

THE SIEGE OF LENINGRAD.

PANZERFÜHRER?
WHAT IS THAT GLOW?

I DO
NOT KNOW,
KLAUS...

...BUT
WHATEVER
IT IS...

...I FEAR IT
IS SOMETHING
UNHOLY."

Bombshells

SUPERWEAPON

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HISTORY IS A TALE, LIKE ANY OTHER, TOLD TO CHARM, TO ENTERTAIN, AND TO INSTRUCT.

AND WE LOVE TALES OF GREAT MEN AND WOMEN.

WE MAY LACK THEIR POWER, BUT WE LIKE TO IMAGINE WE WOULD HAVE SHARED THEIR PRINCIPLES.

THEIR CONSCIENCES.



"I WOULD HAVE FOUGHT," WE THINK. "SPOKEN. MARCHED. RESISTED. DEFENDED.

"I WOULD NOT BE ONE OF THOSE SILENT PEOPLE IN A SILENT WORLD."



THE MOMENT WHERE THE CLOCK CEASES TO TICK--CEASES TO MOVE FORWARD.

WHERE ALL LIVES COME TO REST UPON THE POINT OF A SECOND HAND, CLOSE TO MIDNIGHT.



"WHAT WOULD I HAVE DONE?"

IN THE CRISES OF YOUR LIFE AND AGE AND ERA...

WE LOOK IN BEWILDERMENT AND DISGUST AT THOSE AMONG THEM WHO DID HARM, OR WHO DID NOTHING--



'HOW COULD THEY? HOW COULDN'T THEY?'



EVERY ERA HAS ITS DEFINING MOMENT.



... WHAT YOU DO NOW IS WHAT YOU WOULD HAVE DONE THEN.

FIGHT BACK THE TIDE OF DARKNESS, BY WHATEVER MEANS YOU YET POSSESS.

THIS IS YOUR DEFINING MOMENT.

FORGIVE ME, VIKTORIA.

DR. OCTOBER, THIS IS ANDREA GRÜENER AND LOIS LANE.

EACH HAS A PARTICULAR CAUSE TO BE AN ENEMY OF A DR. HUGO STRANGE.

HE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR TERRIBLE ACTS AGAINST MY FAMILY--

--AND THE MURDER OF MY OWN.

CLOSE AS WE CAN SUSS, HE'S LOOKIN' TO SWEEP THE WORLD AND REMAKE IT IN HIS IMAGE. EVERYBODY LOOKIN' LIKE HIS IDEA OF BEAUTIFUL OR STRONG OR PERFECT, AND INTO THE BIN WITH THE REST OF US.

DR. OCTOBER IS A PIONEER ON THE STUDIES OF BIOMECHANICS AND THE ETHICS OF THE USE OF SUCH SUPERWEAPONS AS THEY EMERGE IN THIS NEW ERA.

AND I KNOW DR. HUGO STRANGE.

HE HAS THE DISTINCTION OF BEING THROWN OUT OF THE MOST SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCES IN EUROPE UNTIL THE AMERICAN EUGENICS PROGRAM BECAME MORE POPULAR THAN PINUP GIRLS.

BUT THE FUR HATS IN MOSCOW HAVE GIVEN HIM SHELTER AND A FREE HAND IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS WEAPONRY.

WE ARE DOING OUR BEST.

BUT IT IS THE PEOPLE, NOT THE COMMAND, THAT ARE HOLDING THIS CITY NOW.

I DON'T GIVE A BROKEN BEAKER FOR ORDERS FROM MOSCOW. THEY HAVE STARVED US NEARLY AS MUCH AS THE REICH.

BUT THERE IS ANOTHER POWER IN PLAY.



HOW DO YOU MEAN?

WE HAVE SUFFERED BRUTAL LOSSES IN THIS CITY, DO NOT DOUBT.

BUT WE COULD HAVE SUFFERED FAR WORSE.

IN THE NIGHT, A... *WEAPON* RISES FROM SOMEWHERE IN THE CITY. IT COMBATS THE NAZI SHELLING, BUT IS WITHDRAWN BEFORE THE SHELLING ENDS.



