



CELEBRATING 20 GOLDEN YEARS!

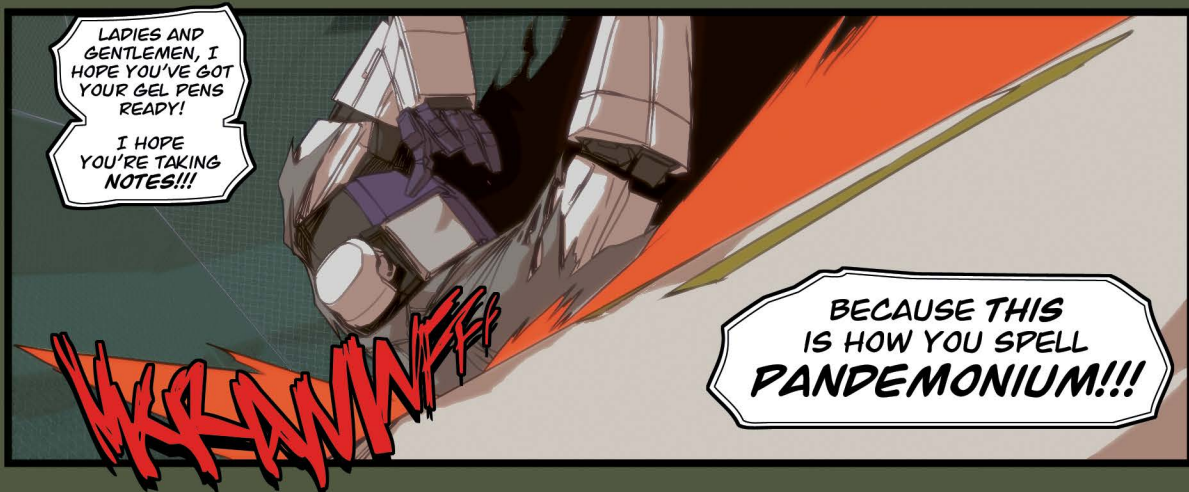
GOLD DIGGER

JUL 14 #131
\$3.99 U.S. & Can.
WWW.APMANGA.COM

FRED PERRY



JULY 2011



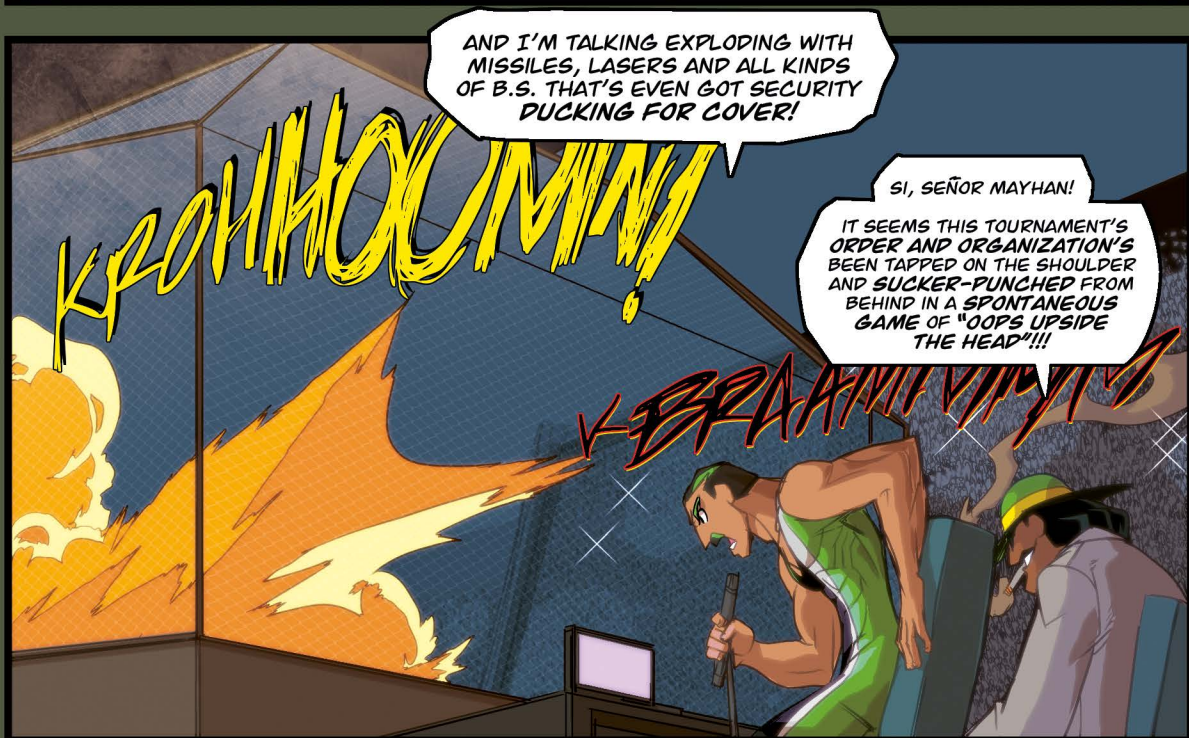
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I HOPE YOU'VE GOT YOUR GEL PENS READY!
I HOPE YOU'RE TAKING NOTES!!!

BECAUSE THIS IS HOW YOU SPELL PANDEMONIUM!!!



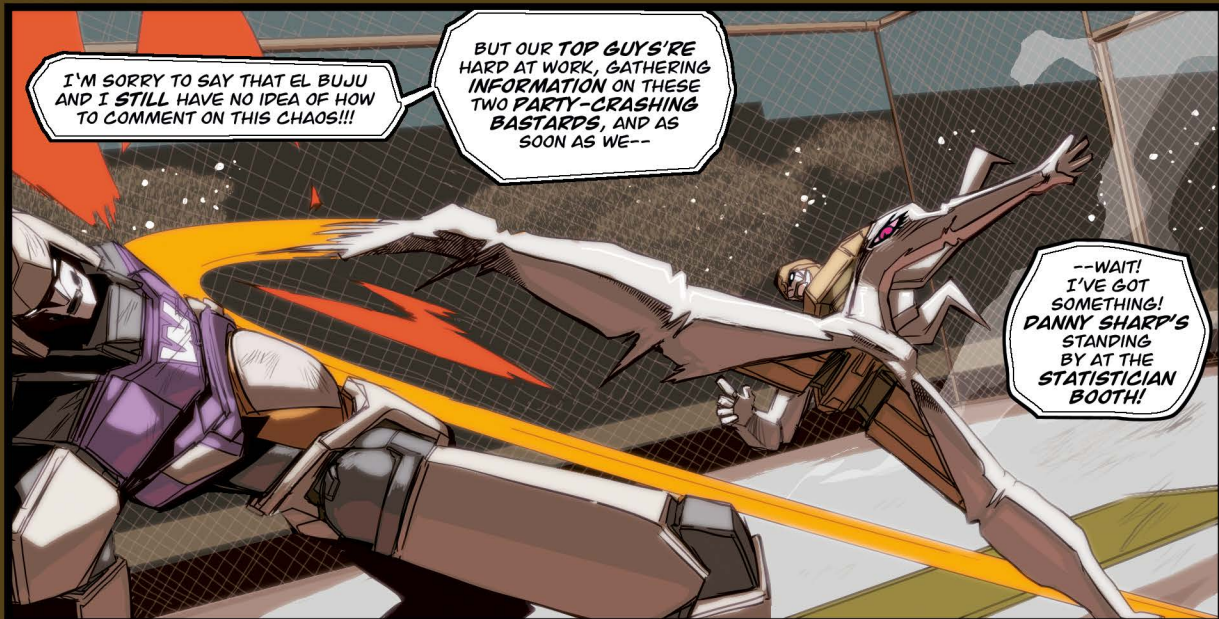
I'M MIKE "THE MAN" MAYHAN HERE WITH EL BUJU BONTINES RINGSIDE AT THE ULTIMATE FIGHTERS FEDERATION'S SAINT PATRICK'S DAY TAG TOURNAMENT EXTRAVAGANZA!!!

WE'VE GOT AN UNSCHEDULED GRUDGE MATCH OF SOME KIND EXPLODING IN THE CAGED ARENA!



