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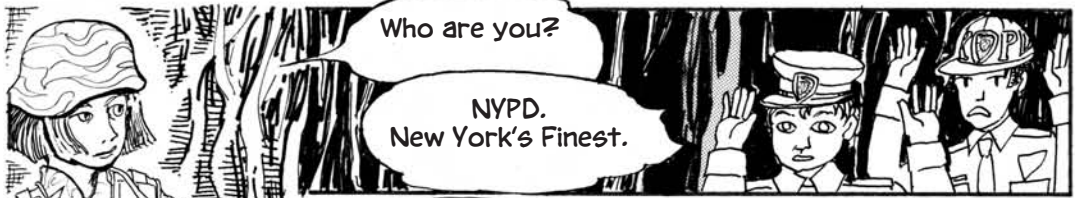
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Who are you?

NYPD.
New York's Finest.



MY TOKKAY SAYS HE
SMELLS SOMETHING.

OKAY, CHECK IT
OUT, PLEASE.



We've pin-pointed
the area. Move in.
Use the route we've
secured.

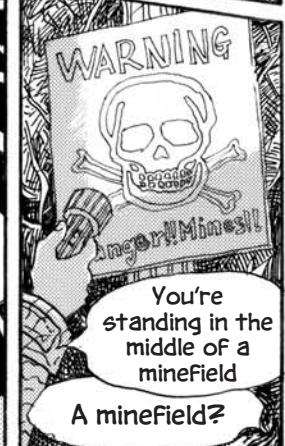


Make one move
and you're dead.

Please, don't shoot!

Whatever you're
doing, we didn't
see anything.

I'm not going to
shoot you. It's your Feet.
Just keep your Feet right
there, no matter what.



WARNING

You're
standing in the
middle of a
minefield

A minefield?



Sir?

That woman is a
specialist. She uses
her Tokkay to help
her find mines.



So, these barriers
are not put up for
landscaping?

We heard that
someone had
planted a mine in
Central Park.

I heard about it, too.

We found a map that showed where the land mine was.



Where was it?

The Strawberry Fields Memorial for John Lennon



Sounds like a hoax.

Don't take it seriously.

Well, it's no secret anymore...



...in fact, there was a land mine. Now, help us find the rest of them.



What's the matter?

I CAUGHT THIS THING. CAN I FEED THIS TO MY TOKKAY?



YOUR TOKKAY WILL GET SICK. THE SQUIRRELS IN CENTRAL PARK CARRY DISEASES.



Why this woman, though?

Doesn't the Army have proper mine detectors?



There's more to it than that.

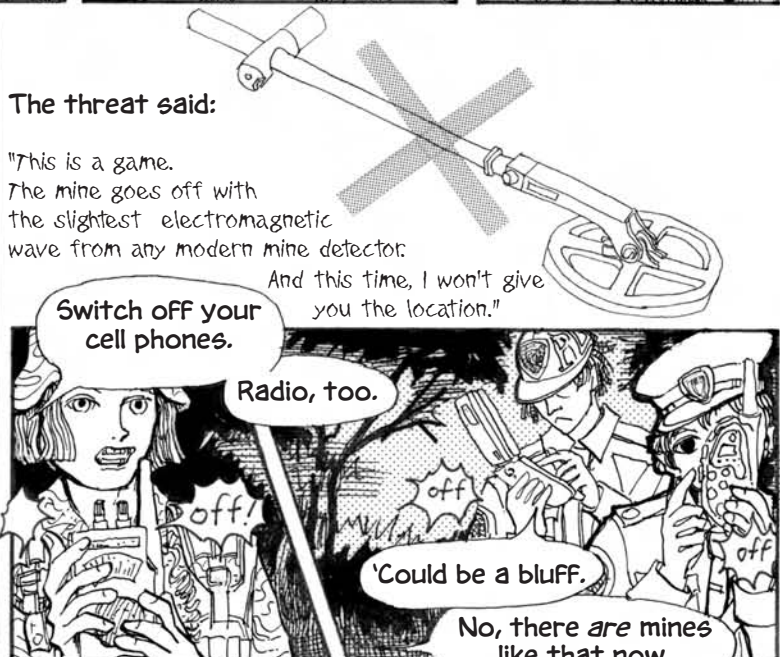
The threat said:

"This is a game. The mine goes off with the slightest electromagnetic wave from any modern mine detector.

And this time, I won't give you the location."

