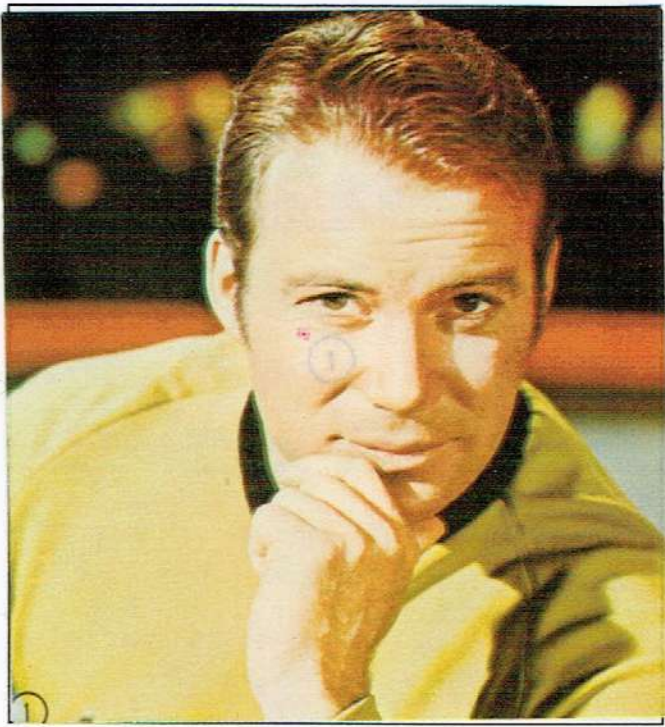


STAR TREK

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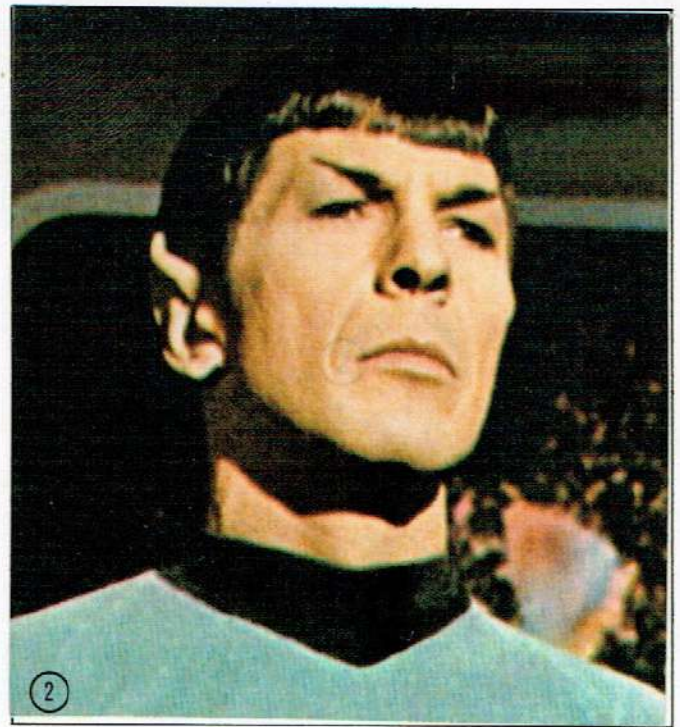


JAMES T. KIRK SC-937-0176 CEC
STARSHIP CAPTAIN
U.S.S. ENTERPRISE

The exploratory mission of the Enterprise often places the vessel beyond communication range with Star Fleet Command for extended periods, and so her captain enjoys broad jurisdiction over the lives and welfare of the crew as well as individuals encountered during her travels. He also serves as ambassador to alien civilizations within his sphere of command.

Captain Kirk is an idealist, with a complex and forceful personality. He is very aware of the critical importance of his station and acts in a considered but decisive manner.

He deports himself with full knowledge of the responsibility he holds and is a worthy leader and, as such, he has the genuine respect and support of his officers and crew.

