



YOU'LL HAVE A LOT OF PROBLEMS TO DEAL WITH!

WHEN YOU WAKE UP....

SLEEP ...

SLEEP FOR NOW...

CHIBI...

Whoosh



WHAT I'VE DONE MIGHT ALL GO TO WASTE...

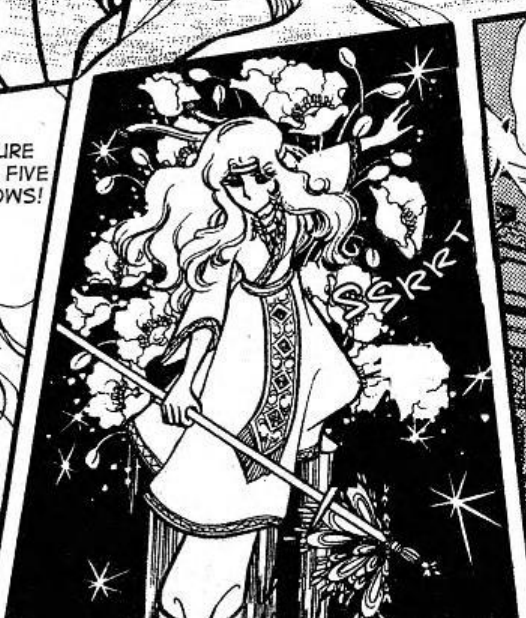


MAYA...



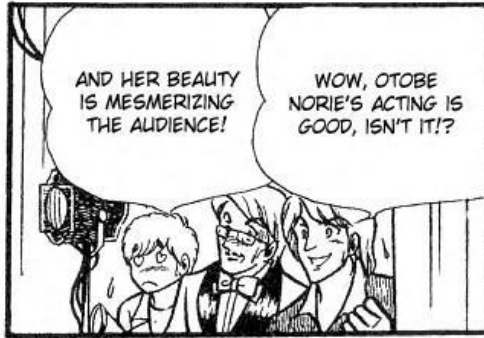
CAPTURE THOSE FIVE SHADOWS! THROW THEM INTO THE WHITE LION VALLEY!

OTHERWISE, THIS COUNTRY WILL BE DESTROYED!



STARS OF DISASTER WILL FALL UPON THIS COUNTRY!

2...
3...
4...



AND HER BEAUTY IS MESMERIZING THE AUDIENCE!

WOW, OTOBE NORIE'S ACTING IS GOOD, ISN'T IT?!



THANKS TO YOU, OUR PERFORMANCE IS A SUCCESS!

THANKS!

I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU TO BE ABLE TO ACT THIS WELL!

NORIE, THAT'S GREAT!



SHE WAS WHAT? PARTYING WITH PUNKS ON MOTORCYLES!

WHAT? KITAJIMA MAYA'S BEEN FOUND!?

WHAT AN INCONSIDERATE GIRL!

JUST BECAUSE OF THAT SHE COULDN'T PERFORM!?

OVER-SLEPT ON A BOAT!



HOW COME SHE ACTS JUST LIKE KITAJIMA MAYA?

SHE'S ONLY A SUBSTITUTE, BUT SHE'S GOOD!



BESIDES ...

SO HER ACTING IS BETTER THAN THE OTHERS...

SHE ALWAYS WATCHED WHEN MAYA REHEARSED





I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE'S LIKE THAT...

UNBELIEVABLE!

WHAT KIND OF GIRL IS SHE!?

EH, DID YOU HEAR THAT?

SHE'LL WAKE UP TOMORROW

HER STOMACH'S BEEN PUMPED... SHE'S OKAY NOW



UGH...

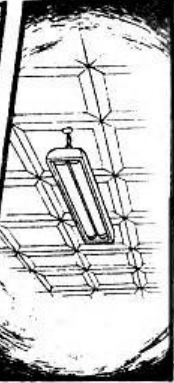


IT'S MORNING...?



UGH...

WHERE IS THIS? WHERE AM I?



A HOSPITAL?



OH



Kitajima Maya Disappears!

She was found at Miura Beach!

She was nowhere to be found for the premiere of Shangri-la at Daito Plaza!



Found at Miura Beach!

MBA Television executives are surprised to learn that Kitajima Maya, Satoko on Ten no Kagayaki, has befriended a group of delinquents

Overslept, and so couldn't perform on stage

IT WASN'T!

NO! IT WASN'T LIKE THIS!



The audience was amazed by her extraordinary acting!

substitute Otohe Norie

Replacing Maya is a newcomer,



A PERFORMANCE FOR YOUR MOTHER!?

MAYA, YOU WON'T JUST KEEP QUIET, WILL YOU!?

MY ROLE...

IF I WERE YOU, I'D DESTROY THE PERFORMANCE!

THE STAGE THAT BELONGS TO THE MAN WHO KILLED YOUR MOTHER?

YOU STILL WANT TO PERFORM ON THAT STAGE?



DESTROY!

IT CAN'T BE...

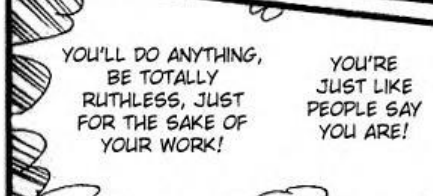
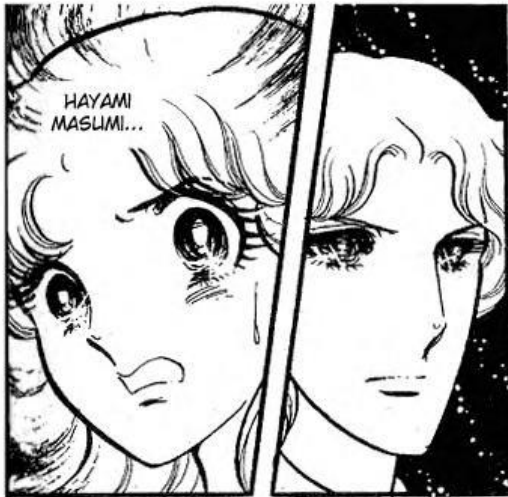


NORIE?

THE SUB? FOR MY ROLE...

IMPOSSIBLE!

SHE'S NORIE?







HOW COULD YOU
NEGLECT THE
PLAY LIKE
THAT!?

OH
MY!!

IS THAT HOW
AN ACTRESS
SHOULD
BEHAVE!?

BAM

DID YOU EVER THINK
ABOUT THE
DISAPPOINTMENT OF
THE AUDIENCE?!

EXHAUSTING
YOURSELF!

BESIDES,
REHEARSING SO
HARD THAT YOU
COULDN'T GET UP
ALL DAY..!

YOU
SHOULDN'T
HAVE GONE
WITH THOSE
DELINQUENTS!
YOU HAD JUST
MET THEM!

OR UPSET
OVER YOUR
MOTHER'S
DEATH

WHETHER
YOU WERE
WORRIED
ABOUT THE
PREMIERE

EH?

THAT'S WHY
THOSE
REPORTERS
WROTE THAT
YOU WERE ONE
OF THEM!

SCARY...





BECAUSE OF YOUR CARELESSNESS AND NEGLIGENCE, YOU'VE DISAPPOINTED THEM

BECAUSE YOU KEPT REHEARSING SO LATE, YOU OVERSLEPT AND COULDN'T PERFORM ON THE STAGE!

COME ON! APOLOGIZE TO YOUR FANS AND TO THE REPORTERS!

TELL THEM THAT YOU'RE ASHAMED AND FEEL GUILTY!



AFTER THIS, YOU CAN YELL AT ME AS MUCH AS YOU WANT!

