

What you have in your hands is a most exciting and liberating book. This is a graphic novella about a woman amputee and her friends. The authoress, a double amputee, is Rene and her husband Rich did the illustrations. The cover is by Brent Boates, using authentic amputee limbs as models. All of us are interested in what you think of this first issue of Amputee Love. We welcome any of your suggestions and comments. If you are an amputee or have had any interesting experiences with them we would like to hear from you.

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That which is crooked cannot be made straight; and that which is wanting cannot be numbered. —Ecclesiastes 1:15

When I was studying in Paris ten years ago, one of my best friends was an amputee.

Not really. Actually, Elisabeth had had polio as a child and it had affected her legs. She used crutches and lived the life of a Parisian bonne vivante.

Everybody visited Elisabeth. Her apartment was a cross between the Gare de Lyon and the race track at St. Cloud, but was not as well lighted on foggy daze.

I slept with Elisabeth twice, and we discovered that we were better friends than lovers. She preferred more lusty and original Frenchmen.

Elisabeth's life was full. She made no bones about her legs, and I never thought to ask about the rubber-tipped aluminum crutches.

The point of all this is that we are probably all crooked or bent in some way. Limited is what I mean. We all have limitations. Some of us are more limited

than others. Elisabeth's—or any amputee's—limitations are physical. They begin at the disarticulation and end in the capacity of the eye to discern a missing part.

After all, man is limited by his six senses—taste (fair), touch (OK), smell (lousy), sight (fair) hearing (shitty), and proprioception (the sense our muscles have that we're erect, or seated, or walking, or whatever). What more is out there in the universe comes to me only in dreams. So visual perception is limited to how many scintillations the human retina can pick up and to the finite number of images the brain can put together.

Won't somebody come and see the thing that makes me whole?

The amputee wears one of her limitations on her sleeve. There's nothing to hide, save for wanting.

In knowing lunacy, and folly, and loss, and sadness, her heart knows wisdom. She wants not.

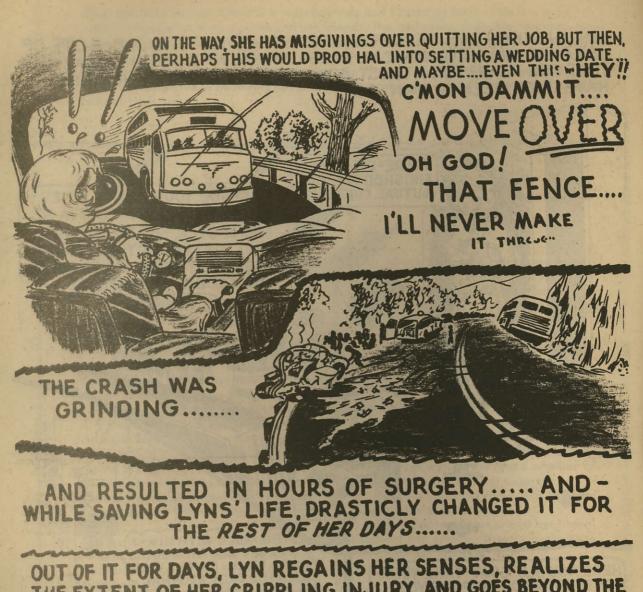


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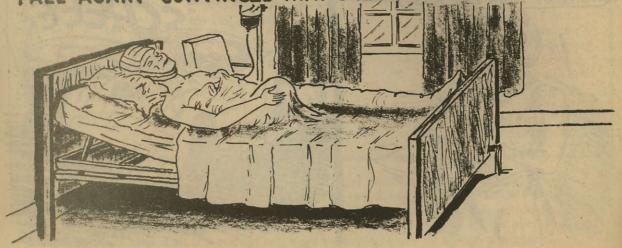
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LYN, AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WITH A HIGHLY PAID JOB, A LIFE OF HER OWN, AND A TYRANNICAL BOSS - LEARNS AT 5:00 ON FRIDAY NITE THAT HER PLANS FOR A TRYST DOWN THE COAST WITH HER FIANCE HAVE JUST BEEN BLOWN.....





THE EXTENT OF HER CRIPPLING INJURY AND GOES BEYOND THE PALE' AGAIN - CONVINCED THAT SHE WAS RUINED FOR LIFE ...



WELL ENOUGH TO BE UP FINALLY, LYN TRIES WALKING WITH HER ONLY MEANS OF MOBILITY....THE NEW CRUTCHES.



THE NEXT DAY, THE REHAB' NURSE TELLS LYN THAT A VOLUNTEER HOSPITAL AIDE IS ON HER WAY IN TO SUPERVISE HER IN CRUTCH-WALKING.



HI THERE! ANYBODY HERE ? I'M SHERI - CAN I COME IN AND RAP

WITH YOU?

