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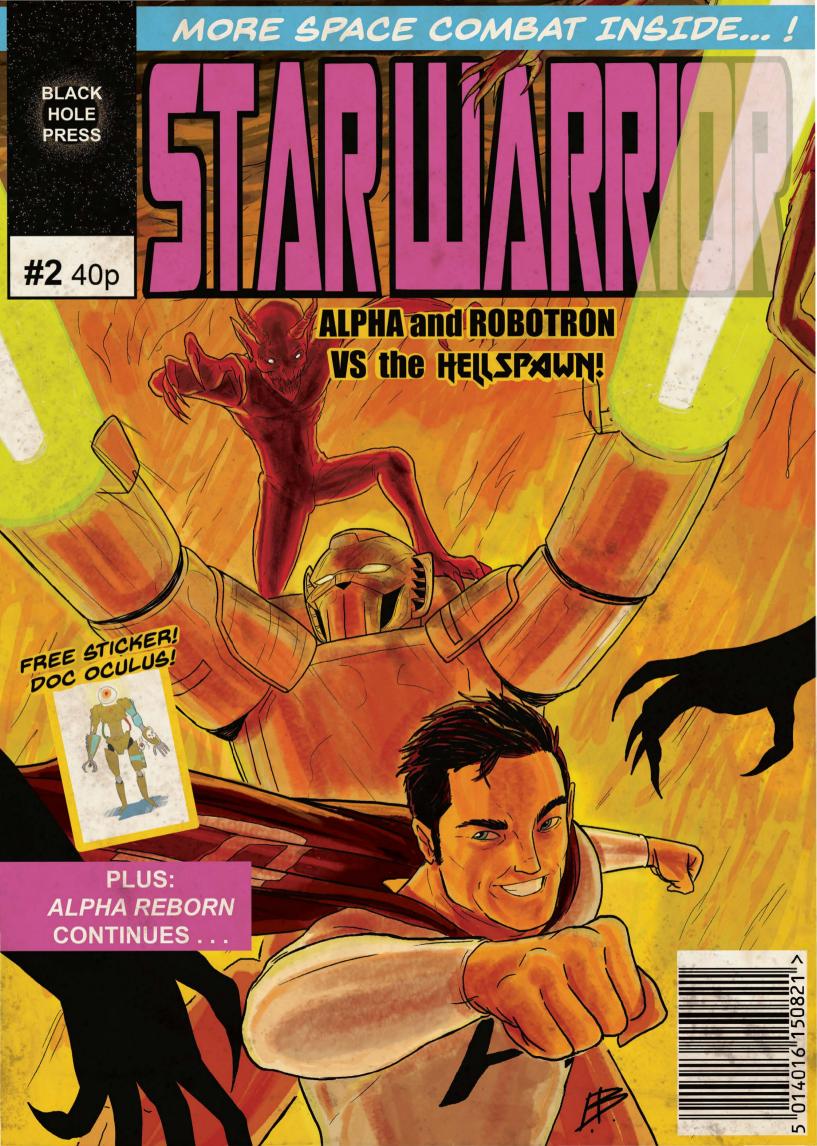
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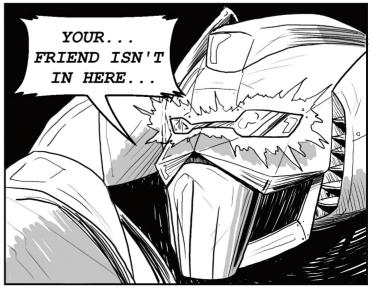