IT'S ALL FOR YOU SAKE...

JUST LISTEN TO WHAT I SAY...



THE PURPLE ROSE MUST BE REALLY DISAPPOINTED, TO LEARN OF THIS!

HE CAME, BUT DIDN'T SEE YOU PERFORM!

ENOUGH! DON'T SAY ANYTHING!



COULDN'T PERFORM ...



I APOLOGIZE FOR WHAT I'VE DONE...

I WAS SO NERVOUS THE NIGHT BEFORE THE PREMIERE...



HE CAME BUT DIDN'T SEE YOU...

BE STRONG!

PURPLE ROSE...



I WAS REHEARSING UNTIL LATE LAST NIGHT, I OVERSLEPT AND COULDN'T PERFORM ON STAGE...







IT'S SUSPICIOUS...

SOMEONE MUST HAVE PLANNED IT...



I.. I WAS FORCED TO DRINK... COKE...

THE PILLS MUST'VE BEEN IN IT...



WHAT? SLEEPING PILLS?!?

WHAT DID YOU DRINK?



DID YOU TAKE SLEEPING PILLS AT A HIGH DOSAGE THE BEACH? OF THEM?

THEY HAD TO PUMP OUT YOUR STOMACH YESTERDAY



SLEEPING PILLS...

IT CAN'T BE...



DON'T TELL THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE COKE! LET ALONE SLEEPING PILLS...

IT'LL COMPLICATE THINGS...

AND WILL DESTROY YOUR REPUTATION...



I THOUGHT I
COULDN'T BE
MIKO RYRA...

I WAS SAD,
ANGRY,
PISSED
OFF...

AT THE TIME...
I WASN'T EVEN
SURE WHAT WAS
GOING ON

BEFORE I
REALISED WHAT
WAS HAPPENING,
I WAS ON A
MOTORCYCLE,
GOING TO THE
BEACH...

AFTER I LEARNED THAT
YOU LOCKED MY MOTHER
UP IN THE HOSPITAL,
JUST FOR SOME
PROMOTION...

IF YOU HADN'T
DONE THAT, MY
MOM MIGHT
NOT HAVE RUN
AWAY...
MAYBE
SHE
WOULDN'T
HAVE
DIED...

YOU
SEPARATED
ME FROM
MY MOM...

YOU KILLED
MY MOM...

I COULD'VE
MET HER...

THE TV,
THE RADIO,
EVERYTHING
WAS BROKEN
BECAUSE YOU
ORDERED IT!

YOU KNEW MY
MOM WAS
BLIND!

YES...
IT WAS
YOU!

USED TO
PEOPLE
HATING ME...

I'M...

I'M NEVER
GOING TO
FORGIVE
YOU!

YOU'RE THE
ONE I HATE
THE MOST IN
THE WORLD!

YOU'RE SO
RUTHLESS!

I HATE
YOU!

EVER...!





DO IT!

UNTIL YOU'RE SATISFIED!

HIT ME! KICK ME AS MUCH AS YOU LIKE!

I DON'T KNOW HOW TO APOLOGIZE...

USUALLY HE'S SO TOUGH AND ORDERS ME AROUND...

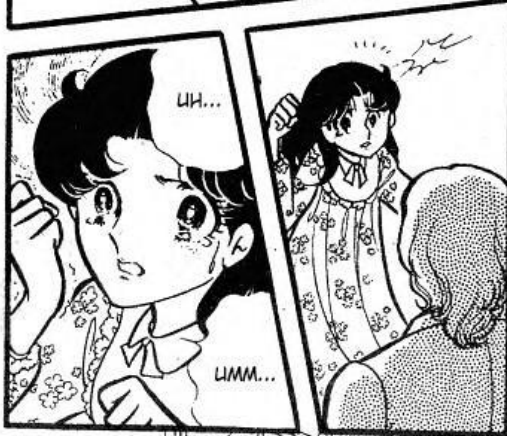
IS THIS THE MAN WHO ALWAYS GETS IN MY WAY?

WHY IS HE JUST STANDING STILL LIKE THAT?

WHY IS HE LIKE THIS?

WHO PEOPLE SAY IS A SCARY GUY...?

WHY...?





STOP DREAMING... A GUY LIKE HIM ISN'T INTERESTED IN WOMEN

IT'S BETTER TO BE A DIRECTOR'S WIFE THAN TO BE A SINGER WHO ISN'T SELLING NOW, ISN'T IT?

HE'S SO COOL! I WANT TO GET CLOSE TO HIM!

LIKE RADISHES AND CABBAGES SOLD IN THE MARKET

UGH

HE ONLY SEES ACTRESSES AS COMMODITIES

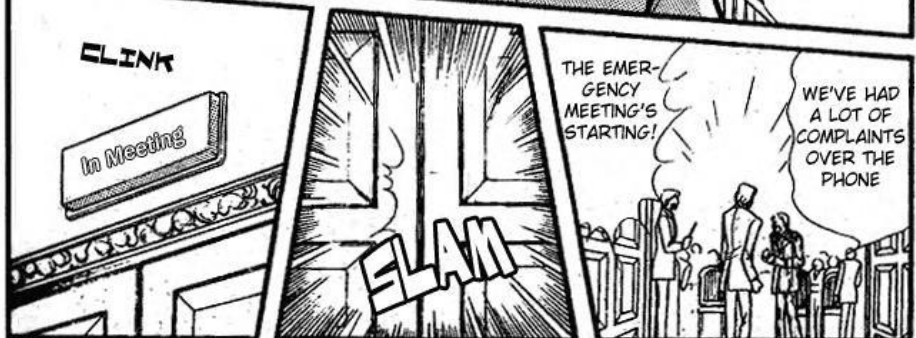


THAT GIRL HAS MESSED UP EVERYTHING...!

EVERYBODY'S HERE?

WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU, SIR

YES, FOR AN EMERGENCY MEETING



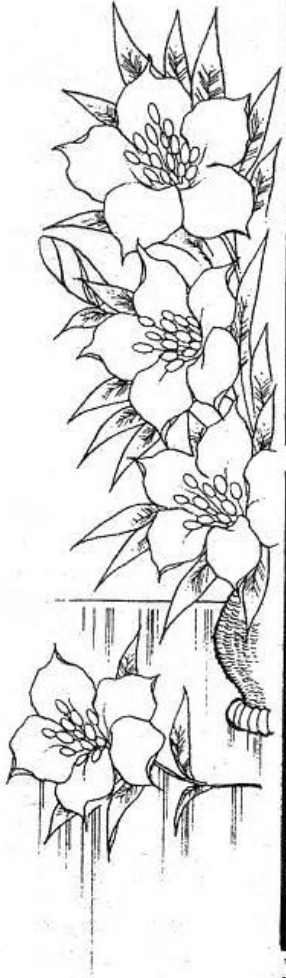
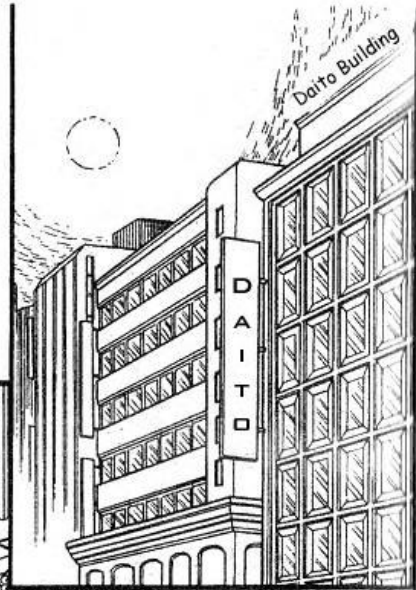
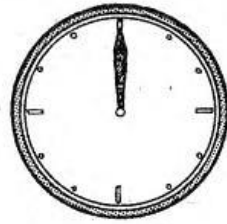
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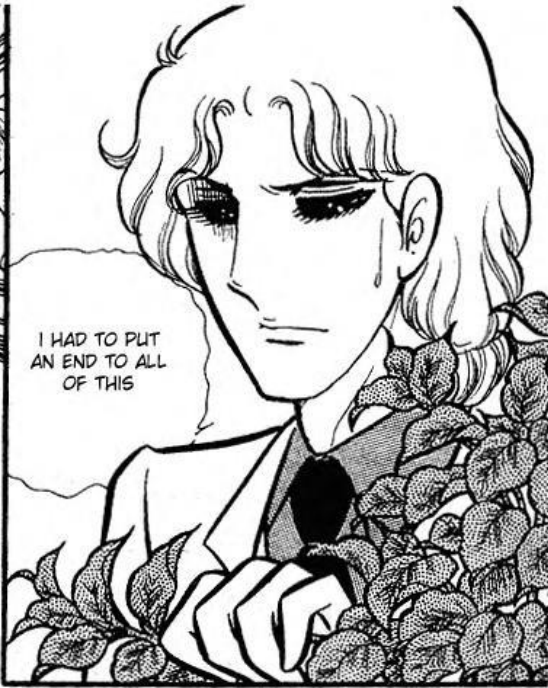
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ELAM

