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After her startling transformation, Fayre starts to reveal information regarding her true goal and the origins of Sasha's incredible gift...



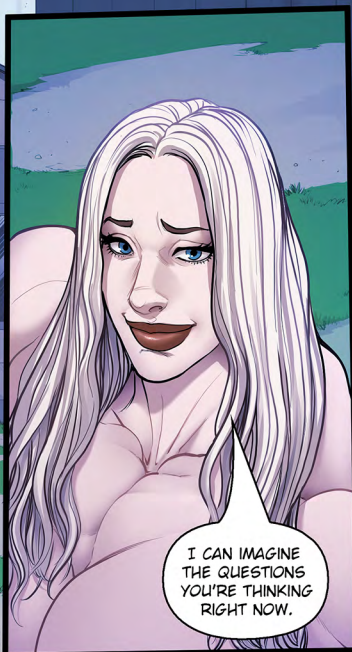
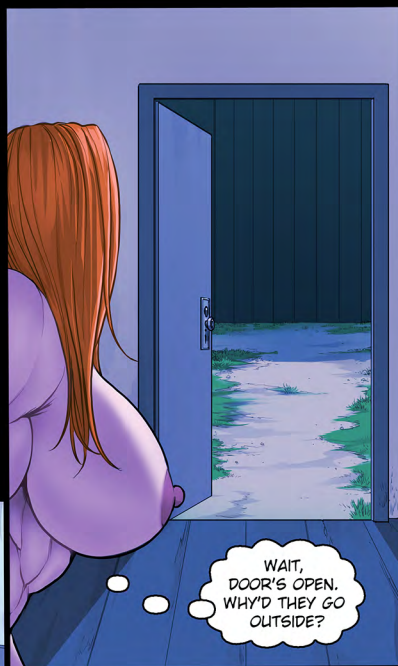
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YEAH, LIKE HOW'D YOU GET SO BIG?

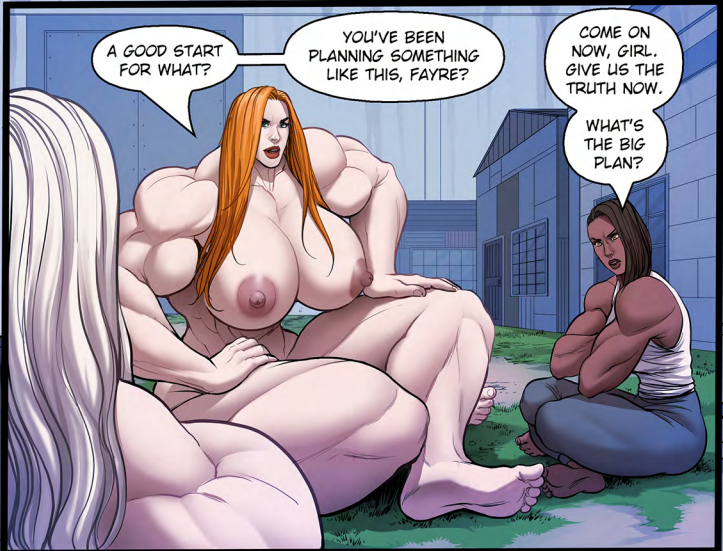
THAT'S KIND OF YOUR FAULT.



TECHNICALLY, IT'S BOTH OUR FAULTS.

MY ARROW DREW YOUR BLOOD AFTER ALL.

I MAY NOT BE AS BIG AS YOU, SASHA, BUT IT'S A GOOD START.



A GOOD START FOR WHAT?

YOU'VE BEEN PLANNING SOMETHING LIKE THIS, FAYRE?

COME ON NOW, GIRL. GIVE US THE TRUTH NOW.

WHAT'S THE BIG PLAN?



IT WASN'T MY PLAN, ORIGINALLY.

I HAVE TO ASK, SASHA, HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT LIFE BEFORE THE 'GREAT WINTER'?

