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BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, 2003:

BUMBLEBEE:

SOMEWHERE ON THIS STRANGE, ALIEN PLANET, JUST *BEYOND* THE REACH OF MY SENSORS...

...LIES THE ALLSPARK!

THE HEART AND SOUL OF OUR PLANET, *CYBERTRON*—ITS LIFE-GIVING ENERGIES SUSTAINED US, NURTURED US...

...UNTIL WE TORE IT OUT!

TO KEEP IT FROM *MEGATRON*, WE SENT IT TO THE STARS. HE...

...FOLLOWED.

SO DID WE.

NOW IT'S A RACE. THEM-US. WINNER...

...TAKE ALL.

MY ROBOVISION SCANS THIS EARTH VEHICLE. IT WILL SUFFICE FOR A DISGUISE.

I HAVE *ONE* LEAD, ONE TENUOUS TRAIL THAT MAY OR MAY NOT LEAD TO THE ALLSPARK.

IN THE LOCAL TIME-UNIT DESIGNATED *1897*...

...AN EXPLORER BY THE NAME OF *CAPTAIN ARCHIBALD WITWICKY*...

...DISCOVERED *SOMETHING* UNDER THE POLAR ICE. SOMETHING...

...THAT DROVE HIM *INSANE*!

IF MY SUSPICIONS ARE CORRECT, HIS BLOODLINE...

...MAY UNWITTINGLY HOLD THE *KEY* TO FINDING THE ALLSPARK!

SIR— SOMEONE'S SEARCHING ARCHIBALD WITWICKY'S MEDICAL RECORDS USING A WIRELESS SIGNAL. FROM JUST OUTSIDE THE ASYLUM.

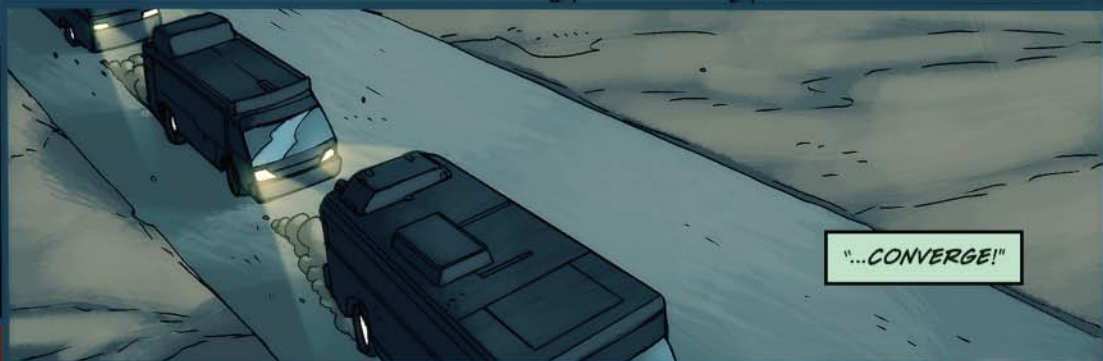
THAT AREA HAS DAMPERS ALL OVER. THE STRENGTH OF THE SIGNAL REQUIRED TO ACCESS THE INTERNET THERE—

IT'S GOT TO BE HIM! N.B.E.-2!*

*NON-BIOLOGICAL ENTITY.



"ALERT AGENT SIMMONS AND HAVE ALL AVAILABLE SECTOR 7 FIELD UNITS..."



"...CONVERGE!"



WE HAVE A **HARD CONTACT**. N.B.E.-2 IS HEADED NORTH ON THE **19**, JUST PAST HIGHWAY 955-E.



ROGER, CONTROL...

...WE ARE *IN* THE SLIPSTREAM.

ESTIMATE INTERCEPT IN THREE MINUTES.

ROGER, MOBILE ONE. AND REMEMBER...



"...WE WANT HIM INTACT."

ACCORDING TO THE FILES,
ARCHIBALD WITWICKY DIED
ON AUGUST 13TH, 1938,
AND WAS SURVIVED BY A
SON, *CLARENCE*...



