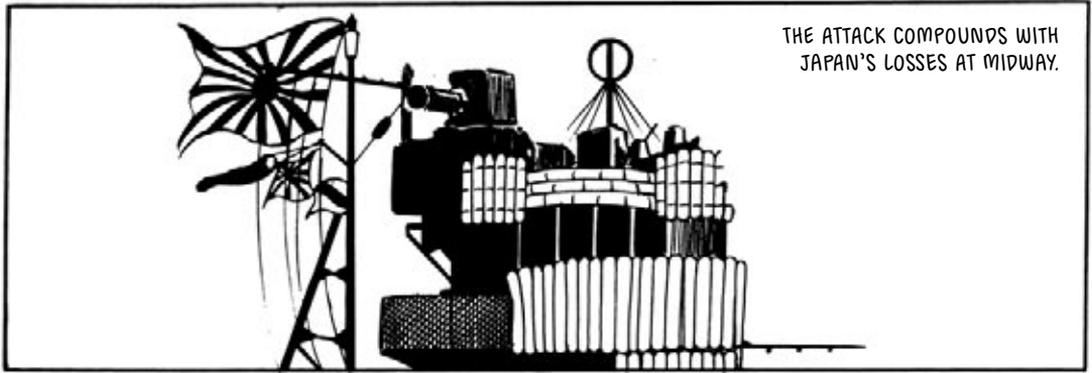




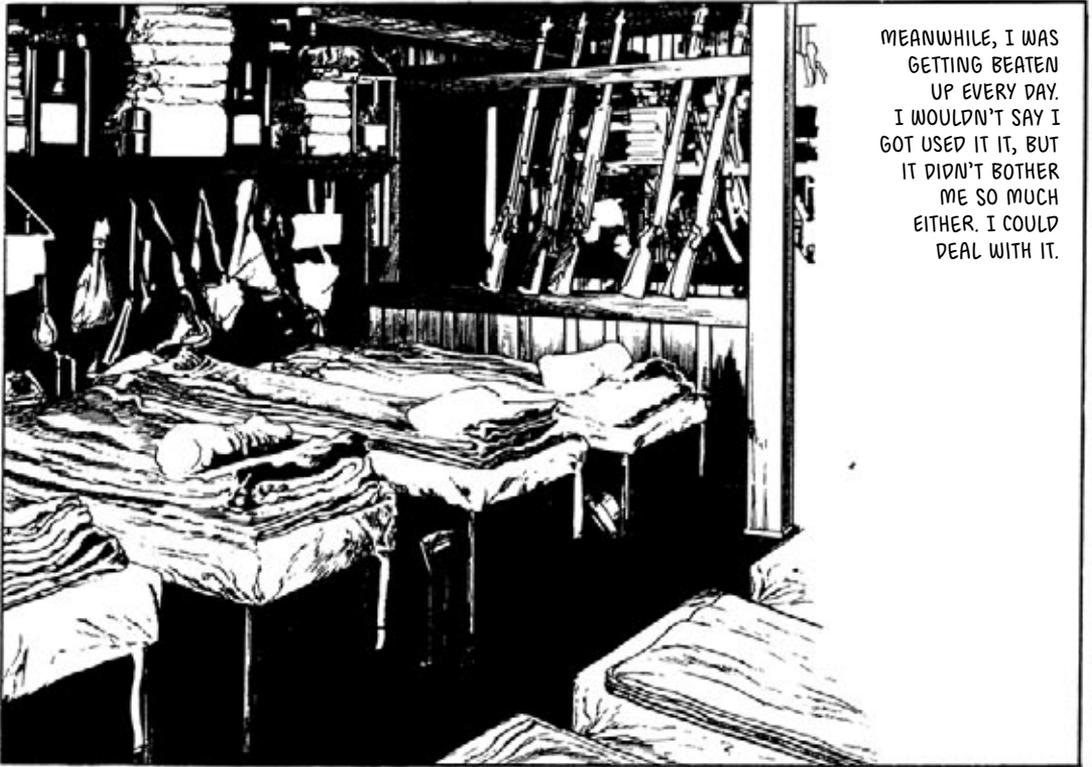
**DRAWN & QUARTERLY PRESENTS**

**SHIGERU MIZUKI'S**  
**SHOWA**  
**A HISTORY OF JAPAN**

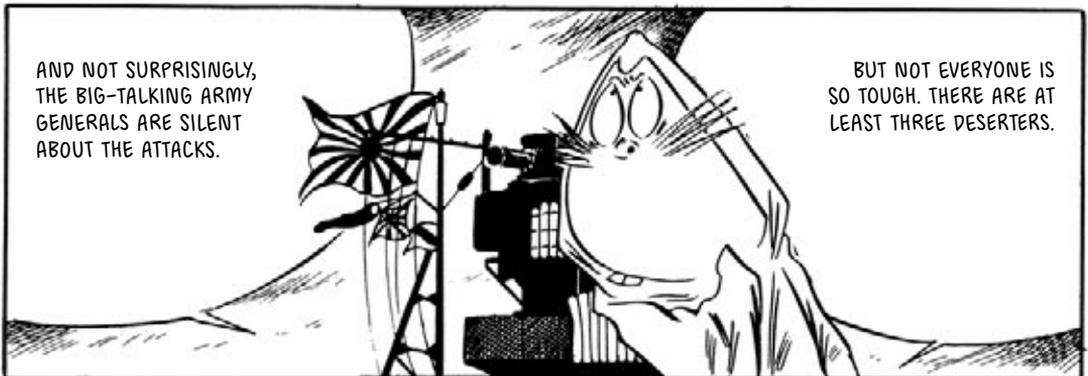
**FREE COMIC BOOK DAY**



THE ATTACK COMPOUNDS WITH  
JAPAN'S LOSSES AT MIDWAY.