AND I'M TALKING EXPLODING WITH MISSILES, LASERS AND ALL KINDS OF B.S. THAT'S EVEN GOT SECURITY PUCKING FOR COVER!

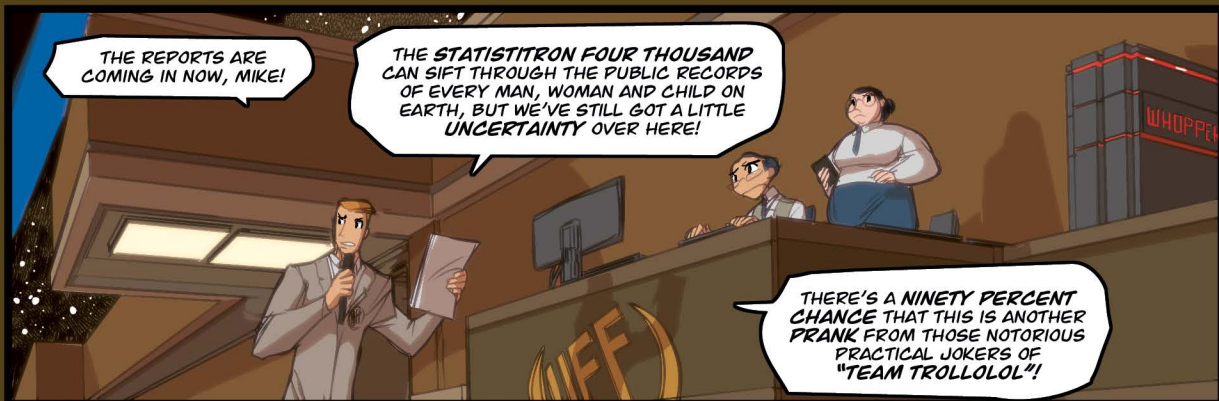
SI, SEÑOR MAYHAN!
IT SEEMS THIS TOURNAMENT'S ORDER AND ORGANIZATION'S BEEN TAPPED ON THE SHOULDER AND SUCKER-PUNCHED FROM BEHIND IN A SPONTANEOUS GAME OF "OOPS UPSIDE THE HEAD"!!!



I'M SORRY TO SAY THAT EL BUJU AND I **STILL** HAVE NO IDEA OF HOW TO COMMENT ON THIS CHAOS!!!

BUT OUR TOP GUYS'RE HARD AT WORK, GATHERING INFORMATION ON THESE TWO PARTY-CRASHING BASTARDS, AND AS SOON AS WE--

--WAIT! I'VE GOT SOMETHING! PANNY SHARP'S STANDING BY AT THE STATISTICIAN BOOTH!



THE REPORTS ARE COMING IN NOW, MIKE!

THE STATISTITRON FOUR THOUSAND CAN SIFT THROUGH THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD ON EARTH, BUT WE'VE STILL GOT A LITTLE UNCERTAINTY OVER HERE!

THERE'S A NINETY PERCENT CHANCE THAT THIS IS ANOTHER PRANK FROM THOSE NOTORIOUS PRACTICAL JOKERS OF "TEAM TROLLLOL"!



BUT THERE'S A TEN PERCENT CHANCE THAT ONE OF THOSE FIGHTERS IS THE RECLUSE MASKED MULTI-BILLIONAIRE OF THE WONKY CANDY CONGLOMERATE, "PRINCE LOWTOR"!

THERE'S AN ARTICLE AND A RARE PICTURE IN LAST YEAR'S BUSINESS EMPIRE WEEKLY ABOUT HIS DEVELOPING A NEW GLUCOSE-POWERED CAR... CAPABLE OF GETTING SIXTY MILES PER CHOCO-SLOB BAR!

LIKE A "BAWSS"!



AND THERE'S ALSO A TEN PERCENT CHANCE THAT THE OTHER FIGHTER IS A PARANORMAL BAND OF FUGITIVES LISTED ON THE X-INTERPOL'S MOST WANTED LIST!!!

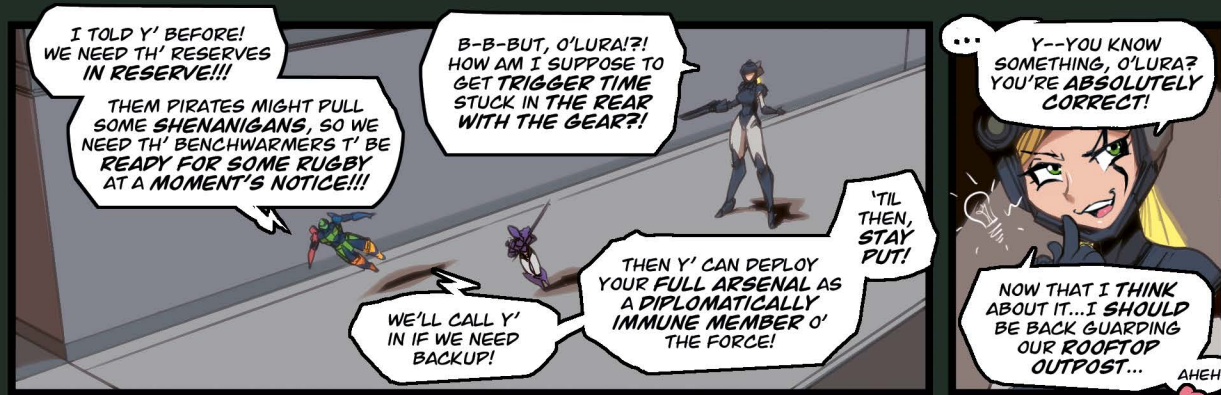
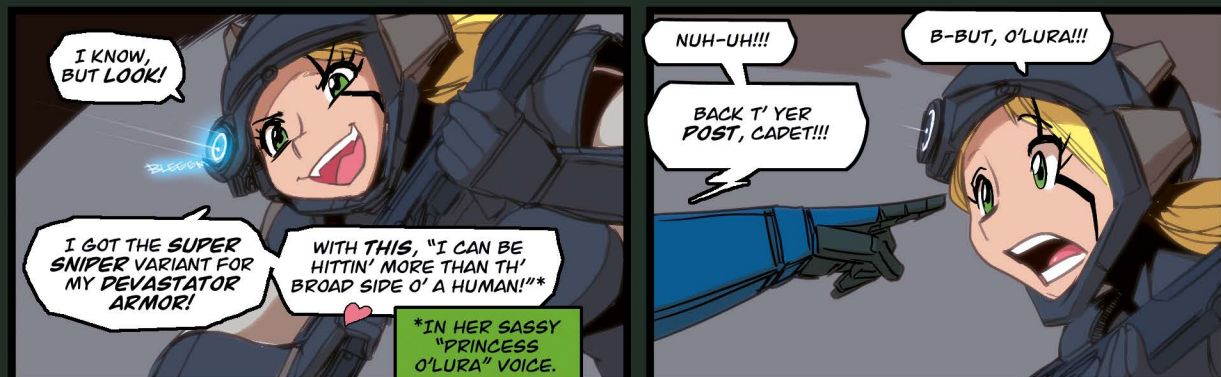
A TEAM OF--GET THIS--"PIRATE-NINJA LEPRECHAUNS", LEAD BY ONE "CAP'N MCMORGAN"! HAHHA!

AND IN SUCH A CASE, THE FIGHTER IN THAT CAGE MIGHT ACTUALLY BE A MINIATURE GIANT SUPER-ROBOT!

Heh! LOOKS LIKE SOMEBODY FORGOT TO DEFRAG THE STATISTITRON'S HARD DRIVE THIS MORNING!

WANTED








THAT RECRUIT
O' YOURS BE
A GREAT
ASSET,
PRINCESS!


SHE BE EAGER, SMART,
'N' CAN REACH HIGH
STUFF ON TH' SHELF!!!



PLUS, SHE BE
WILLIN' T' PUT ASIDE
'ER OWN GUNG-HO
T' FOLLOW ORDERS
T' TH' LETTER!

AYE...

...AYE, MCCLEFT.
'N' THAT BE WHAT
WORRIES ME!



