

DETAILED OBSERVATIONS

Walt Disney's Comics and Stories – Vol. 19 No. 5 (February 1959)
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Summary of Observations

This comic retains the front cover, back cover, inside front cover, interior pages, centerfold, and both original staples. The comic remains complete and readable. Overall presentation is visually strong, with **bright, saturated cover color, clean interior artwork, and good overall page alignment.**

Condition issues are concentrated in three primary areas:

1. **Heavy rust and advanced corrosion affecting both staples**, including rust migration into adjacent paper,
2. **Localized cover edge damage in the lower area**, involving paper loss and surface disruption, and
3. **Light edge waviness and deformation affecting multiple interior pages**, most noticeable along the lower margins.

Interior pages remain clean, with strong print clarity. Brittleness testing indicates retained flexibility. The spine remains straight and structurally intact, though corrosion at staple locations impacts long-term stability.

Front Cover — Observations

Photo Condition & Quality: (IMG_2156)

Observations:

The front cover displays **strong yellow background color** with good saturation and intact ink density. The illustration of Donald Duck seated in a chair reading while his nephews play in front of him is crisp and well defined. Printed outlines remain sharp, and color separation is clear.

However, **localized discoloration and surface disruption are visible along the lower edge** of the cover. This area shows embedded darkening and paper breakdown consistent with prolonged contact or environmental exposure. In addition, along the lower cover edge near the center, **a distinct area of material loss is visible**, exposing darker underlying paper layers.

Light surface grime is visible across the yellow field but does not obscure the artwork. Corners show rounding consistent with handling. No full-width creases or folds cross the central illustration.

Overall Impression:

The front cover is visually attractive at normal viewing distance but is **materially impacted by lower-edge damage and surface discoloration.**

Back Cover — Observations

Photo Condition & Quality: (IMG_2157)

Observations:

The back cover advertisement remains intact and legible, featuring bright, well-preserved colors and clean linework. Paper tone is slightly darker than the front cover, consistent with age.

Edge wear is present along the bottom and open edges, including light abrasion and softening. Corners show rounding without tearing or material loss. No writing or stamping is visible.

Overall Impression:

The back cover presents cleanly with **routine handling wear only**.

Inside Front Cover — Observations

Photo Condition & Quality: (IMG_2158)

Observations:

The inside front cover exhibits uniform tan paper coloration with light age-related toning. No writing, stamps, or markings are visible. The hinge area remains intact, showing light stress but no cracking or reinforcement.

Overall Impression:

Inside front cover is clean and structurally stable.

Interior Pages — Observations

Photo Condition & Quality: (IMG_2159, IMG_2160, IMG_2161, IMG_2162)

Observations:

Interior pages are **clean, vividly printed, and well aligned**. Color saturation remains strong, with crisp black linework and intact halftone patterns. Panels and text remain sharp and fully readable.

Across multiple pages, **light lower-edge waviness and deformation are visible**, appearing in similar locations from one page to the next. This uniformity indicates **multi-page edge deformation** rather than isolated handling bends. No tearing, writing, stains, or content loss are visible.

Overall Impression:

Interior pages are visually strong, with **minor multi-page edge distortion limited to margins**.

Centerfold — Observations

Photo Condition & Quality: (IMG_2846)

Observations:

The centerfold remains attached at both staples. Fold compression is visible, consistent with use. Dark discoloration and paper disturbance are present at staple holes, corresponding to staple corrosion. Paper remains continuous with no complete pull-through or separation visible.

Overall Impression:

Centerfold remains attached but is **affected locally by staple corrosion**.

Spine — Observations

Photo Condition & Quality: (IMG_2163)

Observations:

The spine appears straight and well aligned with no major exterior splitting. Spine color remains consistent along most of the fold. Darkened areas are visible near staple locations, reflecting rust migration from the staples.

Overall Impression:

Spine structure remains strong despite localized corrosion effects at fastener points.

Upper Staple — Observations

Photo Condition & Quality: (IMG_2864)

Observations:

The upper staple shows **advanced rust and corrosion**, with dark brown oxidation covering nearly the entire exposed metal surface. Rust migration extends into surrounding paper, producing visible staining and localized fiber weakening.

Overall Impression:

Upper staple is present but **severely corroded with adjacent paper impact**.

Lower Staple — Observations

Photo Condition & Quality: (IMG_2865)

Observations:

The lower staple exhibits corrosion comparable in severity to the upper staple. Surrounding paper shows dark staining and weakening at the penetration points. No complete pull-through is visible, though paper integrity is compromised.