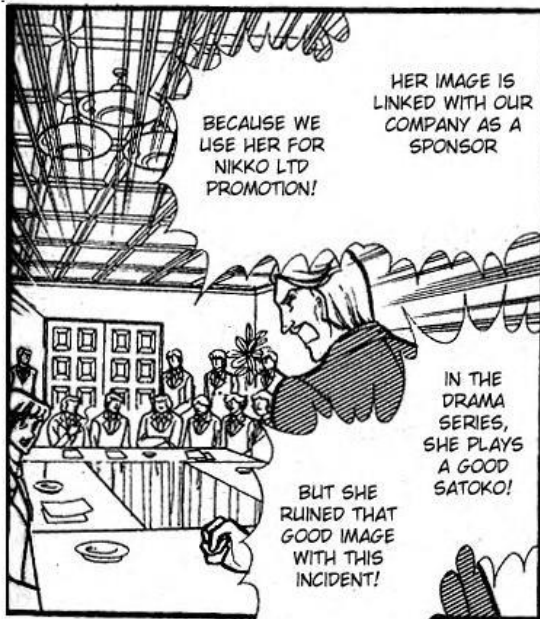
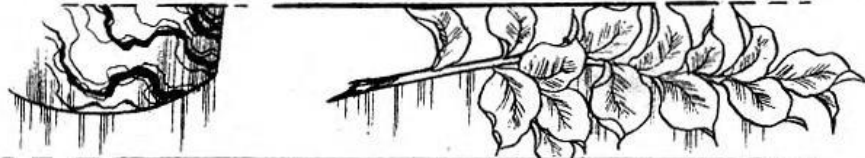
THE EMERGENCY MEETING'S STARTING!

WE'VE HAD A LOT OF COMPLAINTS OVER THE PHONE





I HAD TO PUT AN END TO ALL OF THIS



BECAUSE WE USE HER FOR NIKKO LTD PROMOTION!

HER IMAGE IS LINKED WITH OUR COMPANY AS A SPONSOR

BUT SHE RUINED THAT GOOD IMAGE WITH THIS INCIDENT!

IN THE DRAMA SERIES, SHE PLAYS A GOOD SATOKO!



WHO DOES SHE THINK SHE IS!?



SHE MUST HAVE GOTTEN DRUNK TOO!

PARTYING WITH A BUNCH OF DELINQUENTS AT THE BEACH!?

HIS IMAGINATION

SHE WAS TOO TIRED, OVERSLEPT, AND DIDN'T APPEAR ON STAGE! SO SHAMEFUL! HOW IRRESPONSIBLE!

WE CAN'T LET THIS GIRL RUIN OUR COMPANY'S IMAGE!

THAT'S WHAT THE PHONE CALLS ARE ABOUT

THE AUDIENCE FEELS BETRAYED BY MAYA KITAJIMA, WHO PLAYS A WISE SATOKO, BUT IN REALITY BEHAVES LIKE THIS!

THEY'VE GOTTEN A LOT OF PHONE CALLS AT MBA TV

THEY SAY THAT KITAJIMA MAYA PLAYING AS SATOKO IS NOT EDUCATIONAL

THEN FROM MAYA'S YOUNGER FANS...

THEIR PARENTS HAVE COMPLAINED TO MBA TV

WE HAVE TO MAKE A DECISION!

THEY FEEL DISAPPOINTED!

IF SHE CONTINUES TO BE SATOKO, THEY WON'T WATCH HER!

OTHERWISE OUR AUDIENCE WILL BE DISAPPOINTED

AND MANY OTHERS SAY THE SAME!

THE AUDIENCE HAS BECOME ANTI-PATHIC

WHA!
THE AUDIENCE HAS BECOME ANTI-PATHIC AND HAS CALLED IN LOTS OF COMPLAINTS TO DAITO

YES, IT WAS DECIDED IN THE MEETING THAT YOU WOULD HAVE TO GIVE UP YOUR ROLE



WHAT? I'M NOT PERFORMING IN SHANGRI-LA?!

I THOUGHT SHE WAS A GOOD GIRL!
WHAT KIND OF GIRL IS SHE?
TO NOT SHOW UP ON STAGE SO NON-CHALANTLY
YOU'RE JUST GOING TO BE CONDEMNED

YOU THINK YOU CAN STILL PERFORM IN THIS KIND OF SITUATION?

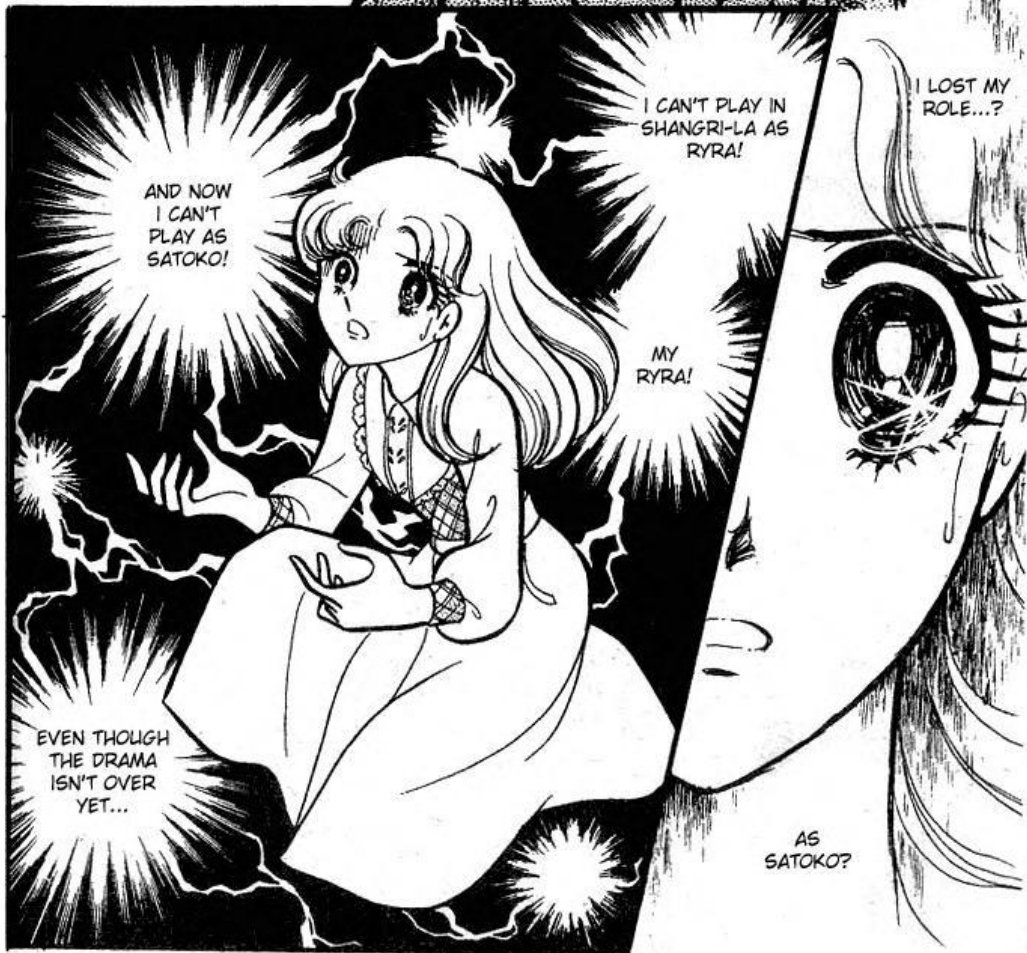
OTOBE NORIE
THEN... WHO IS GOING TO BE MIKO RYRA?
NOT PERFORMING...
NORIE...!?

