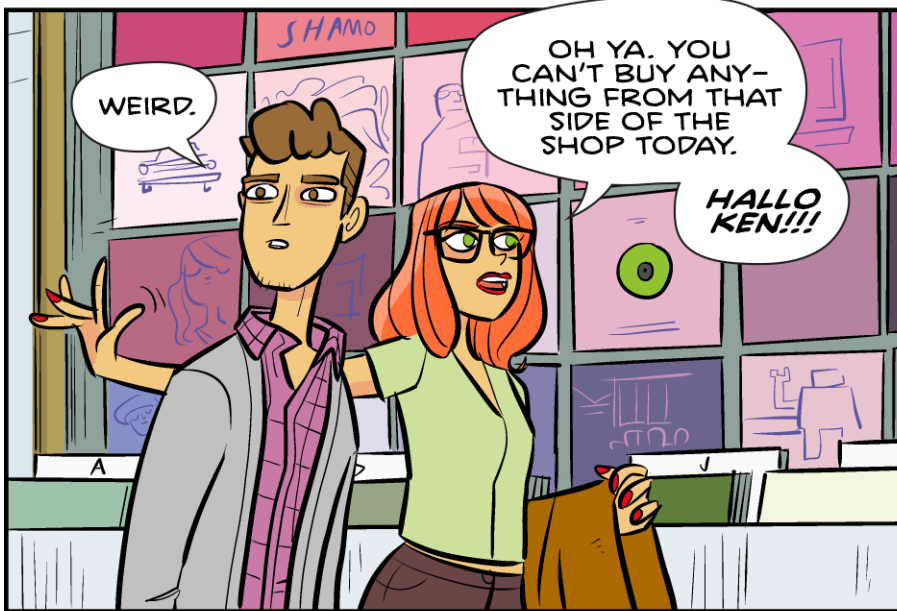
IT'LL EITHER COST EIGHTPENCE, OR EIGHT MILLIONPENCE.



WHY DOES THIS SHOP HAVE TWO SIGNS?

IT USED TO BE ONE SHOP, SOUNDS STUPID. BUT RON AND KEN WHO RAN IT FELL OUT.

SO NOW IT'S WAX FIGURES ON MON-WED AND ROCKOLUTION THE REST OF THE WEEK.



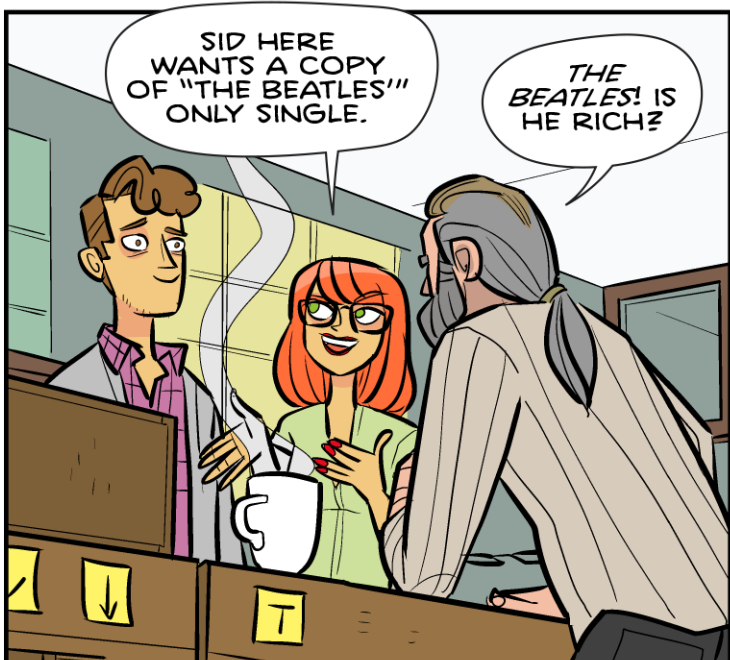
WEIRD.

OH YA, YOU CAN'T BUY ANYTHING FROM THAT SIDE OF THE SHOP TODAY.

HALLO KEN!!!

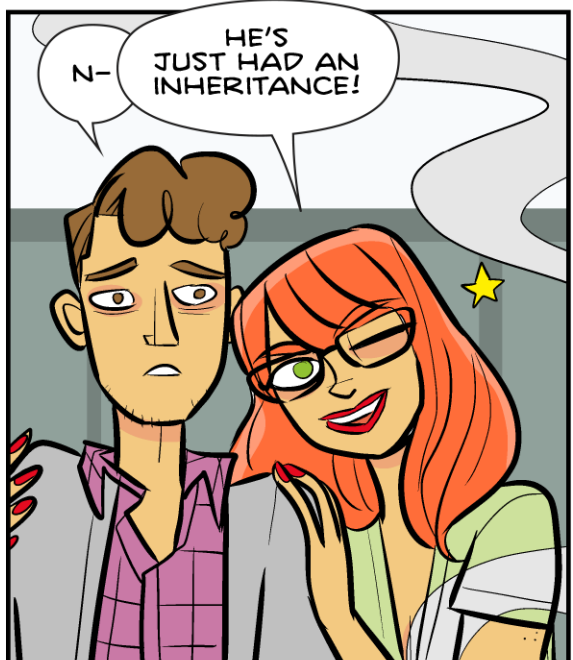


SHELLEY! MY FAVOURITE CUSTOMER.

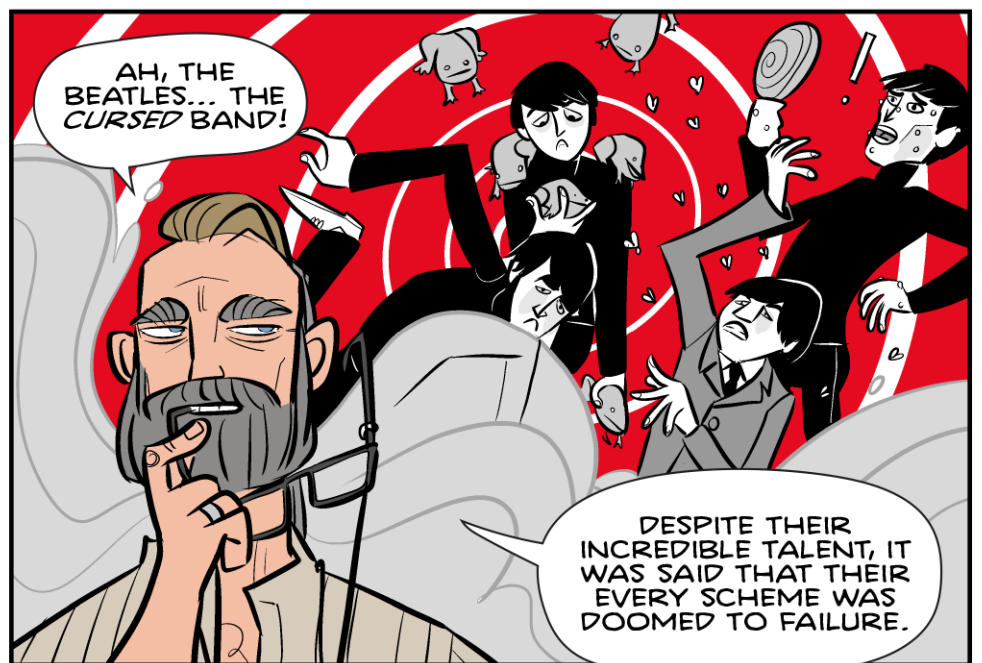
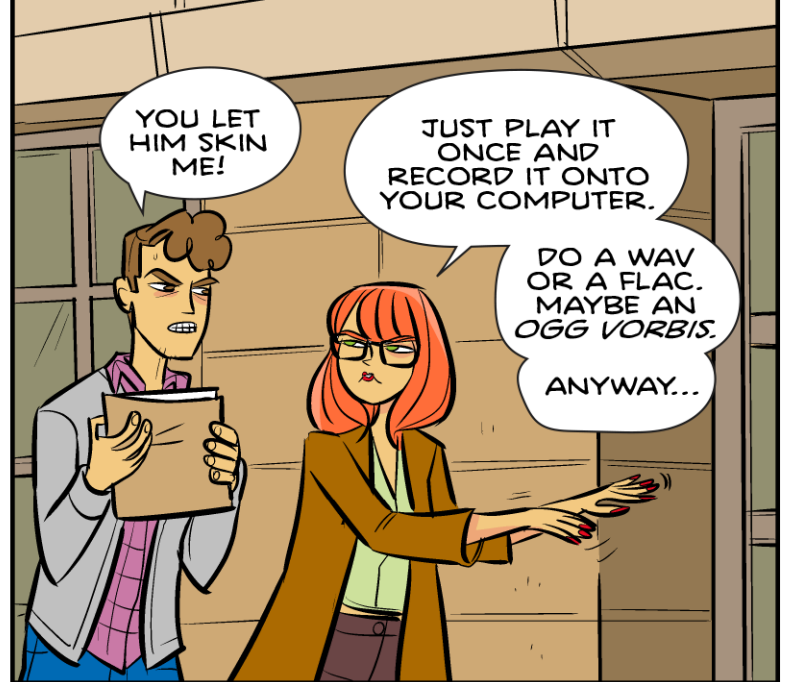
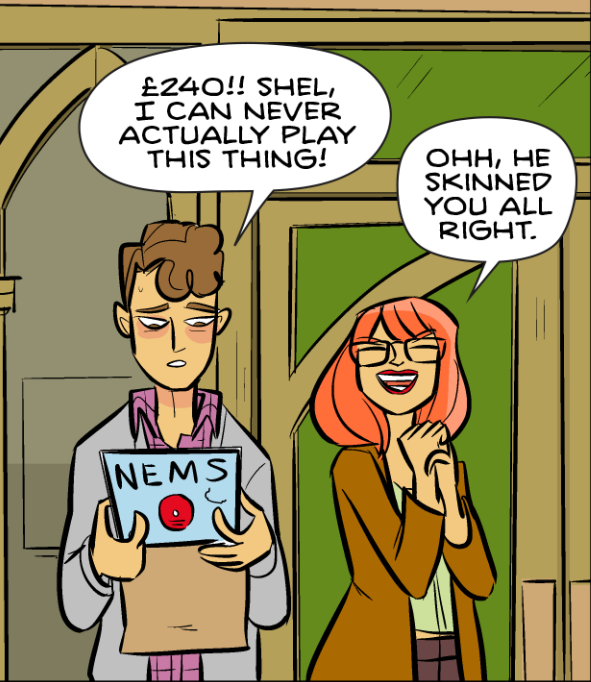


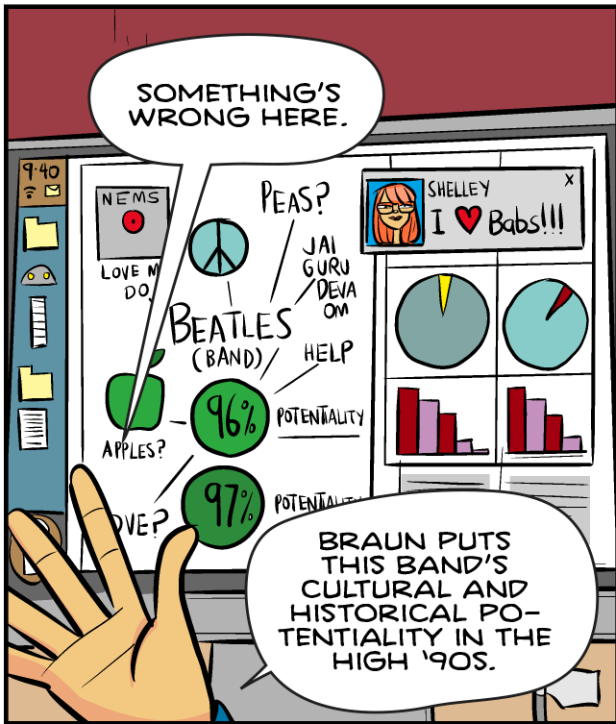
SID HERE WANTS A COPY OF "THE BEATLES" ONLY SINGLE.

THE BEATLES! IS HE RICH?



N- HE'S JUST HAD AN INHERITANCE!





OKAY, WINTERS. BRAUN SAYS YOUR JOB...

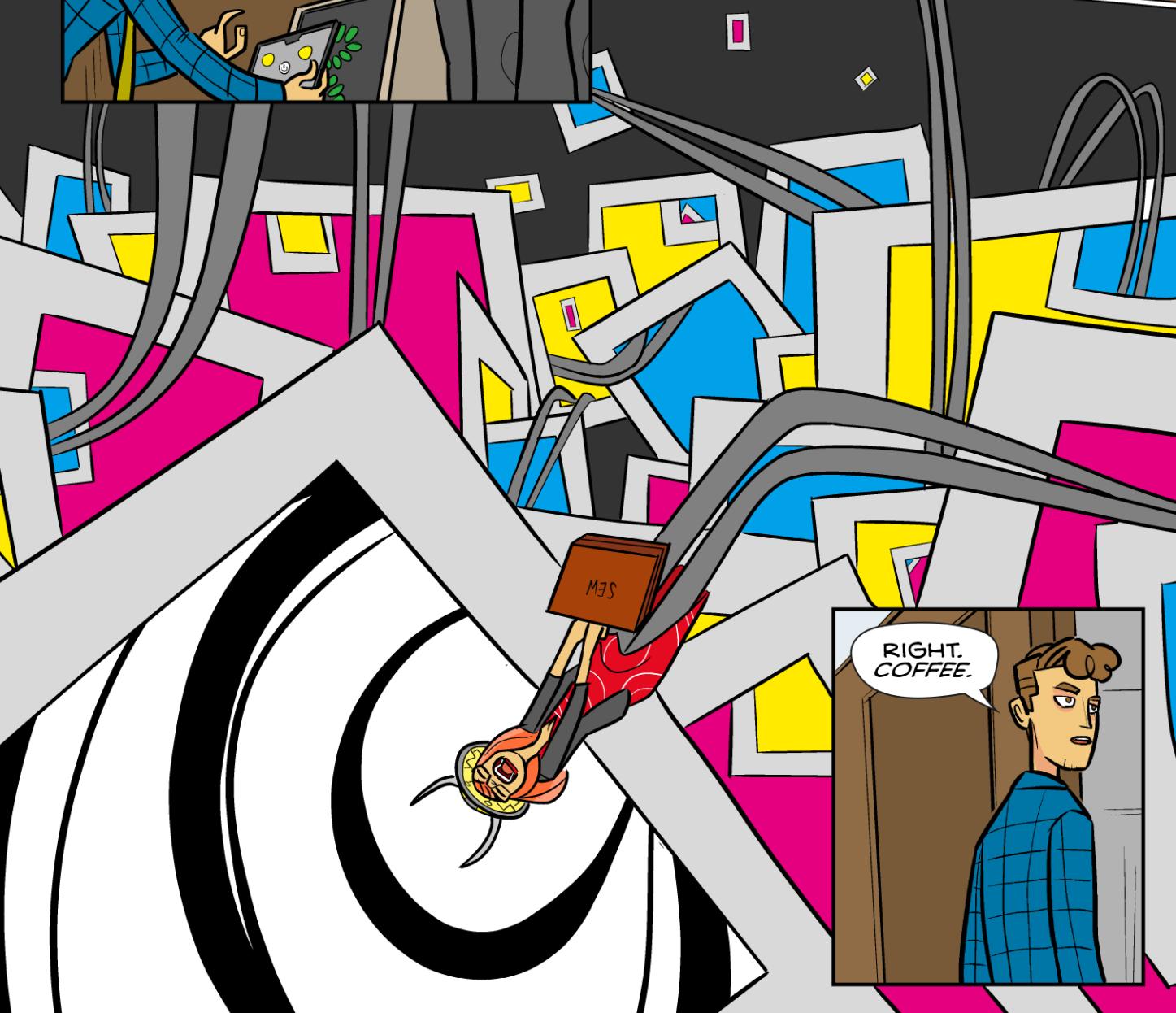
... IS TO RESTORE THE CULTURAL RELEVANCE OF THE BEATLES BAND.

