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EXACTLY 2.6 MILES FROM OLYMPUS, LEGENDARY HOME OF THE GODS...

SIGHHHH
YAAWWNNNN

HELP
ME WATCH
PAINT DRY?

I DUNNO,
WHAT DO YOU
WANNA DO?

ALL RIGHT,
NO WAR, FROM
NOW ON JUST
PEACE.

NO, OF
COURSE I
DON'T READ
THEM, JUST PUT
'EM IN MYLAR,
PLEASE.

AND NOW FOR
YET ANOTHER
EPISODE OF "THE
OKAY GUYS."

AND THE
TURTLE RACES
WILL BEGIN AFTER
THIS WORD
FROM...

YAAWNNN
NOTHING EXCITING
EVER HAPPENS ON
EARTH.

SIGHHH
EVERY DAY,
DAY IN, DAY
OUT, IS THE
SAME-O
SAME-O.

SIGGGHHH
MORE HALF
NAKED CO-EDS,
12-
THOUSANDTH
TODAY.
YAAWWNNNNNNN

ATLAS THE ORIGIN

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WHEN'S
SOMETHING
FUN GONNA
HAPPEN?

SIGHHH... I
WONDER IF ZEUS
WOULD LET ME
QUIT. NAH, I KNOW
HIM.

"ATLAS,
YOU'RE NOT
GOOD FOR ANYTHING
ELSE, JUST CROUCH
THERE AND HOLD THE
%##@*~ING EARTH."
THAT'S WHAT HE
ALWAYS SAYS.
SIGHHH

SIGGGHHH

**BANG
BANG**

HUH?



BACK OFF, YOU
COPPERS!



A BANK ROBBERY!
COOL BEANS.
OH, WOW.

IT'S A FLYING
MAN!



IT'S OVER,
YOU CROOKS. I,
SUPER-HERO, WILL
STOP YOU!

UGH!
IT'S SUPER-
HERO! WE'RE
DOOMED!



SUPER-
HERO? HE'S
GREAT! AND I
BET HE'S NEVER
BORED!

YESS!
THAT'S IT! WHY
DIDN'T I SEE IT
BEFORE?



THIS IS MY
DESTINY. NO
MORE HOLDING
THE EARTH UP
SO IT DOESN'T
FALL.

I'LL BECOME
A SUPER-HERO! I'LL
SOLVE CRIMES! I'LL
PREVENT NATURAL
DISASTERS!



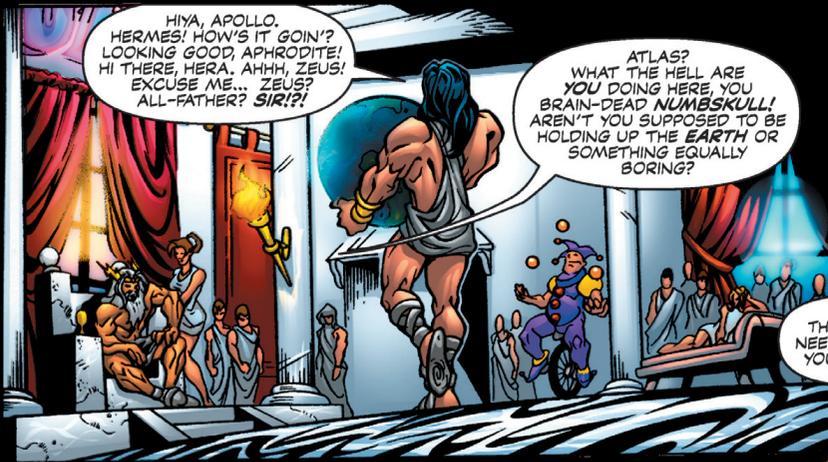
SUPER-
HEROES ARE SO
COOL. I BET THEY
DON'T WASTE THEIR
DAY STARING AT HALF
NAKED CO-EDS.
YAAWNNNNN!



HI, REMEMBER ME?

ATLAS? WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING HERE, YOU BRAIN-DEAD NUMBSKULL! AREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE HOLDING UP THE EARTH OR SOMETHING EQUALLY BORING?

UH HUH, BUT THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT, IS ZEUS IN?



HIYA, APOLLO. HERMES! HOW'S IT GOIN'? LOOKING GOOD, APHRODITE! HI THERE, HERA. AHMM, ZEUS? EXCUSE ME... ZEUS? ALL-FATHER? SIR!?!

ATLAS? WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING HERE, YOU BRAIN-DEAD NUMBSKULL! AREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE HOLDING UP THE EARTH OR SOMETHING EQUALLY BORING?

YESSIR. THAT'S WHAT I NEED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT, SIR.



I'M THINKING OF QUITTING, SIR. I WANT TO BECOME A SUPER-HERO ON EARTH, SIR.



SUPER-HERO? FORGET IT, THERE'S ALREADY TOO MANY SUPER-HEROES ON EARTH, SOON THEY'LL START BEATING UP EACH OTHER.