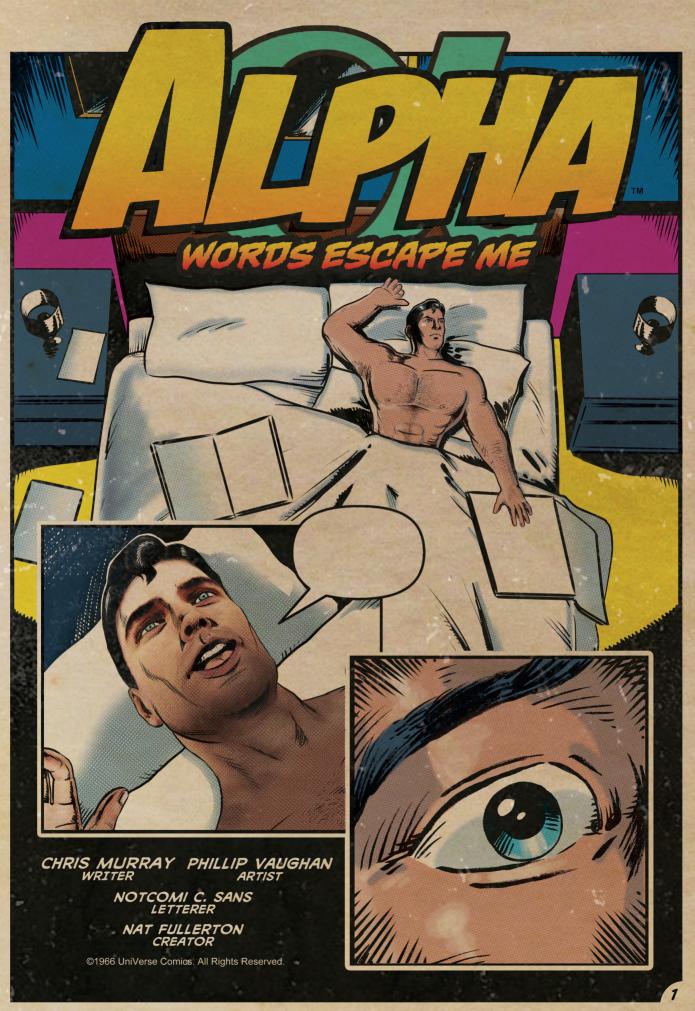












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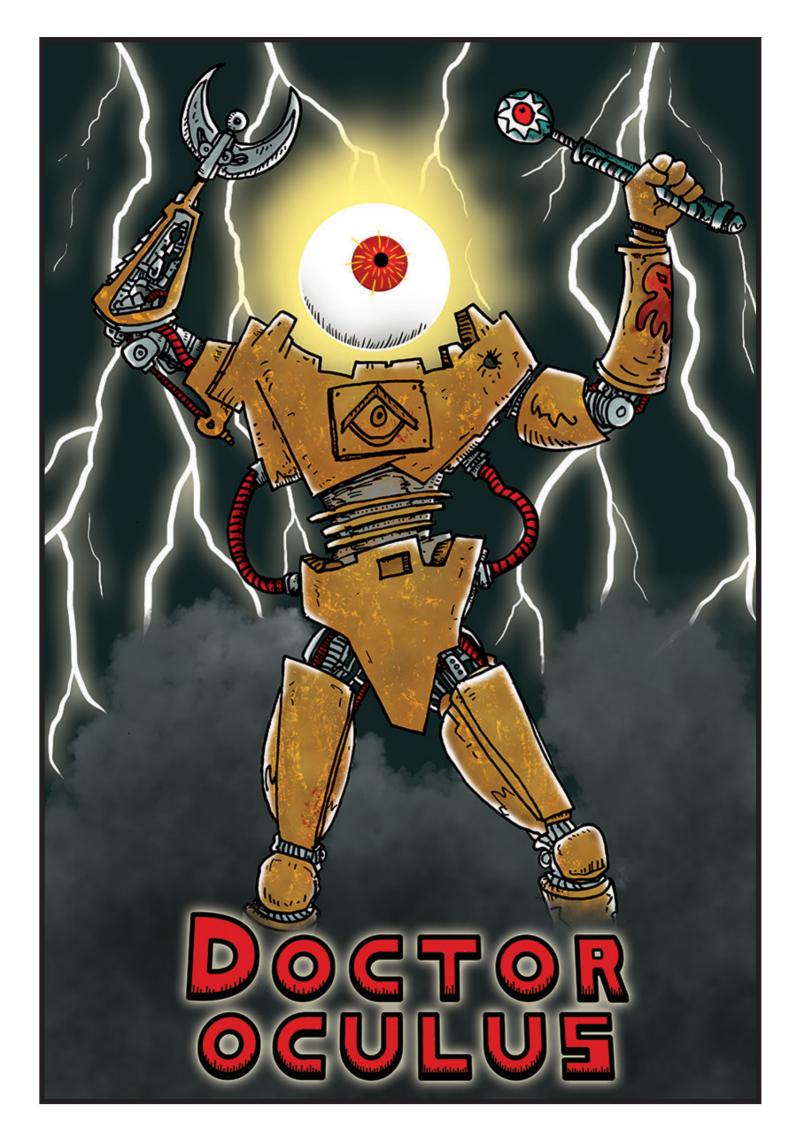