... THEN A RESIDENT IN
SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI.

MY *NEXT* PORT OF CALL.

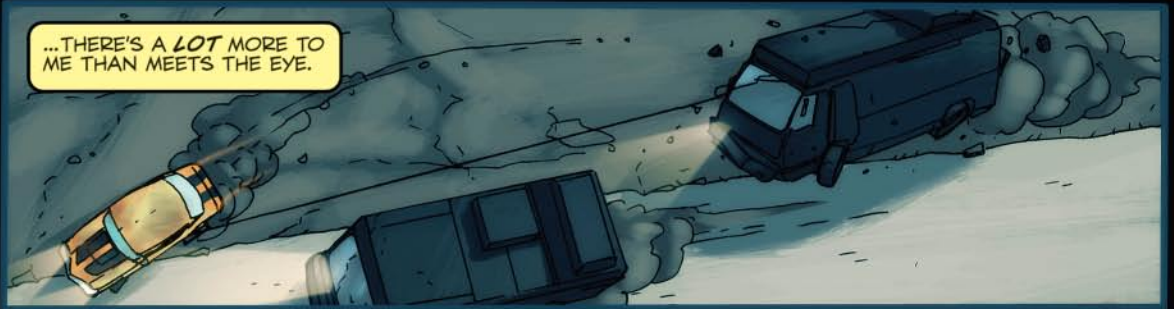
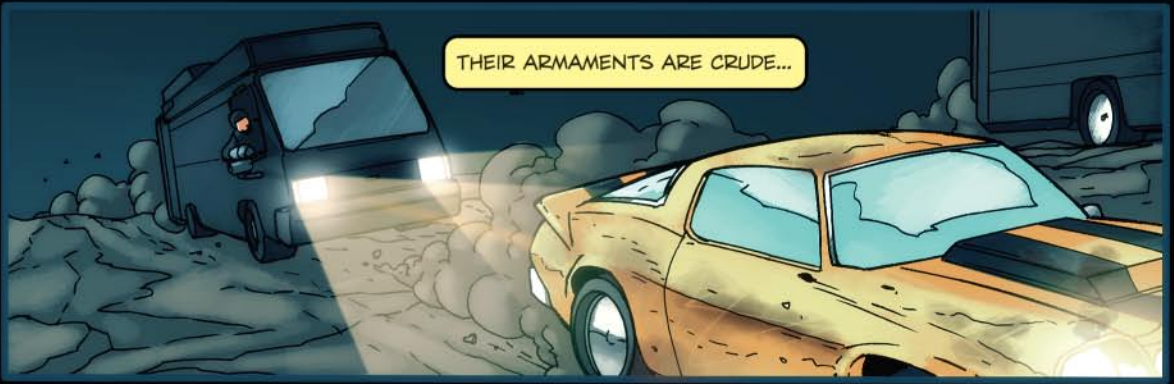


SOMEONE, THOUGH...



...HAS *OTHER* IDEAS!





SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI:

THE TRAIL...
GROWS COLD.

ALL THE RIGHT
MOVES
**FOR
SALE**

THE HABITATION IS *EMPTY*,
ITS FOUR WALLS DEVOID OF
FURTHER SIGNPOSTS.

IN NEAR DESPERATION...

...I *SCAN* THE HARD-DRIVE OF THE
PORTABLE DATA STORAGE UNIT.

AND *FIND*...

...THE *ENTIRE* LIFE HISTORY OF THE
HABITATION AND ITS LAST SEVERAL
OWNERS, AMONG THEM... *HERBERT
WITWICKY*, CLARENCE'S OFFSPRING.

MISSOURI
DRIVER LICENSE

CLASS C

LICENSE NUMBER **518961853**
HERBERT WITWICKY
150 JOHANSMEN STREET
SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI



FORUMS

THE PROPERTY ITSELF WAS SOLD IN 1979
AND THE PROCEEDS DIVIDED UP BETWEEN
HIS *FIVE* SONS AND *ONE* DAUGHTER.