Overall Impression:

Lower staple area demonstrates **advanced corrosion and localized paper degradation**.

Brittleness Test — Observations

Photo Condition & Quality: (IMG_2166)

Observations:

The tested page corner flexes smoothly without cracking, flaking, or fiber fracture. The page bends evenly and partially rebounds toward flat upon release.

Overall Impression:

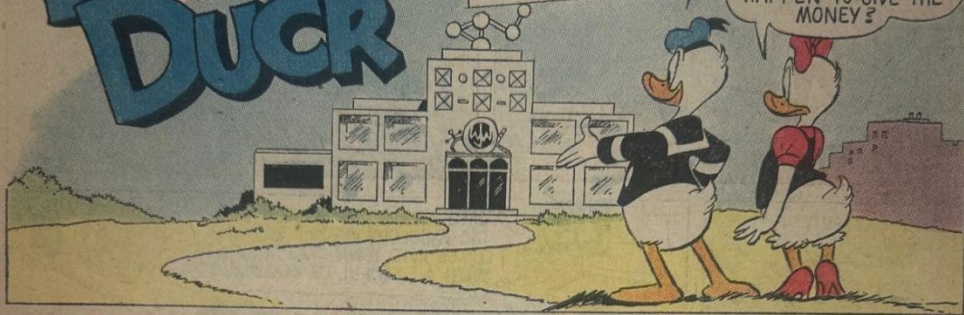
Paper retains flexibility and does **not exhibit brittle behavior** at the tested location.

Walt Disney's
Donald Duck

DUCKBURG IS MIGHTY PROUD OF ITS NEW SCIENCE HALL FOR THE JUNIOR WOOD-CHUCKS OF THE WORLD!

YES, INDEED, DAISY! NO ONE WOULD EVER BELIEVE THAT MY UNCLE SCROOGE'S MONEY PAID FOR THIS BUILDING!

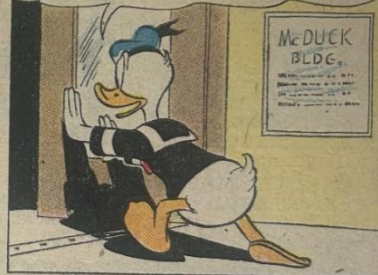
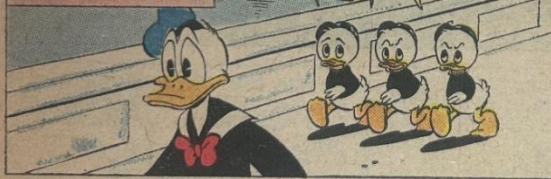
HE'S SO STINGY! HOW DID HE EVER HAPPEN TO GIVE THE MONEY?



"IT'S QUITE A STORY, DAISY! IT STARTED ONE DAY WHEN THE BOYS AND I WENT TO ASK HIM FOR A DONATION!"

WHY DO WE BOTHER TO ASK UNCA SCROOGE FOR MONEY FOR THE SCIENCE HALL? HE'S AGAINST EVERYTHING THAT COSTS ANYTHING!

I KNOW IT'S USELESS TO ASK, BUT WE PROMISED THE COMMITTEE WE'D ASK!



HE'LL THROW US OUT OF HIS OFFICE!

HE'LL RANT AND RAVE AND CALL US CHISELERS!

"BUT WE GOT A SURPRISE!"

WHY, SURE! I'LL DONATE THE MONEY! I'LL BE GLAD TO!



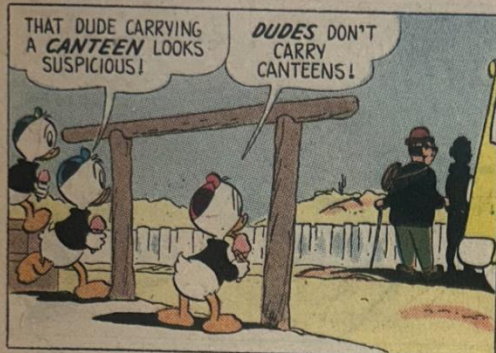
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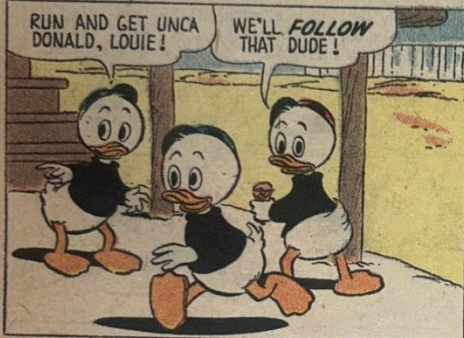
THAT DUDE CARRYING A **CANTEEN** LOOKS SUSPICIOUS!

