

# Captain COURAGEOUS



**WHO** WAS THE MYSTERIOUS FIGURE OF ORIENTAL EVIL WHO STALKED A GHOST VILLAGE AND A GHOST FLEET, AND RUTHLESSLY SLEW ALL WHO STOOD IN HIS WAY? COULD EVEN THE SYMBOL OF AMERICAN FEARLESSNESS, THE INDOMITABLE CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS STOP THIS DREAD SLAY-MASTER OF THE RISING SUN WHO MEANT TO SHOW YOUNG NIKI FUJI, AMERICAN BORN CHILD OF JAPANESE PARENTS, THAT THE ONLY GOOD AMERICAN WAS A DEAD AMERICAN? **45**



OUR STORY  
OPENS WITH  
THE FIGURE  
OF CAPTAIN  
COURAGEOUS  
SLIPPING  
THROUGH A  
BARBED WIRE  
ENTANGLEMENT  
THAT  
BARRICADES  
AN EVACUATED  
JAPANESE  
AMERICAN  
FISHING  
VILLAGE!



THE TROUBLE MIGHT  
BE STARTING  
FROM HERE!



BENEATH A DOCK, ON THE  
WATER'S EDGE ---

SOON, WE WILL SEND ANOTHER  
AMERICAN SHIP TO THE BOTTOM!

An ALERT AMERICAN SENTRY,  
PATROLLING THE DOCK, HEARS THE  
MUFFLED CONVERSATION--

THAT NOISE COMING  
UP FROM BELOW IS A  
BIT TOO LOUD FOR  
IT TO BE RATS  
SCUFFLING  
AROUND!



IT'S RATS, ALLRIGHT--  
BUT THE JAPANESE  
VARIETY--

THUS DIE ALL THE  
ENEMIES OF THE  
DIVINE EMPEROR  
OF HEAVEN!

WERE YOU  
LOOKING FOR  
SOMETHING,  
MY AMERICAN  
FRIEND?



ULP!

YOU TAKING ANY  
BETS ON THAT,  
GOON?



CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS? AH,  
FOR A LONG TIME I WANTED TO  
FACE YOU IN PERSONAL COMBAT!













MILES AWAY AT SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK WHERE THE JAPANESE NATIONALS FROM THE FISHING VILLAGE HAVE BEEN SETTLED!



THE COUNTRY THAT YOUR MOTHER AND MYSELF CAME FROM IS AT WAR WITH AMERICA, AND WE MUST STAY HERE IN ORDER THAT WE MAY HELP AMERICA TO WIN!

THAT'S RIGHT, NIKI, AND IF YOU'RE A GOOD AMERICAN, YOU'LL STAY HERE AND NOT GO HOME--THERE ARE BAD JAPANESE WHO WANT TO HARM AMERICA--THAT'S WHY WE'VE BEEN SENT HERE, TO KEEP US AWAY FROM BAD JAPANESE, SO WE CAN HELP AMERICA WIN THE WAR!

BUT BUTCH IS SO LITTLE, HE'S SUCH A PUP! GEE, I WON'T HURT ANYBODY IF I GO TO FIND HIM!

BUT I'M AN AMERICAN, I WAS BORN HERE! MY TEACHER TOLD ME THAT!

I LIKE AMERICA AND BASEBALL AND I DON'T BELIEVE ANY OF THAT CRAZY JAPANESE HARI KARI AND STUFF THAT MR. GICHI TRIED TO TEACH ME!

HEY, SON, WANT A RIDE?

LATER--

SO YOU THINK BROOKLYN WILL TAKE THE CARDS NEXT YEAR--THIS IS WHERE YOU GET OFF!

THEY CAN'T MISS THEY'VE GOT THE BEST BATTING POWER IN EITHER LEAGUE! THANKS, MISTER!

SAY--YOU'RE A JAP!

I AM NOT! I'M AS MUCH AN AMERICAN AS YOU ARE!











BUTCH! HEY BUTCH!  
HERE BUTCHIE,  
BUTCHIE!



HERE BUTCH!  
UGH!

WHAT'S  
THAT?

YIPE!  
SNIFF-SNIFF!



NO, CAPTAIN NIPPO! THAT  
IS MY NEPHEW! MY  
SISTER'S BOY!

UNCLE  
SAKI!



OH, JAPANESE? TAKE HIM WITH US!

WHAT DOES HE MEAN  
JAPANESE? I'M  
AN AMERICAN!

COME NIKI, SHH--  
QUIET, NIKI!



WHAT'S UP, UNCLE SAKI?  
WHAT'S THIS GOOFY  
GOON WITH THE FALSE  
FACE UP TO ANYWAY?  
HEY, THERE'S BUTCH!  
BUTCH!



