



YUP! WE'D KNOW EXACTLY WHO IS THE MULE THAT MISTAKENLY TOOK YOUR BAG!

THAT'D TELL US WHOM THIS BAG BELONGS TO?



HUH?

TABOOS FOR ATHLETES?



Y... YEAH ...

YOU SEE THOSE STUDENTS ON A GRAD TRIP?

THOSE THREE ARE FAMOUS HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES!



ON THE LEFT IS MAEDA KAZUHIKO, A TALENTED MF IN SOCCER UNDER 17!

NOW, DON'T YOU NOTICE SOMETHING?



THE CENTER IS NAKAJIMA KEITA, A BACKSTROKE SWIMMER. HE SET A NEW RECORD AT THE IH!



ON THE RIGHT IS GOTO YOSUKE, A SOUTHPAW PITCHER WHO LED THE TEAM TO THE KOUSHIEN SEMI-FINAL!

■麻薬の運び屋は一体どこに...!?

同僚達に隠れ、佐藤刑事とトロピカルマリナランドでデートしていた高木刑事のバッグの中から、麻薬が出てきた。どうやら運び屋が間違えて持っていたらしい。偶然(？)出会ったコナン達の推理で、運び屋は左利きらしい事がわかったが、この広い中からどうやって探す？



HE JUST HAPPENED TO BE A LEFTY ...

THEN THE SOCCER'S THE ONE? THAT DUDE DOES HAVE HIS BAG SHOULDERED ON HIS LEFT SIDE!



AND IS A SWIMMER, BALL PLAYER, OR SOCCER PLAYER, WAS IT?

LET'S GET THIS STRAIGHT. THE MULE IS A LEFTY WHO SHOULDERS A BAG ON THE LEFT SIDE



THAT'S ALSO A COINCIDENCE THAT HE'S A LEFTY ...

ISN'T IT BASEBALL? DOESN'T SOUTHPAW MEAN LEFT-HANDED?



SWIMMING HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH HANDEDNESS ...

OH I GET IT!



YOU'RE RIGHT ...

BUT HOW ODD... HE'S SHOULDERING HIS BAG ON THE RIGHT...



HE'S FORBIDDEN TO BURDEN THE LEFT SIDE...

HUH?



NO. THAT ISN'T THE REASON WHY HE'S CARRYING THE BAG ON HIS RIGHT SHOULDER ...

MAYBE HE USED TO THROW WITH HIS RIGHT ARM AND SWITCHED TO LEFT! SO HE REALLY IS RIGHT-HANDED...

江戸川コナン ● 高校生名探偵。工藤新一が謎の組織に毒薬を飲まされ小さくなった。コナンの姿で、事件に挑んでいる。

TO PROTECT THE IMPORTANT LEFT SHOULDER!

I SEE... IF HE'S A RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER WHO STILL PLAYS BASEBALL ...

HE WAS DOING THIS! YUP!

I... I'VE HEARD OF THAT! THEY SAY PITCHERS AVOID CARRYING HEAVY STUFF THAT MIGHT DAMAGE THEIR HANDED SHOULDER!

THE YOUNG MAN YOU SAW WAS A RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER, RIGHT?

THERE IS A GOOD CHANCE HE COULD'VE BEEN USING THE LEFT SHOULDER TO PROTECT THE RIGHT SHOULDER...

AH ... SMELLS FAMILIAR?

TAKE A SNIFF AT THIS THEN! IT'S THE HAND-KERCHIEF THAT WAS IN THE BAG!

IS THAT ENOUGH THOUGH? THE SWIMMER AND SOCCER PLAYER... THEY CAN BE LEFT-HANDED, TOO...

登場人物



●吉田歩美 ●コナンが通う小学校の同級生。好奇心旺盛。



●円谷光彦 ●コナンの同級生。非科学的な物を信じない。



MOST DEFINITELY THAT CAPPED BALL PLAYER ...

IN THAT CASE, ITS OWNER IS...



