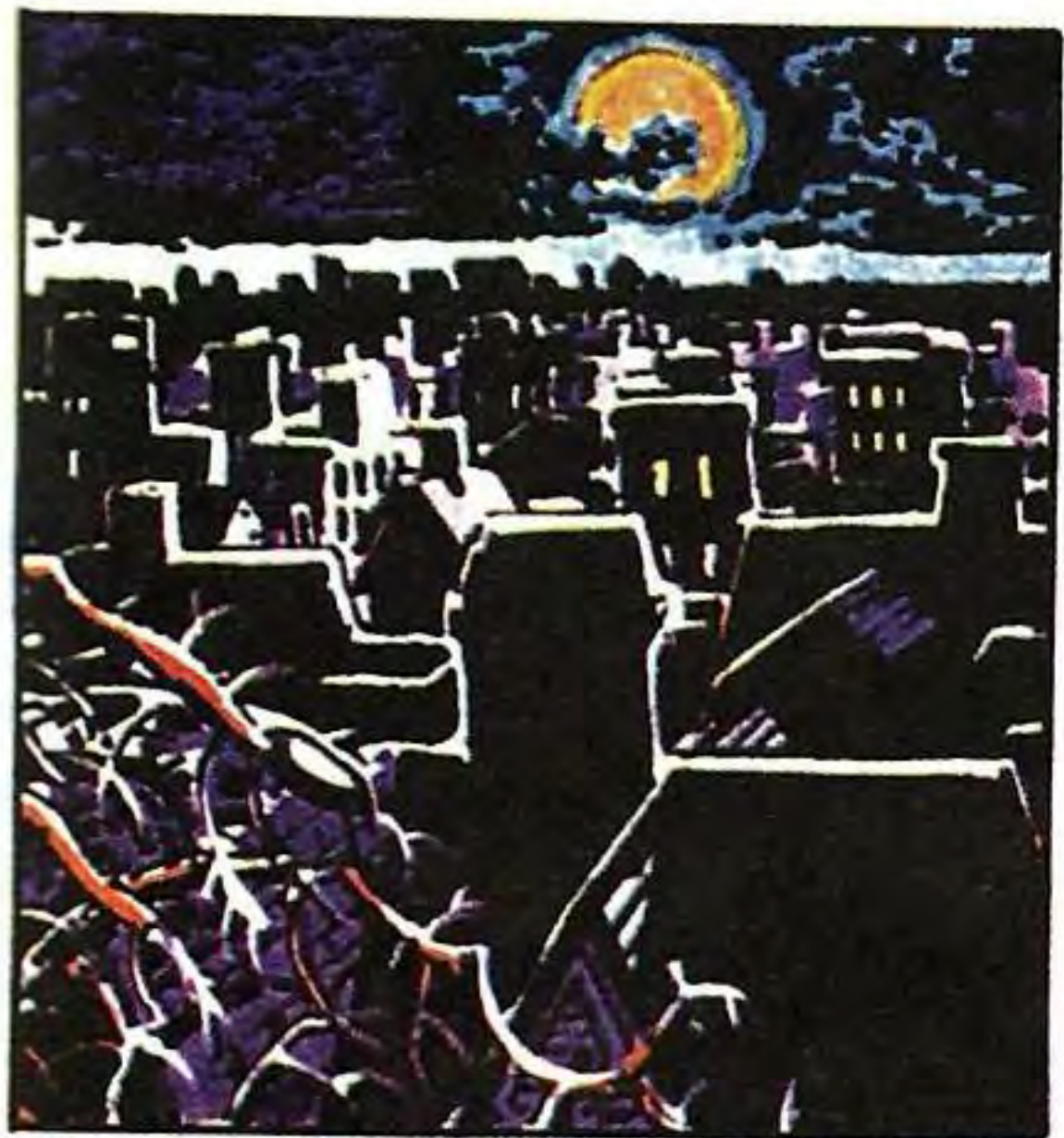


RAIN CLOUDS TRY IN VAIN TO SHIELD THE CITY OF SALEM FROM THE FULL MOON!



I'VE SURE HAD BETTER DAYS THAN THIS...

"I WAS ALBERT TUSK, HEIR TO THE TUSK FAMILY FISH OIL FORTUNE! I INVESTED IT ALL IN A DOGFOOD COMPANY!"

NOW, FIDO WILL DEMONSTRATE HIS LOVE FOR TUSK DOG FOOD!..