DON'T MISUNDERSTAND, MAYA
FOR DAITO, NOT HAVING YOU PERFORM SHOWS THE AUDIENCE YOUR SINCEREST APOLOGIES





MAYA WON'T BE
PERFORMING
AS SATOKO IN
"TEN NO
KAGAYAKI"
ANYMORE?



AND NOW
I CAN'T
PLAY AS
SATOKO!

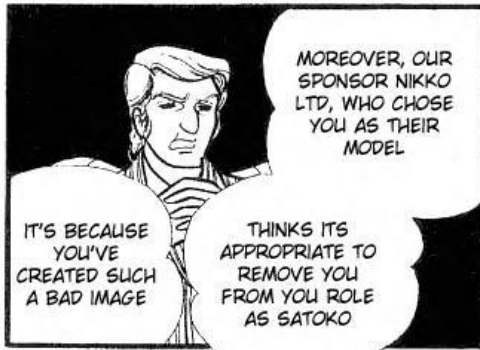
I CAN'T PLAY IN
SHANGRI-LA AS
RYRA!

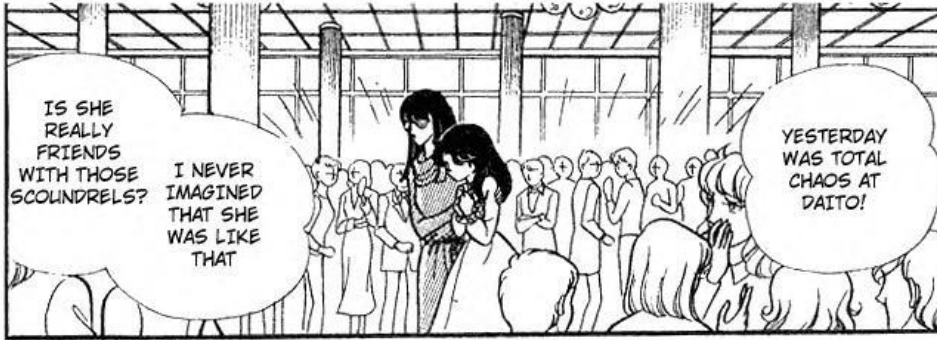
I LOST MY
ROLE...?

MY
RYRA!

EVEN THOUGH
THE DRAMA
ISN'T OVER
YET...

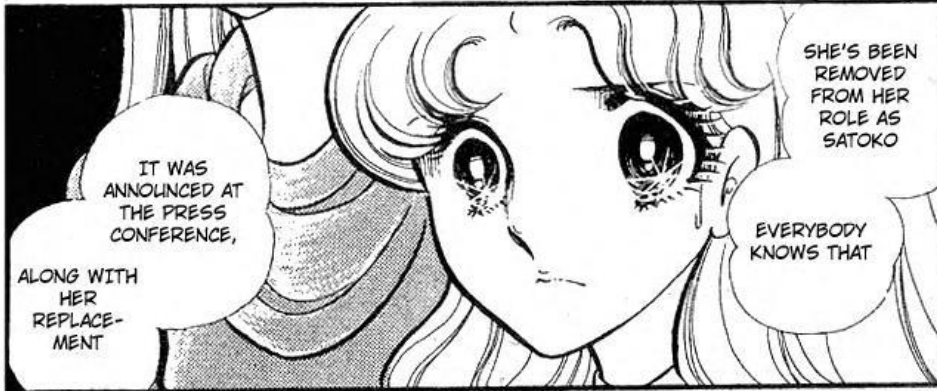
AS
SATOKO?





IS SHE REALLY FRIENDS WITH THOSE SCOUNDRELS? I NEVER IMAGINED THAT SHE WAS LIKE THAT

YESTERDAY WAS TOTAL CHAOS AT DAITO!



IT WAS ANNOUNCED AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE, ALONG WITH HER REPLACEMENT

SHE'S BEEN REMOVED FROM HER ROLE AS SATOKO EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT



LOOK, THE NEW SATOKO!

WOW! HOW BEAUTIFUL!