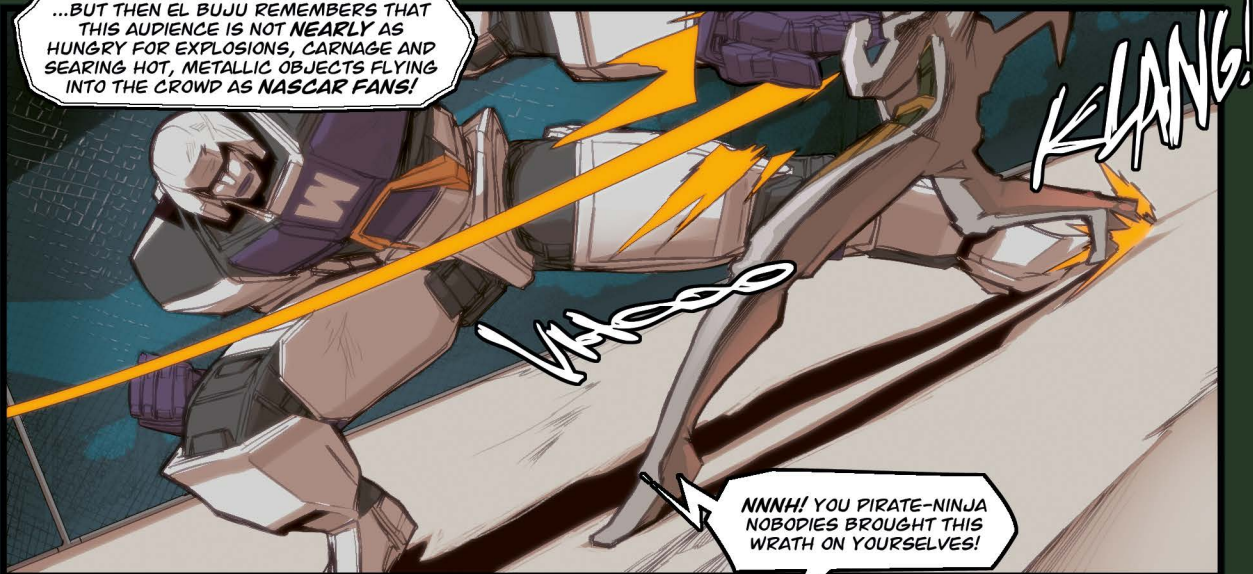
I'M NOT
SURE WHY, EL
BUJU...BUT...

...SOMEHOW I FIND MYSELF
HOPING AND PRAYING THIS IS
SOME ELABORATE PRANK...

...AND NOT A PIRATE-NINJA
LEPRECHAUN'S MINIATURE
GIANT ROBOT BATTLING A
CANDY CONGLOMERATE
C.E.O. DRESSED IN A
PLASTIC BATTLE SUIT!

WHAT IRKS EL BUJU IS
THE WILLINGNESS OF OUR
ATTENDEES TO STAY AND
WATCH THIS SPECTACLE
AT PERSONAL RISK OF
LIFE AND LIMB...

...BUT THEN EL BUJU REMEMBERS THAT THIS AUDIENCE IS NOT NEARLY AS HUNGRY FOR EXPLOSIONS, CARNAGE AND SEARING HOT, METALLIC OBJECTS FLYING INTO THE CROWD AS NASCAR FANS!



AS PRINCE OVERLORD OF THE INVINCIBLE UOMPA-LUOMPAN NATION, I'M ALWAYS WILLING TO LET A LITTLE CARNAGE AND MAYHEM INFLICTED ON THE UPPITY WORLD OF THE "BIG FOLK" SLIDE!

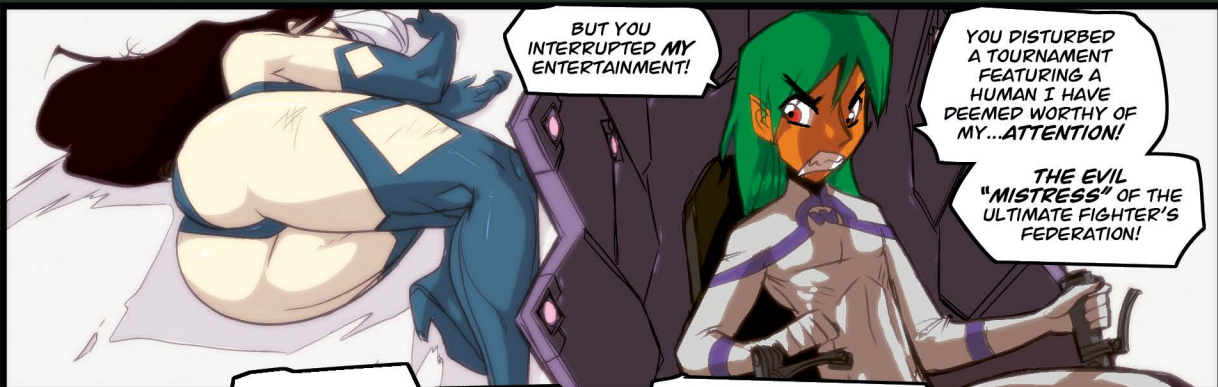
I MIGHT HAVE EVEN LENT A HAND IF YOU ALL HAD GOTTEN ON YOUR KNEES AND BEGGED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH TRADITIONS BEFITTING YOU LOWER-CLASS WEEE FOLK!



BUT YOU INTERRUPTED MY ENTERTAINMENT!

YOU DISTURBED A TOURNAMENT FEATURING A HUMAN I HAVE DEEMED WORTHY OF MY...ATTENTION!

THE EVIL "MISTRESS" OF THE ULTIMATE FIGHTER'S FEDERATION!



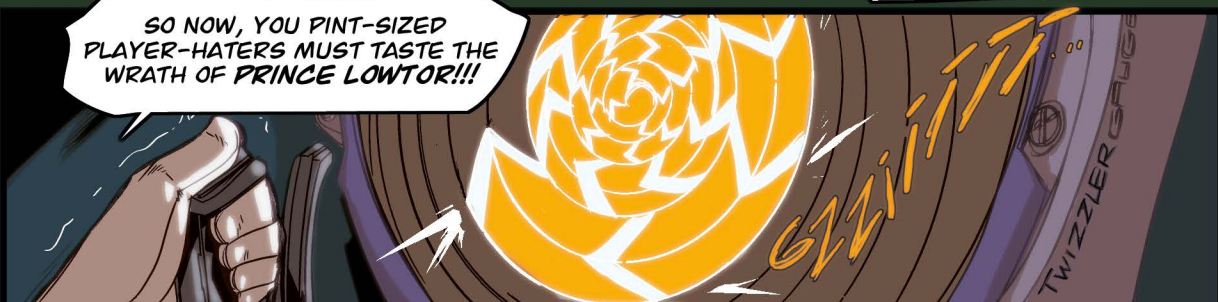
YOU DARED TO INTERFERE!