AYE AYE!



READY?

YES!



RIGHT. COFFEE.





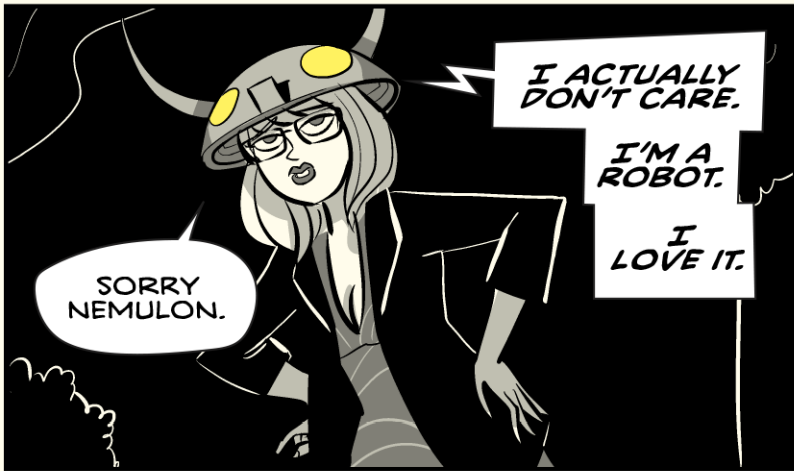
SEFTON PARK, LIVERPOOL.

WHY

ARE YOUR LANDINGS ALWAYS SO SHIT?

I HAVE FEELINGS, YOU KNOW.

I HAVE FEELINGS, YOU KNOW.

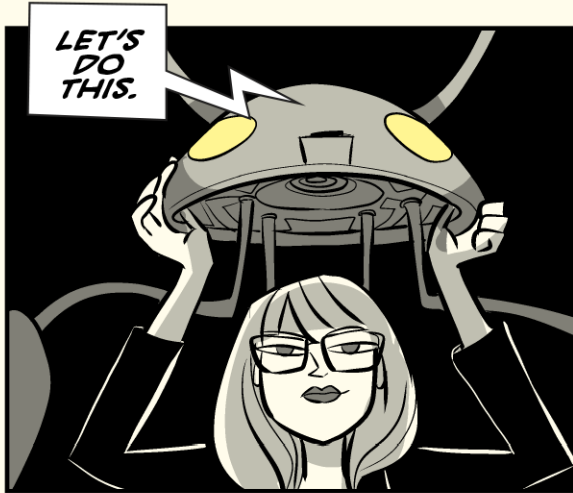


SORRY NEMULON.

I ACTUALLY DON'T CARE.

I'M A ROBOT.

I LOVE IT.

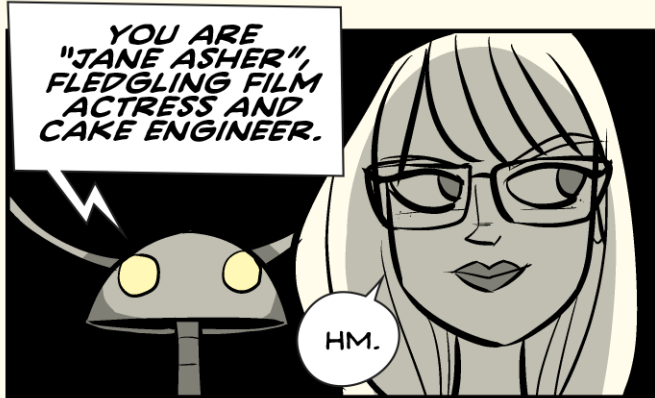


LET'S DO THIS.



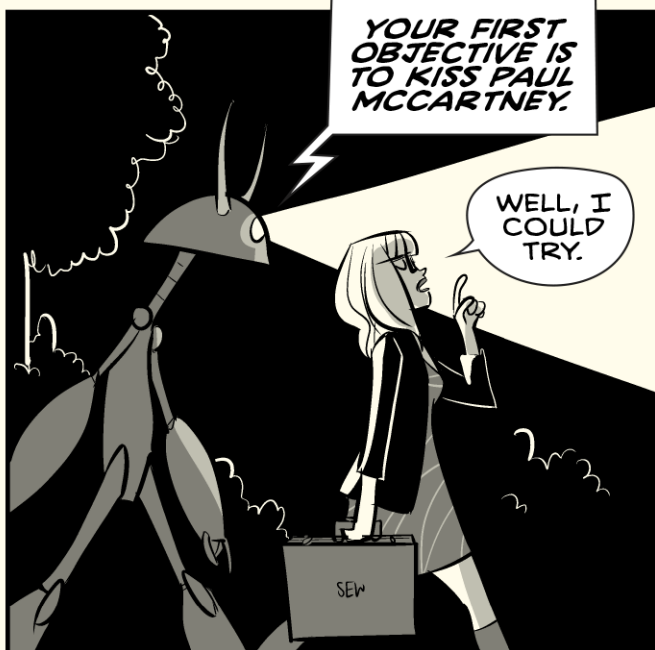
YOU HAVE TWO WEEKS TO KICKSTART THE FAILING CAREER OF BEAT GROUP "THE BEATLES".

WHAT'S MY COVER STORY? BEAUTIFUL SVENGALIZ?



YOU ARE "JANE ASHER", FLEDGLING FILM ACTRESS AND CAKE ENGINEER.

HM.



YOUR FIRST OBJECTIVE IS TO KISS PAUL MCCARTNEY.

WELL, I COULD TRY.

1963

SOUNDS LIKE THE HAMMER HOUSE OF HORRORS OUT HERE.

GIRLS WILL BE GIRLS, JOHN.

EXCEPT WHEN THEY'RE BOYS.

I DON'T BELIEVE IT!

AAAAA!

FLIPPIN' SCREAM!



JOHN LENNON

PAUL McCARTNEY

RINGO STARR

GEORGE HARRISON

I THINK IT'S JUST A LOT OF FUSS OVER NOTHING, YOU KNOW.

IT'S ONLY A POSTER.

NOT EVEN A VERY GOOD ONE.





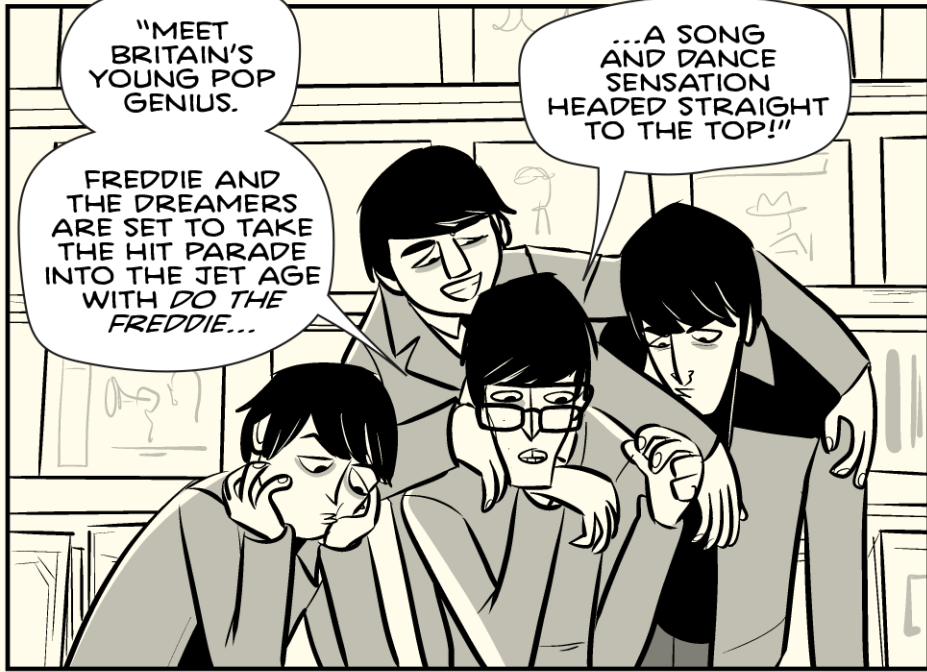


I JUST DON'T GET IT. WHAT DO FREDDIE AND THE DREAMERS HAVE THAT WE HAVEN'T'Z?

PROSPECTS.



LET'S SEE WHAT THE NEW MUSICAL EXPRESS SAYS ABOUT HIM.



"MEET BRITAIN'S YOUNG POP GENIUS.

FREDDIE AND THE DREAMERS ARE SET TO TAKE THE HIT PARADE INTO THE JET AGE WITH DO THE FREDDIE...

...A SONG AND DANCE SENSATION HEADED STRAIGHT TO THE TOP!"



IF WEARING GLASSES MADE YOU A GENIUS, GEORGE'D BE A ROCKET SCIENTIST.

MAYBE I AM ONE!

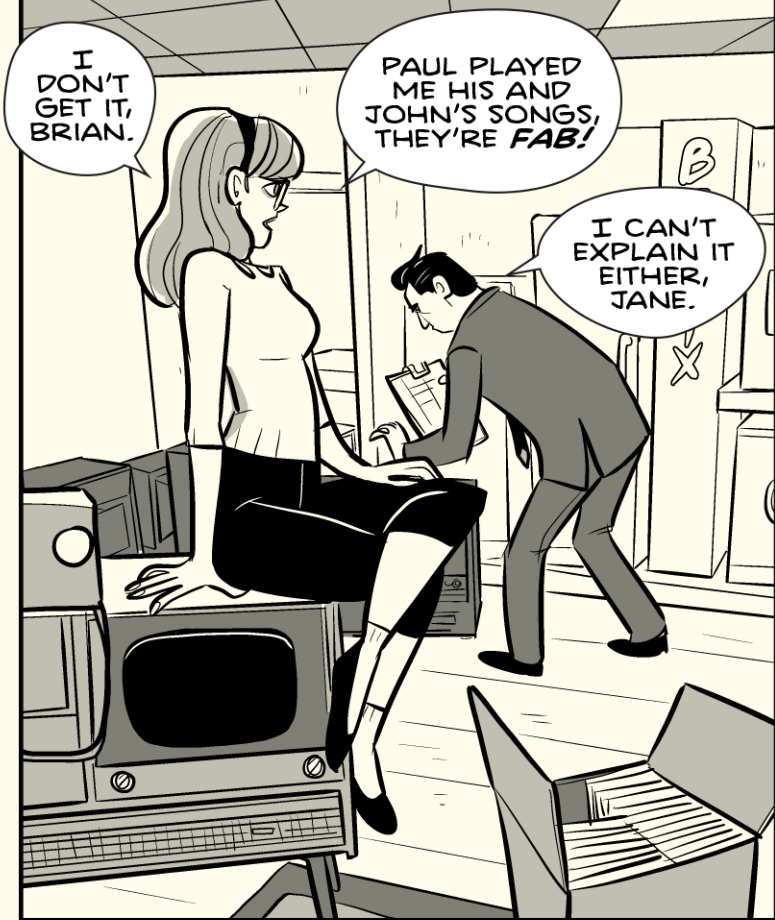


HEY, YOUR GIRLFRIEND'S ON THE TELLY AGAIN, PAUL.



SHE'LL VOID THE WARRANTY.

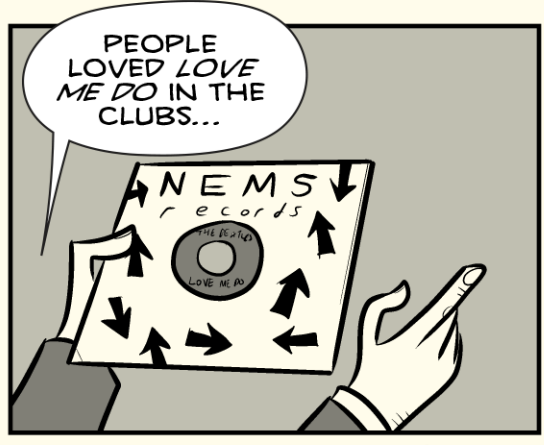
LUCKY OLD TELLY.



I DON'T GET IT, BRIAN.

PAUL PLAYED ME HIS AND JOHN'S SONGS, THEY'RE *FAB!*

I CAN'T EXPLAIN IT EITHER, JANE.



PEOPLE LOVED LOVE ME DO IN THE CLUBS...



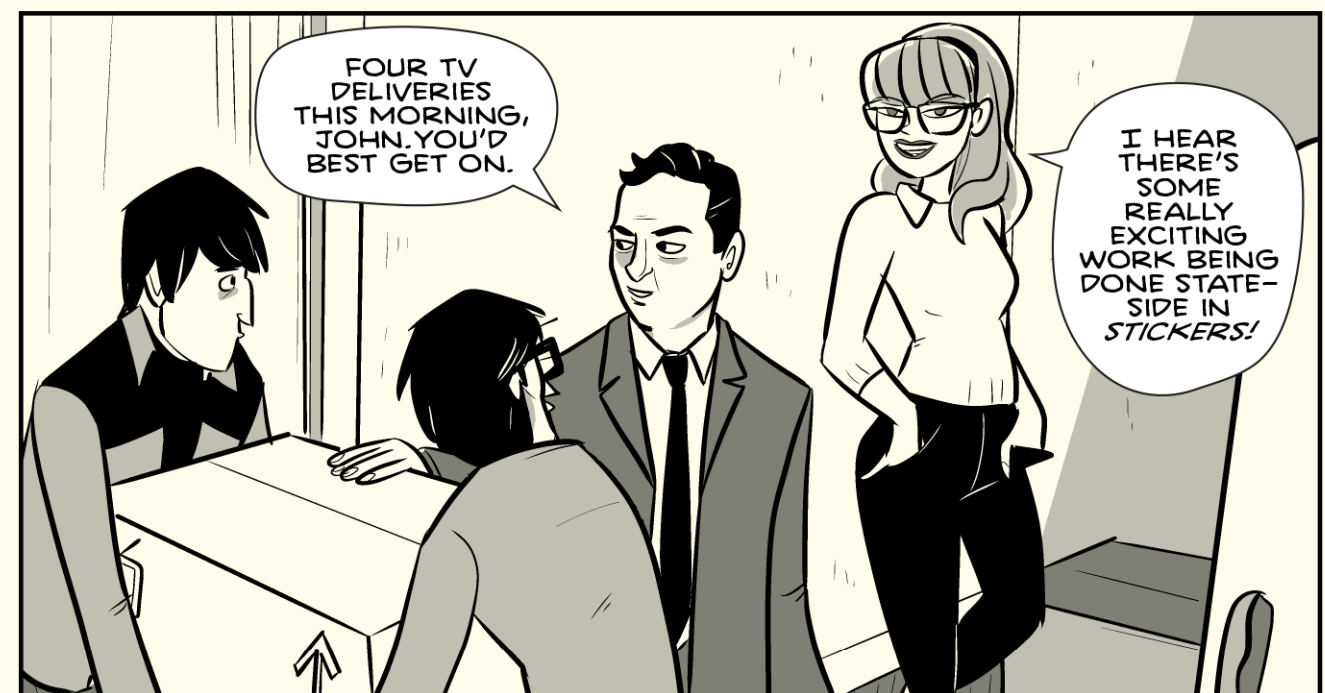
BUT THE RECORD COMPANIES NEVER CAME THROUGH...



...I PUT IT OUT MYSELF, BUT THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH YOU CAN DO WITHOUT DISTRIBUTION.

