

THEY CONSIDERED A RETURN...



AND WANTED TO GO.



THEY WERE NOT
VERY FOLIOUS...



THE WARRIOR KING.



THEY WERE NOT
LONG FOR FEAR OF
HIM...



THEY WERE
NOT FOLIOUS...

TELL ME
A STORY.
**OLD STORY-
TELLING BEAN!**



**COME ON,
YOU ROTTEN
OLD BASTARD.**

OH
ALL
RIGHT.



ONCE UPON A TIME THERE WAS
A MAGICAL, PRETTY PRINCESS CALLED
SPURRY-POLE.



SHE HAD A HAT, SO EVERYONE
CALLED HER "PRINCESS HAT."

"GREETINGS, PRINCESS
SPURRY-POLE?"

GREETINGS,
PRINCESS.



I SAID EVERYONE
CALLED HER
"PRINCESS HAT" !

OH
SHERRY!



TOO MUCH COFFEE MAN

IT'S SOOOO
CRAZY!





MOST PEOPLE DON'T KNOW THAT I'M A HUGE FAN OF BASEBALL.

I HAVE QUITE A COLLECTION OF CINCINNATI REDS MEMORABILIA.

HOWEVER, IF YOU LOOK CLOSELY, YOU'LL NOTICE THAT ONE PIECE OF MY COLLECTION HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE NATIONAL PASTIME.



I HAVE A BOBBLEHEAD OF A HORSE JOCKEY TO REMIND ME THAT I'M AN ARDIF.

IN 1997, I WAS A PRODUCTION ASSISTANT FOR THE GARY BURBANK SHOW, A NATIONALLY SYNDICATED TALK RADIO PROGRAM BASED IN CINCINNATI, OHIO.

HAVING THIS JOB WAS A DREAM COME TRUE.

LITTLE DID I KNOW I WAS ABOUT TO BE HANDED AN OPPORTUNITY THAT WOULD DEFINE MY CAREER IN BROADCASTING.



HEY DUDE, GARY WANTS TO MEET WITH US. ANOSLA CAN COME, TOO.

WE'LL BE RIGHT IN.

THE JOCK

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WE'VE BEEN ON MY
TAL SINCE I ACCIDENTLY
CONTAMINATED...



TRYING TO
DOE WORST I
CANE HERE
FEEL BETTER



RATATA
TATATA
TATATA

AH! AFTER
I DELETED
THE OBJECT



THIS MUST GOON,
ONE OF A KIND

WHY? BECAUSE
KNOWS WHO BUILT
IT, BUT IT'S AWESOME,
AND HAS A VERY
SPECIAL POWER

THAT'S THE REASON I CAN'T
AFFORD FOR IT TO END UP IN YOUR
HANDS, THEY WILL PROTECT IT
DEEPER THAN ANYONE ELSE IN IT



TO BEER
CERTAIN I
COULD KEEP
IT AWAY
FROM THEM
NOW...

CRAP!

CATCH UP! It slips under the waters of Hell Gate and a string of four murders is made. Will Detective Billy O'Connor be the next victim, or will he use his *Maniac Mind* to escape it from a bloody fate?

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EVEN WHEN I DIE IN MY FIVE ELABORATE, I DON'T FEEL THE BAD THE STRIP OF FIVE THING. CAUSE I'M NOT SUFFERING MY LADDA-DUT DUT. I'VE GOT MY... WASH UP OF COMBAT SMALL BITTER.

STARTING TO HOPE HADRA NEEDED AMT. LOOKS AND OUT OF MY HEAD...

HANG ON O'CONNOR-- WE CALLED IN A 30-05.

I ASKED FOR EVERYTHING THAT'S GOIN' ON IN THE AREA-- BARRIERS, BARRIERS, BARRIERS--

---HELL, WE COULD USE THE NATIONAL GUARD!

POW
POW
POW

WILL O'CONNOR & THE MANIAC MIND
ARMA G. MURPHY
OFFENSE