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HELLO.



GRROWLLL...



NO,
NO, BOY.

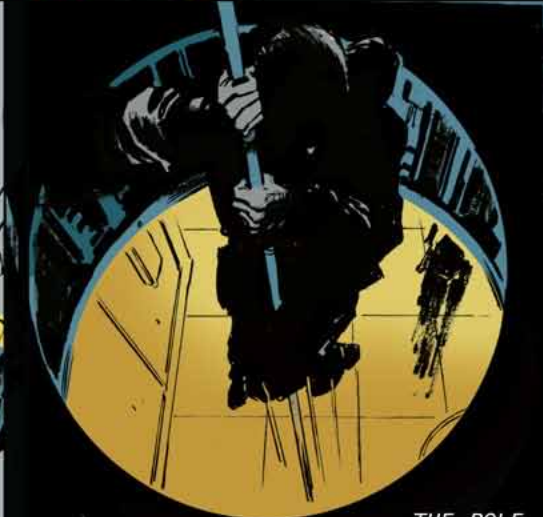
GRRR...

GRRRR GRROWLLL...



MONTAG
GRABBED
THE BRASS
POLE.

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THE POLE,
REACTING,
SLID UPWARD.

HE STEPPED OFF
IN THE UPPER
LEVEL. HE WAS
TREMBLING.



IT
DOESN'T
LIKE ME.

WHAT,
THE HOUND?
COME OFF IT. IT DOES-
N'T LIKE OR DISLIKE. IT
JUST "FUNCTIONS." IT HAS
A TRAJECTORY WE DECIDE
ON FOR IT.

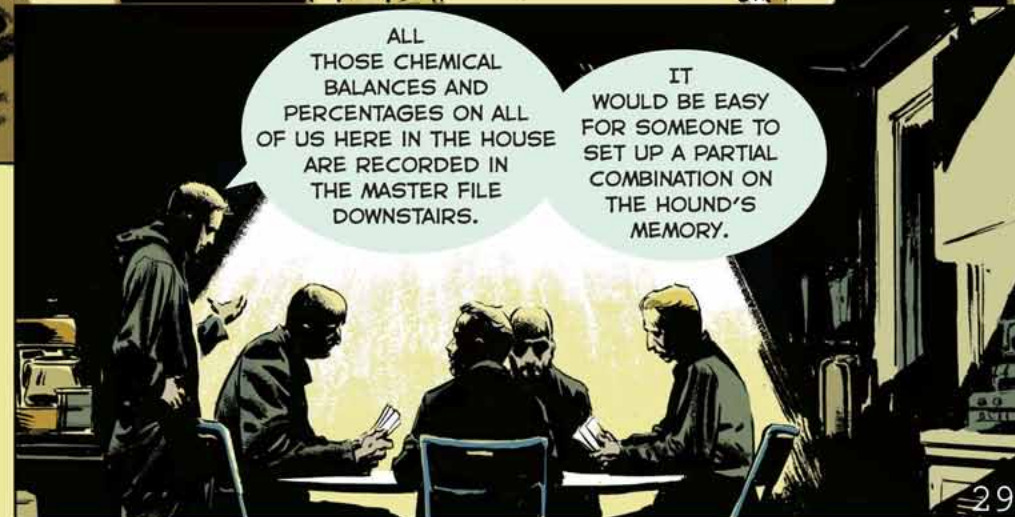
ITS
CALCULATORS
CAN BE SET TO ANY
COMBINATION...

...SO
MANY AMINO
ACIDS, SO MUCH
SULPHUR, SO MUCH
BUTTERFAT,
RIGHT?

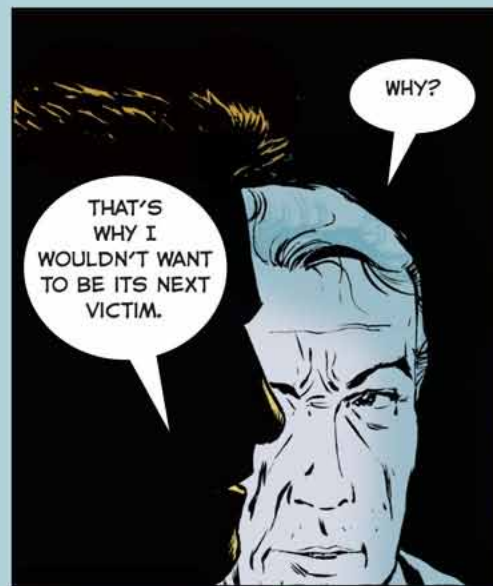
WE
ALL KNOW
THAT.

