

MUTANT MELVIN

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RODENT MAN'S CURSE

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INT. Melvin's
Tuesday. 7: 24 A.M.

Melvin slowly awakens to some background noise coming from
His television set that calls itself "The Disco Hour of Power with King Jeffy.



A non-sensical cable access
show about the 70's, disco
and heavy drug use.

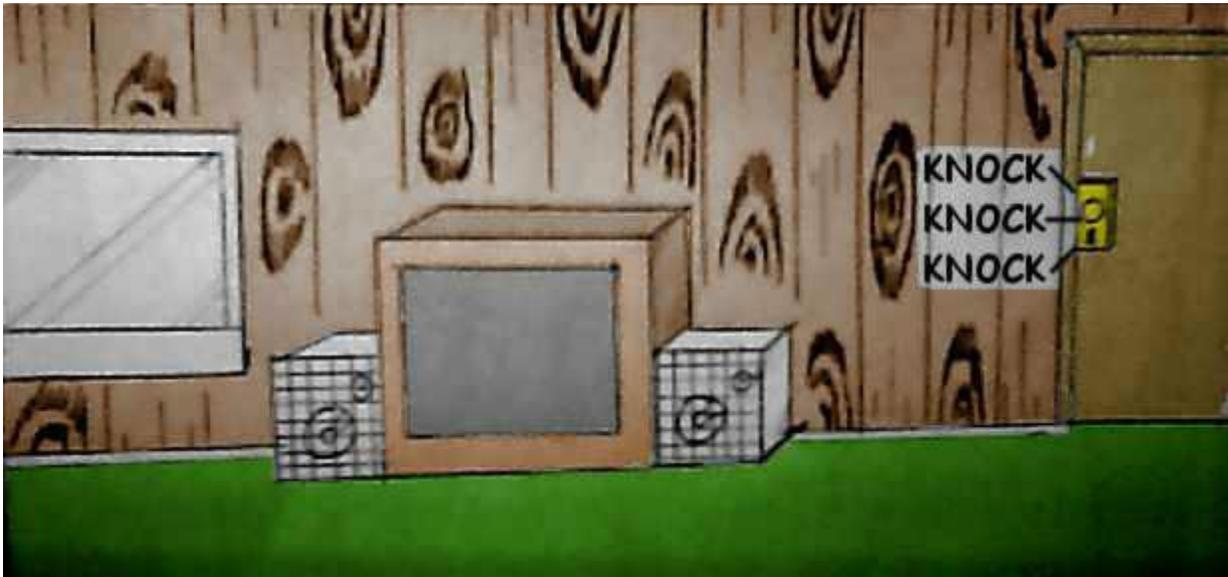
King Jeffy: "Hey, You
groovy dudes. Get ready for
grooviness abound.

We've got an old funk
master stopping by today
and also, The question of
the week coming to us
from 'Disco Chick 74',

What the hell ever
happened to 8 - tracks?"

Melvin: (yawning) "What the fuck was I just sleepin' through? This looks stupid."

Click. ...off goes the T.V. and next thing you know,
there's a knock at the Door.



Melvin: "Wonder who *that* could be this early?"

Whoever it was and whatever they wanted,
One thing was for sure - Anything would've been
better
than that stupid "Disco Show" He was just sleeping
through.

Who was at the door but none other than Trash
Jimmy, Lil' Ricky and Brother Brotha
whom He'd met at "The Grove" just days prior.

Brother Brotha: "So... We gonna get out game on
or what?"

Melvin: "Yeah sure. Gimme a few minutes to wake
up." and it turns out it *was* better than some stupid
70's show until Brother Brotha went in for the "Big
Kick - Off".



EXT. Random Texican Field.

8:39 A.M.

