TO BE CONTINUED ...

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SUPER: Sign on door. Sign now reads: "Atomic Commode Company: Nuclear Waste is Our Business"

## BRECKMAN

Gentlemen, I want to thank you for the key to the executive wash room. But I thought it was a rather stupid practical joke to drop that sponge rubber bust of Plato in the bowl ... for the Atomic Commode is impossible to clog.

## WALTERS

Breckman is right. The Atomic Commode is foolproof. Just think, the world is rid of backups forever. By the way, weren't you wearing glasses?

## BRECKMAN sits.

SOUND: Glass crunching

## BRECKMAN

I just sat on them. It boggles the mind. We now have an interconnecting device that links the plumbing cisterns of the world.

## WALTERS

It's wonderful.

## GLICK

Thanks to our founder, Pruet Privy, who invented the steam-driven toilet even though his laboratory was constantly filled with flies.

### BRECKMAN

And let us not forget he also invented the gas-driven privy.

#### BRUCE

And just began work on the pedaldriven john before his untimely death.

#### JOHNSON

Yes, that night he fell through his underwear and hung himself.

BRECKMAN When I heard, I almost giggled myself silly.

## WALTERS

It won't be so funny after you read this article ... it's in the Prissy News. We've got ourselves a big problem. Do you recognize this man?

BRECKMAN Eric Hazarian. Don't tell me he's on the loose again.

GLICK (over newspaper) Yes, and he has a device that could destroy the world ...

OUT TO FILM

GLICK (cont'd) ... using our interconnecting toilet system.

BRECKMAN That's diabolical. Do you mean he could wipe us out?

WALTERS Yes, unless our best agent, Rod Stanton, can stop him.

SOUND: Funny car sounds, planes, and Jack Benny's Maxwell.

ROD (V.O.) Boy, those silly little pills sure make my eyes look funny ... I think I should have taken that No Doze orally.

CHAUFFEUR I wish you would swallow that cigar.

HAZARIAN (looking out back window) My IQ may not be bigger than your shirt size, but I think that's Rod Stanton following us.

CHAUFFEUR (partially over Hazarian close-up) Are you smoking old death certificates? HAZARIAN Keep driving, wiener.

ROD

Are you sure Paul Newman started like this?

HAZARIAN Hey! He's gaining on us!

CHAUFFEUR Hey ... the steering wheel came off! We better sell this crate!

SOUND: Car skidding off cliff, Fibber McGee closet crash, and an explosion and fire.

ROD Hey ... you guys okay?

SUPER: "Somewhere East of Suez, and not too far from El Segundo."

INSERT: Carter speech on Billy.

# ANNOUNCER

(v.o. filtered radio) ... Bulletin: Eric Hazarian was killed in a chase after stealing the plans to the Atomic Commode Company's interconnecting sewage system. Film at eleven.

REX Aw, shucks. What a bad break. We'll never see a film on this radio.

SOUND: Pouring a drink

ROCKY You won't be seeing anything unless you stop drinking that 180-proof rhubarb tequila.

REX Yeah, you're right.

BRUNO Hey, boys? (pause) Hey, boys?

## ROCKY

Did you hear something?

# BRUNO (at the top of his lungs) Hey, boys!! Well, how do you like this new George C. Scott disguise?

#### REX

Did you ever see Gene Kelly do this step?

#### BRUNO

I'll step on your face if you don't quit your babbling. And I don't want to hear that story again about how you jumped the center on a girls' basketball team.

HAZARIAN I'm going to the powder room and slam dunk.

ROCKY So long, Mr. Scott.

BRUNO

Sit down. Well, boys, that's quite a guy. You know who he is?

ROCKY Yeah, George C. Scott.

BRUNO

No, you dummy.

### REX

Why did George C. Scott go into our bathroom, and why did you toss your hat into our electric fan?

## BRUNO

Enough of the hats. There's plenty more where they came from. The man who went into your bathroom is not George C. Scott, but arch villain Eric Hazarian. The man who comes out will be Geofrey London. Now, sit down, you clowns.

## ROCKY

Gee, do I have to? I just had my pants pressed and starched and I'd hate to crack the fly.

## BRUNO

What were you guys doing in here? Why weren't you guarding the front?

REX

We were listening to a political comedy show on the radio.

BRUNO

Yeah? I once bought a radio. My brother ate it.

REX

Then I guess you could hear the six o'clock news through his navel?

BRUNO

Ha ha. Very good. Well, boys, enough chit chat. If you guys want to be heavies in this serial, you're gonna have to take a test and answer a few questions. Is that okay?