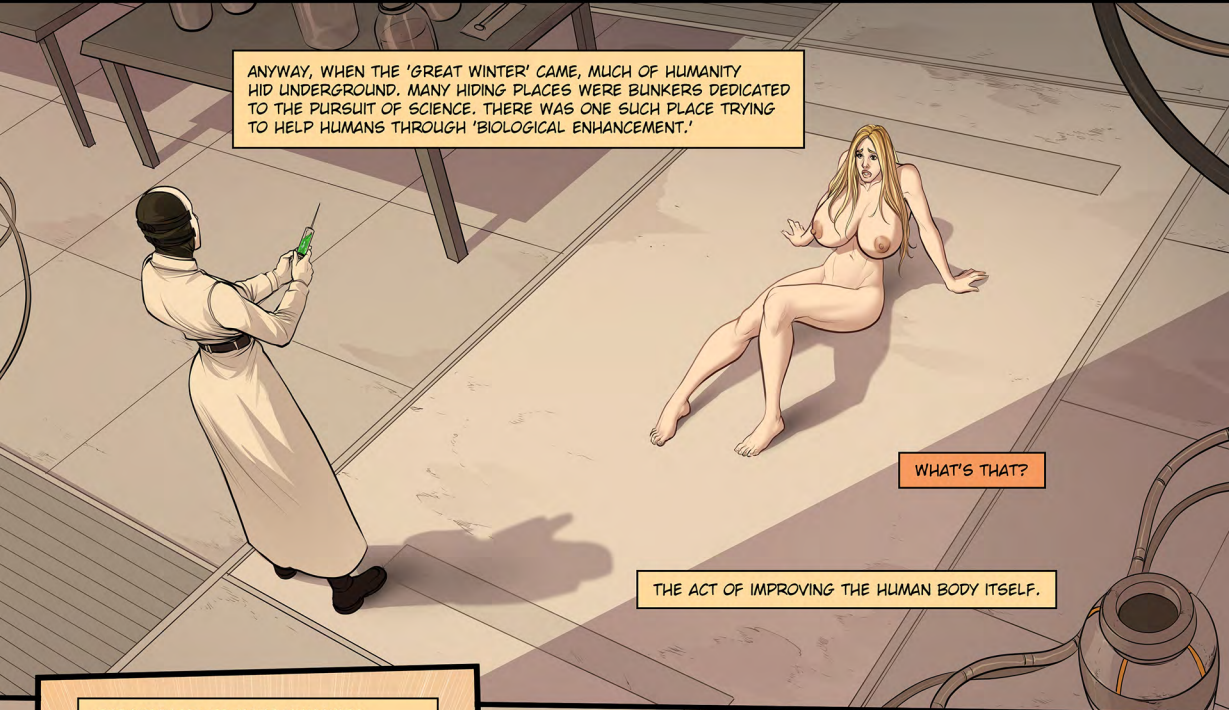


THE 'GREAT WINTER'? THAT WAS SO LONG AGO... NOBODY THAT LIVED DURING THAT TIME SHOULD...

...HOW OLD ARE YOU, FAYRE?

I KNEW HER AS A KID, SASHA. SHE AIN'T THAT OLD.

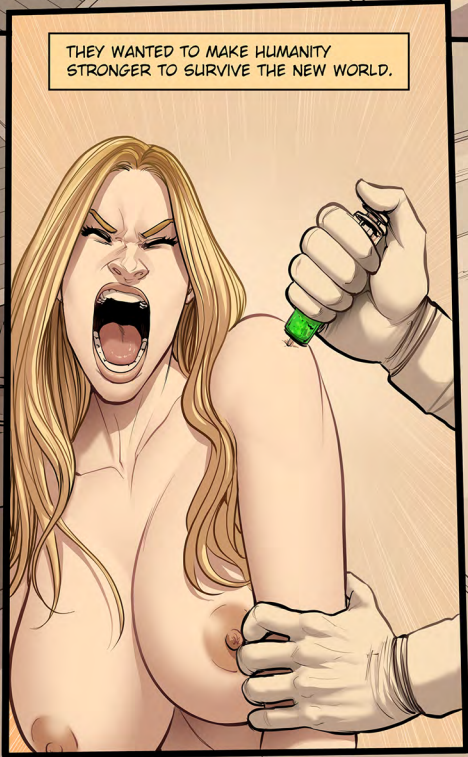
ANYWAY, WHEN THE 'GREAT WINTER' CAME, MUCH OF HUMANITY HID UNDERGROUND. MANY HIDING PLACES WERE BUNKERS DEDICATED TO THE PURSUIT OF SCIENCE. THERE WAS ONE SUCH PLACE TRYING TO HELP HUMANS THROUGH 'BIOLOGICAL ENHANCEMENT.'



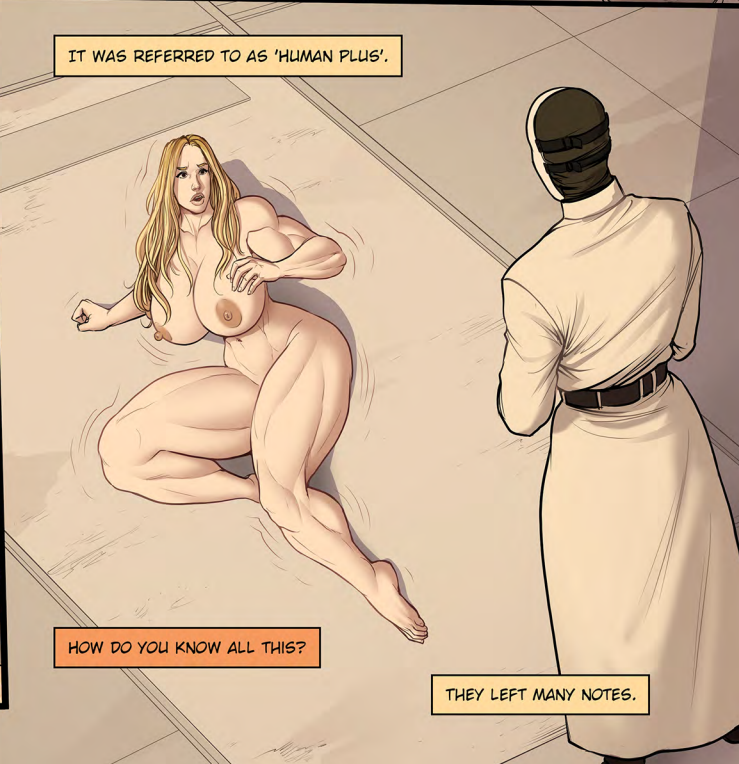
WHAT'S THAT?

THE ACT OF IMPROVING THE HUMAN BODY ITSELF.

THEY WANTED TO MAKE HUMANITY STRONGER TO SURVIVE THE NEW WORLD.



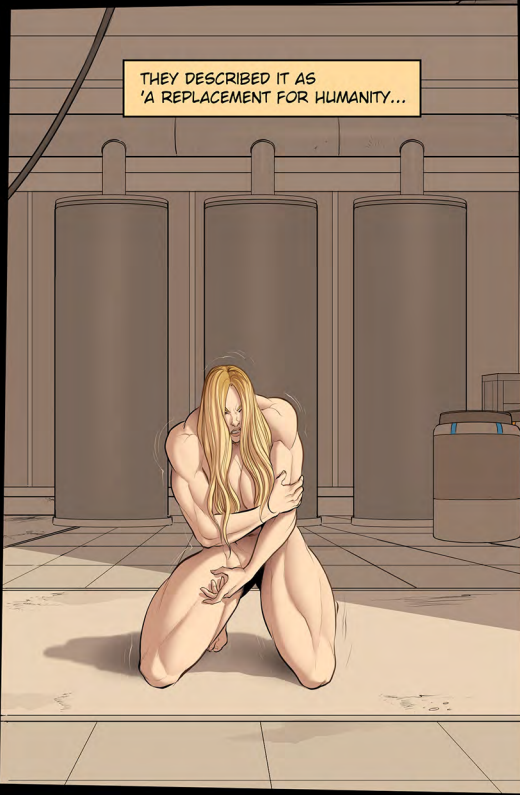
IT WAS REFERRED TO AS 'HUMAN PLUS'.