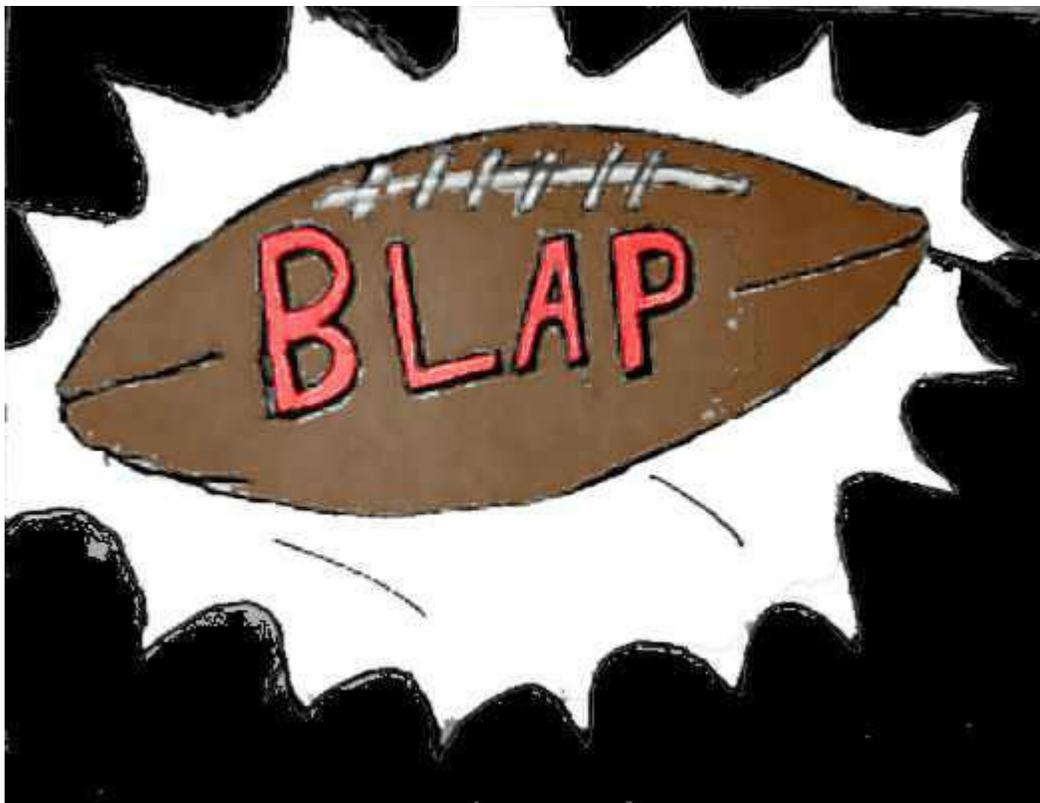
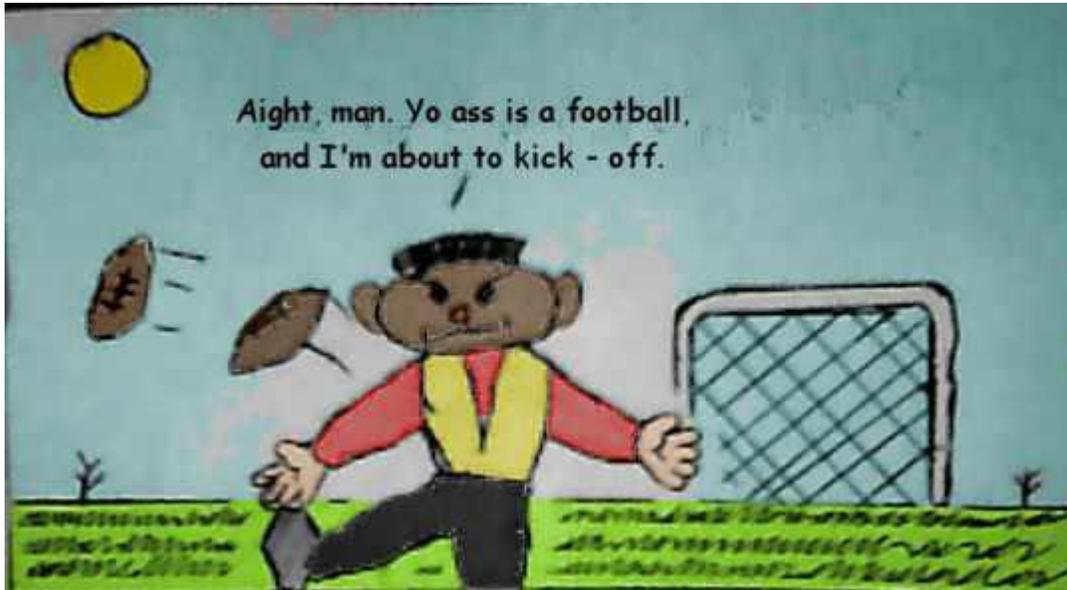
Trash Jimmy: "Me and Brother Brotha start the kick
- off, and then You and Ricky do uhm... DEFENSE!!"

