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THIS STORY BEGINS
SOME TIME AGO...

... IN THE MANNER THAT
STORIES LIKE THESE
TYPICALLY DO...

... AWAY FROM THE
PRYING EYES OF
CIVILIZATION.

NO... IT
WON'T WORK
LIKE THAT.

KLULUTA,
RAKATA--

->cough<

->cough<

AGH. SO
CLOSE.



KIMOTA,
VAAKTA...



COUGH!
COUGH!

ACK-
NO, THAT'S NOT
RIGHT.

COUGH!
->HHHK-<



I-I'M SO
SORRY. PLEASE- I..
JUST LET ME
FINISH.

IT HURTS
SO MUCH...PLEASE
MAKE IT STOP.



YES. YES,
I KNOW.

START
AGAIN.
YES...

...THE WORDS.
MUST SAY THE
WORDS.



KLAATU...

BARADA--

->COUGH-<

NIKTO...



KLAATU
BARATA
NIKTO.

AND THAT'S HOW
THIS ALL BEGAN.

TODAY.

ASHLEY J. WILLIAMS
HAS BEEN CHOSEN.

CHOSEN TO DO A JOB HE
THOUGHT HE'D LEFT BEHIND.

HE'S NOT HAPPY ABOUT IT.

My name is Ash
and I am in Hell.

You'd think
that after all I've
been through and
all the sacrifices
I've made...

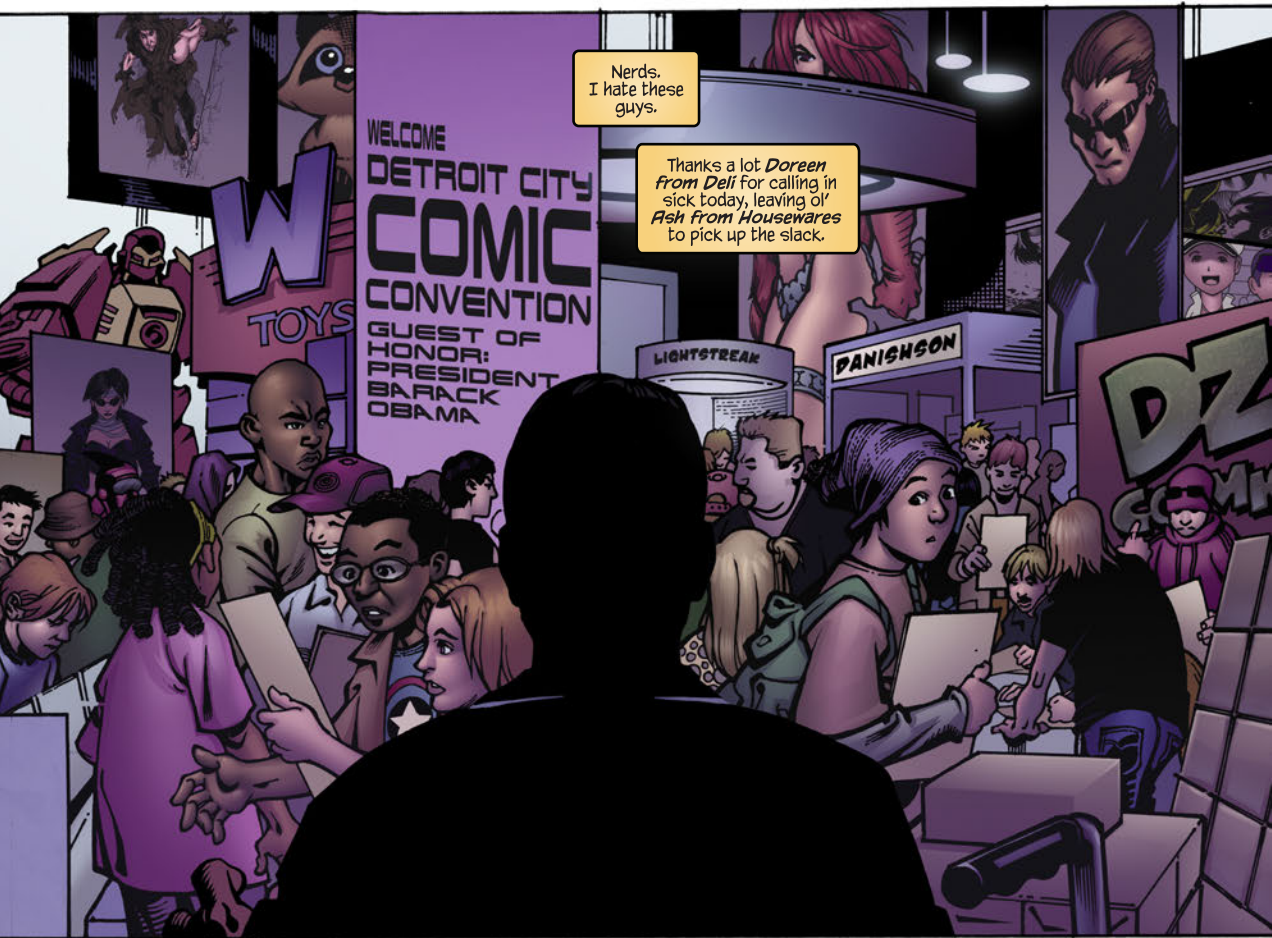
I'd never have
to see these...
things again.

I don't know if
I wanna scream
or puke.

Maybe I'll
do both.

HI MY NAME IS
ASH
EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

S-MART



Nerds.
I hate these
guys.

Thanks a lot Doreen
from Delf for calling in
sick today, leaving ol'
Ash from Housewares
to pick up the slack.



C'MON DUDE,
WE'VE GOTTA GET TO
THE ALAN MOORE ROOM
BEFORE THE STARGATE
PANEL STARTS!

MAN,
ATLANTIS
TOTALLY OWNS
SG-1!

NOT EVEN,
DUDE!

First these geeks descend
on the S-Mart like locusts
and clean us out of all our
bagged snacks and
energy drinks...

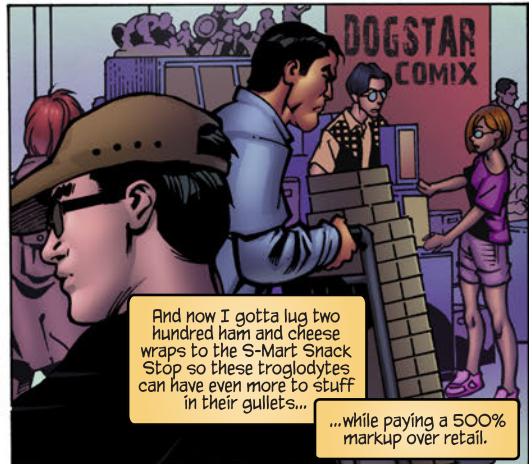


I DON'T THINK THIS SWORD
IS HISTORICALLY
ACCURATE.

HMPH. SINCE WHEN
DOES EXCALIBUR HAVE
GAELIC WRITING ON
THE HILT?

HONESTLY,
DOES THIS REALLY
MAKE ME LOOK
SHAPELY?

LIKE AN
HOURGLASS,
MILADY.



And now I gotta lug two
hundred ham and cheese
wraps to the S-Mart Snack
Stop so these troglodytes
can have even more to stuff
in their gullets...

...while paying a 500%
markup over retail.



Now *that's* just
ridiculous.