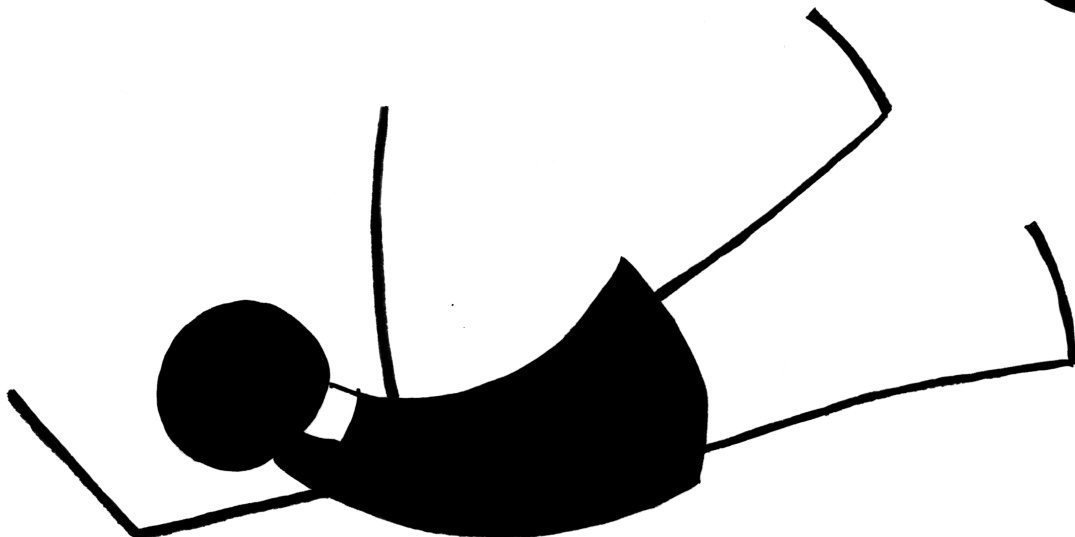


# GOD'S AWAY ON BUSINESS

by Taylor Hunt



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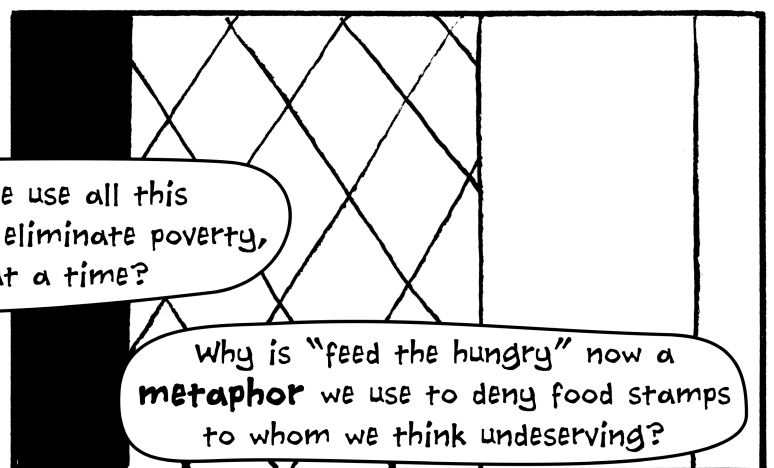
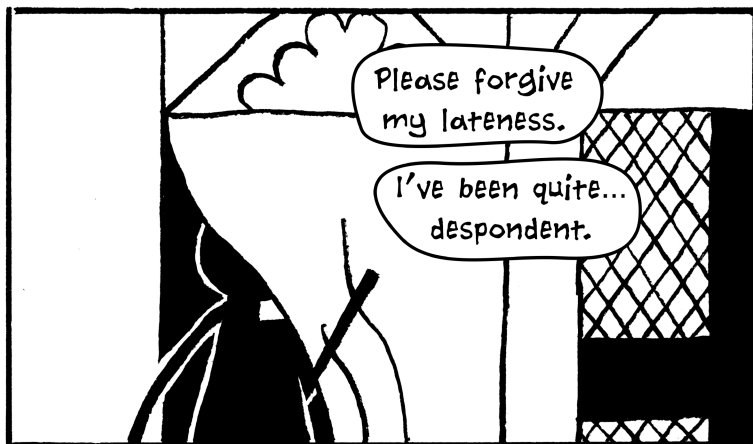
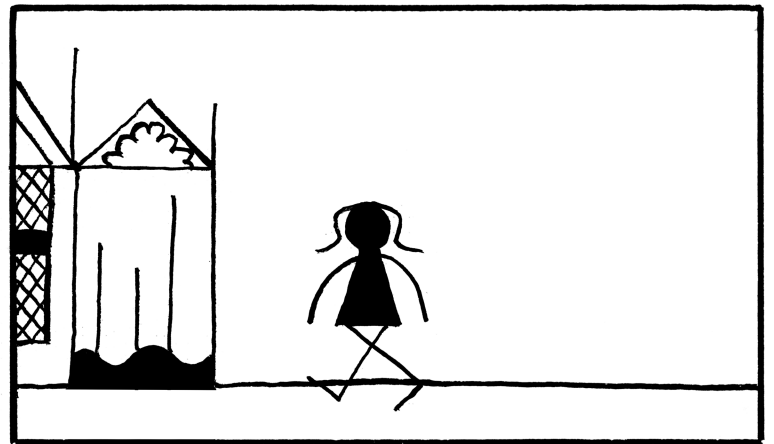
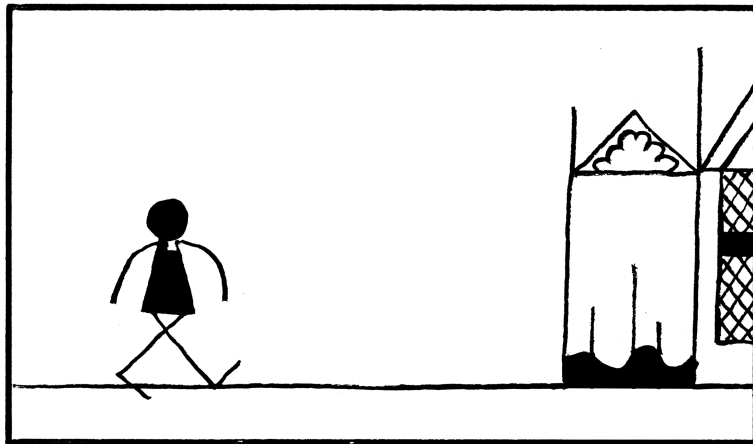
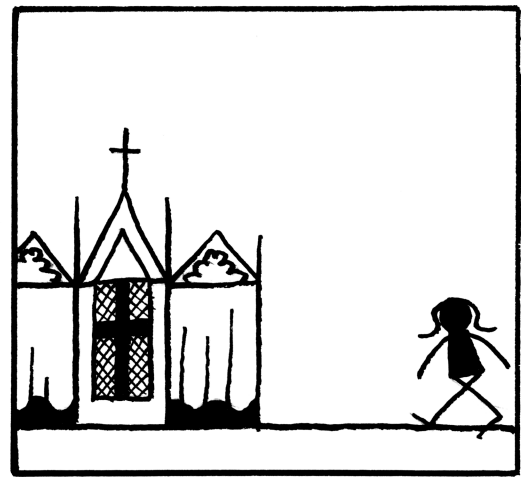
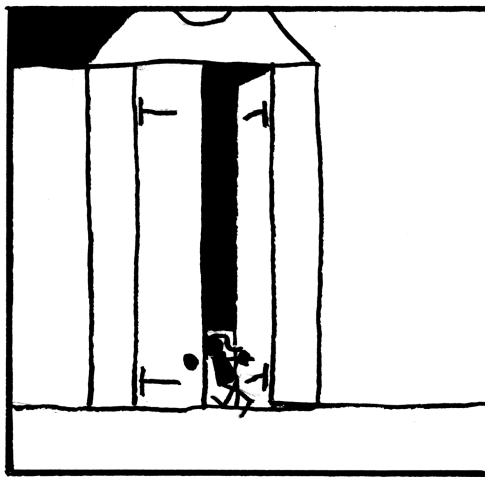
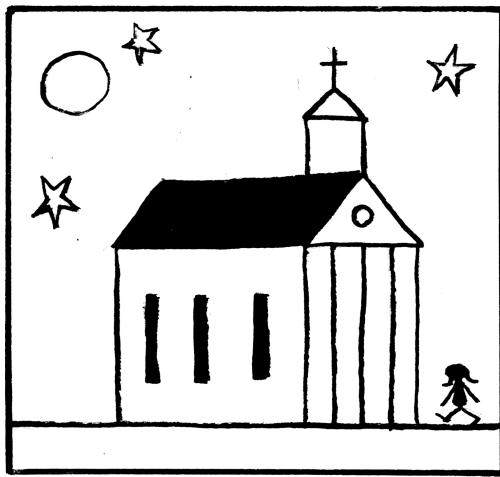
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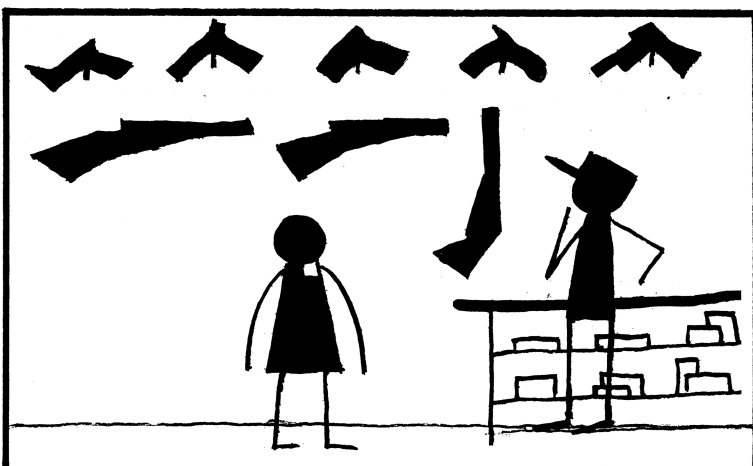
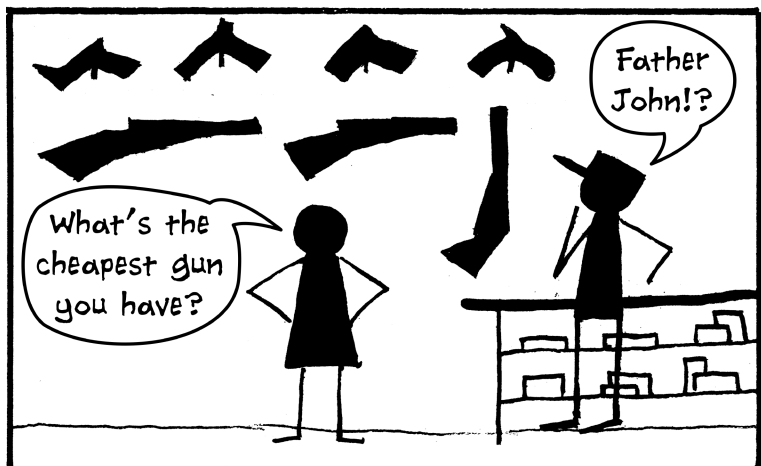
