EDITORIAL

Welcome everybody to STARSLAYERS #7. At this point I feel that we are really into the epic and the characterizations of the people are very defined. I hope you are enjoying STARSLAYERS. I'm enjoying putting it out if nothing else.

I'd like you all to wish a warm welcome to new penciler Steve Addiesee, who came in to help me out penciling this issue. When it was sure that Steve Brooks would be unable to pencil this issue, I took his advice and gave the story to Steve Addiesee, who is a good friend of his. I was close to being behind schedule wise, and Steve A's quick penciling job gave me the chance to pick up again.

To also help get this issue out faster I sent the pencils out to Bill Anderson and Ken Meyer (half to each). This will make the book look different, that's for sure, but hopefully it will look good. Steve Addiesee and his wife have created a new series called Ebonstar and Dark Knight, which will be receiving its own bi-monthly book in late October or early November. The series will be written by Linda Addiessee, penciled by Steve Addiesee, and will probably be inked by a friend of theirs. The book will be different than the regular MB line, but I think you'll enjoy it.

Next issue will contain a story written by myself (as usual) and with pencils inks by Mark Heike (with Willie Peppers chipping in for letters) and ought to be real good. Also, as a special bonus, next issue will contain a special four page story featuring the "original" STARSLAYERS in a story by Bucher/Peppers. If response is good, the original STARSLAYERS could possibly get their own series somewhere, maybe as a back-up in E & DK. Let me know.

STARSLAYERS SPECIAL #1 featuring Lord Damien Blackstar in "Who Is The Fool?" has run into minor problems, but will be out in November (most likely) and will be drawn by Steve Brooks and Rick McCollum (the fantastic art team that brought you last issue). It sells for 60c and pre-publication orders are now being taken.

FUTURE ISSUES:

#8: October 30
#9: November 20
#10: December 11
#11: January 1st

I will combat post office problems as I come to them, for example, I doubt that the post office will be open January 1st. Depending on whether #11 is totally completed, I may either send it out a day earlier or a day later.

The front and back covers this issue were both done by Ken Meyer Jr., who will be doing all the back covers on a regular basis starting this issue. Ken's been doing a lot of work for me lately with no qualms or complaining and for this I'd like to thank him. Same goes for Bill Anderson and Rick McCollum.

Also, pre-publication orders are now being taken for OMNIMAN SPECTACULAR which will be out in early 1982. OS will contain the last Omniman story in an epic story by Bucher/Mccollum/Peppers/Heike/Anderson and will also feature an interview with Terry Austin (probably) and definitely feature a long interview with Rick McCollum and mini-interviews with Bill Anderson, Willie Peppers, and Mark Heike. There are other possibilities for this issue, including an Omniman drawing by Fred Hembeck. Pre-publication orders are now being taken for $1.25.

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THE CHRONICLES OF OMPAR

THE EARTHWAR HASbegun;
AND IT'S UP TO THE
MEMBERS OF THE STARSLAYERS
TO STOP IT BEFORE THE
SAME DESTRUCTION THAT
BEFELL OMPAR FALLS TO
EARTH!

HAVING GAINED SARRAH
KIRK, AN EARTH GIRL WHO
IS A MUTANT WITH LASER
BLASTS AND PRECOGNITIVE
POWERS, THEY PLUNGE AT
THE QUARRON TROOPS!

STILL FAITHFULLY BROUGHT TO YOU
BY:

MATT+STEVE
BUCHER+ BROOKS
W.RITER+CO-CREATORS

BILL ANDERSON
KEN MEYER
INKER
LETTERER

--END--
CHAPTER SEVEN:

THE WORD IS OUT: IT HAS BEGUN. IN DALLAS, A QUARRON FLEET FIRES INTO THE CITY. IN CHICAGO, MORE DEATH AND DESTRUCTION. ATTACKS ON SALT LAKE CITY, PITTSBURGH, HAWAII, GERMANY, RUSSIA, CHINA, JAPAN, WASHINGTON D.C....


ALTHOUGH A FEW PLACES REMAIN UNSCATHED CALM IN THE STORM, THE REST OF THE WORLD IS ENGROSSED IN...

EARTH-WAR!
WELL, WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?

A SHORT TIME LATER, LORD DAMIEN BLACKSTAR, FORMER BOUNTY HUNTER AND NOW STARSAYER SPOTS...

A GUARRON FLEET!

ALL THOSE YEARS I PROTESTED THE GUARRON TAKE-OVER... "Rondo muses.

I NEVER DREAMED THAT SOMEDAY I'D BE FIGHTING MY OWN PEOPLE..."

UH-OH... GOT TO EXECUTE THIS MOVE TO THE LETTER...

I JUST HAVE TO KEEP TELLING MYSELF I'M DOING THE RIGHT THING-- AND THAT THIS IS THE BEST WAY.

THERE!

THIS DON'T LOOK GOOD. IT COULD TAKE HOURS I JUST HOPE AROON KNOWS WHAT THE HELL HE'S DOING!

"Rondo Klarn is a man with conflicting feelings--but in his heart he knows that he is doing the right thing, and that alone can make him..."

BUGO! I COULD DO THIS ALL DAY! HOW'S IT GONNA Rondo?

QUET, DAMIEN...

WAIT-- I SEE SOMETHING AHEAD! OVER AND OUT!
Meanwhile, years of training are paying off for Blackstar.

Whee! Feel like I'm taking on the whole damn Quarron army! Can't stop though, I've got to keep going!

Something happened when Darzak was talking to Sarrah, I don't think the others realized it, but I've known that guy half my life, and I can tell that something's up.

And, in Washington D.C. -- so far nothing, thanks for helping me join, Darzak.

I'm curious. They said that you and Lord Blackstar used to be good friends, but now you don't seem too...

No problem, I think Blackstar was the only one really opposed to it anyway.

Friendly? Yeah, I know. It's an ego thing, I was under his shadow for so many years...

That I forgot I was my own man.

I can stand on my own two feet. I don't need...

Any...

A Quarron patrol!

Instantaneously forgetting their embrace, Darzak and Sarrah prepare for battle.

They've landed nearby. They must be planning an assassination.

Let's go!
IT'S DARZAK AND SOME EARTHLING! IF WE CATCH THEM LORD KLAN WILL BE PLEASED!

NOW!!

AND QUICKLY IT BEGINS--

WITH MY ENERGY BEAMS I CAN KNOCK OUT THESE GUYS EASILY!

AND RONDO'S RESISTAR IS ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL WEAPONS EVER DEvised.

UHH!

SCUM! TO THINK I ONCE SIDED WITH YOU QUARRONS SICKENS ME!

SARRAH! YOU ALRIGHT?

TREKS, YOU'RE MY SECOND IN COMMAND, GET ME AN UPDATE ON THE EARTH SITUATION! I HEAR WE'RE LOSING FLEETS LIKE FLIES.

I'M O.K., DARZAK, DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME, JUST KEEP BLASTING AWAY.

BUT, LORD KLAN, IF I LEAVE I RISK DEATH, AND...

INCOMPETENT!

LEAVE!

THIS IS ALL ARGON'S DOING. WHEN HE IS CAPTURED, HE DIES!

OH REALLY?