HELL YES-ANYBODYS' HERE. I COULD'NT LEAVE IF THE JOINT WAS BURNIN'... HEY! YOU'RE AN AMPU-UH, A ONE LEGGE... UH, LIKE ME...

THE DAY TEACHING LYN THE ART OF PROPER AND GRACEFUL CRUTCH WALKING....

YES- THAT'S IT, ALWAYS KEEP YOUR 'STICKS' CLOSE TO YOUR BODY AND NEARLY PERPENDICULAR, WITH YOUR WEIGHT ON THE HANDIS AND WRISTS - NEVER



THERE! YOU GOT IT KID!
YOU EVEN LEARNED THE
SINGLE CRUTCH SWING
QUICKLY. OKAY, NOW I'LL
TELL YOU ABOUT SOME O'
THE ADVANTAGES OF BEIN
A ONE-LEGGED CHICK... OH
YES, INDEED THERE ARE!
YOU CAN SNARE SOME FINE
MEN FOR ALL KINDS O'FUN!
HEY! THEY'LL LET YOU OUT
FOR AN 'OVERNIGHT' C'MON
OVER TO MY PAD FOR A
GOOD MEAL, SPEND THE
NIGHT AND I'LL SHOW YOU
SOME OF MY ACCESSORIES
AND TRICKS TO USE AND DO
THAT PUTS A NICE ACCENT ON
YOUR ONE-LEGGEDNESS.



MOW LYN HONEY, WE CAN STILL SEE EACH OTHER OCCASIONALLY AFTER YOU GET OUT OF THE HOSPITAL HERE - AND WE CAN GO OUT TO DINNER.... IN REMOTE SPOTS.... BUT, WELL YOU SURELY CANT WANT TO GET MARRIED NOW CAN YOU? YOU KNOW - OUR GROUP IS SO ACTIVE IN THINGS 'N ALL ...'N THEY'D BE A LITTLE, UH, UNCOMFORTABLE, UH, THE WAY YOU HAVE TO







FEELING ALONE, HELPLESS AND BEWILD-ERED BY HER STRANGE, NEW ONE-LEG-GED CONDITION, LYN QUICKLY TOOK

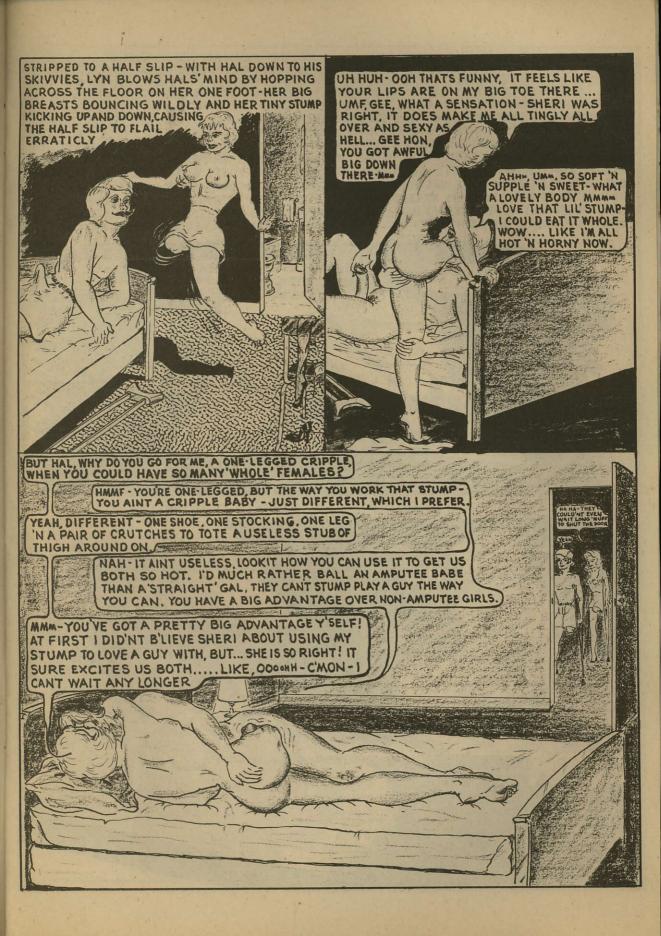
SHERI UP ON THE OFFER TO GO AND LIVE WITH HER FOR A WHILE MEETING THE NEW AMPUTEE ON THE DAY OF HER RELEASE, SHERI DROVE HER TO HER PLUSH CON-DOMINIUM AND HELPED HER SETTLE IN... IN THE DAYS THAT FOLLOWED - THE TWO GIRLS PACKED UP AND CLOSED OUT LYNS'OLD APARTMENT....ONLY AFTER SHERI EXPLAINED THE WORKINGS OF THE SHOE SWAP CLUB AMONGST GAL AMPUTEES. WOULD LYN ABANDON ALL OF HER COSTLY RIGHT FOOT SHOES SHERI BEGAN THE BUSINESS OF