MEANWHILE, I WAS  
GETTING BEATEN  
UP EVERY DAY.  
I WOULDN'T SAY I  
GOT USED IT IT, BUT  
IT DIDN'T BOTHER  
ME SO MUCH  
EITHER. I COULD  
DEAL WITH IT.

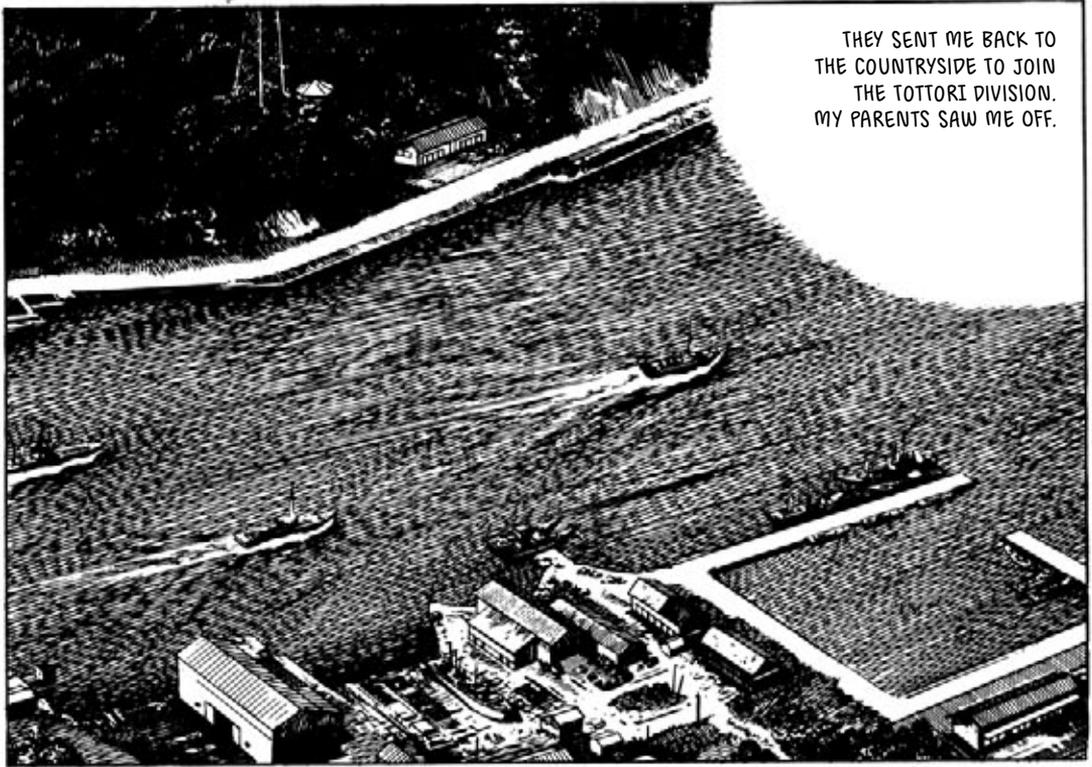


AND NOT SURPRISINGLY,  
THE BIG-TALKING ARMY  
GENERALS ARE SILENT  
ABOUT THE ATTACKS.

BUT NOT EVERYONE IS  
SO TOUGH. THERE ARE AT  
LEAST THREE DESERTERS.

EVEN THOUGH HE CAN'T  
STOP THE BROADCAST,  
HALSEY ORDERS AN ATTACK  
ON THE NITTO MARU.





THEY SENT ME BACK TO THE COUNTRYSIDE TO JOIN THE TOTTORI DIVISION. MY PARENTS SAW ME OFF.



GO GET 'EM!!

I WILL DO MY BEST TO SERVE MY COUNTRY.

ACTUALLY, EVERYONE IN TOWN CAME OUT AND MADE A BIG RUCKUS.

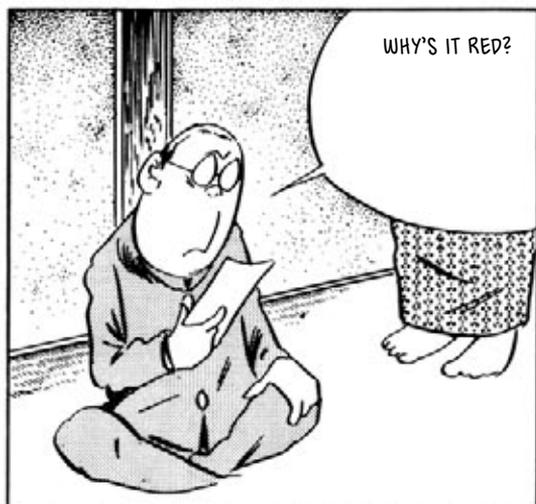
SASH: NEW RECRUIT



YOU'RE GOING TO WAR!!!



DRAFT NOTICES ARE ALWAYS RED. IT MEANS "GOOD LUCK."



WHY'S IT RED?



I'M FINISHED!

DEATH!!



W...W...WAR?

DRAFT!!