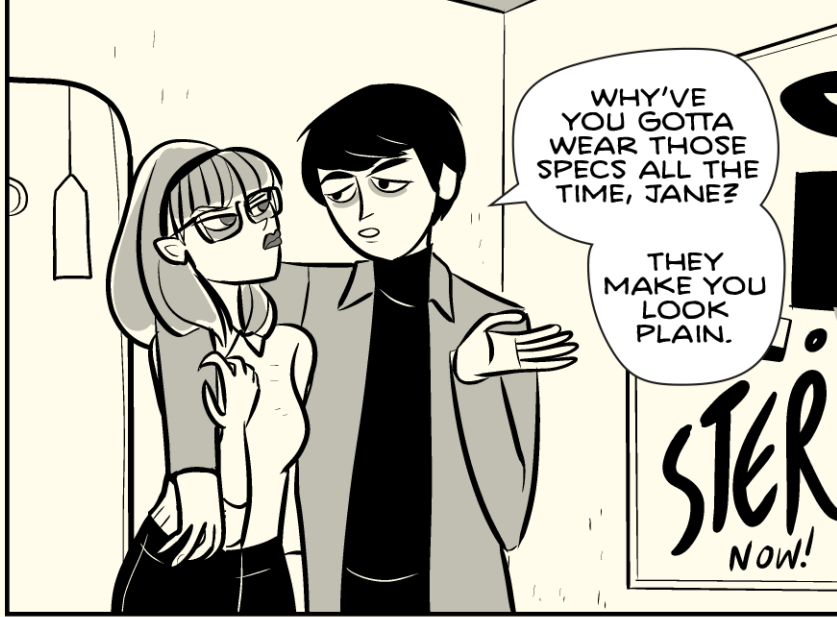
THEY NEED A LUCKY BREAK!
OR SOME... UNORTHODOX MARKETING STRATEGIES!

BRIAN EPSTEIN
BEATLE MANAGER



FOUR TV DELIVERIES THIS MORNING, JOHN. YOU'D BEST GET ON.

I HEAR THERE'S SOME REALLY EXCITING WORK BEING DONE STATE-SIDE IN *STICKERS!*



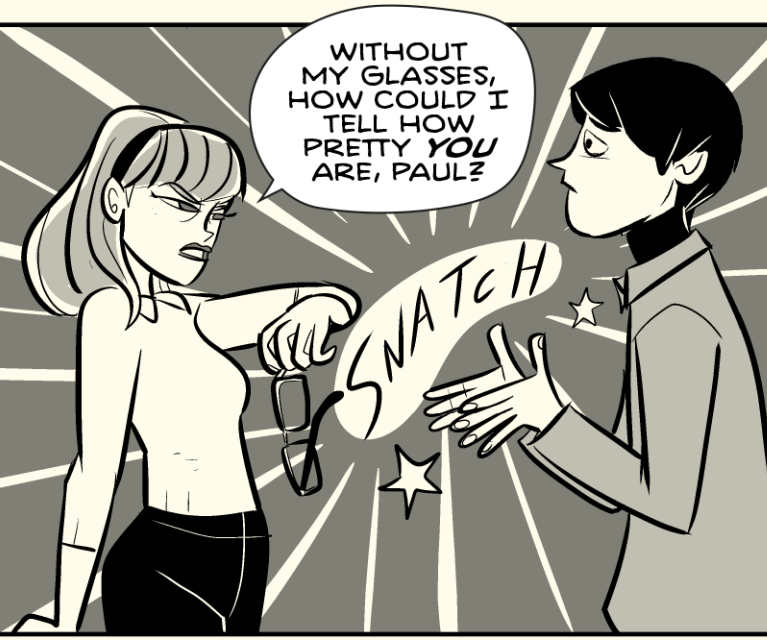
WHY'VE YOU GOTTA WEAR THOSE SPECS ALL THE TIME, JANEZ?

THEY MAKE YOU LOOK PLAIN.

STER NOW!



YOU'RE REALLY PRETTY WITHOUT THEM.

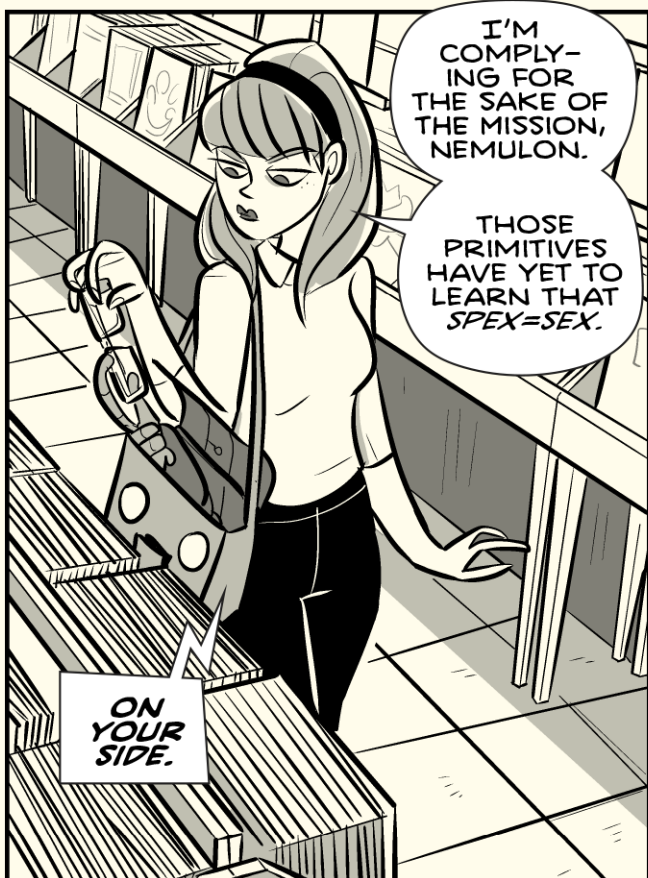


WITHOUT MY GLASSES, HOW COULD I TELL HOW PRETTY YOU ARE, PAULZ?

SNATCH



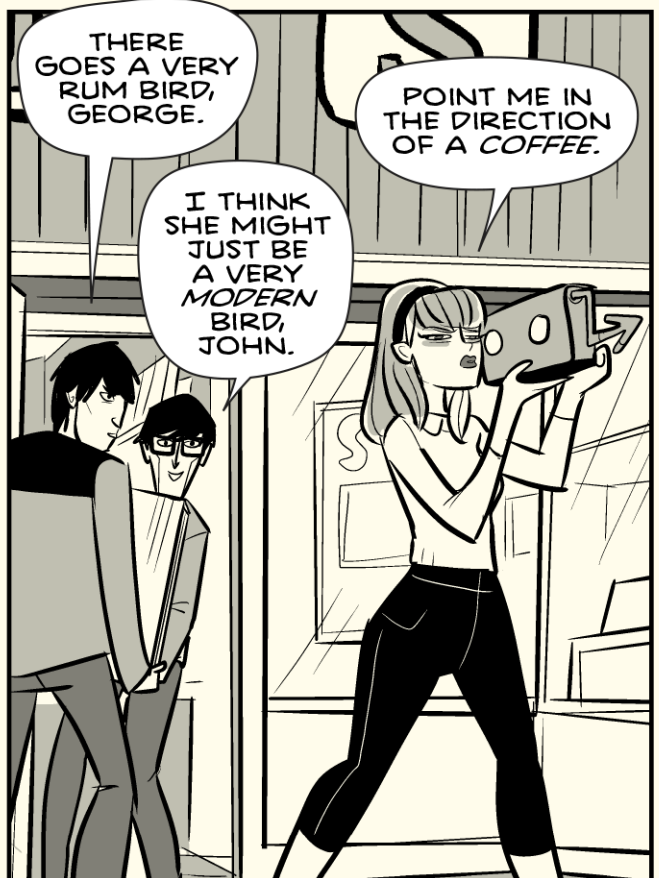
HE'LL NEVER LOVE YOU AS MUCH AS HE DOES THE FELLA HE SEES IN THE MIRROR.



I'M COMPLY-ING FOR THE SAKE OF THE MISSION, NEMULON.

THOSE PRIMITIVES HAVE YET TO LEARN THAT SPEX=SEX.

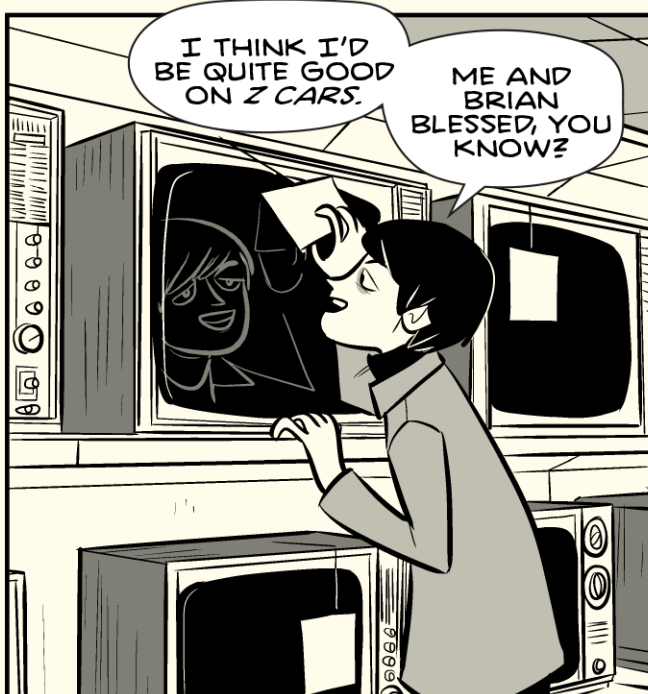
ON YOUR SIDE.

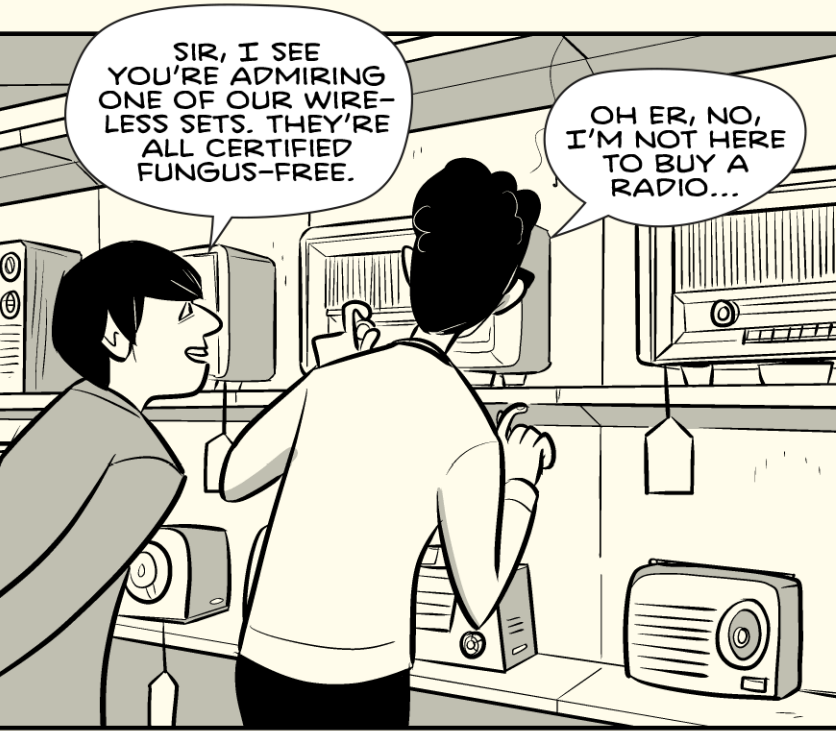


THERE GOES A VERY RUM BIRD, GEORGE.

POINT ME IN THE DIRECTION OF A COFFEE.

I THINK SHE MIGHT JUST BE A VERY MODERN BIRD, JOHN.





SIR, I SEE YOU'RE ADMIRING ONE OF OUR WIRELESS SETS. THEY'RE ALL CERTIFIED FUNGUS-FREE.

OH ER, NO, I'M NOT HERE TO BUY A RADIO...



FREDDIE GARRITY
BRITAIN'S NEW YOUNG POP GENIUS

...I'M HERE TO SEE MR EPSTEIN!



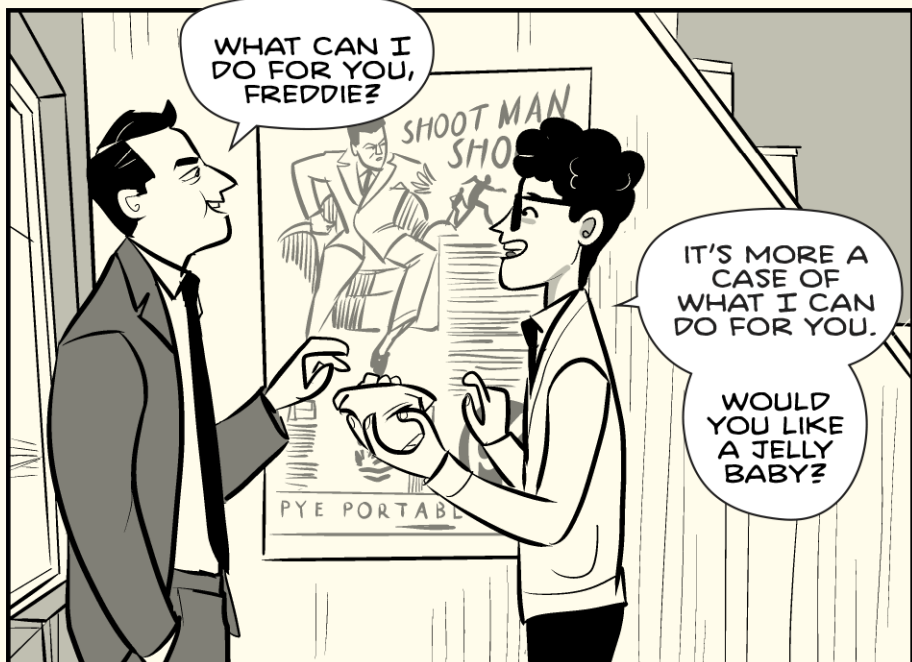
'EY, WHAT'S HE DOIN' IN OUR SHOP?

LEAVE IT, JOHN. THE MAN'S GOT EVERY RIGHT TO BE HERE.



I DON'T CARE THAT HE'S A BIG SUCCESS...

...BUT DOES HE HAVE TO BE SO EFFIN' HAPPY ABOUT IT?



WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU, FREDDIE?

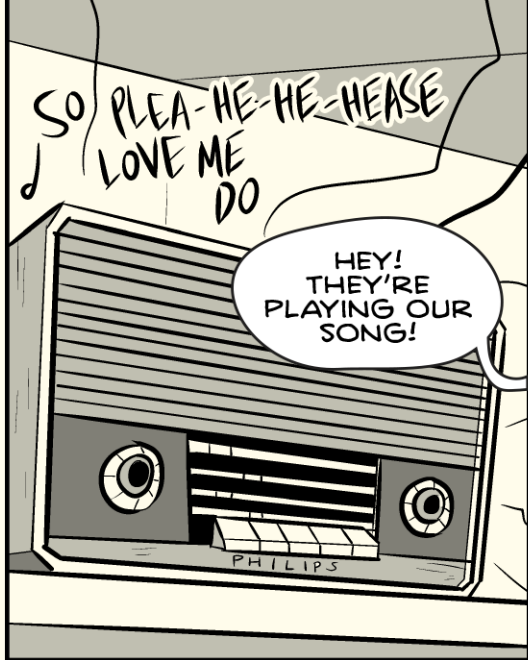
IT'S MORE A CASE OF WHAT I CAN DO FOR YOU.