...TUSK DOGGY DINN... OOOOW!



"THAT BITE CURSED ME! TONIGHT, THE PEOPLE WHO FORMERLY RESPECTED ME SHRINK BACK IN SHOCK AND FEAR!"



WHAT IDIOT PUT PANTS ON THAT DOG?

THAT'S NO DOG, YOU DRUNKARD! THAT'S A WEREWOLF!

RUN FOR YOUR LIFE!

# WIZARD WAGSTAFF



I NEVER ATTACKED ANYONE, BUT THEY RUN IN TERROR! FOOLS!

AFTER A ROUGH DAY IN THE BUSINESS ARENA, THE LAST THING I WANT TO DO IS ATTACK SOMEBODY!



IT'S A TOUGH LIFE! MY DOGFOOD COMPANY IS FAILING BECAUSE PEOPLE PREFER TO FEED THEIR PETS SCRAPS! AND NOW I'VE BEEN TURNED INTO A WEREWOLF! WON'T ANYBODY TRY TO UNDERSTAND?

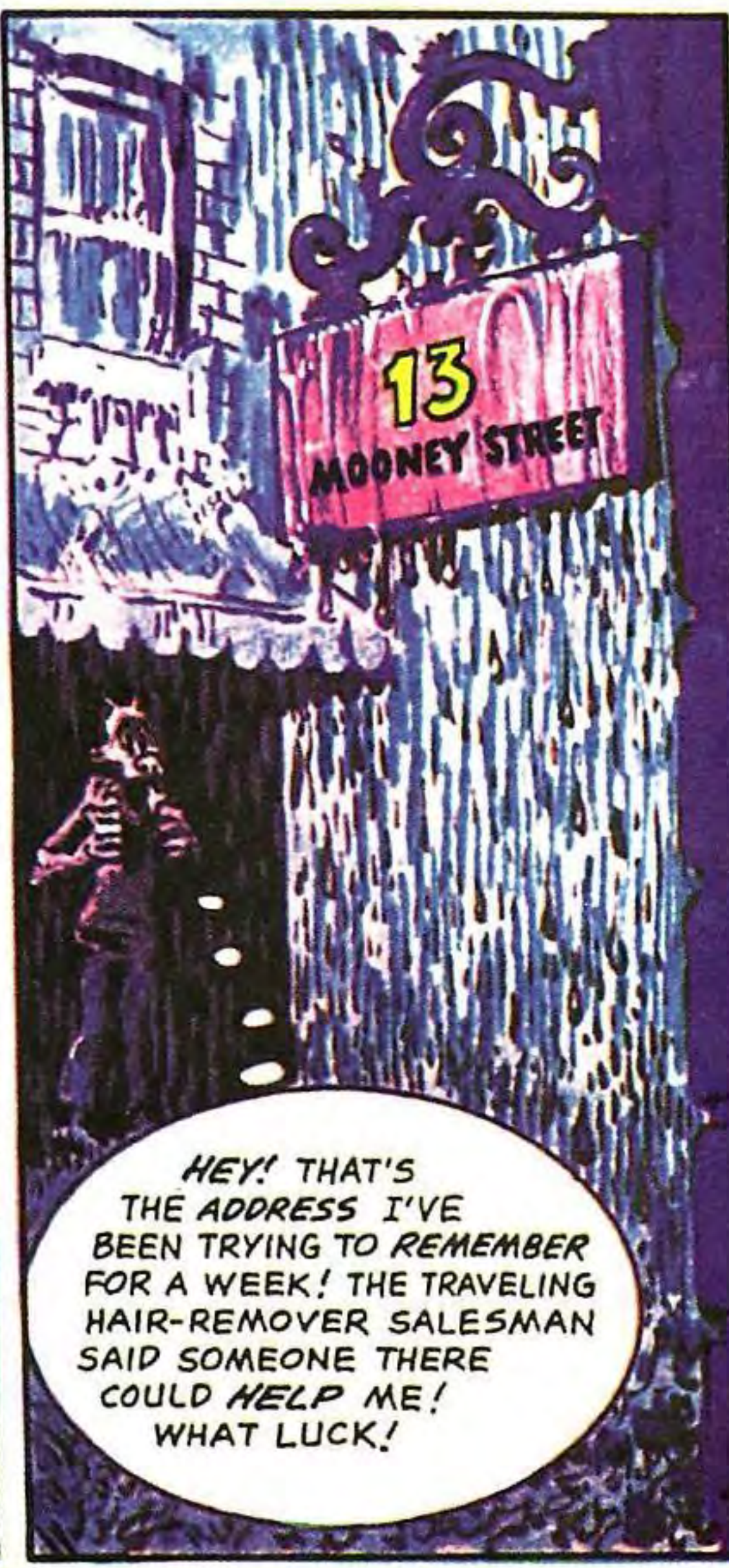


HI, YOU WOLF!

