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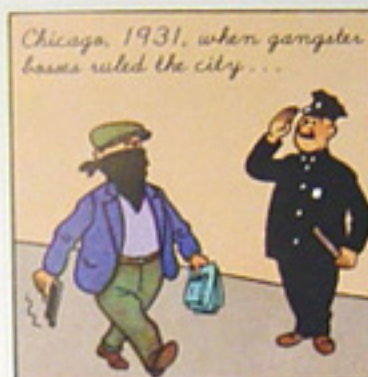
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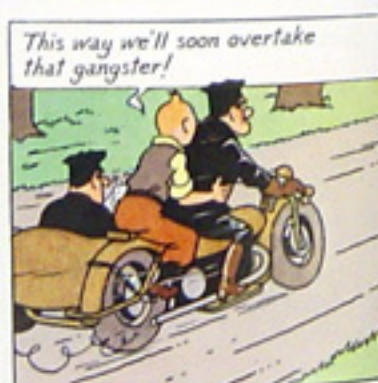
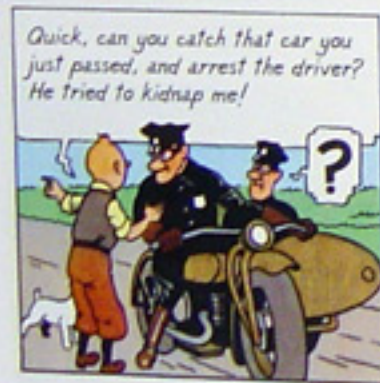
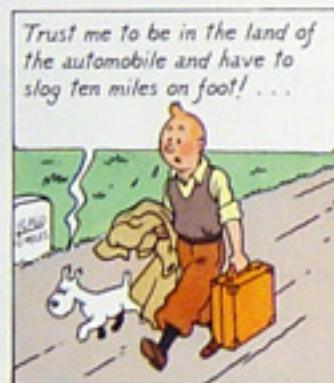
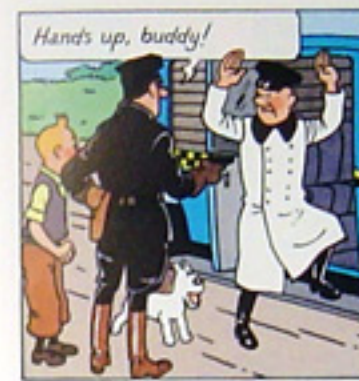
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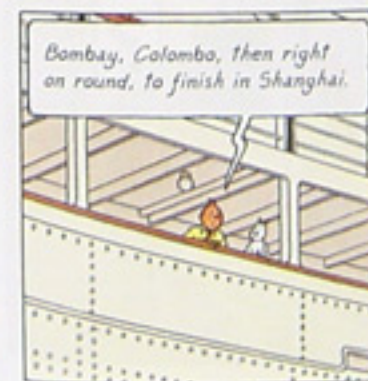
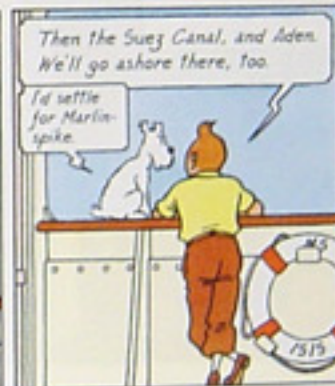
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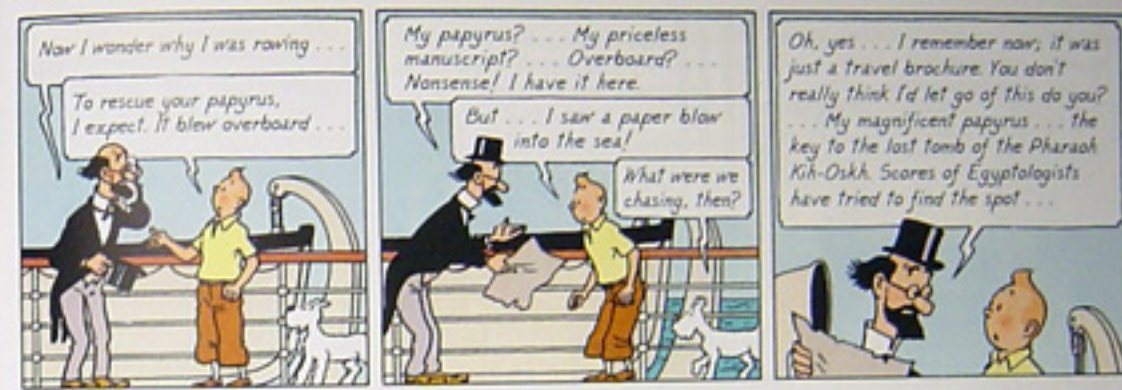
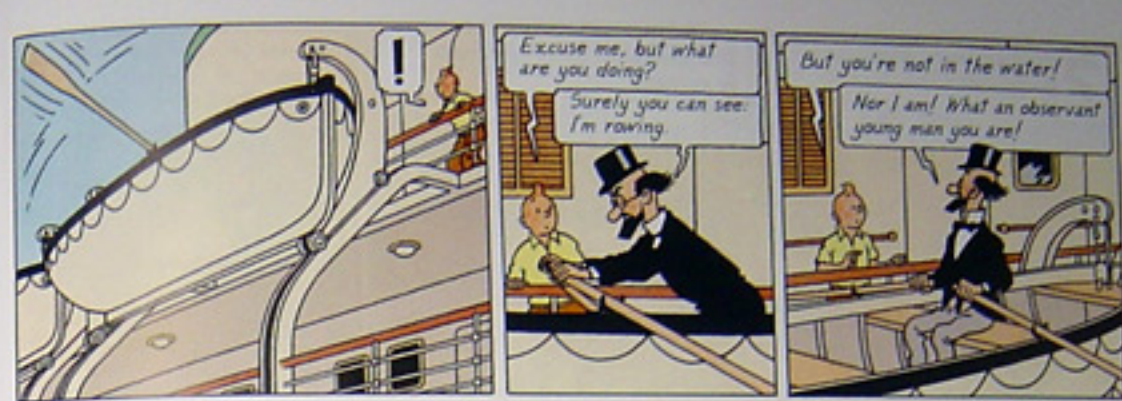
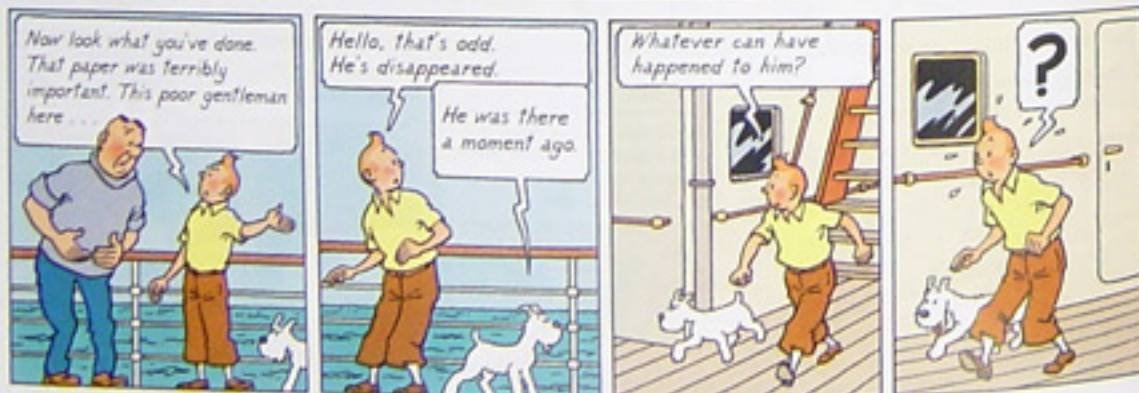
TINTIN IN AMERICA