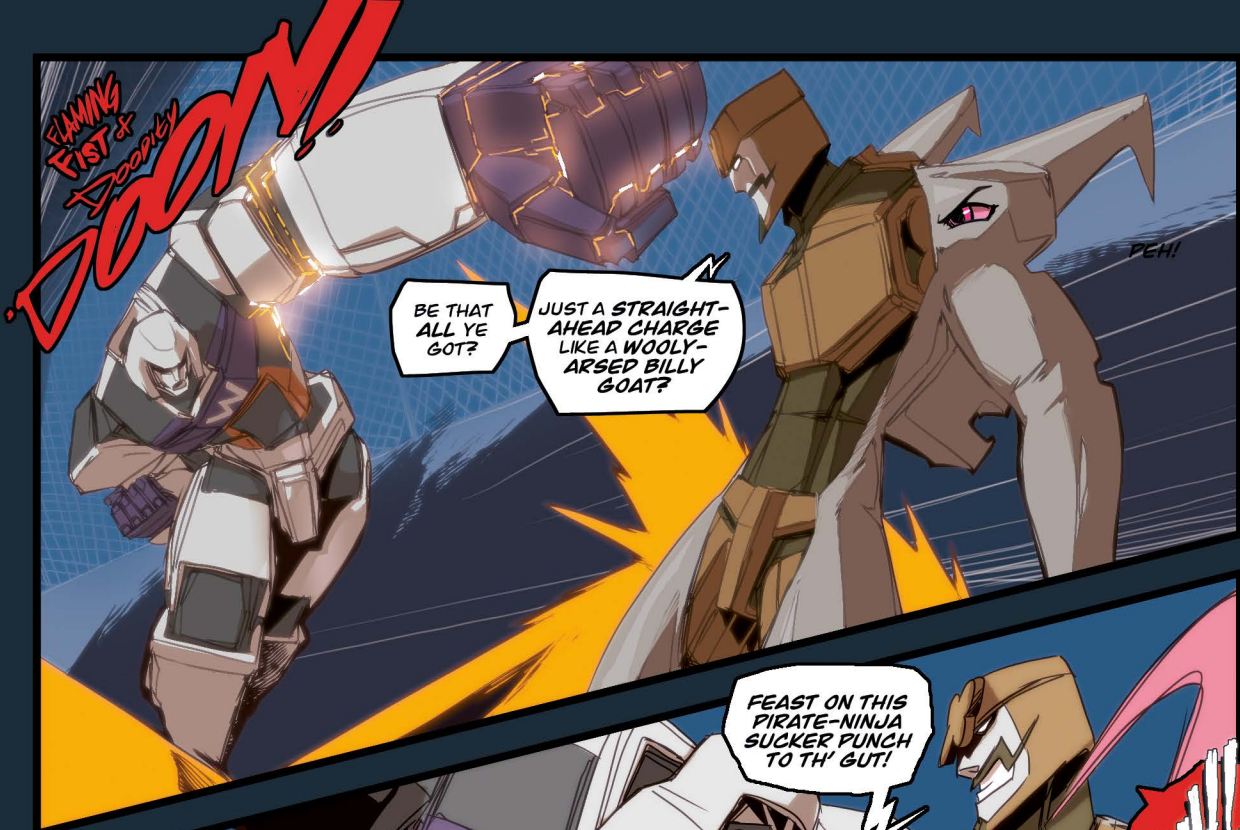
YOU DARED TO ATTACK HER!

YOU DARED TO BEFOUL HER PERFECT, GIGANTIC DERRIERE WITH YOUR LOW-BORN LEPRECHAUN MAGIC ATTACKS!!!



SO NOW, YOU PINT-SIZED PLAYER-HATERS MUST TASTE THE WRATH OF PRINCE LOWTOR!!!

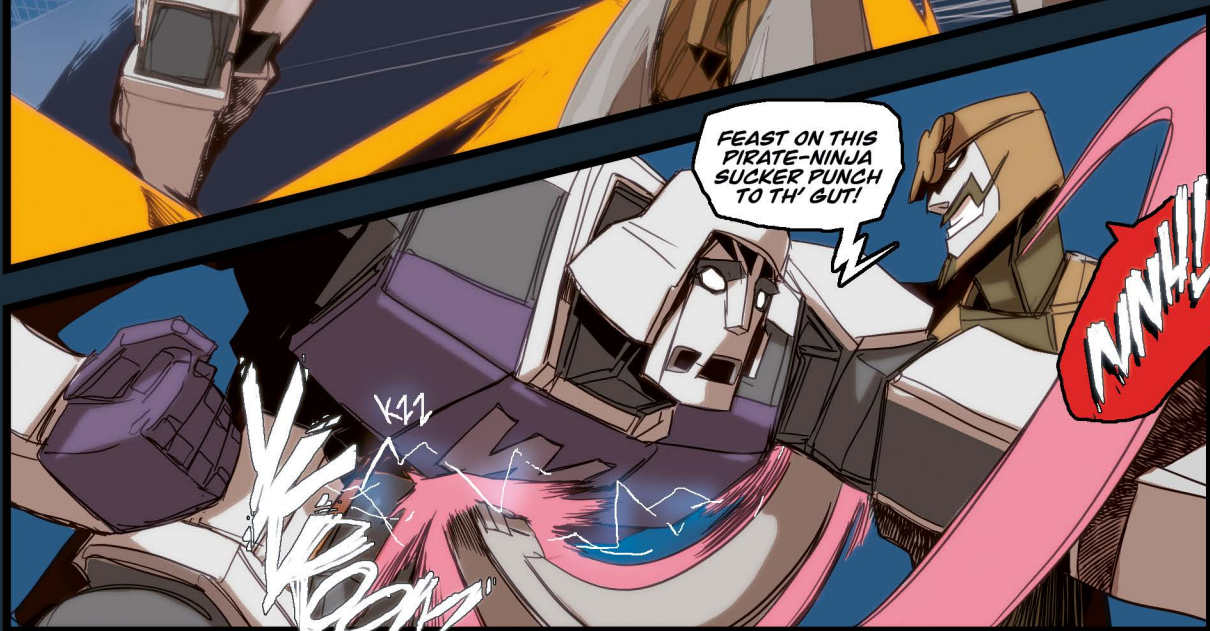




BE THAT
ALL YE
GOT?

JUST A STRAIGHT-
AHEAD CHARGE
LIKE A WOOLY-
ARSED BILLY
GOAT?

PEH!



FEAST ON THIS
PIRATE-NINJA
SUCKER PUNCH
TO TH' GUT!

NNH!!

KRON



WARNING: ROCK-BANDY SERVO ACTUATOR
WARNING: FIXIE STICK PISTONS
WARNING: CARAMEL-COATED PAIN HEAVEN

OH, NO!!!

SEE HOW I SCOUTED
THAT WEAK POINT IN
YOUR ARMOR, BOY0?



SURE 'N' I CAN SPOT A
SHODDY MAGITECH GOLEM
FLAW FROM A MILE AWAY
ON AN IRISH MIDNIGHT!

OH, YEAH!

I BEEN WAITIN'
FOR THIS CHANCE
TO WHOOP DAT
ARSE, LOWTOR!





FIRST MATE...
WHAT DID HE BE
MEANIN' BY THAT
LAST CRACK?

H-HE BE
MEANIN' T'
DECEIVE!
T' CONFUSE!

AYE!
PRINCE
LOWTOR AIN'T
NOTHIN' BUT A
LYIN' SACK
O' BILGE!

COMMENCE T'
BREAKIN' 'IM
OFF SOME,
FIRST MATE!!!



DAMN IT!
S-SURE 'N' I DIDN'T COUNT ON
PRINCE LOWTOR OPENIN' HIS BIG,
FAT MOUTH JUST THEN!

I-IF ME CAP'N EVER FOUND
OUT I FORGED HIS SEAL 'N'
SIGNED HIS NAME ON THAT
CONTRACT WITH LOWTOR...

...IF HE EVER FOUND OUT
I WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR
HIM LOSIN' HIS POSITION AS
THE ROYAL COURT
ACCOUNTANT...

BUT...
...ALL I TRIED TO DO WAS
MAKE ME SWEETIE LOOK AMAZIN'
TO POPPA WITH SOME AWESOME
WHEELIN' 'N' DEALIN'!

I COULDA GOTTEN HIM
KNIIGHTED...OR EVEN MADE
INTO A DUKE O-OR REGENT!

HE WOULD'VE BEEN ALLOWED T'
COURT A PRINCESS...LIKE ME!

W-WE COULDA EVEN BEEN
MARRIED ONE DAY...