#### ROCKY

I'm no Einstein, but Rex here is so dumb he sold deck chairs at Three Mile Island.

REX

Did I?

#### ROCKY

Sure. Don't you remember? I helped you.

#### BRUNO

Alright. Now, you ready? Here's the first question: If a man falls into a cesspool and can't swim, what does he do?

ROCKY

You got me. Do you know, Rex? What does he do?

BRUNO

Alright, here's what he does. He just goes through the movements.

REX Wait a minute ... he goes through the movements? BRUNO Well, you failed that. Now, question number two. ROCKY Hey, wait a minute. Maybe he fell through his watch. REX And another thing; you didn't tell us where the cesspool was located. ROCKY He's right! What a gyp. BRUNO Alright. We'll go on to question number two. Are you ready? REX Yeah, go ahead. BRUNO Rocky? ROCKY Sure. Go. BRUNO Okay, here's the question: What's black and white and twenty feet tall? ROCKY I don't know. Rex, do you? REX I don't know, what? BRUNO Okay, I'll tell you what's black and white and twenty feet tall. Ready? Sister Mary Kong. HAZARIAN Gentlemen, the plane awaits. Let's get on board.

REX That's not George C. Scott. BRUNO

Mr. Hazarian shaved. Gentlemen, may I present Geofrey London?

SOUND: Funny airplane sounds over picture.

#### PILOT (V.O.)

We're about to land, so please extinguish all smoking materials, put your seat backs in the upright position, put your feet through the holes in the floor, and when we get to the ground, run like hell! Remind me to fire the special effects man tomorrow.

## PILOT

Gentlemen, welcome to Bush Terminal.

## HAZARIAN

Is there any transportation into town?

#### PILOT

I'm afraid not. Some damn native fed the elephant pop rocks.

## HAZARIAN

Amazing. All these trees in the middle of a jungle. When landing, I noticed your eyes were closed.

PILOT

They always are when I land in this hell-hole.

## HAZARIAN

Well, thanks for letting me sit up front and steer.

#### ROCKY

Do you want me to help you wind the rubber band?

## PILOT

No thanks. I'll rewind it myself. By the way, be careful. That second step is broken.

SOUND: Body thump.

VOICE OVER The white line is for loading and unloading of passengers only.

REX

Where the hell is the terminal?

PILOT

Hello, Vito. Send over a sausage pizza, prosciutto, and an upholstery cleaner. We had a scary landing.

SOUND: Lobby sounds.

## SOPHIA

Ringo landed. He wants the usual -- order of sausage pizza, prosciutto, and an upholstery cleaner.

VITO

Another scary landing, eh?

SOUND: Car pulls up, door opens.

WHITEY You guys just come in on that plane?

HAZARIAN We didn't take the subway, why?

WHITEY

I told the pilot I'd sell him this car.

HAZARIAN Why don't you sell me the car?

WHITEY You'd buy this heap?

## HAZARIAN

Mmm hmm.

WHITEY Really?? It's a deal!

HAZARIAN I know a bargain when I see one.

## WHITEY

Well, there's just one problem. I told the pilot I'd sell it to him, and I hate like hell to Welsh on a deal.

## HAZARIAN

I'll speak to him.

## PILOT

(still ordering)
... double order of chicken
tetrazzini and osso bucco with lots
of osso ...

## VITO

Did Hazarian come with you on the plane?

## PILOT

 $\ldots$  and meat sauce, lots of meat sauce  $\ldots$ 

VITO Will you listen to me?

## PILOT

... and anchovies. I love anchovies. Anything with anchovies ...

## VITO

Will you forget your damn stomach a second? I think you're in danger.

PILOT ... calamari and Fettuccine Alfredo ala Tosca ...

SOUND: Two gunshots.

# PILOT (cont'd) ... Oh, oooooohhh ...

## HAZARIAN

Nobody's gonna screw me out of a Chevy coupe.

ROCKY

You shouldn't have shot him twice. I could've used the suit.

## HAZARIAN

Oh, yeah? Well then, save his pants and bury him.

SFX: Chevy coupe, Model A

HAZARIAN (cont'd) You drive pretty good. How would you like to work for me?

## WHITEY

Sure, I don't mind. It's better than my last job rounding up the audience for the John Davidson Show.

## HAZARIAN

Do you know Dr. Elmore?

#### WHITEY

Sure, he's looking for the Lost Sewer. He'll still make a house call, though.

#### HAZARIAN

And what about a lady named Wanda? Any possibility of getting close to her?