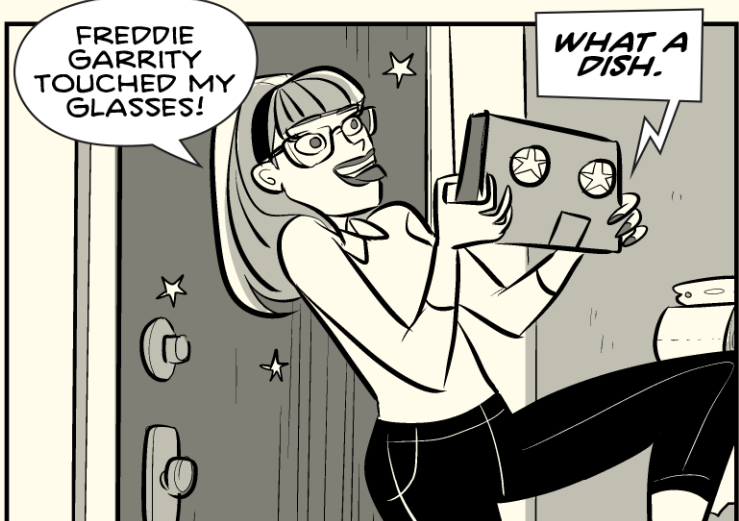
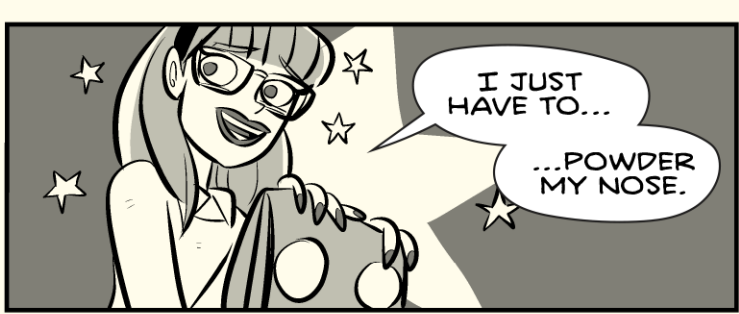
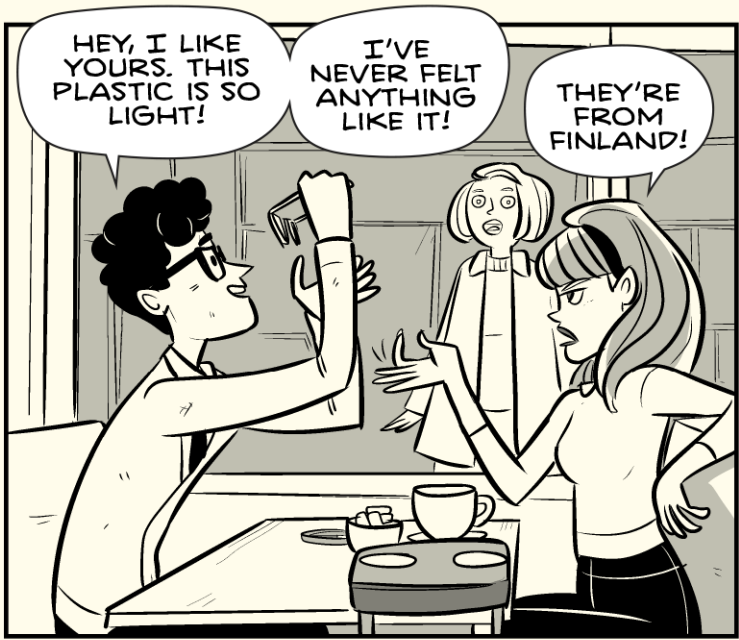
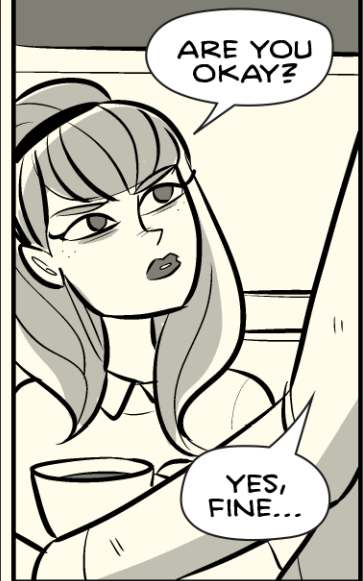
WOULD YOU LIKE A JELLY BABY?



THAT BLOODY SNAKE IN THE GRASS!

FREE SWEETIES!

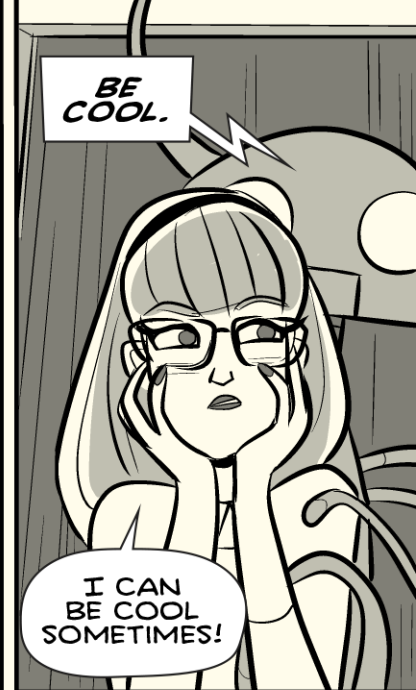






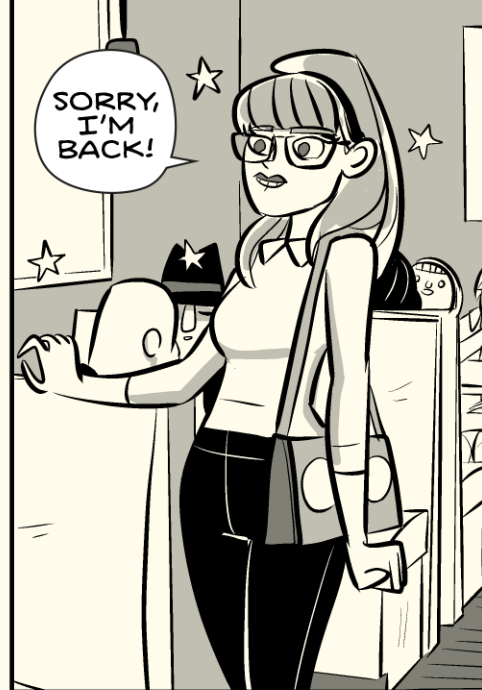
F-F-FREDDIE GARRITY.
GROUND ZERO OF SIXTIES POP CULTURE.

FRED THE DREAMERS
AND THE PACEMAKERS
GERRY AND THE PACEMAKERS
THE EGGTONES CILLA BLACK
Wed., 1st May
THE CAVERN



BE COOL.

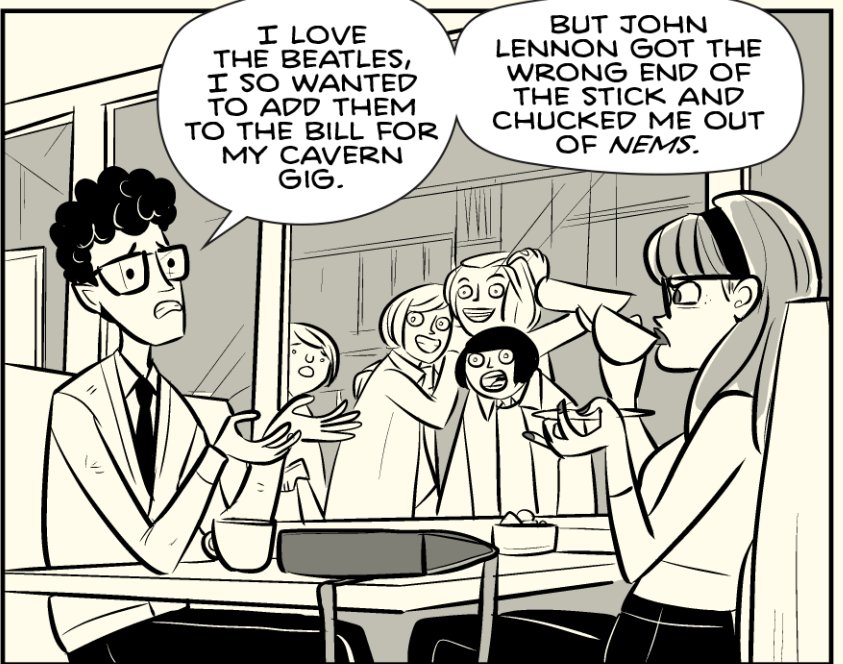
I CAN BE COOL SOMETIMES!



SORRY, I'M BACK!



OH FREDDIE, YOU LOOK REALLY DOWN.



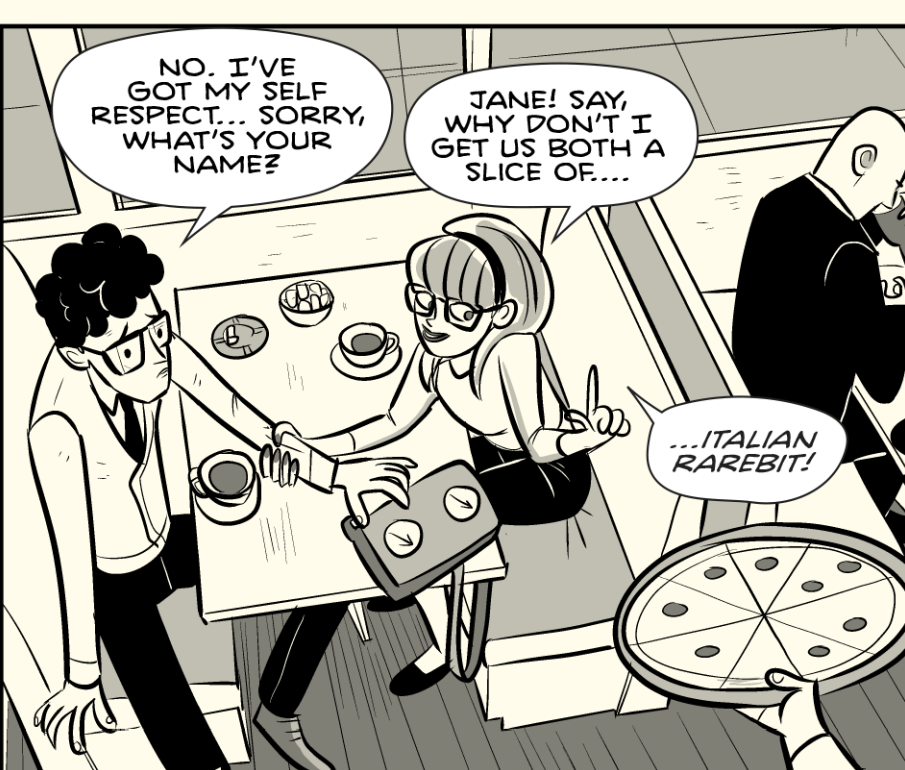
I LOVE THE BEATLES, I SO WANTED TO ADD THEM TO THE BILL FOR MY CAVERN GIG.

BUT JOHN LENNON GOT THE WRONG END OF THE STICK AND CHUCKED ME OUT OF NEMS.



I CAN SMOOTH THINGS OUT!

I'M INVOLVED WITH A BEATLE!



NO. I'VE GOT MY SELF RESPECT... SORRY, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

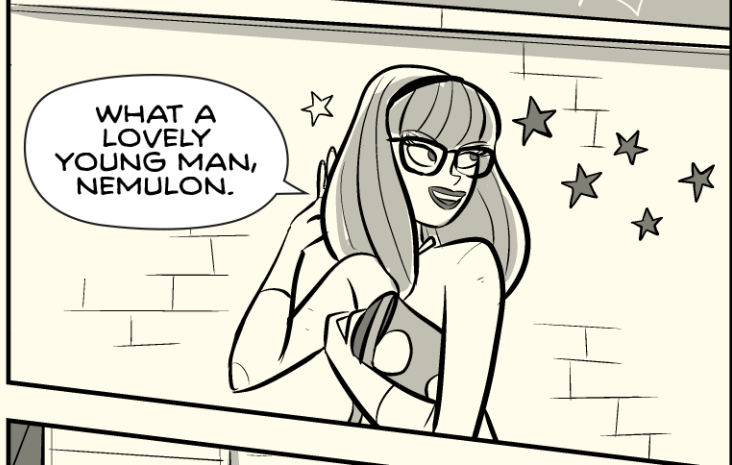
JANE! SAY, WHY DON'T I GET US BOTH A SLICE OF...

...ITALIAN RAREBIT!

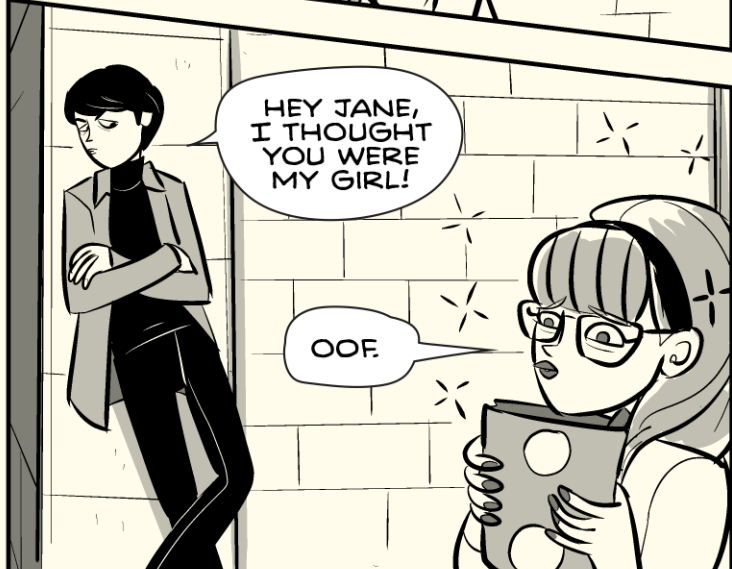


VERY NICE TO HAVE MET YOU, JANE.

AND YOU, FREDDIE.



WHAT A LOVELY YOUNG MAN, NEMULON.



HEY JANE, I THOUGHT YOU WERE MY GIRL!

OOF.



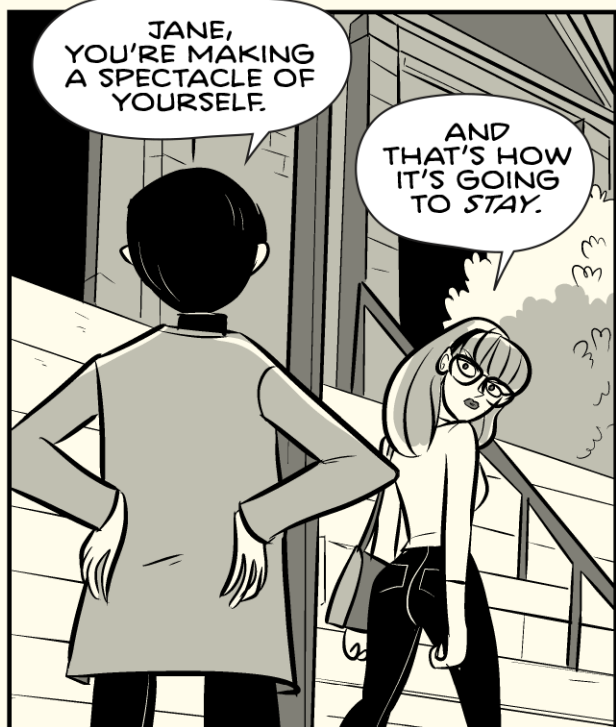
NOW I SEE YOU'RE SHARING A SLICE OF NEAPOLITAN CHEESE ON TOAST WITH THE ENEMY.