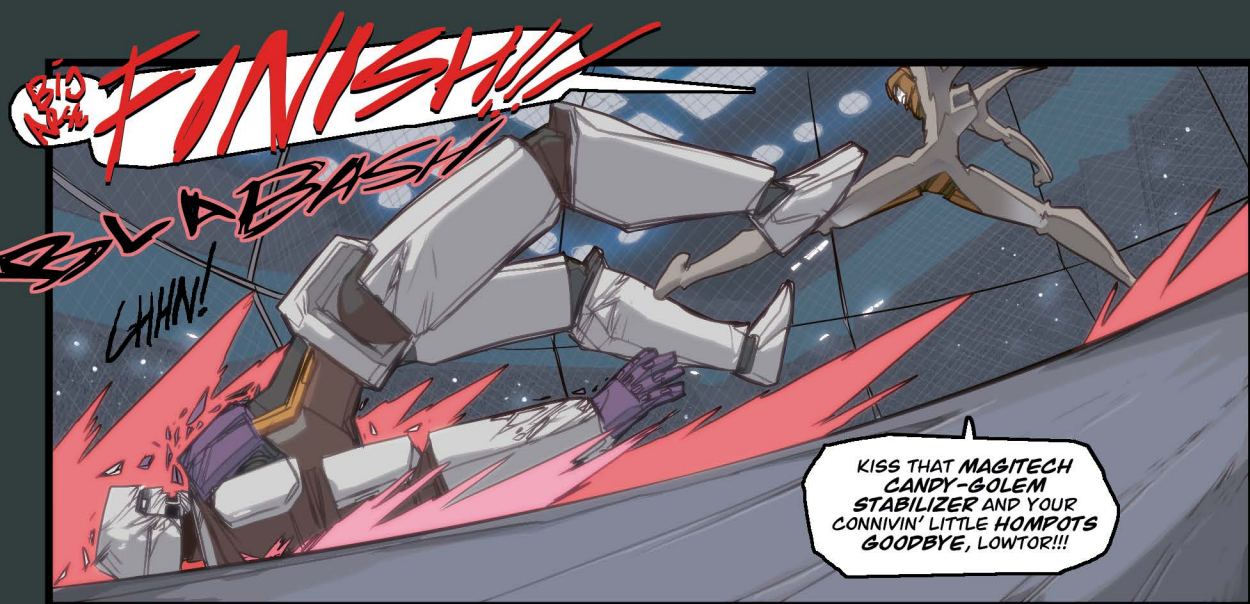
THIS BE ALL
PRINCE LOWTOR'S
FAULT!!!

IF ONLY HE WOULD'VE
PLAYED FAIR 'N'
SQUARE!

IF ONLY HE HADN'T
WARPED TH' MAGIC
OF ME FORGED
CONTRACT!!!

IF ONLY HE HADN'T
STOLEN THAT GOLD!!!

IF ONLY I HADN'T
TRUSTED HIM!!!



FINISH!!!
BASH
LAHN!

KISS THAT MAGITECH
CANDY-GOLEM
STABILIZER AND YOUR
CONNIVIN' LITTLE HOMPOTS
GOODBYE, LOWTOR!!!



WTF!

TH-THAT DOES IT,
O'MOMMAH!!!

THAT'S IT!!!

I'M SUMMONING THE
ENTIRE UOMPA LUOMPIAN
ARMY TO--

PRINCE!!!
PRINCE LOWTOR!

ANSWER
ME, YOU
SNIVELING
LITTLE
INGRATE!!!



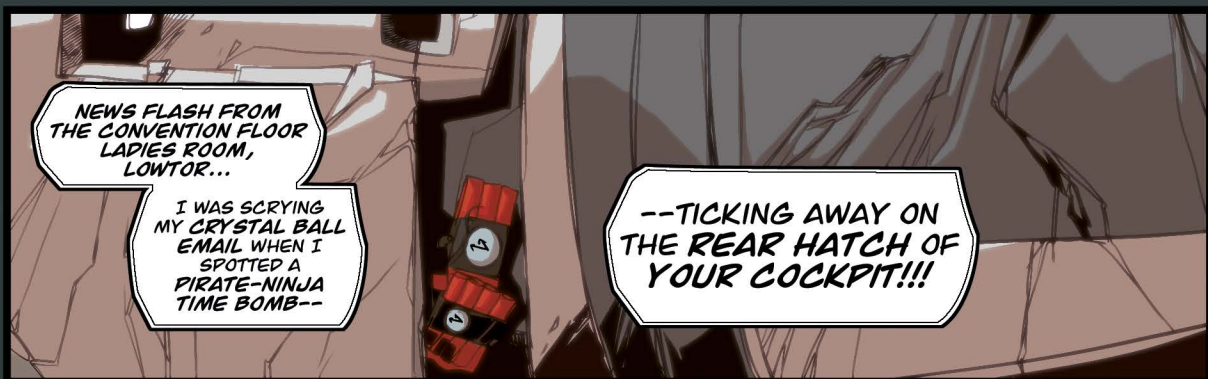
HAGGY!?! WHAT THE--

YOU'RE
SUPPOSED TO BE
AT B#ECH-CON
SEVEN HUNDRED
FOR THE ENTIRE
WEEKEND!

THAT'S
"WITCH-CON",
YOU SNOT-NOSED
LITTLE WEASEL!

OLD BAT!
HOW DARE
YOU--

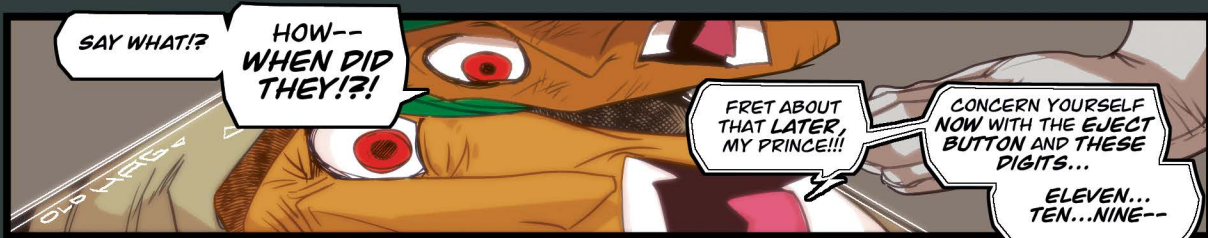
**SHUT UP AND
LISTEN TO ME!!!**



NEWS FLASH FROM
THE CONVENTION FLOOR
LADIES ROOM,
LOWTOR...

I WAS SCRYING
MY CRYSTAL BALL
EMAIL WHEN I
SPOTTED A
PIRATE-NINJA
TIME BOMB--

--TICKING AWAY ON
THE REAR HATCH OF
YOUR COCKPIT!!!



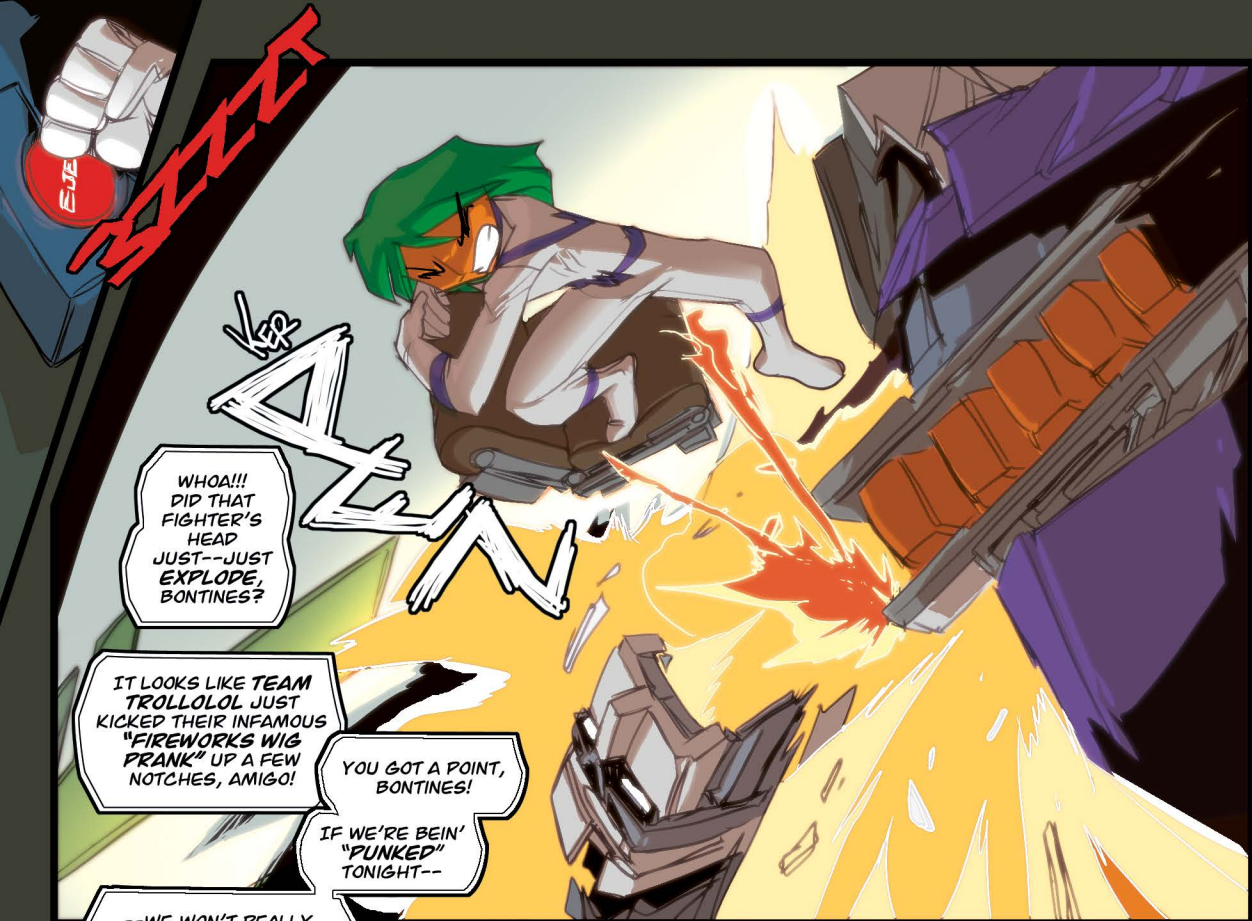
SAY WHAT!?