I BELIEVE THIS IS THE *SUPERWEAPON*. DR. STRANGE PROMISED THE SOVIETS, THOUGH I HAVE NO DOUBT HE PROMISED IT TO THE REICH AS WELL.

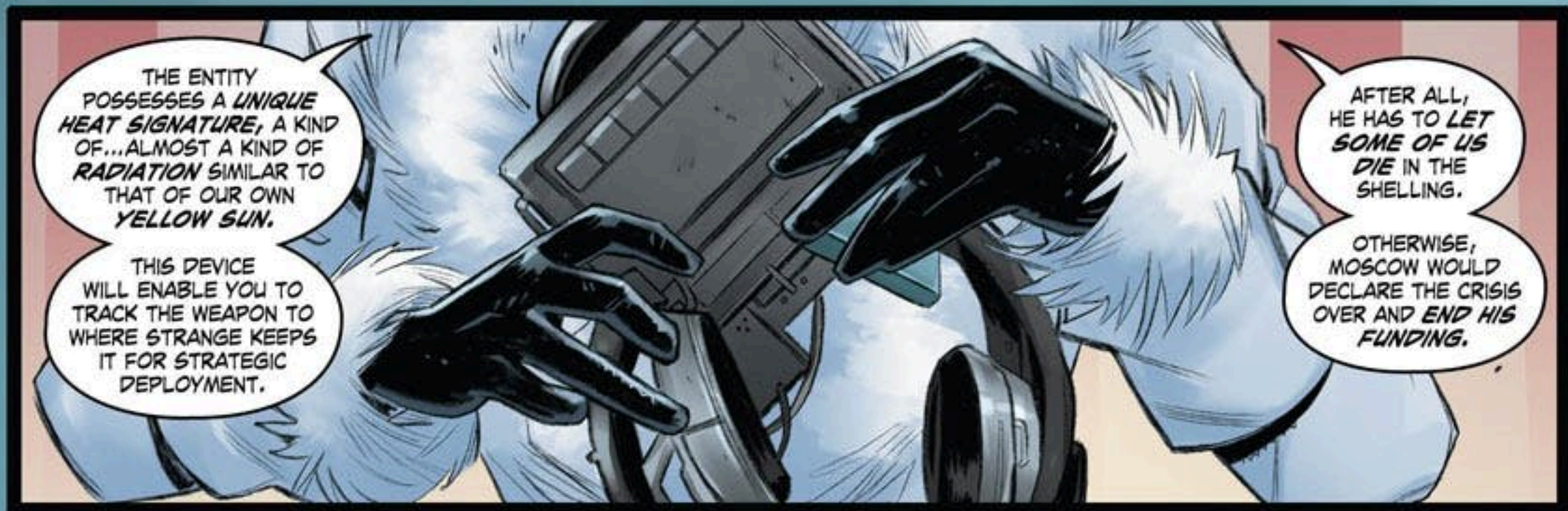
HE WAS VERY FOND OF TALK OF GENE SPLICING, THE REPROGRAMMING OF THE HUMAN MIND, EVEN THE *CLONING OR CREATION OF NEW AND 'PERFECT' BEINGS*.

MOSCOW GAVE HIM A FREE HAND WITH ANY AND ALL *POLITICAL PRISONERS*.



THERE ARE NOW *NO PRISONERS LEFT* IN LENINGRAD.

WHATEVER HE HAS MADE, HE HAS MADE IT FROM SUFFERING AND BLOOD.



THE ENTITY POSSESSES A *UNIQUE HEAT SIGNATURE*, A KIND OF...ALMOST A KIND OF *RADIATION* SIMILAR TO THAT OF OUR OWN *YELLOW SUN*.

THIS DEVICE WILL ENABLE YOU TO TRACK THE WEAPON TO WHERE STRANGE KEEPS IT FOR STRATEGIC DEPLOYMENT.

AFTER ALL, HE HAS TO LET *SOME OF US DIE* IN THE SHELLING.

OTHERWISE, MOSCOW WOULD DECLARE THE CRISIS OVER AND *END HIS FUNDING*.



WE WILL ONLY OBSERVE FOR NOW, DR. OCTOBER, AND BRING YOU NEWS.

BUT WE PROMISE...

...WE WILL FIND THIS *SUPERWEAPON*.

