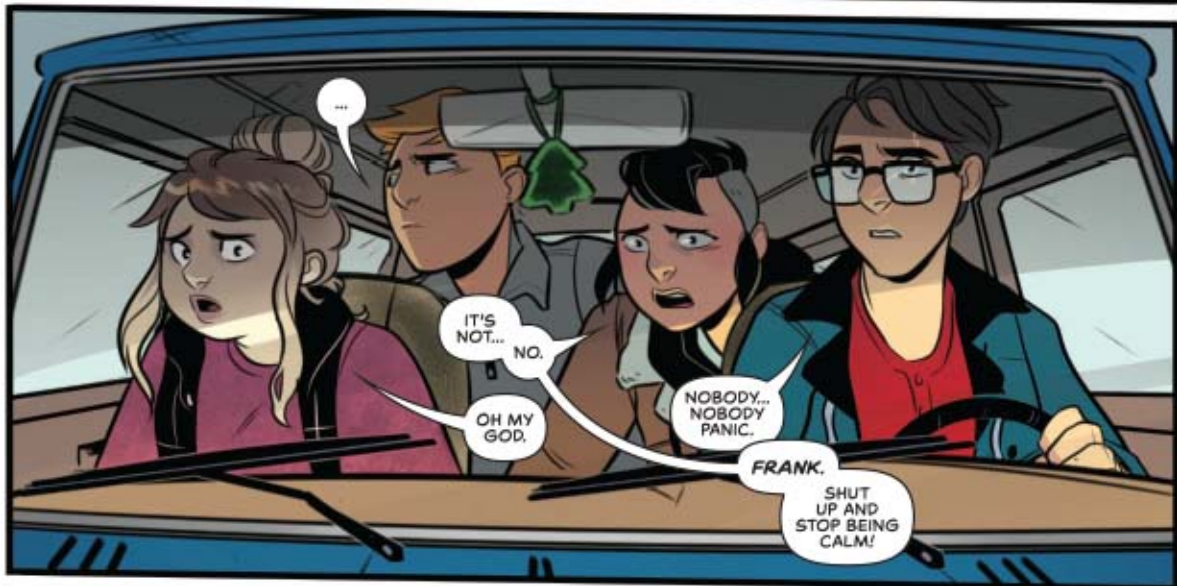




FRANK AND JOE
HARDY'S BRONCO.

ARRIVING AT
DEADMAN'S CLIFF.



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IT'S NOT... NO.

OH MY GOD.

NOBODY... NOBODY PANIC.

FRANK.

SHUT UP AND STOP BEING CALM!



NANCY?

BAYPORT
POLICE



MISS, I'M SORRY YOU NEED TO--

GET OUT OF MY WAY!

NANCY!





YOUR FRIENDS ARE REALLY INTO HUGS, HUH?

NOT USUALLY, NO.



GUYS, I CAN'T BREATHE.



YOU KNOW WHEN I LET GO I'M GOING TO START YELLING AT YOU, RIGHT?

THEN BY ALL MEANS, LET THE HUGGING CONTINUE.



NANCY DREW!

UNBELIEVABLE!

NO PHONE ON YOU?! NO MESSAGE LEFT?!

NOT EVEN A GODDAMNED NOTE?! ARE YOU KIDDING ME?!? YOU CAN'T BEHAVE LIKE SOME KIND OF-- OF--

LONE WOLF!!!





We didn't go to the cops yesterday.

I thought about it, but in my experience cops don't want to listen to a bunch of kids.

SO NOBODY SAW THIS PERSON OR PERSONS THAT ATTACKED YOU HERE YESTERDAY.

NO. I'M AFRAID NOT.

Historically, cops have just slowed me down.



OR THEIR VEHICLE? NOTHING?

NO, SIR. I...

WHAT, MISS DREW?



WELL, THERE WERE TRACKS THAT APPEARED TO BE FROM A TRUCK AND I SAW FOOTPRINTS THAT WERE A DRESS SHOE, WHICH SEEMED A BIT UNUSUAL.

BUT IT'S HARD TO SAY FOR CERTAIN THAT THEY BELONGED TO OUR ATTACKER.

NO KIDDING.



...YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME.

THAT YOU KNOW HOW TO IDENTIFY TIRE TRACKS AND FOOTPRINTS?

NO, KID, I DON'T.



AND WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

IT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING, DETECTIVE.

ARE WE DONE YET?

NOT HARDLY.



IT'S NOT ALL LIKE IT SEEMS ON TV.

See.

AND WHY DIDN'T YOU REPORT THE SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY YOU ENCOUNTERED YESTERDAY?

GEE, I WONDER.

I've met some good detectives. This guy is not winning any medals, except maybe in the wasting my time category.