GETTING LYN'WITH IT'RIGHT AWAY AND THE TWO ONE-LEGGED GIRLS WENT ON A WHIRLWIND SHOPPING SPREE, BOTH SHOCKING AND AMUSING THE VARIOUS SALES CLERKS WHILE OUTFITTING LYN WITH ACCESSORIES AND ESOTIRIC COSTUMES TO HIGHLITE HER NEW AND UNIQUELY DESIRABLE STATE





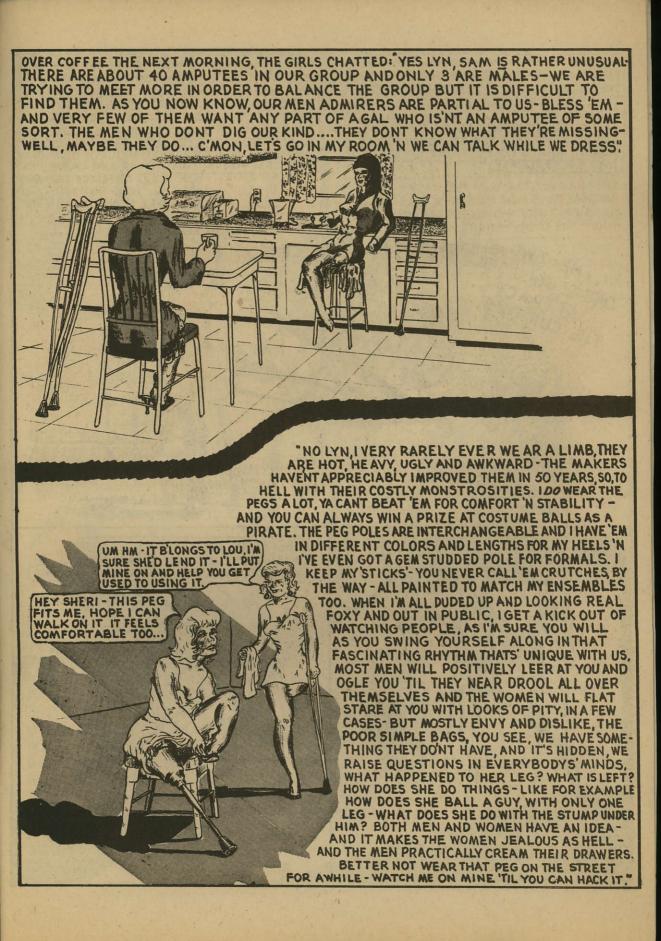




UNABLE TO CONTAIN THEMSELVES ANY LONGER, SHE WIGGLES HERSELF UNDER HIM AND HELPS HIM IN ENTERING HER - NO EASY TASK.....HE, LARGER THAN USUAL WITH THE FROM SE OF LAYING A NEW AND UNTRIED MEMBER OF SHERIS GROUP - AND SHE, TRUT WITH THE EXCITEMENT OF FINALLY ENJOYING A MAN AFTER A THREE MONTHS VOID.... THEY BOTH EXPERIENCED MULTIPLE CLIMAXES OVER AN EXCEPTIONALLY LONG PERIOD OF TIME DURING THE NIGHT WHICH HAL ATTRIBUTED THE FACT ON HIS PART AS HAVING A SEX PARTNER WHO WAS, IN HER PARTICULAR FORM OF ONE-LEGGEDNESS, THE ULTIMATE IN DESIRABILITY. LYN ON THE OTHER HAND, WAS BOTH SURPRISED AND PLEASED WITH HER VIRILITY, HERE WAS A MAN FAR BETTER THAN THE ONE THAT HAD THROWN HER OVER-AND IT SEEMED THAT HIS SEXUAL ABILITY WAS HEIGHTENED BECAUSE SHE WAS AN AMPUTEE WITH BUT ONE LEG. STRANGE, BUT-THIS WAS THE WAY SHE WAS GOING TO BE FOR THE REST OF HER LIFE, SO....WHY NOT SEEK OUT AND CATER TO MEN LIKE THIS, AT LEAST SHE WAS ONCE MORE ATTRACTIVE AND IN DEMAND, AND NO LONGER FELT HOPELESS AND USELESSLY CRIPPLED..... SHE COULD HARDLY WAIT FOR MORN-WHEN SHE COULD SHARE HER JOY WITH SHER!. AND FIND OUT HOW HER BALLING WENT......













"OH YEAH, THIS IS BABS-LOST HER GAMS IN AN EXPLOSION, USES A WHEELCHAIR MOSTLY BUT SHE ALSO SCOOTS AROUND ON HER HANDS A LOT TOO. SHE'S REAL POPULAR HERE



"YEP-SHE GETS THE GUYS TURNED ON RIGHT AWAY- NO WASTED MOTION, GETS WITH IT, CHOP CHOP."