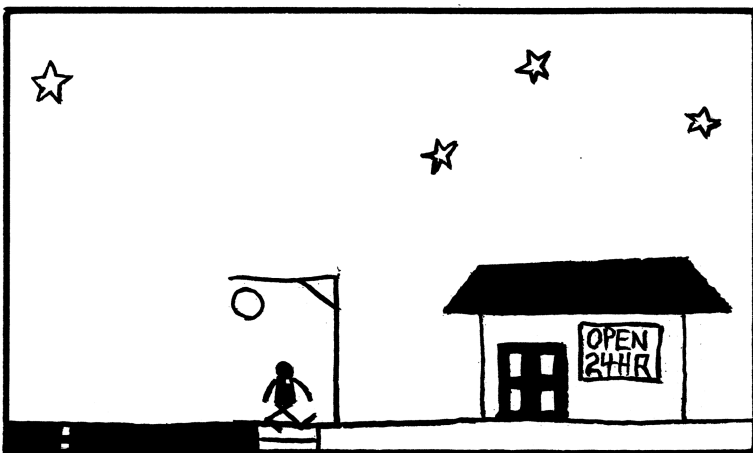
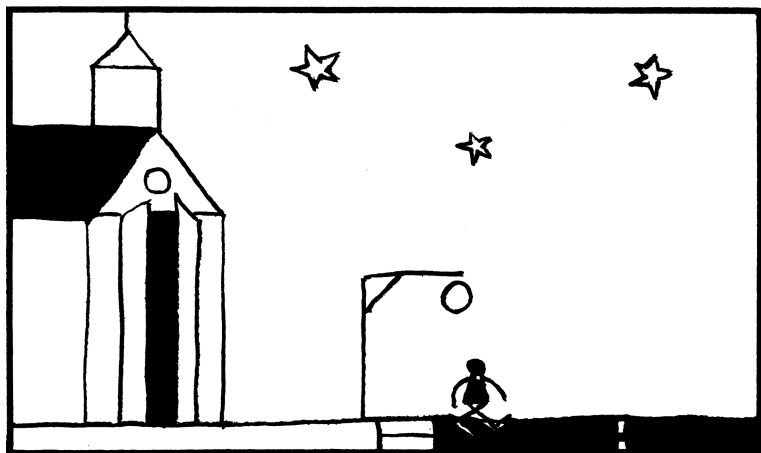
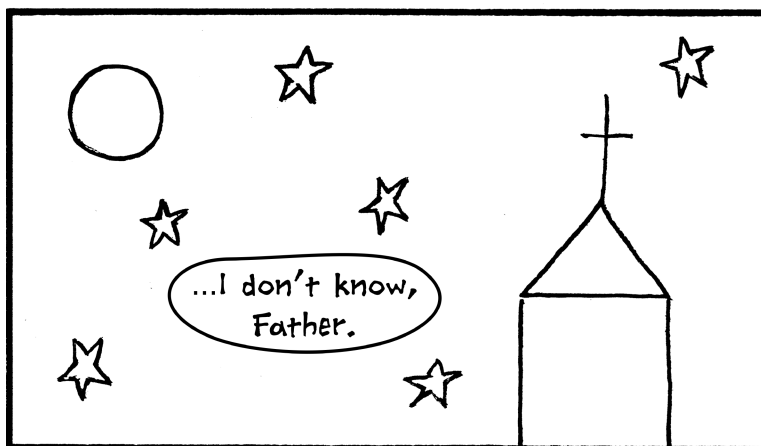
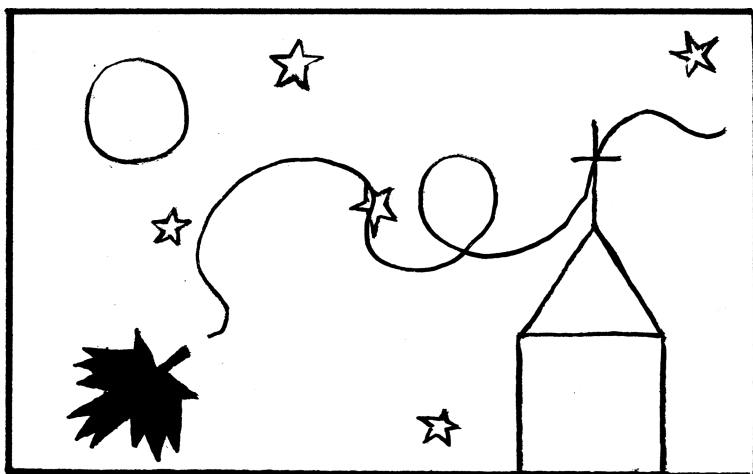
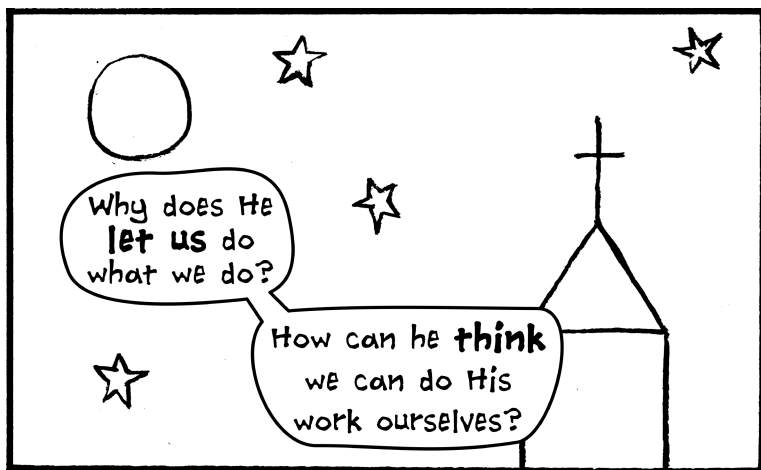
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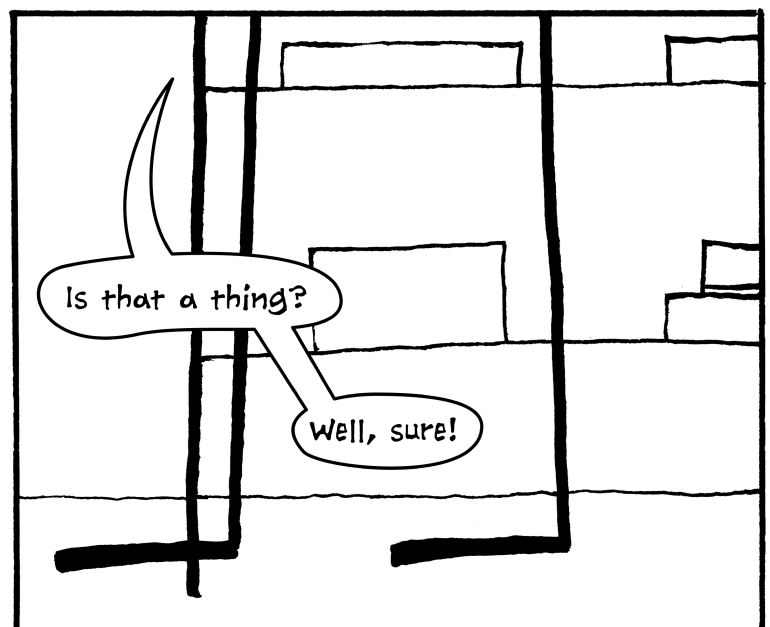
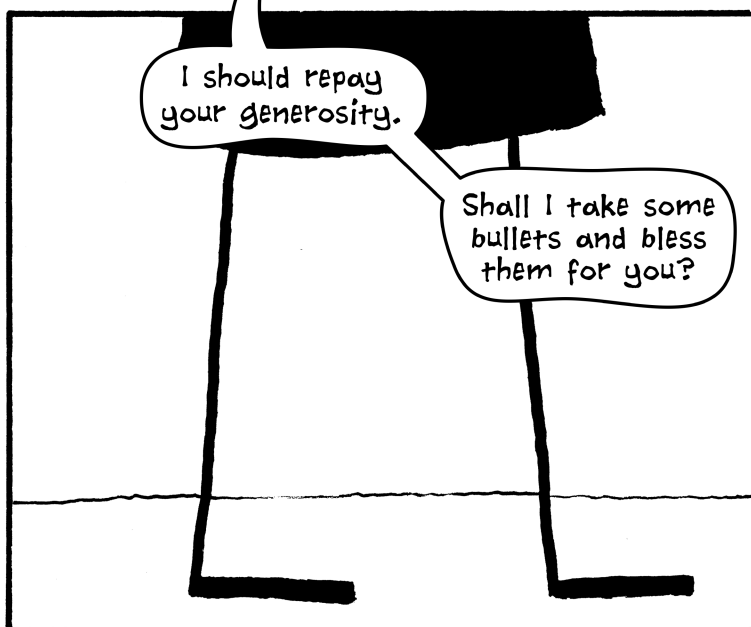
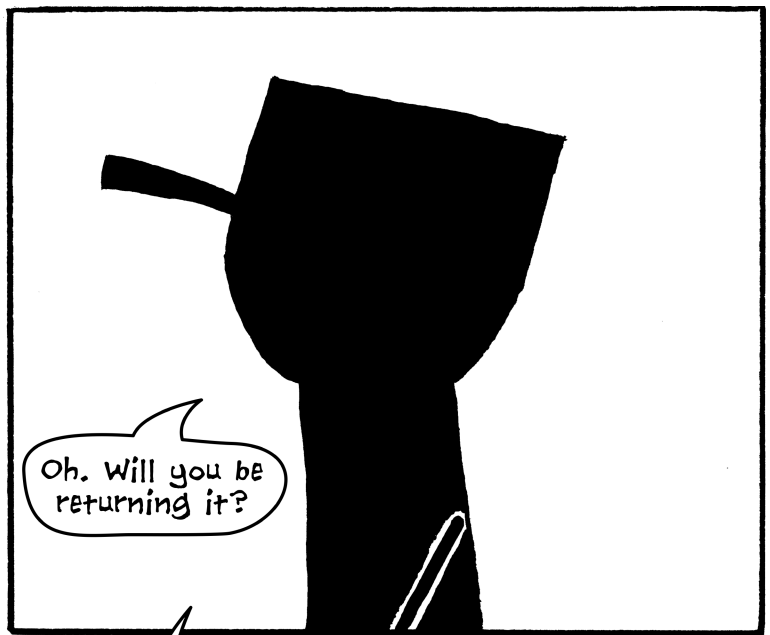
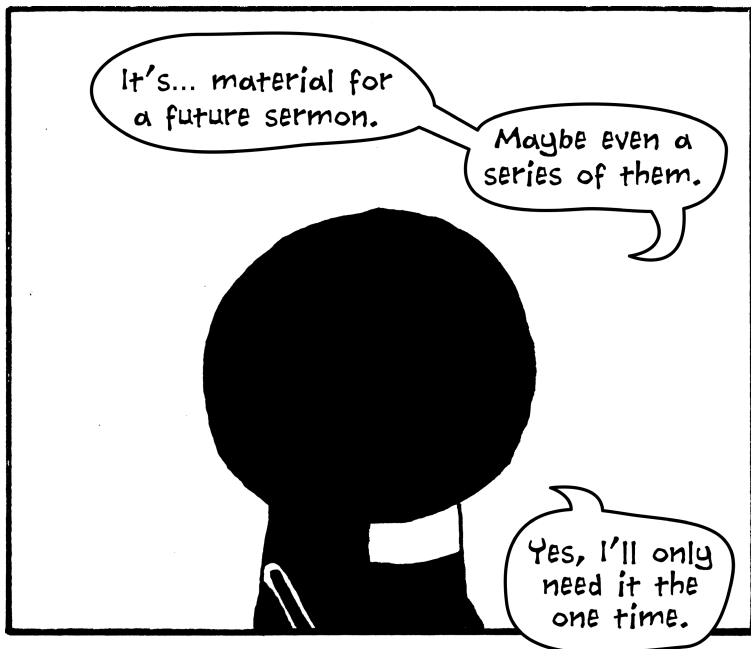
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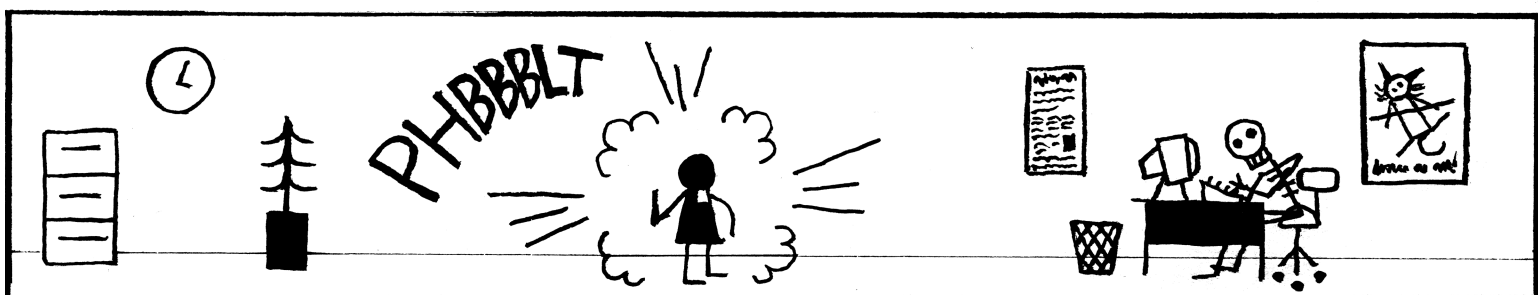
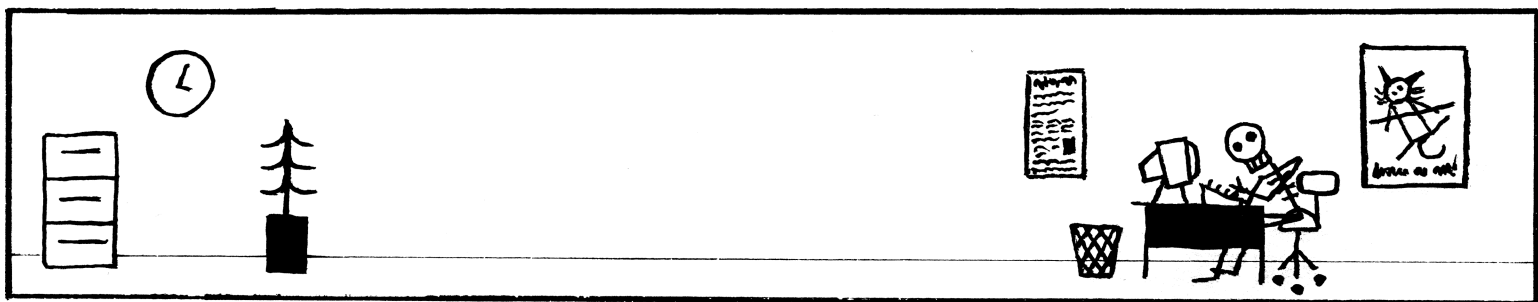