#### WHITEY

You couldn't get close to her if she was wearing an iron corset and you had on magnetic gloves.

## HAZARIAN

Interesting. Where would I find her?

#### WHITEY

That's easy. She runs Pandrang from her place, The Light of Asia Cafe.

#### HAZARIAN

Oh, yes. That's the Billy Carter International Headquarters, isn't it?

WHITEY

Yep, that's the place alright.

#### COLLINS

Okay, I got it: Groucho, Harpo, Chico, and Zeppo.

## BARTENDER

Ah ha! That's only four. There were five. Five Marx Brothers. I know.

COLLINS Got it. Sleezo. Sleezo, that's right. Sleezo makes five.

BARTENDER Sleezo is what you'll become if you don't stop drinking here.

SOUND: Lobby -- spinning roulette wheels, voices of the crowd, and dice rolling.

CROUPIER (V.O.) Park Place, who has Park Place? Sorry, you landed on Boardwalk. Go to Jail. Do not pass Go, do not collect 200 serstaceys.

BLACKIE Hold on there. Don't you notice anything strange?

BRUNO

What?

## BLACKIE

What a guy like me is doing in a tuxedo out here in the jungle. Have a pop rock?

BRUNO

So it was you who screwed up the elephant.

BLACKIE

Okay, if you say so. But I cleared up its sinuses.

BRUNO I've come to see Wanda Lust.

BLACKIE Oh, the boss. She's inside the keyhole. Let him through, Sammy.

SOUND: (parrot door knocker) Knock knock knock knock bing bong.

BRUNO Nice door bell.

## WANDA

Thank you. It's something new. It's called a knockabell. I'm Wanda Lust. I run this club and this city. Are you here to pick up the slipcover for the prisoners to wear for the dance?

#### BRUNO

My name is Bruno Hamburger, but you can call me with or without.

#### WANDA

Hamburger ... I relish meeting you. I received your letter. The gentleman secretary of Eric Hazarian, yes? I understand you have a weapon for the Atomic Commode and want me to join forces with you.

#### BRUNO

Yes, that is correct. That is, if you pass the test.

#### WANDA

Why? I can pass any test ... that is, if it is above the waist.

#### BRUNO

I'll bet you can. But this test is serious.

#### WANDA

Serious? Ha ha ha. Don't be silly, Mr. Hamburger. Come with me to the Ramada Inn and I'll show you serious. Do you doubt me?

## BRUNO

Hmmm.

WANDA Do you have anything against circus acts?

BRUNO To the contrary. May I kiss your tablecloth?

SOUND: Siren ring.

BRUNO (cont'd) Hmmm, a siren ring, eh?

## WANDA

Yes, I use it to say hello to my dog ... How about this idea: Since I own this town and this club, suppose I give you the test? Are you ready? Do you know how they knew where Jimmy Hoffa was buried?

#### BRUNO

I haven't the faintest idea. How did they know where Jimmy Hoffa was buried?

#### WANDA

It was easy. Last week his pants blew out of the Mount Saint Helen's volcano.

#### BRUNO

Okay. I have the next question: Why am I sitting way down here?

WANDA

Are you ready?

## BRUNO

Yes, answer me. Why am I below you like this?

## WANDA

Because, Mr. Hamburger, I want you to become the squat champion of Asia.

## ROD (V.O.)

(begins over door) Believe me, I think his chauffeur went to the Ray Charles School of Driving, because Hazarian's car went right over the cliff. But it's not a total loss, gentlemen. I brought each of you a tire. I'm afraid Hazarian burned in the wreck.

#### JOHNSON

You know, this guy could screw up a two-car funeral.

ROD

How's that?

## JOHNSON

We would have been better off sending the Pillsbury Doughboy, instead of Hal Needham here, running him off a cliff.

## WALTERS

Now now now, boys. Let's not soil our silk. There's a job to be done.

#### ROD

Wait a minute, I want to show you all this. I found it on a dead carrier pigeon in my mailbox. Our best privy salesman and pilot was mysteriously shot ... which leads me to believe that Hazarian isn't dead ... that the person I chased off the cliff was an impersonator, like Rich Little, Fred Travolina, John Byner ...

## JOHNSON

Would you like to hear my impression of Gregory Peck?

## ROD

Yeah, but not now. I'd like to borrow the company plane.

SOUND: Funny plane sounds.

# ROD (V.O.)

(humming 'The High and the Mighty') I must be heading right. Yup, there's Hugh Hefner's swimming pool.