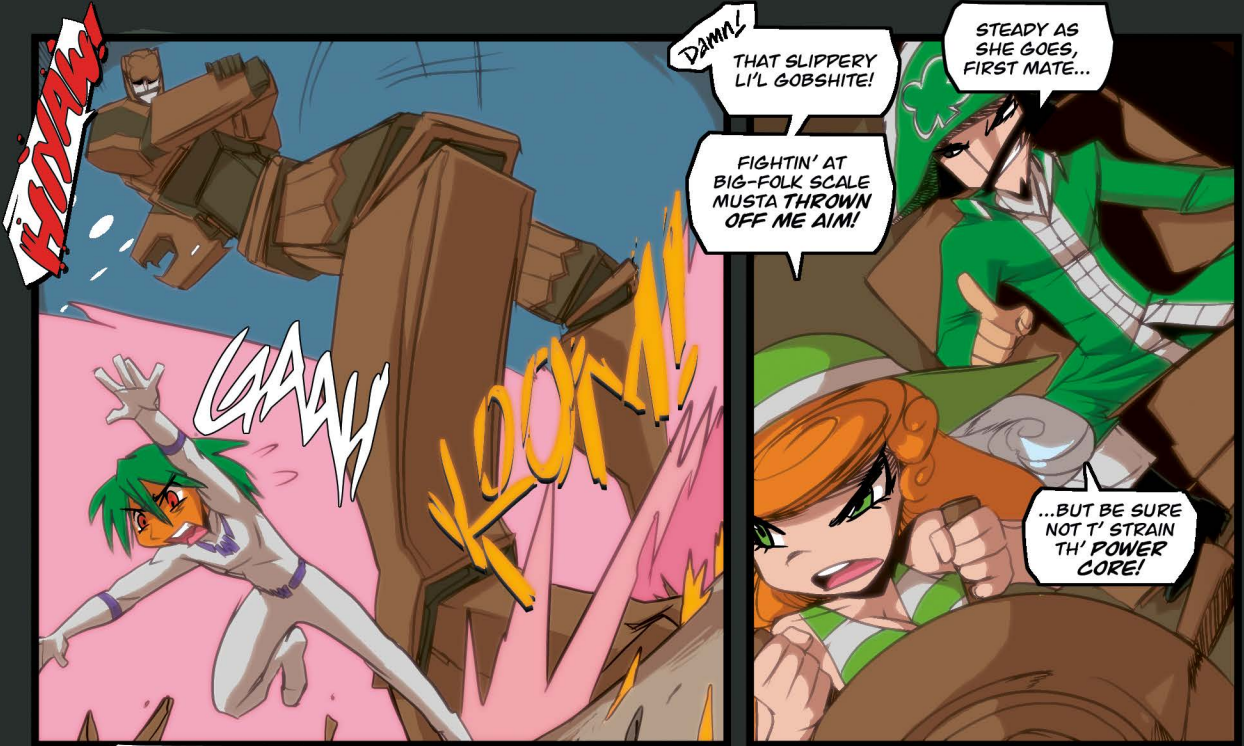
HOW--
WHEN DID
THEY!?!?

FRET ABOUT
THAT LATER,
MY PRINCE!!!

CONCERN YOURSELF
NOW WITH THE EJECT
BUTTON AND THESE
DIGITS...

ELEVEN...
TEN...NINE--





KIDNA!

DAMN!
THAT SLIPPERY
L'I'L GOBSHITE!

STEADY AS
SHE GOES,
FIRST MATE...

FIGHTIN' AT
BIG-FOLK SCALE
MUSTA THROW
OFF ME AIM!

...BUT BE SURE
NOT T' STRAIN
TH' POWER
CORE!

THIS STILL BE A
BIG-ARSE BILLION-
DOLLAR HEIST,
AFTER ALL!

ALL PIRATE-
NINJA TEAMS!
PROGRESS
REPORTS!

LULUBELL HERE WITH
TH' L'I'L OL' TROPHY-
SNATCHIN' TEAM,
CAPTAIN!

WE'RE JUST A FEW
DOZEN YARDS FROM
THE LANDIN' ZONE,
HONEY LAMB!

THANKS TO THE RUCKUS Y'ALL
ARE STIRRIN' UP IN THE RING,
AIN'T NOBODY EVEN NOTICED
US FLOATIN' AWAY WITH THE
TOURNAMENT PRIZE!

MAKIN' OUR BIG
EXIT'LL BE A SLICE OF
HUCKLEBERRY PIE!

WITH THOSE PIXTHY DUTHT
THPRINKLES ON BIG MAC'TH
BUTT GETTIN' LIFT FROM HITH
HAPPY THOUGHTTH...

...I BE BEGINNIN' T' UNDERTHAND
WHY Y' TOLD HIM ABOUT TH'
PENNY'TH ACROTHHH TH' THREET
FROM ANOTHER PENNY'TH!

b.b-Buttered
biscuits...
S-s-s, strawberry
Jam
-n- French
toast...



McPUMPED
REPORTIN' IN,
CAP'N!

THANKS TO ME,
TH' LAST O' TH'
PETONATORS BE
SET AHEAD O'
SCHEDULE!

SURE 'N' TH' WHOLE
RING BE ALL WIRED
'N' READY FOR OUR
FLAWLESS EXIT!

Y' BE
WELCOME,
BY TH' WAY.



JUST GET
READY T' SHOVE
OFF, MATES!

WE BE DONE HERE.

MISSION
ACCOMPLISHED!

NUMBER ONE,
SWITCH OVER ALL
POWER T' TH' ANCIENT
MAGIC ENGINE FOR
ESCAPE PORTAL
GENERATION!

WHAT?!



WE CAN'T BE
LEAVIN' 'TIL WE BE
FINISHED!

WE CAN'T BE
LEAVIN' 'TIL WE
FINISH HIM!!!

REQUESTIN' PORTAL
GENERATION DELAY!!!
TWO MORE MINUTES
BE ALL I NEED TO--



DENIED!
WE KICKED
LOWTOR'S
CABOOSE.

THAT
BE ENOUGH
FOR ME!