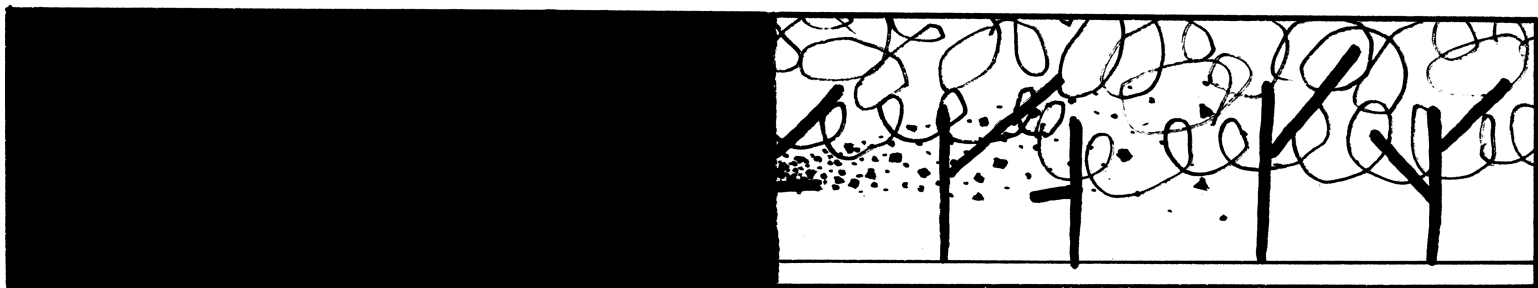
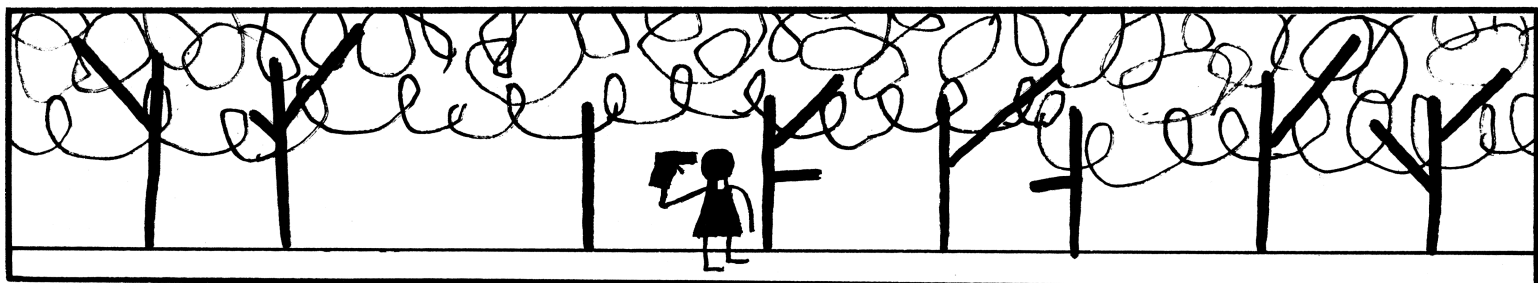
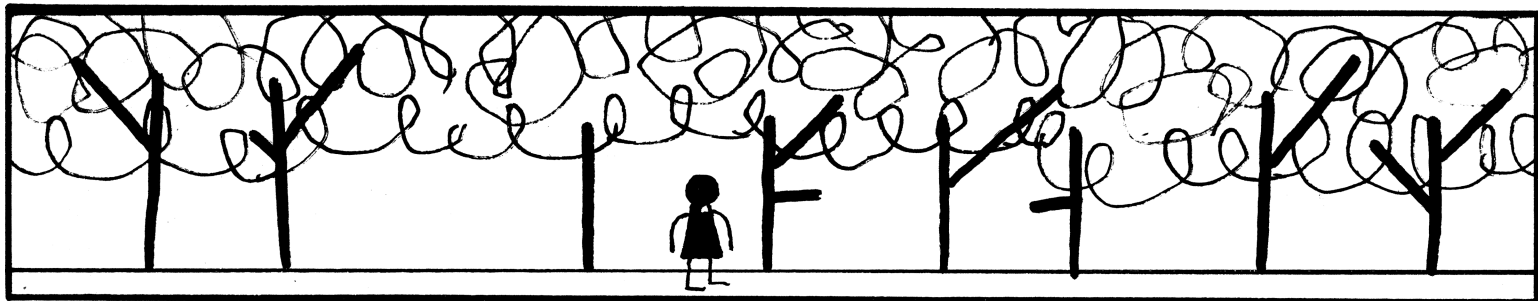
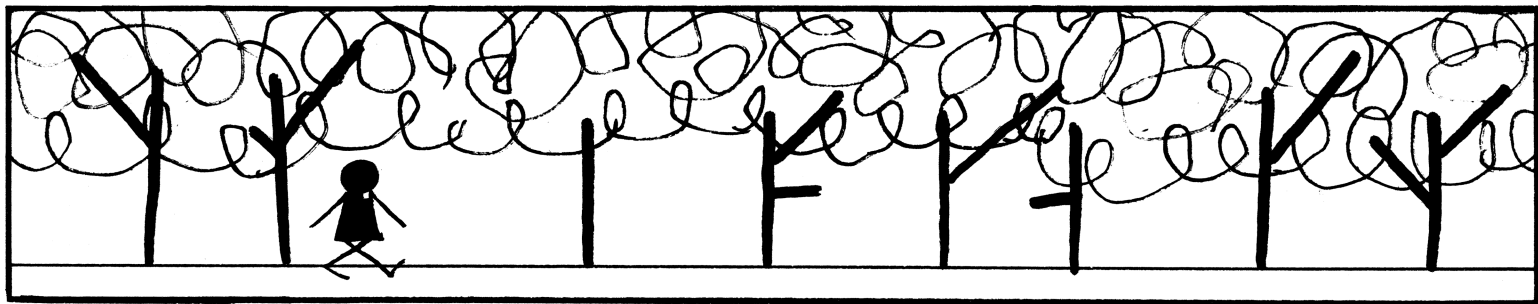
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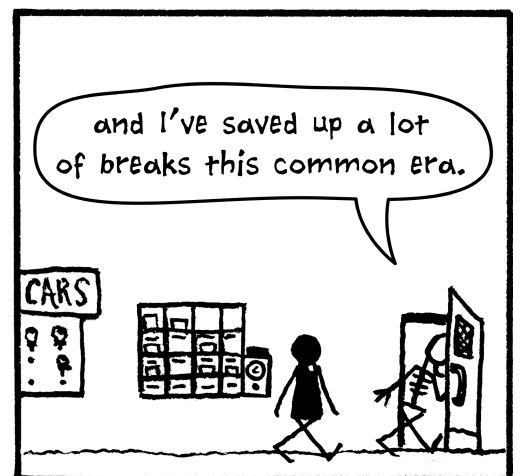
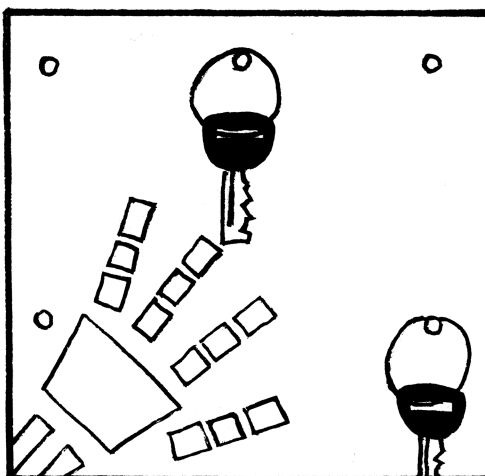
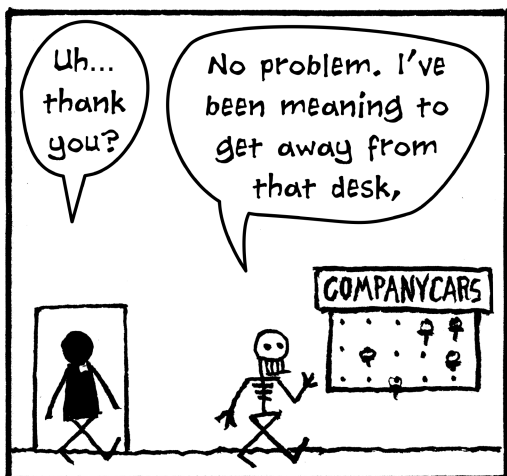
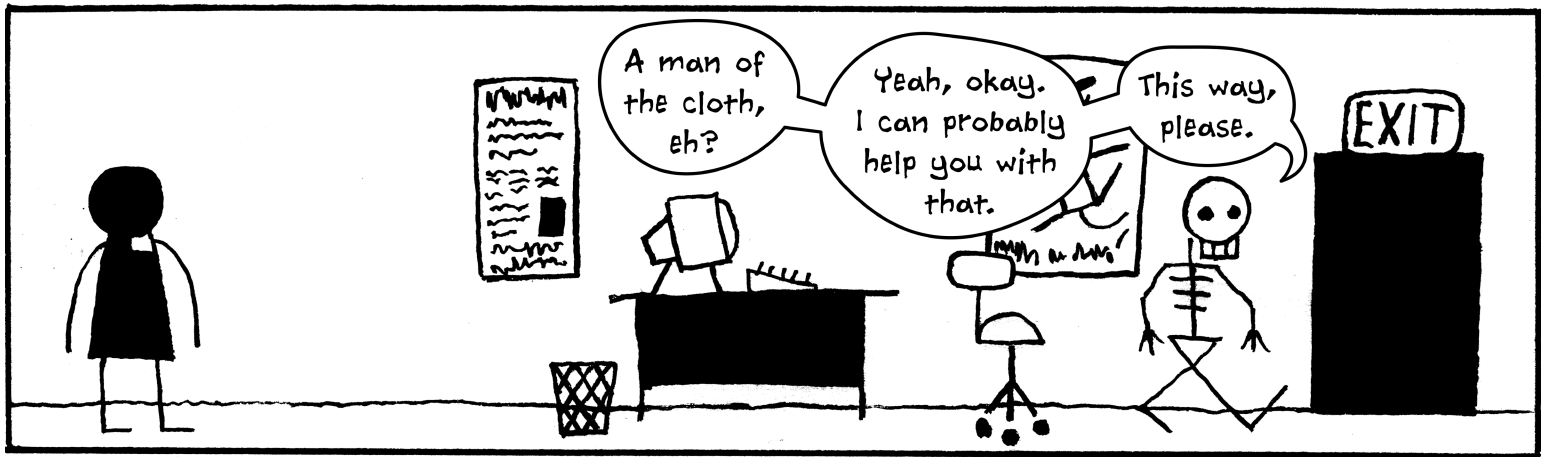
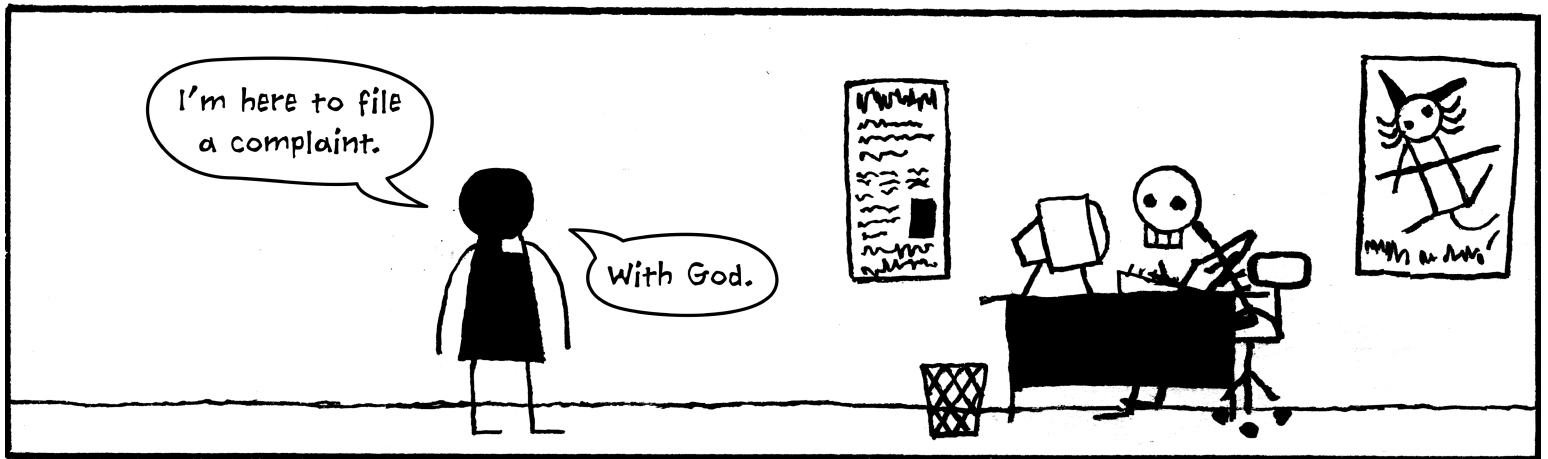
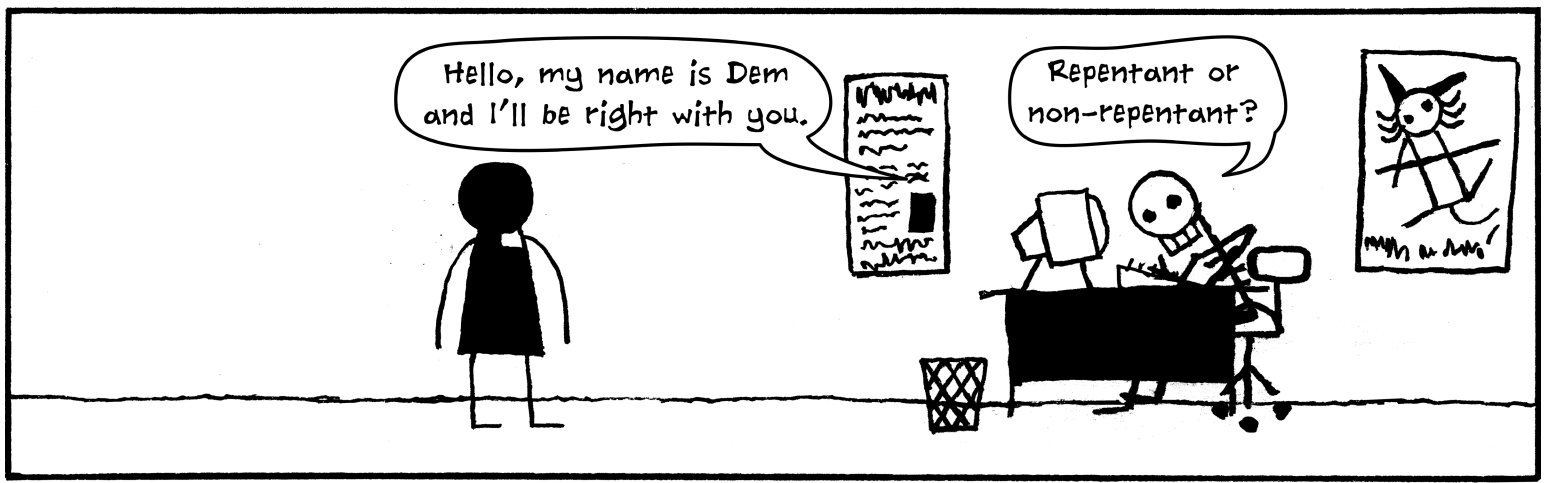
- **God's Away On Business**
- **Road To Peace**
- **Heartattack and Vine**