HOW DO YOU KNOW ALL THIS?

THEY LEFT MANY NOTES.

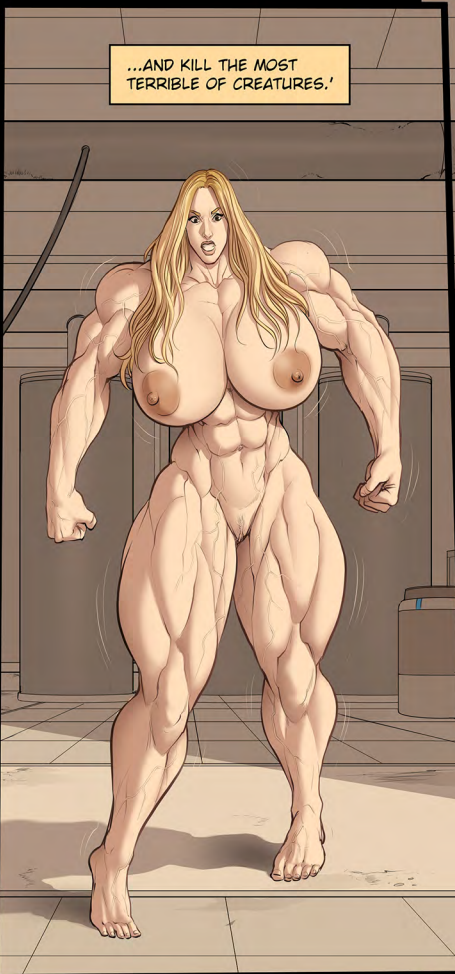
THEY DESCRIBED IT AS
'A REPLACEMENT FOR HUMANITY...'



...WITH A BODY TO ADAPT TO
THE HARSHTEST CLIMATE...



...AND KILL THE MOST
TERRIBLE OF CREATURES.'



AN 'APEX PREDATOR', IF YOU WILL.

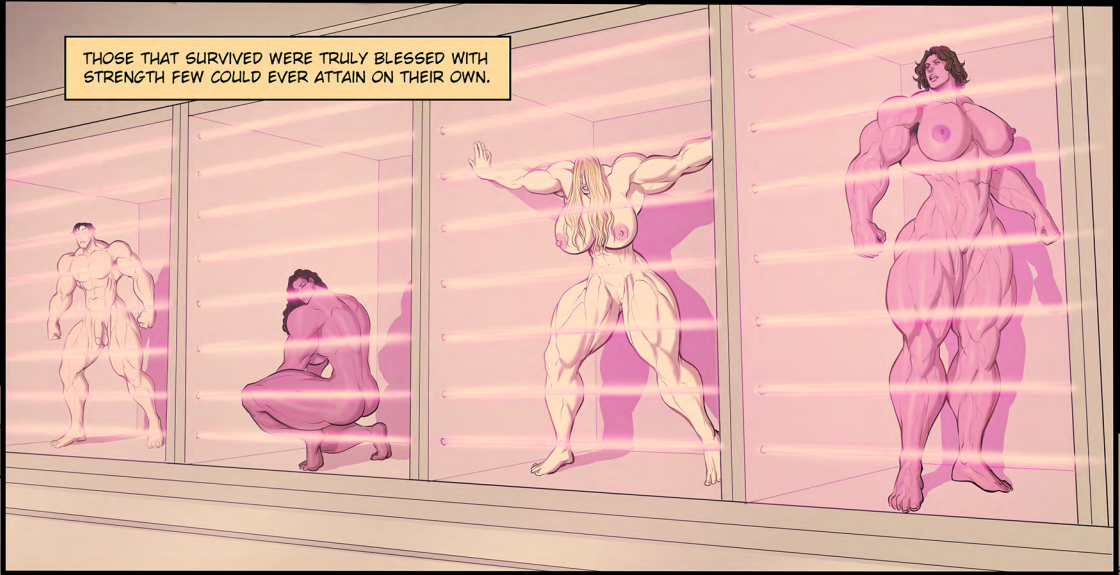


I DON'T KNOW WHAT
THAT MEANS.