THE EXISTENCE OF THE VIDEO TAPES SURPRISES LYN - BUT THEY DID'NT SHOCK HER REMEMBERING HER OWN FIRST NIGHT OF SUCH ENJOYABLE SEX AS A NEW AMPUTEE, SHE WAS ABLE TO IDENTIFY

WITH WHAT SHE WAS WATCHING AND WAS SURPRISED TO REALIZE THAT WHAT SHE WAS WATCHING WAS STIMULATING HER TO SOME EXTENT.



"HMM, AN EXPERT, THAT BABS. ITS FUNNY, WHEN SHE FIRST JOINED OUR GROUP, SHE WAS LIKE A VEGETABLE...SORRY FOR HERSELF AND HELPLESS...NOW- WOW, SHE WORKS PART TIME, KEEPS HER OWN PAD DRIVES HER OWN BIG CAR, HAS MORE DATES THAN SHE EVER HAD BEFORE. AND OF COURSE, SHE MAKES A LOAD OF BREAD DOWN HERE AND GETS HER KICKS TOO..."



"YEAH, SHE FLIPS 'N FLOPS AND BALLS 'EM IN MORE WAYS THAN A NON-AMP BABE COULD EVER DREAM OF TRYING." "OH HEY - THESE ARE CLIPS TAKEN OUT OF ONE OF NANS' CASSETTES - FOR A CHICK WITH JUST STUBS FOR ARMS AND ONE LEG, SHE DOES OKAY. SHE SENDS THE GUYS



WAY OUT 'N A LOT OF 'EM ASK FOR HER 'SPECIALLY - SHE'S GREAT WHEN IT COMES TO DOING HER THING!"





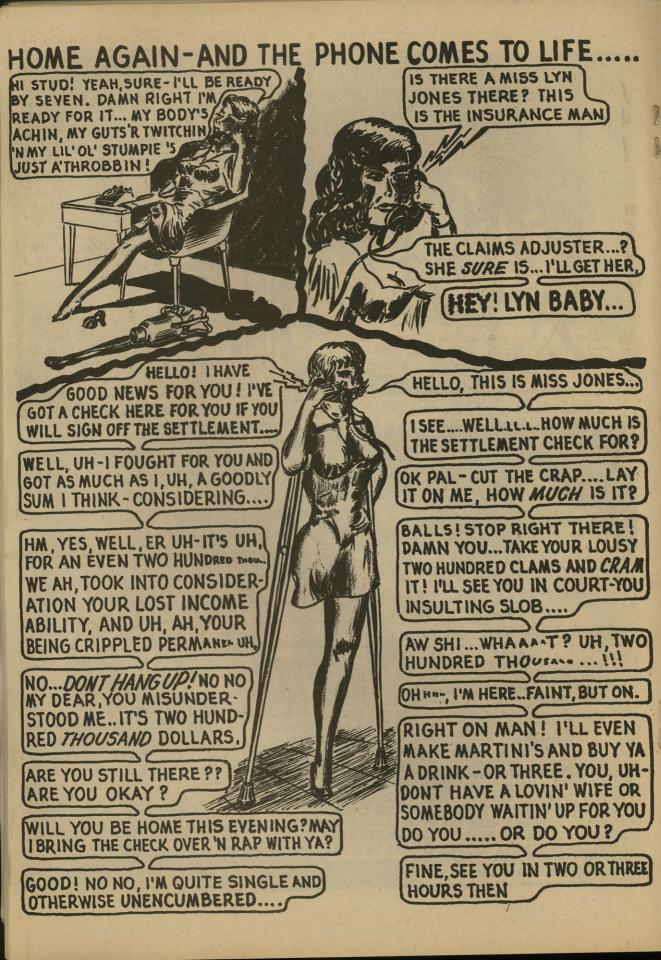
SHE'S HOT T'TROT!