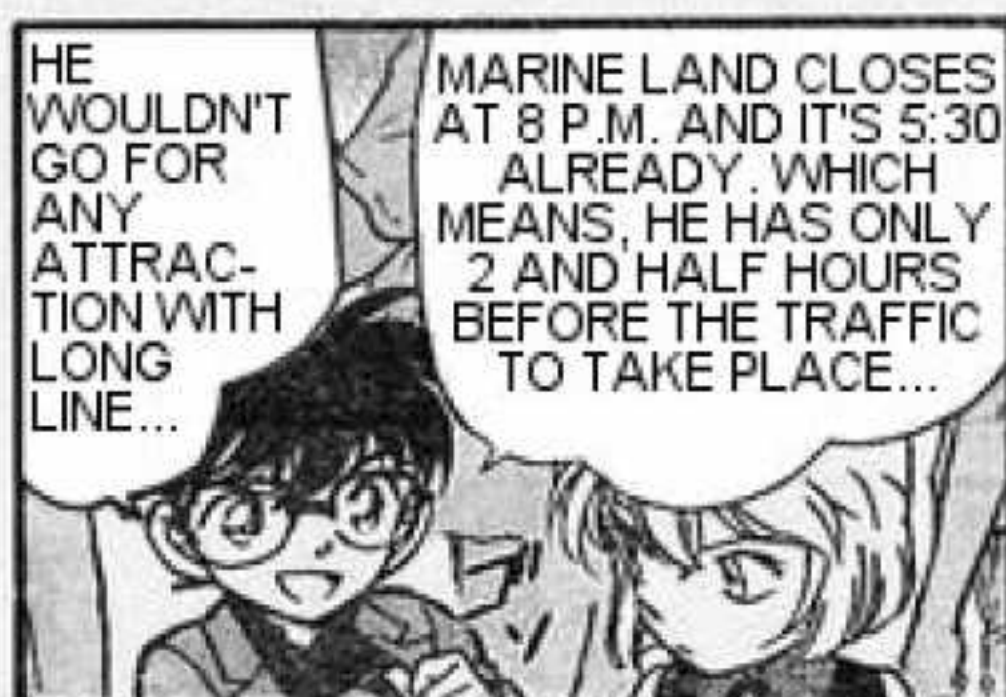
IT'S GROVE OIL!

MR. DETECTIVE WAS USING IT THIS MORNING ...



LOOKS LIKE THERE ARE MORE PEOPLE NOW...

BUT HOW ARE WE GONNA FIND THIS GUY?



HE WOULDN'T GO FOR ANY ATTRACTION WITH LONG LINE...

MARINE LAND CLOSES AT 8 P.M. AND IT'S 5:30 ALREADY. WHICH MEANS, HE HAS ONLY 2 AND HALF HOURS BEFORE THE TRAFFIC TO TAKE PLACE...



BUT IT'D BE IMPOSSIBLE IF HE'S SOMEWHERE INSIDE A BUILDING...

WE COULD LOOK FOR HIM IF HE'S OUTSIDE...