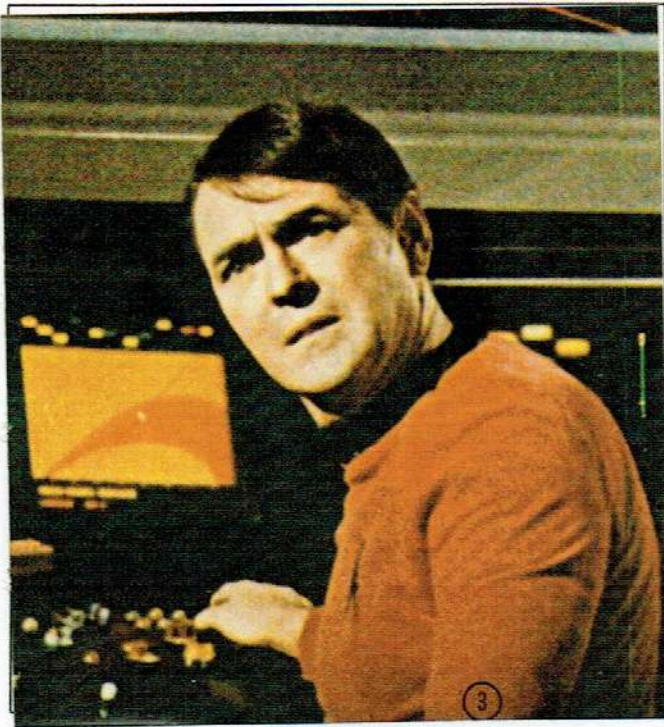


MR. SPOCK
SCIENCE OFFICER
U.S.S. ENTERPRISE

Mr. Spock is charged with the administration of all scientific departments on board and is second ranking officer. His bridge station is the library computer complex which he disposes with uncanny ability. He extracts and interprets the most complex data with extraordinary ease and arrives at ruthlessly logical conclusions with an air of rigid detachment that never ceases to confound other officers and crew members.

Spock's mother is an earth woman and his father, a Vulcan. This mixed heritage has left him with an internal conflict. He experiences emotions as would a normal man but his training requires their suppression. This results in his extremely formal demeanor toward his fellows.

Physically, the Vulcan influence is evident in his upswept eyebrows, enlarged, pointed ears and super-human strength.

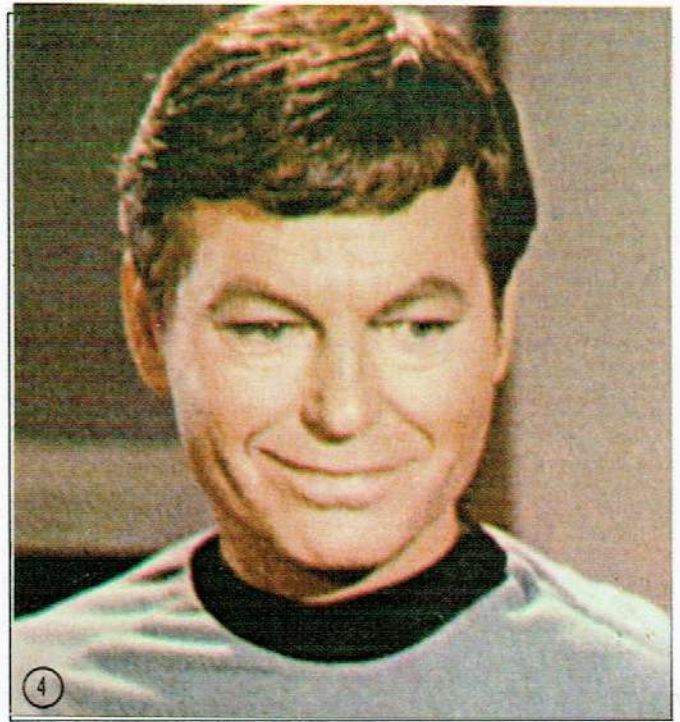


LIEUTENANT COMMANDER
MONTGOMERY SCOTT
ENGINEERING OFFICER
U.S.S. ENTERPRISE

"Scotty", as he is known to the crew probably knows more about spaceship engineering than anyone else in the star fleet. He has authored a number of books on the subject which have become space Academy textbooks.

He has logged more hours in space than anyone aboard and is familiar with the operation and maintenance of all manner of vessels.

As the engineering officer, Scotty is recognised as third in command and he directs the ENTERPRISE in the absence of Kirk and Spock.



DR. "BONES" McCOY
SENIOR SHIP'S SURGEON
U.S.S. ENTERPRISE

Dr. McCoy directs the medical department and is charged with monitoring and maintaining the physical and mental health of everyone on board.

He is the least military person on the Enterprise. His personality quirks are famous among the crew who think him a bit odd.

Dr. McCoy tends to be something of a cynic, but, if such he is, it is out of a genuine concern which he masks behind a brusque façade.

"Bones" special responsibility is the well-being of the captain and he is charged with overruling Jim Kirk in areas relating to his fitness.