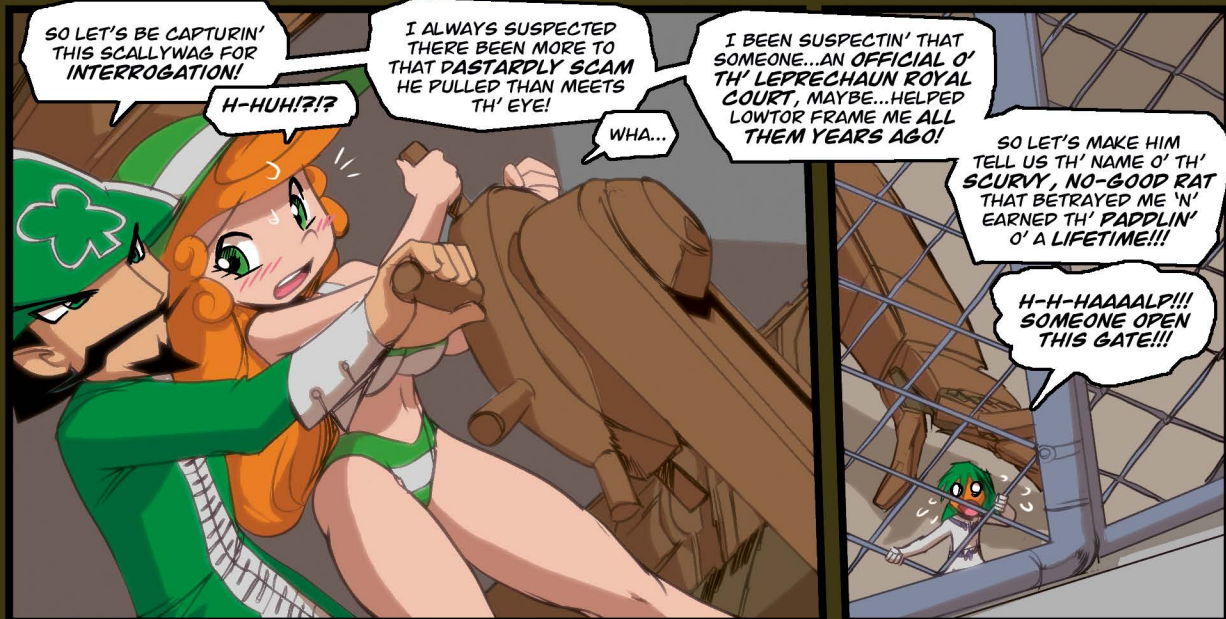
TIME T' BE FOCUSIN'
ON TH' HEIST,
NUMBER ONE!

THIS HAUL BE
PUTTIN' US ALL
BACK IN
BUSINESS!

B-BUT, CAP'N!?!
WE HAVE A SWORN
ENEMY BEFORE US
'N' BEGGIN' FOR
MERCY!

SURE 'N' WE CAN'T
BE MISSIN' THIS
OPPORTUNITY!

A SOUND
ARGUMENT,
FIRST MATE!



WINK YOUR ARSES
ON IN HERE, BOYOS!!!

SURE 'N' WE GOT
SOME KNIFE WORK
AHEAD...

O'THHWING!
YOHOO!!!

BIG MAC!
YOHOO!

McPUMPED!
YOHOO!

P-PIRATE-NINJA
CREW READY FOR
BATTLE, CAP'N!

PREPARIN'
FOR TACTICAL
OPERATION...

B-BUT...

BUT, SIR...

I...UM...

I THINK THAT ALERT
MIGHTA BEEN A--
--A FALSE ALAR--

TARGET
LOCKED ON,
CAP'N!!!

IT BE TH' VAULTRON
FORCE, ALL RIGHT!

THEY BE SNEAKIN'
IN FROM TH' CROWD!

EVADIN' OUR
MAGITECH
POWER-SOURCE
DETECTION
SENSORS!

WHA?

WHAT TH'
FECK!?!



NO, MCKEITH!
I'LL BE CRUSHIN'
YER ARSE WITH ME
BARE HANDS!!!

COME 'N' GET
ME, SOLDIER
BOY!!!

OKAY...THIS BE A
GROUND ASSAULT
ON TH-THIR ZONE
O' CONTROL!

TRADITIONALLY, TH'--
TH' MOST EFFECTIVE
METHODS AGAINST
SUCH A FORCE--

--NFF--BE A
FL-FLANKING
MANEUVER!?!

WE'LL GET Y' A CLEAR
SHOT AT TH' CENTER O'
TH' RING, CHIEF O'HARA!

ACTIVATING YOUR
INTERDICTION
FIELD TRAP BY
REMOTE...
NOW!

PLATINUS!
LULUBELL!
CHARGE US UP!!!

RIGHT!

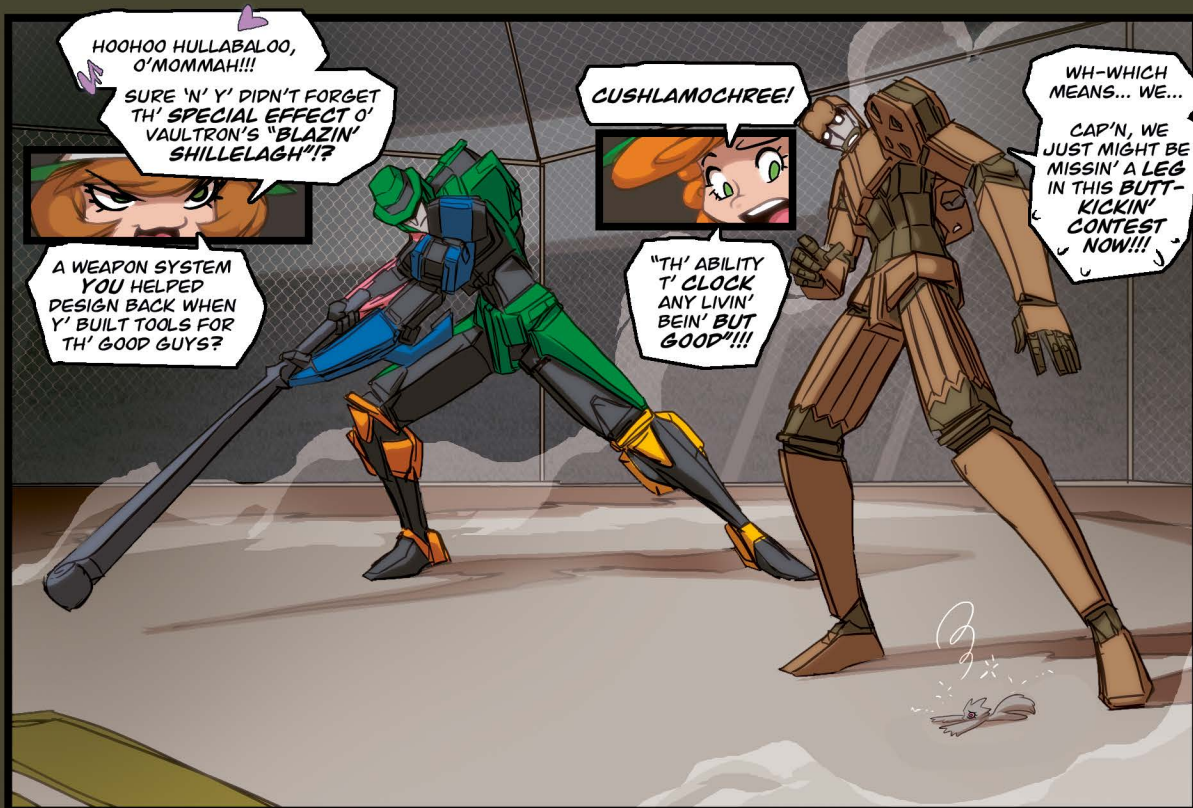
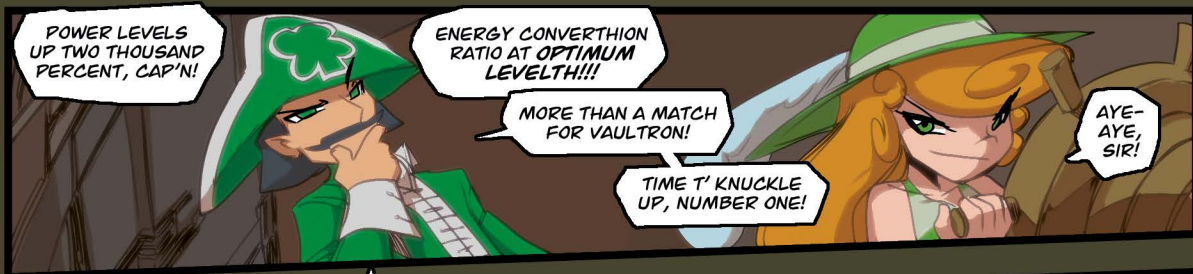
AUGMENTATION
SHELL!!!