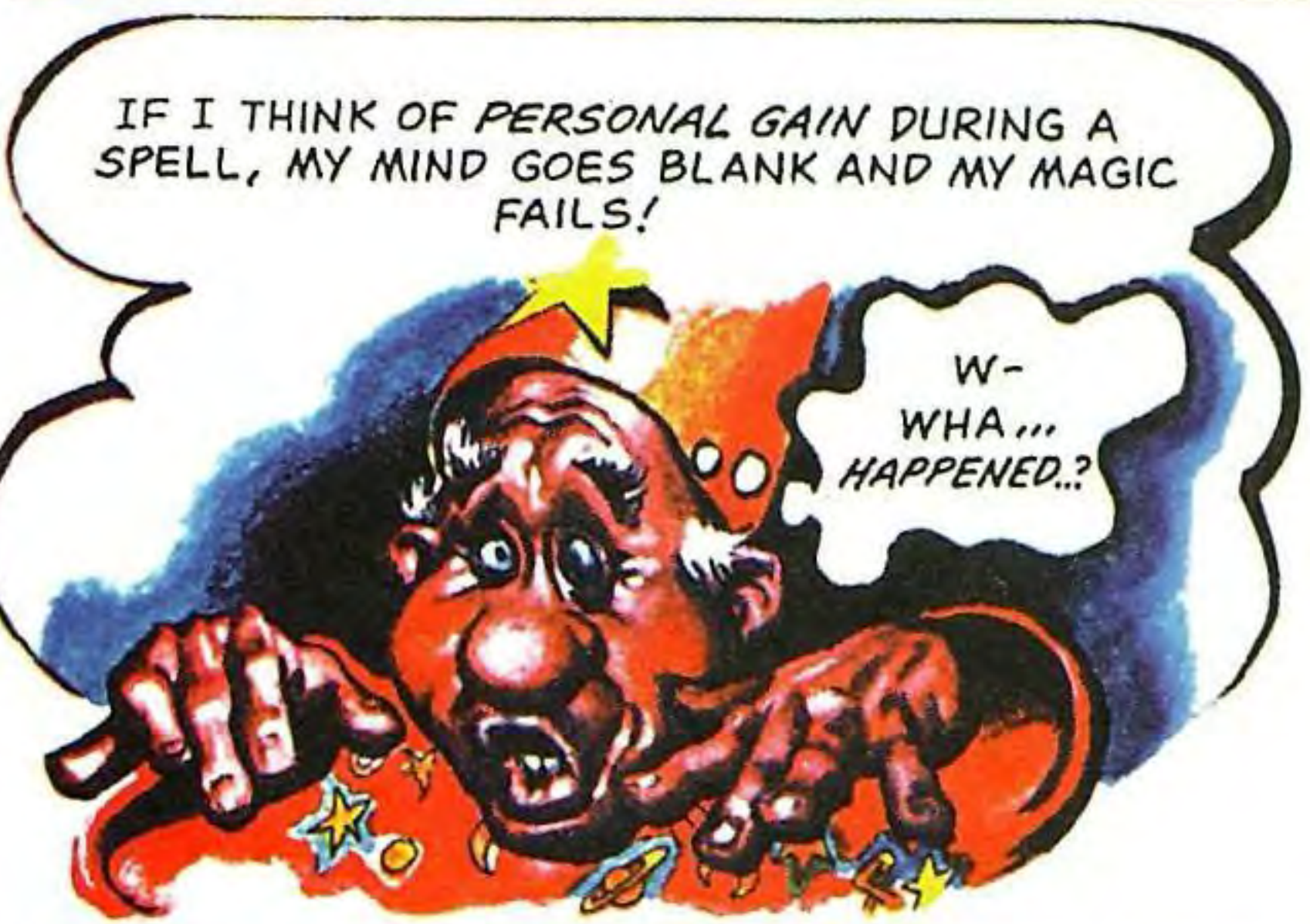
MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE STAYED HOME...