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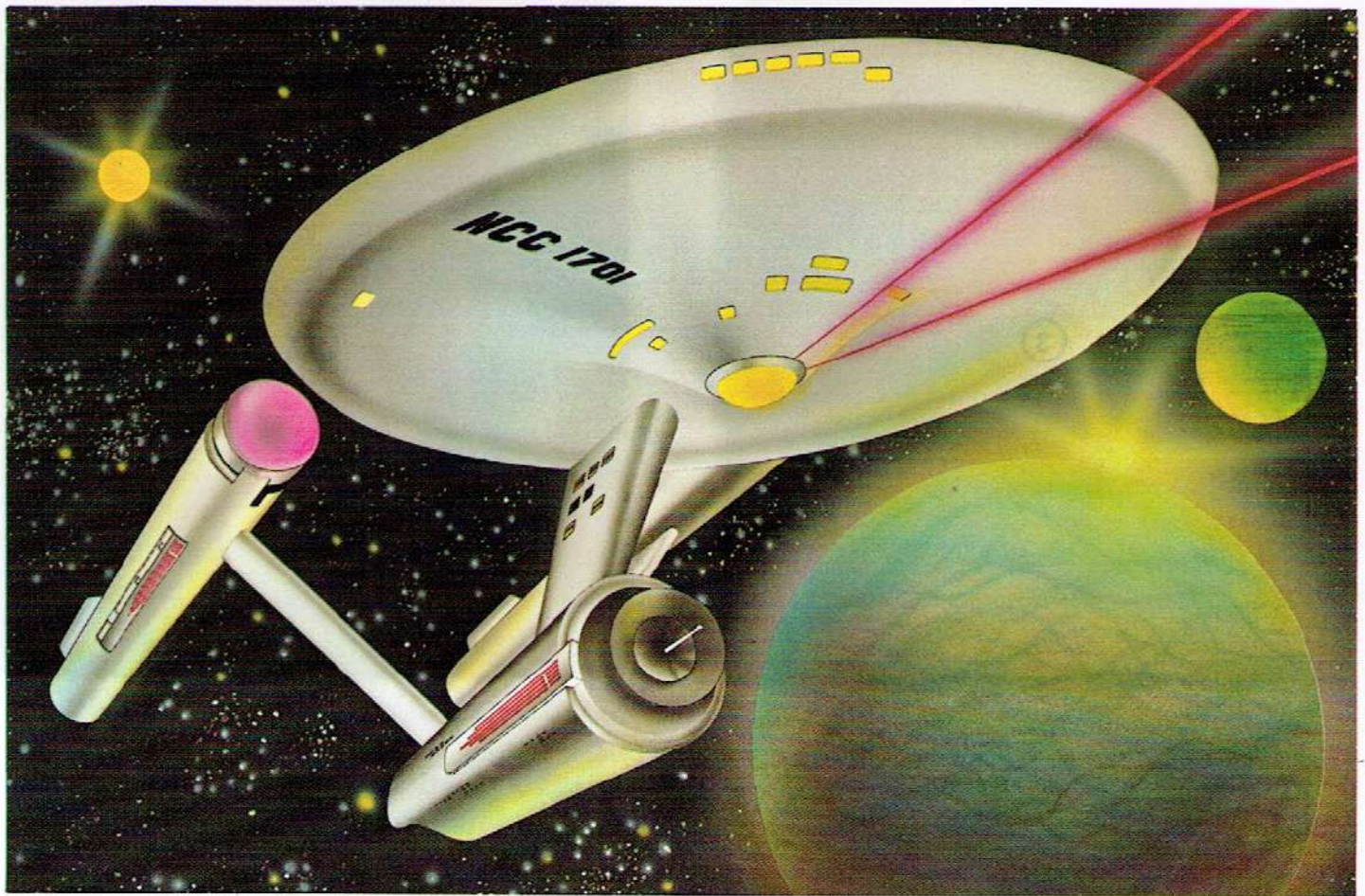
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U.S.S. ENTERPRISE — NCC 1701

The Enterprise is the largest man-made vessel in space. Nearly a fifth of a mile long, she has a gross weight of 190,000 tons. Her components were built on Earth and assembled in space. The Enterprise is not designed to land on a planet surface and, when a mission requires members of the crew to land on a planet, she enters an orbit and the landing party is "beamed" to the surface by the transporter — a device that converts matter into energy that is transmitted to the desired location and reconverted into its original form.

The Enterprise is divided into three main sections: The saucer-shaped primary hull, the cigar-shaped engineering hull, attached to the rear underside of the saucer by an access pylon, the twin engine nacelles housing the main stardrive engines, attached to the engineering hull by slender pylons.