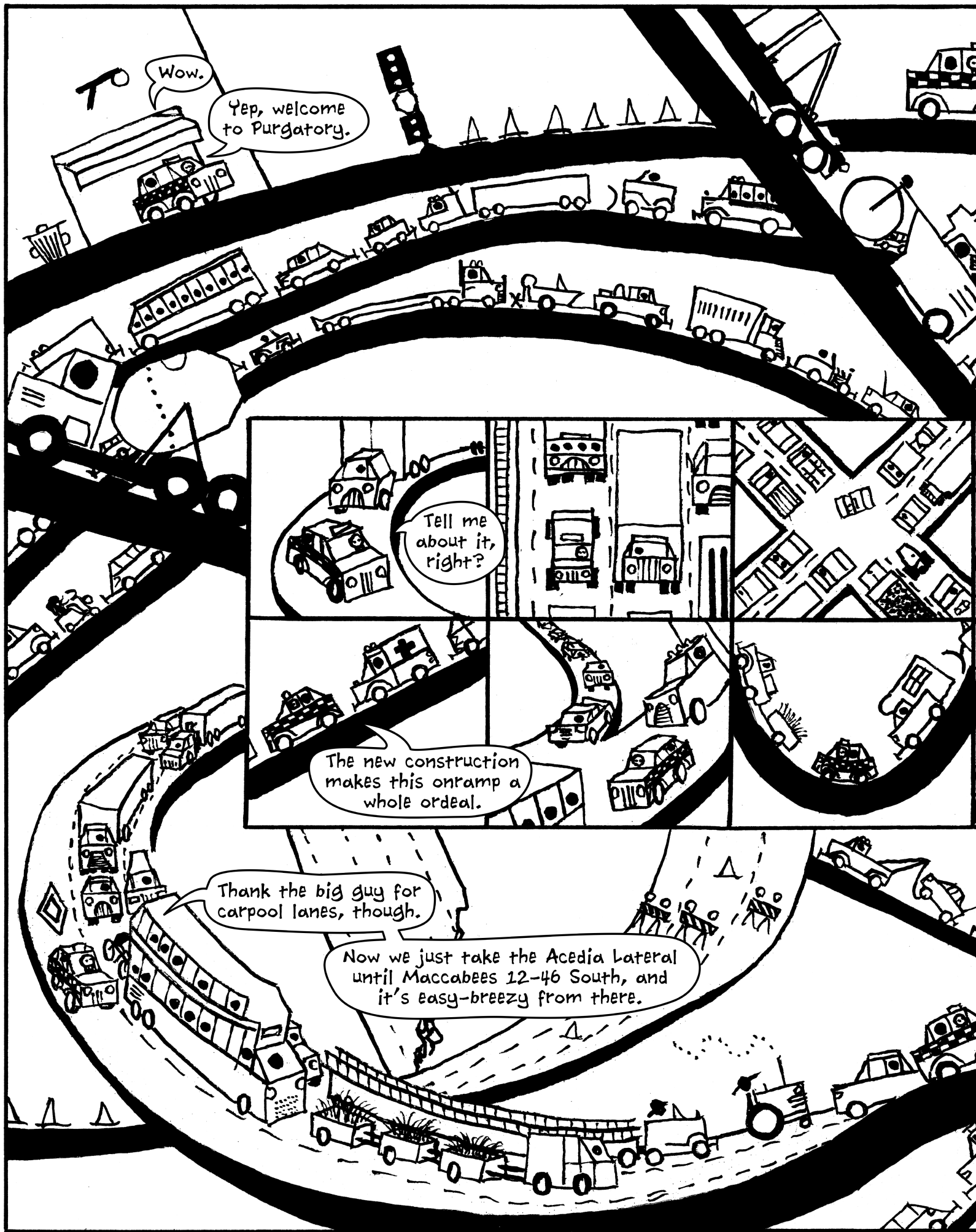












Wow.

