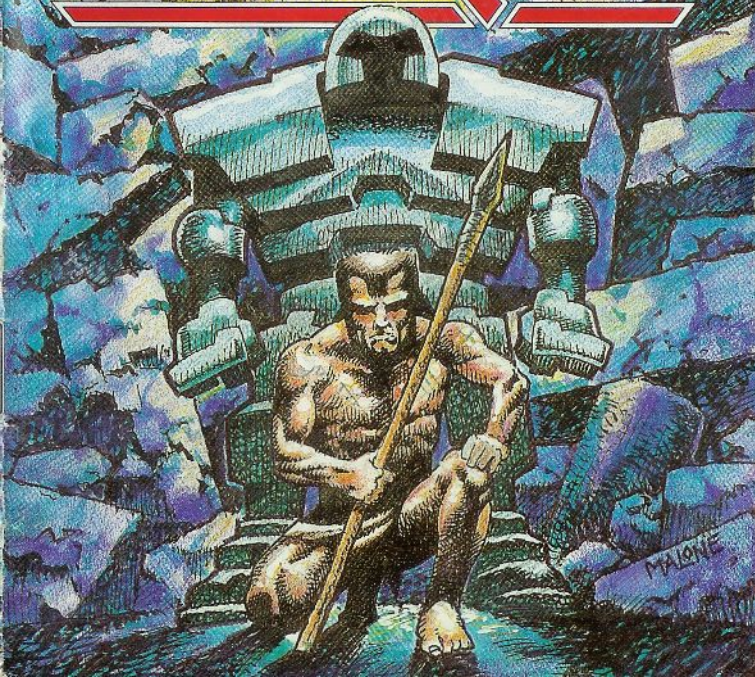




PALACE COMICS PRESENTS

THE SACRED ARMOUR OF

# XANTHRIX



NEWS IS JUST COMING IN OF  
THE COMPLETE BREAKDOWN  
OF THE DISARMAMENT  
TALKS...



BETWEEN SOUTH AND  
NORTH SECTOR  
DELEGATIONS.

... AND A TOTAL SHUTDOWN  
OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS  
HAS BEEN THREATENED.



THE SITUATION IS BEGIN-  
NING TO LOOK BLEAK...

THE NORTH SECTOR HAS REFUSED TO  
ABANDON DEVELOPMENT OF THE  
CONTROVERSIAL ANTI-RADIATION  
COMBAT SUIT.

THEY SAY EVIDENCE HAS BEEN  
PRODUCED TO SHOW THAT  
SOUTHERN SCIENTISTS HAVE  
BEEN WORKING ON A SIMILAR  
PROJECT.

NORTH SECTOR TROOPS  
ARE MOBILISING IN  
BORDER AREAS...

... BUT THE GOVERNMENT HAS  
GIVEN ASSURANCES THAT  
THERE IS NO CAUSE FOR ALARM  
CLICKE!



THIS IS A WORLD ON THE BRINK OF  
COLLAPSE... EARTH 2086!

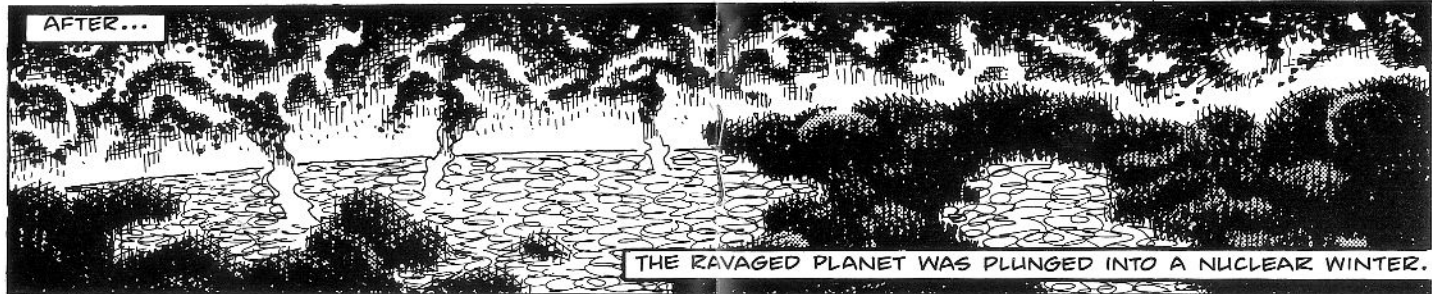






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AFTER...