The stardrive engines are capable of hurling the Enterprise through space

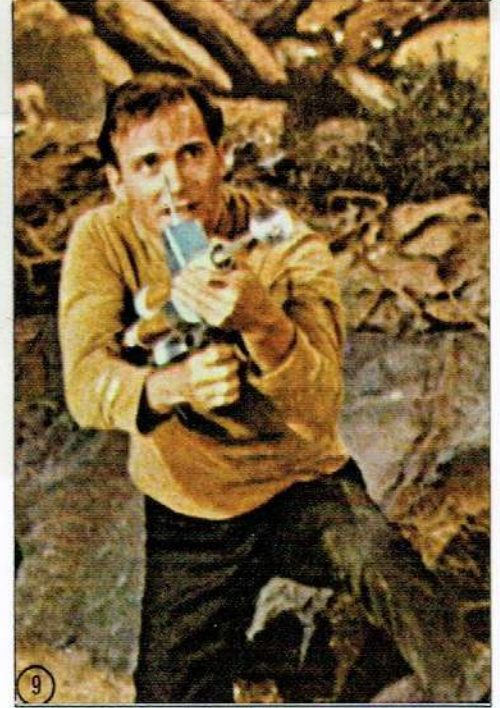
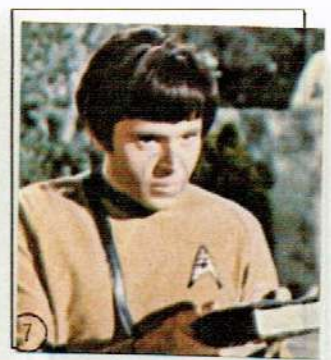
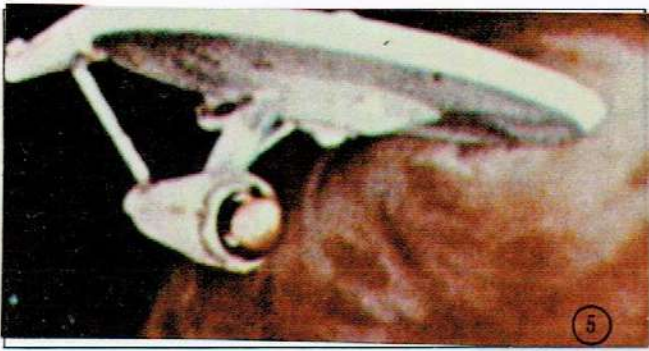
at speeds of up to "warp factor 8" or 512 times the speed of light. (Warp factor 1 is the speed of light or 700,000,000 miles per hour.)

The central bulge at the top of the saucer is "Deck One" and houses the bridge, the nerve center of the ship's complex operations. This is Captain Kirk's station.

WEAPONS

The main phaser banks are located on the underside of the saucer but may also be fired from the area surrounding the bridge. They may be set to dematerialize, disrupt, heat or stun. The ship also carries a second type of offensive weapon — the photon torpedos, which are matter/anti-matter explosion devices.

The Enterprise is equipped with a deflector shield that is automatically activated by the ship's sensing devices at the approach of any potential danger. The shield is an invisible and impenetrable barrier to any but the most powerful forces.



THE SIEGE

CAPTAIN'S LOG, STAR DATE 3963.

(5) The Enterprise has entered a standard orbit around T-53976-D-5 during the course of an exploratory mission. Telescopic examination of the planetary surface has revealed the remains of a city, devoid of any indication of life. It has been decided to organize a landing party to investigate the apparent disappearance of civilization on this world.

(6) Captain Kirk, Doctor McCoy, Mr. Spock and Ensign Chekov were beamed to the surface and proceeded to record all relevant data within the ruins of the city.

(7) Ensign Chekov was charged with the task of employing the tricorder to record details of the scene for subsequent analysis aboard the Enterprise.

(8) The Captain and Dr. McCoy paused to speculate as to the cause of the abandonment of the city and the

absence of any intelligent life on the planet.

(9) Suddenly, a change came over Captain Kirk. His eyes became unfocused and devoid of awareness; his body tensed, then exploded into frenzied action. He dropped to one knee with arms held as if he were firing a phaser rifle — which is exactly what he thought he was doing as, in his mind, he was reliving, as reality, a confrontation with a power-mad psychotic starship commander experienced two years previously.

(10) Kirk fired point-blank at the would-be Galactic conqueror, only to see the beam splash harmlessly off his psychokinetic shield. Within that second, as Kirk recognized his foe's invulnerability, his perception was wrenched violently into another mental reality and weaponless, he now faced the grotesque reptilian creature he had



battled in an isolated arena a year ago, to determine the fate of the Enterprise and her crew.

"Dr. McCoy!" Spock shouted — "the Captain ..."

"Quickly, give me a hand." McCoy replied as he threw himself on the wildly struggling Kirk, pinning his legs and bringing him down.

(12) *Kirk was trapped. As he tried to escape the creature's attack, he suddenly found his legs enmeshed in a crude net and he fell heavily to the ground. He kicked himself free and leaped to his feet, only to meet the powerful alien's charge head-on.*

"I can't hold him!" cried McCoy as the Captain struggled free and leaped up — into the arms of Spock.

(13) *Kirk felt the creature's death grip tightening about his chest when abruptly his consciousness was once again violently torn into yet another parallel hallucination.*

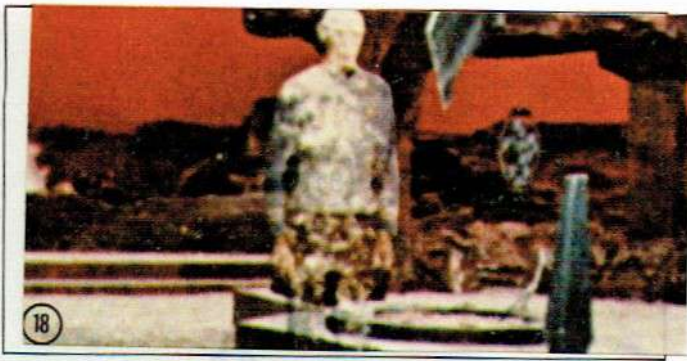
"Dr. McCoy, pin his arms with your belt." shouted Spock as he released Kirk's arms — groped for the nerve complex at the juncture of the neck and shoulder and expertly applied the correct pressure to interrupt consciousness.