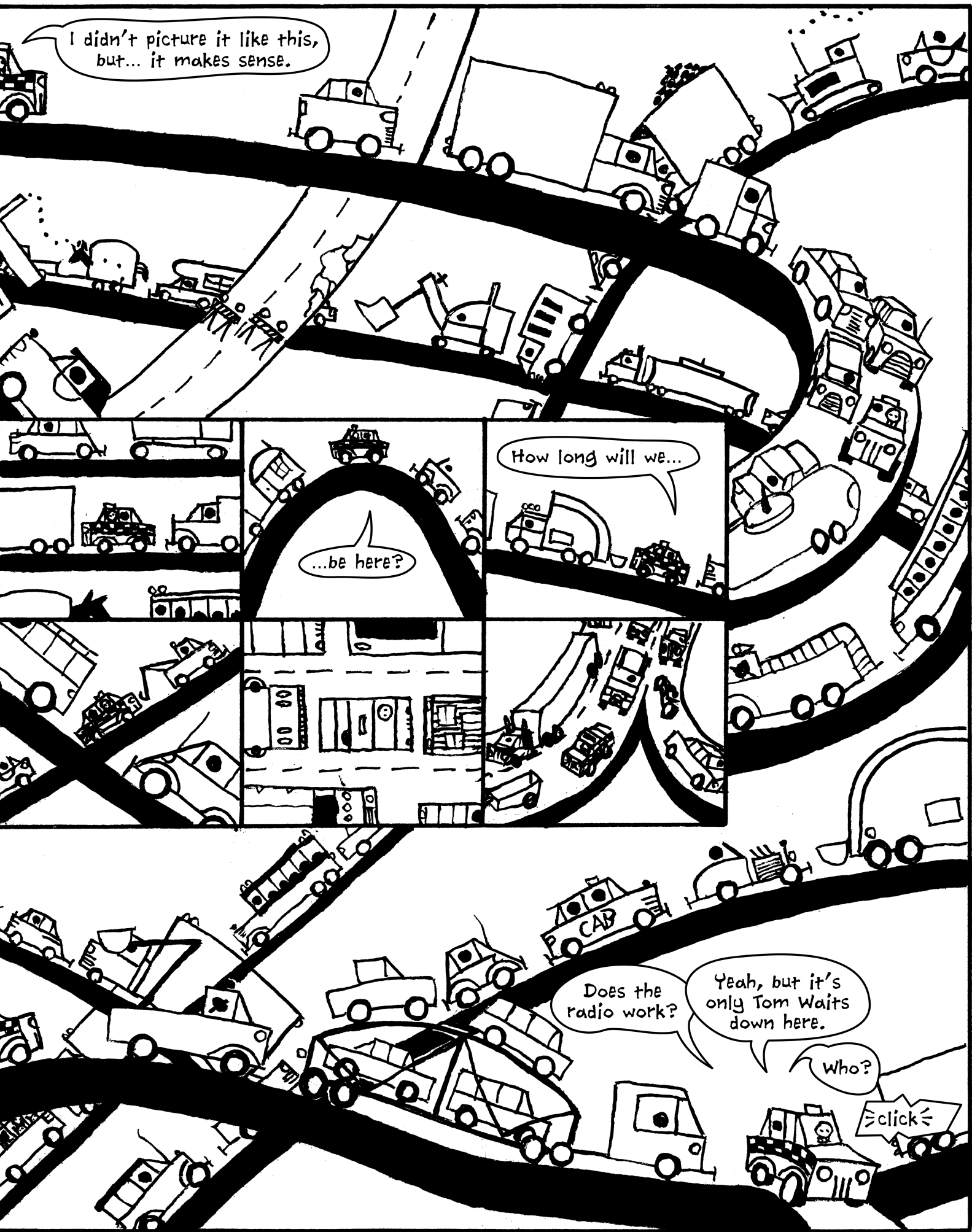
Yep, welcome to Purgatory.

Tell me about it, right?

The new construction makes this onramp a whole ordeal.

Thank the big guy for carpool lanes, though.

Now we just take the Acedia Lateral until Maccabees 12-46 South, and it's easy-breezy from there.



I didn't picture it like this,  
but... it makes sense.

How long will we...