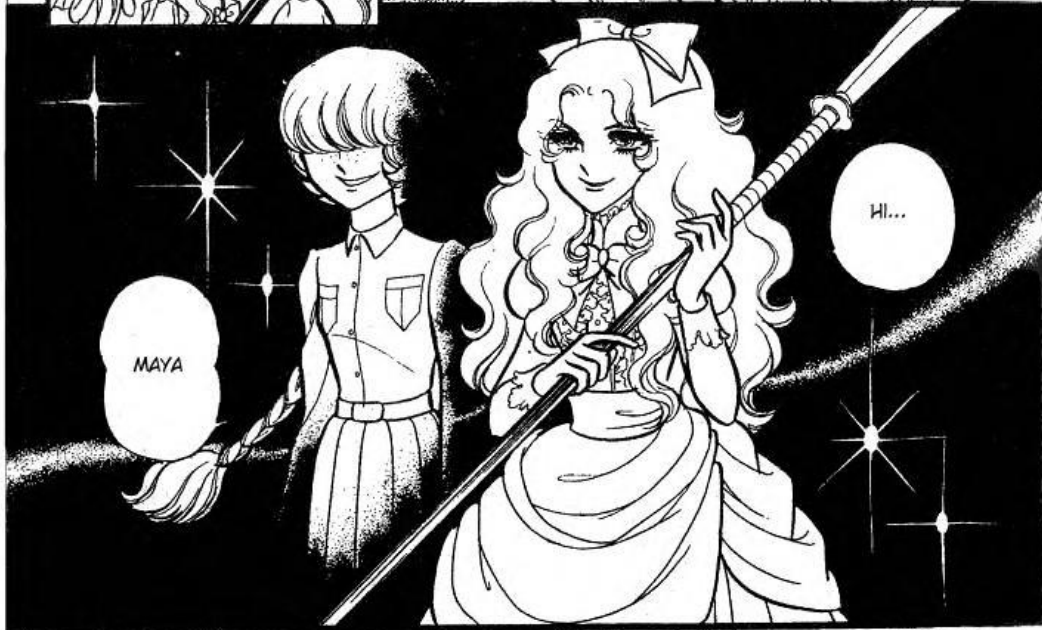
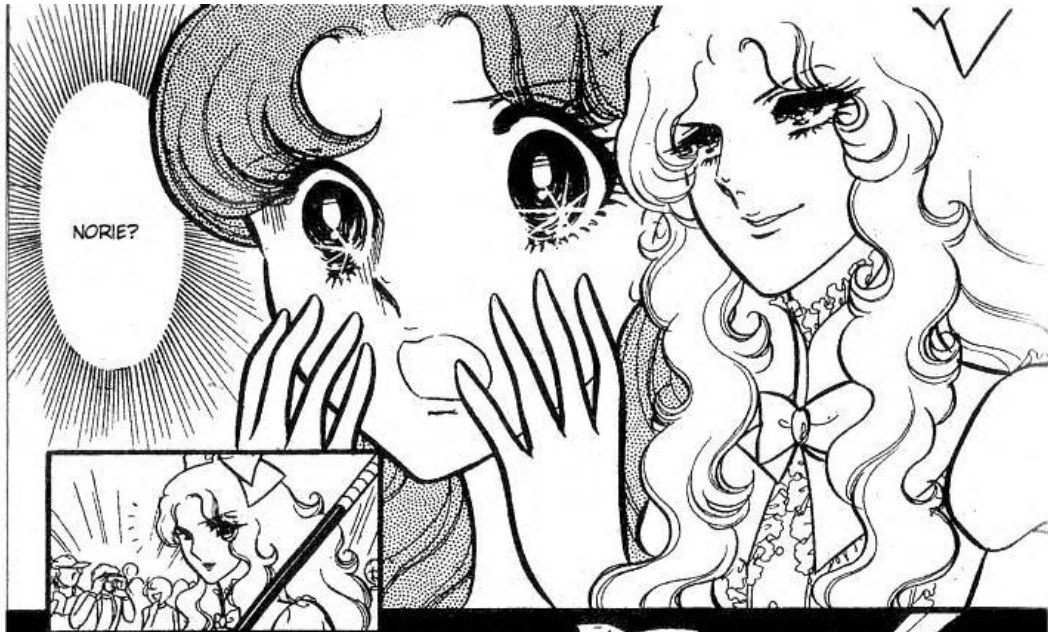
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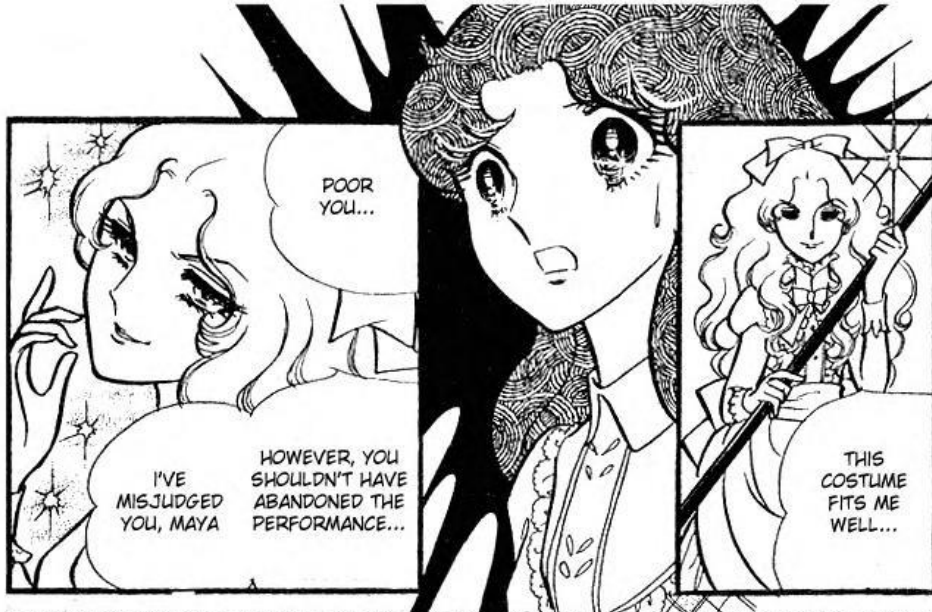
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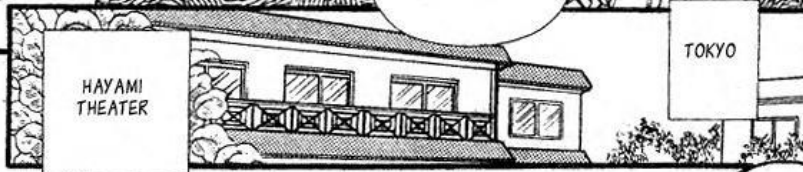
DON'T GET TOO CLOSE PLEASE!

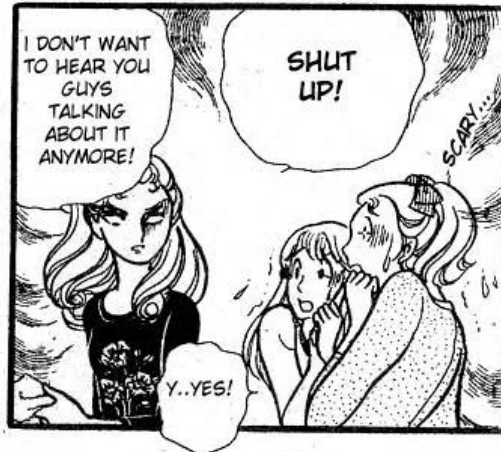
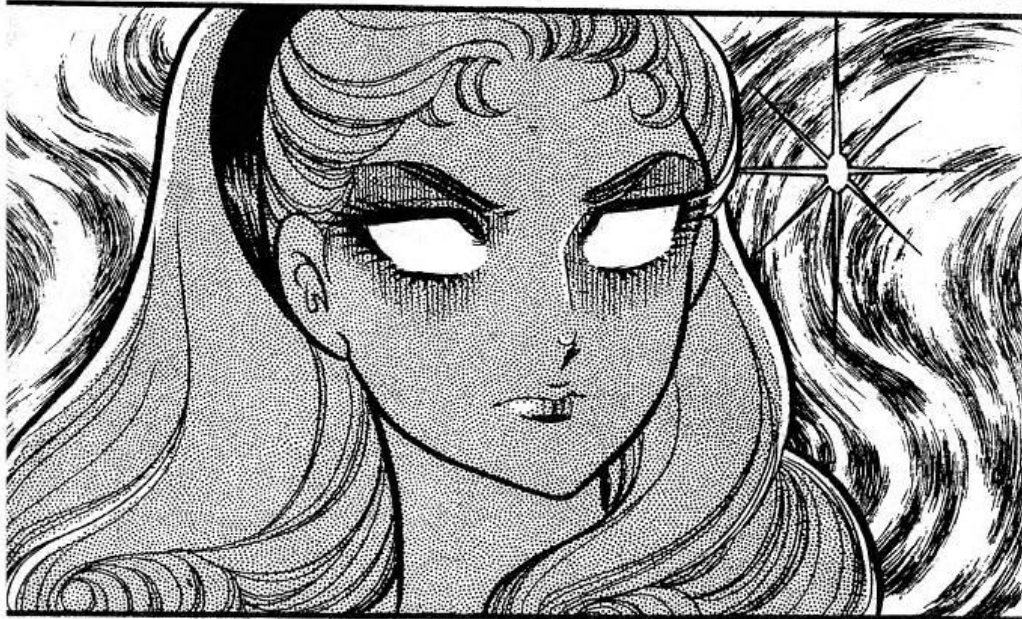
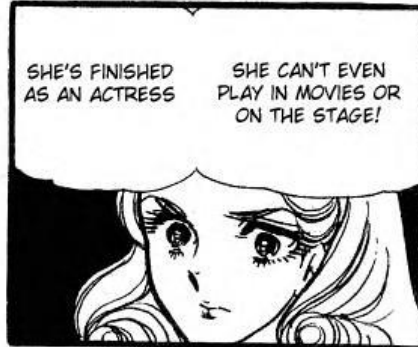
THE NEW SATOKO!?