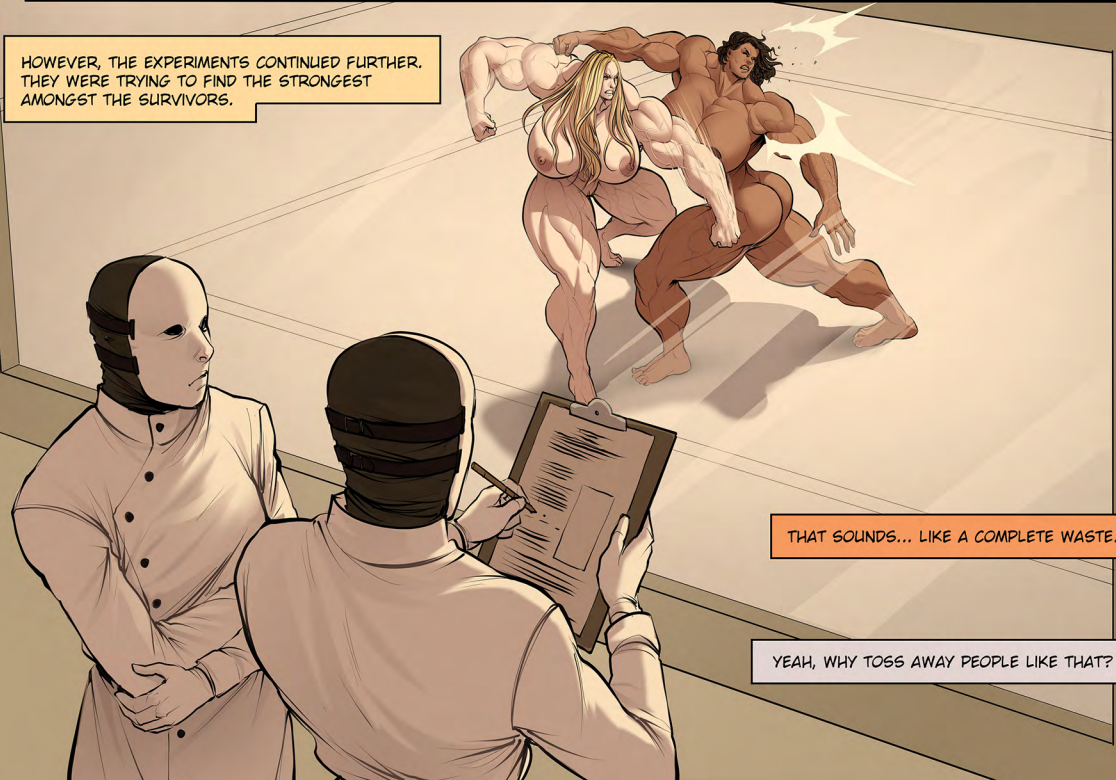
JUST THINK OF THEM AS
'STRONG AS FUCK.'



THERE WAS MUCH FAILURE AND MANY DIED UNDER THE EXPERIMENTS.



THOSE THAT SURVIVED WERE TRULY BLESSED WITH STRENGTH FEW COULD EVER ATTAIN ON THEIR OWN.



HOWEVER, THE EXPERIMENTS CONTINUED FURTHER. THEY WERE TRYING TO FIND THE STRONGEST AMONGST THE SURVIVORS.

THAT SOUNDS... LIKE A COMPLETE WASTE.

YEAH, WHY TOSS AWAY PEOPLE LIKE THAT?

IT WOULDN'T COME AS A SHOCK TO EITHER OF YOU...



...THAT THE EXPERIMENT SUBJECTS HAD ENOUGH.



THE BUNKER WOULD'VE QUICKLY FALLEN WHEN THEY TURNED.



WHEN ALL WAS SAID AND DONE, THEY FLED INTO THE NEW WORLD THAT AWAITED THEM.



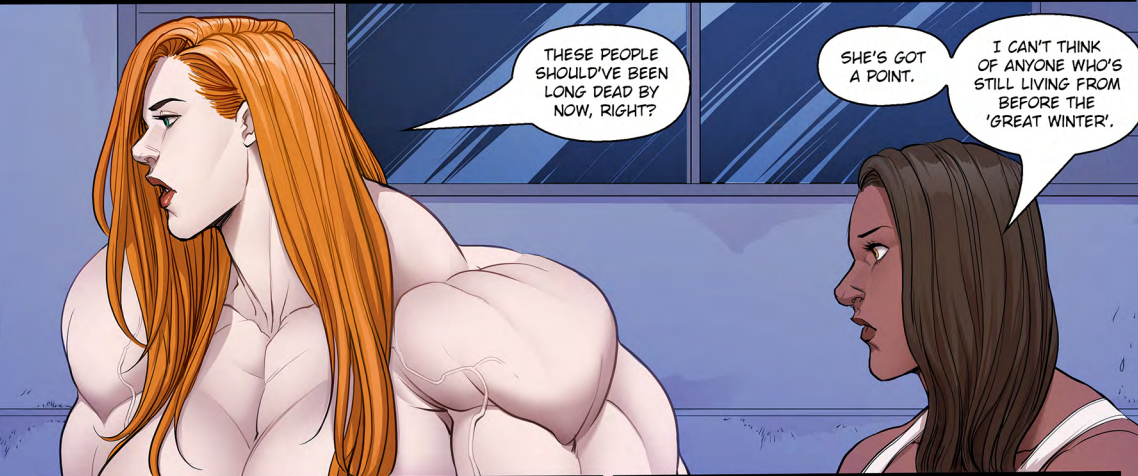


IT WAS LAST WINTER THAT I STUMBLED UPON IT DURING A TRIP THROUGH THE WASTELANDS.



I READ THE NOTES THAT SURVIVED. WHAT I FOUND MADE ME REALIZE THE POTENTIAL ON HAND.

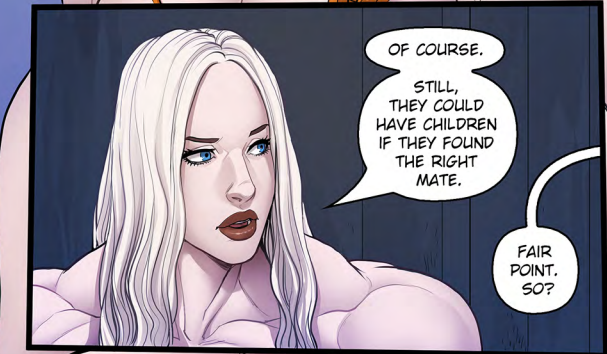
WAIT, HOLD A SECOND.



THESE PEOPLE SHOULD'VE BEEN LONG DEAD BY NOW, RIGHT?