DUDES DON'T CARRY **CANTEENS**!



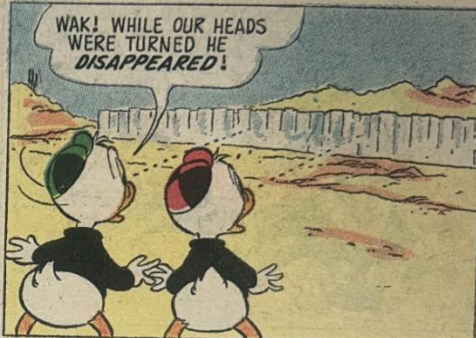
THE OTHER PASSENGERS ARE GOING TO THE CAFE, BUT HE **ISN'T!**

THERE'S ONLY A **BOARD FENCE** WHERE HE'S GOING!



RUN AND GET UNCA DONALD, LOUIE!

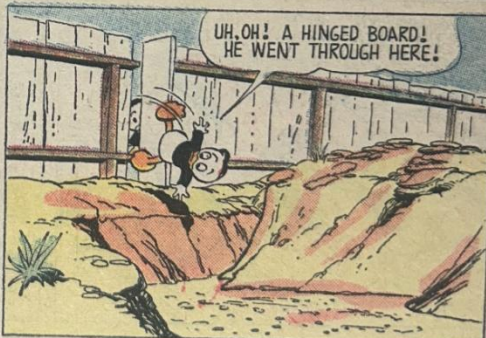
WE'LL **FOLLOW** THAT DUDE!



WAK! WHILE OUR HEADS WERE TURNED HE **DISAPPEARED!**



NOW I **AM** SUSPICIOUS! THERE'S NO DOOR OR GATE IN THIS FENCE!



UH, OH! A **HINGED BOARD!** HE WENT THROUGH HERE!



BUT **THEN** WHERE DID HE GO? THERE ARE NO **TRACKS** HERE, OR EVEN A PLACE WHERE HE COULD **HIDE!**

LOOKS LIKE A JOB FOR **REAL** TRACKERS!



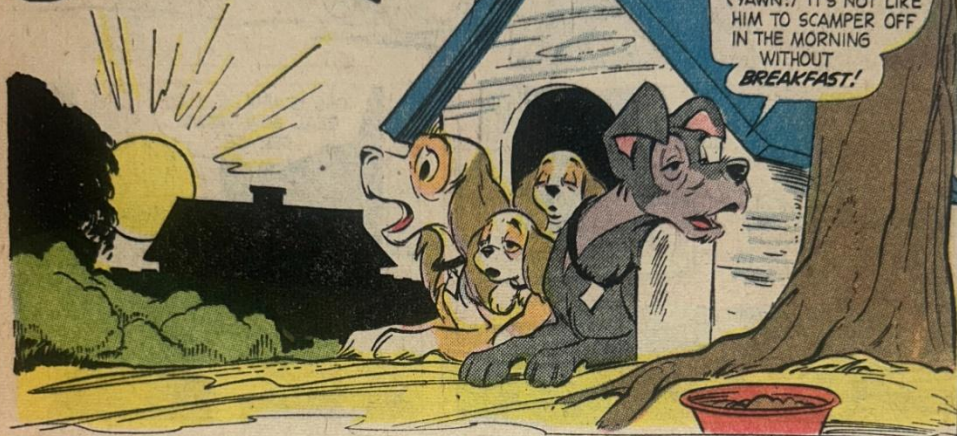
I SEE NOTHING BUT **RABBIT** TRACKS! ARE YOU KIDS SURE YOU DIDN'T SEE A **RABBIT** CARRYING A **CANTEEN**?

WALT DISNEY'S

SCAMP

SCAMP! YOO-HOO,
SCAMP! WHERE
ARE YOU?

(YAWN!) IT'S NOT LIKE
HIM TO SCAMPER OFF
IN THE MORNING
WITHOUT
BREAKFAST!



OH, HE HAD HIS BREAKFAST, ALL RIGHT...
THAT IS, HE ATE *MY* BREAKFAST!