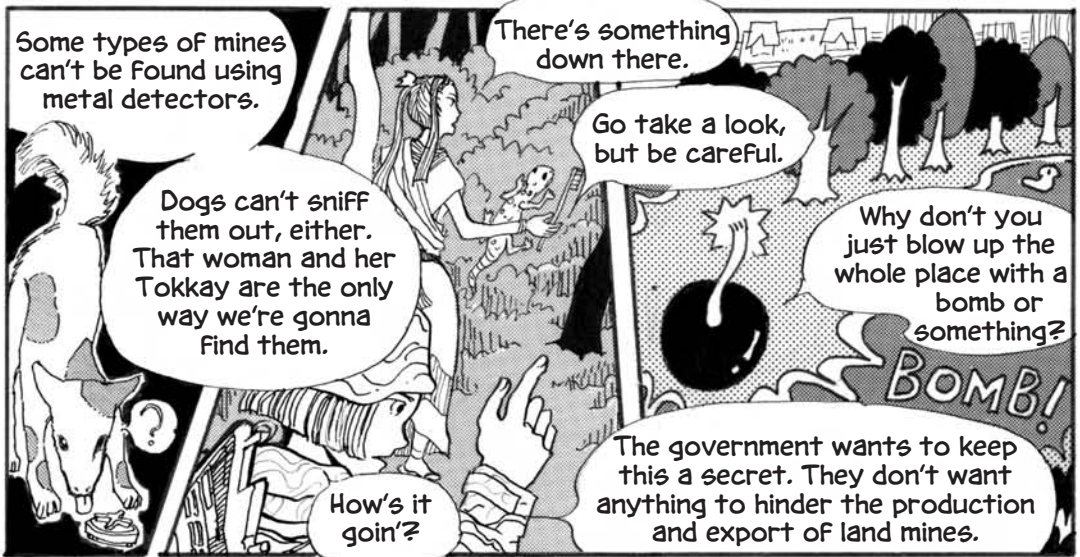
Switch off your cell phones.

Radio, too.

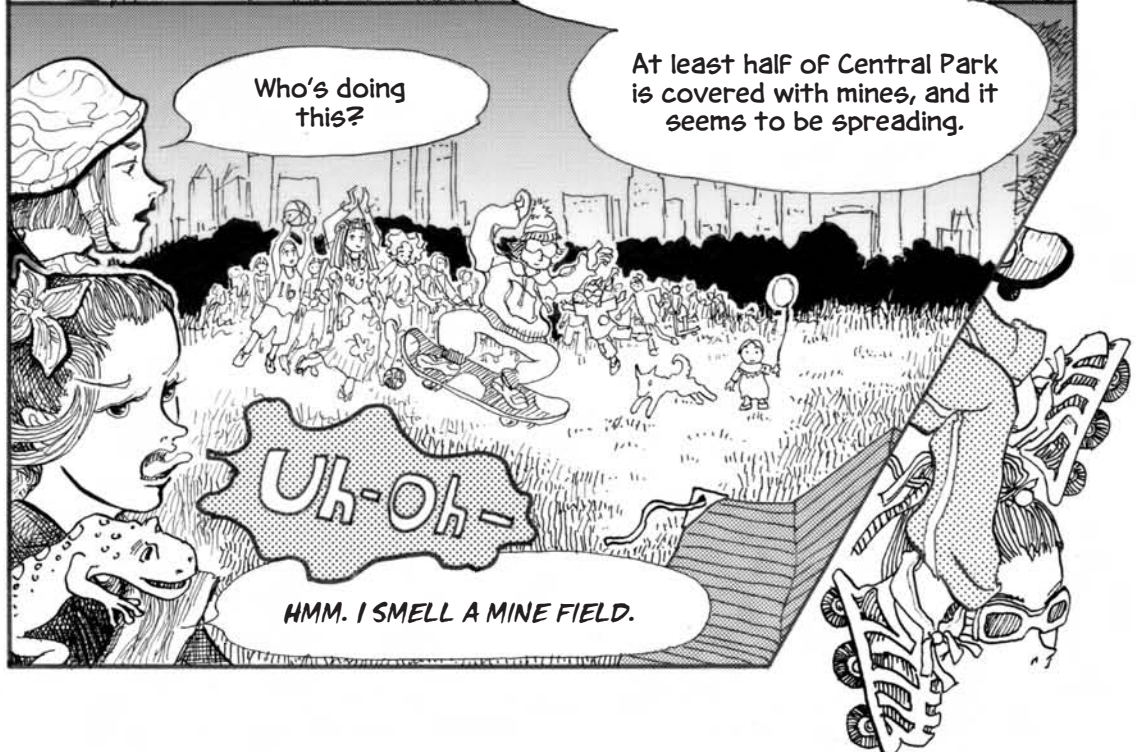
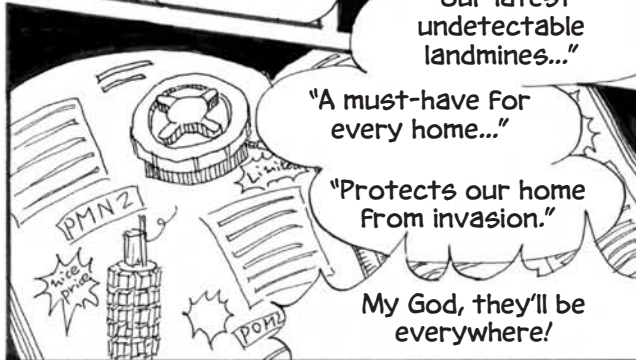


'Could be a bluff.

No, there are mines like that now.









What the hell are
all of you doing here?

There isn't
a festival
today!

Taptaptap
Taptaptap

OH my God!

Where are
we now?

Are you sure?

Central Park,
I think.

BADOOOM

I can see
skyscrapers
beyond the trees.

BooM

Where are we?

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