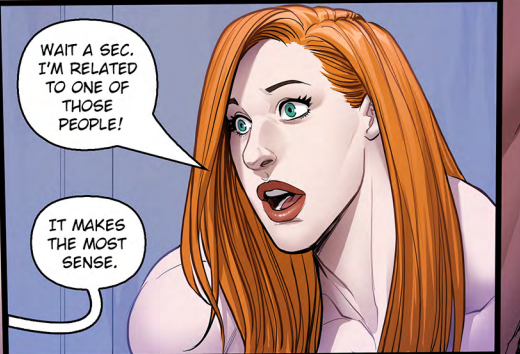
SHE'S GOT A POINT.

I CAN'T THINK OF ANYONE WHO'S STILL LIVING FROM BEFORE THE 'GREAT WINTER'.



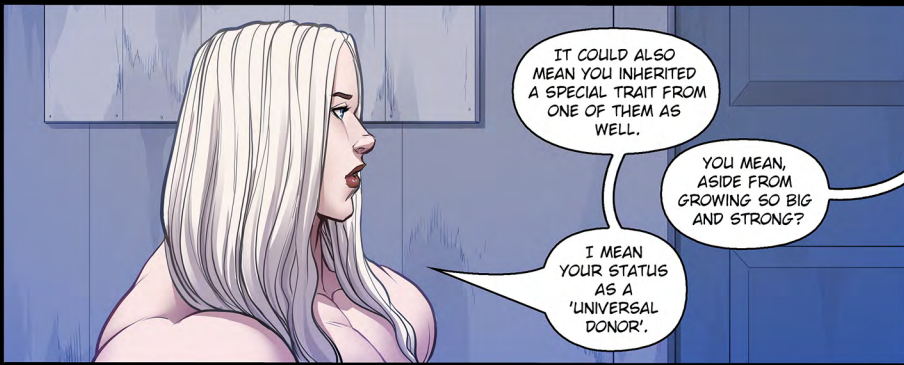
OF COURSE. STILL, THEY COULD HAVE CHILDREN IF THEY FOUND THE RIGHT MATE.

FAIR POINT. SO?



WAIT A SEC. I'M RELATED TO ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE!

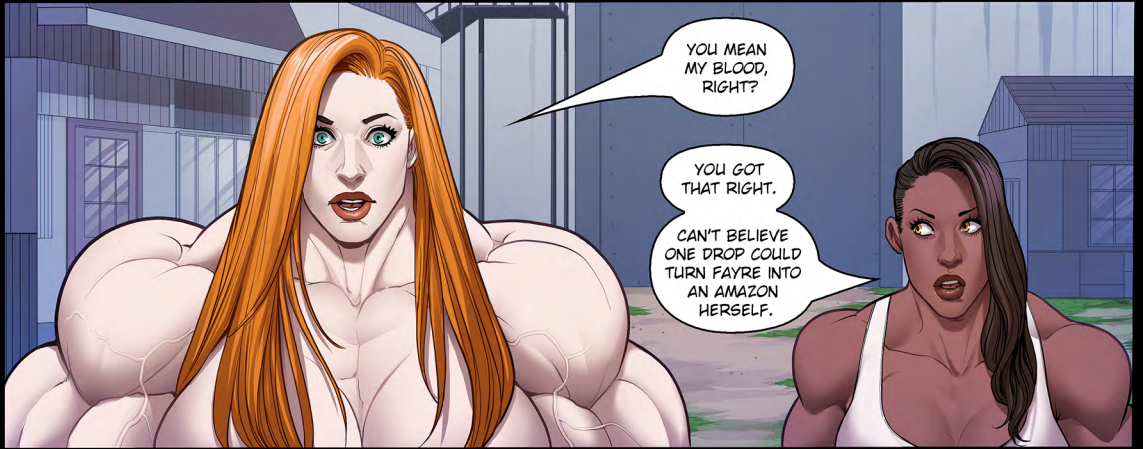
IT MAKES THE MOST SENSE.



IT COULD ALSO MEAN YOU INHERITED A SPECIAL TRAIT FROM ONE OF THEM AS WELL.

YOU MEAN, ASIDE FROM GROWING SO BIG AND STRONG?

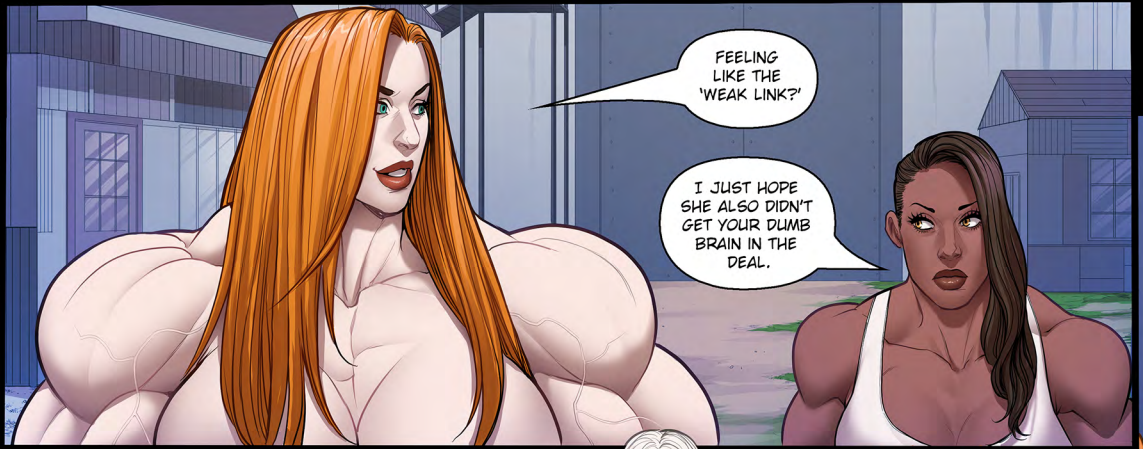
I MEAN YOUR STATUS AS A 'UNIVERSAL DONOR'.



