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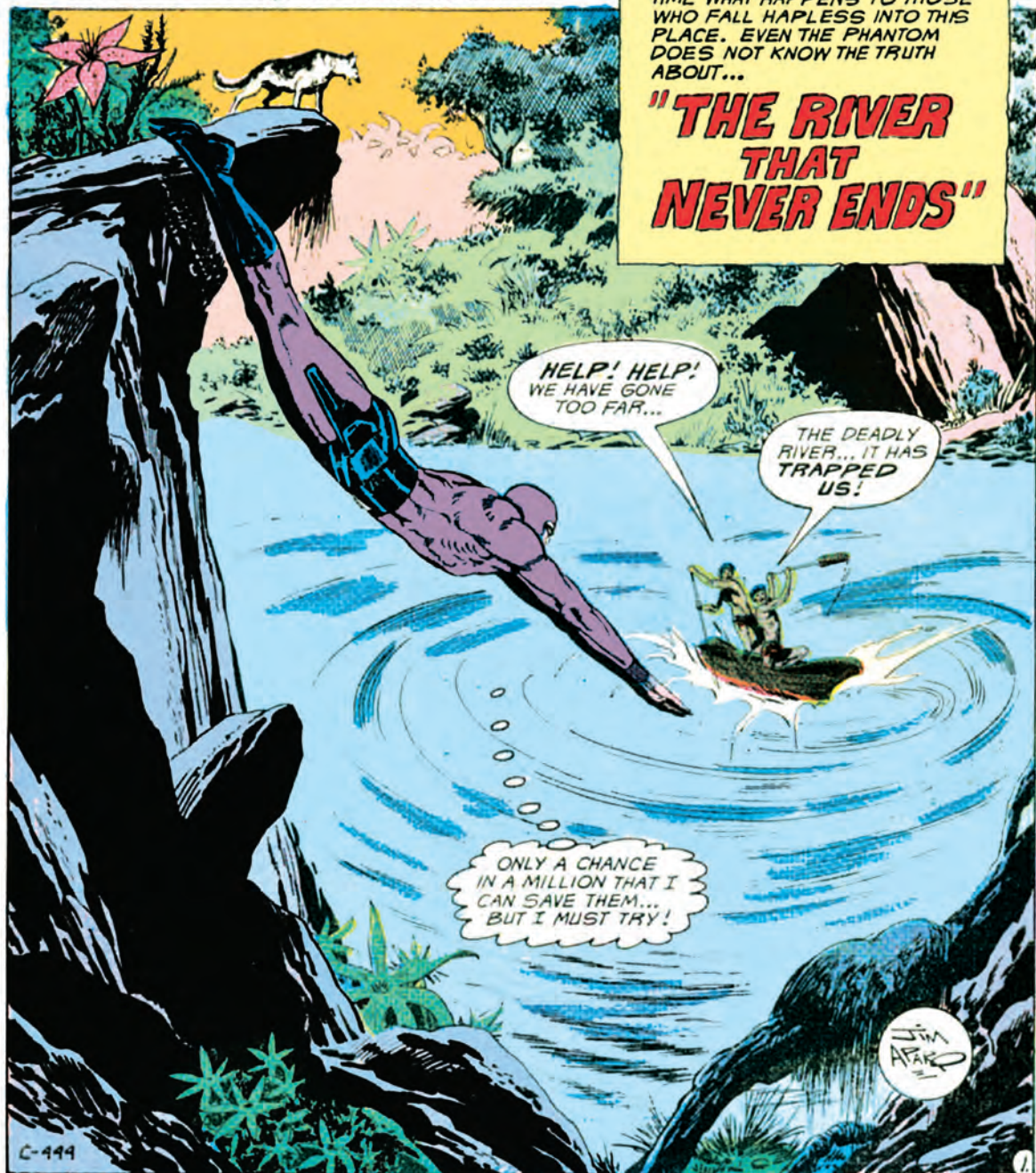