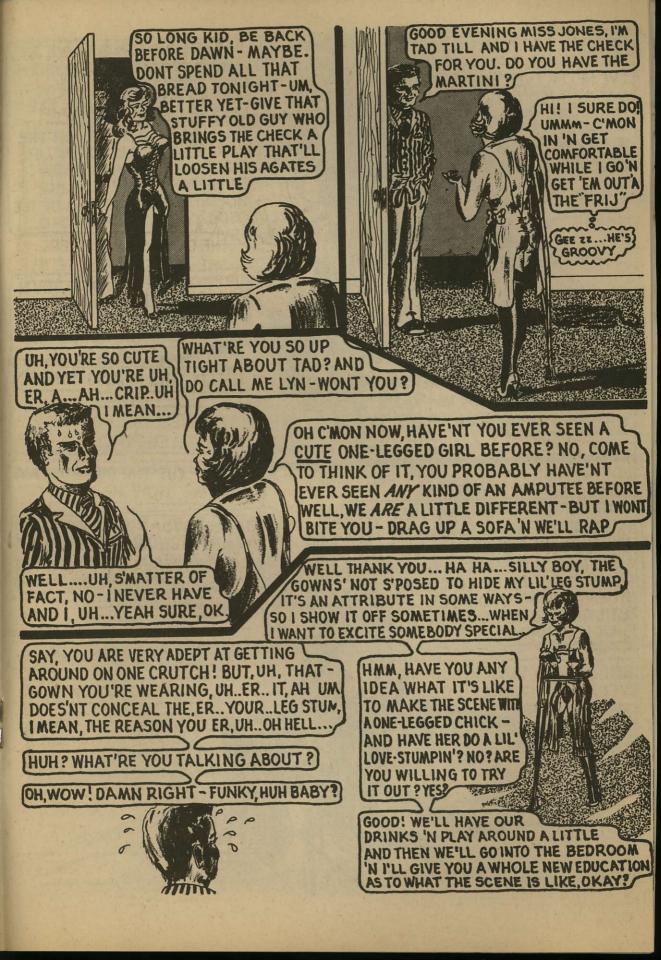
WELL SURE I WOULD...I'M
GOING TO GET A GREAT BIG
SETTLEMENT OUT OF THE BUS
COMPANY SO I WONT NEED THE
BREAD-BUT I SURE WOULD
LIKE THE FUN THESE KIDS'RE
HAVIN'! BET YOU CHICKS KEEP THE
'PILL' STORE IN SHORT SUPPLY, HUH!

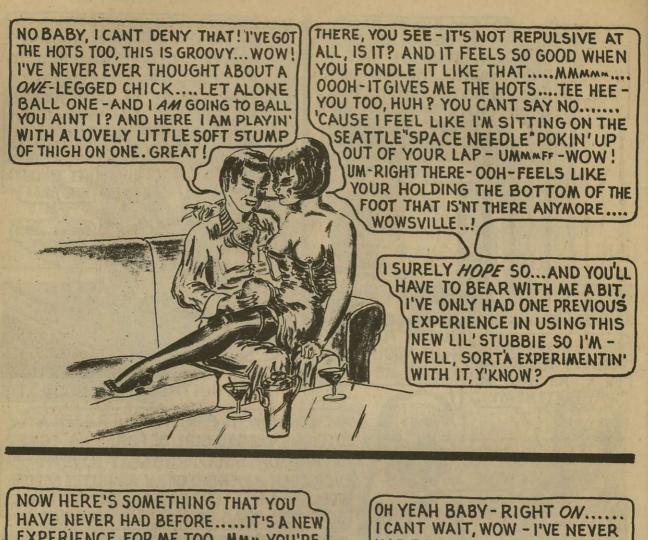
MM-HM! THE GUYS REALLY
DIG HER TOO. WELL C'MON,
WE'VE GOT TO GET BACK
TO THE PAD, I'M S'POSED
TO GET A CALL FROM A
GUY.... AND AFTER
WATCHING THIS-ISURE
HOPE HE CALLS, I'VE
GOT THE HOT VIBES!