PAUL.



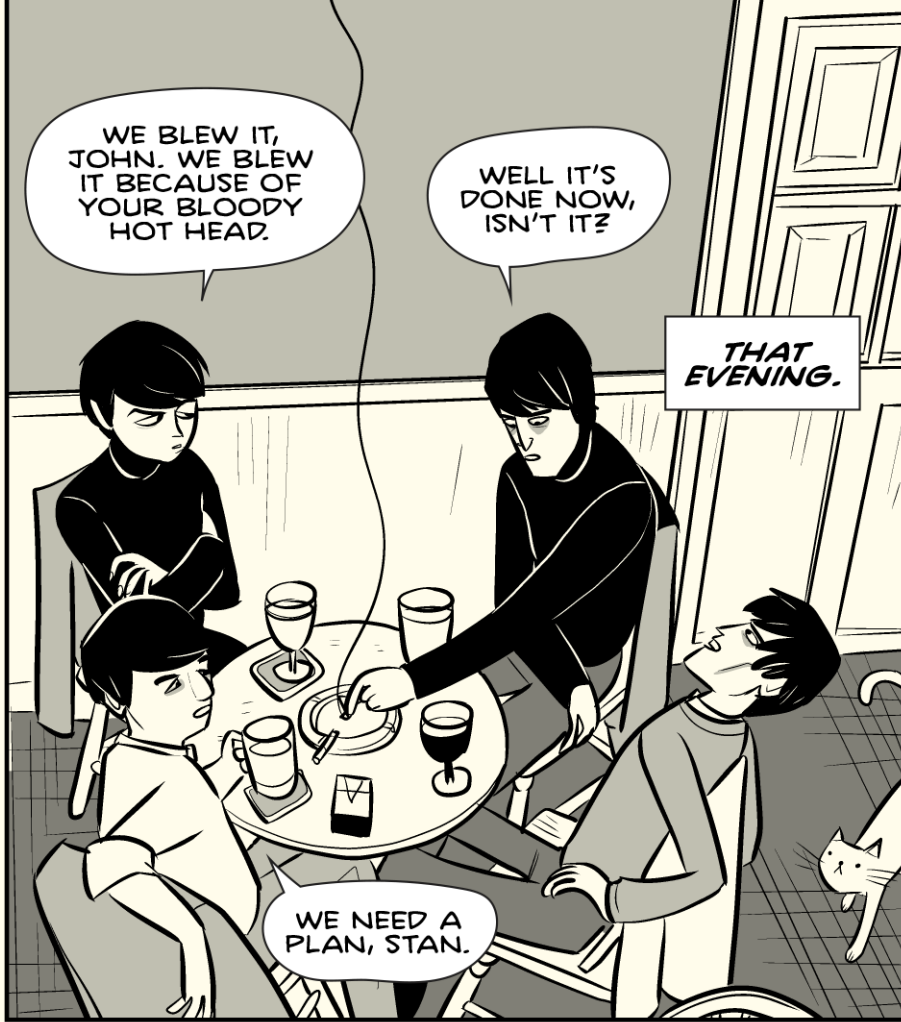
IF YOU AND JOHN WEREN'T SO JEALOUS OF FREDDIE, YOU'D BE SUPPORTING HIM ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

HE'S A GENTLEMAN!



JANE, YOU'RE MAKING A SPECTACLE OF YOURSELF.

AND THAT'S HOW IT'S GOING TO STAY.



WE BLEW IT, JOHN. WE BLEW IT BECAUSE OF YOUR BLOODY HOT HEAD.

WELL IT'S DONE NOW, ISN'T IT?

THAT EVENING.

WE NEED A PLAN, STAN.



WE'VE GOT TO GET FREDDY BACK ON SIDE.



HE'S A SIMPLE SOUL... INNOCENT.



IMAGINE IF WE COULD CREATE A TRAIN WITH A HUGE HUMAN FACE.

HE'D LIKE THAT.

RINGO, THAT'S YOUR ANSWER TO EVERYTHING.



LOOKS LIKE GERRY AND THE PACEMAKERS WILL BE RIDING RINGO'S TRAIN TO POP SUCCESS.

SIGH.



I'LL SORT IT, BOYS.

COULD YOU SORT US OUT SOME CHIPS AND A SAVELOY WHILE YOU'RE AT IT?

GERRY MARSDEN
BEAT GROUP UP-AND-COMER

EYYYY, THE
MERSEY, THIS
LAND'S THE
PLACE I LOVE.

*SHELLEY,
THIS LAD'S
CRACKED.*

SHHHH!

AND
LOOK AT
THAT FLIPPIN'
FERRY. WHAT
A BEAUTY.

PEOPLE
FROM
LIVERPOOL
REALLY LOVE
LIVERPOOL!

IT'S LIKE A
DISEASE!

*JUST CONVINC
THIS GOON TO
DROP OUT SO THE
BEATLES CAN PLAY
ON WEDNESDAY.*

I'LL
TRY. BUT
IT DOESN'T
SEEM
FAIR.

O
HAI!

OH 'EY,
I'M NOT
'ERE FOR
BUSINESS.

I'M NOT A
FILLE DE JOI!
I'M JUST AT THE
DOCKS TO HAVE
A GOOD TIME!

LET'S
PLAY
LUDO!

NO
CHANCE! ME
MA WARNED
ME ABOUT
GIRLS LIKE
YOU!





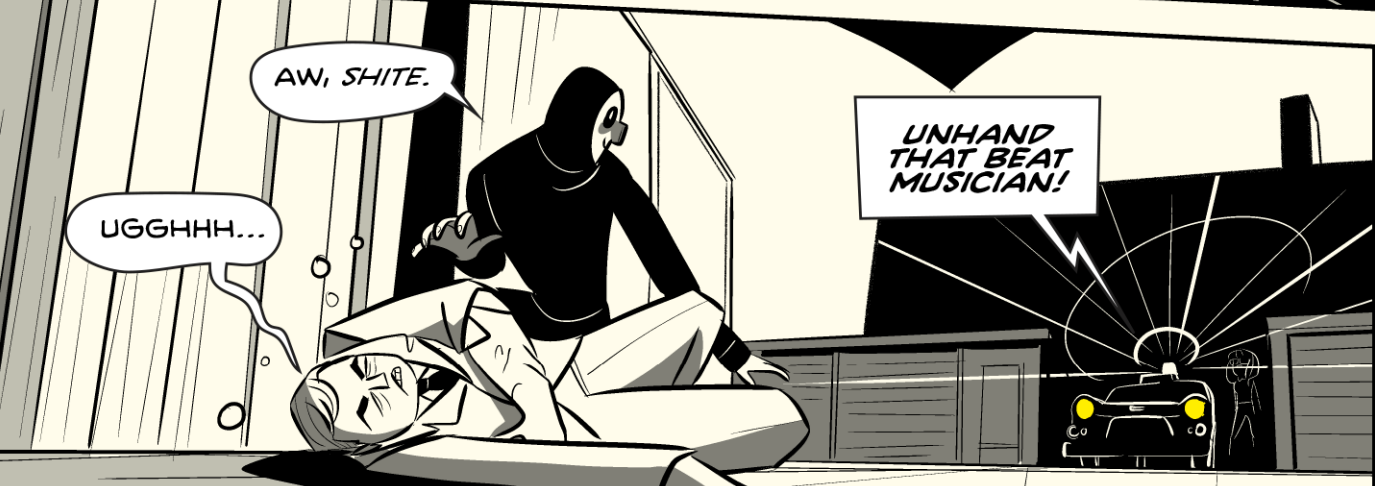
NO!
NOT ME
GUITAR
ARM!

HITCH

YOUR
PACEMAKIN'
DAYS ARE
OVER, GERRY.



AAAAAGH!



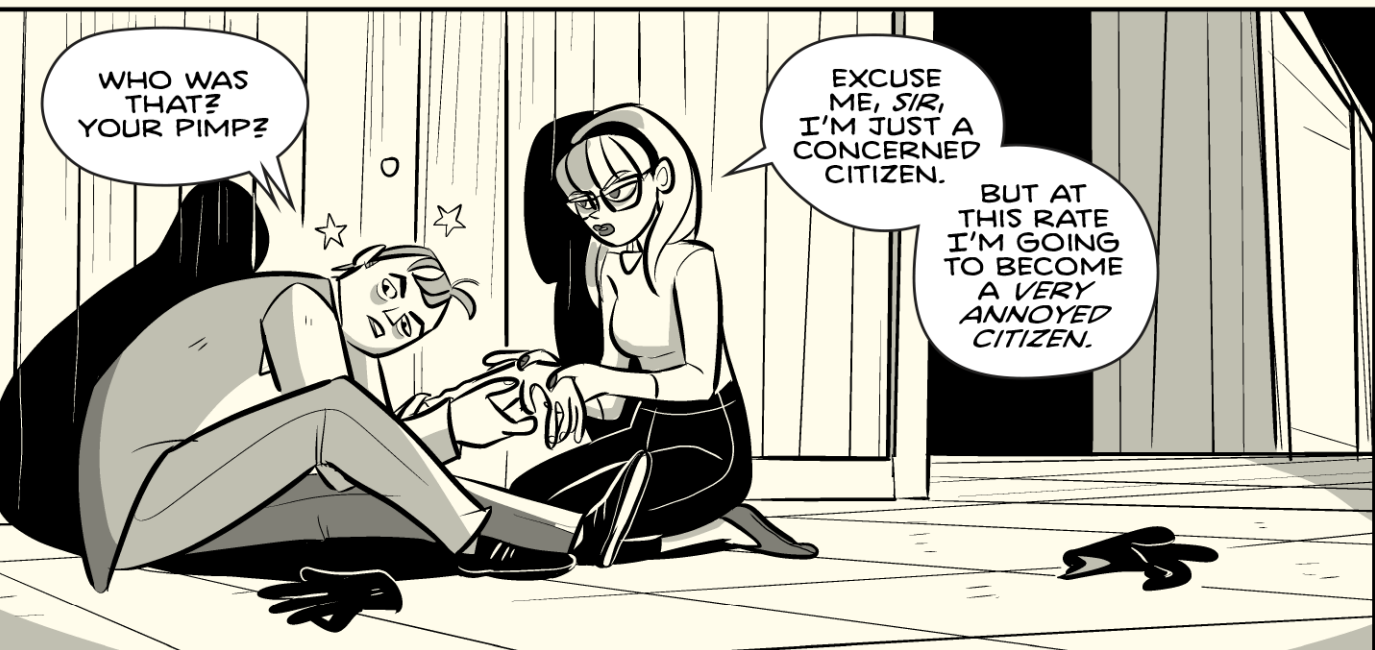
AW, SHITE.

UGGHHH...

UNHAND
THAT BEAT
MUSICIAN!



SPRINT



WHO WAS
THAT?
YOUR PIMP?

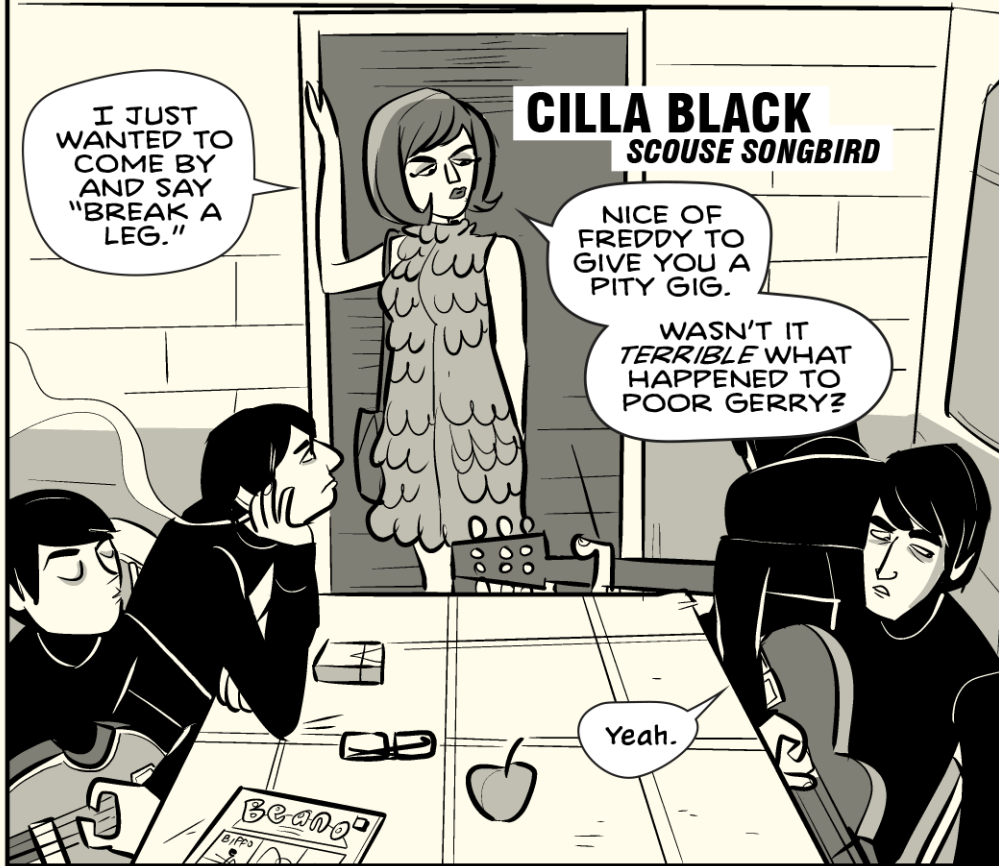
EXCUSE
ME, SIR,
I'M JUST A
CONCERNED
CITIZEN.

BUT AT
THIS RATE
I'M GOING
TO BECOME
A VERY
ANNOYED
CITIZEN.



THE CAVERN CLUB,
WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

SURPRISE
SURPRISE!



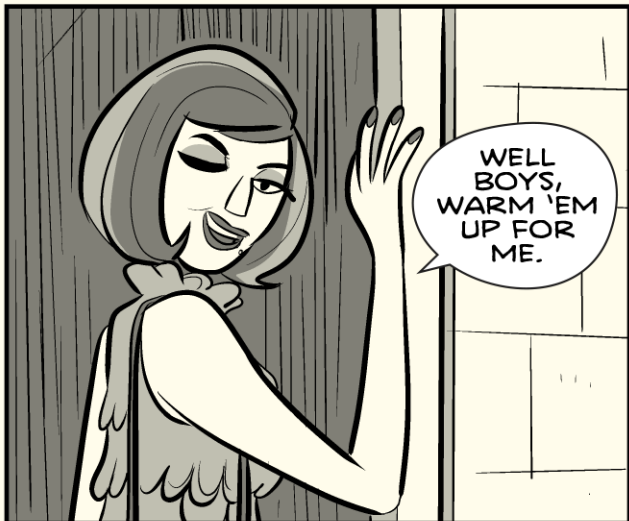
CILLA BLACK
SCOUSE SONGBIRD

I JUST WANTED TO COME BY AND SAY "BREAK A LEG."