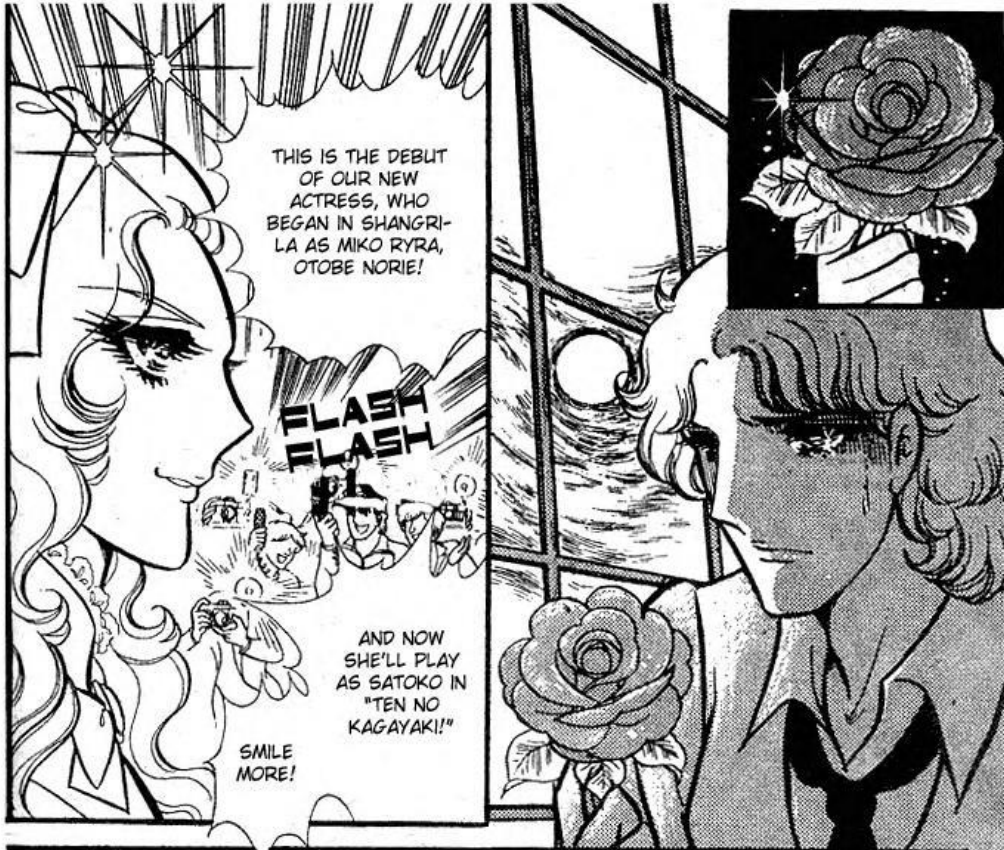












THIS IS THE DEBUT
OF OUR NEW
ACTRESS, WHO
BEGAN IN SHANGRI-
LA AS MIKO RYRA,
OTOBE NORIE!

**FLASH
FLASH**

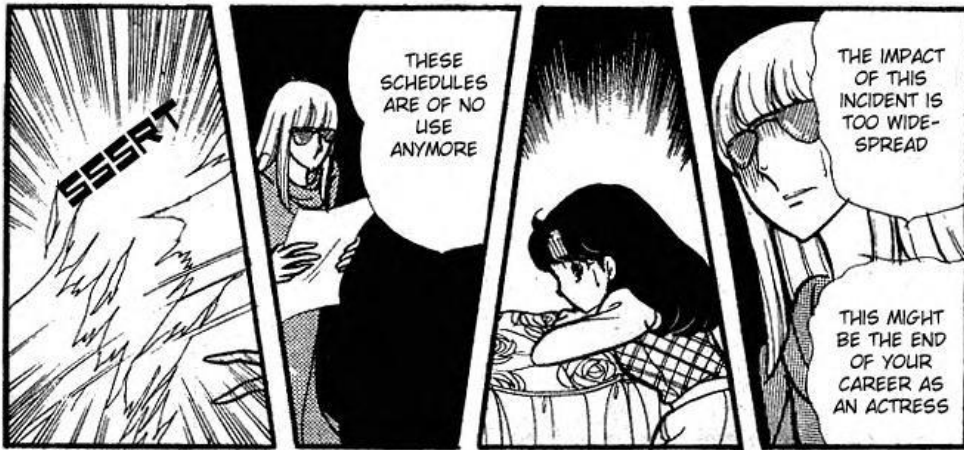
AND NOW
SHE'LL PLAY
AS SATOKO IN
"TEN NO
KAGAYAKI!"

SMILE
MORE!



EVERYTHING
HAS BEEN
CANCELLED

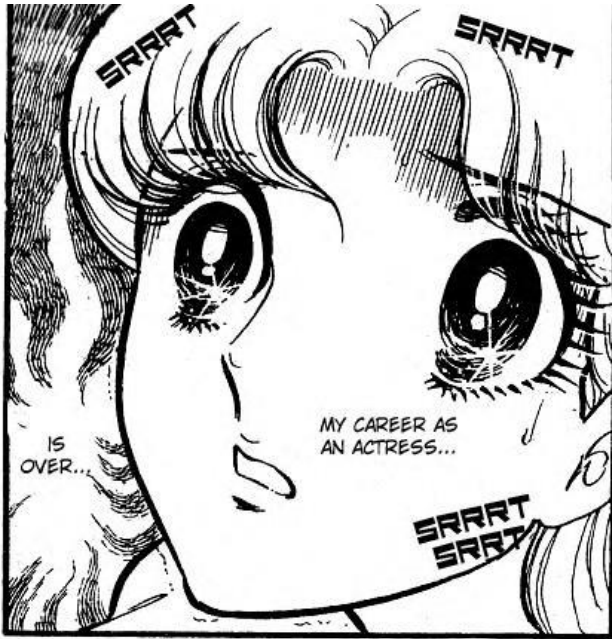
AND ALSO
THE ACTING
ROLES...
ALL THE PLANS FOR
INTERVIEWS ON TV,
THE RADIO, FOR
MAGAZINES