(14) *He found himself helplessly roped, facing the hostile natives of a planet visited some months previously — then everything dissolved into darkness.*

CHAPTER TWO

(33) Once again aboard the Enterprise, the landing party having been beamed up immediately after the Captain was subdued, Kirk lay in the diagnostic bed with Dr. McCoy attending.

"There is no apparent organic cause for Jim's seizure, nor is there any precedent in his medical history," McCoy reported to Spock on the inship view screen. "Also, this was not a typical



seizure by any known reference; Jim expended an incredible amount of energy in that short time. He is drained to exhaustion."

(16) "I believe it to have been induced," replied Spock. "Immediately prior to the Captain's collapse, Chekov recorded the presence of an energy field that I have since analysed and found to have been of the particular frequency and amplitude to disrupt the brain's alpha waves. Consider that the build-up of psychic and physical energy that would be triggered by the disruption would seem to have been siphoned off, requiring Jim's body to release more energy, and in ever increasing amounts to the point where, had we not been successful in subduing him for another few seconds, he would have burned himself out, beyond recovery."

"It is only logical to assume that we were under attack, or ... rather that something was ... feeding ... on us! Have you —"

"Spock! We *are* under attack!" shouted McCoy. "I'm now getting reports from all over the ship. The men are ... about ten percent of the



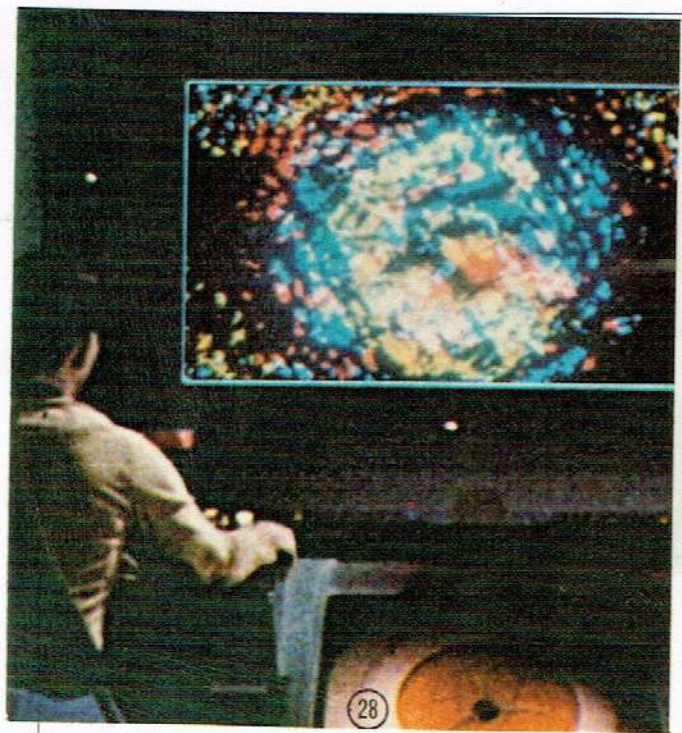
crew are ... possessed! What do you — Spock! You look ... What is it?"

(18) *He materialized under a blood-red sky within a circle of rough-hewn monoliths. "The Vulcan circle of worth" he mused, as he slowly walked forward, toward the waiting dignitaries who were to present him with one of Vulcan's highest honors in appreciation of his decisive part in the defense of his native planet against a powerful enemy.*

(17) McCoy, having broadcast orders throughout the ship that all afflicted personnel should be forcibly subdued and tranquilized, or, in extreme cases, stunned by phaser, hastened to the birdge to find Spock, oblivious to external stimuli under the field's influence, yet seated calmly before the master console, with no trace of the anguished convulsions characterizing the other victims.

(19) *As Spock stood before the ruler and offered the Vulcan salute, proudly prepared to receive the medalion of worth, gradually the scene began to fade; people and objects became indistinct ...*

Then, with clear awareness, he was on the birdge of the Enterprise as his



actual sensory perceptions gained ascendancy over the induced hallucination.

CHAPTER THREE

(28) Ensign Martin sat nervously at his station before the master view screen, wondering if he himself might not, at any moment, "freak out", like so many of the others. He had heard that fully a third of the crew was under sedation with others still running amuck and more falling prey to the field every minute. He started violently as, with crashing suddenness, the viewscreen erupted into brilliant coruscating patterns of light.

"Mr. Spock! The viewscreen!"

(15) "I see it, replied Spock, and sensors report no exterior phenomenon that could account for it. Therefore, the field has reached the wavelength that will disrupt the ship's computer.