YIPE!  
BOW WOW!

QUIET HIM, SAKI, LEST I  
QUIET YOU  
BOTH!

BUTCH!



WHAT'S THAT?





HEY!

SPASH!



NO SIGN OF THEM! AH! INTO THE WATER AGAIN-- A DOG!

ARF! ARF!



HE SEEMS TO BE TRAILING SOMEONE -- I'LL FOLLOW ALONG!

ARF! ARF!



OUT OVER THE DESERTED JAPANESE FISHING BOATS! MAYBE THIS WILL LEAD TO SOMETHING!



HEY! UNCLE SAKI! BLUB! WHAT GOES ON? WHERE'S THIS JERK WITH THE MASK TAKING US?

COME!



THE LITTLE ONE SHOOTS OFF TOO MUCH WITH THE MOUTH!

QUIET NIKI! LISTEN TO YOUR UNCLE SAKI!



STUPID AMERICANS! THE FISHING BOATS CROWDED INTO THIS HARBOR ACCORDING TO OUR PREARRANGED PATTERN SERVE AS AN EXCELLENT HIDING PLACE FOR OUR SUBMARINE!

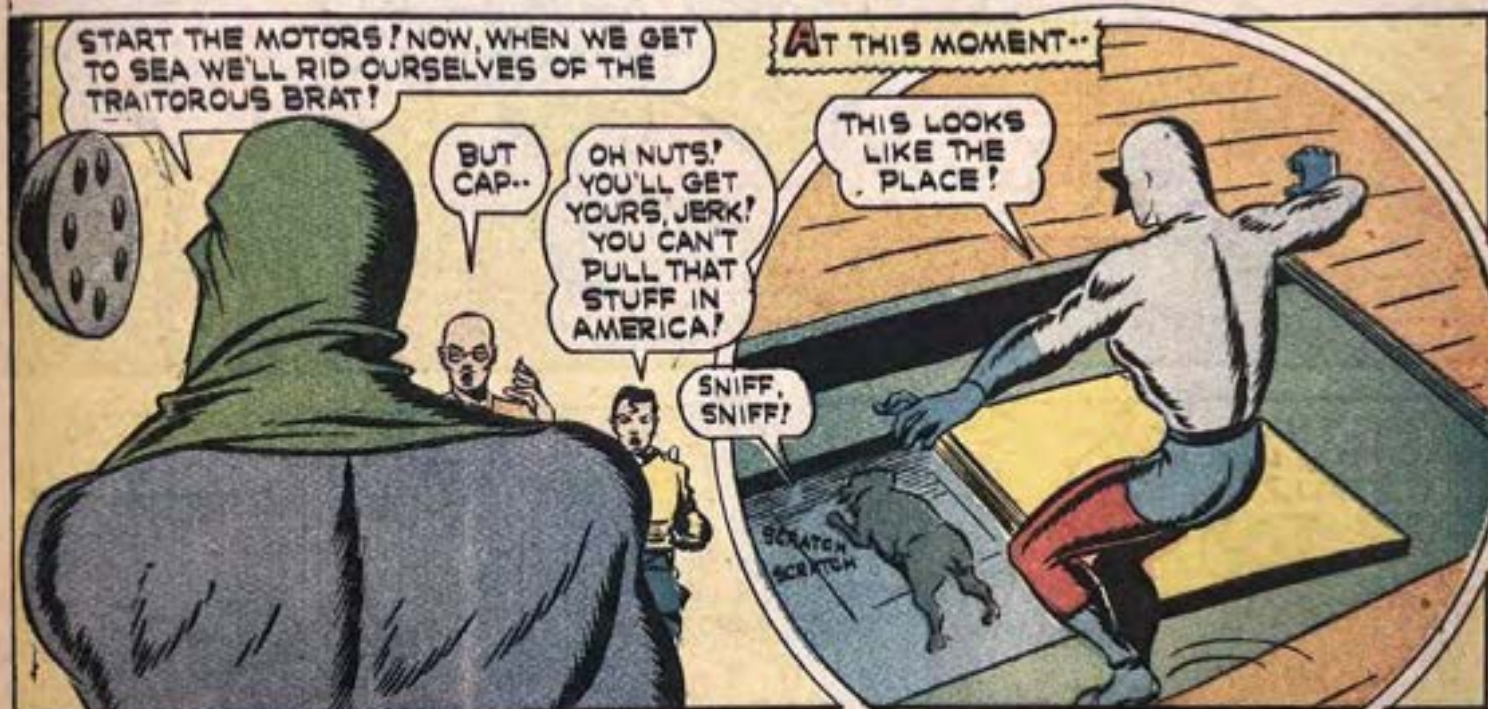
A JAP SUB! WOW!



