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THAT'S
AYANAMI...

...BUT...





...WHO
IS
THAT?!







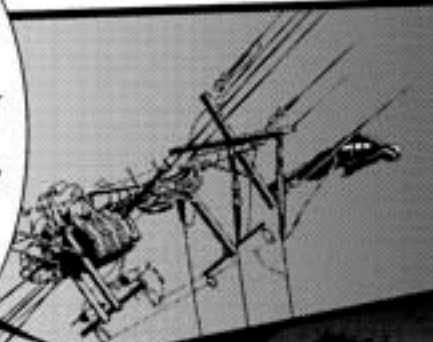


...THE
LAST
BORING
DAY
OF MY
LIFE.

IT
WAS, IN
FACT...



...WHAT
IS
THIS...?





I DON'T LIVE WITH MY MOTHER... SHE DIED WHEN I WAS LITTLE.

I GUESS KAJI-SAN STAYED OVER AGAIN LAST NIGHT...

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BUT REALLY-- WHO'S LOOKING AFTER WHOM?

to beep

SO DAD-- OUT OF A SENSE OF PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY-- ASKED KAJI-SAN TO BE MY LEGAL GUARDIAN.

KAJI'S A GUY WHO USED TO WORK FOR MY DAD... WHO ROAMS LIKE A RESTLESS SPIRIT OF BUSINESS BACHELORHOOD.

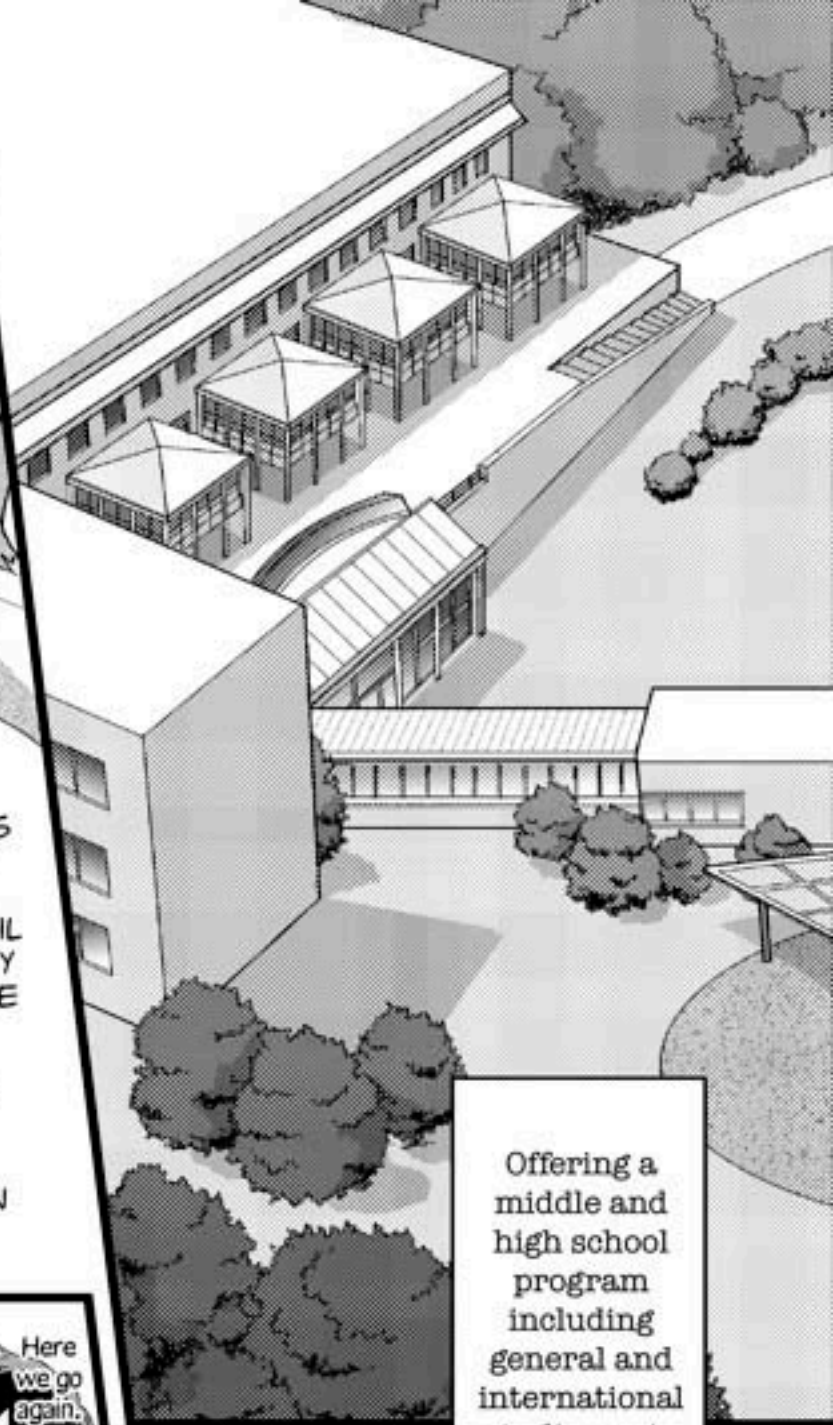


...STILL NO CAUSE DETERMINED FOR LAST NIGHT'S EXPLOSION IN MARUBATSU-CHO.

LOCAL POLICE ARE PURSUING A LEAD TO THE RECENT STRING OF BREAKING AND ENTERINGS, ALREADY...



...PERHAPS SPIES FROM OTHER COUNTRIES.
OR MAYBE AN EVIL SECRET SOCIETY IN FIERCE BATTLE WITH A HERO BRAVELY CHAMPIONING JUSTICE.
OR PERHAPS JUST A MARTIAN INVASION.