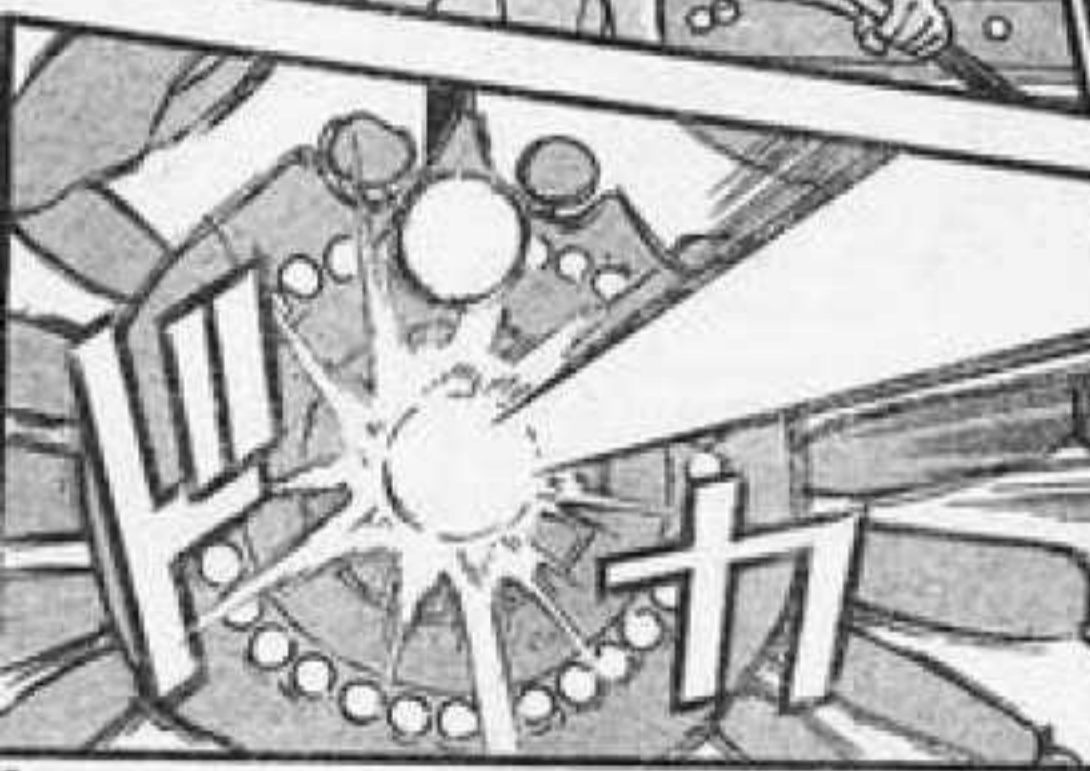
BUT IF WE WAIT HERE...

I COULD BE WRONG ...



HE MUST BE BORED BEING ALL BY HIMSELF ...

PLUS, AS A MULE, HE COULDN'T HAVE BROUGHT A COMPANY ...





I FIGURED THIS PLACE WAS MOST COMFORTABLE AFTER ALL...

I CAME BACK...

B...



YOU'RE THE KIDS FROM EARLIER...

HEY ...



BINGO!!



WAIT!!

THEN LET'S GET THE BAG...



IT'S ALMOST CERTAIN HE'S THE MULE...

HIS BAG IS QUITE SIMILAR...



A RI...

IT'S ...



Y... YES. I WAS GOING TO GIVE IT TO YOU...



OH, SO THERE WAS SOMETHING IMPORTANT IN IT?



UM... B... BUT MY BAG IS...



LEAVE HIM UNTIL HE MEETS THE DRUG DEALER!



UM...
YEAH,
YOU'RE
RIGHT
...

IF YOU'VE GOT
A THING TO SAY,
OUT WITH IT
LIKE A MAN!

GOD
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YOU
WERE
CARRY-
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OK, KIDS!
STAY WITH
ME!



THAT'S GREAT!
HAVE IT
CHECKED RIGHT
AWAY!

INSPECTOR
SHIRATORI!
WE'VE SPOTTED
A MAN WITH
A SIMILAR
BAG!!



TELL ME YOUR
LOCATION!
LET'S ALL
GATHER
THERE!!