WELL LYN - D'YA THINK YOU'LD CARE TO JOIN OUR LITTLE "INVESTMI NT OPERATION HERE? IT'LL MAKE YA LOTS'A BREAD

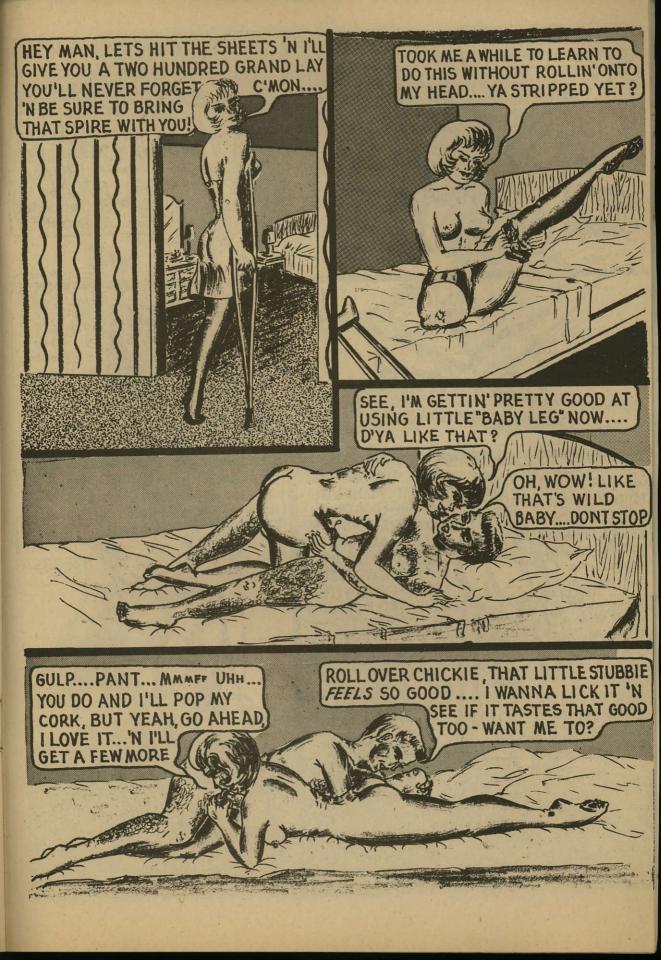




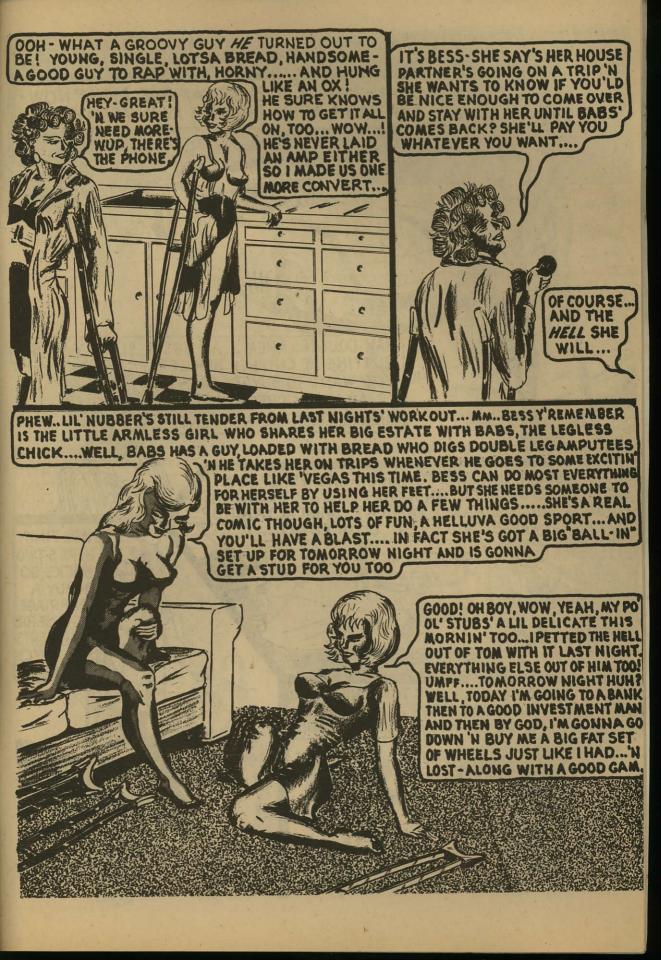






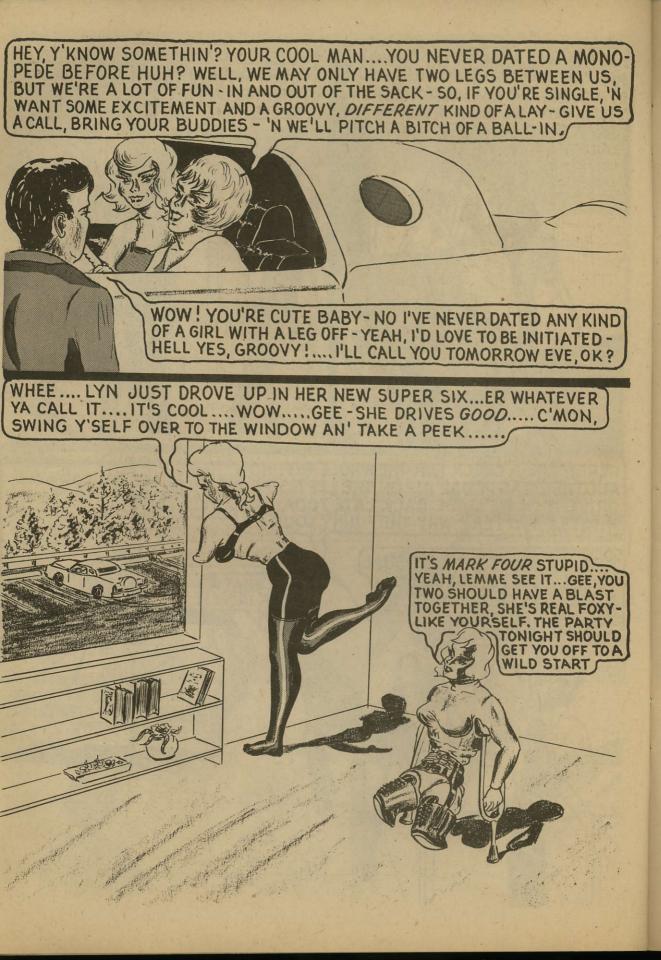