YOU MEAN MY BLOOD, RIGHT?

YOU GOT THAT RIGHT.

CAN'T BELIEVE ONE DROP COULD TURN FAYRE INTO AN AMAZON HERSELF.



FEELING LIKE THE 'WEAK LINK'?

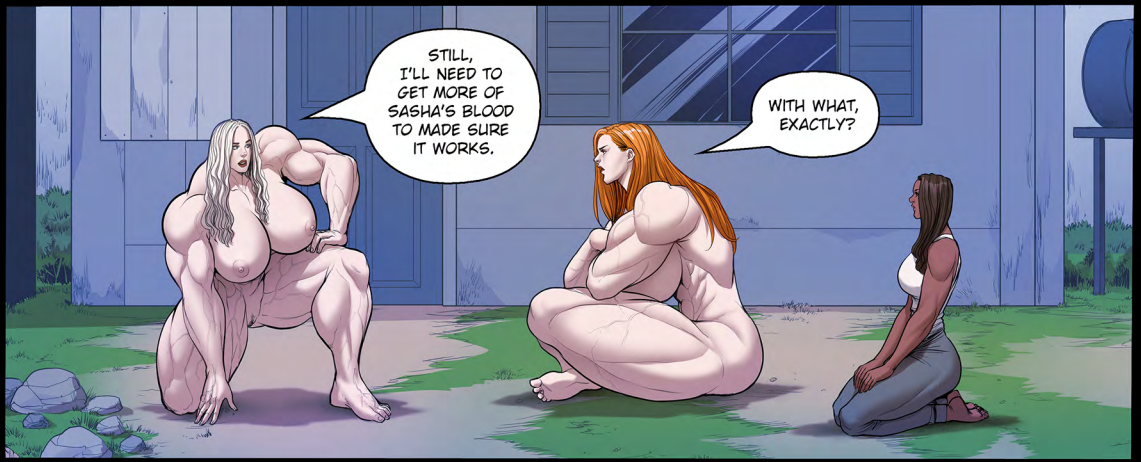
I JUST HOPE SHE ALSO DIDN'T GET YOUR DUMB BRAIN IN THE DEAL.



ONCE I GET A BETTER LOOK AT HER BLOOD, WE COULD--

NO, JUST.. JUST NO. I'M FINE AS IS, OKAY?

I UNDERSTAND.



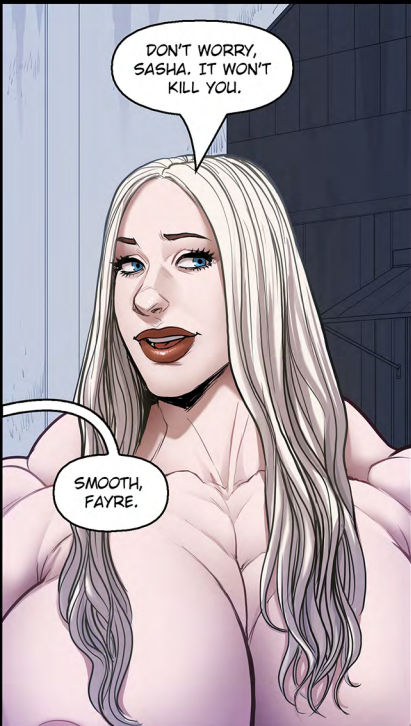
STILL, I'LL NEED TO GET MORE OF SASHA'S BLOOD TO MADE SURE IT WORKS.

WITH WHAT, EXACTLY?



I'VE GOT ENOUGH SUPPLIES TO EXTRACT THE SAMPLES NEEDED.

EXACTLY... HOW MUCH WILL YOU TAKE?



SMOOTH, FAYRE.

DON'T WORRY, SASHA. IT WON'T KILL YOU.

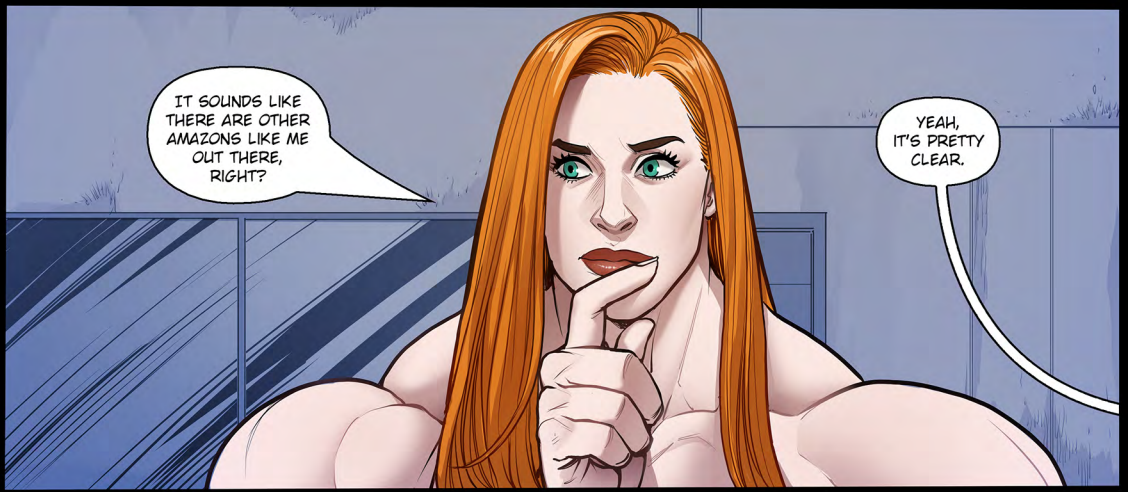


OH, GOD DAMMIT...