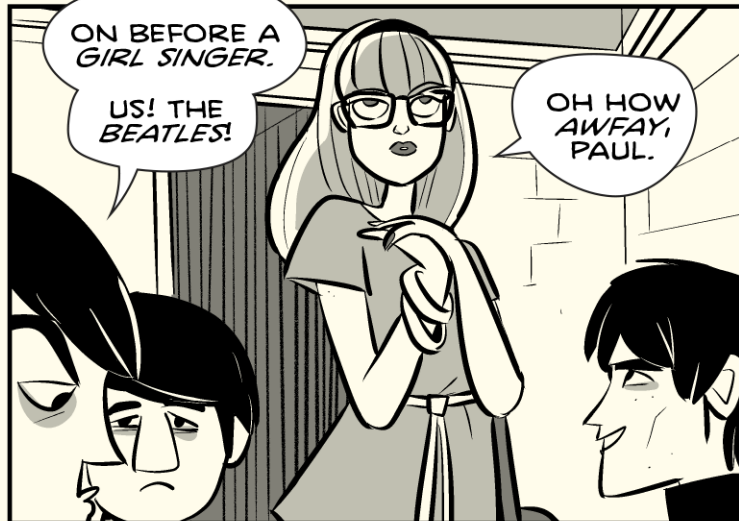
NICE OF FREDDY TO GIVE YOU A PITY GIG.

WASN'T IT TERRIBLE WHAT HAPPENED TO POOR GERRY?

Yeah.



WELL BOYS, WARM 'EM UP FOR ME.



ON BEFORE A GIRL SINGER.

US! THE BEATLES!

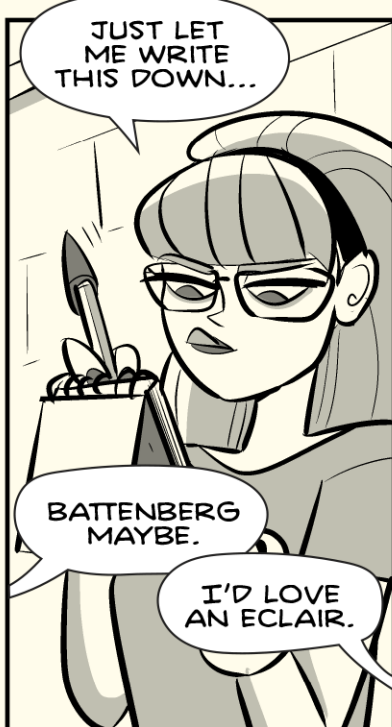
OH HOW AWFAY, PAUL.



COULD YOU GO AND GET US ALL A CUP OF TEA, JANEY?

AND A BUN?

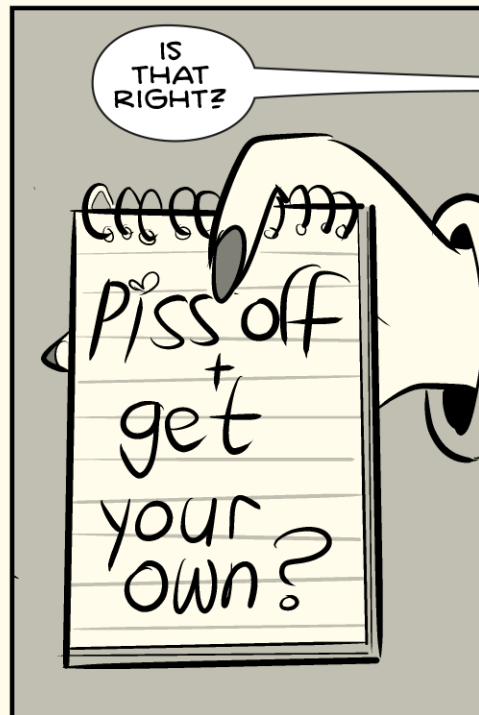
WE'RE FEELING A BIT BLUE.



JUST LET ME WRITE THIS DOWN...

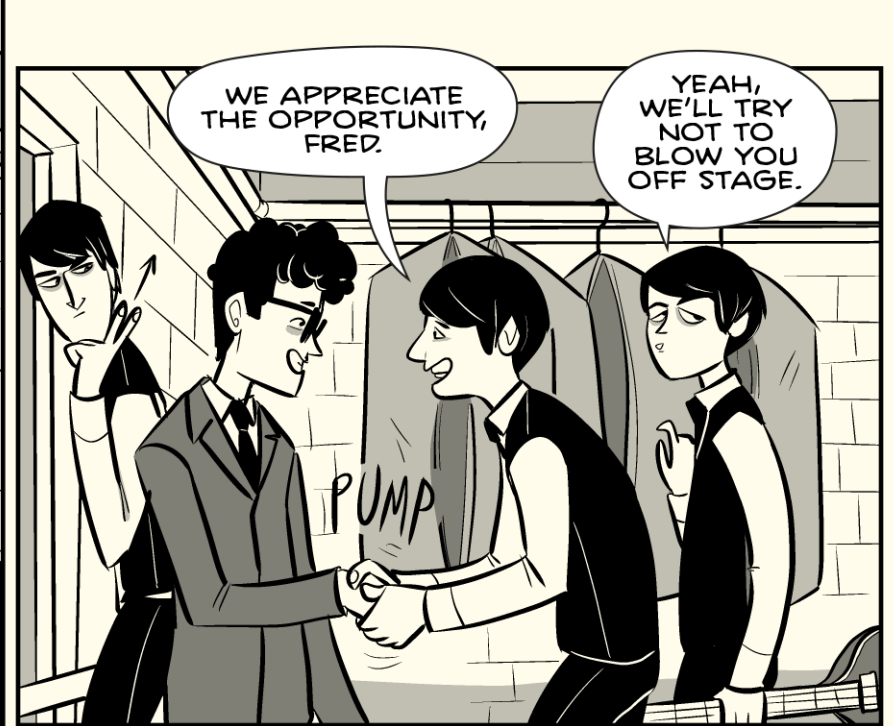
BATTENBERG MAYBE.

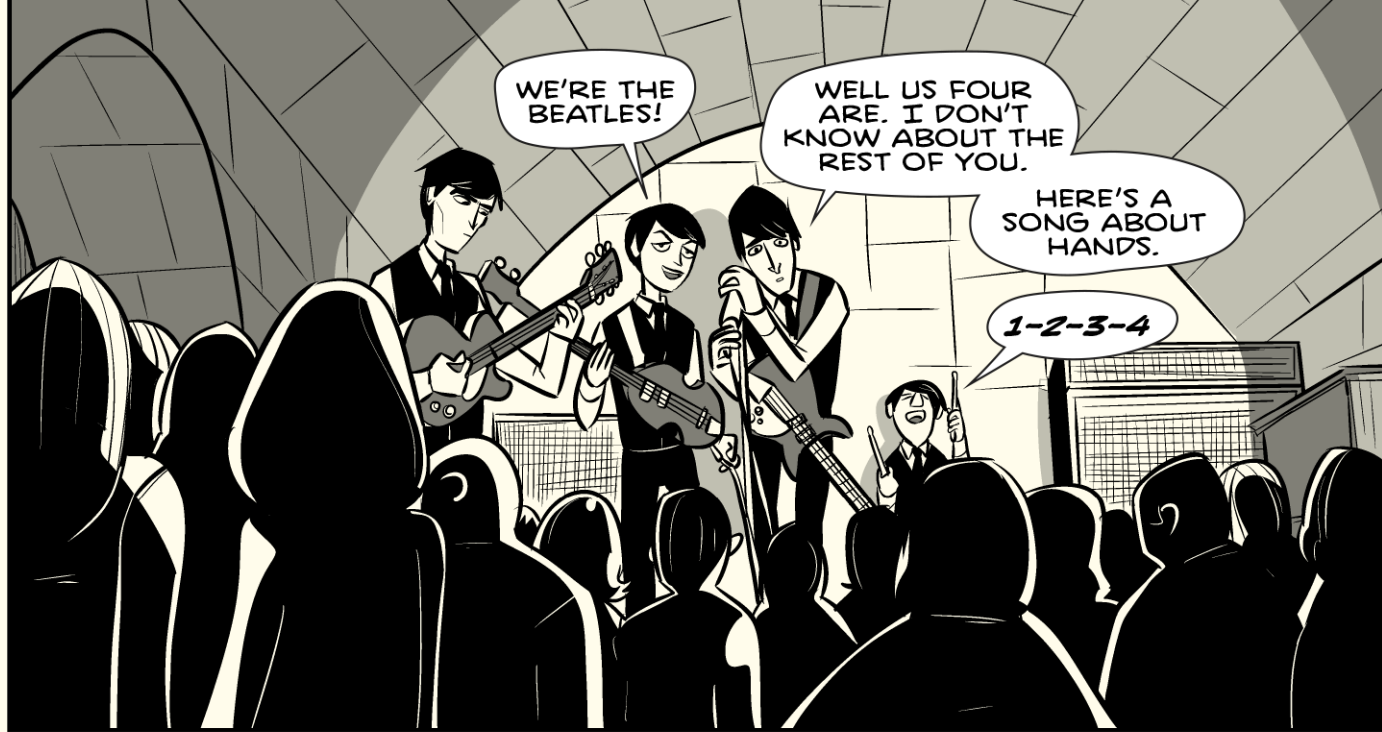
I'D LOVE AN ECLAIR.



IS THAT RIGHT?

PISS OFF + get your own?





WE'RE THE BEATLES!

WELL US FOUR ARE. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE REST OF YOU.

HERE'S A SONG ABOUT HANDS.

1-2-3-4



WHEN I SEE A HAND, I'M DETERMINED TO HOLD IT

AND YOU'VE GOT A HAND SO IF I COULD BE SO BOLD IT'S-



-TIME TO BE HOLDING YOUR HAND

OOOOO!



EY, THESE GUYS ARE GREAT!

THEY'RE FAB GEAR!

EASY ON THE EYE TOO!



THEY'RE A SMASH, NEMULON!

NOTHING CAN STOP THE INEXORABLE RISE OF BEATLE MUSIC NOW!

Hmmmm

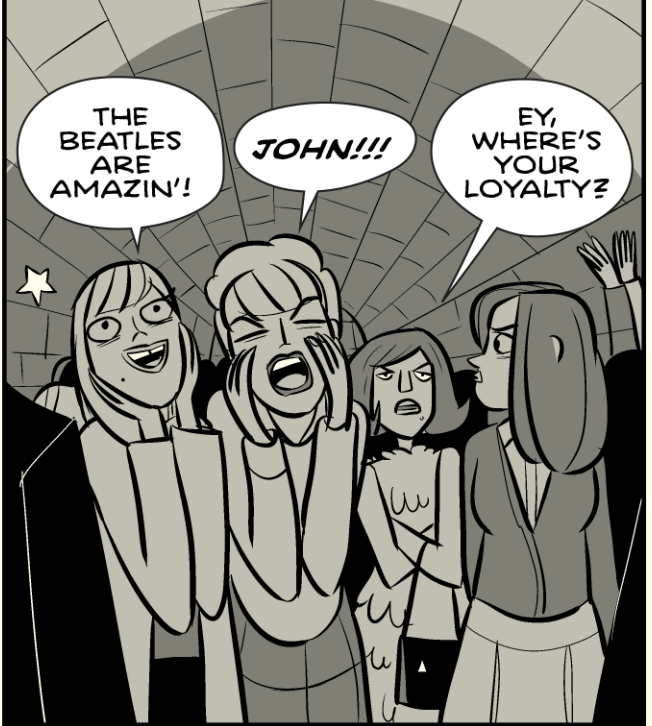


THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

YEAH!

GEAR!

FLIPPIN' DOUBLE SCREAM!



THE BEATLES ARE AMAZIN'!

JOHN!!!

EY, WHERE'S YOUR LOYALTYZ?



WE'RE FREDDIE FANS, RIGHTZ?

'OW'S 'E GONNA FEEL IF YOU ALL GO BEATLE MANIACZ?



FREDDIE! FREDDIE!

FREDDIE! FREDDIE!

POOR OLD FREDDIE.

FREDDIE! FREDDIE!



WHAT'S GOIN' ON? I CAN'T HEAR MYSELF THINK.

HE'S ON HIS WAY, LADIES AND GERMS.

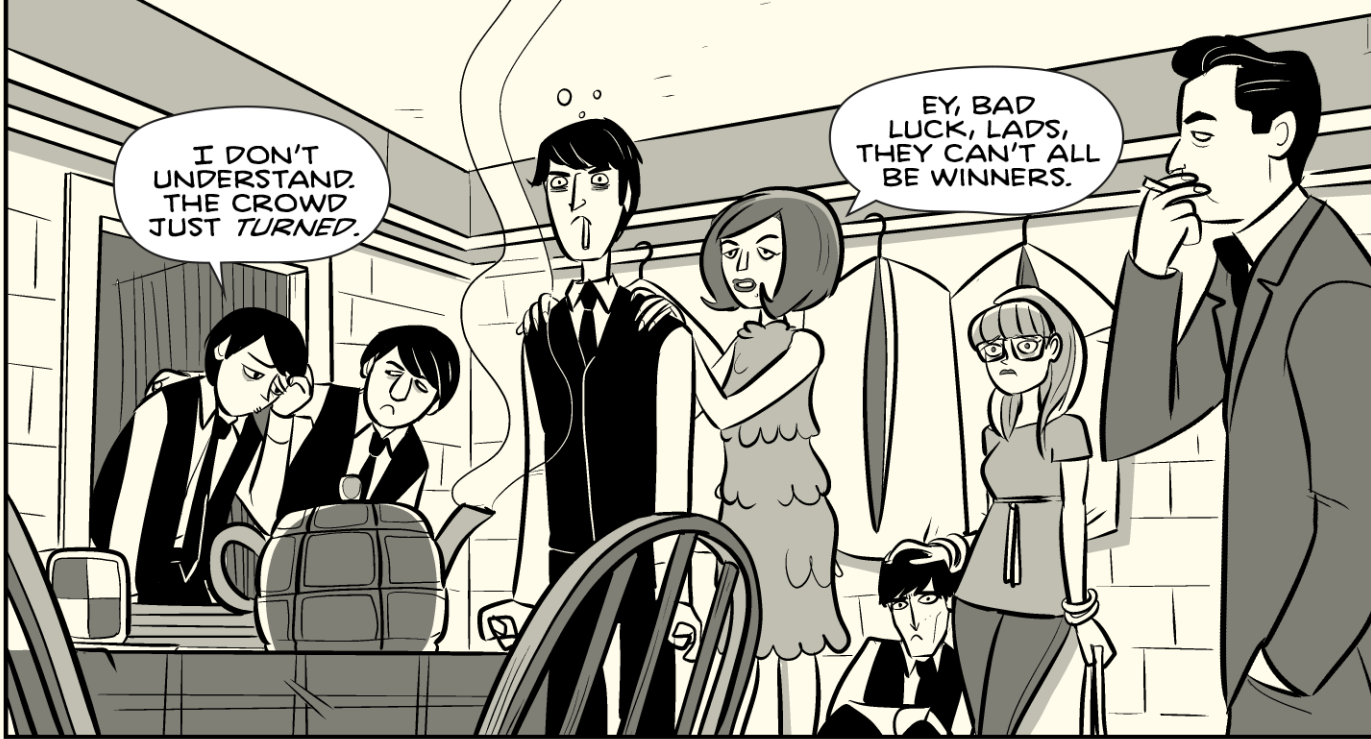
JUST A COUPLE MORE FROM US.



THIS ONE'S CALLED GREENSLEEVES.

ORIGINALLY MADE POPULAR BY HENRY THE EIGHTH.