Lil' Ricky: "Uhm I don't know about this. Sounds
dangerous. We gonna get hurt?"

Melvin: "Uhm duh. Of course it's dangerous. I'm
just wondering why I always get stuck with dork face
over here. I tell You what, You guys are fuckin'
hilarious."

Brother Brotha: "Aight, Man. Yo ass is a football and
I'm about to KICK - OFF!!!" ... and the football flies
right into Mutant Melvin's face rendering Him
unable to see straight.





Trash Jimmy: "Ooh damn, You alright , man? How many fingers am I holdin' up?"
(whilst flipping him off.)

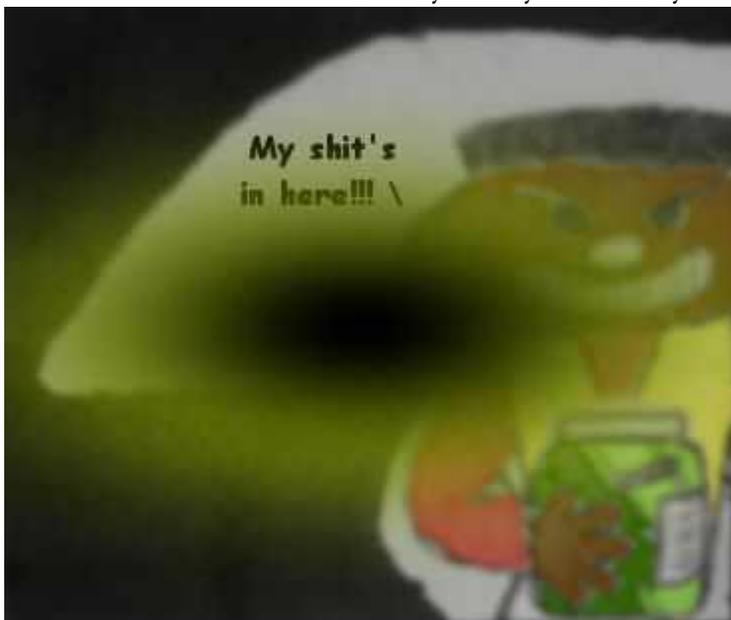
Melvin: "Yeah... Real fuckin' funny, man." (sarcastically)



Brother Brotha: "Yeah, real funny. GET THIS MUTHAFUCKER TO THE HOSPITAL!!
I didn't mean to hurt Him."

INT. Van.
9:12 A.M.

With Trash Jimmy driving, this little trip to the hospital wasn't gonna be easy.
None of these idiot kids are even old enough to drive legally,
and yet They're sure they know the way there.



Lil' Ricky: "Uh, Hang a left
and straight down Wilshire...
WATCH OUT FOR THAT CURB!!!"
Trash Jimmy: "I know what I'm doing.
What???... You wanna drive?.. No?..
then, shut up, man."

Melvin (although unable to see straight)
turns His head towards Brother Brotha
and notices a pickle jar with a strange
substance inside.

Brother Brotha: "Hey, man.
You know what's in here?..
My shit's in here!!!"