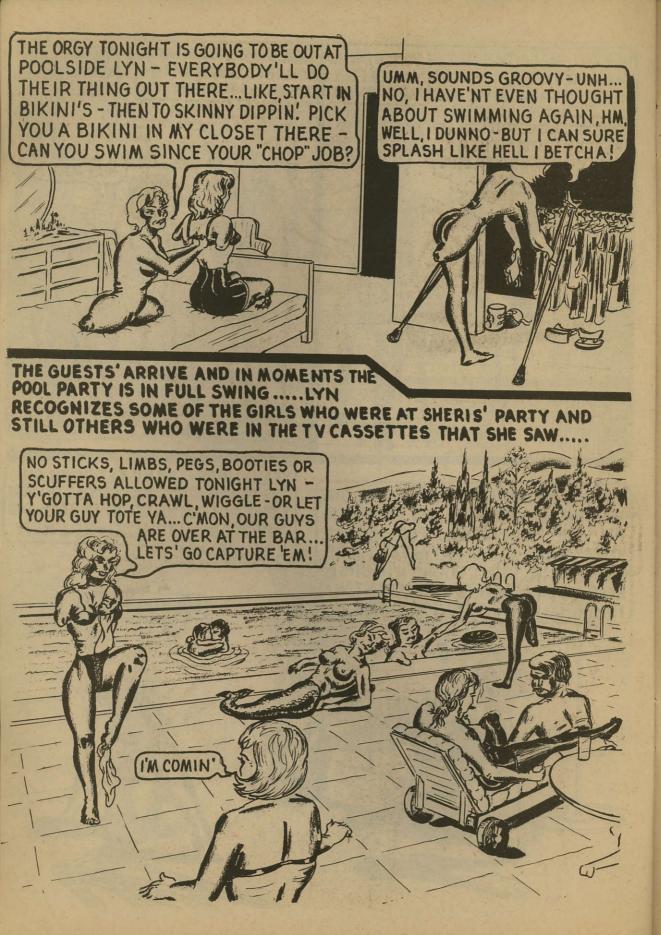




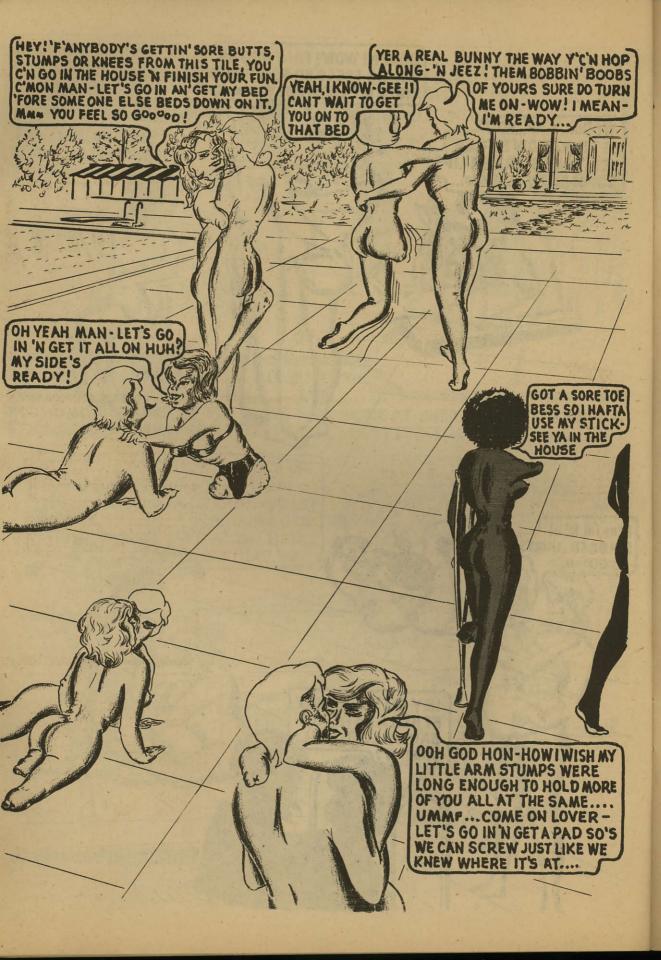


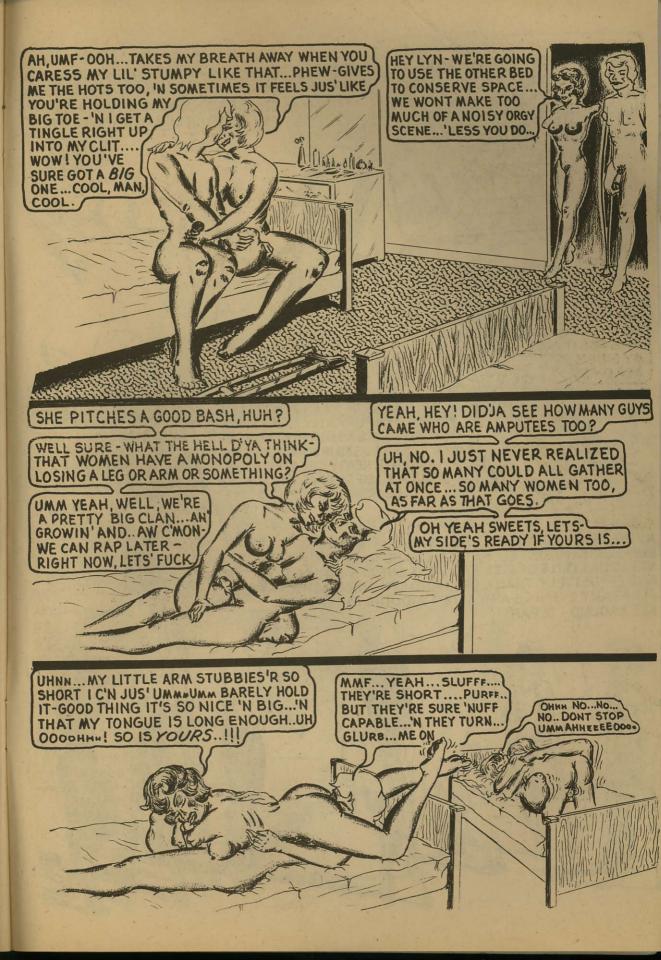






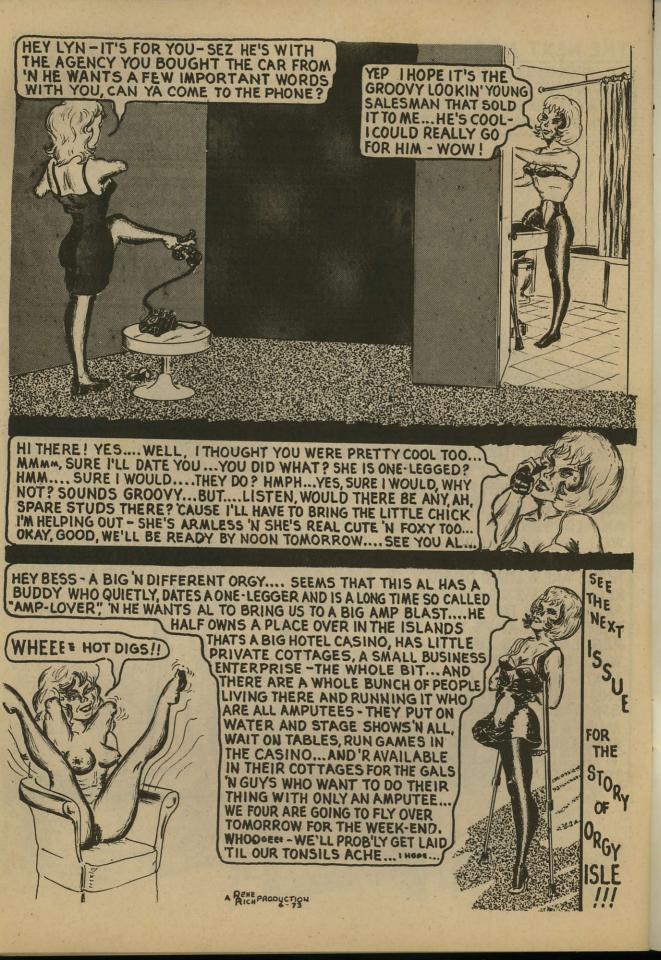




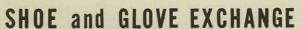