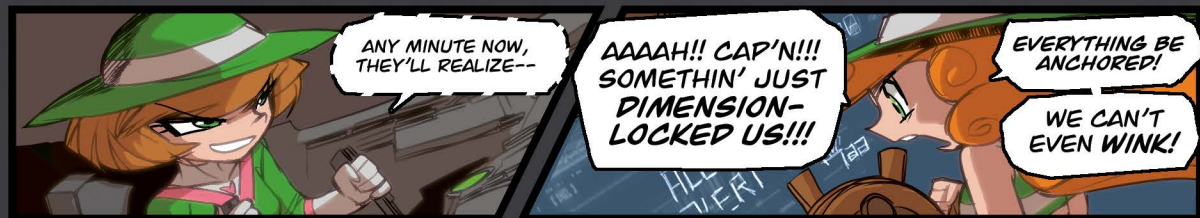
WITH BATTLE
SPRINKLES!!!

WAA
BIRING

WIRING

DOCK







TH' DEVIL
Y' SAY!!!

TH' DEVIL I
DON'T SAY,
CAP'N!!!

'N' HERE!!!
THAT BE WHAT
HANDCUFFED US T'
THIS ASTRAL,
ETHEREAL 'N' PRIME
MATERIAL SPOT!!!

A PLANAR PLUG
HIDDEN INSIDE TH'
BUTT O' THAT
PURPLE
PUPPET!!!



THEN THAT MAGITECH
MOBILE SUIT JUST
BECAME OUR PRIMARY
TARGET!

IGNORE VAULTRON!
LOCK ON T' THAT NEW
PLAYER 'N' GET
CRACK-A-LACKIN'!!!

AHOY,
LULUBELL!!!

THINK Y' CAN
KEEP VAULTRON
BUSY FOR US?



SHO' NUFF CAP'N!
EASY AS APPLE
DUMPLIN'S!

I GOT ME A LI'L
OL' IDEA...

...AND A GOOD OL' USE FOR
THEM PARTY POPPERS
MR. MCPUMPED TUCKED
'ROUND THE RING SKIRTS!



HEEHEE!

HAVE FUN SAVIN' THE
AUDIENCE, HEROES!

...TWENTY-NINE
SEC0000NNNNPS!!!





NNFFF!
SO WEAK!!!

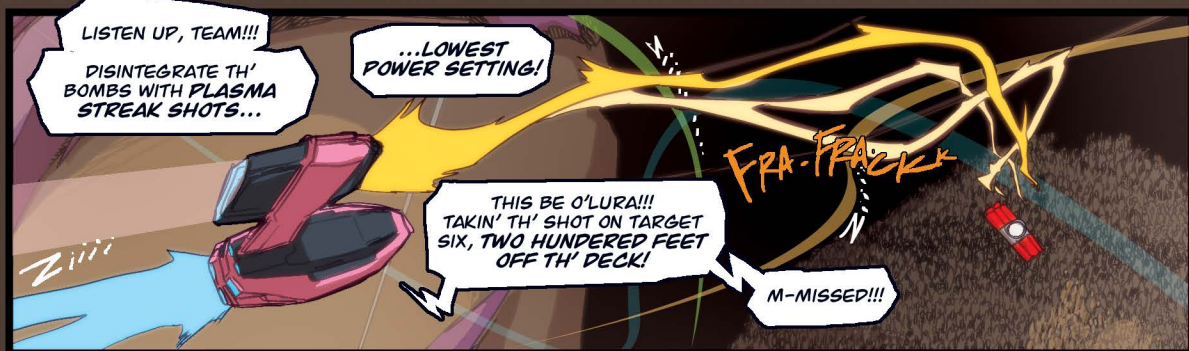
SO SLOW...



...N' SO
STUPID!!!



Y' AIN'T GOT
A PRAYER!!!



LISTEN UP, TEAM!!!
DISINTEGRATE TH'
BOMBS WITH PLASMA
STREAK SHOTS...

...LOWEST
POWER SETTING!

THIS BE O'LURA!!!
TAKIN' TH' SHOT ON TARGET
SIX, TWO HUNDERED FEET
OFF TH' DECK!

M-MISSED!!!



OUR LOW-POWER BLASTER
SHOTS BE FIZZLIN' BEFORE
IMPACT, COMMANDER!

GASP!
CHIEF O'HARA!!!



PRINCESS! GO BACK 'N'
HELP TH' CHIEF!!!
SURE 'N' TH' ENEMY BE
GIVIN' HER A PADDLIN'!

C-COMMANDER!

W-WE AIN'T...
WE AIN'T GONNA
MAKE IT!!!



OH, YES, WE
WILL, PRINCESS!!!

BR-BRIANNA?!
Kwick



I'VE GOT A NEWLY
ADJUSTED WEAPON
SYSTEM READY FOR
DEPLOYMENT AND
TELESCOPIC I.R.
LOCKS ON ALL
TARGETS!

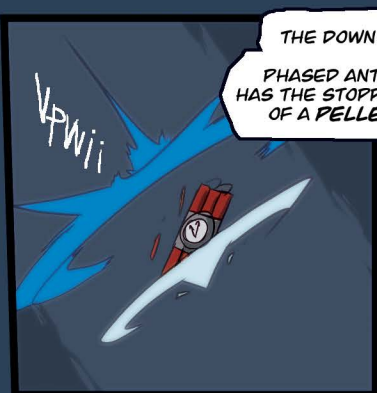
STAND BY FOR
LONG-RANGED SNIPING
ASSISTANCE IN PHASED
ANTIMATTER BULLET
PROJECTOR MODE!

PHASED
BULLET!?!
ANTIMATTER!?!

THAT'S RIGHT,
O'LURA!!!

THE UP SIDE...

PHASED
ANTIMATTER
NEUTRALIZES
EXPLOSIVES!!!



THE DOWN SIDE...

PHASED ANTIMATTER
HAS THE STOPPING POWER
OF A PELLET GUN!



MEANIN'...
STRONG
ENOUGH T'
CLOCK US
WEE FOLK.



YUP.

BUT DON'T
WORRY...
I'LL USE IT
RESPONSIBLY!

..... (x5)



O-O-KAY...

BOMB NUMBER
TEN...

DESTROYED!!!



EIGHT T' GO!!!
POUR IT ON, BOYOS!

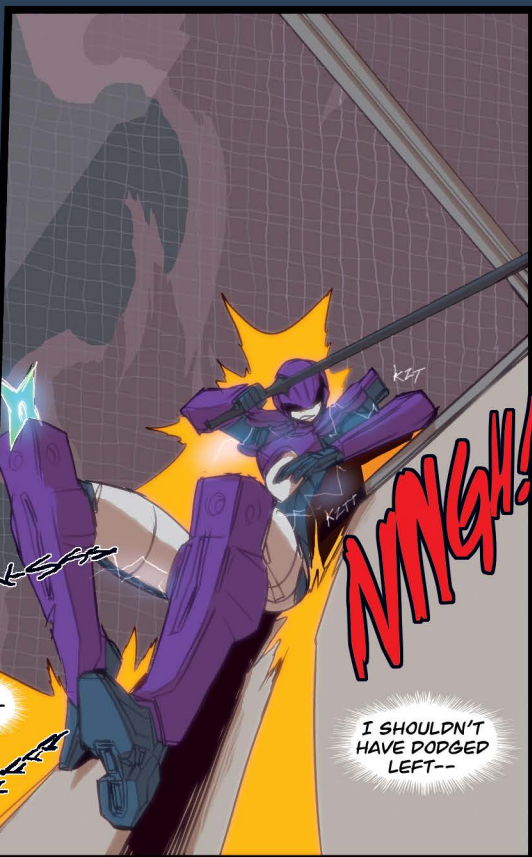
--AND GIRLOS!



TAKING THE SHOT ON
BOMB NUMBER TWO!

BOOYAH!!!

ATTAWAY,
BRIANNA! Y' BE
EARNIN' YOUR
STRIPES TODAY!



I SHOULDN'T
HAVE DODGED
LEFT--