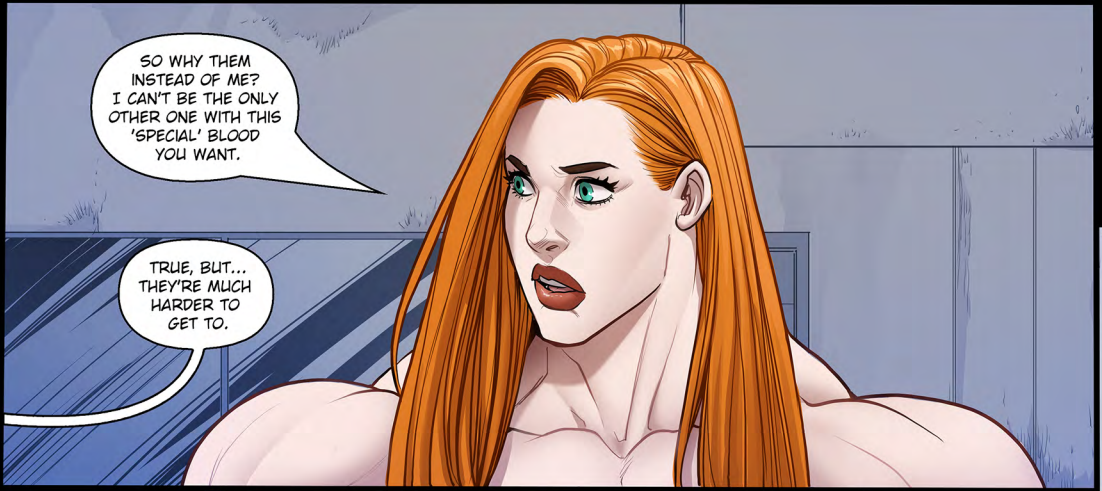
WAIT A SEC.

WHAT IS IT NOW?



IT SOUNDS LIKE THERE ARE OTHER AMAZONS LIKE ME OUT THERE, RIGHT?

YEAH, IT'S PRETTY CLEAR.



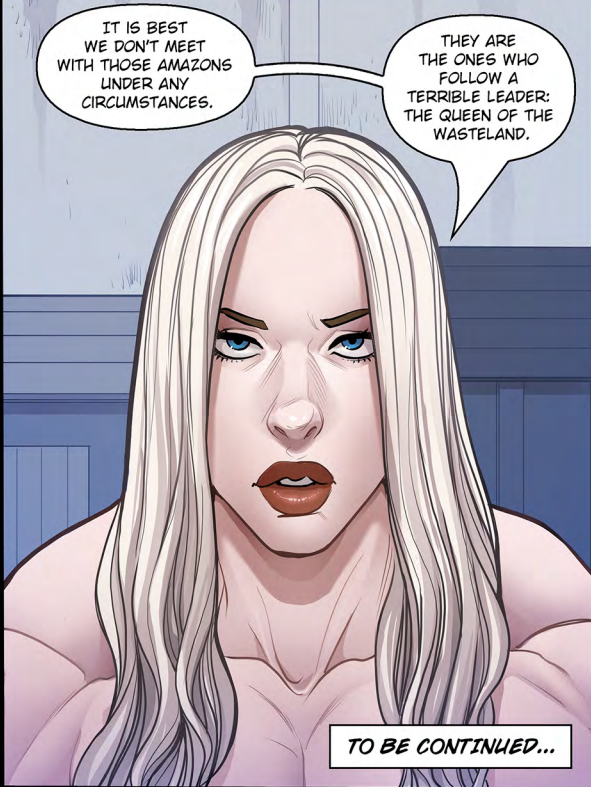
SO WHY THEM INSTEAD OF ME? I CAN'T BE THE ONLY OTHER ONE WITH THIS 'SPECIAL' BLOOD YOU WANT.

TRUE, BUT... THEY'RE MUCH HARDER TO GET TO.



I MEAN, I HAVEN'T REALLY SEEN ANY OTHER AMAZONS AT THIS POINT.

REALLY? I FIGURE YOU WOULD'VE MET THEM AT ONE POINT.



IT IS BEST WE DON'T MEET WITH THOSE AMAZONS UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

THEY ARE THE ONES WHO FOLLOW A TERRIBLE LEADER: THE QUEEN OF THE WASTELAND.

TO BE CONTINUED...