ALL
THOSE CHEMICAL
BALANCES AND
PERCENTAGES ON ALL
OF US HERE IN THE HOUSE
ARE RECORDED IN
THE MASTER FILE
DOWNSTAIRS.

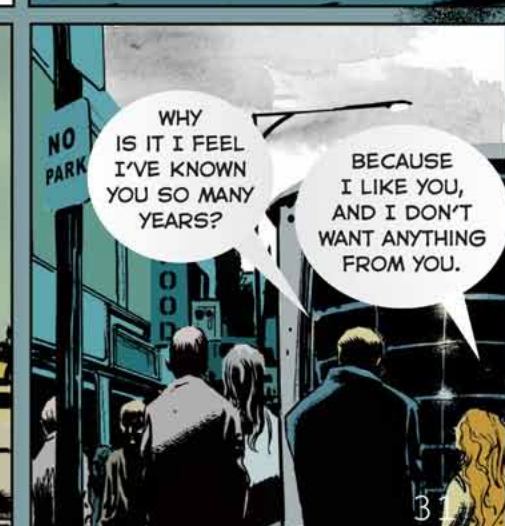
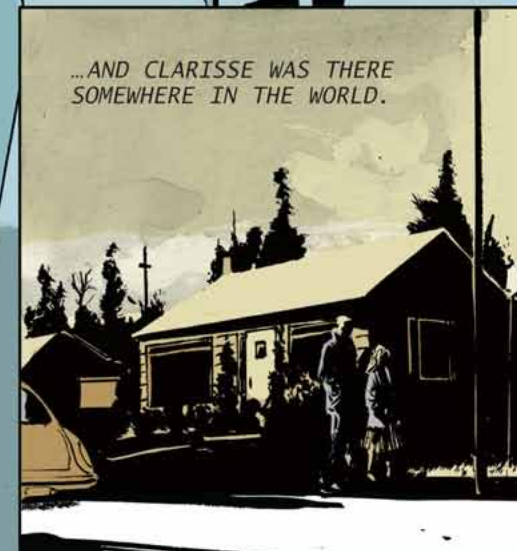
IT
WOULD BE EASY
FOR SOMEONE TO
SET UP A PARTIAL
COMBINATION ON
THE HOUND'S
MEMORY.

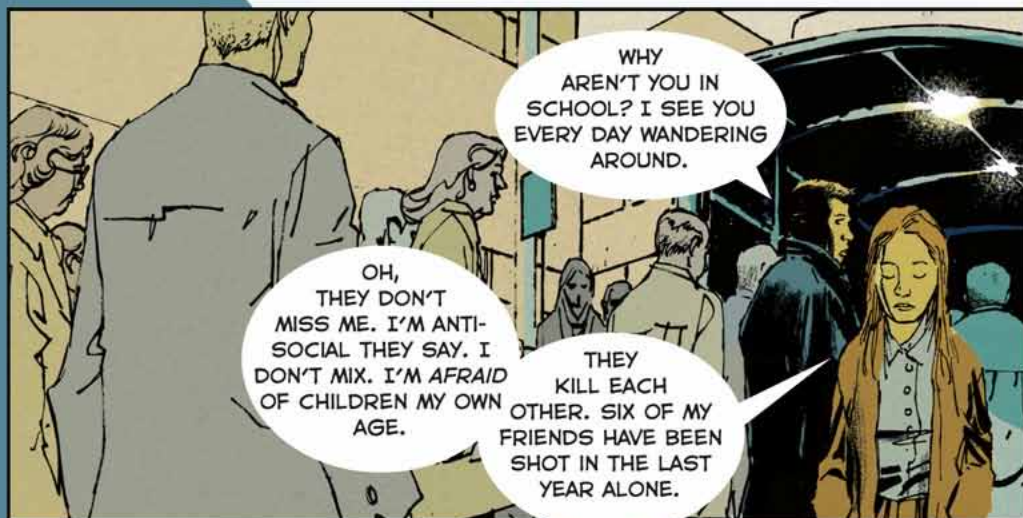


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"YOU GOT A GUILTY CONSCIENCE ABOUT SOMETHING?"





WHY
AREN'T YOU IN
SCHOOL? I SEE YOU
EVERY DAY WANDERING
AROUND.

