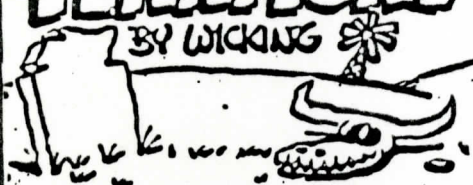


TOMBSTONE TERRITORY

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DUE TO THEIR POOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SITUATION TOMBSTONE TERRITORY'S INDIANS WERE MORE SUSCEPTIBLE TO HEALTH PROBLEMS THAN MOST OTHER PEOPLE...

UH-OH!
MY LEG'S
JUST DROPPED
OFF...



ONE OF THE MOST PREVALENT PROBLEMS HAD TO DO WITH PARASITES... ONE PARASITE IN PARTICULAR WOULD LATCH ONTO THE INDIANS WITH SUCH PASSION THAT IT WAS NEAR IMPOSSIBLE TO DISLODGE IT... IT WAS CALLED A 'WHITE ADVISER'...

FORGET THE
TWEEZERS!
GET MY
CHAINSAW!



THE WHITE ADVISERS COULD BE RECOGNISED BY THEIR COLORFUL PLUMAGE WHICH USUALLY CONSISTED OF BEARDS, TIE-DYED SHIRTS AND PURPLE FLARED TROUSERS...

...SORRY, BUT
THAT SHIRT
MADE ME SICK...

DON'T WORRY!
NOBODY'LL
NOTICE...



THEY WERE CONSUMED TO THE POINT OF OBSESSION BY AN OVERWHELMING URGE TO PROVE HOW GUILTY THEY FELT ABOUT THE INDIAN'S SAD TREATMENT AT THE HANDS OF THE SETTLERS...

I FEEL SO
SOB
ASHAMED...

IF THIS KEEPS UP
WE'LL HAVE TO
TAKE TO THE
CANOES...



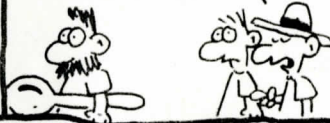
INFORMATION ON THE CHARACTER OF THE WHITE ADVISERS COULD BE FOUND IN THE 'GOODY TWO-SHOES' SECTION OF THE ENCYCLOPEDIA...

'SEE ALSO: POMPOUS,
ARROGANT BASTARD...'



THE SETTLERS THEMSELVES HAD LITTLE TIME FOR THE WHITE ADVISERS AND SIMPLY REFERRED TO THEM AS 'STIRRERS'...

...HE MUST BE A FAIRLY
HIGH UP ONE... YOU CAN
TELL BY THE SIZE OF
THE SPOON...



IN FACT, THE SETTLERS WERE SOMETIMES SO UNIMPRESSED WITH THE WHITE ADVISERS THAT PUNCHING ONE OUT IN THE PUB WAS CONSIDERED A MAJOR TRIUMPH...

I THINK YOU
GOT HIM!



WHAT THE WHITE ADVISERS DID NOT REALISE WAS THAT THE INDIANS WERE ACTUALLY QUITE CLEVER AND WERE CAPABLE OF LOOKING AFTER THEMSELVES...

NO, REALLY... WE
CAN HANDLE COOKING
THE GOANNA...



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