JUST WAIT TILL I GET OUT OF HERE! I'LL TELL THE WHOLE NAVY! BOY, WILL THE MARINES MOP UP ON THIS!

WHAT? WHAT DOES HE SAY?

















COME, FOLLOW ME!  
MAYBE WE CAN  
STILL STOP THEM!



IN THIS BOAT  
WE CAN CHASE  
THEM!



IN THIS  
TUB?

YES,  
LOOK!



HMM, TWO TWELVE  
CYLINDER PACKARD  
MOTORS!

YES, THIS DISGUISED  
SPEED BOAT WILL  
KEEP US ABREAST OF  
THE SUBMARINE!



THEY NAVIGATE BY  
DEAD RECKONING,  
THEY DO NOT SHOW  
A PERISCOPE!

I'LL GO AHEAD AND  
SEE WHAT I CAN  
SPOT!



SHIP AHOY!  
OVER YONDER!

UNCLE  
SAKI,  
OVER THAT  
WAY!



KEEP YOUR EYES  
PEELED! WE'VE  
GOT TO KEEP A  
SHARP LOOKOUT!

THEY WILL HAVE  
TO SHOW A  
PERISCOPE IN  
ORDER TO FIRE  
A TORPEDO!



OVER THERE!  
THE PERISCOPE!





UNCLE SAKI!  
WHA--?

I GO TO COMMIT  
HARI KARI, THE  
AMERICAN WAY!

MOVING  
WITH THE  
EASE OF  
A FISH,  
SAKI  
HEADS  
INTO  
THE  
PATH  
OF THE  
ONCOMING  
SUB-  
MARINE!



AND INTO A FORWARD TORPEDO  
TUBE WHICH HE KNOWS WILL  
BE THE FIRST ONE  
FIRED!

NOTHING WILL  
PASS MY  
BODY HERE!



STARBOARD, FORWARD  
TORPEDO TUBE, FIRE!

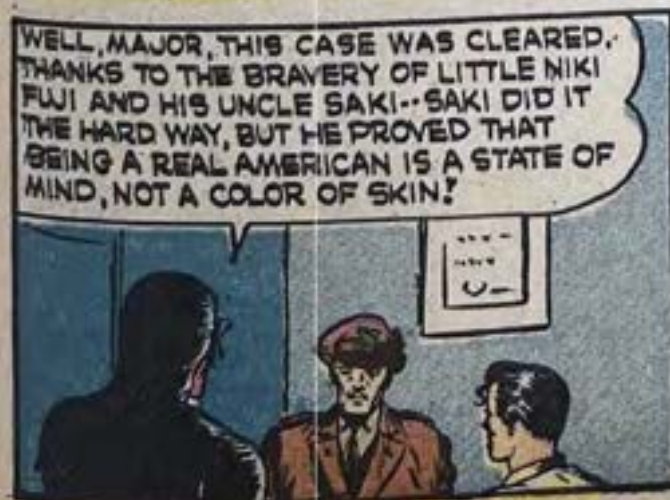


UNCLE SAKI!  
HE DID THAT?



WELL, NIKI, I GUESS YOUR  
UNCLE SAKI DECIDED THAT  
THE AMERICAN WAY OF  
COMMITTING HARI KARI,  
WAS TO DO IT AS A HERO,  
AND BY TAKING AMERICA'S  
ENEMIES WITH HIM!

I KNEW ALL  
ALONG THAT  
UNCLE SAKI  
WAS A GOOD  
AMERICAN!



WELL, MAJOR, THIS CASE WAS CLEARED.  
THANKS TO THE BRAVERY OF LITTLE NIKI  
FUJI AND HIS UNCLE SAKI--SAKI DID IT  
THE HARD WAY, BUT HE PROVED THAT  
BEING A REAL AMERICAN IS A STATE OF  
MIND, NOT A COLOR OF SKIN!



GEE, ANY AMERICAN  
WOULD HAVE DONE  
THE SAME THING!

CAPT. NIPPO MAY  
HAVE GONE DOWN  
WITH THAT SUB-  
MARINE, AND THEN  
AGAIN, EXPLOSIONS  
OF THAT SORT HAVE  
BEEN KNOWN TO  
CAST UP SURVIVORS--  
SO DON'T FAIL TO  
SEE THE NEXT ISSUE  
OF **FOUR**  
FAVORITES IF YOU  
WANT EXCITEMENT,  
THRILLS AND  
ACTION!