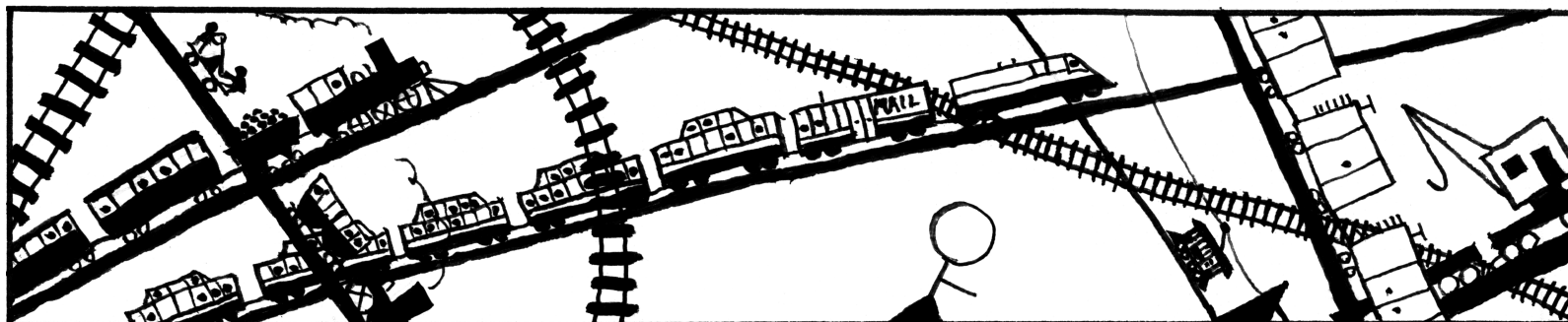
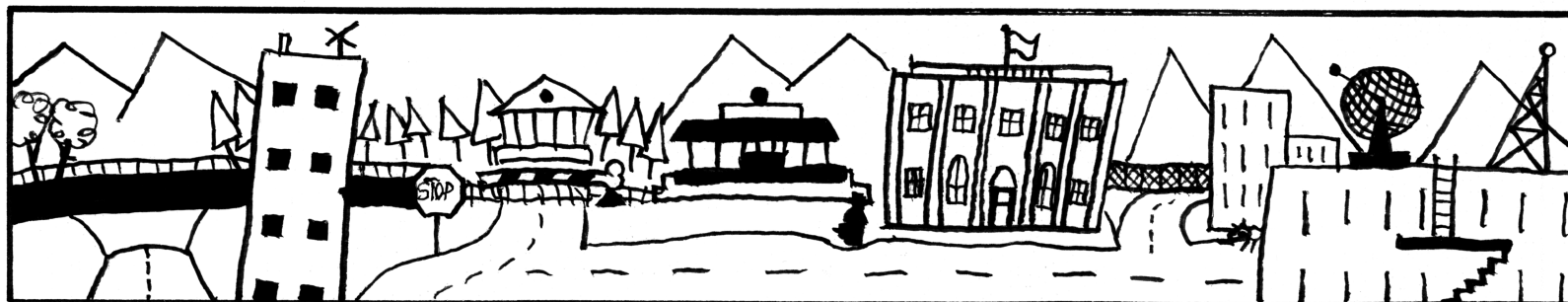
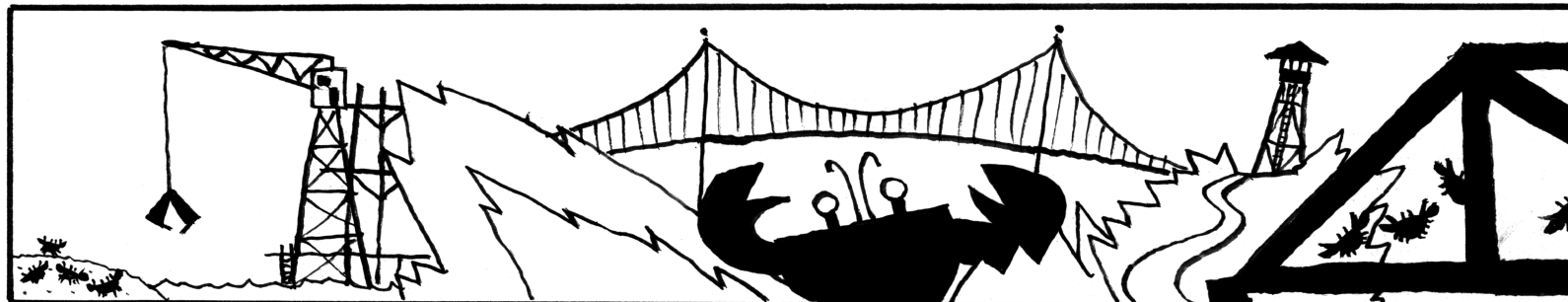
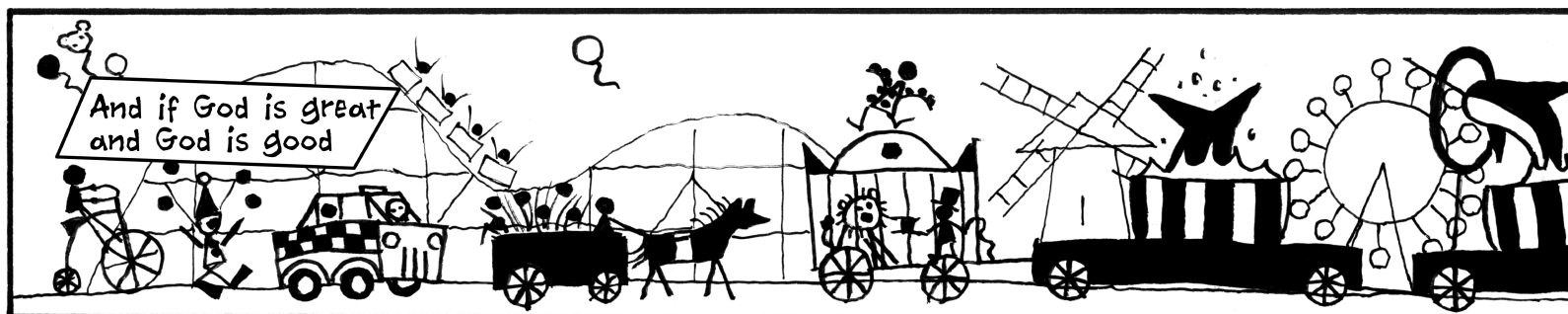
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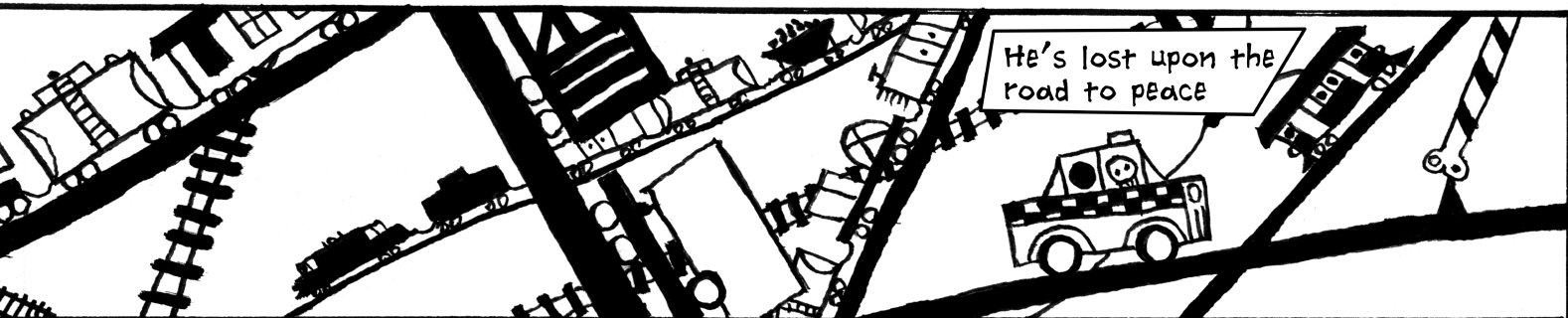
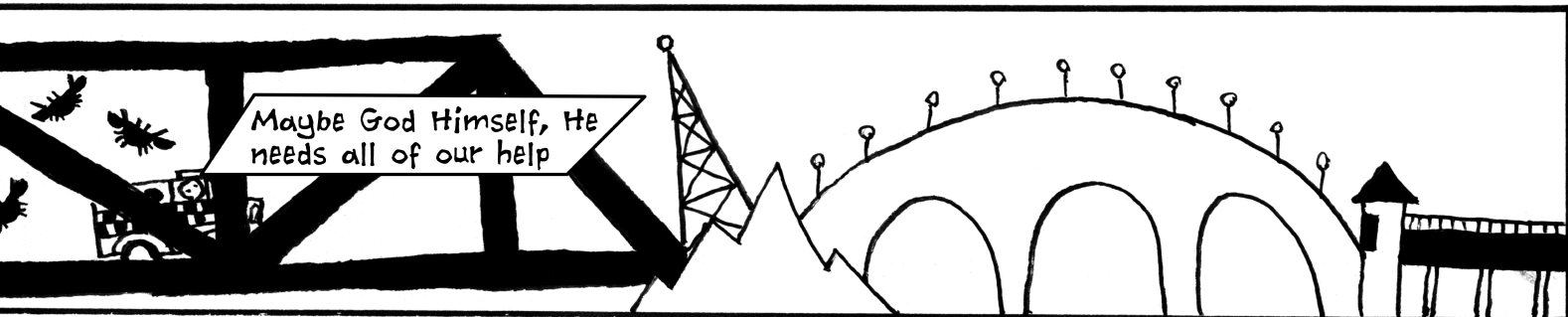
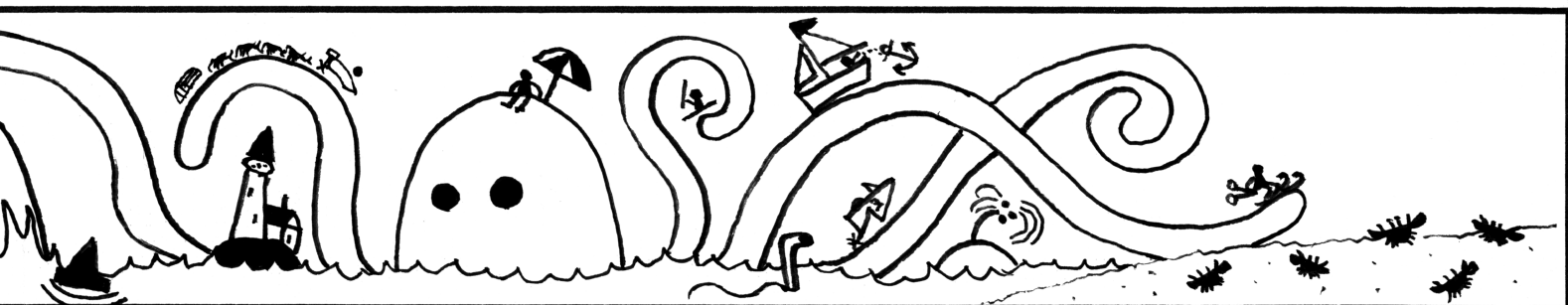
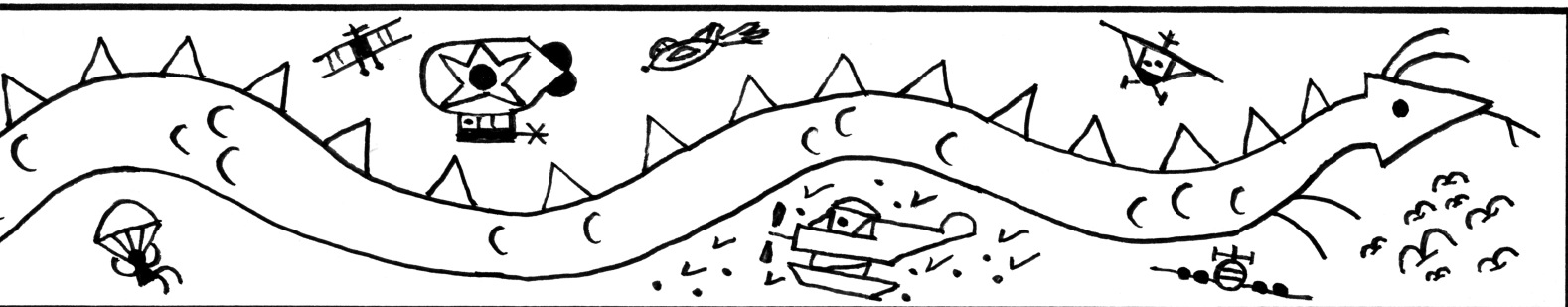
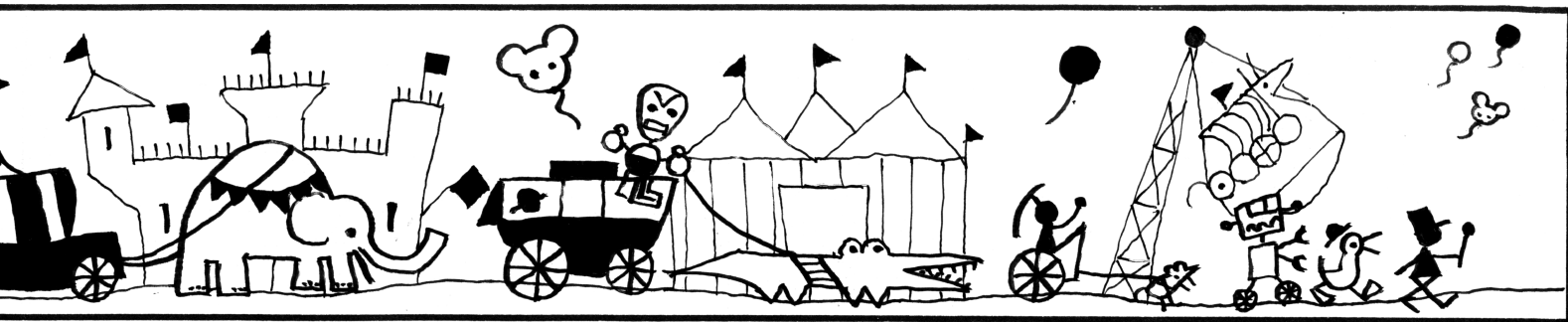
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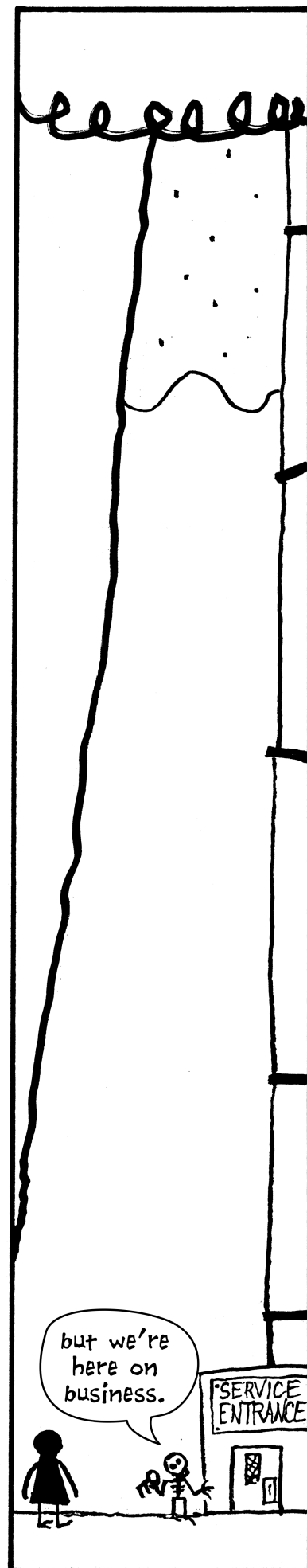
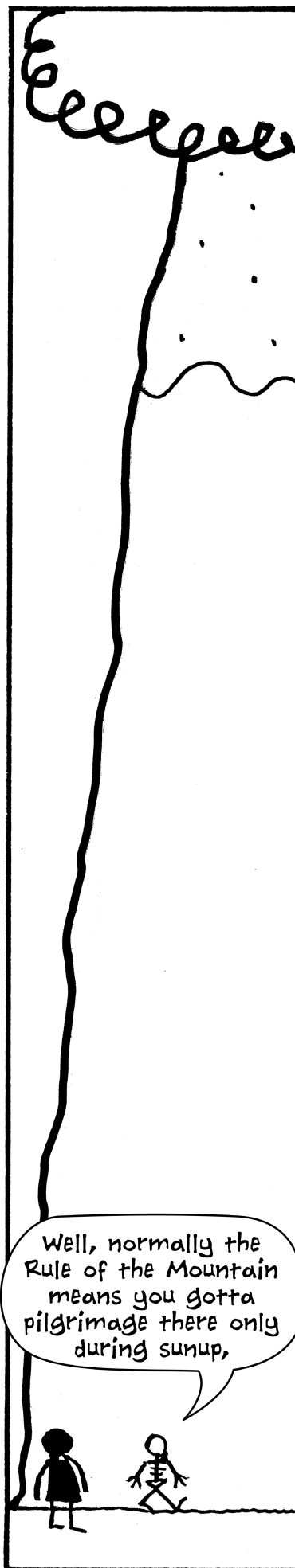
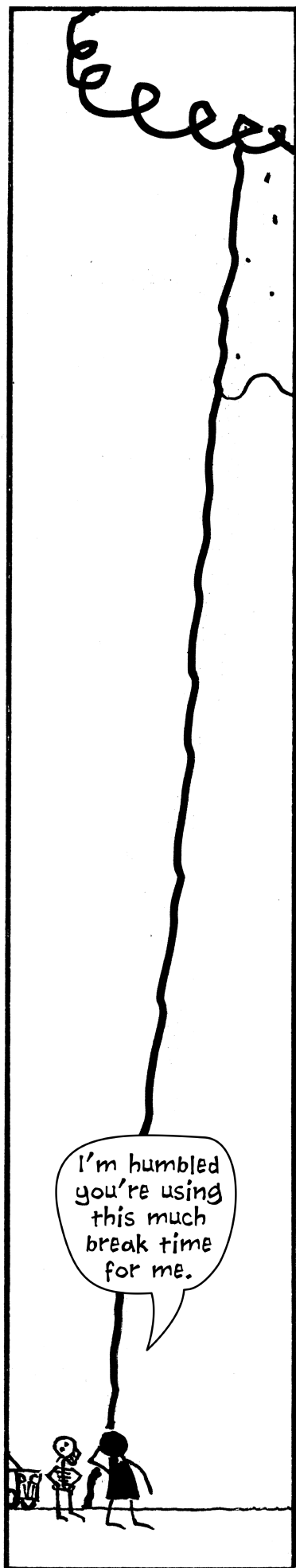
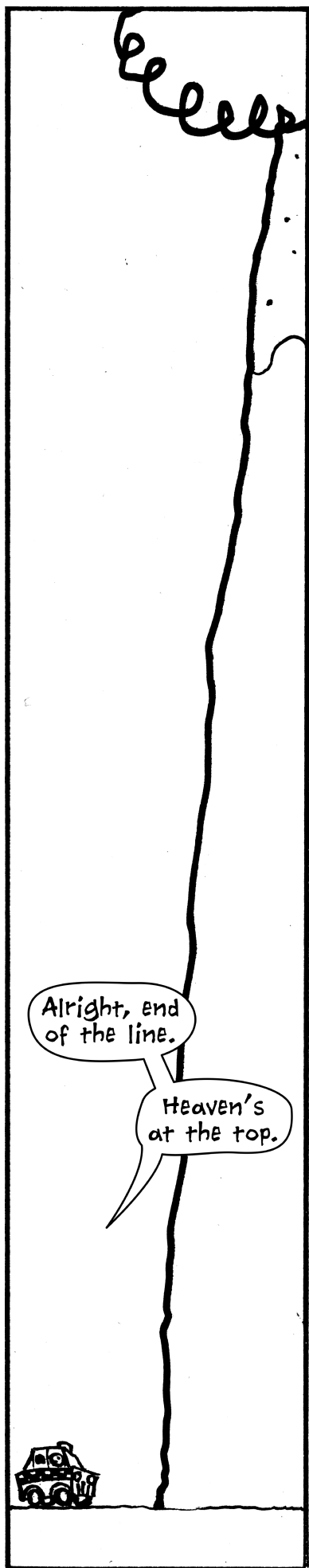
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only Tom Waits  
down here.