#### ANNE

Hi, guy! Coffee, tea, or me? I hope you don't mind if I come up here with you. I must have seen that Cheech and Chong movie six times. By the way, the hors d'oeuvres in the back are rotting.

#### ROD

I'm listening to the best of Howard Cosell. Believe me, it doesn't take long. What are you doing on board?

## ANNE

My hobby is flying over oriental mountains in a crummy twin-engine plane. Don't you recognize me? I'm Dr. Elmore's daughter.

ROD

Well, this happens to be an authorized flight, so I'm going to have to ask you to leave.

ANNE

I'd really hate to. I hear that first step is a lulu. Can I work off my passage?

ROD Okay. Do my laundry before we land.

SOUND: Funny airplane sounds.

ROD (cont'd) Like flying?

ANNE

Are you kidding? Amelia Earhart was my grandmother. When I was eight years old she made me eat a piece of luggage.

ROD Eh, ha. That's fortunate. Do you smell something?

ANNE I thought I did, but I didn't want to alarm you. But if you smell it too, what is it?

ROD Just as I thought. It's cheese in the engine.

SOUND: Funny airplane noises.

ROD (cont'd) We're going down fast.

ANNE What do you want me to do? ROD

Get in the back and take off your clothes. I don't want to ruin my reputation.

SOUND: Door opening.

ANNE

Too late.

ROD Goldarn gasahol! I better call for help. Start pedaling, I don't like the looks of this ... (into radio) ... Calling Vito. Calling Vito. Come in, you little cocker. May Day. Calling Vito.

VITO Hi, Rod! What is your position?

ROD

Well, let's see. Now I'm sitting down, but soon I'm going to try her left leg over my shoulder and my right hand on her kneecap.

## VITO

No, not that position! I mean where are you heading?

ROD

To your house.

VITO Can you recognize any familiar landmarks?

ROD Yeah, I'm heading right for one ... the ground.

SOUND: Plane crash.

ANNE A no-frills flight.

ROD Yeah. Well ... come on. (pause) Embarrassing. ANNE Some airline! I'll bet they lost my luggage, too.

ROD

(yells) Taxi!

SOUND: Avalanche.

ROD (cont'd) I haven't seen that much white since the cottage cheese truck exploded.

ANNE I guess skiing is out of the question?

ROD

What? Boy are you flaky. Did you hit your head during the crash?

VITO Well, Rod's crash-landed. I hate to wake up the townspeople. Tomorrow is Mussolini's birthday.

FIRST SKIER Well, another idiot landed in the mountains again.

SECOND SKIER Didn't he read the sign: 'Crashing Prohibited'?

SFX: Film starts jumping.

THIRD SKIER Hey, what's happening?

FIRST SKIER I'm not sure, but it looks like the film sprocket holes are broken again.

SFX: Film starts to lose loop and jump.

THIRD SKIER Not during my big scene! I wish it would stop, this is making me sick.

SFX: Film breaks, and the screen goes white.

SECOND SKIER (V.O.) Oh, swell. Now what?

FIRST SKIER (V.O.) It broke. The film broke.

THIRD SKIER (V.O.) That's just great. Now we gotta sit around in white all day.

FIRST SKIER (V.O.) Better let the projectionist know. (yelling) Hey. Hey! We're broken. Hey, anybody. We're broken!

SOUND: Door opening. Boot steps.

THIRD SKIER (V.O.) Wait, here he comes.

SFX: Film is put into the gate, but it is still. It is no longer the scene with the rescuers. It is the next scene of Rod and Anne.

FIRST SKIER (V.O.) Oh, swell. He skipped our rescue scene. That's great, just great. How am I ever gonna get out of the Screen Extras Guild?

THIRD SKIER (V.O.) Hold tight, he's starting it.

SFX: Film starts to roll again.

ROD

Darn, I just remembered. I missed my dentist appointment.

ANNE

Oh, Rod, I'm sorry. I can't walk anymore. My feet are killing me. What I wouldn't give for an Eskimo Pie.

ROD

Come on, Anne. You're starting to flip. You've gotta relax. Maybe a nice song would calm you down. Do you know this one? (sings loudly) 'Be my love And no one else (MORE) ROD (cont'd) Will end this yearning ...'

SOUND: Avalanche.

ANNE Alright, Rod. I can't tell the difference. Was that you or Memorex?

SOUND: Avalanche continues.

ROD Run in here. This is a great place to get buried.

SOUND: Avalanche continues.

SUPER: TO BE CONTINUED

Announcer close

# THE END