

ENTERTAINMENT'S REGULAR FEATURE ON CONTEMPORARY GRAPHIC FICTION.

**Boogaloo! Back again!** Third time lucky and all that rot. More graphic sequential narratives received for perusal. Lots of neat stuff once again, but I almost wasn't able to tell you about 'em as I went to the Famous People Player's show at the Playhouse on Sunday night. In case Uncle Stevie isn't able to run a review of it this week, I'll tell you a bit about it. Excellent show...well, I said a bit.

CALUM JOHNSTON



**Tales Too Ticklish To Tell (\$10.95 - Little Brown)**

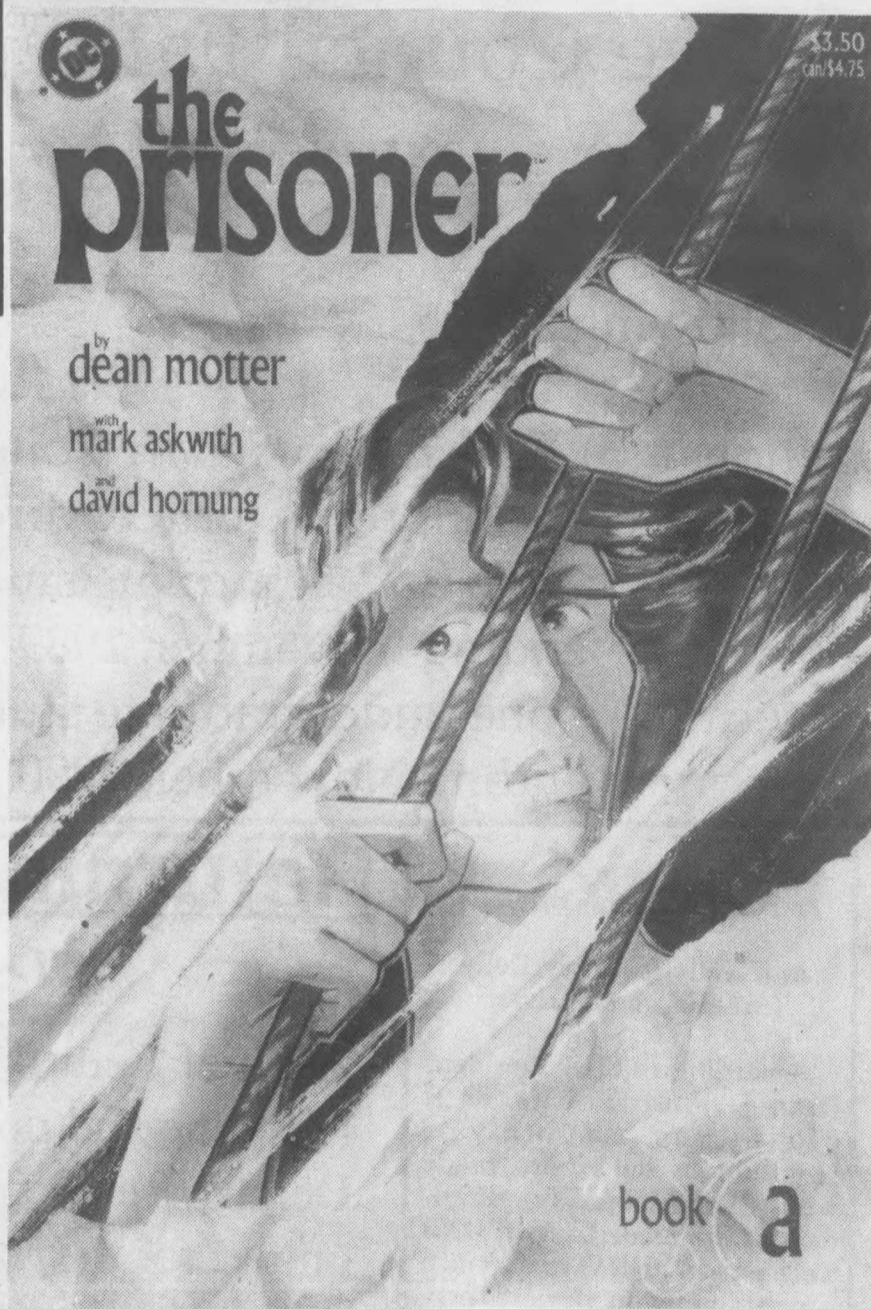
The latest Bloom Country collection is out. Berke Breathed has been producing one of the funniest comic strips I've ever seen. Opus, the penguin and