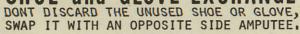
















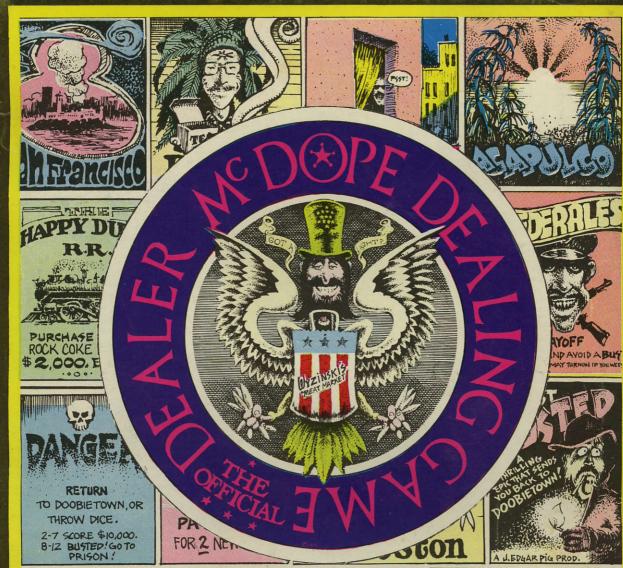


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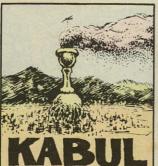
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