BUT WHY WOULD
HE BE IN SO MUCH OF A
HURRY THAT HE COULDN'T
WAIT TO EAT WITH *US*?!



WELL, DON'T WORRY
ABOUT HAVING LEFT-
OVERS! I'LL EAT
SCAMP'S BREAKFAST!

HAVE MINE, JOCK!
I'M TOO WORRIED
TO EAT!



RELAX, FOLKS! SCAMP
ASKED ME TO GIVE YOU
A MESSAGE WHEN
YOU AWAKE!

YES?



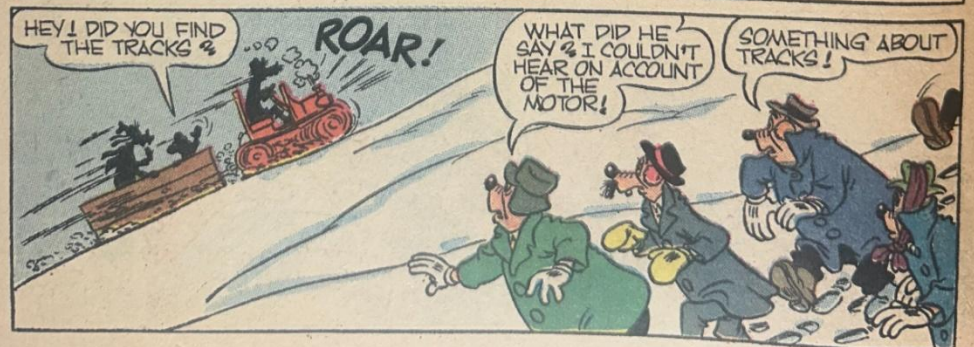
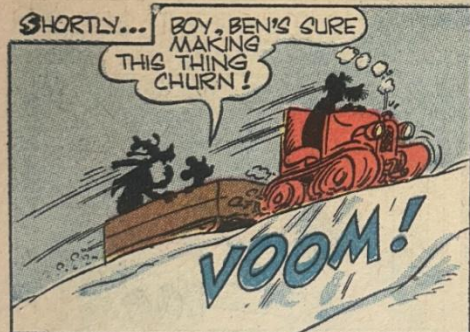
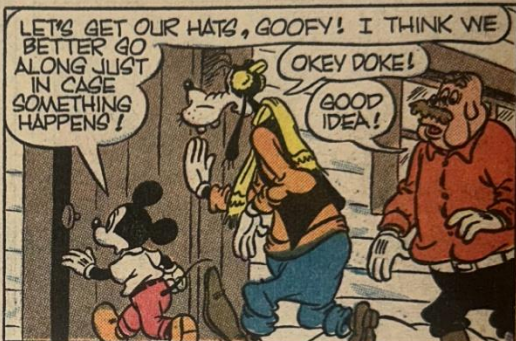
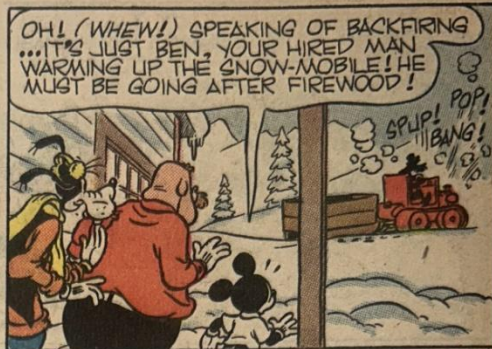
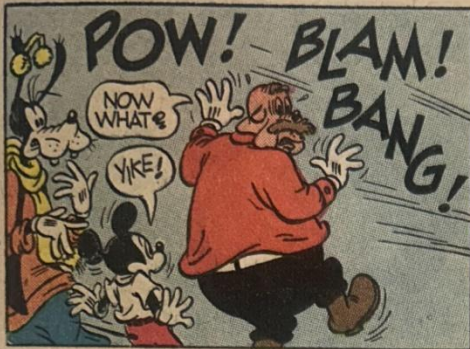
HE SAID NOT TO WORRY! HE WANTED TO GET AN
EARLY START BECAUSE HE'S GOING EXPLORING
IN A *FARAWAY LAND!*

EEEK! MY
BABY!

H-HOW FAR
AWAY?