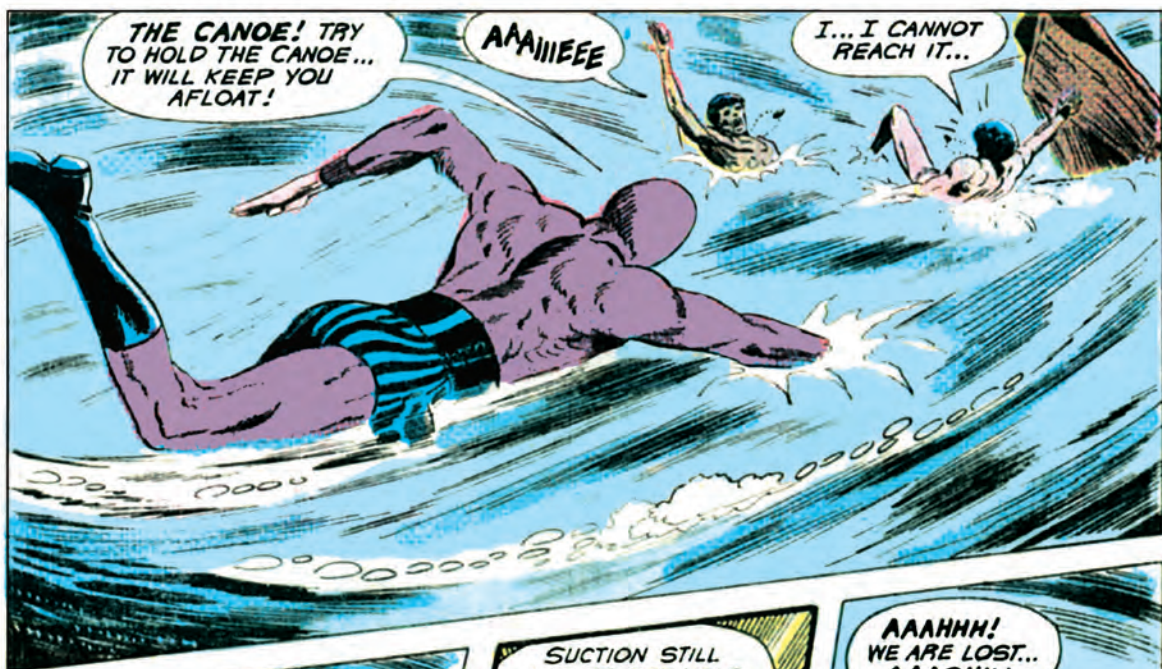
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FOR GENERATIONS THE DEEPEST SECRETS OF THE JUNGLE HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO THOSE WHO CARRY THE NAME PHANTOM, THE MYSTERIOUS "GHOST WHO WALKS". BUT AT THE SUCKING SOUND OF THE PLACE WHERE THE URABI RIVER DISAPPEARS UNDERGROUND, THE WHIRLING WATERS HAVE KEPT SECRET FOR ALL TIME WHAT HAPPENS TO THOSE WHO FALL HAPLESS INTO THIS PLACE. EVEN THE PHANTOM DOES NOT KNOW THE TRUTH ABOUT...

"THE RIVER THAT NEVER ENDS"