AND NOW RAIN! I CAN'T STAND THE SMELL OF WET FUR!



HEY! THAT'S THE ADDRESS I'VE BEEN TRYING TO REMEMBER FOR A WEEK! THE TRAVELING HAIR-REMOVER SALESMAN SAID SOMEONE THERE COULD HELP ME! WHAT LUCK!





NOW TO FIND SOMEONE POOR... AND SWEATY..!

IT'S NO USE! PEOPLE ARE AFRAID OF ME! THEY'LL ONLY RUN..!



WHENEVER I'M UNHAPPY I ALWAYS WANT TO EAT!

WHAT?



WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? THAT DOG IS EATING WITH A SPOON!

SLURP!  
SLOPP!



IT'S ALL RIGHT, ED! HE'S WITH ME!



HE SEEMS LIKE A FRIENDLY POOCH...

LICK!



BUT EVERY TIME THERE'S A FULL MOON WE GET REPORTS OF STRANGE ANIMALS ROAMING THE STREETS! IT'S ALRIGHT IF YOU SAY SO, WAGSTAFF! BUT BE CAREFUL!

YEECH!



NOW GO AWAY, LITTLE DOGGY, BEFORE YOU GET HURT HERE...



I SMELL MEAT! WHY DON'T WE SHARE THAT LITTLE MAN BETWEEN US?

NO! DAMN! THAT POODLE SURE GOT AROUND!



SNIFF!



GOBBLE!  
SNORT!

LOOK! HE LIKES MY HEARTY CHUNKS OF HORSEMEAT SOAKED IN LUXURIOUS GRAVY!



WHERE CAN I GET MORE?

I'LL TALK TO YOU LATER!

ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T WANT TO ATTACK ANYONE?

WHAT? ON A FULL STOMACH?



WHO'RE YOU?

MY NAME IS GUISEPPE. I'M THE SON OF A POOR ITALIAN SEAMSTRESS! I ALWAYS WANTED A DOG... THEN ONE DAY I SAW THIS POODLE...! NOW EVERY TIME THERE'S A FULL MOON...



I UNDERSTAND, GUISEPPE! AND I THINK I CAN CURE YOUR CURSE! COME WITH US AND I'LL EXPLAIN!



HEY WAGSTAFF, NO PETS... REMEMBER?



WHERE ARE WE?

IN AN ABANDONED SMUGGLER'S TUNNEL! IT LEADS FROM MY ROOM... TO THE SEA! I DO MOST OF MY MAGIC HERE!

YOUR SALIVA CONTAINS PERSPIRATION! IT SHOULD WORK IN MY POTION!



FANGS TO TEETH, FUR TO SKIN! BEAST TO MAN, SPELL BEGIN!

ALL RIGHT, TUSK! YOU FIRST! START RUBBING THIS HAIR-REMOVER SALVE ALL OVER YOUR BODY! I'LL DO YOUR BACK!



IT'S WORKING!



I'M NORMAL AGAIN!



NOW THAT THE SALVE IS FINISHED WORKING, YOU'D BETTER PUT YOUR PANTS ON BEFORE YOU GET US ARRESTED!

I'LL HAVE YOURS READY IN A MINUTE, GUISEPPE!



YOU KNOW, GUISEPPE, I HAVE THE FEELING THAT WHAT HAPPENED TONIGHT'LL MAKE ME RICH... SELLING DOGFOOD TO WEREWOLVES AND PEOPLE WHO ARE AFRAID OF THEM! I OUGHT TO GIVE YOU TWO A FINDER'S FEE!

FANGS TO TEETH, FUR TO--



TUSK, YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE MENTIONED MONEY! N-NOW I CAN'T CURE GUISEPPE!



YOU MEAN I HAVE TO SPEND THE REST OF MY LIFE LIKE THIS? SO HELP ME, I'LL KILL YOU!

NO, GUISEPPE! IT'S JUST UNTIL HE REMEMBERS THE SPELL AGAIN! LOOK, IN THE MEAN-TIME I'LL GIVE YOU FREE DOGFOOD! JUST PASS THE WORD ABOUT HOW GOOD IT IS!

YOU DON'T HAVE TO KILL ANYBODY!

IT WON'T TAKE LONG, I PROMISE! I'LL CURE YOU!