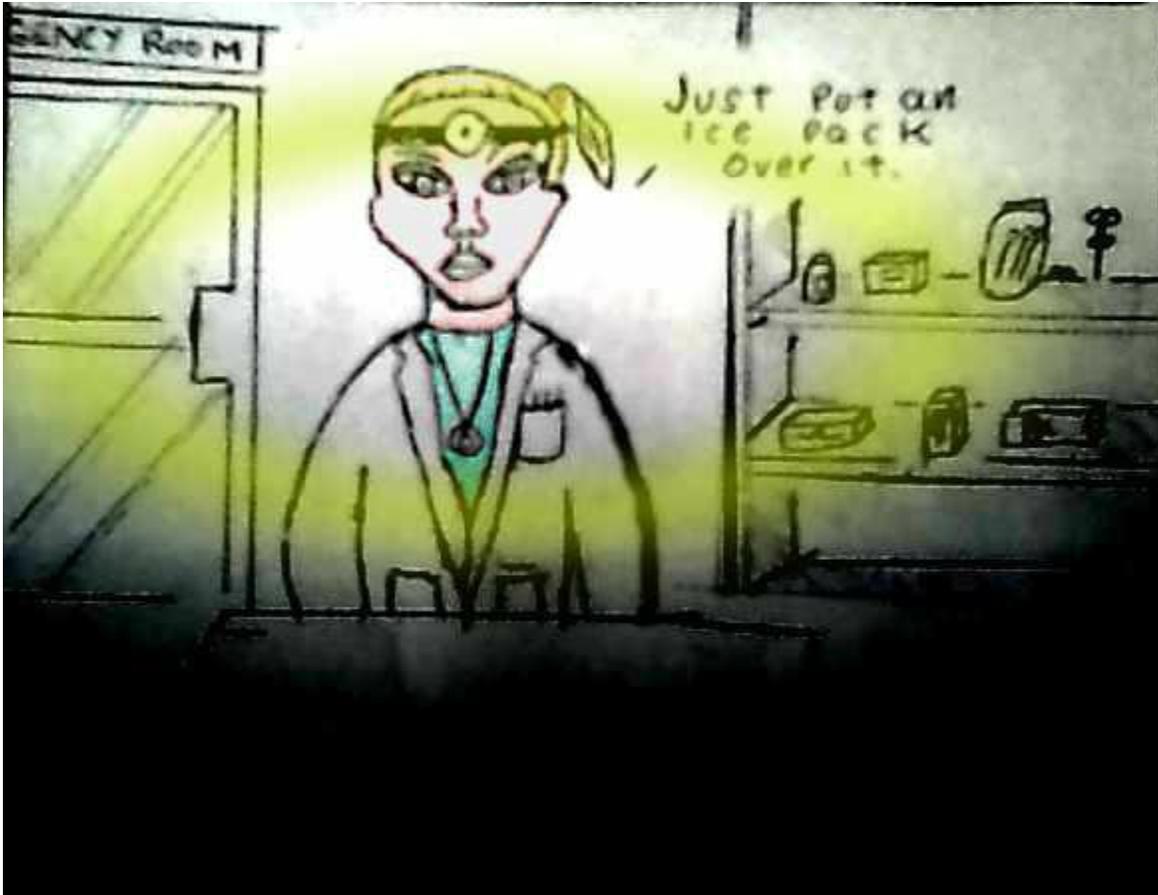
Mutant Melvin: "Oh, that is just
fucking disgusting."

Brother Brotha: "It works in a pinch... if ya ever hafta go to the bathroom... Know what I'm sayin'?"

So the boys finally make it to the hospital in their beat up, grayish van
when through Melvin's greenish, yellow haze He spots one of the hottest female doctors
He'd ever laid His now healing eyes upon.

It was lust at 1st sight...

very poor 1st sight.



INT. Hospital

9:49 A.M.

Melvin and the boys are sifting through a bunch of obscure magazines when the Doctor calls their name.

Doctor: "Next..." She looks at them and notices Melvin sporting a pretty gnarly shiner.

Doctor: "Looks like Your friend, here, here got beat up pretty badly. May I ask who started it?"

Brother Brotha: " Aww man, It ain't nothin' like that."

Doctor: (raises eyebrow) "really?!?"