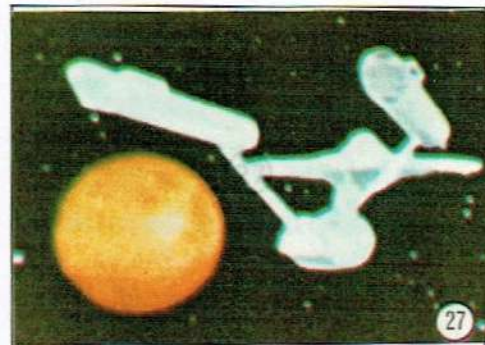
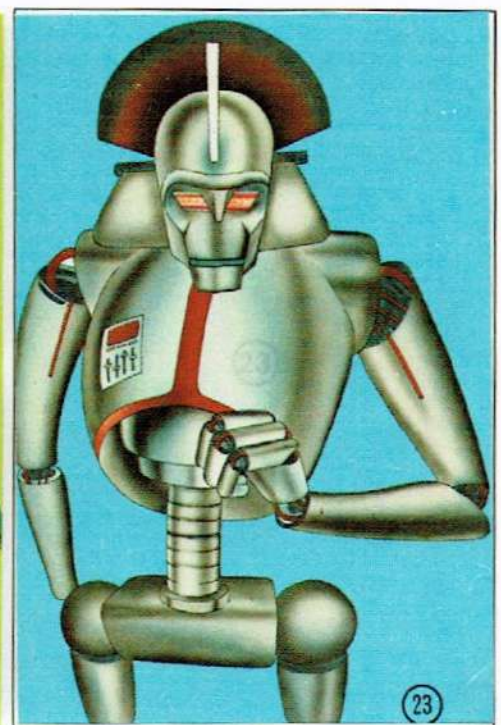
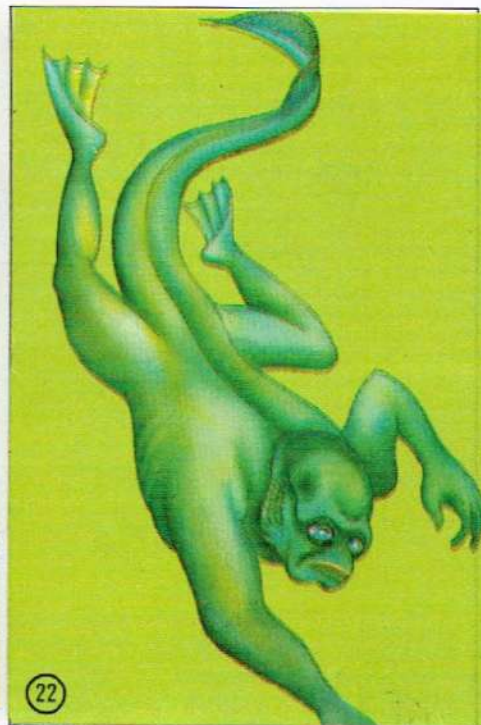
Override automatic control functions but don't shut down the computer! I think this may be fortunate indeed! Raise deflector shields to minimum power and gradually increase potential!"

(20) "*Composite Rendering*" intoned the flat metallic voice of their computer audible read-out, as a strangely menacing graphic print-out of an alien appeared on the viewscreen. "*Native of fourth planet, star list number 59436, — quadrant D, type yellow. Hostile early off-shoot of Klingon civilization...*"

"Mr. Spock," Lieutenant Uhura cried, "medical department reports Captain Kirk has vanished! He showed minor signs of breaking through sedation, then without warning, leaped from the bed and fled the department. Attempts to recapture unsuccessful! Present whereabouts unknown!"

(21) "*Composite Rendering*" audio read-out droned on. "*Native, Planet 6, star list 53944, quadrant D, type red. Alien humanoid, hostile, cultural/ technological quotient 2150-B — optimum environment — equatorial region, mean temperature 14 C, atmospheric pressure 55 kg/cm , gravity factor 3.7 — Sensory apparatus: visible spectrum 0.00013 ...*"

"Attention, all personnel," barked Spock into the master communicator, his voice echoing the full length of the ship, "Condition Red. Captain Kirk is possessed by an alien intelligence and



is at large in the Enterprise. Seal all transporter rooms immediately! If the Captain is located, subdue, without causing him to lose consciousness."

"Spock!" McCoy shouted. "What the devil is going on?"

((26) "There is no time." Spock replied, "This may be our only chance to survive this menace. Mr. Scott! Increase power to deflector shields to maximum, in increments to be spread over the next two minutes; time for me to reach the Shuttlecraft Bay."