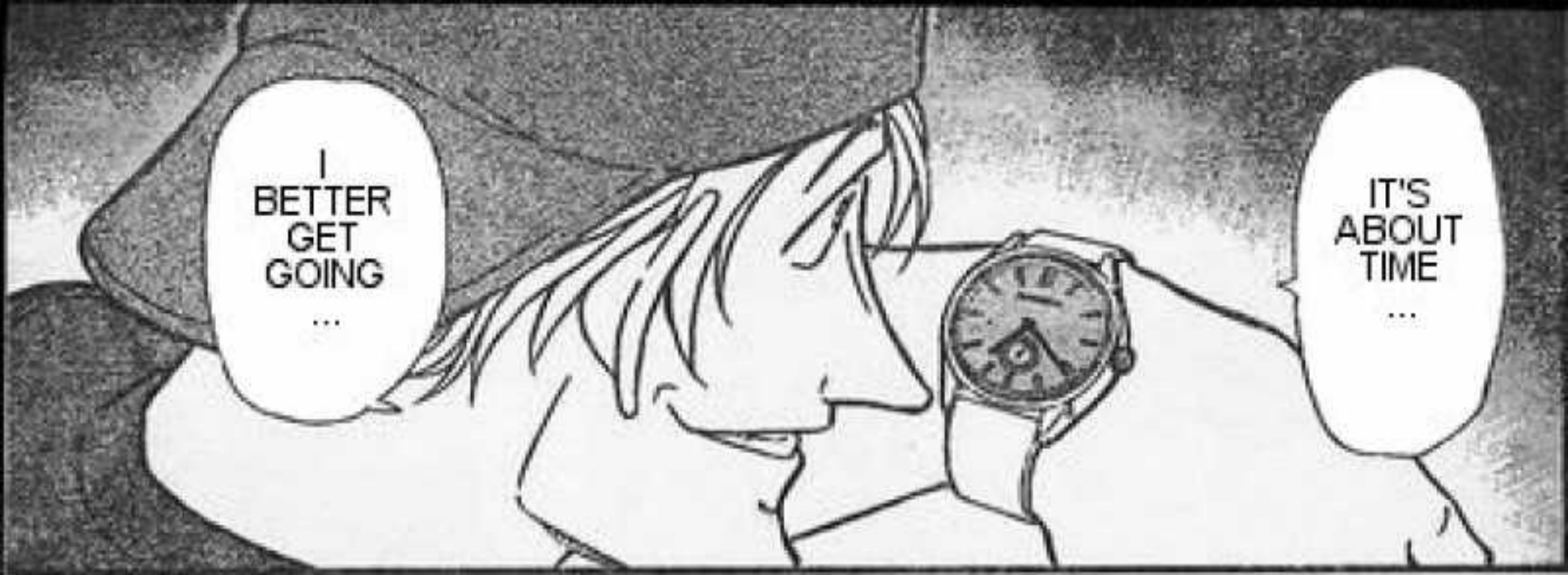
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THE MAN
ALSO...



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RING BEEN
ALREADY...



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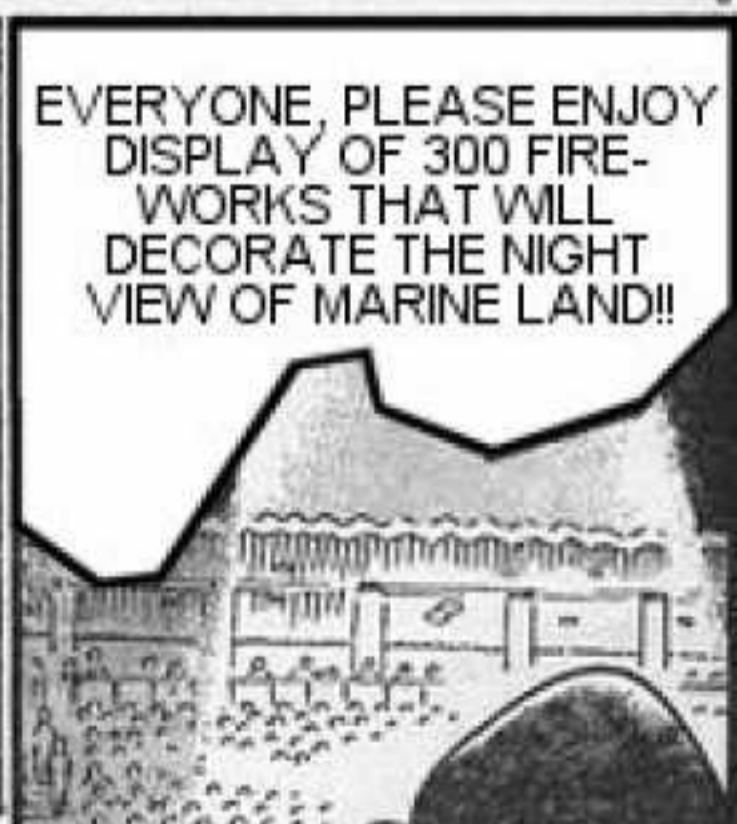
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SO UNEX-
PECTED. I
GUESS
THAT'D
MAKE THIS
PLACE A
PERFECT
SPOT FOR
THE AFFAIR
...

HE WOULDN'T BE
DEALING DRUGS
AT A PLACE SO
BUSY AS HERE,
WOULD HE?

OH,
THAT
MAN
TOOK
A
SEAT!