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OH... HE'S STILL ON ABOUT DAT CRAP.



I beg ya... don't make that scary face no more!

Here we go again.

CONSPIRACY, GENTLEMEN! THAT'S WHAT'S BEHIND THIS EXPLOSION!



EH? EH? S-SURE. CAN'T GET ANY MORE CRAZY DEN WHAT YA SAID ALREADY.



NOT THAT CRAP, TOJI-KUN! I'VE GOT A **WHOLE NEW** THEORY JUST FOR YOU! WANNA HEAR? WANNA HEAR?

WELL, THAT'S WHAT THE BROCHURE SAYS. ANYWAY, IT'S ONE OF THE BETTER SCHOOLS IN THE CITY.



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dation
Campus

...WHO
WAS
THAT?

MARU-
BATSU-CHO
IS PRETTY
CLOSE.

that's danger-
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...NO
REPORTS
OF ANY
SUSPICIOUS
PERSONS.
WITNESSES
ARE BEING
ASKED
TO-

...WHO
WAS THAT
PERSON
WITH
AYANAMI...?





TIME IS SHORT. THE PROPHESED DAY IS THIS YEAR, YOU KNOW.



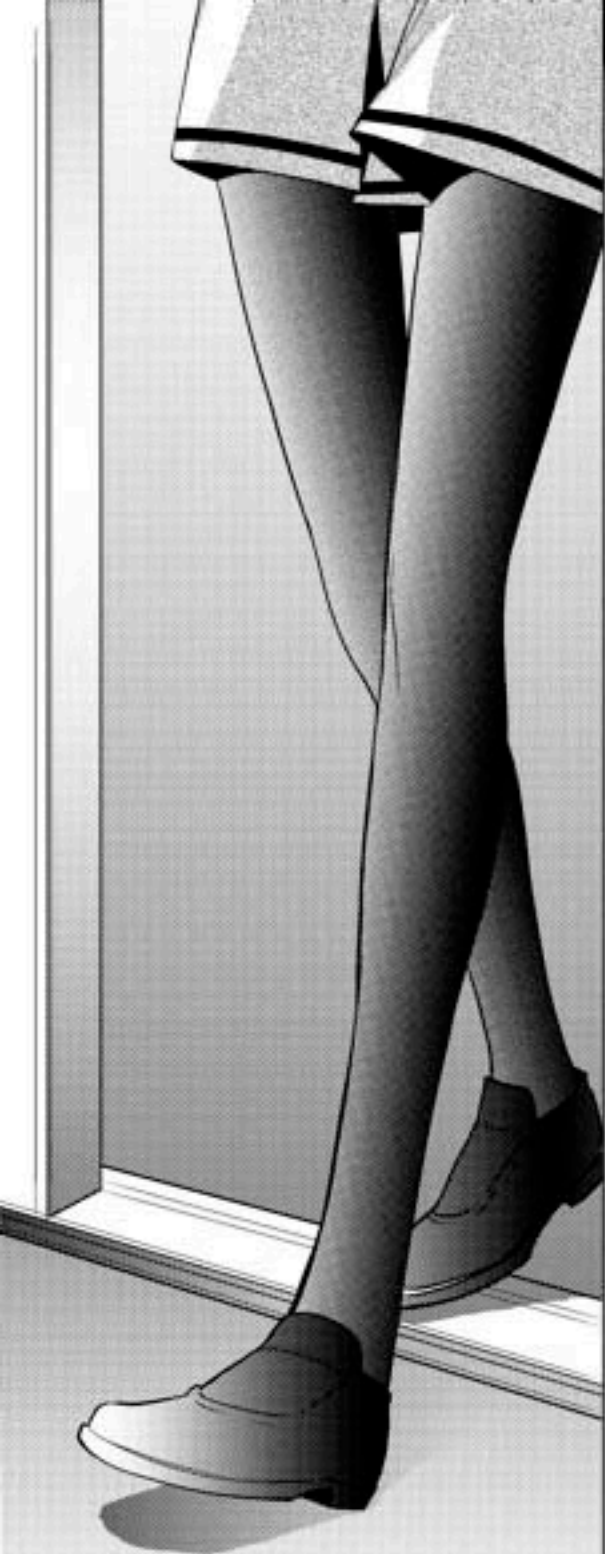
LIKE HE WOULD! THIS IS ESOTERIC, TOJI.

I DON'T THINK I EVER HEARD NOTHIN' LIKE DAT FROM DA PADRE.



ANYWAY, THIS MAGI THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT IS THE PERSON WHO, 15 YEARS AGO, "EMBRACED THE ANGELS OF THE APOCALYPSE."

...BACK THEN, THERE WAS THIS WHOLE MILLENNIAL FEVER GOING ON, AND EVERYONE WAS TALKING ABOUT IT. IT WAS ALL OVER THE MEDIA...



ay-yup

SO, T
SUMMARIZE,
WE GOT DIS
SECRET
PROPHECY...
SO SECRET,
IT WAS ON TV
AND ON SOME
DUDE'S WEB
PAGE.



MAN,
DERE'S A
CONSPIRACY
HERE, ALL
RIGHT...
A CONSPIRACY
T' REEL IN
SUCKERS LIKE
YASELF,
KENSUKE.

YOU
REALLY
DON'T
GET THIS,
DO YOU?
SHINJI,
WHAT DO
YOU THINK?



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SHINJI...?

HUH?
OH, UH,
ABOUT
WHAT?

YOU'RE
JUST
AS
BAD
AS
HIM!

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MAN, SHE'S
SMOKIN'
HOT.
GORGEOUS,
BUILT T' SPILL,
OVERSEAS
EXPERI-
ENCE...

THANKS,
I DO HAVE
EYES.
FOUR OF 'EM,
ACTUALLY.