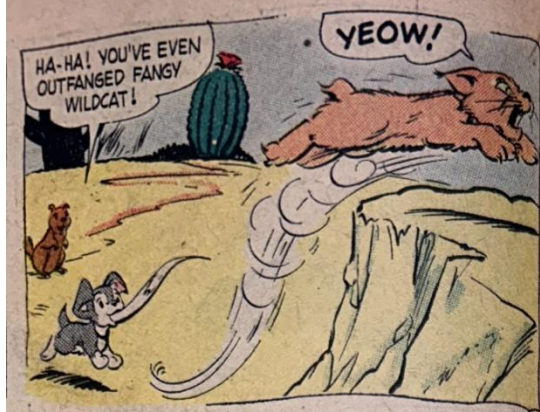












HA-HA! YOU'VE EVEN
OUTFANGED FANGY
WILDCAT!

YEOW!



YOU CAN
MY BONE,
TOO!

THAT'S IT! EVERY TIME YOU COME OUT
POKE THAT AROUND FIRST TO SCARE OFF
ANY ENEMIES!

HEH! THEY'LL THINK
IT'S YOU!



A
SING

AND YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN THE BONE I HAD!
IT WAS LONGER THAN ME... CURVED... AND
POINTED AT
ONE END!



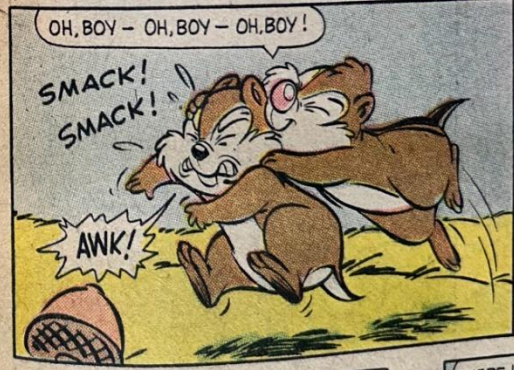
HE'S ASLEEP!

SMALL WONDER! ANYBODY WHO
LETS THEIR IMAGINATION **RUN**
AWAY WITH THEM LIKE THAT IS
BOUND TO GET
DOG-TIRED!



WALT DISNEY'S

Chip 'n' Dale



OH, BOY - OH, BOY - OH, BOY!

SMACK!
SMACK!

ANK!

OKAY
A WIS
GET A



WHAT YOU
EXCITED
ABOUT?

YOU'LL SEE! THEN YOU
GONNA BE EXCITED, TOO!
COME ON!

THERE! LOOKY-
WHAT I SPOTT
ONNA SIDE OF
CLIFF!

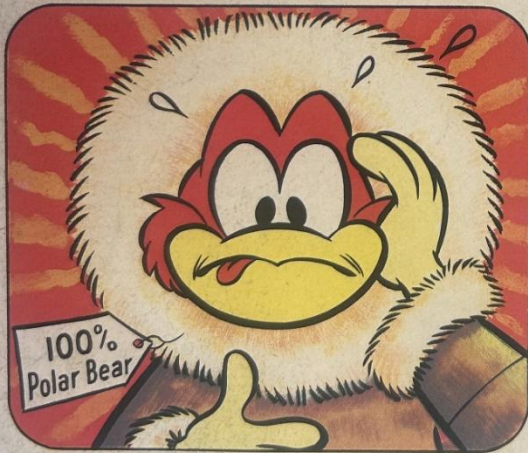
"Fresh up" Freddie says:

"RIGHT NOW, you're probably asking yourself-

How does a dog-sled pilot get a fresh, clean taste?"



"Right now I'm one hot Eskimo! I get a dry throat from barking orders at my dog-sled team! (Dig that crazy team!)"



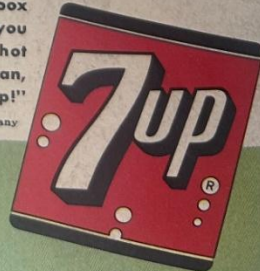
"I get hot under the collar from wearing my 100% genuine imitation Polar Bearskin Parka! But all of us Eskimos have a secret."



"We keep 7-Up in the icebox in our igloos! That's why you don't hear much about hot Eskimos. Now I'm cool, man, cool. Nothing does it like 7-Up!"

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Keep 7-Up in the icebox in your igloo. Sparkling 7-Up has a fresh, clean taste that makes your mouth and throat feel cool as an icicle. Hop on your dog sled and "Mush" to the store for some. As "Fresh up" Freddie always says, " 'Fresh up' with 7-Up!"



See Freddie on TV! Watch Zorro*... from Walt Disney Studios every week on ABC-TV

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