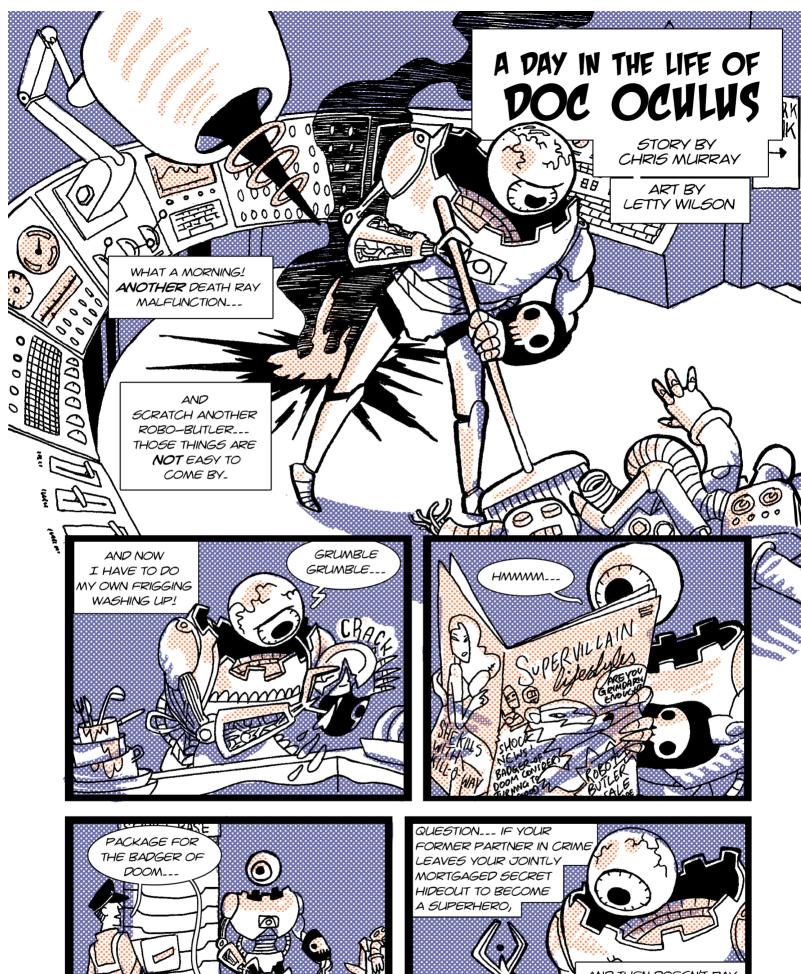


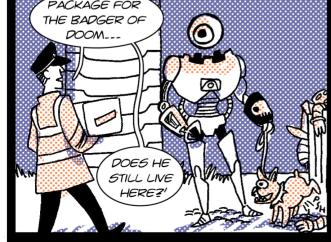




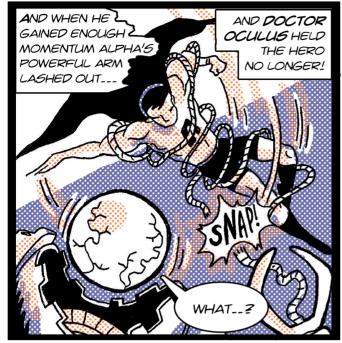




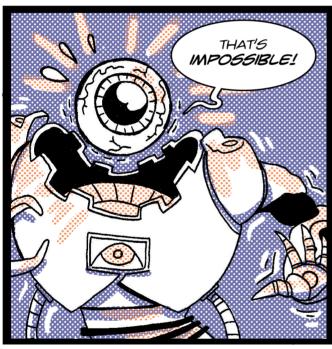


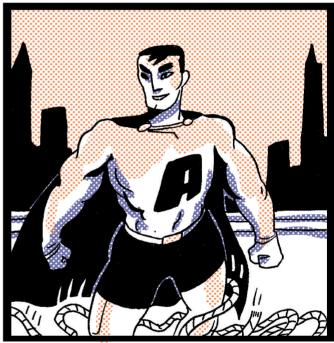




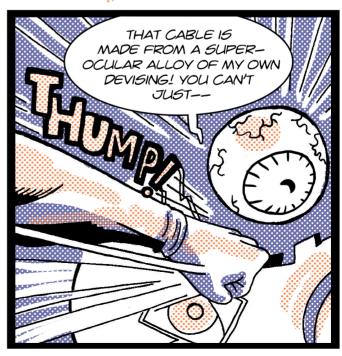


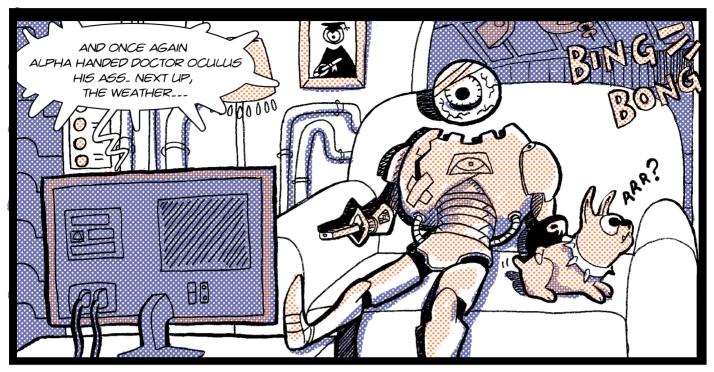


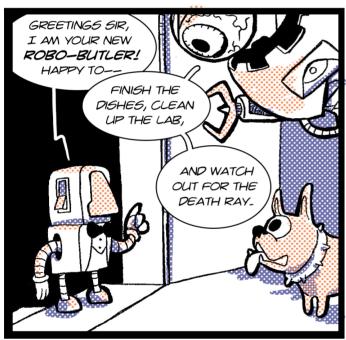






















Greetings Alphans! Now that we are on the seventh issue of Alpha the letters have been pouring into the UniVerse Studios in New York! Just last week the editor took a large sack of mail to Alpha's secret hideout and the super-powered titan has taken the time to provide some answers to your burning questions, so keep those letters coming.

STAR LETTER

Dear Alpha,

Your comic is great, but there is one thing I don't get. Are you American or English? My father tells me that you are from Scotsland in England, but in your comic you seem to live in New York. My father has an old English comic where Alpha speaks funny, and my brother says he is speaking Scotch. Can you clear this up?

Brian Hoyle, Chicago

Alpha says: Hello Brian! That is a good question. As you will know my comic started in Britain, published in Scotland, but I am from the stars and imagination, so the whole planet Earth is my home! And as for speaking funny... well, I wear many guises in my fight against crime! Keep reading!

Dear UniVerse,

I was stationed in Britain before D-Day and read Alpha comics back when they were in Trump. There were lots of American comics in the UK at the time, some brought over by us Yanks as ballast in ships, and the Brit kids loved them almost as much as our chocolate. But when I returned home after the war I wasn't able to find Alpha comics anymore. Imagine my