NEVER, SIR. SUPER-HEROES ARE GOOD GUYS, SIR. AND MY MIND IS MADE UP, SIR.



WELL, WE NEVER WANTED YOU AROUND HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE...



ATLAS ASSEMBLE NOOOO! IT'S ATLASING TIME! NAHHH ATLAS ON!! UN UNHH

NONE OF THEM SOUND RIGHT. WAIT! I GOT IT.

ATLAS AHEAD!

THAT'S IT! MY OWN SLOGAN!

WHO SAYS I'M NOT READY TO BE A REAL SUPER-HERO?

TO BE CONTINUED.



EARTH. THE CITY OF VENICE, CALIFORNIA...

THIS IS SO FUN! EARTH! WOW! CAN'T BELIEVE I'M REALLY HERE.

THIS IS SO MUCH COOLER THAN JUST HOLDING IT UP.

EARTH! WOW!

HIYA, SPECIFIC OCEAN. YOU USED TO LOOK MUCH SMALLER FROM UP IN THE HEAVENS. 'COURSE, I WAS SIXTY THOUSAND FEET TALL THEN.

»SIGH» LIFE CAN'T GET ANY BETTER.



MUSCLE BEACH.

ANYWAY, I CAME TO EARTH TO BECOME A SUPERHERO. THERE **MUST** BE A PLACE WHERE I **SIGN UP**. MAYBE I SHOULD ASK SOMEONE.



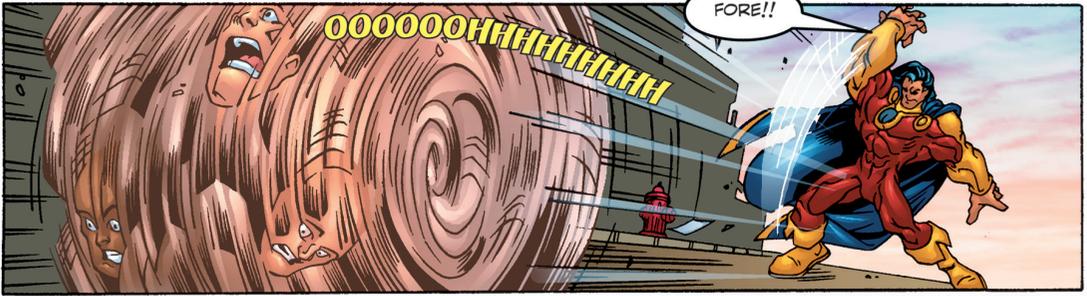
--super-hero...

'SCUSE ME. ARE THOSE CROOKS?



UNH HUH.

SUPER-HEROES CATCH CROOKS. SO, IF I WANT TO BE A SUPER-HERO...



OOOOOOHHHHHHHHHH

FORE!!



YOU'RE COMIN' WITH US, BUGSY.

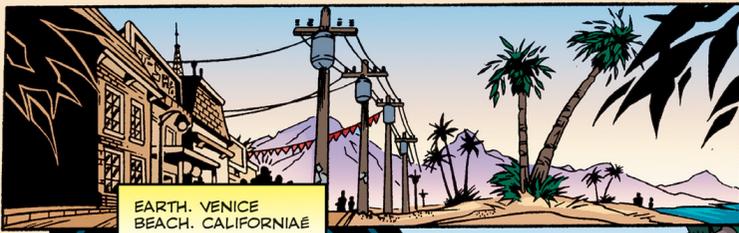
SIGGGHHHHH

AND SO, ON THIS DATE, ALL MANKIND SHALL REMEMBER THE MOMENT WHEN I, ATLAS, WHO ONCE MERELY HELD UP A PLANET SO IT WOULDN'T FALL DOWN IN SPACE, BECAME--

--THE SUPER-HERO WHO STOPPED TWO CROOKS!

I AM SO HAPPY.

MY MUDDA MADE ME DO IT. I WAS FRAMED! I'M A VICTIM OF COICUM-STANCES!



EARTH. VENICE BEACH. CALIFORNIAÉ

WHERE ARE YOU FROM?

ARE THERE ANY MORE HOME LIKE YOU?



YOU ARE SO GORGEOUS.

ÉAUTOGRAPH MY BOOK, PLEASE.

ÉAUTOGRAPH MY BOOB, PLEASE.



JOE SHMOE, MIRACLE PICTURES. THREE PICTURE DEAL. SIGN HERE.

IGNORE HIM. I'OM MOE SHMOE. WONDER PICTURES. FIVE PICTURE DEAL. SIGN HERE.

OKAY, A TWELVE PICTURE DEAL. WE'OLL ALSO THROW IN THE STUDIO. AND CATHERINE ZETA JONES. JUST SIGN HERE. AND HERE. AND HERE AND HEREÉ

ATLAS PART 3

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THANKS, GUYS, REALLY. BUT I CAME TO EARTH TO BE A SUPER-HERO, NOT A MOVIE STAR.

MAYBE YOU'OD PREFER MICHAEL DOUGLAS?