(22) *"Composite Rendering: Native planet 3, star list 53974 — quadrant D; type blue-white. Alien aquatic humanoid ..."*

(24) "Mr. Scott," Spock called into his portable communicator as he was transported to the rear of the secondary

hull where lay the shuttlecrafts, "maintain deflector shields at maximum until you receive my signal, then cut all power in that instant." At the entrance to the shuttlecraft hatch, he paused for a second, then swiftly entered, to find himself face to face with Captain Kirk.

(27) The outlines of the Enterprise blurred within the screen of coruscating energy as the deflectors, generating enough power to run a city, formed an all but impenetrable shield about the ship.

(23) *"Composite Rendering of robotic agent of Planet 3, star list 53974 — quadrant D; type, blue-white. Synthetic humanoid devised and constructed by aquatic inhabitants for extra planetary contact and exch-----"*



(30) "It was only logical that I should find you here, Jim," said Spock, as he slowly raised his phaser.

"Mr. Scott! — NOW!"

In that instant, three things happened:

— The deflector shield ceased to exist, snuffed out like a candle.

(29) — On the main viewscreen, a ghastly face appeared, frozen in surprise.

— Spock fired a lethal disrupt beam, at full charge, into Jim Kirk.

CHAPTER FOUR

"My analysis of the field," explained Mr. Spock, "showed that it disrupted consciousness in individuals possessing alpha wave patterns susceptible to its wave length. Its effect was to evoke memories with a strong emotional charge and cause the victim to relive them with a consequent discharge of psychic energy which was skimmed off and absorbed by the field. In the case of a human, the memories would be "life or death" situations where fear and tension would be at a high. In my case, — being trained to suppress such human emotions, the memory was of a great honor bestowed me, the emotional concomitant being pride and a sense of justice.

The field locked in on the ship when the Captain was beamed up, and began affecting personnel on board. We were defenseless as we could not locate its source for a counter-attack until the computer began to be affected.

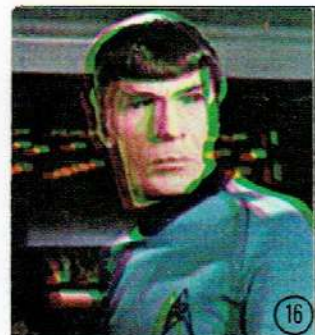
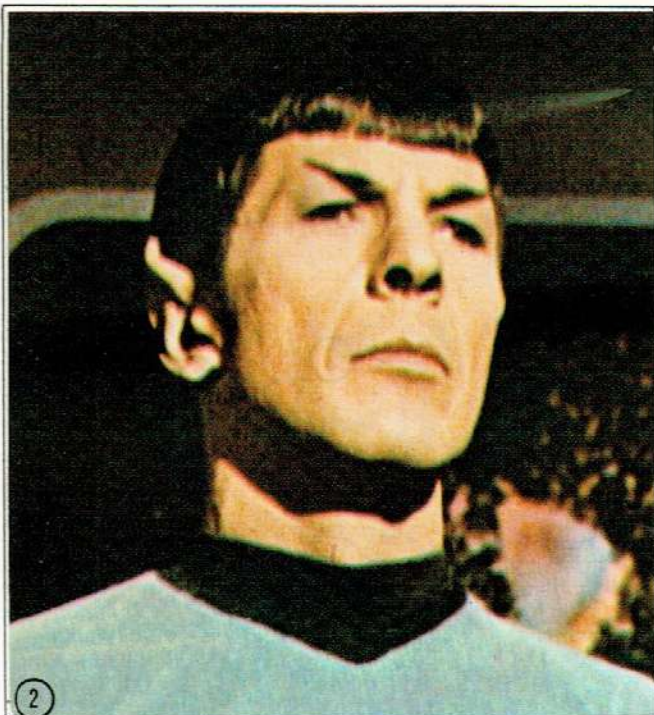
I knew the computer output would not be random but would employ all its agencies automatically to identify and establish a point of contact with the source of the disconcerting force.

When the Captain disappeared, I realized that the field was using him as a channel, the open end of a link between the Enterprise and the field's source, and its controller wanted him at large so we could not act upon him to stop its influence.

I ordered the deflectors on so that the field would require more and more power to maintain the link.

The face on the viewscreen was that of our protagonist as the computer, in that instant when the deflectors were lowered, established a communications link with the field generator, much to our enemy's surprise.

The disruptive energy I fired at Jim was entirely absorbed by the field and left him untouched, but destroyed the field's coherency and broke its hold on the Captain.



(31) The enormous amount of energy built up to counteract the deflectors was then snapped back to its source in an awesome backlash."

(25) "With what result, Mr. Spock?" asked the fully recovered captain.

(32) "The computer, in that instant, established its link with the field control and recorded its location as being in a mountainous region bordering the city," Spock replied, "but as that area lies on the far side of the planet, we can only surmise as to the results."