EVERYONE, PLEASE ENJOY
DISPLAY OF 300 FIRE-
WORKS THAT WILL
DECORATE THE NIGHT
VIEW OF MARINE LAND!!



THAT
IS
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HEY! SOME-
BODY SAT
NEXT TO
HIM...





AH, WAI ...

TAKAGI-KUN, YOU WATCH THE KIDS!

YAKURA ASAKICHI THE DRUG DEALER!!

HOLD IT! WE'LL EXCHANGE WHEN EVERYONE'S WATCHING THE FIREWORKS ...

WHATEVER IT IS, TAKE IT AND GIVE ME THE MONEY ...



H U H ?

H ...

ALRIGHT. PASS THE STUFF ON MY LAP...

WHAT !?

SIR! WE'VE SPOTTED SOMEONE WHO LOOKS VERY MUCH LIKE A WANTED CRIMINAL...

WHA!?

LIKE HELL I WILL ...

BOTH OF YOU QUIETLY ...

PO-LI-CE!



A GUN-SHOT ...

YEAH. I HEARD BAM ...

DID YOU HEAR SOMETHING OTHER THAN FIRE-WORKS?

YA-KU-RA ...

AH

S... SATO-SAN !?

AND HE'S ARMED WITH A GUN...

SIR! THE TWO ARE CHASING YAKURA!

M... MA'AM !!

WHAT'RE YOU DOING, LET'S GO !!

RO-GER!

WHILE ENSURING THE SAFETY OF THE VISITORS !!

EVERYONE AT THE SCENE SUPPORT SATO AND TAKAGI,

YOU!! STOP RIGHT THERE!!



HUH
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HE'S
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UH-
OH
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SATO-
SAN?

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AND
RUN
AC-
ROSS
THE
RIVER
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PLAN-
NING TO
TAKE
OVER
THE SHIP
WITH THE
GUN...

I'LL
LET
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LIKE
HELL
...



YOU
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WHA?

AH
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THE
RING
...



DAM-MIT !!



AH ...



WONDERFUL JOB, TAKAGI-KUN!!



SIGH



MY RING ...





HUH? OH, THAT ...

SO? WHERE IS YOUR BAG THAT THE MULE HAD TAKEN BY MISTAKE?



WE HAVE BEEN STAKING OUT BECAUSE WE GOT A TIP FOR DRUG TRAFFIC...



I... INSPECTOR SHIRATORI!? W... WHY ARE YOU HERE ...



N... NOT THAT IT MATTERS MUCH SINCE NOTHING IMPORTANT WAS IN IT...

IT SANK UNDER THE WATER WHEN I TACKLED THE SUSPECT ...



I'LL JOIN AFTER GIVING THE KIDS A RIDE HOME ...

O... OH, SURE

AREN'T YOU COMING?



WANNA GO FOR A DRINK TONIGHT?



WELL, CASE SOLVED !!

HUH?



IT'S PROBABLY BECAUSE OF THAT

HUH?



ARE YOU CRYING?

WHAT'S WRONG?

S... SATO-SAN ...?



SATO-SAN! THE SUSPECT IS CAUGHT!



IS IT ...

I ...



SATO-SAN ...

SA ...

OF DETECTIVE MATSUDA WHO DIED IN THE FERRIS WHEEL EXPLOSION...

LOOKS LIKE IT REMINDED HER ...



N... NO ...

YOU CALL YOURSELF A MAN!?

HOW DARE YOU!! WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO COME HERE FOR A DATE!?

TER-RIBLE ...



WILL YOU PROMISE ME?

WILL YOU ...

I DIDN'T REALIZE IT...

I... I'M SO SORRY ...



MA'AM !!

M ...



GIVE ME YOUR WORD FOR IT!!



AND LEAVE ME BEHIND ...



THAT YOU WOULD NEVER GO AWAY ...



ALTHOUGH IT SEEMS DETECTIVE TAKAGI HAD LOST HIS IMPORTANT BAG,

THAT'D BE MY PLEASURE ...



INSPECTOR SHIRATORI'S FAX SURE IS TAKING LONG...

HE'S WON SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT ...

■ 二人の仲は、ちよつとずつ進展中...

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