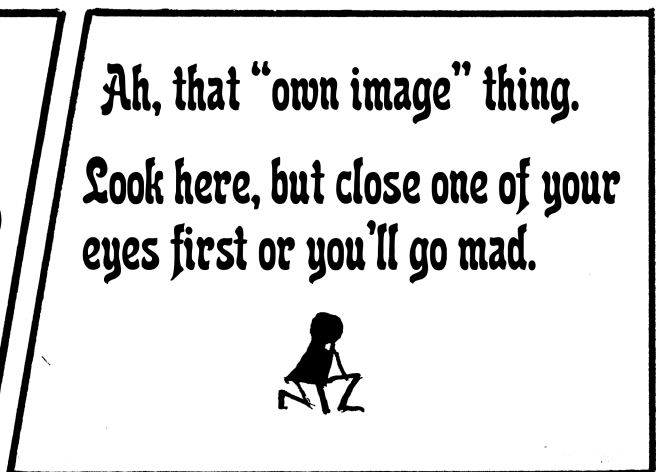
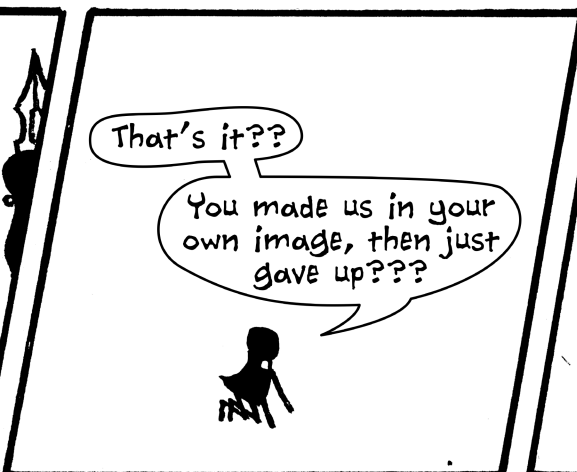
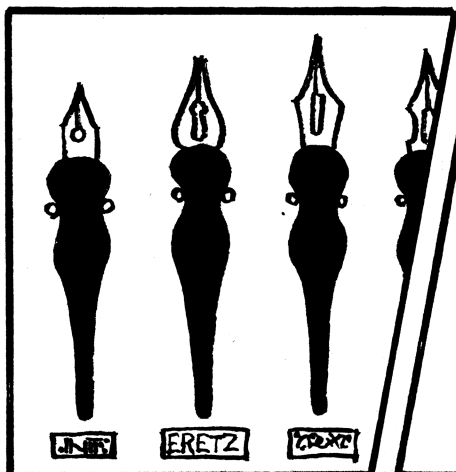
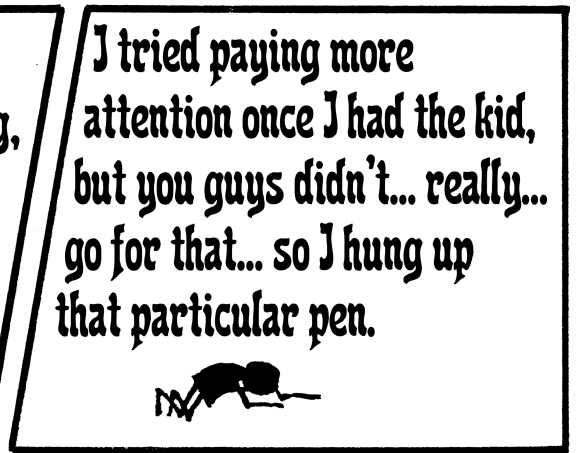
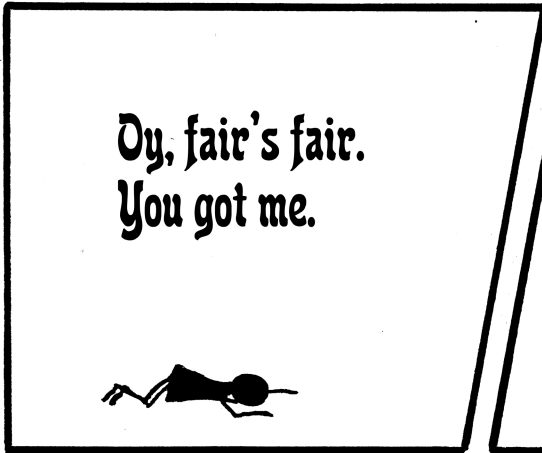
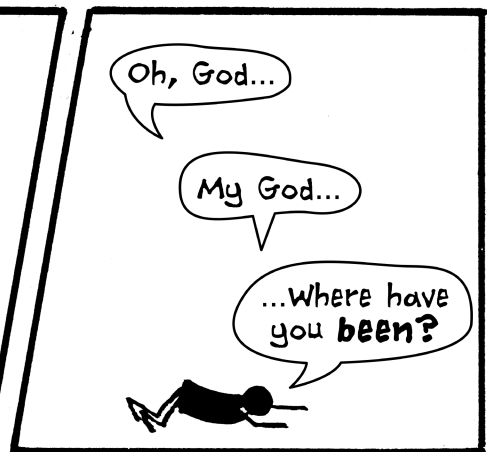
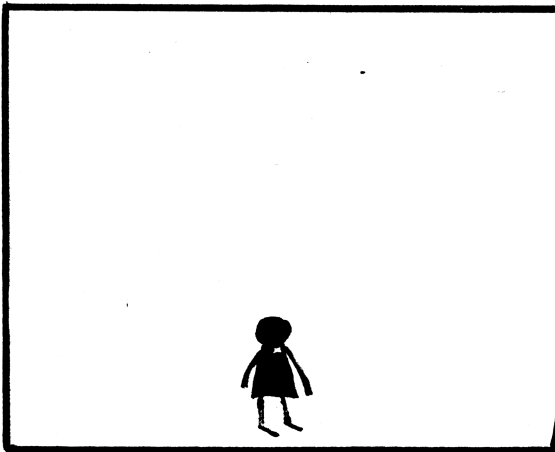
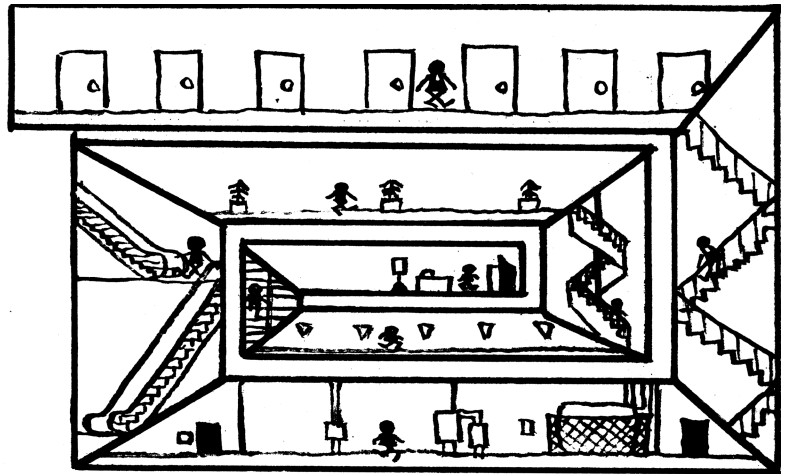
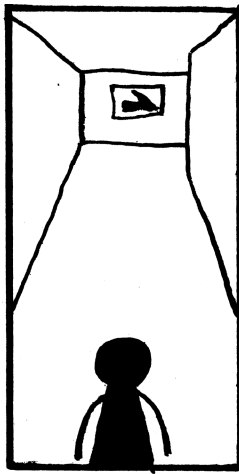
Who?