Trash Jimmy: "Ya see, We was playin' some football out in the park,
when Melvin, here, done got blapped in the face real good."

Brother Brotha: "Honestly, We didn't mean it! It was an accident."

Doctor: "Well, You boys shouldn't rough house so hard.

Tell You what. Just put an ice pack over it. He'll be fine."

Trash Jimmy: "Hey man... How 'bouts we hit 'The Grove'."



INT. The Grove

11:14 A.M.

So Melvin and the boys finally make it to "The Grove", but what They'd seen before Them was nothing at all like what They had experienced just days prior.

Rioting, looting, Their new favorite hangout spot completely disheveled.

Trash Jimmy: "Man, what the hell is goin' on?"

Brother Brotha: "This is some kinda 'Midnight Madness' shit, right here."

Lil' Ricky: "I don't know, but we need to procure the chocolate chip ice cream."

Mutant Melvin: "- and any & all 'Biffman' paraphernalia of any kind."

All 4 boys decide to split up and take different paths of their own.

Little Ricky stalks the frozen foods isle,
while Brother Brotha makes a V-Line for the games,
and before Trash Jimmy could even decide where to go,
someone from behind him says "Hey man, I think the cops
are lookin' for Your green friend that just came in here."

But They were already too late as Melvin was already in the section
where all the 'Biffman' stuff was...

and then it happened.



Just then out of nowhere a voice almost like that of a monster from the depths of hell came
Officer Dan Bucko: "Melvin Vultura ??? You're gonna hafta come with us!!!"
and in, seemingly, a blink of an eye, Mutant Melvin was apprehended.
For reasons unbeknownst to Melvin, He was on his way to the big house.



INT. Old El Paso Church
3:53 P.M.

Melvin is being held captive for questioning for His apparent involvement in uncovering a government secret.

That government secret being...
THE SLUDGE PIT.

Officer Dan Bucko of the Texico City Police Dept. straps poor Melvin down to a chair with a good ole' fashioned belt as Mayor "Rodent Man" Himself tries to get a confession out of Him.

Officer Dan Bucko: "Melvin Vultura. These restraints are for Your own good as so You don't resist arrest. Now do as the nice man who runs this town tells You, and Your sorry ass *might* just get out of here... in one piece."

Mayor Rodent Man: "You heard what the Officer said. Now You best git squawkin', boy!!! What do you know about the Sludge Pit at Reservoir 4? That cop over there? He can tell when Your lyin', so don't make me git the switch."

Mutant Melvin: "I tell You... I don't know anything!!! I was just hangin' out with My friend and We just stumbled across it."

Mayor Rodent Man: "-then Why the hell'd ya run off?"

Mutant Melvin: "-Um, could it be cuz We we're scared? Like I am RIGHT FUCKING NOW?!?"

Officer Dan Bucko: "I can see where that would create quite the stir.
(To Rodent Man) Sir, I don't think He knows anything. He's telling the truth.
I can see it in His eyes. I think we're done here.
Melvin Vultura, Thank You for Your cooperation. You are free to go."



EXT. Old El Paso Church.
somewhere in the Texican Desert.

4:12 P.M.

...and right as soon as He could get out of sight of them, Melvin makes a fuckin' break for it!!!
Eventually He makes it back into town, where He sees a vaguely familiar grey van.

Trash Jimmy: "Hey man, where ya been. Heard ya got pinched by the Bucko."

Mutant Melvin: "Whatever, man. Just get Me the hell up outta here."

Brother Brotha: "Well then, get in. More room in the back."

With the Grove destroyed and now undergoing repairs,
Melvin and Crew spent the rest of Their "Extreme Summer"
doing what They always do.

Skateboarding, Spray Painting old buildings,
breakin' out the windows of old beat-up cars,
and causing all kinds of havoc, in general.

The End.

Cast of Characters:

King Jeffy

"Mutant" Melvin Vultura

Trash Jimmy

Lil' Ricky

Brother Brotha

Dr. Kimmy Bimini

Officer Dan Bucko

Mayor "Rodent Man"

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