CIGARS OF THE PHARAOH





THE BLUE LOTUS

藍蓮花

TINTIN AND SNOWY are in India, guests of the Maharaja of Gajpata, enjoying a well-earned rest. The evil gang of international drug smugglers, encountered in Cigan of the Phraok, has been smashed and its members are behind bars. With one exception. Only the mysterious gang-leader

is unaccounted for: he disappeared over a cliff.

But questions have still to be answered. What of the terrible Rajajah juice, the 'poison of madness'? Where were the shipments of opium going, hidden in the fake cigars? And who really was the master-mind behind the operation?

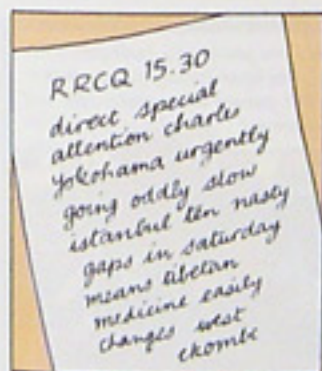


CRR
WHEE
How can a dog get a wink of sleep? Not a minute's peace since he fell for short-wave radio! ...



There it is again. That's the station I've been trying to identify ...

It doesn't make any sense ... What can it possibly mean?



RRCQ 15.30
direct special
attention charlie
Yokohama urgently
going oddy slow
istanbul 'ten nasty
gaps in Saturday
means abelam
medicine easily
changes west
chomke

It must have some meaning ... but what?

My direction-finder shows NSW, ENE. In theory the transmitter should be along a line in the same direction, passing through Gajpata.

Tintin Sahib, the Maharaja requests your presence.

Thank you. I'll come.