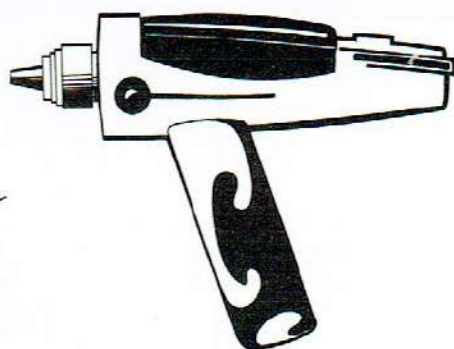
EPILOG

On the planet surface, in sight of the ruins explored by the landing party, almost exactly one second after Spock cried "NOW!", a mountain erupted in a blinding flash. Dull orange clouds of vaporized matter streaked with incandescent super-heated gasses coiled menacingly upward into a darkened sky, accompanied by a thundering crash of sound that rolled across the landscape leaving it shattered and trembling in its wake.



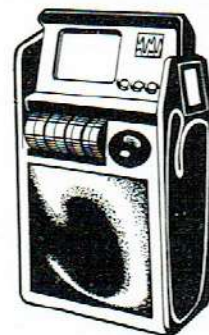
COMMUNICATOR

A small device that serves for communications between members of the landing party and between the party and the ship. It also functions as a tracer for the transporter.



PHASER

A hand-held weapon based on the principle of coherent energy emission. It may be set to dematerialize, heat, stun, or kill.



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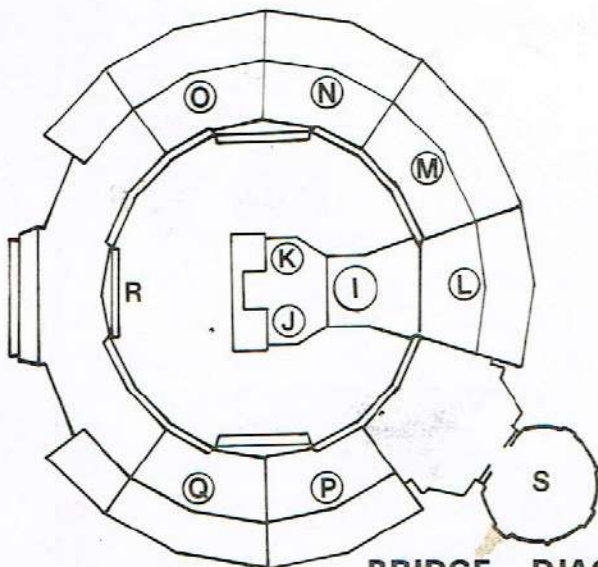
An instrument carried by a member of the landing party to record environmental conditions, observations and events for subsequent playback and analysis.



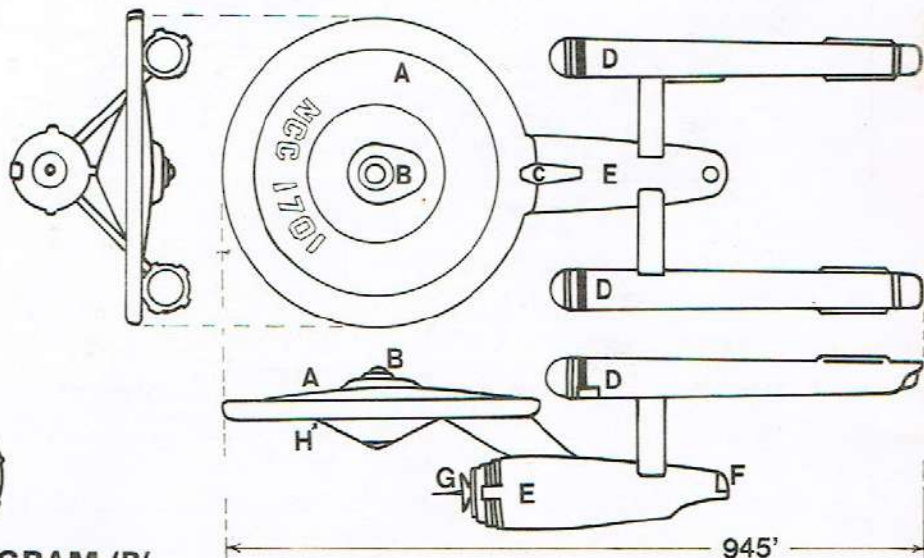
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- B - BRIDGE
- C - IMPULSE POWER UNIT
- D - PROPULSION UNITS
- E - SECONDARY HULL
- F - SHUTTLE CRAFT DECK
- G - MAIN SENSOR
- H - MAIN PHASER

BRIDGE DIAGRAM 'B'

- I - CAPTAIN
- J - HELM
- K - NAVIGATOR
- L - COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER
- M - SCIENCE OFFICER
- N - ASSISTANT NAVIGATOR
- O - DEFENSE AND WEAPONS OFFICER
- P - ENGINEERING OFFICER
- Q - ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING OFFICER
- R - MAIN VIEWSCREEN
- S - ELEVATOR



BRIDGE DIAGRAM 'B'



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