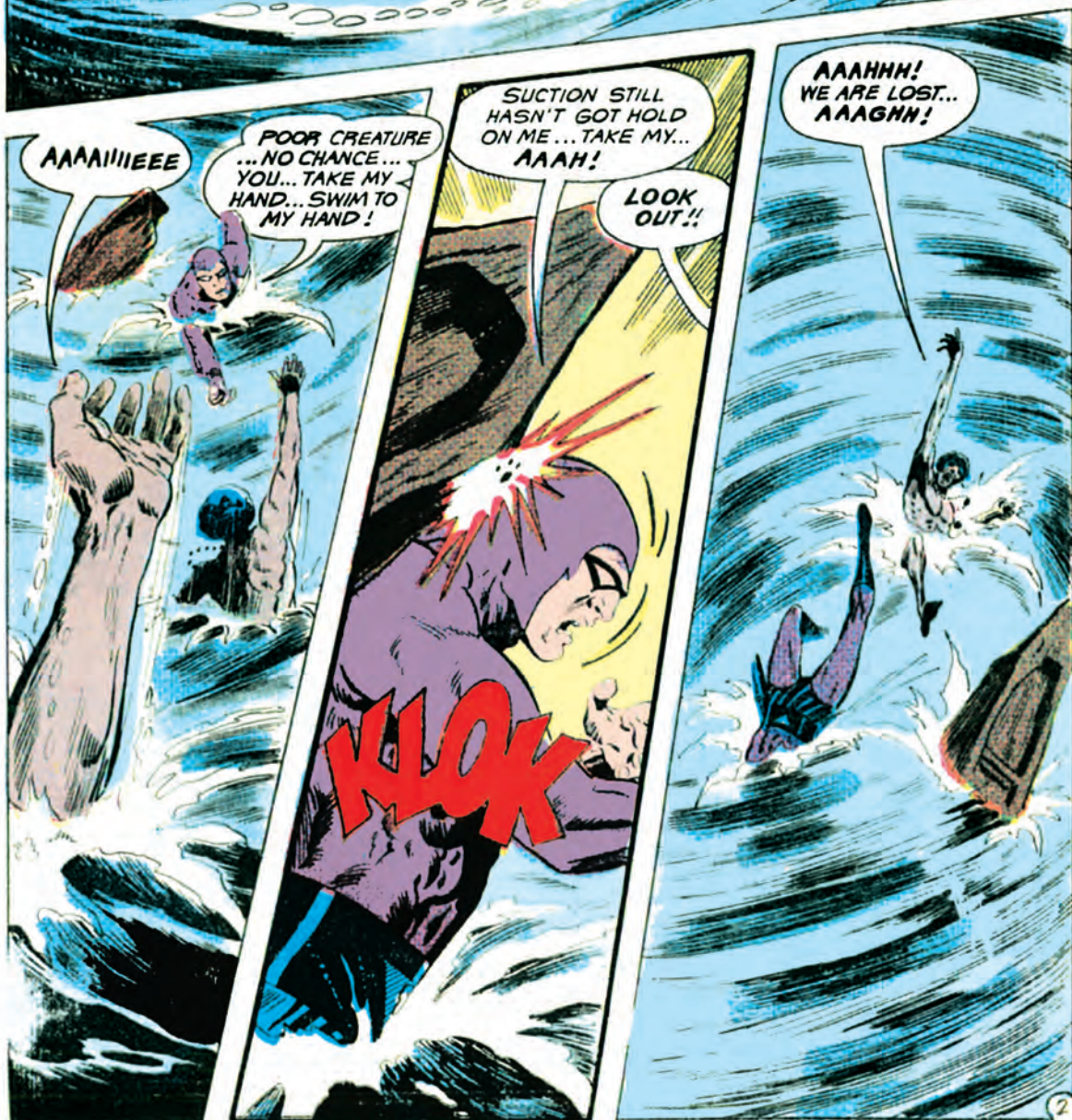




THE CANOE! TRY TO HOLD THE CANOE... IT WILL KEEP YOU AFLOAT!

AAAAIIIEE

I... I CANNOT REACH IT...



AAAAIIIEE

POOR CREATURE... NO CHANCE... YOU... TAKE MY HAND... SWIM TO MY HAND!

SUCTION STILL HASN'T GOT HOLD ON ME... TAKE MY... AAHH!

LOOK OUT!!

AAAAHH! WE ARE LOST... AAAGHH!

KLOK

AS DARKNESS FALLS ON AN IMPERSONAL JUNGLE, A LONE WOLF MOURNS THE LOSS OF HIS MASTER...



AROOOOO

BUT IS THE GHOST WHO WALKS IN FACT GONE? CAN A LEGEND BE DESTROYED?



NO! NO MORE THAN A LEGEND CAN BE WIPED FROM THE MEMORY OF MANKIND CAN THE PHANTOM, HIMSELF A LEGEND, BE BLOTED FROM THE FACE OF THE EARTH.



WH--WHAT IS THIS PLACE? THE RIVER... CAN THIS BE THE SECRET OF THE RIVER THAT DOES NOT END?



WE HAVE SURVIVED THE UNSURVIVABLE, MY FRIENDS... WE ARE ALIVE!

BUT... BUT WHAT USE? WE ARE LOST FOREVER IN THE BOWELS OF THE EARTH!





DO NOT DESPAIR! WHERE THERE IS BREATH THERE IS LIFE AND WHERE THERE IS LIFE... THERE IS **HOPE!** TAKE ONE OF THESE GLOWING WANDS... WE MUST FREE OURSELVES FROM THIS PLACE!



THERE IS NO WAY TO FIGHT OUR WAY OUT THROUGH THE WAY WE CAME IN... WE MUST FIND WHERE THE WATER GOES... IT IS OUR ONLY HOPE!



KRAK

THE CAVE ENDS HERE! THE WATER PURSUES ITS ESCAPE UNDERGROUND... WAIT HERE! I WILL SEE IF WE CAN FOLLOW!



IT IS USELESS... YOU WILL DROWN!



BETTER TO TRY THAN DIE WITHOUT THE EFFORT!



WE WILL WATCH FOR YOUR LIGHT!



IT IS A FEEBLE CHANCE... BUT I COULD SEE THERE WAS NO OTHER ESCAPE! I COULD NOT TELL THEM... I MUST KEEP UP THEIR HOPE!