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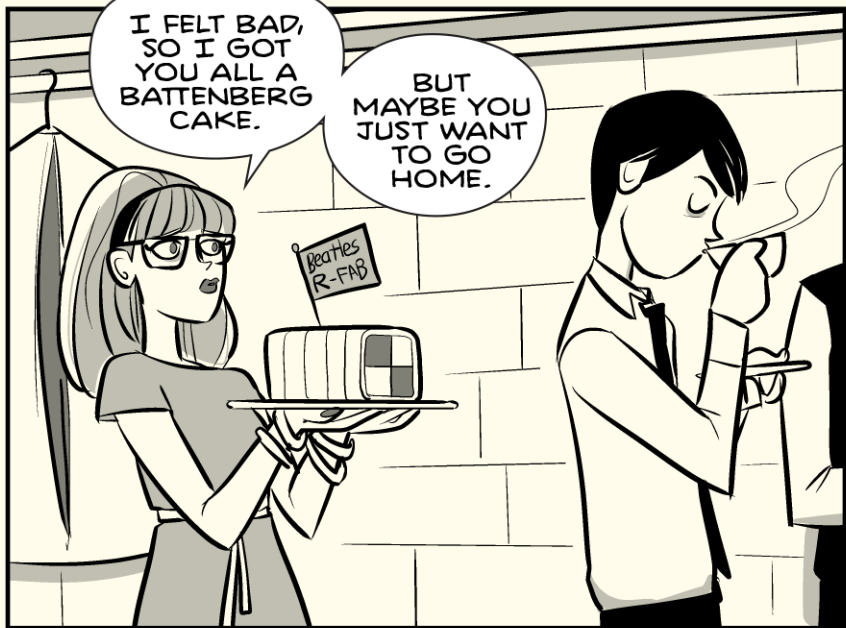


I DON'T UNDERSTAND. THE CROWD JUST TURNED.

EY, BAD LUCK, LADS, THEY CAN'T ALL BE WINNERS.

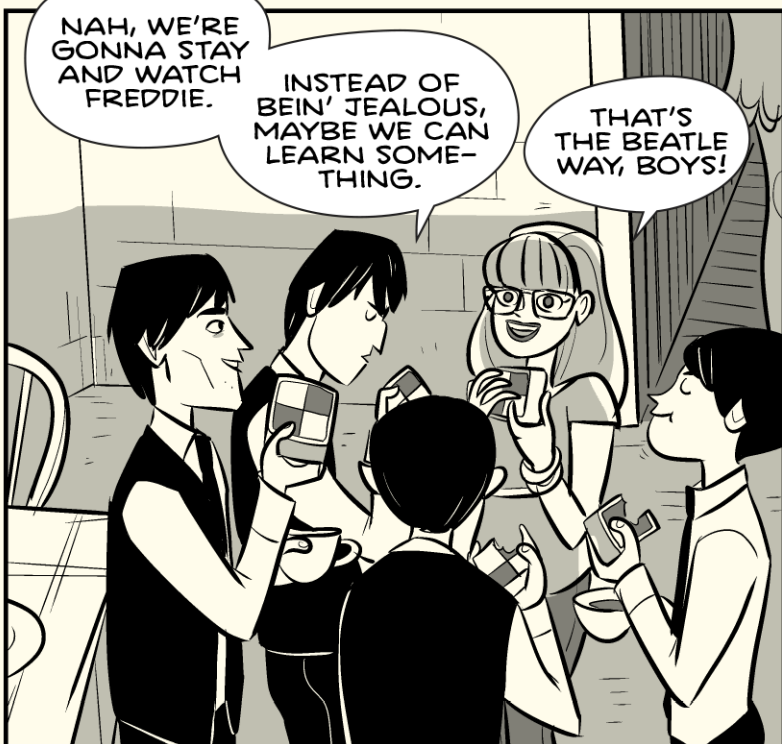


ANYWAY, CHEER UP, YOUR MR EPSTEIN'S JUST SIGNED ME UP FOR MANAGEMENT.



I FELT BAD, SO I GOT YOU ALL A BATTENBERG CAKE.

BUT MAYBE YOU JUST WANT TO GO HOME.



NAH, WE'RE GONNA STAY AND WATCH FREDDIE.

INSTEAD OF BEIN' JEALOUS, MAYBE WE CAN LEARN SOMETHING.

THAT'S THE BEATLE WAY, BOYS!



THAT NEW SONG YOU WERE TELLIN' ME ABOUT, FRED, PLAY IT.

PLAY IT FLIPPIN' LOUD.



TOP OF THE BILL, HERE ARE FREDDIE AND THE DREAMERS!

GOOD EVENING EVERYONE! ARE YOU READY TO HAVE A GOOD TIME?



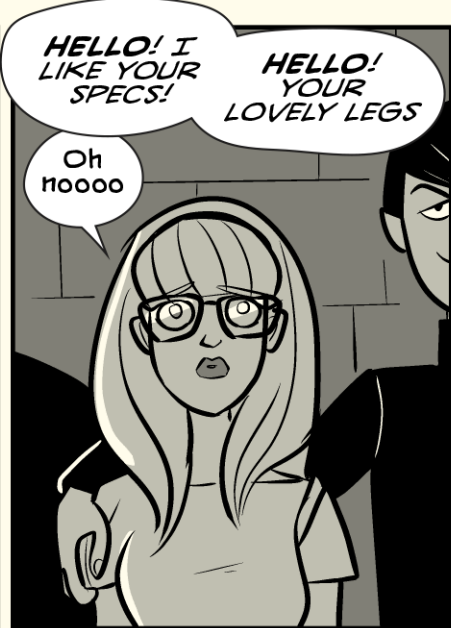
FREDDIE
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HERE'S A NEWIE ABOUT A VERY SPECIAL YOUNG LADY.



I ONLY MET YOU YESTERDAY

BUT YOU MAKE ME WANT TO SAY...



HELLO! I LIKE YOUR SPECS!

HELLO! YOUR LOVELY LEGS

Oh nooooo



HELLO! YOUR GINGER HAIR

HELLO! YOUR MODERN FLAIR.

JANE!

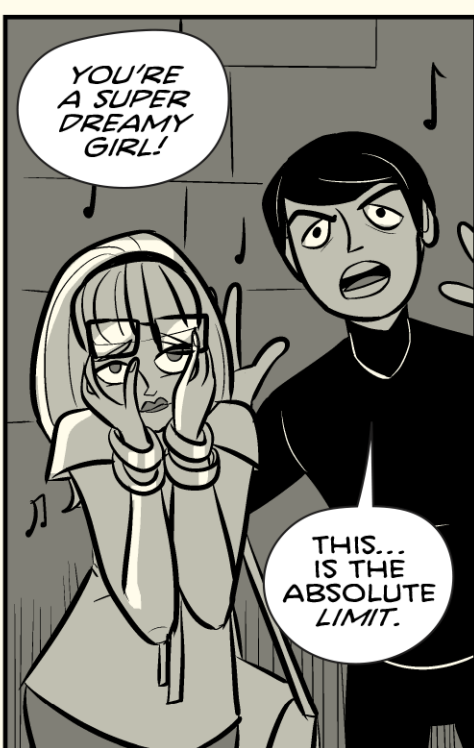


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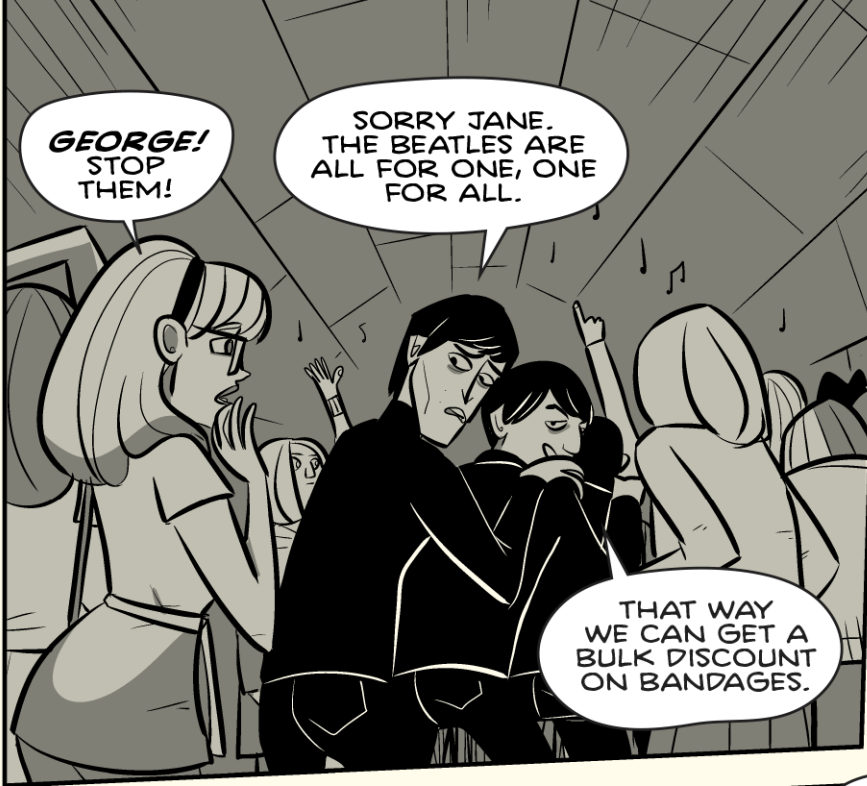
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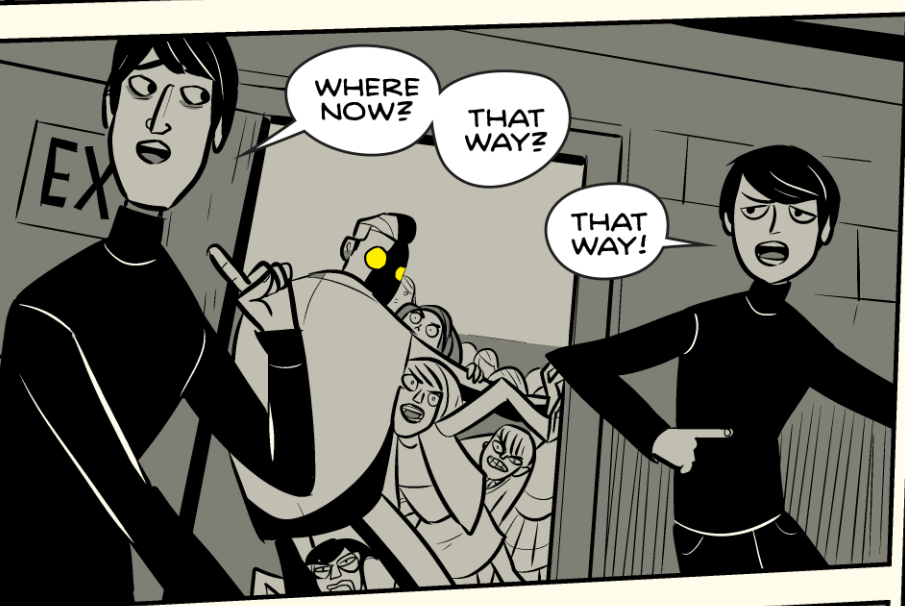
I REALLY LIKE YOU!



YOU'RE A SUPER DREAMY GIRL!

THIS... IS THE ABSOLUTE LIMIT.







QUICK!
INTO THE
COAL
CELLAR!

GLOBAL

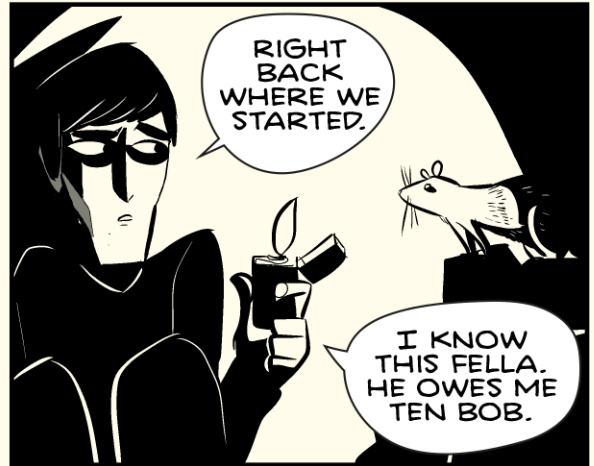


SURE IS
DARK
DOWN
HERE.

ANYONE
GOT A
SMOKEZ?

I THINK
THIS COAL'S
SMOKELESS.

TO-TO



RIGHT
BACK
WHERE WE
STARTED.

I KNOW
THIS FELLA.
HE OWES ME
TEN BOB.



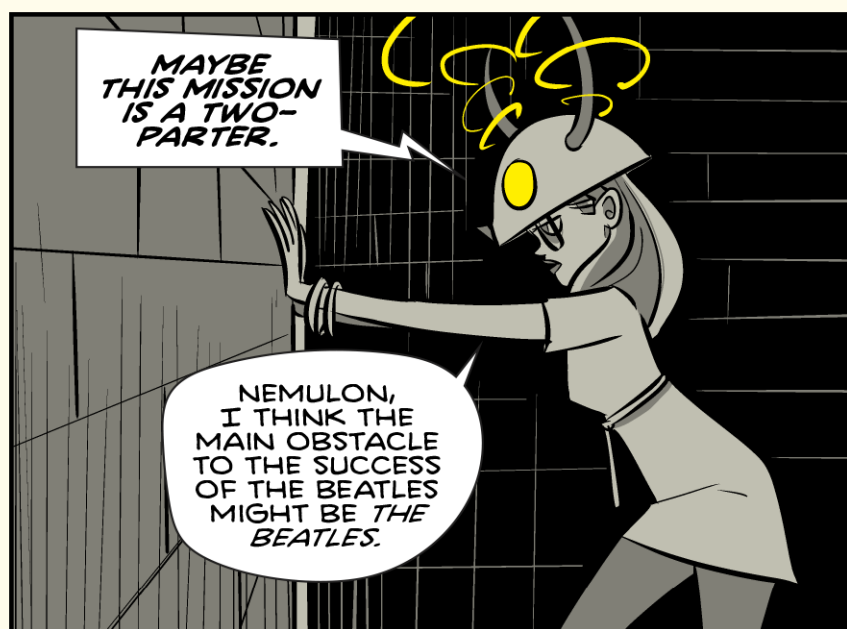
WHERE
DID THEY
GO?

THE
BEATLES?
THEY GOT
ONTO A
BUS...