delight when I saw the American Alpha on the newsstand! Keep up the great work.

Gary Hunter, New Orleans

Alpha says: Thank you for your service Gary! I needed all the help I could get during the war. We sure couldn't have done it without our Yank buddies!

Dear Alpha,

I want more Alpha Girl and Trixie. There are too many boys in your comics. I want to see more girls fighting the bad guys.

Jen Barnes (age 9), Exeter

Alpha says: You are in for a treat Jen! Next issue Alpha Girl returns, and she has a new friend, Strawberry, her beloved crime fighting pony!

Dear UniVerse,

I have a lot of British comics in my, frankly huge, collection. You are copying them. Stop it.

Peter Hansen, Canada

Alpha says: Our lawyers have asked you to stop sending us letters.

Dear Alpha creators,

So, the original Doctor Oculus was a magician and devil worshipper, and his head was cut off by a creature from another dimension that looks like an eyeball and possesses a robot body that is powered by the head of the original Doctor Oculus? What are you guys on? Seriously... I need to get some of that gear.

Grant (name withheld for legal reasons), Glasgow

Dear UniVerse, I am an academic in the emerging field of comics studies. I would like to conduct extensive interviews with your staff to determine whether these comics constitute an astute parody of the workings of politics through popular media, or if this is all just an elitist prank perpetuated by immature men who should stop slapping their own backs in sickening self-congratulation at their accumulation of knowledge about the funny books.

Dr Julia Round, Bournemouth

The Editor: Well, it's a bit of both.



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