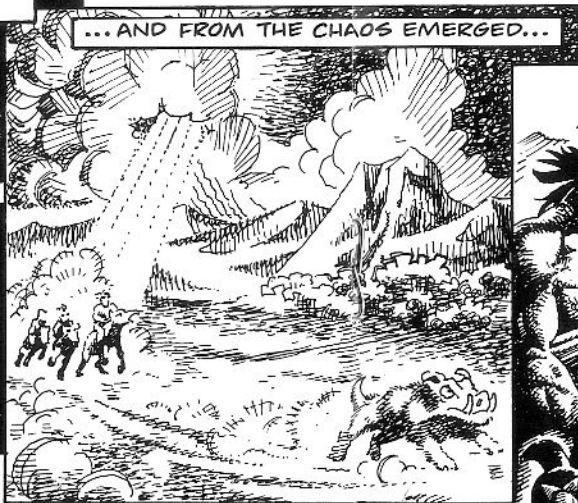


THE RAVAGED PLANET WAS PLUNGED INTO A NUCLEAR WINTER.

CENTURIES  
PASSED... ..



... AND FROM THE CHAOS EMERGED...



... A NEW RACE... STRONG...  
AND HARDY.



THE PEOPLE CAME TO KNOW A SIMPLE AND PEACEFUL LIFE.



ONLY SELDOM WOULD THE THOUGHTS OF THE RULING ELDERS TURN TO DARK MEMORIES OF THE PAST.



SUPERSTITION SURROUNDED A DARK VOLCANO WHICH LOOMED OVER THE HALF-BURIED REMAINS OF AN ANCIENT CITY.



BUT... ONE DAY... OUT OF THE SKIES... AN INVASION FORCE FROM ANOTHER WORLD!



TERRIFIED AND BEWILDERED VILLAGERS RAN IN DISARRAY.

THE ATTACK WAS SWIFT  
AND SAVAGE!

THEIR WEAPONS WERE  
SOPHISTICATED AND THEY  
SHOWED NO MERCY.

BUT BRAVERY WAS NOT  
ENOUGH.

FILLED WITH GRIEF AT SO MUCH  
DEATH, THE PEOPLE FOUGHT  
BACK BRAVELY...

ALL REMAINING ABLE-BODIED  
MEN WERE SET TO WORK  
MINING THE PLANET'S  
VALUABLE ORE ...

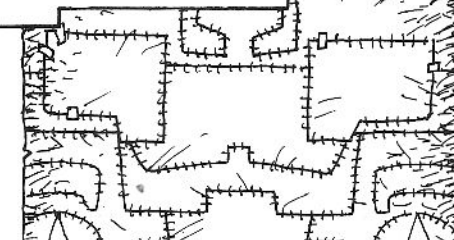
WHILE THE TYRANTS RULED  
FROM THEIR STRONGHOLD  
DEEP INSIDE THE  
VOLCANO.



THE ELDERS PLOTTED  
TO OVERTHROW THE  
OPPRESSORS.



THEY HID NEWBORN MALE CHILDREN  
AND REARED THEM IN SECRET CAMPS,  
TEACHING THEM ANCIENT BATTLE  
ARTS.



AS THE YOUNG WARRIORS  
GREW...

ONE STOOD OUT AS A CHAMPION...  
HIS NAME...



TAL! YOU HAVE BEEN  
CHOSEN AS THE ONE WHO  
WILL SAVE OUR RACE.



"YOU HAVE HEARD THE LEGENDS  
OF THE SACRED ARMOUR. NOW  
IS THE TIME TO BRING IT BACK  
FROM THE DEAD."



# ANTI-RAD COMBAT SUIT

THE ELDERS SHOWED TAL AN ANCIENT BLUEPRINT.

THIS SACRED SCROLL TELLS OF THE MAGIC OF THE ARMOUR.

1 RECHARGE CELL

2. IMPLOSION MINE.

3. GRAVITY DISPLACERS.

4. PARTICLE NEGATOR.

5. PULSER BEAM.

6. ANTI-RAD SUIT.

YOU, TAL, MUST BRAVE THE HORRORS OF THE EVIL FOREST, FIND THE SACRED ARMOUR AND USE IT TO DESTROY THE POWER CENTRE OF THE TYRANTS. YOU ARE OUR ONLY HOPE!