OH,
THEY DON'T
MISS ME. I'M ANTI-
SOCIAL THEY SAY. I
DON'T MIX. I'M AFRAID
OF CHILDREN MY OWN
AGE.

THEY
KILL EACH
OTHER. SIX OF MY
FRIENDS HAVE BEEN
SHOT IN THE LAST
YEAR ALONE.



FIVE, SIX, SEVEN
DAYS. THE LAWN WAS
EMPTY, THE TREES
EMPTY, THE STREET
EMPTY...



...AND WHILE AT FIRST
HE DID NOT EVEN KNOW
HE MISSED HER OR WAS
LOOKING FOR HER...



...THE FACT WAS THAT BY
THE TIME HE REACHED
THE SUBWAY, THERE
WERE VAGUE STIRRINGS
OF DIS-EASE IN HIM.

"THIS COUNTRY STANDS
READY TO DEFEND ITS..."



YOUR
PLAY,
MONTAG.



I--
I'VE BEEN
THINKING.
ABOUT THE FIRE
LAST WEEK. ABOUT
THE MAN WHOSE
LIBRARY WE FIXED.

THEY
TOOK HIM
SCREAMING
OFF TO THE
ASYLUM.

HE
WASN'T
INSANE.

ANY
MAN'S INSANE
WHO THINKS HE
CAN FOOL THE
GOVERNMENT
AND US.

WAS--
WAS IT ALWAYS
LIKE THIS? THE
FIREHOUSE, OUR
WORK? I MEAN, WELL,
ONCE UPON A TIME...



ONCE
UPON A
TIME! WHAT
KIND OF TALK IS
THAT?



IN
THE OLD DAYS,
BEFORE HOMES
WERE COMPLETELY
FIREPROOFED--



DIDN'T
FIREMEN PREVENT
FIRES RATHER THAN
STOKE THEM UP AND
GET THEM
GOING?

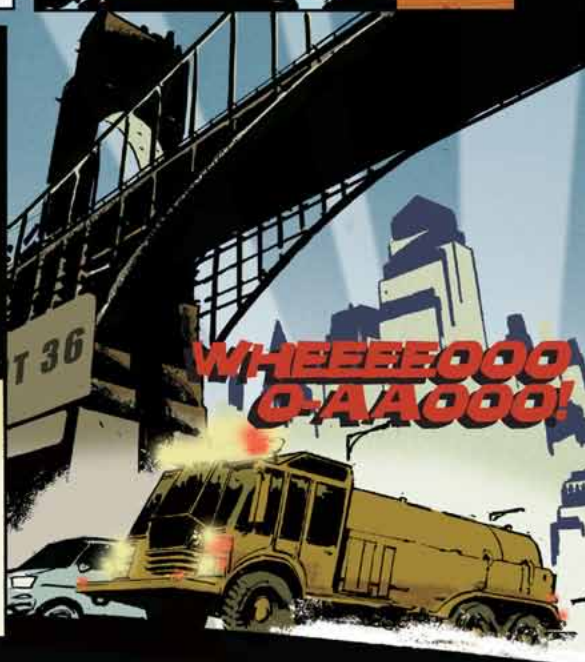
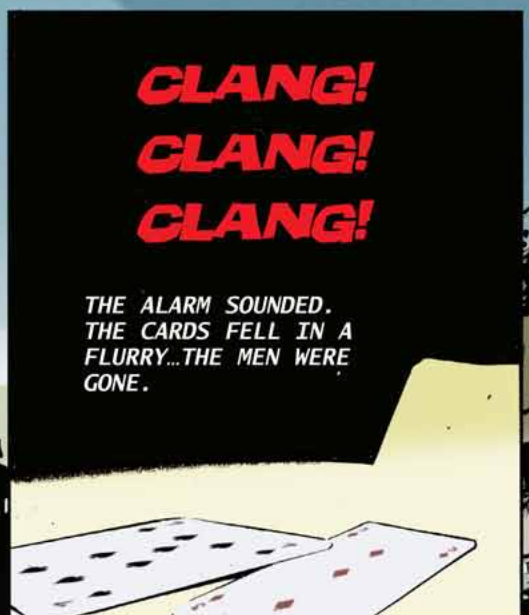
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CLANG!
CLANG!

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TO DAVID PASSALACQUA,
WHOSE VOICE IS STILL IN MY HEAD EVERY DAY

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