I START WITH THE OLDEST, *BEN*.



"COMMENCING
CRYO-FREEZE."

AS HE MAKES
HIS MOVE...

...I MAKE MINE. SOLAR RECEPTORS...

HSSST

...BECOME EMITTERS!

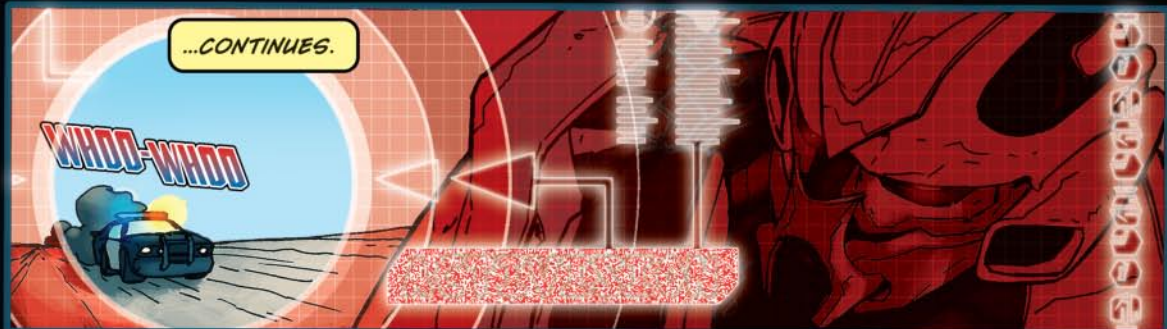
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AND I'M GONE...

VA-ROOOOM



MY RUN OF
BAD LUCK...



...CONTINUES.

WHOO-WHOO



JUST HOW BAD...

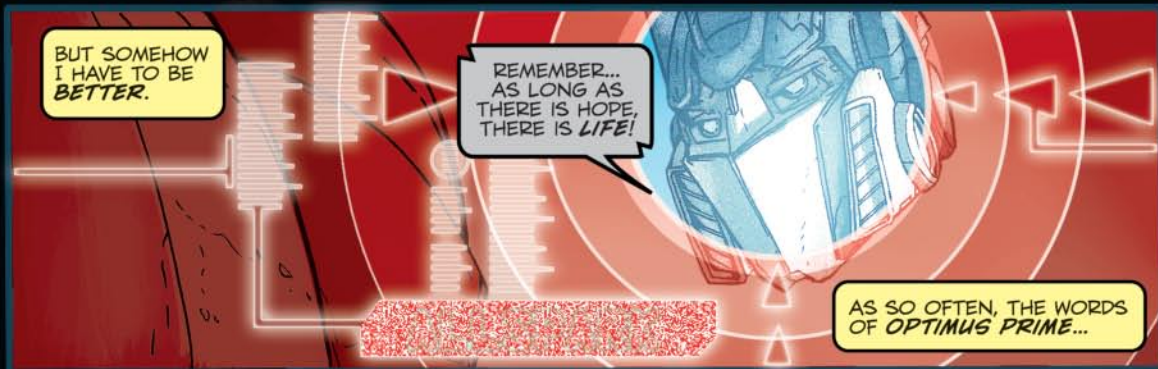


...I ALMOST DON'T REALIZE
UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE!



BARRICADE. I RECOGNIZE THE TACTICS IF NOT THE OUTWARD APPEARANCE.

HE'S *FASTER* THAN ME, *STRONGER*.



BUT SOMEHOW I HAVE TO BE *BETTER*.

REMEMBER... AS LONG AS THERE IS HOPE, THERE IS *LIFE*!

AS SO OFTEN, THE WORDS OF *OPTIMUS PRIME*...



...PROVIDE THE *INSPIRATION* I NEED!

I SIMPLY *MUST* PREVAIL—THE FATE OF *TWO PLANETS*... LIES WITH *ME*!

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