**DISHMAN (\$3.20 - Eclipse Comics)**

This is great. John MacLeod has produced what I hope will be a long-running series. Dishman is incredibly true-to-life with a few outrageous elements thrown in. Paul Mahler is a

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**The Shadow (\$2.50 - DC Comics)**

He knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men. He's also dead. Hahahahahaha! Updated from the 1940's, the new shadow series is one of the best avant-garde series out. Suggested for mature readers, the stories flow quickly and are sure to keep you interested; the artwork, by Kyle Baker, is terrific; often dramatic yet also full of great caricatures. \*\*\*

That's it for now. Be back in two weeks. Thanks to those who've been reading this and a pox on those who didn't.

HE WAS SURE SOME OF THESE FACES WOULD BE RIGHT FOR HIM...



**The Prisoner (\$4.75 - DC Comics)**

A four issue square bound mini-series presented as a sequel to the late 60's cult classic TV series of the same name. The television series starred, and was directed/written/etc., by Patrick McGeehan of Secret Agent fame. The Prisoner was McGeehan, who played an intelligence agent who retried, then was kidnapped and found himself in "The Village". In each episode, Number Six, as the Prisoner was called, attempted to escape but always failed. The series was more than a science fiction show, McGeehan made it an allegory on human society and our at-

tempts to "escape". This sequel appears promising. Nothing is only what it appears to be. The first issue sets the pace and introduces the characters. This series takes place about 20 years after the original.

Whether or not this comic series captures the imagination of people as well as the TV series, I can't say, not having yet seen it, but I can tell you that it is an interesting, suspenseful comic that looks extremely promising.

The Prisoner is also of note as it is a major series being produced by a Canadian, Dean Motter. Very well done. \*\*\*



**Cerebus (\$2.50 - Aardvark-Vainenheim)**

Dave Sim out of Kitchener, Ontario has been writing and drawing this series for about 10 years concerning Cerebus, the aardvark and the people he meets. So far Cerebus has been a mercenary, a kitchen-staff supervisor, a Prime Minister, and the Pope, as well as various other occupations. It's

published in black & white and is consistently one of the most beautifully drawn hooks around. Presently, Cerebus is back to square one, having been taken to the moon and explained the facts of life by the Judge of Tarim; Tarim being the all-being in Cerebus. To get the idea of what's going on takes a couple of issues but the efforts is well worth it. This is one of the best comics ever created. \*\*\*\*\*

**RATINGS:**

\*\*\*\*: Excellent or Rip-roaring, take your pick.

\*\*\*: Darn Close to Excellent.

\*\* : Worth the coverprice, but just that.

\* : Not completely bad, but save money and read someone else's copy.

† : Unbelievably bad dog droppings.

Now for some vital information as to where to buy comics; now a days, most comics are not available at the newsstand. A new industry known as 'direct

sales' has grown so that many new and smaller comic publishers can afford to distribute their books to direct sales outlets, or comic shops at a less expensive rate. You can find most comic shops listed in the yellow pages under Books - Used and Rare.

To name a few:  
A Collector's Dream - Fredville  
Sorcerer's Store - St. John  
Loyalist City Coins -  
Wilkie's Wonderful World - Halifax  
Moncton, Dartmouth  
Million Comics - Moncton  
Odyssey 2000 - Halifax