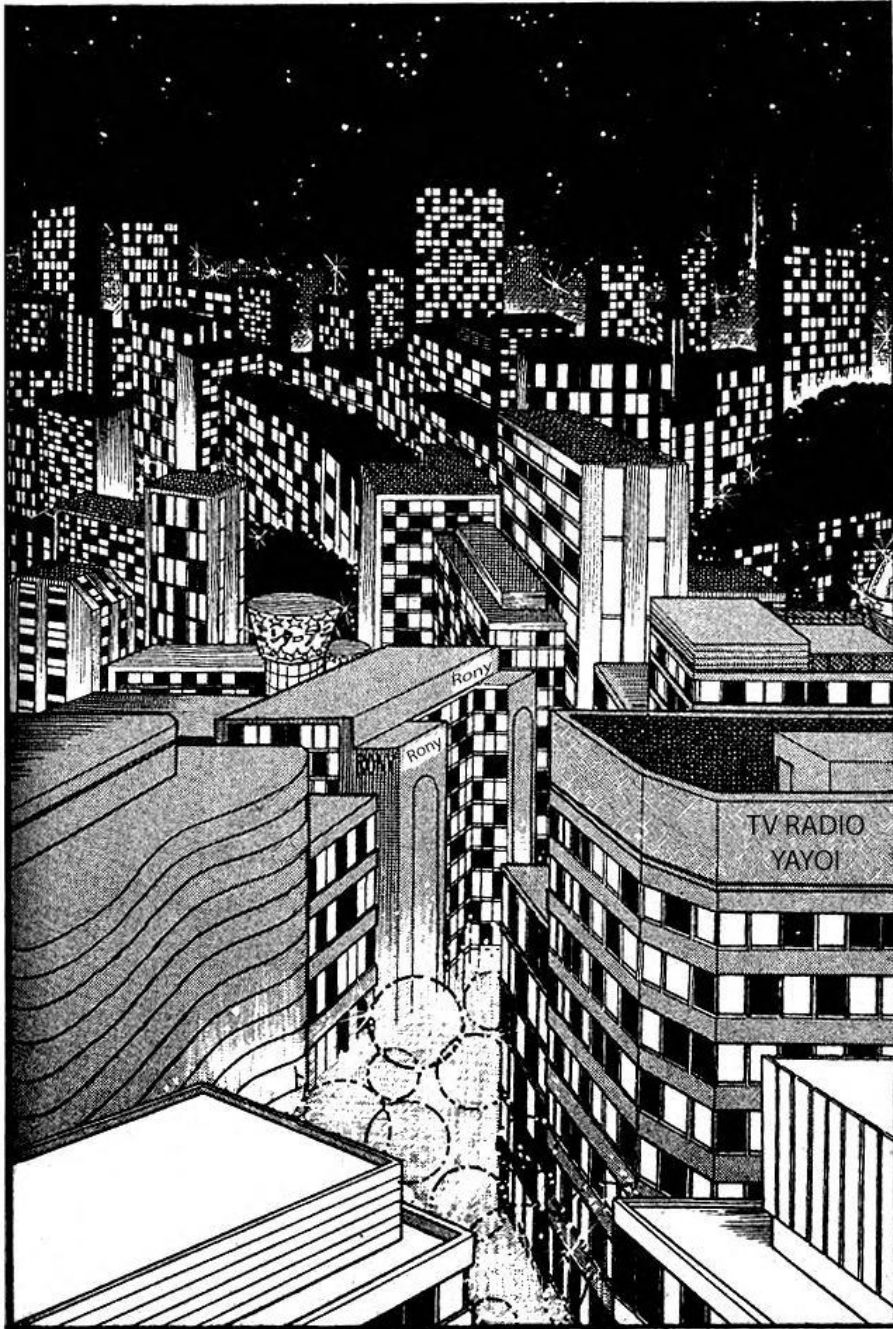


THESE
SCHEDULES
ARE OF NO
USE
ANYMORE

THE IMPACT
OF THIS
INCIDENT IS
TOO WIDE-
SPREAD

THIS MIGHT
BE THE END
OF YOUR
CAREER AS
AN ACTRESS







Kitajima Maya's failure in showbiz!



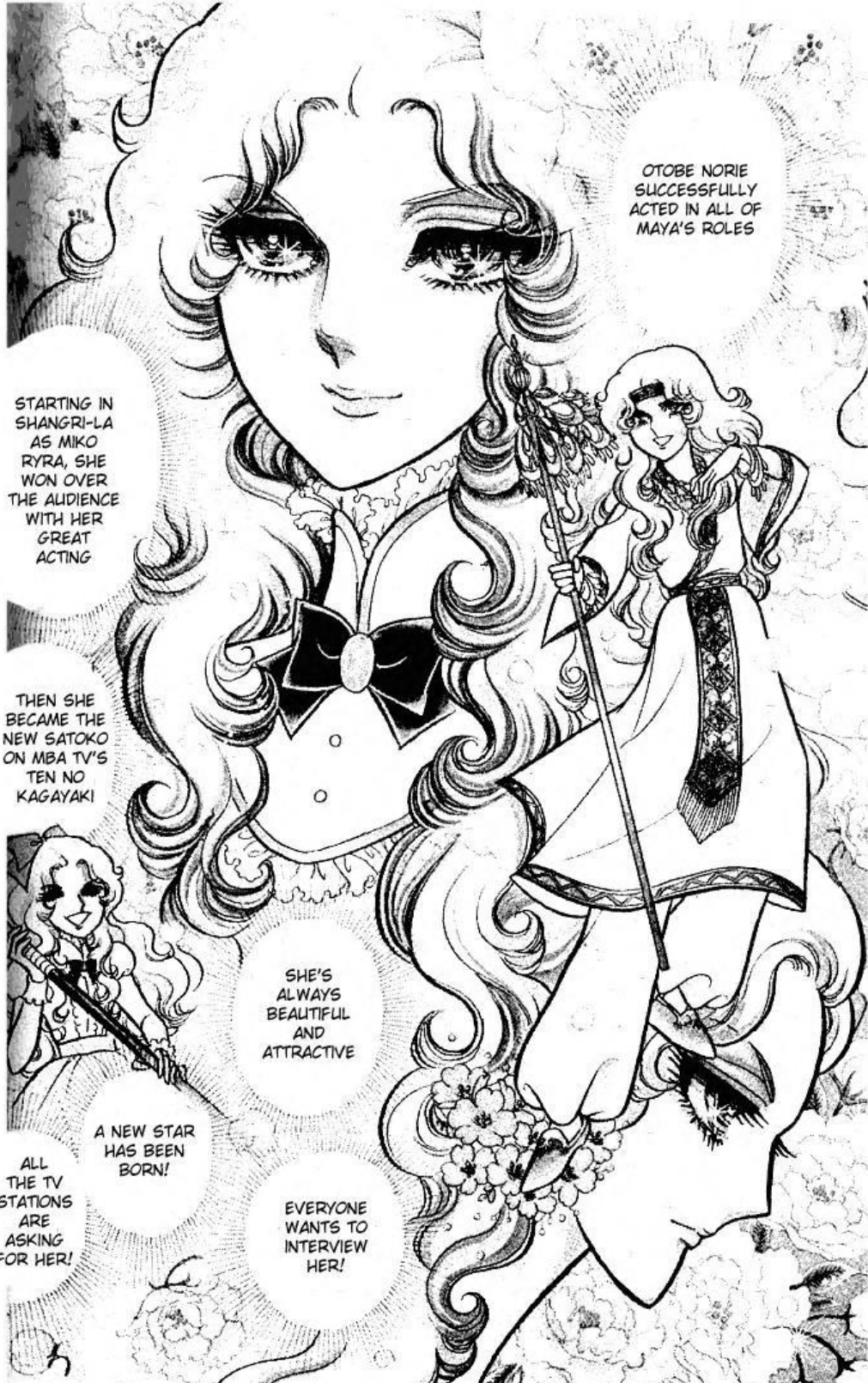
SHE'S ALSO BEEN REJECTED FROM THE TV, MOVIE, AND STAGE ROLES THAT SHE WAS GOING TO PLAY

FIRST SHE LOST HER ROLE AS MIKO RYRA IN SHANGRI-LA, AND THEN HER ROLE AS SATOKO IN TEN NO KAGAYAKI



THE OTHER CRIMSON GODDESS CANDIDATE...