click

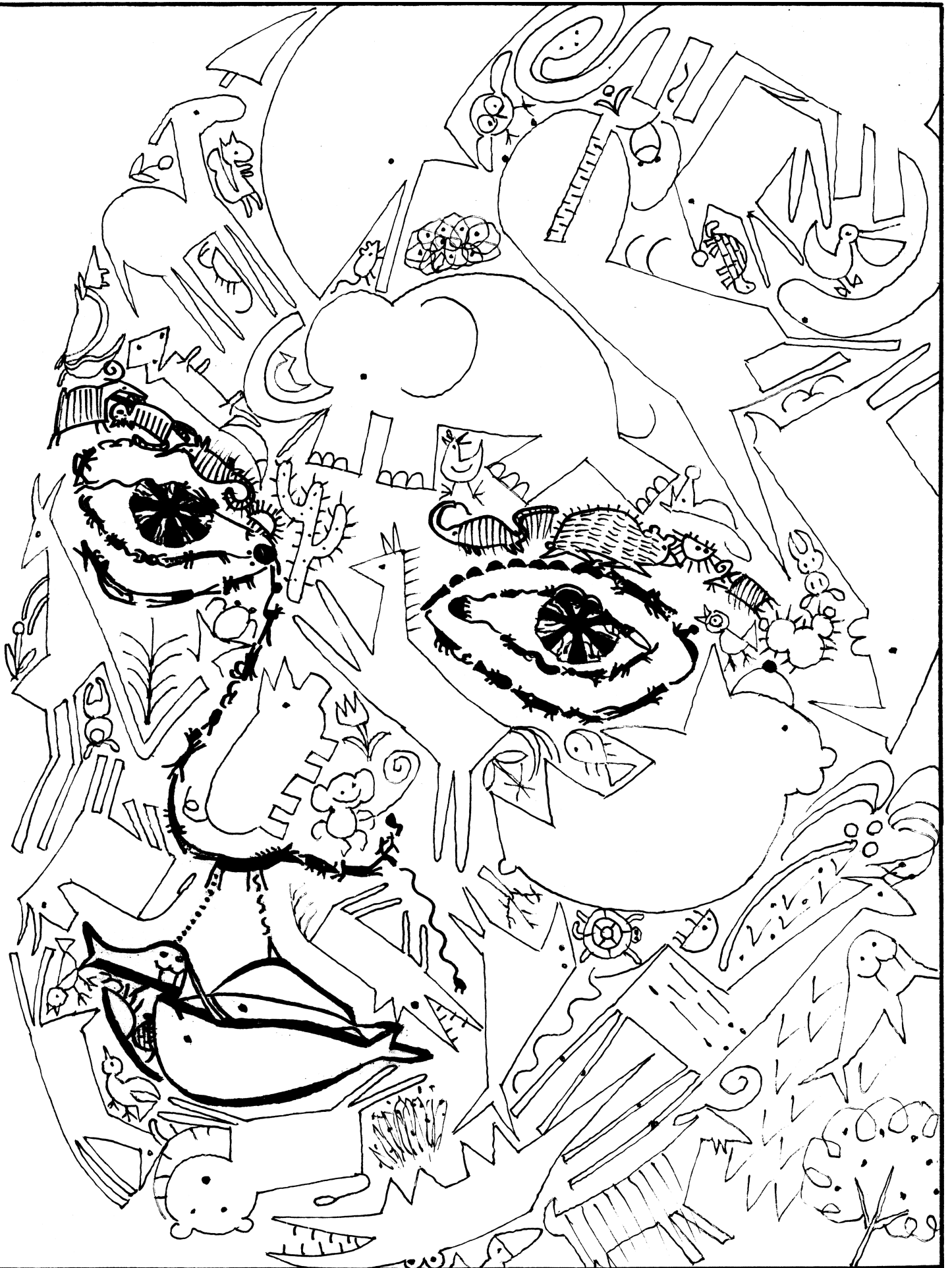












**Yeah.**



**But, I mean, I tried.**

**You guys are handfuls.**

**I have to let you  
make your own  
mistakes, that's  
how love works—**



**otherwise it would  
be complete control,  
and no love can  
exist in that.**

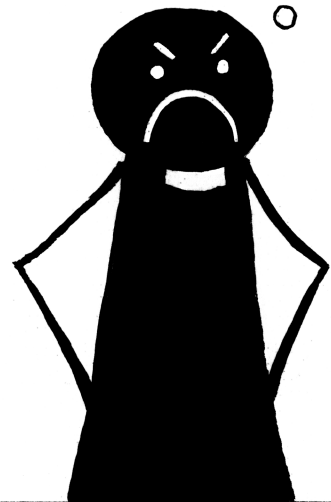


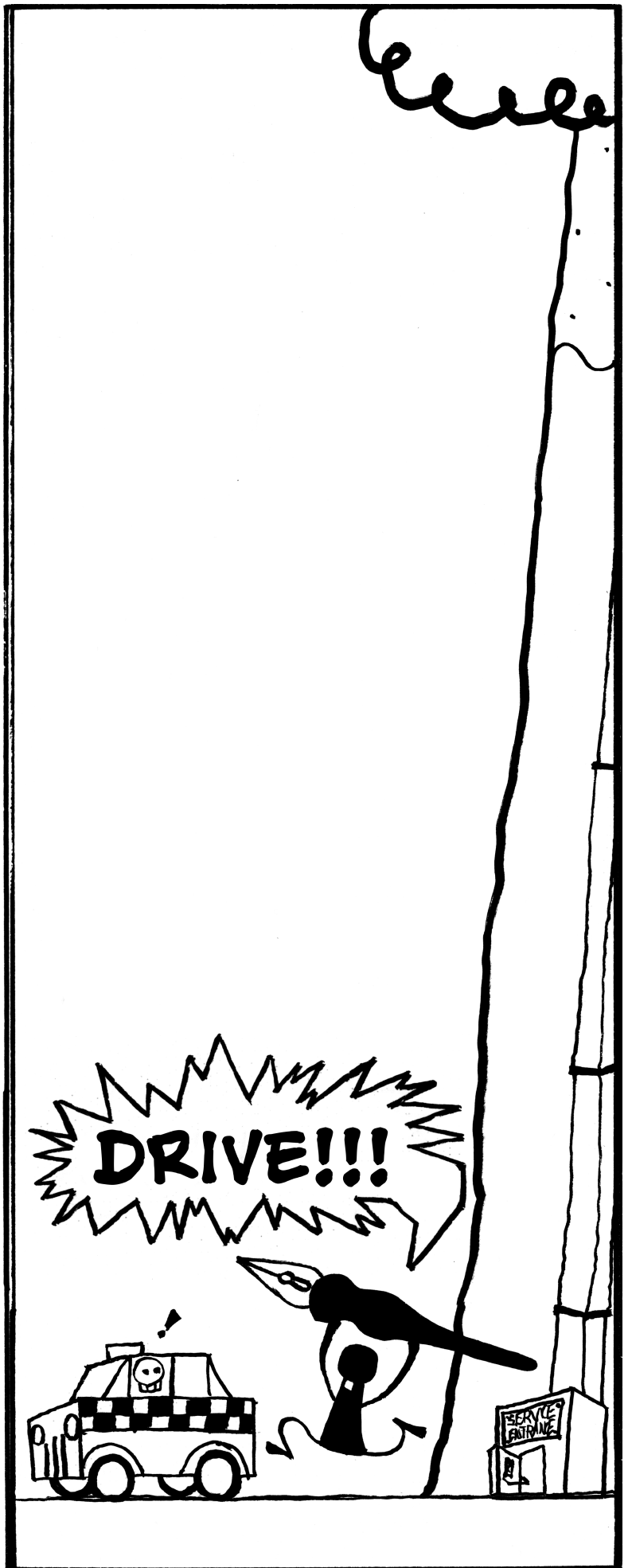
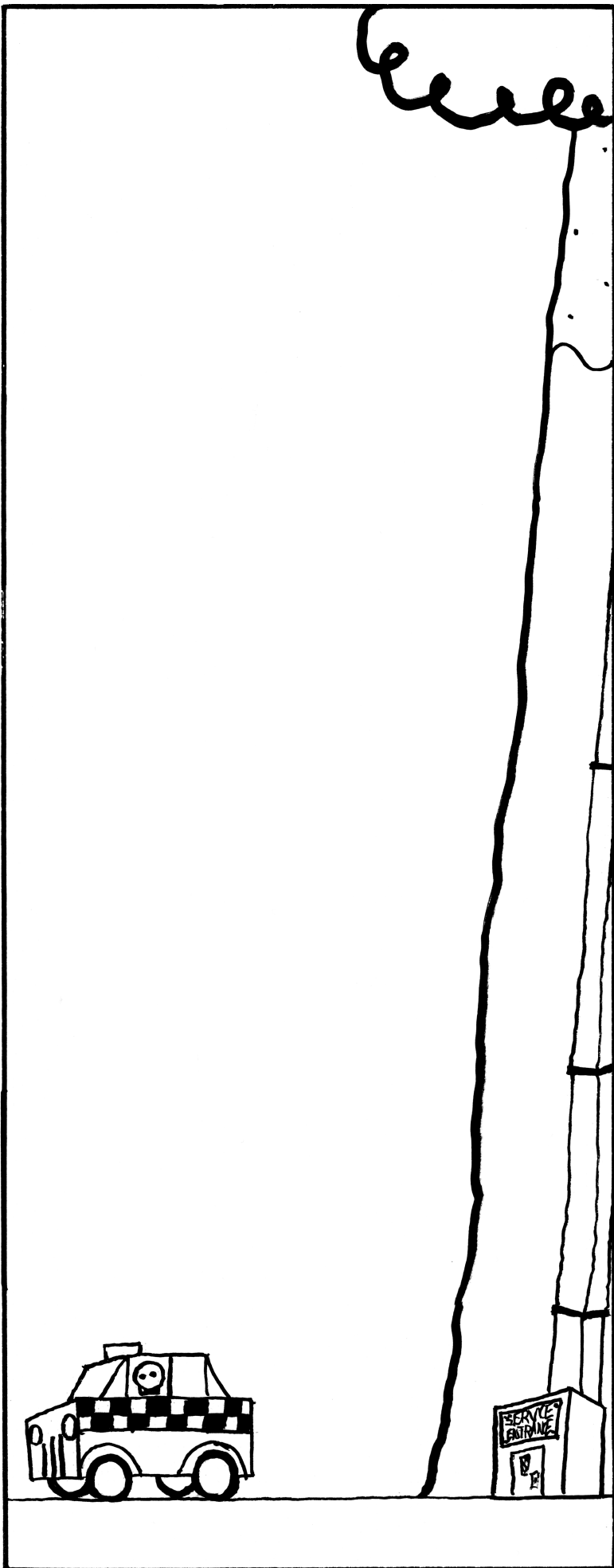
Even when we  
ask for help?

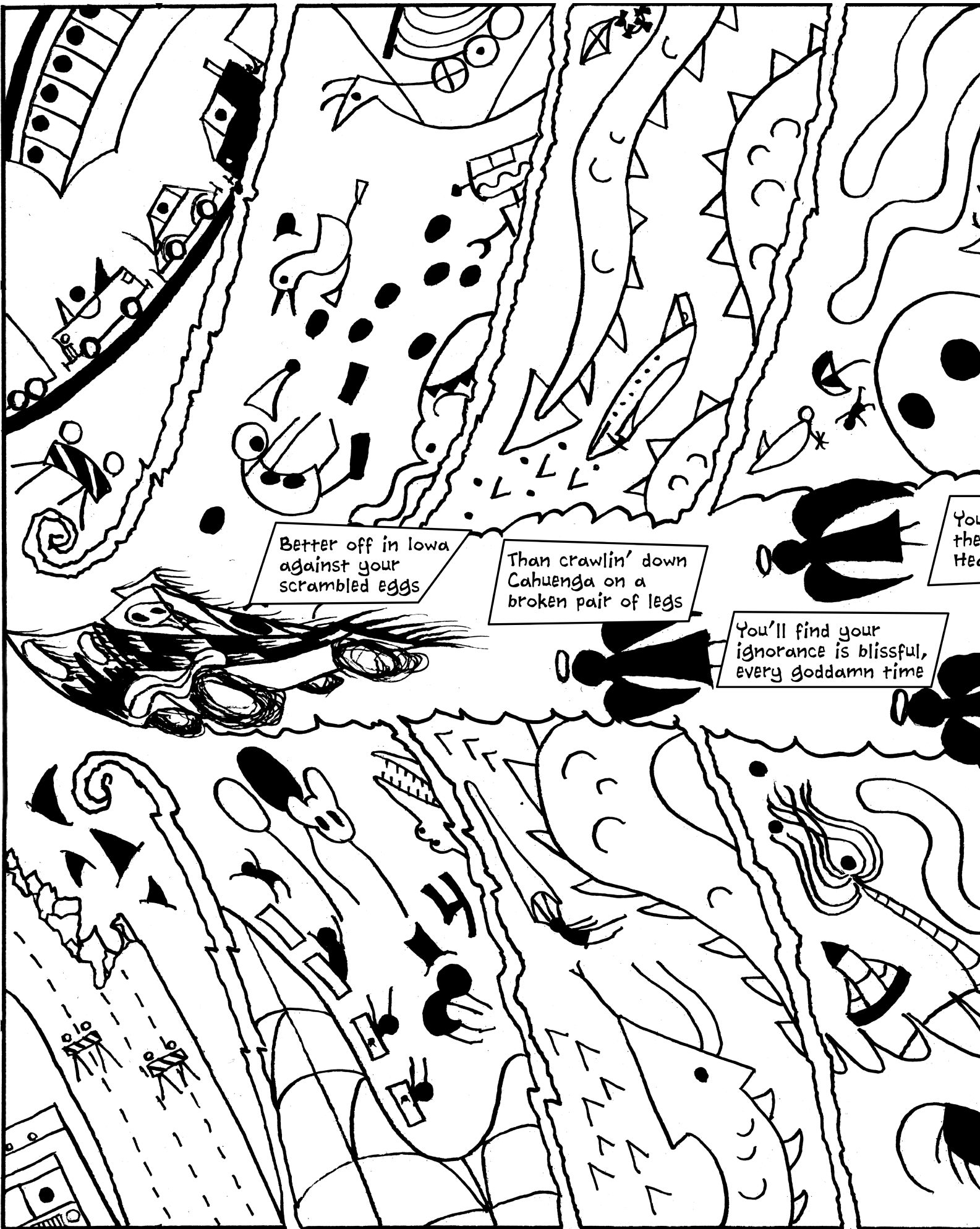


**...There are many  
worlds asking for help.**

**Most of them not nearly  
as difficult as yours.**







Better off in Iowa  
against your  
scrambled eggs

Than crawlin' down  
Cahuenga on a  
broken pair of legs

You'll find your  
ignorance is blissful,  
every goddamn time

You  
the  
Hee



u're waitin' for  
R.T.D. on  
artattack & Vine

Boney's high on  
china white, Shorty  
found a punk

Don't you know there  
ain't no Devil, there's  
just God when he's drunk