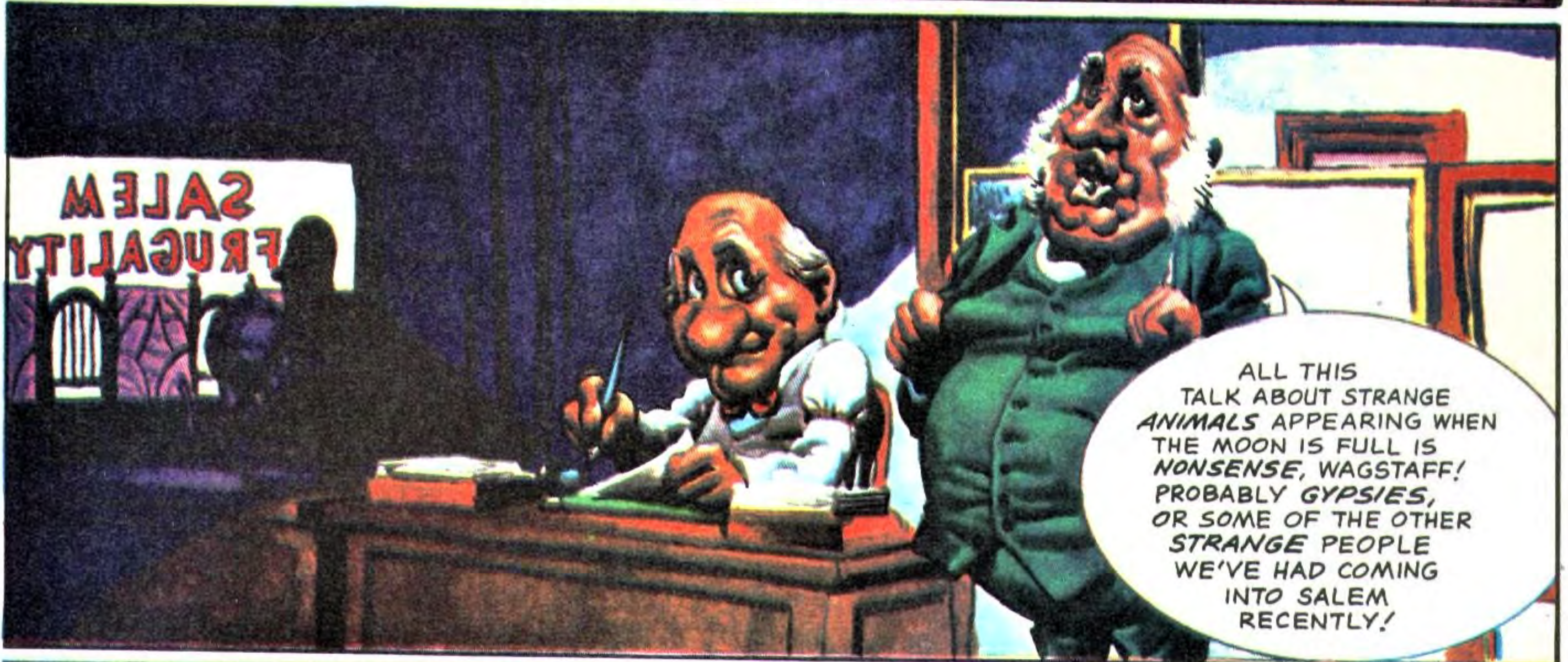


WE'LL HAVE TO ORDER MORE DOGFOOD FOR THE THIRD TIME THIS WEEK, MISTER TUSK! I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE BUYING THE STUFF!



WHAT I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IS, WHY DO SO MANY OF THEM HANG THE JARS UP IN FRONT OF THEIR DOORS?

I'M SURE I DON'T KNOW! YOU CAN GIVE YOUR ORDER TO GUISEPPE HERE! HE'S MY NEW DELIVERY MAN!



ALL THIS TALK ABOUT STRANGE ANIMALS APPEARING WHEN THE MOON IS FULL IS NONSENSE, WAGSTAFF! PROBABLY GYPSIES, OR SOME OF THE OTHER STRANGE PEOPLE WE'VE HAD COMING INTO SALEM RECENTLY!



SOME OF OUR SALEMITES DO A BIT OF IMBIBING AND SEE AN ODDLY-DRESSED PERSON LATE AT NIGHT, AND THE STORY GETS STRETCHED OUT OF SIZE!



HUH? A DOG... HERE?



NOW GO AWAY, LITTLE DOGGY, BEFORE YOU GET HURT HERE...