GRAB



OTOBE NORIE
SUCCESSFULLY
ACTED IN ALL OF
MAYA'S ROLES

STARTING IN
SHANGRI-LA
AS MIKO
RYRA, SHE
WON OVER
THE AUDIENCE
WITH HER
GREAT
ACTING

THEN SHE
BECAME THE
NEW SATOKO
ON MBA TV'S
TEN NO
KAGAYAKI



SHE'S
ALWAYS
BEAUTIFUL
AND
ATTRACTIVE

A NEW STAR
HAS BEEN
BORN!

ALL
THE TV
STATIONS
ARE
ASKING
FOR HER!

EVERYONE
WANTS TO
INTERVIEW
HER!



IT'S DIFFERENT FROM THE DEBUT OF A NEW ACTRESS

OF COURSE PEOPLE WOULD NOTICE HER

WELL, SHE CAME AFTER KITAJIMA MAYA,

THE NEW STAR OTOBE NORIE ROSE SO QUICKLY...

TO BE A STAR, YOU NEED NOT ONLY TALENT, BUT ALSO OPPURTUNITIES



AND FOR OTOBE NORIE, KITAJIMA MAYA'S FALL IS HER GOLDEN CHANCE

TO BE A STAR, IT'S COMMON TO USE EVERY OPPORTUNITY

WHAT ABOUT ME?

EA QUAP



EXCUSE ME, I HAVE TO GO...

OH.. THANK YOU

YES.. YES...



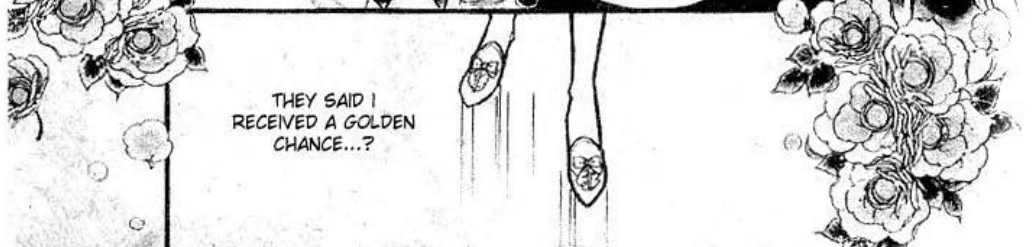
WE WERE JUST SAYING THAT YOUR SUCCESS IS LIKE A CINDERELLA STORY

OH... NOTHING NORIE!



WE WISH YOU GOOD LUCK ALWAYS

YOU BECAME A STAR IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE



THEY SAID I RECEIVED A GOLDEN CHANCE...?



THAT CHANCE
DIDN'T COME
BY ITSELF,
I MADE IT!

HAHAHA
HAHAHA

HAHAHA
HAHAHA
HAHAHA



I WON'T GET
ANOTHER
CHANCE TO
ACT?

I CAN'T ACT
ANYMORE!

MY
CAREER
AS AN
ACTRESS

IS
OVER!

FAILED IN
SHOWBIZ...

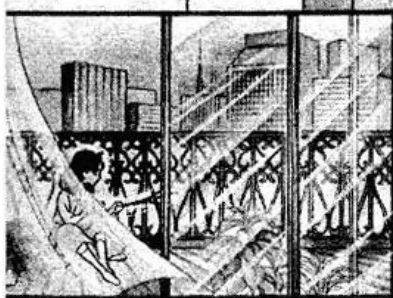
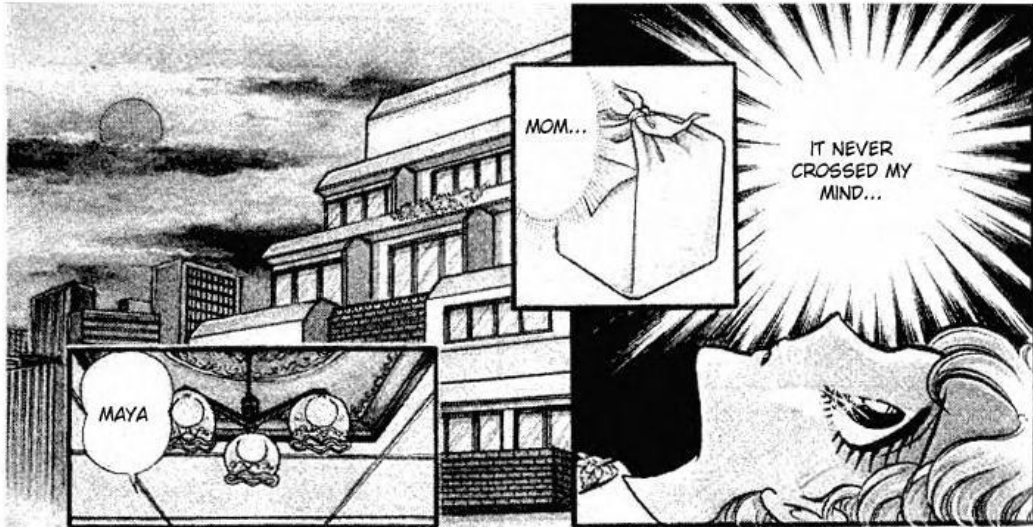


THAT I
WOULDN'T
ACT AGAIN...

IT NEVER
CROSSED
MY MIND...

NO MORE
PERFORMANCES
IN MY LIFE...

MY
CAREER...







THE CONTRACT...

REMEMBER THAT CONTRACT YOU SIGNED?

HEY, YOU'RE STILL DAITO'S



MY CAREER IS OVER NOW, RIGHT?

MAYA ...

I DON'T HAVE ANYMORE BUSINESS WITH DAITO

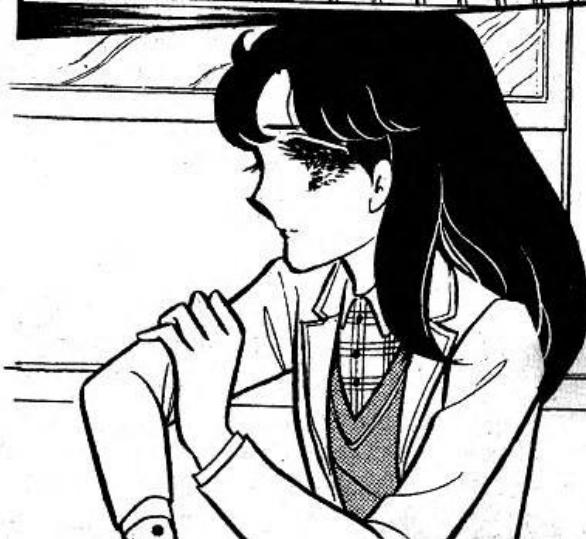
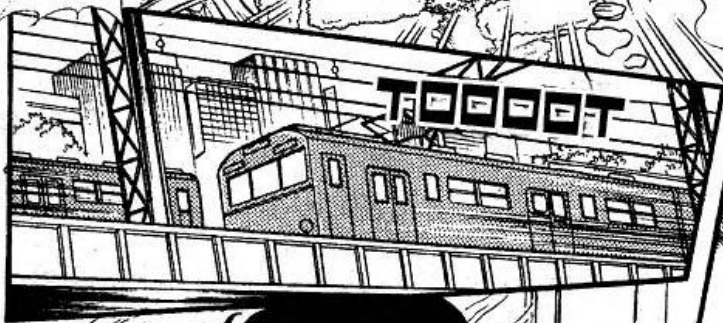


I HATE HIM!

I HATE HAYAMI MASUMI!

A...AFTER WHAT HAPPENED TO MY MOM...

I DON'T WANT ANYTHING TO DO WITH DAITO!



TSUKIKAGE-SENSEI!

WHY DID YOU PUT ME IN DAITO!?

WHY!?