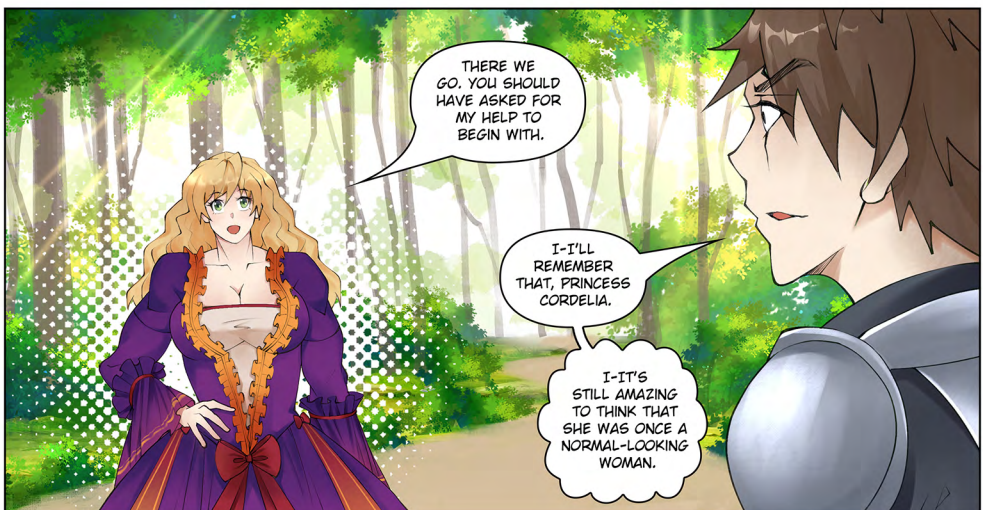
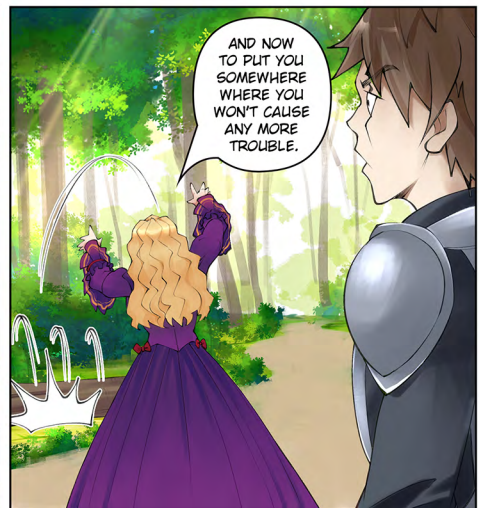
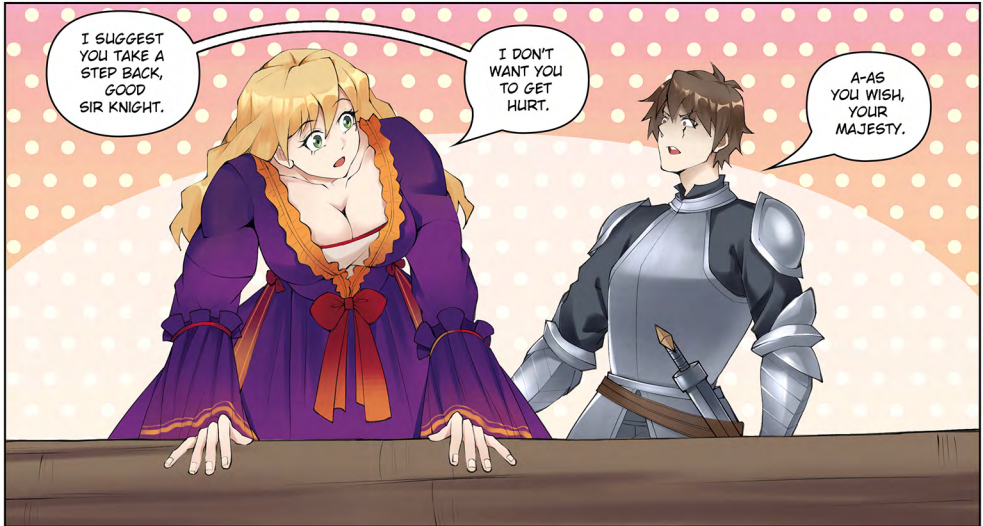
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THE PRINCESS OF MUSCLE

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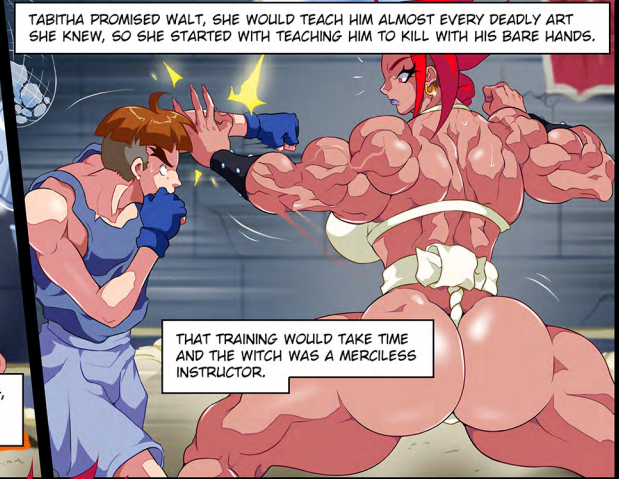
The Ballad of Sir Walt

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THERE WAS THE PHYSICAL TRAINING, PERFORMING EXERCISES THAT HE NEVER KNEW WERE POSSIBLE TO MAKE HIS BODY FLEXIBLE.



TABITHA PROMISED WALT, SHE WOULD TEACH HIM ALMOST EVERY DEADLY ART SHE KNEW, SO SHE STARTED WITH TEACHING HIM TO KILL WITH HIS BARE HANDS.

THAT TRAINING WOULD TAKE TIME AND THE WITCH WAS A MERCILESS INSTRUCTOR.



BUT SHE KNEW THE NECESSITY OF GIVING BOTH THE CARROT AND THE STICK, MOTIVATING WALT BY APPEALING TO HIS INNOCENT INFATUATION AND LACK OF EXPERIENCE.



NOT THAT SHE DIDN'T ENJOY THE PLEASURES HER EAGER APPRENTICE COULD GIVE WHEN INSTRUCTED PROPERLY.

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FOR THE FIRST TIME FOR ALMOST AS LONG AS I COULD REMEMBER, SOMEONE ACTUALLY HELD OUT THEIR HAND TO ME FOR HELP.

COME ON, LET'S GET OUT OF HERE.

ARE YOU ALRIGHT? THEY DIDN'T HURT YOU TOO MUCH, DID THEY?



AND YET, I DID WHAT COULD HAVE BEEN THE BIGGEST MISTAKE OF MY LIFE.

KEEP YOUR PITY TO YOURSELF!



I DIDN'T NEED YOUR HELP. I COULD HAVE DEALT WITH THOSE BITCHES BY MYSELF!
YOU SHOULD HAVE MINDED YOUR OWN BUSINESS.



MY ANGER HAD MADE ME DO SOMETHING THAT WAS BEYOND FOOLISH. IF THAT GANG DIDN'T KILL ME, I WAS CERTAIN THAT THIS GIANTESS WOULD.

YOU'LL REGRET THOSE WORDS...