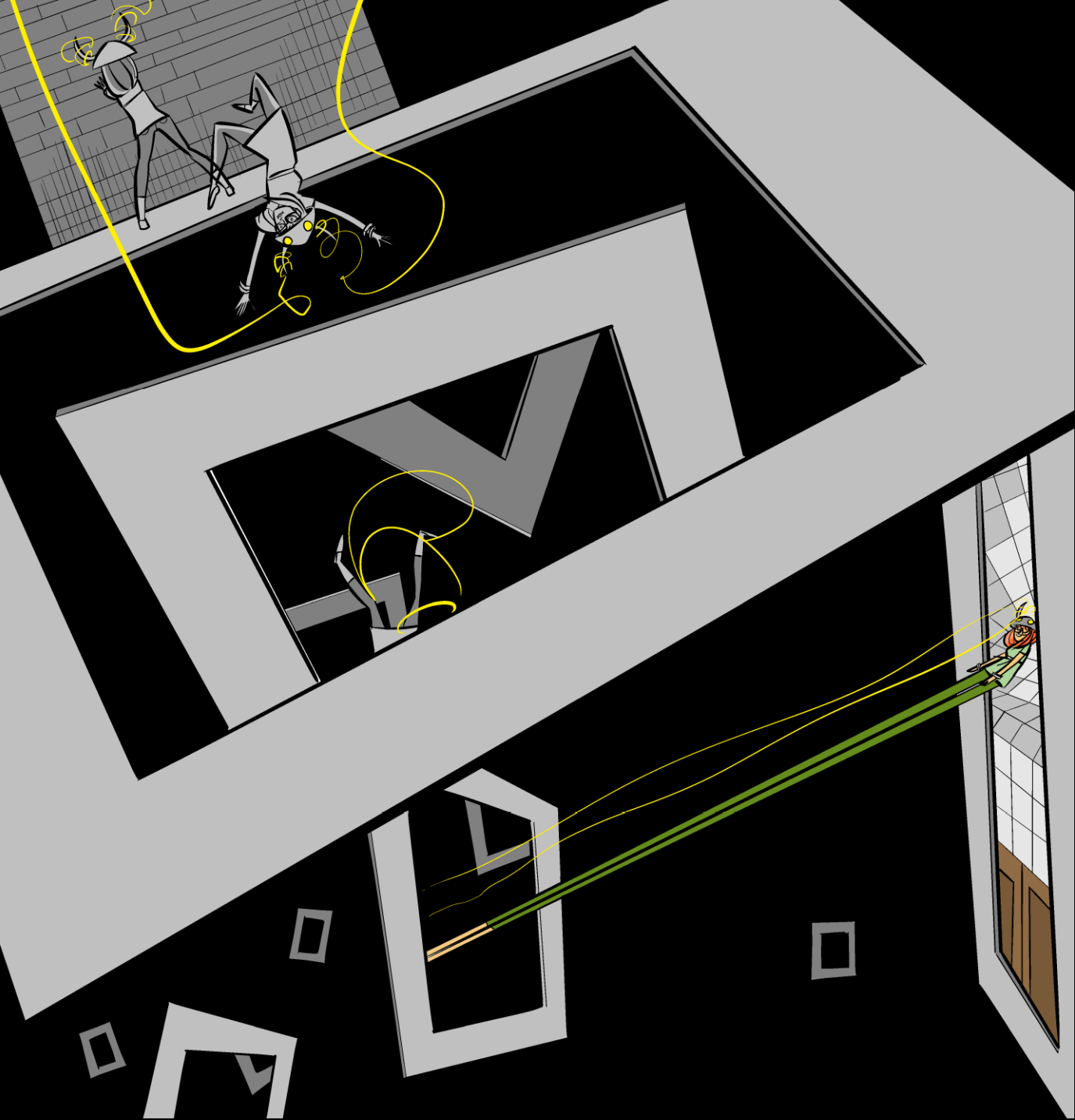
WHERE
TO?

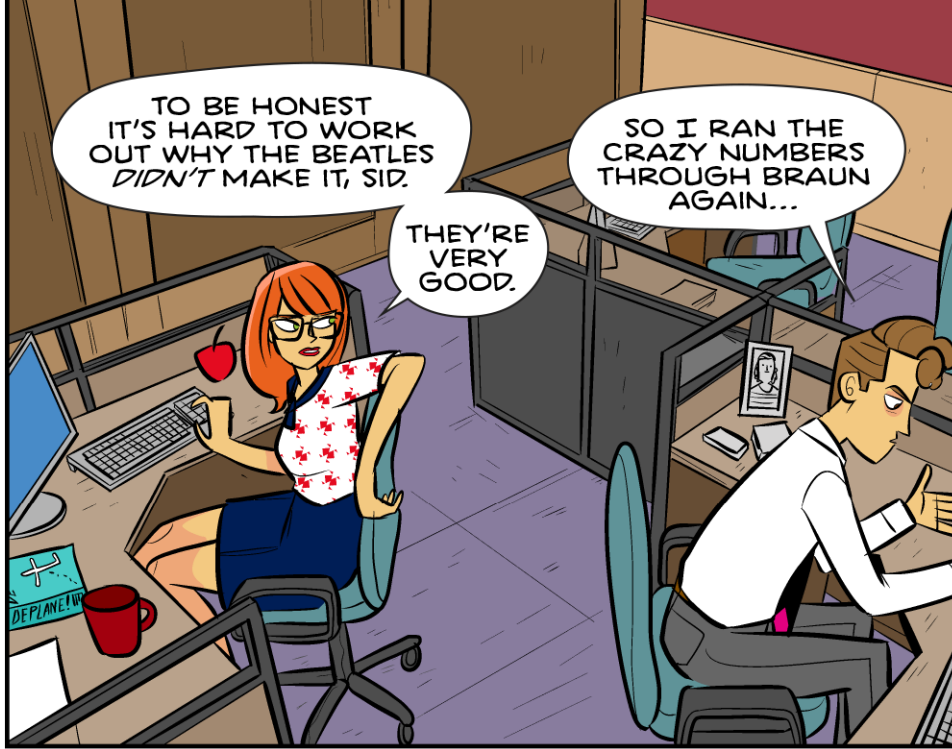
I BELIEVE
THEY SAID
THEIR
"LAIR"?



MAYBE
THIS MISSION
IS A TWO-
PARTER.

NEMULON,
I THINK THE
MAIN OBSTACLE
TO THE SUCCESS
OF THE BEATLES
MIGHT BE THE
BEATLES.





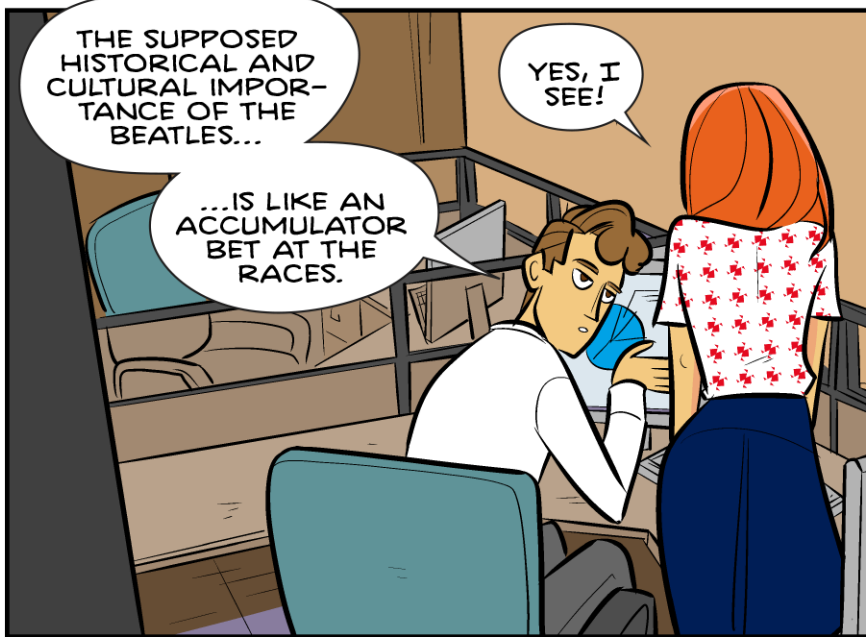
TO BE HONEST IT'S HARD TO WORK OUT WHY THE BEATLES DIDN'T MAKE IT, SID.

THEY'RE VERY GOOD.

SO I RAN THE CRAZY NUMBERS THROUGH BRAUN AGAIN...



...AND SOMETHING OCCURRED TO ME.



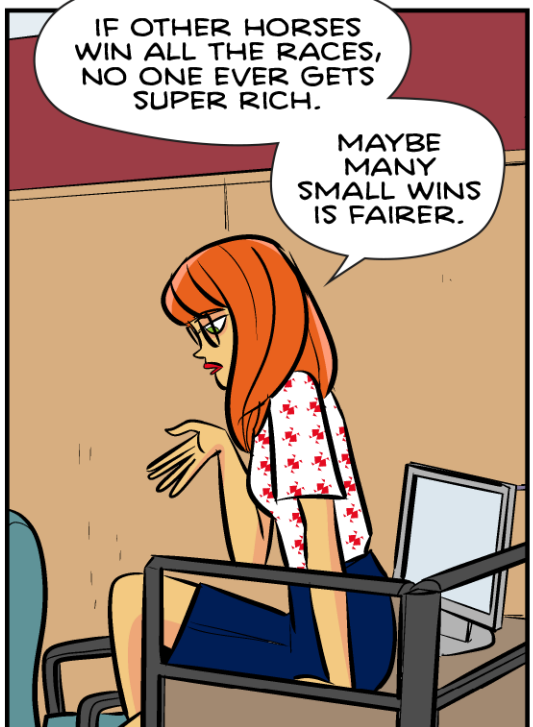
THE SUPPOSED HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL IMPORTANCE OF THE BEATLES...

YES, I SEE!

...IS LIKE AN ACCUMULATOR BET AT THE RACES.

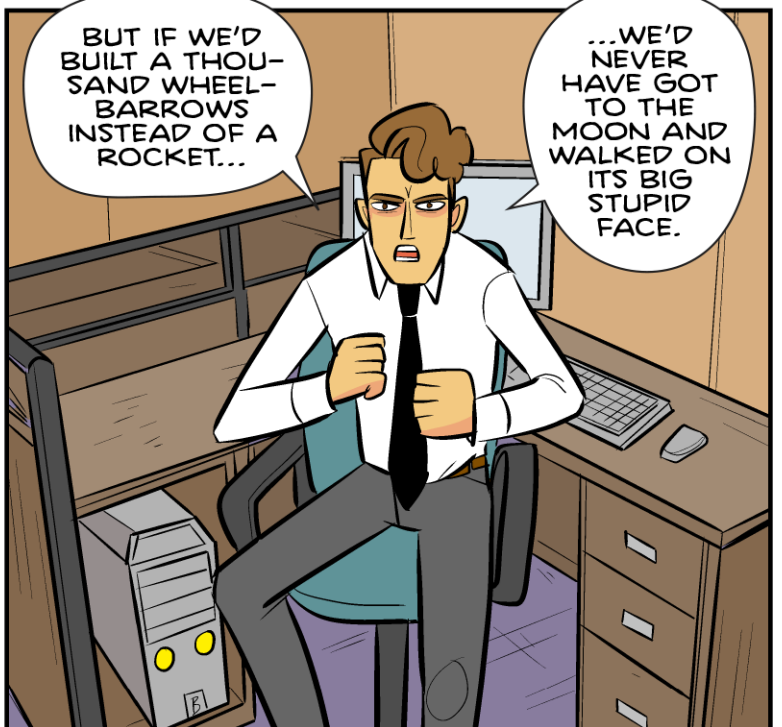


YOU WIN AND WIN AND THE ODDS GO UP AND UP AND YOU END UP A MILLIONAIRE.



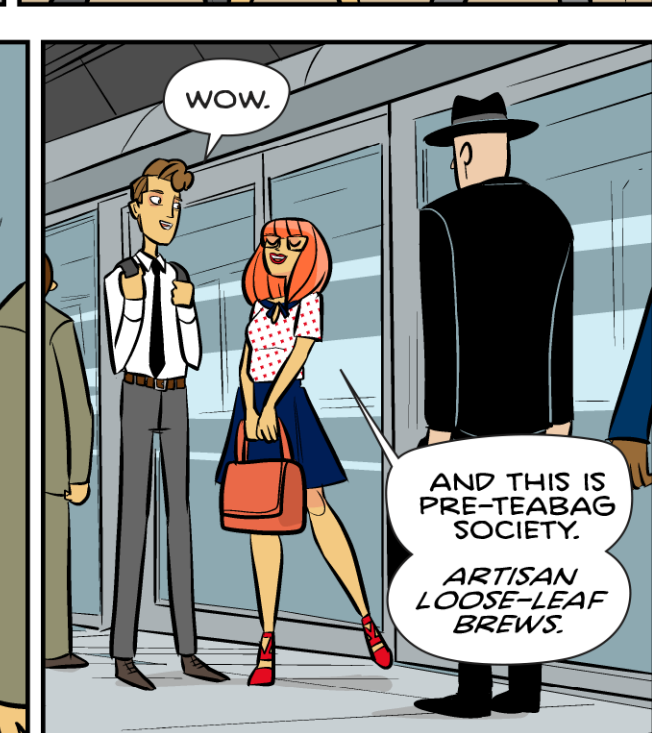
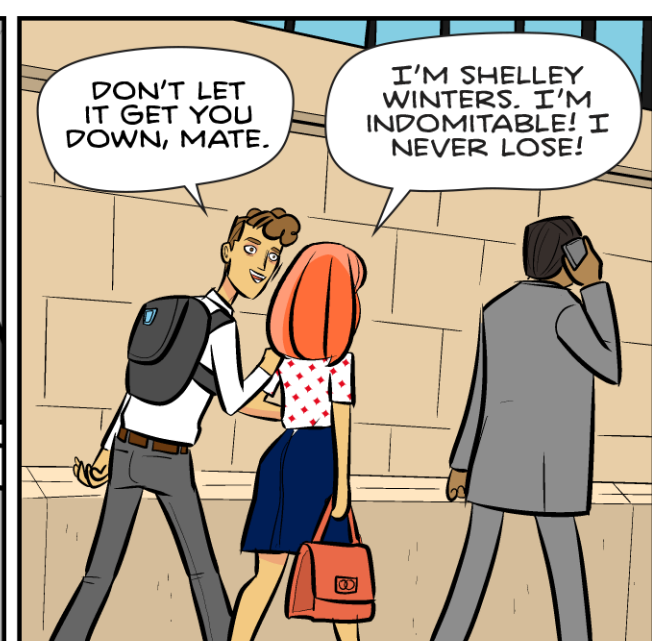
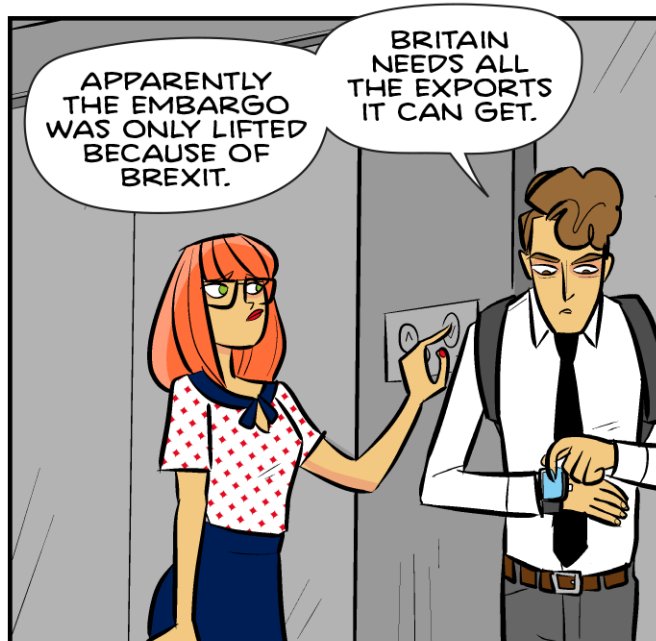
IF OTHER HORSES WIN ALL THE RACES, NO ONE EVER GETS SUPER RICH.

MAYBE MANY SMALL WINS IS FAIRER.



BUT IF WE'D BUILT A THOUSAND WHEELBARROWS INSTEAD OF A ROCKET...

...WE'D NEVER HAVE GOT TO THE MOON AND WALKED ON ITS BIG STUPID FACE.





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MR EPSTEIN, THAT DOES SEEM LIKE SUCH A TERRIBLE WASTE.

CILLA, THE ONLY PEOPLE BUYING THOSE OLD "LOVE ME DO" SINGLES...

...WERE FREDDIE AND THE DREAMERS FANS WHO WANTED TO SMASH THEM.

IT BROKE MY HEART.

MAYBE IT'S TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT A FUTURE...

...THAT DOESN'T INVOLVE THE BEATLES.

RIGHT, MR EPSTEIN.

WELL NOW. IMAGINE THERE'S NO BEATLES.

PAT BOONE
"BE MY SHMOOPY"

IT'S EASY IF YOU TRY.

TO BE CONTINUED

Steeple from Dark Horse Comics

Exciting!
Religious?

SENSUAL?
Don't know!

IN SHOPS NOW!



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Ester, Sussen and DAISEY!!!

Every book you will ever need!



IN SHOPS NOW!

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Wicked Things from BOOM! BOX



**"Totel genius comic"
- Alfred Einstein!!!**

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