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Abstract

A cartoon.

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The UNION BUG

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EPISODE I: "HEROES ARE MADE, NOT BORN"



PODD IS MY NAME...
ARTHUR O. PODD
THERE WAS A TIME WHEN
I WAS A COMMON LABORER
IN AN AVERAGE WAREHOUSE

A FORKLIFT BRAKE
FAILURE, A BARREL
OF HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS
AND A BITING
INSECT COMBINED TO CHANGE
ALL THAT...

I'M
SOAKED
IN IT!!



THIS APPEARS TO BE SOMETHING YOU
CONTRACTED IN A BUS STATION IN NO WAY
CAN THE COMPANY BE HELD RESPONSIBLE

WHAT??!

COMPANY
DOCTOR



GET OUT
YOU PEST!!

YOU
GET OUT

MY FURY BROUGHT ON BY THE FORCES OF
CORPORATE NEGLIGENCE, INTENSIFIED THE
CELLULAR METAMORPHOSIS. I WAS GETTING
A GLIMPSE OF MY NEW POWERS...



THAT NIGHT
I MADE
A VOW...

HMMMM

THIS POISONED
EXOSKELETON
WILL BE A
WEAPON AGAINST
THE FORCES OF
GREED AND
EXPLOITATION
THAT CREATED
ME. I AM
THE UNION BUG!

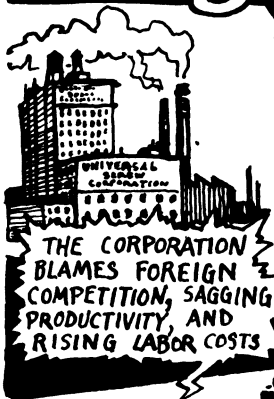


I COULD FEEL THE EFFECT
THEY HAD TURNED ME INTO
A MUTANT— HALF MAN, HALF BUG

UNION BUG

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The Case of Management Missing



SURE, I REMEMBER THAT CASE. UNIVERSAL SCREW CORPORATION WAS THREATENING TO CLOSE THEIR PLANT UNLESS WORKERS ACCEPTED A 40% WAGE CUT



THE CORPORATION BLAMES FOREIGN COMPETITION, SAGGING PRODUCTIVITY, AND RISING LABOR COSTS



BUT OUR INFORMATION POINTS TO FOUR MANAGEMENT TYPES AS THE CAUSE OF THE PROBLEM

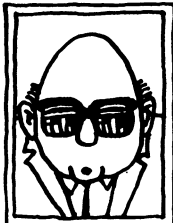
PLEASE, UNION BUG... WE NEED YOUR HELP TO PROVE THIS CASE!

Raleigh Tycoon III



Chief Executive
Has a car phone so he can play the commodities market on the way to the golf course. He doesn't have to know how things work—he owns them.

Fred Fortran



Expert Consultant
He may not know what a screwdriver is, but he knows what disk it's on. He doesn't have to think—he has mechanical intelligence.

Bud Barker

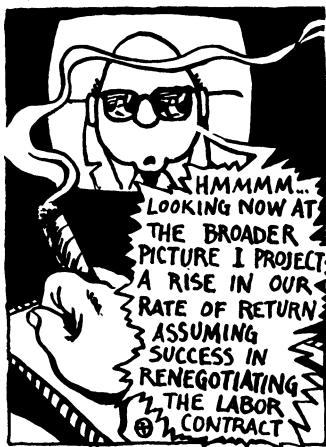
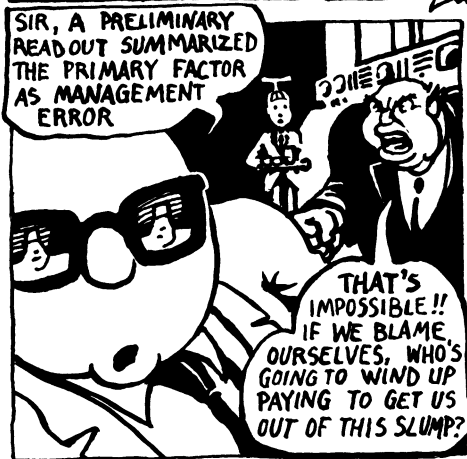
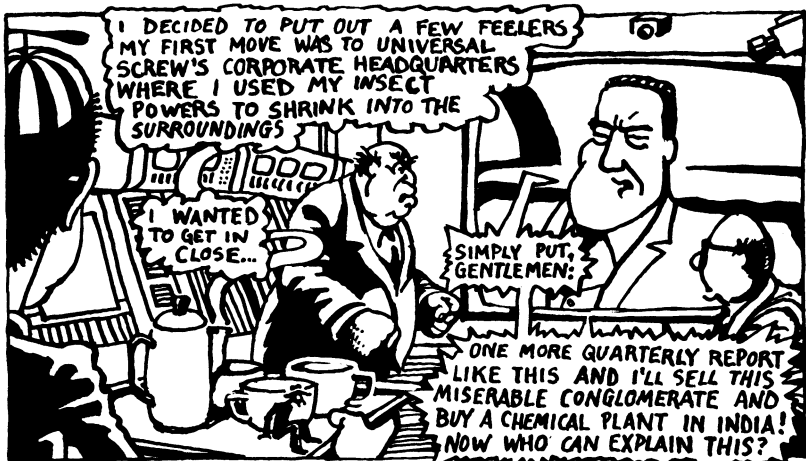


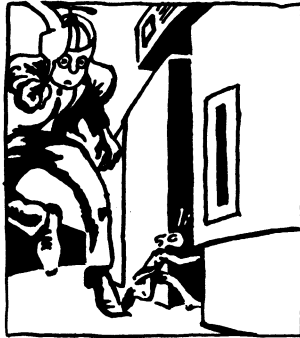
Plant Supervisor
Tries to abuse all his employees equally. Uses intimidation to hide ignorance.

Spud Barker



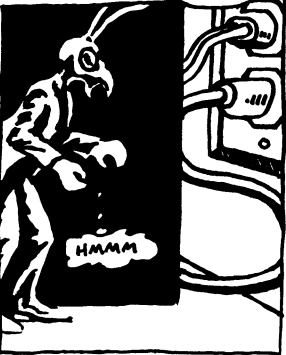
Bud's Nephew
Easy to see why nothing runs in this family. Each time he get's boosted up the corporate ladder, incompetence reaches new levels.





THE DISRUPTIVE ELEMENTS HAVE BEEN SQUASHED SIR

GOOD JOB SPUD



FORTRAN! WHAT'S HAPPENING?? WHY DID THE MONITOR GO OFF?

